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## THE NEW YEAR.

The year which opens toutlay should be a notable one in the long history of ringing. A Coronation is one of the great events in the life of a nation, and in this land of ours the bells for centuries have been used to express the feelings of the people. Next May the ringers will be called upon to play their part in the national celebrations. The 'pealing of the bells' will be expected in every town and village where possible, and it will be the bellringer's great opportunity, not only to share in the rejoicings in his own peculiar way, but to demonstrate the recognised part which the bells play in events of real importance. The more ringers can show that they are ready to discharge these duties on public occasions the more ready will the public be to accept the activities of the ringers on other occasions.

There are two things in this connection to which ringers should forthwith devote their attention. One is that they should see that their bells are in reasomable ringing order. It is not always a question of calling in a bell hanger; a spanner put round the frame and on the nuts on the headstocks will often work wonders, if applied with intelligence. Many a bad-going bell is the result of negligence. The importance of keeping the bolts of the frame and the bells tight is often overlooked. They should be regularly overhauled at all times, but we drop the hint that they should reccive special attention now, with the Coronation in view, because good ringing can hardly be expected on bells that go badly.
That leads us to the second point-good ringing. Do not let us imagine that because the belis are to be rung for an occasion of public rejoicing that any kind of ringing will do. Let every band try to put up really good ringing-not only for their own pleasure and satisfaction, but because the public appreciates good ringing. Because the pubfic does not understand our art, let us not run away with the idea that they do not know the difference between good and bad ringing. They do know the difference. It should always be the aim of ringers to improve their striking, and it is as important that the ringing for the Coronation festivities should be good as it is that Sunday service ringing should reach a high level. Let ringers see to it, therefore, that they perfect themselves as far as possible between this and the great event next May. Practise with the definite idea of being able to ring at least one method well for the King's Coronation and thus make the ringing worthy of the occasion.
So, at the outset of what will doubtless prove a memorable year, let the ringers lay their plans in order that in their particular department they may do themselves justice. Let them also lend a helping hand to their

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weaker neighbours who may be struggling to get some sort of efficiency into new and raw material. It may not be an interesting task, but it may be of immense value to some other band. Indeed, if there is one thing we would urge as a 'good resolution' for this new year it is that ringers should not only strive to make themselves more proficient, but should seek out those less able than themselves and help them with practical assistance and morai encouragement. And so we wish our readers a happy and prosperous new year, success in their undertakings and plenty of good ringing.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BLRMINGEAM.
THE ST. MARTN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOOESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, December 20, 1936, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes. Ai the Cherca of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5039 CHANGES; Tenor 37 cwt.
William Short ... ... ...Tyeble |Harry Middeleton ... ... 7 Joseph T. Dyke ...... Albert Walker ...... Grorge E. Fbarn ... ... 4 Frant E. Previn .... ... io Wieliam C. Dowding ... 5 Artide E. Pbgebr ... .... il Sydney O. Holloway ... 6 Jamrs H. Sheperrd .... ... Ther Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Alberi Walker.
Rung on the 35 th anuiversary of the recond peal of 11,111 Stedman Cinques at St. Martin's. This composition contains the starting and trining courses of the original peal.

## PSWICH.

THE SUFFOLK GULLD.
On Sadurday, December 26. 1936, in Three Hours and Fordy-Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary-le-Tower,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 8136 CHANGE8; Tenor 32 cwt.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGE DIOUESAN GUILD.
Om Sathrday, Decenber 26. 1936, in Three Hours \& Twenty-Four Minars,
At tee Cegrce of SS, Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, S105 CHANGES 1
Tenor 24 cwt .
Matthias Hobbs... .... ...Tyeble | Robert F. Tijrnbr ... ... 6
Harry Baxter ... ... ... 2 Cenarees W, Blrd...

Jobn Sadington ... ... 4 Robrrt G, Black ...
Borley P. Morris $. . . \quad . . .5 \quad 5 \quad$ Frank Warringion ... Composed and Conducted by W. P. Waiteread,

* First peal of Steiluan Caters. Rung in honour of the Accession of H.M. King George VI.


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[^0]STOCKPORT, CHESEIRE TH2 CHESTER DTOCESAS GUILD
On Saturday, Decenber 26, 1936, in Thyee Hours and Eighter Minutes, At tae Parish Ceurce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 6040 CHANGES; Tenor $2 \& \mathrm{cwt}$.
Wifin. Sterl ... ...Trehe Linal Clogge ... ... 6
†Harry W. Howard ......
-Kendeta Lewis ... ... 4 G Gorge W. Biddelph ... 9
-James A. Milnbr ... ... 5 Jobn Worta ... ... ...Tinor Composed by J. Teres. Conducted by Joun Worta

* First peal in the method on ter bells. it Fiust peal on ten bells. L. Glongfi's 50th peal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LONDON.
THE NATIONAL POLICE GUILD.
On Wedresday, December 16, 1936 , in Three Hours and Sit Minhtes At the Cegrgh of St. Grorge-the-Martyr, Sogthwark,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MANOR, 5056 CHANGES; Midoleton's.
Ch-Ins. Willam Botyrill Tyeble P.Sergi. Cyril Prase ... 5 Ex,-P.C. Waetrr Claydon 2 P.Sbrgy. Thos, Ganhister 6 P.C. Norman S. Bagworta Ex-P.C. Ernesi Brets ... 4 Ex-E.C. Frederice Page ... Tmor Conducted by Cbief Inspector Willab Bartrill.

LUGWARDINE, HERETORD.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fyidar, Decenber 18, 1936, in Three Hours und Twelve Mintles,
At tee Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Parker's Twelve-pari (7th observation). Tenor i2 cwt, iqr. 20 lb. Alec J.Taylor ... ... ... 4 *Jobn Griffiths ... ... ...Tmor

## Conducted by Walyer Taylor.

禁 Tirst peal. Rung as f compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Olifor on their golden wedding.

## HIGHER WALTON, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASEIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> (Preston Brance.)

On Saturday, Deconber 19, 1936, in Three Hours,
At the Cedrch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 50GB CHANGEB;

 Tenor 15 cwt .Wileiam Sharples ..Treble Jonn Jackson
Fred Rigby ... .... ... ... 2 John T. Miller .... .... ...
Harry France ... ... ... 3 Alfred Blogg ... ...
Cyril Crosstewaite ... ... 4 Benjamin A. Knigets ... Tenor Composed by A. P. Kigets. Conducted by B. A. Knigats.
Rung as a birthday peal for Mr. J. T. Willer, aged 63, and Mr. Arthur Knights (Chesterfeld), aged 77, both of whose birthdays fell on the 17th. Compaser and conductor are gons of Mr. Knights. W. Sharples has now completed the circle in this tower

ST. IVES, HTNTM.
THE ELTY DIOORSAN ASSOOLATION.
On Satwrday, Decmber 19, 1936, in Thee Hours and Fourtcen Minutor, Ax the Parish Chorch of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt 4 lb .
Jack Parisu .... ...
Jhex Paktse ${ }^{1 *}$...
Francls G. Gleaves
Frank Warington
Frank Warrington
...Treble Fred C. Ginn
-.. 3
Herbert Fields Somposed by W. Shifway

* First nttempt for a peal. Rupr to nari the anceesion of Kine George VI. Through "The Ringing World' the baud tender thanks to the locnl compary, especially Mr. Pratt, for haviug everything in order.

LLANTIRISANT, GLAMORGANSEIRE,
THE LLANDAFE AND MONMOUTH DLOCESAN ASGOCIATION. Om Saturday, Deconber 19, 1936, in Three Hours,

At the Parish Churce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLE8, 5040 GHANGE8;
Holt's Original.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.

Frank Rowsell ... ... ... 2 Josbre Lovett ... ... ...
Joen Evans ... ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Frederick Lasbory $. . . \quad . . .7$
Herbert Davies... ... .... 4 Willian L. Lambert... ...Tenor
Conducted by $E$ Sixch.
Rung in homour of the accession of King George VI. Also as a compliment to Mr. M. H. Dawies, churchwarden.

DARTFORD, KENT.
THE KENT GOUNTY ASSOCLATION:
On Wednesday, Decamber 16, 1936, in Two Hours and Fifty-Oue Minutes,
Ay the Ceorch of the Holy Tpinizy.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, BOAO GHANGES;
Pitstow's Transposition of Thorstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 183 cwt.
James R. Lambicin ... ...Trebla Jobn Wheadon ... ... ... 5
Frane E. Walker ... ... $z$ Gzorge H. Cross ...... Norman Summbryaybs ... 3 Harry Hoverd ... ... ... 7 Derbe M. Sharp

Condueted by
James E. Bailey ... ... ...Teror Conducted by Harry Hoverd.
Fírst aftempt for a peal of Steciman. WURKSOP, NOTTS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 19, 1936, in 7 two Haurs and Farty-Nine Minules, At tha Priory Chorch of SS. Mary and Cuthbert,

A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5008 DHANEES; Tenor 12 cwt.
Miss Kata. Burchanle ...Treble | terank Vernon
*Artedr Mulvay ... ... 2 IHarold Denman Miss Grace Bercenall ... 3
Leskie Lonn $\qquad$ W. Harrison.

Jace Millhoose .......
†Cliprord Vessey $\quad$... ...Tenor Composed by W. Harrison. Conducted by C. Vessey.

* First peal of Major. + Birst peal of Bols Major. $\ddagger 50 t 1$ peat. Pirst peal of Major as conductor. Quickest peal on the bells.


## LOTGHBOROUGH

THE MIDLAND COENTTES ASSOCRATION.
On Saturday, Decomber 19, 1936, in Two Howy andThirty-Six Minufes, At the Bell Foindry Campaniee,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 PHANOEG; Tenor 64 cwt.

Roger D. St. Joan Smite $\quad$ Fred. H. Dexter ... .... ......... 7 Composed by G. Lindorf. Conducted by Fred H. Dertra. OSWALDTWYSTLE, LANCS.
THE LANOASHIRE ASSOGLATION.
On Sunday, Decenter 20, 1936, in Two Hours and Foity-Six Minutes,

> At the Chorch of Emmanorl.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANOE8;

Tenor rit cwt . in G .

Jakes Parr ... ... ...
Ricgard Bacdergione Leslie L. Wieliams .Lgonard Scgoles
...Trbblá Harberz Holden

Composed by A. KNigats
.. 2 Jack Clegg ... ... Composed by A. Knigats. Condacted by L. J. Williams.
... ... 5 $\cdots \quad \cdots \quad 6$ Specially rung as a birthtay compliment to the composer, who celebrated his 77tw birthday on December 17th. The compogition was his No, 303 and contains the 6 th the extent in all positions.

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COGGTSHALL, JSSFPX
IHE ESSEX ASSOOATYON
On Satwday, December 19, 1936, in three Hours and Three Minufes,
At the Celorge of Si. Petbik-hd-Vincola,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGE8;

Miduletosis.
-Victor Morlev... William Chalk... Ambrose Mason Alegn Andrews

Tenor $19 \frac{3}{7}$ cwt. in E.


First peal of Surprise. First peal of Cambridge. Birthday peal for the ringer of the tenor.

SOWLREIY, YORKSHIRE.
TBE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Surday, Decomber 20, 1936, in Thyee Houys and Twu Minutes, At the Chorce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holx's Ten-part.

- Arnold Riley

Cybil F. Sutclifar
CyRil F. Sutcliffe ... ...

- Harry Smiza

* Fisst peal. Conducted by

C
Tenof 15 cwt .

## HETHEPSETT, NORFOL

THE NORWICH DIOCRSAN ASSOCIATION
On Monday, Decamber 21, 1936, in Two Hours and Foyty-Eight Mirutes, At tee Churge of Si. Remigius,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, EOSI CHANOE8, Tenor 10 cwt 1 qc . 12 lb .
Ben. S. Thompson
.Tvelle Cearles H. Moore
...
... ... 2 CRNESIG S\#ORTiNG ... ... 6
Robrrt G. Fisher ... ... 3 Rossbll W. Curson ... ... 7 Albert E. Bragey ... ... 4 Hznry Toore .... ... ...Temor
Composed by A. Knigets.

* Fhrgh peal at first attempt. Ramr in honour of the 25th anniversary of the ordination to priesthood of the Rev. J. M. La F. McAnally, Rector of Fethersett.


## BOREHAM, FSSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Monday, December 21, 1936, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AI tee Chorch or St. Andraw
 Tegar r3 cwt. ig ib. in F.
Reginarg C. Tarift... Hirzel Edwards Lesice H. Terift

Ennest $\}$. Rotier

Composed by A. Knights. Conducred by Hirzrl Edwards.
First peal. Rung on tle feast of St. Thomas.
ROTHERTIELD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, December 26, 1936, in Thyed Hows and Twenty-Troo Minutes, At the Chorch og St. Deny,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 508g CHANEES; ALbert Relfe ...

## ...Treble

- Frank H. Hecks
$\begin{array}{cc}. . . & 2 \\ \cdots . . & 3 \\ . . . & 4\end{array}$
Stanley T. A. Rossele ...
Composed by J. Terra
* First peal of Kent Treble Bob.

LTVERPOOL.
THE LANOASEIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Decmbey 26, 1936, in Three Howrs and Thre Minutes,
At tee Cefreb of St. Francis Xavier,

## A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EO40 CHANGE8;

Heywood's Transposimion or Thorstans' Four-parz.
Tenor 16 cwt in E .
Tednas W. Hammond
Tyeble James Martin
*Hereeri t. Rooke ...
Edwin C. Blakett ...
... 3 Edward Catnce ......

Conducted by ज̇garge R, Newton.
First peal of Stedman.

## WALTHAMSTOW

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Dacendar 26, 1936, in Three Howrs and Three Minutes,
At tee Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Hzywood's Transposition of Tgurstans' Fodr-Part. Tonor 193 c ct.
Charles W. Corney ...T reble Artaur C. Caaplin ... ... 5
Gborgi R. Pye ... ... .... 2 Ernest W. Pye ... ... ... 6
 Jamas C. Adams... ... .... 4 Erarst E, Folmar .... ... Tomor

Conducted by Charles T. Cocre.

* First peal in the methot. Fung ous the 13th anniyersary of the 10,440 Cambridge Surprise Royal, the longest peal on the bells in this tower.


## ALRESFORD, FAMPSFTRE.

THE WINCFESTER ANB PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GDILD On Sadwriay, December 26, 1936, in Three Hours and Nineleen Minuies,

At the Cgorgh of St. Jogn-t日e-Baptist,
A PEAL OF BOB MANOR, EO40 CHANGEB;
Tenor 17 cwt .
Reginald A. Reed ... ...Treble |Wilered Andrews ... ... 5 -Lbonard Knoti ... ... 2 Andrbw J. Corrigan ... ... 6 Marir R. Cross ... ... 3 Grorgz Williams ... ... 7 Fredsrick S. Bayley ... 4 R. Gardon Cross ** ... Tenor Composed and Conducted by George Wildiams,

* First peal of Major 'inside.' First peal on the bells since yestoration by J. Taylor and Co. The last peal previously rung on them was on January $28 \mathrm{th}, 5907$.

OUNDLE, NORTHANTS.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sattrday, Derember 20, 1936, in Thre Hours and Twenty-Seven Minwtes At tee Cgurce of St, Priter,
A PEAL DF DOURLE MORWICH COURT BOB WAdOR, f088 CHANEES:
Tenor $25 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt, in C sharp

Harry Wingrove
... ...Treble

- Wallace Codsing
-Frbi Wigmort ...
FRED WiGmork ."
Composed by Franit Bennetit.
* First peal in the method.

LTISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, Decomber 26, 1936, in Thred Hours and Three Minutes, At the Ceprce of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HANOR, 5024 CHANGES;

 Tenor 20) cwt. in E.
## Reginald C. Kersey

-Gedrge Gosaawk
Ernest S. Bailey
Wicliab S. Woods

Tenor 20
...Treble

| Cladde Codsins | $\ldots$ | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Hamley | $\ldots$. | .. | 6 |
| C. Elitot Wigg | $\ldots$ | .. | 7 |
| Tony Price | ... | .. | .. | Conducted by George Martin.

Composed by \&. Knigers.

* First peal of Treble Bob and first attempt

OSWESTRY, SEROPSETRE. THE SEROPSHIRE ASSOOIATION.
Un Salurday, Deconher 26, 1936, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Cedrch of St. Oswald,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES: Tener 16 cwt.


CHATMERIS, GAMBS.-Far evening service, December 20th, a 720 of Cembridge Surprise was rung at the Parish Church by the following: A. R. Paul 1, S. Murphy 2, Rev. E. Bankes Janes 3, W. Ynung 4, A. Abrams 5, W. Seekings (first as canductor) 6. Witil the exception of the 3 rd, all are of the lochl hand.

HEENE, WORTHNG, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 26, 1936, in Two Howrs and Fifty-One Misutes, At tee Chorch of St. Botolph,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor $10 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Kgita Hart | ...Treble | Jace M. Cripgs ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edmond H. Lindup | , | Josipa Farmbr ... |
| William Hillman | .. ... 3 | Frederick Page |
| Kennett Sniling | ... 4 | *Stanley G. Weite ... ...Ten |
| Composed by J. W. | asberook. | Conducted by Frenerice Pa |

* First peal.


## MARDEN, KENT

THE KLNT COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Saturday, Devember 26, 1936, in Three Hours,
At the Cgurce or St. Michagl and All. Angels,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BO日 MAJOR, beas CHANGEE

## Tenor $14 \frac{\mathrm{c}}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{cw}$. in $\mathbf{F}$.

Cafrles H. Sone

## .. ...Tyebld

George Kenward Tom Sadnders ... -Thomas E. Sonr Composed by A. Knigats.

* 75th peal together The cond Bob Major nlso his 250 th pandzctor's 75th peal of Kent Treble Boh Majar, also his $20 t h$ peal for the association. He has now
called a prom each bell int this tower. The composition, No. 432, is rung for the first time.


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## KINGSBURY EPTBCOPI.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Tuesday, December 8. 1936, in Two Houts and Hifty-Nine Minutes,
At tee Cedrch of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANQES;
G. R. Mill

- D. Hale
G. Locre
… ... ...Trbie

H. Westlake | $\cdots . .$. | $\cdots$ | 2 | J. I. Locere |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | F. J. Locke | $\begin{array}{ll}\ldots . . . \\ \ldots & \ldots \\ \ldots & \ldots\end{array}$ 4

7 Conducted by F. J. Locke.
$\stackrel{H}{4}$ First peal of Minor and on an 'inside' bell. Rung by members of the Langport band as a complimeat to H. Westlake, of Kingsbury, and to commemorate lis 20 years as a ringer at Langport.

## HITCHAM, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 19. 1935, in Chree Hours and Two Minktes,
At the Church og St. Mary,
A PEAL DF WINOR, 6040 OHANGE8:
leing two 720's each of Oxford Bob and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and three 720's of Plain Bob (methods vung alternately). Temor 6 curt. 11 lb . in G .
"Dodglas D. Jaycock ...Tyebie Gborge J. Bbray ... ... 4

Edward T. Barrati... ... 3 Grorge Gilbert ... ...Temor
Conducted by Georgz Gilbert.

* First peal other than with cover-bell to Doubles. † First peal with a bob bell. Aranged and rung for and on the 50th birtiday of Mr: G. J. Berry (captain of the Hitcham band). After the peal the band were entertained to a sumptuous repast at the residence of Mr. Berry. Ringers of 1,3 and 4 are local, and 2,5 and 6 are from Burnham.


## TUDDENHAM, SUFTOLK.

THE SUFFOLK QUILD.
On Sahurday, Decomber 19. 1936, in 1 wo Hours and Forty Minutes, At tee Chorce of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Double Oxford. Donble Court, Plain Bol, Canbridge Surprise, Kent 'Ireble Boh and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenar 7 cmt .
Charers W. Parkrr ... ...Treble| Keitb W. Weitiell... ... 4
George Bennett ... ... 2 James Bennrit .. ... ... 5
Geofge Pryke ... ... ... 3 Garnbam A. Blaxcell ...Tenoy Conducted by Garnam A. Blaxcell.
First peal in seven methods on the bells, and ruly as a birthday compliment to Mr. O. W. Parker. The ringers of the fourtla and tenor have now completed 100 peals together.

## UPLYME, DEVON.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GULD.
On Sathrday, December 19, 1936, in Three Howrs and Eight Minutes.
At the Caurce of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF GOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven extents, four callings. Trenor 12 ewt .
Fbank Paice ... ... ...Treble William C. Saute ... ... 4
Grorge H. Wairsmorb ... 2 H. Denis W. Bishor … 5

- Harold C. R. Vine ... ... 3 Arthor G. Cedeb ... ...Temor Conducted by trrorge h. Waitrmore.
* First of Minor 'inside.' First peal as conductor.

HOLMER, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 19, 1936, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Caurch of St. Bartholomew.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, ED40 CHANQES; Being 42 six-scores, 10 callings.
Grorge Soley ... ... ...Tyeble
Wher .... ....
Walter S. Evans ..... $.2^{2}$ William Ddggan ... ... 5
William Downgs Conducted by Ernest F. Salmons.

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the troble and fifth.

DEEPING ST. JAMES, LINGOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday. December 19, 1936, in Two Hours and Fifb-Nine Minutes, At ine Cberce of St, James.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Deiry 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Doulle Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Single Oxiord, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 193 cmt in E tat.
Harry Gibbard ...
Horace M. Day ...
Wallace Coosins
 Conducted by Tony Price,
KINGSLEY, STATFORDSHTRE
THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION On Satuyday, Decenber 19. 1936, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Fouy Minntes, At thr Church of St. Werbdres,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGE8;
Being 720 each of Ipswich, Camhridge and Norwich Surprise. Killamursh, Waodbine, Eent and Oxford Trelsle Bab. Tenor 12 amt. -Thomas Edwards ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Jobn G. Cartlidge ... ... 4
 terkest Twigg ... ... ... 3 William Carnwhll ...Tehoy Condacted by William Carnwble.

* First peal. + First peal in seven methods. I First peal 'inside.' All the above are pupils of Mr. H. Carnwell, the esteemed leader of this tower. Rung in honour of the accession of King George VI.

> BENHALL, SUFFOLE.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Monday, Decenber 21, 1930, in Two Hours ana Forty-Five Minutes, At tae Caprce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Double Court, 720 of Woodbine Treble Bob, two 720 's of Kent, two of Oxford and one of Plain Eob. Tenor 81/ errt.
H. George Smith $\quad . . . \quad$...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{llllll}\text { Harry Vince } & \text {... } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 4 \\ \text { Owre Mawson }\end{array}\right.$
 Alderman Ling $\ldots$ Conducted by Wililam Smizit.

FRAMPTON, LINGS.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

 (Eastbrn Brance.)On Sathrday, December 26, 1936, in Two Hours and Fifly-One Minules, At ter Cefrce of St, Mary. Tenor 131 cmt .
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGEB; Jack Green ... ... ... ...Trebid William Wilkinson ... ... 4 Artedr Yodng … $\cdot .$. Jogn R. Young ... ... ... 3 Jobn R. Kbыp ... ... ...Tenor
Composed by Rev. E. B. James. Conducted by Jorn R. Young.
First peal of Cambridge Surprise by all except ringer of 2nd and his first peal of Cambridge 'inside.' First peal of Cambridge Surprise on the bells. The conductor has now completed the 'circle' of the tower.

MELBURY ABBAS, DORSET.
THE SAEISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Lecember 26, 1936, in Two Howrs and Forty-Four Minutes,
Ax tae Carrer of Sx. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four extents each of St. Dunstan's, Stedman, New Doubles, St, Bartholonew, Reading, Steduan Slow Course, St, Simon's, Plain Boh and Roverse Canterbury Pleasure, and six of Graudsire, with 42 difierent callings.
Harold C. R. Vine ... ...Tyeble|E. T. Padl Field ... .... 3
Hobert Smitr ... ... ... 2 H, Dennis W. Bisaop ... 4
Afterar G. Cevpi ... ...Teno
Conducted by H. D. W. Bishop.
Firat peat on the bells. Pirst peal in 10 methods by all the kand and for the Guild.

OTLTHY, SUFFOLK
THE SUFPOLK GULD.
O. Salurday, Decenber 26, 1936, in Two Howrs ard Forty-Eight Minutes,

Ax tar Cefreg or St, Mary,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Grarge Pryke
Grorge Brnnkt James Bennett, jun, ...
$\begin{array}{cc}\ldots & 4 \\ \ldots & 5 \\ \ldots & \\ \ldots \text { mor }\end{array}$
Conducted by Garnham A. Blaxchll.
SOULTHORPE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWIOF DTOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 20, 1936, in Twa Hours ande Forty-Eight Minutes, At the Cborce of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEE8;

Seven different extents.
Senor 8 cwt . in $A$.
Sydney Flint
..Trebla Jogn A. Ward ... ... 4
Rosert W. Cooke
Cecil V. Ebberson ...
Conducted by Grorge A. Cookr.

* First peal and a member of the local band.

PENWORTHAM, LANCS.
THE LANOASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decenber 26, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
At tre Cenreg of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.
E. Rogrr Martin $\quad . . \quad$...Trebla $\mid$ "John Jackson ... ....

- Kenneta Hall
 Conducted by E, R. Marin
* First peal of Minor. Rung after meetigg short for Double Norwich. wteLesborough. kent.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 26, 1930, in Thyee Houys and Two Minxtes, At the Ceorch of St. Mary.
A PEAL DF BOB HINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Seven extents.
Tencr 12 cwt.

Raymond 1. Carlton

- Kenneth G. Carliton
- Teomas R. Mogg

Treble Alsert J. Lancefirld
2 William J. Lanceribld.. .5 G ....... 3 Eduwabs. Ruc

* Firsti peal "insicie.' Rung in lonour of the birth of a danghter ta their R. Fi. the Duke and Duchess of Kent and on the 31st anmivergary of the conductor's firgt peal as conductor.

COPPULL, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Satwrday, December 26, 1936, in Two Howrsand Fifty-Five Minntes.
At the Chorch of St. Jobn-the-Divine.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANEES;
Seven extents.
*Frank Morris ... ... ...Treble

- Alan Carpinter
$\begin{array}{ll}\text {... } & \text {... Treble } \\ \cdots & \ldots \\ 2\end{array}$
.... 3
Conducted by
ERIC W, Yates ... ... ... $\ddagger$
William Seabples ... ... 5 Alfred Blogg ... ... .... Tenor Cogre
* Fitst peal. + First peal of Minor, First peal of Minor as collfluctor. Rung with the bellg half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. R. H. Filton, churchwarden at the above church for n number of years, who died suddenly on Christmas Eve.

HALVERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICR DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,
On Saturday, Decenber 26, 1936, in Three Hours and One Minkte,
At the Ceurca of Sr. Peter,
A PEAL DF GRANDRIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
In 42 extents, 10 callings. Tenor 11 ewt.
-Grorge Hewiti ... ...Tyeble Stanley W. Gall ...

- Mrs, R. W. Barber ... ... 2 R. William Barber ... ... 5
tDennys Byales (aged 14) 3 T. William DeVille ...Temoy
Conducted by R. Wibliam Barber.
* First peal arri first atterupt. †Firsti peal "inske.' Rulig to celohrate the birth of a daughter to the Duke and Duchess of Kent. Firot peal of Doubles by all. Pirst peal as conductor.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

BURTON-ON-STATHER, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUHLD.
On Sunday, December 20. 1936. in T wo Hours and Five Mirutes, At Trentwood,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven extents in 14 methods: (1) Double and Reverse Bob
(2) Fulbeck and Canterbiny; (3) Single Oxford and Single Court
(4) Donhle Onford and London Bob; (5) Thelwall and Iytham: (6) St. Clement's and College: (7) Childwall and Vavertree. Tenor size $14 \frac{1}{2}$ in 0 sharp.
Mrs. J. Bray ... ... ... I-2 |Grorgr E. Fgirn ... ... $3-4$
Jack Bray … … ... ... 5-G Conducted by Jack Bray.
Girst peal in 14 methods 'in hand ' by all and for the Guild. 'INere were 170 changes of method, 126 bobs and 14 singles in this peal. PUDSEI, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSEIRE ASSOCIATION. On Tucsday, December 22, 1930, in Two Hours, At 9, Pembroxe Road,

## A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 6088 CHANEE8;

 Percy J. Jobnson .... ..- $3-4$ Georgr Amblrer ... .... ... 7 (-8

Composed by Yorke Grebn, Conducted by William Barton.

## RINGING ON HIS 81st BIRTHDAY.

As a compliment. to Mr. W. H. Lambert, the veteran ringer of Benenden, Kent, bis 81 st birlhdar, on December 14 th, was celebrated by a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (lung after meeting shori for Triples), in which the octogenarian rang the treble: W. IT. Tambert 1, G. Sims 2, A. Stevarson $3, F$. Pope 4, J. Avery 5, W. Gorringe (conductor) 6 .

## ENCOURAGEMENT FOR BUSHEY RINGERS.

On Tuesday, December 22nd, at Sedherglı, a 720 of Boh Minor was rung on landbells: G. TF. Woodhouse 1-2-3-4, Miss N. Harwisou 5-6. No calls were matle. It is hoperl this may encourage the Bishey 'Spliced Surprise' party to ring their peals 'silent' and 'four-int liand.'

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## EDGBASTON'S CHRISTMAS 'SURPRISE.'

GRAMOPHONE BJLLS.
We quots the following from the Birmingham Post " of Monday. 'Gramophone bells ' may be a change for St. Augustime's parishioners, but the development is not one which ringers or bellfounders-will appreciate.
PThe greater part of Edgbaston had a pleasant surprise this Christmas, when peals of bells were heard from the tower of St. Augustine's Ghurch, whick Jas only one bell.
'No appeal fund for bells had been launched; no wealthy benefactor had announced such a gift; no workmen lad been seen hauling tons of metal to the tower. The secret had lyeen well kept, and it prowided the main topic of conversation for people over the breakfast table.
'Tew guessed the reason why, insteasi of the monotone call to eight o'clock service, everybody hed heard a peal of Stedman Caters, with all the dignity and liveliness of the bells of St. Margaretre, Westminster.

When, before Matins, there was another beautiful peal-Bow Bells this time-curiosity increased. People went early to church to find vut what was happening.
"The secreb was soon out. The Ven. J. H. Richards, Arolideacon of Aston and Vicar of the parish, had caused recordings of famous peals of belle to be "broadcast," and their music was heard up to helf a mile away in ench direction.

On all sides there were enthusiastic comments about the quality of tone, and Archdeacon Fichards said last night, after further peals kad been ruug, that no complaint had been made.
"He added that so far it has been possible to give peals of Stedman Caters and Grandsire Caters from St. Margaret's, Westminster, and of Bow Bells. By the aid of twin records on an apparatug operated in the vestry, the clergy can caise the bells to ring as long as they desire. At tha ead a clack may be made to chime the hour. In the tower are four amplifiers of modem debign.

Tery few installations of the kind hawe get been made anywhere in the country. The firm producing the apparatus is Birmogham Sound Reproducers, Ldd., of Old Hill.
"The installation is experimental, and the period of "probation " will end with the ringing in of the New Year.

One reason for the experiment, the Archdeacon said, was that he always regretted it was impossible to have bells for weddings at St. Angustine's. Everybody who was married there wanted bells. When he heard of the new apparators he resolved to try it, and to do it as a Christmas surprise for Edgbaston people."

## THE SEVENTY MINOR METHODS PEAL.

CORRECIIONS TO FHGURES.
Mr. Vernon Taylor, the conductor of the peal rung at Agarkirk in 70 Minor methods, writes to corred some arrors appearing in tho published ligures of three of the 720 's pripted on page 807 of our issue of December 11th. The five leads credited to Benington Alliance shoulf have beea:-

S 62453 Bemington Alliablep
46385 Benington Alliance
34562 Frampton Alliance
53246 Trampton Alliance
25634 Framption Alliance
SOME FURTHER CORRECIIONS TO FIGURES
There are some further corrections to the firures which wo published on page 807 of our issue of December 11th, in cannection with the 70 -method peal of 3 innor.
In the nine-method 720 , the first leat of the second part, 42356, should be Gedney Alliance.
In the 12 Alliance-Little-method 720, the fourth lead, 63524, should be without a bob.
In the ten plain-method 720, tha 35264 should be bohbed instead of plain.
None of these errors was ours.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. SWINDON BRANCH OFFICERS.

The nnnual meeting of the Swindon Branch of the Gloucester ant Fristol Diocesan Association was held at Christ Clurch, 5windon, on Saturday, December 12tle, ringers being present from Aldbourne, Brinkworth, Bishopstone, Blunsdon, Faringdon, Lydiard Millicent, Purton, Rodbourne Chemey, Swindon and Wootton Bassett.

Goot use was made of the bells, the vinging ranging from younde to Stedman Caters, The usual service mas conducted by the Vicar of Purton (Rev. N. S. Willis), who is a performing member of the association.

The following officers were elected for 1937: Chairman, Mr. W. H. Trueman; hon. secretary, Mr. W. B. Kynastor: representative on Management Committee, Mr. O. J. Hathaway.

No meeting was arranged for January, but Blunston and Highworth were chosen for February and Maroh respectively.
Future meetings of this branch will he held an the second Safturday in each month.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

To the list of twelve-bell towers which we published last week should have been added Buckfast Abbey, Devon, where there is a new riug by 'raylor and Co., with tenor 41 ewt.
Willonhall, Stafts, is to have a rimy of ten bells. Messrs. Gillett and dohnston, Led, Groydon, bave received the contract for the reatoration and amgmentation. The work includes jess frame and fittings, recasting the existing ring of eight and adding two trebles.
Following a peal of Keni Treble Bob at Marden, Kent, ou Boxing Duy, the same band had two and a half hours' good ringiag for a peal of Double Norwich at Linton, when a splice in one of the ropes pulled out,
At Marden the conductor (Mr. T. E. Sone) rang his 250th peal for the Fent Association and completed the calling of a peal from each bell in the tower. Had the peal at Linton been successful, Mr. Sope would have called a peal from avery bell in that tower alse. After the Marden peal the band enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. G. H, Sone, whom they have onec again to thank far their kindness.

Tho new bells of Croydon Parish Churel are to be bromicast on Suaday morning at 9.25 ou the National (lowg) wavelength. The method will be Grandsire Caters.
The hon, secretary of the Central Council thanks the Ladies' Guild for the liquid refreshment received in a can, and wishes all the members a lappy new year
A peal of Minor in 14 wethods has been rung on haudbells at Burtoll-an-Stather, Lines. Is this the greatest number of methods in seven 720's rug in hand? If there have been more, we should like to knew.

## WELL-KNOWN WEST RIDING RINGER.

## DEATH OF MR. G. R. RARDT

The death of ML. G. H. Eardy on December 5th takes from the Exercise another of the famous band of Dewsbury and, later, Earlsheaton ringers. Mr. Eardy was a woll-known local and Heavy Woollen District composer and conductor of Treble Bob. He was olle of the famous Dewsbury band, who were noted for their consistent striking abilities, and winners of contests when a guarterpeal of Major whs the contegt length. For the last 35 years of his ringing carcer he had been with his native village team at Earlgheatou. That team wou the Hatifax and District Cup no fewer than a score fimes. He was also an member of the Dewshay band of tule ringers and helped to win sontestes at Belle Tue, Manchester. He was always a willing helper in feaching reoruitg and brought out many at hig local tower. He was yery keen on good striking. Striking, with him, was the lirst ining to consider bolit for the team and the public. Be was 76 yeats of age and had been a vinger for 60 years. He was a life member of the Yorkshive Association.

Fe was interred at Earlsheaton on December 9tin and many lacal cingers attended. A touch of Graudsire Triples was yung at the Graveside by Hy. Dransfield 1-2, G. Bennett $3-4$, Herluert Dransfald $5-6$ I. Thickett $7-8$. An attempt for a half-mufled peal of Troble Bob on Boxing Day morniug unfortunately came to grief after two hours' good ringing, when the 3rd rope broke. The peal was one of M1. Hardy's compositions and called from his favourite bell, the sixth. The band consisted of two with whom he learned to ting and the remainder were all lis pupils, the band being: W. Idle $1, P$. Byram 2, H. Lumb 3, Hy. Dranslield 4 , M. Hodgson 5, w. H. Senior 6 , Herbert Dransfield 7, Noman Ling 8.

## FALSE PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS.

## 7 the Editor.

Deal Sil:-I regret very much to inform you that the peal of Stedman Caters rung at St. Nigholas' Liverpool, on March 28th last is false. The fogures appear in the last issued report of the Lancashire Association, and my aftention to their falsity has been drawn br Messrs, C. W. Foberts and A. N. Woorl. I sincercly apologise to the band and trust they will forgive me for not exercisiug greater care. The figures are under my name on page 77 .

## Jiverpool.

## RECORD PEAL COMMEMORATED.

ST. MARTIN'S GOLD AND TFE 11,111 STEDMAN CTNQTES.
Boxing Day was the anniversary of the record peal of 11,111 Stedman Cincwes rumg at St. Martin's, Kirminglam, on December 26th, 1901. in 8 hours 2 minutes. Of the band there still survive seven : Messre. W. Short, H. Midileton, A. E. Pegler, G. R. Pye, W. H. Barber, \{. Lindoff and John Barber.
It was decided to attempi a commemorative peal last Suturday and the seven survivors were invited to take part. Only three, however, were able to stand in, Messrs. Shorb Middleion and Pegler. Mr. W. H. Barber, who was to have condncted the penl, was prevented at the last monent. Mr. John Barloer met the band before the peal and wished them success. As will be seen from the repolt elsewhere, the peal duly 'came home.' the camposition incuading the stating and turning coltrses of the wiginal peal.
The performance of 1901 is recorded in St. Mathin's betfry on a hantsome basud.

## HOBART'S NEW PEAL OF BELLS.

## DEDICATION BY BISHOP OF TASMANIA. Completion of the Cathedral.

With impressive ceremony the new tower and beils of St. David's Cathedral, Hobart, Tasmania, were dedicated on Sunday, December 6th, in the presence of an immense gathering of the public, which filled the Cathedral and all the space surrounding the building.

The blessing of the tower and bells was performed by the Bishop of Tasmania (the Rt. Rev. Dr. R. S. Hay), the ceremony being attended by the Archbishops of Sydney and Melbourne, Bishop Reginald Stephen (former Bishop of Tasmania), and the Australian Bishops of Newcastle, Gippsland, Riverina, St. Arnaud, Bendigo and Goulbura. The Governor of the Island (Sir Ernest Clark), the Lord Mayor of Hobart (Mr. J. J. Wignall),
prayer, and preached a striking sermon from words in Parm 48, Great is the Lort, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of His holiness.
After the germon, the hymm, "The Church of God a Kingdon is, was şung, and, following a special prayer of thanalsgiving and exlortation, the choir rendered Handel's Hallelujah Chorus.'

Then followed the 'Clipping of che Cathedral,' culminating in the blessing of the bells, In this cermony there were five processtons. Escorted by the surpliced choir, the first, comprising members of the congregation, praceeded through the cloisters round the building, and when the circuit had been completed, they joined hauds, thus enemeling the Cathedral Church. This was done to the acconpaniment of the hymn, 'Onward, Christian Soldiers,' symbolising or further notable achievament by the Church in Tasmania.
The second procession of leading lay offecals of Tasmania followed, and was lreaded by the Governor and the Lord Mayor, followed by the visiting bishops' wives and their hostesses, licaded by Lady Clark (wife of the Governor), Mrs. Hay (wife of the Bishop of Tasmania), Mrs. Wignall (Lady Mayoress) ade Miss Rivers (sister of the Deam). The third procession was of afogesan lay oflicials, members of Synod, the Diocesau Conncil, the church frustees, liended by the Catliedral Bonrd and the Clurch Adrocate. Then followed the visiting Arch-


## THE SOHPLETED CATHEDRAL.

representatives of the Navy, the Army and civic Iife shared in the proceedings which formed a memorable occasion in Church history in Tasmania. Incidentally, it was the first time for more than forty years that a ringing peal of bells had been opened in Australia. The new ring forms part of a chime of thirteen, cast by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and the erection of the tower completes the Cathedral building.

## THE BLESSING OF THE NEW TOWER AND BELLS. FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

By Air Mail.
The great doy has come and gone and will live long in oul memories. then the bells of St. David's Cathedral were lieard for the first time a crowd estimated at 15,000 was waitiong in the vicinily to heat them man were thrilled with the beanty of their music.

All day we had talan part in services looth apmropriate and siguifieant, which reminded us of the culminutiou ol the years of sncrifice and loyal ondeavour which lave gone to the completion of our Cathedral.
Sixty-eimht years ago the fommdrtion stone of the Cablhedral was laid; an this day, Sundat, December 6th, 1936, wo met within its walls-vice-royalty, prelates and clergy, representatives of the Army and Naw and of all sections of the community-to thank Gor for the compileler huilding.

The service began with the processional hymm, 'Rejoice to-day with our accom.' Then the Archbishon of Sydney recited o "hinding
bishops, wearing their colourfu' robes, and their claplains. The last procession was that of the clergy of the diacese of Thasmania. hended by the Bishop.
When all those taring part had taken uj their respective stations, tine Bishop, who was survounded by the visilisy prelates, blessed the tower and the belis, dedicating their service to God, nud houding them into the care of the Dean. It was a slort and simple cercmony, but nons the less impressive, and its deep symbalical import was not lost on the huge thronte of spectatars.
The cerenouy concluded with the National Anthen and the Blessind. And then for the firgt tinle the bells weve heard. They were lirst rang by boys of St. David's, the Dean's servers, who are forming a band. Ther rang six bells in rounds and a few call changes. Arterwavds tho ringers of Eoly Trinity Chumels took charge and rang pinin courses of Grandsire Doubles on 1.2.3.5.7., with 4.6.8 behind. The striking wras good nad the performance very creditable, as the liells had previonsly only heen hatided with the clappers tied.

We got a tremendous thrill when the sonnds broke out overhad. The bells are a truly magnificent peal, worthy of tha famons bellfounders who have supplied them. The 'go' is excellent.
The Holy Trinity Association's ringing was done by A. RR. Wilson I, A. Taylon 2, S. Smith 3, T. Le Rossimnol 4, S. Thylor 5, J. Lucas 6, J. Quarmby 7. J. Newell 8.

On the following day we finished up with a gaven party at Government Honse with an attendance of 1,100 visifors. Amongst all the Arelsbishops, Bishops and obher celebrities $I$ falt more than prourd to be a bellynger, nud, most of alt, that I represented my dear English friends. The afternoan, heing showery, was spent mostly indoors. Sir Ernes Clarle will never forget the lanaholl ringing in the lath-


So far the St. David's boys have broken three stays at their practices, but ons other jncident might have ended in serious catastrophe. about a month before the opening, a boy went up into the vower unauthorised and held down the rope conmected with the chiming hammer of the tenor. The bell was being lung down by one of our members, and the chiming hammer was snapped off. The bell was slightly chipped at the lip. It was fortunate thet no further damage wes done.

RAY WITSON.

## ARCHBISHOP OF SYDNEY'S ADDRESS.

Clergy were presenf, at the ceremony from all parts of the State of Tasmania, among them, in addition to the Dean (the Very Rev. i. R. Rivers), being the Ven. Archdeacon D. B. Blackwood, of Hobart, who played so large a part in arranging for the entertamment of the English visitors in 1934, and the Ven. Archdeacon H. B. Atkinson (Launceston).
In the conrse of his address the Archbishop of Sydney said the erection of the tower had completed a beautiful building situated in the heart of a beatiful environment. In the symbolism of religion, a tower stood primarily for the presence of God in the midst of Eis people, and a!! that that presence could mean to them. While it was frue that a clurch tower was not intended to meet a material need or serve material needs, yet, hecause of the spinitual significance atiriched to it, it was most fittingly incorporated in the scheme of
have entrusted confidently to us the duty and responsibibity of going forward from the point where they had been called away, and so one generation depends upou the faithfulness of another, and this shonld bring lome to us, in special way, a sense of the responsibility which rests on us here and now with regard to the future. We love need to ask aurselves, in a spiritual sense, if we are allowillo what others have built to fall into ruin and decsy; and if we are leaving in a state of incompleteness some work nobly begun; if we are building, and if we are buildiug nafaithfully work that will stand neither time nor etemity? We are living in a day of superficiality, and wo must continualiy ask ourgelves wath what materials are we building the spiritual house of God? Is Jesus Christ himself reatly our foundation stone? Are we building indeed on Him? We must build with the materials Gor has provided, and we must luild in accordance with Fis plans.'

Tho Archbishop said there was a semiuder, ton, that the tower, through the ministry of its bells, would speak with ho uncertait sound to the community, arresting the thoughts, sometimes carcless and forgedful, of all who heard it, into the homes on tile mountain side, over the waters of the beantiful bay, and along the reaches of the wide river their sacred music would extend itself, and through it, in Fet another way, the church would speak. The bells were the voice of the church, and their meaning was manifold. The tower and bells would provide not only a memory, but the infuence for good of those whose gifts and benefactions made possible their erection and installabion.


MEMRERS OF HOLY TRINITY BELLRINGERS' ASSOCIATION,
Who rang Giandsine Doubles at the opening ceremony. From left to right: S. Taylor, J. Newell, T. le Rassignol, A. Taylor, J. Williams (junior nember), J. Quarmby (Rioging Master), J. Lucas, S. Smith (Deputy Ringing Mester), A. R. Wilsou (hon. secretary). They were photograniled on the top of the tower after ringing.
church buillings as proclaiming far and wide, with gtreugth and benuty, the message of God's presence, His holiness and His protective love.

- If the citizens of Fobart will look upon this stately tower in that way, continued Dr. Mowll, "and if the Church aud those associated with it will regard it as a witness for God, then all the wealth that has been spent on it will be repaid a thousandfold, and alt the labour put into the elfort to upraise it will not be in vain in the Lowt.

Pointing upwards, fti will ever be a rominder that God is for all rising from its foundintions, so close to the touch of the band, it will ever proclaim that Goa is in our midst. How beautifully sanctified and how greatly strengthened and certain life would be if that great religious trath were hetter realised and more seriously taken to heart!

MESSMGE IN THE HISTORY OF THE BUILDING.
Tho history of this pile," continued Dr. Mowli, "is another message for us-a mossage concerning man's labour's for the expansion of God's kingdom. Like many cathedrals, it was begun by one generation and completed by another. The work of those who laid the foundations has been caterod into by other faithful servants of God, until to-day we see the completed strueture, a moniment of past faithfulness aud present. zeal, and athallenge also to the generations of the future calling on them to assert themselves vigorously for the building of that spiritual church which the Great Architect himself has planned, and the extension and completion of which still awaits the devoted labours of master builders under His supreme supervision. How great the privilege is ours to-day that we are permitted not only to be fellow-citizens with the great and goon men of the past, but also to share in carrying out enterprises which they began. The magnitude of their undertaking begur in faith, lope ancl conrage left much which they could not perform, but they did labour, and, laving laid the good foundations and having done their work, they

## THE TOWER AND BELLS.

The fine tower, which now completes St. David's Cathedral, Las cost about $£ 15,000$ to huik. As will be seen from the illustration, it stands a little away from the main building, to which it is connected by a broad comvidor, the entrance to which is through the base of the tower. A happr link with Tnglish cathedralg is to be found in stones from some dozen or more of them set in the walls of the corridor and each jdentified by a small bress plate.
The tower is 116 ft , high to the top of the turret and a further 18 ft . ©in. to the tip of the small spire, making 134 y it. in all. The main walls are 3 tht thick and tho overall width at the base $32 \frac{\mathrm{ft}}{}$, The interior wieith is $20 f$ t. and the circular staireage is 5 ft . in diameter The tower had previously been anried to a heicht of $22 \frac{1 f t}{}$., at which point the foor of the ringing room is laid. The bell chamber floor is bfit. from the gronnd, with an intervening floor at the 43 ft . level.
The thirteen bells in the tuwer range in weight and diameter from $1 \frac{1}{2}$ covt. and $1 f t$. Bin. respectively to 15 cwt. and 3 ft. 7 in . Five of the bells are hung vigid and the remainder form the ringing peal, They are, of course, equipped with modern fittings, and will, we hope, provide an encouragement for the development of ringing in Hobart.

PRESENTATION TO TEE DEAN OF ST. DAVID'S.
On the evening preceding tho dedication a conversazione to welcome the Archbishops and Biscops who were visiting Hobart for the ceremony to mark the completion of the Gathedral was beld in the City IAall and attended by a large and representative gathering of citizens. The distimguished visitors were welcomed by the Bishop of Tasmania, who spoke of the bequests which had made the completion of the Cathedral possible, and the enthusiasne shown throupb the years by the Dean (applause). The Dean not only had shown keen interest, hat had inspired others, and the result hed been the formation of the Friends of St. David's, who had raised in tle wicinity of

S2,000 in the past seren years. The Cathedral stood in the heart of the city, not only as an arehifectural adomment, but as a witness to God and of the Clristian spirit of the people of Tasmanir. They were gratelnal that the Australian Ghurch was represented by so many high dignitaries of the Church on the mainland.
The Archbishops of Sydney and Melbourme replied, the formen recalling the fact that Dean Rivers was tha first Precentor of the Cathedral at Sydney.

During the ewening the Bishop of Tasmania, on belalf of the clergy and laity of the diocese, presented a silver tea service and tury to Dean Rivers in recognition of what he had done for the Church nad iu the buildiug of the eathedral.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL'S CONGRATULATIONS.

A letter of congratulation from the Central Conncil, signed by the president, Mr. E. F. Lewis, was addressed to the Very Rev, the Dean of Hobart, in the following terms:-
Sir, -On the oceasion of the dedication I send to you, on behalf of the ringers of this conmtry, congratulations on the completion of the new tower and bells of St. David's Cathedral, with our greetings to the ehurch and ringers of Fobart and our hope that the English art of change ringing may become establighed in Tasmania. (Signed) E. H. Lerpis, President.

ENGLISE TOURISIS' MESSAGE TO DEAN.
The following message was sent by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith on behalf

## SETTING THE COPING STONE

On Outober 281 h the setting of the coping stone was marked by a ceremony. The Urich Jach floated proudly at the scaffolding padi when the last stones were placed in position, and among these who were present at the rop of tile tower wers tho Bishon of Tasnmma, Dean Rivers, Archdercon Bhackwood and Lady Clark (wite of titu Governor of Tasmania).

The day's rejoicing was completed when, at the Imporial Fotel, whe Dean eatertanaen at dimer the worknenassocialed willa the building of the tower and afterwards was their host at a theatre party.

HOBART BETLRINGERS' ASSORIATION.
The other peal of bells in the city is at Holy Trinity Church, where the teuor is 9 ewt. These bells were erected fin 1847. There has been a Bellriugers' Association at this chumeh for 50 yars, and a new stimulus las been given to it by the arrival of Mr, S. Smith, a ringer fuom Stafiordshire, England, who is now 引uputy Ringug Master.
Here is an interesting extract from "The Merenry. Thamania's principal newspaper, of November 141/1, 1886-fifly yexis ago, recording the founding of the Hobart Bellringels' Assotiatiol :-

- A mocting of those interested was held on friday evening lasi, when it was resolver that an association for the purpose of eriltisiting the art of bellringing, and for ringing and chiming the bells of Trinity Church be formed, the same to be called "The Bellitigers' Associn-



## COPING STONE CEREMONY.

A group photographed it the top of the tower when the coping stone was set in position. From leit to right: 正r: G. Sorel1, Archdencon Blackwood, Mr. A. Joknston (architect), Dean Bivers, Mrs. Hay, Lady Clarlk, the builders representative, Canon Wilson, Mr, A. R. Wilson (representing the bellingers), Dr. Hay (Bishop of Tasmania), Mrs. May, the Fev. M.J. May (Precentor of the Cathedral). On the way down, Lady Clark, accompanied by the Biahop and Mr. A. R. Wilson, went into the belfry, and a bell, chimed by her hand, sounded over the city.
 Rivers, Dean of Habart:-
On the occasion of the dedication and opening of your new tower and bells, I am asked by the Fuglish ringers who wisited Anstralia two years ago to express onr sincere congratulations upan the completion of the project. We are deltghted to know that in some small way, perhaps, we were instrumental in securing that an octave of the bells should be hung for ringinw. We hope that the bells will prove an added glory to your beautifinl Cathedral and a joy to all who hear them. We trust also that men may be found who will learn to ring them and that they may be heard over jour city rung at lenst for the Sunday eervices.
We shal: follow with the closest inferest the progress made is the great and ancient art of change ringing hy those who bave the privilege of handling your bells, and lope that in time to come they may emnlate the performances of their brethren in England.
We shall be with fou in spirit on December 6th; we trust the day will be a very happy one and, in conclusion, gend our warnest greetings and good wishes to the people of Hobart, aud particularly to the many friends wa made during our hever-to-be-forgotten stay in your lovely Island.

GONGRATOLATIONS FROM MELBOTRNT
Conveying congratulations from the St. Panl's Cathedral Society, Melbourne, to their ringing bretheen in Tasmania, Mr. A. A. Savage, the hon. हecretary, wrote:-
' You are to be conrratulated on hawing amother peal of bells. Hobart will be very rich with ringable church bells; really much better of than po in Melbourine, as those at St. Patrick's Cathedral are a poor lot. I feel a little envious of youl What a thrill you will got when the bells of St. David's ring out for the fret time."
tion." Tho pules were adopted, and the following officers appointed : President, the Rev. G. W. Shaohriege, vice-presidents, Messrs. A. Dobson, A. Grisp, M.H.A, C. H. Grant, W. Lovett and Bryant Webb; master ringer, Mr. E. J. Rogerg; asgistant master ringer, Mr. H. L. D'Fmden; searetary and theasurer, Mr. A. E. Lovebt; conmittee, the president, naster 1 imger, assistant master ringer, secretary nnd treasurer, with Mr. W. F. Tumper,'
It is interesting to note that Mr. Rogers and Mr. D'Emden, original members of the soctety, were among those who welcoms the Enclish ringers to Hobatt on their visit in 1934. They were also anoong the 'lasmaniau rimgers who wither Melbonrue for the opening of St. Paul's Cathedral bells in 1889.

## CHRISTMAS BELLS.

The bells of oit. Engand lave ptayed their traditional part in celbbrating the Cluristmas festival. In some towers they rang an Ghistmas Jve for the midnimht Nass, in many a wow and pillage they awok: the folk from their slambers in the early morm, and far the charch services later in the day they plaped their part. Beimw we print reports of a few of the tonches rung for the oceasion.
GHRLSTCEURCE, HANTS.-On Chrigtmen Day, for the 10 o'clock service, a gearter-peal of Bob Mrximus ( 1,320 chenges) in 63 mins. G. Preston (conductor) 1. Miss C. Sparshott 2. Miss P. Fodges 3, T, Hinton 4. R. O. Street 5. W. M. Stome 6, G. Stone T, K. Derlinan 8. F. Sparshott 9, J. H. Howell (Hull) 10, G. Scragg 11, W. Fowler 12. First quarter-peal of Maximus by all the banei.

WORPLBSDON, SUREEY.-For service on Christmas mornisg, 720 of Doubles ( 240 fach of St. Simon's, Bob Doubtes and Gramdsire): R. Peiter 1, Miss K. Awenell 2. S. Petter 3, H. Rance 4, G. Chandler (conducfor) 5. V, Gat 6. First 720 by ringers of 1 and 6.

## NEW RING OF EIGHT AT BALCOMBE, SUSSEX

## ARCHDEAGON'S QUESTION 'JO RINGERE.

'Ilse Ardideucon of Lewes performed tle ceremolly of delication of the ring of eight bells at Z3ilcombe, sissex, on Saturday, Decemher 51t. Five bells of the original ring of sir have been recast, and two new trables added by the parislioners of Balcombe to celebrate the Silver Jubilec of his late Majesty King George $\mathbf{V}$. and Queen Mary.
There was a lave congregation present for the service, which was conducteri by the Rev. D. J. Secretrin (Rector of Balcombe), who was ucconpanied by the Archdeacon of Lewes (the Vell. Tr. H. D. Smythe), the Rev. WT. A. Dengate (Vicar of Staplefreld) and the Rev. Harold J Scolt (Ardingly). Dr. R. T. H. Newhon (churchwarden) whe present, the ather watell (Mr. H. Faure Walker, J.P.) being uuable to attend.

A lavge number of ringers were present from Balcombe, Crawley, Cuckfield, Lewes, slaugham, Lindfchi, Worth, Turner's Hill, Uckfeld, Godstone, and From Sti. Micholas', Sl. Peter's and the Church of the liood Slicplesd, Brighton. The mumber included Mr. F. Meads (Cramity Down), who rang at Balcombe Church on the ocengion of Queen Victoria's Jubilee in June, 1887.

Duriag the course of his address the Archdeacon said: 'the sound of your bell w will go over the lund, and I do think we ought to cealise what it shonda mean to us in these days when at least $23,600,000$ people in this land are out of touch with organised religion."
Later ley said that the bells were a watchman continualy reminding hem of the praise and worship int whide they should join at the chureh. They were a witness, sounding a telling plea to the people to cone to worship. Let them hope that the ringers would never be ashamed to witness that they, iny their worship, followed the call 1 hey gave to others. There were 14,000 paid and 33,000 voluntary lingerg in this land, and it was quite a serious thing to ask how many did that which they ealled others to do?
Special hymus wete sung, and the service concluded with 'Gos gave the King.

## REOAST BELLS IN REINFORCED TPAME

Toushes were then rung on the bells by visiting ringers, and at 8.15 p.ra, the bells were lowered in peal, whe visitors being subsequently Anternaned to supper in the Parish Roam by the Rector and churchwardens
The Rector, in welcoming the ringers to Balcombe, told the compriny how the scheme lrad uredually taken shape. He roferred to a Jifotime's friendship with MT. Cyrij $\Gamma$. Fohnston. and expressed the appreciation of the Balcombe people for the excellent work that the helffounders lad dome
The Tentor was followed by Dr. Newton, who made an amusing speech and recounted tales of Conncil meetings and deliberations that might, he said, be almost conforential
Ifr. tolnston thanked the Rector for all that he had sata, and he knew that the enthusiasm of the local band wonld recelve the auppart and tasistome of the many expert vingers in the district, so that the tacession of the trebles woukd quickly lead to the practice in the tower of the higher methods in elght-bell ringing
The proceedings ended with a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and wavdens for their welcome to Balcombe and their hospitality ably put by Mr. A. D. Stone, formerly lion. secretary of the Sussex Coninty Association.

The ald hell frame las been reinforced in many parts and anchoted to steel girderg, o. new metal frame having been erected to carry the twe new twelles. No. 7 bell of the new peal is the only bell of the olkI ring of six which thas not becu recost; this bell bears date 1628 . No. 5 bell now has inscribed upon it the rames of the present Rector and churolwardens. All the bolls are fited with modern inprovements, mond the new peal is hithly praised by the ringers. Messre, Gillett and Johnston are again to be congratisiated on producing a fine preal of bells.

## SIXTY YEARS' SERVICE.

the Parish Church, Skipton, Torks, on Sunday, December 20th, [or evensong, and to commemorato 60 vears' service at the church of Mr. W. Billows, a quater-peal of Kent Treble Boh Major (1,472
chinges) was rung: W. Billows (conductor? $1_{2}$ E. Metcalfe 2, R. S.
 T. Smith 8

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## FOR BEGINNERS-

## AND A WORD TO OLDER EANDS.

## GIVING THE 'YOUNGSTERS' A START

'This is New Year's Day, so to all Beginners, whether they are beginning Grandsire Dunbles or Spliced Surprise, or anything that comes in between, we would fitst of all extend our good wishes for health, happiness and prosperity. For our art may it be a year of uneximpled progress, and may it wrins a large influx of new ingerg, and adpance to every one of us already engaged in its pursuit.

New Yeal resolutions will be pleutiful to-day-most of them to be quickly forgottel. But we hope that in every belfry the riagers will make a determination to go ahead; to fill up the gaps, to push oll with the art; and, if they thengelves are without opportunitjes of going further, then do their best ta raje others less sdvanced to at least thei own standard

And what about giving some of those youngsters whe as jet know mothing about change ringing a little more encouragement and help? They, or others like them, liave got to take youv places some day, 50 they ought to bo helped along. Besides the quicker- they move forward, the somer you will ges their assiskance ju things which you wonld like to do, but cannot for want of others to help your. If you find teaching difment, encourage these youngsters to follow up the articles in this column. The lenmers can, we thiolt, help themseives a great deal from what appenrs, and, with Four assistance, the stumbling-blooks to change ringing onght to be overcome fairly easily.
With a complete novice, we alwrys think it is easential that he should first understand something of what change ringing is, before he is made to do something in the tower which lie doesn'te really grasp. We have heard ringers say to the variest tyso, 'Now, come on, see if you can hunt the treble.
Except that he knows he has got to do something difterent to striking over the same bell all the bime-whicla is all lie las done up to this stage he has only the fogqiest notion of what is required of him. So the instructor stands belind him and every pull tells him to follow this, that, or the other bell, or to lead, and at the end the beginner is often more bewildered than wheu he started.
A little preliminary explanations with pencil nad paper, or by some other means of illustration, is well worth while. It is not a bad idea to start with a few playing cards. The 'object' of changes can be explained with three; the 'movement ' of the bells ju changes can quite well be illustrated with the ace, two, three, four and five. The ace, as the treble, can indicate how that bell lunts up and down, and with carcful mnoipulation the work of the other bells can be made plam. If you have an objection to lie use of playing cavds, get five postcards and write large on them the figures I to 5.
It will give your beginuer an interesting exercise to manipulate the cards accurately enough to prodice romads at the end of a given number of changes.

Malce it plain to him that bwo pairs of cards must ho chenged cach time, and that each pair that is changed must be two adjoining cards. Start him first of all charging the two frowt and the two batk poils alternately and let him sec how the "bells" come round after ter changes.
Next show him that he can extend this teu to thinty, if aftor No. I has appetred lwice at the beginning of the line, le etranges the front and the baok pair, instead of the two front paiss. Don't enrget to remind him that he must' do this immediafely he starts, for No. 1 has ahready been in the appropriate posilion.
An exercise like this an the table will go a long way to slowing the beginner what he has to do in the tower, and it is Felpful if, when lie can manipulate the eards successfully, he will copy down in a columan on paper the rows as he produces them. The manipulation of the cards will show him the movement of the bells in changes, the record on paper will enable him to examine the detriled effect of that movement. A process that will give a beginner something that he can see and monderstand from the first will give lim an interest in applying it. in the belfy and enable fin all the auickar to grasp abat le is required to do when he is at the rope end.

## RECORD MINOR PEAL NOT ATTEMPTED.

ILLNESS KEPT BAND FRON MEETLVG.
It was aot found possible to attempt the record meal of Minor at Felkiri, Yoriss, as had been intended on Hoxing Dity. Through Iness the band, as armared, could not ge pat tormer
However, a company was made up and two $5,040^{\prime}$ 's of Minar rung, one at Felsisk in the morainy auk the other* at Barmsley Inter in the day. After the peal at Barnsicy the company were entertained to 'a good square meal' by their old friend Mr. ©. D. Potter, and an enjoyable social evening was spent.

## UNCLES AND COUSINS RING FOR WEDDJNG

At St. Mardin' Patislt Church, Ruislip, on Boxity Day, the Rev. K. Jocelyn. Ruislip's ritging parson, offiated at the weddins w Miss Mary Ive, formerly a ringer at Ruislip, to Mr. Reginald Peckinna, of Wembley.
After the ceremony a touch of Dob Minor, with tenor covering was rung by G. Bunce, C. Pouller, Wr. Bunce, jun., J. Bunce, w Bunce, sen., Iom Collins and H. The, the tingers being limo ancles Bunce, sen.,
and fom colims ansins of the brife.

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THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.
The secretaries of affiliated societies are reminded that affiliation fees became due on January ist.

## G. W. FLETCHER,

Hon. Secretary.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-The annual meeting will be heid on Saturday, January 2nd, 1937, at the Tamworth Arms, Moor Street. Ringing at St. Martin's Church from 5 to $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting $6.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. prompt.-T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136 , Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham, 1 I.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -A quarterly meeting will be held at Wedmore on Saturday, Jan. 2nd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.-J. T. Dyke, Chilcompton.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Creswell. Church ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Jan. 2nd. For tea, please notify Mr. L. W. Bacon, Thanet House, Elmton Road, Creswell. (Bristol, for practice.) All welcome. - M. E. Wilson, 13, St. Ronan's Road, Sheffield, 7.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-The annual meeting will be heid at St. Maurice Hall, Colebrook Street, Winchester, on Saturday, Jan. 2nd. Business meeting at 3.15, followed by tea at 4. Service in the Cathedral at 5.15. The address will be given by the Rev. E. W. Morley, Rector of Stockbridge. Important: Please let us know if you are coming. St. Maurice's bells availatle at 1.30.-G. and Miss Noice, Hon. Dis. Secs., 6, Cathedral View, Highcliffe, Winchester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.The next meeting will be held at Upholland on Saturday, Jan. 2nd. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m.-S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. A meeting will be held at St. Anne's Parish Church on Jan. 2nd. Bells ready 3 p.m. Business meeting $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Ringing visitors welcomed. Subscriptions due, reports ready.-C. Sharples, Branch Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Augustine's, Broxbourne, Herts, on Saturday, Jan. 2nd. Bells available 3 p.m. 8.30 p.m. Service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Welcome $5 \cdot 30$.-M. L.
Cross, Hon. Sec.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting and election of officers of the West Norfolk Branch will take place at Swaffham on Saturday, Jan. 2nd.-W. J. Eldred, Brancl Sec., 4, Wellington Street, King's Lynn.

JONDON COLNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTT SOLTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meetings for January: St. Clement Danes', Strand, January 3rd, at 10 a.m.; practices, Jamuary 4th $^{\text {th }}$ at. Clement Dancs' at 6.45 p.m., followed by quarterly meeting at 8.15 p.m. ; January 18 th at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please also book date lor annual meeting, February $3^{\text {th }}$; particulars later.- $T$. W. Taffender, Hon. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (EStablished 1637). -The subscription of is. 8d., which entitles members who have not attended twenty times to vote on matters of finance, is now clue. Meetings for practice will be held at "St. Paul's Cathedral on January $5^{\text {th }}$, St. Magnus' on the $1-1 \mathrm{th}$ and 21 st, Southwark Cathedral on the ${ }^{14 t h}$, *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 1gth, St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the $26 t h$, at 7.30 p.m., St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 28 thl , at 8 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hou. Sec., Frochingham, $3^{22}$ Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Church Kirk on Saturday, Jan. 9 th. Belis (8) available from 3 p.m. Meeting $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Everybody welcome. These bells go to any method.-F. Hindie, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-NorthEast Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Tiverton on Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Monday, Jan. 4th? - R. Harris, Hon. Sec., Park, Silverton, near Exeter.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual dinner-will be held at the Lion Hotel, Guildford, on Saturday, Jan. 9th, 1937, at 6 p.m. Tickets, os . 60 . each, from the Hon. Secretary, J. S. Goldsmith, Southover Cottage, Pyrford, Wosing, or any District Secretary. S. Nicolas' bells available 3.30 to 5.30 .

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division. -A meeting wilł be held at Hornchurch on Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.n. Tea to follow. Will all those intending to be present please advise me by Wednesday, Jan. 6th, and oblige?-E. I. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Mawneys Road, Romford.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Broughton on Saturday, January gth. Bells ready $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea arranged at is. per head for all who inform Mr. J. Jollyes, The Cottage, School Lane, Broughton. Reports now ready.-J. Charnock, Branch Sec.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-The annual general meeting will be held at Barnsley on Saturday, January $9^{\text {th. }}$ Belis ready at 2.30 p.m. Service at Tea (gd. each) at $5 \cdot 30$, at the Station Restaurant. Please notify Mr. W. Carbutt, 79, Park Grove, Barnsley, by Wednesday, the 6th. A good meeting is earnestly desired, as Canon Hone, our hon. president, is leaving the district shortly. All are welcome.-A. Panther, Hon. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch, -The annual meeting will be held at St. John's, Devizes, on Saturday, January gth. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, with mecting to follow, at 5. St. Mary's and St. Jannes' bellis also available. For tea, please advise W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Semington Road, Melksham.

EAS'Г GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICI GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Maresfield on Saturday, January $9^{\text {thl }}$. Bells ( 6 ) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.mı. Everybody welcome.-G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead, Sussex.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual district meeting at Southampton on January gth. Bells: St. Mary's from 2.30 and again after tea; Holy Rood, 2.30 to 4 p.m.; St. Michael's, after tea. Service St. Mary's 4.30 p.m. Tea in Chantry Hall at 5.55 p.m. Names for tea by January 7 th.-G. Pullinger, 17 , Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Hants.

DURHAA AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIACION.-Eastern District.-A special meeting will take place at West Hartlepool on Saturday, January gth. St. Oswald's bells (ro) available from 2.30 p.m. A short service will be held, when the Rev. T. H. Lilburn will dedicate a peal board, commemorating Miss Stephenson's peal. T'ea in Dale Street Parish Hall at 5 p.m. Please let me kinow if you require same. A cordial invitation to all ringers and friends.-F. Robson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 13, Grainger Street, West Hartlepool.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch, Newport pagnell Deamery.-A meeting at Lavendon, Saturday, January gth. $2-30$ begin. 4.15 service. 4.45 tea.-The Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olncy, Bucks.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby District.-The annual meeting will be held at Derby on Saturday, January gth. The bells of St. Alkmund's (8) will De available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting for the election of officers, etc., will commence at 4.30 p.m. All welcome.-George Freebrey, Dis. Sec., 8i, Roe Street, Derby.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering Branch.-The annual branch meeting will be held at Broughton ( 5 bellis) on Saturday, January gth. Important business. Please attend. Please notify for tea.-H. Baxter, 256, Windmill Avenue, Kettering.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Axbridge Deanery.-The annual meeting will be held at Burnham-on-Sea on Saturday, January gth. Bells open 2.30. Divine service 4.30 , to be followed by tea and business meeting. Appointment of hon. secretary takes place at this meeting, through the retirement of Mr. L. G. Tanner, who has held the position for ten years, but feels he cannot, through pressure of his business, undertake additional duties.-L. G. Tanner, Hon. See., 4, Hopkins Street, Weston-super-Mare.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Dis trict.-The annual meeting of the district will be held on Saturday, January gth, at Apsley End. Bells (6) available from s p.m. Short service at 5 p.mn., followed by tea and business meeting. Members are asked to attend this meeting. Numbers for tea by the previous Thurs-day--W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch. -The annual meeting will be held, by kind permission, at St. Mary's, Ely, on Saturday, January gth. Bells afternoon and after tea and mecting. Guild service $4.30^{\circ}$ p.m. Tea at Bonnet's 5 p.m. Please send a card to Mr. H. Cole, $\mathbf{j}^{8}$. West Fen Road, Ely, Cambs, number for tea. Took up Major methods and come. All ringers welcome.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-Monthly practice meeting at St. Cuthbert's, Kirkby-in-Furness, on Saturday, January gth. Bells available at 2.30 p.m.-N. M. Newby, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Wrotham on Saturday, January gth. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 5. A fine peal of bells to ring on and a welcome for every ringer. Tower secretaries are asked to bring subscriptions and names for 1937.-A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec., Malthouse Farm, Egerton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-A meeting will be held at Old Chesterton on Saturday, January gth. Bells available 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Church Hall 5 p.m. Please make the first meeting for 1937 a successful one.-C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be at Ordsall (6) on January 9th. All who can handle a bell welcome. Roll up and make the first meeting in the new year a good one. Please send a card for tea to R. Fowler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -Monthly meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Liverpool, on Saturday, January gth. Bells (12) available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Institute. Service 5 p.m. Wigan Branch specially invited. For tea please notify Mr. G. R. Newton, 4, Langham Avenue, Liverpool, not later than Wednesday, January 6th.-H. Gruidy, Branch Sec.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branct, Lincoln District.-Annual meeting at Metheringham on Saturday, January gth. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Will all those requiring tea please advise me without fail not later than by Wednesday's post, January 6th? Failure to comply with the request may cause serious inconvenience to those who have kindly undertaken the arrangenients.-F. W. Stokes, Blankney, Lincoln.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ross District. -The annual meeting will be held at Ross on Saturday, January 9th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Central Cafe. Business meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome. Will those who require tea notify me not later than January 7th.—\}. Clark, Chase Road, Ross, Herefordshire.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Wokingham on Saturday, January 16 th. Service in St. Paul's Church 4 p.m.; preacher, Canon Coleridge. Meat tea in Parish Room 4.45, by ticket. Members of branch is., all others is. 6d. Usual ringing arrangements. Tea tickets to be applied for by January ith to W. J. Paice, Hon. Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham, Berks.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Paul's, Burton, on Saturday, January 16 th. Bells (io) available at 3 p.m. Meeting in tower at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Owing to the difficuity of arranging tea, it is most essential that names should be sent to Mr. J. H. Swinfield, 240, Horninglow Road, Burton-on-Trent, by Wednesday, January $13^{\text {th. }}$. No postcard, no tea. North Staffs and Derby District members cordiafly invited.Joseph Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. -Manchester Branch. - The next practice meeting will be held at the Cathedral, Manchester, on Saturday, January 16th. Tower open for ringing at 5 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-J. H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.
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DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-East Devon Branch.-A meeting will be held at Feniton on Saturday, January 16 th. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and meeting 5. Beils ( 6 ) available 2 p.m. Also Ottery St. Mary (8). All ringers and friends welcome.-John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The fifth annual supper and social will be held in the Village Hall, Heston, on Saturday, January 16th, at 6 p.m. Tickets, 35.6 d . each, available from association officers and tower secretaries until January roth. Ringing at Norwood Green and Heston in afternoon. District annual general mecting at Isleworth on February 6th.-F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.
COSGROVE, NEAR BLETCHLEY.-On Sunday, Jan. 17th, at 3 o'clock, the Bishop of Peterborough will dedicate the new treble of six installed by Messrs. Taylor and Co .

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOI DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting of the association will be held at Tewkesbury on Easter Monday, March 29th. (Full details in due course.) Notice is hereby given that the special committee will present their report with new constitutions of rules. Copies can be obtained from the general secretary now. Will those intending to discuss and debate please avail themselves of a copy soon. This notice is given in accordance with Rule Xv. of present rules.-Edgat Guise, Gen. Hon. Sec, 46a, Tankard's Close, Bristol, 2.

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## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

SWAFPHAM, NORFOLK.-At SS. Peter and Panl's Church on Sunday, December 27 th, for evanivg service, a quarter-peal of Bob Triples: B. Hoyhoe 1, W. Monghton 2, F. Banner 3. F. Jeffries 4, H. Tutile 5. A. Eoughton 6, 工. Houghton (conductor) 7, T. White 8. All are members of the local bavd.
FKYERNENG, ESSEX.-At St. Mary's Church on Sunday, December 20th, for evening service, 720 College Fxercise (conducted by $A$, Bradley) and 720 London Scholarg Pleasure (conducted by E. Sitch). Whe following local ringers took part: A. Bradiey, G. Harrington, IH. Wright, J. Sitch, E. Sitch, G. Camp and L Camp.

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## REGISTER OF METHODS.

The suggestion that there should be a 'register'
of methods kept by the Central Council is, we admit, an old idea. We ourselves have put it forward on more than one occasion in the past, but nothing has ever been done about it, except to some extent to put it into the same category as a register of compositions, which is now admitted to provide a task that it is practically impossible to carry out effectively. A register of methods, however, is nothing like so lormidabie a proposition as a register of compositions. The object of the latter, if it were possible to work it, would be to establish authorship, but there are two weighty arguments against it. One is the difficulty in having to decide what is an original composition and-as is revealed in present correspondence in our columns - whether two apparently similar compositions are actually the same or different. The other, and less generally accepted, is the question of whether anyone has the 'right' to a composition, it being asserted by those who throw doubt on this right that the production of peals is only the application of mathematical formulæ.
Be that as it may we still think there is ground to ask the Central Council to establish a register of methodsnot so much for the purpose of recognising authorship as to save the confusion which arises from a method being rung under different names. There have been many such instances in the past and there was the recent

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ber, but when an author has obtained something of which he is proud we can understand he feels slighted if his name is not associated with it. It is a little courtesy to which he may well think himself entitled. It may be, however, that in this case Mr. Tipler's association with the method was entirely unknown either to the Methods Committee or to the ringers. Such a thing is quite possible. The Council's Collection was the product of mathematics, and although the figures of this method had been previously published, it is quite easy to see that the two sets of figures may never have been brought together for comparison. If a register existed, the author of a method could send it for registration, and, if it was already in existence, he could be so informed. If a band practises a fresh and, to them, unnamed method, they would have a means of ascertaining whether or not it had already been given a title, and whether it had previously been rung. We suggest that a scheme for a register of methods might well be further considered by the Council.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

WOLYFRFAMPTON. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE AROHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Saturday, Decenbar 26, 7936, in Three Hours and Fifry Minutes, At the Cerrce of St. Prige.
A PEAL OF STEDHAN GINQUES, 5005 CHANGES; Tenor 33 ewt.
Brri Horton ... ... ...Treble *Eredrrick G. Handeey ... 7
Herbert Kniget ... ... 2 |Jogn S. Mason ... ... ... 8
Harry Boswbll... ... ... 3 †Barnabas G. Key ... ... 9 Ceristoperr Waleatbr ... 4 Kennetb Knowles ... ... io Laurence J. Williams ... 5 William Safndere ... ... It Francis Broterrton ... 6 | Harry Gripritas ... ....Tenor

Composed by F. W. Perrins. Conducted by Brat Horton. *First peal of Stedman Cinques. F First, twalve-bell peal. Rung as a birthday peal to C. Wallater, It was his 300 th peal for the society. F. Brotlertoa's 100 th peal. First twelve-bell peal as conductor.

IROWBRIDGE, FILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Decenber 31, 1936, in Thyes Hows and Thirly-One Minutes,
At ter Chorch of Sx. Jamzs,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUE8, SOO7 CHANOES; Tedor 24 cwt .
Charliz F. Andrews ...Treble | William R. Baxter... ... 7
-Reginald Amor ... ... 2 "Bertram Worsdell ... 8
"Jesse Francis ... ... ... 3 . 3 Gilbert H. Harding ... 5

- William Lodd ... ... ... 4 "Cearles Raison ... ....
*Cearles Botcber ... ... 5 Norman V. Andrews ... II Samubl J. Hector ... ... 6 . William J. Priscoti ...Tenoy

Composed by J. Carter. Condacted by Cearers F. Andrews.

* First peal of Cingues. First peal of Cinques on the bells, in the county and by the Guild. First peal of Cinques as conductor. All the above are members of the local brad, and tlie peal was rung at the first attempt. It was a birthday compliment to the conductor, who has now called peais of Stedman from Doubles to Gingues.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

LIVERPOOL.
64, LEWISHAM PARK, LOMDOM, 8.E. 13
Late of BERMONDSEY and PECKHAM.

Moker to St. Paul'g Cattedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Instả. tute, Canterbury, Edinburgb, St. Albang, Lincoln, Durbam, Peter barough, Melbourne (Augtralia), Rochoster, Dublin, St. Patricic's Manchester, Dutben and Worcester Gathedrals, etc., etc.

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At tee Cegrch or St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF OXFGRD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 GHANGES; Tenor 39 cwt 3 qr . Ia lb .


PRESTON, LANCASHIRF.
THE LANOASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, Jantary 1, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes, At the Cebref of St. Jobn,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES;

## Tenor 2acwt

| Lreter L. Gray | Tredle | Frank Varty |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Crcil Raddon | . 2 | Stanley N. Harrison |  |
| Latrencr J Williams |  | Harold Davibs | 8 |
| Gegrge R. Newton | 4 | Christoparr Gupgro. |  |
| E. |  | TH |  |

E. Roger Martin

Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Grorge R. Newron.
Rung on the second anniversary of the birth of Peter Stedman Raddon, son of the ringer of the gecard beil.

HASLEMTERE, SURREY.
TRE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Ow Saturday, Januarv 2, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Thivty-Three Minntes, At the Church of St, Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF BOE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt. 6 lb . in F .


| Raynond Overy | $\ldots$ | ... | 4 | Clarence H. Dobbie | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ddagger$ William J. Robinson | $\cdots$ | 5 | Alfred H. Polling | ...$T e n o r$ |  | Composed by W. Avre.

ronducted by Alfred H. Polling. * Firsi peal of Royal. + First peal in the method andi of Royal \# First peal of Bob Royal. \$ First peal and first attempt. WIEDEESBURY, STATMS.
THE DUDLEY AND DESTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, January 2, 1937, in Thvee Houts and Ten Minteres
At tee Cabreg of St. Bartaolomew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5065 CHANGES;
Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb .
-Cejfford Skidmore...
Thomas Hzmming ...
Joen Goodman, jen....
†!. Dranis Holden ...
Barnabas G. Key ..Trable
\#Joen S. Mason Harold Smite .... Howar How ... ... ... Composed by F … 5 §Harry Boswell .... ... 9 Albert I. Hubber ... ...Tehar Conducted by $C$. Skidmore. * $200 t h_{1}$ peal. † First peal of Gaters. $\ddagger$ First of Stedmati Caters. § 150 th peal. Quarterly peal for the Guifd and a birthday compli ment to the 9th ringer.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## GLOJOESTER.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCTATTON. On Satwrday, Decomber 26, 1936, in Three Hours and Five Minates, At the Chorce of Si. Mary-ne-Crypt,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation).

## Sinney E. Romans

Tbobas Ealdwyn | $\ldots . .$. | Treble |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Ј |
| $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | T |
| $\ldots$ | .. | 4 | ... | Henry Danibls ...

John A

 Conducted by Tbomas Newman.
Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to the Duke and Duchess of Kent. Great credit is duo to Sergt. Williams, who is in his 85th year athd still as keen a ringer as ever. LONDON.
THE SOCTETY OF ROYAL COMBERLAND YOUTHE. On Saturday, December 26, 1936, in Thyef Honys and Fifleen Minutes, At tee Chorch of St. Martin-in-tae-Fiblds,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
Wasbbroor's Variation of Thurstans' Four-part

## Tenor 30 s cwt.

William J. Nodds .... ...Tyeble Ernast W. Ferbank... ... $50 .^{5}$
Norman Sommereayes ... 2 Cbcil J. Mattrews ... ... 6
George Radley ... ... ... 3 Fredzrige j. Collok ... 7
Thomas Brvan ... ... ... 4 Grorge H. Cross ... ...Teroy
Conducted by Fredericr I. Coleom,
Rung in lhonour of the birth of a daurlater to the Duke and Duchess of Kont. Firet peal by the ringer of the treble since Janary, 1929.

## LONGSTANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION <br> On Saturdoy, Deember 26, 1936, in Thyee Hours and Twelve Minutes, At teb Cgerch of All Saints, <br> A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE BURPRISE MAJDR, 6088 CHANCES:

 Tenor 7 cwt. 2 gr. II lb.- Miss Nora E. Shorter ...Tycble | Reginald L. Latheory ... 5

Franr Haynes ... ... ... 2 Jogn W. Ward ... ... ... 5
Francis G. Gleaves ... 3 Artagr J. Ginn ... ... .... 7 †Jack Parish ... ... ... 4 Frane Warringion ... ... Temor Composed by N. J. Pissiow. Conducted by F. Warringron.

* First Surprise peal. + Trinst peal of Surprise Majar. First peal in the method on the bells.

TUNSTALL, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION On Saturday, Decomber 26, 1936, is Three Hours, At the Chorch of Si. Jogn-the-Bartist,
A PEAL OF LIOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGEB;
Precy J. Spice
Trable Geonge A. Naylor
-Walter B. Dobbie ... .... 2 Edward A. G. Allen ... 6

Composed by James Hont. Conducted by Farry Parkes.

* First peal in the method. A wedding anniversary peas for treble ringer and a birthday peal to Mrs. Dobbie, mother of 2nd ringer: also in honour of the birth of a daughter to the Duke and Duchess of Kent.

EAST MARKEAWE, NOTTS.
THE NORTY NOTMS ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 26, 1936, in Thybe Hows and Three Minutes,
At tee Chorce of St. John,

## A PEAL DF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 6040 CHANGESI

 Tenor 12 cwt .Miss Grace Burchnall...Treble Harold Denman .... ... 5
Migs Katgerine Burchnall 2 "Jack L. Milleoese ... ... 5
*Frank Vernon ... ... ... 3 James W. Raitaby ... ... 7
†Ricbard A. Harvey ... ... 4 |Clifford A. Vessby ... ...Temoy
Composed by H. Hobsard. Conducted by Caifford A. Vessey.

* First peal in the method. \& First peal of Major and first altempt. First in the method on the bells. Runn ta celobrato the wedding of Mr. Geoffrey M. Mayer to Miss E. Eildiz Smith, which took place at Lincoln on the same day.

GULLDFORD, SURRET.
THE GUIEDFORD DIOCESAN GUTJD.
(The Holy Trinity Sociriy.)
Un Thuysdav, Decembey 31, 1936, in Thyee Hokys and Sewenteen Minwtes, At tge Cathudral Chorch oy the Holy Trinity

## A PEAL OF GPANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original.
Tenor $23 \mathrm{cwt} 3 \mathrm{qr}, 8 \mathrm{lb}$. in D.
William J. Robinson

- Herbert W. Collibr

Hzrbert W. Collier ...TYeblo
Henry Hution .... ... 3
C. Ernest Smity

William R. Melvilee ... 5 George W. Sterre ... ... 6 Alpred H, Pulling ... ... 7 Clarrnce H. Dobris ...Tehoy Conducted by W. J. Robinson.

* Firsb peal on an "inside' bell. Rung with the bells half-mufliled for the passing of the old year.

> DARTFORD, KTNT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOLATION.
On Thursday, Decembe 31. 1936, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minktes, Ax tee Church ar ter Holy Thinity.
A PEAL OF BUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJAR, 5088 CHANEE8;
Tenor $18 \frac{8}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Herbert E. Addsley ...Tyble Grorge J. Boicher ... ... 5
-Drrex M. Sgarp ......$\quad 2 \quad$ Jamrs E. Batley $\quad . .$.

Composed by N. J. Pirstow. Conducted by Harry Hoverd.

* First peal of Surprise. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a birtluay compliment to Joln Wheadon.
HYTHE, KENT.-On Monday, December 28th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) : W. Fright 1, $\mathbf{H}$. Whitaherd 2, W. Bianell 3, W. J. Biduell 4, F. J. Saumders 5, C. Turner 6, C. R. Walker (couductor) 7, E. T. Ellender 8.

HOGHTON, LANCASETRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Friday, Januavy 1, 1937. in Two Haws and Forty-Fouy Minutes, At the Caurch of the Holy Trinity,
A PFGL OF EAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt. I4 lb.
Stanley N. Harrison
Treble Cecil Raddon
Cyril Crosthwhite... George R, Newton...
Frank Varty
Frank varty ..............
Composed by J. S. Wilde. Conducted by James C. E. Simpson.

* first Surprise peal. The band wouk like to tlank Mr. J. Mouldeu for meeting them and making all arrangements.

STAVELEY, DERBYSHIRE
THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION,
On Friday, January 1, 1937, in Three Hows and Eleven Minutes, Af tae Churce of St. Jobn-the-Bapisst.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 OHANGES;
Tenor 19 cwt. in E flat.

## - Dennis Parsons

...Treble
Jesse J. Moss $\begin{array}{ll}\ldots . & 2 \\ \ldots & 3\end{array}$ L. William Jacgues
F. A. Adams.. Fredrrice E. Parsons ... 4 Composed by I A Trolcors

Wiclay Torion … ${ }^{\circ} 6$
Alered E. Parsons .. ...Tanor Conducted by A. E, Parsons.

* Birst attempt for a peal. First peal on the bells since they were recently rohng by John Taylor and $C o$. This peal is notoworthy in that thros geverations took part, the ringers of tenor and treble being son and grandson respectively of the ringer of the 4th.

WILLESDIEN, MIDDLESEX.
TFE MIDDLESEX GOUNTY ASSOCEATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
Un Sathyday, Januay 2, 1937, in Two Hours and Foyty-Fiour Minutes,
At the Cherce of St. Mary.
A PEAL DF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR; 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 10 cwt .
Thomas Collins.. Treble Jogn G. Nash

Jahas Bennezz .... ...
C. Edward Lankesier

George R. Pyr ... 4 Thoni Kilay ... .. ... 6 Thomas J. Locr ... ... ... 7 Jases H. Riding .. ...Tenor Conducted by G. R. Pye. SHIPLEY, YORKSHTRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, Jannary 2, 7937, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At the Cequag of St. Phol,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BDB MASOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt.

- Miss Winifred Foster ...Treble $\mid$ tMiss Mary Whitr ... ... 5

Thomas B. Krndall ... 2 Harry Davison ... ... 6
†Kennext Simpson
Harry Wicde
Composed by J. Platr William Ambler ... $\quad . . .7$
Frederick Seager ... ... ${ }^{3}$ ehat

* Pirst pal + Fics peal in Conducted bv Wilifam AmbLer. the Rev. L. L. Thomas, who is leaving Slipley to take up the living of Morton, near Keighloy.


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## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

HOOLF, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESAER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 19, 1936, in Two Hours and torty-Eigh Mometes, At the Cegrch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Seven extents.
Tellor 8 cwt

- Edfard Prbastner... R... ...Treble Harry Lewis
Eowhrd Prbastner...

Grorge Sprring ... | ...Treble |
| :---: |
| $\cdots$ |
| .. | Conducted by P. Swindery.

 -Jobm Best ... ... .... ... 3 Prrcy Swindery ... ... Terot

* First peal. First peal of Minor as conductor. Rung in honamr of King George VI.'s accession.

WOODHOUSE FAVFS, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decembey 19, 1936, in Two Hours and Thitby-Ninc Minutes,
At tae Cadref of St. Padl,

## A PEAL DF BOB MINOR, 6040 EHANEES;

Being seven different 720's.
Tenor $10 \mathrm{cwt}, 19 \mathrm{lb}$.
-Roland Srockwell ...Tyeble

Ernest Morris ... ... ... 3 G. Ronald Edwards ...Tenor Conducted by Erness Morris.
3first peal. All the ringers except 3 rd and 6 th are lacal and this peal was arranged for them. The conductar's 750th peal.

DILWYN, HEREFORDSHIRE.
TEE FIEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, December 23, 1936, in $\Gamma$ wo Hours and Forty Minstes, At rer Cberch of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Ten callings.

*Tom Payne .... ...T rede Leslir Evans ... ... ... 4 Travor Jones .... ... .... 3 3 $\quad$ Thomas Eckley ... Condacted by Trevor Jones.

* First peal and aged 14. He is a member of the young Stannton-on-Amrov band and is to be complimented on the way lie rang his finst peal.

FELETRK, YORKS.
THE FORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Barmslay and Districi Socibty.)
On Salurday, Decmber 26, 1936, in Two Hours and Fifty-Tiwo Minutes,
At the Cebreh of St. Petgr,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINDR, 5040 CHANGE ;
Being 720 each of $\$ 4$, Albang Delight, Wragby Delight, College Exerciso, Norbury, Loudon Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston and Oxfoxd 'Treble Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. Wilfred Tlbble ... ... ...Tyeble | Ernest Broores ... ... ... 4 Geqrgr Lord ... ... ... 2 Artaur Gill ... ... ... 5 Harold Ceant ... ... .... 3 Danigl Smite ... ... ... Temay Conducted by D. Smist.
FAWORTH, YORKSHIRE. THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Decenber 26, 7936, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Mirutes, At teg Ceprce of Sx. Miceabl and Ail Angels,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Plan Boly, two of Oxford and thee of Kent Ireble Bob.
*Herberi Helliwele ...Tyeble | Kenneth Simpson .... ... 4
*Allan Rusbworib ......

- Miss Mary White ... ... 3 Arther Bairsiow ... ...Tenor Conducted by Ernest H. Simpson.
* First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells since 1903. Rung as a compliment to Mr. James Riloy, of Haworth, who has completed 60 years as a ringer.


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## BaRNSLEY, YORKS. <br> TEE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Barmsley anc District Society.) <br> On Satnrday, Decomber 26, 1936, in Two Honrs and Fifty-Sevon Minutes, At tee Cadrcb of Si. Mary, <br> A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; <br> Beilig 720 changes of eack of Felkirk Delight, Barnsley Delight Oxford, London Scholars' Pleasure, Sandal, Kingstom and Kent Treble Bob. <br> Tenor 14 qwt. 1 qr . <br> Gearge Lord ... ... ...T reble <br> $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Lronard William Carbutt } & 2 \\ \text { Ernest Broores } & \ldots . & 3\end{array}$ <br> Thomas Raymond Haden

Condacted by D. Suita.

* First peal and first attempt. First peal on the bells since they were retuned and rehung in a steel frame and new fittings by Gilfett and Johnston, of Croydon. It is heliewed to be the first peal of Minor ruas in this tower for over 50 yeare.

MOLD, FLINTSHERE.
THE NONTH WALES ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, Decenber 26, 1936, in Two Houys and Fayty-Seven Minules,
Ai taz, Chorge of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Scyen differeat extents.



Condacted by Frid Hartman.

* Tirst peal of Minar. First peal of Minor on the bells. First peal af Minor as coneuctor.


## BASSINGHAM, LTNCS. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (Nortbern Brance.)

On Straday, Desender 27, 1936, in Twe Hours and Forty-T wo Minutes, At iee Cgerch of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surguise, Couzt Bob, St Clement's, Oxford Boh, Oxford Treble Bol, Kert Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwb .
Frank Vernon $\qquad$ .. ...Treble

- Percy Holmes ...

TYeble
.$\quad 2$
Richard A. Harvey ...
richard A. Harvey ... ... 4
G. Lescip A. Lonn 3 Jack L. Millibodse ... ... 5

Conducted by Clifpord A. Vessey.

* First peal in seven methods. Rung on the occasion of the ordination of the Rev. E. O. Farah, which took place at St. Giies' Churcli, Lincoln, on the same day.


## SWINDERBY, LINCS

TEE LINGOLN DIOCESAN GULD.
(Northern Brancr.)
tHE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCLATION.
On Monday, Decenber 28, 1936, in Two Hours ard Thiviy , Minutes,
At thr Cedrge of Ale Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being six six-scores of Original and nine each of Stedman, St. Simon's, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 5 cwt (approx.). - Jack L. Millhoesb ... ...Trebie | Richard A. Harvey ... 3 fG. Leslif A. Lonn ... ... 2 Frank Vbrnon ... ... ... 4 *Clifeord A. Vessey ...Ienay Conducted by Clirford A. Vessey.

* First peal of Doubles. + First peal of Doubles in five methods. Tinst peal on the bells. Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to the Duke and Duehess of Kent.


## HAPPISBURGH, NORTOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOOIATION.
On Monday, Dezenber 28, 1936, in.Thye Fiours and Five Minntes, At tee Cedrch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's erch called differently. Tenor 12 cwt. -Frbderica W. Lawson ...I'rebie |Artadr Howrs... ... ... 4
 HENRY E, Woongodss.. .13 Edward Howes ... ... .... 3 Tenor Conducted by Edward Howes.

* First peal. First as conduclor. First peal on the bells by a lowil company.

WHIOKHAM, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM aND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. On Monday, Decembar 28, 1936, in Two Howys and Thivty-Seven Minktes.

At tee Churca of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF WINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent eacla of Canzbridra Surprise, Donble Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Single Oxford Bob, Mlain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob aud Kent Treble Bob.
Jobn A. Brown ... ..
..Treble Strpaen Thompson ... ... a
Herbert P. Cliff ... ... 2 Robert W. Leighton ... 5 William J. Davidson ... 3 Kenneth W. Cebesiman ...Temor Conducted by W. J. Davidson.
Rung in celebration of tha mantise of Cicely, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Thompsan, of Whichham, to Mr. Wiffred L. Parsons. The wedding was solemised at Winlaton Parish Church, where the bride is organist ane cloirmistress.

LEVERINGTON, CAMBS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wedresday, December 30, 1936, in Two Hokrs and Ftfy-Seyen Minktes,
Ait ter Cburce of Sit. Leonard,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Eent and Oxford Treble Bob and five 720 's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 15t cwt .
Sidney Flint
... ...Trebhe Lewis Bosi ...

- Jogn Riceardson $\qquad$
Conducted Cebil Ebebrson
... ... 4
Joan Ricgardson
Fred Wigmorz ... Conducted by Fred Wigmore.
* First peal in three methods.

HANLEX CASTLE WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIOTS ASSOCIATION. (Wretern Brance.)
On Weinesday, December 30.1930 , in Two Hours and Forty-One Minhtes, At tee Cercer of St. Gabriel,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, $\quad$ GO40 CHANGES;
Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob aurl 30 of Graydsire, each aralled differently.

Tenor 10, owt.
Cgarles Yofng
Harry Price ... ... Treble |Gborge Gonnell
Frank Lawrisce
$\begin{array}{ccc}. . . & 2 \\ \text {... } & 3 & 3 \\ \text { Conducted by }\end{array}$ CBARLTS CAMM Henry Bishof … ... ... 5 Conducied by Cbarlas Camm. QUEEN CAMEL, SOMERSET.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, January' 2, 1937, in 1 hree Hours and Thiviy-Three Minutes, At fre Chetch of St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's: (1) Spliced Oxford and Kent Treblo Bob; (2) St. Clement's; (3) Cambridge Surprise; (4) Double Oxford; (5) Single Oxford; (6) Double Court; (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor $36 \mathrm{cwt}-3 \mathrm{qr} .7 \mathrm{lb}$. in $\mathbf{C}$.

| - Artaur S. Ricgards | $\ldots$. Tredls | Nolan Goldbe ... | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | a |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miss Marib R. Cross | $\ldots$. | 2 | C. Elliot Wigg | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. | 5 |

 Conducted by Nolan Goumen.

* Tirst peal in more than four methods. First peal in eirght methods on the bells, which are the heariest peal of six in the country.

SUTTOMN, CHESFIRE.
THE OHPSTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, Jantary 2, 7937, in Two Hours and Fifly Minktes,
At tae Cedreg of St. James.
A PEAL OF SPLIGED TREBLE BOB MIMOR, b040 CHANGES;
Being seren extents in 35 methods, viz. :-
(1) Chepstom, Balinoral, Fotheringay, Skipton and Dover Delight,
(c) Rostherne, Wilmalow, Bogedone, Knutsford and Ely Delight
(3) Growland, Gombermere, Yale Royal, St. Werburgh and Ableyvillo Delight.
(4) Nowdigate, Old Oxford, Collego Bob IV., Willesden and Marple Delight.
(5) Charlwood, Neasden, Et. Albans, Wragby and Brauntres Delight.
(6) Ockley. Duke of Norfalk, College Exercise, Norbury and Morning Star Treble Bob.
(7) Capel. Siandal, Lontion Scholars' Pleasure. Kingston and Onford ITeble Bols.

James A. Milner

- Kennete Lewis
†Tbomas Taylor


## Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

 Wilfatd Sievenson.. Walter W. Wolstamcrori Joan Worte ... ... ... ...Tяmor Conducted by Jobn Worth.

* 50th peal. + First peal in 35 methods. There were 52 clannges of method.


## HANDBELL PEALS．

ST，ALBANS HER＂25
THE HERTFORD GOUNTY ASSOCLATION．
In Wednesday，Decomber 30，1936，in Une Hour and Thisty－Four Minutes， Ax 48，King＇s Road

## A PEAL OF BOE MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being even 720 ＇s each called differently．Tenor size 11 in $G$ ＊Fredericr J．Spicer

## heis Kir

Harold V．Frost

## 5－6

Conduoted by Francis Kire．
＊Tirst peal of Minor on handbells．First peal of Minor on hand－ bells as conductor．

COLCHESTER，TSSTX．
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION
On Thusday，Decmber 37，7936，in Two Hours and Thivty－Eigh Minulas， At 19，Middleboro，
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR，6昆G CHANPE：

Georgz M．Rasasrook
Edward P，Duffirld
Composed by J．E．Borto
－2 Willam KeEble
Conducted by Wileiam Kerele art notice to enable the conductor to ring a peal during 1936 and while still a patient in Severalls Mental Hospital．

CRAYFORD，KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOGIATION．


## In the Eelfry of St．Padrinos＇Ceorea

A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR， 6066 CHANOES；
Colin A．Hopper
Thomas Groombridge，jun．3－4 Edwin A．Barnets Composed by C．H．Martin．Conducted by Thomas Groompi 7－8 （Other peal reports are unavoidahly hald over．）

## DEATH OF MR．C．J．PARTRIDGE．

## A NOTTINGHAMSHERE FINGER

We regret to record the deatiz of en well－known \＄1uttor－ix－Aslifield ringer，Mr．Cornelius John Paxtridge，who passed away at the age of 55．He was a man of genial disposition and courteous manner，and a popular figure in the towers of Notts and Derbyshire．Mr．Part－ ridge had resided at Sutton for over 20 years，and when the ring of bells at the Parish Church was augmented to six in 1920 he became a useful change ringer and ⿲e丨orular attendant at Sunday services．
His peal record is not available，but ke had taken part in a num－ ber of peals of Major and Minor in the standard methods．Ho was a momber of the executive committee of the East Derbyshire and Nolts Association，and also of the North Notts Associabion and the Midland Counties Association．
His fatal illuess commeneed with influenza，which developed into proumonia，and，following an operation for the removal of fluid，the passed away in Mansfield Hospital on Monday，December＇28th， The interment took place in the wemetery ou Thursday，December 3lst．A service was previously held in the Parish Churdh，and the nutiled bells were rung by lis friends from Sutton，Mansfield Wood－ house，Tibshelf and South Normanton．In addition to the family monners，feveral mombers of the Parodial Churcin Council and rail－ waymen svere present Rud the East Derbyshire and Notts Association was represented by Mr．W．Allin（vice－president），Mr，T．Clarke，Mr C．M．Heathcote and Mr．L．Rawson．
The sympathy of his fellow－ringers is extended to the widow aud family of two sons aud two daughters．

## THE BELLS OF BIRCH

TO BE REOPENED BY PHE BISEOP OF MANCEESTER
While a Parish Church has an intimate uppeal to its parishioners and congrogation，the belfyy and ring of bells has an appeal which extends throughont a very wide area，due to the personal interest which ringers display wherever there is enthusiasm for the art．This is very true as regards the Church of St．James，Birch－im－Rusholme． We publish in another column an advertisement in connection with the opaning of the betls＇ceremony，after rehanging，etc．，by Messrs． Taylor and Co．，of Loughborough，
t＇he bells of this church，which are well known and thought of in the North of Bugland，have been in use for 72 years，and it is 32 years since they were completely overbauled．This time a full set of self－ aligning ball bearings have been fitted，aud the trial＇touches＇have shown the ringers that the physical elfort necensary is greatly reduced and the control of the bells greatly facilitated．

We understand that the Birch band of ringers is one of the youngest in the Manchester Diocese，and it speaks volumes for the interest shown in their welfare that tha help and advice of the older and experienced members of the art are on all oceasions given unstint－ ingly．Whem the Bishop of Manchester zeopens the bells of Birch， any ringers，if they happen to be in the Manchester neighbourhood， will be very welcone．

## FOR BEGINNERS．

## THE IMPORTANCE OF BELL CONTROL

We hope the＂fve－card trick＇which we endeavoured io explain to begimners last week may have iuterested those who are just starting change ringing．It was designed to show how changes are formed， and the＇movement＇of the bells amolg each other－that is the wary－ ing positions they take in redetion to gach other in the succession of chanrses．
To do this in the tower with real bells，the rimger has to learn ta ＇place＇his bell in the required position，by pulling his rope at the exact moment which，allowing for the longer or shorter perioa of the revolution of the bell，according to its size，will restlt in its stiking at the proper interval after the one immedintely in front of it．The beginner，therefore，will realise that to pull just＇stmewhere＇after the other man is not suficient，if there is to le good ringing－and good ringing，by which we mean keepity time and rlytum，is the first essential．
The larger the bell，the longer it takes to revolve and consequenty the longer it takes for the clapper to strilse．If two bolls of approxi－ mately the same size are pulled off togedher they will，assuming thes are properly liung and in good order，strike simultaneousiy．You can hear the effect of this if you will pull off together the lreble and second in your tower．Having dnue so－and get them agan as quickly as possible，for the sake of the public，if nothing else－pull off the treble and tenor together．Unless the bells belong to a very small peal，you will find there is a very perceptible interval between the striking of the two bells．
In actual ringing this differeuce in the period of revolution must be allowed for and it is necessary to allow move space in striking over a big bell than over a little bell．Two things are essential to per－ fecting your striking．First you must have complete control of your bell，and，secondly，Fou must＇use yonn ears．＇
To begin with，you cannot control your bell unless you hold your rapa properly and pull correctly．Keep your hands close together， whether at zope end or on the sally，and grasp botio with all four fingers of botly hands．Let your hands go well above your hend every time，and don＇t sumbeh．$A$ steady pull and a long one is the effective way of ringing a bell．Ring with your arms and not witl？ your waist，and if yon want a little extra weight occasionally，get it by bending the lenees．
Before you begin change ringing，which，to be well struck，meeds perfect bell entrol，get some practice with eall changes so that you will learn how much＇space＇to give each bell as you pull over it． Use your ears．Listen for the sound of your own bell among the rest．It may nok be easy to pick it out，at first，but if yon will count the bells round as they strike，beginning when they are in ＇rounds．＇you will soon knom which is yours；then make gure that it is striking at the right interval－that is with the same internal as between the other bells．Nothjng is more irritating than to have the bells going round with a＇jazz＇effect；some＇close，＂otherg＇wicle．＇．
The only point at which there should be a break in the＇periods＂ between the blows is at the＇hand－stroke＇lead．Then there shonld be the space of an extira bell befween the last bell at hadstroke aud the first at the next handstroke．On six bells you shonld have twelve even blows，and then a ong bell interval．On eight there should he 16 even blows and a one bell interval，ane so on．

We fo not renommend any hegimer to attempt clatage ringiog， much as he may be anxions to do so，until he has obtained completn mastery of his bell in rounds and call changes．It is uscless to think he can concentrate on clanges nntil he can，praclically without con－ scious effort．＂pult＇his belf where he wants to，without＇dropping．＂ or＇over－pulling＇it．Apart from creating bad ringing；the beginner who cannot＂place＇his bell where it onght to go has little chance of finding his way among the others in changes．Better tako a little longer in mastering the fundamentals than pashing on eveninally to become a＇poor striker，＇There is 10 greater compliment thui can be paid to a ringer than to have it said of him that he is a＂perfect striker．${ }^{\prime}$
Do not be anxious，then，to rum before you can walk．If you first learn to strike your fuell properly that essontial part of your ringing equipment is never likely to desert you，bul yon will find it dimcult to become a＇gcod＇ringer，if．tou atcemple chatre ringing before you can completely control your hell．Muny＂bad＂ringers liave jeen made in that way．

## WALTHAMSTOW RINGING MASTER＇S DEATEH

Tt is with deep regret that we have to anmonnce the deatl of Mr． Ernest D．Lillywhite，who passed away on December $18 t \mathrm{th}$ at the age of 61 years．Deceased had been Ringing Master for 30 years at St． Saviour＇s Church．Walthamstow，and will be sadly missed for the congenial atmosphere he ereated in tite belfry：Altiough he had rang several peats，he concentarted mostly on teaching linging to the young recruits．

Tho funeral took plape at Walthamstow Cemetery on Denemher 23rd．the Ficar officiating．The ringers were represented hy Mr． G．B．Lucas，the former Ringing Master of St，Saviour＇s．Wrenths were sent from St．Saviour＇s and Southwark Cathedral ringers nat many other friends．Sympathy goes out to the widow and family in their bereavement．

## HOBART BELLS

DEAN'S LETTEIt TO ENGLISH RINGERS.
The Very Rev. the Dean of Fobart (Dr. A. R. Rivers) has seat the following latter to Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, under date November e8thl:-

I am asked by the St. Devid's Ringers to express their gratification at receiving the frindly conyratulations forwarded by you from the Englisil Ringers who visited Hobart. Your presence in Hobarto was an inspiration to our boys, which came to them as we were attempting to enrol volutbeers. We have a goodly number who have been practising on the Holy Trinity bells, and we hope that they will give a good account of themselves on Sunday week, when the first peal will bo rung. With many thanks and kind regards.

PEALS JN HOBART
Until the installation of the new bells at st. David's Cathedral, Tasmania. of caurse, had only one ring, that at Holy Trinity Church, Hobart, Four peals have been rung on them; the first two by the Fictorian Sociaty (Melbourne)

December 29th, 1890, Drvies' five-part peal of Grandsire Teiples, conducted by Hainy Adams (a native of Kidderminster).
December 31st, 1890, Holt's ten-part peal of Grazdsire Triples, conducted by Joseph Clarke
November 3rd, 1934, Kent Treble Bob Major, ennducted by George Murtin.
November 6th, 1934, Bob Major, conducted by Rupert Richardson.

## BELL FOUNDRY BELLS' BUSY AFTERNDON.

After ringing a peal of London Surprise Major on the bells of the Campanila at the Lowdblorougls Foundry on Saturday, December 19th, the same band started for a peal of New Cambridge, which, howover, came to yrief after half an hour's ringing. Time being too short to permit another start, the opportunity was taken of doing a bit of spade work by ringing a quartar-peal of Grandsire Tuples so that Geoffrey Harrigon, aged 12, could register his first quarter-peal Geoftrey Harrison 1, Colin Farrison 2, Fred Hill 3, Kenmeth Roe 4, J. F. Milner 5, Alec Hutchinson 6, Erederick F. Dexter (conductor) 7 Roger St. John Smith 8.

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

At Firmboreugh, Somersct, on December 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsive Doubles was rung after an unsuccessfu] attempt for a peal If was ring in honour of the tnwer secretary's 22nd wedaing dny William Rosewell 1, A. Gonld 2. F. Fower 3, William Slore 4, H Parrrey (first gnarter as conductor) 5, E. Barter 6.

## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS.

FORKIOWN, SURREY.-At St. Michael's Church on Jrauary 3 zd , a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, 4.6 .8 covering: V. Wilkinson (first quartor-peal) 1, J. Martin 2, F. Marchant 3, H. J. Funt 4, H. Noakes 5, F. Fart 6, F. J. Ewens (conductor) 7, Edwin Hunt 8. Firgt quarter-peal since tho rededication of the bells. Rung for avenine service and also as a birthday compliment to F. Farr.
NEWBURY, BERKS.-At St. Nicolas' Church oll Sunday, Jmuary 3rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes, with different callings and Nos. 4, 6 and 8 belis covering) : A. F. Deacon (first quarter-peal) 1, E. A. Palmer (first quarter-peal on "inside" bell) 2 , H. T. B. Curtis (firstatempt as conductol) 3 , II. A. Gracker 4, E. Crockev 5, F. E. Turner (first quarter-peal) 6, H. W. Curtis 7, R. Butcher (first quarter-peal) 8. All are members of the local band.

PORTSMOUTH.-At the Cathedral, for the watchnight service, alt December 31st, with clappers half-muffied, a quarter-perl of Cambridge Surprise Major (1,280 changes): O. H. Shepherd 1, Mrs. C. L. Guy 2, C. L. Guy 3 G. T. Rogers (first atbempt for a quarter-peal in the method) 4, W. Tate 5, F. W. Stemp 6, L. P. Caok 7, T. W. Burnett (condintor) 8. First quarter of Surpuse by suncay servics band at the Gathedral.

STOCKPORT.-On Thursdey, December 31st, at St. Mary's Church, before the watchnigit service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Farmer 1, Rev. F. Bonver 2, W. Holton 3, T. Jackson 4, J. A. Gordon 5, A. Clarke 6, S. Gordon (conductor) 7, 4. Capender 8. prist quarterpeai fol ringers of treble, second and tenor.

LTNSLADE-At St. Barnabas' Church, on Sunday, December 20th, for Coufirmation service, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (1,344 ahanges): Miss $R$. Prudent 1, W. Inslev 2, $\mathbf{F}$. Fickers 3, F. Plummer ${ }^{4}$, W. Jeffs 5, F. Jefss 6, E. Bilson 7, J. E. Arnold (couductar) 8 . First quarter-peal in the method by ringers of trebie and 7th, first 'inside' by 2nd, and first in the method together by a purely local band.

DARTFORD, KENT.-On November 25th, for Confirmetion service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,284 chantes): H. Hoverd 1, D. M. Shapp 2, Mies J. M. Thompson 3, T. E. Walker 4. J. Wheadon 5, C. Fopper (first quarter of Boh Major on tower bollb) 6, J. J. Bailey (first quarter-peal of Major as conducery 7, N. Summerliafes 8.
HAABORNTE-On Sunday, November 22ad, before evening sarvice at St. Peter's Ghurch, a quarter-peal of Grantsiro Triples: F. Blackstaffe 1, A. Priee 2. G. Lawvence 3, F. G. Williams 4, S. Grove 5, E. G. Fietcher 6, F. F. Hawkins 7, C. E. Skimer 8. First quarter-peni by rivgers of $1,3,4$ and 8 . All aro service ringers at above church.
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## BELERY GOSSIP

The honour accoved in death to Harry Pasmore, one of Lodion'e most brilliant ringers, of lying on the niglat before his burial in Westminster Abbey, is one which, by ar recent decision of the Dean and Chapter, is extended to all who serve the Abbey in whatever capacity. Mr. Pasmore was a member of the Abbey band. The coffin was placed in the Warriors' Chapel and was covered by the pall that was used for the Unknowa Warrior:
Three geacrations of olle family took part in a peal at Staveley, Derbyshire, on New Year's Day. It was conducted from the tenor by Mr. Alfred E. Parsons, whose father, Frederick G Pargous, rang the 4th, and son, Dennis, rang the treble. It was the lntter's firsti peal. He is only 16 years of age, and great credit is due to him for the way in which he landled bis bell.
Mr. Joln Flint, of Bolsover, who three months ago statained severe injuries in a conl mining accident, has now recovered, and on Sunday rang again for the first time since the occurrence, After leaving hospital he had an attack of phenmonia. Mr. Flint desires to thank all those who have written to him and his family convering expressions of sympatiny mad good wishes.
The many friends of Mr. Willian Keeble will be interested in his own footmote to the handbell peal rung at Colchester on the Irst day of the year. The peal is the surest proof that Mr. Keeble is well on the road to the recovery of normal health,
Fis many friends will regret to Iearn that Mr. Ravmond Phipott, of Portsmonth, and formerly of Guildford, is seriousiv ill from tozic poisoning. The latest report is that lis condition is showing a slight improvement.
The ringer of the treble to the peal of Stodman Triples at St. Mary's, Walthanstow, on Boxing Day, was Francis W. Corney
The heary ring of eight at Wellingborongh Parish Church is to be tuned and relung in a new frame by Dessrs. Giliett and Johnston, Lud., Croydon.
Congramlations will be extended to the Trowbridge ringers who, on the last day of the ald year, rang the first peal of Ginques on their own bells and, incidentally, in the country of Wilts.
Not only is credit due to them for ringing the peal at the first athempt, and the fact that there were eight first peals of Cingues, but nlso for overconing an unexpected obstacle.

After ringing liad been in progress about $2 \frac{1}{3}$ bours the electric lighte was switched off at the majn for soveral seconds, came on aud was switcherl off agein. At the conductor's ungeat call they kepl, going in the hope that tho light would come on again, which it did, and the bells were soon righted. If transpired afterwards that some mischievous choirboys were having a game with the main switeh.
A handbell peal rung on Werlnesday evening of last week at St, Albans is the result of constant practice during the last nine monthe. Previous to that time ringers of 1-2 and 5-6 hed done no handbell zinging, and have now rung a peal' in hand ' of Major and Minor.
A peal rung at Haworth, Forkshire, was the first on the hells for 33 Poars. It was rung as a compliment to Mr. James Riloy, of Faworth, who has completed 60 yeays as a ringer. It is helieved that, prior to the peal of 1903. only one other peal had been rung on the bells, mamely, in the yerr 1853
Mr. James George exterds his hearty greetings and good wishes for the coming year to all his friends. Unfortunately he is not making the progress he wonld like a[ter his illness. The effects of the whooping cough, from which the suffered after lis fall, are still painful, but he lopes for greater improvement when the weather gets warmer.
The ringer of the 4th in the peal at Borehan (Kent Treble Bob Major') on Monday, December 21st, was Emest J. Runter, not Rutter as printed.

## METHODS AND AUTHORS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, May I be allowed a lithe space in which to point out that the fygures of a metiod appearing in 'The Ringing World,' dated December I8tl, 1936 , namely, 'Cornwall Surprise,' also appeared in your columans, together with three others, in the issue of September 7th, 1928, and inder my 刀ame. As this was well in advance of the formation of 'The Methods Supply Stares,' I have every right to believe that the name of the author should have been added in the Central Council's MSS., and not a number, as though it was nnfit to be owned by anyone.
In view of the fact that many errors have lately occurred, may I suggest that when a method is rung it should be pablished wibh as litile delay as possible? This would enable a mistake (if any) to be reatified.

Many methods have never appeared at all. Some have been published more than once. Some have appeared without the name of the author, as was 'Enith,' Others have been wrongly claimed. What a state of aftairs! To get full sapport for "The Ringing World ' all tastes must be catered for. There should be no 'secret society," \&nd, above all, interest for all. May I ask, just as a special new Year's favour, if you would kindly let us have the figures'Leeds'? There are many athers outstanding, but for the time being the above method will satisfy.

Latterworth.

## DEATH OF MR. HARRY R. PASMORE.

## WTESTMINSTER ABBEY HONOURS.

## We with uncovered head

Salute the sacred dead,
Who went and who return not."
In the early bour's of Clristmas Day, when the world was as yet matwake, at the Charing Cross Hospital, Baryy Pasmore breathed Jis last, and the ringing world and wo, his friends, are sad at his pasaing in his 56th year.

After a severe operation several years pyo he had not elijoyed obust health, but at the ssme tiug he was able to continue his duties


THE LATE MR. HARRY PASMORE. at the G.P.O. and also partake of his great hobby, boih on tower and handballs, although in a very minor degrec, but in enrly November he was adyised to take a long rest from duty and finally entered the hospital on November 27th.
Friends risited him, and Dr. Perkins, of Westminster Abbey, was with him just before the enti.

At the special request of the Dean of Westminster Abbey, his mortal remains were taken to rest ane night in the majesty and beauty of our national Valhalla, a tribute of love and affection by Dr. Perkins (who is in clagrge of the belfry), which will ever be remembered by this farnily and friends.
The funeral was at 4 o'clock 011 Thursday, the last day of 1936: at Wandsworth, and the services, botle in the church and at the graveside, were conducted by Dr. J. Perkins,
Canon of Westrainster Abber. Officials of the Aucient Society of Callege Youths present: Master Lewis, Secretary Cockerill, Treasurev Hughes, 'trustees Challia Winney and Bob Newton, and the following members paid their last respects to their friend: Messrs. Young, Femn, Gray, Rumpley, Bntler, Green, Forton, G. Debenlam, Oxborrow, Nacdonald, Mites anel also Miss Geckerill, Miss Deer, Miss Gray and Mrs. H. Langdon. The Royal Cumberland Youths were represented by Mrs. O. Mattlews.
A coarse of Stedman Triples was rung on handbells by W. Roughton, C. F. Wincey, F. Langdon and A. B. Peck.

## A BRILTTANT CONDUCTOR

During his membership of the Ancient Society of College Foulhsabont 40 Jears-Hant Pasmore was prominent throughout, being a brilliant conductor on tower bells or handbells, Be was a member of the bands at both St. Panl's Cathedral and Westminster Abbey, acting as secretary to the former, where he had a reputation far strict imparbiality as regards fines. Not all the wiles of his friends could ever lare hifu to remit olle whioh was justly due.
It is by no means an exaggeration to say that "Harry" liad a great gift for ringing ; int fact, he was quite exceptional and attracted notice from his wert earliest days.

Apparently he foind ringing, both on the tower and handbells, so easy he cand never quite undersemin ofhers having the slightest difficulty in aequiring various methods.

When the Rochester Row hand were at their best they rang on two occasions three peals of Surprise Major in one day, in three different counties, Farry being one of the band both days. He conducted the first peal of Cambridge Maximus rung in London and the first peal of Spliced Strperse Mator called from an 'inside' bell.

But it was on hanrluelis that he was seen at his hest, and he can have han few sllperiors. Possibly his greatest performance was to canduct from 34 the first peal of Surprise Major, viz., Superlative, aver rumg double-haurled. Besides conducting preals of Stedman Cinques from erch pair of bells, lie conducted on handbelle peals of Stedman and Grandsive, Triples, Caters and Cinques and Trebly Hob and Elain Bob Major, Royal and Maximus.
He was n member of the band that rang Garter's 'Ode Boh' onepart meal of Sterman Trimles donlije-banded non-conducted. Another notahle peal in which he took part was the non-condncted peal of Stedman Cinques, lumg at St. Michael's, Cornhill.
The actual total of lis peals is not available, hut without a donht it would be a dificilt matiter to find another record to compare with his for merit anfl quality. The number conld have been much greater were it not for the fact that ouly the best was receptable to him.
of vorv wruth a great- vinger, g greater conductor and a warmhearted companion and friend. We shall miss him more than words can express.
(Commulicated.)

## CORONATION DAY BROADCAST.

SUGGESTION TO MAKE BRLLS TEATURE IN PROGRAMMPS. Anl effort is being made to get the bells of old England put into a leading place in the broadcast programmes on Coronation Day. The B.B.C. already recogwise the claracteribtic English asture of church bells well rung. They recognise it in the interval sigual, which intiroduces Bow Bells; in the Suaday programmes of chutch gervices; and last Suaday they used church bells as the characteristic feature of English life, when it came to Great Britain's turn iv the exchange of greetings among 24 European nations. The bells of a cinurel in Northerg Treland and the bells of Westminster were the B.B.C. contribution to the programme.
The proposal that bells from well-known belfries should bo heard over the air from time to time throughout Coronation Day, as a preface to each of the many items which will make up tile programme, wonld add to the "hational' character of the B.B.C.'s output, and we hope it will materialise. Tlio sitggestion is sponsared by tho Rer. Walter Pitchford, the well-known Midiand brondeastor, whose talks on 'Bell Chimes,' 'Cathedrals,' etc, have been so widely appreciated. Backing of the proposal by mombers of the public might be an added inducement to the B.B.C. to carry out the scheme.

## BROADCASTING FROM CROYDON,

## To the Editor

Dear Sir, -The first service brondeast of the yerr deserves frvourable comment. Listening this morning to the Croydon bells was a great pleasure-a fine peal, excellently struck; it shond stimulate others to do as well when opportunity arises. There have recently been too many indifferent service broadeasts. We expect the best music, ete. over the air; why not the best riuging? Congratulations to Croydon.

Walthamstow.

## WONDERFUL RECORDING.

B.B.C. AND ST. MARY REDOLIFPE BEITL.

An electrical recording of the bells of St, Mary Redeliffe, Bristol, was made on Decenlor 20th. The engincers visited the tower ami had a look at the bells, the tenor being raised singly for close observation, The bells were then raised, and the wan with the recording ingtraments moved jato a favourable position on Redcliffe Kill. Afler the ringing had concluded the record was 'run over' for sonntr, und proved 'O.K.,' the sound af the bells heing plainly lieard by some of the ringers who looked art of the belfy window some 80ft. up.

The record witl form part of a talk an 'Bells of the TVest,' some of which have already been recorded, and others ate to follow.

When the conductor was told about what was to be done, he liad to put on his thinking cap, to consider what would be best. Ee decided an 'Oripinal' Cinques. This met with oppasition from many. One said, "Here we have a good Stedman Cinques land, and wo are going to ring this stuff.' However, the conductor had his way, and ifterwards everyone agreed it was best. One ringer put it very well when he sxid, 'It showed the beataty of the bells aud not the skill of the ringers, and that is what was wnoted.'

## AMERICAN APPRECIATION OF BROADCAST BELIS.

 MALDON LTNK WJPF WASHTNGTON.By the kind invitation of Mr. and Mws. II. J. Mnssfield, the ringerg of All Saints', Maldon, wero again entertained to snpper on New Year's Eve, 14 ringers acceptimg the invitntion.
It is a time-honoured cushom at All Srinks to xing diling the evening and again at midmight on the last day of the Fenr.
After supper some of the letters were rend which blie Rentor of Purleigh had received from Americkis people expressitg their apareciation of the broadeast of a service, tncluding 120 changes of Minor on the bells, rung ly six ringers from All Sxints", Maidon.
This breadengt on Jnly 5th was in connention with the tetcenteanary of four of the bells which were put into the tower in the wear 1636. during the bime that the Rey. Lawrence Washingtors was Rector, he being the great-great-rrandrather of George Washington, the first president of the United States.
When the Rev. Lawrence Washington left Purleigh he come to live ati Maldon, and was buried in All Saints' chatichyard on Febramy $27 \mathrm{th}, 1652$, and in the pear 1928 the American people gave a beautifus stained glass window to his menory. This is fixed in the soutif aisle of All Saints' Church.
Amonr the letters received some were from New York, Montreal. Florida, California, Victoria, ete, and in evely onse the broadcast. was said to have been very clear: It made same of the writers fecl that they were in Purleigh Church listening to the service.

## STAFFORDSHIRE SURPRISE.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sis,-Having had tho honour of naming 'Staffordshire Surprise Mnjor' through the kindness of Mr. Gabriel Lindoff, I wish to congratulate the members of the Stafforl Society who were recently sitccessful in rinting the first peal of this beantifno method in its home coundy.

Milton, Stafts.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

HILMINGHAM SOCIETY'S ANNUAL MEEPING.
The annual meeting of St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birsinghan wis leld on Saturday. Owing ta the Saturday market in the Bull Ring ringing at St, Marin's Church was restricted to one hour. During this time the bells were lept going and several methods were rung.
The business meeting took place in the Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, it which the Vice-president, Comeillor A. Paddon Smith, presided in the alssence of the Master, Alderman J. S. Pritelhett, M. A An apology for noli-attendance was read from Vice-President George.

All tha oflicers of the Guild were re-elected as follows: Master Aderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A.: Ringing Master, Mr. F. E. Haynes, MiA. : trustees, Messrs. T. Rissmm and Councillor A. P. Smith; תuditiors, Messrs. J. Preston and E. T. Allaway; librarian, Mr. G. F. Swant: hort. secretary and treasimer, Mr. T. H. Reeves.

The treasurer presented the halance sheet and reported an increased thanace in liand of f5, which he thought was very satisfactory. Ithe avditors laving given their report, the accounts were unanimously adopted.
'Hue tower bection of Mr. T. W. Lewis, of Worcester, as a life member was duly ratified.

An inpitation to hold the next quarterly mecting at Aston Parish Church on Saturday, April 3rd, was unanimonsly aceepted. It was also agreed to hold the bi-quarterly meeting at Shivley Parish Clarch. HEARY JOHNSON COMMEMORATFON DINNER.
The sectetary reported that in accordauce with the resolution passed at. the previous quarteriy meeting he had booked the Connaught Ronm at the Jmperial Hotel for Saturday, Februany grth.
Or. the proposition of Mr. W. Davies, seconded by Mr. F. Price, it was innamimotasly decided to invite the vicar of Aston the Rev. H. Mchowan, M.A. to preside on thim occasion. Several members compluined of the inconvenience cainsed by rivgers applying for tickets as late as the diuner day, and suggested that a time limit should be
fixed. After somo discurfon jt was decided to leave the matter in fixed. After somp discusfion
the liands of the secrefary.

Trder 'ruy otimer business' tho Ringing Master called attention to the Tucsday night practice ab St. Martin's. He complained that for several months these lad been rather poorly atteuded, and asked for better support this year.
Mr. Albert Waiker spif it woild be a pity to stop the practises. The hells ind been ruag regularly ou truesday arghts since 1755 , and il was teromised by the people who held open-air meetings in the Bnll Ring that they colld not be held on Tuescavs, as that was 'thr Fiellringerg' niglty.' Ee promised to give the Ringing Master all the support he conld and irged athers to do likewise.
This connludet the business gnil the vemainder of the evening was given up to socin! interconsse. Several good tonches were brourght romnd and tumes rums on the handbells, whilst others were not so succmacful. Wjin MIr Alhert Walker nt the piano, Mr. Harry Whthers in mood form and voice, and Mr. Paddon Smith and others in teminiscent mood, many inferesting incidents which had tahen place in tlont houge ' $10,20,30,40.50$ years ago' were recalled. Tlans onded another very pleasant evening.

## BOXING DAY RINGING TOUR.

## CYCLING THROUGH BEDFORDSEIRE.

Heeling at. Silsoe Chureh ous Boxing Day morning, a number of Bediordsline ringers were joined by Mr. W. Stote, of Coventry, and is start nade by ringiug the five bells at this pretfy liutile church, a handy ring with tenor somewhere in the region of 8 ewt. The next tower was Upper Grawcuhurst, which was duly discovered after a long ride through a private park, aud past the front of a magulificent mansion, shich, fortunately, was unocupled. The Church of St. Giles contains a ring of five, with an 11 cot. tenor; bells 1,2 and 4 were cast by Miles Graye. Ou to Shillimgton by fog-bound lanes and by-ways plontifully supplied with wud. Shillingtor Church is a fite structure, with a tower of brifk which replaced the old steeple when it criasind down in 1704. Tho splice is not a happy one, but the towar contains a fine ring of five bells with tenor 1 ton (approx.), rung from the ground floor. After a good pull liere the loeal inn proviled the campany with welcome refreshment. The bells were described by the numerous immates as the best in the county, but the Fisitars decided that Christmas was the best time of all to be in harmolly with all ment and so disputed it not.
Sinor afler, they passed over the bonndary to visit Pirton which is in Hertfordshire, and enjoyed ring on another fipe, with tenor 11 ewt., restored by Mears and Stambank in 1899. These go very well and the ringers staycd for some time, making thenselves a muisance at tre local shop and Post Office in search of posteards in spite of these being closed. But the paople were very kind and the ringers got what they wanted. Next came Meppershall, with a rentral town. Here the ringers have to stand in the choir stalls to ring. The seats are hinged and are moved back to allow room. Through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence, the party were mtertained to tea, after which the towers of Campton and Maulden (Continued in nost column.)

## FOUR YORKSHIRE RINGS RESTORED

BELLS REOFENED AT WATH, FIRHY MOORSIDE, NEW MLL AND MDLIHAMC.
Within six weeks no fewer that four restoren ritgs of six bells have been reopened in Yorkshise, and in all four cases the work has been carried out by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co, of Loughborough,
The light ring at Wath, near Ripon, funed and yelinng with new fittings in a new metal frame, whs seopened on Saturdey, November 21st, while on the followisg Thursday the Bishop of Whitby rededicated the six belfs at Kirby Moorside, zear York.
This restoration bas been made possible through the generosity of Capt. Holt, of Ravenswick, Kirby Moorside, and the bells have been recast and hung with new fittings in the old frame, which has been strengthaned.
Owing to the fog and tha remoteness of the village ouly a fevs ringers were present, including Mr. $\mathcal{F}$. P. Fidler, representing the founders, and wisitors from Feadinglay, Pickering and Soarborough, but all were agreed that Kirlor Moorside now possesses a ring of bells Which is both a delitht to landle and to hear, the oulv regret being that the octave had not been completed-ay amission which it is hoped may be zemedied before long.
On Monday in Cliristmas week the Lord Bishop of Walcefick dedicated the restored bells at Now Mill, wear Huddersfield.
These bells, cast by Taylors in 1864, bave a 12 cwt. tenor', and a marked improvement las resuited by cleanimg and tining, while iron headstocks and ball bearings and all other modern fittings contributed to the easy "go" of the bells.
Ringers wero present fram Triezland. Kirkbutton, JLolmfirth, Shelley, Almondbury and Fuddergfield, and after the opening course of Oxford Treble Bob by the local company, all were given ari opportraity to try the bells, good use of which was made until a late hour. Meltham, pear Ituddersfield, hat had a ring of six bells since 1836, when Messis. Taylor, ihen of Orford, instalied a ring with a 13 cwt , tenor, aud until these hells celebrated their centenary uothing in the way of repairs had been carried out. A few months amo, however, the old oak frame was fonnd to be decayed, and, on the advice of the founders, the hells lave been relung with new fittings in gn ' $H$, type cast iron fame, on steel girders. Four treble hells, fixed stationary witi a carillon machine capable of playing 14 tunes on all ten bells, was iustalled by Messrs. Giliett in 1874. These four bells havg now bem recast, and the carillon is being remonditioned hy Messrs. Potts, of Leeds.
Tho Bishop of Wakefield rededicated the hells on New Year's Eve, in the presence of n large congregation, which included ringers from Iifrabinton, Almondhury. Huddersfield, etc. At the dedication three well-strizk leads of Oxford were mung hy the local company.
Great pleasure was expressed by residents at hearing the soumd of the bells once more, after an absence of over three moutlos, ant the prrishioners now lnok forward to hearing fhe a]most forgotiten tunes of the caytlon, whith has not been in use since the frrat year of the war.

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,

## A TOWER TOR STIRPRISE METHODS PRACICES

A meeting was held ad Longton on Saturday, Hanumry Zud. Thistyfive members and friends wore present trom Bursicm, Burton-onTrent, Gheadle, Draycott, Kinggley, Longton, Leek, Norton, Nowcastle, Uttoxeter and Stoke-on-Trent.
After tea, held in the Dorathy Cafe, the Rector of Longton (the Rev. Samuels) extended a welcome to all present, and expressed pleasure at meeting Mr. J. H. Swinfield once more.
The Rector also stated he was pleased to lave a band of ringers Who were interested in ringing and regtularly attended the services. A vote of thanks to the Rector and ringers was proposed by Mr. R. G. Lewis of Dttoxeter, aud seconded by Mr. J. E. Wheeldon, of Norton.
Three peal certificates were preselited, viz, to Willian Blaor, Edward Cheadle and William Wade, jun, all of Longton. The preseutation was made by Mr. Willian Wate, sen, former leader of Longton tower, who will complete bis 50 th year as a ringer next Easter.
The following new members were elected: E. Atrinson, of Newcastie, and W. Carter, H. Carter, T. Reeves and N. Holland, of Lrongton.
The chamman of the committee annomeed that he had got permisgion to use Tunstall belle on Wedneshay niglatg for practising Surprise methods. The hon, secretary appeals to all ringers wha have renched this stage of ringing to writio to Mr. T. Hurd, Bethel House, Regent Strcet, Burglew, for further particulare.

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were visited. Mr. A Linfield met the company at the last place, Where touches of Cambridge Minor and Spliced Oxford and Kent were rung. Mr. Linfield later provided refreshments to a tired but contented party befone they broke up to go their different ways.
The company wisl to say "Thank you" to the jnoumbents of the varions tewers wisited, and to Messrs. Jeffries, Lawrence, Eilliard and Linfield for help and hospitality.

## ANOTHER PEAL AT QUEEN CAMEL.

MISFORTUNES ON TPHE ROAD-SUCOESS IN THE TOWER.
Saturday, January 2ud, 1937, will not easily be forgatten by those who lad the pleasure and privilege of ringing a peal on the finestu and heaviest peal of six bells in the combry. Apart from the actual performance itself, the incidents and misfortunes accasioned in getting to the village of Queen Camel and how they were surmounted are nol uninteresting. The attempt came about thus: After three of the band had rung a peal at Hoar Crose, Staftordshire (tellor 30 cwt .), last September, the idea of attempting an eight-method peal at - Queen Camel was suggestect.


QUEEN CAMEL CHURCH, SOMERSET.
The tower contains the heaviest ring of six in the country.
The first step was a visit to the Lower one Sunday in Deamber hy Messrs, R. G. Gross and A. P. Oannon, who travelied by motor-bike from Basingstoke. They were made very welcome by Mr. F. J. Reeves, the local capain, and permission for a peal was readily given. A date was suggested and the band got togetlier. Saturday arrived at the end of toctio week of last minute telegrams, postcards and telenhone calls, most] y br A. P. C.
The Rov. C. E. Wigg kindly took two of the band in his cat, and Mr. Gordon Cross took Messrs. Gannon and Richards. A start was made from Reading at 10.30 for a jouraey of 95 miles or so. The two cars kept together as far as Andover. Jusb after that Mr. Wigg passed Gorton's car and was soon out of sight. Then our trouble began! Just ontside Amesbury our car, which incidentally Gordon had laired for the day, refused to go another inch! Serious and expensive engine tronble had arisen, and the only thing to do was to "phone" A. घarage and request a 'tow. After a wait of some 30 minutes, the brealdown car arrived and the 'casnaliyy' was tower into Ancebury. Time: 12.35 p.m. An inspection of the car revenled that it would take week to repaly the damage. There were no trains and no buses, and at 1 p.m. we were still 35 miles from our destination, at which we were due at 2 p.m.
The only thing to do was to hire a taxi at bd. a mile. The taxi's return fare to be paid as well! The cost was 35s. The taxi was excellent and we arrived at Queen Canel at 2.25 r.m. Mr. Reeves mot us at the church and the others of the band were waiting up iry the tower.
A wedding was in progress, and when this was over the belts were pulled up and ropes adjusted, the 5th ank tenor ropes having been takell up, hefors starting, on the wheel. Owing to the writer exprting too much strength on the 4th, when pulling it, up, he froke the stay. and this ngam delayed us 30 mintes or so while Mr. Reeves kindly mended it with screws very efficiently.
(Continued in next colvimn.)

## METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS

## PALLACY IN MR. G. BAKLR'S REASONING.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -Ln 'The Ringing World' dated November 27 th lasle there appeared a letter from Mr. Geprge Baker, of Brighton, asking tha Methods Conmitteo for a mathematical proof whether or not bwu given compositions were the same. The commitae failed to rise to the bait, and four weeks later another letter from Mr. Baker abtempts to explain why these two compositions are different. It would seem, therefore, that he did not really require the information, but merely wished to contradict the statement he expeoked the committee to make.
We, the nadersigned, being two members, of the Methods Connittee, wonld like to give our ows persenal opinions on the subject and la point out to Mr. Baker the fallacy in his reasoning. Firstly, we wish to state as a fack that of the two compesitions, one is the reverse of the other.
(1) and (2) below are the two compositions reterred to, whilst (3) is (2) adapted for a method with an $\bar{H}$ lead end. It will bo seen that in FI and J methods the bobbing positions ocent in the sanse order, but the course-end appears betwecn $O$ and $F^{2}$ in the former and be bween I and $O$ in the latter.

| (1) H Method i.e. 573 en264 (8tlis) |  |  |  | (2) J Method <br> i.e. 7856342 ( 8 ths) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 23456 | F | 1 | 0 | 23456 | O | F | I |
| 35426 |  | - |  | 63254 |  | - |  |
| 23564 | - | - | - | 25346 | - | - | - |
| 32465 | - |  | - | 34256 | - |  | - |
| 63254 | - | - | - | 25463 | - | - | - |
| 35864 |  | - |  | 35264 |  | - |  |

(3) H Method i.e. 5738264 ( 8 t 11s 23456 F I 0
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Now, a comparison of the bol intervals shows that (3) is the reverse of (1), and nothing Mr. Balser may say can dispute it; and, since (2) and (3) are the same it follows that (2) atso is the reverse of (1),
In conclusion, we would point outi to MEr. Beker that in comparing two compositions for methods wilh 8th's place made ali the lear end, it is best to take as the course-end the nadural course-mad after tho Out' position in exch course. ERNEST C. S. TURNER. STEPFEN E. WOOD.

THE SEVENTY-METHOD'MINOR PEAL.
Tho 'correction' made in oun last issure to the 720 in 12 Altiance. Little methods was 'incorvect.' The fourth lead end should be 63524 (ingtead of 62534) and the bols ghould be retatned.

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It was not until 3.55 p.m. that the peal was commencoci. Ineidentally the weights of these fime belles are not uminteresting : Treble: 8 cwtr 2 qu .27 ld.
2nd: 10 cwl 9 lb .
3rd: $15 \mathrm{owt}^{3} 3 \mathrm{qr}^{\mathrm{r}} 9 \mathrm{lb}$.
4th: 20 ewt. 11 lb .
5thl: 26 owt. 3 cr. 6
5th: 26 owt. 3 gr. 61 b.
Tener: 36 cwt. 3 qr .7 lb
None of the band had rung at the tower before, oxcept Merser. Gross and Cannon, who had only ring Doulses with the beal company. The shiking throughout the peal was most croditalile and Hiere was scarcely a mistake. Doublo Oxford coming No. 4 was ruther hard work, and the writer was glat! when that melhod wis finished, with threc-pull dodging and spapping fon' tiuss is eath course.
To single out any ringer as being especially competend would $1 x$ most unfair. Everybody pulled their weitht, whd the conductius whs most eflicient. But special mention must be made of the membet of the fair sex who rang the 2nd. She kiudly took the place of the Rev. A. G. G. Phurlow laid up with flu, rifit ab the last moment. She rang leer bell faultlessly, with no mistakes and seamingly no effort. It is a splendid thing to say for the "go' of the bell that ghe did not complain of any fatigue, and anuld easily lave rung another 720 . Not once did she * clip ${ }^{\text {s }}$ any of the bells, and never once did the bell 'drop.
The bells cane round af 7.28 p.m. and everyone was delighted. A pleasant hour in the Mildnay Atms was spent with the company of Mr'. Reeves, and at 9 a'clock Messrs. Wigg, Golden and Richards and Ifliss Cross departed for home, nrriwing at Rending at 1.45 a.m. on Sunday. On the way they ran out of petrol whioh delayed them half an lious.
The only whting for Gordon and the writer to do was to stay the night at the Mildmay Arms aud then antch the 10.54 a.m. tran ous Sandry back to Rearling ath an additional cost of 17 s .! So for a few weeks they will he 'on shor't commons'! But it was well worth all the trouble and cxpense.
Before closing, the band wigla to thank Mr. F'. J. Reeves for his unfailing help and courtesy to then, for giving them permission and meeting them at the tower and getting everything ready. The writor would algo like to thank all the band for their valuathle assisannce in helping him to wchieve his greatest six-bell ambition at the age of 23 . Theidentally all the band were 'ander' 29 ' theis average aga being just 25 yeazs.
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## NOTICES.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-The subscription of 15 . 8d., which entitles members who have not attended twenty times to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for pratice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 17 th and 21 st , Southwark Cathedral on the 14th, *St. Mary-leBow on the $19 t h$, St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 26 th, at 7.30 p.m., St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 28th, at 8 p.m. *Business meeting alterwards, - Willian T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Church Kirk on Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Meeting $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Everybody welcome. These bells go to any method.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-NorthEast Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Tiverton on Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow.-R Harris, Hon. Sec., Park, Silverton, near Exeter.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual dinner will be held at the Lion Hotel, Guildford, on Saturday, Jan. 9th, 1937, at 6 p.m. Tickets, 5s. 6d. cach, from the Hon. Secretary, J. S. Goldsmith, Southover Cottage, Pyrford, Woking. S. Nicolas' bells available 3.30 to 5.30 .

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division. - A meeting will be held at Hornchurch on Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea io Vollow.-E. J. Butler, Dis, Sec., 313, Mawneys Road, Romford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Broughton on Saturday, January gth. Bells ready $3 \mathrm{p}-\mathrm{m}$. Tea arranged at 15. per head for all who inform Mr. J. Jollyes, The Cottage, School Lane, Broughton. Reports now ready.-J Charnock, Branch Sec.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-The annual general meeting will be held at Barnsley on Saturday, January gth. Bells ready at 2.30 p.m. Service at

Tea (gd. each) at $5 \cdot 30$, at the Station Restaurant. A good meeting is earnestly desired, as Canon Hone, our hon. president, is leaving the district shortly. All are welcome.-A. Panther, Hon. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at St. John's, Devizes, on Saturday, January $9^{\text {th. }}$. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, with meeting to follow, at 5. St. Mary's and St. James' bells also available. For tea, please advise W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Semington Road, Melksham.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Maresfield on Saturday, January gth. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome.-G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead, Sussex.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual district meeting at Southampton on January gth. Bells: St. Mary's from 2.30 and again after tea; Holy Rood, 2.30 to 4 p.m. ; St. Michaei's, after tea. Service St. Mary's 4.30 p.m. Tea in Chantry Hall at 5. 15 p.m. - G. Pullinger, 17, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Hants.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Derby District. - The annual meeting will be held at Derby on Saturday, January gtt. The bells of St. Alkmund's (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting for the election of officers, etc., will commence at 4.30 p.m. All welcome.-Gearge Freebrey, Dis. Sec., 81, Roe Street, Derby.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Axbridge Deanery.-The annual meeting will be held at Burnham-on-Sea on Saturday, January 9 th. Bells open 2.30. Divine service 4.30 , to be followed by tea and business meeting. Appointment of hon. secretary takes place at this meeting, through the retirement of $\mathrm{Mr} . \mathrm{L}$. G. Tanner, who has held the position for ten years, but feels he cannot, through pressure of his business, undertake additional duties.-L. G. Tanner, Hon. Sec., 4, Hopkins Street, Westonsuper-Mare.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of the district will be held on Saturday, January $9^{\text {th, at Apsley End. Bells (6) avail- }}$ able from 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Members are asked to attend this meeting. - W. Ayre, Leverstoch Green.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch. - The annual meeting will be held, by kind permission, at St. Mary's, Ely, on Saturday, January 9th. Bells afternoon and after tea and meting. Guitd service $4.33^{\circ}$ p.m. Tea at Bonnet's 5 p.m. Please send a card to Mr. I-I. Cole, 58, West Fen Road, Ely, Cambs, number for tea. Look up Major methods and come. All ringers welcome-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fumess and Lake District Branch.-Monthly practice meeting at St. Cuthbert's, Kirkby-in-Furness, on Saturday, January gth. Bells available at 2.30 p.m.-N. M. Newby, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Wrotham on Saturday, January gth. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 . A fine peal of bells to ring on and a welcome for every ringer. Tower secretaries are asked to bring subscriptions and names for 1937.-A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec., Malthouse Farm, Egerton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-A meeting will be held at Old Chesterton on Saturday, January gth. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Church Hall 5 p.m. Please make the first meeting for 1937 a successful one-C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -Monthly meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Liverpool, on Saturday, January gth. Bells (i2) available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Institute. Service 5 p.m. Wigan Branch specially invited. - H. Grundy, Branch Sec-

BEDEORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Biggleswade on Saturday, Jan. 9th, at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Short service at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Ali visitors welcome. Come and let us have a good start for 1937.-C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 25, Tempsford Rond, Sandy, Beds.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Midsomer Norton and Frome Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Frome on Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells 2.30. Tea and business at 4.45. Service at 6 p.m. -G. M. Hasell, Hon. Sec., 11, Council Houses, Timsbury, near Bath.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch, Lincoln District.-Annual meeting at Metheringham on Saturday, January 9th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.n7-F. W. Stokes, Blankney, Lincoln.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ross District. -The amnual meeting will be held at Ross on Saturday, January gth. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.m. at Central Cafe. Busimess meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome.-J. Clark, Chase Road, Ross, Herefordshirc.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be at Ordsall (6) on January 9th. All who can handle a bell welcome. Roll up and make the first meeting in the new year a good one. Please send a card for tea to R. Fowler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Wokingham on Saturday, January 16th. Service in St. Paul's Church 4 p.m.; preacher, Canon Coleridge. Meat tea in Parish Room 4.45 , by ticket. Members of branch is., all others is. 6d. Usual ringing arrangements. Tea tickets to be applied for by January IIth to W. J. Paice, Hon. Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham, Berks.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District. The amual meeting of this district will be held at St. Paul's, Burton, on Saturday, January 16 th. Bells (10) available at 3 p.m. Meeting in tower at 4.15 p.m. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Owing to the difficulty of arranging tea, it is most essential that names should be sent to Mr. J. H. Swinfield, ${ }^{2} 40$, Horninglow Road, Burton-on-Trent, by Wednesday, January $1_{3}$ th. No postcard, no tea. North Staifs and Derby District members cordially invited. Joseph Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next practice meeting will be held at the Cathedral, Manchester, on Saturday, January r6th. Tower open for ringing at 5 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-J. H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-East Devon Branch.-A meeting will be held at Feniton on Saturday, January 16th. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5. Beils (6) avaifable 2 p.m. Also Ottery St. Mary (8). All ringers and friends welcome.-John H. Godfrey, Hon. See.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Disrict. -The annual meeting will be held at Westminster on Saturday. Jan. 16th. Ringing at St. Gabriel's, Warwick Square (8), 3 to 4.30 p.m., and St. Stephen's, Rochester Row (8) after tea and meeting. - C. M. Meyer, Hon. Dis. Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chester Branch.The annual meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan, 16th. Ringing from 3. Service 4.15. Those bloping to be present for tea should notify me at least three days previously.-J. W. Clarke, Wayside Circular Drive, Chester.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The fifth annual supper and social will be held in the Village Hall, Heston, on Saturday, January 16th, at 6 p.m. Tickets, 3 s. 6 d . each, available from association officers and tower secretartes until January roth. Ringing at Norwood Green and Heston in afternoon. District annual general meeting at Isleworth on February 6th.-F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leisester District.-The annual meeting will be held at St. John the Divine, Leicester, on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Belis (10) available from $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., 1s. 6d. per head; apply for same to undersigned not later than Wednesday previous. Ringing for one hour after, following business meeting. A good meeting requested.-E. H. Bagworth, Dis. Sec., 36, Averil Road, Humberstone Park Estate, Leicester.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Meeting at 5 t. Chad's Church, Shrewsbury, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (12) available 3 p.m. All requiring tea to notily me not later thari Tuesday, Jan. 12th.-R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craigmore, Upper Road, Mole Brace, Shrewslyry.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of this district will take place at Bedford on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Tea at 5 p.m. Meeting after. All welcome.-Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Rutland Branch.-The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Uppingham on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Please notify for tea early to S. H. Towell, Hon. Sec., 17, King's Road, Oakham.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUII.D.-Northampton Branch. - The annual meeting of this branch will be held on Saturday, Jan. 16th. The bells of Holy Sepulchre will be available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The service will be held in this church. The address will be given by the Rev. Rowson. Election of officers. Names forr tea to me please by Jan. 12th.-J. C. Dean, Hon. Sec., 16, St. Peter's Street, Northampton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. The annual meeting of the Wisbech branch will be held at Hilgay on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.--Northern Branch. -The anmal meeting of the fainsborough District will he held at Gainsborough on Saturday, Jan, 16th. Bells (8) available 2.30 until 8.30 p.m. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Friendship Hotel, price 1s. 6d. per heatl. Visitors kindly advise me by the Wednesday previous. A hearty welcome given to all ringers.-H. Morgan, Dis. Sec., 22, Grey Street, Gainsborough.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY,-The next meeting will be held at Pudsey on Saturday, Jan. 16: h. Bells available from 3 p.m.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Leeds, 12.

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-The eleventh annual meeting will be held at Daventry (8) on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Usual arrangements. Subscriptions now ciue.-W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Wollaston, near Stourbridge, on Saturday, Jan. 16. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names, please, for tea by Wednesday, Jan. 13th, 20 J. S. Mason, Branch Sec., 19, Broadwell Road, Oldburv, near Birmingham.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch.The annual meeting of the Crewe Branch will be held at Christ Church, Crewe ( 10 bells), on Jan. 16th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea (by kind invitation of the Vicar and wardens) at 5.15 p.m. Meeting to follow. All those who intend to be present must sead their names in to me by the 13 th inst. This rule most be observed in order to help with the arrangements for tea.-Rich. D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec., 6, Laura Street, Crewe.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (8) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.45 p.m. to be followed by tea and meeting in Parish Rooms. An IMPORTANT meeting will be held at 4 p.m., at which all committee men are earnestly asked to be present.-M. Mélville, Exhall. Coventry.

NIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The annual meeting will be held at Burbage on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Those requiring tea should notify Mr. G. Dudley, 47, Sketchley Road, Burbage, Hinclley, by Wednesday previous. A. E. Rowley, Hon. Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch. The annual meeting of the Wirral branch will be held at St. Peter's, Rock Ferry, on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Serwice at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting in Parish Hall afterwards.-Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 30, South Hill Road, Birkenhead.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Thrapston Branch.-The annual branch meeting will be held at Raunds ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Service 4.30. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting for election of officers. All ringers and friends welcome.-W. J. Whitmore, Raunds, Northants.

WTNCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUTLD.-Portsmouth District. - The annual meeting will be held at Fareham on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (8) available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. All requiring tea please inform me not later than Thursday, Jan. 14 th. All ringers welcome. - A. T. Greenwood, 6, Sheffield Road, Portsmouth.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD. The annual meeting will be held at Appledore on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells ready 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting and social afterwards. - $\mathbf{P}$. Page, Hon. Sec., 110, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO. CIATION. - Northern District. - A meeting will be held at Benwell ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Jan. 16th, at 2.30 p.m. Tea (1s.) at 5 p.m., in the Parish Hall. Make it your business to attend and help us make a good start for 1937.-K. Arthur, Hon, Dis. Sec.

BRISTOL UNITED RINGING GUILDS' Sixteenth Annual Dinner at the Cadena Café, Wine St., Bristol 1, on Saturday, Jar. 16 th, 6 p.m. Bells of various churches available from 2 p.m. Afternoon trip to Bitton, Glos., for visitors (please apply) at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. (free of cost by motor coach). Tea and bun at St. Thomas' Church Room, 3.45 p.m. to 4.45 p.m. Dinner tickets, $4 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d} .$, from Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 46a, Tankards Close, Bristol 2.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Lancaster Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. All members and friends will be welcome. - E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

WATFORD, Jan. 16th (Herts Association).-Bells available from 3.30 till 8.30. Tea in the Old Free School 5.30. Train and coach service to High Street from all parts. - C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. City 4270.

COSGROVE, NEAR BLETCHLEY.-On Sunday, Jan. 17th, at 3 o'clock, the Bishop of Peterborough will dedicate the new treble of six installed by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Castle Cary Deanery.-The annual meeting will be held at Ditcheat on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m.-E. F. Creed, Hon. Sec., Dimmer Farm, Castle Cary.

ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - The annual meeting of the Royal Cumberland Youths will be held on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Fall particulars will be advertised next week.-G. A. Card. Hon. Sec

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-South Norfolk Branch. - The branch meets at Saxlingham Nethergate, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells from 2.30. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 . Method for practice: Double Coslany Court.-Nolan Golden, Winton, 26, Brabazon Road, Norwich.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at the Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Beils available from 2 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea, 6d., at 5.30 p.m. Names please to Thomas B. Worsley, 32, Castle Street, Bolton. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-RQchester Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Milton-nextGravesend, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.mi., followed by tea, by kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mitchell. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due and may be paid at the business meeting which follows tea. In fairness to our hosts, members intending to accept are asked to notify me not later than Tuesday, Jan. 19th. -Stanley J. T. Shellock, I-Ion. Dis. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham, Kent.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham District. -The annual district meeting will be held ait Farnham on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea ( 5.15 p.m.) at Darracott's Restaurant, West Street; business afterwards. Please notify for tea by Wednesday, 20th. Everybody wel-cone.-C. W. Denyer, Dis. Sec., 120, Ash Road, Aldershot.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch -St. James', Birch-in-Rusholme. Re-opening of the Birch 'Ring of Belis ' (8), after reconstruction of the mechanism by Taylors, of Loughborough. The Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of Manchester has kindly consented to perform the ceremony and conduct a short service in the church at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. All ringers and friends cordially welcome. A postcard from those desiring tea, s . each, will be appreciated, before Jan. 20 th.-Rev. A. E. Horner, L. Th., Hon. C.F., The Rectory, Birch-in-Rushoime.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The annual district meeting will be held at Reigate on Saturday, Jan. 23 rd . Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall, Lesbourne Road, 5.15 p.m., followed by business meeting. Important: Please send me numbers for tea not later than Friday, 22nd. All ringers heartily welcome.- Walter Claydon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8 , Chartfield Road, Reigate.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Dorchester Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Dorchester, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells from 4 p.m. Service at 4.30 , followed by tea and meeting. The bells of Charninster, Fordington and Upwey available from 3 p.m. Kindly advise early for tea.-C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., 3, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GLICD. - Basingstoke District. - The annuai general meeting will be held at Basingstoke on Saturday, Jan. 30 th. Bells available from 2.30. Service in St. Michael's Church at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meeting follows. All requiring tea please notify by Jan. 26th Mr. C. W. Munday, 21, Southend Road, Basingstoke--J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annual general meeting will be heid at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Further particulars next week.J. E. Cawser, Hon. Gen. Sec., Cragdon House, Ashton ane, Braithwell, near Rotherlam.
CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-After to-morrow the address of Mr. E. Jennings will be 159, Herkomer Road, Bushey, Herts.

## gITUATION WANTED.

As SHOEING and GENERAL SMITH or general smith, with house; change ringer, ali standard methods. -G. A. Wightman, West Bergholt, near Colchester, Essex.

## THANKS.

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## CONTRASTS.

What contrasts we find in connection with ringing! The same post brought us a record of the doings dtring 1936 in the tower of St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, where over 118,000 changes were rung in successtul peals and touches, and the almost pathetic story of the heartbreaking task confronting the leader of the band at St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, London, to maintain Sunday ringing and practice. One tower still on a flood tide, which has carried the company on its crest for years; the other struggling, almost submerged, in despair to keep the bells ringing at all. Ipswich is one of the outstandings examples of a tower blessed for more than a generation with the possession of a competent band, whose enthusiasm and enterprise seem to grow with the years. The ceremony which took place there only a few weeks ago is evidence of that. Ipswich has made twelve-bell history and the society, with many grey heads among: its members, is showing it is still possessed of the spirit of youth by electing one of its youngest menbers and a lady member at that-as 'Master' for the year. It is a pleasing compliment to pay to an accomplished young ringer, but it is a proof that the society has confidence in youth, when supported by the experience of age, and is not afraid to entrust its offices to the rising generation.

The difficulties confronting the band at St. Ciles'-in-the-Fields are those which have come in the past to many London towers. There are very few in the inner radius of the Metropolis where ringing can be regularly maintained. Where service ringing is done, it is by bands who, for the most part, have to come in from the outer suburbs for the purpose. Indeed, in all the large lowns and cities it is increasingly dificult to keep ringers at the churches. The migration to the outskirts has made service in this direction not only more costly in money, but also in time, and it is not easy to see what remedy can be applied. Ringers who are able to lend a hand at St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, and at other churches where similar difficulties are to be found, will, needless to say, be cordially welcomed, but it seems to us the only real hope is to strengthen the band from anong those who are worshippers at the clurch. Those who already have an interest in the services are more likely to respond to a call for help than those who have no present association with the church. This line of action has already proved itself in the City of London, and we befieve is the ouly course that can be pursued with any hope of lasting success. We trust, however, that an appeai for help in building up a band may not fall upon deaf ears among the many ringers in and around London. Temporary (Continued on page 34.)

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help is often possible，where a promise of permanent assistance may be out of the question．Perhaps some form of pooling of resources might be a way of strengthening ringing in some of the London churches． The difficulties are numerous，but，we hope，not insuper－ able．The many ringing organisations which cover the greater London area might well discuss this subject，for St．Giles＇－in－the－Fields is not the only church at which assistance would be valued，and if only the societies would draw closer together instead of seeming，officially，to keep as wide apart as possible，something useful might be done．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

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Edward E．Dayby ．．．．．． 3 Albert J．Ceark ．．．．．．．．． 7
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THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，January 2．1937，in Two Hours and Fifty－Nine Minctes，
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 Miss Norab M．Bieby $\quad . .{ }^{2} \quad 2 \quad$ Lestbr L．Gray ．．．． Gborge R．Newton …... Edwin C．Birkett ．．．．．． 4 James C．E．Simpron ．．．．．．Tenor Composed by A．Knigets．Conducted by J．C．E．Simpson． FRAMSDEN，SURFOLK． THE SUFFOLK GUEDD．
Om Satwrday，January 2，1937，in Thyee Houys and Four Minutes， At tee Church of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJQR， 5088 CHANQES； Tenor 16 cmt ．

| Grorge Wigbiman | ．．Trebi | ie W．Whitele． |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sherford Sparrow | ．．． 2 | Wicliam Wightman |  |
| Alfred S．Wigbtman | ．．． 3 | Abtadr R．Woodard |  |
| Artaur Grimwood | ．．． 4 | Harry D．Listzr |  |
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Ernbst Coopri
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Conducted by E．Cooper
群
＊First peal in the mathod．＋First in the method＇inside．＇$\ddagger$ First peal．Rung after meeting short for Major：A campliment to $G$ ． Claty on the 32nd amiversary of his wedding．

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A PEAL DF CAMBRIDCE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGE8; Middeston's.

- Walter M. Goddard

Mar . ...J Teble GEDRGE E. FBIRN .... ... 5

†Artgor W. Horderss ... 3 †Ernast Brittain ... ... 7
-Gzorge L. Hall
Conducted by Jack Bray.

* First peal of Surprise Major. + Tirst peal of Cambridge Major "inside.' Rung in honour of the birth af a daughter to Mr. and Mre, F. Mercon, Lincoln, of a son to Mr. and Mrs. H. Walker, Monkseaton, and of a son to Mr. and Mrs. B. Gillatt, jur., Burton-on-Stather. CRAWLET, SUSSEX.
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On Swnday. Janhary 3. 1937, in Thyta Howrs and True Minutes,

> At the Cedrch of St. Joun-tae-Bapitsi,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGE8; Tenor 134 cwt .

Kennetr Sneleing ... ...T yeble | Walter Claydon ... ... 5 | Erngst W. Razzell | ... | ... | 2 | Albert E. Lakrr | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Leonard S. Lakbr | ... | .. | 3 | William T. Bericon | ... | .. | 7 |

 Composed by A. Kmigers. Conducted by O. Sippeits.

YORKTOWN, SDRREY.
THE GULLDFORD DIOGESAN GUDD.
On Wednesday, Jonuay 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten Dirutes, At the Cboreh of St. Michaei,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tegor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb .
"Taomas E, Denyer ... ...Tybble Prrbival. L. Eldeidgr ... 5

- Mise Doris Viggers ... 2 Jobn S. Goldsmiy i... ... 6
- Witlifam H. Viggers ... 3 Leonard Stilwill ... ... 7
-Charles W. Drnyer ... 4 Alan R. Pink ... ... ...Tenpy Composed by F. Dench.
* Firs peal of Superlative; nove of them had previously made a bob in the method.


## HELMTNGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUDD.
On Friday, Tanwary 8, 1937, in Three Hou's and Four Mintes,
At the Ceroch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DEVON SURPRISE MAJOR, $b 024$ CHANEES;

## Tenor 18 cwt.

Acsert E, Whiting ... ...Tyeble|Gxorge Bennett ... ... 5
George Whiting ... ... 2 Jands Bennett, jun.... ... 6

 Composed by G. Landorf. Conducted by L. C. Wigetman. This method is now rung for the fust time to a peal, and is No. 82 Mr. G. Lindofi's collection.

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOIATION.
On Friday, Jantary s, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At tee Cefreh of St. Maulines,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH GDURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANES8; Tenor 12童 citt.
Ernest H. Oxbneam ... ...Treble Herbert E. Audslay ... 5
Thomas Groombridge, she. 2 Colin A. Hopper ... ... 6
Derek M. Sharp ......
Artrur S. Riceards ... 4 Thos. Gronmbridee.jon Temoy Composed by E. Barnett. Conducted by T. Groombridgr, jon.

* First attempt in the method.

WEST WYGOMBE, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Satituay, Janary 9, 1937. in Tw, Hours and Fifly-Thee Hinuies,
At rae Chdrce of St. Lawkence,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB HAJOR, 5088 CHANCE8;

 Tenor 16 ewt.Harry Wixgrove ... ...Troble Grorge Martin ... ... 5
 Frederick G Biggs ... ... 3 . Foland Biggs ... Jegsy Harrison ... ... ... \& William Hzniey ... ....Tenor Composed by Fiank Benneit. Condected by George Mahtin. * First pea! in tho method 'inside.' Rung as a compliment to Mrr. and Mrs. H. Wingrove, for the 20th anniversery of tifeir wedding day, January Ilth.

WOODBRIDGE, SULFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Srtarday, Junuary 9, 1937, in Thred Howrs and Twelte Minutas,
At tae Cherca of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 GHANGEB;

Tenor $25 \ddagger$ cwt.
Frank L. Fisher ..Treble Georgr A. Fleming ...
Frank L. Flbher
C. Johe Trotman $\ldots 2$ Cbarles Clarke $\qquad$
*A.Stanley Woodard .... a John F. Tiliett ... ...........
Wilijab A. Woods ... .... 4 A Adernan Ling .... .... ........ Tentor Composed by John Carter. Conducted by F. L. Fisher.

* First peal of Major. Rung to conmemorate the golden jubilec in holy orders of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese.

> ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE
> THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturdu', Jamway 9, 1937, in Thyce Howy and Fourten Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE HAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 19 cwt.
Kenngie Lewis ... ... ...ivable James A. Milner .... ... 5
 Wilfrid Stevenson ... $\cdot . . \quad 3 \quad$ Waltra W. Wolstencropi 7


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A PEAL OF STE日MAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Heywood's No. I.
Teoor ros cwt.
Jogn H. Swinfield
Alan R Hiciton .... ...T wbla Joseph Balcey
Albert H War .... $\quad 2$ Ernbst W. Bead:more ....
 Conducted by Acberi H. Ward. DEBENHAM, SDFFOLT. THE SUFTOLK GUILD.
Om Saturday. Januay 9, 7937, in Three Hours and Tvive Minutes,
At tee Cebreh of St. Mary Magdalenn
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAUOR, 5088 CH/NEES; Tenor $2 I^{2} \mathrm{c}$ cwt.

Alfred S. Wightman ...Tebbla Jogn Ford .... ... | Miss Silvia R. Bowyrr | ... | 2 | Harry Moss... | ... | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss Pbyleis Tillett | ... | 3 | Lednard Last | ... | ... | .. | 7 |

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Tenor 113 cwt
Joen E. Rootra ..." ... ...Tybble Frederick W. Brinkiow ... 5
Walter Ayre ... ... ... 2 Fratcis Kirk ... ... ... 6
Walter G. Padl ... ... 3 Ggorge E. Howchin ... ... 7 Stephen H. Hoare ... ... 4 Harold C. Cashmore ...Tenor Compased and Conducted by H. G. Casemore.
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 Grorge Green ... ... ... 2 Percy Gregn ... ... .... 6 William J. Neqard ... .... 3 Williak Chalk ... Frederick Ridgwell ... 4 William Kegble ... ...Temph

Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by William Feeble.
Rung as a compliment to the conductor on bis recovery from a long illuess.

DORCEESTER, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Un Suthrday, January 9, 1937, in Three Honys and Sixicen Hinutrs,
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## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being two extents of Single Court, three of Oxford Bob and two of Plain Bot.
|ack Vessey
Teomas Vessey

... 3 Clifpord A. Vessey ... ...Tenay
Conducted by Clifford A. Vessey.
Rumg half-mufled.
BOURNE, LINCOLASHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GDILD.
(Souibgrn Brance.)
On Thursday, Ducember 31, 1936, and Friday, January 1, 1937, in
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At the Parise Ceroce,
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Bolug seven extents in 17 methods: (1) Morpeth and Alnwich Northumberland and Carisis; (3) Durham, York, Surfleft Beverley; (4) Norfolk and Primrose; (5) Ipswich and Gambridge. (6) Lincoln and Coldstream; (7) London, Cumecastre and Wells. Tenor 15 cwt .1 qr .4 lb .
Joan Pollard ... ... ...Treble James Osborn ... ... ... 4

Frederick Frenceg ......$\quad 3$ Tgobas L. Baimbridge ...Temor Conducted by J. W. Lakf.
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## Ay the Chereg of Acl Shints,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB WINOR. EDAD CHANGES;
Being 783) each of Capel, SandaI, London Scholars' Pleasure ant Kingston Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise and Oxfori and Kent Treble Bob.
"James Raithby ... ... ...Tyeble Harold Denamen
 Miss Grace Burchnall ... 3 | ${ }^{\text {|Clifford Vessey }}$... ...Ten:y Conducted by Ceaffond Vresey.

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EATLS OROOME, WOROESTERSHIRE.
TEE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOOIATION. On Saturday, Janway, 2, 1937, in Two Houys and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

Aithe Ceurce of St. Nicbolas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, EO40 GHANGES;
Being 42 six-scores, 10 callings.
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Caarles Haylings ... .. Tyeble Edward S. Mánd ... ... 3
Fred Hawres .... ... .... 2 Cyril Hallivg ... ... ... 4
Arthor Griffin ... ... ...Tender
Conducted by F. Hawnes.
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On Monday. Jontary 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At the Cebrci of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 EHANQES;
Soven 720 's in 25 methods, wiz. :
(1) College, Wavertree, St, Clement's, Childwall, London Boh, Lvtham, Double Oxford and Thelwall.
(2) Sandal, Kingston, London Scholars' Pleasure and Capel and Oxford Treble Bob
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(5) Cambridge Surprise.
(6) Double and Single Court.
(7) Plain Bob.

## Tenor 12 cwt.

-Jonn A. Muse ...
.Treble George W. Burrage.
*Jobn C. Brittain ... ... 2 ... Haroli Barsley

- Joserg J. Leeson ...... 3 Cyril R. Borrell .... ....Tenoy Conducted by C. R. Burrail.
* First peal in 25 methods, The above are all Sunday service ringers at this church.

IsAMBERHORST, KENT.
On Saturday, Jantury 9, 1937, in Two Howrsanafifts-One Minules, At the Cedrch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANEES:

 Being seven 720's each called differently- E. Joen Relee .. - ... ...Treble

Basil J. Sands
†Albrri Relfe ...


Conducted by Aczert Reberz.

* First peal. + 200th peal. The conductor taingint the remainder of the band to ring and they are all Suaday scrvice ringers at the above church except the ringer of the 5 th, who is a service ringer at Canterbury Cathedral.


## METHWOLD, NORFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Ow Saturday, Jatwary 9, 1937, in 7 wo Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At tge Caurge of St. Grorge

## A PEAL OF MINOR, EO4D CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Sulprise, Double Court, Double Oxford,
St. Clement's, Siggla Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Boh. Tenor 121 owt. in $G$.

Conducted by Tony Price
First peal on the bells, whicli were made six by Osborn and Arnold in 1778.

## HANDBELL PEALS

WOODDITTON, OAMBS.
THE ELY DIOOESAN ASSOOLARION.
On Manday, Decmber 28. 1936, in Two Hoursand Fifty-Four Minutes, At Sonny View, Wooddition Riad, Newmarrex,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, E040 CHANGES; Size $16 \frac{1}{2}$ in flat.
-Sidney Brown ... ... ... $1-2$ Ceribtoperer W. Wodley 5-6 Alerat E. Aostin .... .... 3-4 † Wheter Ayre ...... -Reginald C. Sharf ... 9-to
Composed by E, M, Atkins. Conducted by Warter Aypr.

* First peal 'in hand.' + 425th peal.


## SAPTPRON WAEDEN, ESSEX <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.

On Friday, Juntary 7, 1937, in Two Hours und Fifty-Seven Minutes, At 2I, Debien Road,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, bO4e CHANGES;
*Leotard E. Pitstow
i-z Walthe Ayre
$\begin{array}{ll}. . . & 5-6 \\ . . & 7-8\end{array}$
-Alfred E. Pistow ......$\quad$ - -4 | Alberi E. Agsin
*Alfred L. Simmonds ..- 9-10
Arranged and Conducted by Wialisr Ayri. Witness-Ernest A. Pitstow.

* First peal of Royal 'in liand.' Finst poal of Royal in Saffron Walden.

BRISTOL.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASKOOLATION Un Tuesday, Jannayy 5, 7937, in Two Hours and Eightefn Minutes, In St. Sirpaem's Ringing Cbamber.
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Grovrs' Transposition of Parrer's Twelve-part.
Hergeri Knigut
... ... $\quad$ I-z Jogn Thomas
Conducted by Johs Thomas.

* First peal on handhells.
ST. ALBANS, HRRPS.

TEE HARTTORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Thursaty, January 7, 3437, in Une Hour and Twenty-Five Minulcs,

## At $4_{8}$ : King's Rond,

## A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 604D CHANGES;

Seven diflereut callings.
Tellor size 11 in $G$.
Frederick J. Spicer
I-2 $\mid$ Francis Kirk
3-4
Harolo V. Frost ... ... 5-6
Conducted by Harald V. Frosr.
Umpire-George W. Debenham.
First peal 'in hand' as conductor and first attempt.

## CAMBRIDGE.

THLE CAMBRIDGE DNIVERSITY GUILD
On Thur day, Januay 7, 1937, in Iwo Houra and Foupten Minutes, At 8, Queen Anne Terrace,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6120 CHANGES; Tener size 14 in D .
-Rev. A, C. Blytn (Selwyn) I-2 $\mid$ W. H. J. Hooron (Queens') 5-6
 Comnosed by J. Reeves. Conduered by W. H. J. Hooton.

* First peal in the method. + 50th peal.

CAMBRIDGE.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
J. Fitay. Jandayy 8, 1937, in Tina Hows and Twelve Minutes,

At 8, Quebe Anne Tgrrace.

## A PEAL OF GRANDGIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parkers's Twrlve-part.
Tenor size 14 in D.
Rev, B, F. Segppard (Trin.) 1-2 $\mid$ W. H. J. Hooxon (Queens') 56 C. W. Wooley (Selwy ) 3-4 Rev. A.C. Beyth (Selwyn) $7-8$ Condacted by C. W. Woolley.

* First peal in the mathod.
(Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.)


## COMPLIMENT TO HESTON RINGER.

At Heston, Middleses, on Sunday, January 10bl, for evensonig, a (puarter-pea] of Stedman Triples (Odd Bob): W. F. Ellingham (first quarter-peal in the method as conductor) $1, W$. Sparrow 2, W. H. Stevens 3, W. W. Webb 4, W, Morris 5, F. J. Cattermoul 6, H. C. Ctrandler 7 , H. G. Cooper ${ }^{8}$. A birthday compliment to Mr. H. C. Chandler $7, \mathrm{H} . \mathrm{G}$. Cooper . A burthday compliment to
Clinndler, for 45 years a ringer at Heston Parish Clurch.

## LADIES' GUILD.

To the Eaitor
Dear Sir,-It is a plensure to read in your leader of Decomber 25th that the general secretary of the Ladies' Guild is alsle to report "increaso in memborship and renewed interest.' I think most ringers will hope that the secretary will ggain yext year be able to make a like repart.

Tha ladies have had to fight for this result and thomughy deserve whatever success they have achieved. But there-where plisels and sticking to it "is concerned, the ladies beat us hollow.
With reference, sin', to your remarks, Despite the scollers who think the Guild redundant,' and again, "thore are still some ringers who think the belfry should bo the exclusive preserve of the mane sex, may I say that, from experience ganed in the early duys of ladies ringing I beljeve that such men were always in a very small minority indeed.

I baglat my wife to landlo a bell in the years 1908-9, and between that tine and 1918 we had cycled to, and rang in, just aver 400 belfies, from Neweastle-on-Tyne to Penzance. Perhaps we were hoky, but, we have nothing but the most pleasurable recollections of every onts of the towers we visiled, and in a very great number of those towers my wife was informed that she was the first larly ever to lirve ladidied a bell.

It surely goes without saying that the presence of a goorl woutan in the belfy (as any and overywhere else) cannot bub have an upwaid trend.

To chase the plouds of life's tempestnous hours,
To strew its short but werry way with flow'rs,
New hopes to raise, new feelings to impart,
And porr celestial balsam on the leestris
For this to man was lavely woman giv'l, The last, best work, the noblest gift of Heav.
Why bar the belfry from all such advantages? God bless the ludies and their Guild, say I.

ROBTRTE WHITIMNGTON

## Cranleigh, Surrey.

OENTRAL DISTRICT IN HERTS.
A very enjoyable meeting of the Central District of the Jadies Guild was held at St. Augustine's, Broxbourne, Herts, ou Suturday, January 2ud, and, in spite of the 'flu" epidemic, was fanty welt attended
The ecrvice was comtucted by the Rector, the Rev. Murray Walton, who welcomed the Guild to his church, Wiss lBradford (assigiant Eecrebary) offenated it the harmonimu.
Teit was held at the Welcome Cafe and was thoroughly chjoyed by all. The Rector was present. Dufortmately Mr. Tadlcy, who had been making all the necessary nrungements for the meeting and was present to welcome the visitors at the church during the afternoon, became a victim of the 'flu" and lad to leave the party before tea mich to his great regret,

After tea a very short business meeting was held
Beckenliam was proposed as the place of the next meetind to he held on Saturday, March 6th, with bedington as an alternative.
The next Wednesday meeting will be held on February 1st at Laytonstene.

Turther ringing Look place aftorwards.

## ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY,

## 118,000 CHANGFS IN A YEAR.

The ammal meeting of St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipowich, was hald on January 5th, when the following officers wore elected for the ensuing year: Praster; Miss Phyllis E. Tilleth, who is the first lady to oceupy the "chair" in this society; Deputy Master, George A. Fleming; trensirer, Charles J. Sedrley; steeplelreeper, Frederek J. Tillett; anditors, Robert H. Brundle and Wiliam P. Garrett; serre tary, George E . symonds, 28 , Chevallier Street, Ipswich. The secretary, in his report, stated that auring the jear the society rarg the first peal of Double Norwioh Royal on the hells of Stonham Aspal: a grandfathers'-peal of Stedman T'riples at St. Margaret's, Ipswich, by \& band all residents of the borough; and Cambridge Minor at Ashbocking. Jn addition the changes ruig on St. Mary-le-Tower bells for services, practice and peals were as under: 1 peal Superiative Maximus, 5,280 changes; 1 perl Caminridge Maximus, $5,280: 1$ peal Kent Trebla Bob Maximus, 5,136: 2 peals Stedman Cinques, 10,014 ; 31 courses Cambidge Maximus, 16,368; 19 courses Superlative Maximas, 10,080: 10 courses Rochester Maximus, 5.424 (some being bob courees). Other methods of Maximus included Little Albion, 4,032 changes: tonehes of Ginques, 11,069; Royal, 25.320; Caters, 6,469; Major, 12,348; Triples, 1,798; grand total 118,618.
This is an average of 2,281 changes per week. Tlie methods of Ropal and Mrajor included Cambridge, Rochester, IEent and Oxford Tretble Bob, Double Norwich, Plain, Bristol, Superlative, London and Forward. Caters and Triples, Stedman and Grandsice.

Tliese figures do not inchude failures in peals and touches. The total for 1935 was $117,035$.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## PLAEN HONTING.

If the begimer bas learned thorouglity to control his bell, the soolior he caul get on to change ringing the better. He may not find it very easy at first, and wo want to wazn him not to be dispirited if te does not grasp it as quickly ass he thinks he ougitit to do.
Change ringing is a curious thing to learu. Some people car gee it al.most atreight eway; others seem to grope about in darkness for tuite al lour time, until all st onee the light of uuderstanding breaks ypon them-and they think low stupid they must have been wot to hive 'sear ' it beioza,
The point we want to make is, if you do not grasp the idea of riuging elunges str'sight nway, don't give up. Stick to it and eventuslly you wilt master it and fiyd what, a fascinating thing it is. If you studied the little practice 'gramo' wo gave you a fortuyght amo, you will lizve observed from the manipulation of the cards how
clinnges are made. Wheu you come to apply this to your actull fillsing you lave got to acguive the facility of 'seeing ' where your bell is among the rest as the cluyses are produced at every puil on Whe ropes. This facility is called 'rope sigit,' that is you have got to be able to distingulsh, as you rimg, which rope yoiz are pulliug after, and which rope is being pulled aiter yours. Ail your observations in the ringing chamizer have to be made by the ropes as they rise and fall- if the ropes follow encl othor in the right order, of course the beils are in the right order in the changes.
Changes are produced by what are known as 'methols,' that is hy systems whiclh, automatically carry on the sequence of changes from the 'rounds' from which you start, untilil 'rounds' again cowes Hil', and youly ' touelh' or 'peal' is completed.
To ring changes succesffuly you must memorise your method and friow exactly what to do at every charge from beginning to eud. That does not mean that you liave to learn beforehand the order in, which you will strike over the bells; but you must know the path
or track which you have to follow-it may be a saraight path up and llown, likn tho tricble in Grandsire, or it may be an intricate one, such as is followed by a working bell in the more complicated methods. A straight path is calied 'plain hunting' and the beginuer will to well to conteat himeself for his first losson in doing this plain lunnting. If the lund to which he leloloys are change ringers thcy will probably put him to ring the treble to Granddire as a matiter of course. If all the band are hergimning change ringing together, thein first step should be to learn to kunt their bells, and they cal do this by a method called 'Original,' which in its plain course produces twice as many clanges as there are bells engaged.
It will help things also if at the start ellangese are ruug with the tenor ' 'coverigg,' so that you not only have a bell to keep the 'beat,' but you know exactly whiclh to lead from, which is a great help in keeping good striking.
A littlo thought wifl show you that in hunting up, after you have lei. your' pree will be just a little slower than when you strike contimully in the same place in rounds, becatise onte more bell has to strike bofore you than in the last cliange. If you are ringing on six heels aud are leading, between your two blows at handstroke and backstroke five other bellis have struck, but when you move into 2ard's pluce six bells strike betwean your own two blows, and so on all the while you are moving up.
Whenever your remain a whicle pull iu one place, as you do at lead, or in lying belhind, there ere only five bells between your pulls, as in rounds, and when you hunt down, from , back to front, there are oully fours bolls belore you pull again. This means that in coming down towards the lead, you pull in more quickly. Indeed, it is esential that in this humting down yon should ao it smartly, not only to secure good striking, buit to keep yourt place. You get lost more quickly by being Elow in huntitug down than in any other way.
Remember this, once yaut have pulled rour hell off. nothing you cali do can alter the place where it will strike at that change it may be a good blow, it mav be a bul one, but you can't alter it: Thierefore, once you have pulled off, you cau concentrate your attention entirely upon the next bell you have got to follow.
you are hunting up it is fiairiy simpse. It will be the bell that Writh owns you this time. Lrook for lum immediately your pull off. spat him fuict other helis to trouble nbont, you will soon learn to spphi him quickily. And, as you go. reniember to count jour places; ITers is and ther IIers is a nother point to remember. As your hunt up (or dow, for that mattez), once you have strnccl over a bell, you can dismiss it from your attention until yon tarn round and hunt in the opposite direction. Thus, as you Inunt, you gradually reduce the number of bells from which to pick out tine next you require, so that if you liare already passed in tirn over 2 and 4 youl know the next nust be rither 3 or 5 , and, if it is 5 , then next time there is onty the 3 rd left. This knowledge simplifieg your task wery mucl, especiilly when hunting down, which is, perhaps, just a little more difficult in its rope-sight than is hunting up.
It is for that reason that it is important to know the place in which your bell stizikes. If yous are ringing changes on five bells with the tenor covering a fter you have led and, in hunting up, have struck in turn orer the other four, yon are in fifth's place. Befora yoll actunlly start hunting down you have to have one more blow (Continued in next column.)

## DEATH OF MR. PERCY W. H CAME

BRISTOL RINGER'S LONG ASSOCIAIION WITE SI' MARY REDOCLIFFE.
The death took place last week at Bromley, Kent, at the residence of his sou, of Mr. Percy W. H. Came, who had been an outstanding persogality at St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol, for over 70 years, As a boy he wont to the selool on Redclife Parade, a stone's throw from the church, and also sang in the choir of the Parish Chureh as a hoy. He leame to ring a bell there, and when at one time things were not exactly as they slould bs in the tower, the Vicar sent for him and asked him to trake ower control of the tower and bells. This he did, with beneficial results to the Exevise in Bristol, for, soon after, nvited practices were beld which resulted in peals of Sledman and Grandsire Ginques and Bob Maximus being wus under the conductorship of tho late Mr. H. Poreh, and the powerful backing of the late Mr. James Hintou.
After the bells had been restored and the weight of the teuor increased from 39 to 50 cwt., Mr. Came was the first to ping it to a peal. He rang many other peals, the most noteworthy being the peal of Stedman Triples at the Ohurch of St. Helena, Lundy Island, in the yeal 1905.
He was senior sidesman at St, Mary Redeliffe, where the funeral took pluce on Saturday last, when a goodly gathering of old friends and representativo people attended the choral funcral service, with Mr. Ralph T. Morgan at the organ. The $23 r d$ Psalm and the hymn, 'Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven,' were sung by the conqregation, and the choir gang ' I hear es voice from heaven, and the Russian Contakion for the Departed, 'Give rest, O Christ.
The ringers taking part in the mufled ringing before and after the service were Messre. E. J. Brown, H. H. Tucker, G. T. Daltry, G. H. Grordon, MI. Ormond, F. G. Leaker, A. Pearce, G. Pearce, R. Clark, F. Poruh, H. Pring and W.A. Cave, and Mrs. E. Wilkins. Canon Coleridge, who was also in the peal at Lmady Island, travelled from Crowthorne to pay his respuets to his old friend, and the family of the deceased oxpressed their deep appreciation of this act. Whatever faults the deceasen ringer may have had, his cuthusiasm and encouragement did their part in the advance of change ringing which took place in Bristol during 1897 and onwards.

## A MIDNIGHT BELL TRIAL

INTERESTING RESTORATION AT SAHAM TONTY, NORTOIK,
On Now Year's Eve the uewly-rehung bells at Salam Toney, Norfolk, were given a first frial by the local and district ringers for the "watchnight, service. 'The bells, it may be remembered, were dedicated on October 18th, but owing to the great amomet of conerete used in restoring the tower, it wag not deemed advisable to have them ruyg for thyee months. The old frambwork, one of the oldest in England, has lueen lifted bodily some 10it. higlier in the tower by tho builders, who have tied the tower together with a concrete grili floor. On this has bem erected a new teak frame, and the six bella (temor i3y cwt.) relung on teak headstocks with all new modern plain bearings and fittings.

The work of restoring the town was carried out under the supervision of Mr. Weir, the architect, by Measrs. Peek Fout, of Wation, Norfolk, and the restoration of the bells was carried out uader the supervision of Mr. J. E. Burbon, of Nouwich, himself a ringer, by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich.
Gront setisaction was expressed by all present with the 'go" of the bells. A representative party from the nelghbouring towers attended, in spite of the very late hour of $11.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , for the trial. The old treble and fifth bells lave been recast and all were tuned.

## WEDDING BELLS

On Wednesday, December 23rd, at St. Peler's Church, Pentre Rhondda, immediately after the wedding of Miss D. M. Spenser Jones, danghter of the Vicar of the parish, a quarber-peal of Stedman Triples: W. Irge 1, G. Wires 2, \&. Page 3, I, W. Jones 4, I. J. Hamlin 5, A. W. Heath 6, T. Page (conductor) 7, H. Grahls 8.
(Continued from previous column.)
(making a whole pull in 5 th's). This gives you time to observe the four bells in front of you.

You have, at the next pull, to quicken your pace, so as to strike fourth instead of fifth. You must look for three ropes to go and pull emartly over the third one. Next time there will be only two to go before it is your tum and then only one. After which it will be your turn to lead. Do this steadily, leaving space for one bell hetween the backstroke of the tenor and your own handstroke, Don't forget, jn humting down, as you pull over each bell, yon car ignore it until you have led.
It is a help also if yon can remember the order in which you strike over the bells as you hunt up (with the treble in Grandsire). Fou will take the bells in the same order on your way domm.
If you are all beginners, try a plain lumting course of Original. Tho oda bells (in and 3) start by hunting itp, and the aven bells (2 and 4) start by hanting down. No. 5 will hunt down after lying one blow bebind. This can be your first step, and if you are in an cight-bell tower you can try it ont on seven bels with the tevor covering.

## TITLES IN PEALS

## To the Editar

Dear Sir,-May I enter a plea for the retention of titles in the records of peals? It seems to me that the record not only sulfers from a degree of inaccuracy, but that in years to come it will lose some of its inistorical interest. The omission of 'Mr.' can lead to no misundershanding and in no way lessens the position of man as 'Master,' non is it likely to belittle him in the eyce of the opposite sex! But, in the interestis of accuracy, I much regret the occasional absence of 'Mrs.' and "Miss," and of citles denoting office or rank.
(Rev.) E. V. COX.
Brampford Speke Vicarage, Exeter.

## DUNCHURCH BELLS

## CONGRAJUJATIONG ON NEW YEAR'S EVE RINGING.

 To the Editor.Dear Sir,-I should like to give a word of praise to the ringels at Duschurch for the way they rang the new year in. The Moulton Radio Handbeil Ringers were returning from the Birmingham B.B.C. Shudio to Northampton, and about midnight reached Dunchurch, and, heaving the sound of villege bells, stopped the car to listen. The music of those bells was most deliglitfin and the tapping was perfect. I do not suppose the ringers realised that a party of change ringers were listening to them and enjoying the way they handed the rapes. We passed on resolving to imitate them.
J. MAURICE TURNER.

The Vicarage, Moulton.

## BROADCASTING,

## Ta the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I would like to supplement what my friend, Mr. Coles, wrote last week re the broadcast of Croytion bells. I was fortuante to henr the lagt four leads of the Caters and they came over perfectip and striking was 'O.K.' T had the pleasure of bearing them in Myland Lodge, Colchester, where I expect to remain for a short period. Will Croydon please give us some more in the near future? W. KEEBLE.
P.S.-It is also to be hoped that we shall get bells on the air during the Coronation proceedings.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING OE GENTRAL BRANGH AG ELY.
By kind permission of the Ficar, the Res, Elliott Simpon, Lha annual meating of the Gentral Branch of the lity Diocesan Assoctation was held at St. Mary's, 巴ly, on Saturday. Mr, H. Cole, of the local company, whs there to receive the ringers about 3 p.m., and good paratice ringing took place.
A short Guidi service was conducted by the Vicar of St, Mary's, his address being much apprecinted. Basing his address on the words, "We have seen His star in the east and lhave come to worship Fim, the moral conld be summed up in these words, "Tho ringers by ringing the bells, reminded people of the call to preyer, also that their own presence was required at worship.'

After the service tea was partaken of at Bonnotis, and the business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding. The balance slieet of the branch was presented and passed, and several new members were elected.

Tho election of offeers resulted as follows: President, the Rev. Elliott Simpson, M.A.; secretary, Mr. F. Warringtou (Over); Brazch Ringing Master, Mr. Th. Thulboy (Wilhurton); the committee to covsist of oaptaing of belfries attached to the branch.
Votes of thanss were accowded the Vicar for allowing the use of the bells, taking the Guild service and presiding. The Fical suitably replied.
Tho ringers refnmed to the church, where further linging taok place, the bells being lowered just before 9 p.m.

It was proposed that the next annual mecting take place at over.

## ROYAL CUMBERLANDS AND THE DUKE OF KENT

ROYAL REPLY TO MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATION,
A peal of Stedmen Tripleg was rung by the Royal Cumberland Youths rt St. Martin's-in-the-Tields on Boxing Day, in honour of the birth of a daughter to the Duke and Duchess of Kent. The Master (Mr-G. H. Gross) senb an intimation of this celebration, with the congratulations of the society, to E.R.H. the Duke of Kent, and has leceived the following reply from the Puivate Seeretaw:
'I am desired to convey to you and to the members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Yonths tis sincere thanks of His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent for their kind message of congratulations,
'His Royal Highmess was very pleased fo hear of the peal of bells that wes rudg af St. Martin's-in-the-Fielde by eight members of the society. ${ }^{1}$

# APPRECIATION 

Bitton Vicarage, Near Bristol.

December 22nd, 1936.
"Messrg. John Taylor \& Co.,
" Loughborough.

## "GENTLEMEN,

" I have pleasure in enclosing cheque in settlement of accompanying account.
"The work you have done gives more than satisfaction. It has called forth many expressions of " admiration, not only from our own ringers but from many others from neighbouring parishes who have " visited our tower since the ring was installed again. The old bells have, by your treatment, greatly "improved in tone, while that of the two new bells is particularly sweet. We are being told that we have "now one of the most melodious rings in the county. The chiming apparatus is found to be most effective, " as well as easy to manipulate and control.
"We thank you very much for the care and attention you have given to the work, and for what " you have done for us.

Yours sincerely,
(Signed) F. H. W. TAYL.OR."
Note-Bitton Church bells have recently been increased from six to eight, the six bells having been tuned, and the peal rehung by John Taylor \& Co., Loughborough. Tenor 14 cwts .2 qrs. 11 lbs.

## MEARS \＆

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## BELERY GOSSIP

A brocen ciapper pult an cud to an attempt for a peal of Treble Twelve at St．Mary－le－Bow，Cheapside，on Saturday．

Members of the Royal Cumberland Youths shonld note that the anmual meoting，at St．Martin＇s－in－the－Fields，is to be held on the 30 幼 inst．，and not the 23 rd as wavertised last week．
A nice compliment has been paid to that brilliant young lady ringer，Miss Plyylis Tillett，who，at the age of 18 ，has been elected Master of St．Mary－le－Tower Society，Ipswich－an office never before filled by a lady．Mies Tillett comes of a long liue of ringers，covering at least five generations，aud slie will now have the privilege of ＇ordering＇her father and grandfather，who are active members of the society．

Five members of the Aldershot band rang in a peal of Superlative Surprise Major last week without having previonsly made a bob in the method．Things like this happen，of courge，among those expert bands who make a labit of ringing peals in new methods without previous practice，but that does not in any way detract from of fine performance by these young ringers，three at least of whom can count their peals on the fingers of one hand．
When Mr．Albert Relfe，of Lamberhurst，Keut，rang his 2006h peal last Saturday（ 92 of which he has conducted），the rest of his band consisted of his own pupils．
There are few rings of bells which remain in a tower for a hondred and sixty years before a peal is ring on them，but such has been the case of the bells of Methwold，Sulfolk．They were convented to six by Osborn and Arnold in 1778 ，and the first peal was rung on them last Saturdar．

In connection with the deaths of Messrs．H Rann and R．J．Dawe recorded in this issue，it is a molancholy fact to recowd that four of the band who took part in the first peal rung by the Editor of ＇The Ringing World，on April 8th， 1893 ，have passed away in little over a Fear，tho others being Messrs．G．B．Bleach aud J．C．Merritt． There is only one other survipor of the hand，Mr．A．F．Nye，who has long since given up ringing．

## FALSE PEALS．

## To the 宥ditor．

Dear Sir，－I very mach regret to find two peals of Treble Bob Major varietions of F．Robinson＇s 5,184 which I have calied are felse， viz．5，024 Fung at Tenterclen，April 2nd，1923，and 5，056 at Famham， May 21st， 2923 ．I used the alternate calling in last course of two parts．I tender my sincere apologies to those who trook part in these performances．

F．BENNETT
Brighton．
FALSE PEAL OF BOB ROYAL．
Dear Sir，－it has been pointed out that the peal of Bols Royal （5，040 changes）by H．Dains，rung for the Salisbury Guild at Wim－ borne on Octolver 22nd，1921，is Faise．As the conductor，I offer my sincere apologies to the members who took part in same．

GEORGE WILLTAMS．
Eastleigh．

## PRESENTATION TO MR．MAURICE E．WILSON．

 WEDDING GIF్T OF OHTMING OLOOK．A very pleasing ceremony took place in the Sheffield Cathedral belfry on Sunday last，when Mr．Mianice E．Wilson was presented with a clock，with westminster chimes，by the members of the Cetheciral company，on the occasion of his marriage to Misg Epa Chafer，which took placo on December 12th last．

The presentation was made by the Master，Mr．Harold Naylor， who spoke of the loyal support to the company given by Mr．Wilson during the past 15 years，in the course of which he lad been a con－ sisten member．He hoped Mr．Wilsor would accept the gift as a mark of appreciation and esteem from the whole of the members， together with their best wishes for a long and happy union in the future．
Mr．S．F．Palmer，secretary，supported the Master＇s remarks．
Mr．Wilson feelingly thanked the members for their gellerous gift and hoped the grod feeling that already existed amongst the memberg of the company would long continue．

## NEW SURPRISE METHODS．

## To the Editor．

Dear Sir，－There is not the slightest wish to lessen the credit due to those men who have suppliad the Exercise with so many good methods，but to put minthors＇pames to the methods in the Central Council MS．collection is simply impossible．Corinwall Surprise， which Mr．Tipler claims，is one of those obvions methods which any－ one who is interested in method construction is pretty sure to write ollt sooner or later．It has been nomposed by several pacple．Who was the first I do not know，but Henry Dains forestalled Mr．Tipler hy many years．

J．ARMIGER trollope．

## TWO SUSSEX RINGERS DEAD.

 HERBERT RANN AND ROBERT J. DAWE.Sussex has lost two well known ringers by the deaths of Herbert Rann, of the St. Nicholas' Society, Brighton, who died on Dec. 29 th, at the age of 67 years, and Robert James Dawe, of Southover, Lewes, who passed away at the same age, on Jan. 4th.
By the death of Robert James Dawe, who died suddenly at his home at Southover, Lewes, on Monday afterncon, Jamary 4th, Sussex ringing has lost a familiar figure, the Connty Association a stillwart, supporter, and many ringers a valued friend. For 48 years 'Bob' Dawe was active in Sussex ringing, and the association owes a great deal to him for the quict but excellent work which he did on its behalf while secretary of the Central Division from 1905 to 1912.

When Mr. Daryo begen his rimging in 1889 at Lewes, there were not many places in Sussex where change ringjug had been fitmly estathlished. The Conuty Association was in its infancy and at his own tower only "stoney' ringing prevailed. Purchasing SHowdon's "Rope-sight," Bob Dawe begau to study change rimging aud persuader some of his friends to join linm in the tower. About this time the lato Rev. O. D. P. Devies was curate at Ringmer, a village three miles away, and regularly for the weekly practice Bolv Dawe did this journey on foot, with such others of his band as wonld join him, to learn something more of the mysteries of change ringing.

He was an apt pupil, and in May, 1891, he rang a peal of Grandsire Triples, fol lower little more than six weeks later with Stedman Trjples, with which peal began a long and intimate association witl Mr. George Wilinas, who called the peal, aud afterwards close

THE LATE MR. R. J. DAWE.
 peal, and afterwards close
took part. Bob Major and Sop Stplember of the sume yeaz, and in the meantime lie was comeling the band in his own tower in the Plain Bob method. In October, with four of his pupils standing in, he called a peal of Bob Triples. Before the year was out he hail rung the freble ta a peal of Double Norwich, and the way wha paved to an interesting career in peal ringius.

## FIRST SURPRTSE PEALS.

After spending a couple of years at Eastbourne, where he assisted Christ Church Society, he moved to Brighton, where s'eater oppor tumisies were opemed up by membership of the St. Peter's Society, at that time reaching the peak of its fame in Surprise ringing, under Mr. George Willinms' conductorship. In the years that followed Mr. Dawe tork part in the first peals of Norfolk, Weatmiuster, Oxford and Bristol Surprise ever rumg, and in the first peals of London in the City of London and in Hampshire.
In gauging the value of these performances one has to remember how fitile Surprise linging was practised in those days. A Surprise peal was really a performance of cansiderahle merit, and it was largely the activities and success of the Brighton company of that perion that popularised this form of ringing.

Among other peals in which Mr. Dawe toolk part were 6,720 of London Surprise ir 1901, Rt St. Peter's, Brightor, the only peal of Domble Norwich Royal ever rung in Sussex (1902), and (in 19il) the frat peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal in the county.
With a peal of Stedman Triples at St. Olement's, Hastings, in 1912, Mr. Drwo was the first ringer to ring a peal on every ring of eight and ten bells then in the country, Fe afternamis racg penls on most of tho new rings that were installed, bat at the time of lis death there remained one or two on which his ambition had not been fulfilied.

The tatal of the peals in his carefully kept peal book number 484 , and it is strange that in this issue of "The Ringing World' one of these peals, rung at Pamham in 1923, is withdrawn as false. Mr. Dave never counted himself as a 'conductor', preferring to loavo Ilial: Aepartment to other's, and lie mad ealled, in all, only 23 peals. The was, however, a very safe and goorl ringar. His peals for the Sissex Association numbered over 400 , and others were rung for the

Kent County Association, the Winchestar Diogesan Guitd, the Oxford Guild, the Midland Gounties Association, the Landitf alld Mommonlh Diocesan Association and the Royal Cumberland Youths.

One of his elosest ringing friends for something like 40 years was Mr. Fhank Renneft, and it is intereating to note thet he cumneted no fewer than 180 of the peals in which Mr. Dawe fook part.

Mr. Dawe's agqociation with St. Poter's, Brighon, lasted from 1894 to 1906, when he removed to Seaford, before reburning to roside again in Lewes. Throughout all his ringing carear he has bever ceased to be a nember of the Sauthover, Lewes, Guild, In addition to serving the association for seven jears as it divisionnl gecretary he also represented the association on the Central Council Erom 1999 to 1911.

Mr. Dawe had not enjoyed very goon health for some two or three years past, but his death came quito unexpectedly. Fe attended the funeral of his old ringing Friend, Mre. Horkert Rann, at Brighton, on Saturday, Jamuary zad. On Sunday, he raug as nsual for service, and went to wark on Monday moraing. He was taken ili in the afternoon and died within a few hours.

Widespread sympathy with the widow and fumily in their hereavement showed itself in the attendance nt the fumoral on Triday afteenoon. A large number of parishioners nttemded the service at Southover Church, which was conducbed by the Rector (the Rev. D. G. Mathews). The ringers present were Mesgra. A. J. Turner, G. 1 . Elphick, F. J. Grees, T. W. Woolston, W. J. Copppaw, 取, Wark, W. A. Boyes, G. Wiggins, C. J. Rugg and H. S. Janes, of the local hand, F. Benuett (Brighton), J. S. Goldemith (Woking), $A$. Simmonds, O. Wood, P: G. Piper and E. Garbutt (Seaford). The chopr led the singige of the hymns, the 231 cd Psalm and the Nune Dimittis, and the interment tools place in the chmrchyard, not far from the tower where he had given loyal service to the church and spent so meny happs hours.
In addition to the widow, a son and two deughters are left in bereavement. Mr. R. W. Z. Dawe is now the conductor of the hand at Southover.

LIST OF PEATS.
The following is the list of Mr. R. J. Dawe's peals:Grandsire Doubles Grandsire Triples Grandsire Caters Stedman Triples Stedman Caters Stedman Cinques Bol Minar Bah Triples Bol Major Bob Royal Double Norwich Minajor Double Norwich Royal Keat Treble Bob Major Kend Treble Boh Roynl Oxford Treble Bob Majol Oxford Treble Bob Royal Superlative Surprise Major Canbridga Surprise Major Cambride Sincrisa Rayal Lomion Sniprise Major Norfolk Surprise Major Westminster Su'prise Major Oxiord Surprise Major New Gumberland Surprisa Major Gloteester Surpije Major Bristol surprise Major Youkshire Eurprige Royal

## Total ... 483

The peals whicli be conducted mumbered 23 , made uip of Bats Maor 2, Bob Triples 1, Bob Major 4, Bob Royal 1, and Giandsice Triples 15. Over 160 of his peals were rutg at St. Jolun the Baptist's Church, Southover, Lewes, where he rang his last on April 15ttr, 1936.

## HERBERT RANN

Herbert Ramn, who died at Brighton on December $29 t h$ at the age of 67 yerrs, was associated for most of his ringing career with st. Nicholas' Church. Ha began his ringing at the litile Sussex willago of Waldron, where a joung band striggled surcessfully lo learn Grandsire Triples. It was not may yonis, however, before Mr, Tann romoved to Bitghton, where like Messrs. Merritt, Dawe aud liennetthe was employed at the Railway Works, and became a carriage examiner.
For a shor't time be rang at St. Pau's in West Street, where now the bells are ontirely unused for tinging, and then Mr, Ram transferred his energies to St. Nicholns' Church, where he was a member of the band far congiderably over 40 yenrs. As a ringer he never aspired to anything above the standard methods but he was a safe conductor of Grandsire Triples and Caters, of which ha called many peals for the Sussex Association.
The funcral took place on Saturday, Jonuary 2nd, and was attended by several old ringing friends.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> ANNUAL DINNER <br> \section*{Cenitral Councli President on Coronation Ringing.}

A ver'y enjoyable cyeuing was spent on Saturiay by members and frieuds of the Guildford Docessn Guild on the occasion of the seventh zunual diner, which was held at the Lion Hotel. About 80 were prescut, the chair being taken by the Master (Major J. H. B. Hesse), who was suppurted by the Ven. E. J. Newill (Archeeacon of Dorking), Mr. E. H. Lewis (president of the Central Council) and Mrs. Levis, the Rev. Canon Coleridge (Master of tha Oxford Diocesan Guild, Mr. W. Harrison (vice-president of the Guidford Guild), Mr. J. Corbeti (hon. treasurer) and Mrs. Corbett, Mr. J. S. Goldsmith (hou. secretary). Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hughes (London), Mr. F. E. Dawe (Woking), Mr. Newsom (Croyion), etc. Members were present from Aldershot, Bagshot, Trarnham, Guildford (Cathedral and S. Nicolas'), Godalaning, Haslemere, Leatherlead, Nerstlam, Pirbright, Sealo, Thames Dittou aud West Clandon
After an excellent dinner, the loyal toast was honoured on the call of the chairman.

## BROKEN LINK.

Mr. J. S. Goldsimith, having mentioned that apolagies for absemce hakd beess received from, among others, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, Bishop Golding-Bird (Archdeacon of Surrey) and the Mayor of Guildford, wroposed the toast of the President, Viee-President aud Honorary Members. While they regretted the Bishop's absence from Lhat yallering, he said, they appreciated the fact that the Bishopp occupied the oftice of president of the Guild. It showed his ixterest in their worls and gave them a status in the diocese which they could not otherwise loppe to occupy. They had met that evening, the speaker centimued, under the shadow of a great loss. The death of the Provost of Guildford had removed one of their whe-presidents and it wals diffeult to say what they all wust feel on sucin an occasion. They, as an suild, would miss the Provost very much indced. He not only took all active interest in the Guild, attending their meetings and being present at their dinuers, but they looked upon him as a liaisons ollicer with the diocessu authorities. He was the strongest if not the only link with the ecelesiastical organisation of the diocese.
That link had leen broken and it would be diffeult to replace. Thai it should be replaced, he was sure, would be the Provost's own wish. He hoped it might, be possible to find in the diesesgu hierarchy someone who would associate himself with the Guild sufficiently closely tint they might feel that the Guild was still iutimately allied, as they wished it to loe allied, with other bravehes of church work in the dineese. It might be that they had with them that night a repreplace in the Guild formerly occupied by the Provost. Mre Goldsmith added that he wished to take that opportunity of associating the Guild with the muny expressions of deep regret at Provost Kirwan's death that had been voiced throughout the diocese.
They were left, he continued, with anly one vice-president at the moment, and they were very happy to have Mr. Harrison with them. He was no mere figurehead. Ouly those who had worked belind the scenes knew what the Guild owed to Mr. Harrison. From the Ginid's formation he had thown hinself into the work with an enthussamm which, had he (the speaker) not seez it, he wond not have believed possible for one who was not actually a ringer. Mr. Harrison had gerved them wilhout stint in everything they had asked him to do (applause). Mr: Coldsnith expressed appreciation of the support Given to the Ghid by the hon. Huembers, but accipd that, while the to see mare of the hon. members among them on suly occasions as
that. He could assure them, however, that their money was well spent. But for their help the Guild would not be able to make the grants they did to bell yestorations in the diocese, grants which, though of modest dimensions, showed that they were at least preparel to give as well as to take (applause).

Mr. Harison, who responded, also paid tribute to the late Provost, his co-vice-president, whom he had known, he said, probably longer than auyone elsc in the room. He had lind the closest friendship
with hint for 42 years. It had heen a privileqe to know lim aud be favoured with lis friendship and his approval-or disaipproval, if, ns sometimes happened, he disagreed. Mr. Harrison asked the company to stand a few moments in silent tribute to the memory of the Provost. Resuming, Mr. Harrisom said their success as a Guild was tempered with one or two things whioh one wonld like to improve upon. There was no donlt athout the harmony of the Guild and the gond fellowreceive a littile more attention with the hope that they wonld take a fuller share in the corporate work of the Guild. Thea there was the more or less vexed question of the attendance and interest of the clerical side of the diocese in matters relating to the Guild. He thought they onght to make a special effart during the mext twelve months to see if they could not get the clergy to take an interest in their towers and particularly in the men in the tawers. It was a pity that, eveu allowing for 'Mr. Jufluenza,' they only had with them that nighl their old friend Canon Coleridge, and Mr. Arclldeacon Newill, whom they cordinily welcomed to that gathering. He hoped more clergy would be induced to take a keener interest in the Guild
and help them in the various projects and questions which they had to face (applause).

## PEAL RINGLNG FOR SPECLAL OCCASIONS.

Mr. E. H. Lewis proposed 'Ihe Guildford Diocesan Cuild,' and expressed his pleasure at being again asked to join the Guild at their annual dinner. They were very lucky in their Guild in having out of the best Masters and one of the best passible secretaries (applause). They alone should ensure the Guild a successful future. He congratulated the Guild upon the bell restoratious which had taker place last year in the diocese. Several important works had been carried out during the past year. It was, perbaps, fortuante that the bells were ready, because this year should be a bumper year for ringigg, owing to the fact that in ft few months they were going to celebrate the Coronation of their beloved King and Queen. He hoped tho members of the Guild were already practising for that event, so that, whatever ringing was done-and he hoped there would bo ringing in every church in the diocese-would be of the best possible quality, not necessarily in method, but in the excellence of the striking anid rhythm maintained (hear, heary). Another thing they might try and do was to ring the bells at some of the towers which had been ciosed for peal ringing in receat years.
A suggestion had recently been made that tho length of a peal should bo shortened. He personally was very mich against anything of the sort (bear, hear). Theye was an historical and a mathematical reason for thin standand leagth of a peal. If sinortening the lengilt of a peal would cause more peals to be rung, he did not think it would be an advantiage. He thought that already too many peals were 'got.' If only peals that were rung correctly, were counted, there would not be so many published week by week in "The Ringing World, and that would be a great adventage. He thought peal ringing should be tept for special occasions, or for occasions where bands can really ring perfectly. On other occasions they should be content with shorter lengtlas.
Mr. Lewis made an appeal for more honour to be given to quarterpeals. A quarter-peal was a very suitable length for practices. It was long enough to enable ringers to settle down and not cuougl to annoy the publio, except a small minoity who could not stand bells at all. If they lad more quarter-peals and kept peals for special oecasions, he thought it would be a good thing.
Returning to the subject of towers where peal ringing is bannerl, Mr. Lewis said it was probably dite to the fact that the hells were noisy outside the tower. That was quite unnecessary, for the sound could be modified. They had an excellent oxample in the diocese at Haslemere, where great pains had been taken fo modify tho sound so that the bells were no nuisance to the public. That could be done, given sufficient pains, in practically all towers, aud as a rule it was not a very expensive business.
Mr. Lewis added that quito recently a small leafiet had beeu issmed ou the subject by the Anti-Noise League. It was very well dome, and wheu he saw it he wondered where the information had been obtained because he did not know of any ringer laving laeen cousulted. But when he got the pamplet le found that most of it was taken from Sir Arthur Heywood's book, 'Bell 'Towers and Bell Manging.' A description of what had been done at Lincoln Cathedral was given, together with a plan of a cross section of the sonth-west tower. It would be a grood thiug, said Mr. Lewis, if that leaflet was circulated to all Archdeacons, so that they might loe ahle to adwise on this subject of the sonnd of hells, and he hat alroedy suggested to the secretary of the Central Couril that they slould take sfeps to lave this done.

## BELL RESTORATIONE.

The Master, in responding, said it was quite trise that sereral of the towers in tise diocese were closed for peals. Last year the Guild rang 21 penls, three of then on handells. The others wele romg in only eleven towers, which left a good many towers patouched. He would like to draw atiteution to one of the peais in patticular, a peal of Grandsire Triples at Aldershot, rung fully nuffled for our fate King. In that peal, rung by an entively local land, there were five first peals, and lie would like to congrathate Mr. Charles Denyer on his success (applanse). Witli regard to restorations, le mas pleased to say several important resioxations had taken place, including Slalford, Chiddingfola and Youktown, which were done under his own supervision. He was allowed to do exactly as be liked (applauge), but it was sometimes after a big struggle (laughter). At Witicy there was not as mach done as he wauld lave liked, batt the bells had been rehulg on ball bearimgs.
Proceeding, Major Fesse baill the Benewont Find established a year or two ago was, on the whole, going on well. The more they gave to it the better for the future, because they never knew when a member might need its help. He hoped every member would ro liis best for the fund. The Masler anded his tribute to the late Provost and said what a friend they had always found him. With reydrd to the future of the Guild, he agreed with what Mr. Harrison had sail and they must try to get further help fram the clargy and see if they could not get some ot the towers opened for the Coronation that wero now closed. Fe snmported Mr. Lewis in what he had snif about the desirability of maderating the noise of belis ontside the towers whevever this whs necessary. They had an excellant example of what could be done in the ease of the Cathedral in Guildforr, and
luad already been done. The openings were being sluthered so that they could be closed for paeats aud opened for service yinging, and the cost would be not more tharn f10. He hoped those in charge of towers whele this sort of thing could be done would bring the mater to the notice of chated authorities,

## ARCHDEACON'S INTEREST

Mr. J. Corbent proposet the hoast of "The Fisicors," to all of whom he extended a hearty welcome. Their presence, he said, showert that they were interested in the work of the Guild. Archdeacon Newill had heard what had becn said about the late Provost, and he must feel how much the suild appreciated all the Provost did for them. He (the speaker) loped, after hearing that, the Archdeacon would extend to Jrom the same sympathy ind interest that Provost Kirwan did (hear, hear'). They wanced someoue to step into the breach nud help them forward in their work. Nhy offered bim a very hearty welcome indeud (upplause). Thcir Guild, continued Mr. Gorbett, was one of the youngest in the conntry and they were trying to emulate all the best there was in the uld guider and associations. Thej aimed at the very fundamentals of chatere ringiyg that was, service ringing, and he was glad to say that in their towers service ringing wes the primary object of the Guild (applause), He bad to couple with the foast the adme of Archileacois Newill, and also that of Canon Coleringe. Alithough the latwer was nol strictly a visitor, he came from over the horker and they conld not let him go away without having few words from him (appause).
Arcladeacon Newill, in reply, spoke of an association and friendship with the late Provost extending oven 32 years, and said that if in any way he conld till in some small part the breach caused by the Provost's deadia, he wonld be only too lidppy to do so aud to know that he was floing something to help on the work the Guild was eioing (applause). As a very young Archideacon, he had abtained a useful tip" that evenitus. He would be holdjug his 'wsitation' shortly after Faster, and, fike oiher Arclldeacons, he was at the present moment drawing in a list of questions to be answered by the charchwardens. He had really got a uew idea with regerid to the shitering of bells, and he had learued quite a lot from Major Hesse, which he hoped would prove very uscful. He suggested that no time should be iost in distributing the pamphlets to Aycheleacons, as Mr Lewis hat suggested.

Canon Colepidge, who was very eurdially received as an old friend, said he had that day athended $x$ funcral at Bristal of a ringer who was a momber of the hand who 32 years ago rang the one and only peal evar ruitg on Lundy laland. Only three survivots of that peal were present. He had come shaight back from Bristol to keep his engrgement with them that nipht. He brought them greetings from the Oxfove Diocesiat Guild, which, as they knew, wht a very much bigger concern. The diocese coveled three comuties aud was wery dificult to worl. The Bishop fonnd the diocese almost impossible to work, and, as Master of the Oxiond Guild, he also found it impossible, To attend a meeting in North Bucks would break into two drys muless one had available a fusb motol-car. He attended what meetings le could, but by eruliast with the Guildford Guild the wrea of his own fiuild was too big to be convenient. He was very happy to be able to do what he could, for, after his accident three years ago, his doctor lold lrim he would not be able to get about ggain except in a bath chair. He was defermined, however, that he would The only thing be coald not trinst himself to do was to mount belfiry stairs, and he had to confine his ninging to towers where the ringing
was done on tho gromd flocr. Canon Coleridge concladed by wishing the Guillford Guild every prosperitig
The musioti programme consister of handbell solos delightfulfy played by Mrs. A. A. Iushes, solngs splendidly sumg by Mr. H. Plitt, and community sillging. In aldition a touch of Stedman Triples was rung on handhells by Messus. C. Enzelden, E. H. Lewis, A. H. Pulling and W. Melvile, aud a 'raming commentary" was given on a bellringing performance ak 'Scareham.' A very enjoyable evening terminded with a rote of thanks to the artistes (proposed by the Masticr') and Auld Lang Syne.

## ROUND BLOCKS AND 7 RANSPOSITIONS IN PEAL COMPOSITIONS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir-Two of the Mefhods Committee have at hast replied They calmly ignore the new discovery of rond blocks and transposition in peal compositions, and lhcy give an asymmetrical peal for comparison with two symmetrical peal compositions.
Following is their as ofmotrienl peal with its round blocise and transpositions, eo that fhey or ayyone who cares to tate the trouble, may conpare with tho forge symmetrical peal compositions publisher in "The Ringing World' un December 25th last.


GEORGE BAIKER.

## BELLS IN TELEVISION PROGRAMME

## COLLEGE YOUTHS AT THE ALEXANDRA PALACE

On Christmas Day four College Youths met at Baker Street and drovo up to the Alexandra Palace, where they were dhe at 2.30, to prepare for their turn in the 'Picture Page' of the B.B.O. 'Ielevision Programme. Thiee of them were woulering what the conductar would say when he realised that he would have to be "mude up." They were disappointed to find that their peculiarities required no emphasis, and after a very brief wait in a dressing room they were shown inte the studio, where most of the other 'turma' were waiting
One end of the studio, which formed the stage, was lighted with a battery of very powerful lamps. The background was formed of fcreens of nential grey colour, and facing the stage were two or three "cameras' on movable stands, with microphones suspended above The other end of the room seemed to be littered with properties and a mumber of chais, which could be arranged in front of receiving set, so thet the waiting performers could sae those who were acting both in tho flesh and 'as receivod.

After watching a group of Chelsea Pensioners relearse their bit, tho College Youths lad to face the 'camera' for a trial. This was mamly for focussing purposes. Challe marks were made on the foor when the positions were satisfactory so that later theve gloould be no delay in toeing the line. Just before three o'clock a roast turkey was wheoled in ou a trolley by a chef. This quite upset the handbell conductor, who had had nothing to eat since an early breakfast. Herb again there was disappointment. The bird was for demongeration only.
Pructually at three o'clock the programme was announced by Miss Joan Baxler at the telophone, and then the picture page started with 'How to carve a turkey' by the chef. While the next ilem was being "shot," apparently in another studio, the College Youths lined up, and, after a short wait, which, however, was Jong enough to mate the heat of the lamps almost mbearable, ble sigal was given to "go Stecinan" on tive hambells. After about lialf a contso the second emmera was tumed on to the nexb item and the ordeal was over.
There followed an anusing thee-quarters of an honr wateling the other ilhustrutions on the puge, whieln included, hesides the Clielsea Pensioners, Pop-ege the Sailor Mar, a Sahnan Princess, Father Christmas and a Policemau, Shackletou the Arelic Explorer, his mate. and Miss Jana Baxter impersanating an American teleplane girt. It was lucky that no ringers' wives were listening to the ticking off she gave her boy, when she found he was trying to fele phone to anolher dame in the hotel. They might have learne a hitt too much.

Mrg. Hughes very kindly lent a brand new set of liandbells fox tha occasion. Just in case the B.B.G. thought the reflections from the bright hell metal might spoil good reception, an old set weve trken also, and the aulhorities at once chose the latter
After a brief visit to Whitechapel for a chip of iea, itre periomers tetarned to their family circles, feeling mond that they had been able to give the first visible demonetration of change ringing by wireless.
There cannot be very many receiving sets in priwnte nse. The owner of ante has been traced and he said that the College Youths mede one of the best turs that have come throurg so far.

## IPSWICH BELL FOUNDER BUSY

Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswieh, las in hath the restoration of tha bells, with new teak frame, at Hintan Blewitt, Somerset, at new oak frame for Meldreth, Cambs, and a new oak Frame for Earstam, Norfolk. Fe is also recastimg all five bells and rehangily in a teak frame at Ranworth, Norfolk; reasting two bells into there to make Jing of five and rehanging peal with new fttings at Stoke Ash Suffoll ; and restoring the fine heavy ring of eight at All Snints' Sudbury, Suffolk:
He has recently relurg on ball beariugs the back four beils ats Barton-le-Cley, Beds, where be added the thee trebles 34 years ago.

## BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

SEVENTY-TWO LEADS OF TREELE BOB AND A RABBIT PIE SUPPER.
On Saturday last, Januaxy Gth, the Earlshemton Society and a few friends were entertained to a 'rabib pie supper' in colebration of the 7 and birthday of Mr. Walter ldie, which ocourred on Friday, Jamuary 8th. In the afternoon a start was marle for a touch of 72 leads of Kent Treble Bob Majur ( 2,304 clanges), but nfter linging three courses one of the ringers was taken ill and 'stand' was called Then an adjoumment was made to the Park Hotel, where the party sad down to ain excellent meal. Alterwavls another attempt was made for tive 72 leads, which was successfully brought round in 1 heur and 25 minutes, the rimger's being Walter Idle 1, Percy Byram 2 , Hemingway Dramfield 3, Harry Armitage 4, Manrice Hodgan 5, Haroh Senior 6, Fierbert Dransfield 7, Norman Ling 8. Tlue touch was composed and condueted by Maurice Fodgson. Messrs. Senior and Fodgson are service ringers at Batley Farish Church, and Mr. Armitage is a serviee ringer at the Huddersheld Pavish Church. The rest beloug to the local compary

## NOTICES.

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BRISTOL UNITED RINGING GUILDS 16th ANNUAL DINNER.-Available: St. Mary, Redeliffe (12 bells) 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. (Motor coach leaves here at 3 p.m. for Bitton, 8 bells.) St. Philip's ( 8 bells) 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Temple ( 8 bells, the Leaning Tower) 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. St. Thomas' ( 8 bells) 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. St. Stephen's ( 10 bells) 4.30 p.n. to 5.30 p.m. Tea, St. 'Thomas', 4 p.m. Dinner commences at 6 p.m. Chairman: Mr. John Austin.-Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Wokingham on Saturday, January 16th. Service in St. Paul's Church 4 p.mı.; preacher, Canon Coleridge. Meat tea in Parish Room 4.45, by ticket. Members of branch is., all others is. 6 d . Usual ringing arrange-ments.-W. J. Paice, Hon. Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham, Berks.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Paul's, Burton, on Saturday, January 16 th. Bells (10) available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting in tower at 4.15 p.m. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. North Staffs and Derby District members cordially invited.-Joseph Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern District. -The annual meeting will be held at Westminster on Saturday. Jan. 16th. Ringing at St. Gabriel's, Warwick Square (8), 3 to 4.30 p.m., and St. Stephen's, Rochester Row (8) after tea and meeting. - C. M. Meyer, Hon. Dis. Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The fifth annual supper and social will be held in the Village Hall, Heston, on Saturday, January r6th, at 6 p.n. Ringing at Norwood Green and Heston in afternoon. District annual general meeting at Isleworth on Mebruary 6th. - F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.--Leicester District.-The annual meeting will be held at St. John the Divine, Leicester, on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (10) available from 4 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., followed by business meeting in belfry and ringing for one hour.-E. H. Bagworth, Dis. Sec., 36, Averil Road, Humberstone Park Estate, Leicester.

WATFORD.--Saturday, Jan. 16th, from 3.30 till 8.30. Tea, 5.30, in old school. Train and coach service from all parts to Watford.-Herts Association.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting of the Wisbech branch will be held at Hilgay on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. Jolnn, Wisbech.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Meeting at St. Chad's Church, Shrewsbury, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (12) available 3 p.m.-R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craigmore, Upper Road, Mole Brace, Shrewsbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next practice meeting will be held at the Cathedral, Manchester, on Saturday, January 16 th. Tower open for ringing at 5 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-J. H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch. - The annual meeting of this branch will be held on Saturday, Jan. 16th. The bells of Holy Sepulchre will be availabie from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{mm}$. The service will be held in this church. The address will be given by the Rev. Rowson. Election of officers,-J. C. Dean, Hon. Sec., 16, St. Peter's Streel, Northampton.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District. - The annual meeting of this district will take place at Bedford on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Tea at 5 p.m. Meeting after. All welcome. -Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branci. -The annual meeting of the Gainsborough District will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (8) available 2.30 untii 8.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at the Friendship Hotel, price 1s. 6d. per head. A hearty welcome given to all ringers.-H. Morgan, Dis. Sec., 22, Grey Street, Gainsborough.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Wollaston, near Stourbridge, on Saturday, Jan. 16. Beils (6) available at 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.rn., followed by business meet-ing.-J. S. Mason, Branch Sec., 19, Broadwell Road, Oldbury, near Birmingham.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch.The annual meeting of the Crewe Branch will be held at Christ Church, Crewe ( 10 bells), on Jan. 16th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea (by kind invitation of the Vicar and wardens) at 5.15 p.m. Meeting to follow.-.-Rich. D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec., 6, Laura Street, Crewe.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. -- The next quarterly meeting will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (8) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.45 p.m., to be followed by tea and meeting in Parish Rooms. An IMPORTANT meeting will be held at 4 p.m., at which all committee men are earnestly asked to be present. -M. Melville, Exhall, Coventry.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.--Hinckley District.-The annual meeting will be held at Burbage on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and meeting. - A. E. Rowley, Hon. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District. - The annual meeting will be held at Fareham on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.rn. Service 4.30 p.rn. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. All ringers wel-come.-A. T. Greenwood, 6, Sheffield Road, Portsmouth.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Lancaster Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. All members and friends will be welcome. - E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Northern District.-A meeting will be held at Benwell ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Jan. 16 th, at 2.30 p.m. Tea (1s.) at 5 p.m., in the Parish Hall. Make it your business to attend and help us make a good start for 1937. - K. Arthur, Hon. Dis. Sec.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCEATION.

 -Chew Deanery Branch.-A meeting for practice will be held at Yatton on Saturday, Jan. 16th. The peal of eight will be available from 5 o'clock, so please come along. - Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Thrapston Branch. - The annual branch meeting will be held at Raunds ( 8 lsells) on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting for election of officers. All ringers and friends welcome.-W. J. Whitmore, Raunds, Northants.

PEAK DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The annual general meeting of the above will be held to-mortow (Saturday), Jan. 16th, at Darley Dale. Will all members and friends accept this late notice and rally up to this general meeting.-H; L. Warburton, Hon. Sec.

COSGROVE, NEAR BLETCHLEY.-On Sunday, Jan. 17th, at 3 o'clock, the Bishop of Peterborough will dedicate the new treble of six installed by Messrs. Taylor and Co .

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). -The subscription of is. 8 d ., which entitles members who have not attended twenty times to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 17 th and 21st, *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 19 th, St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 26 th, at 7.30 p.m., St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 28 th, at 8 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, dgreley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Castle Cary Deanery.-The annal meeting will be held at Ditcheat on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m.-E. F. Creed, Hon. Sec., Dimmer Farm, Castle Cary.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-South Norfolk Branch. - The branch meets at Saxlingham Nethergate, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells from 2.30. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 . Method for practice: Double Coslany Court.-Nolan Goiden, Winton, 26, Brabazon Road, Norwich.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at the Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea, 6d., at 5.30 p.m. Names please to Thomas B. Worsley, 32, Castle Street, Bolton. Meeting 7 p.m. - Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch, - The annual committee meeting will be held at Fulner on Saturday, Jan. 23rd, at 4 p.m. sharp. Bells (6) available at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Subscriptions now due. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION --Nottingham District.-The annual meeting of the district will be held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells ( 10 ) ready 5 p.m. Will all members who can make an effort to attend? All ringers welcome. E. C. Gobey, Dis. Sec., Trowell, Notts.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester District. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Milton-nextGravesend, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea, by kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mitchell. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due and may be paid at the business meeting which follows tea. In fairness to our hosts, members intending to accept are asked to notify me not later than Tuesday, Jan. 19th. -Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham, Kent.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham District. -The annual district meeting will be held at Farnham on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea (5. 15 p.m.) at Rogers' Café, The Borough; business afterwards. Please notify for tea by Wednesday, 20th. Everybody welcome.-C. W. Denyer, Dis. Sec., 120, Ash Road, Aldershot.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch -St. James', Birch-in-Rusholme. Re-opening of the Birch 'Ring of Bells' (8), after reconstruction of the mechanism by Taylors, of Loughborough. The Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of Manchester has kindly consented to perform the ceremony and conduct a short service in the church at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. All ringers and friends cordially welcome. A postcard from those desiring tea, 1s. each, will be appreciated, before Jan. 20th.-Rev. A. E. Horner, L. Th., Hon. C.F., The Rectory, Birch-in-Rusholme.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The annual district meeting will be held at Reigate on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall, Lesbourne Road, 5.15 p.m., followed by business meeting. Important: Please send me numbers for tea not later than Friday, 22nd. All ringers heartily welcome.-Waiter Claydon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Dorchester Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Dorchester, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells from 4 p.m. Service at 4.30 , followed by tea and meeting. The bells of Charminster, Fordington and Upwey available from 3 p.m. Kindly advise early for tea, -C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., 3, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury and District Branch. - The quarterly meeting will be held at Wroxton on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (5) available from 2.30. Service 4 o'clock. Tea and meeting to follow. Shenington (5) and Banbury (10) also available during the evening.-E. Pearson, Hon. Dis. Sec., Adderbury West, Banbury.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Skelton-inCleveland (bells 8, tenor 23 cwt ) on Saturday, Jan. 23 rd . Tea will be provided in the Church Room at 5 p.in. ; members 1 s ., non-members 1s. 3d. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, Jan. 20th.-J. Reed, Hon. Sec., 67, Hedley Street, Guisborough, Yorks.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Bridgwater Branch.-Annual meeting will be held at Bridgwater on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.-C. Evans, Local Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Bridgwater.

PETERBOROLGE DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch, - The anmual bratch meeting will be held at Higham Ferrers on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Service 4.30. Tea and business proceedings alterwards. A fine peal of 8 . All welcome. Please send names for tea In A. Bigley, Hon. Branch Sec, 30 , Allen Road, Irthling'horough, Northants.

LiNCOLN DIOCESAN GU!LD.-Eastern Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Boston on Saturday, Jan, 23 rd . Belis (10) dvailable from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., in Blenkin Memorial Hall. Business meeting afterwards. Will all intending to be present please let me know by Tuesday, Jan, 19th?-W. E. Clarke, Park House, 9日, Norfolk Street, Boston.

WIANCHESTEK AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN CIUJLD.-Alton and Petersfield District. - The annual meeting of the district will be held at Petersfield on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in St. Peter's Hall 5 p.m. Business meeting follows. Kindly let me know numbers for tea not later than Wednesday, Jan. 20th.-C. E. Bassett, Hon. Dis. Sec, 32, Charles Street, Petersfield.
L.ONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northern Dis-trict.-The annual general district meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. St. Giles ${ }^{1}$, Cripplegate (12) from 3105 p.m., and St. Andrew's, Holborn (8), from '7 p.m. 108 p.m. Tea will be arranged.-James G. A. Prior, Hon. Sec, Section House, Ixworth Place, Chelsea, S.W. 3.

SIISSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - A meeting of the Southern Division will be held at Burgess Hill on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Tower open 2.30. Service 5. Tea, by kind invitation, 5.30. Names for tea by Jan. 20th, please. Half rail fare to members, maximum is. 6d.-S. E. Armstrong, Hon. Div. Sec., 70, Hollingbury Park Avenue, Brighton 6.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next meeting will take place at St. Barnabas', Shore, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. A good 'turn up ' requested. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting to be heid at 6.30 p.rm. Subscriptions due.-S. Lloyd Party, Hon. Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch.The annual meeting will be held at Godmanchester on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, at 5 o'clock, at 1s. each.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Anual racoting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 23rd, at Doncaster Parish Church. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Committee meeting in the Clergy House at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea, 5 o'clock, in the Memorial Hall, at 1 s . per head. General meeting at 6 o'clock. It is essential that all who will require tea should notify Mr. G. Halksworth, 30, Aukland Road, Doncaster, not later than Tuesday, Jan. 19 th. A good attendance is hoped for at this meeting.-E. Cooper, Sec., 1, Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey, Doncaster.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - lichester Deanery Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Martock on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Service at 4.30. Ten and meeting to follow. Please notify early for tea. - F. Farrant, Martock, Somerset.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsborough Branch. - The branch annual meeting will be held at Guilsborough on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Usual arrangements. Please notify hon. secretary not later than Tuesday previous of those requiring tea. -Geo. A. Hollick, Han. Branch Sec., West Strect, Welford, Rugby.
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District. -The annual meeting of this district will be held at Streatham on Saturday, Jan. 30th. The bells of St. Leonard's will be available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock at St. Leonard's. Tea at The Manor, at is. per head, followed by meeting. The bells of Immanuel Church, Streatham Common, will be available immediately after the meeting till $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Numbers for tea to be sent to Mr. J. W. Chapman, 36, Sunnyhill Road, Streatham, London, S.W.16, not later than Thursday, Jan. 28th.-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

 -The annual general meeting will be held at $S$., Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Tower oper at 4 o'clock. Tea in canteen at 5.30. Business meeting on the Vestry Hall at 6.30. Numbers for tea to be sent to me by Wednesday, 27th. This is most important, for the catering. Usual practice at Shoreditch Jan. 27th at 6.30 p.m.-G. A. Card, Hon. Sec., 7, Gilstead Road, Fulham, SW. 6.MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.- North and East. District.Annual neeting at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells from 2.30 to 7.30. Service at 4.30. Tea, 1s. each, at 5. Important business meeting to follow. Ringing at Willesden from 7 to 9 p.m. Special method, St. Clement's Bob Triples. The Dis trict Committee will meet at 3.30 p.m. Will all who require tea please advise me by Jan. 27th?-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E. 4.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The anntal general meeting will be heid at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, on Saturday, January 30th, when the following bells will be available: Far Headingley (8) 12 noon to 9 p.m., St. Michael's, Headingley (8) 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m, and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., St. Mathias', Burley (8) 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Service at St. Chad's at 4.15 p.m., the preacher being the Lord Bishop of Ripon. The President aslis that on this special occasion all ringers should do their best to attend. Tea will be provided in the schools at 5 p.m. for all who send in their names to Miss L. K. Bowling, 19, Shaw Lane, Leeds 6, by Thursday, Jan. 28th, otherwise a charge of 1 s . will be made. The general meeting will be held in the schools immediately after tea, and the presentation to Canon C. C. Marshall, who completes 25 years as President of the Association at this meeting, will be made by the Lord Bishop of Ripon on behalf of the members. The President and local con?pany extend a very hearty welcome to all ringers. - J. E. Cawser, Hon. Gen. Sec., Cragdon House, Ashton Lane, Braithwell, near Rotherham.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sleaford Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Sleaford on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells of St. Deny's Church (8) will be open 2.30 to 9 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5, 9d. each to those who notify undersigned by Thursday, Jan. 28th.-H. S. Hinkins, Hon. Sec., 41, The Drove, Sleaford, Lincs.

GUIJDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chertsey District. -The annual district meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting, in Church Room. All ringers and friends given a hearty welcome. Subscriptions for 1937 now due. A p.c. for tea will be much appreciated by Wednesday, Jan. 27th. - F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec., 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Tipton on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.45 , with an address by the Rev. A. L. Chapman (Vicar). Tea (1s.) at 5.30. Please send word not later than Tuesday, 26 th inst.-H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

## Leominster.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-Aylesbeare Deanery Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Honiton Clyst on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service will be held at 4.30 p.m. The address will lue given by the Vicar (the Rev. Dr. Keene). Tea will be provided in the Church Halk, price 1s. Business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Monday, Jan. 25th.-R. Brook, Hon. Sec., 3, Greatwood Terrace, Topsham.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Isle of Wight District.-The annual meeting will be held at Carisbrooke on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 at the Eight Bells Hotel, followed by the annual business mecting. All requiring tea please notify not later than Jan. 28th to H. P. James, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Portland Street, Newport, Isle of Wight.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Deptford, on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells available at 3 p.on. Further particulars next week. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due and should be paid at this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Rnad, Belvedere, Kent.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUIED. - Basingstoke District. - The annual general meeting will be held at Basingstoke on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells available from 2.30. Service in St. Michael's Church at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meeting follows. Als requiring tea please notify by Jan. 26th Mr. C. W. Munday, 21, Southend Road, Basingstoke.-J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUTLD. - Kington District. -The annual meeting will be held at Kington on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Beils (6) available 4 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please advise me by Tuesday, Jan. 26th. Jabez Preece, Dis. Sec., Lea Locige, Staunton-on-Arrow,

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. R. W. Danicls' address is now 165, Leckhampton Road, Cheltenham. Tel. 5119.

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A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES; Tomer 20 ewt .
Robert G. Knowles ... ...T Teble |Alebn Morgan ... ... ... 6 John Tbomas ... ... ... 2 William Raneord ... .... 7 Denis R. Morris ... ... 3 Reginald Woudyatt ... 8 Sidney T. Holt ...... George E. Large ... ... 5 Cearles Camm ... ... ...Tenor Composed by C. Charge. Conducted by Sidney T. Holt,

* Firet peal of Stedman.

DUDLEY, WORGESTERSEIRT.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILT.
On Saturday, January 16, 1937, in Thref Howrsand Thirien Minutes,
At tae Chorgh of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

 Tenor 80*T. Douglas Weorton ...Tveble| William Goodman ... ... 6 Jobn Goodman ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Herbbri Sauppard ... .... 7 William Grden .... ... 3 Alfred Rowley ...... Henry Goodman ... ... 4 Ronald Goodman ... ... 9 Harry Hubball ... ... 5 Gilbart Gdest ... ... ... Tenor Composed by J. Carter. Conducted by John Goodman.

* First peal. This peal was rung to celebrate the 83 ril birthday of Mr. J. Goodman, father of the ringers of 2nd, 4th and 6th, also as a hirthday compliment to Mr. H. Grodmarr, and to Mr. H. Sheppard on the completion of 40 years as in Sunday service rivger.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## ROLVENDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOLATION.
On Saturday, January 9. 1937, in Three Howrs and Two Minutes, Ai tee Clorch of St. Mary-ter-Virgin.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twerve-part.
William Wenban ... ...Tyeble Espry Baker
Cosciu W Jap … ... ... 5

- Groran
 Conducted by Wililam Gorringr.
* First peal 'incide.' t Trirst peal in the method. $\ddagger$ First peal. SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION. On Wednesday, Jannay 13, 1937, in Thrae Hows and Seventeen Minwes, At tee Cherch of Si. John-the-Biftisi,
A PEAL OF ERANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Parker's Twelve-part. Alfred J. Turner William ]. Coppard ....Trebhe Harold S. Hobden ... ... 3 Oejver Wood ... ... .... 4 Aeprlid C. Pankhorst ... 7 Conducted by Frank Bennett.
Rung with the bells half-ruffled as a last token of respect to the late Mr. R. J. Dawe, for 48 years a memler of the band at this torer.

WIGKEN, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DLOGESAN GUILD.
On Salurday Januavy 16, 1937, in Thres Hours aud Eight Minutes, At tee Cabrer of St. Jonn-the-Evangelist,
h PEAL OF DDUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANEES;
Tenor Is cwt. I qr. 20 Ib.
*Frederick C. Case ... ...Treble
A Nonneley Wood ... 2
Wharky Sehr... ... ... ... 6
William G. Whitegead... 3 Ernegt C. Lambart .... .... 7 Herbrrt C. Edwards ... 4 Albert J. Grebm... ... ...temor
Composed by C. W. Robrets. Conducted by A.J. Grern.

* 50th peai. This composition has the full combination of 4.5 .6 in 5-6. It is iu two equal parts with two singles only and calle at. 1.4.6; see "The Ringing Wordd,' Nuwember 20th, 1931.

PRESTWICH, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Sulurday, Jantayy 16, 1937, in 7 hree Hours and Ons Minste, At the Cetreg of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF LDNDON SURPRISE HAJOR, 5152 CHANGES; Tenor 16 ewt.

| homas B. Worstey | T'reble | Armold Brdnton |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Robert Walcwork | . 2 | Grorge R. Newton | . 6 |
| John Wilkinson |  | Latrence J. Williams | ... 7 |
| Tromas Wallwork | - 4 | Herberi Davenport | Tenor |

Composes and Conducted by T. B. Worscey.
ERITH, K FNTT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Saturday January 16, 1937, ir 1 wo Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes.
At the Chorch of St. Jogn-ter-Baptist.
A PEAL OF NEW GAMBRIDGE BURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANCE Tenor $\mathrm{r}_{5} \mathrm{cwt}$. in G .
John Waeadon ..- ... ...Treble Harbery E. Aodsley ... 5 Joha H. Caresman ... ... 2 Harry Hoverd ... ... ... 6 Mrs, Geo. H. Cross ... ... 3 Frbderict J. Coleom ... 7 Equin A. Barnett ... ... 4 George H. Cross ... ...Teroy Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by Fredrrick J, Collok.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, Januay 16, 1937, in Three Hours and Sixteen-and-a-Half Minutes.
At the Chorge of St. Thomas,
A PFAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5600 CHANEES;

## Midmelen'e.

Tenor $14{ }_{4}{ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.


* Firat peal in the method away from treble.

LAYENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, Janhay 16, 1937, in I hyee Hours and Sixteen Minutos, At the Chorch of SS. Peter a do Pagl,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 EHANOE:
Tenor 23 Cwt in D flat.
Frbderick F. Mortlock...Treble Frbderick Borbbam ... ... $50 .^{5}$
Magrice T. Symonds ... 2 Lbonard Ogford ... ... 6
Stedman H. Symonds ... 3 Dennes A. S. Symonds ... 7

- Robrrt J. Sterd .... ... 4 Lronard Prykb ... ... ....Tanor

Composed by J. R. Pritcaard. Conducted by S. H. Symonds.
F First peal in the method. Ruyg on the 21st birthday of the 7th
ringer. If. J. Steed hails from Buxhall, the rest are local men.

## ORMESBY, YORKSHIRE

THE OLETELAND AND NORTH YORKSFIRE ASSOOIATION.
On Satwaiay, Jantary 16, 1937, in Thyee Houys and Seven Minures, At ter Cenace of St, Cothegrt,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Rev. C. D. P. Daples' No. I.

Tenor 58 cwt .

Conducted by J. Resd.

* First peal in the method. Run ${ }^{\circ}$ as a welcome to the nowlyinducted Fionr of Ormesby, tho Rev. C. A. Budgen, who, after the peal, kindly entertained the ringars at the Vicavage.

DUNMOW, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOGLATION
On Saturday, January 76, 1937, in Thyee Hows and Sixteen Mirutos, At tee Cborch of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, BO24 GHANEES: Tener 21 cwt in E
Josepa Jenkings... ... ...I reble Ronald Sockling ... ... 5
Claugr Snowden ... ... 2 -Grorgr Sadnders ... ... 6
Miss Hilda Snowden ... 3 Lewis W. Wifpan ... .... 7


* First peal of Major.


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS. <br> BUXTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,
On Saturday, January 9, 1937, in Two Honys and Foriy-Fita Minutes,
Ax the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 RHANGES;

Being seven 720 's each called differently. Tonor $12 \ddagger$ cwt.
Hergrat V. Digby ... ...Tveble | Dooglas E. Rest ... ... 4 Artadr S. Brothers ... ... 2 William R. Catchpale ... 5 Eric Dorrant ... ... ... 3 Williak C. Deffleld ...Tpmor Conducted by Wilemam C. Dopfiple.
Rung by the lucal band with the belts half-mufled as a tribute to the memory of their late Squire, Philip Edward Sewell, who was not only a member of the associntion, nut a generons and friendly supporter of the church and every orgavisation comnectad with the parish. His remains were interred earlier in the day.

WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satryday, Jankary 9, 1937, in Two Hours and Forly Wimutas,
At ter Cherch of St. Helary

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being three extents of Single Oxford Bob and four extente of Plair Bob.

Tenor 113 ewt.
Difglas Watson, shn.
William Strong ...
...Tyeble Frane Varty
. ...
William Strong ... ... 2 John Greasley ... ... ... 5
*David Hogees ... ... ... 3 |Tgomas Rogers ... Conducted by T. Rogers.

* First peal of Minor. Rung with the bells half-mufled as a lasti token of respect to the late Mr. Stanley Strong, who was a ringar for 40 years at the abave church.

ROTHLEY, LEIOESTERSHTRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIFS ASSOCIATEON
D. Saturday, Jamuary 9, 7937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Mimutes,

At tag Cedrch of St. Mary-thr-Virgin,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 504D CHANEES;
Being 10 six-scores each of St. Simon's, Canterbury, Plajn Bob and 12 of Grandsire, 22 callings.

- Patrick A. Hewiti ... ... Treble

Hector A Knights ... ... 2 Norman Statbam ... ... 4
E. Harold Farmer ... ... j James Preston .... ...

Conducted by F. R. Deacon.

* First peal.


## HAMPRESTON, DORSET.

THE SALISBDRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathrday, January 16, 1937, in Thred Hours,
Ai the Chorch of Ale Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, FO40 CHANGES;
Being sevan differont oxtents.
Tenor 11 cwt. (apprex.).
R. C. Horst... ... ... ...Trebla| A. E. Honre
... ... ... 4
W. G. Yoong $\ldots . . .$.
A. F. Martin Strwart ... 3 A. G. Rose
......
Condacted by W. C. Shete,

* First peal, First peal on the bells.

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Un Monday, Januay 17, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirly-Five Itinates, At tae Cherce of St. Botolpe,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6940 GHANGES:

Being one extent ench of Oxford Treble Diob, Kent Treble Bab, two of Osford Bob and threo of Plain Boll.

Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt

- Vicior Beiggs ... ... ...Treble Walter Tomlenadn ... ... 4
†Jack Vessby ....... - $\quad 2$ Jack L. Millh usi ... .... 5
TG. Leslig A. Lonn ... ... 3 | Clifford A. Vessey ... ...Temir Conducted by Clipforb A. Vessey.
* First peal. + First peal 'ingide.' \$ 25th peal and rung in 19 difierent towers und with 56 ringera: Quickest peal on the bells.


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THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Ianuayy 16, 1437, in Th ee Hours and Three Minutes, At inf Cgerch or Si. Gothlac,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINOR 5040 GHANGES;

## Law Jameg' Arrangement,

Temor 15 cwt.
-William Oldham ... ...Treble Harry Gibeard... ... ... $4^{4}$

| -Horacr M. Day | $\ldots$. | ... | 2 | †albert E. Scott | ... | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | Conducted by H. M. Diy.

* First Surprise peal. + First peal in the method. SLESTONE, NEAR BARNSLEY, YORKS. THE YORESHIRE ASSOCLATION. (Barmsiey and Disizict Sucifty.)
On Saturday, Janaay 16, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Five Minules, At teg Parige Cherch.


## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB WINOR. bIGO EHANGES;

Being 720 ench of Wath Delight, Pontefract Delight, Oswald Delight, Barham Delight, Killamarsh, Trinity Sunday and Keat Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt . (approx.).


## Conducted by D. Smita,

* First peal.

EAST PECKHAM, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Or Saturday, January 16, 1937 , in 7 hree Hours,

At the Ceorch of St. Miceari,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 EHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently.
Grorez Brooksr
Charles H. Song

 Conducted by Loterr J. Honess.
This peal was rung on the 22ud anniversary of the wodding of $T$. Saunders, also as a birthday compliment to his daughter, Antie, who was 19 on the same day.

BARTON SEAGRAVE NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

## (Kettering Branch.)

On Saturday, January 76, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
Ai the Chorce of 乌t. Rotitph,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANOES;

Comprising stx stx-scores each of Stednan Slow Course, New Doubles,
St. Simon's, Canterbury, Chase, Plain Bob and Grandsire
Tenor 12 cwt .
Matieias Hoses... ... ...Tveble Sidney G. Munton ... ... 3
Lronard G. Toseland ... ${ }^{2}$ Abrebieald S. Toseland ... 4

## Borley P. Morris .... ...Temoy

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Mr. A. Taseland. The band were kindly entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. Toseland after the peal.

## (Continued from next column

The actal work of the bells at $a$ bob varies with the method. In Grandsire it is effected by an additional 3rd's place made at the handstroke lead of the treble, and causes all the bells above that place to alter the order of their work, although the actual transposition of coursing order only affects three bells.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## SIMPLE METEOD CONSTRUCTION

Last week we endeavoured to explain what is meant by 'hunting, which enables a beginner to grasp the first principles of change inging. Hunting will kelp him to acquire rope-sight, but is is not advisable to continue a plain hunting courge for too long a time, bedause, after a while, one gets to know it by heart, and its usefulaess, at any rate for the purpose of teaching rope-sight, is lost.
As soon as the beginmer can pick ont the bell he has next to follow, by using his eyes, he should go on to learn a 'method.' If he is in it fiye or eix boll tower, Grandsire Doubles is the method lie will probably wurn to first.

There afe a number of methots of "Doubles,' but only is few of them are 'pure Doubles, that is to say, changes produced entirely by movin two pairs of belis overy time. There are some methods which are constructed by tho use, once or oftener in a lead-a lead for this purpose meaning the changes from one lead of the treble to the next lead of that bell-of a change made by moving only one pair of bells.
If, for instance, you have one row of figures 13254 , you, can produce either 31524 , or 31245 , or 12345 by means of c Doubles -that is by changing two paire of hells. But in some methods, in ovder to produce the extent of the changes on five bells, it is necessary periodically to move only one pair of bells, such as, after 13254, having 13524. This change is really a single change, and in some of the very old ringing books methods in which a mumbor of such changes oceurred were known as "Singles and Doubles."

If you are going to produce a melhod which does not collgist alely of a plain lunting course, there must be, within each lead, one or more places ${ }^{2}$ made.
A 'place' is made by a bell remaining two blows (a whole pall, either at handstroke and backstroke, or backstroke and handstroke) in the same position in the interior of the change.
Thus on five bells a "placa' can be made in 2nd's, 3id's or 4th's, but only 3 rd's place enables the anccession of pure Doubles to be maintainod. If you write out a few changes and introduce $2 n d$ 's of 4th's, yout will soon discover why,
In the construction of Doubles the mumber of available 3 ra's places is very limited, bence the limited number of possible methods. If we conline ourselves for the moment to methods in which the treble keeps to plain hunting, then there are only four possible 3 rd's places in any one lead. The different methods depand upou the different positions in which these 3rd's places oceur
The formation of the Grandsire method is cansed by making 3rd's place at the first available opportuntity, that is at the very firgt. change.
Now, no method of pure Doubles based upon a treble with a plain hunt will produce the extent of the clanges in a plain course.

The use of "bobss' and 'singles' is necessary. A bob is the introduction of an atditional 3rd's place, and has to be signified by the conductor, who at the stated intervals calls out 'Bob.'
For a reason which we need not go into now, plain leads and bobs alone in a pure Doubles method will produce only half the possible changes; it Heeds a "single' to moduce the other half and a second 'single ' before the bells can be brought round.
Wo lave already indicated what a Single is-it is, in Doubles, the movement of only ome pair of bells in the change.
Before we go on to the actanal axplanation of how to ring Grandsire, wo wonld like our begimert to try and work out for thenselves some of the methods which can tho produced. Remember there are four places in which 3rd's ean be nsed, let ns call them $\mathfrak{f}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d}$. These can be used singly, as 'a' in Grandsire, or in any combination as 'a. and "c' in what is known as Double Grandsire. In 'skeleton ' this is where the places can occur, the letters representing the places, 1 the treble and the dots the other bells:-

| 1. a . . |
| :---: |
| 18 |
| . 1 |
| , bI |
| . b. 1 |
| C . I |
| - cl |
| - 1 |
| 1 d |
| 1.d |
| 1.1 |

While on this question we would like to answer an ingtiiry which we received the other day, "What is a. "bos" and "single" "
A bob causes certain bells to alter the path of their regular workthat is, it transposes their coursing order. Usually only three bells are affected, but the work of any odid number of bells may be affected. The bob is "called" by the conductor.

A 'single' effects the transposition of the work of two bells instre of some even sumber of bells. It, too, is called by the conductor.
(Contimued in previous column.)

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

 SOUTHAMPTON DISTRICT PROGRESS.Satisfactory progress was reported at a meeting of the Southampton District of the Winchester and Porkmouth Diocesan Guild, held at Southampton on Saturday, January 9th. During the afternoon and evening there was rimging on the ten bells of SE. Mary's (whicla were hatf-muffled on account of the death of Col. Sir Edwin Perkins), St. Michael's and Holy Rood, and a variety of methods up to Cambridge Royal was rung.
The Guild service in St. Mary's Clumeh was conducted by the Vicar, the Rey. Canoz IR. H. Jolly, who also gave an address.
Mr, George Williams, Master of the Guild, presided at the business meebing, supported by the Rev. Evan Jones (hon. treasurer of the (Guild), Mr. D. Ceeil Williams, Mus.Bac. (University College, Sauthampton), Mr. J. W. Faithfull (secretary, Stu. Mary's Guild), Mr. George Pallinger (district secretary) and Mr. Wilfrid Andrews (captain of Winchester Cathedral band).
The towers represented were Southampton, Eastleigh, Norbh Stoneliam, Bishopstake, Romsey, Dibden, Eling, Frwley, Netley, Lockerley, Mattisfont and Uplam, and members were also present from Portsmouth Cathedral, Portsea, Wickham, Titchfield, Soberton, Fareham, Fournemouth, Poole and Winchester.
Mr. Wilfred Andrews announced that Winchester Cathedral bells, taken down for Fecasting, would be dedicated on March 20 th, some weeks earlier than was expected.

The Master will celchrate his $80 \mathrm{th}_{\mathrm{h}}$ birthday on May 7 fb , and the fiope was expreged that attempts will be made for peals in a number of towers in celebration of the event.
Ihe audited acounts showed a balance, and it was agreed to make the collection up to El ls . for the St. Mary's festoration Fund.
'lhe secretary reported on a successfu] year, and urced greater effort in ringing for the ordinary Sunday services, oven at some persoual sacrifice. A tatal of 16 homorary and 88 ringing memhers had paik subsciptions. The bells of Mottisfont were in a bad state, bus in the other churches of the district they were in good order.

Several new members were elected, and the election of Messrs.
ㅍ. King (of Breaston, Derby) and G. Parsons (of glackifiars, London) prior to peals was confirmed.
General regret was expressed at Mr. Pullinger's request to be relieved of his ofice, and his valued services not only to the district, but also to the Central Committee were mentioned. He was warmly thanked for his work, and eventually was persuaded to carry on with Mr. A. T. Corrigan (North Stoneham) as joint hon. gecretary.

The Rev. G. T. Tritton, who was unable to attend owing to illness, was re-olected chairman, and Messts. J. W. Faithfull and W. T. Tucker, North Stoneham, were chosen as representatives on the committee. The re-election of Mr. G. Willians as Ringing Master was greeted with applause.
District meetings agreed to were: Febriary 27th, Mattisfont and Ronsey; Mry 8 th, Dibden; July 17th, Isockerley and Tytheriey; October 2ni, Netley.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

PEAL BOARD UNVEILED AT EASTERN DISTRTCT MEETING.
A special meeting of the Eastem District was held at West Hartlepool on Saturday, January Gth, the oceasion being the unveiling of a pal board conmenorafing a peal of Grandsire Caters rung by Miss Stephenson, one of the local ringers, who was the first laty to ring a peal on ten bells in the County of Durham.
Ringers were present from Middeshrough, Saltburn, Darlington Sunderland, Feaham, Ghester-le-Street and the local ringers.

A show service was held, the Rev. T. H. Lilburn officiating, after which the ringers weut to the belfry, where the Vicar dedicated the peal boaxd, Miss Stephenson unveiling it.

Tea was held in the Mission Eall, after which there was a short meeting, Mr. R. L. Patterson presiding.
After the loyal toast the Chairman said it was a great pleasure to him to see each district of the association represented at the meeting, and heartily welcomed the visitors. He was pleased to see so many ringers present and specially. mentioned the members of the Cleveland and North Forlishire Association. Fe hoped bath associations woulet meet on other occarions.
Mr. T. Metonlf thanked the Vicar for the use of the bells and also Miss Shepherd for her services at the orgay. The Vicar suitably replied, and said he was delighted aqain to nave the ringers at West Hartlepnol. They were always welcome.

Mr. Titt pronnsed a vote of thanks to the ladies for the splendid tea, and Mrs. Robson replien.
The Rev. J. P. Pelloe, of St. Columbia's, Sunderland, was elected a. member.

It was proposed that the next meeting be held at Hourhton-leSpring, notice of which will he mblished in 'The Ringing World.'

The hells were kept going mntil 8.30 p.m.. the methods rung being Grandsirs Trinles and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters, Kent Treble Bob Major anti Roral and Double Norwich Major. It was a most successiul meefing and all had a very happy time.

DEATH OF MR. B. JARMAN.

## FORMER PRESIDENT OF HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOOLATION.

The death look place in the London Hospital on Thursday of last week of Mr. Ben Jarman, of Harpenden, Herts. He was 62 years of age.
All his life Mr. Jarman was ascociated with Farpanden Parish Church, joining the choir as a boy and remaining a chorister during the incumbency of six Rectors.

He had been a zinger for over 37 years and was captein of the company. In 1986 le served in the office of president of tha Herfom County Association. His death is keenly felt by a host of Harpenden friends, by whom the was much esteamed.

## AN APPREGIATION.

Ben Jarman was a very capable change ringer, and lad yung many peals in a variety of methods for the Eertford County Association, who in 1926 honoured him by electing him as their president. Possessed quite naturally of a genial and friendly disposition, he was greatly lifed, for he was one to whom the ringers could niways appeol, either to "make one' to complete a team for a peal, or y'ender any helpful service in connection with the Connty Association. Tee had the secret of living an umperturbed and wnselfish life.
The earthly career of our friend has ended, and, whilst we deeply mount his depardure, we refoice that the trumpets of welcome have sounded for him on the other side; but we shall evot clerish whe memory of "Ben' with trete affection. "Then I heard in my dream that all the bells in the city rang again for joy, and that it was said unto them, "Finter ye into the joy of the Iord."
His body was laid to rest in the Parish Churchyard on Monday. amid many tokens of respect from a large congregation, the gerwice being taken at the Parish Clurch in the absence of the Viear by assistant clergy of the parish. The service was choral and included the 23 rd Psalm and the hymas, 'Lead, kindly light' and 'Abide with me.' Besides the local company of ringers there were also present, representing the Conntr Associntion, Mr. (F. E. Debenlana (treasurer), Mr. G. W. Debenliam (assistant hon secretany), Mr. Walter Ayre (district secretayy, Western Division), Mr. A. King (Luton, Beds Association) and others.
A course of Grandsire Triples was vinu upoun the hamabells during the service in church by Messrs. H. Jarman 1-2, R. Newson 3-4, A. Day 5-5, W. Hill 7 -8. Previons to the sorvice a half-mumled toneh was rung mpon the tower bells. There were many wreaths, including one from the president, officers and memlores of the Eertford Cotnty Associaltion.
On Monday evening a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung half-miffed by the following: *Walter Eill 1, C. Sladbolt 2, A. Dockerill 3, G. W. Debenham (conductor) 4, *R. Eley 5, R. Nemson 6, Arthur Day 7, G. Cull 8. First quarter-peal.
G. W. C.

## FIRST PEALS ON OLD BELLS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Siry, I note with interest that a peal has been rung at Metat wold 160 years after the ring was converted to six. At Rediuth, Dornwall, the tower was built during the reign of Heury VII. (14851509), and a ring of six lung by Thomas Lester in 1744. These bells. however, were rolung when the church was restored in 1878, and again in the game frame and on the same leadstocks in August, 1935. Fhe first peal was then runt in September, 1935 -ane lundred and ninety-one years after the bells were placed in the tower. Two trebles weve added in Noventber, 1935.
I surppose the bells at Methwold have been rehung or reconditioned since 1778.
A. S. ROBERTE.

## Trure.

## PINNER RINGING SOCIETY.

The anmual meeting of the Pinner Society, Middlesex, held on Weducsdey, January 13 th. was preceded by some excellent touches on the tower balls, cenducted by Messis. A. J. Harding and T. Collins. The meeting was held at the Conservative Club, the chair being occupied by the Vicar (the Rev. Eric Barnea), supported by the Rev. ©. T. Clapman, the Fiear's wanden (Mr. J. S. Hogg, J.P.) ant the captain (Mr. A. J. Harding). The people's warden, Mr. A. Townsend, was unavoidably absent owing to a prior engrgement.

The balance sheet was acceptod, and the chairman distributed the annual grant of $£ 1 \mathrm{ls}$. to ehoh of the members. Fe also nominated the parish ringers for 1937.
On the proposition of Mr. F. S. Hogg, supported by the chairman, Mr. A. J. Harding was elected captain, hon. secretary and treagurer. Mr. Harding thanked the members for their support during the time be had been captain.

Mr. C. A. Kirn wrs elected vice-captrin.
The Ghairman thanked file socioty for the wark they had done daring the past year and also gaid what pleasure it was to be with them that evening, it being his first meeting as Vicar. He looked forward to n happy time with them.

Mr. Harding thanked the Vicar for presiding and also Mr. J. S. Hogr for having engaged the toom and provided refreshmente.

## DEATH OF MR. FRED WILFORD.

FORMER SEGRETARY AND MASTER OF PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GDHDD.
Wo much regret to record the death of Mr. Fred Wilford, formerly secratary and later Master of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, who passeal away at the age of 65 pears on January 11th at Clapel Brampton, Northants, where he liad been living since retiring from the sarvico of the Northampton Corpration Wacer Department. For some time paet Mr. Wilford liad been in indifferent health. He leaves in bereavement a widow, with whom much sympatliy will be felt.

Born at Ringstead, Northants, Mr. Wiliford went to Northampion in 1887 and was appointed a water inspector under the Northampton Corporation in 1903. He ivegan his ringing career at St. Gilles', Northampton, in 1897, at the time when the bells, having been rehung, and increased from eight to ten, a new bind was being formed. He was then slready a member of the choir and superintendent of the Sunday School.

His firmt peal was ruzg in 1898, the first peal on the bells at St. Giles'. This peal, Grandsire Cater he rang on the tenor, and his firgt peal on an "jaside' bell was also Grandsire Caters in the same tower in 1900. His first peal of Major was Treble Bob, nung in 1901, and in the same year ha scored hig first of Stedman. This and his first pral of Double Norwich in 1903 he rang in London. His first peal of Superiativo was at Irthlingborough in 1904.

In 1901 he was made forman of St , Giles' belfry and held the office until 1909. When, in 1905, the Central Northamptonshire Association was eplit up into districts, Mr. Wilford was appointed secretary of the Nothampton District, and in the following year was elented general secretary of the association.

He was largoly instrumental in the tranaformation of the Central Northants Associafion into the Peterborough Diocesan Guild in 1924, and was elected Master. He hold the office until 1935. On bis resignation he was succecded by the Rer. E. S. Powell. In October of that yent Mr. Wilford's services to the Guild were recognised at a special meeting at Northampton, when he was presented with a roll of notes and an album suitalbly inscribed, which contained the names of 438 subseribers.
Mr. Wilford's services to Northamptonshire were, indeed, great. He lahnured ungruderingly in the esuse of the art. and his personal example was a great miourayement to all who liad ringing at heart, For many pears Mr. Wilford made a point of attending all the quarterly meetinge thronglout the district and often assisted, as a licensed lay reater, in collducting the services.
In 1904 lie was elected a member of the Central Conncil, and remained a representntive of his fuild up to the time of lis deatla

He had rung about two lumdred peals, of which he had conducted a consinfurie ummber, and was a member of the following assaciationr: Bedforíshive, Midland Counties, Forkshire, Oxford, Kent, Middleser and Jeandon Countr
The funeral took place on Tharscay of last week.

## BARNSEEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. RETIREMENT OF HON. SECRETARY.

The annual general meeting of the Barnsley and District Society was leld at St. Mary's, Barnsley, on January 9th, the following towers being represented: Aclrworth, Adwick-lestreet, Darfield, Enstwood, Felhirk, Foylandswaine, Pontefract, Rotherham, Sandal, Shelly, South Kirkby, stieffield (Cathedral and St. Marie's), Wath, Wragby and the loral compray. Ringing commevced at three o'clock, and at $\$$ p.m. a short service was condncted by Canon Hone. Tea was served in the Stration Restalirant, 40 sitting down.
The hosinpss meeting frilowed, the honorary president (Canon Honel presiding. The balance sheet for 1936 was presented and carried unanimousiy. Four new members were elected.

The Fresilent and tiessurer were re-elected. It was with deep regret. that the resignation of the secretary had to be accepted, as he las not enjoyed good health for some months past. He had gent an apolnoty for not being able to attend throngh illness.
There were two nominntions for the post of secretary, namely, Mr. E. Brookes, of Hoylandswaine, and Mr. D. Smith, of Felkirk, and, Ir reconnition of the arvices rendered lected. been in office either as treasurer or secretary Panther, who has unanimonsly elected honornry wiee-president, and evervore be was wished him a speedy recovery so that he may long be able to fill his new office.

Canon Hone said, as he was leaving the district very soon, it would no donht be the last time he would preside at the annual meeting, but he loped the sociely would cantinae to prosper as it had done in the past.
Mr. C. D. Potter expressed the feelings of all when he said how sorry he wns to lose Canon Hone, as he had always fomn him a real frieud to ringers. He wished him success in lis new home, which is at Godalming, Surrey.

Cawtlatne was chosen for the next meeting on February 13 th.
Further ringing followed nntil 8.45 p.m. in Major, Triples and Minor, including both Jondon Major and Minor. The bells were then lowered
and a most enjoyable meting conolnded.

## LEICESTER CATHEDRAL NEW BELES.

TO BE RUNG ON GORONATION DAY.
The new ring of 13 bells ( 12 and semi-tone) for Leicester Cathedral are now cast and the frame erected. They will bo first dedicated ull the Hoor of the church, and then erected and rung for the first time on Coronation Day.
Although the cost of the bells has been assured by the gemerosily of individual donors, theve is a great expenditure on the wower and belfry, and an appeal was issucd to all vingers and fricods-especially in the Leicester Diocese-to defray this cost. Will all those who have the special appeal forms please return same as soon as convenient to Mr. Erucst Morris, 24, Coventiy Street, Leicester

## LOST PEALS IN CORNWALL

## THE LADY WHO WROTE A POEM.

Peals are difficult to get in Cornwall at the best of times, hat lately they have been particularly elusive. Three atlempts have failed in the last two months, one through the light failing a quarter of an hour from the end, and one through sickness undor the tower. The third attempt was made on Boxing Day for Holt's Original at Camborne, by W. J. Sanklers 1, C. J. Lamion (conductor) 2, Miss E.J. C. Answin 3, Tr. Hruis 4, E. Sanlers 5, W. H. Sleemau 6, A. S. Roherts 7, P. R. C. Williams 8. The ringing was good for an hour and in luaf, when the sudden entrance of a woman behiad the conductor caused a slight trip. This was put right, lowever, and ine woman left the belfry only to retirn a fittle later when slie sbarted to whisper to one of the ringers. She was politely but firmly aslied to leave the belfry. This slle did, but returned a quarter of an bour later with a note which alne tried to lix so that ane of the rinpers could read it, It flnttered to the gronnd and her efforts to retrieve it took the attention of the riagers olf the method so litat the bells set up after two hours 10 minutes.
The woman conld not then be fonnd. The note read: ' I wanted to tell Cambarne Chirch bellingers that I wrote a poem for then in this week's "Cornish Poble" 411 Crmborme Jas read it, I knew if I spoke it would upset the ringers. Tell them to read the Chrishmas Garol I wrote for them.

A quarter-peal from the 'Original' was ring at "heuro Gathedral for the last practice of the Year on Tuesday, December 29th: Miss 11. Penrose 1, W. H. Southearè 2. Miss T. J. C. Angwin \$, W. E. Minors 4, A.S. Roberts 5, W. F. Sleman 6, ©. F. Lankon (conductar) 7, J. Tose (first quarter-peal) 8. Another attempt was to have been made for a peal on Satordny, January gilh, at Mawran, the lightest, peal in Cornwall. Unfortunately, two of the ringers wote lost an the rond and when they arived at the church a peal was jmpossible. However, half of Parker's twelve-part was rung in 1 hour 26 minutes. The ringers were $W$. J. Sanders (longest leagth of Triples) 1, C. E. Lanxon (conductor) 2, Miss E. J. C. Anstia 3, E. Sinders 4. A. S Roberts 5, T. Harris 6. W. H. Steman 7, P. R. C. Williams 8. it is hoped that a peal will be safoly brought round in the near futinu

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

## REPORT TOR 1935 AND 1936 TO BE TASDED.

The quarterly meeting of the Warwickshire Guild on Snturday hast at Nuneaton was very well attenced, and an excollent start to the new year was made. The bells of the Parish Church were raised in pen! soon after three o'clock, and were kept foing in varions methuds during the afternoon. The service was conducted by the Vicar (Canon . L. White), a former president of the Guild. The presence at the choirboss was appreciated by all, and their cinging helped greatly torarids the beanty of the ervice.
Nearly forty ringers and their friends sat down to na excellent fer in the Parish Hall, prepared by Mrs. Argyle and other lacal ringers" wives. Canon White presided at the business mecting. Apolocies were received from Messrs. J. W. Taylor, F. C. Bu't and H. F. Ashley It was proposed that a sibseription of oue wilinea Elould be bent to the Viear of Wolvey for tho Burtob Hastimgs Bels Testorailion Fund
Meatirg places for the next three months were decided as follows Bulkington on February eoth. Exhall on March 20th, and the annaal meating at Rugby on April 17th
Geoffey Stoneloy. Wilfred H. Argyle and Roy Fayne were elected members of the Guild.
It was decided to issue a report for the yoars 1935-36. and the sex fary was ingtrucfed to proceed with the preparation of the game. The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Vical, to the organise and choirboys, aud to the ladies who liad kindy prepared fen. This was proposed by Mr. White, Ringing Master, and cartied with
applanse.

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## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MAIDSTONE DISTRICT DISOUSSES STRLKING.
A very eujoyable meeting of the Maidstone District of the Kent County Association was held al Wrotham on January 9th. The fine weather and the fine peal of bells brought many visitors of the useful kind, who can ring auything, so that the district experts were given a clance to clear the cobwebs from the attic."

The essociation service was conducted by the Rector, Canon A. P. Pascoe, who is change ringer. He illustrated his address in an interesting way by pointing out the lessons which were to be learned from the art.

After teu the business meeting was conducted. West Malling was chosen for the next quarterly meetimg on April 10th, and Falding for a by-meeting in February.
Mr. F. Leeson, district representative, gave a full account of the Noveraber committee meetilag, and the position with regard to the amended rules.
A sharp discussion on the subject of "striking ' ansued, the secretary being criticised for being too outspoken in his remarks to the committee.
However, whether benefiting from the discugsion or not, some good striking was obtained afterwards, courses of Cambridge and Super lative being rung. A feature of the meeting was the number of handbell enthusiasts prasent, the four standari methods being aftempted and brought home.
Towers represented at, the meting were Wrotham, Egerton, Staplehurst, Maidstone, Ightham, West Malling, Linton, Sevenoaks, Bromley Common, East Peokham, Elayes, Crayford and \$t. Martin-in-the-Fietds.

## CORNWALL SURPRISE,

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-As I was the conductor of the peal of Cornwall Surprise, and sent the figures to 'The Ringing Worlch' without the name of an author, I think that I owe Mr. Tipler just a word. I did not know that he had produced thes method, nol dial any of the bend. Mr. Trollopa sent the method to 18 and stated that it lad been publislisd by several people pears ago, H. Dains being one of them, so it would be difficult to put anyone's name to it as the author. However, I congratulate Mr. Tipler upon producing it, as it is one of the most musieal Surprise methoris that I have had tho pleasure of ringing.
Q. WHITING.

Helmingham, Stowmarket.

## KOMNEY MARSH GUILD.

ELECTION OF OFFLCERS.
By kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. A. S. Mayne), the aumual meeting of the Romoney Maxsh and District Guild wros beld at Appledore on Satarday, January 16th. Riaging commewued ati 3 p.m.; the Guild service was couducted by the Vicar; tea was held at the Swan Hotel, and the busioess neeting followed, the Vienr presiding.
The balamee sheet was presented and passed and in few mew members elected.

Before the elcction of officars toak place the company stood for one minute in silence ras an mark of respect to the late president, the Rev, G. Wright. Oficers elected for tho year were: President, the Rev. A. S. Mayue; vice-presidents, the Rev. G. S. Loug and Dr. Cock, J.P.; Master, Mr. C. W. Everett; hon. secretary ank heasurer Mr. P. Page, who was also elected on the Central Canneil.
Mr. C. Tribe proposed a vote of thanks to the officers for their services during the year, and thaniss were also accomled, on tio mofion of Mr. 'I. Conley, to the Vical for giving permigsion to hold the mecting and for condueting the service, also to Mr. W. Capeling and his assistant for playing the organ.
Thte rest of the evenieg was speut in larmony. Those traltury part in the programme were Mr. W. Gapeling, Mr. W. Capeling, jun., Mr. and Mra. F. Wood, Mr. In. Male and Mr. Balcomb, MLs. Wood and Miss Tranch. The party broke up at 10 p.m. after a very enjoyable evening.

## WATCHNIGHT SERVICE IN THE BELFRY.

The bella at st. Thomas' Church, Norbury, Cheshire, worb ${ }^{2}$ ung for service at 11.15 p.m. on New Year's Eve, after which the ald year was jung out and the new year in.
It is the custom for the Vicar (the Rov. A. J. Humphreys) to hold the first service of the ycar in the belfry. On this oceasiou he was accompanied by the chajrman of the Hazel Grove and District Council (Mr. ©. Allen), who had como specially to thank tho ringers for ringing for the centenary of the village and other public funtetions during 1936.

The chairman wished the ringers 'a happy new year' gnd expressed tha hope that it would not be the last time that a chajrman of the Counci] would attend the service.

The Vicar moved a vote of thanks to Mr. O. Allen. The usual service was thea held, conducted by the Vicar, after which sont shot touch of Bob Major was bronght round: Mrs. J. Feraley 1, 「「, Eutwintle 2, R. E. Jones 3, W. Fernley 4, F. Jones 5, J. Fernley 6, E. Benrett (conductor) 7, J. W. Hartley 8.


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## BELFRY GOSSIP

Messus. Gillett aud Jolunston, Ltd., Croydou, have been entrusted with the contract for the restoration of the bells at Bickleigh Church, Roborough, South Devon.

The subject of 'Combined Pructices' came in for serions discussion at the annual meeting of the Sonaing Deanery Bramch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild at Wokingham on Saturday. A report of the meeting will appear in our next issue.

Mr. W. E. Jelley, who bas been a member of the Holy Trinity Society, Guildford, since 1900 , has reagred. In recognition of his loug and faithful service to the tower, his fellow-members have elected him a life honorary member. In recent years Mr. Jelley has been hon. secretary to the tower, and his successor in this ofsce is Mr. T. W. White, Bingham, Stoke Road, Guildford.

Rumours from Bristol after the Bristol United Ringing Guilds' annual dinner on Saturday [ead us to ask: Who locked one of the visitors in his bedroom at the Groswenor Hotel and then lost the key?

Wha purloined the trousers of two well-known King's Norton ringers?

Who found the establishment where they could get their 'shoes mended' on Sunday morning ?

What business was transacted at the committee meeting that detained an important speaker so long that he 'missed the boat,' when it came to his turn to respond to a toast?
The restored peal of six bells at Lanchester Parish Church is to be rededicated to-morrow afternoon. This is short notice for ringers, but doubtless the members of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association will gee to it that they are well represented. Further particulars will be found in our notice columis.

The number of $720^{\prime}$ s rung at Little Mundeu, Herts, during 1936 was 110 in 20 methods. The bells were ang for both services every Sunday throughout the year.

That is an excellent record of consistent service, but Little Munden has for long been conspicuous for the loyalty of its ringers, in spite of the fact that it is a small parish with less than 400 inhabitants.

For 34 years a band has beew kept together and they have missed ringing for only one Sunday service during the whole of that time, except in the evenings during the war and whilst the bells went to the foundry.

In that period they have lost quite a number of ringers-two last year, and once in their career they lost in one year fivo who conld ring Surprise Minor.
The Oxford Diocesan Guild has lost an old member by the death of Mr. Frank Boreham, who passed away after a brief illness on January 1Ith. He had been a member of the Guild for upwards of 40 years and formerly was asspeiated with the Hughenden Society. In later years he was a member of the Hiph Wycombe company. On Sunday a mufled peal of Stredman Caters.was ring at Eigh Wycombe as a last maik of respect.

A peal of Grandsire Triples was rung with half-muffied bels at Southover, Lewes, on Wedaesday week, ja memory of Mir. R. J. Duwe, whose death wo recorded in onr last jesue. At the first jull after the bells came into rounds the sixth rope broke

We referred last weels to the fact that all the band who rang with the Editor of 'The Ringing Work' in his first peal, in 1893 , bad now 'crossed the bourn,' except one, Mr. A. E. Nye, who 'had long Eince given up ringing. This paragraph has brought us the nows that Mr. Nye, after an absence from the Exercise of over 20, Jearz, has recently returned again to the 'fold, and now rings with the Oxhey band. We are delighted to lyear it.

## LADIES GUILD.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-Mr. Whitington quotes woman 'as the last best work, the noblest gift of Feay'n.'

Woman was one of God's good gifts. but she was tempted and brought man into the temptation aud fall. Not that man is to be excused for yielding to the temptation, but God gave to man and to woman a greater gift than either. He provided the Sabbath, a spiritual gift, a day tast IIe specially blessed, a day prepared by Him for communion with Eimself. Man is of "the earth, earthy;" and this includes women. The Sablath has for jts special content Ged Himgelf. St. Jobn, spenking of himself on the Cliristian Sabbath, saith, 'I was in the spirit on the Lord's Day.' Hence the Sabbath is a greater gift than either woman to man or man to woman.
W. W. LUGAS.

Draytor Parslow Rectory.

## PARENTS RING FOR SON'S BAPTISM

At St. Laurence's Church, Reading, on Suaday, January 10th, Cyril Emest, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Lewington, was baptised by the Rev. N. R. Raper. A 516 of Stedman Cingues was rung in honour of the event, the parente talting part: Mrs. (Pat) Lewington I, Miss N. Belcher 2, R. T. Eibbert (conductor) 3, S. Lodge 4, S. Davis 5, W. Lewington 6, W. Hibbert 7, H. G. Foxall 8, H. Smith 9, O. Pullen 10, O. J. Watts 11, E. G. Foster 12. The band afterwards drank to the liealth of the young ringer, with tho hope that he will become a better ringer than sny of the above band.
R. T. $\boldsymbol{F}$.

## BRISTOL UNITED RINGING GUILDS. <br> LARGE GATHERING AT ANNUAL DINNER.

## A New Toast

Enthusiasm and success marked the sixteenth annual dinner of the Bristol United Ringing Guilds, held ut the Cadena Cafe, on Saturday. Therg was a representative company of over 200 present, and an interesting innovation was the introduction of a toast to ${ }^{1}$ Our Young Ringers.
The arrangexnents made by the committee, of which Mr. Edgar Guise is the energetic hon. secretary, were much appreciated by the many visitory. Not only wore the bells ati many. Bristal churches available on Saturuay aftoriooy, buta special coach trip to Bitton was an atfractive feature. Some 30 rimgers took advantage of the excursion and enjoyed ringing on the recently restored eight belle. The old six were wned and two trebles added, making a perfect otbwo. The belle in Bristol which were open to ringers included St. Mary Redcliffe (12), St. Stephen's (10), St. Philip's, Temple, and St. Thomas' (8). Tea was served in St. Thomas' Schoolroom.
Mr. John Austin, of Gloucester, presided at the dianer, and the vice-chairman was Mr. D. Marsh. Among those piresent were the Rev. E. C. Pritchard
(Rechor of St. Michaal's, (iloucoster'), the Rov. M. Paterson (St. Thomas', Bristol), tho Rev. E. Beddoe (St. Werlimrgh's, Bristol), the Rev. E. Bankes James (Fareham, Hinta), Mr. S Romans (Master of the Glouesster and Bristol Diocesan Association and Mrs. Romans, Mr. A. A. Fughes (London), Mrs. E. Wjlkins, Mrs. Y. Marsl, Mr. and Mrs. J. Willians (Newent), ter), Mr. J. S. (roldsmilh (Waking), Mr and Mrs. W. S. End M . Rery, Mr. and Mrs. Ford (St. (homas'). MT. W. II. Shuker (long. secrefary, Lancashire Association) and Mrs. Shnker, Mr. J. W, Jones (hon. secre-
tary, Llandaff and Mormouth Diocesen Ascocia tion), Mr. J. D. Johnson (hon, becretary, Worcestershire Assocrationt and Mitss A. Johnson, Messrs.
G. E. Fearn.
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Fearn, G. Wilhams, $V$.
Homnn, F. Stanley (Birmingham), Mr, and Mrs, J. Preston, Mr R. C. and Mrs. Ingram, Mis. Belfield, Messis, G. F. Swann and Williams (Erdington), S. Holt (Manchester), J. Holman (Sheffeld), W. A. Stote (Coventry), J. S. Fawkins, P. E. Clark and E. Fancox (London), W. B. Kynaston, W. Bishop aud parly (Swindan), W. F. Harris (Lednev), W. J. Pregcott (Bath, H. Knight and party (Wrington). J. F. Nailor and party (Chippennam), J. White (Weston-super-Mare). E. Griffths (Grestord, North Wales), ete. Other towers represented were Mells, Churchill, Portishead and Clapton-in-Gordano, Somerset; Westhury-on-Trym, Henbury, Coalpit Heath, Mangotefield and the following Bristol churches: St. Stephen's, St. James', St. Thomas', St. Ambrose's, St. Matthew's, St. Werburgh's, St. Pbilip's, Fmmanuel and St. Mary-Ie-Port.
Among the regretterl absences were those of Mr. E. J. Brown (the pro-vice-chairman) and Mr. S. Palmer (Sheffeld) throllgh bereavements. Mary ethers were umable to attend throngh indisposition.
The Chairman, in proposing the toast of "The Church,' spolse of what ringers owed to the Church for the facilities to practise their art. He compared the general condition of belfries, when he began ringing, 40 or 50 years ago, when they formed the receptacle for all tha rubbish which could not be accommodated elsewhere in the Ohurch, with the conditions of to-day, when most of the belfties were well cared far. lingers, howepcr, would like to see more of the clorgy in the towers when ringimg was going on, he said. Thinge in his direction were improving, but he wished more of the clergy were like the Rev. M. Paterson, of St. Thomas', Brista?, who showed a constant interest in the ringars. The clergy wonld be welcomed in the belfry, fand ringers, especially the younger members, would liko to have more of their encouragoment.
The Rev. E. C. Prithard, who responded, referred to the respect in which he and all the ringers in the West of England held Mr. Tohn Austin. Ee was specially Happy to be associated with him on that ocoasion in Bristol, as he was on other occasions in Gloucester.

He referrea to his own association with Bristal, where he was born, and said be contratulated himself upou being a Bristolian, because his father used to say that Buistol boys always slept with owe eyo opeu (taughter).
Continuing, he said he was doeply sensible of the debt the Church owed to ringers. Altbough he did not yot understand the art of ringing, he loped one day to find time to learu to rimg and take his purt with the ringers of St. Michasl'g, Gloucester (applause). The Rev. E. B. James had often spoken to him of tile great value of the clergy joining in with the ringers, and it would be his on deavour, during the next few years, to associate himself move closely with the ringers at his church. He thought the clergy of to-day were much more saciable people than they had tho reputation of being in the pest, and he hoped the wigh expressed by Mr. Austin that they would mix more with the ringers would be realiged. If any of them felt that the churches were not filled to-dny as well ats they might be, ha asked the laymen to remember that they were as much a part of "the church' es the elergy, eud it was up to them, as much as to the clergy, to qee that tho churehes wero fiked (applause)

BUILT ON FINE TRADTIIONS AND HARD WORK.
Mr. A. A. Eughes, in proposimg the toast of "The Gloucestar and Bristol Diocesan Association aud Bristol Uusted Ringing Guilds* said t, was always a pleasure to come to Bristol. Personally, he got a thrill' every time he came to Brimol, for lhe could picture those great men of the past, the macrelnent velturers and the sailors, who went out from that city and had a big share in laying the fommations of the British Empire. Bristol was famons for its sailors and beautiful women; perhaps some of their desceadants were present that night.

The Gloncester and Bristol Association, continued Mir. Hughos, was founded 59 years ago, and was one of the first three diocesan or county associations formed. In that diocese they had seen a marvellous improvement in the belfries and status of tha ringers in that time. The association had been bafit up very strongly on fime trailitions and the hard work of its fonndation members; he referred particularly to the late Rev. C. D. P. Devies, Mr. G. H. Phillott, the Rev. A. F. Cockey, the wonderful performances put up by the Cheltenliam band undor Mr. Patos, and the work of the brotliers Jankes James and Law Jamos in Gloucestor, It was up to the present members of the association to keep that great work going and to foster the social side of ringing. He remembered the passing of their old friend Tacls Wilkins. He load a foeling them that the sncial sicle of ringing in Bristol might go out, but the intronsetion of the Inited Ringing Guilds' organjsation had maintainen the sacia] aspaet of the work. In conclusiou, Mr. Hughes stressed the advice so often given by the president of the Central Council, that ringers sfonld more and more atrive for accurate striking, which was for more important than intricate method ringing, because, after all, the ringers in the tower were very few, while the people outside, who had to put up with bad ringing when it occurred, conld be numbered by hundredis and sometimes by thousands. Their first consideration, therefore, should nlways be for good striking (applause)
Mr. S. Romans, who replied to the tonst, mentioned the names of the stalwarts of the past, who built up the early forturnes of the Gloncester anf Bristol Associmion. These men, he stid. ware the pioneers, and ringers of to-day were enioving the hemeft of theit abours. It was for them, now, to uphold the tradition rad do all they could for the furtherance af the assomition. They liad in Mr. Guise $a$ vely able and hard warking secretary (applanse). Ife took a great interest botla in the Gloucester and Bristol Dincesnn Association and, in the social side of the work, in the Bristal Twited Ringing Guilds.

## FNCOURAGTNG PRONRESS

It ligd been his privilege, continuted Mr. Romnna, to visit many of bie ristricts diring the past year, and he could not speak tor highly of the work of the amgistant genretaries. The meetings had been most pencorraging. He had found that where im some places in the previous vear they were struggling to ring Grandsire, to-day they could ring all the standard methods (applnese). That was progress in the right direction, but they needed more youmg members. He hod anpealed to the alergy from time to dime to help them in this rnspent. If they conld get yonne men from the chumh. the chois and the Bible class they were likely to keep them. Fip was very nloacm to kav that that anpeal had not heen in win. During the fast few months they had efarted a voung hand in Glancester. Thoy were mow insti nble to ring their bells nimely. and rang ronntes for the firat fime on New Year's Bay (apmlanse). Fe homed hy next pear thev would lave thren times tho mamher; then he alid not think they canth complain.
Sevoral restmations hat taken mace in the nioneas furing the mast wear. At, Mt, Michael's. Gloncester, where when the Tipctor first arriver thap contemnlated putting ciotht furlts in order. thev wonld now the alile to wet. atl ten vestoren, thanis to a hingdsome donation aiven to the fund by one of their past Masters, the Rer. E. R. Tames (annlanse).

Teferrine to the forthcoming Coronation. Mr. Fomphs said thev
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## WHAT THE YOUNG RINGER NEEDS.

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the methods they were most acquainted with, so as to get the best striciag possible. He also made the suggestions that where there were towers with a surplus of ringers, they should try to transfer some of the men for the day to those towers were there was a shortage, so that all the rings of bells could be set going. At the Silver Jubilee of the late King George they adopted that principle at Gloucester and found that it worked very well. They rang at their own churches and aflerwards split up into two parties and visiled the parishes nearby. The festivitics were at full swing, but they would have been incompletc without the pealing of the bells. The incumbents were very grateful to them and so were the villagers, because, in some places, the hells had not been rung for a considerabie time (rpplause).
Thle Rev. M. Paterson next proposed 'Our Young Ringors.' He said he fel highly honoured that he was the first person to propese that toast, which appeared on their programme for the first time. A Friend of his, a clergyman, who nttended a rinsers' dinner, came away with the confused motion that the world was created in order that towers might be built and bells rung (laughter). He felt surprised, on consulting the first chapter of the Book of Genesis, to find no mention of towers or bells (inughter). That, said the speaker, was olviously a rather exaggeratod view, but they were all very mucla interested in bellringing. What he wanted to suggest was that it was the duty of the Guild not ouly to maintain a high standard of ringing, hat it was equally their duty to gain recrnits. A little while aga he saw in a paper a picture of a group of old men, he believed all over 70, who had rug together for over 50 years. Now thoge old geatlemen, he las no doubt, had won many disciples and had taught many young men to ring, but on the face of it, all that picture told them was that seven or eight old gentlemen had thoroughly eujoycd themselves for over 50 vears (laughter), and the letterpress not only did mat add to their information, it only told them that tho enroer of those oid men in the tower had been diversified by one torrific row with the Vicar about the mastication of a helfpenny bur (laughter)

## THOUGETS' OT A YOUNG RINGER

He (tho speaker) wished to suggest another picture; one that had never been publiched; one that, perhaps, never would he publishad, of six or scyen young fellows, all under 21, who all belonged to the anme tower. That picture would speale for itself. It would show the Guild was doing at least one half, and a very important half, of its duty; that it was not only maintaning a high standard of ringing, perhaps, but was most certainly doing what should be the duty of bellringers-gnining recruits (applause)

There was, conlinued Mr. Paterson, to be a response to that tanst, and he did not know what the responder would say, but sometimes they older men could enter into the minds of the hoys perhape even hetifer than their friends and companions conld. He wanted to put into words what he thouglat a young recruit would want to find in a tower.

I think, said Mr. Patersom, if he is of the right sort, the sort
I have lenown for A good many years, he would say: I should like somntimes a little praise, for it excournges we. but I don't want to be flattered, it only makes me feel awkward. I should like to have an instructor who is patient, who remembers that he was a heginner once limself: who knows that boys nre not always as they would wish to be, but they are as fiod made them, some are slow and some are quick. I think I would like to find gona fellowship. Y, to not want to be admitted or sufferance, but to be welcome.
1 would underlive ¿his: My boy world eny: 'I want yous to make me feel that, in spite of my blunders and mistakes, I amz of some real help to yout. my notl not If, concluded the speaker, you will not give them that you will not
get them, or ff you get them you will not keep them (applavee). Master A. Tyler, aged 13. the poungest ringer present, lud to reply to the toast. He said: 'Mr. Paterson, I thank you for toasting the young ringers. Lardies and gentlemen, I thank you for the way in whicll your received the toast. Mr. Paterson, I have been asked bv the rommittee of the United Guilds to preseat to you these pipes end tobacco to remind yon how much we appreciate your active intereat in ellurch bellyinging at St. Thomas' ' (applause).

The Rev. M. Paterson expressed his thams for the gift.
Mr. D. Marsh proposed 'Kindred Guilds and Visitors,' and ex tended a hearty welcome to the visitors present. He referred to the Hood work done by the associstions throughout the conntry, and, to fhe nou-ringers present, he suggested they should take up ringing in this Coronntion year. They would find it a nice hobby and one in which, on the social side, they would meet people of more diversified professions llan in any other type of Guide the conlel find.
Mr. G. E. Feam, who responded, congratulated the committee on the excellent arrangements they had made for the entertainment the wisitors und also for the womperful hospitality extended to them. Oi sII the ringers' dinners held in this conntry, those of the Bristol Initmat curilds were second to none when it came to the arrangements for the entertninment of the visitors
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## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## OHANGE OF SECRETARY IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT

The anuual meeting of the Southern District of the Lowdon Couzly Association and North Southwark Diocesan Guild was held on Satur'day, Jan. 16th, at St. Gabriel's, Warwick Square, and St. Stephon's, Rochester Row, Westminster, and was attended by some 35 members and friends. Finging commenced at St. Gabriel's, Pimlico, at 3 p.m., and Grandsire, Stedman, Cambridge and London Suprise wera rung until 4.10 p.m., when, to everybody's regret, iliness nearby prevented further ringing. Members made their own arrangements for tea, and reassembled for the business meeting, which was held in the Vestry Hall at Sit. Stephen's, Rochester Row.

The District Master, Mr. F. Mance, took the clair, and was uhanimously re-elected Master. Mr. R. Mackrili was re-elected treasurer, and Mr. W. Jssery steward. The only change was in the oflice of hon. secretary, Mr. C. M. Meyer, the retiring secretary, intinated that be wished to resign, and fortwith proposed Mr. A. P. Ganmon. This was seconded by Mr. E. J. King and carcied.
St. Mary's, Lambeth, was chosen for the place of next meeting, and the date fixed for March 20 L , subject to permission being granted.
Mr. T. H. Taffender proposed a vote of thanks to the distriet oficers for their services in the past year, especially to the retiring secretary, ML: C. M, Meyer.
Mr. Taffender also proposed and Mr. R. Mackrill seconded that the respective incumbents at the two churches be thanked for the use of the bells, and Messrs. P. Carter and C. Meyer, of Rochester Row, fow their valuable help with the arrangements. Further ringing afterwatds took place at, St. Stephen's, the ringing including Grandsire, Stedman, Double Norwich, Cambridge, Superlative and Loudon, and a well-strick touch of Spliced Surprise in four methons. A broken rope at 8.15 p.m. put an enk to at very successful meeting.

## BOURNEMOUTH LADY RINGER WEDS. <br> MARRTAGE OF MISS MARCTA WHITE.

On Saturday, January 16ill, at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Boumenouth, the marriage was solemnised between Mr. Fredk John Marshallsay and Miss Marcia White. The bride is a woll-known ringer in the Bournemonth district and member of the Ladies' Guild. Attired in a whito broche satin gown with veil and headdress of orange blossom and carrying a bouquet of red and white carnations, the bride was accompanied by two bridesmaids (her sisters), who were diessed in red ring velvet and carried bouquets of white carnations.
The bride was given away by her mother, and the best man was Mr. Frank Manshalisay (brother of the bridegroom). Organ music was rendered by Mr. E. Pilcher.
The reception was held at the hame of the bride and was attender by 50 guests, including her fellow-ringers of St. John's. who rang the bells as Mr. nnd Mrg. Marshillsay left the churcil after the ceremeny
The ringers of St. John's presented the bride with a canteen of entiery, and the staff of Messrs. Hendy Bros., with whom the bridegrome has been connected for several years, gape an onk electric clock.
The happy couple left by nar for a honeymoon, which is being spent in touring Devon.
The future residence of Mr, aud Mrs, Marshallsay will be 11, Exton Road, Boscombe Tast, Bourncmouth.

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Mr. W. B. Kynaslou gave the toast of 'The Ringing World, to which the Editor (Mr. J. \&. Goldsmith) responded.
Mr. W. Rose thanked the artistes, aud Mr. Is. Notb replied on their behat
As usual. the entertainment was of a very diversifed nature. Miss Marjorie Hall and Mr. Leonard Nott sang songs, Miss Ambe Kelly eave amusing monologues, Mr. George Cooper and Mr. Cliford Fensley gave individual comedy turns. Jandhell selections were Eiven by 'St. Thomas' Guild and a course of Sterman Caters was rung on handbells by Messre. J. Thomas, J. D. Tohnson, A. T. Swamn. R. C. Ingram and ©. Fearn. Much appreciation was shown for all the items, but nothing raised greator enthusinsm thnn a 'turn" by Mr. Tohn Austin (aged 74) and Mr. J. Williams (aged 84), who. seated back to back and with 'four in hand.' struck off a course of Grandsire Triples, which they followed with some tunes.
Many of the visitors stayed overnight and had the opportunity of ringing at Bristol and nearby churches during Sunday.

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## HOBART DEAN'S REPLY TO CENTRAL COUNCIL

 ENCOURAGEMENT TO FOUNG RINGERS."The president of the Central Conncil (Mr. E. H. Lewis) has received the following reply from Dean Rivers, of Hobart, Tasmana, to the congratulations and greetings sent by the Comeil on the oceasion of tha completion of the tomer and bells of St. David's Catiodral
' My best thanks for the kind and welcome congratulations of the English Bellingers on the occasion of the Dedication of the Tower and Bells of St. David's Cathedral. Your letter will give great pleasure and encouragement to our band of young rimgers, whose privilege it will be to ring the first peal on Sunday, December 6th.'

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

## ANNUAL VISTT TO PUDSEY.

On Sahurday, January 16th, Leeds and District Sociely once again enjoyed the hospitality of the Pudsey company. It needs no reiteration to say how much the society values this pisit.
The bells were rung up at 3 p.ra. and ringing continued until 9 p.m. except for a breals for tea and the butsiness meeting, which were held in the Park Hotel.
Tha president: was delayed at work and the chair was taken by Mr. H. Davison (vice-prcsident)

One new member was elected, viz., Mr. W. Hall, of Galverley.
Mr. Feorge Barraclough proposed and ME. G. Titterington seconded that the best thanks of the society be accorded the Viear and churchwardens of Pudsey for the use of the bells, and to the local company for the other arrangements.-Mr. J. W. Baxendale replied for the Pudsey ringerg.
Mr. P. J. Johnson moved that the best wishes of the society be conveyed to Mr. Praft Cordingley, together with tho hope that his health would improve and enuble him to be amongst the ringers agatn.

Further ringine on the tower bells took place by some of tho members, whilst others remained for handbell ringing, whea, as a variation from ohanges, the Leeds Parish Company, assisted by one ringer from Ammley, rang 'Caller Herrin.

Members wore present from Armley, Batley, Bradford, Birstall, Calverley, Drighlington. Guiseley, Headingley (St. Michael's and st, Obad'si, Holbeck, Leeds Pasish Ohurch, Rothwell, Selby, Sherburn and the local company.

## A Mid-devon practice meeting

A number of Devon Guiki members living in tie Newton Ahbot district visited Biolingion, mear Newton Abbot, on Thursday evening, Jannary 14 th. The bells are a ring of six with a 9 ewt. tenor, and are in good going order. Some excellent practice was obtained, and, in addition to a 360 of Double Gourt Minor, a couple of courses of Cambridga Surprise Minor were successfully brought round. Some plain courses of Grandsire Doubles were also rung to give the local ringers present some idea of half-pull ringing, and the evening was wound up with 468 of Minor in the following methods: Cambridge Surprise, Dowble Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire. All the methods were well struck, and it was generally agreed that the practice had been in every way successful. The rise and fall too, werc worthy of mention.

## CANON SOLLOWAY'S JUBILEE.

## A POPULAR YORKSHIRE VICAR.

The Vicar: of Selby, the Rev. Canon J. Solloway, D.D., has just celebrated his solden jubilee in the ministay of the Church, having been ordained in Fork Minster on December 18th, 1886. Large collgregations were present at the scrvices in Selby Ablaey on Sunday, December 201 h , to tale part in whe thanksgiving to Gof for all Canon Solloway's work in the past laif-century and particulayly for the last 26 years as Vicar of Selby.

Before the morning service 504 Grandsine Triples was rnug and for evening service a cquater-peal of Grandsire Triples: C. Rayner (first quarter-peri) 1, R. Fenton 2. F. W. Hinton 3. E. Store 4, A. Cryer 5, T. H. Foster 6, F. S. Morley (conductor) 7, T. ふutrudwic]t 8.

Canon Solloway is an hohorary life member of the Yorkshire Association, and is extremely popular among the memlers.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Brancil. The next meeting will be held at the Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea, 6d., at 5.30 p.m. Names please to Thomas B. Worsley, 32, Castle Strect, Bolton. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-The annual committee meeting will be held at Fulmer on Saturday, Jan. 23 rd, at 4 p.m. sharp. Bells (6) available at 6 p.m. Subscriptions now due. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The annual meering of the district will be held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (10) ready 5 p.m. Will all members who can make an effort to attend? All ringers welcome. E. C. Gobey, Dis. Sec., Trowell, Notts.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester District. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Milton-nextGravesend, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea, by kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mitehell. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due and may be paid at the business meeting which follows tea.-Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 162 , Barnsole Road, Gillingham, Kent.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUlLD.-Farnham Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Farnham on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea ( 5.15 p.m.) at Rogers' Café, The Borough; business afterwards Everybody welcome. C. W. Denyer, Dis. Sec., izo, Ash Road, Alderstiot.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. -The annual district meeting will be held at Reigate on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Tower open 3. p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall, Lesbourne Road, 5.15 p.m., followed by business meeting. Important: Please send me numbers for tea not later than Friday, 22nd. All ringers heartily welcome.-Walter Claydon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury and Dis* trict Branch. -- The quarterly meeting will be held at Wroxton on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (5) available from 2.30. Service 4 o'clock. Tea and meeting to follow. Shenington (5) and Banbury (10) also available during the evening.-F. Pearson, Hon. Dis. Sec., Adderbury West, Banbury.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Skelton-inCleveland (bells 8 , renor 23 cwt .) on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Tea will be provided in the Church Room at 5 p.m. ; members 1 s .; non-members is. 3d.-J. Reed, Hon. Sec., 67, Hedley Street, Guisborough, Yorks.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch.-The annual branch meeting will be held at Higham Ferrers on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Service 4.30. Tea and business proceedings alterwards. A fine peal of 8 . All welcome. Please send names for tea to A. Bigley, Hon. Branch Sec., 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough, Northants.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Boston on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (10) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., in Blenkin Memorial Hall. Business meeting alterwards.-W. E. Clarke, Park House, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton and Petersfield District. - The annual meeting of the district will be held at Petersficld on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in St. Peter's Hall 5 p.m. Business meeting follows.-C. E. Basselt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 32, Charles Street, Petersfield

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northern Dis-trict.-The annual general district meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. St. Giles', Cripplegate (12) from 3 to 5 p.m., and St. Andrew's, Holhorn (8), from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea will be arranged.-James G. A. Prior, Hon. Sec., Section House, Ixworth Place, Chelsea, S.W. 3.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - A meeting of the Southern Division will be held at Burgess Hill on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Tower open 2.30. Service 5. Tea, by kind invitation, 5.30. Half rail fare to members, maximum is. 6d.-S. E. Armstrong, Hon. Div. Sec., 70, Hollingbury Park Avenue, Brighton 6.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. - The next meeting will take place at St. Barnabas', Shore, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. A good 'turn up ' requested. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting to be held at 6.30 p.m. Subscriptions due.-S. Lloyd Parry, Hon. Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch.The annual mecting will be held at Godmanchester on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, at 5 o'clock, at 1s. each.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Ilchester Deanery Bramch.-The annual meeting will be held at Martock on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Please notify early for tea.-F. Farrant, Martock, Somerset.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The recently restored peal of six in Lanchester Parish Church (tenor 9 cwt .) will be rededicated on Saturday, Jan. 23 rd, at 3 p.m., by the Ven. the Archdeacon of Auckland. Tea at 5 p.m. All members are invited to attend.-Roland Park, Sec., 23, Oaklands Terrace, Darlington.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Annuak meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 23rd, at Doncaster Parish Church. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Committee meeting in the Clergy House at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea, 5 o'clock, in the Memorial Hall, at is. per head. General meeting at 6 o'clock. A good attendance is hoped for at this meeting.-E. Cooper, Sec., i, Grosvenor Crescent, Arlssey, Doncaster.

WYCHBOLD, WORCS.-Special service for the reopening of the bells at II a.m. on Sunday, Jan. $24^{\text {th. }}$ Preacher, the Dean of Worcester. Ring of six rehung by John Taylor and Co.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established r637).-The subscription of is. 8d., which entitles members who have not attended twenty times to vote on matters of finance, is now duc. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 26 th, at 7.30 p.m., St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 28th, at 8 p.m. -Wil iam T Cockeriil, Hon. Sec. Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - North-Western District. -The annual meeting of this district will be held at Streatham on Saturday, Jan. 30th. The bells of St. Leonard's will be available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock at St. Leonard's. Tea at The Manor, at 1 s . per head, followed by meeting. The bells of Immanuel Church, Streatham Common, will be available immediately after the meeting till $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Numbers for tea to be sent to Mr. J. W. Chapman, 36, Sunnyhill Road, Streatham, London, S.W.16, not later than Thursday, Jan. 28th.-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -The annual general meeting will be held at $S t$. Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Tower open at 4 o'clock. Tea in canteen at 5.30. Business meeting in the Vestry Hall at 6.30. St. Bride's, Fleet Street belis available from 2.30 to 3.45 p.m. Numbers for tea to be sent to me by Wednesday, 27 th. This is most important, for the catering. Usual practice at Shoreditch, Thursday, Jan. 28 th, at 6.30 p.m.-G. A. Card, Hon. Sec., 7, Gilstead Road, Fulham, S.W. 6.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District.Annual meeting at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Beils from 2.30 to 7.30. Service at 4.30. Tea, 1s. each, at 5. Important business meeting to follow. Ringing at Willesden from 7 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Special method, St. Clement's Bob Triples. The District Committee will meet at 3.30 p.m. Will all who require tea please advise me by Jan. 27th?-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E. 4.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

 -Bath Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Twerton-on-Avon on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Belis 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15. - Theo Grant, Swainswick, Bath, Som.YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annua! general meeting will be held at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, on Saturday, January 30th, when the following bells will be available: Far Headingley (8) 12 noon to 9 p.m., St. Michael's, Headingley (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to 4 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., St. Matthias', Burley (8) 7 p.ni. to 9 p.m. Service at St. Chad's at 4.15 p.m., the preacher being the Lord Bishop of Ripon. The President asks that on this special occasion all ringers should do their best to attend. Tea will be provided in the schools at 5 p.m. for all who send in their names to Miss L. K. Bowling, 19, Shaw Lane, Leeds 6, by Thursday, Jan. 28th, otherwise a charge of 1 s . will be made. The general meeting will be held in the schools immediately after tea, and the presentation to Canon C. C. Marshall, who completes 25 years as President of the Association at this meeting, will be made by the Lord Bishop of Ripon on behalf of the members. The President and local company extend a very hearty welcome to all ringers. - J. E. Cawser, Hon. Gen. Sec., Cragdon House, Ashton Lane, Braithwell, near Rotherham.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sleaford Branch.The annual meeting will be held at Sleaford on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells of St. Deny's Church (8) will be oper 2.30 to 9 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5, 9d. each to those who notify undersigned by Thursday, Jan. 28th.-H. S. Hinkins, Hon. Sec., 41, The Drove, Sleaford, Lincs.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chertsey District.-The annual district meeting will be held at Cheresey on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Shart service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting, in Church Room. All ringers and friends given a hearty welcome. Subscriptions for 1937 now due. A p.c. for tea will be much appreciated by Wednesday, Jan. 27th.-F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec., 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Tipton on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.45 , with an address by the Rev. A. L. Chapman (Vicar). Tea (Is.) at 5.30 . Please send word not later than Tuesday, 26th inst.-H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-Aylesbeare Deanery Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Honiton Clyst on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service will be held at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The address will be given by the Vicar (the Rev. Dr. Keene). Tea will be provided in the Church Hall, price 1s. Business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Monday, Jan. 25th.-R. Brook, Hon. Sec., 3, Greatwood Terrace, Topsham.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Isle of Wight District.-The annual meeting will be held at Carisbrooke on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 at the Eight Bells Hotel, followed by the annual business meeting. All requiring tea please notify not later than Jan. 28th to H. P. James, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Portland Street, Newport, Isle of Wight.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-A ringing practice will be held at Shenley (belis 6) on Saturday, Jan. 3oth, from $5 \cdot 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Deptford, on Saturday, Jan, 30th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Further particulars next week. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due and should be paid at this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere, Kent.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Basingstoke District. - The annual generai meeting will be held at Basingstoke on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells available from 2.30. Service in St. Michael's Church at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meeting follows. All req̧uiring tea please notify by Jan, 26th Mr. C. W. Munday, 21, Southend Road, Basingstoke.-J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Sec.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A meeting will be held at Brede on Saturday, Jan, 3 oth. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Tea at $4 \cdot 30$. All are welcome.-C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL GUILD.-Chippenham Branch.-Annual meeting will be held at St. Paul's (8), Chippenfam, on Saturday, Jan. 3oth, at 3 o'clock. Service 4.45. Tea after. St. Andrew's (8) also open. Visitors please notify early. - F. W. Merrett, Branch Hon. Sec., 38, Downing Street, Chippenham, Wilts.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -Northern Distriot. - Saturday, Jan. 3oth, annual meeting at Baldock. It is the duty of all Northern District members to attend. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short service and tea to follow. Business meeting includes election of district secrefary, district committee, election of two members to serve on General Committee, balance sheet of district and report. Book the date and don't be late.Don Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., Fritton, Moormead Close, Hitchin.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIA-TION.-A ringing meeting will be held at Tibshelf on Saturatay, Jan. 3oth. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea witl be provided at 5 o'clock at a charge of is. Please notify me by Wednesday, Jan. 27th.-J. W. England, 49, Tlic Common, South Normanton.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Oundle and District Branch.-The $3^{8 \text { th }}$ annual meeting will be held at Benefield, Saturday, Jan, 3oth. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.I5. Meat tea (2s.) 5 p.m. Those who wish to have tea, please write by Jan. 26th.-Rev. L. S. Clark, Polebrook Rectory, Peterborough.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -The amnual meeting of the Grimsby District will be held (D.v.) at St. James', Grimsby on Saturday, Jan, 3oth. Bells (8) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.I5. Preacher, the Vicar, the Rev. E. Lisle Marsden. Tea in Church House at 5 p.m., at is. 6d. per head. Business meeting to follow. Please heip with arrangements by sending me a p.c. by Wednesday, Jan. 27th. All subscriptions are now due. A hearty wel. come is extended to all.-.H. Mingay, Hon. Dis. Sec., 394, Wellington Street, Grimsby.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Rural Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Coalpit Heath on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and meeting to follow. Please advise for tea. Practice meeting at St. Werburgh on Monday, Feb. Ist, at 7.15 p.m.-R. C. Gifford, Hon. Sec., Frampton Cotterell, near Bristol.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Stockport Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4-30. Tea 5.15. For tea please advise Mr. W. Wolstencroft, 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne. -A. Whiting and K. Lewis, Joint Secs.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting of the Southern District will be held at Shildon on Jan. 3 oth. Bells of St. John's (8) available from 2 p.m. Ringers requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Jan. 27th.—R. Jeff, 29, Reid Street, Darlington.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Western District.-A meeting will be held at Blaydon on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. The bells (6) will be available at 3 p.m.--J. A. Brown, Hon. Dis. Sec., 7, Finchdale Terrace, Chester-le-Street
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Juriscliction of Glaston Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Cuthbert's (8), Wells, on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.-F. D. Rickards, 32, Burcott Road, Weils.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at Essendon on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Two Bus services-Barnet to Hertford and St. Albans to Hert-ford-are suitable. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers and friends welcome.-W. Nash, N. Mimms. and H. V. Frost, 4, Kimberley Road, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Cheshuat on Jan. 3oth. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Vicar. Tea after at the Green Dragon, is. per head. Atl ringing friends heartily welcomed. Buses 205 pass the church from Waltham Cross to Potter's Bar and vice versa. -W. H. Lawrence, Hon Dis. Sec.. Little Munden.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Wednesday Afternoon Guild.-A meeting will be held at Cramlington on Wednesday, Feb. 3 rd. Meeting at 3 p.m. Tea, in Parish Hall, is. ench. Bells available from 3 p.m.-W. Sleeraton, Guild Sec.

ALL SAINT'S', HEREFORD.-You would be welcomed at our last 'open bell' practice before Easter, on Thursday, February 4 th, at 7.29 p.m.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District. -The annual meeting will be held at the Bell Foundry, Loughborough (by kind permission of Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.), on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Bells available from 3 p.m. This meeting should not be confused with quarterly mecting of the M.C.A., which is being held at Loughborough on $\bar{F}$ eb. 6th.-H. Kerly, Hathern Road, Shepshed, Loughborough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Deptford, on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 5 . Tea and business meeting to follow. Tea (by kind invitation of the Vicar) will be reserved only for those notifying me not later than Monday, Jan. 25 th. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due and should be paid at this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere, Kent.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-Exeter Branch, - A meeting will be heid at Ide on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.15 in the Institute. Please notify me for tea by Jan. 3oth.-W. H. Howe, Hon. Scc., 8, Courtenay Road, Exeter.

DEVON GUILD. - North Devon Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Georgeham on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Bells 3 p.m. Short service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Those requiring tea please advise me by Monday, Jan. 25th.-A. H. Hayward, Hon. Sec., Gas Office, Combe Martin, North Devon.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. -The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 3oth, at Bourne (owing to Edenham betls being unavailable). Bells (6) available from 2 to 9 p.m. Service in Abbey Church at $4-30$, followed by tea and business meeting at Brightman's Café. Outstanding subscriptions should now be paid. Notifications for tea by Wednesday previous, please. All welcome.-C. T. H, Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham, Sleaford, Lincs.

LADIES' GUILD.-A mid-week meeting will be held at St. John's, Leytonstone, on Wednesday, Feb. $3^{\text {rd. }}$ Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5-30. Service at 8 p.m. Will all requiring tea notify me by Saturday, Jan. 3oth?-E. K. Fletcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield, Middesex.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be heid at Burley Parish Church on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells available 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Meeting in tower at 6.30 p.m. Members and non members cordially invited.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil St., Blackburn.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Kington Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Kington on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6) available 4 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please advise me by Tuesday, Jan. 26th.Jabez Preece, Dis. Sec., Lea Lodge, Staunton-on-Arrow,

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual meeting of Guildford District at Guildford on Saturday, Fels. 6tl?. Bells available: Cathedral, 3 to 4 p.m.; S. Nicolas', 3.30 to 4.30 . Shalford, after meeting, until 9 p.m. Service at $S$. Nicolas' $4 \cdot 3^{\circ}$. Tea and meeting at Ayres' Café 5.r5. Please send me numbers for tea by Feb. 3 rd. -G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon, near Guildford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Francis Xavier on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Tower open for ringing at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. T. Egan, ro, Brookes Terrace, Liverpool 6, not later than previous Wednesday. -H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Dunster Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be heid at Old Cleeve (8) on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at the Village Hall at 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Kindly advise me not later than Feb. Ist for tea.-G. Stacey, 6, Park Street, Minehead.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-Sevenoaks is the place, and Saturday, Feb. 6th, the date, for the first meeting of the New Year. Yoz come, please, and help start the year well. Tower open 2.30. Service 4-30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Members requiring tea please notify me by Tuesday, Feb. 2nd. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due.-Alec. E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Sible Hedingham on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present please notify me by Tuesday, Feb. and. - F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.--South-West District. The annual meeting will be heid at All Saints' Church, Old Isleworth, on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea, $5 \cdot 30$, in Church Hall, South Strect. Business meeting to follow. Bells (ro) from 3 p.m. and after meeting. If you require tea, can you notify me by Feb. Ist, please?-F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - North Norfolk Branch.-The annual meeting for the election of officers for the year takes place at Wymondham on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells at 2.30. Service, conducted by the Rev. F. Jarvis, at 4. Tea, followed by business meeting, at 4.45 p.m. Methods for practice: Erin Triples and Duffield Major. Diagrams on receipt of postcard. Please notify your intention to be present at tea. -Nolan Golden, Wintor, 26, Brabazon Road, Norwich.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Higher Walton on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells ready 2.30 p.m. Meeting 5 p.m. A hearty welcome given to all ringers to attend.J. Charnock, Branch Sec.

MIDLAND' COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - General quarterly meeting, Loughborough, Feb. 6th. Bells of All Saints' (ro) and Bell Foundry Campanile (ro) available 2 to 3.45 and after meeting. Committee meet 3 p.m. Special service 4 p.m., during which late Rector (Canon Briggs) will dedicate tablet to past Loughborough ringers. Tea at 4.30 , followed by general meeting; both in the Fearon Hall. Tea will only be provided for those applying for and obtaining tickets before Feb. $4^{\text {th }}$ from Mr. J. Grundy, Limehurst, Bridge Street, Loughborough.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual meeting Feb. $13^{\text {th. }}$. Ringing at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. ; St. Lawrence Jewry, E.C., 2.30 to 3.30 p.m.; Bow, Cheapside, 2.30 to 3.30 p.m.; St, Clement Danes, Strand, 3.10 p.m. to 4.10 p.m., followed by service 4.15 p.m. Preacher, probably Lord Bishop of Stepney. Tea, 5 p.m., reserved only for those who notify me wel! beforehand. Meeting and handbell competition in Parish Room 7 p.m.-T. W. Taffender, Hon. Sec., 26, Southway, Raynes Park, S.W

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. I 3 th, at St. Mary's Church, Brecon. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 . Tea supplied by the Vicar.-F. E. Thomas, Dis. Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -Preliminary Notice. - Annual dinner to be held at the Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden Lane, W.C. i, on Saturday, March 13 th. Ladies very welcome. Tickets (5s. Gd. each) now available from Messrs. G. H. Cross, $C$. W. Steere, G. Gilbert, R. Heazel, or from J. E. Bailey, 26, Wilmot Road, Dartlord, Kent.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Gloucester Branch. - The annual dinner will be held on Saturday, March 2oth. Tickets 3 s. eacil. Further details later.-W. H. Harris, 4, G.W.R. Terrace, Lydney, Glos.

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## GOOD METHODS NEED POPULARISING

There are just a few bands up and down the country who make a hobby of ringing peals in new methods and some of them, notably the Helmingham men and some of the Berkshire ringers, have recently done quite a lot in this direction. It is the result of a commendable spirit of enterprise, and one which might add to the interest of other companies if they would apply themselves to the subject and do likewise. The scope is wide for the 'Surprise' ringers, and there is an almost equally open door for those who consider 'Surprise ' methodis too lar advanced. Most of the methods in the Central Council's Collection of Plain Major Methods are still unrang, and these should commend themselves to ringers who imagine that Double Norwich is their limit. It is a great pity that more of the musical methods in both categories are not generally practised, and that is the point to which we want to direct attention in this article.

In the great majority of cases, when fresh methods are once rung, one never hears of them again. Arnong them are methods good, bad and indifferent from the ringing point of view. The bad and indifferent can, of course; well be discarded, but we could wish that the "good" methods would come into more general use. Ringers, for the most part, are very conservative in their practice. It was, for example, years before Bristol Surprise, musical though the method is, began to be treated as anything more than the freak which an earlier generation thought London, Cambridge or Superlative to be. Other Surprise methods equally as interesting as or more musical than the three historic ones have now been rung; but, from lack of knowledge on the part of ringers, or through the conservatism to which we have refersed, have been cast aside and left untouched by the general body of the Exercise, when they are well worthy of general practice.

The same thing applies to the Plain methods. There are many as "good ' from the ringing point of viewthat is interest and ' music '-as Double Norwich that deserve to be widely rung, but they remain unpractised. Along with the ' exploitation' of new methods, we would much like to see a movement to save the best from the limbo of Corgotten things and an effort made to bring these best into general use. Hundreds of ringers in these days are able to ring Cambridge Surprise, yet great are the limitations of the method! Other methods there are, on the same principle, equally interesting to ring and lending themselves to far more enusical compositions, which on their merits ought to oust Cambridge from its pride of place-and would do so if it were not that Cam-
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bridge has become just a "habit " with the majority of Surprise ringers. Cambriclge served its purpose well when there was nothing else, but there are better, if less hoary, methods to-chay. We would like to see leading ringers turning their attention to sonse few of these very excellent methods, both Plain and Surprise, and popularising them among their fellows. It would be a sign of real progress.

## TWELVE HELL PEAL. <br> LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, January 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes, At ter Cathedral Churce of Si. Saviodr, Southwark, S.E.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, gDOZ CHANGES;
Tenar go ewt.
Grorge R. Pye ... ... ...Treble Ernest C. S. Turner
Harry Hoskins ... .- ... 2 Grorgb W. Strrre ... ... William H. Hewbit... ... 3 Lbelie W. G. Morris ... 9 Cbarlas T. Coles .... ... 4 Redezn Sanders... ... ... io Horacr e. C. Goodrnotgh 5 James H. Riding... ... .... it Jambs Bennett

Composed by Joan Cartrr. Conducted by Charles T. Coles.
Composition No. 110 on broadsheet.

## TEN BELL PEALS. <br> HIGH WYCOMBE BUCTS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, January 17. 1937, in Thyed Howrs and Thivcy-Four Minutes, At the Parish Chifref of All Saints.
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, 6018 CHANGES;
Tenor 32 cwt.
Fred Hayrs ... ... ...Tyeble | Reginald Blaby... ... ... 6

- Dodglas Terner ... ... 2 P.S. Cbcil A. Smite ... ... 7 †Marir R. Cross... ... ... 3 | Ralpi Colbs ... Roland Biggs ...... R. Gordon Cross ... ... 5 Edward R. Croxzord .. Temor Composed and Conducted by Fred Hayrs.
* First peal on ten bells and in the method. + 50th peal. Rung with bells fully muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. Frank Borelam (father of the ringer of the gth), who passed peacefully away after a brief illness on January 11th. For upwards of 40 years he had been associated with the Oxford Diocesan Guild, for many years as a member of the Hughenden Society and later with Higu Wycombe company.

CARDIFF, SOUTH WALES.
THE LLANDAFF $\triangle N D$ MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Uw Thursday. Januay 21, 1937, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
At tee Cadrca of Sx. John-tub-Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS. SOOB GHANEESI
Tenor 27 cwt . in D .

- Robert E. Coles ...Treble $\mid$ Ernest Coomees Fredericr Hannington ... 2 Evan Colrs Grorge Talbot.. 6

En Ernest Stirce … .... 8 Jonn W. Jones ... Charles H. Perry … 4 Composed by H. G. Mile Joan Phlalips 8

5 Seymodr R. Barkek ...Tenor * Tirst peal of Caters. † First peal Conducted by Josn Pbillips. day compliment to the sister of peal of Grandsire Caters. A birtliMinger of the 8th. NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHTRE THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, January 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Twelve Minktes, At tre Chdrch of Si. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF stEDMAN CATERS. b079 CHANGEII Tenor 9 cwt 26 lb .
Grorger Williamb ... ...Tyebíg "Harold P. Reed ... ... 6 Frgdericr S. Bayley - D. Cbcll Williams ... Ebnest J. Trimmer .... ... 2 Andrew I. Corrigan ${ }^{5}$ Rbginald Brown ... ... 7 Grorge Robinson... William T. Tocrer ... ... 9 Maker to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Inatitute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albens, Lineoln, Durham, Peterborough, Molbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin, St. Patrick's Manchester, Durban and Worcester Cattedrals, etc., etc.

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Composed by H. Jobnson

* First peal of Stedmail Caters. Mr. G. Robinson hails from Leeds, Yorkshire. Rang in honour of the appointment of the Rev. F. H. Chambers (senior curate at this church) to the living of Billington, gear Leighton Buzard, in the Diacese of St. Albang.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HURST, BERES.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GDILD.
(Sonning Dlanery Brance.)
On Tuesday, Jankary 19, 1937, in Three Howys and Fourteen MImutes, At the Cgorce of St. Nicbolas,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6040 CHANPEB: Tenor 14t cwt.
Miss Marir R. Cross Bermard C. Castle... R, Gordon Cross ... Tyoble $\dagger$ William H. J. Parker ... 2 KEV. A. G. G. Thणrio Jobn Range ... .... ... 4 Rev. C. ELliot Wigg ....Tero Composed by H. Howlert. Conducted by R. Gordon Cross. * First peal on eight bells "inside.' $\dagger$ First peat on cight bells. Firsl peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a welcome to the new Ficar of this parish, the Rev. L. Whitmill.

DARTFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION. On Tuesday, January 19, 1937, in Three Hours,

At the Cedreg of the Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, БOEG CHANDE8; Tenor 18 显 cwt.

- James R. Lambkin .... ...Tyeble Joen Weradon ... . Jomn H. Cobesman ... Mrs. Gborge H. Cross .. Norman Stmmergayrs ... Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by James E. Bartry. 3 Grorge J. Butcegr ... * First peal of Major aud first aftempt. First peal of Miajor as conductar and first attempt.

> BUGKWASTLEIGH, DEVON.
> THE DEVONSEIRE GUHED.

On Wednesday, Januay 20, 1937, in Three Hows and Eight Minutes, At meg Churce of the Holy Trintyy,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORHICH COURT BOB MAJOR, BOOB CHANGES; Tenor 16 owt.
G. ITaray Myers ... ...Treble *Thomas G. Myers .... ... 5 †ADBryy L. Brnnett... ... 2 Ernest J. Taylor ...* ... 6

Henry C. Collybr... .... 4 Charles R, Lillay ... ...Tpmor
Composed by G. Willams. Coaducted by Cearlas R. Lilley.

* First peal in the methor. + Tirst peal in the method inside.' Finst proal in the method for the Guild by a band of members residing in the count.j of Devon. A birtliday peal for the ringer of the 3 rd.

RAMSGATE, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
Ow Thursday, January 21, 1937, in Three Howrs and Seven Minwtes, At tar Church of St. Ladrence.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 60 G0 HANEES;
Parker's Twrlve-part (7th observation).
Tenor 88 cwt .
Mise Lily L. Wickens ...Treble j †tianley J. Gez... ... ... 5
Josepa Waghorn.. .1 ... 2 "Hildred S. Wicerns †Tbomas W. Scott ... ... 3 Albrrt E. Jarman ... .... 7 Leslir A. Porriti ... ... 4 £Frzderick H. Pailpoit ...Tenoy Condacted by A. E. Jarman.

* First peal. + First peal 'inside.' $\ddagger$ First peal of Grandsire. First peal as conductor and first attenpt. First peal on the bells by an entirely local band. Nung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Wickens.

NEWCASTLE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTE STAEFS AND DISTRICT ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, January 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Church of St. Gileg,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, EIE2 GHANOEE; Tenor 18 cwt .

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## NORTEAMPTON

THE PETERBOROUGE DIOCDSAN GUILD.
On Thursday, January 21, 1937, in Three Howes and Two Minwtes,
At ter Ceurch of Sx. Pater,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
Pitsiow's Transposition of Teorstans' Four-part.
 Conducted by Tom Teberit.

* First peal of Stedman. + First peal of Stetman, also first paal on eight bells. $\ddagger$ First peal.

FELMINGHAM, SUPFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUHLD.
On Friday, January 22, 1937, in Thyed How 5 and Nine Mirntes,
Ax the Cebref of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CDDDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR; 5184 CHANGES; Tanoz 193 owt.
Jobi H. Arbon ... ... ...Trable George Benneti $_{\text {Geor }}$... ... 5 George Whiting
Geqrge Pryik ….. .1
Leslif G. Brett... ... ... 4 Albert E. Whiting ... ...Temur
Composed by G. Linnovf.
Conducted by T. W. Last.
This is the first peal to be rung in the method and is No. 68 in $\mathbf{M r}$.
G. Lindoff's collection. It was the 100th peal by the conductor in his own tawer, rung in 46 methods. The pent was a birthdey complimenat to his daughter, Kathleen Last.

## NORTH FLMHAM, NORFOLK <br> THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. <br> On Friday, Jathary 22, 1937. in Thres Howrs atad Fifleet Minules, At tee Chorch of St, Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAUOR, EOGB OHANOES:

Tenor 20 cwt .


†William Copeman ..... .2 William E. Wh5t ... ... 6 | Bertie W. Marsh | ... | ... | 3 | Frederice R. Wilby | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jobn A. Godprey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Ernest V. Blake .... |  |
| Jemo |  |  |  |  |  |

 * First peal. + First peal on eight belle.

CHESWARDINE, SHROPSHIRT,
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, January 23, 1937, in Three Howrs and Elowen Minutis,
At the Chorch of St, Swithen,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, Tenor 9 cwt. is $G$.
Wilciam Weatgerby...
...Treble *Reginald Kynaston
Thomas Pricg ... ... ... 2 G. Lronard Hbwits $\quad . . .6$
Frrderick Price... ... .... 3 Artadr Pritceard ... ... 7
Reginald W. Ceesters ... \& | Euward V. Rodengorgt...Tenot Composed by J. Rezvis. Conducted by Artarer Primegard.

* First peal in the method.

> DENHAM, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Januayy 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At zer Caprce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE BURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt .


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WATNHAM, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sahrdry, January 23, 1937, in Three Hows,
At the Church of St. Mapgarat,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor $14 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{qr}$. x tb.
Josbfa Charman

- Crnast Trbages

Fhank Bennett
 Thomasadams ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 4$ Raybond Wood ....... Composed anj Conducted by Frank Bennetr.

- First peal of Bob Major.

LLANTRISANT, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCKATION. On Salurday, January 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Mimutes,

At the Parish Cudrce,

## A PEAL OF 8TEDHAN TRIPLES, EO40 GHANGES;

## Thorstangi Four-part.

Tenor 12 $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{Cwt}$.


Frgdreick Laspory Fanck Rowsele
... ...Treble
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text {.... } & . . . & 2 \\ \text {... } & . . . & 3\end{array}$

..... .4 $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Joserb Loveti .... } & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Grorgy Talbot... } & \ldots & \ldots & 6\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Grorgr Talbot... } & . . . & . . . & 6 \\ \text { Jobn Philifips } & . . & . . . & . . & 7\end{array}$ | logn Pbillips ... ... |
| :--- |
| Reginald Wentcott | J. Phellips.

* Firat peal of stedman. The conductor's 100 th peal. The ringer -f the Rnd has now "completed the circle' in this tower.


## CHESTER.

THE OHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Januey 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty Mimutes, Ax fer Caterdral
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, $\quad$ OHO CHANEES;
Dexirr's Variation of Thorstans'
Tenor 33 cwt.
Parcy Swimdley... .... ...Trable Ricanad D. Langrord ... 5 Roberi Sperring ... ... 2 Groreg R. Newtan ... ... 6
 J. William Claree ... ... 4 Johe Gripfitus ... ... ...Tonot Conducted by S. Jones, jon.
A birthday compliment to the conductor and to Mr. ․ D. Langiord. The band. in company with the Cathedral ringers, was kindly entertained to bea by the Dean and Mrs. Bennett bsfore the peal.

EARNSLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Barnsley amis District Society.)
On Salurday, Janway 23, 7937, in Three Hours and Five Minutas,
At the Caureb of St, Mary.
A PEAL OF YORKEHIRE BURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHAREES: Tenor 14 cwt ( (approx.)
Wilciam Green ...
... ...Trable
Jonn H. Brathwell ... ...
Artaur Firie .
... .... 2
Harold Cbant ...
Tom Brotbwect...
Reginald Paynz..
Composed by G. Lewis,
Arifor Gilit
..Tetror
Conducted by A. Nash.
Frst peal of Major on the bells since they were rehung by Gillett and Johnston, who have improved them wonderfuly. Believed to be the firgh of Surprise ever rung on the bells. Rung as a farewell peal to Canon Hone, Rector of Barmsley, who has accepted the living of Godalming. Surrcy.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

LANGPORE, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Janwary 9 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Ono Minutes,

Ay ibe Churce of All Saints,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, BO40 GHANEEB; Tonor 17 ewt.

| T. Lecke ... | , | $\cdots$ | Trebla | J. Stevens |  |  | ** | $\cdots 4$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E. Dabineyt... | . | $\ldots$ | 2 | P. Lock ... | ... | ... | . | 5 |
| S. Dabimatt... | -*- | -. | 3 | E. Strvens |  | ... | ... | ...Terar |

 Condected by T. Locke.
First peal by all except the conducior, and frst as conductor.

GHILTON CANTELO. SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCJATION.
On Saturday, January 16, 1937, in I wo Howrs and Fifly- I we Mtnmies,
At the Cherch of St. Prier.
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Consisting of 12 six-scores of Plain Bols and 30 of Grandsite, witit 14 callings.

- Douglas Brakz... ... ...Tyeble William A. Osborne Arthor H. S. Raingy ... 2 |Cebment C, Vowles $\quad . . .4$ Prrcy N, G. Rainey ... ...Temor
Conducted by Percy N. G. Raney.
* First attempt for a peal and belongs to local band. + First peal in two methods.

THURNBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturiay, Jantary 16, 1937, in Twa Howys and Fifty Minules, At ing Churce of St. Loke,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES:
Consisting of 2,400 Plain Boh, 1,440 Ganterbury Pleasure sud 1,200 Grandsire. Tenor 15 owt.
Joszpa Norton ... ... ...Tydule |Henry Fatlaner 3
Ronald RUssele ... ... 2 J. Gyoffrey Geary...
A. Norman Geary ... ...Temor

Conducted by i. Geozqrey Geary.
BARNBY-IN-TEEWILLOWS, NOTTS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, January 16, 1937, is Two Hores and Thirty-Two Minutes,
At the Canrch of Ale Salnts,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's: (1) Capel, Sandal, Oxford, London Selsolars Pleasure and Kingstou Treble Bob; (2) Double and Eiugle Court; (3) Cambridge Surprise; (4) Kent Treble Bob; (5) St. Clement's: (6) Oxford Bob; (7) Plain Bob.
Thomas Vessey
Miss Darotey V... ........ Treble |Jabss Raitaby .... ... .... 4 Frank Vernon ...... Conducted by Ciffyord Vassey.
First peal in twelve methods by all but ringers of fifth and tenor. HITCEAM BUCKS.
THE SOGIETY OF ROYAL QUMBERLAND YOUTHS. (St. Peter's Society, Burnham, Bucks.)
On Tuesday, Jarkayy 19, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Nine Minntes,
At fee Cuurce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 OHANGES;
Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob, Single Oxford Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, and two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 5 cwt. 1I Jh, in G.
Bryan O'Neil .... ... ...Tyeble Gordon W. Limmer ... $_{\text {.... }} 4$ James D. Taylor $\quad . .$. Jobn E. Taylor ... ... ... 3 George Gilbbrt ... .. ... Fmoy Conducted by Grorge Gilbert.
First peal in six methods by all and by the St. Peter's Speiely. Rung in lieu of Bnrnham prictice.

## BEENHAM, BERKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thuyday, January 21, 1937, in Two Houps and Fifty Minutes,
At ine Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being seven different 720's.
Tenor 9 cwt .2 gr .23 lb .
Frad (Oxford) Wigmore...Tyeble
-Alfred Chorceill .... 2
*William Greritaam...
... ... 3 Grafrrey
Conducted by G, Fowler,

* First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung at the request of the treble ringer, who is 73 . All are members of the locaf band and regular service ringers.


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THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Jannary 23, 1537, in Two Hows and Forty-Five Minates, At the Cherca of St. Jobn,
A PEAL OF GRANDEIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANEES;
'ten vavied callivgs.
James Honz .... ... ...tyeble Walter E. Priddle... ... 4

Conducted by J. Howx.

* First peal and belongs to local band.


## LEADENHAM, LJNCS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Northern Branch.)
On Sahrday, January 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Fify-Seven Minutes,
At thr Cherce of St. Swithon,

## A PEAL OF MINOR 5040 CHANGES:

Being one extent each of Durble Court, Oxford Treble Job, Kent Treblo Bob, St. Clement's, Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cm .9 lb , in F sharp.
-Jack Vgssgy ... ... ... Iredle Frank Vrrnon ... $\dagger$ Thomas Vhsshy... ... ... 2 jack L. Milleodse .... ... 5 Condacted by Cileford A. Vessey.
*Finst penl in seven methods. + First peal in seven methods inside.' 胃ung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

The ammal meeting of tho Portsmoutin District was held at Fareham on Saturday, Jauuary 16tly, when members atteaded from Alverntoke, Bishopstoke, Bishop's Waltham, Curdridge, Farelam, Gosport, Fambledon, Netiey, North Stoueham, Portamouth Cathedral ancl St. Mary'a), Soutbanpton, Saberton, Swanmore, Titchfeld, Twford, Winchester and Wicklam.

THe \{ruttol service was hell in the Parish Church, the Vicar (the Req. A. Cory) oficiating and giving an address.

Tea was eerved in the Church Hall, after which the business meeting was held, the Master of the Guild, Mr. G. Williams, being voted to the chair in the absence of the Ficar. The report and balance sheet were read ind adopted. The sum of 8555 , was voted from the uistrict, funds towards the cost of yestoring Soberton hells, subject to the order being. placed with the bellfounder.

All the oficers were re-elected for the ensuing year. Mrs. F. W. Wuger and Mrs. M. Stansfield were elected honovary members of the Guild, and ringing members were electad from Farcham and Alverstoke.

The Cathedral, Portsmoutl, was selected for the next anmual meeting, to be held on Safurdivy, Jantuay 15th, 1938.

Fates of thanks were accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, fur officiating ai the service and for granting tho use of the Clurch Hall for tea.

The members afterwards retmried to the tower for further ringing, which ranged from Grandsire Triplea to Cumblidge Surprise Major.

## YOUTHFUL HANDBELL RINGERS

## QUARTER-TFALS BY REF H. S. T. RICHARDSON'S

## DAUGHTERS.

At S Nicholas' Rectow, Heveford, on handbells, during the Christmas holidags, three quarter-peals of Bob Major were rulg-1,284. 1,280 and 1,296 chnages, end (on December 31st) a date touch of 1,936 Bob Major-by Monica Ricliardson (age 12) 1-2, Rev. H. S. T. Richaddson (conductor) 3-4, Brenda Richavison (nge 14) 5-6, Dovothy Richardson (age 10) 7-8. And 720's of Double Bob Minor atd Oxford Bob Ninov: (Monica Richardson 1-2, Rev. H. S. T. Richardson 3-4, Eranda, Richardson (5-b). Every member of the bend has rung fen's of Bob Winor an every pair of bells, one of these heiag conducted by Breada.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SOUTH AND WEST DISCRICT SUPPER AND SOOLAL.
The fifth amual supper and social of the South aud West District of the Middlesex County Association and London Diomesna Guild, hedd at Heston on Jauuary 16 th , was attonded by ahout 70 mambers and friende and was an unqualified success. After ringiug duting the afternoon at Heston (8) and Norwood Greeu (6), the company assembled in the Village Hall at 6 p.m., under the chairmunshp of the Rev. G. Craggs, Vicar of Heston, supprorted by iha vice-president of the association (Mr. J. A. Trollope), all the district afficers, and mombers from most of the towers in the district and some from tho North and Eist District.
An excellent supper was quickly and officiontly served and disposod of as elliciently, if not quite so quickly.

After the fonst of 'Tho King' had beon bovoured. the Clairman proposed the tonst of 'Thle Association, ancl assured the membera of his pleasure in welcoming them to Heston. He evidenced the activity of the local band in a storg of a men who went to Heston on Christmas Eve for a rest after a etrentous week's work. When he errived the bells were ringing. When he woke up on Cheistmas moming the bells were still ringing, On Boxing Day he woko to find them gtill ringing and they went on for about three hours. On the following morning (Sunday) they were phiging arain, so that the visitor wis glad when Monday came and he was able to go back fo woik and get some peace and quietness.
Arter a touch of Erandsire Triples on hantibells by Messis. G. Filby, D. O. S. Tumer, J. Herbert and W. G. Wilson, the vice-presidont replied to the tonst. He thanked the Vicar for his welcome and drew abtention to the difference in the status of ringers at the present time compared to the early days of tie essociation.
Mr. H. W. Lidbetter proposed a vote of thanks to the Supper Committee (Messrs. Chandler, Gladmen and Goodfellow), aud this wrs carried witl! acclamation.
By this time the tables had been cleared and removed in readiness for the social programme, for which Mr. Fidbetter was M.C. Commumity singing, led by Mr. Herbert, witll Miss Bradford at the piana, gave a good start to a programme, consisting of games of the Christmes party type, violin solos by Mr. Jeanard Townsend and daviag. Tho Rugby international held at Twickenliam was quite overshedowed by what was calted in the programme 'balloon hathithalt.' Teams of seven were made up from foul towers, and goals were scored lay knocking a balloon orer strings suspended abont loft. high at each end of the hall. The Fiflingdou term beat Featon by 2-0 after ant exciting game. in which My. Onrke's aoge wes mistaken for the balloon-at least it is loped it wns a mistake. Faling heat Tsleworth by $4-0$, althougli the latter tenm, which inchaded four ladios, putn up is strong resistance.
After nul interval for refreshments and move games, the final between Hillingdon and Heston was keenly contested. and Hillingdon gained the victary hy 3 , 2 after extra time and a little blaodsled.
More community singing round a camp fire, a dance sud Auld Lang Syne ended a happy evening ahout 11.30 p.m., and the menbera who worked so hard to make the event a suceses are nssured that they did so.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

SOUTHERN DIVISION MEETING AT BURGESS HlLL.
On Saturday, Ianary 2 Jrd, ia quarterly mectiug of the Southern Division was held at Burgess Fiil, about 30 members beiny preant from towers in the district.

The peal of eight bells wes kept going from 2.30 to 8.30 , except for an hom and a half break for tea and service, a varioty of nethods, rauging from rounds to Loudon and Bristal Surptise, being rung.
Owing to the illness of the Vicar, the service was taken by the Rev. H. Biraingham, who gave a brief and interesting address on the subject of churchworkers as a great and united family.
At the business meeting, Mr. T. Holman, people's warden, presided. and, afler the minntes of thr last meeting hed been signed, the ringers present stood for a moment in silence as a mark of respect to tho memory of four menbers who had passed eway aince tho last time the division met-Mr. R. J. Dawe, Lewes; Mr. H. Rann, St. Nicholas', Brightat; 3ूr. J. Welch, honorary member, Hevfielif; and Mr. G. W. Stokes, trustee and hon, treasurer of the association.
Three new nembers were elected, viz., Canon D. C. Dunlop, Hen field. Mr. H. S. Jamees, Lewes; nnd Mr. H. Fackham, Twineliam. The meeting closed with a liequty vote of thanks to all who had helped to make the day a success, iveluding Mr, T. Holman, who wary kindly eqtertained the ringers to ter.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

FROM PAPER TO BELLS.
The 'pencil and paper' work, which we suggester last week beginners should do, will, we hope, have shown something of the construction of methods of pure Doubles in which the treble retains a plain bunting course. Those who worked out these courses will Gave found that wherever a 3rd's place is made, two bells (on the opposite side of the 'place' to the position of the treble) had to make ${ }^{2}$ 'dodge ' that is each had ta retrace its steps one place before going on again.

In Grandsire, which, as wo explained, is the method with one 3rd's place in each ' lead,' made immediately the treble has led, the dodge takes place between the bells in 45. The bell that makes the 3rd's place bas its consse reversed, and, instead of continuing hunting up it has to turn round and hunt down to lead gqain. The bell that does this is often said fo 'make 3rd's, and lead, and you should remember this in case, at some time, you go astray and are suddenly given this injunction. Remember, too, that the 3rd's place is always made at backstroke and handstroke, which is sometimes called 'the Frong way,' or "wrong,' as opposed to places made 'right," which is at handstroke and backstroke.
The "dodge" occurs immediately after one bell has laid its whole pull behind. This bell is said to dodge 'down' beeause actually it as in its hunting caurge on its way down. The other bell is said to dodge 'up,' because it is in its upward hunting eourse, and does not lay its whole pull behind until after the dodge is completed. It ja useful to know that the whole pails behind in Grandsire are always at backstroke and bandstroke.

The bells that have been dodging bebind come down to lead in the uame order that they hunted up, but the bell that made 3rd's place bunts down in front of them, instead of being behind them. It is by this transposition of work that the thres leads forming the plain course are produced.
The 3rd's place puts the last one first. Suppose they are running in the order $a, b, c$; makes 3rd's place; then the order is $c, a, b$ Next b makes 3 rd 's, and the order becomes $b$, $c$, a. In turii makes 3rd's and the order is once more $a, b, c$

Of the other two bells the treble, as you already know, is plain hunting. The other bell also leeps to plain hunting until a bob or aingle is called, and in simple Grandsire this bell continues to "course' the treble; that is, it takes it of at lead, aud turns it from bebind, and there is never more than one other bell (a bell going in the opposite airection) botween them at any time
The three dodging and place-making bells follow a regular cycle af work-indeed, in all methods the 'working bells," as they are called, follow a regular cycle, until a bob (or single) shunts then of intr another part of the same cycle.
The cycle of worl in Grandsire Doubles is:-

## Make 3rd's, and lead.

Dodge 5-4 dowt.
Dedge 4-5 up.
In the plain caurse the bell in the hunt with the trebie is the 2nd. In previous articles we have attempted to explain how to hunt, so all that it should bo necessary now to elahorete is the differences in the work.

Yon will know when it is Jour turn to make 3rd's place by the fact that immediately before the treble will have taken you off the lead; in other words, you will have 'passed the treble' in 1-2. At your backstroke lead the treble strikes over you, at your first blow in 2nd's you strike over the treble. That is "passing the treble" in 1-2. Tour next blow fill be over the bell in the hunt, and that is your first blow in Jrd's. In these two blowe you are hunting upthey require a little 'holding up' on jour part, to keep the rhythm. Your next blow in 3 rd's reçuires an interwal in your pull equivalent to the space in rounds, and then you hunt down ta lead by "pulling in' just a little each time. The two bells you strike over in turn aro the treble and the bell in the hunt-the same two in the came order that you met after leading.

Whichever way you are dodging you must "pull in' a Iittle to strike into 4th's and "hold up ' a Yittle to go back into 5th's.

After making 3rd's and leading, you 'pass the treble' in $3-4$ before dodging in $5-4$ down, and in 23 before dodging in 45 up. This passing of the treble should be one of your main gaides to your pext work, and if yon are to rely upon it you must count your places as Fond pass througli them.

Here is a simple table which gives you the complete work in a plain murse of Grandsire Doubles. Learin it :-

| Lead. Pass treble 1-2. | 3rd's. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Lead. | Pass treble 3-4. | Lie. Dodge $5-4$ down, |
| Lead. | Pass treble $2-3$. | Dodge $4-5$ up. Lib. |
| Lead. |  |  |

Write out your course of Grandsire Doubles, check over with the figures the work of the different bells as explained here and then endervour to put it into practice in your tow $\mathrm{Br}_{\text {, }}$ or, if your tawer bells are not arnilalile, then on handbells, ringing the bells upward For the handetrokes and downward for the backstrokes.

## LONDON RINGING SOCIETIES.

F'o the Editor
Sir,-Your reference to the relationship between the ringing societies in the Loddon area, in your issue of Janaary I5th, will, I hope, encourage some action to be talken. Too long have they gone on 'olficially trying to ignore each other's existence. As one who has mixed a good deal with those who ring in London, I have generally found them quite amiable and sociable individually, yet in theil organised relatiouship they adopt towards cach other a curiously, and altogether unnecessary, frigid attitude.
There is really 10 reason for this aloofness, or any need for airs of superiority. A cordial spirit of co-operation among the onganiations covering Londen might, at this time, do much good in the interests of ringing. This Coronation year offers a great opportunity. Cannot the ringing socievies bury their petty differences-if that is what is keeping them apart-and show the real spirit of brotherhood towards each other?
'SUBURBAN: RINGER.'

## SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## SHREWSBURY BELLE.

The anmual mecting of the Shropshive Association was held in Shrewsbury on Saturday, Jamany 16th. After ringiog at St. Chad's Church, the members attended a service, conducted by the Rev. R. B. M. Close, Vicar of St. Chad's. Tea was served in the Parish Room. The attendance was reprosentative of the towers with which the association is in contact, and 47 mentbers were present.
The Rev. E. O. Pigott presided at the business meeting which. followed, there being an apolog.v for absence, owing to illness, from Major E. R. T. Corbett, the Ringing Master.
The balance sheet was adopted, there being a slight increasa in the balance carried forward.
The report of the committee was also received with approval, and recommendations that an anmual report shond be jssued, and that threo adidional summer medings should be arranged, were accepted,

The report of the committee algo contaimed an announcement that the Vican of St. Mary's, Shrewsbury, had been interviewed, and that he had agreed to provide new ropes for his bells, and expressed his wish that the bells should be rung oecasioually. The committee is aleo to inspeet St. Alsmund's bells and are in touch with St. Julian's authorities with a view to getting the bells in order for ringing.
Canfidence in the officerg was expressed by their re-election, together with the committee, Mr. J. Griffiths only receiring a new office, in connection with the peal books, for Ereater convenience.
The following meetings ard to be arranged, if possible, during the year: Pontesbury, Clive, Oswestry, Wroreter, Wem, Great Ness, Moreton Corbet, Chureh Stretton and Much Wienlock.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. R. B. M. Close and the Rev. E. C. Pigatt.
During the day touches of Grandsire Caters, Triples and Cinques, stedman Triples and Caters, Plain and Troble Bob Major qud Royal were rung. and also an excellent course of Cambridge Surprise Major.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

GAINSBORODGH DISTRIGT RINGRNG MASTER APPEALS FOR MORE BEGINNERS.
The annual mecting of the Gainsborough District of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild was held at Gainsborough on Saturday, January l6th, and was attended by a good company of ringers from Brigg, Lea, Upton, Willingham, Surfleet, Lincoln, Ulceby, Retfond, Wareop, North Wheatly, Treeton and the Iocal tover. The excellent ring of eight (tenor $19 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.) at the Parish Church was made good use of in a large number of methods during the aftertion and evenimg.

Service was conducted by Canon Witworth. Before his address Joe extended a very bearty welcome to all to Gainsborough and said how pleased he was to meet the members of the Guild, it being the first opportunity ho had had of deimg so since he came to the town. In his interesting address be said that unforturately the proverb, "Out of sight out of mind, was too often applicable to bands of riggers, but he assured them that the majority of people appreciated their services. Bellinging was one of those works of which po man could estimate the value.
After tea the business meeting was held. Owing to offcers having left the district, three vacancies had occurred during the past year. Canon Witworth was elected presideat, Mr, George L. A. Lum Ringing Master and Mr. C. Hooton representative on the committec. Miss $\bar{K}$. M. Smith, of Lef, was elected dinging member.
Four meetings were agreed upon for the year, viz., at Lea, Birgy, Willingham and Hazey in April, June, Augast and Ocfober respectively, subject to the necessary arrangements being made.
In thanking members for the honour they had conferied upon him. the new Ringing Master drew attention to the declining number of ringers in the district and pointed out that several towers had barely, as many ringers as bells. 'Let us make a special effort during 1937, he said, to swell our ranks.' As a solution, lie suggested tiret each member should try und intraduce one new ringer to his tower.

This concluded the business mneting. and ringing was tesumed until 8.30 p.m., bringing to a close a very enjoyable meeting.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## HUNTINGDON B Z 4 NGH

The annual meeting of the Huntingion Branch of the Ely Diocesan Absociation was held at Godmanchester on Saturday. Visitors were present from Coveltry, Newmarket, Exuiug, Fulboura, Sixston, Gambridge, Dersingliam, Wisbech, Terrington St. John's, Chatteris and Trumpington.

Ringing commenced ati 3 p.m., and the Fions (the Rev. L. Douglas) conducted the usual service at 4.30 p.m. He also gave the ringers a warm welcome to Godmanchester and said how he loved to hear the belle rung each week, althouth he had a feeling of home sickness each time he heard them, for it reminded bim of the hospital work he had just left near St. Paul's Gathedral, and how he used to love to listen to the bells of St. Paul's being rung whilo carrying out his duties at the hospital nearby.

Tea and business meeting were held at the Dorothy Cafe, arranged by Mr. Matson.

Mr. Harry Chapman presided over the business meeting, the Vicar being unable to attend,

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Dishrict secretary, Mr. H. Parker; Ringing Master, Mr. H. Fields; committee, Messrs. F. Laek, S. Peck, S. Coleman and E. Wakeling.

One new ringing member was elected and the usual vote of thanks was accorded to tho Vicar and all who had helped to make the meeting such a success.

## THONAS OSBORN'S FIPST RING OF EIGHT.

The annual meeting of the Wisbech Branch was held at Hilgay on Saturday, Jannary I6th, and, considering the weather, was well attended. A pleasing feature of the meeting was the excellent strikiag of the more advanced methods. The methods rung included Donble Oxford Major, Double Norwich and Gambridge Surprise Major. The service was taken by the curate, the Rector (the Ven. Archdeacon Ward) being ill with influenza.

Archdeacon Ward was re-elected president of the branch, the Ringing Master (Mr. R. W. Crofts) anti secretary (Mr. W. W. Cousins) being also re-elected. The committee was re-elected en bloc.
The members were findly entertained to tea by the presideut, to whorn a hearty vote of thanks was accerced

It is interesting to note that the ring of eight at Hilgry were the first complete peal to be cast by Thomas Oshorn after he had commenced business on his own account at Downham Market (only three miles distant) in 1779 . The tenor was recast hy him in 1798, since when, apart from vehanging, the peal lins mot heen touched, and their condition is still quite good.

## DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

## BENTLEY WIN THE WALAER GOP.

The amulal meeting of the Doncaster and Distriot Socioty was held ats Sit. George's, Doncaster, on Saturday, and, in spite of the wot weather, was attended by upwards of 40 members and friends. Ringing commenced at 3.30 , and at 4.30 a short service was held in the Forman Chapel, conducted by the president, Caron A. Lul. Davies, Vicar of Doacaster, who gave an jnspiring address on unity and fellowship. One of the ringers officiated as organist.

Tea was provided in the Memorial Hall, to which 31 sat down. At the general meeting held afterwards, the Vicar presided, supported by the Ringing Master and the Vice-president,

The report was accepted, as was also the balance sbeet, which was considered very setisfactory, a gain of $£ 115 \mathrm{~s}$. being shown on tho year's work.

Mr. G. Halksworth was again re-elected vice-president for further period of three years. The auditors were re-elected and the committee re-elected en blac to serve anothor year.
Adwick-le-Street was selected for the next neeting, to be held on Saturday, February 27th.

Seven new members were electad, viz., the Rev. P. Chappell, A. K. Traylen, Tony Traylen and P. Jeffries, of Doncaster, J. Em and F. Dimon, of Burghwalis, and H. S. Morley, of Selby.

Mr. G. Halksworth proposed a vote of thanks to the lacies for providing the tea and to the Vicar for presiding at the committee and general meetings, also for the service and for his kindness and help generally.
The Vicar, in reply, thanked the members for their welcome to him, which he apprectated very much, and also for the help he had received from the secretary in arranging things.
The Walker Cup for the best average attendance at Sunday service ringing has leit Dencaster for the second time iu its history, Arksey having won it once several years ago, The president now presented it to Mr. J. E. Stephenson, the captain of St. Peter's, Bentley, company, who showed a return of practically 100 per cent. for 1936, only one service having been missed. Doncaster came second with 74 points out of 78.

The President congratulated Mr. Steplenson, and said althourh he was sorry Doncaster had lost the cup, it had been worthily won, nned he hoped they would repeat their win many times in the future.

Mr. Steplienson thanked the Vicar and also the society for the help that liad been Eiven to St. Poter's, Rentley. When the bells had been stopped, several members travelled it long distance to ring for Sinadry service.-This conclnded the husiness and the tower hells and handbells wero brought into use.

## APPRECIATION

## The Vicarage,

 COSELEY, STAFFS.Jaruary .17th, 1937.
"Messrs. John 'Taylor \& Co.

## "GEntlemen,

"I am very happy to forward ${ }_{2}$ enclosed cheque for the repair of the Coseley Church Bells.
"I have had a talk with my Ringing Master, who tells me that he and the other ringers are more "than satisfied with the job. As far as I am concerned, and my people, we are delighted to have so "musical and so perfectly balanced a peal of bells. We have met with the utmost courtesy from you and "your employees. We think your bellhanger the most efficient, good-natured and hard-working employee "that we have ever had to do with. But he only represented the willingness and ispirit of "co-operation which we encountered from all connected with Messrs. John Taylor's.s!
"I am sorry to close the Appeal for the bells. It has been received solenthusiastically, and "responded to so generously, that it has been a real pleasure to launch it"and to see it through.

## Yours ${ }^{\text {lfaithfully }}$ :

(Signed) NORMAN W. "WATSON."
Note-The ring of eight bells of Coseley Church have recently been recast and rehung in new framework by John Taylor \& Co., Loughborough. Tenor bell 11 cwts .2 qrs. 5 lbs.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

The ring of eight bells at Rishton, near Blackburn, Lancushire, is to be recast and bung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Lttd, Groydon.
Congratalations to Mr. Edwurd Clepshaw, Farnham's veteram miager, who was 92 on Tuesdey.

It is hoped that the bells of Willenhall, Staffs, whioh are to bet recast and angmented to ter, will be completed in time for the Coronation. There is still $£ 300$ to be raised and another appeal is being made the townspeople.

According to the 'Daily Sketch,' the Tarl of Crambrook, soldier, politician and explorer, has become a bellinger at Great Glenham Church, which is on his estate uear Sammundam, Suffolk. Therg are five bells at Great Gleuham, but the ringers lad dwindled to three in number. The Earl of Crambrook and, it is lioped, the new Vicer will make up the baud

The death accurred on Friciay Iast of Mrs. R. Bevan, widow of the late Mr. Dick Bevan, a former well-known meniber of the Royal Guruberland Youths, and mother of Mr. Thomas Bevan. Mrs. Bevan was 78 years of age.
Somerget ringers are getting morb "musical." According to the 'Somerset County Gazette,' a band at Britan St. David, to celebrate the retmm of Mr. and Mrs. Withers from their honeymoon, 'rang a quarter-peal in four movements.' The ringers ware E. V. Barringion (eaptain), T. Marks and S. Rickett (Yeovil), G. W. Randell (Fardington) and P. Fainey; (Somerton),
Mr. T. W. Last, of Helminghmm, Sultolk, has rung 100 peals in his home tower. What adds to ine interest of this performanes is that these peals have been rung in no fewer than 46 methods.

At least three fresti towers were added to his regord list by the president of the 'Tower Snatehers' Union' when he spent the weekend in the Bletchley district in order to be present at the dedication of a new treble at Cosgrove, Northants, which increased the ring to siz.

If all's well, it will nof be long before Mr. J. H. Shepherd has visited and rang in 3,000 towers 1 A truly amazing uumber. Ringers are sometinees inclined ta joke about Mr. Shepherd's special hobby, but it is one full of interest.

Owiug to the clashing of dates, the meeting of the Eastern Division of the Hertford County Association, which was to have been held at Chesliunt to-morrow, has been postponed for a fortnight.
The engagement is annouticed between Mr. E. T. Paul Field, of Stoke Wake, Dorset, Ringing Master of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisbury Diocesen Guild, and Miss Joan P. S. Davidson, of Thornford, Dorset, a member of the local company of rimgers.

Littleton Church, near. Winchester, is to have a peal of six bells. This is the generous gift of Mrs. Arthur Deane, of Littieton House, in memory of the late Mr. Arthur Deare, for many yeare churchwarden and treasurer to the city of Winchester. It is hoped the bells will be dedicated soon after Easter. Mrs. Deane is an honorary member of the Winchester and Portsmonth Diocesan Guild.

## THE E DTES

MR. WHITTINGTON'S REPLY.
We do not wish to appear fivalous on such a subject, but in admitting Mr. R. Whittington's letter in preise of ladieg in the belfry in a recent issue we appear to have opened the door to a "spot of bother' in our columons. With Mr. Whittington's letter below both sides will have expressed their views on the point et issue, and we musb ask them to leave it at that.

To the Editor
Dear Sir,-I \&m afraid I cangot agree at all with Mr Lucas' expressed opinion, them the Sabtoth is a greater gift from God to man than is woman; nor can I see what good any other gift whatever would have been to man if he had not had the gift of woman. God "provided" the Sabbath certainly, but mankind conld, if he had so desired, and of his own freewill. linve made the seventh day (already "provided' ' holy, in exactly the same way as many people now make Wednestay or Saturday recreative.

Man could not, however rauch he may have desired, have areated woman. To cibserve the seventl day as the Sabbath was a commandment of how to use a dey already 'provided, wherens the gift of a woman to man, aceording to Genesis In., 21-22, was a creation. Mr. Lucas seems also to wish to belittle the woman's worth as the 'moblest gift of Heav'n,' 'because she was tcmpted and brought man into the temptatian and tail "-but I read in Gexeris I., 31, that "God saw everyifing that he had made, and behold it was very good 'and, as I seem compelled to look at things, in that "everything that Gad had mede must be included the agency which was used to tempt the women, and, to my, perlizaps ignorant, mind, it looks like God's scheme of things generally, and that the 'fall" had to bappen.
However that may be, I shall atill quote woman as the last best work, the noblest gift of Heav'n,' and I am, perlaps wiokedly, int clined to look upon the 'fall' in the same way as' the soldier laoked upon his seven days' 'G.B.' for overstaying his leave. He said, 'Oh' well, it was worth it, anyway.

## AN OLD BIRMINGHAM RINGER.

## DEATH OF MR. TFOMAS RUSSAM

Threo weeks before reaching his 80th birthday, Thomas Rugsam died at Birminghum on Satarday. He passed away at his home, 267, Stretiord Road, Sparkbrook, after having been in failing health for some yeas. He suffered chiefy from asthma, and bis end was mot unexpected.

For well over 60 fears he had been a bellringer; one who had zade his matk in Birmingham ringing circles, had been assuciated with several of the churches, notably Bishop Ryder's, Aston and St. Martin's, and had held an bonoured place in the ranks of Midland ringers.

His death breaks another link with a receding generation of Birmingham ringing ' giants.' When he began to ring, men like Johnson, Chattell, Perks, Hallsworth, Biddestone and others were at the peak of their careers, and as a youmg ringer Tom Russam taserl, as it were, to sit at the feet of the mighly and glean knowledge from their convergation.


THE LATE MR. T. RUSSAM,
As luis old friends will best rentember him.
Mr. Russan was borm in Bishop Ryder's parjsl;, wis braught up almost under the shadow of the church tower, and became a member of the choir. As a lad, with oflers of his age, lie used to climb to the belfry and watch with wondering eyes the old sexton, called - Puffer 'Malin, because lie was also organ blower, pulling the singTe bell for service. The boss eventualiy almost used to fight to see who should have a pull.

When the peal of bells was put in in 1869, Tom Russam, then only 12 years ofit, begame a remular ringer. J. Banister, of Woolwich, hecame tho towerkeeper, and under him tho boy became an apt pupil. He was also one of the privileged few who were allowed to ga to Bifty Clattell's bakery, where this worthy used to demoustrate the 'slow work' in Stedman by a novel method of his own.
Even in those early days handbell ringing commanded a lot of attention in Birmingham, and Mr. Russam had st great flair for this form of change ringing. Practices, it is said, used to commence on Monday and finish the following Sunday evening, usually at a place known as 'Old Joe Nixon's.' Certainly Mr. Rhssam became a very accomplished ringer on handbells, He hact an exceptionally gracefni style, and was very safe in a peal. He had rung everything from Triples to Cinques in Grandsire and Stecman, gnd put the coping stone to his performances when he yanf it pair (1-2) to the one and onty peal of Stedman Sextuples in 192.
In his younger diays Mr. Rugenms spent a bof of time teaching ringing and taneplaying. For same time'he was towerkeeper at Bishop Rvder's, and afterwards for many years at Aston, when that tower Ryder's, Mad afterwade for many years at Ast
(Continued in edert colamn.)

## DEATH OF MR. G. W. STOKES.

WORK IN MANY CAPACITIES FOR THE SUSSEX ASSQCIATION.
Sussex ringing has suffered another severe loss by the death on Thursday of last week at Eastbourne of Mr. George W. Stokes. Mr. Stokes, who was 66 years of age and formerly held a responsibice position in the P.O. Telephone Service, had recently underganc zwo operations, from which he never fully recovered.
He began his ringing anreer in Wiltsinire and was atterwards al Crawley, Sussex, before going to Fastbourne; where ho was assaciaterl with the braid at St. Saviour's Chureh.
Tor some years he was the Easterm Divisiohal Hon. Secretary, served on the Association Committee and later became bon. treasurer and a trustee of the Sussex County Association. At the last anmarl mecting of tlie association, when it was decided that the association should be fuily represeated on the Gentral Council, he was elected one of the representatives, but, of course, had had no opportusity of attending a meeting.
In hiss various capacities he hacl done much excellent work for the Sussex Association, the members of which will greatly regrat jus denth.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## BOUTH NORFOLK BRANCH ANWUAL MEETTNG.

That there is no waning of interest in the Norwich Diocesan Associntion was gpparent by the support which was given to the annatl meeting of the South Norfolk Branch, which toot place at Saxlingham on Saburday last, when memhers from Acle, Alburgh, Dickleburgh, Diss, Garbolislam. Halvergrate, Norwich, Palham, Reedham. Shelfhanger, Staraton, Winfarthing, Wymondliam ankl Yarmouth turned ap in force and took part in touches from Grandsire Triples to Double Coslany Court, Gumbridge, Saperlative and London Surprise Major.

At the bisiness meeting, which followed a short service conductert by the Rector (the Rev. \&. S. Deuchar), all the officers of the brasuchr were re-elected.
Herbert Howleft and Ceeil Poyntz, a promising lad, both of Saxlingham, were elected members.
It was deciderl to hold the next meeting on Aprit 24 th at Redeunnill. and to practiae Bristol Surprise Major, which has been ring at firfrequent intervals in Norfols for many years.
The branch secretnry (Mr. N. Golden) thanked the Rev. J. S. Denclur for conducting the scrvice; Mrg. Denchar, the Mieses Duffelai and Mr. Wr. E. Dufficla for so kindy providing fea for lhe enmpany of lilty which sat dowa; Mr. C. D. Thornton. of Tone stanton, fur officiating at the organ; and the contingent from Acle, Halvergate ant Farmouth.

This eoncluded the business of the meeting, when the members dispersed for handhell ringing and further whelses on the tower belle.

## NOTABLE PERFORMANCES <br> (Continuod from previous calumn.)

Mr. Ruesam was a member of the old Birminglam and District Asseciation and the Birmingham Amaigamatied Saciety from their formation until they were disbanded. Ho was also a nember of the Holt Society until it was absurbed by St. Martin's Guild. Previous to the amalgamation the Grild was known as St. Martin's Somety. Ho conducted the first peat rung under the auspices of the Giild.

Although ha kept no accurate record of his peals, Mr. Russim had rung something over a humdreal and fifty. This is not a largo number on the part of so competent a ringer for such a long period, but. Mr. Rusem was never anzions to ting a lotiof pails. He preferrent one good one now and agrin.' Aud they had to be good to pleaso him, for, excellent striker himself, he had litthe patience for those who were careless over their ringisg.
Amone the notable perfornances in which ho took part, fin addition to the Stedman Sextuples, were the first peal of Grandsire Cinques on handbells and the first dosble-handed peal of Stedmar Gingues out of London, this being the second ever rung. His handbell peala also included a 10,000 of Grandsire Major. On tower bells he took part in the first. peal of Duffield Maximus.
Tom Russam's early ringing brought lim into touch with some interesting characters, and when he was in reminiscent vain many were the grood tales lie could tell. Those who heard him propose the tonst of 'The Memory of Henry Tolnisoy' at the Johnson-Conmemoration Dimer a few years sgo will remember the wealth of anedota with which ine adorned the toast. He was of a retiring disposition, but was held in high esteem in Birmingham ringing circles.

In-bealth had prevented him from much active participation in recent yors in the art he loved so well, and of which he was so able an exponent, but he never lost his interest in ringing. From time to tive a little note of comment, criticism or congratilation on a passing event would come into tho oflice of 'The Ringing Work, in his nent and perfectly formed writing, fov he had been a jeweller's engraver by trade. Ho was a delightful and well-informed correspondent, and in all his commanications as in all his contacts witls others he proved himself sver one of Natnre's gentlemen.
The fuzecal service took place at Faviley Wood Clurich on Wednes. day, when geveral members attended to represent st Maxtin's finis and handbetls were rang over the graye.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

SONNING DEANERY DISCOSSES COMBINED PRACTICES.
The annual meeting of the Sonniug Deanery Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Wokingham on Saturday, Jawuary 16th, Ringing took place at the towere of St, Paul's and All Saints' Churches. Service was held in St. Paul's Church, Onnon G. F. Coleridge, Muster of the Guild and chairman of the brancil, being the preacher. A collection for the Brancla Restoration Fuld was taken and realised $£ 1$ 10s.
The Master took for his text Ezekiel, 40, v. 3, and, in the course of an inspiring adedress, brought out the following points, from the superman with a line of flax in his hand and a measuring reed. In the courso of the preparation for rebuilding the temple seen in the vision, the line of fax and the reox were used and the smallest details were carefully taken. Tho hine of flax would appeal to bellingers as their bell-rope. The narrative faught the need of preparation- Dot to leave all till they reached the beliry. The Master impressed the need for careful attention to punctuality and the full use of time, which should nat bo wasted. Theirs was an art which required earnest application if the full value of it were to be realised in their work.
The ringers then adjourned to St. Paul's Parish Room, where a sumpluous tea was providen, and includcd the famed meat pies, also mince pies, and a fine Christras cake, kindly presented by Mrs. P. O. Watson, of Cantley, Wokingham.

The Master, who presided, thanked the great number of good people for ' making this excellent provision for us.' He named Mr. ©hurchwardea Newhery znd his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Eamer, and Mrs. Watson for her kind gift (applause)--Mr. Newbery briefly responded for all the leslpers.
Canon Auderson (Rural Dean) thanked the churchwardens and authorities of St. Paul's for the use of their chureh mad tower; the orgrnist, Mr. F. A. Burgess; and last, but not least, Canon Coleriáge for the sermon. No one, he said, was better qualifed than Canon Coleridge to spente on such an occasion as that from the pulpit (applause)

## THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Master, as chairman of the branch, presided at the annual meeting and there were also present the Rirral Dean, the Rer. O. E. Wigg (Deputy Master), the Rev. A. P. Carr, the Rev. L. R. Majendie, the Row. A. G. G. Thirlow, Mr. A. D. Barker, of slough (Guild trassurer), Mr. R. T. Hibbert (Guild secretary), Mr. W. J. Paice (deanery secretary), Mr. F. Dentry, Mr. J. Moth), other foremen and ringers, inchuding several ladies.
Tho secretary, by permiseion, stated that he had reseived a letter from Tilehust (not in their deanery) inviting assistance in reconditioning their ring of cight bells before the Coranation. The cost would be 2300 .
The response to this appeal was immediate-the plate was passed round and $\& 1$ 5s. subscribed at once.
Arising from the minutes, the hon, secretary said that Easthampatead Rector and chnrchwardens, as their appeal had been generously reaponded to, had returned the five guineas voted by the Sonning Deanery last year, with deep expressions of gratitude, feeling that by so doing they might help some other tower move in need than themsclves (applause).
Apologies were annonnced from the Rev. R. W. Tuesday (eurate in charge of St. Pauls), who was away ou a short holiday, after a time of Etrenuous walk: Canon F.. J. aud Miss Norris. Mr. R, Bagley (Easthampstend). Mr. J. White. Mr. E. Foster (St. Laurence's, Readinfl, and Mr. W. J. Fuller (Wargrave), who. although not now an antive ringer, enelosed subscriptions for himself and wife. The searetary mentioned two deaths. not at the moment connected by menbership with the lranoh. viz, Canon Pargons, who for 41 years was Rector of Sandhurst, and Viscount Mountmorres, Iate Rector of St. Paul'e, Wokingham.

## FINANCIAL

Mr. Paice then. as treasurer, renorted a credit balance on the general fund of $£ 97 \mathrm{~s}$. 7 d ., some $£ 2$ below that of last year, and £9 15s. 6d. in hand in the Branch Restoration Fund.-Mr. Ower Goddard, hon. auditor, was thanked for his services and the report was adopted. As secretary, Mr. Paice next reported a membership oi 28 hon. members and 141 ringers. total 169. Three members-the Rev. J. C. F. Wimberley, of Hurst. Mr. G. Green (All Saints', Wokingliam) and Mr. W. Penton (Binfield)-had died during the yenr. Tho branch had a rond number of yourg ringers-keen to got on in learaing methods to ring their first pral. The Sunday service ringing had been well maintained. The half-yearly meeting at Wurgrave was quile a aliccess. A sordinl welcome was given by the Vicar and the local hund. Peals. in which branch members took part, had been rung at Binfield. Easthampstead. Finchampstead, Wallham St, Lawvrence and Sandhurst (half-mufled in memory of Canon Parsens). The repart also noted the rehanging of Easthampstead bells by Messrs. White. Fitted with ball hearings, they were now in excellent ringing order. The report closed with thanks to Rectors, officials and foremen of towers for their heip and ready co-operation.-The report was adopted on the proposition of Mr. Dentry, seconded hy Mr. Houlton.

Elections then took place. The chairnan (Canon G. F. Coleridge) was proposed for re-election by the Rural Dean, and seconded hy Mr. W. Honlton. The pronoser. amid applansc, happily remarked of Ganon Colaridge that though prevented from getting up the towers,

Le is still a tower of strength to the Guild, his work being appreciated by all ia the deauery. If anybody has the right to preach about what rimgers should do, surely he has (applanse). Fe bas practised what ho preached.' The resolution was endorsed by acclamation.
Canon Coleridge thanked the branch and said he was always glad to serve to the utmost. This year he hoped to reach 80; it was not his mability to get up the towerg, but to got down, that was the trouble. He promised to do his best for the brauch in any way.
llike hon. treasurer and secretary (Mr. W. J. Paice) was re-elected, with cordial expressions of appreciation. Expressing thanks, he recalled that it was ten years ago that night, in that very room, they flrst elected him as secretary.

The Brauch Commitiee, congisting of the foremen of tho towers, was then re-elected, Mr. H. Goodey succeeding Mr. R. Bagley (retired) as foremar at Easthampstead. Branch representatives to the Guild Committee were next re-elected, viz., Messrs. F. Dentry, J. Moti, J. Rance and J. Whitc.
The half-yearly meeting was fixed for oarly in June at Binfeld ancl combined practices as before, botli at the suggestion of the commitee. COMBINED PRAGTICES.
The commiltce further invited suggestions for making combined practices more useful, stating that the matter liad been brought up by a young ringer to the Branch Committee. The suggestion was that sanle of the combined practices be given up to learning a new methad. Some objections, which might now be voiced, were raised at the committee.
Mr. R. G. Cross, the young member in question, then referred to late attendance, which impeired the usefulness of the practices by losing valuable time; also to time lost between touches, which themselves weru sometimes too long. He advocated shorter touckes and more of them, so as to avoid long pauses between the ringing

The Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow supported Wr. Cross, who, he said, practices what he preaches.
Mr. Moth spoke of the local bands not attending these practices, and remarked that six-bell towers were not so good for the purpoge as eight-bell towers.

The secretary stressed the mecessity of looking up the method at home before goilg to combined practice, and agreed with the disadvanlige of arriving late. So wany ringers, too, were not able to ving their bell and ring rounds properly. That marred combined practices. He wranted to sce joung ringers, at these practices. His advice was, 'Learn to ring in rounds in your own tower.
The Guild Secretary (Mr. R. T. Fibbert) satid the art of laadling the bell should come first, and referred to the valuable articles for begianers now rumning in *The Ringing World,' which he advised Foung ringers to study. He referred humorously to the fine in some towers for late attendance. He hoped the virtue of punctuality would be seen amony them in the coming year on all oceasions. It was very nice to see young members in the branch who had the conrage of their convictions. He was glad to see the young ringers and advised them to spend a couple of hours now and then at home with paper and pencil, learning the diagram of a bell so as to bs able to put the bells just where it ought to be put (applause).
Mr. A. D. Barker, the Guid treasurer, congratulated the officers ou their balance sheet. Fe did not know about combined practices, but suggegted that to toke away from the gecretary the lardships of looking after the ringing would help him in carrying ont his other duties. He suggested one or two who could relieve him in that respect.

## PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUIED.

## TOWCESTER BRANOH AND DEATH OF LATE MASEER.

The ancual meeting of the Toweester Bratsch of the Feterborough Diocesan Guild was held on Saturday at Paulerspury, where there is a peal of fue belis, lately rahung by Megers. Taplor and Co., which require careful handling on account of long draught without gaides.
The service was conducted by the Rev. E. Kenworthy-Browne (Rural Dean), who also gave an excellent address. Tea was partaken of in the Tnstitute, amongst those present heing Capt. and Miss Grant-Ires, the Rev. and Mrs. Kenwortby-Browne, the Rev. E. V. Fena (hon. secretary), etc.
At the business meeting which followed regret was expressed at the death of Mr. F. Wilford, late Master of the Guild, and a rote of gympathy was passed with Mrs. Wilford. The late Master attended many meetings of the brazch, and his prosence and advice will bo cadly missed.
All the officers were re-elected, anà Mr. B. Smart, of Pauierspury, was added to the Brancl Committee.
The usual votes of thanks were accorded.

## THE LATE MR. F. WILFORD

At Woadford, Northants, on Wednesday, January 20th, murled quarter-peal was rung as a token of respect to the oldest ringer of the village, Mr. John Bunning, and to Mr. Fred Wilford, who for some years was Master of the Peterborough Diocesan Gnild, The quarter-peal consisted of 720 Oxford Boh and 540 Plain Bob: G. H. Roberts 1, J. M. Nickerson 2, O. Thacy 3, C. Allen 4, T. Jervis 5, O. Wilson (conductor) 6.
Mr. Wilford was born within two miles of this tower, altuongh most of his life was spent at Northampton.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## PROGRESS OF THE BENEVOLENT FUND

Tho Rochester District of the Kent County Agsociation held a quarterly meeting at Milton-next-Gravesend on Saturday last and over 70 members atteuded.
The tower was open from 3 o'clock till 9, and, throughout, the finging was of the higlest quality, both from the netirods rung and the striking, which was a credit to all coneerned.
Sorvice was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. H. H. Powell, an howorary member of the association, and Mr. H. E. Champian, L.R.A.M., the orgnnist, accompanied tho singing, which was up to the usual Kent standard. The Rector gave a shorl and inspiring uddress, which was greatly appreciated.
A collection at tho close for the Association Benewoleat Fund realised 145. 6d.

The conmany wore afterwards entertained to tea in the Johrston Institate by tho gencral hon, secretary and Mrs. F. M. Mitchell, the Tector and Mr. Powell being among thoso to partake of the nospitality provided.
The business mecting followed, the Reator presiding. The district secretary (hir. S. J. T. Shelock) was undvodably absento owing to a Panily bereavement, and tha gencral han, secretary deputised on his behalf. It was unamimously resolved that the sympathy of the memhers bo extended ta Mr. Shollock
The busiaess was couducted in a completely harmonjous spinit, 'lhree ucw members were clected, and Queenborough was whosen withIt opposition as the place of the next meeting.
Mr. Allen, tho district representative, gavo afull and comprehensive pport of the committac meeting deld at Maidstole in November. Fe stated that the commitec decied, among otlier things: That the nnmual meeting should be huld at Aghfora on Easter Monday, when he association would entertain the menbers to lunch; another subommittes had been appointed to discuss the varions amendments to lo new rules, and submit the new draft to the sumbal general meetIIg: at tho Central Council mecting, which this year was being held
Canterbary, he County Assocation would ofer hospitality to the isitars; anf fere had been paid to deserving members from the henevolent Fund.
Mr. Allen was thanked for his report.
Mr. Allen proposed that hearty thanks be extenged to the Rector or his many efforts on their behalf, and said how much they appreiated his helplul address.
The Rector responded and said they were always plensed to welcome 1te asociation to Milton. He was sure they would wish him to extend heir best thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Miteleell for providing them with cuch an excellent tea.-Mr. W. Spite (Tunstali) associnted himself itte these remarks.
Needless to say the thanks were accorded in real Kentish style.
Mr. Mitchell said Mrs. Miteluell and he were very pleased to see uch a large number present. He was doubtful if nt their next meetarg at Milton their hall would be large enougli to halia the 100 he xpocted try attend. They contemplated buiding a new Parislo Hall, and he wondered if the ringers would liko to leave at memento of lieir visit in the form of a whip round.'
This met with a gemerons response, as $£ 158$. was contributed to he fund.
Mr. Mitehell also gave some interesting figures of the association's Benevolont Fund. When he became the general secretary, he said, the balance stood at $£ 14213 \mathrm{~s}$. 81 l . It liac now reached giges 5s, 1d. During the past year $£ 22$ had been paid to aged and deserving memhers, and $£ 17$ IOs. 40 , had heen collected nt meetings in the connty.
Mra. Mitchell also responded and said the gathering gave her the opportunity of repaying the many kindnesses that had been extended to ber by the menbers of the association.
The handibells were bronglte into use, and the company were delighted to hear a course of Grandsire Cinques rang by three of the wisitors ringing four hells ench: Messte. C. Hopper 1-2-3-4, D. Sharp 5-6-7-8, A. Hopper 9-10-11-12.
The tower wis egain risited and the bells kept 'on the go' until 9 o'clock, whon a very enjoyable meeting terminnted.

## CoSGROVE'S NEW BELL

## TREBLE ADDED IN NORTHANTS TOWTR

The dedication of a new treble bell at Cosgrove, Northants, by the Bislop of Peterboroush, took place on Sunday week in the presence of a large congregation. After the dedication a slort toueh of Bob Minor was rung b T. Higrins 4, E. Hillyer 5, R. Ridgeway 6.

The Bishop gave an inspiring address. He spoke of the service ringers gave to the church and of the grent and noble charncter of the late King George $V$., to commemorate whose Jubilee the now bell wros installed.
In adतition to the ringers of the district visitors were present from Hemel Fempstead, Wobinn, Watfold, $\$$ windon, etc.
The opinion of the ringers present was that Cosgrove has now a pretty ring of rix. The tenor is 101 cwt . The work was carried out by Messre. J. Taylor and Co.

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD

CRLWE BRANCH ANNUAL MEETING WELL ATTENDED.
The amural mecting of the Crewe Branch of the Chester Diocesull Guald toak place on January 16th at Christ Church, Crewe. There was a spleridid atteudance, 68 members being present, iopresentiug the following towors: Acton, Alsager, Barthomley, Crewe, Nantwish, Lawion, Mazbury, Wistashon, Daveulam, Wreabury and the Potteries. Ringimg commenced about 3.30 p.nn, under the guidance of Mr. (i. Biddulph, the Ringing Master, and many enjoyable touches were ring on the 10 bells.
A sorvice was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. S. T. Stevens), who is elanman of the branch. The preacher was the Rev. ©. R. England, Vicar of Church Lawtor, aud the lesson was read by tha Rav. C. G. Dickson, of Christ Church, Crewe. Mr. W. Dumning ofticiated at the organ.
Tea was afierwards partaken of in the schoolroom, at the kine unvitation of the Vienz and wardens, and was much appreciated, lu addition to the members present there wero the Rev. S. T. Stevens, tha Rev. C. R. England, the Rev. C. G. Dickson, the Rev, C. Coomber (Wroubury), Mr. W. Chatis aud Mr. W. Thomasson (churchwardens) nad Mr. R. Owen (secretary, Parochial Church Conncil).
The business meeting foljowed, with tho Vicar in the clair. Jhe following elections of oficerg for 1937 took place: Chairmas, the Rer. S. T. Stevons (Crewe); hon. secretary, Mr, R. D. Langford (Crewe); hon. treasurer, Mr. W. T. Holdius (Crewe) : instactor, Mr. A. Crawley (Wistaston) ; Ringing Master, Mr. G. Biddulph (Lawton); represelskitive on General Committee, Mr. W. Sutton (Nantwich).
During the meeting a grant of El 15. was nade to the Chester Gathedral Bell Fund from the branch, and a further collection was Laken which realised E1 12s. $6 d$.
A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the brauch olticers for the work done cluring 1936 ; to the Vicar and wardens for the gpleadid tea; to those who oficiated at the service; and to the ladies whor eatered.
The ringers afterwards adjourmed to the tower, where bhe bells werc kept merrily going matil wine o'clock, the methods rung betge Graudsire Caters, Stedman Cators, Cambridge Major and Boh Royal.

## THE BELLS OF BIRCH

## YOUNG RINQERS' EIMT TO BISEOI

On Sadurday last the raconstructed ring of bells at Birel Chured Manchester, was reopened by Dr. Guy Warman, D.D., Lord Bishop of Manchester. Tho service was well attended by people from the parish and district and, ink adition, way bands of ringers renewee acouaintance with this well-kown belty, zttending epen from so fay away as Greenfield, Todmorden and Longton (Stafts)
In his address the Bishop sketched whe he consitered was the idut band of ringers, and from this proceeded ta lead np to the pressing need of the present day-the duty of the individual to tho team and the team's duty to the individua], that all shouid work togetijer in harmony and wilh due regard to each other's idiosynerssies,

A pleasing interlude occurred during the proceedings when the eighat young ringers presented to the Bighop an illuminated booklet, writiten and actually printed by two of their mumber using founts of type belonging to the Rectar, the Rev. A. E. Horner. L.Tls., Hon. C.F., ofiving details of the Birch bells and their history, the urt of bellfounding, and a short symposium on the mysteries of bellinging
After the service various visiting bands of ringers eclebrated the occasion with short touches. Altogether a memorablo date in the anuals of Birch.

## PRESENTATION TO LINDPIELD RINGER,

## HR. A. TOMSETT"S FTMYY YTARS' GERVICE

The annual meeting of the Lindfield (Susser) Belliugers' Society took place at the Tiger Honse on Thursday, January 14th. After the usual busiress had been transacted, the chnirman, Mr. \$. F. Ampstrong, hon, general secretary of the Sussex Connty Aspociation, called uph Mr. G. W. O. Huddart, tower secretary and warden, to presnit a small token of the members' appreciation to Mr. A. Tomsett, tho retiring captain.
Mr. Huddart mentioned that Mr. Tomsett had been conmected wilh Lindfield Charch for some 50 years in the capacity of ringer, and for more than forty as captaim. Lately he fiad also represented the ringers on the Cfurch Council, and this he was prepared to continne if re-elected. On behalf of the present band. Mr. Huddart then landed to Mr. Tomsetit a silver inkstand, suitably igscribed, as a memento of his services.
In the caurse of his reply, Mr. Tomsett thanked the members iov their gift, sud recalled the great number of riugers who lad passed througli his lands during the time lye had been in clarge of the townr. Few of the old members now remained, somo having teft bine district. aff time had takell its toll of others.
Mr. Tomseft's resignation was received with regret, and despiti: a request to reeansider it, he handed over to his successor, Mr. E. Bumes.

SULGRAYE, NORTHANTS.-On Wednesday, Tanuary 20th, 720 uf Grandsiro Donbles, with the bells half-muffiled, for the anniversary of the death of the late King George V: . Mardell 1, J. Salishary 2. 'IT. Wilcox 3, L. Wootion 4, W. Bramsou (conductorl) 5, W. Wilewx F.

## NOTICES.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Disitrict.-The meeting advertised for Cheshunt for tomorrow (Jan. 30th) is postponed until Feb. 13th. All previous arrangements stand for this date. - W. H. Latwrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Norti-Western District.
The aunual meeting of this district will be held at Streatham on Saturday, Jan. 30th. The bells of St. L.conard's will be available from 3 a'clock. Service at 5 o'clock at St. Leonard's. Tea at The Manor, at is. per head, followed by meeting. The bells of Immanue Church, Streatham Common, will be available immediately after the meeting till 8.30 p.m1-FF. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Sirathearn Road, Sutton.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -The annual general meeting will be held at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Tower open at 4 o'clock. Tea in canteen at 5.30. Business meeting in the Vestry Hall at 6.30. St. Bride's, Fleet Street bells available from 2.30 to $3.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-G. A. Card, Hon. Sec., 7, Gilstead Road, Fulham, S.W.6.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District.Annual meeting at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells from 2.30 to 7.30 . Service at 4.30. Tea, 1s. each, at 5 . Important business meeting to follow. Ringing at Willesden from 7 to 9 p.m. Special method, St. Clement's Bob Triples. The Distric: Committee will meet at 3.30 p.m.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E. 4.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Bath Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Twerton-on-Avon on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15. - Theo Grant, Swainswick, Bath, Som.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annual genera! meeting will be held at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, on Saturday, January 30th, when the following bells will be available: Far Headingley (8) 12 noon to 9 p.m., St. Michael's, Headingley (8) 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., St. Matthias', Burley (8) 7 p.m. to 9 p.tu. Service at St. Chad's at 4.15 p.m., the preacher being the Lord Bishop of Ripon. The President askis that on this special occasion a! ringers should do their best to attend. The general meeting will be held in the schoois immediately after tea, and the presentation to Canon C. C. Marshall, who completes 25 years as Presitlent of the Association at this maeeting, will be made by the Loird Bishop of Ripon on behalf of the members. The Iresident and local company extend a very hearty welcome to all ringers.-]. E. Cawser, Hon. Gen, Sec., Cragdon House, Ashton Lane, Braithwell, near Rotherham.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chertsey District.-.The annual district meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Beils (8) available 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting, in Church Room. All ringers and friends given a hearty welcome. Subscriptions for 1937 now due.-F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec., 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern Distriot. - Saturday, Jan. zoth, annual meeting at Baldock. It is the duty of all Northern District members to attend. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short service and tea to follow. Business meeting includes election of district secretary, district committee, election of two members to serve on General Committee, balance sheet of district and report. Book the date and don't be lateDon Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., Fritton, Moormead Close, Hitchin.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -The annual meeting of the Grimsby District will be held (D.v.) at St. James', Grimsby, on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Bells (8) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.15. Preacher, the Vicar, the Rev. E. Lisle Marsden. Tea in Church House at 5 p.m., at is. 6 d . per head. Business meeting to follow. All subscriptions are now due. A hearty welcome is extended to all.-H. Mingay, Hon. Dis. Sec., 394, Wellington Street, Grimsby.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at Essendon on Saturday, Jan. 3 oth. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Two bus services-Barnet to Hertford and St. Albans to Hert-ford-are suitable. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers and friends welcome.-W. Nash, N. Mimms. and H. V. Frost, 4, Kimberley Road, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District.-The annual meeting will be held at the Bell Foundry, Loughborough (by kind permission of Messrs. J, Taylor and Co.), on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Bells available from 3 p.m. This meeting should not be confused with quarterly meeting of the M.C.A., which is being held at Loughborough on Feb. 6th.-H. Kerly, Hathern Road, Shepshed, Loughborough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Deptford, on Saturday, Jan 3oth. Beils available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea and business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due and should be paid at this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere, Kent.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. -The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 3oth, at Bourne (owing to Edenham bells being unavailable). Bells (6) available from 2 to 9 p.m. Service in Abbey Church at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea and business meeting at Brightman's Café. Outstanding subscriptions should now be paid. All welcome-C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham, Sleaford, Lincs.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Salisbury Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Sadisbury ( 6 bells), on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Business mecting to follow. St. Martin's (8), St. Edmund's (8) also available. - F. W. Romaine, Han. Sec., 41 , Green Croft Street, Salisbury.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL GUILD.-Chippenham Branch.-Annual meeting will be held at St. Paul's (8), Chippenham, on Saturday, Jan. 3oth, at 3 o'clock. Service 4.45. Tea after. St. Andrew's (8) also open. Visitors please notify early. - F. W. Merrett, Branch Hon. Sec., 38, Downing Street, Chippenlaam, Wilts.
bath and wells diocesan association. -Jurisdiction of Glaston Branch, -The annual meeting will be held at St. Cuthbert's (8), Wells, on Saturday, Jan. 3oth. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.-F. D. Rickards, 32, Burcott Road, Wells.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-The sum of 1s. 8d, which entitles members who have not attended twenty times to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be heid at *St. Paul's Cathedral on Feb. 2nd; St. Magnus' on the 4th and 18th; Southwark Cathedral on the 11th; *St. Mary-le-13ow on the 16 th ; St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 23 rd, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ; St. Andrew's on the $25: 11$, at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting afterwards. Wm. T. Cockcrill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Claphan, S.W. 4.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Wednesday Afternoon Guild.-A meeting will be heid at Cramlington on Wednesday, Feb. 3 rd. Meeting at 3 p.m. Tea, in Parish Hal!, is. each. Bells available from 3 p.m.-W. Sheraton, Guild Sec.
LADIES' GUILD.-A mid-week meeting will be held at St. John's, Leytonstone, on Wednesday, Feb. 3 rd. Bells available from 3 o'ciock. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Service at 8 p.m. Will all requiring tea notify me by Saturday, lan. 3oth?-E. K. Fietcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield, Middlesex.
ALL SAINTS', HEREFORD.-You would be wel omed at our last 'open bell' practice before Easter, on Thursday, February $4^{\text {th, }}$ at 7.29 p.m.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual meetmg of Guildford District at Guildford on Saturday, Feb. ith. Bells available: Cathedral, 3 to 4 p.m.; S. Nicolas', 3.30 to 4.30 . Shalford, after meeting, until 9 p.m. Service at S. Nicolas' 4-30. Tea and meeting at Ayres' Café 5.15 . Please send me numbers for tea by Feb. 3 rd. -G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon, near Guildford.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Burley Parish Church on Saturday, Feb. 6 th. Bells available 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Meeting in tower at 6.30 p.m. Members and non-members cordially invited.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil St., Blackburn.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Kington Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Kington on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6) available 4 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Business meeting to follow- Jabez Preece, Dis. Sec., Lea Lodge, Staunton-on-Arrow.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - North Norfolk Branch.-The annual meeting for the election of officers for the year takes place at Wymondham on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells at 2.30. Service, conducted by the Rev. F. Jarvis, at 4. Tea, followed by business meeting, at 4.45 p.m. Methods for practice: Erin Triples and Duffeld Major. Diagrams on receipt of postcard. Please notify your intention to be present at tea.-Nolan Golden, Winton, 26, Brabazon Road, Norwich.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Francis Xavier on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Tower open for ringing at $2.3^{\circ}$ p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. T. Egan, so, Brookes Terrace, Liverpool 6, not later than previous Wednesday. -H. Grundy, Branch Sec.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Dunster Deanery Branch.--The annual meeting will be held at Old Cleeve (8) on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at the Village Hall at 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Kindiy advise me not later than Feb. 1st for tea.-G. Stacey, 6, Park Street, Minehead.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-Sevenoaks is the place, and Saturday, Feb. 6th, the date, for the first meeting of the New Year. You come, please, and heip start the year well. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.3 3 . Tea and business meeting to follow. Members requiring tea please notify me by Tuesday, Feb. 2nd. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due.-Alec. E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Narthern Division. - A meeting will be held at Sible Hedingham on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present please notify me by Tuesday, Feb. 2nd. - F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earts Colne.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South-West District. The annual meeting will be held at All Saints' Church, Old Isleworth, on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea, $5 \cdot 30$, in Church Hall, Sourth Street. Business meeting to follow. Bells (10) from 3 p.m. and after meeting. If you require tea, can you notify me by Feb. 1st, please?-F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Higher Walton on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells ready 2.30 p.m. Meeting 5 p.m. A hearty welcome given to all ringers to attend. J. Charnock, Branch Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - General quarterly meeting, Loughborough, Feb. 6th. Bells of All Saints' ( 10 ) and Bell Foundry Campanile (to) available 2 to 3.45 and after meeting. Committee meet 3 p.m. Special service 4 p.m., during which late Rector (Canon Briggs) will dedicate tablet to past Loughborough ringers. Tea at 4 .30, followed by general meening; both in the Fearon Hall. Tea will only be provided for those applying for and obtaining tickets before Feb. 4th from Mr. J. Grundy, Limehurst, Bridge Street, Loughborough.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., ${ }^{24}$, Coventry Street, Leicester.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Ledbury Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Colwall on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service in St. Crispen's Chapel at 5 p.m. Tea in Parisls Room 5.30 p.m., to be foliowed by annual business meeting. Will all those requiring tea please let me know by Thursday, Feb. 4th? All ringers welcome.-A. Jones, juл., Hon. Dis. Sec., The Reddings, Colwall, near Malvern.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Southill on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6), recently rebung and retuned by J. Taylor and Co., available 3 o'clock. All visitors welcomed.-C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy, Beds.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. A meeting will be held at the two six-bell towers in 1.ytham on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Business 5.30 . Members and non-members heartily wel-comed.-C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Fenton on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea will be provided free of charge to all who notify Mr. S. Dutton, Gramerci, Grove Road, Fenton, Stoke-on-Trent, not later than February 3rd.-Andrew Thompson, Hon. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Bridgnorth Branch.-The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 6th, at Bridgnorth. Ringing 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, 5 p. m1., followed by meeting. Those requiring tea please notify the undersigned. - H. G. Thomas, Hildon, Victoria Road, Bridgnorth.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Poolstock (not Wigan r'arish, as previously arranged) on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, gratis, to all who notify Mr. A. Parker, 89, Barnsley Street, Wigan, by Wednesday, Feb. 3rd. -5. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

 -Crewkerne Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Ilminster on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Service at 6 p.m. Please advise, if tea required. - D. G. Taylor, Cornhill, Ilminster.GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-South Forest Branch. - Next meeting will be held at Newnham-on-Severn on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Belis (8) open $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business meeting at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers who require tea must let me know by Wednesday, Feb. 3rd.--Oliver Thomas, Branch Hon. Sec., 11, Victoria Road, Lydney, Gios.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch-A meeting of the above oranch will be held at Brightwalton on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea, 5 p.m., at 6d. All ringers welcome. Intending visitors please notify Mr. J. E. Hectges, Myrtle Cottage, Brightwalton, near Wantage, Berks, by Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, for tea. The 'Reliance, bus from Newbury Wharf at 2.30 for this meeting, returning 7.30 p.m. from Brightwalton. -H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H. Branch.The spring meeting will be held at Shrivenham on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6) available at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Those requiring tea please notify not later than Thursday, Feb. 4th.-R. Gilling, Hon. Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Northern Division will be held at Balcombe ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.l5, 1s. per head. Names for tea by Feb. 3rd. Half rail fare to members, maximum 1s. 6d.-O. Sippetts, to, Albany Road, Crawley, Sussex.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A special meeting will be heid at Braunston (6) on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Usual arrangements.-W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The annual meeting will be heid at Spaiding on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting afterwards. Will those intending to be present kincly let me know by Feb. 2nd?-Geo. Lađ̉d, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The monthly meeting will be held at Market Lavington on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. All ringing friends wel-come-W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Melksham.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The pre-Lent meeting will be held at Chester-le-Street on Saturday, Feb. 6th. The bells will be available during the afternoon and evening. Committee meeting 4 p.m. Short service 4.45 p.m. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. A. Brown, 7, Finchdale Terrace, Chester-le-Street, by Feb. 4th at the latest?-R. Park, Hon. Sec.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ludiow and Church Stretton District.-The annual meeting will be held at Ludlow on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Kindly advise me not later than Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, number attending requiring tea.-W. J. Beniams, Hon. Dis. Sec., Ber-All, Henley Road, Ludlow, Shropshire.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A special meeting will be held at Fakenham on Fej. 6th, to dedicate an oak peal board, recording a muffled peal rung as a tribute of respect to the late F. T. Cooke, a former ringer at Peterborough and Fakenham. Service at 3.30. Bells (8) available 2.30 till $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided free to all who send a postcard before Feb. 4th to R. W.. Cooke, Hempton Green, Fakenham.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Brancb. - A meeting will be held at Chatteris, Cambs, on Saturday, February 6th. Bells (6) available $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 4.45 . Short evensong 6. Please advise Mr. A. J. A brams, number for tea. Very good train and bus services all ways.-F. Warringtnn, Dis. Sec.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual meeting Feb. 13th. Ringing at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. ; St. Lawrence Jewry, E.C., 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. ; Bow, Cheapside, 2.30 to 3.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Strand, $3.10 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $4.10 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by service 4.15 p.m. Preacher, probably Lord Bishop of Stepney. Tea 5 p.m., reserved only for those who notify me well beforehand. Meeting and handbell competition in Parish Room 7 p.m.-T. W. Taffender, Hon. Sec., 26, Southway, Raynes Park, S.W.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The spring meeting will be held at Boughton on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea and business meeting. Will all those who intend to be present please notify me not later than Thursday, Feb. 11th? Subscriptions for 1937 are now due and may be paid at this meeting.-B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec., 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 13 th, at St. Mary's Church, Brecon. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service at $4.3^{\circ} \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting at 5 . Tea supplied by the Vicar.-F. E. Thomas, Dis. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-The annual district meeting will be held at Leatherhead on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 , followed by tea (1s.) and business meeting at the Duke's Head. Will those requiring tea please send numbers to Mr. A. Dean, 24, Church Walk, Leatherhead, by Feb. 10th and not go to the Institute from force of habit?-A. H. Smith, Hon. Sec., Drakelowe, Howard Road, Great Bookhan, Surrey.

NATIONAL GUILD OF POLICE RINGERS. Annual meeting at Liverpool, Saturday, Feb. 13th. Ringing: St. Francis Xavier's R.C. Church, Salisbury St. (8 bells) $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $11.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. ; St. Nicholas' Church ( 12 bells) noon to 12.45 p.m. $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and $6.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $7.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Luncheon (2s. 6d.) 1 p.m. prompt. The Lord Mayor of Liverpool (Alderman Denton) will give a reception to the party at 3 p.m. at the Town Hall. Tea (1s. 6d.). 5 p.m. Business meeting 5.45 p.m. Social 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. All at the Bear's Paw Restaurant, 53, Lord Street. Members, please make special effort to attend. Hearty invitation to all ringers. Please notify Chief Inspector J. Meldrum, City Police, Prescot St. Station, Liverpool, by Feb. 10th. Subscription for 1937 now due.-Inspector H. J. Poole, Hon. Sec., Wayside, Narborough Road, Leicester.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting of the Western Division will be held at Chichester on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Tower open 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Half rail fares, maximum 1s. 6d., to members.F. H. Meeten, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, North Street, Worthing

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Yalding ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells available 2.30. Service at 5. Tea at the Bull 5.30. Please send a postcard for tea to Mr. H. Mills, High Street, Yalding, by Wednesday, Feb. 10th. Every ringer welcome. Bourne Surprise, Double Court, or plain fare according to taste, but come and try il!-A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division.A meeting will be held at Fryerning on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow. Ingatestone bells also available in the evening. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Feb. 10th?-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chemsford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch.
-The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Bacup, on Saturday, Feb. 13th. If you intend being present, will you make a note that the tower is not open until 6 p.m.? Now, chaps, show your interest and please turn up. - J. Porter, 11, Chesharn Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.

HARPENDEN PARISH CHURCH TOWER Owing to the death of Mr. Ben Jarman all correspondence in future should be sent to A. Day, 131, Luton Road, Elarpenden, Herts.

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## YOUNG RINGERS' OPPORTUNITIES.

It is not a bad thing when we find youth critieising youth for failing to take its fair share in the concerns of ringing. One of the characteristic, and interesting, features of 'reports ' presented to members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild has been the frank comments of those responsible. There is never any attempt to make things look better than they are in the affairs of the Guild ; on the contrary it is apparently felt that a little frank speaking is likely to shake into thought those who prefer to let others do the work while they sit back and grumble; or, if they are of the easy going type, imagine that all is for the best in best of all possible worlds. At different times the clergy and the lethargic or dissatisfied members have come under the lash. We are not sure that it has much effect, but it is better than leading the members either into further somnolence or to believe that all the grievances of those who have any are justified while they make no effort to remedy them. There are folks of this type in all associations-some who are content to let things drift ; others who complain ; but none of them apparently prepared to do anything by way of helping to improve matters. Probably if they did they would find that the task is not so easy as they imagine.
The criticism which was offered at the Guildford Guild meeting to which we refer was made by the Farnham District Secretary. He is himself among the 'youth' of the Guild, and as one who ungrudgingly puts more time and energy into ringing for the benefit of others than perhaps any other member of the Guild, is fully justified in offering criticism. He complains that some young ringers do not take advantage of the opportunities that are offered them, and points out that it is their duty to do everything they can to maintain the high standard reached by many older ringers and not to leave the latter to do all the irksome tasks necessary in running a belfry. If they have faults to find they should help to improve matters; not absent themselves from the belfry and grumble outside about what should be done.

This is very sound advice. A fortnight ago we pleaded the cause of the young ringers with the older members of the Exercise. The report to which we now refer provides the opportunity of pleading the cause of young ringers with themselves. Associations, by their frequent meetings, provide many opportunities for 'young' ringers of all ages, and if the latter do not take advantage of the facilities they then have little cause for complaint. They should recollect that those ringers whose skill they see exercised in the belfry were once beginners like themselves and very few men have reached the top of the tree who have waited for the opportunities (Continued on page 82.)

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to be made for them．Those who have been most suc－ cessful have been those who have endeavoured to help thenselves．The older men，as a rule，are ready to assist any youngster who shows a determination to get on，although we know there are towers where the so－ called leader has very little patience with or interest in a beginner，and his chief object is to impress others with his own exalted status．Even if there seems to be little of encouragement in his own tower，however，the young－ ster should not neglect his opportunities in any other direction that offers itself and shouid not be shy to accept office or responsibility if it comes his way．If he has ideas let him ventilate them－others will probably welcome them．His own shoulder must go to the wheel if he wants progress．

## TWELVE BELL PEAL．

LINCOLN
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
（Noryhern Brance．）
On Saturday，January 30，1937．in Thred Hours and Farty Minutes，
In St．Hogh＇s Tower，at tge Caterdral
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES，5018 CHANOES； Tenor 24 cwt ．

George Flinteam ．．．.. .3 3 Waltrr Tomlinson ．．．．．． 9
Frederick W．Stores ．．． 4 Jogn Walden ．．．．．．．．．io
Lawis Snell ．．．．．．．．． 5 Jobn A．Freeman ．．．．．．．．．．in
Herbert Lowman ．．．．．． 6 Arthor H，A．Mafcon ．．．Temoy
Composed by Jobn Cartir．Conducted by Joen A．Freeman．
＊Tirst peal on twelre bells．H．Marcon has now＇circled＇the tower．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

## LONDON．

THE LONDON COUNTT ASSOCLATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARE DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Salurday，Januay 2，1937，in Two Hours and Forly－Eight Minuts， At the Ceorce of St．George，Camberwhle，S．E．，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES； Haywood＇s Transposition of Tedrstans＇Fodr－zart．

Tenor 15 cwt．
Frahr R，L．Blewer．．．．．．Tyeble Ernest W．Frrbank ．．．．．． 5
Thomas H．Taffinder ．．． 2 Raymond G．Courin ．．．．．． 5
Ernest J．King ．．．．．．．．．． 3 Jack A．Wadge ．．．．．．．．． 7
Thobas W．Taffender ．．． 4 Edward D．Smite... Conducted by Thomas W．Tafyender．

GAMPS\＆LL，YORKSHIRE．
THE FORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION． On Thursday，Janavy 21，1937，in Three Hours，
At ter Cbdrca of St．Mary Magdalshe，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 6088 GHANOES； Tenor 11．cwt．
John H．Lenton ．．．．．．．．．Treble Alberz J．Strangward ．．． 5 Herbert Walker ．．．．．． 2 Thomas Hozder ．．．．．．．．．． 6 Artajr Walker ．．．．．．．．． 3 Hargy C．Walters ．．．．．． 7 Horace Fox ．．．．．．．．．．．． 4 Fred Newton ．．．．．．．．．Tenor Composed by T．B．Worseey．Condacted by John H．Lenion． First peal in the method on the bells．Rung as a birthday compli－ ment to the ringer of the sixtb．

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CRAYPORD，KENT
THE EENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION．
On Friday，Jumary 22，1937，in Iwo Hours and Forty－Six Minates， At the Ceurch of Sx．Paulinus．
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR， $505 B$ CHANGES； Tenor rat cwt．
Colin A．Hoppgr ．．．．．．Tyable Harry Hoshins．．．．．．．．． 5 JoEn H．Catesman ．．．．．． 2 ＂Derex M．Shary ．．．．．． 6 Arteor S．Riceardson ．．． 3 Heqbery E，Ajosley ．．． 7 Thomas Groombridgr，jon． 4 Edwin Barnett．．．．．．．．．Tenor Composed by T．R．Worrlay．Conducted by T．Groombridge，jon．
＊First peal in tue inetlof．

> CHIGWELX TOW, TSSTXX THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday，Janwary 23，1937，in Thyee Hours and Nine Minutes， At the Cburci of All Saists，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR，EO8B CHANEEB； Tenor 15 cwt ．
Mrs．Jogn H．Crampion ．．．Treble Jabes Chale ．．．．．．．．．． 5 Charles A．Hogers．．．．．． 2 Alfrid Pribr ．．．．．．．．． ＂Albert G．Petty ．．．．．．． 3 John H．Cramplon ．．．．．． 7 tC．Ronalo Smith $\ldots . . . .4$ Edward D．Smith 4 ．．．．．．Temer Composed by T．B．Worslev．Conducted by Jorn H．Crampion．
＊First peal．中 First peal of Major． WINGHAM，KENT，
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Wednesday，Januay 27．1937，in Thyee Howrs and Twatve Minutes， Aiter Cedref of St．Mary－the－Virgin，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，50AD CHANGES；

Parkfr＇s One－part．
Jabez Walter．．．．．．．．．．Treble
Frederich G．Breti
William E．Pitman
－Pegcy W．Smith

Joun Serap ．．．Tenor r9立cwt． Joun W．Unwin ．．．$\cdot .$. EDWARDE ERENDE
EdWard E．Lrerdeli
Brtram J．Lugk
Conducted by E．E．TRFNDELE．
＊Trisst peal in the method．
LOUGFBOROUGF．
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION．
On Weducsday，Januay 27，1937，in Two Haurs and Thirty－Three Minutes At tre Bele Foundry Campanile，

## A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 GHANEES；

Holi＇s Original．
－Geoffrey Hartison ．．．．．Treble Colin tharrison ．．．．．．． 2
 Frank Bodcrer．．．．．．．．．．． 4 Londucted by Colin Farie Stevens．．．．．．．．．Tehor
＊First peal（aged I2 years）．＋First peal of Graudsire Triples．A hirthday compliment to the conductor and also to fie mother of the fifthr ringer．

WANDSWORFH，LONDON．
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS．
Un Thursdav．January 28，1937，in Three Hours and Five Minuts，
At ige Parish Chbreh of All Saints，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES；
Trorstans＇Fodr－part．
Tenor 16 cwt ．
Wicelam S．Langdon．．．．．．Treble Hanry G．Miles．．．．．． Herbert Langdon ．．．.. $.4 \quad 2 \quad$ James H．Ramiey $\quad . .$. Hemry R．Newion ．．．...$\quad 3$ Alpred B．Pecr ．．．$\quad . .$. Herbert Pasmore ．．．．．．．． 4 Wicliam H．Pasmore．．．．．．Temor This peal was rung with the bells half－muffied in effectionate memory of Mr．Fary R．Pasmore，fatier of the ringer of the 4 th and brother to the temor ringer．The traditional＇whole pull and stand was rung at St．Paul＇s Catherlral an January 5th．The peal was also rang as a fribute to Canon Douglas＇I＇uclor Oraig，who passed away on Jnnuary 7tif，ab the age of 70 years，Ficnr of St．Andrew＇s， Earlsfiel for 40 yoars，and Rural Dean of Wandsk orth from 1925.

STALNES，MDDLESEX．
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND JONDON DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Wednasday，Janhary 27，1937，in Three Hours and Two Aimmes，

## At the Churce of Si．Mary，

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR，505日 CHANGES； Middleton＇s．

Tenor 18 cwt ．
William E．Bdtler．．．．．．Tyebla｜Edwin A．Bhrnett ．．．．．． 5
Grorgr H．Gotteridge ．．． 2 William Welling ．．．．．．． 6
－Edjard S．T．Farr ．．．．．． 3 Cgcil W．Piph ．．．
Leonard Stilwell ．．．．．．． 4 Alan R．Pink ．．．．．．．．．Tenay Conducted by Alan R．Pink．
＊First peal in the method．E．S．T．Furr＇s 76th peal． SGUNTHORPE，LINCS，
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
O Thurstay，Janvary 28，1937，in Thee Hows and Two Minnfs，
At ree Cburch of St．Jogn－the－Evangrist，

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

Tenor 18 1 cwt c


| Ernest Brititain | ... | .. | 2 | tFrgd Lacby | ... | ... | ... | 6 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frank Lord | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Grorge Dobes | ... | ... | ... | 7 |


Composed by A．Knights． Conducted by Frank Lird．
＊First peal of Treble Bob Major．t First peal in the melhod away from the treble．First peal in tho method as conduotor．The ringer of the second has now＂completed the circle＂in this tower． NOTTINGHAM．
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCTATION． Un Thursday，January 28，7937，in Three Hours and Eight Minutes， At ter Cherch of St．Peter．
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR，508B CHANGES； Terior Rl cwt．

| alter Nichols | Tyeble | Edward Foster |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grorge E．Fosirir |  | J．Alfrrd Barrati |
| 1．Frederick Miliner |  | Ralfe Nahborodgit |
| R．Alfen Higrlin | 4 | Friderick A．Salter．．．．．．Tenor |
| Composed by J．Teor |  | Conducted by F．A．Salier |

＊First peal of Treble Bob．
ORAFFORD，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Friday，January 29，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty－One Minutes，
Az tee Cgurce or St．Pageinos，
A PEAL DF LIMCOLNBHIRE 8URPRISE MAJOR， 5056 HBANGES； Teaor 12 cwt．
Edwin Barnett ．．．．．．．Tyoble Edwin A．Barneit ．．．．．． 5


Composed by Rev，H．Law Jambe．Conducted by E．A．Barnert． ＊First parl in the method．

> Wa'ri-ON-DEARNE, YORKSHIRE.
> THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION,
> (BARNSLY ANE DESTRIGT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday，Jaruary 30，1937，is Three Howrs and Four Minutes， At the Ceurce of All Saines，
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 CHANGES； Tenor 14 cift．
Williak Grben ．．．．．．．．．．Trable Aribyrfirta $\quad .$. Tom Brothwrle ．．．．．．．．．．．． 2 ．．．$\quad$ Harold Ceant... Joze H．Brotawgll ．．．．．． 3 Arthoa Gill ．．．．．．． Reginald Payne．．．．．．．．．．．． 4 Algert Nase ．．．．．．．．．．．Toror

Composed by Gabriec Lindofer Conducted by A．Nase．
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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
(Preston Branca.)
In Saturday, Jonuary 30, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At tue R.C. Churca of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES: Tenor 15 ewt. ..Tyeble $\mid$ Francis McCarthy...$\quad$... 5

Thomas Barker
Alprbd Blogg Jobe Jackson Frid Rigby... Knights (No. 2). Conducted by Wililam Suarplbs This composition, a 6,240 reduced, was composed in 1883, and is now rung for the first time.

## IPSWICH

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
(Si. Mary-le-Tower Socirty.)
On Sahuyday, January 30, 1937, in Three Howrs,
Azter Cefrch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MASOR, BOBB GHANGES ; Tenor ${ }^{16}{ }^{2} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{wt}$.
William P. Garrztt
Sylvia R. E. Bowyer
... 2 Frbderice J. Tillett ... 6
-William S. Kinsey ...

- Jambs Rose ... ... ... a William J. G. Brown... ...Tehar

Compoged and Conducted by Carrles J. Sedglby.

* First paal in the method. Rung as a birtiday compliment to Mrs. Cbarles Crapneil, the wife of a respected member of St. Margaret's Service band.

HINOKLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Janua,y 30, 1937, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At ife Ceorce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF BTEDMAN TRIPLE8, 5040 CHANGES;

Wasbirook's Six part.
-Percival A. Oldeam ...Tvebla Jobn Thompson... ... ... 5 Gzorge A. Newton ... ... 2 . †Erngst E. Pickrring ... 6 †Artbor D. Oldbas ... ... 3 Ernest Morrls ... ... ... 7 Josepg H. Beale ... ... 4 ईPercy W. Moore ... ...Tenoy

Conducted by Ermbst Morris.

* 100th M.C.A. peal. + First peal of Stedman. £ First peal. Celebrates the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. G. Stedman Morris, brother aud sister-in-law of the conductor.

EDGBASTON, BIRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUTLD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Satkrday. January 30, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Seven Minutes,
Ay the Parise Chtrch of St. Bahtholomew,
A PEAL OF dOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, gO2 CHAMGE8: Tenor 10 cwt .
Ernest T. Allaway ... ...Treble |Gborge E. Fbarn ... ... 5

| William C. Dowding | ... | 2 | Morris J. Morris | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Grorge F. Swann |  |  |  |  |  |  |


 Tisst peal in the method as conductor.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

AMERSHAM, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and Sotie Bocks Brance.)
On Tuesday, Jonuary 12, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At ter Church of St. Mary,

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

Being one extent each of York Surprise, Durlam Surprise, Lendon Surpries, Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treblo Boh and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 19 cwt .
William Welling $\qquad$ ...Tyeble Grorge H. Gutriridge ...Tveble grorge H. Gittrridee ... 2 Leonabd Stilwell ... .... 5 Edward C. Ayres ... ... 3 Alan R. Pink ... .... .... Tenor

## Conducted by W. E. Redrap.

An oighteenth birthday compliment to Miss Beryl Holmes.

## POULTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASEIRE ASSOCIATION. (Eyldz Buance.)
On Saturday, Januay 76, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Ond Minutes,
At the Cerrcy or Si. Cbad,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being two extents of Canterbury Pleasure, three of Oxford Bob and two of Plain Bob,
Rgeus Cowell ... ... ...Treble |Ggorgr Mabigs ... ... ... 4
Stepgen Lawrenson... ... 2 Bernard h. Hall ... ... 5
Jobn H. Fostbr ... ... ... 3 Crarlis Sbarples -... ... 7 emor Conducted by C. Shapless.
Ringers of treble and secoud aro local ringers, and this is the firot peal ever rung on the bells by local men. The bells bave been in the tower since 1741.

## ALGARKIRK, LINCS. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (Eactemm Branch)

On Thursday, January 21, 1937, in Tuo Howrs and Fifty-Five Minates,
At tee Cerrch of SS. Peterand Paul,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 50dO CHANGE8; Seven 720's.

Tenor 18 cwt .
*Miss Carriz Nbal n..* ...Tyeble $\mid$ Gzorgb W. Burrbll
†Miss Lois M. Neal ... ... 2 Cyril. R. Burrzll... ... 5
Arteur Young ... ... ... 3 Harold Barsley ... ... Tenor Cončucted by Harold Barsery.

* First peal of Treble Bob. 7 First peal of Cambridge. GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX. THE LSSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Jantuary 23, 1937, in Tiwo Honys and Fifty-Eight, Minktes. At the Church of St. George,


## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, $\overline{\text { IOA C CHANGES: }}$

Seven different callings.
*Gzorge E. Jennings... ...Tyebie Ubban W. Willdaby... ... 4
tMiss Violet Frost ... ... 2 -Madrice J. Ling ... ... 5
William J. Nbvard ... ... 3 Edward E. Davgy ... .... Teror
Conducted by E. E. Davey.

* First peal of Bob Minor. $\dagger$ First peal. BRANSTON, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Nortaern Bramce.)
On Saturday, January 23, 1937, in Two Howys and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At tee Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
One extent eaeh of Cambridge Sturprise, Oxford Bob and Single Court, and two each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb .
Frbderick W. Stokrs ...Tyeble $\mid$ Walter Tomlinson ... ... 4
Jobn F, Prargon ... ... 2 Moses Blllings ... ... ... 5
-Bertie bez Conducted by Frbdrrick W. Stokrs.
* First peal. A 70th birthday peal for Mr. Herbert Pearson (one of the local ringers), who kindly entertained the band to tea afterwards. Mr. Pearson had intended to take part in the peal but was unfortunately prevented through indisposition. The conductor called Mr. Pearson's first peal exactly 23 years ago.

TEMPSTRORD, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHRE ASSOGIATION.
On Friday, Jankary 29, 1937, in Two Honss and Forty-Six Minn'es,
At tee Cefrch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Soven different 720 's
Tenor 9 owt.

- Percy Endersby
 C. Edward Jeffries ... Conducted by R. J. Hodghton.
* First peal. + First peal 'inside.' First peal as conductor.


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THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathriay. Jantary 30, 1937, In Itwo Hours and Fifty Mirutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BDB WINOR 5040 CHANEES;
lieing two exicnts euch of Sandel, London Scholars', Kingston, and one extent of Oxford.
A. Hiberat ...
H. Haytbos
... ... 3 rebic
S Asdrra


- A. Bancroft
E. Brnnett
J. A. Milner


## Conducted by J. A. Milner.

* First peal. Rumg with the belis fully muffled as a token of reshrett to thine late Mr. A. T. Marsland, who was a ringer at the above tower for over 30 years.


## HANDSWORTH, YORKSHIRE,

## TEE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## (Sueffield District Society.)

On Saturday, Jantary 30. 1937, in Thyee Hours and One Mixwif,

## At the Chorce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob three 720's of Kent Treble Bolu fund two 720's of Plain Bob.
Mise L. Noel Cafthorne iweble Mrs. Durice Krley ... Fardericr Cardwgle ... 2 Alprbd W. H. Bowler Joan Turley

Conducted by Faed Waykinson
Rung after meeting short for Major, owing to sudden illness.

## GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.

IM Saturday , January 30, 1937. in 7 hyee Hours ard Five Minutes,
At the Churce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 6080 CHANGES;

Contrising one extent each of Double Court, St, Clement's, Plain hol, Canibritige Surprise, Woudbine Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treblo Bob. A, hert Cattbrwale... ...Tvelie $\mid$ Reginald G. Symonds ... 4
 Ronald Sockeing

## Conducted by A. Catigrwall.

...Tenor

- First peal in seven melhods.


## SURREY ASSOCIATION

SOUTHERN DISTRICT AT REIGATE.
Thir annual mecting of tho Soulhern District, Survey Association, was held at: Reigate on Saturday, January 23rd. In spite of the very inclement weather, a gativering of 44 assembled, much to the delight of the secretary. Most of the district towers were represented, together with the motoring section of the Northern District and others from such far-fung outposts (campanalogically spenking) as Uckfield (Sussex) and Oxthey (Herts). The fine peal of 10 bells, said to be one of the finest 10 in Southern England, were set, going to Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Caters. Sirvice was conducted by the Rev. 14. Talbot, who heartily welemed the ringers to Reigate, and preached an interesting sermon, the theme of whicls was 'Youth.' Fo was glad, he said, to see a few of the younger members present, and hoped they would continue and persuade ather younger ones to take un ringing. He hoped they would also try nat come to the service gifter calling others to clumech. When a small boy in tike North of England be heard of a may who, cvery Sunday morning, went for a long walk so as to be abie to be beyond the sound of chureh bells? as he lated them so mucll. He (ithe vicar) felt very sorry for that mana, and it left a lasting impression upon him. Only the other day, lowever, e parishioner stopped him in Reigate and said how he loved in herat their hells rung, end wished they could be rung oftenar. On the other hand, some people complained very insisiently and wanted to lave the bells stopped allogether. The eingers, therefore, could see hon diffeult it was for him to steer a neutral course.
Alderman Temple-Newell sprang a delightful and pleasant surprise un the members by paying for the tea, which was served in the Church Hall. It was followed by the business meeting, at which the officers were electen for the eusuing year, viz.: Master, Mr. R. Fuller; treasnier, Mr. M. Northover; secretary, Mr. W. Claydon; auditor, Mr. A. Gear; committee, Messrs. H. Wallis, A. Weller and A. Bull.

The aext amulal meeting is to be held at Horlcy, and meetings aro also to be held at Merstham, Kingswood and Betchworth. A hearty vate of thankg was accorded to Mr. Temple-Nowell and the ladies who served tea.
During ten-time a fine touch of Stedman Triples was rung on handbells by the Northern District motoring section. Ali adjournment was again made to the tower for further ringing.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## HOW TO RJNG 120 GRANDSIRE DOUBLEF.

Last week we endeavoured to explain how the Grandsire method on five bells is rung. We slowed that the 'work' of the method produced three leads, which is thirty clanges, but that of course, does not exhaust all the possible changes on live bells. As readers रell hnow, the extent of clanges on five hells is 120 , or a 'bix-score, us old riagers were wont to call it.
To produce a 120 in any method of pure Doubles, as we explained a week or two ago, requires certain departures from the 'method, and these departures are known as 'bobs' and 'singles.' The proper insertion of these 'calls.'-because they are called by the conductormakes it possible to extend our 30 chariges to the full 120.
The 'bob' in Grandsire cousists of the introduction of another 3rd's piace. In the construction of tho method itself, as we have seen, 3ri's place is mado on every oconsion immediately after the treble lias led. The 3ri's place, to make a bob, is made when the treble leads its first blow-that is the two Jrd's places, when a bob is called, aro consecutive, and they are made by the two belis hunting immediately in front of the treble.
The effect on the actual work of the bells is this: The bob (that is tha 3rd's place before the treble completes its lead) is made by the bell that passed the treble in 2-3. Faving made 3 rd's, it strikes oyer the treble and then leads. It is then 'in the hunt,' where the and is in the plain course, and all it has to do is to continue plain hunting until the next call is made.
The bell that makes the ordinary 3 rd's place does not have its cycle of work disturbed, but the two other bells are cetained in the 4-5 dodging place. One of them is the beli which has been 'in the hunt. The call comes when he is completing his whole pull behind and he makes e double dodge in $5-4$ (down).
A single dodge, which occurs in the plain lead, is just one step back in the fiunting-into sth's (rrow 4th's) if you dodgo down; into 4th's (from 5th's) if you dodge up. When you 'double dodge' you step, up, or down, twice, so that when you have to 'double dodge dawn' in Grandsire Doubles you first lay your whole pull behind, step domn into 4th's, up into 5th's, down into 4th's, back fulo 5th's, and then go on down to lead.
Double dodging up is the reverse of this, and is done before lying the whole puli hehind. This is done at a bob by the bell that passed the treble in $3-4$; and the bell ho follows to lead is the bell that dodges with him.
The dodging belind is the same at a single as at a bob, but the other two wells are reverser in their coursing order, Both 3rd's places are made by ane and the same bell, the bell that passed the treble in 2-3. The other bell-that passed the treble in 1-2-lies a whole pull in 2nd's place over the treble, then leads again, and is "in the luant.' Now examine the difference in the working of the bolls under these three sets of conditions. Tliese figures show the essential work at the freble lead:-

| Plain Lead. | Bob Lead. | Single Lead. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 45312 | 45312 | 45312 |
| 54132 | 54132 | 54132 |
| 51423 | 51423 | 51423 |
| 15243 | 1432 | 15432 |
| 12534 | 14523 | 15423 |
| 21543 | 41532 | 51432 |
| 25134 | 45123 | 54123 |
| 52314 | 54213 | 45213 |

The proper place for the conductor to call the bob or single is when the treble strikes in 3ri"s place on its way down. The dodging bells are then in the place where they luve to dodge, the bell in frant ha* sufficiant notice to change its course. When you lyegill calling, however, you may not be able to "see" the treble, although you want to cultivate the facility to do so es much as possible. It may, therefore, be necessary just at tho start to "call" your 120 's by a fired rule. If you ring the 3rd or sth you make a call when your bell will have to stop and double dodge in $4-5$ up.
In doing this, your oaly ofleer work will be making 3rd's place at the alternate lead. As you hunt up and pass the treble in 3-4, raake your call is you strike over the treble. Thus you have alternately one piain lead and one lead at which a call is made-Chat gives you in the 12 leads six calls in all. Two of these calis must be singles, You can put yaur first sirgle at any one of the first three calling places, but the second single must come at the corresponding place in the next thres.
If you call the first half P.B.P.B.P.S. (P standing for plain lead, $B$ for bob lead and $S$ for single lead), then the second half must be called in exactly the same way.
The 'calls' come at tho 2nd, the and 6ih leads in you use the sth as the "observation" bell, and at the Ist, 3rd and 5th leads if you use the Jrd as the observation? bell, and will theso two forms of calling you can oblain six different 120 's different, that is, in the seguance of the changes.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## SLOW PROGRESS OF CHANGE RINGING IN DORGHESTER.

BRANCH.
In his report to the Dovehester Branch of the Salisbury Diocesna Guild, at the annual meeting ats Dorchester on Saturday week, the Hon. Secretary. (Mr. C. H. Jennings) expressed regrat that no restoration or augmentations had taken place among the bells in the district during the jear, although it was greatly geaded in some of the towers.
Prior to the meeting ringing took place at St. Peters Church and the Guild servico was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. A. Wilkinsan Markby), who also gave an appropriate address on the inscription, 'Te Doim Laudrmus,' on the sixih bell at Poresmouth.

After tea, the business meeting, held in St. Peter's Institute, was presided over by the Rector, who was supported by the Rev. R. P. Farrow (vice-clanman) and Mr. C. H. Jennings (hon. secretary). Thero was a large and representative attendance from the towers in the branch.
The Fron. Seoretary (Mr. C. H. Jennings), in his anoual report, stated that a steady year of good work lad been necomplished, In addition to the quarterly and annual meetings, an excelleat meeting for practice was held at Whitchurch Ganonicorum and Bridport, with the co-operation of tile West Dorgot Branch, and there had been united practicos att Ablotsbury and Wylee Regis, A great feature of tho meetings bad been the warm weicome extended by the incumbouts and frientis.
The membership remained about the anme in regard to ringing members and associates, but there was a slight decrease in bonorary mombers. Regret was expressed that no restoration or augmentation of existing perls had taken plece, although it was greatly meeded iu some of the towers.
Six peals had been rung in the branch during the year. Change ringing was making on the whale rather slow progress, and it was hoped, with the assistance of the vice-chairman and Ringing Master, to hold still more practices for the instruction of merabors. An ap-
peal was mado for more members to Gill the places of those who liad neal was made

On ilne death of King Gearge V. every tower in the branch rang wilth halif-muffled bells.

The teath was recorded with regret of tho Rev. E. S. Ficid: Mr. Herbert Runyard (captain of the Wool Branch silice its formation) ; Mr. William Bedford (who gave the treble bell and restored the present nea! of six at Bere Regis) ; Mrs. Hunt, wife of Mr. J. Funt 3 nukland Nowlon; Mr. Alfred Rose (captain of the Wyke Regis band (i) about 25 years) ; Mrs. Moule, wife of the Ven. Archdeacon W. S. Moule, Vient of Abbotsbury.
The Fon. Sneretary conclucled with an expression of thanke to many who hat contributed to the success of tho branch.
The financial gtatemant showed a balance of $£ 159 \mathrm{~s}$. 1 d ., as compared with ell 18s. ld. at the berinning of the year.
It was clecicled to hold quarterly wectings at Buckland Newton, Wyke Regis, and Frampton, and the annual meeting at Dorchester St. Peter's.

## APPEAL FOR MORE ADVANCED METHODS

The following new members were oleched: Ringing members, Mr. H. Emery (Braclford Peverell), Miss J. Chick and WIr. T. W. Chick (Stration), Messrs. E. B. Randrll and R. F. Cheeseman (Preston), Cornick and Swaflield (Wyke Regis), W. Mayo and C. E. New (Frampton), and Miss Barbara Baker (Upwey); associate member, Rev. 1. G. Ferring (Bere Regis); life members, Mr. Philip Henry Toneck, R.T.C., Bovington.

The Chairman extended a covdial welcome to the Rev. R. C. Herring, Mr. Martin Stewart (Wimborne), and ringers from Poole, Thornfort and Stratton.
The officers were re-electecl: Chairman, the Rev. A. W. Warkby; vice-bhairman, Rev. R. P. Fhrow; Ringing Master, Mr. E. T. P. Fiuld; Deputy Ringivg Master, Mr'. C. Smart; hon. secretary and Hedasurer, Mr. C. H. Jennings.
'The Kov, R. P. Farrow proposed a vote of thanks to the chaiman for granting the use of St. Peter's bells. He also made an appeal for more advanced methods of clange ringing to be learnt. Ringers represonted a strong body and a strong force in the church. As the Archbishop of Canterbury wished for a renewal of spiritual life, he thought that ringers could loop a lot in this respect. Their position was very much higler and more honourable than it was many years ggo.
Tine Fev. A. F. Godley seconded the vote of thanks.
Thanks were also accorded to Mr. Perbam (St. Peter's organist), to tho ladies for providing the tea, to the Revs. D. F. Slemed (Clarminster), A. S. Bryant (Upwey), and Gilbert Jessop (Fordington St, George) for permitting the use of the bells in their parishes, and to Mr. J. W. Smitls for making the local arrangements.

GRANTS FOR RESTORATIONS.
The Chairman said that as the result of an inspection of St. Peter's tower and belfry the bells would have to be put on ball bearings during the jear as the gudigeons were wearing. It was an expenditure that would have to be faced and would be something in the nuture of 8150 . Like the Macedonians, he would say, "Come over and help us," and if they at St. Peter's could lave anything more
than mere words of sympatly they would be delighted to reacive it. He wanter the work to be proceeded with so that it might be completed before the Coranation. He did not think it was too mucla to ask the Dorchester rural deanery and Dovehester town to help them to foot the bill.

After discussion it was resolved thet a donation of 85 be given from the branch funds, and ith an expression of thanks the Ohairman said that it wond be an encouragement to the members of St. Peter's Church Council and congregation to do their bit.
Mr. Jennings mentioned that at Wyke Regis they had got to withia S400 of the $\mathrm{E} 1,500$ appealed for on belaalf of the church and tower, and it was unamimously resolved to make a grant of 5225 . from the branch funds.

## SALISBURY BRANCH ANNUAL MEETING.

## PRACTICES FOR THEOLOGFOAL COLLEGE STUDENTS.

In spite of the wintry weather, there was a very good attenthance at tho anmal meeting of the Salisbury Branch, held at St. Paul's, Salisbury, on Saturday last. Ringers present represented the towers at Berwick St. Tohn, Britford, Wylye, Wilton, the cily clurelves of St. Paul, St. Thomas and St. Martin, the Diocesan Theological Oollege, Anesbury, Dinton, Martin, Damerkam, etc, and there were visitors from the Devizes and the Norlh Dorset Bramches.
The Guild service was conduoted by the Rev. S. B. WingliwidDigby, assistant curafe at Si. Paul's, the address haing given by the Rev. F. I. Howen, priest-in-chayge of St. Miclacl's, Bemerton, while the Rector, Reve N. E. W. Bratiyll-Jolinson, was at the organ.
Ter followed in St. Paul's Pruish Rooms, after whoth the general meeting mas presided over by the branch chairman (Mr. E. G. Caple). who was supported by Mr. F. W. Romaine (branoh seoretary and breasurer) and Rev. liadyli-Johnson (hos. memher).
Mr. Caple and Mr. Romaine were re-elected as chairman and sectelary and treasurer respectively. Messts. L. Farris, F. C. Smitly abd W . Roberts were re-elected Ringing Masters. The commitiee was roelected with the uddition of Mr. C. Faines (Wilton).
In thanking the members for re-electing him, Mr. Romaine remarked that he was now in his fourtenth year as secretary, and furing that time the branch had more than doubled its membership. He loped that in time the bramels would be as strong as that al Devizes.
New members were admitted as follows: R. Fawker (Wilton), B. Sufe (Sarum St. Thomas), Rev. S. B. Winglield-Dighy (St. Panl's), J. Beverstock, H. Scammeli ind J. Haines (St. Martin's), R. S. Jones and Tr. Gould (Salisbury Thealagical College) ; also the new band of ingers recently formed at Compton Chambcilain.
Mr. R. S. Jones (Theological College) stated that the college siudents were interesting themealves iu change ringing, and were practising with the St. Marin's band, but in view of the difficulty they had in attending ovening practices thoy would be glad to loal of any opportunities of ringing during afternoons of any day ar Saturday eveninge.
Mr. Roberts (Berwick) and Rew. R. S. Smith (St. Martin's) botlı stated that they could arvange afternoan or Saturday evening praclices, and would welcome the theological students at any time.
It was resolved that the next three moetings of the braneli be hele at Berwick St. John, Amesbury and Compton Chamberlain, and the secretary was asked to inguiro whelior Barford St. Martin liclls would be available $u$ ben the Compton Ohamberlain meeting took plate.
Tha Chairmay proposed a vote of thanks, seconded by the secretary, o the Rev. Bradylifolinson, for receiving the branch, and to the Rer. Wingfield Digby and Rev. Bowen for the part they had taken in the Eorvice.
In replying, tho Rector roitrated his delight at again having the Guild with them at St. Paul's, where thoy knew they were always welcome. 开e was anxious that his bellringers should become efficient clange ringers, and to this end he was contemplating making application for the appointment of an official instructor.
There was some confusion in the Rectar's mind oyer Ringime Masters and ringing iastructors, and M". E. F. Whito (clamirman of The Devizes Brancla and a ringing instructor) explained the position, stating that, subject to the Fector making application through the official channels and the general gecretary's consent, he, Mr. White, would be willing to undertake the instruction of St. Paul's band under the rules of the Guild.

The Rector thanken Mr. White for his explanation, and stated he would go into the matter fully. He reminded the ringers of the opportunities the fortheoming Coronation would give to bellinging. The Secretary announced that the date of the Guild Festival hind been provisionally fixed for May Ist at Salisbury Cathedral, but Hiere would be more information on this matter later.
Ringing was then resumed at St. Paul's, also at St. Edmund's aul St. Martim's.

LONDON.-On Sunday, January 10th, at St. George-in-the-Borough, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Mus. P. Humphiey I, Miss JI. Osksliett 2, Miss S. Thursfield (first quarter-peal in the metlod) 3. Miss E. Greenall 4, Mrs. J. E. Dapis'5, Mrs. G. W. Fletcher (conductor) 6, Norman Bagworth 7, Richard F. Deal 8.

## MR. JOHN AUSTIN'S BEREAVEMENT.

Wr. John Austin, of Gloucester, has snstained n gevere alld unexpected bereavement by the death of his wife, who passed awry after only a few days' illness on January 21st.

On the previous Saturday Mr. Austin presided at the annual dimner of Bristol United Ringing Guilds, and Mrs. Austin was to bave nccampaniad him. An apparently slight ivdisposition, however, preveltied her from being present, but her illness later took on a serious turn
The deepest sympathy will go out to Mr. Austin and his family in their great loss.
The funeral took piace at St. Micheel's Church, Gloucester, on January 25th, and was gonducted by the Rev. E. O. Priobard (Rector). The principal mounhers were Mr. J. Austin (widower), Mr. Harold Austim (son), the daughters and son-in-law, ex-Sergeant J. Williams and Mrs. Tyndal, Among those present were Mr. S. J. Romans (representing the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association), Mr. H. Falford (the Gheltenham Branch of the association), and many old friends.
The service was of simple character. The 23rd Penlm was chanted and the hymms, 'Tesu, Lover of my soul," and "The King of Love my Shepherd is ${ }^{1}$, were sung.
Tha interment took place at the cemetery, and there were many flornl tributes, among them rao from the Gloucester ringers. A mufted touch was rung on the bells after the service by T. Baldwin, H. Case, J. Whitingr J. Gillot, W. H. Harris, S. E. Romans, G. Condiek (conductar), andil A. Martin.

## LINK WITH THE ' QUEEN MARY.'

OUNARD GHAIRMAN GIVES BELL TO DEFON FILLAGE OHUROH.
Sir Percy Elly Bates, Bt., director of the Cunard Steamship Company, has given a tenor bell to the Parish Church of Charles, in Nortli Devou, as a thankoffering for the lataching of the world's greatest and fastest ship afloak and for the winning of the Atlantic Blue Riband by the 'Quem Mary.'
The Rector and churchwardens of Charies hnme obtained a faculty for this reconstruction of the peal of bells, and it is hoped that the new bell will be dedicated, and started by Sir Percy in person, in time to be used for the Coronation in May
The wark is being carried out by Jolon Taylor and Co., who cast the ship hells of the 'Queen Mary." The inseription on the aew bell mentions this latter fact.
The little village of Charles has been long distinguished for its Blackmore traditions of 'Lorna Doone" fame.

## PETERBOROUGH DEOCESAN GUILD.

WELLINGBOROUGH DISTRICT ANNDAL MEETING.
About fifty ringers attended the annual mocting of the Welling borough District of the Meterborough Diocesau Guild, held at Eigham Ferters on January 2zrd.

A service was beld in the beautiful old church during the afternoon, conducted by the branch president (the Rev. A. G. Bagbinw), whilst the Vicar read the lesson and took from it the subject for his very able and interesting address, "Noise and sound.' Ho boped that the ringers would realise their reaponsibility and gee to it that the angel voices of the bolle were nover silent.
Ringers were present from a wide area, including Finedion, Wellingborough, Irt́blingborough, Irchester, Ecton, Stanwick, Earls Barton, and a number of the local band. The Kettering district and the Thrapstion branch were also well represented. Three enthusiaste of Lhe Bedford Association were present, and also Mr. W. A. Siote, of Goventry, aud the Rev, E. S. Powell (the Guild Master) and Mrs. Powell, together with the Guild general secretary, Mr. R. (i. Ihnck.
After tea, the menting opened with references to the deatlis of Mr. W. F. Ette (Wellingborough) and the late Master, Mr. F. Wilford, the members standing in silent tribute. The Kev. E. S. Powell spoke very highly of Mr. Wilford's life.

The branch officers were re-elected as follows: President, tha Rev. A. G. Bagshaw, M.A., $\mathrm{ED} . \mathrm{D}$.; secretary and treasurer, Mr. A. Bigley; Central Committee, Messrs. G. Basford and A, Plommen; branoh committee, Messrs. A. Y. Tyler, F. Jones and A. H, Martin; auditor, Mr. E. W. Johnson; Branch Ringing Master, Mr. W. Perkins.

It was reported that the membership stood as follows: three hon. life; 18 honorary and 148 ringing members,

The accounts showed an increased balance of 82165 , and after a little discussion it was agrect to maice a grant of f3 from the branch runds to the Wellingborough Restoration Bell Furd.
The secretary read a letter of good wishes from Mr. F. Barber (past secretary), who had hoped to be present, but was preventod througli influenza.
Six now members were elected, two from Earls Barton, iwo from Mears Asliby, one from Lreliester and one from Finedon.

The next quarterly meeting is to be hald at Widlatoms an April 17th.
The mpeting rlosed with wotes of thanks to all concerned, aud balls wete again sot ringing to various wishes of the visitors. During lhe ufternoon and evening methoris rangod from tounds to Superlaive, Cnmbridge and Lonron Surprise Mnjor.

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## BELERY GOSSIP.

Owing to pressure on our space we regret we have been compelled to hold over reports of the meetings of tho Middlesex Associatior: (North and East District), Surrey Association (North-Western District), and Warcestershire Association (Western District) and other contributions.
Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Ltd., Croydon, have been entrusted with the contract for the resloration of the bells at Shepperton Church, Middlesex.
Chief Inspector William Bottrill, of the Metropolitan Police, retires this week after 29 years' service. Mr. Bottrill is president of the Metropolitan Police Guild of Ringers and rice-president of the National Police Guild. It was through his efforts that the Metropolitan Guild was establistred and becume a recreative organisation recognised by the nuthorities.

A peal of Cambridge Surprise Major is being arranged at Edgbaston Parish Church, Birmingham, starting at 2 p.m. on Tebruary 27th, on the accasion of the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dimmer. Any visitors who would like to stand in should write as early as possible to the Ringing Master, Mr. F. E. Faynes, Northdene, 102, Vicarage Rond, Smethwiak.

Following in father's-and grandfather's-footsteps! Geoffrey Harrison, son of Mr. Colin Harrison, of Loughborough Foundry, has rung lis first pal-the treble to Grandsire Triples on the baok eight of the Toundry bells. His father called the peal. What a pity his grandpa, a well-lmown Sheffed ringer, was not also in the band,

Another of Mr. Arthue Knights' 'old' compositions has now been rung for the first time. A peal of Treble Bob, which he put on paper in 1883-lifty-fauy years ago-was called at Brownedge, Lancs, on Saturday. It isn't as if he is an unknown composer, eillher.
The death accurred on January 28th of Mr. Joseph Hands, who had been a member of St, Peter's Society, Caversham, for 53 years. He was 79 years of age. The funeral took place on Monday.

Will any person who may have found or taken a silk scarf in mistake at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on Saturday last, please return it to R. Fenn, 118, St. 自udrey's Rond, Barking, Essex.

## A REGISTER OF METHODS. <br> To the Editar.

Dear Sir, - In vies of the leading article in your issue of January 8th yau may be interested to know that a register of Surprise Major mothods, on much the same lines as those suggested therein, is already in course of preparation.

Obviously it is ersy enough to make out a list of methods rung and to add each new one as it is published. The difficulty is to arrange them in such an order thal any given method can be turned up from the figures in the shortest possible time.

I liave baen doing some work on this problem recently, and havenow got out a method of indexing which overcomes this difficulty. I am as the moment npplying it to the Surprise Major methods, and I hope by the time of the next Central Council meeting to have completed the indexing of all the methods of this class that have been rung.

They are arranged in such a way that if the figures of a half-lead of any given methorl are produced its correct position in the register can be found in a few moments; if it has already been rung it will be found there; fogether with its name and details of first performance, etc., and if it is not there then it las not prewiously been rung and can be inserted.

Althongh, so far, I have only applied it to the Surprise Major methods, the same system of indexing can be used for any ciass of method in any number of bells.
Bristol.
STEPHEN H. WOOD.

## LANCHESTER BELLS RESTORED

OPTNING BY DURHAM AND NEWCASTI, ASSOCLATION.
The renovated peal of bells at Lanchester P'arish Church was rededicatod on Saturday, Jantary 23 rd . In the absence of the Archdeacon of Auckland, who was unable to be present through family illness, the ceremony was performed by the 耳ev. Fenkin Jones, Vicar of Blackhill.

The bells were origiually installed in the year 1810, and were very meary going, but Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have now made them: into a fine ring of six, the tenor being $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Three bells have been recast, the otber thres retuned, and all hung on ball bearings.

After the dedicatory prayers, the Rev. L. Heatherington, Vicar of Lanchester, tolled the fifth bell. At the close of the service the bells were raised in peal, and the first touch rung on them by L. Richardsom 1, ©. L. Routledge (conductor) 2, H. Tyson 3, W. Brown 4, J. A. Brown 5, S. Thompsen 6.

The President of the association (Councillor A. Pryno) afterwards proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for inviting the assaciation to reopen the bells, and referrad to the fine 'go' of the peal and the excollent way they had been rebung.
Ringers werc present from Newcastle Cathedral, Chester-le-Street, Beafieldside, Tanfield, Blackhill, Whickham, Consett and the local tower, tea the belfry was agan open, and touches in various Minor methods were rimg.

## PEALS IN 1936.

OVER ONE HUNDRED LESS THAN IN 1935
The total number of peals rung in 1936 was $\mathrm{I}, 750$, of which 1,675 were on tower bells and 75 on handbells. This is more than one hundred less than in the preceding year, when 1,863 were rung. In 1934 the total was $1,7^{8} 4$; in $1933,1,833$; and in $193^{2}, 2,202$.


## A CONTRAST IN BELE BROADCASTS

## To the Editor

Sit, - T wonder if any of your readers listened to both Romsey and Sherbouse belly on Sunday evening, January 24th? I tuned in first to Slierborne and was at once struck lyy the extraordinary roar. The dominant notes of the hells were anything but clear, so that I was unable to spot the methed being rung, except that it was Triples. I thea cut across the dial to Romsey and was astonished at the difterence, Here the bells sounded clear and musical, and one could follow the method easily. Back I went to Sherborne, and again that most unpleasant, ron--so back to Romsey. I did this continuously as long as the brandcast lasted.
Sherborne bells are of recent casting, or was it only the tenor that was reeast? Query: Are these loblls Simpson tuned, and how are the Romsey hells tuned?

If the Sherborne are Simpson tuned and Rowsey not, then I would constider the Simpson method a ' wash-out.'
We are getting increasing complaints about the ringing of bells, and this may account for it.
I shall be interested to hear if any other readers switched ovar from the one to tho other, and, if so, what they thought about the comprison.
D. G. TAYLOR.

## Ilminster.

## THE EXPLANATION

This contrast in the two broadcasts which, taking place simultancously, enabled comparison to be made, is extremely interesting. Both Slierborne and Romsey have not so long since been through the same foundry, both restorations having been carried out by Messes. Mears and Stainbank.
Sherborne tenor only was recast: at Romsey three of the bells were recast. In cach case the whole peal was subjected to modificd 'harmonje tuning, and not Simpson tuned. Botly rings of bells are thes on approximately the same harmonic scale.

The explanation of the difference in the way the bells came over the ether is, therefore, due, not to the bells themselves, but to the relative positions of the microplowes. We understand tinat at Sherborne the 'mike' was on the roaf of the Abbey, not very far from the belfry windows, and apparently much too close for such a leavy peal of hells.

## POPULARISE GOOD METHODS.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-Your leading article of January 29th Jas my fullesi sympatliz. May I say in the first place that there is not a method that I lave rung with worse music than Cambridgel

In Ipswich we have a good ringer, who never goes inside a belfry now, but delights in listening to all ringing with a keer ear. He says, 'Why do yous ring that method?' referring to Cambridge.

What is wanted is a composer to broadeast a few methods which extenf from six or eight bells to 12 as well as Cambridge does, for this, in my opinion, is the only reason Carabridge is sa popular. Superlative, London and Bristol all fail in this respect.
You are quite right to advise all bands to practise something now to keep their interest alive. The idea of Mr. Nolan Golden in his notice of the North Norfolk Braneh of the Norwich Diocesan Association to practise something off the beaten traek is to be higlaly commentiont.

GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

## YOUNG RINGERS CRITICISED. <br> COMMENTS AT A GUILDFORD GUIED MEETING

## rksome Jobs Left to the 'DId 'Uns

A striking call to the younger ringars was made in the report presented by tile hon, secretary (Mr. ©. W. Denyer) to the annual meeting of the Farmliam District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild on Satirday week. He said:-
'It has been noticed that the younger ringers in some towers do not attend meetings, although every opportunity is offered for their advancoment. It is eltircly the duty of we younger ringers to to everything possible to maintain the high standard yeached by many of the older ringers. Surely it is unfair to leave the "old "uns" ta do all the irksome duties gecessary for the ruming of a belfry. The modern generation is criticised in most things; let it not be so with our yonnger ringers. Too often we find fatilt wilh otliers who are doing their best to improve matters, and then, when asked to help, refuse to hold office or even make suggestions. If you are dissatigfied with your captain, vote for someone else ou try taking the office yourself. Don't absent yourself from the belfry and grumble outside about what should be done or what you would do if you were in charge.'
The report further stated lhat, althouph 1936 did not slow any outslanding improverment in the nffairs of the district, neithes could it be sad that there had been any serious batksliding. Ringing members had increased by four and honorary members decreased by one. They had 125 ringing and 29 honorary members. The passiag of the Hon. Mrs. Randal Parsons (Horley), Canon M. C. H. Collet (Frensham), aud Mr. Walter Cleaves (Fnrnham) was recorded witl regret. Altogether the district liad subscribed this year lowards the benevolent fund the sum of 2518 s. 8d. 'lower collecting boxes brought in fic 1s. 2d., collections at meetings 77 s ., and subseriptions $£ 110 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d.
Only two peals were successful in the district in 1936. On January 25 h a local peal of Grandsire 'Triples, rung with fully mufled bella, was rung at Aldershot in memory of his late Majesty King George $V$. In this peal five ringers rang their first peal in the method, one his first peal in the method awny from the treble, and the conductor his first of T'riples as onnductar'. The other was a peal of Bol, Major, rung at Farnham on November 21st, the conductor being the Kinging Master, Mr. Hastad. Several ringerg from the district loat amg peals oulside the district. This yen. they hoped for many more successful peals. A goot oppontunity will bo in May, when the Coromation celebrations are taking place. It yas most important that the bells in every tower should be rung on Corouation Day
Tlie work of retuning and rehanging the hells ai st. Michael's, Forktown, had been completed, and the ring of eight wos mow in oxcellent order. Great satisfaction had been expressed at the way in which the bell hangers carried otut the job. Crondall bells were at the founders', and it was expected that they would be back in the tower by Coronation Day. Funds were still needed. Restoration work m ns mecessary at St. Peter's, Aslz, but mothing lad heen done. It wis hoped that something would materinlise in 1937.

SUNDAY SERVIGE RINGTNG
Tha repart added: It is thonght that the majarity of towers showed no marked progress, although service ringing bas been maintained generally. The greafest disappointment is et Seale, a belfry which has received more assistance than any otlier in the district, where, although subseriptions were received from 12 members, it has been practically impossible to ring the six bells on Suwdays. At Farnham, tro, eight ropes have not always been mamed for service ringing. Any suggestions for improving these colditions will be welcomed by the officials.

The Rector of Farnham (Canon J. M, Girling) presided over the meeting, supported by the Ringing Mastov (My, Fusted), Mr. A. J. Stedman (hoa. member), Capt. 프. J. Cann (Brookwood), Mr. I. Cobbett (general treasurer) and Mr. C. W. Denyer (district hon. secretary). Towers тepresented were Addershot, Ash, Tarnlam, Bagshot, Bentley, Crondall, Eeale, Forktown, Guiliford (Galhedral), Frensham and Clandon. Visitors were present frum Wokingham, fichmanisworth and Watford.
Apologies were recaived from several hon, members and from Mr. I. S. Goldsmith (Guild eecretary, who was indisposed)

No other nominations lawing been received, the following were declared elected: Ringing Master, Mr. R. Hasted; hon. secretary, Mr. G. W. Denyer; hon, auditor, Mr. P. L. Eldridge; executive committee rapresentatives, ringing, Messrs. F. Nye and T'. Upshall; honorary, Mr. W. A. Dollimore.
Nomjations for Guild officers were mado as follows: Major Hesse (Master), Mr. J. S. Goldsmith (hon. secretary), Mr. J. Corbett (hon. treasurer), Mr. Hasted (hon. auditor)
Towers selected for 1937 meetings were: Aldershot (eight bells), Bagshol (eight), Crondall (six), Frensbam (six).
The balance sheat for 1935 showed receipts totaling 23395.54. and an expenditure of 917 19s. 5d., lenving a balance im hand of E15 10s. The statement, was adopted.
Thee new hon. members elected were Mr. F. Cole (Aldershot), the Rev. W. M. Blaikie (Ash), and the Rev. W. Towney (Yorktown).
Mr. Nye proposed a vote of thatks in Gapt Cann (Brookrood) for his donation of E1 to the districti, and Mr. Ewens thanked the (Continued on next prge.)

## BELLRINGING REFLECTS LIFE

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districh for a donation of sl to the Forktown belf restoration fund. The lion. secretary was instructed to writo to Mr. E. Clapshaw corgratulating him an his $98 n$ birthday on January 26th. It was directed that a spectal vote of thanks to the hon. secretary for his work in the past should bo recorded in the minutes.
Mr. W. Melville (Guildford) congratulated the five Aldershot fingers who rang their fast peal of Superlative Surprise at Yorktingers who rang their hast, pacal fine performanee.
Mr. J. Carbett (13asshot) proposed a vote of thanks to Canon Girling for the use of the bells, for his fine address and for taking the clinir at the meeting; to Mr. G. C. Macklin, organist of the Parish Church, and mombers of the cloir; to Mr. Hasted for arranging the mecting ; and to the werger and caterers.
Prior to the meeting, ringing had taken place at the Parish Church unde the direction of Mr. R. Hasted, Riugiug Master, and the service was conducted by Canon Girling, whose striking address is reported below. Tea and the meeting took place at Rogers' Gafe, after whith there was further ringing, the methods ranging from Grandsire Triples to Cambridge and Superiative Surprise Major.

## RINGERS' GREAT OPPORTUNETY.

In town and in village our chureh bells to-day
Cry Come, you goad people, and put care away,'
For He who made blossow and sunlight and May,
Be certain rejoices in hearts that are gay.
The theme of the joy of ringing church bells in praise of God, running through the hymu, a verse of which is quoted above, was taken by Canon E. M. Girling as the subject of his address.

Canon Girling saiki it had been vemarked about English people that they took their pleasures sadjy. No doubt it was suid by a foreigner when he had been Jooking at the crowds on Waterloo Station before a holidny. If that same foreigner had gone into a ringing chanaber during a peal, and had watebed people concentrated for all they were worlh on the ringing of bells; if he hand seen them at the end of three and a quarter hours ${ }^{2}$ ringing, wot with their labour, quite unpaid, that same foreigner might have said, "These English men, and prossituly English women, do take their pleasures sadly.
And yet, said Canon Girling, bolltinging is infended to express the joy of life and the joy of religion. There are other people who express their joy in rabler a similar way. The baby with his drum, the boy who whistles as he goes to school or cames back from school, the girl singing "Miriam" with her fimbral daneing in front of the poople after a great deliverance, the violinist or the cornet piayerthey all belong to the same fellowship of those who try to express liteir joy in the most natural way of all by uttering songs of happiness and glee. Even tint foreiguer, when be had left the belfry and perhaps when he had come some way by the Castle, listening to the sound of our bells lonting across the fields, could not lielp feeling clated or coutil not help thimking there was joy in these English after all. Perhaps he had made a mistake.
It. is so natural, is it not, on all occasious of national rejoicings and so on, almost the first thing people say $\mathrm{is}_{3}$ ' $O h_{1}$, we must have the cfurel bells. Why? To express their joy. That surely is the main thing. It is true there is anather side. I do not forget that life is nots all joy all the time. Thare is the mufled bell that we ring ors proper ocengions; there are those mine tellers, as they call them, for the passing af the haman soun. Bellringing reffects the whole of life.

Put to-day there is a very great meed to emplasise the joy of true religion, because so many peopla have got tho iden that religinn is a dull, gloomy bing, something that prevents you from enjoying life, smd all that sort of nonsense. That is an entirely wrong conception of it. I know there have been times when perlaps the Puritan was in the ascendant, and Surday was a day of gloom, when no bells were allowed hecanse they were regarded as being evil in some way. Bot, speaking generally, bellringing is most typical of what religion should be, and that is a thing of joy

## SOUND OF BELLS TOVOFES PEOPEE'S CONSCIENCES.

And when the bells before a gervice are ringing it is not to remind people that they ought to perform a rather unpleasant dutyThat is the fidea some people seem to have; perhaps it is one of the reasons why some people object to bellringing altogether. I don't think it is altogether lhat they have got a headache and cannot stand a naise; perhaps sometimes it is because it touches their consciencesthe bells remind them of it and they object very strongly to bellringing. Bellringing is not meant to call us to an unpleasaut duty, hut to remind us of one of the most spleadia privileges wo lave, the privilege of worship in God's honse. If one could only get joung prople to realise that it is not simply a daty but a very glad and higl privilege
If that be so, ringers can play a very important part in religion. I dere say you have all heerd on the wireless the Archbishop's "Reali to Religion.' Its is something that I hope will be no mere stunt but that it will have a very great effect upon this nation.
There gau ringars have your part. Naturaily you must not only the skilful in the ringing of the bells-f know you are that and in(Continned in next column.)

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

NEW PRESIDENT ELECTED.
At a business meeting of the Cambridge Uaiversity Guild, held on January 18th, the Rev. A. C. Blyth, M.A., fellow and tutor of Selwyn College, was unanimously eleeted president of the Guild in succession the late Rev. A. H. F. Boughey
Mr. Blyth was nominated by the Master (Mr. R. D. St. J. Bmith, Sclwyn), and seconded by the hon. secretary (Mr. M. B. Shaw, Peterhouse), and the Rev. B. F. Slieppard (Irinity) also spoke strongly in favour of the nomization.
As nn undergraduate, Mr. Blyth filled the office of secretary in 1912 , during the Mastership of Mr. E. M. Atkins, and for the past few ycars has, as vice-president, deputised for the late president when failing health prevented him from taking his former part in the activities of the Guile
Mr. Blyth has rung a number of handbell peals for the Guild, inoluding Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob Major and Gracdsire Triples.

## BIG CLOCK FOR EGYPT

## FIVE AND A EAEF TONS HOUR BELL.

Messrs. Gillett and Jolnston, of Croydon, are carrying out an inportant clock and bell contract for Egypt. In consists of an allelectric clock and five bells, which are to be creeted el the Uaiversity of Gize, near Cairo.
The clock has loft. dials, and is provided with an auxiliary equi;mont which will ensure that the mechanism will continue to operate for 24 hours in case of failure of tho olectric current.
The hour bell weighs $5 \frac{1}{2}$ tons, and the Westminster quarter chimes will be struck on the other four bells.
On Tuesday afternoon the clock and bells were inspected by the Egyptian Charge d'Affaires, Eis Excellency A. B. Raliman Bey.

## WEDDING BELLS

At St. Giles' Church, Willenhall, Staffs, on Saturday, January 16 th , the bells were 'fired' and touches of Rob Minor (with $7-8$ covering) nnd Grandsire Triples were rung immediately after the wedding of Miss Mary \& Wendolina Wallater (eldest daughter of the conductor of the local balad) to M1. Norman G. Ravenscroft, of Short Heath, Wolverhampton). The ringerg were W. Edge, A. E. Reed, A. Evang, B. Munday, J. Luck, J. Pickon, R. Sidebotham, E. Hortin, S. H. Galey, F. Magness and J. Pritchard.

## DEATH OF A BOWDON RINGER.

MR. JOSEPH HOLT'S 47 YEARS' SERYICE.
A ringer at Bowdon Parish Church, Clieshive, for more than 47 yeare, Mr. Josepli Holt passed away recently after only a short illness.
Mr. Holt, who was a native of Bowdon, had been for 22 years licensee of the Railway Inn, Ashley Road, Fiale, and was wall known in the district. In addition to havirg been a bellringer at Bowdon Parish Church, he mas also at one time a chorister at the church, and was the first telegraph boy at Bowdon Post Office. The bells of the Parish Church were rung fully muffed on the day of Mr. Elol's dearh.
The funeral took place ab Altrimeham Cemetery, the Rev. W. H. Brind (curate at Bowdon Clurch) officiating.
Iu addition to the family mourners many ftiends gathored at the Fraveside, amung thom being Messrs. D. Vincent, S. Mottershead, G. Ohier and $P$. Gross (represeuting the ringers).
As a last token of respect the bells of Bowdon Parish Church were rung half-muffed in the evening. The touches included 360 of Minor, with 7-8 belhind, by G. Ollier 1, D. Vincent (couductor) 8, H. McKinnell 3, A. Brown 4, J. Hassel! 5, A. Etims 6, F. Cross 7. S. Mottershead 8. This was followed by a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by J. Hassell (first quarter-peal of Triples) 1, B. Mckinnell 2, J. Saunders (first quarter-peal) 3, C. Tomlinson 4, D. Viucent (conductor) $\mathrm{E}_{\text {, }}$ A. Brown 6, A. Elkins 7, B. Mottershead (first quas'terpeal) 8.
This was the first quarter-peal rung on the bells by au eatively local company since the bells were augmented to eight in 1923.
After the ' whole pull awd stand ' had been rung a few times the bells were stopped one at a time, commencing from the treble.
Mr. Holt's age was then wolled on the tenor bell by S. Motterghead, who now lus the longest service at this church as ringer.

A two miuutes' silence was observed before the company dispersed.
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creasingly so-yon must aot only take an interest in the belfry, you must also find your place and fill this place in the chureh. You must have in you the spizit of true religion and the joy of religion. If you experience that for yourselves I am perfectly certain it will have an effact even upon the bellringing itself. There will be no nore complaints about people getting slack, no diffalty in getting together the necessary eight or ten. On the contrary, all the members of the company will be there because they know that that is their piace, because they are going to tale part in the worship of God and because they know tha true joy of religion. And if that can happer, if all of tis are sincerely converted Christians, think what your bellringing can be. It can be a sacrament.

\section*{ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

## REVIVING ACTIVITIES IN LONDON

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The revivnl of the annual dimer and u decision to arrange for Sindiny service ringing at additional churches in London were matters of special interest hofore the ammal meeting of the Royal Cumberland Youlhs at St. Martin's-in-the-F'edds on Saturday. Despite a very dismal day, over fifty mambers attended, many of them coming from far aftel. In tho afternoon there was ringing both at St. Bride's, Flect Slreet, and St. Martin's, and tea was served in the crypt at the lattor church, where for the entertainment of the ladies who served the raeal a touch of Sterman Caters was rung on handbells belonging to Mr. C. E. Waters, of Watford.
The business meeting was held in St. Martin's Vestry Hall, the Fiear (Rev. Pat MeCormacs) presiding, supported by the Master (Mr. G. H. Cross), the hon. secretary (Mr. G. A. Card), and the hon. treasurer (Mr. G. W. S'teere),
The lastmamed presented the balance slieet, which showed receipts, including the subscriptions of thirty new members, of $£ 1316 \mathrm{~s}$. Gil. The experdilure amounterl to $£ 19$ 8s. 50., and included 8616 s . for the menarial to the late Master (Mr. J. D. Matthews), £1 Js. to the Wm . Pye memorial, El Central Council subscription, and f2 2s. to the funds of the Central Council Entertainment Committce. The balance in hand ats the end of the year was 99 75s. 1ta.-The accounts were
adopted.

Tho Hon. Secretary, in his report, said the year 1936 had been one of steady progress in the ennals of ringing. During the year the snciety rang 12 peals, consisting of Stedman Cinques 2 , Caters 1 , Mrisfol Surprise 1, Cambridge Surprise 1, Superlative Surprise 1,
Stedman Triples 1 Grandsive Triples 1, Minor in geven Stednan Triples $1_{1}$ Grandsive Triples 1, Minor in geven
Surprise metheds 1, Bob Minor 2, and one peal of Stedman Triples on laadhells. One lady ringor yang her first peal of Stedman Cinquos, and an behalf of the socioty lie extended to her hearty congratulatious. The peal of Sterlman Triples ou Boxing Day at St. Martin's was rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to the Duke and Duchess of Kent. Information of the peal was forwarded to Zel crave Square, and a suitable reply was veceived. One enconragjng feature last year was the stealy increase in new members, 30 having benn electerl. The society owed a debt of gratitude to the Ticar and Chureln Council of 8 . Martin's for allowing them to place their safe and hoxes in the choir veshry, thus bringing to an end a cantroversy as to the eustorly of the safe. Three quarterly mectings hat been held, the most supcessful being at Gravesend. That at Beddington was held jointly widh two other gocieties, but the one which should have been held at Waldhamslow had to be transforred to Romfort owing to a misunderslanding. As a resuld of this experience he advised more thought boing given to the places selected for the quarterly meetings.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.
Mr-George Cross was re-elected Mnster, and in acknowledging the comrliment, said there was no need for pessimism with regard to the position of the saciety. In addition to the twelve peals ruag, thoy attempted Cambridge Maximus, which was lost after two hours, two peais of Cambridge Royal, a peal of Spliced Surprise Major, and a preal of tondon. The influx of young members was very encouraging.
Mr. G. A. Card was re-elected hon. secretary, with Mr. N. Summerhayes iss assistant secretary.
Mr. G. W. Stece wins re-elect
Mr. G. W. Steere wis re-elected hon, treasurer, and Miessrs. F. G. Symonds and A. Hardy trustees. Mr. T. Bevan was elected senior stemard, and Mr. J. E. Bailey junior stewnrd.
The elaction of four members prior to poal attempts was confurmed, and the following new menbers were elected: Mr. W. Stote, Coventryi Mr. E. Rowmar, Feltham; Miss D. T. Colegate, Sevenoaks; Mr. H. S. T. Willson and Mr. H. M. Mears, St. Olave's, Hart Sireet, London; Mr. B. W. Mny, Bobbing, Kent; Messers. J. T. O'Dell, R. H. Harman, D. IT. Harman and D. H. A. Pestall (Hampstead) and Mr. T. Collins (Rutislip)
It was decided to hold quarterly meetinge at Hampstead, with Higlagte and Gospel Onle, on March mifi ; Pimer on July 10th; and Si. George's, Southmark, in October

In conformity with a motion passed at a quartery meeting, it was announced that the amnual dinner was to be revived and arrangements had been made to hold it at the Bedford Hend Hotel, Majden Lame, on March 13til. The lope was expressed that members and their frients (including ladies) would supnort the funetion.
The Master referred to the society's service held in December at St. Olave's, Hart Street. Some of the ringers from that church had jomed the society, and the Ficar would like it very much if the sonicty would ring there for services on Sunday evenings occasionally. St. Bride's tower lad also been opencd to them agnin, which they very much appreciated, and ho guggested that the society should arrange to ring on Suaday evenings at oach of the churches once overy six weels. They already rang at Shoreditch twice a month.
After some discussion the Master's suggestion was adopted, and it was reciden to set up a voluntary rota of members for the purpose. All membern of the society within reach of London were invited to put. Their names on the list, in order to liake their turn as required. They should send their names and addresses to the assistant secretary (Mi. N. Summerhayes), 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford, Kent.
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## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

STOCKPORT AND BOWDON JBRANCH ANNUAL MEETLNL
On Saturday last the annual meeting of the Stockport and Bowdon Bramch of the Chester Diocesan Guild was held at St. Peter's Church, Ashton-under-Lyne, when, in spite of exceedingly cold and winty weather, some 45 members and fricuds were present at the servico in church, couducted by the Vicar, ble Rev. R. L. Owen, who alsu gave a vory intoresting address. He took as the basis of his remarks the text, 'Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejojee.' He stressed the oecessiby of attenclance at practice if ringers were lo make any real scrwice of their ringing, and urged them not to look upon it as sacrifice but as a pleasant duty. Ho deplored the inslutlation of 'canmed" bells, and said that, while he agroed that tho machine was the friend of man, Ite thought we might at least leave the arts free from this mechanisation. He reminded those present that they sent out Sunday efter Sundry mud at other times the eall of the Giristian faith. They should therefore see to it that this fajth was shown in their daily lives and that they regarded their religion as a living thing and not merely a sort of insurance policy for the life to come.
After service, a botmetiful tea was served in the schools. The business meeting followed under tho chaipmanship of Mr. W. W. Wolstencroft (branch elainman), who apelogised far the absence of the Vient, who was just recovering from a woul of the fashionable complaint, influenga, and did not thinte it wise to stay out too long. He han, therefore, refurned home after condueling lie service. He extended it cordial welcome to the Guild, and hoped the members would approve of the rostoration work done.
The sudden death of Mr. Adam T. Marshand, of Disley, was announcod, and came as a shock to many present, as also did tho deaths of Messus. Holt and Dean, two of the older ringers at Bowdon. The meeting stond for a moment in silence, and then instructed the sechelary to canvey the sympathy of the branch to the relatives.

Tho annual report and statement of accounts were read and adoptorl, and the election of the offcers for the ensuing year then took place.
Votes of thanks were sccorded to the Vicar and wardens, the lonal ringers and their ladies, the organist and to all who had in any way contributed to the subcess of the mecting.
A roturn was matle to the tower, where good use was made of the bells, and there weve many bighly complimentary ramarks made on the fine way in which Messrs. Taylor and Co. have restored this poul of eight tlyough the generosity of the Barron Bell Trust.

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION SMALL MEERTNG BUT PIENTY OF RINGING.

Tho January meeting of the Cloveland and Narth Yorkshire Assoeiation was held at Skelton-in-Cleveland on Saturdiay, Janumry 23 rat five atirable weather and the influenza epidemic probably kept some away. An excellent tea was provided iu the Churel Room, presided ver by the president of the association, Mr. J. O. Pollard.
There was no business to be discusserl, and, after giving a vote of thanks to the Vicar and wardens for the use of the hells and electing a new member (Mr. J. W. Maorhouse, of Saltburn), a return was made to the tower for more ringing. With the exception of the break for tea, the bells were going from 3 p.an. until 8 p.m., the following methods being rung: Grandsive and Stedmna Triples, Boh Major, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major. Mernbers atvended from Ripon, Ormesby, Darlington (Holy Trinity) Guisborough, Salthurn, Middeshrongh eud the local company.
The next meeting will be held at Whitby on April 24th.

## LINCOLNSHIRE VICAR LEAVES MONEY FOR BELLS.

At Burton-on-Stather, Lines, on Mondny, January 25th, after failure of penl attempt, 720 ehranges of St. Clement's Minor: B. Gillatt 1, A, Thornton 2, A. Tomlinsan 3, J. Bray (conductor) 4. E. Brittain 5, B. Gillatt, jun., 6. Rung wilh bells half-mufled as a lust. token of esteem for Ganon F. A. Jarvis, 39 years Vicar of the parish. Canon Jarvis was responsible for the three old bells being made inta gix In 1920, giving nae of them himself. He has loft, in his will, a sum toward the cosit of adding two trobles.

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A vate of thanks to the Rev. Pat MeCormack was proposed by Chief Inspector Bottrill, seconded by Mr. A. Pye, ncknowledgmeni being made of the Ficar's interest in the society, of the use of the bells, of the tea in the crypt, and of his prosidiag at the meeting.
The vicar said le was delighted to welcome the society, and wislied them q successful year.
Thanirs were ncoorded to the ofticers for their services during the past year, and to Mr. T. Bevan and Mrs. Gross for their activiticm in obtaining many new members. Mr. Fevar was also tianked for getting the bells of St. Rride's ready that day,
Mr. Bailey expressed appreciation of the attendance of the members who had come long distances to be present, and the Master appealed for a better attemance at the montlily meetings at Shorcditch.
Tribute was paid to the memory of mombers who lad passed nway during the yenr, and the meeling then terminated.

## THE LATE MR. H. R. PASMORE'S PEALS.

DISTINGUISHED PERFORMANCES.
Some reference las aliready bcen made in 'The Ringing World ' to the peal performances of the tate Mr. Harry R. Pasmoze, who was a mernber of both St. Patl's Cathedral and Westminster Abbey bands. He was a ringer and cenfuctor of exceptional ability. In his first 12 monthe as a peal ringer he rang eight peals, which inchuded Superlative and London Surprise, at the age of 17. Before he was 20 he had rung in the first three Surprise pale rence in one diny, and also non-conducted peals of Loudon and Cambridge Surprise. Later in the sane year he conducted the first handbell peals of Superlative ever rung, and afterwards took part in that wonderful performance, Carter's Odd Bob One-Part peal of Stedmau Triples non-conducted on handibells.
The following is the list of his peals:-


## FUNERAL OF MR. G. W. STOKES.

"Hhe funeral of the late Mr. George W. Stokes, of Tastbourne, who filled many offees in the Sussex County assnciation, including that of secretary of the Eastern Division from 1920 to 1922, took place on Mondiy, January 25th. The first part of tho ecrvice was held in St. Plinip's Church, and the intermenl took place at Langney Cemetery.
The association was represented by Mr. A. C. Pankhurst (lion. secretary of the Fastern Division), Mr. F. Dallaway and Mr. H. Hobden (St. Saviour's) and Mr. G. Piper. The Vicar of St. Saviour's, where Mr. Stokes had been a member of the company for 16 years, was also present.

Among the many wreaths was one from the Sussex Association, one from St. Saviour's hand and one from St. Mary's company.
Al St. Saviour's Church on the previous day a half-muffied quartarpeal of Grandsire Triples was rung by G. Fobbs 1, H. G. Reytolds 2, H. S. Hoblen (condtuctor) 3, IE. Pray 4, F. F. Dallaway 5, E. Gower fi. A. C. Panklurst 7, L. Faulkner B.
Mr. Stokes, who was 61 years of age, will be particularly missed at East hourne, wlile the associstion also has sustained a great loss. In guntition to his service as divisional secretary, he had serven on the Committen of Advice, was a trustee for five years and hon. treasurer for two years. He liad rung about a hundred peals.

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## NOTICES.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual meeting of Guildford District at Guildford on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Beils available: Cathedral, 3 to 4 p.m.; S. Nicolas', 3.30 to 4.30 . Shalford, after meeting, until 9 p.m. Service at $S$. Nicolas' $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and meeting at Ayres" Calé 5.15.-G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon, near Guitdford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Burley Parish Church on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells available 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Meeting in tower at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Members and non members cordially invited.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil St., Blackburn.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Kington District. -The annual meeting will be held at Kington on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6) available 4 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Business meeting to follow.-Jabez Preece, Dis. Sec., Lea Lodge, Staunton-on-Arrow.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Francis Xavier on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Tower open for ringing at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend. - $\mathbf{H}$. Grundy. Branch Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Dunster Deanery Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Old Cleeve (8) on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at the Village Hall at 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow.-G. Stacey, 6, Park Street, Minehead.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-Sevenoaks is the place, and Saturday, Feb. 6th, the date, for the first meeting of the New Year. You come, please, and help start the year well. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due.-Alec. E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division.-A meeting will be held at Sible Hedingham on Saturday, Feh. 6th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow. - F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South-West District. The annual meeting will be held at All Saints* Church, Old Isleworth, on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea, 5.30, in Church Hall, South Street. Busjness meeting to follow. Bells (ro) from 3 p.m. and after meeting.-F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Higher Walton on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells ready 2.30 p.m. Meeting 5 p.m. A hearty welcome given to all ringers to attend.J. Charnock, Branch Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - General quarterly meeting, Loughborough, Feb. 6th. Bells of All Saints' (10) and Bell Foundry Campanile (io) available 2 to 3.45 and after meeting. Committee meet 3 p.m. Special service 4 p.m., during which late Rector (Canon Briggs) will dedicate tablet to past Loughborough ringers. Tea at 4.30 , followed by general meeting; both in the Fearon Hall. - Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Southill on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6), recently rehung and retuned by J. Taylor and Co., available 3 o'elack. All visitors welcomed.-C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy, Beds.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. A meeting will be held at the two six-bell towers in Lytham on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Business 5.30. Members and non-members heartily wel-comed.-C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Pooistock (not Wigan Parish, as previously arranged) on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells available from 3 p.m.-S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Crewkerne Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at IIminster on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Service at 6 p.m. Please advise, if tea required. - D. G. Taylor, Cornhill, Ilminster.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.A meeting of the above oranch will be held at Brightwalton on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea, 5 p.m., at 6 d . All ringers welcome. The 'Reliance' bus from Newbury Wharf at 2.30 for this meeting, returning $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. from Brightwalton.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

EL'Y DIOCÉAAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch. -A meeting will be held at Cbatteris, Cambs, on Saturday, February 6th. Bells (6) a vailable 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.45 . Short evensong 6. Please advise Mr. A. J. Abrams, number for tea. Very good train and bus services all ways.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Northern Division will be held at Balcombe ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 , is. per head. Half rail fare to members, maximum is. 6d.-O. Sippetts, Io, Albany Road, Crawley, Sussex.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Spalding on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.15 p.m. Business meeting after-wards.-Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTEE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The pre-Lent meeting will be held at Chester-le-Street on Saturday, Feb. 6th. The bells will be available during the afternoon and evening. Committee meeting 4 p.m. Short service 4.45 p.m. Tea $5.3^{\circ}$ p.m.-R. Park, Hon. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ludiow and Church Stretton District.-The annual meeting will be held at Ludlow on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (8) available $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Tea and business meeting to follow.-W. J. Beniams, Hon. Dis. Sec., Ben-All, Henley Road, Ludlow, Shropshire.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A special meeting will be held at Fakenham on Feb. 6th, to dedicate an oak peal board, recording a muffled peal rung as a tribute of respect to the late $F$. T. Cooke, a former ringer at Peterborough and Fakenham. Service at 3.30. Bells (8) available 2.30 till 8 p.m.-R. W. Cooke, Hempton fireen, Fakenham.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. -Christchurch District.-A quarteriy meeting will be held at $S t$. John's, Bournenouth, to-morrow (Saturday), Feb. 6th. Bells (6) available from $3 \cdot 3^{\circ}$ p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in the Church Hall. Alsu Si. Peter's, available from 6.30 p.m.-G. Preston, Hon, Sec., 42 , Waterloo Place, Christchurch.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Laku District Branch.-A practice meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Heversham, to-morrow (Saturday), Feb. Gth. Bells (6) available at 2.30 p.mı. N. M. Newby, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Penistone ( 8 bells) to-morrow (Saturday), Feb. 6th. For tea please notify Mr. A. Champion, 9, Shrewsbury Road, Penistone. All weicome. Bristol for practice.-M. E. Wilson, Hom, Sec., 13, St. Ronan's Road, Sheffield 7.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Service ringiny St. Clement Danes', Strand, Feb. $7^{\text {th1 }}$, io a.m. ; Bow, Cheapside, Feb. 28th, at 5.30 p.m. Practices: St. Clement Danes', Feb. I5 th, and Mar. ist, at 7.30 p.ms. ; St. Mary, Lambeth, Mar. and, at 8 p.rm.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). -The sum of 1s. 8d., which entitles members who have not attended twenty times to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 18 th; Southwayk Cathedral on the inth; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the r6th; St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 23 rd, at $7: 30$ p.m. ; St. Andrew's on the $25^{\text {th }}$, at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meetheg afterwards.-Wm. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodinghan, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Enstern District.-The meeting advertised for Cheshunt is posiponed until Feb. I3 th. All previous arrangements stand tor this date.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.
SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 13th, at St. Mary's Church, Brecon. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 . Tea supplied
by the Vicar.-F. E. Thomas, Dis by the Vicar.-F. E. Thomas, Dis. Sec.

NATIONAL GUILD OF POIICE RINGERS. Annual meeting at Liverpool, Saturday, Feb. 13th. Ringing: St. Francis Xavier's R.C. Church, Salisbury St. (8 bells) $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $11.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. ; St. Nicholas' Church ( 12 bells) noon to $12.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} ., 2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and 6.45 p.m. to $7.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Luncheon (2s. 6d.) 1 p.m. prompt. The Lord Mayor of Liverpool (Alderman Denton) will give a reception to the party at 3 p.m. at the Town Hall. Tea (1s. 6d.) 5 p.m. Business meeting 5.45 p.m. Social 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. All at the Bear's Paw Restaurant, 53, Lord Street. Members, please make special effort to attend. Hearty invitation to all ringers. Please notify Chief Inspector J. Meldrum, City Police, Prescot St. Station, Liverpool, by Feb. 10th. Subscription for 1937 now due.-Inspector H. J. Poole, Hon. Sec., Wayside, Narborough Road, Leicester.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting of the Western Division will be held at Chichester on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Tower open 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Half tail fares, maximum 1 s . 6d., to members.F. H. Meeten, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, North Street, Worthing:

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-The annual district meeting will be held at Leatherhead on Saturday, Fel. 13th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 , followed by tea (1s.) and business meeting at the Duke's Head. Will those requiring tea please send numbers to Mr. A. Dean, 24, Church Walk, Leatherhead, by Feb. 10th and not go to the Institute from force of habit?-A. H. Smith, Hon. Sec., Drakelowe, Howard Road, Great Bookham, Surrey.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The spring meeting will be held at Boughton on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea and business meeting. Will all those who intend to be present please notify me not later than Thursclay, Feb. 11th? Subscriptions for 1937 are now due and may be paid at this meeting.-B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec., 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be beld at Yalding ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells available 2.30. Service at 5. Tea at the Bull 5.30. Please send a postcard for tea to Mr. H. Mills, High Street, Yalding, by Wednesday, Feb. 10th. Every ringer welcome. Bourne Surprise, Double Court, or plain fare according to taste, but come and try it!-A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division.A meeting will be held at Fryerning on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow. Ingatestone bells also available in the evening. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Feb. 10th ?-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Bacup, on Saturday, Feb. 13th. If you intend being present, will you make a note. that the tower is not open until 6 p.m.? Now, chaps, show your interest and please turn up. - J. Porter, 11, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.
LOONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOETHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual meeting, Feb. ${ }_{1} 3^{\text {th. }}$. Ringing: Shoreditcli, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.; Bow, Cheapside, 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. ; St. Lawrence Jewry, E.C., 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. ; St. Clement Danes', 3 p.m. to 4 p.me and 6 to 7 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Preacher, 1.ord Bishop of Stepney. A good attendance is requested. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting and handbell competition 7.15 p.m. Latest time for reservation for tea Wednesday, Feb. roth.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD. - The annual general meeting of the Guild will be held at East Grinstead on Saturday, Feb. $1^{\text {th }}$, Tower open 3 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{R} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided for all those who notify me not later than Wednesday next. Business meeting to follow,-G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch.The annual meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, Feb. $1^{\text {th. }}$. Ringing at St. Mary's (S) 3 to 5 p.m.; St. Giles' (8) , 3.30 to 4.45 p.m. ; St. Laurence's ( 12 ) \& to 5 p.m. Service at St. Laurence's 5 p.m. Tea, is. per head, 6 p.m., at St. Mary's Church House, followed by meeting at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please let me know by Feb. roth how many for tea.-E. G. Foster, Branch Sec., 4or, London Road, Reading.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION:Swindon Branch.-A meeting will be held at Blunsdon on Saturday, Fcb. 13 th. Light six. On bus route. Names for tea to Mr. W. H. Trueman, 22a, St. Philips Road, Upper Stratton, Swindon, Wilts. - W. B. Kynaston, Hon. Sec.
DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-Mid-Devon Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Ipplepen, Newton Abbot, on Saturday, Feb. $13^{\text {th }}$. Bells ( 8 ) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting in the Schoolraom at 5 p.m. Numbers for tea should reach me not later than first post Tuesday, Feb. 9th. - A. L.. Bennett, Branch Sec., Cornerways, Elliott Plain, Buckfastleigh.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch for Newport Pagnell Deanery. - A meeting at Stoke Goldington, Saturday, Feb. ${ }^{13}$ th, 2.30 begin; 4 service; 4.45 tea at the Rectory for those who send a p.c. to the Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Earl Shilton on Feb. ${ }^{13}$ th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service 4.45 . Tea, gd. each, at 5 p.m. in schools.-Wm. A. Wood, Hon. Sec., Fosseway, Croft.

LADIES' GUILD. - Northamptonshire District. - A meeting will be held at Earls Barton ( 8 ) on Saturday, Feb. 12th. Ringing from 2.30. Service 4.15. Numbers for tea by previous Tuesday, please--S. Thursfield, Hon. Sec., Cranford Rectory, Kettering.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Low Bentham on Saturday, Feb. $3^{\text {th }}$. Tower open for ringing at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30 P . m ., price 1 s . 3 d. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.-E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beechan Street, Morecambe.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Dunstable on Saturday, Feb. I3th. The bells will be ready at 2.45 P.m. Will as many as can attend this meeting?-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable. BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Cawthorne on Saturday, Feb. ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th. }}$. Bells ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. W. Broadhead, Church Street, Cawthorne, near Barnsley, not later than Thursw day, Feb. irth? A hearty welcome to all. - Daniel Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shafton, near Barnsley.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting of this district will be held at Bromham on Saturday, February 13th. Bells (8) ready from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. You will be very welcome.-Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec., 10, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS. - Annual meeting at St. Mary's Church, Nottingham, Saturday, Feb. $3^{\text {th }}$. Tower open 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome. Subscriptions due, please. - I. B. Thompson, Hon. Sec., 52, Lace Street, Nottingham.

ST. MARTIN'S GULLD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established i/755). - Bi-quarterly meeting will be held at Shirley Parish Church, near Birmingham, on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells (6) available from 3 o'clock. Tea will be arranged. -T. H . Reeves, Hon. Sec.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-Sat., Feb. i3th, East Markham (8). Methods for practice: Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, etc. Please send a card for tea to R. Towler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

POUGHILL, near Bude, N. Cornwall.-On Saturday, Feb. 20th, at 3 p.m., the bells will be re-dedicated by the Suffragan Bishop of Barking; followed by a ringing festival. The ring of six has been recast and rehung in a new framework by John Taylor and Co.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch, -First meeting of the year will be held at Wychbold, near Droitwich, on Saturday, Feb. zoth. Bells (6) recently rehung, available from 3 p.m. Service 4. I5. Tea in the Vicarage Room at 5 o'clock, by kind invitation of the Vicar. Business meeting afterwards. Please send word by Tuesday, Feb. 16th.-Geo. E. Large, Brancil Sec., Grange Cottage, Hawford, Worcester.
LAUNCELLS, near Stratton, North Cornwall. - On Thursday, Feb. 25 th, at 3 p.m., the bells will be rededicated by the Lord Bishop of Truro. Ring of six rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755). -The 49th annuai Henry Johnson Cornmemoration Dinner will be held at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, Feb. 27 th, at 6 p.m. prompt, when the chair will be taken by Rev. H. McGowan, M.A., Vicar of Aston. To fully qualified members tickets will be issued on payment of 25 ., to other members and friends.6s. 6d. each. The bells of St. Martin's (12) and Aston Parish Church (I2) will be available from $3 \cdot 30$ to 5 o'clock. Application for tickets, accompanied by remittance (latest date 25 th inst.) should be made to Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., ${ }^{3} 6$, Newton Road, Sparkhil, Birmingham in.

LEICESTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETIES. Annual dinner will be Leld at the George Hotel, Clack Tower, Leicester, Saturday, Feb. 27th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 2s. 9 . (limited number) must be applied for by Wednesday, Feb. 24th, latest. - H. Perkins, Sec., 53 , Landseer Road, Leicester.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -Annital dinner to be held at the Bediord Head Hotel, Maiden Iane, W.C.I, on Saturday, Mar. I3th. Ladies very welcome. Tickets (5s. 6d. each) now available from Messrs. G. H. Cross, G. W. Steere, G. Gilbert, R. Heazel, G. Rarley, E. J. Butler or from J. E. Bailey, 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford, Kent.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Northern District.-I'reliminary Announce-ment.-A meeting will be held at All Saints', Pilgrim Street. Newcastle, on Mar. I3th. Details later. - K. Arthur, Hon. Dis. Sec.

PROPOSED DINNER, Watford.-Time not allowing for the necessary arrangements, the committee have postponed the dinner till next year.-Committee, Watford District, Herts Association.

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## ATTENDANCE AT DISTRICT MEETINGS

If the trouble were taken by all District Secretaries to analyse the attendances of individuals at association meetings, we wonder what proportion of the actual membership would be found showing their active interest and support in this direction? We are prompted to ask this question as the result of certain statistics presented to a ringers' meeting on Saturday, when it was revealed that in a district with over 160 members, the main support had come from seventeen only. The district in question is not geographically large and presents no unusual difticulties in regard to communications, yet the figures showed that, all told, less than a quarter of the members took the trouble to attend any meeting. We have no doubt there are many areas where, if an analysis were made, similar facts would come to light. In every association there are ringers who loyally support the meetings arranged for their interest and benefit, and every secretary knows his 'regulars' who are the backbone of whatever success may attend a gathering. We are far from suggesting that meetings miss their object when the presence of the stalwarts has to be solely relied upon, but they would serve an even more useful purpose if ' new faces' were constantly appearing.
The wider the attendance at meetings, the more are officials encouraged, and let it not be forgotten that officials need and deserve encouragement. They carry the burden of the day; they have to do the work; they are the people who are grumbled at if things go wrong, but members seldom think how disheartening it is when, after all the labour expended, those for whose benefit everything has been done fail to respond. The very idea behind district meetings is to bring these gatherings close home to the members; to give them facilities for meeting and ringing such as centralised management could not be expected to provide, particularly in hig associations. There never was a time when ringers of all classes were given so many opportunities to get together for mutual practice and social intercourse, and yet many fail to grasp these occasions to expand their knowledge and make a growing circle of ringing friends. Those who miss the social side of ringing do not know the full pleasure of being a member of the Exercise, but even though they are content to miss this phase of it, they should at least feel it a duty to support their association's meetings. Sometimes ringers complain that they get nothing out of membership of a Guild; that is because they put nothing into it, except, perhaps, an annual subscription. They would get interest and pleasure in abundance if they would make the most of the facilities provided and join their fellows in district and
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other gatherings．They would also，probably，get their ambition stirred and their knowledge increased．In any case they would show some little appreciation for the work which is done voluntarily for them．

## TWELVE BELL PEALS．

LONDON．
THE SOGIETY OF ROYAL GUMBERLAND YOUTHS．
On Saturday，Fshruary 6，1937，in Three Hours and Forty－Seven Aminulas，
Ax the Chirch of St．Lronard，Seoreditee，
A PEAL DF 8TEDHAN CINQUES， 5007 CHANGE8； Tenor 28 巽 cwt ．
William J．Nodds ．．．．．．Tyeble｜Tyomas Bevan ．．．．．．．．． 7 Mas，Grorge H．Cross ．．．z Ghorge W．Strere ．．．．．． 8 Gborge H．Cress ．．．．．． 3 Robert Heazrll ．．．．．． 9 Alfred E．Pitsiow ．．．．．． 4 Edward J．Beer ．．．．．．io Norman Sommgrbayes ．．． 5 Harry Hoverd ．．．．．．．．．it Tromas Newman．．．．．．．．．б＂Fredbrick Arnold ．．．．．．Temor Composed by Jobn Cartrr，Conducted by George H．Cross． ＊First peal．

KIDDERMINSTER，WOROESTERSHIRE．
THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION． On Saturday，Febrady 6，1937，in Three Howrs and Thirty－Two Minutes， At the Cedreg of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES， 5019 CHANGES； Tenor $244 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cmt}$ ．
Sidngy T，Holy．．．．．．．．．Treble Thomas W．Litwis ．．．．．． 7
Herbert Kikight ．．．．．． 2 Morris J．Morris ．．．．．． 8
Grorge E．Lhrge ．．．．．． 3 Jobn S．Mason ．．．
William C．Dowding ．．． 4 Bert Horton ．．．．．．．．． 10
Frane E．Haynes ．．．．．． 5 ｜Harry Boswell ．．．．．．．．．in
－Malcolm Meville ．．．．．．ó George E．Frarn ．．．．．．Temor
Composed by John Carter．Coaducted by Frank E，Haynes，
＊First peal of Stedman．

## TEN BELL PEAL．

LEEDS，KENT THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，February 5，1937，in Three Hours ayd Twenty－Five Mirutes， At the Cborch or St．Nicbolas，
A PEAL OF GRANDSire caters， 5075 CHANGEBI Tenor 20 cmt ．
Grorgr Kenward ．．．．．．Tyebib：Thomas E．Song ．．．．．． 6
Cbarlis H．Sone ．．．．．． 2 Fredericr S．Macey ．．． 7 William Wenban ．．．．．． 3 †Walter Dobbie ．．．．．． 8 Pgrey Page ．．． Harry Bakrr ．．．．．．．．． 5 Wilelam Botton ．．．．．．tenor Composed by A．Knigers．Conducted by Thomas E．Sone．
＊50th peal of Grandsire．I First peal of Grandzire Caters．The composition，No．158，is now rung for the first time．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

LONDON．
CIVIL SERVICE POSTAL PEAL．
TEE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Satkyday，Januay 30，1937，in There Fours and Howy Minktes，
At the Cherch of Sy．Mary，Lambetr．S．E．，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5088 CHANOES；
Tenor 16 cwt 3 qr，ralb．
－Henry J．Ranzetya．．．．．．Tyeble Robert W．Green ．．．．．． 5 Thomas H．Tafrender ．．． 2 John W．Unwin．．．．．．．．． 6 Arthor Jones ．．．.. .1 ．．． 3 †Grorge C．Goodman －Franz A．N．Halsted ．．．a Tbomas R．Dennjs ．．．．．．Teroy Composed by T．Day．Conducted by Thomas H．Tapfender．
${ }^{50}$ First peal in the mothoi．＋First peal．This is the first peal by a band of Civil Servants．rihey are also members of the Postal， Telagraph and Telephone services．

FADDENHAN，BDOKS．－At the Paribh Church on Saturdey， Jantuary Rad，quarter－peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major （1，280 chances）：W．H．Fussell 玉，Miss D．R．Fletcher 2，Miss K．E． Metcher 3．G．Martiu 4，R，Bleby（first quarter－peal in the method） 5 ，H．Wingrove（conductor）6，R．Biggs 7，W．Henloy 8．Rung after a peal attempt bad failed．

HETHERSETY, NORFOLK
THE NORWIGH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
Un Thursduv, January 28, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Citerge of St. Remigids,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANRES; Tenor rocwt. i qr. iz lb. ie G.


First peal in the method on the bells and first peal in the method by all except treble and tennor ringers.

## SALLE NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOOIATION,
On Sunday, Jarmary 31, 1937, in Thyes Hours and Twasty-Thyes Minufes,
At tar Cedrch of SS, Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, E日88 CHANGES; Tenor 185 cwt .


Composed by H. Dasss. Conducted by E. V. Blake.

- First peal of Treble Boh and first attempt.

DARTFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOGIATION.
in Monday, Febrnary 1, 1937, is Three Hours and Two Minhtes,
Ai tee Churce of tee Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 505B CHANGES;
Middleton's.
Tenor 18 量 cwt.
Grorge H. Cross ... ...Tychia |lohn Wheadon ... ... ... 5
Jorn H. Cerrsman ... ... 2 Derbk M. Sharpr ... ... 6
Mas. Grorge H. Cross ... 3 James E. Baizgy... ... ... 7
Harry Hoskins ... ... ... 4 Harry Hoverd ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Harry Hoverd.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Herbert, E. Audsley, who unforuntutely was indisposed and uuable to ving.

> BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
'HHE LLANDATF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wedmesily, Februay 3, 1937, in Thres Hours,

At the Cetrch of St. Illtyd,
A PEAL DF GRANUSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-pari (ath observation), Tenor 16 owt

- Travor M. Roderick ...Tyeble Frank Rowsbli ... ... 5 Jogn W. Jongs ... ... ... 2 †Alfred W. Wriget ... ... 6
Edward T. Bailey ... ... 3 Erabst Stitch ...
Gharles H. Perry ... ... 4 Robery E. Colgs ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Cearlrs F. Parry.
${ }^{3}$ First peal and first attempt. +50 th peal,

OLD WINDSOR, BERLKSHRRE THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GULLD.
On Wedresday, Fobruary 3, 1937, in 7 hrea Hours,
At ter Ceqach of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF LUTTERWORTH SURPRIEE HAJOR, 6152 CHANGES;
Tenor II cwt. 2 qq. 2 I Jb .
Grorge H. Guttaridge ...Treble Nomman V. Harding ... ... 5
Edpard S. T. Farr ... .. 2 Leonard Stilwhll ... ... 6.
Edwin A. Barnety ... ... 3 Cecil W. Pipe ...... Wileiam Welling ... .- $\ddagger$ Alan R. Pink ... ... ... Iendy

Composed by E. W. Tipler, Camducted by Alan R. Pink,
The first peal in the method, of which Mr. E. W. Tipler is the anthor.

ALDUNHAM, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCTATION.
On Saturday, February 6. 1937, in 7 wo Hours and Forly-Nina dinutes,
At tge Cedree of St. John-the-Bapist,
A PEAL OF KNEBWORTH SURPRISE MAJOR, 6024 EHANGES Tanor 15 cmt .
Joan E. Rootras ... ... ...Treble Francts Krak
Wabter G Paul ... ... 2 Frederick W. Brinklow ... 6
Strpeen H. Hoarr ... ... 3 Waltar Ayre ... ... ... 7
Christopher W. Woolery a Harold G. Cashmora... .... Tenar
Composed and Conductet by H. G. Cashmore.
This is the first peal in the mothod and was rung without previous practice.

BUSHEY, $\mathrm{HLERTFORDSHIRE}$.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Saturday, February 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutas.
At the Carrch of St. James,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parher's Twelve-part.
William Cross ... ... ...Tyebie $\mid$ †Percy L. Parslow ... ... 5
Reginald C. H. Conmolly 2 Edwin Jrnnings... Madrice F. R. Hiberti... 3 Fgancis A. Smith ... .+4 7 - Wileiam Sebezy ... ... 4 | $\ddagger$ Henry Softrall ... ... ${ }^{\text {manoy }}$ Conducted by $E$. Jinnaivigs.

* 100th peal. † First peal of Grandsire 'inside.' $\ddagger$ First peal. THRAPSTON, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, Febrwayy 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At ter Chorch of St. James,
A PEAL DF DQUBLE MORWIGH COURT BOB MANOR, $518 s$ GHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt. 7 lb .
Gronge H. Roberis ... ...Tyoble Ernbst E. Whitmore ... 5 Matraias Hosss... ... ... 2 Borley P. Morris ... ... 6 Cearlas W. Bird ... ... 3 Bhrnard G. Saddingion ... 7 George W. Jeffs ... ... 4 William J. Whitmorg ... Tener Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by W. J. Weitmorr.

BURLEY, LEEDS, YORKSHTRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOGIATION.
(Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.)
On Salurday, February 6. 1937, int Three Hours and One Minute,
At the Cherch of St. Matthias.
A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGE8; Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. i6 lb, in B flat.
*Herbrrt Ashion ... ...Treble Tgomas W. Strangeway ... 5
Georgr W. Slack ... ... 2 John W. Scholefield ... i, Franr Rayment ... ... 3 Josepe Tbackray... -Kenneta Simpson ... ... 4 Leonard Draks ... ... ... ... Composed by J. Barrer. Conducted by Leonard Drakf. * First peal in the method. Rung to welcome the Rev. F. J. Lindley, B.A., late curate, on his return as Vicar, also as at mark of appreciation of the services of Canon C. C. Mirsilall, M.A., on his completion of 25 yoars as president of the association.

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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Febrwary 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At ter Chorch of St. Jmars,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Taylor's Six-part.

- Dennis Hollos... ... ...i'reble Joen Mbadowcroft Jogn Meadowgroft, jon. Ogden Moores
Jack Lefr
Vernon Syres
Ivan Kay ...

Tenor 18 cwt


Conductea by Vernon Syurs

* Firsi peal at first attempt. Ruag as a tolen of farewoll to Ernest 13. Syltes, brother of the conductar, late member of the Oldham Parish Cburch company, who has joined His Majesty's Navy. GORING-ON-THAMES OXON
THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturiday, February 6, 1937, in I wo Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes.
At tee Chorch St. Thomas-dr-Cantrrbury


## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EO40 CHANEES;

Haywood's Transposizion of Tgurstans' Four-zart.

## Albeft E. Lock ..

Rancis E. Taylor

-.. 2 | Walter E. Jodge | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Rev. C. EliLiot Wigg | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Rev. Alpred G. G. Tburlowteno |  |  |  |  |  | Unconducte? 3 .

Umpire-Mrs. Aibert E. Lock.
First "silent" peal by all the band. LONDON.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOOIATION AND NORTH SODTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saluyday, Febreary 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Fifleen Minutes, Ai the Ceurch or All Saints. West Ham, E
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 505 CHANGES; Tenor 28 cwt .
Raymond G. Cousins -..Tyeble Henry T, Wilson ... ... 5
John H. Crampion ... ... 2 Ernest W. Forbank ...
F. Donald Borebam ... ... 3 Jack A. Wagga ..." .*. ... 7

Tgomas H. Taffrander ... 4 Edward D. Smise $\quad$ Composed by C. Middreion. Conducted by Edward D. Smite. SOUTHEND-ON-SEA, ESSEX THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Satirduy, February 6, 1937, in Threa Fowrs and Six Minutes,
At ige Parish Cefrce, Prittrewall,
A PEAL OF BOB MAUOR, 505日 GHANGEg;
Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

William L. Perry
Stanley Baybdtit
Robert Watis
Walter D. Taylor
Composed by I. Tocker
fyeble William Dudey rasho 2
3 4

FILLIAM DUDLEY .... ... 5 Frank B. LOFRIN... .... ... 6 Gordon A. Bacon ....tere Conducted by Frana B. Ldifin.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

WHITWELL, NORPOLK THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Jonuary 76, 1937, is I wo Hows and Fifif-Five Minutes, At the Cetrch or St. Micharl and All Angels,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Gomprising two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and thres of Plain Bob, rung alternately, seven diferent callings. Tonor 1012 cwt .
Frrderick R, Wicley ...j yeble Joun A. Godfrey. William Coreman ... ... 2 William E. West Cbarles E Corbman... 3 Ernest V. Blake … 5 Conducted by E. V, Beakr GREINTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASGOCIATION. On Friday, Juntary 29, 7937, in Two Hows and Thiviy-Five Minwtes, At ife Cedrce of St. Micharl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLEg, E040 CHANEEB Being 42 six-scores, with five different callinge.

## Lednard Partridise...

Frederick Tbompson.+*
Azberi Artigr a

## Reginald Sparks Charlas Partrigge .... .... $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Charlrs Partribge } & \cdots & \cdots \\ \text { Ronald Poticary } & \ldots & \ldots \text { Femor }\end{array}$ -•

First peal by all the band.
FTAMPTON, LINCS
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Eastern Brance.)
On Saturday, Jantary 30, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minntes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF TREBLE BOB MINOR. 6040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Duke of Norfolk, Morning Star, Gollege Bob IV. Old Oxford, Wath Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
*Harry Johnson... ... ...Tredle Cykil R. Burrell ... ... 4 "John R. Yodng ... ..." ... 2 William Wileinson ... 5 Arther Yodng ... ... .... 3 "John R. Khmp ... ... ...Tenor Concucted by jobn R. Young.

* First peal of Treble Bob. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor and the tenor ringer's son.

WORSLET, MANCHESTER
THE LANOASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Tuesday, Febraary 2, 1937, in Iwo Howrs u d Fifty-Thres Minutes, At tefe Cherch of St. Mank,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8; Being seven 720 's each called differently.
Prrcy H. Dersyshirs ...Trable |Juskph H. Kidiard ... .... 4 Fred Grondy ... ... ... 2 Eric Yates ... ... ... ... 5
 Conducted by Joskef H Riphare.
First peal of Kent Minor by all the band, also first peal of Minor on the hells. Ruag on the front six.

## LOUGHBOROUGH

THE MIDLAND COUNTLES ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, February 2, 1937, th wo How's and / tuenty- 1 wo Mirmes. At the Bell Fiundhy Chmpanlle,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINDR, 6090 CHANGES; Seven different 720's.

Tenor 6! cwt.
William Smite
Lescir Stevens
.. ... ...Treble
Cgarles Allsof.
Conducted by Colin Harrison.
First peal of Cambridge Minor by all except ringors of the 3xil and tenor.

HENLOW, BEDS
THE BEDFORDSEIRE ASSOGIATION
On Wednesday, Februavy 3, 1937, in T two Hours and Porty-Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Keat Treble Bob, Dorble Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Francis Beadmont ... .... 3 Lewish. Brwatrrs ... .... Tenay Conclucted hy L. H. Brwatrens

* First peal in seven methods. + First in seven methods 'inside.' All are of the local band.


## THE THLSHAN, LINCS

COLN DIOCESAN GUILD
(Northern Brance.)
On Thursday. February 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minttes, At tee Cgorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINDR, 5040 CHANQES;

Seven diferent 720's

- Harold ]odd ...

Hanold jodd ... ... ...Tyeble | Ernest Rritraln
Tenor 74 cwl.
*Frank Lord ...
Grorgr E. Feirn
... ... 2 F Genrgu Dosbs ...
... ... 4
Conducted by Jack Bray

| … | ....TMar |
| :---: | :---: |

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.
$\qquad$ Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss K. Bowness, of Bighy NORTON SUB-HAMDON, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOGESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, February 6, 7937, in 1 hree Haicys and Twenty Minuies, At the Cborch of St. Mary,


## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, $\operatorname{EO4O}$ GHANGES;

In seven different extents
Tenor 183 cwt.
*Archibald T.C. Opbonne Treble †Fredraick Farravt... Dodglas W. Ranson ... 3 Gilbert W. Rendale... ...Toroy Conducted by W. C. Seote.

* First attempt for a peal. + First peal of Minor. First peal on the belis.

BARLBOROUGH，DERBYSHIRE
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCLATION． On Saturday，Febriary 6，1937，in 1 wo Howrs and Fifly－Six Minules， At the Church of St．James．

## A PEAL OF WINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

One extent each of Sandal，Kingston and London Scholars＇Pleasure Trelle Bob，Cambridge Surprise，Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob

## －John E．Sturman

Harold Denman
－Richard F．Reece
 Cilifrodd A．Vessey ．．．

> Teray

Concucted by Clifrord A．Vessey．
＊Tirst peal in seven methods．
SWANBOURNE BUCKS．

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GOILD．

On Saturday，Feoruay 6，1937，an Ahyee Hous and Two Minutes， At the Church of St．Swithon，

## A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being 720 each of Jondon，Norwich and Caubridge Surprise，Double Court，combined $369^{\prime}$ s of Double Oxford and St．Clement＇s，Single Oxford and Plain Bob，and 720 each of Oxford Treble Bols．

Tenor 13 ${ }^{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ in F ．

 | Kathlern E．Fletcerer | ... | 2 | William Henley | $\ldots$. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ... | 4 |  |  |  | Dorotey R．Flbicher ．．． 3 Tony Price ．．．．．．．．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Tony Price．

Pirst peal on the bells．

## TEORPT－LE－SOKEN，FSSEX．

TEE ESSEX ASSOCIATION．
On Sathrday，Febrwayy 6，1937，it Two Howrs am Forty－Eight Minurs， At the Chorch of St．Miceael，

## A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being biree 720＇s of Plain Bob and two each of Kent aud Oxford Treble Bob，called differently． Treble Bob，called diferenty．
Walter Sodiegate．．．．．．I yebld －Grorge Jennangs ．．．．． 2 Horack A．Wright ．．．．．．． Willam J．Nevard．．．．． 3 Edward E，Divey ．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by E．E，Davey．
First panl of Minor＂inside，＂First peal on the bells since the new treble was addect and believed to bo the first poal in the tower． It was rung as an 8lat birehday compliment to Mr．William J．Nevard， who enterlained the band to tea after the peal．

## HANDBELL PEALS．

## LEICTSTIER

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOGIATION． On Monday，Februavy 1，1937，im Two Howrs and Forty－Three Minutes，

In tee Ceoir Vrstry St，Margarei＇s Cherce，

## A PEAL OF STEDHAM CATERS， 5007 GHANGES；

 Tenor size 15 in 0.Alfard Ballard．．．
．．．．． 1 l－z $\mid$ Ernest Morrts
Jnsiah Morris
Composed by $\overline{\mathrm{J}}$ ．Carter．
Conducted by H．J．Pools
Rung to celebrate tine birth of a dauglater to Mr．and Mrs．G． Stedman Mortis，and a granddamyter for＇Joe－

STOCKPORT，CHESEITRE．
THE LANCASHJRE ASSOCIATION
On Weduesday，February 3，1937． 17 I wo Hows and Twenty－Six Minutes，
At zo，Absrdeen Caeticent，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN BATER ${ }^{\text {S }}$ ， 5041 CHANEESI
Carter＇s Brombsheet，No． 5 James W．Wasbbrook

Tenor size I7 in B flat．
Harold Jackson
$\ldots$ ．．．．$-. . \quad 3-4$
Allen F．Bailey．．．．．．．．． $5-6$
Peter Laflin Alfred Barnes $\cdot .$.
Conducted by A．F．Bajley．
Witness－Mrs，A．F．Bailey．
（Other peal reports are unavoidably held over ）

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## FOR BEGINNERS．

## TRY TREBLE BOB

There are alwayg a number of six－bell ringers who，cither by lack of opportunity or want of initiative，seem to stick at Bob Minor． They seldom go to other towers，and if they do are not propared to try anything beyond what they already know；indeed，it is often because their knowledge is so restricted that thoy will not go to other towers for fear of clowing up their limitations．
Welt，this inferiority complex is all wrong．It discourages elforb to make progress．There are lots of things that Bob Minor ringare couk ring，with very little dificulty，if thoy would put their minds to it but steps in ringing seem to l站 standardised to some extent，and the next stage to Bob Minor，in six－bell riuging，is ngally Trable Boh，
The man who can ring an inside ball to Phin Minor abould be able with very little study to rins Treble Bob．When ringing the piain method he knows how to dodge in 3－4 or 5－6 when be comes to the proper positions；he knows，also，how ta lead and make 2na＇s place． If he wants to ring Treble Bob－and no one should stagnate on Bely Minor－this knowledge can be usefully applied，and can form the basis of the new work．
In Plain Bob the dodging comes once in every lead；in Treble Bols there is a continuous succession of dodges．In a sense，therefore，the dodging is casier，because jastend of baving to find the right position once every lead，in Treble Bob you just dodge in every dodfins placo as you come to it－what jou really have to learn io when not to dodge．

A dodge in Troble Bob is exactly the same as a douge in Plain Boh， that is you go back one stap，when you reach 4th＇s or 6th＇s going up， and 5ti＇s and 3rd＇s coming down．In certain circumstances，also，you dodge in $1-2$ ，or＇＇on the front＇＇as it is sometimes called．
If you are practising Treble Bobly a band of beginners it is not a bad thing to grasp the general idea by ringing a donging lead． You mey，perlaps，have got wour frst ideas of Plain Bob by ringing a plain honting course＇；apply this to the Treble Bob principle．AII the bells（treble included）dodge in every dodsing pince as they come to it．The treble，for example，beging by dodging in 1－2 up，then in $3-4$ up，then in 56 up，before Iyirg a whole pull behind；then in $6-5$ down，4－3 down and $2-1$ down before leading a whole pull．The other bells do the same from their respective positions，the＂odd bells （ 3 and 5）going up and＇even＇belis（2， 4 and 6）down．This ＇dodging＇lead will give a repettion of changes，but for the purpose of practice it will not matter；it will teach you how to find your why from one dodge to the next
The oasiest of the Treble Bob mothons to ring is Kent．It is produced by two deviations from the continueus dodging which you had in the ＂dodging lead＂；ane is that a bell stays on the front，＂alternately loading th whole pull and lying a whole pull in 2nd＇s place，from the tiroe the treble goes away from its clodge in $1-2$ until it retinns to dodge in 2－1．The other deviation is that，while the treble is＂on the front（dodging down in 2－1 and then，after leading，up in 1－2），the two pairs of bells which come together in $3-4$ noke places insterd of dodging；the bells going up making 3ud＇s ind 4th＇s，nnal the bells goikg down making comrespending places in 4th＇s and 3世d＇s．
To begin with it may be as well to remember that the places dow are made after dodjing 5－6 up with the trelule，or passing the lreble in 4－5．The places up are made after passing the treble in $2-3$ ser dodging with the treble in 1－2 up－this latter you do after you come out of the sblow work，as the ritentate leading and End＇s ylaco－ making is called．
And one oblier thing．The slow worle prevents any lodeing on thas front axcent with the treble，so that after dodging in 4－3 each bell goes straight to lead and straight out to 3－4
Al］this mayseem rather a lof to romember，hat we line gone inio some detail with the explanation becange we want pon to undrrstand how the metton is made up．Try and wrile out a lead or two to see how it goes．Here is half a lead to sive you a slart：－

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Briefly put，the rules for cinging the method are：When you dodge in 2－I with the treble，sfay in the＇slow＇until the trelile returns io you．Then，having dodged witls the treble in 1－2，nake 3rd＇s and 4 th＇s going oll
In the next lead，pass the treble in 2－3．and again make 3 od＇s and 4th＇s．Except for this always dodge in 3－4 and 5－6 both up and down until fou pass the treble in 4－5，then make 4th＇s and 3rd＇s coming in： and again in the next lead，hnving ciodged in 5－6 up with the trehle． make $4 \mathrm{hh}^{\prime}$ s and 3ra＇s，which brings you to dodge on the front with the treble and so into the＂slow．＂
There is so dodgizg 1 in $1-2$ excopt with the tryble，The places in 3－4 are made the＇wrang way，that is backstroke and handstroke．

## A DISTRICT SECRETARY'S STRAIGHT TALK <br> GUILDIFORD GUILD MEMBERS ${ }^{\text {E ENJOX }}$ ' A CASTPGATION.

 Suggesfed Cathedral Bell Fund ScherneAnather of the district secretaries of the Guildford Diocesan Guild has 'unburdened his sotrl' in his anmual report. 'Ehis time it is the secretary of the Guildiord District. Every Jear the members of the district attend their annual meeting with the seuse of lively anticipation of "things to come, and they are never disappointed. Mr. G. L. Grover's habit of 'calling a spade a spade' leads to outspolsen criticism. Last Saturday whe members again enjoyed their' 'castigation,' and at the clase passicd a genuinely sincere vote of thanks to their sceretary for his labours awd his report.

Fere are some points from the report, and they will probably interest others than the members of the Guildford Guild, because there must be many other associations who sufer, more or less, from the same kind of apathy, which is the burden of this report.

Judged from the balance shect and the number of members who paid subscriptious for last year, a castal observer would say that the district has jogged along satisfactorily during the last year. No spocial paymont laving been made in the past year, the balance in hand has increased to $£ 25$ 6s. The number of rinuing members paying for 1938 was 163 , as against, 171 who paid for 1935 , not a greut loss considering one tower fell ont altogether. Onr list of honorary memhers contimues to shrink; only 11 paid fot 1936, as against 17 in 1935. I do remind you all, and tower secretaries in particular, that local effort is almost the only possible means of obtaining and retaining hothorary mombers.

Five district meetings were held and only on one occasion (batat, unfortumately, the very occasion when we regtired an exceptionally good ettendance) was the attendance of distriet members startlingly poor. Although, as I say, the position judged from the balance sheel, the list of members and the fact that no district meeting wis an absolute " wash out " does not look too bad, but beauty, effer all, is often only ekin deep, andi a closer analysis of the situation reveals a state of fffairs not too encouraging to district officers.

Wo lately appenr to have lost, at any rate for the time being, two towers from which in provious years we have always had a fair number of subscriptions. It is a great pity to lose towers like this and we really ought to make a great effort to avoid such things.

To me miad the district is not held together very securely. We are a long way as yet from having achieved that first object of the Guild, namely, "To unite in ane organisation the separate companies of church belingingers within the district for the purpose of mutual support and encouragement."

There are now five towars in ont district from which we have no members at all, and there dre four further towers with less members members at than they havo hells.

SUPPORT OF DTSTRICT MEETTNGS ANALYSED.
The report then went on to give an analysis of the mamer in which the district towers supported their district meetings. By a process of atwarding marks for attendances at metings awry from their osm towerg, the secretary had arvived at a schedule which musi have surprised the members.
"r'he best tower' had 15 mariss. whicli meant, 15 attendunces at meet ings during the year, hut the comment here was that four membets from that tower earued all the maths. In practically every case the attendancos were made ly just is very few of the members, and in the case of ten towels whe made no attencances the report saja it was 'all a waste of postage, stamps and the sectetary's time so firt
as concerns district mectings. The report proceeded: 'Five members mado Eour ationdances each, eight members three each and fony two each, so that 17 members actnally formed the backbone of district meetings- 17 out of 163! Does it look as if the majority of our memhers are doing anjthing towards laphing" to write in one organisation the separate companies in the disiriot "? How can you contribute to minity if you stant isolated? It seems that. most of our members look mpon the payment of a subscription as boing their only duty to the as an isolated selfenntained centre.

I truat, continted the fecretary, 'that you will not go away toनielat convincex that everything is going on smathly without yomr help and that you can leave the dinistet officers and those 17 members who saved our alistrict meetings last, yean to kcep things going during this coming yeat. T trust that all the diftrict members will this year make a genuine and very determined effort towards attaining real unity and being a real source of enconrasement and suppott to their fellow-Finger's. I do not ask you even to hope flat you will make every ringer in the district into faultless producer of changee, hus T do ask pon to do quite a lot moro towards making the district man ouganisation and not just a collection of towers, each filled with ringers who think that they, by their onn maided efforts, are better than their reighbours.
Referring to the puestion of peal ringing, the secretary said: '] will give yon a Eew defails and leave you to form pour own apinion as to whether onveforts in heal ringine are gny sign of progress as pegards thn ristrict fs a whole. Eighteen district members took part ith peals diring the Joar, and of that mumber onty tituee rang in four or more peals. Only four fowtrs are rembernted in the list of peal ringers. There was ope first peal. The rlicle of towers for peal ring ing was limited to five.

The report referred lo a scheme for the interchange of visits on practice niglits by neighouring towers which had been initiated, and the hope expressed that the scherve was being carried olt, althouglt no reports had been received as to its mrogress

NEW CATHEDRAL BELJS FUND.
The secretary, in conchusion, drew attevtion to the New Calhedral Bell Fund, which the Guild maugurated threa Fears ago. That the Cathedral when completed sliall have a peal of bells hung for ringing is, said the report, a matter which merits the oarnest attention and efforts of the Guild, and I amn not really sure that our New Cathedral Bell Fhad is given enolgh promivence. For your very serious consideration I suggest that we rocommend to the Guild that each tower in the Guild be invited to subseribe an annual minimum sum to the fund. The minimum could be the very modests stim of Is, per tower. My proposition is, therefore, that the Guild be asked through its Executive Committee to consider the possibility of obtanling anntial contributions to the Cathedral Bell Fund from towers in the diocese, and, if thought practical, to arrange nccordingly.
The Ringing Masler, in his report, stated that in the bowers which he had been able to visit Suaday serwice ringing appeared ta be maintained, even if practices were not so zegular. The custom of some towers in dropping smmmer practiees might ho the cause, as he harl found it was often diffieult to revive them when astumn arrived. If practices were maintained during the summer even only to a limited oxtent, say once a fortnight or ouce a month, it would do much to help keep interest alive, especially among the younger memhers. A good deal had been mentioned lately ahout keeping the interest of learners. It appeared that sone inlerest beades riuging was needer? to keep then in the belfries. Several boys or young men who were 'pals' were more likely to attend frequently than oue who liad tho special "chum" learning at the same time. The thonght that if a learner was really inferested in ringing he would do his best to become proficient by attemang all the serviee ringing and practices is his own tower, and, what was move importand, by gning out to other towers on practiee mights as often as possible. Hu wonld zeceite a hearty welcome wherever he went.
The report added that tower caphains always emphasised that thay were pleased to see visitors at all times, and sometimes they bemoaned the fact that no ouside ringers went uent them. Perhaps if they took the initimbe and went ont themselvea, more interelange of visits world result. A large number of ringers never visited any otlyer tower
The report went on to refer to the five district meetings which were held, to the reopening of the recast bells at Chichdingfold and Shatford, and to the eleven tower-bell and bwo handloell peals tung during the year.

The meeting. which followed ringing and service at $\mathbb{S}$. Nicolast Church, was attended by about 50 ringers.
"1hirty-thres districh memhers were present from eleven towers. Oramleirh, Ewhurst, Guildford (Cathedral and §. Niwolas'), Haslemere, Firbright, Slinford, West Clandon, Woking, Wonorsh and Werplesdon. Other towers represented were Aldershot, Bagshot and Chertsey, and visitors inclufled Miss Oakshett and Mr. F. Oakshett (Hayes) and Mv. T. Bennett (Catford).

Major J. Fi B. Hesse \{Mnster of the Guild presided over the meeting, at which the loss of members by death was first referred to, and regret marked by those present standing in silence.
 tions and $£ 17 \mathrm{~s}$, fa. from hom, members, revealed an fucreased halane of $\mathrm{S4} 14 \mathrm{~s}$.
In the discussion which followed the lion. secretary's reporl, members reported on the result of the interchange of visits between towers on modetiec nights, gnd in several cases this semen to have worked satisfactorily, but in others lack of local interest had led to failure to establish successful working.

It was decided to adopt the hon. semetary's suggestion to extend the appeal for the New Cathedra] Bell Fund. and also (sulject to the approval of tise general meeting of the Guild) to wote fs from the district funds fow the purpose.

The Seeretary's and Ringing Master's reports wore formally received. All the district officers were re-elected, and the ringing members chosen for the Fxemtive Commitee were Messre. W. Melville (Oatheral) and $R$. Cheirwman (IPirloright).
Tlie eight-boll fowers of Clidiningfold, Gonalming. Shalford and West Claydon. and the six-hell tower of Albury, were chosen for meetings during the forthcoming year. The gecretury cansed amusement after the selection of Albury (19 votes) over Pirbright by asking those who voterl for this tower for their names, so that he could check up their atherdanee whem the meeting took olace.
Messrs. T. and J. Denver (Teswhurst, W. Cone. T. Wehb, J. Weat. members of the Guild.
The Guik oflicers were remominated an bloe, and the meeting terminted with a vole of thans to whe distrite offreys for than service.
The Rectar of S. Nicalas" was thanked for the use of the bells and conducting the servicr, and the preachew, the Rector of West Clandon (the Rev. M. O. Bowd) for his address. Tharks wree also necorded th the anthorities at the Gathedral for the use of the hella ahorine the ortimnna. After the menting there was furblher riaging at $S$. Nicolas' Chureh.

## WILLIAM PYE MEMORIAL.

DISPOSAL OF THE BALANCE.
The receipts and expenditure account of the William Pye Memorial Fund is given below. It has been audited by Mr. G. W. Fhetcher, hon. secretary to the Central Conncil.
The disposal of the balance of the fund, amounting to $£ 8$, was considered by the Memorial Committee at a recent meeting, and, after severa! suggestions had been discussed, it was unanimously agreed to record one of the late William Pye's greatest performances, viz., the 7,392 Cambridge Surprise Maximus, to which le rang tho tenor, at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on December 19th, 1925. It is hoped that the authorities at that church will agree to this, end permit, an appropriate footnote to be placea on the tablet as a memorial to William Pye, from the Ringing Exercise.
The Memorial Conmittee take this opportunity of thanking all stuscribers to the fund. The generons response made by the Exercise enabled them to cariy out, without stiat, all that they desired, and the results have given the utmost satisfaction. It is hoped to place a record of the work, a list of the subscribers and a copy of the eccounts amongst the church records at St. Joln's, Leytongtone.
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RYDE, ISLE OT WIGET.-At All Saints' for evengory on Sundiny, January 17th, $1,264 \mathrm{Bob}$ Major: Arthur White 1, E. W. Burden (firgt quarter-peal in the method) 2. F. Taylor 3. W. Upton 4, P, Long 5, A. Tnckson (first quarter-jeal in the method) 6. A. Bradiag 7. A. R. Ward (conductor) 8 . Ringers of 3 and 4 from Newpoit, remainder belong to the local band.
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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Peals in two fresh Surprise methods aro recorded this week, Lutterworth, by Mr. E. W. 'ripier, at Old Windsor, and Knebworth, by Mr. H. G. Cashmore, at Aldenliam.

Mr. Alfred E. Pitstow, one of Saffron Walden's veterans, took part in a peal at Shorediteln on Seturday. It was his first peal with the Royal Cumberlauds for 45 yeara.
The handbells used at the meeting of the Royal Chmberland Youthe were brought by Mr. C. W. Thylor, of Watford, an hon. member of the Eerts County Association. Aithough not a ringer himself, Mr. Traylar is keenly interested.
Congratulations to the Oxford Diocesan Guild band, which included one lady, who rang an unconducted peal of Stedman Triples at Goring-ou-Thames on Safurday. We would like to seo moxe such performances in other guilds and associations.
The North Stafis Association has already taken steps to organige peals in celebration of the King's Coronation. At a meeting last Suturday plans were laid, and it was suggested that any peals rung during May should be recognised as 'Coronation peals.'

## A CONTRAST IN BELL BROADCASTS.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir -On reading the correspondence and explanalion re the nhove in last weck's issue, it strusk me that, while you gave a brief explanation of the case in point, you did not go to the root of the mattor raised by your correspondent, Mr. D. G. Taylor.
Bells are not ftted with dampers like a piano, and, tharefore, will always be liable to produce the tour complained of, just the same as a piano would if forced to enit the 1812 Overture with the loud pedal lastened down.
Bells are apparently at the mercy of the engineer in charge of the broadcast. If he is resourceful enough or lucky enough to find a spot for the 'mike' where it can pick up just the necessary amount, and no more of the disturbance than is lequired, well and good; if otherwise, well, the roar will be there, Simpson or no tuning at all, and I would suggest to any liskener seeking a fresh stick to beat, Simpson toning with, that he postponse any further correspondence until after March 7th next, when I belicwe there will be a good answer to this query if he will tane in to Droitwich at 9.25 a.m.
T. GROOMBRIDGE.

## A MODEJ, PERTORMANCTE.

Dear Sir, Survey, Lancashire and the B.B.C. all played their part nobly on Sunday. The Grandsire Caters and Stedman Triples were beautifully struck and came over the air to perfection. Also in the evening we were permitted to hear Bolton bells go of from rounds into changes and finish up with a few rounds at the end. Altogether is model performance.

Kington Magaa Rectory.
F. LI. EDWARDS
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## POPULARISE GOOD METHODS

To the Editor
Sir,-May I associate myself with your excellent leading article of January 29th, with which I am furly in arreement? The nomber of Surprise methods worth ringing, ming and still to be rung is legion. In this comer of the country many Surprise Major methorts have been rung, some 12 of them for the firse time. Practically all of these are worth popularising. In ordey to become popular it seems to me that a method must fulfil the following condibions: (1) It mast be ensy to learn; (2) it must be musical, given the right composition; and (3) it musti lend itself to the production of plenty of gaod compositions. Now Ashtead Surpriso Majol stands out in the Surprise class, for it has e clean proof scale and nll the before-mentioned attributes. Will sill the 'Cambridge' ringers bry it and see if they don't agrea with me?

Mr. G. E. Symonds asks for few methods which extend from six or oight th twelve as well as Camloridge does. May I refer him to the Rev. E. Bankes Janaes" "Painswick, a most musical Surprise Major method. The extensions to ten and twelve have not yet been rung, and I am sure are well within the capabilities of the Ipswich band.
Let us now hear some recommendations from somabody for the Plain methods.

ALAN R. PINK
Windsor.

## VICAR SPOILS HIS 'FAREWELL PEAL'

On Sunday week, as a farewell to the Yicar, the local band at Christ Church. Eastbourne, attempted a peal of Grandsire Triples. The band consisted of all youmesters, and womld have included three 'first pealers.'
All went well until atter 3 hours 5 minutes, with only five calls to go, when the Ficar (who had olitained another key) walked into the centre of the tower and commenced a speech of thanks to the ringers. This was ton much for the 'first pealers,' and 'stand' had to be called.

Apologies followed, of course, luts it was a very disappointed banc that cane down from the tower.

## BIRMINGHAM CATHEDRAL BELLS. <br> SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN AT RECASTING CEREMONY. <br> Distinguished Visitors at Croydon Foundry

The first of the new bells for Birmingham Gatredral were cast a Croydon Bell Foundry on Thesday morning in the presence of a dislinguished company, including no fewer than six of Hirmingham's Members of Parliament, headed by Sir Austen Chamberlain. The othors were the RI. Hon. L. S. Amery, Comdr. J. A. C. Wright, Sir Patrick Fannon, Mr. E. W. Sall and Mr. J. Smedley Crookc. They were received at the Foundry by Mr. Cyril Johnston and Mrs. Johnston, and the other guests included Mr. H. G. Williams, M.P. for Croydon, and Mrs. Willianas, the Mayor and Mayoless of Croydon, Dr. Newnhan (town clet of Croydon) and Mrs. Newnham, Mr. H. Berney, D.L., J. P.: Mis. Berney, and others.

The visitors were first escorted on a tour of the warks, where they saw the warious processes of bell-making in operation. The massive frame for the Cathedral bells was under construction, and it is obvious that the founders are providing a structure which is going to 'do its job' perfectly. Another frame which was of great interest was thit destined for Darlington. It is "the bell frame of the future, all the mombers being welded instead of bolted together. This is a comparalively new departure in bell-frame construction, but it luas geeat possibilities.

Many bells and frames in process of preparation were on view, but the visitors found the new $5 \frac{1}{2}$ ton bourdon bell and the four quarter bells for the great clock at Giza, near Cairo, an 'exhibit' of great interest.

The visitors assembled in the foundry for the casting, and a considerable gathering watched the operations, silver coins being tossed inte the molten metal, as it was poured, by Sir Austen Chamberlain and others. The bells east were the 4 th, 5 th, 6 in and $9 t h$ of the peal, and the soins had bean specially provided by the principal donor of the belis, Sir Charles Hyde, those selected being of a 'purer vintage' than those in common use to day.

> MESSAGE TO PROVOST

After the ceremony the interesting clock factory was inspectect, and afterwards the M.P.s with Mr. Cyitl Johnston were entertained to lunch at Groydon Constitutional Club by Mr. Herbert Willians and Mr. Henry Berney
The following telerram was sent to Bishop Hamilton Baynes, Provost of the Cathedral, before the compary dispersed:

The walermentioned lave authorised me to send the following message

CYRIL JOHNSTON
Gillett and Johnstion, Ltar, Croyden.
Good luck to sew peal of ten bells, some of which we saw cast successfully this worning.
(Sifmed) AUSTTEN CHAMTBERLATN. L. S. AMERT PATRICK HANNON SMFDLET CROOEE
玉. W. THORPE.
J. A. ©. WRIGHT.'

BELILS TO BE LOWER IN TPFE TOWER.
The bells are to be completed in time for the Goronation rejoicings, and the new tenor will be slightly heavier fhan the old one-ahout 31 ewt. They will be brought eight feet lower in the tower, thus adding fircugth to bhe building by the scientifically construeted frume and the reduced strain on the walls. There will we the further ndvantage, that the noise immediately outside the tower-an important faetor jn a busy city-will be substantially reduced.
The old inseriptions are to be reproduced, with the addition of Recast by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon, 1937.'
Treble, End, 3rd, 4th, 7th and 9th record that Thomas Lester, of London, cast them in 1750. The 3rd also bears the couplet:

At proper times my voice Tle raise,
And sound to my subscribers praise.
Pack and Chapman cast the 5th and tenor in 1772 , and Thomas Mears the 6th and 8th in 1796 and 1823 respectively.
The inscription on the new tenor is to be:-
Pack \& Chapman, of London, Feeit 1772
These bells were recast for the Coronation of King Geoge VI. chiefly through the generosity of Sir Cliarles Hyde, Bart.
In wediock band shaill ye who join witl bands yours hearts anite;
So shall our tuneful tongues combine to laud the nuptial rite

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## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

## THE NEW PRESTDENT.

We announced last week the election of a new presidenf of Cumbridge University Guild. The oflice became vacant by the death of the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, who had beon the Guild's president from the fhrs year of its exiatence.
'The new presideni is the lev. A. D. Blyth, M.A., fellow and tutor of Selwyi College, who wus secretary and treasurer of the Guild in 1910. The Guild thas has the ad vantage of having at its head and in the ons cxecutive post that cul retain continuity, another resident in Cambridge.

Cambridge Universily Cuitd was established in Tebriary, 1879, as the re sult of the cfiolts of Mr. W. G. Peareon, of Clard College. The society was at Ciest called the 'Clare Association of Ruggers, but r few days later was changed to the Univer sily Guild of Cliange Ringers. In May the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey was elected president, fund re tained the office until his death a few montlus ago The other offices, those of Master, sceretary and treasurer, have, perfurce, to elange hoklers almost every year, a they are held by undereraduates. Tho mames of many men who have since become leading figures in the Excmise appear in these lists.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

DISPOSAL OF COLLTETIONS AT DTSTRIOT MTEPTNGS
The quartarly meeting of the Lewisham District was held at St. Ficholas', Deptiord, on Saturday, Janurry 30 th, when some 50 mam hers braved the inclement weather and pit in in appearance. Good practies was obtained in various methods during the afternoon ant ovening by ringers from Beekenhan, Bromley, Chislehurst, Craford, Dartford, St. John's (Deptford), Deptford, Darlford, Eltham, Erith, Lec, Lewisham, London and West Wickhann.

Service wes conducted by the Tev. V. S. Dodson, Tli.L. (munte) and the ortganist and a sumbl choir were jan attendamee. A collection for the Association's Benevoleut Fund realised 12s.

Arter service the members were the guesis at tea of the Ficar and churchwardens. The curate presided, and regretter the absence of tho Vicar (the Rev. T. W. Pitman) throngly indisposition.

The business meoting was opened by the chairman (ihe Rev. V. S Dodson) with prayer. Later he gave a short and much upprecialed address (time not being allowed him to slo so during the servico) before proceeding with the ordinary business.
Six uew ringing members were elected, and the election bf two nembers previous to peal attempts was confirmed.
Mr . F. J. Cullum read in report of puoceedipgs at the committee meeting held at Madstone in November, and Mr. J. Wheadon oxpressed his antire agreement with the report, which was adopted with a vote of than\}s to the representatives for preparing it.

Ohelsfield wns chosen as place for next meeting, to be held, if possible, on Saturday, April 17th.

The matter of the disposal of the proceeds of the collection at the meetings was discussed. Some members felt that such occasions put the chureh vigitesl to quite considerable expenditure, and suggeated that all or part of such offorings be allocated to the church expenses fund, to meet, in part, the expense so incurren
The Chaimma explained the legal standing of the chutchwardens in tho matter of church collections, nnel gave very usoful advice as to method of procedure when it was desired by the subscribors that cestain collections should be earmarked for specinal purposes.
It was agreed that the subject bo placed before the Management Committeo in order to ret some standard practice in nll tho districts ins the assaciation.
The meeting congratulated Mr. E. Barnett on the completion, that day, of his forticth year as a member of the associaion.
Votes of thanks to the Vicar, curate, churchwavdens and the laalies who had anrarged the tea, for their generous hospitality; to the Ficar for the use of the bells; to the curate, organist and choil for the enjoyable service; to the enrate for presiding at tean and meting; and to Mr. I. Forwood, the local secretary, for the armagemont he had mede, wern carried with enthusiasm.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> PRESDENT'S 'SLVEN JUBLLEE.'

## Presentation to Canon and Mrs. Marshall.

The sixty-first annual meeting of the Yorkshire Association, held at Far Feadingley on Saturday, January $30 t h$, was made memorablo as marking the Rer. Canon Marslall's 'siver jubilee' as president. The bells of St. Chad's, Far Headingley, St. Michael's, Headingley, and St. Matthing', Burloy, were available for the use of the visitors, and ringers packed the ringing chambers until, at St. Chad's, they rivalled timued sardines.
The annual service was held in St. Chad's Church at 4.15 p.m. whon the aspociation was honoured by the presence of the Lord Bishop of Ripon. The service was conductev by the president of the association (Canon C . C. Mar'slall), and members of the choir were also present.
The sermon was delivered by the Bishop of Ripon, who brought witli him greetings from the ringers of St. Mary's, Portsea, his formex parish, who had written to him seying that they would be thinking of him and the wathering at Far Headingley chat afternoon. This kindly thonght of the Portsea ringers was much appreciated. His Lordship spoke of the special stguificance of that gatherimg, at which Canon Marshal! completed 25 years as prosident of the Yorkshire Association, and of the immmerable ways in which God throughout the ages had twied to speak to nan.
Tea was generously provided in the schools by Canon and Mrs, Marmhall, a real ringers' tea, and, desmite the weather snow gar slash, well over 200 ringers and friends sat down. Among those present were the president (Canen C. C. Marshall) aud Mrs. Marshall, the Bishop of ${ }^{2} \mathrm{ipon}, \mathrm{Mr}, \mathrm{S}$. F: Palmer (hou. treasurer), Mr. W' Barton (peal secrotary), Mr, G. Lewis (vice-president, Southorn Divi(ion), Mr. F. Gryer (vios-presideat, Eastem Division), Mr. P. J Jolnen (rice-president, Western Division), Mr. G. Barraclough, of Leeds, who was present at the fountation meeting of the association In 1875, and at welcome visito: in Mr. W. C. Bond, formerly of Cirencester and now of Hull.
As tho Bishop had to leave soon nfter tea, it had been aryanged thal the presentation to the president in apprecialion of his 25 yenrs of untiring work for the association should be made immediately after ter instead of at the business meeting.

## PRESIDENT'S SERTTCES TO THE ASSOCIATION

Mr. P. T. Tohnson said it was his privilege to voice the appreciation and gratilude of the thembers that day for the 25 yonis' devated fervice which Canon Marshall Harl given to the association. It was his priviloge to have known some of the earliest officers of the assaciation, and at the last presemtation of that lind, in 1912, they had prosent some of the officers who had been original ofticers of the assonation. Fe was pieased to say that day they had at least one member present who was present at the foundeition meeting of the association in 1875, Mr, G. Barraclough (applanse). They of the Yorkshire Assomition tools pride in the fact that with the exception of tho Devon Guild theirs was the senion connty association in England. "Pheir first president, T. W. Snowdon, in his short 11 years as president, was remembered for the principles of change ringing laid down in his hooks, whiel to-day were still recognised as the standard texh liooks in the Exolcise. To follow men like him and his brother, Willinm Snowdon, was no oasy task.
He lind knowir Canon Marshajl to be invited to all parts of the county to advise on bell restomation, and it was anything but a profitable $\begin{gathered}\text { fronulation when the became president. Much of the worle he did }\end{gathered}$ Wra mascen, and the good feeling botween the association and the diatrint societies was mainly due to the president (applanse). Special commondation was fue to lijm for his efforts to come to an understanding with the Clevelamd and North Yorkshire Associrtion.
They would like him to know, proceeded Mr. Johnson, that the interest in this presentation was very widespread, not for the intrinsic value of the presents, lut es an expression of roodwill and thanks for all Canon Marshall had done during his presidency-
Tho only person who knew how long a finger was away from home pas tho ringer's wifo (langhter). They had bought a sinall present for Mrs. Mnralafl for pending out the Canon on so mants occasions in the past and in anticipation of further favones to come (latighter and applatuse

## CANON MARSHALL THANKS THE MEMBERS.

(Continued from previous column.)
Turning to the Lord Bishop of Ripon, Ms. Johnsen suid, 'May I ask you, my lord, to present these to Canor Marshall from the members, and we do hope whenever he sees them they will remind him of his many happy associations witly us and ott apprecietion of his many kindnesses to us.

The Bishop then handed a dock and a pair of binoculars to Camou Marshall and a leather bay to Mrs. Marslall, of the same time ex pressing his own appreciation of what Canon Marshall liad done.
Amiưst applanse Canon Maraball accepted the gifts, and expressed his grateful thanks for them, saying they would always remind him of the many happy times he had spent with the bellringers of York shive. When he accepted offee be did so in fear, but he had received such uniform kindress from the officars and members that he was proud of the extraordinary goodwill which existed amontia them. He would over be grateful to those ringers at Birstall who first persuaded him to take up ringing.

Three things stool aut with regard to his ringing career. First, he was brought into contact with a wonderful number of people whom he was proud to call his friends: second, his office as pyesident of the association which had taken him all over the county? thively, it had enabled him to do a piece of church work whin someone liad to do and which it seemed he was called upon to do. There were many personal memories of which he would like to speak, but he would conclude by saying, "Thank you very, very much." He was prout of tlat day and of all that it meant (applause).

THE BUSINTES MEETENG
At the business meeting which followed, a vote of thanles to the respective incumbents and churchwardens for the use of the bells that day was carried, as was also the hearty thanks of the company to Cenon and Mrs, Marshall for the gencrons tea proviled that day, and to tho ladies who lad so kindly helped at the tea tables.
In presenting tho amnual report, Canon Marslall alluded to the debi of gratitide they owed to Mi. W. Barton, the peal secretary, for the vast amount of work he did in compiling lis report. A pleasing feature of the report was the mumber of peals rurg by entirely local bands and also the peals rubg in towers and districts which bad been 'dead' to the association for many years. There had been a net gain of 31 members during the jear.
The report was accepted, as was also the auditors' report, and the auditors (Mrs. Cotterill wan Mr. F. G. Sherwood) thenked for the work they had so kindly and thorourily done.

Mr. S. F. Palmer was :e-elected hon. treasurer for a furbier ferm of three vears
Eleven new ringing members mad one henorary life member were elected.
After digeussion, it was decided to hold the next meeting on May 1st jointly with the Sheffield and Distriet Society
It was agreed that a copy of the proposed alterations of rules should be sent to each tower, and any unattnched member who regtiled a copy could have one by applying to the gene"al secretary
Mr. Sherwood suggested that an attempt shonld be made to visit towers where at present the association had to members.

Apologies for alsence lad been recaived from Messrs. T. Latiarer and J. Ewhank
A vote of thanks to the chairman lyrought to a close a memorahle and happy gathering

## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WESTTERN DISTRIGT
A meeting of the Westerm District of the Hertford Connty Aseociation recently held at Apsley, although the annual one for the district, was very poorly attended

Mr. A. Y. Good was appointed chairman, in the absence of the Vicar. The secretary (Mr. W. Ayru), being willing to carry on, was re-elected. The Ringiug Master and District Committee were also reelected. Messrs. H. L. Waite nad W. C. Hughes wete elected to serve on the General Committee.
The next meetings were arranged as follows: Feluritray 20th, Fene Hempstead: Mareh 20Lh, Redlooum.
The secretary was asked to wrile a letiter of congratulation to Mr P. Norris, of Berkhampstead, on ringing the old year out and new yenr in for the 62ud time.
Fotes of thanks wer: acconded to the Vicar for the nse of the bells, etc., to Mr. F. Tomplins for the tea arrangements, and to the two Wondover visitors.
The secretary reported a very successful year ni ringing, though mainly done by the Apsley band. Tower-ivell peals: 12 methods of解inor (Plaiu, Trehle Boly ant Surprise); seven Simprise Minor (both half-mufled for H.M. Kiner George V.): Little Oxford Major (first peal in the metlod): Rol Minor: 14 methads spliced (first jn county and by the hrind: wine Surprise Minor; Jouble Nomwicla; three Minot methods: seven Surprise Minor Oxford Trehle Bob Major. On Jiancbells: Bol Minor (in a charghanc), threc, five and seven methods of Minor, and Double Bob Major. The Apley band had also Tung touches or 720 's in 44 methods, 34 of which were Surpriso, for ginday services and practices
A vate of thanks to the chaimman poncluded the meeting, after whith further ringing took place in w wariety of methonds

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．

FINANGLAL ARRANGEMENTS TO BE RECONSIDERED．
The North and Fast District members of the Middlesex County Association and Loudon Diocesan gaild held thetr ammal meeting on Saturday week at St．Augrstine＇s Church，Kilburn，and the first touch of winter did not encoumgo the＂fino weather＂ringers to turn out． Consequeatly the attendance was below the average．However，nearly 50 braved tho elements and enjoyed some good ringiug on the light peal of eight bolls．
The usual moeting of the District Commitcee was held in the after noon，and was followed by a short service，at which the flev．B．F． Shepherd preached on the text＇Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do； do it with all bly might，＇which he applied to our religion，our daily work，and our ringing．The leasons which the preacher drew from his text might，so far as rimeers are concemod，be thought of seriously by many who take their ringing in a lackadaisical way．
After tea，the lusiness meeting was held，with Mr，G．W．Fleteher （viee－president）in the chair．He was supported by several offeevs of the association，iachuding tive Master（Mr．A．W．Coles），his fellow－ vioe－president（Mr．J．A．Trollape），Mr．I＇，J，Lock（District Master＇）， Mr． G ．T Coles（han．secretary），Mr．W．H．Oram（hon，truasurer＇） and Mr．G．R．Goodship（assistant secretary）．
The hon．treasurer subnitted a satisfactory balance sheet，showing excess of receipts over expenditure amounting to 55 12s．10d．，and assots to the walue of E108 16s．1d．－This was adopted．
Two honorary atud fourteen ringing menbers were elected，the latter including the nembers of a newly－fonned band at St，Ann＇s，Stanford Hill，who were receiving taition．I＇wo alections made pricr to ringing a peni wers coulimed，making a total of eighteen，
To show reapect for members deceased simce the last meeting of the disliciet，all present stood in silence for a few monents．
The whole of the district officers were re－elected，as well as the three reprusentatives to serve on the Central Committee，the auditor and the trusteas of stack．
The Chairman moved a resolution requesting the Ceatral Commithee to examing the existing rules of tha ussociation，particularly those governing finnuce，with a view to revision，the commitite to report at the ammat general meeting．In doing so，he asked members to colnsider whether the finances of the association could not be used to better advantage．At present one district of the association and the Central Futu were hard pressed，whilst another district was fairly well off．
Tliis point of view was supported by the hon．secretary and Mr
G．R．Goodslip，and the proposal was antied． G．R．Goodship，and the proposal was carried．

## APPEALS TOR VOFUNTEER HGLPERS．

In connection with Coronntion singing，the hon，secretary said he thought it dificult to arrange much special riuging，ns local lands would no doubt be anxious ta ring at their own towers．He nrged that the members of each hand should do their utanost to get their bells tung on that occasion；atr the snme time it was possible that many unaltached wingers wonld be glad to know where they might uing．To these he appealed，asking them to let him krow，and he would do his bost to see that they helped to make tip a band for that great oceasion．

Wr．Coles also asked ringers who were free on Sumdays to assist the band at St．Giles－in－the－Tields for morning ringing at 10.20 ，and to help at their practices on Mondays at 7.30 ．
Mr．W．E．Thaire supported this．
Mr．E．M．Altins aslred for similar help at St．Angustine＇s，Kilburn， on Sundays at 10.15 a．m．，and on Thursdays at 8 p．m．
It was deciden to hold the noxt annual meeting of the district at St．Gilesin－the－Fields．The armugenents for the next meeling were
 Anecial method for the occrsion to he Donble Stodman slow Conrse．
The Clanirnaag proposed votes of bianks to Father Atkinsona（Vicar） for the use of the bells；to Father Moncrieft for assistance at the crirn ；to the Rey．B．F．Shepherd for preaching；and to Mr．E．M． Atkins for arranging the meeting，Mrs．Atkins and Friends were also cortially thanked for arranging an exellent ten．Tho votes were married in the hsmal way，and were renlied to in turn by Tather Monerieft，on hohalf of the Fiont ly the Res．B．F．Slepherd，who， Mr ${ }^{2}$ ringer，expressed his proat pleasure at being plesent；and hy ．E．Ahtias，on behal．of the kilburn tingers．
The hon．secretary appealed to bowor secretaries to send him，as early as possible，particmlars of yinging times，and of quarter－peals rung during 1936 for the anmual report．
During the meeting Mr．Fetcher nsked that members shonld volunteer for 1 insturction warti，and appealedi to uny willing to do this to send in their riames to the hon．secretary．
$A$ fler the meeting several members taok part in some landhell ring－ ing，whitst the hells at Kilhurn and Willesden wore used for some excellent practice，the special method for the day，St．Clement＇s Bol Triples，heing in great demand．

## SURREY ASSOCLATION

GENERAL SECRETARY AND ABSISTANT SECRETARY＂ 1 G CHANGE LLHCES．
The North－Western District of the Surrey Association had a suc－ cossful day on Saturday，fanuary 30th，when they held tineir ananal moeting at sticathom．The attendauce totalled 65 memliers，repre－ senting most of the towers in the district，with visitors from we Southern Disurict and from Hilligedou，Middlesus and Uckfield，Suspex． This attendance rather overdaxed the awailable accommodadion，both ill the belfry of St．Leanard＇s Clurch（a chamber about 10ft．sguarm） and at tho Manor Arms，where tea whs served，and mhere the mem－ bers，having once snt down，had to＂stay put＇until the meal was over，it being impossible to move or pasg betwan the tables．Huw－ ever，these were Hegarder as just tempornry inconveniences which ringers know best how to get over，and were made the subject for much jolivig and＇leg－pulling．＇
The asscemtion was welcomed to St．Leonard＇s by the Rev．f．R． Winsay，M．A．，himself a ringar，who，in the abseace of the Vicar， conducted the service．In the courte of a short address he said that bellringing was not only a grent art，but also a great roljgious service in itself．As ringers they could never thow the extent of that service， for lie liked to believe thati，in addition to calling faitifial Clurstans to worghip Sunday by Sunday，the ringing of the bells served to revive in tho brasts of those who now geldom attend a place of worsin tha remembrance of former Chrisimu teaching，and，perhaps，in some mysterions way，rekindle a desire to return to tite old clameli． Religion was a hamovising thing，Rells，when they were properly ring，were also harmonious，for all the bells worked together in at ordered purpose，and what we wanted more than anything olse todny was religion and hanmouy amongst wen．He wished the associntion good luck＇in its work． NOMINAN OT OFTIOLRS．
The bnsiness macting was held famedintely after ten at ilan Mranu Arws，presicied over by Mr．D．Cooper，the District Ringing Master．
Eirght aew members wero elected．
The treasurer＇s balance shect，showing a small halanie of £10 10 s ． hand for distriel expenses，was approved．
The commitee＇s amaual report was read and adoplech，allal ifa Following places of meeting weve chosen for the ensuine ycur：Fuster Monday，March 29th，Croydcu Patish Church；Saturday，Tume 5th， Fipom（Clurist Chutch）Jidy 24il．，Ratmore（joint meelimg with Leatherhend District of Guildford Diocasin Guild）；Septemath 25th， Lanbeth nud St．Tohn＇s，Waterloo Road：Novemlier 27L，Mitchan Parish Church；January 29tli，1938．Kingston－on－T＇linmes（anuuzl）．
The following were alected as district officers：Master，刃r＇， Comper ；treasuror，Mr．H．W．Simmons；hon．socretary，MFr．F．G Woadiss ：auditor，Mr．R．A．Simmons；thes representatives on District Committee，Mrs．©．H．Kippin，Mr．H．F．Foung and Mr． W．H．Hewett．

The guestion of nominating genemal officers was next on the agemala， and in this commection a letter was read from the Muster，3 H ．D． Kemmetil C．Birt，to the hons．secretary（Mr．C．H．Kippin）informing the mecting ！That he was much better in lienth and that he woind he pleased to cary on as Master of the nasociation for enother year． This was received wit⿱土龰 general satisfaction，aud the meeting was told that Mr．Birt had been nominated for we－election at flye Southwn District meeting on the previous Sadurday at Reigate．
Thin manes of Mr．A．T．Shelton anil Mr．D．Gnamer were also sub－ nilited for election to the position of Master of the nesociation．
Mr．Shelton was also mominated for cleclion as ，\％eneral troashmer． Mr．C．H．Kippin faformed the meeting lhat he did not wish to sa ek robecotion as general sectetory．After 10 years in that position dre was of the opinion that，in the interest of the associntion，an change
shonk be made，ond he forthwih nominated Mr．E．G．Tallat，flion present assistant secrebnry，for the post．This was secortied inm carricd．
Mr．K゙ippin sairl that le was willinf to mel ar assistant secretary for one year．Zis nomimation for that posilion was immeatialy made－Mr．Z．W．steere was nominated for re－election as ancilor． The meeting closed with the Hsual votes of thanks，a syerial Me－
ferenca being made to Mr．J．W．Chaphan，of St．Leoraves，who had carried thation all the arrangements Jor the confort of the visturs After more finging at Inmanuel Churbh，Streathan Connmon，the emaining emmany adjoumed to The Pied Bull，where lumdhall bing－ nes and commanty singing was enjoyed until $10.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ ．

## LADIES＇GUIT D

## MID．WFEKK MESETING AF LEYTONSTONE

A most elljoyalile mid－week meeling of the Ladisa＇（xald wha lyed on Werthorday，Fehruarv 3rt，at．SE．Joln＇s Church，Lueytorsione． About 20 members num fijends attended，and nethods Fangiug fyorm Grandsire Triples to Lancon Surprise were ramg．The Ficar（Camon Brownh．who lad kindly made all arrangements for the tea，wel－ comed the mambers and conduched them to a local tea shop，where their wrats where emply satisfied．

After the evering ringing a gervice was held at which Canan Brawn gave a short Rddress．This was much cujoyed by those present，fuld was a fithing manchision to a very lappy time．
A learlo vote of thanks was mecorden to the Fien for lus interost and help ated to the local ringers whe met the visitors．

## RETIREMENT OF MR. W. T. PATES

RELINQUISHES LEADERSHIP OF CHELTENHAM BAND AFTLER 36 YEARS.
3fr. William T. Pates, the Cheltenham veteran, has retired from the leadership of the Parisla Church bellringers, of whom he has been enptain aince 1861.
Ho will be 84 years of age on the 28th of his month, and has liseen a ringer for over 60 years. Thronghout his long cureer Mr. Pates has been onse of the great enthusizsts for ringing, and among his big performances bave been the 13,054 of Stedman Caters at Cheitenham in 1898, and the 15,287 Grandsiro Caters in the same tower in 9 hours 43 minutes on April 22nd, 1889, which lie conducted. At that time it was the longest peal of Caters ever rung. There was a friendly rivalry between Appleton and Cheltenham, and in the previous December the Oxford men, with J. W. Washbrook as conductor, had rang 15,041 Stedmanl Caters.
Mr. Pates was one of the band who set up the 'old age' record at St. Olave's, Hart Street, London, in October, 1933, when a company, all College Youths, rang a peal of Stedman Triples at the avcrage age of over 76 years.
Mr. W. Dyer, of 69, Gloucester Road, Cheltenham, has been appointed to succed Mr. Pates as captain of the Cheltenhana company.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

LRINGING MASTER'S FTYCLETH ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION.
Tho Northerm Branch of the Worcestershire and Districts Associntion held their january neeting at. St. James' Church, Wollastom, near Stourbridgc. There were aboult 45 members present, including visitors from tho Western Branch of the association. A short service was beld with an address by the Vicar (the Rev. J. R. Bamber), whose renarks made clear the fact that he had more than a passing knowledge of ringers nad ringing. Tea was partaken of in the schools nearby, after which the usnal business meeting was held under the chairmanship of the Yical
It was decided to hold the next brancil meeting at Netherton, or at Kinver should Ketherton not be available.
Mr. William Short, Association Ringing Master, proposed that the quarterly peal be attempted at Wollaston and that the arrangements the tht the lande of Mr. J. Bass.
Ten new members were elected, there being nine performing and one life member.
Tho lea was provided by the Church Council, and a vote of thanks was passed to them for their loospitality and to the Vioar for permitting the meeting to be held at Wollaston.
Before the meating closed, Mr. Willimm Short paid to the secratary lis 50th subscription to the association. He also exhibited the receipt which lie received for lis first subseription.
Upon the proposition of the chairman, the congratulations of the neeting were given to Mr. Sliort, to which he suitably replied.
nmber of the ringers then went to the tower for further ringing is n variety of Daubies and Minor methods, while several others cmained behind for liandbell ringing.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

NOR'T'H NORFOLK BRANCH ANNUAL MEETING
The Nortly Norfolk Branch met for the anmal election of its officers ai Wyrondhara on Saturday, Members were present from Buxton, Halvergate. Telinersett, North Walsham, Norwich, Reedham, Saxlinghuma and Great Yannouth, and included Mr. A. L. Coleman, general 6ecretnry and treasurer ; itr. Wr. L. Duffield, chairman of the South Norfolk Mranch, and Nir. J. G. W. Harwood, hon. semetary of the East. Norfolls Brancl.
The Rev. F. Jarvis, Vicay of Wymondhmm, conducted a shortenen form of evensong. and gave a most inspiring address on the service of ringiang and the meeds of man.
At the business meeting, the Rev. H. W. Benson, Vicar of Buxton, was unapimonsly re-elected chairman of the branch and thantted for his past services. Mr. N. Golden, branch secretary, and Messrs. F. F. Carter, G. Builey, W. J. Clover. W. C. Duffiela and G. Mayers, members of the committee, were all re-electod, while Messrs. Bailey and Dufficld were askell to serve again on the Central Committee of the association
Mr. W. C. Duffieled moved $n$ vote of thanks to the Vicar for allowing the members the use of the hells. M.. N. Golden, in geconding the molion, expressed the gratitude of the ringers of the diocese to the Rev. farvis for the weleome he had always given them and for so kindly arrausing n service, which low (the speaker) felt sure everybody hand enjoyed.
In reply, the Ficar said he appreciated the words spoken, but he had considered it a duty to give pernission for the use of the bells, and remarked that the nembers rang bells better than they sang hymins.
During the nfternoon rnif evening $x^{2}$ nuraber of "tonches ' in a vnriety of methods wete brouglt, round, and several members took payt, in their first 'touchos' of Erin Triples and Duffield Major.
It is hoped that the South Norfolk Branch will attend the meeting on $\Delta$ pril 24 th at Redenlall, the Rector, the Rev. B. M. Piekering. havine kindly conschited to condict a service at 4 p.m. The methods solpeted for practice are Bristol Surprise and Cambridge Court.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

NEW RECORDS IN NORTHERN DIVISION.
The annusl meeting of the Northern District of the London County Association and North Southwark Diocesan Guild was held in the City of London and proved yery successful, with some very good ringing achieved during the day.
Tho ringing took phace during the afternoon at the twelve-bell tower of St. Giles' Cuipplegate. Rounds on ten, Grandaire and Stedman Gaters, Stedman Cmpues and Kent Treble Bob Maximus were rumg, Several memberg rang their first touches on twolve bells.

At tho business meeting the district officinls were able to report on the most successful year's work in the liswory of the district. Five Satmrday meetinss were held, with an average attendance of 32 a record fot the distriet, the previous best being \&n average of 27 in 1933.

Tle Stcprey meeting created a record For the district, some 50 members ag well as several visitors being preseni. Fivo mid-week practices were held, with an average attendance of 26.
For the fonrth year in shecession the cash statement showed a record balance.

The semetary, in presenting the report, said he thought it coult be said that the district was now in a strong position, and that the mprovement which started four years ago, alter a long period of semi-stamation, lag steadily increased. It was boped that this improvement would continue.
In his report, tha Master said the strilking at blue meetings, allhougly far from the desired perfection has greatly improved. A district. outing, arranged ag an experiment, was held in september. Soveral Essex towers meve risited, and the venture proved a great success. Frienclly relations with neighbouring assocjatians had been maintained and it was hoped to arrange some joint meetings in the near future. Reqular motithly ringing for Sunday evening services had taken place at Cripplegate and St. Mary-le-Bow on the second and fourth Sindays respectively.
The Master thanked all tlose who had rssisted to make the year's work so successful.
Tho election of the dishict officials resulted as follows: Master, Mr. I. A. Wanglo; lool. gecretary, Mr. J. G. A. Prior : treasirer', Mr, R. G. Consins steward, Mr. E. Holman; tommittee, Messrs. C. A. Hugles

An invitation from the secretary of the Holloway hand to hold the April meeting at that tower was accepted.
Tlic meebing elosed with a vate of thanks to the incumbents ana steeplelcepers at Gripplegate nud Holborm for permission to rimg ank for the arrangements made.

The members then went to St. Andrews, Holhorn, where trey wane met by the poputar and genial steeplekeeper, Mr. J. S. Hawkins. Tnrious methorls froni Trondsire rluples to Itondon Siuprige Major were rung on the fine-toned vimg wntil 8 p.m., when the meeting concluded.

During tite day favourable comments were macle about the broadcast from St. Dunstan"s, Stepney, on a recent, Suratay, by memlicrs of tha agsociation, jnclinding eight of the district members, six of whom wele members of the yonng lomal band.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTEE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. <br> COMETNED PTACTICES AND DISTRTGT PEALS.

In order to encourage combined practices in the Northern District of the Durlam and Newcastle Diocesan Association the vice-president, and secretary are to draw ap a list of towers and submit a scheme to the mernbers.
District peals are also to be attempted, the first of filhesg being Grandsire Triples at Gateshead on February 13th,

These steps were decided upon at a district meeting, attended by nearly 30 members, at Benfield, when nmong the neethods practised were Domble Oxford Bob and Cambridge Surprise Minor.
The next meeting of the district is to be held at $A 11$ Saints', Newcrstle, when Erin Triples is to ba the method for special practice.

## LOSS TO THE DISLEY BELFRY

The death took place suddenly on Wednesday, January 27th, of Mr: A. T. Marslanc, secretnry of the Disley (Clieghire) ringers. Fhe had been a vinger at the nhove tower for over 30 years, and was also a member of the Chester Diocesan Guild.
The late Mr. A. T. Marsland was possessed of a quitet, unassuming manner, but had a ready smile for all comers. He will be greally missed by his fellow-ringers.
The funcral took place on Saturdny, Innuary 30th1 at St. Mary's Church, Disley. The bells were rung fully multled while the cortege was procesding from deceased's home to ilie olurch. Afterwards lifs follow-ringors rang a peal of Treble Boh Minor witl the bells fully muffleat.

WEST WICKFAM. KENT.-At the Parish Chnich of St. John the Bapsist, on Wednesday, Jamuary 20th, z quarter-peal of Dosbles in fonl' methods ( 1,260 changes), comprising one six-score of Stedman, tyo of April Day, four of Plain Bob and 3t of Grandsire, all sixscoreg being called diferently: J. Page-Wood 1, P. S. Davis (first quarter-peal away from the treble) 2 , W. Hollamby first quarter-peal of Doubles) 3, E. Mackinder 4, A. S. Richards (conductor) 5 .

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DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Northern District. - A combined practice will be held at SS. James and Basil, Fenham, on Friday, Feb. 12 th, at 7.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. -K. Arthur, Hon. Dis. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.-The meeting advertised for Cheshunt will be held on Feb. I $3^{\text {th }}$. All previous arrangements stand for this date. - W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-The annual district meeting will be held at Leatherhead on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5, followed by tea (1s.) and business meeting at the Duke's Head.-A. H. Smith, Hon. Sec., Drakelowe, Howard Road, Great Bookham, Surrey.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The spring meeting will be held at Boughton on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea and business meeting. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due and may be paid at this meeting.-B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec., 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury.

EENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Yalding ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells available 2.30. Service at 5. Tea at the Bull $5 \cdot 30$. Every ringer welcome. Bourne Surprise, Double Court, or plain fare according to taste, but come and try it!-A. Waddington, Hon, Dis. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division.A meeting will be held at Fryerning on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Ingatestone bells also available in the evening.-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 6, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD. - The annual general meeting of the Guild will be held at East Grinstead on Saturday, Feb. $3^{\text {th }}$. Tower open 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow.-G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Bacup, on Saturday, Feb. 18tl. If you intend being present, will you make a note that the tower is not open until 6 p.m.? Now, chaps, show your interest and please turn up. - J. Porter, 11, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Eari Shilton on Feb. ${ }^{\text {² }}{ }^{\text {th. }}$. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service 4 45. Tea, gd. each, at 5 p.m. in schools.-Wm. A. Wood, Hon. Sec., Fosseway, Croft.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch.The annual meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, Feb. ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th. }}$ Ringing at St. Mary's (8) 3 to 5 p.m. ; St. Giles' (8) $3 \cdot 30$ to 4.45 p.m. ; St. Laurence's ( 12 ) + to 5 p.m. Service at St. Laurence's 5 p.m. Tea, is, per head, 6 p.m., at St. Mary's Church House, followed by meeting at 7 p.m.-E. G. Foster, Branch See, fol, London Road, Reading.

DEVONSHIRE GUULLD.-Mid-Devon Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Ipplepen, Newton Abbot, on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells (8) available fron 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting in the Schoolroom at 5 p.m. - A. L. Bennett, Branch Sec., Cornerways, Elliott Plain, Buckfastleigh.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Low Bentham on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Tower open for ringing at 2 p.m. Tea at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , price 1 s .3 d . All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.-E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Dunstable on Saturday, Feb. 13th. The bells will be ready at 2.45 p.m. Will as many as carz attend this meeting? - A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable. BEDFORDSIIIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting of this district will be held at Bronham on Saturday, February 13th. Bells (8) ready from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. You will be very welcome.-Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec., 10 , Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS. - Anmual meeting at St. Mary's Church, Nottingham, Saturday, Feb. ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th }}$. Tower open 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome. Subscriptions due, please. - I. B. Thompson, Hon. Sec., 52, Lace Street, Nottingham.
NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-Sat., Feb. I3th, East Markham (8). Methods for practice: Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridpe Surprise, etc. Please send a card for tea to R. Towler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Norhampton Branch.-A special meeting will be held at PitsFord on Saturday, Feb. ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th. }}$. Usual arrangements. All welcome. - J. C. Dean, Hon. Sec., 16, St. Peter's Street, Northampton,

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Grimsby District. Combined practices, all at 6 p.m.: Waltham, Saturday, Feb. $3^{\text {tha }}$, Plain Bob, Kent. Treble Boh and Cambridge Surprise: Barton-on-Humber, Mar. 6th, Superlat tive Surprise and Little Bob; Elsham, Mar, ${ }^{13}$ th, Single Court, London Surprise and Carlisle Surprise. I_ook up the methods and come and ring them.-H. Mingay, Hon. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-The sum of 1s. 8d., which entitles members who have not attended twenty times to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 18 th; "St. Mary-leBow on the 16th: St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 23 ral , at 7.30 p.m. ; St. Andrew's on the 25 th, at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting afterwards.-Wm. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Folkestone on Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells ready 3 a'clock. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers welcome- P . Page, Hon. Sec., 1 Io, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

SAlisbury diocesan guild. - West Dorset Branch.-The Langford Memorial Meeting will be Fheld at Bradpole on Saturday, Feb. zoth. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Preacher: Rev. C. A. C. Streatfeild. Tea at $5 \cdot 15$, followed by meeting. All ringers and friends welcome. Please advise for tea by Thursday, Feb. r8th.--C. H. Lathey, Sec., Malmaison, Mitdle Street, Bradpole.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION -Western District.-The next meeting will be held at Hemel Hermpstead on Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Please notify me by the presious Thursday if you require tea. - W. Ayre, Leverstock (irect), Hemel Hempstead.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Peterborough Branch. - The annual meeting of the ahove branch and also the foth anniversary of St. Mary's belis will be held at Peterborough on Saturclay, Feb. 2oth. The beils of St. Mary's (6) will be available during the afternoon and evening. Usual arrangements.-W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec., I 37 , Scotney Street, Peterborough.
BATH AND WELIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Chew Deanery Branch. - The bells will be available for a good practice at Porthury from 4 o'clock and also at Easton-in-Gordano from 6 o'clock. Please make a note of the date-Saturday, Feb. 2oth.-Percy G. Yco, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.
WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A monthly meeting will be hetd at Bulkington on Saturday, Feb. 2oth. Usual arrangements. Any who have corrections or suggestimns for the 1935-6 report should send them without delay to M. Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., Highfield House, Exhall, Coventry.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bromyard Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Bromyard on Saturday, Feb. 2oth. Beils (6) 3 o'clock. Tea 4.30. Survice 6 o'clock. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Fel. 1 th? -A. S. Tomkins, Post Office, Bredenbury, Hereford.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsbowugh Branch. - A special meeting will be heid at Creaton ( 5 bells) on Saturday, Feb. 2oth. Usual arrangements. Please notify hon. sec, not later than Tuesday previous of those requiring tea. - Geo. A. Hollick, Hon. Branch Sec., West Street, Welford, Ruyby.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The monthly meeting of the district will he held at Bulwell on Saturday, Feb. 2oth. Bells (8) ready 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-E. C. Gobey, Dis. Sec., Trowell, Notts.

ISSSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West District. - A meeting will be held at Roydon on Saturday, Feb. 2oth, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 73, Rye Street, Bishops Stortford.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-A ringing meeting will be held at Great Glen on Saturday, Feb. 2oth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Feb. $1-1$ h ? -H. W. Perkins, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Landseer Road, leicester.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch. The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Audlem ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Feb. 2oth. Ringing fromu 3 o'clock. Will all those who intend to be present kindly let me know by the 17 th inst. ?-Rich. D. Langford, Branch Hon. Sec., 6, Laura Street, Crewe.

POUGHILL, near Bude, N. Cornwall.-On Saturday, Feb. zoth, at 3 p.m., the bells will be re-dedicated by the Suffragan Bishop of Barking, followed by a ringing festival. The ring of six has been recast and rehung in a new framework by John Taylor and Co.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-First meeting of the year will be held at Wychbold, near Droitwich, on Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells (6) recently rehung, available from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea in the Vicarage Room at 5 o'clock, by kind invitation of the Vicar. Business meeting afterwards. Please send word by Tuesday, Feb. 16th.-Geo. E. Large, Branch Sec., Grange Cottage, Hawford, Worcester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -Next meeting will be held at the Unitarian Church, Todmorden, on Saturday, February 2oth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. Please make an effort to be present. Subscriptions now due. Reports to hand.-S. Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James St., Milarow, Rochdale.
LAUNCELLS, near Stratton, North Cornwall. -- On Thursday, Feb. ${ }^{2}$ th, at 3 p.m., the bells will be rededicated by the Lord Bishop of Truro. Ring of six rehung in new framework by John Tayior and Co.
LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District.-A meeting is to be held at Gamston, near Retford, on Saturday, Feb. 27 th. All ringers welcome. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify for same by Wednesday, 24 th. - E. Dorice Kelly, Hon. Sec., 171, Richmond Road, Sheffield 9.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755). The 49th annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, Feb. 27 th, at 6 p.m. prompt, when the chair will be taken by Rev. H. McGowan, M.A., Vicar of Aston. To fully qualified members tickets will be issued on payment of 2 s ., to other members and friends 6 s . 6 d . each. The bells of St. Martin's (12) and Aston Parish Church (12) will be available from $3-30$ to 5 o'clock. Application for tickets, accompanied by remittance (latest date 25 th inst.) should be made to Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., ${ }^{3} 36$, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham 1 I.

## LEICESTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETIES. -

 Annual dinner will be held at the George Hotel, Clock Tower, Leicester, Saturday, Feb. 27 th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 25. 9d. (limited number) must be applied for by Wednesday, Feb. 24th, latest. - H. Perkins, Sec., 53 , Landseer Road, Leicester.NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Branch.-The annual branch meeting will be held at St. Margaret's Church, Lowestoft, on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at St. Nicholas' House. Business meeting after tea. Send names or numbers for tea. All ringers welcome.-J. G. W. Harwood, Hon. Sec., 4, Cobden Terrace, Northgate Street, Great Yarmouth.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. James', Rusholme, on Saturday, Feb. 27 th. Arrangements to follow later.-J. H Ridyard, Branch Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. _Annual dinner to be held at the Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden Lane, W.C. i, on Saturday, Mar. 13th. Ladies very welcome. Tickets (55. 6d. each) now available from Messrs. G. H. Cross, G. W. Steere, G. Gilbert, R. Heaze!, G. Radley, E. J. Butler or from J. E. Bailey, 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford, Kent.

SURREV ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at Leatherhead on Saturday, Mar. 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock and in the eveningService 5 o'clock. Tea (is. per head) at the Institute 5.45. Meeting 6.30. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. Arthur Dean, 24, Church Walk, Leatherhead, by Thursday, Mar. 4th. All nominations for general officers and notices of motion must be in writing and received by me not later than first post on Saturday, Feb. 2oth.-Chas. H. Kippin, Hon. Sec., 10, Courtney Road, Croydon.

LEEDS PARISH CHURCH, YORKSHIRE.—Mr. H. Smith, of 4, Abbott Place, Armley, Leeds 12, has been appointed ringers' secretary, and all communications should be addessed to him.

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At the Paxish Chureh of Laly St. Mary, Wareham, Dorset, on Saturdny. Tanuary 2nd. for the birthday of the Rev. R. L. B. Howe, Rector of Wareham, 780 Bob Minor : Rev, C. A. Phitlips 1, C. Forfitt 2, E. B. Hanipzon 3, E. Hoare 4, F. G. Blako 5, F. Cale (conductor) 6. Firgit 720 of Minor for ringers of 3 and 4.

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## A FAREWELL.

At Aldorshot, on Sunday, January 31st, for eveusong, n quarter-poal of Stedman Triples: Miss Doris Virgers 1, Eric Synonds 2, Thomas Denyer 3, Ronald Keumand 4, George Challen 5, William Donyer 6, Charles Denyer (conductor) 7, Wild 패. Viggers 8. Rumg us a farewcl] to Canon H. Le Fleming (Vicar of Aldershot) on his departure to become Rector of Bentiey, Hants. Also as a farewell to wr. Fi, Gower, a local ringer, who is taking up lesidence at Wheatley, Oxon. lisst quarter by $\mathbf{2}$. Konward and frat quartor in the method by Ti. Symonds and W, Denyer.

## DEATH OF MR. JOSEPH HANDS.

AN OLD MEMBER OF GAVERSHAM BAND.
As we briefly recarded last week, St. Peter's Society, Caversharn, have sulfered a great loss by the deatly of Mr. Josepl Hands, who passed away on Jaunay 28th, at the age of 79 years.
Ha had been a nember of the bnad for 53 years, and rang in mosiof the penls in any of the standard methods with the old Caversham sociaty. He rang his last peal three yeare ago to commemorate his ringing for fifty years with his old friend, George lissex,

Mr. Hands was a most vegular athandant, und was riugiug up till Cliristmas week, when he was taken ill and never rocovered, duspito every care.

A fine striker, circumstancos never allowed him to travel far in pursuit of ringing, but he geve of his best to his own towor. He attended the last annual dinney of the College Fouths and was full of delight at meetilag so many old friends. He was a most lovable mun and respected by ell with whom he was bronght iuto contact.

He leaves a widow and cight children to mourn theit loss,
The funeral took place on Monday week, the first parl of the sorvice being lseld in the I'arish Churdr, the Rector the Rev. W. A. Wood) officiating. The lesson was read by Mr. Hands old ringing friend, Canon Coleridge, who also took the commetal.

Tho 'wholo pull and stand' was rung 79 times by deconsed's friends immediately after the service. Many and beatiful were the floml tributes. 'Joe,' as he was affectionately known, has pessed, and will always he remembered by his lyiends as one of nuture's gentlamen.'
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## PEALS OF DOUBLES.

We have been asked the question whether the Central Council recognises as a peal 5040's of Grandsire Doubles, in which Pitnian and Morris' 'arrangements ' and Lindoff's 'spliced' extents are rung? The simple answer is 'Yes,' inasmuch as hitherto such peals have been inclucled in the yearly analysis and the analysis has been accepted. But, strictly speaking, the two former are against the spirit of the rule whicly the Council laid down at Hereford in 1928, and, in the opinion of many ringers, Lindoff's spliced extents are also ruled out by the Coutcil's definition. There has since been a fight (or should it be fights?) over the similarly worded rule regarding Minor, and while in this the Council's ruling is accepted, the definition of a peal of Doubles is honoured in the breach as well as in the observance. If we were aslied why it is that ringers choose their own course in regard to Doubles, we would say, frankly, it is because the large majority of the Exercise have little or no interest in peals of Doubles, and therefore do not care what happens. If the rules regarding peals on higher numbers were broken as frequently and claim laid to the performances as peals there would be a great outcry. Because these peals are rung on only five bells no one bothers about what is done.

The Council's rule, laid down at Hereford, provides that 'Peals of Doubles shall consist of at least 42 true and complete izo's rung without interval and without rounds or any other rows being included or rung more than once in any 120. A peal may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 120 's fulfilling the same conditions, with or without one touch of less than 120. That wording is very definite, and conforms to the views of those ringers who think that peals rung on less than seven bells should be made up of true 'extents,' whether on six or five bells. There is a school of thought, however, that takes another view--that as long as no chanke is rung more than 42 times in a 5040 of Doubles, no matter in what order the changes occur, so long as they conform to a recognised method, that performance should rank as a peal. But without going here into the argument as to what should constitute a peal of Doubles, we feel that the ruling of the Council should be accepted and acted upon, as much by ringers of Doubles as by those who ring peals of Minor. If the rules are wrong they should be altered, but they cannot with justice be altered to suit one section of the Exercise alone. Whatever latitude is given in Doubles must be given in Minor. The plea that one is more limited in its scope than the other really carries little weight now that the possibilities (Continued on page 114.)

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of Doubles ringing have been shown to be not only interesting but fairly extensive. If alteration is made it can only be made as a matter of principle and must apply to all similar classes of ringing alike.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOOESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Tuesday. Fobruary 9, 1937, in 7 hree Howrs and Fifty Minutes,
At tar Parish Caurch of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN CINGUES, $\operatorname{EOOT}$ CHANGE8; Tenor 37 cwt .
Frank E, Pervin... ... .. Trebie $\mid \underset{\text { Thomas W, Miller ... ... }}{7}$ William C. Dowding ... 2 Morris J. Morris ... ... 8 George E. Fiarn ... ... 3 Erpest Manstll ... ... 9 frank E. Haynes ..... .4 William Davizs... ... 4 ... io Albert Walebr ... ... ... 5 Arthtr E. Pegler ... ... II Malcolm C. C. Malvillz 6 James II. Segparrd ... ...Tonay Composed by Jobn Cartrr. Conducted by Frank E. Haynbs,
Rung with the bells half-mufficed, in the 'inverted tittums' and 'liandstroke home' positions, to the memory of the Iate Mr. Thomas Russam.

## IPSWICH.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD. (St. Mary-le-Tower Society.)
On Satrrday, February 13, 1937, in Yhree Hours and Forly-Nine Minutes, At the Chorgh of St. Mazy-le-Tower,
A PEAL OF EAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHAMEE8; Tenor 32 cwt .
Fradericr J. Tillbit ...Treble William J. G. Brawn ... 7
-Sylvia R, E, Bowyer ... 2 "Harry D. Ligter ... ... 8
Cbarles J. Sbdglry..... $.5 \quad 3 \quad$ J. Frank Smallwood.. .5
George A. Fleming...
Harry R. Ropgrm ...
.. 5
Harold E. Symonds... Composed by C. J. Sedgley. William P. Garrett ... io Grorge E. Symonds... ... II Frederick J. Smite... ...Tehor Conducted by WIILIm J. G. Brawn

* Firsb peal of Cambridge Maximus. drranged for Mr. J. Frank Smallwood, of Bath.


## TEWKESBDRY, GLODOESTERSHIRE.

THE GLODGISTWR AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOULATION.
On Sathrday, February 13, 1937, in Thres Howrs and Fifty Minutes,
At the Abbey Cgorch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GIMQUES, 5007 CHANEE8;
'fenor 23 ewt.
"Alebrt M. Tyler
..Trebia tRalpa Habris
Johntromas
...
$\qquad$7

Missiamy R, Joanson $\ldots \ldots{ }^{\circ}$.... 3 Thomas W. Lewis... 9
10

Josera D. Johnsons...
.. 4 Cbarles Camm...
Josepg D. Jonnsons TSydney E. Ro
Jogn Atsin

Sidney T. Holi... ... ... ... 6 †Josepg E, Nbwhan ... ...Temoy Composed by John Carirr. Conducted by Josbfa D. Johnson. * First peal. + First peal of Stedman Cinques. Reng ns a birthday compliment to Mrs. E. Devereux, of the Abbey band, anti a similar compliment to Mr. C. Cannon. It was also a special compliment to Master Albart Tyler, four days before his 14tll birthday. The greatest possible credit is due to him for the way in whiel he rang, and to his tutors, the St. Stephen's (Bristol) Guild.

LONDON.
THE ANGIENT SOCIETF OF COLLEGE FOUTHS.
Or Saturday, Febrwary 13, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Fifty Minules,
At ter Cetrct of St, Miceael, Cornhill.
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CINQUES, EO1日 CHANOE8;
Tenor 41 cwt.

| Thomas Langdon | $\ldots$ | $\ldots . . T r e b l e$ | J. E. Lewis Cockey | $\ldots$ | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | William H. Pasmore ... 2 Jack M. Crippg ... ... ... 8 Ronald A. Toffin ... ... 3 James C. E. Simpson... ... 9 Henry G. Miles... ... ... 4 Richard F. Deal ... ... 10 Hbrbert Langdon ... ... 5 Alfred B. Pbck... .... ... il Major J. H. B. Hesse ... 6 James F. Romley ... ...Tenor Composed by C. W. Roberis. Conducted by H, Langdon. Rung on the occasion of the visit of theiv Majesties the King and Queen to the Easl End of London.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LIVERPOOL. THE LANOASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Tweday, February 9, 1937, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minsites. At ter Cebrce of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, GOO7 BHANEE8;
Tenar 39 cwt 3 qr . 10 lb.
Thomas W. Hammond ...Treble 'Jahes W. Meldrum.... ... 6 George R. Newton ... ... 2 Jogspa Ridyardm.... ... 7 Alfrid W. Heath ... ... 3 Lestbr L. Gray .... ... 8 Johm W. Jones ... ... ... 4
 Composed by SirA. P. Heywood. Conducted by Percivar W. Cave * First peal of Stedman Caters.

> BRIGFTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
Om Saturday, February 13, 1937. is Three Hours and Eighieen Minules, At tee Cgdrer of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5 f 40 OHANEES; Tenor $25 \frac{\text { 青 cwt, }}{}$
Joen Dearlove ... ... ..Treble Raymond Ovrry ... ... ... 6 Edward J. Cgarman... ... 2 Stanley E. Armstrong ... 7 Frebdericx W. Rogrrs ... 3 Frank I. Hatrs ... ... ... 8 Kennetb Snelling ... ... 4 Alfred T. Greenwood ... 9 Wilciam T. Beeson ... ... 5 Frederice Page ... ... ... Temor Composed by J. Rerves. Conducted by Fraderick Pagr. BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, February 13, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Cathedral Chorch of St, Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 6000 OHANGES; Tenor $25^{\frac{9}{3}} \mathrm{Cwt}$.
Josapa Broadley, Ringing Master, Western Division ... ...T Trebla Horace Morcey, Secretary, Eastern Division ... Jor Hardcastle, Central Cauncil Pepresentative IGarry C. Walters, Ringing Master Eastern Division .... *Teomas W. Strangeway. General Committee ... Frederice W. Dixon, General Committee Sidney F. Palmer, Hom. Treasurer William Barion, Hon. Peal Secetary ... Jobn Ambler, General Committee Percy J. Johnson, Vice-President
Composed by the late C. H Hattrasley, aformer Vicepresicent
Conducted by William Barton.

- 100th peal. Specially arranged and rung by officers of the association to commemorate the silver jubilee of the presidont, Canon C. C. Marghall, in that office.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

GHELTENHAM, GLOUCDSTERSHIRE. THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOOTATTON. Un Morday, Jantary 25, 1937, in Two Hours and Forly Mitwtes, At the Ceorch of St. Peter, Leckhampton,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLE8, 5月40 CHANEES! Tenor 9 cwt.
Willinm Townsend
...
.Tyeble Marf Hicks ... Miss Amy Jogeson ... 2 . $\cdot 4$ .. 3 Williak Howt .... ... ... Grorgr Waltbrs ... ... 4 Thomas Boreyam $\quad . .$. Conducted by Jonn Thomas.
Finsli peal ont the luells since being rehung on buil bearing by Messre. Mear's and Stainbank. Miss Johnson is from Hinton-on-theGreen, Evesham.

GRAWLET, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX CODNTY ASSOCIATION,
On .5wnday, February 7, 1937, in Ttoo Hours and Fi/ly-Thras Minutes,
At tee Parise Church,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; 'Tener $133^{3}$ cwt
 Jack M. Cripps .... .... ... 4 Ulever Sipprtis ... ... ...Tenor

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCLSAN ASSOCTATION. On Sunday, February 7, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifiy Miswtes, At ter Cedrch of Si. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANEE8! Carter's Twelve-part.
 Conducted by A. H. Carter,

* First peal of Grandsire. First peal by the conductor. Rubg as a birthidey compliment to 0 . Thonas and Supt. Shellewell. NORWICH.
ITHE NORWICH DTOCESAN ASSOCIATION,
On Monday, February 8, 1937, in Thres Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Charce of St. Giers,
A PEAL OF BOB CAJOR, GESB OHANQESI Tenor $13{ }^{\text {B }} \mathrm{c}$ cwt.

| - Mise W, Ditceam |  | Treble | C. Curson |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Giorge May |  |  | Grorge Sayer |  |  |  |  |
| Miss D. Ditceam |  |  | Cliffe Bird. |  |  |  |  |
| Miss G. |  | 4 | Bertie J. Ho |  |  |  |  |
| Composed by J. R. P |  |  | Conducted by |  |  |  |  |

Composed by J. R. Pritchard Conducted by Bertir ]. Howchin

* First peal.

SURFLEET, LTNCOLNSHTRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUHLD.
(Elloe Deanerigs Branct.)
On Monday, February 8, 1937, in Three Howrs and Tivo Minwes,
At the Chorce or St, Ladrence.
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, 5056 DHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt 9 lb .
Ralpe G. Ley ... ... ...Treble Cearles C. Rawding
Cyril Dobnry ... ... ... 2 Ernest T. King... ... ... 6 Repert Riceardson ..... .4 "Norman T, King 3 ..... .7 Frank Ricbardson ... ... 4 Jobn W. Carter... .... ...Tetoy
Composed by J. R. Pritceard, Conducted by John W. Cartrr.

* First peal with an 'inside" bell. Pirst peal as conductor. LOUGHBOROUGH.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Febrwary 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Thyee Mintes,
At the Bell foundry Cabpanile,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, GU24 CHANEE8; Tenor 6y cwt.
"Geoffrey Harrison... ...Treble | Charles Allsop... .... ....

| Joen Saddington | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Frederici H. Dexter | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Leslie Stevens... | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | Robbrt Harrison | .. | .. | 7 |


| Leslie Strvens... | ... | ... | 3 | Robbrt Harrison | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| G. Ronald Edwardd... | ... | 4 | Colin Harrison | ... | ... | ...Temor |  |

Composed by Grorge Lewis. Conducted by Colin Harrison.

* Tirst peal of Bob Major. Tliree generations took part in this peal, the ringers of the tenor and treble being sou and grandson respectively of the ringer of the seventh; Geoffrey Hartison was 13 years of age on Janumry 28th and rang his first peal (Grandsire Triples) the previous dey.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE
THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GUTLD.
On Friday, Februaty 12, 1937, it Three Hours and Sewn Minutes,

## Ar tee Parish Carder,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANQE8; Trenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

 Joan W. Jones ... ... ... 4 Cecil Raddon :... ... ... Tenor

Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by Grorge R. Newron.

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ST. HELENS, LANCASEITE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thursday. Febrwary 11. 1937, in Thyee Hours and 7 hree Minntes. At the Caurch of Sx. Helen,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Heywoon's No.

- Harry Grondy ... ... ...Treble Joen Wileinson Alybed W. Heath ... ... 3

Joan Wo

Tenor 24 cwt .

Conducted by

* First peal of Stedman. + First peal of Triples. Rung, efter meeting slozt for Caters, as a welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. J. G. Tinrks, M.A., who was inducted two days previously. MOULTON, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
Cn Thursday, February 11, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Ten Minutes, At tae Chorch cf SS Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Washbroor's Variation of Therstans' Four-part.

Tenor 15 cwt 3 qr 3 lb.
Tom Tebbotit
Cgarles W. Clarke ...
..Treble Caakles W. Bird
... 2 Burley P. Morris
Miss Evelyn Steel .... ... 3 Bernard j. Saddingion
Waliter P. Whiteabed .. a George Tanalr ... ... ...Teno Conducted by W. P. Whitsarad. PAIRWAEP, SUSSEX.
TEE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Satur Say, February 13, 1937, in t Arce Homs and Nine Minutes,
At Cerist Catrce,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6088 GHANCEs; Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frederice J. Lamblrt, sba, i veble fanhe Bennett ... ... ... 5 Frbderice Weite ... ... 2 Alfahi W. Durbam ... ... 6
 Robrrt T. Lambert ... ... 4 Stafford H. Grben ... ...Temo Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conucled by Frank Bennett.
First peal in the mathod on the hells.
CHURCHKIRK, LANCASBIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
O. Saturday. February 13, 1937, in 7 two Hours and Fifis-Five Minutes, Aitee Chorch of St. James,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Herwodd's Thansposition of Tefristans' Foer-part.Titus Barlow
Harold Walmsley
Fridricick Hindle
Lajrence J. Williamis
Condu
Treble
 A. Worscey.

* Tirst peal of Stedman. L. J. Williams' 200th peal. Rung to commemarate the 70thl birthday of Mrs. Williams, nother of the 4th ringer.


## LONGTON, SEAEFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOOIATION.
On Satuduy, Febrwary 13, 1937, in 7 hree Fours and Fifteen Minutes, At tee Cebrca of St. John,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, s0an CHANGES; Hoeiz's Tbe-part.

Tenor 16 cwt .

- Edward Caeadle
..Treble
Harold Hodson
...
$\cdots$
$\cdots$
t William H. Bloor ...
3
Alan D. Stebl... $. . . \quad . . .5$ Eoward Sterle... ... ... 6 Cearlis H. Page ... ... 7 Frbderick Sebliley... ...Tehoy
Conducted by Cearleq H . Page.
* First peal away from tenlor. † First peal 'inside.' * First peal on eight bells. This peul was arranged, ant rung with the bells halfmuffled, as $\Omega$ tolen of respect to the late Mrs. Beatrice Steele, wife of the ringer of the 6th, the cstecmed leader of the local band, and to the late Mr. R. G. Lewis, leader of Uitoxeter band, who was interred on the above date.

Camberwell. - At St. Gileg' Churel for ovening service Tharstans quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Miss B. M. Mills
 King 5, G. W. Rendell 6, R. K. Mowforth (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7 . H. H. Peter 8. First quarter-peal of Stedman Triples by the ringer of the sixth, who is from Yeovil.

## POLHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Un Suturday, Febykary 13, 1937, in Thres Honys and Eight Minutes,
At the Chorce of Si. Mary Magdalene.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Tenor is cwt. I qr. 22 lb .


- Frederick C. Ropar...${ }^{2}$ Cuables Loomb... ... ... 7

Cabrles Barbr... ... ... a Frederick Roope ... ... 3 enor
Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Ernest Whiting.

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major. + First peal in the method.

PENWORTHAM, LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Preston Brance.)
On Saturday, Febyuary 13, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Thyee Uinkies,
At tee Cburch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5029 DHANGES; Tenor 9 cwt.
 Composed by A. Kniguts (No. 3). Conducted by Alfred Blogg.
This composition, a 6,560 reduced, composed August, 1883, is now rung for the first time.

BOCKING, ESSEX.
THE TSSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sathyday, Febratay 13, 1937, in Thyee Honys and Seven Minutes, At ter Churca of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5OEB GHANGES; Tenor $18 j$ cwt. in E.

| murl Warne | ...Trebla | Ronald Suckling |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arther Satnders | ... 2 | - Peilip A. Carby |
| Frederick Ridgwal | ... 3 | Lewis W. Wiphen |
| Frank Claydon |  | Walter Abso |
| Composed by C |  | Condncted by L. |

Composed by C. Micdlbton. Conducted by L. W. Wifren.

* First Surprise peal.

MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturduy, Febraary 73, 1937, in Three Hours and One Minute. At ter Ceurcr or St. Giles,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twrlve-part.
Harold E. Austin ... ...Treble |l Clippord Banchor I4 cwt.
J. Harry Padison ... ...T Trele J. Clipford Bradshaw ... 5

2 Herbert E. Taylor... .. 6
Grorge h. patlson ......$\quad 3$ Victor E. Taylor ... $\quad . . .7$
Edwin Hopisinson $. . . \quad . . .4$ Erasst Padlson $\quad . .$. Conducted by Victor E. Taylor.

* First peal 'inside. Tirst peal as conductor. First peal on the bells since velanging by Taylor's in 1936. A birthday peal for H. F. Faylor. The ringers of 2 , 3 and 8 are three generations.


## BACUP, LANGASHIRE.

On Saturday. Februayy 13, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At the Cedrea of Si. Savioor,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES: James Wilelams ... ... ...Tredie | H. Victor Williams... ... 5 Harold w. Emmott ... ... 2 Frbd Kbndall ... ... Stepebn Slater... ... ... 3 |Jack Bracewell.... ... ... 7 George Brown ... ... ... 4 Howortb Holt ... ... ....Tenor Conducted by Juex Bracbwerl.
Rung with the bells fully muffled as a token of respect to the late Willium Aghworth, an old St. Saviour's ringer. All tho ringers are St. Saviour's service ringers, with the exception of Mr. George Brown, from Christ Church, Bacup.

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## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

FELKIRK, NEAR BARNSLEY, YORES. YHE KORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Barnalbi and Distrigt Society.)

1) Su Suchdy. Febrary 6.1937, is Two Hours and Fifly-Fow Minutes, At the Churgh of St. Petef.
A PEAL OF SURPRISE HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
heing 720 each of Wells, Cambridge, York, Durlam, Stamford, Rossen dale and London.

Tellor 10 cmb
Wille Gregen
... .. i reble
Harold Chant
Artitur Panther
Conducted by D. Smite.

* First Surpuise peal.

> BIGBY, LINCS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Branch.)
Oi Sathrday, February 6. 1937, in Two Hours and Fovty-Three Minntes, At tee Chdreh of Ali Sainis,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANCE8;
Otie extent each of Donble Oxford, Double Court, College, 5 ,
Clemert'a, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Proble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb.
Grorgr Blancuard ... ...I reble Martin Walrbr ... ... ... 4
Ronald Bowness ... ... 2 Grorge Dobbs ... Grorge L. Hall... .... ... 3 Grorge Fi. Fetrn ... ...Tenor

Rumg as a compliment to the Ven. Archdeacon H. T. Purry on completing 40 year as Rector of Bighy.

LITTLE COMBERTON, FORCS.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Sogtabrn Branch.)
On Saturday, February 6. 1937, in Two Hows and Fifly-Four Minntes,
At the Cerrch of St. Peter,
4 PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES; Ten callings.
Samobl Moore ... ... ...Treble | J jhn Hall
Ralpa Harais.. .4 Robertcorbeit... ... .... 3 |Artbur Richardson ... ...Tenor Conducted by Joan Hall.
This peal was originally attempted on Tanuary 14th as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Lowndes, wife of the Rector:

BLUNHAM, BEDS.
THE BEDTORDSHRE ASSOCIATION.
(1, Tuesday. February 9, 1937, in Three Hours amd Fourteen Minules, At the Chergh og St. James,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of one 240 and 20 six-scores of Grandsire and 20 six-scores of Plain Bob.
Hegre. Harding $\qquad$ . ...T .Treble Tenor 22 cwt. in E flat.
C. Henry Harding ... ... 2 Reginal. Hodsgion... .... C. EdWARD JffFRIES ... ...Jenor Conducted by C. H. Hakding.
First peal on this fue toned ring of five. The peal was rullg as a hirthday compliment to the conductor and to Mr. F. C. Tysoe.

> BATRNB $-N-T H E-W T L L O W S, ~ N O T T S$.
> $T$ HE NORTE NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
(in Thursday, Ficonuary 11, 1937, in Iwo Hours and Thivty-Ttho Minutes,

> At thy Churge of All Salvts,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR 5040 CHANGE8;
F. Bankes Jantes' Arrangement,

Tenor $6+$ ewt.
R. Thomas Vbesey ... ...Tyeble
「そreard M. Harv-y... ... 3 Ceifford A. Vessby ... ... Temor Conducted by Clifford A Vesgry.
First peal in the method by all the band. Rung to celobrate the Hmiversary of the firstr peal (Bob Minar) by all the band, which was sung in this tower a fear ago.

CADOXTON, NEAR NEATH, GLAM.
THE LLANDAFT AND MONMOU'PE DIOGTSAN ASSOCIATJON. On Saturday, Febrary 13, 1937, in 7wo Hou's and Forty Mintles,

## At the Parish Choreh,

## A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Baing one 720 Gambridge Surprise, one of Oxford Treble Jsob, three of Kent Treble Bob and two of Plan Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. $2 \mathrm{qu}, 2 \mathrm{lb}$.

 Edward Phileips ... .... 3 GwynI. Lewis ... ... ... Jeno

Conducted by G. I. Lewis,
First peal in four methods for all excopt Sth vinger. The fiws time Cambridge Surprise has been riny in a peal of Minot for the associathon. Rang in honour of the birth of a som to the corduclor, also e birtinday compliment to the wife of the 4 th ringer.

WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 13, 7937, in Thyee Hoursand Chree Minutes, At the Cedrce or St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Seven differeut extents.
Tenor 12 cwt.
Kenneth G. Carlton

Aleert J. Lancefigld ... 3 Edwand S. Rock... ... ...Temor
Conducted by Edward S. Reck.

* Finst peal 'inside.' Rung as a bivthay compiment to ringers of 2 and 4.

THORINGTON, ESSTEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturduy, Februty 13, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fift,-Five Minuter,
At ine Parise Churce of St. Mary Magdalene
A PEAL OF HINOR, $G 040$ CHANGES;
Being 720 of Court, three 720's of Oxford Hoh and three 720's of Plain Boh, prith difierent callings. Temor 9 cwt 22 lb . in G . - Basil Bution ... ... ...Tycule Harry J. Millat

Cearles A. Andrews... f I... Amos R, Gardiner $\quad . .$. Ggorge A. Andrews ... 3 Alan R. Andrrws $\ldots$...... Thar Conducted by Alan R. Andrews.

* Mirst peal.

WATLLNGTON, NORFOLK. THE BLY DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. (Wisbach Brangh.)
On Saturday, February 13, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Six Minulos, At ter Cetrce of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANOE8:
Being seven diferent extents. Tenar 8 cwt 2 qr ,
Alfred E. Bacon ... ...Tyeble | fohn Bockeneam ... ... 4

- Jobn Clarke...

Frederick Mattegws, sen. 3 Wicliam Buckeneam ... ...Temor
Conducted by W. Bockenham.

* Tirst peul and firsf attempt. Birthiay peal for the ringer of the fourth.

HAWOLIH YORKs.
THE FORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Febrtary 13, 1937, in Iwo Howrs and Fifty-Eight Minuts.
At ter Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 ©HANGES:

Being 720 of Plain Bol, thece of Oxford, and three of Kent Treble Bob (seven different callings)

Tenor Il

- Ahram Parker

Dennts Madod
...Trable
Madde ...
 onducted by A. Batrstow.

* First peal. First peal of Minor as conductor. Rung in honowi of tho 30 th anniversary of the wedtling of $\mathrm{Mr}_{\text {. G G }}$. Roper, alan as a ompliment to Mr. J. Nicholson, who has been a ringer 38 years. Both are of the local company.

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AMPTHILL, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, February 13, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Mintutes,
At the Chercr of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Trebie Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tevor 13 cwt. 2 gr.
Andrew C. Sinfirld ...Treble Joan Cadrca ... ... ... 4 Edmded W. Wagsiaffr... 2 Prrcy Toupains ... Aetere W. Dilegy ... ... 3 Lewis H. Bywazers ... ... Tenor Conducted by L. H. Bywarers.

* First peal in seven methods.


## handbell peals.

LEIOESTER.
TEE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, February 8, 7937, is Three Howrs and Six Minutes,
In xer Cholr Vestry of St. Margarei's Chorce,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANEES;
Tenor size 15 in C .
Alfred Ballard...
Parcy L. Haraison

| $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | $1-2$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ |
| $\ldots$ | .- | $5-5$ |

Ernest Morris ....
7-8 Harold J. Poole...

Composed by J. Carter
Josiar Moaris Conducfed by H. J. Poole.

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Febreavy 10, 1937, in Two Hows and Nine-andi-a-Half Minates,
At tar Bell Foundry, Weitechapel,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5B4B CHANGES;
Edwin H. Lewis...
s-z Mrs. Edita K. Fletcerp
Grorge W. Fleicerr.
3-4 *Miss Doris E. Colgatr ...
Composed by J. Cartzr (adapted). Conducted by Edwin H. Lbwis

* First peal.


## OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Friday, February 12, 1937, in Two Hoxts and Sixtesn Minutes, At 28, Field Road,

## A PEAL OF 8PLICED LOADOH, CAMBRIDCE, SUPERLATIVE, BRISTOL AHD EALINO SURPRISE MAJOR, 5089 CHANEEB:

Hznry Hodgetis

| t-2 | Harold G. Casbhore | .. | $5-6$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $3-4$ | Fredrricr W. Brinklow ... | $7-8$ |  |

Christoperr W. Woolley 3 3-4 Frederick W. Brinxlow... $\quad 7-8$
Composed and Conducted by H. G. Casmaner.
Umpire-John E. Rootes.
The peal consisted of 2,112 London, 672 Cambridge and 768 each Superlative, Bristol and Ealing, with 120 changes of method. The unpire checked every lead-end thourghout the peal.
(Other paal reports are unavoidably held over.)

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The pre-Lent meeting of the Durlam and Newcastle Diocegan Association was held at Chester-le Street on Saturday, February 6th, $I^{1} \mathrm{~h} 日$ bellg of the ancient Collogiate Church of SS. Mary and Cuthbert were kept going during the afternoon and ovening to Grand aire snd Stedman Triples, Flair Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Canibridge Surprise Major and on the whole the ringing was good.
A short service was conducted by tho Rector (the Rev. H. J. Wilkingon), who gaye an interesting address-not about belle and ringers. He was assisted by the Rev. J. P. Pelloe, a ringer, who was recently ordained.
At toa, provided by the local Iadies, the Rector welcomed the acsociation to Chester-le Street, in a humorous reply to the vote of thanks, proprosed by Mr. John Anderson, of Newcastle.

A vote of thanks to the lady helpers at tea, proposed by Mr. W. N. Park, of Darlington, concluded the proceedings, and an adjournment was made to the tower for more ringing.
ASTON, BIRMINGFAM.-At the Parish Church on December 20th for cyening eerwice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes): A. Edgerton, juc. (aged 13) 1, A. Short 2, F. Price 3, W. Whiaton 4 , G. Williams 5 , W. Pettigrew 6, W. Best 7, E. Evans 8 , W. Davies (eonductor) 9, A. Edgerton 10. First quarter-peal by ringers of $]$ and 4. First quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters by ringer of 2nd. Pirst quarter-peal on ten bells by rivgers of 6,7 and 8 . All are Sunday service ringers at this church.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## BOBS IN KENT TREBLE BOB.

Having had explained to him how Kent 'reble Bob is rung, the next thing the berinner will want to know is, how to make a bob,
In Minor, when a bob is called, only three bells are alfected, Thu bell that comes out of tho 'slow,' and makes placer ia 3 rd's and 4th's, ant the bell that makes 4th's and 3rd's and goes into the 'slow' (that is, the bell that dodged in 5-6 up with the treble) are not concerned in the bob making. They pursue their wark as if no call lad been made.
The bell that passes the treble in 23 and then makes 3rd's and 4 th' $\mathrm{g}_{3}$ when a bob is called makes an additional 4th's and 3rd's and goes down to lead. Actually he lies two consecutive whole pulls in 4th's place, each made at backstroke and handstroke. (For those who know how to ring Grandsire Doubles it is like the 'long 3rd's' made at a single in that method.) The bell that "makes the bob' at one lead in Eent Treble Bob will go into the 'slow' at the following treble lead.
The beils "behind," that is the pair that are dodging logether if 5-6, have an additional dowble dodge; that is, having stepped back in their path once, they have to step back twice more before they fimally continue their course.
If the bob is called at the right moment they will find they have already hegun dodging tagether, and they must be careful that they complete three dodges in all before the bell going down passeg on to dodge in $4-3$ with the freble and the bell dodging up lies its whole pull behind.
You can make a check on the number of dodges. Eanh bell in the course of fts operations strikes four timas in 5th's. Suppose the other bells were known by letters instead of numbers, the bells behind strike over them like this: $a, b, b, c$ so that as soon as they have struck over the third bell (thero huving been two blows, with a backward step between over the second of the belle) they know that the dodge is completed. The bell klodging ap has then to lie its whale pull beaind, and the one dodging down to pess on immediately to the 43 dodge.
If is suffient, of course, to count the dodges, if they are counted correctly. but everyone is liable to make a slip, and these additional aids to memory always come in useful-as the young ringer will find if he gres on to more complicated methode.
In case thero are any bands of ringers who are trying Treble Boh without outside help, perhaps a word or two about the boh calling may be useful. The achual call shoutd be made in the change when the treble las its 'saapping' blow at lead-that is its blow at lead in ite dodge in $2-1$ down. Some conduchore leave it just a fraction later-to the beginning of the following change-buf it malres very little difference.
Tlie effect of a bob is that the bells ahove 4th's place are thrown back a lead in the course and after their dodging do exactly the same work as in the previous lead-they meet the treto in the sane places. The bobs are thus said to cause 'repeating leads, and the effect is that only the three front belle-whichever are in Zud's, 3 rd'e and 4th's at the lead end-are really affected in conrsiny order, and bobs at three consecutive leads bring the bells back to where they were before the first bob was called.
Beginaers can, therefore, if they wish, begin their bob practice with a short touch of 72 changes produced by bobs at each of the three leads.
When they go on to ring extents of the method, they will probabiy want at first to use one of the 'standard ' callinge. The best known of thers is that which corresponds to the 'Wrong' 'Riglat ' and 'Wrong' in Bob Minor. But as in Treble Bob, the bob is made on the three back bells instead of the three front ones, the calling is 'In, 'Out' and 'In.' The 'In' is when the observation bell is going into the "slow' and the bob in thus called when it strikes its second blow in 4th's on the way down (after dodging in 5-6 with the treble).
'Out' comes at the following lead, and, as is fairly obvious, is when the observation bell is coming out of the "slew." The call is made when it begins its dodge with the treble after completing the slow work.
A touch of two coursea, or 240 changes, can be rung by enlling any bell 'In ' and 'Out' in each course, ercept that if the 'observation" is the End bell, it must be ' Out ' and ' In,' because the and is already in the slow at the beginning.
The full 720 is obtained by calling the first course ' In ' and ' Ont ' and the second course 'In," and then repeatiog this calling twive.
Beginacrs shonld examine closely the work at a plain lead and bob lead thown in the accompanying figures. They each relate to the furgt 'lead end':-

| Plaia Lead |  | Bob Lead |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 231546 |  | 231546 |
| 213456 |  | 213456 |
| 123465 | Call 'Bob' Eere | 123465 |
| 214356 |  | 214356 |
| 724365 |  | I24365 |
| 142635 |  | 142356 |
| 412653 |  | 412365 |
| 146235 |  | 143256 |
| 416253 |  | 413265 |
| 461523 |  | 431625 |

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

NORTHERN DIVISION AT SIBLE HEDINGHAM
Eighteen towers were represented at the meeting of the Northern Division of the Essex Ascaciation, held at Sible Hocingham on Saturday week. The 37 members present attended from Halstead, Greeustiend Green, Earls Colne, Dummow, Great Bardgeld, Great Yeldham, Sawbridgeworth, Long Melford, Sudbury, Fulbourne, Sible Heding-引am, Great Tey, Little Waldingfeld, Braintree, Exning, Bocking, Gastle Hediugham and Great Connerd.

Service in the Parish Church was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. F. IH. Moore), who gave \& warm welcome to the ringers and thenked them for their services, which meant so much to the church.

After the service, tea was partaken of at tho white Lion, the Rector presiding. At the busimess weeting which followed he was elected an honorazy rasmber of the association. One ringing member was also elected. It was decided that the next meeting should be at Feering on April 17 th .
The District Matter (Mr. A. Saunders) moved a hearty rote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the hells, for his ingpiring addreas and for presiding at the ton. He said they were very pleased he had been elected an honoray member. Mr. Saunders also thanked the organist, the organ blower and the visitors for their attendance.

The Rector, in reply, said he was glad of the opportunity to attend the meeting. He could ouly repent what he had said in church in exteading a cordial welcome to all. He was pleased to see so many ringers in the delightiful parisla of Sible Hedingham and hoped they wrouk pay another visit. He would 敌ce an early opportunity to visit the ringers in the tower. They had wice bells at Sible Hedingham and good ringers, and he hoped shortly to liear them twice on a Sunday. That would be a true answer to the Bishop's appeal. Before be left Leeds the bells of his cluured were augmented to eight and rehung. They had several ohstacles to overcome, but there was now a steady company who were builditg up ringing.

Handbell ringing was afterwards resorted to and others returned to the tower where ringing went on until about 9 p.m.

## LONDON RINGING SOCIETIES

## To the Editor

Dear Sir,-I have had no experience of London ringing circles, but can visualise the conditions outlined by 'Suburban Ringer.' Where similar organisations operate in the seme area there is bound to be some disagreement.
Great as the fradibinns of the London societies are, let them make new history uow by merging into one United Assoeiation.
I nm sure by faking this step more real progress in London ringing would vesult than by al] "friendly co-operation." C. RHODES.
Birmagham.

## WELFORD RINGER'S RETIREMENT.

TAREWELL GADHERTNG.
On Mouday evening, February 8th, the ringers of St. Mary the Firgin, Welford, gathered for a dimer and sacial evening at the Village Hall. Eleven members attended, together with the Ficar (the Rev. F. C. Woodhouse), and partook of an excellent meal, which was prepared and sarved by Mrs. E, and Miss A. Buswell, wife and sister, respectively, of one of the ringere.
The occasion marked the retirement of Mr. E. Bott as captain of tho band, the completion by him of 44 years as an active member of the company, and also his 73rd birthday, which ocearred on Fehruary 7th.
The Vicar paid tribute to the work Mr. Bott had done duriug his time as a ringer, and said that althongh he was retiring from the captaincy and from regalar service, this need not necessarily mean that he was giving up ringing allogether. Ee hoped that ho wotld still turn up and have a rimg at any time lie felt disposer.
The viour then went on to say low pleased he was to be presenl at the dinner, as he thought it was only by co-operation that anything could be accomplished. He looked for the united support of the ringers in the future and hoped that this oceasion was the forerunner of many such gatherings. He also thanked the ladies for the spleadid way they lad catered for the party.

Mr. G. A. Hollick was unanimonsly elected caplain to succeed Mr. Bott, and Mr. T. Mitler was elected vice-captain to succeed Mr, Holhick. With various games, in which the Vicar joined with real entinuiasn, an enjoyable evening was brought to a close.

## WEDDING BELLS.

At the Parish Church of St. Mary, Barnes, Surrey, on Saturday, February 6th, the wedding took place of Mr. John Strickland, elder son of Mr. G. J. Strickiand, of St. Mary Abbot's Guild and the Lonw don County Association, with Miss Elfrida Newall, of Barnes. Touches of Stedman Triples were rung, and the bolls were 'fired" as the newly-married pair left the church by the following Sunday service ringers: W. H. Wood 1, E. R. Mackereli 2, H. Q. Miles 3, W. E. Jude 4, F. Stevington 5, A. Harding 6, C. Huat 7, C. Warmer 8.
At St. Mary's Church, Beenham. on Mondap, February 8th, 1,224 of Oxford Trehle Bob Minor as a compliment to Miss Pamela Strange, whose weddiny took place in London on that day: W. Greetlam 1 , A. Churchill 2, Rev. R. Howes 3, E. Richardson 4, E. Wallace 5, G.' Fowler (conductor) 6.


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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Foundry Etabilshed A.D, 1E70 (12th year of rajga of Eflzabaih).

## MEMORIAL DEDICATED AT LOUGHBOROUGH. <br> GERTMONY ATTENDED BY NEARLY 300 RINGIRS. <br> <br> Mr. Denisan Taylar's Gift.

 <br> <br> Mr. Denisan Taylar's Gift.}'l'he quarcerly meeting of the Midland Counties Association, held at Longhloorough on Satimday, Felnumy 6th, will be long remembered, for it provided a record atterdance for any quarterly meeting ever bakd since the association's Coundation. After a spell of very inclement weather, the accasion was favoured witll a glorious duy and inis-added to the generosity of the president, Mr. E. Denison Taylor the dedication aud unveiling of a memoriai to past Loughborough ringers-and the turther attrackion of the famous bellfoundry being open to visitors, without doubt brought many who otherwise might not hive abtended. The giand ring of ten bells at the Parish Church, and the light ten at the Belfotndry Campanile, were kept going to a ariety of methods to suit all comers, aud good use was made of the opportunity offered.
The committee of the association met in the aftermoon, and as a result of their deliberations grants were 1uade from the Bell Repair Frud to Leicester Cathedral, where the old ten bells have been recast and augmented to twelve, witl a gemitone; and to Nethergeale, where Lhe tower is being restared and the bells recast and rehung. It was decided to print tixe annual report as usual, aud this will be in circulation as quickly as possible.
At 4 p.m. an interesting ceremony was performed in the Parish Ghurch during a special serwice condnated by the Rector, the Rev. (ianon W. J. Lyon, assisted by the Rev. G. B. G. Watson (curate) and the Rev. Canon G. W. Briggs, now Canon Residentiary at Worcestar, former Rector of Lroughborough.
During the service the Loughborough ringers, headed by the youngest (G. Harxison) and oldest ( E . Reader), proceeded to the tower, followed by Mr. E, Denison Taylor (president), Mr. William E. White (hom. treasurer'), Mr. Ernest Morris, F.R.Hist.S. (secretary), nad the clergy. Arrived at the tower, Canon Brigus performed the act of dedication of the momorial tablet bearing the mames of 29 former ringers of Loughborough. This was then unveiled by the oldest Loughborongh ringer, Mr. Edward Reader.

## THE MEMORTAL.

The handsome memorial, which measures 3 ft . Sin. by 2 ft . Sin., is of bell metal aud was cast in the Longhborough Foundry. It was presented to the church by Mr. Denison Taylor. The tablet is surmonated by the old foundry crest, a shield clarged with a coronet bebween three bells. The 'past ringerg of this town' whose names re recorded are :-

| J. H. Bratley | William Frewses |
| :---: | :---: |
| Henry Bramley | W. Eorriman |
| James Cook | James Hood |
| George Conk | Leonard Taylor |
| Joseph Cook | W. A. Tyler |
| Alfred Fowkes | Toe Ward |
| Thomas Grundys, sen. | 1817-1888 |
| Edward Wightman | 1839-1891 |
| James Frederick Fawow | 1861-1895 |
| Elijah Cook | 1831-1898 |
| ArLhur Willian Matblews | 1861-1900 |
| John William Taylor, seu. | 1927-1906 |
| Thomas Grundy, jun. | 1845-1907 |
| William Henry Pym Taylor | 1878-1909 |
| John William Taylor, jum. | 1855-1919 |
| Eorace Wood Abhott | 1847-1921 |
| Tames Leonard Wells | 1879-1923 |
| Errest Wood Abbott | 1875-1924 |
| Pryce Taylor | 1891-1927 |
| Srmuel Smith | 1859-1927 |
| William Thorley | 1877-1926 |
| Joseph Hardy | 1862-1929 |
| Joseph Powell | 1860-1936 |

In the ase of the first twelve the years of birth and acath could not be ascertained.
The tablet is fixed on the north wall of the ground chamber of the tower, bebween the tablets recording the long peal of Stedman Caters ( 18,027 changes, rung on Easter Monday, 1909) and the peal Fung on the signing of Peace in 1919. The gift is one of a series which Mr. Tenison Taylor las made during the last few years with a view to beautifying the Ringers' Chapel.

## THE HOME OE OEDRCH BELLS.

Service was conducted by Canon W. J. Lyon (Rector), who in his address said that Louglibovough Parish Ghurch was one of the aldest in the Midands and one of the most beantiful. Loughborough itself, ho said, was in a real sense the home of church bells, for bells from Loughbortugh were ringing in every part of the world.

In the Pawisl: Church they ?ad a notable peal, which he knew was a pleasure to ring ind a pleasure to hear. They were especially glad that ringers from for and near liad joined will then in the dedication of the iballet to the former ringers.
In the followship of ringers there was a real quality, and, indeed, as they hnew, clange ringing demanded it. Fellowship, he said, monat consideration one for another, and lae samposed it was more mecessarg than tho techuical ability-it. was the ringers' ebnsideration necessarg than tho technical abilidy-id was the ringers rbins

There was, said Canon Lyon, one thing he workt like to remind them of-that was the Archbishop of Canterbury's recent broadeast appeal for the people of this country to lie recalled to God and religion. He would suggest to them that they as bellringers were doing titat same thing by luondeasting Sunday by Sunday an appeal to the people to return to God, and so as members of a grad fellow-ship-as fellow-workers of Jesus Christ-they were bearers of a gruat messidg which the Archbishop had made-a great messarg which the times domanded.
Following tho service the company, numbering hebween 280 and 300 , adjourned to the Tearon Hail to enjoy a 'fine spread, kindy provided through the generosity of Mr. Taylor. All the soven districts of the association were represented, viz., Burton, Cliesterfield, Derby, Hinckley, Leicester, Loughboruugh and Nottingham, as well as friends from Erdington, Sutton Coldfield, Norton (SLaffs), Warwickshire, Yorkshire and elsewhere.
After tea a course of Grandsive Caters was rung on handbells by C. Harrison 1-2, A. H. Ward 3-4, G. F. Swann 5-6, E. Mowris 7-8, A Braines 9-10.

## PRESIDENT TALKS OF RESIGNATION.

Tha meetilg was presided over by Mr. E. Denison Taylol:, stipported by Canon Lyon, Canon Briges aud Mrs. Brigss, the Rov. A. IB.
 The President in his own breezy way, said how delighted all werc to seo such a goodly assembly-a record for a quatrerty meeling. The past quarter showed an improvement over provious quartars in the number of peals rung (23), which iucludod sin different Surprise methods. One peal called for special attention-a humble peal of Bob Minor at Woodhouse Taves-this being the general secretary's 750 th peal, and by this visit bo (the secretary) had introdteced the whole local company to the association, and sevon new members were mado. They welcomed them that day and brusteri their enthusiamm might long continue. They regretted the passing of Mr. Alfred Cufilin, of Anstey, whom they had so recently clected a hon. Iifo menber. II $\begin{gathered}\text { was for many years towerkeoper and bad jubl seen the }\end{gathered}$ restoration of the bells of lis native place. Anotiner reyret they all felt was in the death of Mir. Fred Wilford, of the Peterborough Diacesan Guild, a valued lifo member of the aseociation.
M1. T'aylor then caused some consternation aud regret among the whole ussembly by intimatime that he felt he was growing ton old adequately to fill the office of president, and hoped they would elect a successon. Ite would coutinue his interesti in the progress of the gasociation and would watch its development with great interest.
Rir. Taylor then gave a hearly greeting to Ganon and Mrb. Briggs, who had mude a ly no means short journey in order to grace the gathering. It had been chiefly Camon Briggs who was lesponsible for the placing in the tower of the tablet recording the nemes of past ringers, and afier very careful research be trusted it was complete and no one had been omitted. They were also indebted to the Rector (Canon Lyon) for the very beautiful service, which was appreciated by the large congregation present.
Ganon Brifgs then veplied and sad how grateful he was to Mr. Taylor and everyone for such a hearty welcome. Le and Mrs. linges retained many happy memories of Loughborough, and especially of the gatherings, such as this, of the beliringers, but he thought this was the best ever. It was a great privilage to him to come to dedinte the beatifful tablet now crected to past ringers, which had been somewhat delayed, not througla any fandt of those responsione, but because they were anxious to pet all names complete and the list as accurate as possible. He thought Loughoorouglt lower mast be umique in England for its memolials, tablets and other fittings, all due to the thanglitfulness and generosily of the T'aylor [amily
The Rector (Canon Lyon) then thanked Mr. 'Iaylot for his gracions act in providin the splandid tablet, for his rellerosity in giving such a grand yeception to the gathering now assembled, and safd how plensed he was to co-operate in the service.
Mr. William L. White suid how deeply all present would regret the remarks of Mr. Taylor, when he talked of resiguing as president of the Midland Caunties Association. He sincerely loped Mr. Taylar would reconsider his decision aud carly or, as most cerbainly they could fiad no one who could take the office and uptolel it so worthily as Nr. Taylor did (applause). He uryed all those present to do all they could to dissuade Mr. Taylor from resiguing.
THe secretary then read over the names of new members proposed since the last meeting, who were duly elected, viz,, 4 homorary, 25 ringing and 7 rejoinng. Two auditors were re-elected, Messre. C. Harvison and J. F. Dean.
The secreltry next made an appeal to all presont for tihe restoration of Leicester Catledral bells, urging all those who bad not done so to send in to itim the speeinl forms with any donatians as quinky as possible. The service of dedication would take place on Saturday, 4pril 10th.
This concluded the business, and further ringing on handbells and hower bells was enjoyed. Visitors focked to Messrs. Taylor's foundry, where they saw in warious stages of completion Lefcestor Cathedral belle, Manchester Town Hall recast bells, fle large chime of cirlit (tenor 2 Lons) for Vancouver, bells for Australia, Canada, India, Africa and many old bells undergoing restoration.
If can safely be said that this wes one of the best meetings the Midland Connties Association has ever held.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## PRESSING NEED FOR RECRUITS.

## Committer to Examine Financial Arrangements

'The amiunl meeting of the South and West District of the Middlesex Country Association and London Diocesan Guild was held at All Saints', 1sloworth, on Pebruary 6th. After ringine on the ten bells during the afternoan, a sfoort service was held, and the Rev, C. A. De Jong gave a brief but interegting talk, based on the lesson read by the vicepresident (Mr. J. A. Trollope) relating the story of the Prodigal San. About 50 membars and friends then enjayed an excellent tea in the Churel Fall.

The vice-president presided over the business meeting which foltowed, and he was supported by all the district officers and by the aesociation treasurer (afr. W. H. Hollier) A cordial vote of thanks was given to the Vicar (the Rev. P. W. Shepherd Smith) for his welcome to Jsleworth, to the Rev. De Jong for conducting the service, to tho organist, to Mr. Lidbetter, of the local bagd, and to all who had prowided and served the teal. The Ficar and curafe each replied and gave a hearty invitation to wisit Islewroth at any time.
The vice-president then referred in humorous vein to the 'balloon handball: at the supper held in January, reported in a previous issue, and called on the captain of the Eillingdon team to receive a troplyy which had been presented to mark the prowess of the victors. The Fislingdon band are now responsible for the safety, for welve months, of an old china cup-without a handle.

The secretary's report for 1936 was then read and adopted. Interesting points were: The average attendance at the eight meetings held was 38 , a marked improvement on 1935, when it was 31. Two joint meetings with neighbouring Guilds weve also held, and three of the towers in the district (Heston, St. Jolin's, Fillingdon, and Christ Clurch, Ealing) were represented at ail ten meetings. Service ringing had not been maintaized at last year's level, chiefly through a decrease in the strength of geveral bands. Certain towers were exceptions to this, and at each of these places there was definitely tho co-operation of the church authorities, which indicated a very necossery factor in majnininitg a band.

MEMETERS TOST TEROUGR UNPAID SUBSCRIPTIONS
Seventeen tower-bell peals and one handbell peal were runt in the district, compared to 12 tower-luell peals in 1935. The outstranding periormance was the peal of Spliced Surprise Major in seven methods, compesed and conduoted by Mr. E. C. S. Tumier, which was the first Surprise peal is seven methods by Miss Bradford and Messrs. Turner, Locke, Fiding and Corke. Only ten members were elected in the district in 1936. Against this, 37 members lapsed owing to unpaid suluseriptions, and the need for new recruits was pressing. In October Mr'. C. T. Coles completed 25 years as a joint secretary of the association. To las been largely responsible for the association's annual reports, and few realise the amount of time, energy and thoupht he has fiven to the association. Tlue report concluded with thanks to all the district offers, who have an excellent undorstanding and have supported each other's efforts to the full.

The meeting was manimous in its pratse of the secretary for the thornughness of his report.

The treasurar's report, showing a slight deovease in the lralance during the year, was read and adopted. Mr. Chandler presented the report of the Supper Committee showing that the supper Jad been a sucess finameially as well as socially. The committee (Messrs. Olancller, Gladman and Goadfellow) were re-elected with thanks for their serwices.
The next business formea a direct response to the secretary's appea] for recruits: 22 new members were elected, and the belfry election of one nemaber was ratified. This is probably a district record.
It is the eustom of the district to elect a new Finging Master each year, ant Mr. Thrner was elected in the place of Mr. W. H. Coles. Vr. J. Herbert was clected Deputy Master. With the exception of the substitution of Mr. Coles for Mr. Turaer as one of the auditars, the other officens were re-elected, namely: Treasurer, Mr. T. Collins; secretary, Mr. F. W. Goodfellow; assistant secretary, Mr. W. G. Wilson; ; District Committee, Messrs. Chandler, Corke and G. Kilby: and the other auditor, Mr. Lidbetter
On the wroposition of Mr. O. S. Bird, it was resolved that the Central Committee be requested to examine the exjsting rules of the nssociation, particularly those governing finance, with a view to rewigion, and that the committee consider an addition to the rnles providing that resident members shall be exempt from payment of subscriptions on reaching 65 yoars of age if 15 s . has been paid in subscriptions.
It was decirfed, on the proposition of Mr . Wilson, seconded hy Mr. Turner, that the district business be transacted at the Merch, June, September and December meetings (instead of one month earlier in each cose, to avoid the annual meeting held in February), it being understood that members may be elected at any monthly meeting.

Three places were nominated for the 1938 anmual meeting, and on $\pi$ vote Freston was chosen. It war apred to hold the March meefing at Chiswick and to invite Guildford Diocesan Guild and the East Berks and Sonth Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild to a jnint meeting at Staines in Serotember nat the Ladies' Guild ard the Orford Guild to Filting-ton in Oetaber. A successful meeting was ended by tonches on Jandbelfs and more tower-bell ringing. W. G . W.

## DEATH OF MR. GEORGE HUGHES.

## A OELEBRATED ONE-ARM RINGER.

We regret to record the death of Mr. George Hughes, of Wednesbury, wh: died on Pehruary 9 th, aged 74 years. He was celebrated in the "Black Country" as a onearm ringer.
The fuperal service on Saturday was beld at St. Bartholomew's Church, Wednesbury, conducted by the Rev. Preb, H. W. ITones, TR.D., Ficar of Wednesbury, and assisted by the Rev. G. H. Barker, L.Jlz, (clerical secretary of the Saciety for the Archdeaconry of Staford) Six of his old ringing friende acted as bearers, viz., Messrs. W. E. Brittan, H. Smith, O. Wallater, W. Fisher, B. Horton and H. Knight The chief mourners were Mr. T. Hughes (son) and Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Pilgrim (sister) and others, also Messirs. J. Barber, B. Gough and A. J. Hubble (ringing friends). The interment took place in St. Mark's Churchyard, Ocker Fill, Tipton. There were meny floral tributes.


THE LATE MR, GEORGE HUGHES.
The deeased was boru at Hanbury, Worcestershire, and at the age of mine years went to worls on a farm. Turongh getting entangled in some machincry his right anm had to lue amputated at the shoulder. In later years he migrated to Wedneshury, in Stafordshire, and for many years was employea by Messrs. Chance and Hunt, chemical manufacturers. His work consisted of showelling aud loading a wheelbarrow witla raw material used in the chemical industry and wheeling it a distance of some 50 or 60 yards. He thus mored about 30 tons per day-and with only one arm! He also had a well-cultivated allotment, on which he did the worls limself.
George Hughes, despile his lindicap, was a fine ringer. Unfortunately, he was of too retiring a nature, otherwise he would have been one of the 'bright lights' of the Exercise. He was fond of dabblitg in figures and composed parls in Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Forwand Major, also Dauble Norwich Major and Caters. He was a careful striker and good condtuctor. As a pastime he once wrote out a peal of Carter's Scientific Triples, blarge by change.
He had rung 159 peals, of which the following is the list: Boh Minor 1, fivo Minor methouls 1 , sevel Minor methods 1 , Grandsire Triples 16 (conducted 6), Darlaston Bob Triples 1 (1); Oxford Boh Triples 1 (1), Stedman Triples 23 (7), Bob Major 18 (10), Oanterbury Pleasure Major 1, Double Oxford Major 2, Double Norwich Court Bob Major 13 (2), Superlative Surpriso 3 (1), Cambridge Surprise 4, New Gambridge 1, Norfolk 1, Brislol 3, London 3, Gratadsire Gaters 11 (7), Stedman Caters 21 (9), Stedman Cinques 3, Erin Cinques 1, Bob Royal 3 (2), Bob Maximus 2, Dauble Oxfard Bob Royal 1, Kent Treble Bah Major 3, Oxford Trebla Bob Major 2, Bob Triples 2, Forward Major 1: Kent Treble Bob Royal 2, Omford Treble Rob Royal 2, Double Norwiclı Caters 1, Tris Caters 1 (1), total 159 (47).

## GUILDFORD GUILD \& CATHEDRAL BELLS

## PROPOSED EFFOR'T TO INCREASE FUND

The Leatheriead District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, at the anatual meeting, decided to support the proposal made the previous week ut the Guildford Distriet meeting, that the towers in the Guild should be invited to pledge themselves to contribute a definite annual -sum to the New Cathedral Bells Jiund, established by the Guild mbout throe years ago, and also voted a sum of fe from the district balane for the propose.
The meeling was one of the begt held in the Leatheriead District. Every afliliated tower except one (from the members of whith ant apology was recuived) was represented, and, with visitors from the Surrey Association and other districts af the Guifd, an attendance of about 50 was made up. The district towers were Leatherhead, Banstead, Ockley, Ashtead, Ewell, Cobham, Dorking and Epsom (St, Martin's and Clirist Church). Visitars were present from St. John's and St. Petor's, Groydou, Bagshot, Guildford (Cathedral and S. Nicolas'). Goduluing, Haslemere and West Clandon. A short service whs conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. B. Coleridge), who after wavds presided at the tea and meeting, held at tie Duke's Heed.

A NEEDED BELL RESTORATION HELD UP.
In his report the how. secretary (Mr. A. H. Snith) said that fuancially the year had been much better than 1935, 65 subscriptions having been received, as against 58 in the previous year, while the expenses lad been lighticr. The balavee, therefore, showed an increase of nearly 22 . The average atbendance at meetings lad been well maintained, but there were still many members who did not attend even ono meeting a year. Efforts had been made to get into touch with the Vicar of Capel in the hope of getting the bells of that church restored. He had been interviewed by the Rev. H. C. Martin, of Ockley, who had reported that there had been many expersive and important tasks at Capel and these were not yet over. The Vicar had said that in bis opinion the belfy, which would need very considerable strengthening before the bells could be used, must still wait for a bit, and mentioned a sum of f300 as tine likely cost of restoration, In addition he was somewhat disturbed by the labit of bels ringers coming to practige and not on Sundays, or of coming on Sumdays to ring and not sfinying to service.
On this point the Rev. H. C. Martin added, in his letter: ${ }^{\text {E }}$ So am I and many others at times, and 1 wish we could do something about it whero that custom is prevalent. I liave such a great admiration for the splendid body of tingers in the country that it hurts all the more to hear criticisms.'
The District Secretary said in thanking the Rev. H. G. Martin for his eftarts, he had said tlat as the bells at Capel lad been unringable since ho first came into the district th 1929 , he could not say haw much cause the Vicar of Capel had for his complaint, but he did not think his methous would do much good; rather, he thought, Mr . Martin's method of becoming a fellow-ringer and so making friends with his band was much more likely to prove successful (applanse).
In reply to a question, it was stated that there had been no band of ringers at Capel for yeare.
In coucluding his report, the hon. seoretary stated that a new system of working combined practices had been in operation, by which in each case two neighbouring towers exchanged visits on practice niglits. The resuits seemed fairly satisfactory, but the committies felt that if only more members would get thate spirit of friendly cooperation with the surrounding towers, a greas deal more good would result. It wes only by helping one another that they helped themselves, and in ringing that was specially true. He asked tho members, in the words of a well-known petrol advertisement, to put into the epirit
The secretary was thanked for his report, which was adopted, as was also the balance sheet, showing an increased balance of El 18 s . 11d., which was considered very satisfactory
All the officers of the district were re-elected, and, on a ballot, Messrs. G. Marriner and F. ${ }^{G}$. Woodiss were re-elected on the Executive Conmittee of the Guild.

## CATHEDRAI BELLS FOND.

The hon. general secretary (Mr. J. S. Goldsmitit) introduced the Subject of Lurther support for the Guild'a New Cathedral Bells Fund. He painted out what the Guildford District had done, and said in vicw of the intensive effort beiug made throughast tho djoceso to bring the Cathedral into being, and the Bishop's appeal for the Million Shifingg Fund, he thought the Guidd should make a special effort. Whon the Bells Fund was established some time ago in a modest way it was felt that it night be, porbaps, 50 years before the addition of a peal of bells was contemplated, but there now seemed a prohability of much faster progress and the opportunity of liaving a peal of bells might come much sooner than they had anticipated.
Mr. G. L. Grower (hon. secretary of Guildford District) also spoke in support, of the proposal, and said the Guildford District voted sh from ite funds.
The meeting voted the sum of f2 from its balance and passed a resolution asking the Executive Committee to formulate a scheme for annual aubscriptions from towers.
The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Vicar and to Mr. G. Marriner for the arrangements made for the meeting.
(Continued in rext column.)

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRES LOSS

## DEATH OF A RINGING MASTER.

Members of the North Staffordslite Assaciation and tha Mirland Counties Association attended tho fuveral on Saturday of M2. Rolsert George Lewis, of 36, Heatlz Cross, Uttoxeter, on Saturday.

Mr. Lewis, who was 6l years of age, commenced ringing in Cheshirc, and he was also for a few yen's rineing in Iroland, before gaing ty Uttoxeter about 1911, where he liad boon attached to St. Mary's Society. He was elected Ringing Master in 1933, and he will be particularly missed in North Staffordglire and District Assomition, which lie had been Ringing Master for eifht-bell towers since 1926. The interment was preceded by a sorvice at St. Mary's Parisls
Ghurch, conducted by the Vicar of Utoxeter (the Rey. W. F. Cherlton), who also officiated at the cemeters. The service wis a simple one, which jncluded two lymis, "Jesit, Lover of my sonl' ami Abide with me.'
The hearers were deceased's fellow-ringers: Messrs. $G$. Butrows, $G$, Ward, E. Roberts, F. Richardson, E. Elliot and G. Tomlinsol, and the four latter rang liandbells at the graveside.
In adaition to the family moumers the following ringers abtenked Mesars. Andrew Thompson (Neweastle), hon. secreliaty ; Thomas Hinrl (Burslem), chajrman of committee; John E. Wheeldon (Norton), Ring
 C. H. Page (Stoke), W. Carmwell and A. W. Hall (Kingsloy), J.
Cartledge (Cheadle), J. W. Bullock, G. L. Birton, J. Walker, E. Burton, G. Cottrell, A. Coxen and E. Whitehouse, of Rovester, num J. H. Swinfield, representing St. Paul's, Burton, and the Midand Connties Association.

Among the many wreaths one was from the North Stafortshime Association, one from St. Mary's Socicty, Uttoxeter, and onc [rom the ringers of Rocester.
The bells were fully muffled afterwards, and the ringing included the 'whole pull and stand' 61 times, Kent Treble Bob Major and Stedman Triples.

The ringing during the aftemoon and eveuing ranged from roinds to Cambridge Surprise Roval.
The following new members were elected: Messrs. F. Johnsous (Aslıtead) H. J. Parker and H, Cheesman (Ranstead), amd A. Hatiley (Ewell). Mr. Hadley was formerly at Aulslow, Treland.

It was decided to hold distriet meetings at Christ Church, Epmom, Newdigate, Ranmore (joint meeting with Surrey Association), Coblnm and Dorking, and next year's annual meeting at Leatherheud.
The Guild officers were all renominated.
CHERTSEY DISTRIGT ANNOAL MEETING.
The anmaral meeting of the Chertsey Distict was held at. Cherlsoy on Snturday, Jamary 30th. The weather was not very good, bit about 30 turned up during the aftermoon and evening, 26 siting duwn to tea. After tea Capt. H. I. Cania was elecled to the chair, the curale, who took the service in the absence of the Fienr, having to leave. Tho question of Walton bells was rased again, tho secrefary reporting on what had taker place aud the steps he proposed to take in the future.
The following officers were elected for 1937 , Ringing Master, Mr. W. Simmonds; hon. secretavy, Mr. F. E. Hawthome; hon. member on committee, the Rev. ©. L. Wanstall; ringing members on committec, Messis. H. T. Chaffey and D. Slect.
The balance sheet, slowing an incronsed balance of 4s. §d. on the year's working. was passed as satisfactory,
The ratiring Ringing Master (Mr. H. J. Chaffey) gava a short report on the year's work, showing that progress was still being maintained.
Tho hon. secretary reported that thero had been a slight increase in the numbers attending the meetings, but they wore usually the same members. It would be more gratifying if others would athend. Sometimes ane wondered whether the members at some tawers wore pulling their weirght, or whether they thonght the officers existed for the purpose. In these times of extremist views about church bells they wonld do well to think whether they could stand alone if someone complained about the ringing, or whether by belonging to the Guild they would be able to recelve such advice and assigtance as would smooth things over. He would like the clergy to know that the Guidd was always ready to assist in any way with regard to belle.
The secretary added that the first outing was a great success, and appeald for move support at district moctings. One peal lavel been ring during the year', in whiel four members of the district took part. The reports were acceptred, the Chairman remarking that he thoughi it was the pergonal interest in each tower taken by the offieers that seemed to mprove the working and interest taken by the nenhers as at whole.
Mectings for 1927 were proposed as follows: Thames Ditton, Oatlands Parlt, Staines and Eglram (joint meeting with Middlesex Associntion), Forsell, and Chertseg for the ammal meeting.

The generd offeers of the Guild were renominated en bloc.
A hearty vote of thanks was accarded to the preacher, the focal ringers for their hospitality, and to the lady orknist, who nlso joinent the company at tea. Thanks were also accorded to the officers for their work during the year. The tower was then again wisited. Tha mothode rung were mostly Tripies, viz., Grandsire, Stedmat und Brin, with some short touches of Bob Major, but the going of the hack holls eompelled heeping the touches short.

## another great handbell performance.

## GXHEY MEN PGT FTVF SURPRISE METHODS IN A PEAI

 J'in Oxley haudbell banil have accomplislied anotiner preat pes funduce. They huve now rung a peal in five surprise methoris Faling baving been added to London, Cambridge, Superlative and Bristoi.Those who saw their exlsibition at the last dinner of the College Xoulhs will apprecizte the greathess of the perfornance. The peal wat fimg in 2 liours 16 mimites, a rate of about 37.4 changes per minute. Thus, five bells were struck overy second. Think of that ansi it will be realised that in Euch a complicated task, with 120 changes of methed, there is nu room for errors. No words can express the ndmiration we feel for this talented company.

Heve is the composition, the production of the conductor, Mr. Famdel Cashmove

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## THREE GENERATIONS

GRANDFATHERS RING PEALS WITH SONS AND GRANDSONE We record fwo peals in this issue in which three generations of a funity took part. At Loughborongh liell Foundry, 吾r. R. Harrison, of H neffield, took part in a peal of Boh Mejor, conducted by jis son Mr: Colit Harrison, and in whioh his grandson, Geoffrey Harrison, whi has justruson, passed his 14 Whit lirthats, rands the treble.
At Miatlock, Derbyshire, on Saturday, thee generations of the Paulson family rang in a peal of Grandsire Triples. Mr. J. H. Panlson has been a rigger some 50 years, frst learning to rivi at Collingham, Lines, moving on to Nupeaton in the late 80's. He became a well-known ringer there and was one of a band which rang several handibell peals at Nuneaton. Mr. Panlson las been rinting ul Matlock sice 1895 , and has taken a leading part in maintaining a change ringing band at that church, where ho was also verger and sexinn for 30 years. Fe retired from this appointment a few years Heng. Abont 40 peals in varions methods stand to his credit, and he is atill willing to take part in any peal attompts. G. H. Penlsor, his son, fint T. Paulson, his gratrdson, ring at Darley Dale.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY

A quarterly meeting of the Socioty for the Archdeacenry of Stafford whe licld at the Pepper Box, Tipton, on Saturday, January 30\&h. The weather being anything but inviting, a meagre attendance Jesalted. The hells were raised soon after 3 oclock and were kept going in a Mricty of methods until 4.45 .
The sorvice which followed was conducted by the Rov. A. I. Chuman (Vicar), who also delivered \& stiming address,
The Rey. C. H. Barker, L.'Th. (clerical seeretary of the society), prosided at the organt.
A dombliff tea was prepared in the Schoolroon, lo which 23 sat down,
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Wenneshury, on Snturday, Marct 6th meeling, for practice anty, at Wednesbury, ou Snturday, March 6th. The next quarterly meeting was arranged to take place at Aldridge on April 10 th or 17th.

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## DEVON GULLD

MID-DEVON BRANCH COMFS SUCCESSFULLY THROUGH DIPFJCULT PJERIOD.
The ammal mreting of the Mid-Devon Braneh of the Devon Guitd was Leld at Ipplepen, Newton Abhol, on Saturday, and was highly succensful, ringers being present. flom Exeter, Brampford Speke, Kenn, Sidmouth Newton Abbot, Cockington, Torquay, Puignton, Callafon, Buckfastileigh and Milverton.
Ringing commenced ato three a'clock, and a service was fater hed in ehuch, conducted by the Vient of Ipplepen (the Rev. R. D. Cookey, who, in an excellent address, extended a very hearty welcome to the members. He mentioned that the present elturch was bhe third to stand on the site, and that it was about 500 years old.
A collection during the lasi hymn for the Guild Bells Restaration Fund amonated to 11s. $6 d$.
Abont 34 nembers and friends sat down to tea in the Seloolroom, and this was followed by the business meeting, presided over by the Rev. W. R. D. Mills (elatrman).

A letter was read from Mr. A. It. Pope, of Paignton, resigning his membership of the branch. The chaiman poinded ant that this was owing to business reasons, and he promised to see Mr. Pope on tho matter.
The secretary's report was unanimously adopted. It stated that three metings had been held during the past जुear. Three pealg of Major had been rung in the brancl, anf althongh the membership Was still juelow that of previous yours, seven new members hach theen elented. Three members lad also qualified for Guild certificates.
The treasitrer's report showed that the branch liad paid its way during J936, and that there was a balance in liand of 2s. It was unanimonsly adopted on the motion of the chanman, seconded hy Mr. C. F. Austin. The president of the Guitd (the Rey. E. F. Cox) congratnlated the brancit on having pulled through at difficult period. The following officers were unanimously veelected: Chairman, the Rev. Wr. R. D. Mills; secretary, tiensurer and Ringing Master, Mr. A. I. Bemmett; auditor, Mr. C. R. Walker, and two represenfatives on the General Committee, Messrs. 조. Whiting and J. Olding. The third zepresentative, Mr- Austin, dicl not seek re-election, and Mr. Walleer was appointen to tho vacancy.
A certifeate was presented by the president of the Guild to Mr. A. F. Pontin.

The election of Mr. E. J. Trylor, of Torghay, as a member of the hranch prior to starting for a peal was confirmed, and Mr. R. Pollart, of Collaton, was elected a member of the branch.
With regard to the date and place of the next meeting, a proposal was put forward that lis bo at Teirnmouth on Saturday, June 12th, in conjunction with the Excter Braycl, mepting. It was also proposed mud seconded that the next meeting he at Biclington, Newfon Ahhot, on Saturday, May 8th. On the recommeudation of lhe chairmant, if wns unanimously resolved to hold hoth meetings, subject to the necersary permission being obtained.

The Clairmatn voicen the thanks of bhe vieilors to the Fimar of Tpplepen for the nse of the bells, for conduching the service, and for his excellent address. Votes of thanks were also accorded to the organist, and to the ladies for the tea arrangements. A vota of thanks was also passed to the secretary for his work in the branch
Mr. L. Howard appealed on behalf of Cockington hand far instivetors, ani the Collaton memberg offered assistance. It whs also resolved to apply to the General Committee for a grant towards instruction expenses.
The Vicar of Ipplepen replied to the votes of thanks, and remarked that he hoped the hranch would soor come again.
This conclnad the business and the visitors adjonrned to the tower for finthet ringing. The wethodg rivg during the afternoon and evening were Grandsire Doubles, Stedman Triples, Kenf Treble Bnb Major, Donble Norwich. Gourt Bob Major and Cambridge Surprise Miner, and it is interesting to note that this is the first accabion that Donhle Norwich has heen rung at a meeting of the branch.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUTLD

## NEWBURY BRANCH SUCGESSFUL MTWTING.

A very successful mectixty of the Newlyuy Branch of the Oxford Diocesall Guild was held at Brightwaltion on Saturday, Felorury Gih, when 35 memhers attended from Beenlam, Buchlebnry, Brightwalton, Compton, Cinieveley, Farnborongh, Newhury, Peasemove and Thatcham, A short, service was conducted by the Rector of Brightwhilon (the Rev. H. N. Bates), who also gave the address.
Tea was served in the Village Jall by Mrs. W. J. Sayers, 32 sitting down, inchuding Miss Caldicott (an honorary member of the Gnild).

The Rev, 录. N. Bates mresicled at the business mecting in the ahsence of the chairman of the branch (the Rev. W. Kingsley Kefford), Who was unable to be present.

The spring meeting was fixed for Aldermaston in April.
Votes of thanks to the Rev. F. N. Bates for bis address and welcome, to Miss Wells for playing the organ, and to Mrs. Sayers and her helpers for provisling the tea, were accorded with acclamation ou the motion of Mr. F. W. Curtis (hranch secretary).

The tower was again visited fand the foltowing meblods rung: Grandsire and Stedman Dobbles, Plan Bob, Kent and Oxford Trehte Bols Minor

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

CANTERBURY DISTRICI MEMBERS ENTERTAINED AT BODGHTON.
The spring meeting of the Canterluay District of blae Kent County Association was beld at Bonghton on Saturday, and one result was the rejoining of the local band. Fourteen towers in bise district were represented, et her members of the association coming from Tunstall, Queenborough, Sithingourme and Braboume. The local towar was sirongly represented, and the 'gentleman with the rule' was also present.
The association's form of sorvice was held in the church, conducterl by the Vicar (the Rev, W. A. Leach), the lesson being read by Mr. E. Trendell.

About 50 members sat down in the Ghuroh Room to an excellent Lea, provided through the generosity of the Vicar, who presided, and later took the chair at the business meatung.
The reelection of Bourlitoy tower, with 13 members, was unanimoualy accepted.

Tepylian was chosen as the place for the next by-meeting.
A report of the Gentral Committee mecting held in November was given by the districh secretary.

At the close of the business Mr. Treudell proposed a very hearty vole of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, his service, for presiding over the meeting and for his generosity in entertaining the members to tea.

The Vienr said that he was very frad to have the mombers at Boughton. He was sorry they had to walk such a long way to and from the church to tea, but their numbers were too great to entertain them in the Vicarage as he had intended to do.
It wrs suggested fhat as the Ficar had entertained the members to tea, there should be a 'whip round' for the Benevolent Fund. This was rendily agreed te, the amount raised heing 15 s .7 d .
It was stated that the rededication of Hernhill bells was provisionally fixed for Sunday, March 7th, but full notice would be given in "Fhe Ringing World.'

After several tonches lad been rung on the handbells, a return was mide to the towel, where further ringing was enjoyed until nine o'clock. The bells, reltumg last vear, were lept going busily.
The finar decided, after the meeting was over, to join the association as an honorary member.

## VICAR RAISES QUESTION OF QUALIFICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

The Toubridge District held its first meeting of the year at Sevenoaks on Saturday, February 6th, when 43 members were present. Ringing duriug the aftermoon and evening, for some obscure reason, was of rather a low standard in regard to striking, although methods up to Londoa Surprise were attempted. The customary servioe was held, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. E. L. Langgton), who, Tater, also previded at the busimess meeting.

Tlie District Semetary informed the members of the loss of another honorary member. This time the loss croated a precedent, for the hon. member lad left the fissociation out of sympathy with a band of ringers who had ceased to belong to the association for some little time.

Aftier sone cliscussion, the Rector proposed that some futare effort be made to try and prevail on the band to rejoin.
A rather spinited report upon the Genernl Committee meeting, held in November last, was given jointly by the secretary and the two representatives, Merses. A. Richardson, E. Everest and A. J. Battin.
In wiew of certain matitery braught before the General Comniltee, Mr. A. J. Fattin baid le thaught that any district business should be conducted throngh the district secretary and not direct with the general secietary.

The members present agreed with this recommendation.
the Rev. F. L. Schreiber, Vicat of Shiphourne, spoke with regard to the qualifications necessary before a ringer could join the association. Were memberg accepted indiscriminately. he asked, or were there some qualifications in regard to the church itself which members had to lave before being able to join the association?

After come discussion, Mr. E. H. Lawis (vice-president) said he thought that the new wules which were boing submitted to the members would have some provision in regard to this matter. Mr. Lewis also siggrested that, it would be usefur for ringers to obtain 'The Manual for Ringers,' published by the S.P.C.K.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Rector for his vely helpful addrese nnd for the use of the bells, etc., to the organist, and to Mr. H. J. Ford and Dr. J. L. Taylor for kindly halping to provide lea.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTIS (Established 1637). -The sum of 1s. 8d., which entitles members who have not attended twenty times to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 23 rd, at 7.30 p.m7. ; St. Andrew's on the 251 hr , at 8 p.m. -Win. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 3z, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western District.-The next meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead on Saturday, Feb. 2oth. Bells ready at 3 p.17. Usual arrangements. - W. Ayre, Leverstock Green, Hemel Hempstead.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Peterborough Branch. -. The annual meeting of the above branch and also the soth anniversary of St. Mary's bells will be held at Peterborough on Satarday, Feb. 2oth. The bells of St. Mary's (6) will he available during the afternoon and evening. Usual arrangements. W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec., 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District. - The monthly meeting of the district will be held at Bulwell on Saturday, Feb, 2oth. Bells (8) ready 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-E. C. Gobey, Dis. Sec., Trowell, Notts.

MIDLAND COUNTJES ASSOCJATION.-Leicester District-A ringing meeting will be held at Great Glen on Saturday, Feb. 2oth. Bells available from 3 p.m, Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea at 5 p.m.-H. W. Perkins, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53 , Landseer Road, Leicester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. - Next meeting will be held at the Unitarian Church, Todmorden, on Saturday, February 20th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. Please make an effort to be present. Subscriptions now due. Reports to hand.-S. Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James St., Milnrow, Rochdale.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West District. - A meeting will be held at Roydon on Saturday, Feb. 2oth, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 73, Rye Street, Bishops Stortford.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch. The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Audlem ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Feb. 2oth. Ringing from 3 o'clock.-Rich. D. Langford, Branch Hon. Sec., 6, Latura Street, Crewe.

POUGHILL, near Bude, N. Cornwall.-On Saturday, Feb. 2oth, at 3 p.m., the bells will be re-dedicated by the Suffragan Bishop of Barking, followed by a ringing festival. The ring of six has been recast and rehung in a new framework by John Taylor and Co.
[AUNCELLS, near Stratton, North Cornwall. - On Thursday, Fcb. $25^{\text {th }}$, at 3 p.m., the bells will be rededicated by the Lord Bishop of Truro. Ring of six relung in new framework by John Taylor and Co.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northerr District.-A meeting is to be held at Gamston, near Retford, on Saturday, Feb. 27 th. All ringers welcome. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please notify for same by Wednesday, 24 th.-E. Dorice Kelly, Hon. Sec., i71, Richmond Road, Sheffield 9.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGFAM (Established 1755). -The 49th annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, Feb. $27^{\text {th, }}$ at 6 p.m. prompt, when the chair will be taken by Rev. H. McGowan, M.A., Vicar of Aston. To fully qualified members tickets will be issued on payment of 2 s. , to other members and friends 6 s . 6d. each. The bells of St. Martin's (12) and Aston Parish Church (12) will be available from 3.30 to 5 o'clock. Application for tickets, accompanied by remittance (latest date 25 th inst.) should be made to Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., ${ }_{3} 36$, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham II.

## LEICESTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETIES.

 Annual dinner will be held at the George Hotel, Clock Tower, Leicester, Saturday, Feb. 27th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets as. gd. (limited number) must be applied for by Wednesday, Feb. $24^{t h}$, latest. Bells of St. John's (ro) and St. Margaret's (iz) available from 5 to $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-H. Perkins, Sec., 53, Landseer Road, Leicester.NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Branch.- The annual branch meeting will be held at St. Margaret's Church, Lowestoft, on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea at St. Nicholas' House. Business meeting after tea. Send names or numbers for tea. All ringers welcome.-J. G. W. Harwood, Hon. Sec., 4, Cobden Terrace, Northpate Street, Great Yarmouth.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Wisbech Branch. - Next meeting at Tilney Alt Saints on Saturday, Feb. 27 th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5. We should like you to be present.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. - A meeting will be held at Somersham on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. - H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District-The next meeting will be held at Rolleston-onDove on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.in. Tea at 4.45 p.m. All ringers and friends requiring tea please advise the undersigned by Wednesday, Fels. ${ }_{2}{ }^{4}$ th. North Staffs and Derby District members cortially invited.-J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burlon-on-Trent.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch. - The next meeting has been arranged at Burnham ( 8 bells) on Saturday, F.eb. 27 th, at 3 p.m. Tea, at is. per head, for those who notify me by Feb. 22nd (some have already).-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meeting of Southampton District at Motlisfont on Feb. 27th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Romsey bells available 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Names for tea by Feb. 24th.-G. Pullinger, 17, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Hants.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Northill on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome. We ask you to come and have a pleasant time with us.-C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Adwick on Saturday, Feb. $27^{\text {th }}$. Bells (6) ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all those requiring tea please let me know not later than Wednesday, the $24^{\text {th }}$ ? A hearty welcome extended to all. - Ernest Cooper, I, Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey, Doncaster.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Rural Branch.-The monthly meeting will be held at St. Ambrose on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (8) commence 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. Please advise for tea.- Practice meeting at Westerleigh, Wednesday, March $3^{\text {rd, }}$ at 7 p.m.-R. C. Gifford, Hon. Sec., Frampton Cotterell, near Bristol.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Joint meeting, Wigan and Bolton Branches.-This meeting will be held at Hindley on Saturday, Feb. 27 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.-S. Forshaw, 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch.A meeting will be held at Wallasey, St. Hilary's, on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at $5 \cdot 30$ p.rn. Tea and meeting afterwards. A good attendance is requested.-Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 30, South Hill Road, Birkenhead.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The annual meeting will be held at Battle on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Tower open 3 o'clock. Tea 5. Business meeting 6. All are welcome.-C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238 , Priory Road, Hastings.

GLOECESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Cirencester Branch. - A meeting will be held at Fairford, Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Service 6 p.m. Will those who require tea please notify Mr. J. Hope, London Street, Fairford, by Feb. 24th? - W. H. Hayward, Branch Hon. Sec., r, Bowling Green Road, Cirencester.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-The annual meeting will be held at Eastboume (Christ Church) on Saturday, March 6th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 o'clock (rs. 3d, per head). St. Saviour's tower open from 7.30 till 8.30 p.m. Will those intending to be present let me know Wednesday previous to meeting?-A. E. Pankhurst, Div. Hon. Sec., 13, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.

APPLETON, BERKS.-The sigth anniversary will be celebrated Saturday, March 6th. Bells available all day. Dinner at 5 p.m. Please notify R. White, Appleton, Berks.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Morriston on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, with tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. Numbers for tea by Tuesday, March 2nd, certain. - E. Stitch, 21, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at Leatherhead on Saturday, Mar. 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock and in the evening. Service 5 o'clock. Tea (1s. per head) at the Institute 5.45. Meeting 6.30. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. Arthur Dean, 24, Church Walk, Leatherhead, by Thursday, Mar: $4^{\text {th. }}$ All nominations for general officers and notices of motion must be in writing and received by me not later than first post on Saturday, Feb. zoth.-Chas. H. Kippin, Hon. Sec., ro, Courtney Road, Croydon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -A quarterly meeting will be held at Biddenden on Saturday, March 6th. Bells ready 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., : ro, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Newcastle on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (ro) available from 3 p.m. A hearty invitation is extended to all ringers, especially from Cheshire and Burton District.-Andrew Thompson, 27, Broad Street, Newcastle, Staffs.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division. -A meeting wili be held at Brentwood on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Will all those intending to be present advise me by Wednesday, March 3rd, and oblige? Subscriptions for 1937 are now due.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Scc., 313, Mawneys Road, Romford.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - A meeting will be held at Hampstead on Saturday ${ }_{1}$ March 6th. Ringing: St. Ann's, Highgate (8), 3-4. I5 p.m.; St. Stephen's, Hampstead (ro), 5-5.45. Service in St. Stephen's 6 p.m. Tea in Church Hall 6.30 Ringing after tea, Hampstead, until 8, Gospel Oak (6) 8-9 p.m. We expect to see every Cumberland in North London at this meeting. Names for tea by zrd to N. Summerhayes, Asst. Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dart ford.

KINGSDON, SOMERSET.-The ring of 5 (tenor 26 cwt.), rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be cedicated by the Bishop of Bath and Wells on Monday, March 8th, at 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Stowmarket on Saturday, March bth. Tea at Dykes' Restaurant, 5, Station Road, at 4 p.m., is. each, meeting follows.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general comrnittee meeting will be heid at Reading in St. Jawrence's Hall, Abbey Street, at 3-15 p-m.: on Saturday, March $3^{\text {th }}$. Any resolution for discussion or application for grant from Restoration Fund should reach general secretary 21 days before date of meeting: Richard T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec., 69 , York Road, Reading.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - Annual dinner to be held at the Bedford Head Hotely Maiden Lane, W.C.i, on Saturday, Mar. 13th. Ladies very welcome. Tickets (5s. 6d. each) now available from Messrs. G. H. Cross, G. W. Steere, G. Gilbert, R. Heazel, G. Radley, E. J. Butler or from J. E. Bailey, 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford, Kent.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - A voluntary rota, for Sunday evening service ringing at Shoreditch (twice per month), St. Bride's and St. Olave's, Hart Street (once per six weeks), is being drawn up. Will all members who can assist please advise me as soon as possible. Practice will be held at Shoreditch on Feb. 25 th, commencing 6.30 p.m., and Sunday service ringing on 28 th at $5 \cdot 3^{\circ}$ p.m.-N. Summerhayes, Asst. Hon. Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford.

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## BONDAGE OF STANDARD METHODS.

A few of the enterprising bands about the country have, within the last few weeks, adkled to the number of new methods rung. Alt the peals have been in the 'Surprise' class, and it is gratifying to find these companies still intent on showing that ringing need not be pegged down to what we know as the 'standard' methods. But these performances only serve to indicate to what extent ringers, in the mass, limit their practice. 'Standard methods' is an elastic term, which in the course of years has taken on a little wicler meaning than the old idea of merely 'Grandsirt, Stedman, Plain Bob and Treble Bob,' but its scope is still restricted, and yet, despite the vast opportunities and choice offered to the ringers of to-day, the great majority in the Exercise are quite content to plod afong in these well-worn paths. As a training ground, "stanclard methods," which means what everybody else rings or ought to ring, may be an excellent foundation, but to be satisfied with the limitations which the term imposes, marks a lack of enterprise that is little short of stagnation. "Stanclard methods" has become almost a bondlage.

One of the reasons why ringers seem to be tied to this small group of methods is that the older text books contemplated nothing beyond them, and at meetings, where ringers 'most do congregate, effort is seldom made to introduce anything new. Just recently, in one or two cases, there has been a conmendable endeavour to introsluce something fresh, and we lope this practice will be greatly extended. After our recent appeal, a cartespondent this week makes a suggestion for popularising good but little known methods. The Central Council some time ago published their book of Plain Major methods and contemplate another on Surprise methods in the near future-the work being already in manuscript. But the Plain Major book has not popularised any of the many grood methods it includes, and we doubt if a comparatively expensive volume of Surprise methods will do anything much to get the best of them rung, except perhaps just once by those bands who make a holbby of ringing new methods. We need these pioncers to 'blaze the trail,' but to raise the general practice of ringing other than standard methods, something which will make a different appeal to the ordinary ringer is needed. The man who makes music a hobby does not content himself with playing just half a dozen tuncs; he is constantly enlarging his repertory. The singer is not satisfied to go through life singing only two or three songs. He moves with the times, and out of the manifold material before him chooses constantly a new selection. The pusition (Continued on page 130.)

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of ringers is almost, if not quite, analogous. They have heaps of material; yet there are many who limit their practice throughout their ringing career to a mere handful of methods. Is it not time that they took a different view of their art and began to enlarge the field of methods with which they are familiar?

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.
THE ANOLENT SOCETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, Febraayy 20, 1937, in Four Hours ard Eight Minutes,
At zer Caterdral Churce of St. Sayiodr, Sogthyark,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANEES;
Tenor 50 cwt .
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Francis W. Corney ... ... 5 | Alfred B. Peck ... ... .... It Raymond G. Codsins... ... 6 Riceard F. Deal.an ... ...Tenot

Composed by C. H. Hatrersley. Conducted by R. F. Deal.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

WEDNESBURY, STATFORDSHRRF.
THE SOGIETY FOR THE AROHDEACONRY OF STABFORD. On Tuesday, February 16, 1937, in Thyee Howrs and Scuetteen Minves,

At ter Ceqrge of St. Bartgolomew,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb .
Artior H. Hingley ... ...Treble J. Dennis Holden ... ... 6
Bbet
... 2 Wicilam Fismer
 Harold Smita ... ... ... 4 Thomas J. Eeton... ... ... 9 Barnabas G. Key ... ... 5 Albertj. Hobble ... ...Tenor

Composed by J. Carter. Conducted by Tromas J. Elton.
Rung half-mufled as a tribute of respect to Mr. George Hughes, for many years the esteented conductur of the Wednesbury band, and to Sir Albert Pritchard, an ex-Mayor of Wednesbury and brother of a past Vicar of this churels.

EVESHAM, WORGESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSEIRE AND DISTRICIS ASSOCTATION. (Soothern Branch.)
On Tuesday, February 16, 1937, in Thre Howrs and Thivty Minutes, At the Brle Tower.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5093 CHANEESI Tenor 3I需cwt.

- Ewart Andrews ...
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Josefa D. Joanson ... ... 2 Arthor J. Taylor ... ... 7
Geoffrey J. Hemming ... 3 | tRalpa Harris ... ... ... 8
Miss Amy R. Jognson.. .4 † 4 . Wilelam Heath...
 Composed and Conducted by Josrpa D. Joanson.

* First peal on ter bells. + First peal of Grandsire Caters. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last fributo of respect to the Rev. E. O. Burbicge, Viear of Evesham, and an honorary member of theabove association, following the interment in Evesham Cemetery.

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THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Febrtary 20, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes, At une Catbedral,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES;
Tenor 27 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb .


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THE WINCHESTER AND PORISMOUTH DIOCESAN GOLLD． un Saturday，Feby rayy 20，7937，in Three Hours and Setenteen Minutes， At the Cgorch of St．Nicolas，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL， 5040 GHANGES； Tenor 9 cwt 26 lb.

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## A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES；

## Parkbr＇s Twelve－part． <br> Tenor $2_{4}{ }^{4} \mathrm{c}$ cwt．

Jogn Clarar ．．．．．．．．．Treble｜George Cornwall ．．．．．． 5 Ernest F．Salmons ．．．．．． 2 William Posion．．．．．．．．． 6 Alien E．Gwynne $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Alfred T．Podlton... H．Ernsist Cox ．．．．．．．．． 4 Joun J．Webs ．．．．．．．．．Tonot Conducted by W．Posion．
This peal was arranged and rung as a welcome to the new Rector of Ross，Preb．P．O．Barber，who was inducted to the living on Fobruary 8th．

## IDLE BRADFORD，YORESEIRE．

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION．
On Saturday，Fedrary 13．1937，in Three Hours and Ten Minutes， At tar Cenrch of the Holy Trinity．
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR，gOte OHANDEB； Tenor is cwt． 2 qu．if lb，in F ．
Fredertcr Sgager ．．．．．．Treble｜Thomas Hill
Miss Mary White ．．．．．． 2 Lesfir W．G．Morris ．．． 6
Kenneta Simpson ．．．．．．． 3 W Willam Featerr ．．．．．．． 7
＊Fana Raybrat ．．．．．． 4 Harry Davison．．．．．．．．．Tenot Composed by J Platt Conducted by Harry Davison．
Tirst peal in the method．＋First penl．First peal as conductor． LONDON．
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION AND LONDON DIOCESNE GUILD．
○ヶ Monday，February 15，1937，it Thyee Howrs and Eight Minutes， At the Cherch of St．Botolph，Bishopsgate，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIGGE SURPRISE MAJOR，EO56 GHANGES； Temor 20 cwt ．
John W．Eusion ．．．．．．Treble｜Harry Hoskins ．．．．．．．．． 5
Gedrge R．Pye ．．＊．．．．．．． 2 James E．Davis ．．．．．．．．． 6
－A．Patrick Cannon ．．．．．．． 3 Ernest Brett ．．．
R．Gordon Cross ．．．．．． 4 Joseph Mares ．．．．．．．．．Tenoy
Composea by C．Midileion．Conducted by G．R．Pys．
＊Firsi futempt for a peal of Surprige．
CHILVERS COTON，NUNEATON，WARWICKSHIRE． THE WSRWICESEIRE GUILD．
On Monday，Febraary 15，1937，in Two Hours and Forty－Eight Minutes， At the Chorch of All Saints，
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES，E040 GHANGEg；
Daxibr＇s Variation of TgGrstans＇
Tener 131 cwt．
Thomas W．Cbapman ．．．Tyehe Harry Harris ．．．．．．．．． 5
Jobn E．S．Moreton ．．．．．． 2 Ernest Sronk ．．．．．．．．． 6 James Draycoti．．．．．．．．．． 3 Arteor H．Beamisa ．． Mrs．A．H．Beamish ．．．．．．． 4 ＂William Barrett ．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Artaur H．Beamisa．
＊First peral of Stedman Tribles．Rung on the eve of tho eleventh birthday of Freddie Stone，son of the inger of the 6th，the youngest nember of this lielfry．Ringers of 2 and 5 have now＇completed the circle＇of tho tower．

## ROMFORD，ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOGLATION．
On Tuesday，February 16，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty－Six Mirutes， At the Cedrce of St．Edware

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 CHANGESI

## Parker＇s Twelyb－part．

Ernery Juth Agtobr C．Ceaplin ．．．．．．tseble Alerrd Prior ．．．．．．
RRev．J．E．F．Tradrnnick 3 Jobn H．Crampion ．．．．．．． 7 George R．Pye．．．．．．．．． 4 Ernest W．Forbank ．．．．．．Tomor Coaducted by ］．Bennett．
＊Tirst peal on eight bells．A birthiay compliment for Jessie Chaplin，eged 12，daughter of the riager of the 2nd．

## BRIDGEND，GLAMORGANSHERE．

THE LLANDAFT AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASGOCLATEON． On Wednesday，February 17，1937，in Thvee Fonrs and Eight Minntes，

## At teg Cgurce of St．Iletyd，

A PEAL OF NE Tenor 16 cwt．
＂Epward T．Bailey ．．．．．．Tyeble Cgarles H，Perry ．．．．．． 5
Jobn W．Jones ．．．．．．．．． 2 Ernest Stirce ．．．．．．．．．．
－Fredrrick Hannington ．．． 3 Albert J．Pitman ．．．．．． 7 Alfrgd W．Heate ．．．．．． 4 Alfred W，Wright ．．．．．．．Teno Compoged by A．J．Pirman．
＊First peal in two methods This composition contrins 2,50
 parts，has the 2446 ＇s， $7-4$＇s and 6－7＇s at backstroke．It is now rung for the first time．

WILLESDEN，MIDDLESEX．
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCTATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Thursday，February 18，1937，in Two Hows and Forly－Eight Hinutes，
At the Chorch of Sx．Mary，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， 6056 CHANGES； Tenor 10 ewt．
－J．Armiger Trollope ．．．Tyehle tEric B．Hartley ．．．．．． 5 George M．Kilby ．．．．．． 2 James F．Riding ．．． Tbonas J．Loce．．．．．．．．．． 3 Ere $\quad 3$ Erest S．Turner ．．． 7 †Ernest H．Kilgy ．．．．．．． 4 Harry Kilby ．．．．．．．．．Tenoy

Composed by C．Middleiton，
Conducted by T．J．Lock．
＊100th peal on the bells．＋First peal of Surprise on an＂inside＂ bell．Rums as a farewell peal to the Rev．A．E．Smith，Vicar of the paxish，wh，is Ioaving for St．Mary Abtot＇s，Kevsington．

WYMONDHAM，NORFOLK．
THE NORWIGH DIOOESAN ASSOGIATION．
On Thursday，Februay 18，1937，in Three Hours and Seventen Minutes， At ter Abbey Ceurch of SS．Mary and Tbomas－of－Cantergory， A PEAL DF HEREWARD BOB MAJOR， 5056 CHANCE8；

Tenor 25 cwt．in D．
Russell W．Curson．．．
Grorge Mayrre ．．．．．．
$\ldots$ ．．．Treblo Clifford Bird ．．．...
I FRYRR
Nolan Goldbn $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad$ Warry Tooke $\quad . .$. Composej and Conducled by Nolas Goldan．
First＇touch＇in the method by all．First peal in the method on the bells and for the association．Tho 48 －course composition is now rung for the first time．

## ORAYFORD，KENT

THE ETHNT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Friday，February 79，1937，in Two Haws and Forty．Five Minntes， At the Cnurch of St，Padolnos，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，504D CHANGES；

## Parkgr＇s Twelve－part．Tenor 22 量 Cwt ．

Arthur S．Richards ．．．Treble Hrabert E．Audscey．．．．．． 5 Harry Hoskins．．．．．．．．． 2 Derer M．Sharp．．． Alan J．Hoprer．．．．．．．．． 3 Harry Hoverd ．．．．．．．．．．．．． 7 Ernest H．Oxenhsm ．．．\＆Thomas Grogmbridge，sen，Turby Conducted by Drrek M．Sharf．
＊First peal of Grandsire Tuples．First peal as conductor on tower bells．

## A DOUBLE BIRTHDAY．

At Hoston，Middlesex，on Sunday．Tebruary 2ist，for morning eer－ vice，\＆cuarter－paal of Bob Major：W．F．Stevens 1，H．G．Cooper 2， W．Tr．Ellingham 3 ，F．J．Caitermoul 4，H．C．Clandler 5 ，W．A． Lewis 6，C．S．Bird（conductor）7，至．Gladivar 8．A birthday compliment to W．H．Stevens and E．R．Glidman．

SOUTHOVER, LEWIAS, SUSSIEX. THE KENT: COUNTY ASSOCIATION Ox Saturd yy, February 20, 1937, in Three Hours, At the Cborce of St. Jobn-thb-Baptist,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, $\operatorname{go56}$ GHANGES;

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\text { Tenor I7 cwt. I qr. } 20 \text { lb, in E. }
$$

Stapford H. Green ... ...Trebie Keginald E, Lambert ... 5 Eryderice W. Fousden ... 2 Hibbert Marewell.... ... 6 Mrs. F. W, Housden... ... 3 Frederick White ... ... 7 Frank Benseti ........... 4 James C. E. Simpson .... ...Temor Composed by C. Mideleton. Gonducted by J. C. E. Simpson.
Rung, after meeting short For Gamhitige Royal, on the 70th birtldey of Fr. T. Lembert, futher of the ringer of the 5th. BOREHAM, ESSEX.
THE ASSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Satwrday, February 20, 1937, in Thyee Hoars and Eight Minstrs, AI she Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 EHANQES; Tenor 13 cwt. ig lb. in $E$.
Henry Warn ... ... ...Irabla |arterar H. Everett ... 5 -Miss Anmie Weite ... ... 2 Henry Bradley ... ... 6
 Lesbir J. Clark ....... 4 "Riceard C. Clark ... ...Temor
Composed by Arterar Knighis, Conducted by L. J. Ceark.
First peal of Oxford. H First pual. First peal in the method on courductor.

## SALRHURST, SUSSEX

THE SDSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLAPION.
(Hastings and District Gdild.)
On Saturday, Febrasy 20. 1937, in Three Hours and Twelye Minnles,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, E184 GHANEES; Tenor $16 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{\mathrm{c}}$.
 Harry Baker ... ....... 4 James G. Poweli ........Teno
Composed by A. Knights, Conducted by Willam Wenban. HDGHENDEN, RUCKS. THE OXTORD DIOCESAN GULED.
On Saturday. Febrıary 20, 1937, in 1 wo Houysand Forb-Five Minates, At the Chorgh of St. Michaer,
A PEAL OF YORK8HIRE SURPRISE HAJOR, 5024 CHANGES Tenor 12t ewt.


| William Henley | ... | ... | 2 | Jesse Harrison ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Percy Newton .... | Gerge Martin | .. | .. | .. | b |

Erederick G. Biggs... ... 4 Cbcil C. Maynb... .... ....Temar
Composed by Frank Benentit. Conducted by George Martin.

* 250th peal.

CHEISTLETON, CHFSHERI THE CEESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suffrday, Febytry 20, 1937, in Two Hoursand Fifty-5eyan Minutes,
At the Cenrgh of St. James,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE8; Tenor i2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $F$ sharp.
"Harry Pye ... ...Treble Jogn Griffites
-Frad Hartman ...
Robert Sperring

1. Willinm Clarke ...

Composed by A. Kwigers.
3 Samorl Jones, jon..... Percy Swindeey .. .... .... Tanor

* First peal in the meiliod.

LOUGHBORGUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIFS ASSOCIATION.
On Sultorday, Februayy 20, 1937, in Two Howrs and I wenty-Six Minhtes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BGB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Tenor 5 cwt. 2 qr. ij lb. in B.
G. Ronatd Eowards Trebic Ricemo F Poe

J. Frrderica Milner ... 2 Colin Harrison $\quad . .$.

Alfred Ballard ... ... 3
Leeslir W. Strvens ... ...
Composed by Sir A. P. Herwoon.
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywoon.
Ernest Morris ......
Conducted by Erwest Morris Arranged for Mr. H. Boswell, of

FADLOW, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Febrtary 20, 1937, sn : wo Hows and Fifty-Eight Minutes.

## At fhe Chorgh of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5041 CHANGES:

Holt's Original.
Harry Rabbitt....
Cbarles H. Sonr
Doris E. Colgate Tom Saunders

Tenor 15 cwt in A flat.
... ...Tyeble
tTmomas E. Sonp ... ... 5 Luiber J. Honess ... ... 6 WilliamBotion ... .-. 7 Roberi Collins ... ... $/$ moy

## Conducted by T-omas E Sone.

* First peal on fower bells. $t 50$ th prat of Triples. THe I wo Thans" 100th peal tegether. Rung after meeting sloart for Major, Mr. Rabbitt kindly taking a rope at the last moment.

TERRIFGTON ST. CLEMENT, NORFOLK. THE ELY DIOCDSAN ASSOCIATION.
On Swaiay, Februayy 2J, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fi/ty-Five Minwtes, At ief Campanile of the Cedref of St. Clemrnt,
A PEAL OF KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES;

## Itreston Variation.

Tenor II cwt. 3 qr . $\mathrm{lb}_{\mathrm{l}}^{\mathrm{l}} \mathrm{in} \mathrm{F}$.
Sidney Flint ...
Joen W. T. WRigri
Wallace W. Cogesns
Fred Wigmore ...
Treblo
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Edward Greenache } & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { N Lam Gotden } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { Cectl. V. Ebberion } & \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$
Composed and Conducted by Nolan Goemes.
First peal of its kind on the bells. The 20 -course compasition, with extent qualities, is now rung for the first time. 'Phis was Messts. Clande Cousins' and Tred Wigmore's 50th peal together.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## UPTON, LJNCS,

THE LTNCOLN DIOCESAN GUHLD.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION
On Monday, Febrway J. 1937, in Two Howrs and Foyty Minutes.
At yhb Chorch ng Ali Siunts,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, EEAO CHANCES:
Being four extents each of Griginal, Renaling and Stedman, nud ton each of St. Simons', Grandsure amd plain Bob. Tenor Ily cwt.

- Miss Eibri Marshale ...Trebie | Clifford A. Vessey ... 3 -Miss Dorgity Vessey ... 2 | fLuslib Lann
†Jack L. Millgoess ... ...Temer
Conducted by Clifford A. Vessey.
* First peal of Danties, First peal of Doubles in six metions. WTRLLAND, WORCTSTIERSHIRE.
THE WंORGESIERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOOLATION. (Wertern Branch.)
On Tueshay, Febrwayy 9, 1937, in Two Flow+5 and Forty-Satex. Dinutes,
Af ter Ceurch of St. James,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 GHANGEBJ
Being 12 different six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 different six-scoves of Grandsire. Tenor $12 \mathrm{cw}^{\mathrm{t}}$. Elward Madnt ... ... ...Tyeble Frane Lawremce $\quad . .$. Cgarles Yotng ... ... ... 2 CBarles Camm ... ... Harry Price. ... ... ... 3 Henry Bighop ... ... ... Temor Conducted by C. Camm.
Rung with the hells hatf-muffled as a talion of respect to the late Mr. G. Gumell, who was interred at the above churche that day. LONGDON, WORCESTMRSEURE.
THE WORGESTERSHIRE AND DISTIRTCTS ASSOCLATION. (Wrstern Branch.)
On Monday, February 15, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Nine Minttes, At tee Chtrch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being tava 720 's of Oxford Beb and fivo 720 's of Plain Bob, seven different callings.

Thor 12 cwt.
Edwatd Mánd...
... ....Trebie
jobn Thomas $\ldots . .$.
Framx Latrence ... ... 3 Charles Caman ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by C. Camm.
First peal on the hells since being relmng by Messts. Mexty and shaintink. Rung as it birthalay conpliment to the condmelor.
COTTENHAM, OAMBRJDGESHIRE.
THE FLY DIOOESAN ASSOCLATION.
(Central Branch.)
i) Fritay, February 19, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
At ifg Churce of Sr, Mary and All Sainis,
A PEAL DF NORWICH SURPRISE MINDR, 5040 CHANRES;
being seven 720's, seven callings.
Ladrie Norfolk... ... .... 7 veble
.... $\begin{aligned} & \text { Robert Smith } \\ & \text {... } \\ & \text {... } \\ & \text {... }\end{aligned} 4$
Stanley G. Seipp ... ... 2 Manstered Ginn... ... ... 5
Francis G, Gleaves ... ... 3 Frank Warrington ... ...Tonor
Condacted by Frank Warringion.

Trist peal in the method on the bells.
WICKEAM MARKET SUPTOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Friday, Febrtary 19, 7937, in Two Hous and Fifly Minutes, Aithe Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 720 Double Court, two 720 's Oxford 'reble Bob and four 720 s Ploin Bob, each called differenty.

Tenor 14 cwt.
Cbarleg E. Eisger ... ...Tveble Artbog K. Smith
... ... 4
 - Jor Preastiner ... ... ... 3 Alderman Ling ... ... inor $^{\text {mor }}$ Conducted by Alderman Ling.
3 Firsi peal. Mirst peal ou the bells since they wore overlanded. EXTON, RUTLAND.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GULLD. (Rotland Bhanct.)
On Sarl duy, Febywyy 20, 1937, in Thyee Hours,

## Aitur Chorch of SS. Peter and Pade,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, EO40 CHANGES;

Beiur 720 each of Collere Single, Oxford Sreble Bob, Kent Treble Bol. Double Oxford, St. Clementes, Single Oxford aud Plain Bob. Tenor 123 awt.

Conducted by J. H. Bluff.
Pirst peal in seven methods by all the baud.
WORISLEY, STATES.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, February 20, 1937, in I wo Hours and Forig-1 1hree Minutes, At the Parise Chorce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Beins 42 six-scores with 10 different callings. Tenor 12 cwt .1 qr .20 lb .


First peal on an "inside bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to T. Southall, a 2lst birthday compliment to his son Ron, and a birtludny compliment to Miss Margaret Pagett, nioce of tho conductor

## SHLNEELD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
Om Saturday, February 20,1937, in 1 wo Hours and Thirty-Six Minules, At tbe Chohch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 gach of Cambridge Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob, two 720 's of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 ewt. Walter D. Taylor ... ... ireble William Dudley Harry Torner ... ... .... 2 Albert Norta ... ... .... 4 Lislie H. Thripi ... 3 Erank B. Lofisin $\ldots$........... 5 fenor

## Conducted by Frank B. Lozhin

 MARESFIELD, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.On Salurday. February 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Mintes, At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, EO40 CHANEES;

Alazrt Relgy ... ... ...ivede Aribuh F. Lewrry .... ... 4 Gilberi Avis...


Rung in honour of the goth bitthday of the Rector, the Rev. A. C. Dusley Ryder.


WANSICROW, SOMEIESET.
THE BATH AND WELIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Febraay 20, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty Minutes.
At tge Cherce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGEB;

Being 720 each of Ligltbfoot, Wearmouth, York, Durham, Londun, Wells and Cambridge.

Tenor 10 cwt.
P. N. G. Raingy ...

Norah G. Williams
Kennete Ford

| .... I reble |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ |  |  |
| $\ldots$ | 2 |  |

HenryJ. Sanger
$\begin{array}{lll}\cdots & \cdots & 4 \\ \cdots & \text {... } & 5\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{ll}\text {... } & 2 \\ \text {... } & 3 \\ \text { Josbre T, DyKe } & . . . \\ \text { J... } & \text {...Tiemor }\end{array}$
Conducted by R. G. Back.
SOUTHILL, BEDS.
ITHE BEDFORDSFIRE ASSOCIATION.
Or Saturday, Fabrary 20, 7937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Five Minutes,

## At the Parish Churce,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 CHANEES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Eurprise, Oxford, Kent and Woodbino
Treble Bob, Double Courb, Oxford Bols and Plain Bob
Herbert L, Harlow ... ...Trale| Percy Tompkins... ... ... 4 Reginald West ... ... .... 2 Lewis H. Bywaters ... ... 5 Miss Eyelyr Steel ... ... 3 Herbert Skerman ... ...Tenoy Conducted by L, H. Bywaters.
First peal on the bells since they were reluns and retuad by dohu Tayior and Co., the "go" being excellent.

## HANDBELE PEAL.

## ENTHELD, MIDDLFSEX.

THE MDDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND LONDON DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, Febratry 7, 1937, in Two Haurs and Twenty Minutes, At Alverstone, Waleingham Road,

## A PEAL DF GRNNDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation).
Mrs. E. K. FLeicger... ... I-2|Jobn Thomas
Miss Amy Joumson $\ldots . . . .$.

## Conducted by Joun Thomas,

Umpire-J. Parker

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.

READING BRANCH OTFICIERS RE-JLECTED.
The anmual meeting of the Readiug Branch of the Oxford Drocesan Guild, held at Reading on Saturday, liebruary 15th, was well aticnded. In addition to members of the braveh, visitors came from Somersoli, Steaford, Norwich, Newbury, Hirh Wyconbe, Abingdon, Slough, Cookhan, Farmban Royal and Twyford.
 were utiliged from 3 p.m. Lo 5 p.m., all the nenal standard methods being rumis from Stedman Hnd Grandsire Doubles to Ginques, Double Norwich and Gambridge Major. A service was held in St. Laumence's Clurch, ab which the address was given hy the Rev. Sherwood, Rector' of I'jlelurst. This was followed by tea ati St. Mrivy's Clumeth House, to which 66 sat down.

The lunsiness meeting was presided ovar by Canon G. F. Coleridge, the Master of the Guild, in the alhsence of Dr. Joyce, the chairman of the branch, through illness. All the oflicers of the branch were ve-elecked, viz.: Chairman, Dr. Joyce; senvetary and treasurer, Mr. E. G. Foster; muditors, Messrs. Cullum and Wiggins; reprosentatives to the General Committee of the Guitd, Messre. Humfrey, Swatn nnd Runham.
The secretary reported an increasen halance of 27 ls. 9 l. , with meabership about the shume.
Tho meeting agreed to admit the Burghineld lower to the branch, and alsu voted a grant of 855 . to the funcl for the restoration of Tilehurst bells.
Quartorly meetings wers fixed for Burglifield, Chockendon and Tilehargt.

The meeting expressed its regret it the albsence of the chairman, and the secretary was instructed to wrile at letiler of sympathy, wilh wishes for a speedy recovery.

Reference was made to the death of Mr. J. Hunds. who had been a ringer at Caverslam fower for 53 years.
The meating wns addressed by the Guild officials present, Gavan Coleridge (Master'), the Rev. C. E. Wigy (Drpity Master), Mr. A. D. Barker (hon. treasiren) and Mr. R. T. Hiblver (hon, secretary).

The meating closed with a vote of thanks to the Rev. Sherwood for the address, to Cmnon Coleridge for presidinar, to the Vicars of St. Laureace's. St. Giles' and St. Mary's for the ure of the bells, and to Mr. P. Dyke for so ably serving the ten.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD

EXCLLLENT SUPPORI FOR MONTHLY MEETING.
Once again, ringers from all parts of the county flocked to Bulkiag ton for a monthly meeting of the Waswickshire Guild on Saturday lust. The fact that Buikington is well situated, coupled with the excellent welcome always exteuded to visitors, makes the meetings at this village among the most enjoyable held by the Guild.

Members were delighted to see the Rov. J. I. Wigran, from Leamington Hastings, together with three of his ringere. They lave just had their bells restored, and the newly-formed band is making excellent leadway. The Guild are looking forward to enrolling them all as members before very loug.
The bells were raised soon after three oclock, and from then until tea-time were kept going in az variety of methods. Rounds and touches in the simpler methods were rung for the most part for the suke of the less proficient.
The usual higla standard was maintained by Mrs. Histe and other ladies, who had prepared the tea, and in spite of a rather layger number turning up than had been expected, no one was allowed to go hungry. Close on 40 ringers and their friends were present, repregenting the following towers: Allesley, Exhail, Coventry, Numeaton, Ohilvers Coton, Bulkington, Arley, Stoke, Bedworth, Wolvey, Leam-

The secretary mentioned the death, at the age of 83 , of Mr. George Over', of Rugby. He lad been an honorary life member of the Guild siuce 1908 equd was a kegn supporter of all church organisations. As a mark of respect, the company stood in silence for a few moments. Further ringing toak place on the tower bells in the evening until a lata hour.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

big ATTENDANCE AT BASINGSTOKE DISTRICT MEETING.
The annual meeting of the Easingstoke District, held at Basitgstoke, was attended by 75 members, the following towers being represented: Basingstoke, Oakley, Fateley, Silchester, Overton, Sherfeld on-Lodden, Baughurst, Eotherwick, Wootton, Bramley, Odihmm and Upton Grey. Visioors were present from North Stoneham, Bishopstoke, Highclere and St. Mary Bourne, and Mr. G. Williams, Master of the Guild, was a very welcome greest.
Service was held in St. Michnel's Church, the Vienr (the Rev. A. W Chute, M.A.) conducting the service and preaching an interesting germon. He extended a welcome to all the ringers aud rentarked that he thought hellringing was one of the arts connected with the Church that was most precious and was a great force in the country.
Tea was served in Church Cotnage, and the Rev. G. H. Jendwiue, IT.D., presided at the meeting whicl followed.
Major J. D. Stillwell (hon. district secretary), of Yateley, extended a hearty welcome to the Rev. A. W. Chute, and, in presenting lis report, revealed a very satisfactory state of affairs.
The officers elected were: The Rev. G. H. Jeudwine, chairman; Hajor J. D. Stiliwell, hon. secretary and treasurer: Mr. C. Ostler Ringing Master; Messrs. J. Chesterman and H. Balman, representativos on the Executive Committee of the Guild; Mr. Q. Ives, anditor.
Quarterly meetings were fixed for Sherborne St. Johm on April 17th, Yateley ou July 10th, and Upton Grey on Septenther 25 th.
Ringing continued until a o'clock, and ranged $\overline{\text { Thom }}$ rounds to Cambridga Surprisa.

## A FAKENHAM CEREMONY.

## DEDIGATTON OF MEMORIAL PEAL BOARD

A large number of vingers visited Fakenham to attend the dedicafion of a peal board to commemorate and record a peal of St. Clement's Major rune half-runfled on the church bells as a tribute of respect to the lnte Mr. F. Tr. Cooke, formerly for over 39 Fears a ringer at this tower and latterly of Peterhorough.
The beantifully designerl loare was of sclected oak panelled with letters, left raised in sumk panels, decorated ayd ornamented in style, with neatly carvel? rassed traming and surmounted with the symbol shiold of SS. Peter and Paul, and carved large and small bells. The board was the work of Mr. Flint, of Dersingham, who rang the trehle bell in the peal.
Ar approprinte serwice was arrauged and many other friends attended. Mrs. F. Cooke (widow), with Mr. and $\begin{gathered}\text { Wrs. Jorder (son-in- }\end{gathered}$ Law and daughtar), came specially from Peterborough to attend the coremany and, in addition. Mr. and Mrs. Watson, Dersingham, and other relatives were present. Tho Rector (Dr. E. F. Morison), who conduated the service, made appreciative refercuce in accepting the board on hehalf of the church, and pairl trihate to the woik of the lato Mr. Cooke and his interest, love and time given in the science of change ringing.
After the scrvice the board was hung on the walls in the beffiy and the bells were rung diring the day
An oxcellent tea, to which albont 40 sat down, by kind invitation, was provided in the Rectory basement room, and at the close complimentary speeches were made. Praise was accorded to Mr. Fint for his work, and he suitably ruplied. Hearty thanks were necorded to the ladies and helpers with the tea
Ringers were present from the following towers: Walsoken. King's Lynn, Dersingham, Gressenhall, North Timbam, Gaywood, Wiveton, Tertington, Bipuingham, Podham, Foulslam and the local company'

## FOR BEGINNERS.

FRON KENT TO OXEORD TREBLE BOB.
One of the firgt Trebls Bob mefhods was Oxford. It came jnto being long before Kcut, which, when it was first introduced, was known as 'Nem ' Treble Bob.
Oxford, especialy on the higher numberg, is not, in these days, rung anything like as frequently as is Kent, but in six-lesl ringing it forms a vory useful contribution to the saven-method peal, wheh is the leagt that six-bell ringers should am at.
To those who can riug Kent Treble Bob, the Oxford method is connparatively easy to learu. Actually it is mevely a reversal of the bells in 3-4. Here are ligures (at the first lead of the treble) which will
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The reversal of the bells in 3-4, however, leads to sone essential differences in the work, lyut first of all let us look at the similatities of the two metjods. All the dodging is precisely the same (though not always, in corresponding places, with the same hells). There is also a. 'slow' work common to both methods-the whole pull at lead and Zud's place altemately from the time the treble leaves the front uatil it retians-and this slow work is done by the belis in the same order.
Another imporkant point in the relationship of the two methoris from the conductor's point of view is that the compositions of onte methot zun true to whe other.
And now thas differences in the work of the methoid.
In Kent we had this
Pass the ireble in 2-3, make 3rel's aud 4th's and go up.
Dodge wibl the treble iu $1-2$, coming out of 'slow, make 3urd's and 4th's and go up.
In Oxford, each of these beils makes 4 th's only aud goes back ta leari. Pass the treble in $2-3$, make 4 bin's and, go down ilito the 'slow
Dodge with the treble in I-2, make 4th's and go down to lead.
In Kent, after passing the treble in $4-5$ or dodging in 5-6 np with the treble, make 4th's and $3 \mathrm{rd}{ }^{2} \mathrm{~s}$ on the way down.
In Oxford botls these bells make 3rd's only aud go back utp to dodge in 5-6.
Briefy, the two bells going up make 4th's and go back the two bells going chown after the treble make 3rd's and go up.
A bob in Oxford Treble Boh eruses both the 3rd's places to be made by the same bell, but with a 4th's place (the actalal bob) hetween. Thus the luell that has to make the bob dodges in 5-6 wip with treble, follows it down, makes 3rd's, 4th's and 3rd's (a whole pull in eath place) and goes up in front of the treble. It comes into the 'slow' place) and goes upl
The conductur should note that, while in Kent the bell that is going into the "slow' comes kown belind the treble, in oxford the next bell to go into the 'slow' is the bell that comes down in frome of the treble. 'Jlat is important to remember when he is calling from a non-observation bell.
Touches of Oxford can be called like touches of Eent, and here is another 720 which will go to either method, without bringing the 'tenors ' (5 and 6j up the wrontry way at a lead end; in other words, whenever they are together when the treble leads thes strike in their natural older, 5-6, at backstroke.
Lrst week's 720 was: Call the 6 th $I_{n}$ Out, and In three tines. The other 720 is : Call the 5tla Ont. In and Out three times. If, for this latter, 7013 want to make the 6th the observation bell, vou man do so by calling it to mako the Bob in the first course, and then catl it twice Wrens (successive leads) in the Znd course; and repeat twice.
The bell that makes the boly in Oxford is the one that dodged in $5-6 \mathrm{up}$ with the treble and the call can be made as it striker its first blow in 3rd's place. Contrary to Kent, in which the places ale made tha 'weng ' way (backstroke and liandstroke), the places in Onford nie made tho 'right' way (handstroke nud backstroke)
T'o call n bell 'Wrong' in Oxford or Kent Treble Bob causes it to lave an extrs rlouble dodge in $5-5$ up, and the call comes in the lead when tha luell has dadged in $3-4$ up with the treble

## A HALF-PEAL AT BISHOP'S STORTFORD

At St. Michael's Parish Ohurch. Bishop's Stortford, on 'Ilursalay, February 4th, the first five-parts of Hald's Ten-Part peal of Granisire Triples ( 2,520 changes) were rung in 1 hour 41 minutes: Miss $D$. Wacey 1, H. Bird 2, $\$$. Brodites 3, H. M. White 4, F. Bird (conductor) 5. H. A. Wacey 6, E. Ansell 7. W. Wilkinson 8. Tongest tontell hy the nugers $1,2,7,8$. The lalf-peal wrs rung as a birthdar compli-

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. CORONATION PEAES.

A mecting of the North Staffordsoire Association was held at Fenton on Saturamy, February bth. Thirty-four ringers were present trom Bucknall, Clieadle, Draycote, Fentom, Hanley, Kidsgrove, Kingsley, Leek, Lontion, Norton, Newcastle, Stone, Stoke, Tunstall and Wistanton. Tea, saryed in the Church Hail, was kindly given by tha Fenton ringers.
The Rev. J. Howse (Vicar of Tenton) extended a. pery hearty welcome to all prosent, and want ou to say that he learnt to ring a bell a number of years age, but had lose touch of ringing. North staffordshire would welcome if few norg ringing parsons, as there was only one, the Rev. J. B. Frith (Rector of Swynnerton).
Two new members wele elected, J. Lawson, of Tungtall, and w. Fradley, of Buckrall.

A committee mecting was held after tea, with Mr. Thomas Hurd in the chair, supported by Mr. Androw Thampson (hon. secretary) and Mr. Kentieth Thacker (assistant hon. secretary). The secretary presented a zeport, stating that the meeting had been called to arrange peals for the Coxanation of King George VI. He wonld like all towers who can ring a peal on Wedresday, May 12 th , to do so, and he thought the following should be able to do so: Leek, Stoke, Biddulph, Bucknall, Kirgeley, Nortom and Stone, and most probably Fenton Uttoxeter, Burslem and Kidsgrove. He hoped arrangements would be made at that meeting for peals to be rung on Saturday, May 15th, or Mondey, May 17th, which was a holiday, at Hanley, Tunstall, Brown Rage, Swynmerton, Langton, Silvewale, WaIstanton, Rocester fand Drapcoti. Arrangements had been made for a peal to be rung at Neweasts later in May. The following towers had promised to attempt peals on Wednesday, May 12th: Kingsley, Stome, Kidsgrove, Norton and Fanley.

Mr. G. H. Page promised to Arrange two peals, and Mr. I. E. Wheeldou proposed that all peals rung in May should be recognised as Ooronation peals, and that further arrangements be Ieft to the discretion of the ringers.

A proposal to hold an anmual dinner was discussed. It was pointed ont by the secretary that only two dinners had taken place, one in 1911, and the other, the jubilee dinner, leld in 1933. He thought it was most essential for an association to hold a social evening once a year.
Mr. A. Wh. Hall thonght a dinuer would probably help to get younger ingers to take a more active part in the association's work.
It was proposed by Mr. J. F. Wheeldon, seconded by Mr. C. H. Page, that representatives shonld inquire at their towers to see if the proposal inet witi approval.

## CORNISH BELLS RECAST.

POUGHLLL PLEASED WITH NEW PEAL.
The delifhtful and unspoiled vilkge of Poughill, situate midway between Bude and Stratton, North Cornwall, celebrated in true slyle the dedication of its recast ring of six bells on Saturday, Februiry 20th. Th* Lord Bishop of Barkitg (Dr. J. T. Inskip) Errtormed the caremody.
The bells have been silent since May, 1935, when it was ionnd that the old frame was unequal to the shain placed upon it, and that the bells themselveg were in a poor condition. On Saturday the new bells made up for lost fime and they were thind 'true and propex.' The ringing was of a very mixed chayacter; fising and falling in peal predominating. Ono or two "scientific' hands managed to gut uatelo up and were allowed to have a pull.

All who were conversant with the old peal commented upon the vast improvement in the tone "thel "go," but such impravement is expected when Messrs. Johus Taylor and Co., of Lolaghlumangh, are entrusted with a job of this soit.
The 2ad and tenor are the oldest bells in the peal. They bear the inscription: ' IP x CP 1790. Digory Jose, Vicar. John Bray and Thomes Taylor, Churchwardens."

The 3rd and 4th were recast in 1861 by John Warner aud song.
The treble was cast in 1907 by Lilewellyn and James aud inscribod, - T. W. Lemon, D.D., Oxon. Vicar. S. Prouse, Ohtrehwatlen. Marin Somes, of Annery Hotse, N. Devon, Lady Patron." Thare was a similar inscription on the 5th, also decatis in 1907 , but dal butry ruginally from the 18 th century.
Euch of the bells now also contains a veference to fla whint work done by the firm of John Taylor and Co.
An entirely new all-metal bell frame has been erected to "arry the bells, which have been provided with the latest type of bell fittings. Ringing is still carried on from the ground hoor, but as the draught of rope is not axceptionally lany it is a comfortable place to ring at.
The weight of the old tenor at Pourgill was $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. : the weight of the new tenor is 12 cwt .3 cj . 26 lb . in F slarpp.

Following the dedication service, fer was provided its the Village Hall at a very moderate cost of sixpence, but the meal did not interfere with the ringing, as bands cantid go in and out accrivjug to tho ringing programme,
A number of visiting ringers also tools the opporturity of visiting Stratton, where permission to fing laat been obtained.

Owing to a masunderstanding in conmection witl a serviee, ringing at Porghill was curkailed, but it onabled the wisitors to find out that Stratton bells have lost nothing by ueage.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

The Rector of Maresfielk, shussex, the Rev. A. C. Dudley Ryder, has just celebrated his goth birthday, and on Salurday a peal in Honour of the event was rung at the Parish Church. The Rector met the ringers after the peal and entertained thena to tea. It had been inteuded to attempt Cumbridge Surprise, but, meoting short, Bobsinot liad to be substituled, Mr. G. Avis standing in at a moment's notice.
The augmenting of the ring of six at thaufrechfa is being done, bub the dedication will not take place until after Easter.
The tenor ball of Ighthan Church (Zent) has beon repaired by welding specialists three times, and an ench occasion it has again hecorne cracked. The bell has 110 w to be recast. This bell is dated 1620 sind was east by Joln Wituar.

There will be no more ringing at St. John's, Cardiff, for a time, The tower is undergoing repaira.
The two back hells of the ring of eight al St. Peter's, Camarthen, have been put on ball bearings.

## A SECRETARY'S 25 YEARS' SERVICE.

PROPOSED TESTJMONLAB TO MR. C. T. COLГS.
In October, $1935, \mathrm{Mr}$. C. T. Coles contpleted 25 Years' service as a secretary of the Middlesex County Associalion and London Diocesan Guild, and it is proposed to murk this by giving him ateslimonial at the annual meethig of the essociation, to be hela on April 17 th.
There nust be hundreds of ringers throughout the country who will be glad of this opportunity of shawing their respect and affection for Mr. Coles, who has not only done a vast amounf of work for his association, but has devoted himself to furthering the art in mally dircctions, includizg long service on the Central Council. All who would liko to contribute to the testimouial shonld send their donations to Mr. W. H. Hollier, hon. treasurer, 29, Duse Rond, Chiswick, W.4, or Mr. E. G. S. Tumer, hou, secretary, 65, Kingsley Avelue, West Faling, W.13. The offer memberg of the cammittee are Messrs. I. A. Troltope and G. W. Fletcher (vice-presidents of the association), G. R. Goodsuip G. M. Kilby and TI. J. Loek.

## TO POPULARISE NEW METHODS.

A SUGGESTION.
To the Editor.
Dear Sir, May I suggest that we most practical way to popularise new methods is for the Metliods Commitiee to pick out a number of methods of special value, closen for musical and other suitable rensons, anat recommend these for adoption as 'standard methods; as edditions to, or in place of, the existing standard methods.

These should then be universally rung by the assuciations at meetings, and bins give riagers a chance to learn and ring bhen. At present, with the exception of a few fsolated instances, the opporGnintios of ringing these methods are practically nil for both old or young ringers. I believe this would also add to tho attractiveness of mectings to many who are just a dithe tired of ringing the same old methods meeting after meeting with nothing of fresh interest.
I quite realise, of course, that it is not an easy task, but as thore seems to be a new tppe of ringer coming into cxistence who is willing at least bo try sometting hesides the old, if he gets the opportunity, it is worlh while endeavoning to give it hin, and at the same time show appreciation of the immense amount of work dane by the prodincers of these new methods.

Charcint Lanos.
TAURENCE J. WILLISMS

## SUGGESTED MEMORIAL TO LATE REV, B H. T. DRAKE.

ELY ASSOCIATION MEMBERS OFFER SUPPORT.
A meeting of the Cenfral Braneh of the Ely Diocesan Association, held at. Chatteris, offered to support a seheme for a memorial to the Rov. R. H. Tyrmbitt-Drake. There was only a modorate attendance aarly, but iJr. A. J. Ahram, on helalf of tlie local company, gave the menbers a warm welcome. Some good practice took place. Tea was partaken of in Sty. Peter's Mall, after whith a gloot business meeting was hold, Mr. F. W. Thnlbon, Ringing Master, presiding.
The question of a proposed memorial to the late general secretary, the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake, was discussed, and the meeting decided that 'should the Gentral Council prefer to do anylining of this kiad (the rev. gentleman was their librarien), members of this tranch would support such a suggestion at the anuual general meeting of this ossucintion.'

## ' GRAN'FERS CELEBRATE.

On Fraday, Febrancy 5ill, Lwo members of bic Oxford Diogesay Guild became grandfathers, and to celebrate the event the omit, 504 Stedman Triples was rung ou the back eight of St. Lanrence's, Reading : E. Frumfrey 1, R. T. Hibbert (conductor') 2, C. Pullen 3, G. Fosiler 4, H. Smitil 5, L. Sadler 6, W. Hithbert 7, Grandad E. J. Foster 8. This should have been a good tauch of Stedman Cingies, but owing to the jnclement weather the tower was far from full. The other 'Grazier' (ex-sergt.-Major W, Hibliert, R.II.A.) nelebrated at Easb Ilsley. However, al hobli places the two daughters were 'toasted ' and wished a long and liappy life.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION

SHALWARTS AND FOUNGSTERS AT WRSTHRN BRANCF MEETING.
The Western Branch of the Worcestorshive Rud Districts Association leld its first meebing of the year af Wychbold, near Droitwich, last Saturday, in cold bat fain weather: The elmoch is sitnated upon a som of salt, which is cansing some concern abont the safety of the church in the fiblure, owing to the tremendous amount of brine pumped onl of the caith by the sall worlis at Stolie. The gronnd in soveral places las sunk, ad Judge Amphlelt's home, bot far distanb, has been condemned for this reason, but up to the present no serions cracks have appeared in the church's fobric.
The bells, recently relung by 'Taylon's, mee banily and lighi, and were made good use of by about fifty members juesent, including very welcome visitors from Clent, Bronserore, Kidderminster, Smethwick and Coventry. A gratifying foature was the presence of many of the new recruits gained last yenr, and these were given ample opporturities by the Branch Ringing Mastier. To sce treblo and tenor fingers on an "iuside" bell certainly jusibified the fime given to these new members, and, as many of them are now taking The Ringing World,' they will doubtless read this repoll and may be assured of similar trepionent at, futine meetings, The more adyanced members, besides gettiog a "Kick' out of their offorts in frelping the leamers, relieted the tedinm of Doubles by touches of Cambridge, Double Oxford and St. Clement's.
A short service, futly chmol, was held, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. E. Giblos), who gave n very interesting aditress on the lines familinr at these meetings. It was pleasing to note the presence in church of the Rev. A. H. Lewis, Ficar of St. Peter's, Droitwich, and an honorary member, who was aceompanied by Mys. Lewis. The Parochial Church Conncil very goneronsly provided the tea, which was served at, The Croft at the kind invitation of Miss G. E. Male, ihe Fitarage Room being too small to accommodate both ringers and the choir.
At the husiness meeting which followed, the Vicar presided and was supportor by Mr. W. Sliont (Master of the association), Messra. C. Camm (Brazeh Ringing Master), G. E. Large (bramel secretary) nnd TV. Ranford (Central Committel. Apotngies were tendered for Mr. F. P. Thomas (vice-president) and MI. E. Barher (andilor)
One life, one fonorny life member, four honorny and twelve perkomin言 members were elected.
Mr: Short proposed that the arartary peal be rung at Wychboli, and to inchde as many of the local ringers as were capable, empasisimg the need of encanmaging local bands. Mr. W. H. Raxter was applointed conductor.
It whs agreed to hoid tire next meeling al. Lougdon, where, Mr. Camm said, there wolld bo an opportunity to get a newly-formed band to join the association.
The reat of the busines was of a joithe character mul soon disposed of, after which Mr. Short thanked the Vicar, choir, organist, Indies and the local bnnd for the part they harl all played in natzing tho meeting so enjoyable. The secretary, in seconding this, said it had bean a pleasure to arrange this meving, and he land had his task made easy by the witlinguess and co-ojneration of all the kind friends at wychiold.
The close of the meeting bronght an old mamber, Mr. F. F. Spadding, to pay his 37 th subseription, and watation uny he made of some other "old-timers" present-Tow "Glcos, of Areley Kinge, Charlie Smith, of Dodrlerlill, and Tom Drvies, of Droibwinf, the list of whom, wibly Geore Groen, having avercome many difficulties and setbacks, has now a promising band of oight younesters. On the homewaw jonney ane was set pondering over the rectivities of these stalwarts through the years, remembering with plexsure that thes, along with otherg Whose ummes are meve familiay, are still with us to iuspire, by their loyal service to the rssoutation, those who lave sinilar paths to tread.

## MR. GEORGE WILLIAMS' GIFT TO CHURCH

SCREBN 1N MEMORY OF HIS WIFT AT NORTH STONFARA A hundsome west scresa has been erected in North Stonehani Ghurh, Hants, hy Mr. George willinme, Master of the Winchester aud Prorlsmonti, Diogesian Guild, in mamory of his wife. The dedicrfion cermany was performed by the Rector, the Rey. F. J. Pejle, M. A., on Sinday, February 2lst, in tho presence of ol larga congrema-

The sereen is of darl onk, designed ly Mr. F. A. Young, to harmonise witil the fixtures of the ancient huildingr, and it takes the place of the curtains which hitherto inadegnately served to soreen the timging chamber froms the mave of the charch. It is a valuable addition to the comfort of the vingers, as those who took part in Salnaday's peal of Treble Ten and in the gervice ringing on Sundiny were quick to testify:
The work of erection wass carried onl. by Mr. James Parker, of Fdmonton, who wiss a welcome visitor ati. the weekly practice during his stay iat Tastieigh, and assisted in rinering Cambidge from Minor to Royal. Superlative and London: a full programme for one night, especially as the learners had their turn as well.
Ti, will be remembered thaf Mr. and Mrs. Williams gave the two


## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## LARGE ATTENDANCE Al' ANNUAL MEPTING.

The annuul gemeral meeting of the I andon Cunnly Association unt North Southwark Diocesan Ginild was leeld ons Silurday, Fehruasy 13th. Ringing took place in the a'lernoon at-Si. Leonard's, shore ditch, St, Lawience Jewry, St, Mary-le-Bow and SL. Clement Danes. A splendid servico followed at St. Clement Danes, the preather hoing the Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of Stepney, who had a congregation of ringers numbering about 100 persons. He louk for his text lst Cor.
 Ringing, like all othet arte, lad ifs fonmdation in and was dependent on tho Christinn relifion. In the earliest days artists were inspired by a religions motive, as shown by the fact that they invariably depicted Biblical subjects. Hc enphasised that ringers likewjse slould dedicate their endeavours to the glory of Cod. In his experience of bellirigers one of the greatest joys they possessed was that wonderful gift of friendship. The trouhle to-day aboad was due to sugpioion cansed by lack of comradeslip, and in times of alistrust betwem nations the world is sorely in need of the human tonch and the drawing together in yeal live friendstip. ITe hegred abl ringrers to spread abroad the spirit of goodwill and camradeship.
Tea was taken al a nearay restrurant, at whinh 72 members ant down. Aflerwards some adjonmed to St. Clementes lol mote ringing others stayed hehind to hen handbell ringilg by various parties.
The business meeting in the Parish Room followed. Four new members Were elected and the election of six otlyers ratilied. The presentalion of sucounts by mene of the atudilars pevanted satisfaclory posilion, the year flrishing with a small balmee of income over expenditure. The necoumbs were adopted. The records of 16 peals rung last yenr were acceptod and will be sent to peal writar.
The report an the year's progress and position was givell by the Master (Mu", I'. H. Thffender), who referred to the satisfactory practices both at Sl. Clement's and Lambeth. There was, howeves', still room for futher advancoment. The peals ring during the year showed that 49 persons had taken part.
Respect was paid to those nembers who had passed away during to year by fhe meeting standing in silence.
The secretary (ML. T. W. Taffonder) said he was disappointed not to have the aumal report, [ow sale that ovening, as the printer condd not geb them ready in tims. After explaining the contens of anal the worl involved in conapiling the report, he said lio wonld be glad if members conld encourage the sale of then at the small charree of sixpence, which would only cover cost of production on this the original production-The election of affers, which usually cuuses some anrusement and waste of time, was on this nceasion soon disposerl of, as the officials were all re-elected as follows: Master, T. E. Taffender; secretary. T. W. Thftender; assistant secrebaries, F. L, Hawhioma and N. F. Mamaing; treasurer, E. A. Foung : stewards, T. Wyate and P. Carter ; thastecs, A. H. Keighiey and F. E. Dawe. Dissalisfacion was expressed concerming the demolition of AII Hallows ${ }^{3}$ Charch, Lombaid Street, E.C., and the removal of the bolls. The secretary pointed ond blats the anthorities lad been witlen to, but 110 reply had bean receiveri. It was hoped that tho bells would be humg in a tower sufficiently strong to enable them to be fung for service.
Votes of thanks were reworted for the arrangements of the riay, especially at St. Clement's and tho other towers where ziuging liad taken place.

As there was only one band prepared to enter the handbell contest for the Dawe Cup, another band wos summoned frou a local tower in order th make a contest. The bands they completed their methods, and the resalt frona the three judges was soon lortheoming. They decided that the contest was a draw. The evening concludod with some Graudsire Cingues by the brigede from Dartourl ringing four bells each.
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## POLICE RINGERS VISIT LIVERPOOL <br> national guild hold their annual meeting. <br> Reception by Lord Mayor.

The annual mecting of the Natioual Police Guild was held in Liver pool on Saiurday, Februaty 13th, the following forces being represented: Metropolitan, Manchester City, Leicester City, Birnumgham City, Cardiff City, Liverpool City, Reigate Borough, Bolton Borough, Northampion County, Lancashire Connty and Leicester County.
Visitors commenced to arrive about 10 a.m., with the exception of the Metropolitan 'carly birds,' who, having travelled throughout the night, were already on the scene of aution. The bells of St. Francis Xuyier's Roman Calholic Clurch, Salishury Strect, were rung to various meihods unfil about noon, zud then a move was made to the Bear's Paw Restizurant, in lord Street, for luncheon. The Guild wero honourad by the preseuce of Mr. A. K. Wilson, Chief Constable of Liverpol; the Rer. D. Railton, Rector of Liverpool; the Rev. A. Scatt, of Bolton, the gresident of the Laucashive Association; Mr. W. H. sluker, lone. secretany of the association ; and M:. G. It. Nowton. Apolugies for absonce were received from Mr. O. J. B. Cole (Chief Coustable of Lucester), Supt. W. Green (Deputy Chief Constable of Oxfordshire), Supt. A. Wigging (Deputy Chief Constable of Berkshire), Supt. C. P. Hilton (Surrey County), and other members of the Guild.
After luncheon, the president of the Guild, Supt. F. R. Willians, Mauchester City, cxtended a welcome to the guests. Suitable replies were made by the Rev, D. Railton and Mr, A. K. Wilsour. The latter suid he knew rothing about bellinging, but ho was very interested in a course of Graudsire Triples ring on the handbells shortly afterwards.
An oflicial reception was given by the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, Alderman Denton, and the Lady Mayoress at the Town Fall at 3 p.ra. In welcoming the Guild, Aldermen Deaton referred to the important part to be phayed by bellrinyers in the forthcoming celebrations for the Coronation, and appealed to all ringers to do ell thcy could to make the celebratious successful.
The president of the Guild replied on behalf of the Guild memberr Rnd the Rev. D. Railton for whe ringers of Liverpool. A course of Grundire Catcrs was then ruag on the handbells by members of the Manchester City and Leicesicr. City Forces, followed by ilhe tunes Blue Bells of Scolland' and 'Drink fo me only.' The Lord Mayor and Iady Mayoress were very intercsted in tho ringing.

## VISIT TO NEW OATHEDRAL.

A wisit then followed to the new Cathedral. Canon Soulsby very kindly conducted the party through the Gathedral and explained in detail the various parts of it. Truly a magnificent buindiug now, but what a pleasure in store for those who may be able to sce it campleted.
T'ea wes partaken of at the Benrs $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{a}}$ w Restaurant, after which the business meeting of the Guild was held.
The following officers were re-elected: Supt. F. IR. Williams, Matchester City, president; ex-Chief Inspector W. Botrill, Metropolitan Police, vice-president; Inspector H. J. Poole, Leicester City, fon. sccrelary and trensurer; Scrgt. H. G. Jenney, Leicester City, nuditar. The followng members coustitute the commiftee: Sergt. H. G. Seumey, Leicester Gity; P.C. N. Bagworlh, Metropolitan; P.C. D. Brown, Manchester City; P.C. E.C. Birkett, Liverpool City; exsergt. W. Dowing, Birmingham City ; ex-Sergt. A. Lawrence Herts County; ex-P.C. F. Page, Manchester City; and ex-P.O. W. Olnydon, Reigate Borough.
Congratulations of the Guild were extended to Supt. F. R. Wiliams on the recent honour conferred upon him in receiring the King's Police Medal.
It was decided io hold the next amual meeting of the Guild in February, 1938, at Nowtingham.
Ringing afterwards took place on tho peal of twelve bells at St. Nicholas Clurch until about 8 p.m., and then a return was made to the Bear's Paw Restauraut for the social evening. Entertaimument was provided by 1'.C.s Frauklaud and Hugles (Liverpool Oity), P.O. Wh. Pye (Manchester City), ex-Sergt. W. Dowding (Bimminglitam), Mr. Sinnes, Mr. B. Lloyd and Mr. Frost (Liverpool). Solections on the handbells were remdered very effectively by Mr. I. Booth and Miss Pooth, of Stundish, near Wigan, Miss F. A. Poole, the Guild gecrefary's sister, atcompanying on the piano.
The thanks of the Guild are due to Chief Inspector J. Meldrum and P.C.s L. C. Birkett and T. R. Butler, of the Liverpool City Force, for tha excellent arraugements which were made. Also to Mr. G. R. Newlon and other nuembers of the Laneashire Association who assisted in aly way to the making of such a successful meeting and enjoyable day.

## 'CHE LELCESTER PARTY'S EXPERIENCES

The Leicester contingent. writes a correspondent, met at 7 a.m. and uil reported pronptly, with the exception of one 'Raw-son of a Gum,' enownal, appureutly, for punctuality. The party mumbered 24 and included 'he 'ever-present, ' clare we say 'evergreen,' $\operatorname{F}$. H. D.' The journey conmeuced in grod style in a specially reserved saloon, and soon the handbells were tinckling (tinckling's right) with tunes and ehanges. After a time, it was obvious that more than one member of the handbelt hand was interested in scenery, and on reaching Derbyshire it was a case of 'all eyes on deck', for 'Abraham's

Heights.' Either something was amiss with our look-out or the heights lad been lowered, because nothing was seen of them. Someone suggested that there was a famous mill in the district, but wo ueither saw the 'Mil(1)uer the gtream.'

On reaching Anbergate we were officially received by a representative of the L.M. and S. Railway Co, a porter agerl 14 jears, who rulshect his ear againge the saloou window in an eftort to haar more of the bells. Judging by the wagnilg of his ears and the astoniched look upon his face, he had mever heard anything so weird before. Has hended his cap through the window to receive a collertion made for him and his face failly 'lit up' as we left him ou the plationn.
Please note that this 'lit-un' has no connection with the " lit-up' in the 'Dexter Code.'
During this time a member of the 'solo' school hat been making steady progress, and it was a question whether or not he would require a 'Carter' to carry of the bumee. "The Tylucky Old Soldier' was in the school asain.
We arrived at Livernool in srod time and made our way to dit. Fraucis Xavicr's Church, Solishury Street. The mext spectacle we observed was a Guild member and another ninger, yrite tall enouyt for a policeman ("no names, no packdrill '), Erying all the doors of a licensed house, Their efforts were in vain, Cries of 'Shame ' Irom the crowd. 'Opea doors' was not until 11.30 a.m. and il was How only 11.28 a.m.! This time they certainly were not ' Lit-up,' but very much ' Blacked-ont.'
Our next concern was the luncheon deliny. A complete parl was missing and the only naws of them was that they had gone to rug at a church a few miles out of Liverpool. When they did aypive no ous would wear the blame, and the only reasonable excuse fortheoning was that the church in question had been moved further ritom Liverpool.

## SEVEN IN A TAXI FOR FODR.

If there was one thing more than another we all wauted to see it was the famous Nersey Tumel. The following is sin account of one of the parties: During our visit to the new Cathedral oue fenale excrisionist mentioned to a policeman on duty outside the Cathedral that we wantert to go through the tunnel. He made no more to do than order at once it taxi. Maybe The was on commission. Auyhow a great stringle followed; half the party in the Cathedral aud wanting to see more of that and the other half outside marking time on the tasi driver. Poor Fred (not Dexter this time) was the zunuer between the parties, pleading to each for a mutual settoment. Eventually we all assombled nt the taxi. Now for another calurrity taxi to hold four pergons and sovell in the party. After some aryb ment the taxi driver exclaimed, really as a last hope, Well if you Poor Fred could neither stand up nor sit down. When he did eventually get down he appeared to make room for three more. Wo could bear the springs playing a tune on the back axle es we went bouncing through the sireets. The next trouble was a scarcity of frash air, but fortunately we were able to get a wiadow open belore the tuanel eatrance was reached. Someone said, "What in pity dhe Roes are not here. ${ }^{\text {E }}$ Surely a misunderstandiug ; we were going under the Mersey, not over it-no rowing needed. For the benefit of ihose who have not visited the tunnel, it may be well to explain that there is a lane for slow trafic and one for fast traffic in each divection through the tungel. What a screan went up as the driver carutionsly onlered the lane for 'slow trame.' Never a better cxample of 'safety first.
After the wondcrful experience of the tunuel we wanted to returu to the cafe for ter. Thien came a guessing competition for the nanle of the cafe. We knew it was somelhing to do with an animal's foot, 'Cow-heel ' was one suggestion. 'Sheep's trotter' another, aud in despair someons shouted 'The Boar's Head.' It's something to do with f pror bear. Ah! 'Bears Paw,' that's it. The tax driver landed us bacle safely and ne ome enjoyed the trip more than he did. We fully enjoyed the evening's entertainment, but had to leave before the finisil. Another 'lold-up.' Ono of our Freds put on is coat-not his own. Unfortumately, it was not neartly so good as lis own-lience the delay for the change.
The journey home was enjoyed in various ways. Solo selool, lantibell band and the shut-eye party. Leeicester was reached ahout 3 a.m. all well satisfied with the splendid day.
One inportant item missed. F. H. D. did not risg on the peal of twolve, but this line it was not our fandt, but his. If he admite if, it must be ao

## PASSING OF A HAMPSHIRE VETERAN.

The death took place at New Alresford, Hants, ou Februnry 10th, of M1. Edwin Kuight, after a short jilness, at the age of $84^{4}$ years. Ho had becn consected witha the hells for nearly the whule of his lifo and for many years was captain of the local band. He was ant at change ringer, bitb he loved and taok especial pride in the churel hells and wes a must regular attendant at Sunday bervice ringing. No one was more delighted than he when the recent restoration of che bells was completed.
Ho was lad to rest on Satmmay, Fehmary 3 ble, and many of hes old friends gathered to ring a muffed farewelt. lite whole null forl stand was rung 84 times by the local band, assisted by Mr. A. Noice, district secrecary of the Wimethester and Portsmoutlı Diocesail Guili.

## THREE GENERATIONS.

## FHE HARRISON FAMILY AR LOUGBBOROUGF

In outr last issue we recorded a peal of Bob Major in which three geverations of yet another family took part together. Geofirey Harrison, aged 13, tang with his father and grandfather, This photograph of them was takes in the ringing room at the Bell Foundry tower.

Mr. Robert Fanison began fis ringing career at the Parish Church, now the Cathedral, Slueffield; this was whilst still in bis teens, in 1888,

It was matural for Geoffrey to accompany his tuther into the Houndry Campanile on practice nights, and at nine yoars of age be could handlu any of the tex bells ibere. Fo was deternined to ring a peal betora he was thirteen, aud fato nearly intervened to prevent this-a weale before he was thirteen Geoffrey was laid up with the "Ilh, and then his father started with tho same symptoms, whieh seemed to put 'paid' to uny iden of eetting the peal. Fowever, they pulled round in tinus to malre the attempt and score on Jamary 2711 , as has been previously recorded.
There had leen the thought of inchading 'Grand d, but thele wus a [itule doubt as to whether Geofirey would have the stamina to stand


THREE CENERATIDNS OF THE HARRISON FAMILY.
and since then he has been associated with the Cathedral and St. Marie's companies, except for a brief spell in Landon in 1891-2. He has rung 45 peals.
Fis son, Colin, also first leamed to ring a bell at the Parish Chtreh, Sheffield, as a boy ten years old. He served four years in the Army during fine Great War and upon his return joined the Cathedral company mod later the St. Marie's company. In 1928 he took up his present post with Messwa. Taylor and Co, of Loughborough, over whose foundry he las acted as guide to mudreds of ringers. He has rimg 120 peals ranging from Minor to Meximus, and conducted peals from Minor to Ginques.
the time, so the idea was abandoned unkil he had proverd afterenty, nand, as wa revarded last week, the three generatious took part is a successfin peal of Bols Major on Monday, Febytary 8th. Younce Geoftrey is only a lightweight, but he has got the knack all right nat lias started what everyoue hopes will turn out to be a promising ringiug carear.
Oilier families who Inve in recent yeare litd the distinction of rimging poals in which theec generations have been included love been ihe Barnetts, of Cmyford, the comombridges, of Kent, ine Tilletts, of Jpswiel, the Syinonds, of Sultolk, und the Paulsons, of Derbysline.

## SHERWOOD YOUTHS.

WILL W. D. CROFTG MEMORIAL DINNER BE REVIVED?
The anmual mecting of the Society of Sherwood Fouths was held on Safurday, February 13bh, in St. Mary's tower, Nottingham, the Master, Mr. A. Coppock, presiding.

The acconnts were presented and passed aud three new members were elected.
On the proposition of Mr. Metcalf, secouded by Mr. Kirton, the oflicers were all re-clented.
The possiljility of rewiving the W. D. Crofts memorial dimen was put forward by one of the membets and several expressed regret that this gathering lad been allowed to lapse. After a shori disoussion the malter was commenderi for furiher consideration.
Snitalis places of meeting for this year were then consinder, aud an invitation from Mr. Kirton to visit Bottesford in the summer was accepted. The usual votes of thanks brought the meeting to a close.
Further ringing was then anjoyed, a variety af methoris loeing rung and every touch save one being successfully bought round.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The anmual meoting of the Western Division of the Sussex County Association was held at Chinhester on Saburday, February 13th, when 30 members attended from the following towers: Arundel Angnering, Boshan, Heene, Lyminster. Fortsmonth, Portsea, Rutigwick and the local band.

At the business meeling the Divisional Secretary and Committee of Advice were re-slceted. One change was made on the General Committee, Mr. E. Treagus, of Arundel, being elected in place of Mr. Adams.
A vole of thanks was ateorded to the Dean of Chichester Cathedral for the uso of the tells, on winin ringing took place during the afternoon and evening. Whe methods thong wuged from rounds to Donthle Norwish.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

UNPAID SETBSCRIPTIONS IN GRLMSTBY DTFTRIOI
The ammal meeting of the Grimsly District of the Lincoln Diocesan Guid was lield at Eib, Jawes', Grimshy. The bact wentlier liept a large number away, but members attended from Riaby, Burton-miStather, Sumthorpe, Louth, Alford, Ulechy, Killiugholme, Barrow-onHumber, Thaneon Curtis and the Joma members. Service was nouducted by ine Vienr (the Rev. F. Lisle Marsden), who gave ant interesting address.
Twenty-one sat down to ten. Tn the alisence of the mresident (Ven. Arohdeacon Parry), the Vicet kindly presirled at the business meeting. The secretary's nul Ringing Master's reports on the past year's worle were presentied, and a vote of thanks jassed to then.
Apolngies were received fromt the Gutill Ringing Master (MI. R. Richardsont and the president of the branch.
The secretary reported that they had lost a few members chring the past year and guite a number lad not paid their subscriplions. He lioped they wonld make amends duritg 1937.
The Viear was welcomed as an honorary member. It was reported that the Distriet Bell Fund anounted to 7 s . 6d., fud the Bell pund accounts were recented.

The places and dates of meetings, proposed by the Distrjet Committee. were accepted, viz. Thomton Curtis, April 10th; Alford, May 8th; Bighy, June 19th; Burton-on-Stather, July 17til; Barton-onHumber, freptumber 11th (subject to alteration). Combined prathices were arranged for Waltham on February 13th, Barton-on-Humber on Marelı 6th, and Elsham on March l3th.

A hearty vate of thanks was given to the Yiear far conducting the service, for the use of the bells and for his excellent, address to Mr. H. Ruslaby for presidurg at the organ, and to the eaterers for the cxrellent tea.
Tu replo the Yiar said he was very ghar to welcone thmon at Grimsty. Members then reburmed to bla tower for further ringing.

## THE LATE MR. J. W. MALYAN

FHTHER' OF RINGORS AT ST. STEPEEN'S, ST. ALRANS A- we briefy recorded last week, the death has taken place at St Alazo uf Mr. John William Malyan.
31. Halyan, who was 52 years of age, died at his home after a long illness. He leaves a widow and one daughter, with whom nuch sy mipatliy is felt.

We. Malyan stathed his hellringing careen in 1902 at. St. Albans Abley, after which be identilied himself with Sti. Stiephen's Chnteh, Where he became a member of the choir in the time of the late Rey, W. 1). Wh. Dudey. He had heen the conductor of the St. Stephen's Socicty of Ringers since about 1905 and had taken part in the ringing of pyer a lundred peals. Mombers of the present St. Steplen's commany redaried him as the "finther" of the band hecanse he ingtructed them all in the art of campanology.
In his jomurer days, Mr. Malyan was a keen footballer. He played 11 lomit junlor games fand for two seasons before the war le captained St, Alhans Gity's secord eleren.
fhe first part, of the funcral serrice, held in St. Stephon's Chureh, Wis conducted by the Rev. B. E. F. Mitichell (Vicar of Bt. Miehael's), who gave a brief address in which he paid tribute to deceased's unurge and fortitude duritng his lous and painful illness and expressed sympaldy with the relatives, Mr. Mitehell also officiated at the gravesafl. Handbells were mang over the operi grave after the committaI by Messes. पW. Avre, G. Dobenham, F. Kirk and C. Jets.
Bofore the service. and aftetwards, the following members of the St. Stephen's hand zang linle-mufled touches of Grandsite Donhes in momory of their late conduefol' Messrs. $G$. Prait (conductory, R.「wor, A. Ewer, R. Andrews, R. Bedfow and A. Fingey.
Tu the evening half-mufflen touches of Plath Boh and Grandsire Doubles were mug at St. Michucl's Chureh, St, Albans, by Messrs. F. Gidkings, A. Ealon, A. Falsey, sen., L. Tumer, F. Peters, E. Funt and S. Farmer (St. Michael's), F. Kirl: (St. Peter's) anfl C. Ewer (St. Stophen's). A half-maflent tonch was alko rung at St. Albans abhey
a mumerans cougragation attended to pay a last iribute ol respect. anil mnong the rimgers mresent in addition to those already mentioned whe Jessrs. T. I. Whiteman, T. Blow aud $C$. Walklate representing thw Cailhedral Society of Charge Ringers. nnd Messrs. J. F. Chatley aril F.. I Gale were present on helalf of St. Peter's Society.
Among the many wreaths were the following: 'With deepest sympathy, From his fellow-wombmates at Messrg. Dumhm aud Martin' : ${ }_{11}$ iffedionate remembrance of our Conductor Jack; from This frllow-ringers at St. Sterlien's, George, Reg, Bob, Abel, Diek amil Rom. This is all. Stand; With deenest sympaby, from the Cnthe dial Sonicty of Change Ringtils': "With deepest sympathe, from St. Titer's Samiety of Cliange Ringers * Wilh deepest sympatlis:, from SI. Minhowl's Women's Meeting aud Mothers' Union.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

MR. A. E. SHARMAN GIVES $11 \rho$ LUTON DIFTRTCT SECRETARYSHII
The anmand meeting of the SAtou District was held at the lyrion Thumb, Dtinstable, and was farly woll atended. The bells wercerng 10 various methods from 2.45 p.ma, to tea time. Teat was served in presirled aver ly the Rector of Dunstable (Canon H. A. Griflith), supported liy the Mayor of punstable (Conneillor F. Kenworthy), Canuridosi S. G. Thiswell and others.
Tha chairman congratulated the district sectetary on being (sinee inir lnst meeting) eleated to the Town Conncil.
The offeers e'ected for the ensing year were: Chaiman, Mr. A. Kiner Luton; hon, sepretary, Mr. T. J, Plummer, Leighton Buzzard; ta the General Committee, Mr. F. F.'Snith, Husborme CrawIey, nud M1. H. D. Harris, Wabura
iti: A. E. Sharmant, on resierning the post of district secretary, gaid that it was on Feluraay 14 th, 1920 . that he was first appointer, almost 17 years to the day, that was a long time in the life of a volntary ournansation. He felt compelled to resign owing to the pressure of
of her work. Fo hoped tho members wonld help Mr. Plumamer all they

The Rector said the mews Ahat 3Ir. Shamman inteuded to resign had come as anock to bime nud he proposed that the best thanses of the members shonld be necorded to ML. Sharman for all be had done and he resorcied in the minutes.
The fonv quarterly mnetinge were fixed as follows : Litrm, Apris 171ti: Woburn. July 17th: Leighton Bugzard, Octoher 16th: anrl Dinstalle. Tehurary 124 h, 1.938.

A voto of thanks was passed to the Rector for the use of the bells, rud a course of Grandsire Caters 'in hand ' was aiterwards rung. The tower was again wisited and tive bells were kept husy in many met hods until 8 p.m.
Wr. Sharnatu, althonoth giving up the sceretaryship of the Enton Disfrict. still rotains the moue important offine of general serretary of ihe Bentordshite Asconiation.

BOSTON, TTNCOLNSTIRE-On Sundey, Fobrnary 14th. for evengoller a quarter-peal of Grandsite Triples ( 1.260 chatiges) : S. Appleby 1. J. Sharpe 2, S. Jessop 3, A. Appleby 4, R. Brown 5, A. Gllis 6, F. Dewey eonduclory 7. W. E. Clarke B. Specinlly arranged and yong

## DEVON GUILD

NORTH-WEST BRANCE ANNUAL MET:TING.
Great Forrington was the vemue of the ammal meeting of NorthWest Brauch of the Devon Guild of Fingers, and members from Buidmernde, Holsworthy, Petersmarland, Ponndstock, Pyworthy, Plymonth and Sutcombe assemblod in supporl of the chamman, the Rev. W. H. Raremhill.

The service in the Parish Chureh was eoncheted ly the Vicar (the Tev. Keble Martin), the Revs, W. H. Suale and W. F. Ravenhili heing also in nttendance. Jn his andress the Viear stressed the desirability of sympathy and enmumity between all who work in the service of God.
A collection was made on belable of the Guild Church Bell Restoraion Fund.
Ten was served in the Glote Hotel, after whith follnwed the busithess masting, when the report and lalanee sheet were aceepted. Five members of the Poundstock band and Mr Gomer (Weare Gifford) were elected to the Guild.
The Res. W. H. Ravenhill (dhamma), Mr. J. W. Sangwin (haw. secretary), Mr. W. J. Shears (trensurer) and Mr. F. Sangwin (Ringing Mastar', with the representatives to the Guild Comnittce, wele evected for the eusuins year and hearlily thanked for past services.
A cordial sote of thanks was given to the Rev. Keble Martin ion his interesting address and the use of the bells, as well as to the organist ( ${ }^{\text {sis }}$ iss Wright)
Ringiny ou the beartilna poral of eight, recently relung by J. Jiayior and Ca., tentr 15 cwt. consisting of rounds, Stedman mud Grancisite Triples, continuerl till 7.30 p.m., when the bells were lowered in a strie worthy of the best 'Devonshire' tradition.

## DEARTH OF YOUNG RINGERS.

## SUSSEX FINDS DIFFICULTE TN FTLLING GAPS.

Thu dearth of young ringers in Sussex was referred to ot the anmual dinner of the Southover (Lewes) Guild, Ineld on T'uesdey, Feb. Gth, at the King's Head lan, when the Rector fthe Rev. D. G. Mothews) presided and was supported by Mr. H. E. White aund Nr. R. Curtis (vice-presidents).

After the loyal toast had been honoured, Mr. FF. Bemmett (Brighton) proposed ' 'lhe Southover Bellingers' Guild,' and reforred to the loss they lad sustaised in the recent death of Mr. R. J. Dawe. Proceeding, ho said the fromble nowndays was thab the old enthusiasis weve pascing on ami fow yomngar mer carao forward to tako the vacnnt places.
Mr. G. P. Elphick (hon. seerefary of the Guild), respondingr, said althongh ihe Guild was ruming very well dry warted more young men to take an interest in hellringing.
Mr. A. J. Turner (captain of the Guild) proposed 'The Sussex Comity Association,' and refermed to the times when belfries were not kept in as goon a condition as they were to-day. Hin those days the belfries ware often a sourco of dinger to the fingers and there was no aulhority to inspect them.
Responding, Mr. S. E. Amustrovg (hon. secvetary) Eaid the Sussex Conuty Association were finding a keartl of young ringers. There Were so many other attuactions for the young men of to-day that it Was very lard to get then interested.
Mr. W. Ward proposed "The Presidend and Vice-Presidents," and said that the Rector of Southower had been with them aver six yoars. He had interested himself to a great extont in all the aclivities of the churels, especially the bellringers. Ho joined heartily in everything which thoy did and they loped that Mr. Mattlows would have many More years with them. With the tonst he couplert the name of Mrs Matthews, and musical lionnors were accorded.
The Jew. D. G. Matthews remarked on the excellant senvetary and twensurer the Guikl hat and on the businesslike why in which the Gifild was managed.
Mr. F. Crees proposed 'The Host and Hostess, and Mr. and Mrs. T. Miszell replied.

The ninsiwal progranume was sustained by Messts. A. J. Turner, . Crees, T, Woolston, T. Taylor, W. Ward, G. Elphick and others.

## MR. JOSEPH SADDINGTON'S LONG SERVICE.

## SIXTY YEARS A RTNGER.

Mr. Ioseply Saddington, of Burton Latimer, Northatit, has completed 60 years as $n$ tinger, first at Oranford and the last 18 years aib Burton Latimer. For evening service on Sumday, February 14 th , and to mark this lang period of service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Boh Majo: ( 1,280 charges) was rung at Burton Latimer when the veteran ringer trol patt: ©. Lines 1, M. Fobbs 2, FI, Turuer 3, T. J. Tite 4, T. Saddington 5, R. J. Saddington 6. R. P. Morris 7, R. G. Bleck (couductor) 8 .

At the anmual meating of the Parochial Church Council recently, the Rector" (the Rev. H. T. Edwards, M.A.) presented Mr. Saddington with a clock and added that his record of service to lhe charchs was one of which any Ghristian might be proud.
All his ringing friends wish M1. Saddington heald and strength lang to continue, and to add more years to this wonlerfill record.

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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755). The 49th annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, Feb. 27th, at 6 p.m. prompt, when the chair will be taken by Rev. H. McGowan, M.A., Vicar of Aston. The bells of St. Martin's (i2) and Aston Parish Church (12) will be available from 3.30 to 5 o'clock. -Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136 , Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham 11.
LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District.-A meeting is to be held at Gamston, near Retford, on Saturday, Feb. 27 th . All ringers welcome. Tea 5 p.m.-E. Dorice Kelly, Hon. Sec., 171, Richmond Road, Sheffield 9.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Wisbech Branch. - Next meeting at Tinney All Saints on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 . We should like you to be present.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. A meeting will be held at Somersham on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Belis 3 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. - H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.
MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District-The next meeting will be held at Rolleston-onDove on Saturday, Feb. ${ }^{27}$ th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 4.45 p.m. North Staffs and Derby District members cordially invited.--J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Burnham ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Feb. 27th, at 3 p.m. -A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexhatr, Slough.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. Meeting of Southampton District at Mottisfont on Feld. 27 th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.n7. Tea 4.30 p.m. Romsey bells available 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.GG. Pullinger, 17, Stoke Patk Road, Bishopstoke, Hants.
BEDFORDSFIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Northill on Saturday, Feb, 27 th. Bells available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome. We ask 100 tn come and have a pleasant time with us.-C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Adwick on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. A hearty welcome extencled to all.--Ernest Cooper, 1, Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey, Doncaster.
YETMINSTER, DORSET.-The treble bell, to complete the ring of six (tenor 19 cwt .), supplied by Messrs. riillett and Johnston, wiil be dedicated by the Bishop of Salisbury on February 27th. All ringers welcome.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Joint meeting Wigan and Bolton Branches.-This meeting will be held at Hindley on Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.-S. Forshaw, $3^{8}$, l'oolstock, Wigan.
MDDAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-LOHg borough District.-The next meeting will be held il Whitwick on Saturday, February 27 ith . Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. First mecting here since 1933 , so please come in crowds and encourage the local land.H. O. Over, 130, Ashburton Road, Hugglescote.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Elranch. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. James', Rushome, on Saturday, February 27th. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Service at $40^{\prime}$ clock. Tea at B , Is. each. Mceting in the Parish Room. Members and nonmembers are cordially invited to attend. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. ]. Huxstep, 12, Birehfields Avenue, Rusholme. Subscriptions duc.-J. H. Ridyarel, Branch Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHN (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be hekl at *St. Paul's Cathedral on March 2nd and 30th; St. Matynus' on the 4th and 18th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 9th; and *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 16 th at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Claphan, S.W.4.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Northern District.-A combined practice will be held at All Saints', Gosforth ( 10 beils), on Thursday, March 4 th, at 7.30. Ringers are urged to attemel to make sure of a successful mecting.-K. Arthur. Hon. Sec
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Eastern Divi-sion.- The annual meeting will be held at Eastbourne (Christ Church) on Saturday, March 6th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea $50^{\prime}$ 'clock (is. 3d. per head). St. Saviour's tower open from 7.30 till $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will those intending to be present let me know Wednesclay previous to meeting ? A. E. Pankhurst, Div. Hon. Sec., 13, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.
APPLETON, BERKS.-The 1 Igth anniversary will be celebrated Saturday, March 6th. Bells availaljle all day. Dinner at 5 p.m. Please notify R. White, Appleton, Berks.
SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Morriston on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (6) avaitable 3 p.m. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, wilh tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. Nunbbers for tea by Tuesday, March 2nd, certait. - E. Stitch, 21 , Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.
SURREY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at Leatherhead on Saturday, Mar. 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock and in the evening. Service 5 o'clock. Tea (15. per head) at the Institute 5.45. Meeting 6.30. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. Arthur Dean, 24, Church Walk, Leatherhead, by Thursday, March 4 th.-Chas. H. Kippin, Hon. Sec., 10, Courtney Road, Croydon.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Biddenden on Saturday, March 6th. Bells ready 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., 110, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division. -A meeting will be held at Brentwood on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Will all those intending to be present advise me by Wednesday, March 3rd, and oblige? Subscriptions for 1937 are now due.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Mawneys Road, Romford.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -A meeting will be held at Hampstead on Saturday, March 6th. Ringing: St. Ann's, Highgate (8), 3-4. I5 p.111.; St. Steplien's, Hampstead (io), 5-5-45. Service in St. Stephen's 6 p.m. Tea in Church Hall 6.30 Ringing alter tea, Hampstead, until 8, Gospel Oak (6) 8-9 p.m. We expect to see every Cumberland is North London at this meeting. Names for tea by 3 rd to N . Summerhayes, Asst. Sec., 26, Wilmot Road́, Dart ford.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Stowmarket on Saturday, March bth. Tea at Dykes' Restaurant, 5 , Station Road, at 4 p.m., is. each, meeting follows.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIA-TION.-A ringing meeting will be held at South Normanton on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock. Please notify me how many will require tea by Thursday, March 4th.-J. W. England, 49, The Common, South Normanton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.A ringing meeting will be held at Whittle-le-Woods, near Chorley, on Saturday, March 6th. Bells ready 3 p.m. No branch business meeting, as the general committec meet during the afternoon. A hearty invitation given to all ringers to attend. Teas arranged, 1s. per head, only for those who notify Mr. F. G. Bradley, New Road Parade, not later than Wednesday, March 3rd--J. Charnock, Branch Sec.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-A meeting will be held at Ickleton on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting.-C. W. Cook, District Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhal! Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at Daresbury on Saturday, March 6th, at 3 p.m. Kindly advise me by March 3rd if requiring tea.-J. E. Ashcroft, Hon. Sce., Post Office, Grappenhall.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held jointly with the Ashford District of the Kent County Association at Biddenden on March 6th.-P. Page, Hon. Sec.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-A meeting for practice will be held at Wednesbury on Saturday, March 6 th, from 3 p.m. All are wel-conie.--IF. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The monthly meeting will be held at Holt on Saturday, March 6th. Beils (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 . All ringing friends welcome.-W. C. West, Hon. Scc., Melksham.

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. -A meeting will be held at Newcastle on Saturday, March 6th. Bells ( 10 ) available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.11. Tea at 5.30 . Will those requiring tea please notify me by Marci 3rd?-Andrew Thompson, 37, Broad Street, Newcastle, Staffs.
DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The annual meeting will be held at Dudley on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.30 . Tea will be provided for those only who notify me not later than Tuesday, March 2nd. Business meeting after-wards.-Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 49, Hellier Strect, Dudley, Worcs.
PETERBOROUGF DIOCESAN GUILD.-Thrapston Branch.-A meeting will be held at Lowich, near Thrapston, on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (6), recently rehung, ready at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea at 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.-W. J. Whitmore, Raunds, Northants.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.Next meeting at Wigan Parish Church on Saturday, Mar. 6th. Bells availabie from 3 p.m. A peal board recording the peal of Grandsire Caters, rung by members of the Wigan Branch, will be unveiled and dedicated by the Rector at 4.20 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea in School at 5.15 , is. each. Please notify Mr. G. T. Jenks, 199, Warrington Road, Pemberton, Wigan, for tea. Special invitation to Liverpool ringers.-S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock Road, Wigan.
SHAFTESBURY, DORSET.-The ring of six, tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr., has been restored by Messrs. Giilett and Johnston, and will be dedicated by the Archdeacon of Dorset on Sunday evening, March 7 th. All ringers welcome.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-On Sunday, March 7th, at 3 p.m., a service will be held at St. George's Church, Bolton. During the service, the Bishop of Manchester will dedicate a church memorial to the late Canon Elsee. Ringing from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., Bolton Branch.
KINGSDON, SOMERSET.-The ring of 5 (tenor 26 cwt.), rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Bath and Wells on Monday, March 8th, at 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general committee meeting will be held at Reading in St. Lawrence's Hall, Abbey Street, at 3.15 p.m., on Saturday, March $1^{\text {th }}$ th.-Richard T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec., 69, York Road, Reading.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Cheltenham Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Bislop's Cleeve on Saturday, March 13th. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea 5.30 by kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. T. Jesson). Business meeting to follow. Please notify by the 10th.-Walter Yeend, Branch Sec., Millfield, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham.

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ELY ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch.-A ringing meeting will be held at Whittlesey, near Peterborough, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Tea will be arranged. Please come and, until then, kindly while your time in Bob Major, Double Norwich and Cambridge Superlative and London Surprise. Book the date and don't be late, my friend said. Tea can only be arranged by notification March 9th latest.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Ashtrec, Mill Road, Over, Cambs.

LADIES' GUILD.-Western District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Ambrose's, Bristol, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Will those desiring tea kindly let me know by March 10th? -N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Bath.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Ctiurch, Blackburn, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Everybody welcome.-F . Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.The annual meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Longwood, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available from $20^{\prime}$ clock. Service in the church at 4.15 p.m. Tea in the Schoois at 5 o'clock at a charge of 1 s . 3d. to all who send in names to Mrs. Winterbottom, 20, Thornhill Road, Longwood, by Tuesday, March 9th. Business meeting for election of officers at 6 o'clock. The recast bells of Lindley Parish Church will also be available throughout the day. All welcome.-Frank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The usual monthly meeting will be held at St. Helen's Parish Church on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. Service $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5.45 p.m., price 9d. Meeting to follow. Subscriptions due. Visitors welcome.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.- South and West Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Chiswick, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells from 3.30. Quarterly business, etc., details later.-EF. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Roarl, Iver Heath, Bucks.
SOCEETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - Annual dinner will be held at the Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden Lane, W.C.1, on Saturday, March 13th, at 6.30 p.m., when the chair will be taken by the Master, supported by the Rev. Pat McCormick, Vicar of St. Martin-in-the-Fields. The bells of St. Olave's, Hart Street, will be available from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., St. Bride's, Fleet Street, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., and St. Martin-in-the-Fields, 5 p.m. to 5.55 p.m. Tickets (5s. 6d. each) available from Messrs; G. H. Cross, G. W. Steere, G. Gilbert, R. Heazcl, G. Radley and E. J. Butler. Application for tickets with remittance should be made not later than Monday, March 8th.- J. E. Bailey, Hon. Dinner Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dartiord, Kent.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Blackpool, on Saturday, Marci 13th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Mecting 5.30. Members and non-members welconed.-C. Sharples, Branch Secretary, 35, Berwick Road, Squires Gate, Blackpool.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Preliminary notice. - The annual general meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday. Ringing, service, lunch, business meeting and more ringing. Keep this day free. Full particulars next week.-Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. Sec.

HERTS ASSOCIATION.-Watforl District.-The meeting arranged for Aldenham for March 13 th has been postponed till April 17th.

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## A CORONATION YEAR 'PUSH.'

Those who have at heart the future of the Exercise will give their approval to the suggestion, made by Mr. Frank Perrens on Saturday at the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner at Birmingham, that in this Coronation year a great 'push' should be nade to increase the number of bell ringers. It is not only that ringers will require to be at full strength to do justice to the great national celebrations in May, but the maintenance of the art demands that a united effort should be made to increase the ranks of those responsible for ringing in the future. In some places, it is true, there are fortunate bands of ringers who regulatly ring all their bells for the Sunday services, but there is a large number of towers where the personnel is definitely short of the number of bells or where the circumstances are such that a full band cannot always be depended upon. These bands need suppiementing. Further, there are other towers where the bells are silent for want of ringers, and efforts are needed to re-create an interest in the belfry.
Bells are going to play an important part in the Coronation celebrations in thousands of towns and villages, and the coming event provides one of the best opportunities that have occurred for more than a quarter of a century, for advocating the claims which church bells should liave upon the interests of the public and the need there is for recruils. Except where the payment of the ringers keeps their little coterie a ' closed 'society, recruits are always welcome, but this is an exceptional opportunity for interesting suitable recruits. Ringers, however, must he prepared to shoulder the task themselves and use every means at their disposal to make the matter known in every likely quarter. The church organisations should be able to provide much suitable material, but acceplable recruits might well be found outside, if the ringers themselves make it their special business. It may mean real endeavour, but much would be accomplished if every ringer set himself to bring in a recruit during this year and teach him to ring a bell. What is needed is definite and determined effort. Any source that may be useful should be tapped and the aid of the clergy and even the public press might be enlisted, but the real brunt of the task must fall upon the ringers. The reviving of interest in those places where there are now no ringers will be a more difficult business, perhaps, and it is the associations and guilds that can take a hand in such cases, by first enlisting the sympathy and help of the clergy and Church Council to collect likely recruits and then supplying instructors. Our belfries, nearly all of them, need recruits and, as Mr. Perrens pointed out in his speech, there never was a more favoured time than that provided by Coronation year for a great effort to obtain them.

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Composed by J．E．Groves．Conducted by Jonn Worte．
＊First peal of Stedman Caters．First peal of Stedman Caters as conductor：

SOUTHEND－ONGEA，ESSEX．
THE ESEEX ASSOOIATION．
On Salurday，Februay 27，1937，in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes， At tar Parish Cefreb，Pritileweel，

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL， 5040 CHANDE8：

 Tenar 18⿺⿸⿻𠃋丿又丶 cwt．＂Norman Tonnsend ．．．．．．Teble Frank Lofkin ．．．．．．．．． 6
William Dodley $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$｜Albert Norte ．．．...
－Walier Taylor ．．．．．． 3 Erngsi W．Ftrbank ．．．． 8
Harry Torner ．．．．．．．．． 4 Stanley Baybuti ．．．．．． 9
＊Rosert Watts ．．．．．．．．． 5 Gordon Bacon ．．．．．．．．．．．．．
Composed by H．J．Tockrr．Conducted by Frink Lufrin．
＊First peal of Royal．First penl of Royal as conductor． GROYDON，SURETY．
THE SURREY ASSOGIATION．
On Suturday，February 27，7937，in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes，
At tae Cudrcy of St，Peter．
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS， 5039 GHANGES； Tenor 30 cwt in D．
－William Witierwice ．．．Treble fFrrderick E．Collins ．．． 6
David Wriget ．．．．．．．．．$\quad 2$ †Frederick L．Leeks．．．．．． 7
tartant Jones...
†Roy A．Simmons ．．．．．．． 4 Cearlec H．Kippin ．．．．．． 9
Henry E．Mills ．．．．．． 5 Daniel D．Cooper ．．．．．．．Tmor Conducted by Cearlas H．Kipgin．
＊First peal．t First peal of Grandsire Catere．$\ddagger 100 t \mathrm{~L}$ peal．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

ERTTH，耳ENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASROCIATION． On Monday，Fobruary 22，1937，in There Hours， At ter Church of St．John－the－Bapist，
A PEAL DF LESGNESS SURPRISE MAJDR， 6088 GHANGES； Tenor $I_{5}$ cwt．in $G$ ．

| Jobn Wheadon | ... | $\ldots$ | ...$T y e b l e$ | Herbert E．Addsley | ... | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John H．Cbresman | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Harry Hoverd | $\ldots$ | ... | .. | 5 | Edwin A．Barnext $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Fredarick J．Collem $\quad . . .7$ Harry Hoskins ．．．．．．．．．． 4 Harry Parkis ．．．．．．．．Temoy

Composed by J．Rezves．Conducted by Frederice J．Coliom．
This methed is now ming for the firgt binse．The author is Mr．

# HELMTNGHAM，SUTPOLE <br> THE SUFFOLK GDILD． <br> f，Monday，February 22，1937，in Three Howrs and Four Minutes， <br> At the Catrge of St．Mary． <br> A PEAL OF DROITWIGH SURPRISE HAJOR，5O24 CHANCES； Tenor 1曈 cwt． 

Josn H．Arbon ．．．．．．．．．Treble｜Grorge Benngit ．．．．．． 5 Albert E．Whiting ．．．$\ldots . .2$ T，William Last $\quad . .$.
 Leslig G．Breti．．．．．．．．．．． 4 James Bennetr，jon．．．．．．．．Tehat

Composed by G．Lindope． 72 in $G$ ．Lindoff＇s collection，is now rung
This method，which is No． 72 ． This method，wh
for the Iust time．

## NORTHFNEET，KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Wednesday，February 24，1937，in Two Hours and Forty－Seven Minntes， At tae Cavrey of St．Botolph，

## A PEAL OF BOB MANOR，6ESO OHANOEEI

 Tenor 16t cmb．－Nortan Sommargayes ．．．Treble Colin A．Hopper
－Arybur Dorling ．．．．．． 2 DEREK M．SHARP．．．．．．
 Composed by J．R．Pritchard．Conducted by G．J．Botcerr． ＊First peal of Bob Majoz on tower belle．t First peal with an inside＂bell．

HETHERSETT，NORFOLK．
THE NORFICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On 7 hursady，February 25，1937，in Two Hours and Forly－Nind ${ }^{\text {If inutes；}}$ Ay taf Cerreb of St．Remigios，

## A PEAL OF DDUBLE BOB MAJOR， 6088 CHANGE8；

 Tenor io cwt．I6 lb．in $G$ ．Sidney Flint $. . . \quad . . . \quad . .$. Ireble $|$| Rossell W．Curson ．．． |
| :--- |
| Henry |
| ．．． |

Nolan Golden ．．．．．．．．．． 2 Henry Tooke....
Cligford Bird..........$\quad 3 \quad$ Cgcil V．Ebberson....
George Maytrs ．．．$. . . \quad . . .4$ William J．Clover ．．．．．．Thay Composed and＂．onducted by Nolan Gcleme．
First＇touch＇in the method by all．First peal in the method on the leells and for the association．

CRAYFORD，KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCTATION．
On Friday，February 26．1937．in Two Hours and Fifiy－One Minutos．
At rhe Ceurce of St．Paulinus，
A PEAL OF CANTERBURY PLEASURE HAJOR， 5184 GHANCES； Tenor 12 $\mathbf{4}$ cwt．



Composed by G．Conyard．Conducted by E．A．Barnert．
F First peal in the method，J．Bennett＇s 900 th peul．
BOLTON LANQASEIRE．
THE NATIONAL POLICE GUTDD
AND THE LANGASHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Friday，February 26，1937，in Two Hours and Fifly Minutes，
Ay the Chorge of the Holy Trinity，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，5040 CHANEES； Tenor ryit cwt．in E．
P．C．William Rozinson ．．．Tyebla｜P．C．Riceard Benson ．．． 5
P．C．Pbter Croor ．．．．．．． 2 P．C．Joseph Wilson ．．． 6
－P．C．Gzorge Pye ．．．．．．．． 3 P．S．Peter Croor ．．．．．．． 7 P．C．William Pye ．．．．．． 4 tP．C．Frank Yates ．．．．．．Tanoy Composed by J．W．Waserrook．Conducted by P．S．Peter Crook ＊First in the method away from tonor．中 First in method．Rung to celebrate the honour of the King＇s Police Medal being conferred upon the Guild＇s president，Supto Williams，of Manchester City Police， and as a birthday compliment to ex－P．C．Dick Newton，of Boston， U．S．A．

## WATLINGTON，OXON．

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，February 27，1937，in Thyed Hours and Eleven Minwtes， At tee Cedrce of St．Lronard，

## A PEAL OF YORKBHIRE gURPRIBE MAJOR，508B CHANQES；

Tenor 24 cwt．
Harry Wingrove ．．．．．．Treble Willian Welling ．．．．．．． 5 Miss Dorothy R．Fletceer 2 ＂Tony Price ．．．．．．．．．．．． 6 Miss Karblefn E．Fletceier 3 George Martin ．．．．．．．．． 4

Composed by C．W．Roberts．
＊First peal in the method． O\＃ATHAM，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Fobruary 27，1937，in Three Hours and Thirte日t Mincles，
At tas Ceurce of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE BURPRIBE MAJOR， 5088 ENANCES；

## Tenor 25 cwt．

Cearlis E．J．Morriss ．．．Tveble Frank Brlfry ．．．．．．．．．． $50 .^{5}$
－George A．Naylor ．．．．．． 2 Norman Summpgayes ．．． 6
Jogn H．Cbresman ．．．．．． 3 Herbrrt E．Adosley．．．．．． 7
Derhe M．Searp ．．．．．． 4 Harry Pafkes ．．．．．．．．．Tonor
Composed by N．J．Pitstow．Conducied by Harry Parkes．
＊First Surprise peal．First Surprise peal as conductor．
ACTON，MIDDLESEX．
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，February 27，1937，in Thyee Hours，
At the Chorch of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF SPLICED LONDON，BRISTOL，GAHBRIDCE，AND
SUPERLATIVE gURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 GHANGES；
Tenor 14 owt．

J．E．Lewis Ceckey ．．．．．．Troble Ernest C．S．Lewis ．．．．．． 5 | Grorgr M．Kllgy | ... | ... | 2 | Jambs H．Riding．．． | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| J．Armiger Trollope．．． | ．．＂ | 3 | Harry Kilby | ... | ... | .. | 7 |

 Composed̉ by A．J．Pirman．Conducted by W．G．Wilson．
This composition contains 2,432 changes of London， 1,088 of Bristol， 768 of Cambridge and 768 of Superlative，with 104 changes of method． The conductor＇s first peal of＇spliced＇away from treble．He had never previously called a bob in any Surprise method．

PULHAM，NORFOLK．
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Satwodav，Fobrwary 27，1937，in Three Hours anc Ten Minnules，
At ter Ceorca of St．Mary－the－Virgin，
A PEAL DF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE mAJOR． 5088 GHANRES
Tenor 14 rub．
Ernest Weying ．．．．．．Tyeble
－Walter Fisey
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Charlbs Bafbr ．．．．．．．．．．} & 3 \\ \text { Fredrrick C．Roper } & 4 & 4\end{array}$
Stanley W．Copling．．．

Composed by N．J．Pirstow． Frederick C．Gunton
Cbarles Loome ．．．．．．．．．．．Tint
＊Fisst peal in the methorl．
TEROWLEY，KENT，
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，February 27．1937，in Thres Hours and Ter Minutes，
At tee Ceurce of St．Mighael and All Angels，
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR， 5120 GHANEE8； Tenor 11 cowt ．

Grorger Kbnward
Wileiam Spice ．．．
Walter A，Dobele
J．Wilelam Unwin
．．．Tioble

Composed by E．Dence

Frank Bennett．

First peal of Double Norwich on the bells．

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GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, February 27, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Catrch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, FOEG CHANGES; Middleton's.
Frentrick J. Crapnrll ...Tyeble

- Miss Sylvia R. E. Bowyer 2 Frank L. Fisubr ... ... 3 Charlbs J. Sedgley... .... 4 Wieliam J. (a. Brown ...Taror Conducted by Georgr A. Fleming.
* Pirst peal of Canbridge Major SLAUGHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOOIATION
On Saturday, February 27, 1937. in Two Hours and Fifly-Eight Minwtes, At the Chercy of St. Mary.


## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANEES;

「burstans' Five-Part

- Frbdrrtck Gadsmark
. Treble
Tgomas Mitchry
Wileiam Waerler.

Tenor if cwt. I gr. 20 lb .
James jbffrey ... ... ... 5 Thomas Gasson... ... ... 6 Grorge Lewry... ... ... 7 Franir Campman ... ..Temor

* First peal. First peal of Guandaire Triples on the bells. The ringer of the treble belongs to the loeal band. HANDSWORTH, SEEFIIELD, YORES. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Sispfigld District Socibty.)
Om Saturday, February 27 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Caurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5248 CHANGES, Tenor 12 cwt .
 Fraderick Cardwble
… 3 Erbderick Cardwbll ... 4 talfrbd H Bowler... ...Tehay Composed by A. Knigets (iz3). Conducted by A. F. Knigats
This composition is now rung for the first time. * First peal of Treble Bob. $\dagger$ First peal of Oxford.


## BALDOCK, HERTS

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Hebruary 27, 1937, in Three Hours, At tha Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenar 28 cwt .
josbpa S. Hawhins ...
...Treble Hzrbert Else ... ...

- DonaldC. Mbafs ... ... 2 Lewis H. Bywaters ...
Wilelam J. Norton ... ... 3 Grorgr W. Debengam
tPrbcy Tompkins ... ... 4 R. Thomas Nbwman ... ... Temo Composed by H. Knghis ( 5 55). Conductu d by R. T. Newman.
This composition is now fung for the first time. *. First peal of Bab Major. + First peal on eight bells. A 20th birthday compliment to Miss F. Else, daughter of the ringer of the 5th.
WITLEY, SURREY.
THE GUTDDFRRD DIOCESAN GULD. On Saturduy, Februayy 27, 1037, in three Howrs,
At thr Chorcr of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, bOA0 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Transponition of Therstans' Fofr-part. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 ģr. t 2 lb .
Tgomas E. Denybr ... ...Tyeble Ennest J. Aylaffe
Alpred H. Pailing ... ... 2 C. Ernest Smita

Raymond Overy ... ... ... 4 Wiepred Bartlett ... ....Tcho
Conducted by Alerbd H. Polling.


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## SIX BELL PHALS

gRtat Finborotigh, surfolk THE SUFFOLE GUILD.
On Salurday, Febrvay 13, 1937, in Ihree Hours.

## At the Cherch of St. Andrew.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Consisting of scven exterts called differently.
A. R. Woodward...
E. Cxacknell ... .... ....

I Sterd.. ... ... ... ... 3 A. Gejhwood ... ... ... Teror
Condacted by $F$. Rortr.
First peal in the method by all extept ringer of treble, and the first peal in the method on the bells.

## HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KIENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Fenquay 27, 1937, in three thomy una Fourtem Minutes,
At the Cherch of S . Maggabt,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of London and two 720 's ench of Westaninster, Ipswich and Cambridge.

Tenor $19{ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Freu-kick J. Lambert ...Treble / Reginald e. Lambert
Frbderick J. Lambert, sen. 2 Edwin Bromley ... ... ... 5 Alan Bhomley ... ... ... 3 , Robert I. Lahbert ... ...Temoy

Conducted by K. T. Lamвн.т.
Rung as a birthday compliment to F. J. Lamberb, sen., the baud congratulating bim on attaining the age of 70 . It was alsa it birthday pesif $\mathrm{for}^{\text {Miss }}$ Florence Lambert, daughter of the ringer of the telor.

HORTON, BUCKTNGEAMSFIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
On 7 uesday, February 23, 1937, in I wo Howsund Foriy-Six Minutes, At the Churce of St. Michabi,
A beal of theble bob minor, 5040 Ghanges;
Being 720 each of Ipswich Surprise, Cannbridge Surprise, Netherseale Surprise, Norwich Surprise, College Txercise treble Bob, Norbury Treble Bob, Spliced Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 14 cwi. Norman V. Habding ... ...ivebie Legovarid , Wige $1 . .$.
 Conducted by Alan R. Pixk.
The first peal in cight Treble Bols methods by all. A birthday compliment to L. Stilwell.

TERRINGTON ST. JOHN, NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
In Wednesday, Februtry 24, 1937, in Two Hoursana lovy-Two Minutes,

## At the Chorce of St Juhn-the-Haptist.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being seven 720's in twelve metliods: (1) Donble and Single Court: (2) Thelwall and Childwall; (3) College Bob; (4) Oxford aud Kent Treble Bob; (5) Plain Bob, Oxford Boly and Double Bob; (6) Jouble Oxford; (7) St. Clement's. Teyor 12 cwt.
idmas, Flint ... ... ...Treble Cgell V. Ehbermon Edward Grrbnacre ... ... 2 Claddz Cooins ... ... ... a Wallace Codsins ...t ... 3 Frki Wigmory ... ... ...leror Conducted by Frin Wigmore.
First peal in twelre methods by all the band and for the Tly Association.

## TAXAL, CEESEIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sativiay, Febyary 27. By37, in a wo Hours and Horiy-Eight Minetes.

## At tee Cborch of St, Jamrs.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven extents in five methods, viz., one of Capel, two of Satudnl, one of London Scholars' Ploasure, one of Spliced London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingstou and Oxford Treble Bob, one of Kingston and one of Oxford Treble Bob.

Cenor 1.19 ewt.

iAbtela Hibgert ... ... 2 James A. Milner... ... ... 5
†Alan Brown ... ... ... 3 Tienaeth Lqwis ... ... ...Temoy
Conducted by Kenneth Lewis.
There were nine changes of method. * Tirst peal and first athemph.

+ First peal in five methods away from the treble. $\ddagger$ First peal it five methods. Alan Brown had never rung four of the methods prior to starting for the peal.

NORTON，STAEFORDSHIRL：
THE NORTE STATFS AND DISTRICT ASSOOATION． On Saturalay，Febriay 27,1937 ，in 1 hyee Howfs and 7 hyee Mınutes， Aitigk Chorch of St．Bartholomew．
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR，6040 CHANEE8；
Being 723 each of London，Cambridge and Norwich Surprise，Duke of York，Waodbine，Oxford and Kent． Tezor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
James Walley
．．．I rebla John G．Cartlidge
Jobn E．Wabucdon ．．．．．．． 2 Thomas Hord...
Wieliam Carnwbll ．．．．．． 3 Arterer W．Hall．．．．．．．．．． 1 anor Conducted by W．Carnwell．
This peal was rung in deep respect for the late Mr．R．G．Lewis， tho much esteemed 焐ght－Bell Ringing Mrster of the alove association．

## BELCHAMP ST．PAUL＇S，FSSEX．

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION．
On Saturayy，Fobruay 27 1937．in 「wo Hoursand Fifty－Five Minutes，
Ay the Chorce of St．Andrew，

## A PEAL OF HINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

leing purs extent ench of Double Court，St．Cloment＇s，Plain Bob， Cantridg Surprise，Woodbine Treble Bob，Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob．
Ralef Bird
苗
Bbraard W．Petitity ．．． 2 Albert Catybrwale ．＋4 ．．． 5
Tromas Bird ．．．．．．．．． 3 Ronald Suckling ．．．．．． 7 enor Conducted by R．Scerling．
First pal as conductor．A wediding compliment to ringer of 3 ud．
DAVENHAM，CHDSHIRE．
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Satarday，February 27，1 37，an，wo Howrs and Foviy－Four Minutes， At the Chorch of St．Wilfred，
A PEAL OF MINOR，5040 CHANGES；
Being thee extente of Kent Troble Boh and four extents of Plain Bob． Tenor 15 ewt．
Harry W．Howard ．．．．Tyeble＂Harry Thblwbll ．．．．．． 4
Rgginald W．Wohrale．．．． 2 Harry Parker ．．．．．．．．． 5
Stanley Harrison ．．．．．． 3 Cecil Raddon ．．．．．．．．Temor Condacted by H．Parkra．
＊First peal＇inside＇containing Treblo Boly，Rung as a birthday compliment to H．W．Howard and to K．Parker，son of the conductor．

## IIARWORTH，NOTTS．

THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION
On Saturday，February 27，1937，in 1 wo Howrs and Thirly－Seven Minutes，
At the Chorch of Ael Saints，
A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；
Heing anz extent each of Cambridge Sutprise，Double and Single Court，Oxford and Kent Treble Bob，Oxford Bob and Plain Bob． Tenor 10 cwt ．
Artedr Molvey ．．．．．．．．．．Tveble Leslie Lonn ．．．．．．．．．．． 4 fames W．kaiteby ．．．．．． 3 Jack L．Millbousz ．．．．．． 5 Frank Varnon ．．．．．．．．．． 3 Clifford A．Vessey ．．．．．．．Temoy Conducted by Clifford A．Versey
Believel to be the lirst peal on the bells．
BECKINGEAM，LINCS．
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION．
On Sunday，Hebruav．28，1937，in Two Hows and Fifiy Minctes，
At the Churca of All Saints，
A PEAL OF HINOR，504D CHANGES：
One extent oxch of Oxford Bob and Single Court ond five extents of Plain Bob（called differently）． Miss Grack Bu ch a all ．．Fyble Jack Vesery ．．．．．．．．．．．．． 4 Miss Kataarine Borchnali 2 Jacx L．Milegoose ．．．．．． 5 Ricgard M．Harvey ．．．．．． 3 Cliphord A．Vessey ．．．．．．Temoy

Conducted by C．A．Vessey．
These bells are believed to have been last overhauled 150 years ago．

## A HALF－PEAL．

At Weston Underwood Bucks，on Mondzy，February $15 t h$ ，at St． 1，awrence＇s Clurch，in 1 hour 25 minutes， a half－peal of Bob Minor （2，520 changes）：T．Watts 1，E．Shouler 2，V．Adams 3，O．Warien 4， M．Cook 5，D．Cockings（conductor）6．Longest length by all except the condinctor．

## HANDBELL PEALS．

GRESSENHALL，NORFOLK．
THE NORWICH DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION
On Tuesday，Felruary 16，1937，in Two Hours and Sizteen Minutos，
At the Residenge of J．A．Godrrey，

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR， 5040 CHANGES，

 Sevon extents，three variations of calling．
Conducted by Jogn A．Godfrey．
Witmess－Robert Freezer．
＊First peal．First parl＂in hand＇by all except ringer of and． Rung at first atfempt．

## CAMBRIDGE．

THE CAMBRLGE UNIVERSITY GUILD．
On Sadurday，Febraly 20，1937，in Two Hours and Twenty Minules，
At 8，Qubrn Anme Terrace，
A PEAL OF BOB MANOR， 5040 CHANCES； Tenor size 15 in 0 ．
M．B．Seaw（Peterhonse）．．．i a $\mid$ Rev．B．F．Sheppara（Trinity） $5-6$
 Arranged and Conducted by E．M．Atkins．

CAMBRIDGE
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITX GULLD．
On Souday，Fobruay 21，1937，in Two Hours and Thirly Mrutes，
At 8，SeEEn Anne Thrface，
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR， 6040 CHANGES；
Tenor size 15 in C．
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THE SUFTOLK GUILD．
［Si．Mary－le－Tower Sociaty．］
On Wednesdar，February 24，1937，in Two Hones and Twenty－Fiva Minutes， At 40．Fucgsia Lane，
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5058 CHANEESI
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Composed by F．Bennetr．Conducted by Wichiam J．G．Brown．
＊First peal of Bob Major＊in hand．＇＋First peal as conductor in the method aud＂in hand． HOLION－LEMOOR，ININCS．
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUIED．
（Norteers Branch．）
On Thursday，Fidunary 25，1937．in Two Hours and Thiviy－Thtic Minutes At Stoez Hill，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGESI
Parkrr＇s Twelve－faht（7th observation）．
Tenor sizo $141 \%$ in C sharp．
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Grorge E．Frirn．．．．．．．．．．．．． 3 － 4 Ernest Brititain．．．...
Conducted by G．E Feirn．
First peal in the method as conducter．

## EFFECTIVE SOUND ADJUSTMENT．

SUCCHSSFUL RESUL＇IN LINCOENSHIRE TOWER．
Messrs．Gillett and Johoston have received the followitg letter from the Rev．G．A．Eison，Ficar of Douington，Lines：－
＇I have receivad safely the framed recom of our betts restoration， and have to offer you on behulf of the ringers and congregstion my sincere thanks．
＇I hear very excelient reports from my ringere of the going of the penf，and it will always afford me much pleasure in testifying to the work done by yon in this tower．You wifi be interested to hear that the partial boarding－up of the oper windows，while not impairing the swectness of the ring，has been a success in safteming the sound to dwellers just under the spire，It is always a pity that even a few should guffer from what brings buch keen joy ta very many－nots so near！！

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## PROVING BOB MINOR.

There arc uany beginners, and many more adyanced ringerz, too, who like to dabble a little im eomposing if only to while away odd moments. They love to try their hand, for instance, at putting together touches of Grandsire 'I'riples, or eren finding a new method. It may not always be a proficable occapation, but it is very fascinating. Ard yet, we think, there is something to he gained from it, even if the material results are very small. By 'experimenting' with fgures, the student may tearn quite a lat
Composing, without provins, is, of course, a waste of time. The ringer who 'composes 'touches or peals leaves his work incomplete if he does not ' prove' that what he has composed is true. A composition is worthless unless it is true.

A reader, who has been working on Bob Minor, asks us to deal with the proof of it in this colnma. He says, 'It does not always follow, I find, that ovell if the lead onds do not repeat, the touch need necessarily be true. In Bob Major, I helieve I am right in saying, provided the tenors are kept together, then a tonoh or pea: is true if the lead ends are true. Of course, I appreciate that in Minor the tenors cannot be kept together throughout the whole of a 780.

First with regard to Bob Majar, it is the fact of keeping two bells (the tenors) constantly in the same relationship that ensures the truth of a composilion, if the lead-ends are true. If the tenors aro parted, then there is a risk of repetition unless certain safeguards are taken. Thist as an example, taken at haphazard, the change 61725846 can occur, when the treble is coming down, before the lead-head 16725846 and after the lad-head 16278504 with the treble going up. Just take paprer and pencil and work it out for yourselves.
In Bab Minor the same risk occurs when the 'tenors" are parted, and, as they must necessarily be parted to ohtain the full extent of changes, the mere checking of the backstroke treble leads is nol sufficient.

Our correspondent asks us to use the following example, which he specially compiled, to illustraie ous explanation:-

| 23456 | 45326 | 42356 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 23564 | S 54263 | - 42563 |
| 36245 | 40532 | -42635 |
| S 6.3452 | 63425 | 23456 |
| S 36524 | -63254 |  |
| S 63245 | - 63542 |  |
| 34652 | 34625 |  |
| 45386 | 42356 |  |

In Bob Minor the two bells behind are not affected by a bob, and by the use of bolus and singles they can come together six times, but they may sometimes be coursing in a reverse order, and when you check your composition you must make sure that the reverse order does not give you the same change at handstroke that you have already had elsewhere at backstroke; if you do, you have repeated, in the reverse ovder, the preceding eleven changes.
Wherever, therefore, you find you lave bells in $5-6$ rewersed, you must check the landstrokes as well as the backstrokes, and if you are using singles, yau must check botly hand and backstrokes, whichever way the bells turn up behind. As the proof of Bob Minor, in any case. is not a very lengtly business, it may be quicker and safer in the long run for the beginner to write down every handstroke and beckstroke of his composibion. The liandstrokes of the ghove touch are:-

| -32546 | $S 54236$ | 24536 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| S 2654 | 45623 | 24653 |
| S 36425 | 64352 | 24365 |
| S 63254 | -36245 |  |
| 36425 | -36524 |  |
| 43562 | 36452 |  |

Now comparo these rows against the previous set of backstrokes and 7ou find repetition between Lead 2, Column 1, and Lead 4, Column 2; Lead 4, Golumn 1, and Lead 5, Coltmn 2; Lead 3, Column 2, and Lead 3, Column 1.
In this particular touch there is one other thing which will be obvious to the student. You cannot lave more than six rows with the same prir of bells in 2-3, when the treble is leading. When a single is made thet pair of bells is in $2-3$ both at handstroke and backstroke, and the single, therefore, accounts for two of the six changes. A glance at the figures of the above touch, therefore, reveals falseness at once, for $6-3$ gre in front twice at eingles (which acconnts for four changes) and tinree times elsewhere, so that even if all the six yows had been used (actually only five are) the touch must he false.
Perhaps our readers would like to try their hand at the following tronch of 240 and see whether or not it is true :-


## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOClATION.

BURTON DISTRIC干 APPOINTS A RINGING MASTER.
A meeting of tho Burtur-on-Trent District was held at Rollestun-onDove on Saturdny last, and, considering the unsettled stato of the weather, there was a good atitendauce. The followirg towers ware represented: St. Paul's, Burton, Overseale, Netharseale, Newhall, Ticknall, Tubbary, Lullington, Gastle Donnington, Melbourwe and Norton-in-the-Moors, together with the local company.

Members were delighted to have present with themt the chairman of the distriet, Mr. W. W. Worthington, J.P., of Maple Hayes, Lichfield, and at the suggestion of Mr. Worthington tho first wuch was Stedrasu Triples. Tonches in the simpler methods were then rumg for the sake of the less proficieut. The company were entertained to tra by the Reutor of Rolleston (the Rev. William Barnall).

Ab the opening of the subsequent business meeting Mr. J. H. Swinfield referred to the loss the district had sustained in the cleatl। of Mr. R . G. Lewis, of Utdexeter, and as a mark of respect the company staod in silence for a few moments.

One new honorary member and three ringing members were elected. It was decided to elect a Ringing Master for the district, and, on the proposition of Mr. W. H. Curson, seconded by Mr. J. W. Cottotr, Mr. J. H. Swinfield was unanimonsly choseu to this mew appointment.

Ticknall having been chosen for the place of the next menting on April 20th. id was decided that the special Ninor mebhod for practice shonla be Donble Court.

The metting closed with a liearty vote of thamks to the Rector of Rolleston for his kind hospitality and for use of the bells.
Ringing coutinued unlil 7.30 and ranged from Grazdsire Doubles to Kent Treble Bol Major:

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

RNNGILS' COMMUNJON SERVIGE TO BE HLLD
At this time of year attendances at meetings depend very mueh on the state of the weather, and as the Leeds area had had a very drenching time lately, ending with a very heavy fall of snow, the athendance at Liversedge on Saturday last was not a record.

The bells were ung up at 3 p.m., and, except for the usual breaks, continued until o o'clock. The business meeting was held in the tower, when the chair was taken by the president. Three new members were elected, Mr. F. Popplewell, of Brighouse, and Messrs. F. Gibbard ane A. Wright, of Burley.
The pote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens and the local contpany was proposed by the president and seconded by Mr. J. Drake. Mr. F. Hodgson replied for the lacal company
Menbers wero present from Armley, Batley, Burley, Drighlinglon, IdIe, Birstall, Elland, Sherburn, Shipley, Lindley and the local company, also Mr. Deal, of London.
The next meeting will be held at Armley on Saturday, March 20th. This is one week earlier then the usual date owing to Easter falling on the last week-end in March.
It las been decided to hold a ringers' Commumion service at this mesting, whicl is also the nomination meeting of the Leeds Societ.y for the coming year

FIRST 720 OF MINOR AT WING, BUCKS

## BUT BELLS " UNPEALABLE

The village church of Wing, near Leighton Buszard, is noted for possessing some fine architectural features, including an early Normin nave a Norman apse and a perfect Saxon window. Ringers, however, will be more interested in the bells, which are an ancient peal of six. with a tenor of 291 cwt.z the fourth beaviest six in the courtry. Thep are dated $1654,1640,1635$, 1835 , 1842 and 1863 respectively, from treble to tenor. The nsual ringing chamber is on the ground flool with a draught of 70ft! Previaus visits by bands have all brought the same romarks, 'Neatly unringable!' Once, however, a party decided to take some ropes and ring from the floor under the bells. And on that occasion there was a great improvement.

Another band of enthusiasts decided to follow their example, and after spending $2 \frac{1}{2}$ lours fithing on copes, viling the bells and doing other adjustmends, started for a 720 of Cambridge Surprise. To the pleasant surpyise of everyone, this was duly completed, and at the finish it was unaninuonsly decided that the bells, especially the tenor, are definitely nopealuble (a point which our correspondent asks other enthusiasts fo note). The bind who rang the 720 were Miss N. R. Cross I, A. S. Richirvds 2, A. P. Cannon 3, H. F. Alexander 4, F. D. Boreham 5, Rev. G. E. Wigg (conductor) 6.

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## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

DIVISIONAL MEETING AT TRYERNING.
The South-Eastern Division of tho Essex Association visited Fryerning for their meeting on February 13 th, there being 29 memberg and friends present from Great Baddow, Boreliam, Broomifid, Chelnsford, Ford End, Fryerning, Maldon, Spriugfield, Little Waltham, Sudbury, Leytonstone and Wanstead.

The association form of service was conducted by the Rector, the Rov. C. S. Trimble, who gave the ringers a very warm welcome. The lesson was reed by the Divisional Master, Mr. A. Mansfiela, and the singing led by the organist, Mr. Ir. A. Bradley, who very kindly leff his work to do 80 , and had to return to his duties immediately afterwards.

Tes, which was kindy provided by the local ringers and their friends, was served in the Perish Room and was followed by the business meating, at which one new ringing member, Mr. N. F. Grinham, of Boreham, was elected.

It was decided, subject to the necessary permission bemg granted, to hold the next meeting at Widford on April 24 th.

Mr. S. Taylor, on behalf of all present, thanked the Rector for the use of the bells and for taking the service, the local band and their friends far providing and serving the tea, and Mr. A. Bradley for making the arrangements, also the organist and organ blower. He was especially grateful to the organist for transposing the hymns into a lower key so that all could sing the higher notes.

The Rector, in reply, repeated his welcome and said that when they came to Fryerning again he hoped they would come in the Eummer, when he would be very pleased to throw open the Rectory garien.

Handbell ringing followed and a retum made to the tower. Severat ringers called at Ingatestone on the way home, the bells there being available during the evening.

## SILVER WEDDING CELEBRATED.

At Girercester, Glos., on February 15th, to celebrate the silver weding of Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Lewis, a quarter-penl of Grandsire Catera (1,295 changes), composed by $\mathcal{F}$. $\bar{F}$. Deal, wns rung at the Parish Church: H. L. Coake 1, F. J. Lewis, jun. 2, A. Painter 3, F. J. Lewig, sen. (conductor) 4, J. C. Eden 5 , W. G. Cook 6, S. R. Ficks 7, H. S. Parsons 8, W. H. Haywand 9, F. F. Bloxham 10.
The risgers aiterwards adjommed to the conductor's home, where a convivial evening was spent and tunes and changes rung on the bendhells. Mr. F.J. Lewis, jun., also entertnined the company by tapping tunes on the handbells and ringing tunes on the fairy bells.

## CODDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR.

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## A QUARTER-PEAL IN NEW ZEALAND.

At Dunedin, New Zealand, on December 2lst, a qunter-peal of Bob Major (1,289 changes), followed by a shart touch of Grandsire Triples and a plain course of Kent Treble Bob Major, was rung on handbells by C. Wilde 1-2, J. S. Witue (conductor) 3-4, J. Whipp 5-6, J. Grimes 7-8.
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## BELERY GOSSIP

There is special interest in the hambell peal rung at Canbridge on February 21st, for one of the two undergraduates who then rang their first peal was B. P. Tyrwhitt-Drake, of Pembroke College, whose fatlier, the late Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake, was a prominent momber of Cambridge University Guild, and librarian of the Central Council, in succession to the late Rev, C. W. O. Jenkyn. The Rer. B. H. Tyrwhiti-Drake, it will be remembered, was accidentally killed by a falling tree about a jear ago.
The first peal of Lessness Sirprise Major, a method by E. W. Ripler, was rumg at Erith on Fchruary 26th. A previous attempt by the same band, on February 13th, came to grief after 2 hours 34 minutes, through the breaking of the tenor clapper.
By the way, what does the title mean? Has it anything to dowith thought, ov care, or hope? Will the next in the serjes be Fullness '?
It is strange that on the same diny that a peal of "Lessmess" was rung, a poal of another new Surprise methorl was also recordedDroitwich rung it Helmingham.
To record a ringer's 900th peal is a rare occurrence, yet this week we publish the fact that two ringers have reached this large totalMr. James Bonnett, at Crayford last Friday, aud Mr. William Short, at Cheltenham on Saturday.
Many friends of P.C. Perkins will regret to hear of a serious accident which happened to him winle on duty on Wednesday week. He slipped on the pavament and fractured his thigh. Mr. Perking has just been appointed Leicester Branch secretary of the Midland Counties Association, and was most enthusiastic. Everyone will wish him a speedy recovery.
At Gruudisburgh, Suffolk, on Saturday, a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was rung. Changes commenced at 3.25 p.m. at a brisk pace without a single thought as to the need for switching on the electric light until dusk began to fall, when whispers went aromd. However, as no one could reach the switch, the peal progressed, although at retarded pace, and oventually came round at 6.20 p.m. in total darkness. Well doue!
Mr. George S. Soames, a ringar for many yearg at Marslana and Aylshani, Norfolk, died sudderly on Febuary Zlst while a peal attempt was in progress ab Marshaw. The same baud on Saturday rang a half-muffled poal in his menory.
The dedication of the new ring of twelve bells at Winchester Cathedral, which have been provided by the generosity of the Friends of the Cathedral Society and the Barron Bell Trust, will take place jn the aftermoon of March 20th. Particulars will be found in our notice columas.
Through a misunderstanding, the dedication of the new treble bell at Yetminster was inadvertently advertised to take place on February 87th.

## BELL RINGING WITHOUT BELLS.

' OHANGE RENGIFG WITHODT PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE
The doom of churcls bellringing appears to be sealed. There will no longer be need for bells or ringers, for a new invention may take their place- Last week's issue of 'The Church of England Newspaper ' contained the following:-
'A large party of bellringers and friends from St. Paul's Church, Egham, visited the works of the John Compton Organ Co., Ltd., at North Acton, N.W., on Fridny evening last to witness a demonstration of a now kind of carillon, which is entirely without bells. This new invertion, which is electronic in charucter, bad nevor before been publicly demonstrated. It produces (not reproduces) bell musie by new scientific means, and such famons carillons as those at Bruges and Malines, and the peals at Canterbury and Wimehester Cathedrais, can be given with the utmost fidelity.
'The apparatus is controlled from a small keyboard or desk, which can be placed in any convenient position, such as porch, vestry, or organ-loft, and a single operator can achiove the most elaborato change ringing without previous knowledge of campanology. By the same method, clocks can be provided with chimes. Ally depth of weight of tone can be provided, and even automatic change ringing can be fitited.
'This oew (fully patented) apparatus employs zo gramophone records or oscillating valoss. It is purely electrical and requires but a fow cubic feot of space. It imposes no strain whatever on the fabric, and its cost is only a furction of the expense entailed by a set of bells."
We have not heard this 'carillon without belle,' but we can jmagive that the instrument must be of a very ingenious nature. We are, however, surprised ta hear that a large party of bellringers should go anywhere to listen to and possibly approve of a piece of machinery that is going to deprive them of thoir art.
But possibly the 'bellingers present ' bave no art. for St. Paul's Church, Esham, does not happen to have a ringing peal of bells.

For those who find quito as much as they oan manage to ring even a pair of handbells to changes, the prospect of a single operator being able to 'achieve the most elaborate clange ringing withont previous knowledge of campanology' is really staggering. A new kind of man, as well as a new type of machine, must have been invented.

## THE HENRY JOHNSON COMMEMORATION.

## ANNUAL GATHERING AT BIRMINGHAM. <br> Appeal for a Coronation Year ' Push.'

Heary Johnson, greatest of all Birmingham's ringers, who died at Aston in 1890 at the age of 80 years, has a niche in ringing history all his own. In his day he was not only one of the most knowledgable men in the Tixercise, but in his own partiular circle created an 'atmosphers' that had an elevating intasence. He was homoured in life: he is commemorated in death. Every year ringers from all parts of the country continue to gather to keep green his memory, and last Saturday a parly numbering nearly a bundred and fifty assembled for the annual dinner arranged by St. Martin's Guild, which marks the anniversary of his birth, which took place on February 28th, 1809. The number of those living to-day who actually knew Henry Johnson is rapidly diminishing, but there are still a few who had the privilege f the old man's acquantance, and eight of them were present on Saturday
Ringing took piace in the afteruoon at various churches in Birmingham, and the dinner was served at the Imperial Hovel, under the senial chairmanship of the Vicar of Astom, Canon H. McGowen, who was accompanied by Mrs. MeGowan. Among those present were Alderman J. S. Priteheti (Master of St, Martin's Guild), Canon S. Blofeld (Vicar of Edgbaston), the Rev. R. S. O. Stevens (curate at Aston), Messys. F. W. Stevens (churchwarden of St. Martin's), W. R. Heaton (Solihuli, W A. Clark (hon. member), Fr. E. Haynes (Ringing Master', Councillon A. Paddon Smith, Messrs. A. Walker, J. George and J, H. Slieppard (vice-presidentrs), Mr. T. H. Reeves (hon, secreEary), Mrs, Reeves, Mrs. A. Walker, Mr. WT. Griffin and Miss Griffn (Walsall), Mr. G. W. Fletcher (hon, secretary, Central Council), Mrs. Pletcher (hon aecretary, Ladies' Guild), Mr. R. Richardson (Master, Eincoln Diocesan Guild) and Mrs. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Perrens, Mr. and Mrs. T. Pervin (Covelatiy), Messrs. S. Paimer (lreasurer. Yorkshire Association), A. H. Ward (Derby), J. T. Smallwood (Bath), F. Li. Dawe (London), Mr. G. H. Cross (Master, Royal Cumberland Youths) and Mrs. Crose, Mr. H. Knight (hon. secretary, Staff Archreaconry Society), Mr. E. Guise (hon. secretary, Gloucester and Bristol Association) and Mrs. Guise, Mossre. W. H. Thonns, W. Koight, P. C. Williams and H. Birt (Bristol), J. P. Fidler (LougliTorouthl). S. R. Roper (Croydon), E. H. Nash (Molls, Som.), H. SoswelI (Wolverhamplon), T. T. Elton (Walsall), J. Pagett (Derby), P. I. Johnson (Leeds). G. Hoinel (Tork), G. L. Hewitt (WeFIrgton), W. Tarley and $F$. Nicholls (Stourbridge), G. J. Lewis (Powick), S. Briggs and F. Chaddock (Rotherham) and veprescntatives from the various hatds in the diocese.

Among those who sent apoloties were the Rector of Birmingham (Canon Guy Rogers), who las plesided on many occasions, and who was on his way to America, the Lovd Mayor and Lady Mayoress of 1sirminglam, the Bishop of Birmingham, Mr, E. H. Lewis (president the Cendral Comeil), Mr. A. A. Hughes and Mus. Fughes (Whiteehapel), Mr. C. F. Johnston (Croydon), Mr. F. B. Yates (King's Norton), etc.
The eveling was a very successful one, thanks largely to the excellent
rangements made by the hon. secrotary.

## GOOD FELLOWKHIP AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

Mr. TF. W. Perrens, in proposing the toast of "Church and State," efered to the many problems which confrobted the world to day as the result of the fast changing times in which they lived, problems which, he said, conlrl be faced successfully if they had the backing of the community in genern. With regand to the problems which ringers had to face, they had to ask themgelves what they could do both to lielp. themsclves and at the same time to help the Chureh and State. There were two paints which he would put befare them. Fingt let thom foster good fellowslip and mutual understanding, already so evidert among ringers (hear, hear). He put that first because it was most important, and what applied to any body of ringers applied oqually well in the Chnrch and in the State. Let them put aside all proity jealousies and grievances and substitute goodwill and Eellowship (hear, hear). His second point was more or less in the liature of an appeal; it was an appeal to each and every one to do what they could to help gel recruits for the Exercise; for by so doing lie thought they would do their little bit for the Church and State. Of recent years a largo number of bell restorations had been taking place up and down the country, and this year there were move bells than ever in this conntry to ring. Were they doing anything like sufficient to get ringers to ring those bells? The bells were put in the towers to be ritng, and it was their duty, as far as they poesibly could, to provide ringers for then. He appealed to all ringers and associations to make, in this Coronation vear, when they would be doing a great deal of ringing, a great push "for ringing recruits (hear, hear). They heard from time to time suggestions that they shonld go to the ehoir and other church organisations for their recruits for ringing. Let them cover these fields as far as they conld, but there were so many more outside who would be interested and male good ringers if they could get hold of them. If they gat Hold of 'outsiders' they wond be serving the doulsle purpose of enlarging their own ranks
and the ranks of ven chumelmen. He nipenled to everyone in the

Exercise to do their level best to get ab least one recmil during this Coronation year. Even if they only kept, 20 per cent. of the rectuits they would go a long way towards securing the regulau ringing of bells that wert at present silent (hear, hear)
Mr. Perrens went on to refer to the happy feeling existing in lais country between Church and SLate, and renarbed that in hoth they had men who would be able to overcome the difficuities that wond have to be faced in the futnie. l'hey had had remartalile proof of that during the last twelve mantlis, especially in the State.
The Chaiman, who replied to tire toast, said ringers as a body were stamply supporters of the Churela, and be was glad to bay his experience had not beet the experience oveasionally put to himi by sone of lis brother cleries that hellingers called the people to churcth, but could not hear the sound of theip own bells. That had not bern true of the ringers at the two churches where he had had the opportunity of wovkiug most larmoniously with his own rimgers; and he did not think it was true of the many towers representied there that night. Such associaticus as that Guild fostered the happy relations luetween the ringers and the clergy and chumeh where they did thei
The Church, continned the Chaikman, was a queer sort of insifution. It was spread all aver the land, but in spite of ald the difienltics which were bonnd to occnr, whereper human beings were trying to do something about which they felt very deeply, they all knew that the existence of the Church in this land, spread abont in erary parish,
was sonething that this country could not do without (apolanse). The Chairman went onl to refer to the relations between Churchand Stiate and to compare tite conditions in this conntry with other oountries in Europe. Churels and State in this country liad a muely ighter relationship than formerly. That, perhaps, was ar goon thing, but there was stili a desire that the Church should keep in touch
with the important tings affecting the lives of the people, a deare felt not only by the comparatively smal] body of people who meds for worship and eupported the Cliurch's institutions, bist among the great mass of citizens of the coming, who, thengh they mighil 1 fot aceept the fegular ministrations of the Chirch, still loolsed to it for a leat, were still willirg to co-operabe with it on ogeasion, and slitl called upon it in emorgency to comfort or leelp them.

## ONE OF ISTON'S GREAT WORTHITS.

In calling upou Mr. W. Griffin to propose the toast of "IThe Memory of the late Hetry Jolnson, the Chairman said Johnson whe one of the greati worthies at AEtan. Fis niture appeared in the belfry on many records, and his momument, erected by the ringers of all England, stood in the churchyan. They al Aston were very pronil of thit conuection.
Mr. Griflin, who as a very young ringer remembered Fenty Johnson, told dumerons antedotes of ringers and riuging in those now distant days, and referved to some of the early celebration dimers.
He said he frot met Johnson when he the speaker) came from Sniday School to help William Hallsworth, another famons ringer, to chime the bells in Walsall tower. Tri those tiays Jolmson used to be spoken of almast with awe, and he, as a boy, began to thin:t Johnson was something to be afraid of. But when lie divil meet hin lie found he was the most kindly old geutleman he had ever met. Fo thoughl of lim as like "Tather Christmas.' Johmson had a cheery word for him, congratulated him and hoped he would make a good ainger. In after years when the (Mr. Grifin) came to St. Martin's he found out what a really rreat man Johnson was. The abmosphere at St. Martin's was all Johnson; everybody seemed imbued with what he did or thonght abont riuging. Henry Jolinson was one of whon they could truly say that all the elements were so mixed in him that everyone could stand up and say le was a bypical English gentlenan.
The tonst was druak in silence, and a count was takent of those who knew Henry Johnson in the flesh. The number had dwinded to fight. Afterwards a well-nigh perfect course of Stedman Gibques was mug on mandaels lyy Messis. A. E. Noman, F. Pervin, A. Walker, G. T. Swann, F. E. Haynes and M. J. Morris.

Alderman Pritehebt submitted 'Continued Prosperivy to Sl. Martin's Guild. Fo said it was a gieat pleasure to find himself once more able to be with thez after hig gevions illuess last year. Fir thonked the Guild for again electing him Master, despite the fact that he was 82 years old. He had also been re-elected an Alderinan of the Oity of Birmingham for six years. He hoped they would be able to elect him as Master for six yearg as well (applanse). It was very gralifying to have such kind friende among the ringers. Aldermans Pritchett went on to mention whe names of the members lost by death diming the year. First and foremost was thoir dear old friend Thomas Russam. Fo was a great ringer. He had nearly attained his goth birthday, and daring the whole of that period he had epent his ringrige career in1 convection with st. Mastin's Guild. Fe (the speaker') had beon with Mr. Russim on many oecasions, especially at Aston, whern
lo wrs in charge for many yerrs, and where he (Alderman Pritehett) lo was in charge for many yearg, nul where lee (Alderman Pritchett,
got his frit practice on ten bells. They also very mach regretted the loss of Mr . Leader of Sutton Coldfeli, and Mr George Hurbes of Wedneabury. Mr. Hughes was ane-armed ringer who was n perfect marvel. Fe always chose a heavy bell and the way he managed it made him one of the most remarknble ringers who ever lived. Con(Contimued on next page.)

## Cathedral Bells Restoration Welcomed.

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timing, Alderman Pritchett said they lad with them some ' old Elaygers, anoong them Tom Niller, who was one of a band of ringers, headed by Henry Johnson, who visited lim at Oxford in his under graduate days. They were also pleased to see Mr. Jamees George, who, unfortunately, fell downstairs and seriously hurt himself. Mr George had had an unexampled carear as a ringer. He had been incapacitated for nearly a year, but had just begun to ring again They hoped he would continue to improve and resume that remark able activity as a ringer that had made him so well known all over the British Ysles,
With regard to the progress of the Guild, they had held eiglat meetings during the year. At the quarterly meetings they had had an average atteudance of 40, and at tine bi-quarterly meetings an average attendanco of 80 . He thought, therefore, that their meetings might be regarded as successful. Thirteen penls had been rung, with seven conductars, inchading line first peni rung on the angmented bells at Astom. They had a hund there of young ringers who were making very good progiess (applause). The Vicar of Aston must be very gratilied with the suceess of his young ringers. The Guild continued to progress under very good auspices. The clergy of the city were taining a deep interest in zinging and giving the Guild every encouthoment. The Guikl welcomed the restoration of the Cathedra luellis. In his early ringing days they were a horror to him. The tried to ring on them on several occasions with very indifferent success, hut he doubted whetlaer the way they were hung was quite as bad as the sound of the belle themselves (laughter). He was very glad the old laells hat disappeared and were to be replaced with bells with all moders improvements
Alderman Pritchett made sympathetic reference to the absence from the gatheriag, which she had atteuded many times, of Mrs. J. S. Golusmith thitugh illiness, and went on to say that Mr'. George Swam had completed 500 peals, 400 of then having been rung in comection with that Guild. He did not, of course, anything like approach the record of Mr. James George, but he lad mane a good start (langhter and applause). In conclusion, Alderman Pritchett said the Guild was greally indehted to the indefatigable hon. secretary (Mr. Reeves) and to the Ringing Minstor (Mr. Haymes) for all the work they put in He added that his own first penl was rung in 1874, conducted by Hayry Bastable, a name that ought not to be forgolten on accasions like that (hear, lear). He was very proud of it and was stil] proud of it. A very cherished memory was his gssociation with that deat old gentleman (applause).

## GUILD

## GOTNG ON NTCELF

The Fon, Sectetary, in cond ributed to the musical royramme, and then went on to thank his wife, who was heside him. The organisation of that gathering and the work of the Guile gencrally, he said, entailed a good deal of wood. He, as most of those present knew, was away from home a good part of the week, and af week-ends he had to give up f lot of family-in brde that he cold otherwise spend wita his wife and family-in brder to carry on his duties as hon. secretary- On behalf had shown hims (applanse). Continuing, Mr. Reeves said St. Martin's Gnidel lowourd the men of the past. They were the men who built up What old Guild, matid was ap to the ringers of to-day to sustain the honour' and dignily of the Guild. Those dimners were inaugurated ahout the time that there was a great awakening in the recognition of the duties of ringers ag churchworkers. In the old days ringers Were known as buttresses of the Ohurch rather than pillars ${ }^{1}$ of the Churcin (laughter). To-day that had heen altered, and he trusted they were pillars of the Church. They had choirmen among them, rhurch comneillors and churehwardens, and so he thought they could sav trathenlly that the status of the ringer had greatly improved What he was particularly anxious about was that they should do nothing to break their tradition. He had in mind that some time ago a writer in "The Ringing World said thet it ought mot to matter nhout a peal being false as long as it was well struck. Such a view woulat mot have leald for a moment in the past, and he did not think it onglit to hold in the future (hear, hear). That was one of the things they must guard against.
Continuing, Mr. Reeves sald this year they wonld be celebrating the Coronation in every tower in the country. They in Birmingham wern going to make almost a week of ringing in the various belfries, and in due rourse the local secretarieg would hear from bin regarding Thith they conld do in the mather. When the occasion arrived lef then see to it that when they rang they put their best into it (applanse). Let their striking be perfection-that was what they wanted t: nital at.
Their Guild, added Mr. Reeves, wns going on very nicely at present they were making new members, and he was sure there was still a hip futur hefore the Guild. As their secretary he appreciated the belp and sumport the members always sare him at their meetings and at that ammanl ofathering (applause)
The Ringing fraster, in proposing ' The Visitors,' extended to them all a hearty wejcome. They had seldom had, he said, a gathering so representative. There was, however, ans face missing. Although he conld not be incheled as at visitor, they weve all sorry their old friend

Harry Withers was not prescat. Fad he been there it would have been his thirty-ninth consecutive appearance at that gathering, but owing to ill-health he was now in a convalescent lome and they wished him \& apeedy recovery.

They frequently, said Mr. Faynes, heard staries of the lack of young ringets, but he felt that as long as ringers' gatherings continued to ationct the mumerous attendance they ohviously did atwect, they had no cause to despond. The shortage, he thought, was only a temporery phase, and in jears to come ringers would be produced in the numbers they had always been produced. It was true that more yeals of hells were being put in and peals of eight augmented to ten and twelve. That was bound ta cause a diffenlt situation for the time being, but he felt that in, say, ten years' time their reason for anxlety would have disappeared, becauso, at bottom, the same spirit that inspired the master's of old was still with them.

In coupling with the toast the name of the secretary of the Central Conncil, Mr. Haynes paid a warm tribute to the work done by Mr. Fletcher, which was a model of efficiency and enthusiasm (applause).
Mr. Fietcher, in reply, said te was one of the favomed people given a job to do, but ho would not be able to do it were it not tiat he received great assistance from his wife and a great amount of help from the secretaries of the affiliated sociaties. If there were any bouquets to be givan they should go to the secretaries of the affilated societies. So far as his part of the work for the Council was concemed, he got a great ' kick' out of it, and he appealed to yonng ringers to find some job in their own societieg, for they would discaver that it gave an added interest to their own ringing activities. They should nat ring merely for the sake of their own performances; it was far better to do something for the good of ringing.

## ETPECTS OF THE WAR.

At the present time, said Mr. Metcher, they were suffering from the effects of the war. In the war they lost ringers who would now he in their widdle age, raund about the 40 's, and who would be the connecting link between the old zingers and the young. They had gone, and it was for the young ringers who came after to go forward quicker than they mitht atherwise bave done and for the old ringers to be more tolerant fowards the youns ringers.
Mr. Fhetcher went on to Lhank the Pirmingham ringers for all they did for the entertaiument of the visitors. They knew Birmingham ringers at one time as Radio 'stars,' but they had been on vacotion. He hoped the vacation would not last much longer, because they wanted to hear them on the wireless again (applause)
Mr. Albert Walker proposed the toast of "The Ringing World ' and first paid a tribute to the manner in which the Press as a whole was now giving proninence to the subject of bells and ringing. A sympathetic press was very helpful. Mr. Walker went on to spenk in terms of warm appreciation of the worls of Mr. Goldsmith as Fitar of 'The Ringing World,' and urged in greater measure of support for the paper, especially among woung ringers, who would benefit greatily by the study of the articles for beginners. In conaection with young ringers, he congratulated the young members of the Aston hand on their progress.

The toast was acknowledged by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith.
Conneillor A. P. Smith gave the torst of "The Chairman' and thanked him an belalf of all present for the able and officient manner in which he had presided over the proceedings. Astoul, for the most. part, said Mr. Smith, had been forthate in its Vicars, and it was forbunate still. Mr. Smith referred to the Arohbishod of Canterthrys hrondeast of his 'recall to veligion." He caid he strongly disagreed with the Archbishop's sligesstion that there was a falling away from religion. Fe (the speaker) was just ann ordinary busimess man, mixing vith business men, and he could assure the Archbiglop, if he malght. be so presumptuous, that his experience led him to esy there was no falling avay from reltion. Fe believed, indeed, that people were move religions than they had ever heen in his memory. That there was a falling away in attendarce at charch was true. Tlate was easily to be seen and many of them were aware of many of the reasons for it. But falling away in cluwch attendance was a very different. thing from a falling away from religion. Aston was forthnate in its Vicar. and the fine old elhurch frequently degeribed as the 'gem of the Midlands, was one of the busiest centres of religion in the city af the moment and one of the most important.
The Clairman, in responding, said it was a great privilege fo mreside over the gathering. He was proud of his elumoh, prond of his bells and just as proud of his band of ringel's. He expressed his grationde to the ringers and particularly to Mr. Davies. the leader, for the work they were doing.

The noost enjoyable proyramme was contributed to hy the tyric Mrale Qurtette, Mrs. D. Smith, Mr. A. S. Downes rind Mr. M Mackenzie, who samg songs. and Mr. A. Deeley, who contributed a monologue. Mr. E. J. Woodhall was the accompanist. In adelition to tho course of Stedman Cinqtes mentioned above. a course of Grandsiro Caters was rung an handbells tw Mescrs. Fatarm, r. Price. F Pertens, R. Thgram and T. Miller. The long programene, in which interest was sustained to the end, concluded at II p.m. with "Anld Lanc Sype.' and the party broke up to find a storm had been raging oufside and the street were deep fnl snow.

On the following day many visitors who stayed overnight wore entertained to a sandwich hnch' at the Tamworth Arms, a wellknown Birmingham 'ringers' house.

## 'SNOWED UP !

RINGERS' EXPERIENCES ATTER JOHNSON DINNER.
The 'Johason' dinner is seldom blessed with good weather. More often than not the climatic coaditions that week-end have been unkind to visilors to Birmingham, but never, perlaps, more unkind than on Sunduy. The gueste left the hotel of Saturday night with heavy snow falling, and miniature blizzards swept the city at intervals on Sunday.
I.ı the thick of it on Saturday night one party had a motor drive to Coventry. Before they siarted out, the screen-wiper of their car was accidentally brokell It is not true that the cecretary of the Central Conncil offered to staud on the rumning board and keep the screen clean during the journey. Nor is it true that the langaage of the driver melted the snow.
Quite early on Sunday-early, that is, for" 'the morning after the niglat before?-two well-known Guild secretaries put in their good doed for the day by doing a spot of snow shoveling and sweeping before breakfast.
On Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Richardson left for Surfleet. Soon after passing Market Harborough they were caught in a severe sturm, and when it abated it took them an hour and a half to dig their car out of the snow.

They decided to return to Market Harborough, and, driving into tho yard of an hotel, the wheels on one side sank into a pipe-trench and another hour was spent in extricating the car. They stayed the night at Market Harborough and reached home about moon on Monday.

It would appear to be the duty of St. Martin's Guild to ensure more congenial weather for the occasion of the annual dinner in futare.

## THE ELLACOMBE CHIMES.

## To the Editor.

Sir-The Rev. H. T. Ellacombe, Rector of Clygt St. George from 1850 to 1885, was a piolleer in the restoration of parish chuches. He was also the greatest authority of his time on church bells, having an nurivalled pergonal knowledge of belfries, both in England and abroad. Standard looks on the subject. e.g., "The Bells of e Church," "The Church Bells of Devon, etc., and ou change ringing were written by him, and bis practical genuts was displayed in various mechanical inventions for bell furniture and fitlings. The system of chiming bells, how in common use and bearing his names, was introduced by him, and his original model is to be seen in our churcl. He was a prominent member of the Ancient Socicty of College Youths, and to his energy and enthusiasm, more or less direetly, many guilds and associations of ringers throughout the country owe their birth,

Unfortunately, through long wear and the depredetions of the death-watch heetle, the framework and fittings of our six bells (one of them of pre-Reformation date and beatiful tone, and three of them inserted by Henry Ellacombe himself) urgently need to be renewad. In this tiny agricultural paribh, population 210, we are endeavouring to raise 2540 to cover the cost.
I helieve that far beyond the limits of Devon there must be many lovers of our ancient churches and their bells willing to help us to do honour to a great benefactor of the church at large by maintaining the leelfry which was so dear to him,

Donations for the "Church Bells Restoration Fund "will be gratefully welcomed by
W. M. MITOHELL, Rector.

Clyst Eli. George, Freter-

## MUFFLED BELLS.

At St. Mary's Church, Selly Oak, Birminglam, for evensong, on Sunday, Fchrury R1st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,230 r:hanges) in 45 minutes: W. B. Cartwright $1, \mathrm{~J} . \mathrm{L}$. Boylin $2, \mathrm{H}$. Waslam 3, D. T. Marsh 4, N. T. Goodman 5, O. H. Stanley 6, V. G. H Hemus (first quarter-perl of Stedman as conductor) 7, E. Holt 8 . Thist quarter-peal of Stedman by ringers of 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5tha and tenor. Rung with the bells half-muffled as phest token of respect to the late Mr. Joseph Tamos Clerk of the Peace for the City of Birminghem and one of the patrons of the living of St. Mary's.

## FORMPR HIGF SHERITF

At St. Mary's Church, Hitcham, on February 17th, a quarter-peal of Minor, consisting of 360 Canterbury Pleasure Reverse, 180 Oxford Single Bob and 720 乌lain Brb , was rung with half-muffled clappers as a token of respect to M. Percy Noble, of Taplow Priory, who Was interred at Remenham Charch, near Henlej-on-Thames, earher in the day. Mr. Noble was a Justice of tho Peace for Bucks and was High Sheriff of Buckinghamshire $1930-31$. He was 71 Ferrs of age. Tho ringers were $P$. Blaney 1, W. Woodley (first quartat-peal in three methods) 2, G. J. Berry 3, J. E. Taylor 4, B. O'Neil 5, G. Gilbert (conductor) 6.

## DFATH OF VIGAR OT WESTHODGHTON.

As a tribute to the memory of the Rew. Canon George Henry St. Patricic Garrett, B.D., for 29 yenrs Vicar of Westhoughton, who died on Jasuary 27th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung with the bells half-muffed before evening serwioa nt the Parish Churcls on Sundaj. January 21st: R. Walmsleg I, H. D. Slackleton 2, J. L. Wright 3, R. V. Fart 4. A. Greenlalgh 5, A. W. Leigh 6, T. W. Smith conductor) 7, R. R. Woodward 8.

## BLIND RINGERS AT OXFORD.

TWO SIGHTLESS UNDERGRADUATES LEARY TO RING.
Oxford Uuiversity Society has two members who deserve hearty congratulations upon the courage and ability they beve shown in trimphing over severe handicap. They are both blind, yet they lave leamed to ring.
The two members concerned are Mr. Shepheard-Welvyu, of Orick, and Mr. G. Bromley, of $\$ t_{\text {. Catharine's. Mr, Shepheard-Welwyn has }}$ been learping for about three months and can already hande a bell iu rounds quite well. Mr. Bromley has been riging for rather less than twelve months and has been ucluded in round finging for some time, and on Sunday last at St. Martin's and All Saints', Oxford, Fo rang tiae tenor without assistance of any kind to two courses of Grandsire Doubles, and kept a good beat, in spite of the fact tiali. owing to one or two learaets being included, the ringing was not tou even
They have to rely entirely on a sense of touch and of rbythm, but somehow they manage to landle their bells well, and follow the bells in front as well or better than most learners of their limited experience.
This achievement speaks volumes for the grit aud perseverauce of these two young men in learning a difficalt art under such adverse circumstances. Also a good denl of credit is due to their fellownombers of the Oxford University Society, and to Mr. Watter F. Judge, of St. Martin and All Saints', Oxford, who have so patiently and catcfully instructed thens.
Men who have been rimgers and have lost their sight. linve contincel their practice of the art, but this is the first time, as fur as we are aware, that blind men lave learned to ring.

## MEN OF MERIT.'

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -I saw in 'The Ringing Worid' some time ago that thu Central Council was going to make a aational biography of patit members. May I ask if the Council is going to extend the biogrnphy and include other 'gen of merit' who, in their lifetime, did su nuch for chango ringing. Some of these have come and gone. I think they ought to lave a place in the biograply, just as much tis blose that have had a seat on the Council. Not every 'man of merit' has had a seat on the Comel for various reasons, aud 1 for not think it right that these men should be forgotien or ignored. I slatl look for it reply to this query.

THEODORE E. SLA'LTR.
Glemsfordi, Suffolk.

## 5,040 NEW GRANDSIRE AND GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

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Twice repeated. New Grandsire to bo rung from $A$ to $B$ in chath part, the rest being Grandsire Triples. Has the 244.6 's, $7-4$ 's and 6-7's at backstroke. Rung at Bridgend, Glam, on Felruary 17 h , 1937, coudueted by C. H. Perry,

## A FAREWELL

At. St. Jolun's Clurch, Newton Nottage, Glam, on Wednestiay, Febtuaty 24li, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles 1012 difforent extents): Drvid Thomas 1, Charles Davies 2, William Pellow 3, Trevor M. Roderick (conductor) 4, Alfred E. Willinms 5, Herbert Bacon 6. First quarter-penl by ringers of 2,3 and 6 and first as conductor. Rurg as a farewoll to W. Pollaw, who has helped miny of bho bnisd to learn the art of change ringing.

## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS

CIRAYFORD, KENT.-On Sundey, February 28ih, a quarter-peal of \&ambridgo Surprise Major ( 1,280 chunges): E. H. Oxenham 1, T. (Brombridge, jun, (conductor) 2, Miss M. Redpat] 3, G. V. Murpiy 4, 1). M. Elurp 5, C. A. Hopper 6, E. A. Barnett 7, E. Barmeit 8. First fututer-peal of Surprise by 1,3 and 6 , and also by the local band.
CROYDON, SURREY.-At the Church of St. Jolm tive Baptist for uvening service on Sunday, Febrinary 28th, a quarter-peal (1,363 thangen) of Grandsire Cinques: J. E. Cooper 1, R. Davies 2, J. Rumble 3, A. W. Clark 4, H. Skelt S, D. Buxton B, H. G. Pratt 7, G. H Humphries 8, F. E. Mitehell 9, A. J. Cawley 10, D. Cooper (conductor) 11, F. E. Collins 12. Longest length of Cingues by the ringers of 3rd, $41 l_{1}$, $6 t h, 7 t h, 8 t h, ~ g i b$ and 10 th. All the above are regular service rimerere at this church.

DERBY.-On Monday, Mebruary 22nd, at the Cathedral, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) : Bernard Stone (Duflield) I William Wifenan (St. Luke's, Derby) 2, S. Dawsou (Duffield) 3, S . Merry (Catherral) 4, D. F. Ferguson (Repton) 5 , C. R. Blunt (Repton) 6. Tames Pagett (Gathedrai) (conductor) 7 , William Webster (Duffeld) 8. Firgt quarter-peal by thu ringers of $1,5,6$ and tenor
(CMBFRWELLA-At, St. Giles Clamelt for evening service on Sumday Pubriary 2lst, a quarter-peal of Kents Treble Bob Major (1, 280 clunges) : T' H. Taffenter 1, F. D. Bishop (first quarter of Major) 2 , Miss O. Abhbrook 3, W. D. Grainger 4, E. J. King 5, N. F. Manning ( F irst quarter of Major) 6, J. Gramslury (late of IVigh Wycanbe) 7,「, W. Thfiender (couductor) 8.

HALDOCK, FERES,-On Sunday, Februazy 21st, for evensong, it quarter-peal of Frandsice Triples in 49 mimutes: $J$. Dean (14) 1 , .1. Horiey 2, S. Bonnett 3, E. G. Buck 4, G. Kinch 5, W. D. Pooley 6, Tt. 「. Newtnan 7, F. Smith B. First quarder of Grandsire Triples by tingrers of $I, 3$ and 8 .

BRATNTREE-On Sunday, February 21st, at the Clurch of St. Midatiel the Archangel, for evening service, a quarter-peal of SuperIntive Surprise Mnjor ( 1,280 elanges) : S. Warne 1. A. Wjfen 2, H. E. Hammond 3 , $\mathbb{R}$. Martis 4, G. Lindrage 5, G. Wifen 6 , L. W. Wiffen (condnctor) 7, W. II. Hammond 8. First quarter-peal in the methor] loy W. F. Hammonil and ruig as a birthday compliment to him.

OMBERSJET, WORCESTERSHIRF. - On Wednesday, Fehruary $17 \mathrm{th}_{\mathrm{s}}$ ato the Parish Glurelt, 1,260 changes of Grandsire Donlules in 45 minutes: J. A. Monle 1, J. Blount 2, G. E. Large (conductor) 3 , A. J. Whentley 4, G. R. Brishton 5, S., Miles 6 . First quarter-peal hy: $n l l$ except the conductor
(:HISWTCK.-Un THestay. Felmury 16th, at Si. Nicholas' Onarch, fur practice, a quarter-peal of fimutise 'Thples: E. Fulford 1, F. D. Fishop 2, N. F. Manning 3, Miss O. Ashbrook 4, A. T. Cannon 5, Botirill (condnctor) 6, W. Lidbetter 7, S. Newton 8. Eirst quarterpeal hy ringers of treble and benor. Ringers of $1,2,3$ and tenor are nembers of the local band.
TONDON, At St. Lawrence Jewry, on Sunday evening, Februany 14 th , a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 50 minutes: W. E. Murrell (fixst quarter-peal) 1, E. S. Owen 2, E. Murrell 3, R. Alen 4. F. C. Shorter 5, E. R. Warner (Portsmonth) 6. A. P. Cannon (untuluctori 7. H. E. Reynolds 8.
 - ataster-peal of Girnadsire Triples: Miss Irene Tuck 1, T. E. Denver (4ominuetor) 2, Miss Edma Souliby 3, Miss Betty Stewart 4, R. Kemwhrd 5, A. Cole 6, C. W. Denyer 7, R. Jonas 8. First quarter--peal by ringers of 1 and 2 , Bnd first in the method by Whe ringer of the 5 thi,
MARGATE.O O Thursday, Felmany 11tu, at the Parish Church, a Muater-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: F. Wickens 1, F. Gadeden 2. i. Waghorn (conductor') 3, A. Dadds 4, Fi. Spickett 5, J. Pifield 6, A. Saxby 7, F. Lade 8. First in the method by all except the confuctor. Rung as a birthday compliment to R. Dalby Reeve, bour. architect of the Parisil Church and a good friend to the ringets.

MARTOCK, SOMERSFA.-Ou Sumday, Felurary 7th, for erening service at All Saints' Chuch, a guarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. F3. Perroft 1, F. Strickland 2, A. Dyer 3, F. Farmant (conductor) 4, W. Could 5, E. F. Fancock B, F. Sweet 7, T. Gale 8. First quarterpeal for ringers of treble and bul.

FALEWOOD, LIVERPOOL.-On Monday, Fehruary 1st, a gunrterpaeal of Grandeire Triples: W. Maddock (first quarter-peal) 1, G. Young (first "inside ') 2, James Robinson (first "inside') 3. T. Rolurson i, J. Rohinson 5, E. Ludtin (conductior) 6, W. Robinson 7, J. Barker 8
BASTNGSTOKFE-Ab Al| Saints' Church on-Sunday. January 3lat, for evensong, a guarter-peal of Stedman Triples: C. W. Munday 1 F. Austin 2, G. Pullinger 3, T. A. Munday 4, H. Wooding 5, G. (ooner (first quarter-peal in Hie melhod) 6. H. Balaant (conductor) 7 J. B. Woadler 8. Arcanced for Mr. G. Pullinger, of Bishapstolse. HEGHENDEN, BUCKS.-On Sunday, Jamary hist, for evening scrvice, a quarter-ppal of Grandsire Triples: Mrs. R. Biggs 1, Miss O. Biggs 2, R. Biggs 3, A. G. Janes 4, E. Timpson (Cirst quarter-peal) 5. P. Newton (couductor') 6. F. G. Biegs 7, R. Blaby 8.

STRTATHAM, LOMDON. - On Smaday, Javirary 31st, at St. Lucomard's, 1.280 Bob Major: *J. W, Rae 1. F. Mance 2. J. Miles 3, F. F. Bish 4. T. W. Welhourle 5, *L. W. Trianks 6, J. W. Chapman (ronductor) 7, A. P. Cannon 8. Wirst quarter-peal of Majar, first ahlempt

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SURREY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at Leatherhead on Suturday, Mar. 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock and in the evening. Service 5 o'clock. Tea (is. per head) at the Institute 5.45. Meeting 6.30.-Clias. H. Kippin, Hon. Sec., 10 , Courtney Road, Croydon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -A quarterly meeting will be held at Biddenden on Saturday, March 6th. Bells ready 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., 110 , Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division. -A meeting will be held at Brentwood on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Subscriptions for 1937 are now due.E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3 I3, Mawneys Road, Romford. SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -A meeting will be held at Hampstead on Saturday, March 6th. Ringing : St. Ann's, Highgate (8), 3-4.15 p.m. ; St. Stephen's, Hampstead (ro), 5-5.45. Service in St. Stephen's 6 p.n. Tea in Church Hall 6.30 Ringing after tea, Hampstead, until 8, Gospel Oak (6) 8-9 p.m. We expect to see every Cumberland in North London at this meeting.- N . Summerhayes, Asst. Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-A meeting will be held at Ickleton on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting.-C. W. Cook, District Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIA-TION.-A ringing meeting will be held at South Normanton on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock.-J. W. England, 49, The Common, South Normanton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.A ringing meeting will be held at Whittle-le-Woods, near Chorley, on Saturday, March 6th. Bells ready 3 p.m. No branch business meeting, as the general committee meet during the afternoon. A hearty invitation given to all ringers to attend.-J. Charnock, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.Next meeting at Wigan Parish Church on Saturday, Mar. 6th. Bells available from 3 p.m. A peal board recording the peal of Grandsire Catees, rung by members of the Wigan Branch, will be unveiled and dedicated by the Rector at $4.20 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.3 o . Tea in School at $5.15,15$. each. Please notify Mr. G. T. Jenks, rg9, Warrington Road, Pemberton, Wigan, for tea. Special invitation to Liverpool ringers.-S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock Road, Wigan.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Stowmarket on Saturday, March 6th. Tea at Dykes' Restaturant, 5, Station Road, at 4 p.m., is, each, meeting follows.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodoridge.

SHAFTESBURY, DORSET.-The ring of six, tenor 9 cwt. 2 gr., has been restored by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, and will be dedicated by the Archdeacon of Dorset on Sunday evening, March 7 th. All ringers welcome.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-On Sunday, March 7 th, at 3 p.m., a service will be held at St. George's Church, Bolton. During the service, the Bishop of Manchester will dedicate a church memorial to the late Canon Elsec. Ringing from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., Bolton Branch.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Service ringing: St. Clement Danes', Strand, March 7th, io a.m. ; Bow, Cheapside, March $28 \mathrm{th}, 5.30$ p.m. Practices: St. Clement Danes', March 15 th, 7.30 p.m.. St. Mary, Lambeth, March 3 oth, 8 p.m.-T. W. Taffender, Hon. Gen. Sec.

KINGSDON, SOMERSET.-The ring of 5 (tenor 26 cwt.), rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Bath and Wells on Monday, March 8th, at 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on March 3oth; St. Magnus' on the 18th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 9 th ; and *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 16 th at $7 \cdot 30$ p.m. *Business meeting alterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

ELY ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch.-A ringing meeting will be held at Whittlesey, near Peterborough, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Tea will be arranged. Please come and, until then, kindly while your time in Bob Major, Double Norwich and Cambridge Superlative and London Surprise. Book the date and don't be late, my friend said. Tea can only be arranged by notification March 9th latest.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Ashtree, Mill Road, Over, Cambs.

MIDDLESEX COLNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Chiswick, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells from 3.30. Quarterly business, etc., details later:-F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

LADIES' GUILD.-Western District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Ambrose's, Bristol, on Saturday, March 13 th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Will those desiring tea kindly let me know by March 10th?-N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Bath.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.The annual meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Longwood, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available from 2 o'clock. Service in the church at $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in the Schools at 5 o'clock at a charge of 15.3 s . to all who send in names to Mrs. Winterbottom, 20, Thornhill Road, Longwood, by Tuesday, March 9th. Business meeting for election of officers at 6 o'clock. The recast bells of Lindley Parish Church will also be available throughout the clay. All welcome.-Frank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Cheltenham Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Bishop's Cleeve on Saturday, March 13 th. Bells oper at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.30 by kind $^{\prime}$ invitation of the Rector (Rev. T. Jesson). Business mecting to follow. Please notify by the 10th.-Walter Yeend, Branch Sec., Millfield, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual genera! committee meeting will be held at Reading in St. Jawrence's Hall, Abbey Street, at 3.15 p.m., on Saturday, March $1^{\text {thl.-R }}$ Richard T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec., 69, York Road, Reading.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The usual monthiy meeting will be held at St. Helen's Parish Church on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. Service $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5.45 p.m., price 9d. Mecting to follow. Subscriptions due. Visitors weicome.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - Annual dinner will be held at the Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden Lane, W.C.1, on Saturday, March 13th, at 6.30 p.m., when the chair will be taken by the Master, supported by the Rev. Pat McCormick, Vicar of St. Martin-in-the-Fields. The bells of St. Olave's, Hart Street, will be available from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., St. Bride's, Fleet Street, 4 p.mn. to 5 p.m., and St. Martin-in-the-Fields, 5 p.m. to $5.55 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets ( 5 s : Gd. each) available from Messrs: G. H. Cross, G. W. Steere, G. Gilbert, R. Heazel, G. Radley and E. J. Butler. Application for tickets with remittance should be made not later than Monday, March 8 th.- J. E. Bailey, Hon. Dinner Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford, Kent.

LANCASIIIRE ASSOCIATION.-FyIde Branch.-A meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Blackpool, on Saturclay, March 13th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30. Members and non-members welcomed.-C. Sharples, Branch Secretary, 35, Berwick Road, Squires Gate, Blackpool.

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## ASSOCIATION. - Manchester

 Branch,--The next meeting will be leld at St. John's, Miles Platting, on Saturday, March $13^{\text {th }}$. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventy Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Badby (6) on Saturday, March 13th. Usual arrangements. - W. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.--Rutland Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Langhant on Saturday, March ${ }^{2} 3^{\text {th }}$. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. All are welcome. Please notily for tea to S. H. Towell, Hon. Sec, 1.7 , Kinc's Road, Oakham, Rutland.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-The next meeting of this district will be heid al Thurleigh on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (6) reacly from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged. You will be very welcome. Remember a card helps no end.-Frank C Tysoe, Dis. Sec., Io, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford
1)URHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Northern District.-A meeting will be held at All Saints', Pilgrim Street, Newcastle, on March $3^{\text {th }}$, at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Church Hall. Make it your object to attend.-K. Arthur, Hon. Sec.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Barnby-in-the-Willows (6) on Saturday, March 13th. A bus leaves Newark Bus Station at 2.5 p.m. Any who use it will be brought back to Newark after the meeting. Methods: Double Oxford, Sandal T.B., Wells S. Please turn up and make this the best meeting in the association's history (and don't forget the card for tea).-R. Towler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Silverdale on Saturday, March 13 th. Bells ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend. - E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Swindon Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Highworth on Saturday, March $13^{\text {th. }}$ Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please advise if possible.-W. B. Kynaston, 3 , Dumbarton Terrace, Victoria Road, Swindon, Wilts.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Crofton on Saturday, March isth. Bells ready 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. For tea please notify Mr. G. Newton, I, Walton View, Crofton, near Wakefield, by Wednesday, March roth. All are wel-come.-D. Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Slafton, near Barnsley.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northampton Branch. - A special meeting will be held at St . Giles on Saturday, March $13^{\text {th }}$. Usual arrangements. Names for tea to me by March gth. All ringers wel-come.-J. C. Dean, Hon. Sec., 16, St. Peter's Street, Northampton.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Marie's Church, Sheffield ( 8 bells) on Saturday, March 13th. For tea, cafés close by. Committee meeting 4 p.m. General meeting 6 p.m. Bristol for practice. All welcome. - M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronans Road, Sheffield 7.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch, for Newport Pagnell Deanery. - A meeting at Sherington, Saturday, March 13th. 2.30 begin, $t$ service, the address by Father King, C.R. Tea 4.45 . Please send notice to the Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone $V$ icarage, Olney, Bucks.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District. - The next monthly meeting will be held at Barwell on Saturday, March 13th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.45 . Tea, at a small charge, at 5 , if you send a card to Mr. C. R. Belton, Westgate, Hinckley Road, Barwell, not later than March 12 th. Business meeting follows. Subscriptions for 1937 now due.-Wm. A. Wood, Hon. Sec., Fosseway, Croft, near Leicester.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUiLD.-Central Bucks Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at North Marston on Saturday, March i3th. Bells (6) available from 2.45 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and mecting to follow. Bus service from Aylesbury and Buckingham. All ringers welcome. - F. Gibbard, Hon. Sec., 3o, Horn Street, Winslow, Bucks.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch. The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Church Lawton ( 8 belis) on Saturday, March $13{ }^{\text {th] }}$. Ringing from 3 a'clock. Will all those who intend to be present kindly let me know on or before March roth? Rich. D. Langlord, Hon. Branch Sec., ii8, Ruskin Road, Crewe.

SALISBURY GUILD.-North Dorset Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Okeford Fitzpaine on Saturday, March $3^{\text {th. }}$. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30; followed by tea and meeting. Sturminster Newton bells alșo available. All ringers welcomed.-J. Ralph, Kingtoh Magna, Gillingham, Dorset.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Withyham (8) on Saturday, March $1^{\text {th }}$. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome. Please notify me by the iIth if you require tea.-B. Saunders, Sec., 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Mursley, bells (6) available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , on Saturday, March i3th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Those requiting tea please send along in good time. All ringers welcome. - Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Abert Street, Bletchley.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Next meeting at Edmonton on Saturday, March 2oth. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea, is. each, at 5.30. Special methods, Cambridge Court Bob Major and St. Clement's Bols Triples. All requiring tea should advise Mrs. G. W. Fletcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield, by March ryth. This meeting is held jointly with a meeting of the Ladies' Guild.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -The annual meeting will be held at Wath-on-Dearne on Saturday, March 2oth. Bells (S) available from 2 p.m. Service at: 4.30 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at is. 3 d. per head. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr . A. Panther, 29, Avenue Road, Wath-on-Dearne, by Thursday, the 18th? Meeting after tea for election of officers, etc.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Street, Bentley, Doncaster.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Westerm District.-The next meeting is to be held at Redbourn on Saturday, March 2oth. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Short service, tea and mecting. Those requiring tea must notify me by the Thursday previous. Come along. and extend your knowledge of Minor methods. - W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL.-The new ring of 12 bells (by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough) will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Winchester on Saturday, March 2oth, at 3.30 p.m. The Dean and Chapter, together with the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers, invite visiting ringers to tea in the Guildhall after the service. Admission will be by ticket only, and application for tickets must be made before Monday, March r5th, to Mr. J. W. Eikins, The Cathedral, Winchester, and a stamped adidressed envelope enclosed. The Cathedral bells will be available for ringing from 6 to 8.30 p.m., by kind permission of the Very Rev. the Dcan of Winchester.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Gloucester Branch.-The eighth annual dinner of the Gloucester Branch will be held on Saturday, March 2oth, at the Spread Eagle Hotel, Market Parade, Gloucester, at 6 p.m. prompt. Tickets, 35. The following towers open for ringing: Barnwood (8) at a p.m. if required; St. Mary de Lode (6) 2.30 to 3.30 ; St. Mary de Crypt (8) 3.45 to 4.45 ; St. Michael's (Io) 4.45 to $5.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will those friends requiring tickets kindly notify me not later than the 16 thi inst. ?-W. H. Harris, Hon. Branch Sec., G.W.R. Terrace, Lydney Dock, Lydney, Glos.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -The 57th annual general meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday. The association service will be in St. Mary's Church at noon, followed by lunch in the Parish Hall. Busness meeting afterwards to elect officers, and consider the adoption of the revised rules, etc. The following towers will be open for ringing during the day: Wye (8), Mersham (8) if possible, Willesborough (6), Eastweil (6), Great and Littie Chart (6), Hothfield (6). Ashford bells will be available at 10 o'clock till noon and after the meeting. Luncheon, free to practising members, 2s. 6d. to others. Application for tickets must be made on or before first post Wednesday, March 24 th, accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope and a list of names attending. After this date no application can be entertained.-Fred M. Mitchell, General Hon. Sec., II4, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

JOINT MEETING OF THE LADIES' GUILD (Southern District) AND GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Guildford District) at Chiddingfold, Saturday, March 2oth. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea at Swan Hotel 5.30 p.m. Please send numbers for tea to Mr. R. Carpenter, Pitt Lodge, Chiddingfold, by March i6th.-Miss H. F. Mills, Maidencombe, Northbrook Road, Aldershot; G. L. Grover, East Clandon, Hon. Secs.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DJOCESAN GUILD. - Southern Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Lambeth, on Saturday, March 2oth. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea in the Parish Hall at 5 p.m., and meeting to follow. Further ringing until 7.30 p.m., when there will be a short service. Please send me your names for tea by the ryth.-A. P. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 118 , Sarsfield Road, Balham, S.W.iz.

POYNTON, NEAR STOCKPORT.-Special services for the reopening of the bells on March 2 rst, at 10.45 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Ring of 6 rehung by Johs Taylor and Co.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District. - The next meeting will be held at Croydon Parish Church on Easter Monday, March 2gth. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Parish Hall, Sylverdale Road. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. D. Cooper, 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon, by first post Wednesday, March 24th. - F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.

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## COUNCIL PUBLICATIONS.

Central Council affairs will soon begin to occupy attention, and those members who have matters which they wish discussed must send in their notices forthwith, if these are to be included in the printed agenda. At the moment there seems to be no question of outstanding interest or division among ringers, as there have been in some recent years, but there is still opportunity for someone to start a 'heresy hunt' or find a committee to

On the other hand, there is much useful material, which they and the Council have been at great pains to provide, which has not produced the results hoped for. Their book of Plain Major Methods, which met with a fair sale, has not led to any noticeable extension of the methods rung, and to this extent the outcome must be considered disappointing. There ought to be a more practical use made of this book than leaving it unopened on the ringers' bookshelves. Not even the Council can be satisfied with merely selling a book. These volumes are produced to expand the art of change ringing, and it is a great pity that some of the fine methods which this volume contains are not in much more general use. We are beginning to wonder whether the explanation is not partly to be found in the fact that ringers will not take the trouble to see what kind of things these methods are. We believe that if someone would undertake to provide diagrams instead of just blocks of figures, from which the ringer has to work out his own clue to ringing methods, they would be rapidly taken up. Srowdon popularised the 'Standard' methods because he printed the figures with a blue line superimposed. It is an expensive process, but the majority of progressive ringers in these days ring by diagram, and it needs some such aid to induce them to take up new methods.
Half a dozen bands are showing their enterprise by ringing new Surprise methods, and these might be glad to see the appearance of the book which the committee (Continned on page 162

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has prepared on this section of the art．But when it does make its appearance we doulat if it will do very much to extend Surprise ringing in new quarters．As a treatise on Surprise methods the book surpasses any－ thing that has ever been produced，but we are more and more coming to the conclusion that this is not the form in which ringers want their methods presented to them， although，of course，we fully recognise that where hun－ dreds of methods are to be published in one volume，con－ siderations of space and cost，to say nothing of the mathe－ matical side of the question，demand that the methods be represented by figures．

## TWELVE BELL PEAL． <br> KIDDERMINSTER，WORCFSTERSHIRE．

 TEE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIORS ASSOCIATION On Salurday，March G，1937，in Three Howrs and T Tventy－Seven Minutes， At ter Caerce of St．Mary and All Sainis，A PEAL OF ERIN GINQUES， 5021 CHANGES； Tenor $2_{4} \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
－Thomas W．Lewis ．．．．．．Tebble Cbarles H．Woodbrray 7 －Grorge E．Large ．．．．．． 2 ＂Rbginald Woonyatt ．．． 8 －William Short ．．．．．．．．． 3 －Roberi Matiebws ．．．．．． 9 －Grofrrey J．Lewis ．．．．．．． 4 －Hyctar G．Bird ．．．．．． 10 tGeqprry J．Hemming ．．． 5 ＊Cgablbs Camm ．．．．．．．．．ia －Sidney T．Holt．．．．．．．．． 6 －Jobn Addizton ．．．．．．．．．．．Teno， Composed by I．W．Parrer（No iz）．Conducted by Sidsey T．Holt ＊Firsi peal of Erin．I Pirsti peal of Erial Cingues and 100th peal． First peal of Friu on the bells and of Erin Cinques for the association． Ruug as the anmual peal for the association，ami as a 700 birthday compliment to James lemnett， 43 yemrs towerkeqper at this chuveli．

## TEN BELL PEALS．

 LONDONTHE ST．MARY ABBOTS GUHD，KENSINGTON． On Saturday，March G，1937，in／Hree Hours and Thirly－Six Minutes， At the Chorch of St，Mary Abrot，Kensington，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS， 5002 CHANGES； Tenor 32 cwt ．
Ralpg E．Mackrile ．．．．．．Treble Arthod B．Wifpen ．．．．．． 6 Mrs．Paylets Humpbres ．．． 2 Wileiam R．Madgwick ．．． 7 William E．Jidd．．．．．．．．． 3 Henky G．Miles．．．．．．．．． 8 Ennist C．S．Turner．．．．．．$\quad$ a Ccarbnce H．Dobbie．．．．．． 9 Mies Frances Homplrey．．． 5 William W．Balley ．．．．．．Tenot

Composed by G，Lindofe．Conducted by W．E．Jodo． Tung to commemorste tho induction of the Rev．Prelyentary Arthur Fidward Smilh to the Vienrage of St．Mary Abbot＇s． HEIRTIPORD，HERISS．
THE HERTEORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION．
On Satuyday，Maych 6，1937，in Thyee Hours and Twenty－Four Minuts， At the Chdreh of All Saints．
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL， 5000 CHANGES； Tenor 25 cwt ． 23 lb ．in D．
Gilerrt E．Debenham ．．． 7 yeble｜Joseph E．Chatliyy ．．．．．． 6 Thomas J．Hele ．．．．．． 2 －Joseph Ladley ．．．．．．．．． 7 Stanlgy A．Carter ．．．．．． 3 Grorge W．Debbngam ．．． 8
 ＊Roland Newson ．．．．．． 5 Albert Lawbrnce ．．．．．．Temor Composed by A．Knights（Na 136）．Conducted by G．W．Debentam ＊First peal of Tretile Boly Royal．\＆First peal on ten hells．Rung as a birthday compliment to J．F．Bolham．This composilion is now rung for the first time．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

IPSWICH，SUTFORK．
THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Saturday．February 27，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty Minxtes， At ine Ceurce of St．Margaret，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BO日 MAJOR， 6056 CHANGEs；

Jambs Rose ．．．．．．．．．．．．Treble
Miss Payrlis Tilebti ．．． 2
William Kinsey．．．．．．...$\quad 3$
Cbarles Shemming ．．．．．． 4
Composed by W．Sotranstall．

Charles A．Catcepole ．．． 5 Garnham A．Blaxctil ．．． 6 Grorge Morb ．．．．．．．．． 7 Frederick J．Smiti ．．．．．．Tergoy Conducted by J．Rose．

TADCASTER, YORESETIE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, February 27, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At tae Parise Cherch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, bOAB GHANEEB; Tenor zo ${ }^{3}$ cwt.

| - Walter Hick ... ... ...Trahle | -Ernast Lindiey |
| :---: | :---: |
| - Hrary Clayton ... ... | *Roberi Lancastrr ... ... |
| - Frid E. Adison ...* ... | Norman Barion ... ... |
| -Joun Harrison ... ... ... | Tbomas Lahcaster .. ...Teno |
| Composed by A. Knigets. | Conducted by Frrd E. Addison. |
| * First peal in the method. | riuger of the tenor, residing at |
| Middesbrough, is a native of T | aster and was proposed a member |
| HE NORWICH D | NORFOLK. <br> cesan association. |
| On Surday, February 28, 1437, in At ter Cedre | 1 wo Honys and Fifty-Fow Minste of All Sainis. |
| PEAL OF KENT TBEBLE | BOB MAJOR, 6018 CHANEE 7 cwt. |
| jack R. Hindiy ... ... ...Tyeble | William R. Wrst |
| Hanbury f. Carter ... ... 2 | Waltar H. Miller |
| Brrtie W. Marce ... ... | Ernbei V. Blake |
| bdeaick R. Wilby | Jobn A. Gourrey... ... ...Tem |

## Composed by W. Day

... 4
Rung with the bells hade-nuffled as a last token of respect to Gearge S. Sonmes, who died sudderly on February 21st.

CHELTENHAM, GLODCLSTERSHIRE.
THE GIAOUCESTER AND BRLSTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Om Monday, March 1, 1937, is Three Hours.
At tae Chirch of St. Pbigr. Lhckbampton.
A PEAL OF DOLBLE MORWICH COURT BOE MAJOR, EO24 GHANTE8; Tenor 9 ewt.

| William H. Humi | 7 yeble | Rog |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joge Tyomas | ... 2 | Grorge H. Walters |
| Arthur Catdle |  | *Tgomas Borri |
| Cearles W. M |  | Jobn F. Ballengrr . Temay |
|  |  | Conducted by Jobn Troma |

$\because$ First peal of Double Nomwieh
NEWTON ABBOT, DEVON. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Weduesday, Ma.ch 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, Ay fef Cabrch of All Sainte, Highwehe,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB WAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor $11 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cw}$.

- Ernest J. Taylor ... ...Treble * Cbristoparr R. Walker 5
* Adbrey L. Bennett ... 2 -G. Hargy Mybrs ... ...
"Jambs E. Lieley $\quad$..... .3
Henry C. Collytr ......$\quad 4$-Teomas G. Myers ... .... Temor Composed by A. Knigeis. Conducted by Charles R. Lilley.

Tirst peal in the method. Firsl pasal in the method for the Guild by a hand resident in the County of Devon. First peal of Major on the beils.

HANDSWORTH. SHEFTHELD, YORESHIRE.
THE YORKSEDRE ASSOCLATION.
(Sbeffield District Socirty.)
On Thursday, March 4, 1937, in Three Hours,
Ai tee Cegrce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6058 CHANEE8; Tenor 12 cmt .
Jobs J. L. Gilbert ... ...Tvebie
Miss Nobl. L. Cawiborme - Ronald Birce ... ... ... 3 John E. Torley...
Composed by J. R, Pritcaard.

* Tirst peal.

GRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTX ASSOCIATION.
Un Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Ciurch of St. Paulines,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, bOFE CHANGES; Midoleton's.

Tenor $22 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cw}$.
Alan J. Hopper... ... ...Tyeble Derex M. Searp
Den M. ... 5

- Miss M. Redpath ... Gboffrey V. Mdrpby ... q Edwin Barnety... ... ...I enoy Conducted by T. Groombridgr, jux.
* Firse altempt for a peal of Cambridge 'inside.' First peal of Surprise by the local band.


## CEESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At taf Cedrch of St. Mary-within-the-Walle,
A PEAL OF double morwich court bob majoh, ede ghamges:

Riceard T. Holding $\quad . . .9$ Samobl Jones, jon.
-Gborgr Packer... ... ... 4 Percy Swindley ... ... ...Tenor Composed by H. W. Wiedr. Conducted by S. Jones, jon. * First peal in the methor.

BURY ST. LDMUUNDS, SUFFOLE.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
Dn Saturday, March 6. 1937, in Three Howrs and Twenty-Three 这inutes, At ter Norman Tower of tre Catbedral Church of St. Jambs,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 30 cwt in C sbarp.
Shrlford Sparrow ... ...Treble Horace W. Fodlgar ... 5 James Chinery ... ... ... 2 †Arther E. Ballam ... ... 6 Grorge W. Ablitt ...... - William Gooderip ... ... 4 Arther Grimwood ... ...Tenoy Composed by A. Kmigets. Conducted by Harry D. Lisyer.

* First peal of Kent Treble Bol Major. F First peal on eight bells. SOUTH ANSTON, YORKSHIRE, THE YORESITRE ASSOOIATION. (Suephield District Society.)
On Saturday, Mitrch 6, 1937, it Three Howrs and Three Minstes, At ter Churce of St. James,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6088 CHANGE8; T'enor 13 f cwt.
A. Percival Kmigets... ...T reble $\mid$ Prbcy J. Jbrvis ... ... ... 5 Arther Knigets... .... ... 2 J Jobn W. Sybes ... ...
 Composed by A Knigets (No. 3:3) Conducted by A. P. Knigets The compasition wat now rung for the first time. A birthidny peal for J. W. Sykes, and the 50th anniversary of W. Biggern's first peal


## GODALMING, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUHD
On Saturday, March 6. 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Ttwo Minutes, At ter Cedrch of SS. Peier and Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8; Haywood's Transposition of Thursians' Four-part. Tenor 25 cwt . in E .
Alpred H. Pulling ... ...Tyeble Ernest J. Ayliffs ... ... 5 Jogn H. B. Hbsse $. . . \quad . . .2^{2}$ Raymond Ovbry... ... Tbomas E, Denyer ... ... 3 C. Ernest Smitr $\quad$...... Jobm O. Weller... ... ... 4 Arteidr J. Bartleit ... ...Tomor Conducted by C. Ernbst Smith.
Tung is a welcome to the new Vicar of Godalming, Ganon H. 形. Hone, whu, was inducterl to the living on March 4th.

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On Saturday, March 6. 1937, in Jhtec Howns and Eight Minwtes,
At tee Chtrah of Si. Michazl Coslany,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBEE BOB MAIOR, 6024 CHANGES;


* First peal of Treble Bob.

HILGAY. NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satudav, Mardi 6, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Five Minutes,
At xaf Cherch of All. Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHaNEE8 :

Ilkeston Arrangement.
Jobn Bdckentam
Alfred Bacon
Wallace Codins -... ... 3 Fred wighore ... ....... 7
Lewis Beria ... ... ... ... 4
Composed by E. C. Gobry.
Tenor ry cwt.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Swday, March 7, 1937, in Twa Hours and Fifty-Fowr Minutas,
At tee Cugref of St. Jogn-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF SPLIGED LONDON, BRISTOL. DAMBRIDGE, AND gUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGE8।

Tenor $13{ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Waltar Charman
iveble Jack M. Carspes ... ... ... g
Reginald V. Joanson
Wirliam T Breson ... 3 Arfred Bill in ... 7
Cecil Nice
Composer by E. C. S. Turnem
Oliver Sifpetis ... ... ...Teror
Composer by E. C. S. Tonner. Conducted by O. Sipprits,
This peal consists of 2,944 Lonvion, 640 Bristol and 736 ench of
Cambridge and Superlative.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

ELLAND, YORKSEIRE.
THE FORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, February 12, 1937, in Two Houss and Fifly-Seuen Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HINDR, 5040 CHANGES;

 Being seven 720's.Frank Popplewell...
.. Ireble Arthor Healt

- Bernard Rebinson ...
†Albert Slater...
Conducted by F. Reodrs.
* First peal at first abtempt. + First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor. Rung as a compliment to Thowas Robinson, s highly esteemed teacher at St. Mary's who is shortly vetiring after over 30 years' service.

PYTGBLEY, NORTHANIS.
THE PETERBOROUGE DIOOESAN GURD.
(Ketifring Branch)
On Satwrday, Februay 27.1937, in Two Howrs andFifty Minutes, At the Cegreh of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 504B EHANGES:

Being ninc six-scores each of Chase and Grandsire, and eight each of Plain Bob, Canterbury and St. Simons', Tenor 8 ewt. -Cecil Brown ... ... ...Trebls Sidney Rowney ... ... ... 3 Grorgr Brown ... ... ... 2 | Lbonard Toseland ... ... 4 Sidney Monton ... ... ...T Thor Conducted by S. Monton.

* First peal and first nttempt, aged 13 years 5 montls. Ringers of aecond and trable are father and son respectively.

PINNER, MIDDLFSEX.-On Febraary 28th, at the Parish Clmirch for evensong, 1,260 Stcdman Triples: H. Fodgetts 1, G. Price 2, J. E. Rootes 3, W. Wroughton 4, J. V. Poiter 5, A. J. Harding 6, E. E. C. Russell (conductor) 7, H. Langdon 8.

TEMPLECOMBE, SOMERRET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, February 27, 1937, in Three Howrs and Fiftetn Mtnutes, At the Cburch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB HINOR 5040 CHANGES; Being scver different 720's.
*Albert H Chant ... ...Tyeble E. T. Pade Firld
James F. Hatchlyy... ... 2 William C. Suqte
Percy N. G. Rainey... ... 3 Kicuard Sidchey
Conducted by Wi:linm C. Sugif.

* First peal of Minor.

MADELEY, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSEIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Febrwary 28, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifly Mitules,
At the Churce of St, Michael,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, G040 BHANGES;
Being 42 six-scores with 10 diferent wallings. Tenor 14 cwt (approx.).
Tromas S. Wilabs ... ...Treble Jogn W. Trantyr ... ... 4 Harry Harrison ... ... 2 Josbpb L. Stanier ... ... 5 - S. Harold Tranter... ... 3 Ricgardinstone... ... ...Tehor

## Conducted by j. L. Stanier.

* First peal. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Henry Newbrook (one of the local ringers) and Miss Catherine Richards, of Kidderminster, who were murien at the above church the game altarnoon.

FALEWOOD, LIVERPOOL.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Monday, march 1. 1937. in Two Hours and Fifiy Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF MINDR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob.

- James Robinsor
... ...irtole john W. Gardner ... ... 4

| Jobn Robinson ... | ... | ... | 2 | Herbbrt Lodein... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Thomas Robinson | ... | 5 |  |  |  |
| Thiciam Robinson | ... | ... | 5 | 5 |  | James Bahker ... .... ... Tenor (covering)

Conducted by H . LDemin.

* First peal. Rung after meeting short for Stexman Triples. First peal of Minor in three methods by all except the coaductor, and first on the bells in three methods loy a local band. Rung to commemorate the weddings of George Young and Margaret Stirrup, John Robinsen and Evelyn Grace, Manchester, Thomas Robinson and Jean Mary Bates.

DATITNGTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturdy, March 6. 1937, in Three Howfs,

At the Cugrch of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and tiree of Plain Bob.
Albert Relfe ... ... .. Tyebla Frank H. Higkg... ... ... a
Leslie W. Jarvis ... ... 2 William A. Kitchenside ... 5
Arthor F. Lewry ... ... 3 Artror |. Harz ... ... ... Texin
Conducted by Albert Rglge.
First peal in three methods by all except the conductor:
CROFT, LEICESTERSHTRE.
THE MDDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. Mar 6 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,
At the Chorcb of St. Micgael and All Angrls,
A PEAL OF KENT TAEGLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being seven 720's.

Tenor 64 cwt
Gborgb A. Cariton... ...TYeble Alpred Ballard... ... ... 4
John H. Baicess... ... ... 2 Frank R Measores ... ... 5
William A. Wood ... ... 3 Frank Bailess ... ... ...T Thoy Conducted by F. Bhilmes.
Tirst, peal of Kent Troble Bob Minor for all except ringer of fourth.


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FLLBECK, LINCS.
I'HE LINCOLN DIOCLSAN GUILD.
(Nohterrn Brance.)
On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Fowr Mitnes, At the Cebrgh of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being one extent each of Single Court, St. Clement's, Oxford and Kent Treble Boband Oxford Bob, and two extents of Plain Bob. Tenot 13 emt.
 Conducted by Clifford A. Vessby.

## GUTSBOROUGH, YORKS.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSEIRE ASSOOTATION. On Satrrday, Maych 6 :937, in I wo Hours and Forty-Eight Mrates.

## Ay the Parish Cherce of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

One extent of Plain Bub, three of Kent Treble Bob and three of Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt

- Ralpe Jackson ... Jack Rerd.
Grorge IIosband
.....- Treble

Grorge Kemball
(2-rmblo Conducted by C. Poleard.

* First penl of Minor. Firsr peal of Minor as conductor.


## LODDON, NORFOLK

'L'HE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. March 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Fify-Two Minwles,
At the Churca of the Hocy Trinity,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANQEB; Beiug seven 700's wibh four different callings. Tenor 11 cwt. Johm A, Godfrey ... .. Treble |thrberz C. Boggis... ... 4


Concucted by E. V. Elakg.

* First peal 'insiae.' † First peal.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

ITERRLNGTON ST. JOHN, NORFOLK.
THE EEY DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION.
O4 Wednesda March 3, 1937, 5/ wh Hours and Six Mimutes.
Aithe Reidence of W. Coosins,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR1 6040 CHANGES:

Seven 720's.

- Wallace Cousins

Tenor size 17 in A.
"Clader Codsins ... ... 5-6
Condacted by Fred Wigmare.

* First peal on handibells.

CRAPFORD, KENT.
THE EENT COUNTY ASSOOIATION.
On Sunday, Warch 7 1937, in Three Howys and Thity-Three Mtrutes,

## I. Sr. Paulin us' Parish Room

A PEAL DF BOB MAXIMUS, 6016 CHANGES;

Colin A. Hopper
Eduin A. Barnett
Tbos. Groombridgr,jun....
5-6 Alan J. Hopper... ..- ...il-iz

* Tirst peal on twelve bells.

STOCKPORI, CHESHIRE.
THE CEESTER DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Wedresday, Mareh 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Twency-Two Minntes,
At 20, Aberdern Cretceni,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES; Tenor size 17 in B flat.

 Harold Jackson... ... ... 9-io
Composed by G. Lindofr. Condacted by A. F. Bailey. Witnesses-Harzy Ashton and Mrs. A. F. Bailey.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

CALLING GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.
A beginner has asked us for a little help in calling Grandsire Triples. Like many others, he can ring the method fainly well, but he cannot make much headway in callitg touches.

The Grisi wing to know is, when to call the bobs; by which we mopan the place in the lead where ine actand word of command lus to be given. If you examine the figures of Grandsira Triples you will bee that the effect of the bob takes place before the treble completes its wholo pull at lead. If no bob is called, mothing interferes with the plain hunting of the bells until the treble has finished leading. In practically ald even-bell methods, such as Bols Minor and Major, the bob is effected by vaizing the position of three (or more) of the bells at the backstroke lead of the treble. In Grandsire the effective novement has taken place before that.

| Plain Lead | Bob Lead |
| :---: | ---: |
| 7561423 | 7561423 |
| 5716243 | Call Bob 5716243 |
| 5172634 | 5172634 |
| 1527364 | 1576243 |
| 1253746 | 1752634 |
| 2157364 | 7156243 |
| 2513746 | 7512634 |

The bob, therefore, must be 'called' in good time, and the confect moment is at the beginning of the change in which the treblo strikes in 3rd's place on the way flown. Now, while it may not be easy to see, while riuging another bell, exactly when the treble is in Jrd'g place, there happens to lue a particularly good gude to the place where the bob should he called. It is atithe moment that the hell, which is going to make the ordinary $3^{\prime} d$ 's place, pulis off at lead. The bell to go into the hunt gets sufficient notice, and the dorlginy bells are in their dodging places. The bell that is coming to lead when the bob has to be calfed is the one hunting down inmediately in front of the treble, so you ought not to mistrke it.

Every place into which a bell ean fall at a bob has a distinctive name:-

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { Middle, or MI., } & \text { 4-5 (up). } \\
\text { Before, or B., } & \text { 3rd's place. } \\
\text { In, or I., } & \text { Into thre hunt. } \\
\text { Out, or O., } & \text { Ont of the lunt. } \\
\text { Wrong, or W., } & 7-6 \text { (down). } \\
\text { Home, or H.; } & 6-7 \text { (up). }
\end{array}
$$

One of the impartant things to remember in calling Grandsire $1 s$ that, compared with a plain lead, a boh culs out one dodging position. that is to say winle the dodge in 6-7 (up) Follows that in $7-6$ (down) at a plain lead, a boly would cause the bell to double dorige is $4-5 \mathrm{nj}$ (or Middle). If jou want to call a bell into the Home position, ywu must do it the lead after it has dorged in 54 (down). If you wint to call it into the hunt, you do it the lead after it has dadged in $6-7$ up. The only posilion that is not diaturbed by a bob is thet Before, whicls follows the dodge in 4-5 up. It is tha eutting out of a dofging place that sometimes fogs those who aye beginning to call tonches. Here is a litile table thint shows the differences made hotween Plain and Bob leads:-

| After | Plain Lead | Bob |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3nd's | $r^{1}$ odge 5-4 down | dodge 76 down |
| 5-4 dowl | dodge 7-6 down | dodge 6-7 up |
| 7 -6 down | dodge 6-7 up. | dodge 45 Lu |
| $6-7$ up | dotite 4-5 up | Inte H14! |
| 4.5 up | make 3 rd's | make 3rd's |

Just maslev this first, locfore you berin to call. It is also a great help to know you should call the bob when striking your first blow in your dodging place (whether 4.5 or 6-7, up or down). When Eoing futo the hunt call the bob wherr you are in 2nd's, going up, and the treble is striking over you. A bol when you are yourself coming Before is called when you hegin to lead.
When you first begin calling, it may be just rs well to ring the olseervation bell and learn your touch by the places into wheli it will be actually called, thus a 336 called from the 7 th: Before, Wrong, In, Out at 1 (it is necessary to know how many leads the abserwation bell is to remain in the hunt). This calling twice repeated brings the belis beck into the plain course.
If you get a touch which is all in one part, don't forget that you can treat any bell as the observation bell. For instance, this tittle tonch of 266 has no special bell for observation. It is as easy to learn it from one bell as from another. Bobs are called at the following intervals, $1,1,2,3,4,2,1,3,1$, these figures representing the number of feads between the calls.
The conduclor shonld know how to write out his own touches, and readers should figure out this one, as an example. The transpositions, if you do not happen to linow, are 253746 for a plain lead and 752634 for 2 bob lead.
Thus fo bob at I from rounds produces 758634, and at bob at the following lead (752634 transpssed by 752634) 467352. Follow this with a plain lead, 467352 transposed by 253746, which gives 436275, and so on; the treble, being recurvent in front of the whole of the rows of firures, is omitted.
We will return to the subject of enlling Grandsire Triples noxt wask.

## FAMOUS BIRMINGHAM RINGERS OF THE PAST.

## AN INTERESTING GROUP

This picture, taken seventy years ago, forms an extremely interesting link with a past generation of Birmingham ringers, whose memory is recalled by the recent commemoration dinner.

The group is from a photograph of members of St . Martin's Guild taken when Henry Johnson was secretary.

In the back row are: John Day (president), John James, Thomas Edyshill, George Baldwin and S. Power.

In front are: Thomas Day, Henry Johnson, William Haywood, John Perks and Job Joynes.

Some of these men helped to make history. Johnson's services to the art are well known. Thomas Diy was a composer of repute and was the athor of the famous record lengths of 15,840 and 16,608 Treble Boh. With Johnson, William Haywood and John James took part in the record length of Stedman Cinques $(7,392)$ rung at Birmingham in 1868.


## SURPRISE METHODS THAT EXTEND TO 10 AND 12 BELLS.

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With a view to stimalating interest in this mater, Mr. Gabriel Lindof has furnished us with a short sevies of methods which deserve uttention and whith those who have the opporturity may care to pructice.
In placing those metlods lefiove the Exercise Mr. Lindoff has selceted only those that ernform to the eommonsense rule, that 'Places make the method.' In these methorls, therefore, it must be tho places that are extendetl ; the other work takes sare of itself.
Two methots that have heen ancoptrd ly the Exercise as correct "xtunsions are Treble Boh and Camhridge.
1u Treble Bok the places (2nd's) are extended downwards. In Cumhridge the places are extended across. No fixed rile can the obanrved, iherefore. They may be downwards, across, or holh, whicherner the method demands.
York Susprist, here givpls ns the first, of the serics. is at methori that extends from six. Thaugh simple, its music will, when practised, be highly appreciated.

VORK SURPRISE.

| 123455 | 12345678 | 1234567890 | 1234567890xt |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 214365 | 21436587 | 2143658709 | 21436587097 TE |
| 124635 | 12463857 | 1246385079 | 124638507\% 95 |
| 216453 | 21648375 | 2164830597 | 21648305 F 7 m |
| 261435 | 26143857 | 2614385079 | 26143850779 E |
| 624153 | 62418375 | 6241830597 | 62418305r7E 9 |
| 621435 | 62143857 | 6214385079 | 681438507 TqE |
| 284153 | 26418375 | 2541830597 | $26418305 \mathrm{r} 7 \mathrm{E9}$ |
| 624513 | 62481735 | 6248103957 | 6248103 т5:79 |
| 64253] | 64287153 | 6488019375 | $64280173{ }^{\text {c }} 597$ |
| 465215 | 46821735 | 4682103957 | $488210375 \pm 79$ |
| 456231 | 48527153 | 486201935 | 486801 т3E597 |
|  | 84672513 | 8840201735 | 84602 Tl E 3557 |
| 546321 | 86475231. | 8640927153 | 8640 r2E19375 |
|  | $68742513^{\circ}$ | 6804291735 | 68942 Tl E 3957 |
|  | 67845231 | 6084627153 | 6084 T 2 L 19375 |
|  |  | 0689472513 | 068 T 4 E 291735 |
|  | 76854321 | 0869745231 | 086 rc 4927153 |
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2nd's place is made at the treble's lead.
Major has five false vourse-euds (32546, 24365, 46253, 65432 aud 53624 ), and, therefore, thirly courses for composition. Royal and Maximus have a clean proof seale.

## A DEVON BAND'S SUCCESS

## DOERLE NORWIGH AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB BY

 RESEDENTLSOn Wednesdiy craning, Marth Jrsl, ciglit menhers of the Devon Guild rang a peal of Oxford Tyoble Bob Mujor at Highweek Parish Church, Newton Abbot. Thas peal was He lirat in the method for six
of the band, and it was alse the first peal in the method for the Guild by a band resident in the connty of Devon. It was the first peal of Major on the bells, and the striking was excellent thoughout

Iricirentially the sume loand met at Buakfastleigh quout six weaks ago and rayg a peal of Double Nowwhe, this also being the fret peal in the mothod for the Guild by a band resident in the eomaty. The peal of Oxford is recolded in the appropriate coltams.

## BROADCASTING

## ST．MARTIN＇S－IN－THE－THELDS BELLSS． <br> fo the Editor．

Dear Sir，－Gannot something be done to end the broadcasts fif wrotehed＇still＇bellis from St．Martin＇s－in－the－Fields？If I remember right，an effort whs made a few years ago to get the bells of this church rung，but this does nob seem to have been successful．
I am convincer that the mesent methor of chiming them mast be regretted by all ringers，and not leasi by the Society of Royal Cum－ berland Youths，whose chief tower I believe St．Markin＇s to be． Would it not bs possible for this sociely，nud perlapes also the Central Council，to approant the powers that be with a request that the bells be rang on the oceasion of a broadeast？As the bells are radiated through the principal British stations，if，seoms such of pity that so rast a listening audience should fet a false impression of the tradi－ tional British style of chuzeh beilrioginge possibly confusing this chiming with the true change ringing．

Certainly the noise produced by the present methon is deplorable． An organ volunlary is much to be preferred every time．

Hawford，Worcester．
GFOMGE E．LARGE．

## SUFFOLK GUILD．

UNFREQUENTED TOWERS POR SUMMER MEETTNGES．
On Saturday disurict meating of the Suffolle Guitd was held at Stowmarkeb，Suffolk，when a fair mumber ativended，about 30 being present at tea or Later in the evening．At the meoting the chair was taken by tho new Vicar of Great Finborougl，whe had kindly leut his bells for the evening．
The secretary（the Rev．H，Drake）reported that he land again tried to get Bury Sit．Edmbeds for the ammal meeting，but the guthorities would not agree，so il has been deciod to hold the annual meeting on $A$ pril 3 rd at Sudbury，where two rings of eight will be available； All Saints＇are under repair and may not be ready by that date．
It was sugrested that some of the more unfrequented towers be wisited for meetings daring the summer mouths and so revive some interest，
New members were glected from Rughmere St．didrew，Sproughton， and st．Mrigaret＇s，Ipswich．It was very pleasing to Hote so many young yingers present，including two ladies，one only 12 years old Ringing ranged from rounds to Superbative Surprise Major，several having their first＇rum＇on eight he：ls．
Aftar tea some went by car to Great Pimbotonglt（6），while others कent to Barking（6）and Tack to Pinborough．

## HELP NEEDED

SMALL WORGESTERSHIRE PARESH＇S GREAT ETHORT．
An appeal has been issucd for funds for the restoration of the tower and bells of Bishampton Church，Worcestershire．
The Lowev was buite about tho year 1400 ．Tho original six bells wero cast in 1690 by Whilian Bagley，of Jecton，Northants，but the fifth was recast in 1705 by Sanders，of Bromserove．

At present the bells are silent．The tower had been neglected and crachs appeared．The fabric has now been repaired at a cost of over $\$ 500$ ．The bell frame is decajed and the bells have never been turned since they were put in．It is proposeri to relnang the bells in at yew frame and new fitings and puth in a Jow floor for the ringers．The cost of this work is estimated ai about £300，towards which just over E170 las been raised
Fere is a case where ringers should be glad to help．Their sona－ tiong will be welcomed and acknowledged by the Vicar，the Rev．T． Wikinson，Bighampton Vicarage，Tershore，near Worcester

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．

## EAST NORFOLK BRANCH．

The armual meeting of the Tast Norfolk Tranch of the Norwieh Diocesan Association was held ut St．Margavel＇s，Lowestoft，on Sntur－ day，Fobruary 27th，Ringing trok place eturing the afternoon，eud after sorvice，conducted by the Rev．H．C．Neusome，ten wats serverl at St．Nicholas＇House．
The Rev．H．C．Neusome presited over the business meeting，sup portad by Mr．W．J．Lee（chairman），Mr．A．L．Colemank（general secretary），Mr．J．G．Earwood（Eecuctary）and Mr．Nalnn Golien （secretar＇y of North and South Norfolk Branches）．
Mr．W．J．Lee was re－clected chairman of the district aad Mr．J． G．W．Farwood lhon，secretary．The following were elected on the Branch Committee：Messrs．A．Moy，W，R．Barber，C．Pamell，J． Taylor and R．T＇．Woodley，and Messm，A．King and R．Daveq were re－clected on the General Committee，
Six new merobers wero clected and a wote of thanks was passeril to the Rector for the nge of the bells，to the Rev．Neasome for pre－ siding aty the meeting and talsing the service，also to the matron and staff at St．Nicholas＇House for natering for tea
Thirtyone members attended from Norwieh，Great Yarmouth and Gorleston．WYmondlam，Beceles，Lowestoft，Kessinmind．Bueshrm， Redham，Norton，Havorgale，Acle and Sonthwold．The methork rung during the day were Cambridge，Superlative，Double Norwich， Orfort and Kent Ereble Fols and Bab Major，Stedman and framdire Triples．
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## BELFRY GOSSIP

The baud at Crayforl, Kent, has accomplished two highly creuitable performances within the past week-on Saturday, the firgt Surprise peal by a local company at this tower, sud a peal of Bob Maximus on bandbells on Sunday, with three of the bend ringing their first peal on twelve bells.
It is many years, apparently, since a lacal band in Kent rang a Surprise peal-which is strange in view of tho taient which has always existed if the county, and that at one time one tower possessed a lacal band thst could ring London. There seems to be no trace of any local Surprise peal since Gabriel Lindoff called the first peals of Cambridge and Superlative in the county in 1893.
Yesterday was the fiftieth auniversary of a performance which still ranks among the most notewortliy peals in history. On March 11th, 1887, at the Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyart, four members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Holt's Original on bandbella, non-conducted. "The striking was faultless," and the peal was pronounced by the competent witnesses present, representing both the Colloge Youths and Cumberlands, to be 'a masterpiece of intellectaal ringing.
Three of the band are happily atill alive. They are Messrs. J. C. Mitchell, F. F. L. Buckingham and C. F. Winney. The fourth riager was Mr. G. T. McLairghlin. Jast night Mr. Mitchell entertained a amall private party to celebrate the jubilee, and thus fulfilled a hope that was expressed at a similar gathering exactir ten years ago.
The peal of Grandsire was the second ever rung silcnt on handbells, and, strangely enough, it was rung on the anniversary of the first non-conducted peal, whioh John Cox, William Cooter, Henry Haley and Matt. Wood rang for the St. James' Society on March 11th, 1854. That was Stedman triples.

One hundred years ago next Monday a peal of 10,133 Grandsire Caters was rung in Bristol in 5 hours 54 minutes.

The ringer of the 7th in the peal at Southwark Cathedra! on February 20th was Henry G. Miles. In the peal of Spliced Surpise at Acton on February 27 th the ringer of the 5 th was Ernest C. S. Turner.

The peal at Cheitenlam on February 27tli was the first of Stedman Cinques by R. Woodyati.
Among those who hope to attend the dinner of the Royal Cumberland Fouths in London to-mcrrow are at least fwo with over 50 years of mumbership-Mu. George Williams and Mr. W. H. Fussell.

## LONDON TOWERS

## A HTNT TO SECRETARIES.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-Appreciation would, I thints, be felt on the part of many ringerg, particularly those resident in and near London, if the aecretaries of the various rinming associations would endeavour, when they are able, to give some indication in their notices in "The Ringing World ' of the whereabouts of towors where ringing meetings are to be held.

When there are several churches in one district or meizhbourhood it is often difficult to get directed to the right one. The price are usually at a loss when one asks the way to a church, whereas they are able to direct one to any particular street without hesitation.
I would suggest, therefore, that when there is any likelihoorl of difficulty in finding elnech, secretaries should give the name of the streat in which it is situated
My reason for writint this is that I recently had the bitter experience of not finding a cortain charch at all, in spite of inquising of every other passer-by and walking some three or four miles.

Sydenham.
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P. A. CORRT

## WING BELLS.

A BOLD SPATEMENT.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir . - In mpopinion it is rather a bold statement to make to bay the belis of Wing are not pealable. Did the band that tried them consist of the 'champion hervy bell ringers' of Englant? On Fobruary 15th, 1913, I toak fo band to St. Dunstan's-im-the-East, Jrandon, for a peal of Triples. The tenor was not going any too welt. so m mall who claimed to be a great heavy hell ringer tackled her. After about 50 minutes he gave ap and said no one could ring it to a peal. The following Saturday the Middesex Associatiou rang a peal of Bristol Sunprise Major on them. The late Mr. W. Pyo rage the tenor and conducted the peal. I heard a good deal of it and it was well rung-
I venture to suggest that had the Rev. C. E. Wigg and friends rung a peal on Queen Camel bells before Messrs. Taylor rehung them, they would have had eomething to write home ahout. As it was, the tenorman had enough in the fourth 720 . I know the bells very well and had a touch or two on the tenor before they were rehung. I am of ths belief that rery few ringers in England would have rung her to a peal. The flory, and any gold medias, due for a heavy job on aix and eipht bells bolong to Mr. J. T, Dyke. He it was who rang this tenor to a peal when they wanted a good deal of skill and pulling to get a peal out of them.

T'auntors.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

## SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT EXCHANGE OFFIGES.

## Question of Introducing New Blood.

A very satisfactory state was reremad in the nffoirs of the Surrey Asconiation at the annual meeting, held at Leatherhead on Saturday, nad members showed their interest by attonding to the number of nearly eighty, representing 13 out of the 18 towers in the NorthWentern Division and foll ont of the nine towers in the Southern Division. The towers represented were Ashtead, Banstead, Bedding ton, Berhiltom, Oarslultor, Oroychon (St. John's and St. Peter's) Fposen (Ohrist Church), Wwe!l, Kingston, Leatherhead, Lingfeld, Merstiam, Mitchan (Clirist Church), Redbill, Reigate and winble alon. In addition visitors were present from Beckenham, Brockley, GierLsey, London, Shuremam, Tunbridge Wells, Windsor and Uckfeld
The spacious belfy was well filled dining the afternoon and again in the evening, when the ten bells were kept fully utilised under the competenti direction of Mr. Dan Cooper, Ringing Master of the NorthWest Division, in which Leatherhead is situated.

In the absence of ing Vicar (the Rev. G. H. B. Coleridge), the carate (the Rey. P. W. H. Isdell-Carpenter) offiated at the aerwice, and in a bricf aduress welcomed the association to Leatherhead on belull of the Vicar, and spoke of the fellowship and service of ringers.
Tea at the Insbitute was followed by the business meeting. In the errelited absence of the Master (Mr. D. K. C. Birt) througly ihness Mr. J. S. Goldsunith was made chairman, and was supported by the Rey. $P$. W. H. Isdell-Garpenter, the bon. secretary (Mi. C. H. Kimana), the assistant hon. secretary (Mr. E. G. Talbat) and other ollicers of the association.
The hon. treasurer's statement: of accounts showed receipts amounting to fobit 18 s . 3d. from members' subseriptions and an increased hrlance in the general accomt of 21505 g. g., due in some measure to the increase from 50 per cent. to 75 per cent. in the allocation frome the distriets.
member expressed dislike to the charge of a guinea for the bells at Southwark Cathedral out the occasion of tho last annual meeting.
The hon. secrefary explained that this elarge had been made by the authorities since 1921, when the bells were put in order, and was paid for the use of the bells for peals and mectings. Since the clarge was instituted the bells had been well looked after.-The halance oheet was adopteci.

## THE YEAR'S RECORD

The committee in their annual report said one of the outstanding events of the year was the recasting of the eipht bells of Croydon Parish Church and their augmenation to twelve. The association is fortunate, said the report, in having for the first time in an affileted tower a Ewelva-hell peal, and it is hoped that members will take the apportunity of increasing their knowledge on the higher numbers on this icled ring.
Anothor ovent was the scoring of the first peal of Spliced Snrprise Royal in four methods in the country, rung by members of the NorthWestern District at Reddington, conducted by Mr. C. E. Kippin.
Ar unformate incident was the discovery that a compasition of Trebile Bob Major (an abridged version of F. Robiuson's 5.184) was false. 'Ihis composition bas been rung on 12 occasions by the assaciation, including a peal on the back eight at the Chureh of st. Mary-le-Bow, Gheapside. The peal records have been amended aceordingly. Twenty-six peals were rung during the year, an inerease of five over 1935. Methods: Spliced London, Bristol, Gimbridge and Superlative Surprise Royal 2; London-Royal 1, Major 2, Minor 1; Cam-bridye-Royal 3, Major 5; Fent Treble Bob-Royal 1, Major 1, Minor : Oxford Treble Bob Major I; Plain Bob-Royal 1, Major 1; Dotbble Norwich Major 1: Steduan-Gaters 1, Triples 2; Grandsure Triples 2; Minor (3 methods) 1. Eighty-four members took pert, six ringing their frys peal and 55 theil first peal in the method.
District meetings had been well atienden. In the North-Western District $\begin{gathered}\text { ne } \\ \text { averuge attendance was 38, and the Southerr District } 27 .\end{gathered}$ An interesting feature was the number of joint meelings. Six were held, one jointly with the Guildford Guild and Society of Royal Cumberland Kouths, three mid-week meetings with the Ladies' Guild. one ench with the Sussex Association and East Grinstead Guild, ali of which were well attended. The committee were of opinion that these joint meetings were excellent for promoting good feeling between neighbonring associations, which han always been the aim of the society, and shond be encouraged as much as possible.
Ringing had still been carried on montlaly by tice association al Southwark Cathedral, but diring recent months the attendance had not been up to the usual standard. Further volunteers were necessary if this ringing was to be carried on snccessfully.
The committee regretod to report the death of Mr . John Lee, of Streatham. an old acd reepected member of this association, and the Rev. H. T. Levis, late Vich of Horley, who was an honorary member for soveral years.
The membership of the association had slightly deoreased during the year, the botal of annual subseribing members being 287, as ggainst 297 at the ead of 1935. In the North-Western District there is on teduction of 14, but the Sicuthern Districl had an increase of four members.
Finanec was still satisfactory. the balance in hand in the Central Fuud and the districts having increxsed $\mathrm{FH}_{\mathrm{y}} \mathrm{EG}$ 10s. 10d. daring 1936 from E 398 s . 1 d . to 845 IBs . 11 m .

- In concluding then report, the commitiee congratulated the Master, Mr. Bint, upon the great improvement in his health after such long illness, and expressed the hope tiat the wond have a speedy and complete recovery.

Mr. H. V. Young called attention to the falling of in the attoncance for ringing once a month at Southwark Catherlral, and appeated for more ringers who would be prepared to attend there once every three months.
The report was adopted.
MIr. J. Corbett (home treasurer of the Guild[ord Diogesan Guild and Mr. A. Watson (Benhilton) were elected metnbers of the associntion.

Thare places, Reigate, Kingston and Croydon, wele propered for the next anutal meeting, Regate being selceted by a large mejorily REASON FOR CHANGE.
The clection of officers provided some changes, but these were all af a volntary mature. Tho Bistop of Croydm remails president and Wir, D. K. C. Birt, Master. Mr, D. Cooper had also been mominatm for the latter oflice, but withdrew, saying that he rllowed his nomma tion to go forward under an misapprehension. At the time it was thought piry. Birt intended to retire on nccoln! of the condition n his health but now that he was recovering and was willing to con-
tinno he (Mr. Cooper) would not think of contesting fine oflica (applause).
In declaring tlie election of Mr. E. G. Talbot as hon. secrelary anc Mr. C. H. Kippin as assiglant hon, secretary, the Chairman said he conld not let it pass without a reforence to the change lihat was takiad place and ta Mr. Kippin's services. Mr. Kippin and Mr. Talbot hat changed offices, becanse the former was of opinion that a chany would be beneficial. Mr. Kippin had served as hon. secrebary fon ten pears with great ability and efficiency, and the association owed him a great debt of grafitude (applase)

Mr. ©. H. Reading endorsed tho chairman's yemarke, and said the members were very conscious of and appreciated the worts which Mr Kippin had dowe
Mr. Kippin said he had resigned the secretaryship not through nuy lack of irterest or differences with the committee. The reason was that he beliored now blood shoutd be introdnced. He fand been secretary for ten years, and if a man went on too long it made him nppear indispensable. He would continue to hava just as mush intorest in the association, and he wished his successor every suecess in the offce. The hoped the members wonld give him every support.
The new hon, secretary aclanowleiged his clection. He said he feit very diffident in takiog ou the work after Mfr. Kippin, but he woutcl do his best, with tha help of the members, to carry on efficiently. The remaining afice, thet of auditar, was filled by the re-election of Mr. G. W. Steore.
It was amnonced that the comnittee had considerod the question of holding the ammal dinner this jear, and, in view of the close proximity of the College Fouths' Tercentenay dimmer, recanmonden that the dinner be not held. Mr. Fippin explained that the feeling of the committee was that a good many ringers would want to atten the College Youtlis' commemoration, and as they conld mot als eflord to go to both, The attendane at a Surrey dinmer whs bomad to be affected, and they dir mot wand to risk a loss

CORONATION RTMGING
The conmiltee's sugrestion was confirned-as was also the following recommendation of the comtuttere: "That ringity taties place as far as possible at every affilited tower on the day of tine Corbuation, May 12th, next; record of performances to be ascertained by the secrotary.

Mr. Talbot explained thet an the occasion of the silver Jubilec only one peal wrs rung by the association, and, on the face of it, it seemed a very poor recognition of the event.' Actually there were sevoral attempts and many touphes were rung. The object on this oceasion was to obtain a record of whet was done.
Later Mr. Willett said he hat read in 'The Ringing World' of the suggestion by one associntion that any peals rung by its members in the month of May should be recognised as Coronation peals. He asked whether that should be done in the Surrey association, and if t was to be generally adopted.
The Chairmax, asked to give his wiew on the matiter, grid ho considered that any peal definitely arranged as a Coronation celebration if rung within a reasonable time of the event, should ho recognised as a Coronation peal. Peals casually arranged which happened to be rung soon after the Goromation oughat not to be treated as Caromation peals, but those specially arranged for the purpose should be recognised, even if they were not rung in Coronation wheek.
A suggestion by Mr. W. H. Hewitt that a joint meeting with the Guildiord Guild and Middlosex Association should be held at a tower near the Thames in the antumn was referred to the North-Western District Committee, it being painted out tilat a joink meeting was to be held at Staines for the Middlesex, Gutdford and Oxford Guids The Ghairman said he had no donbt the other societies would welcome the Surrey Association on that occasion.
Mr. Randal! (Benhilton) suggested that in future no officer shoukl holf his position for more than three jears in succession,

Considerable ciscnssion followed upon this, when the sdpatages and disedvnntares were pointed out by varions speakers.
Mr. Rendall and others argued that it would give the opportunity
of introducing new blood. At present if a man was willing to con of introducing new blood. At present if a man was willing to con(Continued on next page.)

## Should Officers be changed every 3 years？

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thum in office he could not be very well turned out without feeling a seuse of sliryit．

On the other land，it was painted out tlat an opportumily oecurred anumally for abnge officers if it was thought desirable，and there was also the diffienlby whicle frequenfly occurred of finding suitable men for office

Cluydon（a district sedremay）said it took a secretary three yeas to fict 玉ato the job properly；were they，he asked，going to turik him ont as soon as he knew his job？
Hir．O．H．Resding gaid it they bed a good man they shonld stick to lim．RENERRED TO CONMJTNEE．

II the end，it being underetood that the meeting was uob com－ mibtad to ung definite wiews，tho matter was referred to the committee for consideration on condition that if they had any recommendation ta make，the secretary and assistant secretary were not to be retired in the same year．Tho reference to the committee included both the semeral and district officers．

On the motion of the clairman，it was decided to ask the com－ mittee to congider tho omission from the anmual printed report of tife tables giving statistics of the performances of those members who had rumg peals in the preceding yenrs．The Chairman，speaking from the sympathetic stancpoint of a suild secretary，pointed out that it was a record of only limited scope，it put，an immense amount of work on whe secretary and added to the cost of the report．All the informa－ tios was in the rucords of the peals，which members could extract ur themselves，if they were interested．
Wr：Kippin said lue lad coninued to prepare the tables every year bemense they bad been compiled before be took office，but he endorsed wint the clisirman said abouf the labour involved．The preparation ti liese tables fook as much lime as all the rest of the report．
Mr．W．Hewilt said lue shorld be sarry to see these statistics omitted fro
On the molion of Mi．Hewitt，it was decided to leawe the peal books in the custody of Reigate tomer，nod Mr．J．Reams was thanked for fis services in wrifing up the reworlg，At present they had only been brongly up ta 1926，as the association was for many yearg wibhout books in which the entries wonld lue made．
It was decided to record on the minutes a hearts vote of thanks to the retiring hon treasurer（Mr．G．Dean）for his services to the association It whs puinter out that Mr．Dean had been a member $f$ tho associations for 47 yeris，and had been in affee since 1995 ，for fwo proiorls as hom．secrekary，for many yesis as at representutive of The associgfion on the Central Commet，and latterly as hon．treasurer． He was retiring now on recount or the claims of busincss on his time． A simila vote of thanks was passed to Mr．Kippin for lis services for ion years as lon．secretary，find ordered to be recorded on the Minutes．
Voles of thanls wore passed to the Vicar of Treatherlead for the uge of the balls alad to the curate for conducing the serviee，also to Wessrs．G．Marriner fud $\mathcal{H}$ ．Y．Young for the local arrantements made．
Tt was alsa resolved to gend a letter of condolence to Mr．Artazi Doan，an old Eeatherhend mamber of the association，in his comtinued ＂uess and sood wishes fou his speed．recovery．
The meeting torminated witl a vote of thanks to the chaiman．

## ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS．

## SUCCIESTIUL MEETING IN NORTH LONDON

A quarterly meeting of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths wus held at Hampstead on Saturday，and，despite Avclic weather， ahout 40 rimgers attended，representing the following towers：Faling， Northfleet，Bishopssate，Ruislip，Bromley Common，Watford，Kings－ lury．St．John＇s Hillinglon，Sunhury，Gravesend，North Stomeham， Harnnstead，Burnham，Finehley，Beekculam，St．Lawrence Jewry and Si．Martin－in－the－Fields．Visitors also came from Coventrys．
Ringing took place during the afternoon at St．Am＇s．Highgate （Granisire nud Stedman Triples，Plain Bob Major，Cambridge and Rristol Surprise），nut at St．Stephen＇s，Hampstead（Grandsire and Sledman Cators and Cambridge Roynl，together widh rounds for the legerinners）．
The service was held in St．Stephen＇s at 6 p．m．and was conducted ly tho Vicar of Hanpstead，the Tev，A．F．Sharp．
Tea was served in the Church Fall of St．Stephen＇s．The Rev，A．F． Shard haring to leave hefore the business meeting，the Master iMr． C．H．Oross），on behalf of those present，thanked him for lis address tuld weleome and also for granting permission to ring．
After the inevitable touch on the handluells，the business meeting fuel place the Master taliny the clair．It was announced that the next guarterly meeting would be held at Pinner in July．
My．J．F．Bailey secretary of the Dinner Committee，appealed for supnort for the dinner to bo held on the following Saturdny，and sifinart fing closed with a vote of thanks to Mr．T．Bevan for makigg such satisfactory arrangemeuts．
Futher ringing took place in the evening at，Gospel Oak，where Bob，Treble Tol，Double OxFord．Double Const，Wondline，Cantririge aitil Lotdnen Minor．

## LEICESTER RINGERS＇ANNUAL DINNER <br> THE FUN WAS＇FAST AND TURIOTS．

Each year we lave been able to report the resild of the Leverater and District＇s annual dinner as＇the best yet．This yesr＇s gathoring was every bit as siccessful，and from a social point of view conld uut be surpassed．As a preliminary the bells of St．Margaret＇s（12）and St．Joln the Divine（10）were available for an liour to give wisiols a clance of a pull but evidently this was considered a secoudary mom－ sideratian with the majonity，as the bells weze not sa lieezly patronised as one migitt bave expected．It was seid mosf ut the
 appointed．At $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ ． $\mathrm{t}^{2}$＂gatherimg of the dans，numbering wver＇ 10f，met at the Georcre Hotel，and dmong the towers represtited werb Anstev，Belgrave，Bitesdor，Burbaye，Oroft．Glen Magak， Kirkby Mallory，Loughborougl，Nottingham，Orkham，Winstons MIarna and Sputh，as well as the local companies．Grece wis said by the Leicester ringers ${ }^{3}$ chaplain，the Rev．W．Groome－Mearileus， now of Ellistown，and the company elijoyed a good repast．
proceedinga following dinner were frec from any fommalion，set speeches and such like，and in the somal that followed the fan wag fast and furious．For several years past Leicester has struck a moderi idea of what an dinner and social evening should be，ath this was＂it．＂
The gental chaiman（Mr．Jim Harmis）whs ju good form nud carried through the progremme in his usual breezy style．It was lewpy regretted that the newly－appointud local socretary，I．G．IN．W． Perkins，was absent owing to an unfortunate accident．dimivir ling weck．The chajrman expressed the sympathy of all the combjuby， and promised to convey to him their grod wishes for his staedy recovery
A course of Stedman Gaterg＇in hand＇was rame by A．Balland， H．J．Poole，E．Morris，F．E．Wilson，J．Morris．Then followert violin solos by P．C．Vjaes，und songe by Mr．A．Chiswell．A speuial feature was the entertaimment by mir．C．Grimes who got swe set music＇out of many and murious instzunemts，which was greatly appreciated
Novelty competibions interspersed the praceedings，and the halloonk blowing for ladies resulted in min appiopriate prise of a gpocially constructed bottle with it rubber end．It was noticed thal the miuncle quickly returned to the＂nirsery＂stame ngain，althourg what slie extracted was not＇grade $A$ ．＇It was also observed that＇oul Alhert， and Treddie＇ingisted ont having a suck？Tho＇Arantas Clab？ wimuer proved to be F．Masan，of St，Marearet＂s，who suid be lrad a号randfather elock so ald that．the shadow of the pendulum swibging had worn a hale in the erse nt tiro back！
The especinl feature of thu evening was the claimman＇s＂swiprise packet＂for oste who had been at the zecent police galhering ab Livalpool．and who Fad been dismayed at his innhility to reb liquid
 2．This surprise packet ceused elidless hilarity in that the chereant－ Major was made to＂opel up，＂and the revelabion was a stavlen＇！ Howewer，being a good sportsman，he promisal to have the recuptacke filled with＇the begt，providing the chajrman had the fisslandin from it．Needless to say，the offer was accepted．This eaused further romusement，hut it was the last＂straw＂when Geolge earyied tho ubensil around，offering＂rood hoalth＇to all and sundry．
A competition，in which practically evervone in the room lat at prize of elther one of Jim＂s famous pipo－lighters or a conthanger， was won by one who made a Balladry out of the photo of a certain lady＇s pet love．Handbell selections were deliahbinlly randeved hy tho＂Joungsters，＂viz．，5．Harrison，H．Hummersle马 and Jolin Fill． And so the finn went on until all too soon the latalord anled Time，please，thus terminating abe of the best gacial gatioungs ever held in Leicestor

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## BLIND RINGERS． <br> To the Editor

Sir，We have read with sreat pleasure the article in The Ringing World＇of March Stl with ragard to the bind ringeng of Oxforel． Mr．G．Bromley，who is ilso blind，beloges to Jandudno and we are very prond to have lim ring with us at Holy Trinity Chumely tower during wecations．
Mr．Bremley has on two occusions taker the treble througlu 120 cratidsire Doubles，and atso an＂ingicle＂bell througly a coursc of riples on hamabells．Fie is a great help for Sundny service uineimgr Holy Trinity Guilk，Landudno．

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The quarterly meeting of the Ashfori District of the Kent County Association，held jointly with the Romuey Marsh Guild at Biddenden on Saturday，March 6th，was very successful．Thirty men！ners attended representing twelve towers．The belle were raiged at thren o＇clock and were kept busy during the alternoon and ovening，all the visiting ringers obtaining good practice from rouvds up to Cambridge Surprise Major
The usual service was cancelled owing to the Rector＇s ill．heallith． Tea was serven at The Chequers，and was followed by tho busimess mecting，at which six new members were elected．$A$ voto of thamles was passed for the use of the bells，and the members retarnati to the tower，yingiug continuing infil 8.30 p．m．

## RINGS OF EIGHT IN CORNWALL.

## HOW THEY HAVE INCREASED.

The first church in Cornwall to possess a ring of eight bells seems to have been Bodmin, a complete octave for this tower having been cast in 1767 by Thomas Rudhall. The tenor weighed 16 cwt . 2 qr . In 1808 the sixth was recast by John Rudhall. By 1877, a period of 110 years, the number of octaves had increased to seven. Of these


Penzance Church, whers is one of the finest rings in the county.
seven octaves three have been completely recast and are among the finest rings in the county, namoly, St. Austell (1902), Kenwyn (1905) and Penzance (1928). All are from the loughborough Foundry. The renaining four rings have been partially recast and all have been rehmer. rehang.

From 1877 to 1900 , a period of twenty-three years, six more octaves appeared. All the bells of this period remein intact except those of Stratton, which were made eight in 1878 by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank with a 20 cwt. tenor, but in 1911 were rehung by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., and the weight of the tenor increased to approximately 22 cwt .

This shows how slow the process was of hanging rings of eight in Cornwall. It took one hundred and thirty-three years for the first thirteen rings to appear.

This century, however, has scen an incrcase of twenty, bringing the number up to thirty-three complete octaves. The period can be divided into two, for there were no augmentations [rom 1914 to 1919 inclusive.

In the periorl 1901 to 1913, augmentations started in the eastern end of the county when, in 1901, trebles were (Continued in next column.)

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION.

## THE VAGANT RINGING MASTERSEIP.

A mecting of the North Staffordsine Association was held at Newcastle on Saturday. Thiriy-six members were piesent from biown Edge, Burslem, Chende, Chawe, Kettoring, Kingsley, Longton, Non'ton, Newnasile, Stoke and Uitioxeter.
A shor secyice, lasting only twenty minutes, was conducled by :/w Rector of Newcastle (the Rev. C. d. Wathins). The choir wore alsia in attendence, and were entertainod to bea by the rimgers. The orrlu" of service was writien by Mr. Kouneth Thacker, assistant hon. geretary. After an exhortation, the following special prayer was offerer Grant, 0 Lord, that Thy blessings may be with us Thy sorvants whos are gathered here now. May we in our uppointed ministry and in our daily lives serve Thee failifully. May ous service in the belfry ever be a means of drawing us neaver to one another and to ThemMay our membership in this sactety tend in some measure to build up Thy Kingdom, and may we, who by the bells geud forth Thy loving invitation to a simful world, ourselves hear Thy voire of love tnay we obey Thy voice and de Thy biddine by keeping ourselves putre In will and dead. For these and all our other heeds we pray to 'illen for the lelp of Thy Holy Suirit, Lhrough Jesus Christi ofy only Lord and Savioni'.'

Then followed the Lord's Prayer the Gollect for the Day and a ghort lesson. After a hymm came the address, aud the service conchated widh another hymm and the Blessing.
Tea was held in the Parisin Hall, and the Rector extended a very hearty welcome to all preseni. A vote of thandes was proposed to inie Rector fo- lis very interesting adduess, and to the ringers for lawing everything ready for the use of the visitors, by Mr. A. D. Steel (Stolel. seconded by Mr. T. Hurd (Burslom). Mr. J. E. Wheeldon also thanken tho ladies for serving the rea so well and the chorboys for moning along to make the servica so much brighter.
The company then stood in sileuce for $\pi$ minute as a lasl, mum ni' respect to $M r$. R. G. Lewis, of Uttoxeter, late Ringing Masler 「or eight-bell towers of the association.
A letter was read by the secretary from Mrs. Lewis thanking tho ringers of Cheshire and of the North Stafordshire Associalion for thele sympathy and also for the heantiful fowers sent.
All eight and fen-bell towers were asked to send in honimalims fur the election of a new Ringing Master.
Three ntew memhers were elected, viz., MEr, H. Thelwell, af Wintastrm (1ife member), the Rev. C. J. Watkins (Rector of Noweasile) and Mr亡. A. Madew (Rector's wamlen) as honorary members.

Members ane reminded bhat Minor', Major, Doubles and Triples ean be rumg at the ten-bell towers besides Caters ana Roysl, and tan officials would like to see morn members present at ben-bill mectugs.

## FIRST QUARTER PEAL

HILLINODON.-At St. Tolun the Baplist for evensong om Sunda: March 7th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F. W. Gmadfellow 1. A. R. G. Twinn 2, J. T. Pratt 3. G. P. Mitelell 4, T. Culling worth (Asirford) 5, W. H. Coles 8, R. W. Dawill (first quarter-pest isi this method is conduciory 7, O. A. Over 8.

## CORNISH RINGS OF EIGHT.

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added to the sixes at St . Mary, Latuceston and Liskeard; in both cases by Messrs. Mcars and Slainbank. The work went on steadily with an octave being installed in the new tower at Kea in 1904, the church having been shifted to a more central part of the parish. Two old bells from the old square tower which still stands on the banks of the river Fal were included in this ring.

In 1907 a beautiful ring with an 18 cwt. tenor was installed at Se. Keverne, there being only three bells previously. Both rings are from Loughborough. This prewar period ended in 1913, when Messrs. Warner added two trebles at Gulval in the extreme west, makin! ten additional octaves.

Since 1920 there have been a further ten additions. Al Tuckingmill the bells have been increased from one to eight, and in three cases from three to eight. In the remaining six cases trebles have been added eilher in additional framework or at complete restorations.

There are now only four octaves on which peals have not been rung. These are Tuckingmill, St. Mawgan-inPyder, Altarnan and St. Mabyn. The encourtyring feature of a general interest in the bells of Comwall is that all the thirty-three octaves are in ringing order.
A. S. R.

## RECORD PEAL ATTEMPT.

## 19,040 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR,

 To the Editor.Diar Sir, - I wish to give uclice throngh the medium of 'The Ringinte World 'that, D.Y., a bard of the Oxford Diocesan Guild hope to muke an attempt on the Major record at Kingham Parish Church, near Chipping Norton, Oxon, on Easter Monday, when an attempt will be made to ring 18,040 Dounle Norwich Court Bob Major.
The figures by F. E. Taylor nre given below; these have been shecker by Mr. J. W. Parker, of Sunderimad, and Mr. W. Willson, of Leicester, to whom the company offer sincere thanles.
Heudisgton, Oxford. RICHARD A. POST.
19,040 DODBLIE NORWICH MAJOR, BY FRANCIS E. TAYLOR. $\begin{array}{llll}234567 & 1 & 3 & 6\end{array}$

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PREVIOUS RECORDS.

The present Majar record was made at Bennington, Herts, on Jure 5th. 1933, when 18,144 lob Major was rung in 10 hours 52 mitutes.
Other peals nf Major of a progressive length have been :-
15,120 Hoh Major at West Ham, 1737.
15,840 Kent Treble Bob at Bethmal Green, 1868.
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17,104 Double Norwich at South Wigston, 1904.
17,280 Kent T'reble Bob at Orer', Cheshire, 1923.
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There are records of two peals of Bols Major of Ionger leught than any of these, rung by James Barham and his baud, but in those peals morn than eifht wen took part In 1753 they ralg 80,160 Bob Whinor nt Lenham, and in 1761, 40,320 at Leeds, Kent.

## LADIES GUILD

## NORTHERN DISTRICT'S VISLAGE MEETING

Thur furrbh inarterly meeting of the Northeru District of the Ladies" Guild was held at Gamston, neur Retford, on February 27th. Members sathered eanly in the afternoon and were joined by the local bend and mombers of the Notts Association, including their sectetary and the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, Rector of Ordsall.
Owing to the long distruces having to be travelled by the ladies, a serrice was uat arranged, as time was too limited.
An excellent. tea was provided for the ringers at the onty shop in the viliage. One new member from St. Mary's, Handsworth, shefleld, was elecred to the Guild. This makes a total of five ringing and two hon. members from this tower, with 33 years of active rmging between four of them.
It was arranged to hold the Seplember meeting in Manchester:
The secretary personally thanked those who hind belped to make the meeting a success.
After tho meeting more ringers joined the company and a gooti qatiety of methods was rung, with two courses each of Bol Minor for tho forr learners.

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## NOTICES.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Chiswick, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells from 3.30. Service at 5 ; tea at 5.30 in Parish Hall, or Schoolroom, with quarterly business to follow. Ringing later.- W. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.The annual meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Longwood, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available from 2 oclock. Service in the church at 4.15 p.n7. Tea in the Schools at 5 o'clock. Business meeting for election of officers at 6 o'clock. The recast bells of Lindley Parish Church will also be available throughout the day. All welcome--Frank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, March 13th. Beils available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome.-F.. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.--The annual general committee meeting will be held at Reading in St. Lawrence's Hall, Abbey Street, at 3.15 p.m., on Saturday, March ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th }}$.- Richard T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec., 69, York Road, Reading.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Withyham (8) on Saturday, March 13 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome.-B. Saunders, Sec., 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

 - Annual dinner will be held at the Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden Lane, W.C.1, on Saturday, March 13th, at 6.30 p.tr., when the chair will be taken by the Master, supported by the Rev. Pat McCormick, Vicar of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields. The bells of St. Olave's, Hart Street, will be available from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., St. Bride's, Fleet Street, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., and St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, 5 p.m. to 5.55 p.m.-J. E. Bailey, Hon. Dinner Sec., 26, Wilmot Raad, Dartford, Kent.OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Mursley, bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, March $3^{\text {th }}$. Service at 3.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please send along in good time. All ringers welcome. - Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Abert Street, Bletchley.

YETMINSTER, Dorset.-The treble bell to complete the ring of six (tenor 19 cwt ), supplied by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Salisbury on March 13 th at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. - The usual monthly meeting will be held at St. Helens Parish Church on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.45 p.m., price 9d. Meeting to follow. Subscriptions due. Visitors welcome.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Blackpool, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells ready 3 p.rn. Meeting 5.30. Members and non-members welcomed.-C. Sharples, Branch Secretary, 35, Berwick Road, Squires Gate, Blackpool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, on Saturday, March 13 th. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend. -Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.

BEDFQRDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-The next mecting of this district will be heid at Thurleigh on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (6) ready from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged. You will be very welcome. Remember a card helps no end.-Frank C Tysoe, Dis. Sec., io, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Barnby-in-the-Willows (6) on Saturday, March $1^{\text {th }}$. A bus leaves Newark Bus Station at 2.5 p.m. Any who use it will be brought back to Newark after the meeting. Methods: Double Oxford, Sandal T.B., Wells S. Please turn up and make this the best meeting in the association's history (and don't forget the card for tea).-R. Towler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Silverdale on Saturday, March $13^{\text {th. }}$. Bells ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend. - E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Marie's Church, Sheffield ( 8 bells) on Saturday, March 13 th. For tea, cafes close by. Committee meeting $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. General meeting 6 p.m. Bristol for practice. All welcome. - M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., ${ }^{1} 3$, St. Ronans Road, Sheffeld 7.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District. - The next monthly meeting will be held at Barwell on Saturday, March 13th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.45 . Tea, at a small charge, at 5, if you send a card to Mr. C. R. Belton, Westgate, Hinckley Road, Barwell, not later than March i2th. Business meeting follows. Subscriptions for 1937 now due. Wm. A. Woof, Hon. Sec., Fosseway, Croft, near Leicester.

CHESTER DJOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch. The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Church Lawton (8 bells) on Saturday, March i3th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. - Rich. D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec. 118 , Ruskin Road, Crewe.

SOCIE゙TY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -There will be ringing for Sunday service at Shoreditch on March 14th, at 5.30 p.m., and on the 28 th at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. The usual practice on the last Thursday in March has been cancelled as it falls in Holy Week. - N. Summerhayes, Assist. Hon. Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Darlford.

ECKINGTON, Nr. Sheflield.-Ring of eight (tenor 17 cwt.), restored by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. A ringers' gathering will be held on Saturday, March 20th. Tower open from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tea in. the Parisli Room at 5 p.m. Ringers requiring tea to notify Mr. T. Howes-Smith, The Yews, Eckington, before March 17 th.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on March 3oth; St. Magnus' on the 18th; and *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 16 th at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham. S.W. 4.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Next meeting at Edmonton on Saturday, March 20 hh. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea, is. each, at $5 \cdot 30$. Special methods, Cambridge Court Boh Major and St. Clement?'s Boh Triples. All requiring teat should advise Mrs. G. W. Fletcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield, by March 17 th. This meeting is helcl jointly with a meeting of the Ladies' Guild.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Southern Division. - The anrual meeting will be held at Wath-on-Dearne on Saturday, March 2oth. Bells (8) available from 2 p. 173. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at is. 3d. per head. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. A. Panther. 29, Avenue Road, Wath-on-Dearne, by Thursday, the 18th? Meeting after tea for election of officers, etc.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Street, Bentley, Doncaster. LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Southern Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Lambeth, on Saturday, March 2oth. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea in the Parish Hall at 5 p.m., and meeting to follow. Further ringing until 7.30 p.m., when there will be a sloort service. Please send me your names for tea by the ryth.-A. P. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec., IIS, Sarsfield Road, Balham, S.W. 12 .

WINCFESTER CATHEDRAL.-The new ring of 12 bells (by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough) will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Winchester on Saturday, March 20th, at $3 \cdot 30$ P.mi. The Dean and Chapter, together with the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers, invite visiting ringers io tea in the Guildhall after the service. Admission will bu by ticket only, and application for tickets must be mad. before Monday, March 15th, to Mr. J. W. Elkins, Thu Cathedral, Winchester, and a stamped addressed envelope enclosed. The Cathedral bells will be availabl. for ringing from 6 to 8.30 p.m., by kind permission of the Very Rev. the Dean of Winchester.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO. CIATION. - Gloucester Brancli.-The eighth annual dinner of the Gloucester Branch will be held on Saturday, March 2oth, at the Spread Eagle Hotel, Market Paradc, Gloucester, at 6 p.m. prompt. Tickets, 3s. The following towers open for ringing: Barnwood (8) at i p.m. if required; St. Mary de Lode (6) 2.30 to 3.30 ; St . Mary de Crypt (8) 3.45 to 4.45 ; St. Michael's (io) 4.45 to $5-45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will those friends requiring tickets kindly notify me not later than the r6th inst. ?-W. H. Harris, Hon. Branch Sec., G.W.R. Terrace, Lydney Dock; Lydney, Glos.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western District.-The next meeting is to be held at Redboturn on Saturday, March 2oth. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Short service, tea and meeting. Those reģuiring tea must notify me by the Thursday previous. Come along and extend your knowledge of Minor methods. - W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.
I.EEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Nomínation unceling will be held at Armley on Saturday, March 20th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Ringers' Communion Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at: $5 \mathrm{p}: \mathrm{n3}$. (1s. per head) for all wha send in their names to me by March 18th.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds 12.

HAIIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.Mecting at Meltham, Saturday, March 20th. Bells availaible $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Come and sample a Meltham welcome and their belis. - Fred Hodgson, 566, Halifax Road, Hightown, Liversedge.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CLATION.-Eastern District.-A meeting will be held at Hotighton-le-Spring on Saturday, March 20th. Bells available 2.30. Tea at 5, in Macgee's Café. Please advise Mr. J. H. Masters, 25, Boulby Street, Houghton-lo-Spring. Please do your best to be present. All ringers and friends welcome.-F. Robson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 13, Grainger Street, West Hartlepool.

ELLY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Wisbech Branch. -Next meeting at Markham on Saturday, March 20tin. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4. 30 . Tea at 5. All ringers welcome.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., TerringIni St. John, Wisbech.

CHFSEER DIOCESAN GUILD.-A meeting of the Wirral branch will be held at St. Mary's, Birkenhead, on Saturday, March 20 th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Sorvice at 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards. A sood attendance is requested. Subscriplions are now cluc anel will be much appreciated. - Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 30, South Hill Road, Birkenhead.

DLTRHAM AND NEWCASTIE DIOCESAN ASSO-(IATION.-Southern District.-A meeting will be held at St. John's, Darlington, on Siturday, March 20th. Buls (8) available from 2.30 p.nn. Ringers requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, March 17th. - R. Jen, 29, Reid Street, Darlington.

VARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A monthly meeting will be hofl at Shilton, near Coventry (not Exhall as previuusly arranged) on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (6) avalable afternoon and evening. Tea at $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the schools-Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., Highfield House, Royal Oak Lane, Exhall, near Coventry.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. -- Half-yearly meeting to be held at Broughton-in-Furness on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 . Meeting to follow. Names for tea to Mr. W. T. Clark, Gable Mount, Broughton-in-Furness. ... N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

IOINT MEETING OF THE IADIES' GUILD (Southern District) AND GUIIDFORD DIOCESAN CIIII.D (Guildford District) at Chiddingfold, Saturday, March 2oth. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea at Swan Hotel 5.30 p.m. Please send numbers for ten to Mr. R. Carpenter. Pitt I.odge, Chiddingfold, by March 16 th .-Miss H. F. Mitts, Maidencombe, Northbrook Road, Aldershot; G. I. Grover, East Clandan, Hon. Secs.

MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District. - Quarterly meeting at Anstey on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (8) Irom 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Those requiring tea (9d.) please notify Mr. R. F. Elkington not later than March 18th. All welcome.H. W. Perkins, Hon. Sec., 53, Landseer Road, Leicester.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Penn ( 6 bells) on Saturday, March 20th, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at Is. per head for those who notify me not later than March 15th.-A. D. Baker, Cambridge, Wexiam, Slough.

LADIES' GUIJ.D.-Central District.-A joint meeting will be hek with the Middlesex County Association on Saturday, March 20th, at All Saints', Edmonton. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea (1s.) at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All those requiring tea please notify Mrs. G. W. Fleteher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield, Middlesex. -M. L. Cross, Hon. Dis. Sec.

POYNTON, NEAR STOCKPORT.-Special services For the reopening of the bells on March zist, at 10.45 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Ring of 6 rehung by John Taylor and Co.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The 57th annual general meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday. The association service will be in St. Mary's Church at noon, followed by lunch in the Parish Hall. Busness meeting afterwarde to elect officers, and consider the adoption of the revised rules, etc. The following towers will be open for ringing during the day: Wye (8), Mersham (8) if possible, Willesborough (6), Eastwell (6), Great and Little Chart (6), Hothfield (6). Ashford bells will be available at ro o'clock till noon and after the meeting. Luncheon, free to practising members, 2s. 6d. to others. Application for tickets must be made on or before first post Wednesday, March 24 th, accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope and a list of names attending. After this date no application can be entertained.-Fred M. Mitchell, General Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District. - The next meeting will be held at Croydon Parish Church on Easter Monday, March 2gth. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Parish Hall, Sylverdale Road. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. D. Cooper, 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon, by first post Wednesday, March 24 th. - F. G. Wondiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Amnual general meeting at St. Neots on Easter Monday, March 29th. Bells available from 12 noon. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea, 4 p.m., followed by business meeting. Other towers: Eaton Socon, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 7 to 9 p.m. ; Eynesbury, 2 to 3 p.m., 6.30 to 7.30 p.m. ; Huntingdon, All Saints", 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.-Kitty Willers, Gen. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambriclge.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Service in Cathedral 4.30 p.m., with address by the Dean. Further particulars as to times for ringing next week.-G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting, Easter Monday, Nottingham, Bells of St. Mary's (10) and St. Peter's (10) will be available. Full details later. - Firnest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 2 ? Coventry Street, Leicester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at All Souls', Bolton, on Saturday, March zoth. Bells available 3 p.m. No business meeting.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.-A meeting will be held at Braughing on Saturday, March 2oth. The bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. Service at 5 p.m. Address by the Vicar. Tea and business meeting after. I hope for a good attendance of old friends and new.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Litıle Munder.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-East Devon Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Honiton on Easter Monday, March 29th. Service, 4.30 , St. Michael's Church. Tea and meeting, 5.15 , Gill's Café. Bells (6) available 2 p.m., also Ottery St. Mary (8). All are wel-come-J. H. Godfrey, Han. Sec., Silver Strect, Ottery St. Mary, Devon.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, March 29th. Business meeting in the College Hall at 2.45 p.m. prompt. Chairman: The Very Rev. Arthur Davies, D.Litt., Dean of Worcester. Service in the Cathedral at 4.15 p.m., with adyless by the Rev. J. F. Hastings, M.A., clerical secretary. Tea (non-menbers 1s. each) provided at 5.30 p.m. for all those who notify me before Wednesday, March 24 th Bells available: Cathedral (12) 1 to 2 p.m.; All Saints' (10), St. John-in-Bedwardine (8), St. Nicholas (6) and St. Swithun (6, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. only). Central Commitec meeting in St. Helen's Chureli House at 11.30 a,m. Subscriptions should be paid and reports obtained in S1. Helen's Church House between 12 noon and 1 p.m. -I. D. Johnson, Geu. Sec., Cheltenham Road, Sedgebarrow, Evesham.

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## AN OLD LONDON SOCIETY.

The revival of the annual dinner of the Society of RoyaI Cumberland Youths was a well merited success, with an attendance beyond expectations. The event had been allowed to lapse for many years, but a rew spirit of enterprise, introduced by younger members, is leading to greater activities and the interest shown in last Satur:day's venture promises a rejuvenation of this oid London Society whose history goes back over two hundred years. Like other similar organisations, the Cumberlands have had their up and downs, but their long, unbroken existence gives them a proud position in the Exercise.

The history of ringing in London was, for nearly two centuries at any rate, written round the Cumberlands and their still older 'rivals,' the College Youths, with, through part of the time, a link between them in the old St. James's Society, since expanded into the London County Association. But with the College Youths and Cumberlands in the 'good old days' rested the maintenance and expansion of change ringing in the Metropolis. Their rivalries led to many great peal performances, and personal jealousies resulted in quite a number of leading ringers at different times groing from one society to the other, and sometimes, as we know, back again. To this day no man can be a member of both societies at the same time, and there is no sign of this traditional mutual bar being broken down. The 'feeling' between the two societies has sometimes been strong, but the founding of the St. James's Society in the early part of last century brought the members into closer ringing contact, for in those distant days, of course, there were no territorial associations to provide a common meeting ground. Nevertheless, there have often been signs of ill-feeling, which, we hope, with the coming of a new generation, will entirely disappear. On Saturday expressions of goodwill and friendliness were made on both sides, and there could be no more fitting occasion than this tercentenary year of the College Youths for a complete rapprochement.

In these days of a changed outlook on the whole purpose of church bellringing there should be no room for partisan strife. Opportunities for practising the art are now so much enlarged that there is ample room for all, and these two old societies especially can find plenty of scope for their energies without any treading on corns on either side. We believe that the younger men who are now taking up the reins, or will soon do so, will have a wider outlook than some of their predecessors, from the mere fact that they approach their ringing from a different angle. The time has gone by for natrow pre(Contimued on page 178.)

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Harry Hoskins ．．．．．．
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Composed by C．W．Robbrts．Condected by W．H．Hewert．
＊First peal of Youkshire Royal．First peal of Yothshire Royal on the bells and in the county of Kent．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

NORBURY（HAZEL GROVE），CHESHIRE THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUTLD．
On Saturday，March 6，1937，in Ttoo Hours and Fifly－Nine Minntes，
At ter Cburce of St．Teomas．
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR，51g4 CHANGEG； Tenor 14 cwt ． 3 qr .2 llb ．
James Fernlry ．．．．．．．．．Treble jambs A．Milamer ．．．．．． 5
－Kennete Lewis ．．．．．． 2 Walter W．Wolstencroft 6
$\dagger$ Rev．Frank Bonner ．．． 3 Lionbl Clouge ．．．．．．．．． 7
William Fernley ．．．．．． 4 Joun Worth ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．temor Composed by W．Sotiansiall．Conducted by Joan Worta．
＊First peal of Kent Major．† First peal and rung at first attempt


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> WHISTON, YORESHIRY.
> THE YORESHIRE ASSOCLATION.
> (Sherfield District Saciety.) un Wedueday, Murch 10, 1937. in Three Houys, At tre Caerce or St. Mary,

A PEAL OF RUTLAND SURPRISE HAJOR, 5152 CHANGES Tenor 14 cwb .
T. Colin Ryder ... ... ...Tveble Jobi If. Brotawell ... ... 5

Tom Brothwill ... ... ... 2 Arthif Fibta ... ... ... 6 Misg N. Cawteorne ... ... 3 Reginald Payne ... ... 7 Leslie Heywood... ... ... 4 Albert Nase ... ... ...Temor
Composed by George Eewis. Conducted by Albbrt Nasb.
First peal in the methad by the ringers of $2,3,4,6$ and 7 and on the bells.

## LITTLEPORT, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

 THE ELY DIOCRSAN ASSOCIATION.Un Thursduy, Maych 17, 7937, in Thyes Hours and Eleyin Minutes,
At the Parise Churce of St. George,
a Peal of superlative surprise wajoh, 6088 change8; Tenor $18 \mathrm{cwt} .2 \mathrm{qr}, \mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{lb}$.
Robert Smity ...
Reginald L. Latbrary ... 5

*Artetr G. Bason ... ... 3 \#Sidney Brown ... ... ... 7
Albrit E. Aostin ... ... 4 Frank Warringron ... ...Tenoy Composed by N. J. Pitsrow. Conducted by F. Warbingron. * First peal of Superlative. † First Surprise peal. The conductor's 225 th peal.

CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, Maych 13, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Mixutes, Ait the Cedrch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT EOE MAJOR, gO24 GHANGES: Tenor 16 ewt.
Erederick J. Smite ... ...Tveble Cearles Sbemming ... ... 5 Sylvia R. E. Bowyer ... $z$ Grorge A. Flemming ... 6 Shelford Sparrow .....-1 Harry D. Listrr $\quad$... Ebnest F. Poppy ... ... 4 Arther Grimwood ... ....Temor Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by Harry D. Listre. * First attempt for a peal in the method.

LODDON, NORFOLK.
THE NOZWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. On Saturday, March 13. 1937, in Two Fours ard Foyly-Five Minwies, Ait fhe Cedrce of the Holy Tainity.

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SUBPRISE hajOR bi20 Changes;

 Tenor II cwt. in G.Nolan Golden ... ... ...Treble |'Godfrey G. Walpols ... 5 Grorge Maybrs ... ... 2 "Abtbur G. King ... ... 6 Stanley W. Copling...${ }^{\text {... }}$ 3 $\quad$ Henry Toore - R. William Barber ... ... 4 Wieliam J. Clover ... ...Tenor Composed and Conoucted by Nolan Golden.

* First peal of Superiative.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

LYDIARD MLLLICENT, WILTS.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION Un Monday, March 8, 1937, in Tivo Honvs and Fifty-Four Minuzes, At tee Cabrca of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten callings.
*A. Hamiliton Sirange ...Tyeble W. Bertanm Kynaston ... 4 CGarlis J. Hatbaway ... 2 Ralpb Shailes ... ... ... 5 Lovis A. Wilson ... ... 3 Norman C. Wereler ...Tenor Coaducted by W. B. Kynaston.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Doubles. First peal on the bells. Rurg as a compliment to the Rector (the Rev. D. P. Harrisan) on attaining his eoth birthdey and on the completion of 55 years in the ministry.

MARGATE.-On Sunday, March 1st, a quarter-pesl of Grandsire Triples: E. Stock bridge (first quarter-penl) 1, F. Gadsden 2, R. Dadds 3, A. Dadds (first quarter-peal as condinctor) 4, E. Spickett 5, J. Weghorm 6. A. Saxby 7, R. Whyberow 8.

WROXHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Monday, Maych S, 1937, in Two Howys and Thirty-Erght Minntes.
At tee Chorce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise and two 720 's esch of Keat T'reble Bob, Ozford Treble BoE and Plain Bob, oalled differently. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
A. W. King... ... ... ...Treble |Grorgr Saybr ... ... ... 4
H. C. Read... ... ... ... 2 Walter C. Medler ... ... 5
-Clifford Bird ... Conducted by Grorge Gailiy.

* First peal of Minor. + First tonch of Surprise.

NETTLEHAM, LINCS.
THE LNTCOLN DIONESAN GULD. (Nortberan Brancu.)
On Monday, March 8, 1937, in Twio Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Single Court, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob, and bwo extents of Plain Bob, called differently.

Tencr $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

- 3 , George Vbssey
.Tvebie
Tbomas Vassey ...
Jack L Mielvoi.. ... ... 4
†]ack Vessey ... ... ... 3 Cligrard A. Vessey ... .... Temop Conducted by C. A. Vessry.
* First poal and first attenpt. + First peal in six methods 'inside.' 25th peal as conductor. First peal in six methods on the bells. KINGSLEY. STAFPORDSHERE.
THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRIOT ASSOOLATION.
On Tuesday, March 9, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At ter Ceurce of St. Werdurge,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 6040 GHANOES; Being 720 each of York, Ipswich, Norwich and Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kert and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 12 owt .
Ernzst Twigg ... ... ...Treble Jobn G. Carteidge ... ... 4 Herry Carnwell ... ... 2 -Burley P. Morris ... ... 5 William Edwards ... ... 3 William Carnwrll ... ...Teror Conducted by William Carmwble.

* First peal of Minor in seven mathods. Arrarged for Mr. B. P. Morris, of Kettering, Northants.

CHELFORD, CEESHIRE.
THE OHESTER DIOGESAN GULDD.
On Sathralay. Marcis 13, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minntes,
At iee Cherch of St. Jobn,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Yiz. : Two extents of Kent Treblo Bob, two of Oxiord Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.
'John Hassell ... ... ...Treble |tHerberi:McKinnsll ... 4
Norman Hough... ... ... 2 †Frank Reynolds...$\quad$... 5 - Josepy Safnders ... ... 3 Alan J. Brown ... ... ...Temor Conducted by Alan J. Brown.

* First peal. + First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor. SUTTON, OHESHIRE.
THE GEESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satxriay, March 13, 1937, in Two Hovys and Forty-Eight Minutas. At tee Churce of St. Jamgs.


## A PEAL OF spliged treble bob minor, 6040 ghances

Being seven extents in 25 mathods, viz.:
(1) Crowland, Combermere, Vale Royel, St. Werburgh and Abbeyville Delight.
(2) Newdigate, Old Oxford, College Boh IV., Willesden and Marple Delight.
(3) Charlwood and Braintree Dolight.
4) Neasden, St. Albans and Wregby Delight.
(5) Ockleq, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury and Morning Star Treble Bob.
(6) Capel, Kingston end Oxforà Treble Bob,
(7) Sandal, Londom Scholarg' Pleasure and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Josepg Whittaker ... .. Treble Wilpred Stbvenson ... ... 4 Jobn Wortit ... ... .... 2 Kenmeta Lbwis ... Tbomas Taylor ... ... ... 3 James A. Milngr ... ... ...Teroy Conducted by Kenneta Lewis.
There wore 54 changes of method. Rung as a birthdey compliment to the ringer of the treble. First peal in 25 matiods as conductor.

BDSTON, CHESHIRE.
THI: CEESTER DIOCESAN GUULD


## At the Chorch of St. O.wald,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5090 CHANGES;
Boing one extent ench of Burefley and Cumbridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's Oxford and Plain Bols. Tenor 5 cwt 1 q̧. 24 lb.

## - Josbpa Smith janes F. Smith

 DodGLas Wateon jon
Thomas Ro
Conducted by F. Varty.

* First peal ins seven methods.

OXENHOME, YORESHIRE.
THE FORESEIRE ASSOCIATION.
(m Sulurday, Much 13, 1937, en 1hree Howrs ana Eight Minutes.

## At the Chorch or St. Mary-the-Virgin;

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being twi 720's of Plain Kob, two of Oxford and three of Kent 'Treble Bob, called clifferentiy.
 Conducled by A. Barrsiow

## HANDBELL PEAL. STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wethesday, March 10, 1937, in Two Hoursand Tuency-Nino Minntes,
At zo, Abyrdegn Crescent,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5005 CHANGES;

Carter's Broadseget, No. 132,
Jambs W. Washbrook leaor size 77 in B flat.


* Harry astion Conducted by
Umpire-Peter I.afla
barkes

Wituess-Mrs. A. F. Bailey. * Firse perl of stadraian and irst on terz bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mi. Hiram Mcahin, who atianod the age of 70 on the 81 h inst.

## SPLICED SURPRISE RINGING RECORDED. <br> WATTORD MEN'S HANDBELL PEEFORMANGE <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-Your readers will, I am sure, be pleased to know that a record hus now been mate of the 'Spliced' Surprise handbell ringing lyy the Watford band The recording is of as touch of 352 changes in five Surnmise methods, cuntained on two sides of a 12 imch record, and, I indorstand, except fur two small trips on the second side, ilhe record is perfect. The conduclor is also heard calling the bobs and the change of methods.
The yecord has becn mude privately, but, provided sufficient orders are recoived, a liniled supply, at an approximate cost of 4 s . 6 d . eacls, will be made nvaitable for those who require them. The cost wilf include carriage.
If any of your readers wish to fake udvantage of this offer and will active me at once. I will panss the information to the right quarter. G. W. FIETCHER.

> 45, Walsirgham Rond, Enfield, Mididlesex.
(Contimued from next colyma.)
The Wrong in the secoud imuch need not give any trouble, as it is ealled in the leat nuter the lust Before. When bou have a spries of calls in one position, like the three successive Befores in the secoud touch, it is as well to make some other 'olservation'so that- you will hnow when the last of these calls has licen made. Tu this case quite a good one world be to note that when the third Before is called the bell that comes out of the luwt is the one coning Before at the next part end. The good conductor, of course, kwoys knows what his part ends are going to beIn this touch the last Before puts this particular bell in coursing order behind tha secourd.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

MORE ABGUT CALLING GRANDSIRE TRIPLLS.
In addition to calling Grandsire Triples by tha position of the observation' bell; that is, the bell that returns to the same position at each part end, it is often possible and even more convenient to enll touches wid peals by the bells 'Before.' This means that you have to memorise the bells that will make the ordinary Jrd's place nit the loobs.
An easy example of this kind of thing is the touch of 350 which can be got by calling any of the bells (except the 2nd) five times Before. The place to make the actual call, as we pointed out last week, is when the bell hunting down in front of the treble begios its whole pull at lead. What the bol caller bas to watcy for, therefore, is the lead in which the bell he lias selected to call Before is hunting in front of the treble, and call the boi when that bell reaches the front.
This, in turn, implies that be must be able to watch the coursing order of the bells. At first perhaps he will be able to do this only as he passes them with his own bell, but he will see a lot more than that as ho progresses. He must learn to malce a mental note of the order in which lie meets the bells. In this way he will soon have such a command of the ringing that if two bells try to do the same work he will be able unerringly to put them into their right coursing order.
Only practice will male a conductor efficient in this, but there are certain things which he can learn that facilitata his meatal transpositions. Thu first and simplest is that when he meets the treble, the next bell must be the bell in the hurnt. Another is that the bell that is hunting in front of tile treble in one lead will be after the bell in the hunt in the next. And that leads to the 'cycle' which all the bells follow. This is how the bells come to lead in the plain course after the hunt bell (the 2nd) lias led the first time:-

$$
\begin{array}{lllll}
3467512 & 5346712 & 7534612 & 6753412 & 4675312
\end{array}
$$

Notice how the order remains unchanged except that the liell in front of the treble takes its place next time immediately after the 2nd. It is hardly necessary, perhaps, to explain that the last 2 in the seties is really outside this plain course.
Wher a bob is called the transpositions affect three bells instead of one. The bell in the lowet is changed and a new oycle is sot up. Suppose we call a bob et the first lead, then the order becomes $3467517 \quad 5234617 \quad 6523417 \quad 4652317$ etc.
The last two bells in front of the treble take their places immediately after the treble and in front of the bell leaving the hunt. Then the cycle plan proceeds as for a plain lead with the changed hunt laeil.
When the touch is being called by the bells 'Before, the conductor must follow this cycle of hunting, and, if he is observant, he wili notice how in encli learl the bell he is waiting to call Before will gradually close up to the treble. After he has called it Before once. he will find that the next tine he meets it he will have four bells between it aud the treble; the next lead three beils; the next lead two nnd the next oue bell. In tho following lead it will be immediatoly in front of the treble and then the next bob has to be called.
Sometimes it is useful to be able to base your observations upont the bells going into the hunt as woll as those Before. In that case you call the bob in the leat when yon have one bell belween the bell going In and ihe treble. If you watel the coursing order carefully to note tile wanted belf closing up to the treble, you shonld not have much tronble in observing it. but rember the actual "call' has still to be made when the 3rd's place bell leads.
Now here are two quarter-peals of Grandsire Triples that have been sont us by Mr. H. न. Trim, which will give the young conductor good practice. Ther lend themselves to calling either from the 'observiltion ' boll, which is the 2nd, or by the bells Before and In. They nro aach in five parts and the part ends are the lead ends of the plain course, in vatying order. In the first, the leads of the plain course are in reverse order. At the side we have put the calling positions of the observation bell.

| 234567 |  | 234567 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 672453 | Out at 2 | 752634 | Out abl |
| 256734 | In | 527634 | Beforb |
| 472356 | Orit at 1 | 625473 | Before |
| 724356 | Before | 426357 | Before |
| 247356 | In | 734526 | Wrong |
| 632547 | Out at 1 | 267453 | In |
| 246375 | In |  |  |

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## WING BELLS.

## AND THE PEAL AT QUEEN CAMEL

## To the Editor.

Deat Sir, As I was the one responsible for seuding you the account of the dinging at Wing Bucks, I fael I must write it repiy to Mr. J. Funt. My statement that the bells are unpealable would, I am sure, be corroborafed by other bands who have rutar them. If we had ruug them from tho ground foor (the usual ringing room), we should not have been able to riag even a 720. By ringing ju a room right nuder 1he bells we made things a bit behter, but had the disndvantage of oscessive uoise, and also therdency on the part of some of the ropes to ship wheel, due to the smallness of the boles in the floor through which the sallies had to pase (thongh this hekily did not oceur durivg (he 720). Still, the bells are there for any who would like to try their luek, but those who do so will lave to be prepared to pute 11 nearly the hee hours gelting them ready before startiug, and that might danp their enthusiesme a bit?
Now to the second paragraph in his letter re the peal at Queen Camel. I don't quite see what that performance has to do with ringing it. Wing. However, I should like to correct one misapprehension ill his lefter, viz., 'the lenorman had enough in the fourth 720.' This is entirely misconstrued. What I said in "The Ringing World" for Jamary 8th was ' Double Oxfowl coming No. 4 wes railher hard work, and the writer was glad when that was finished.' That statement cextainly does not imply I liad 'had enough'! It meant that I fas glad to change to a method which did not require so auch dodging and smpping. As a matter of fact, having now rume a peal there, I and the rest of the band do not consider it such a mard task as we had expected.
The excellent 'go' of the bells helped ns considerably, and I can filly appreciator what they were like before they were rehang, and also Mr, J. T. Dyles's fino achievement jn ringing the tenor to a peal of Minon in 1925 . As they are now, the Rev. C. E. Wigg of myself wonkl be quite prepared to ring the tenol again to a peal in an incteased manber of methods. But we dow't want to be gready, so what almod another band, entirely strangere to the bells, luaving aus htempt? Now then, you heavy bells aspirants, yoll your gleeves app!

118, Sausfeld Rond, Batham, Loudon, S.w. 12.

## TENOR RTMGERS' QUAEIFICATTONS.

Dear Sir:-In veference to the lettor in your last issue from an old iend, J. Hunt, of Taumion, may I be allowed space to add a few conments? In my varied experience thore are two dinds of tenormen. One, the tenor rmger, the other a fenor 'slogger,' and I will go Further and say without fear of contradiction What to become a tenor ringer" requires three important things: patieuce, endurance and skill, which can only be acquired by conslant practice.
In some cases there are other factors which liave to be taken into recount. I quote one only for illustuation. Some years ago 1 got ogether a band to attempt a peal of Cambridge ab Great Whaltham, Essex, ant we were shecessful, notwithstanding these noble bells had had gheh a bad reputation for years, but we were jucky in that we went justs after a long period of wet weather. The tenor was rung by the popular District Master of the Northern Division, Mr. A. Sanders, I myself calling Middleton's 5,056 from the 6th. J may add that six of the lind are still alive and car verify my statement. Gome time after this peal the late Mr. W. Pye took a band there to attempt another Surpaise peal, but, although stripping to the skin, ther had, aftel several fruitless starts to adnit defeat, the simple cason being tine weather.

Ihery these roble bells are to be rehung in au entirely new fraupe and fittings, and, if so, they will be a valualale addition to the ringable hells of Esser.
Colehester.
W. KELBLE

## 'MEDATs, BUT NOT OF GOLD.

Sir,-Illig letter from the pen of Mr. J. Ennt guestioning as it does tive opinion of the Rev. O. E. Wigg re the condition of the heavy siz at Wing is nothing short of colossal inpuclence. I was one of a party (including the Rev. C. W. Wigg) who rang at Wing on August 4th Iast. We rang from the gruund foor and I was invited to ring the tenor to 120 Bob Minot and call it. Fhe tenor humued itself to lead, but it required the proverbial 'gas engine ${ }^{3}$ to hunt it back to 6th's place again, and 1 was glad to give in at the end of a course. The Rev. C. E. Wigg afterwards rang it to a course of Cambridge Minor, but not withont great plyysical effort. We all respect Mr. J. T. Dple as one of the finest heary bell men the Exercise has ever linown. Shauld he, howerer, go to Wing with the ides of attenupting a peal and see for himself, $I$, for one, cannot believe he wonld be so foolish as to sfant. Tle bells at Wing are not unpealable? Oh, no! So roll mp the men wha put diffeulties in the way of had-going bells being rehmeg by attempting perls on therr, and men who must ving a peal at any price. What price will they have to pay at Wing? TITey will go home minus u peal and any glow whatsoever. Of medals they will collect plenty, but not of gold. The sort I refer to are sore, blistered hands, aching shomlders and strained stomach muscles, and that will not be half of what they will descrve.

WILLIAM A. STOTE.
Cowent.y

## SERVICES AT RINGERS' MEETINGS

MIDDEESEX ASSOCLATION DISCUSS THE QUESTEON,
One of those now rare phenomena, a fine day, colpcider with the meeting of tho South and West District of the Middlesex County Association at Chispick. This brought some old friends from fong hibernation, as wehl as the "reyblars, the atteadance reaching 40. A very good assembly at the appointed hour proved too unusual and procedings were quickly juterrupted with a broken rope. The doughty Joe then taok the visitors in hand, and by the riverside they were trated to a discourse on towing. "1'lie appearazce of the Oxford crew at practice set the crities' tongues wagging, and it was agreed that the Dark Blues looked eafe for a place! The raising of the delinquent bell announced the resumption of ringing activities and the 'watermen' were soon back at the ropes.
A short serrice, with a very reasoned discourse oll the difficulties of the Ohurch to-day, was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. E. C. Rich. Tea, ably served by Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Thurlep and friends, foljawed in tio Schoolroom. The Vicar came along and gave a greeting and hadshake to everyone. Before leaving he was thanked for his hospitality by the vice-president, Mr. J. A. Trollope.
It is said an Englishman takes his pleasures sadly. If we said slowly and will great deliberabion we should aptly describe how ten minutes' business took an hour to transact!

Avising out of the minutem, the question was raised on the amount of notice required to move a motion with the object of omitting the usual service at monthly meetings. After much cross talk, it was ruled from the chair that the matter was solely one for the annual general mesting of the association.
Returming to the subject later, an effort was made to direct the secretary to apploach the clergy on the point when meeting arrangements were made, but this was rejected by the meeting. Mhe tone of the meeting certainly appared against any change in the usual prac tice of holding a service. Some speakers appeared convinced that at lieart the clergy would rather have their Saturdays free from duties of this description, hut no evidence from preseat incumbents was produced. Indeed, the secretary said his experience indicated that the elergy ware delighted with the idea of the monthy service. The quastion, therefore, appears to be not whether the clergy want the service, but whether the ringers do not. And that question was not slecided.

It was agreed to apply for Telthm bells for a meating on May 8th, and Sumbury and Fampton on June 5th. The avnual meeting of the association is to bo held on April 17th at Cripplegate, and no district meeting was arranged for that month.
On the motion of the secretary, it was agreed to fnvite the Surrey Association to the three Guilds (Guildford, Oxford and Middlesex) meetiag at Staines and Eglanm, provisionally fixed for Angost 28th.
The question of Corontion ringing was discussed, and the secretary agreed to make what arrangements ine could with regard to oinging at towerg with depleted band, or no ringers at all. Any rolnnteers for this work on May 12 th shauld get jnto touch with Mr. Goodfellow at once.

Nows of an accident to Mr. C. S. Birc, of Heston, on the Great West Road, was received with mich regrat, and the best wishes of the meeting were sent to him, congratulating him on his escape from more gerious injury.

And so the meeting closed with hearty thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Thurley for their labours in providing for the comforts of their visitors. Further ringing was curtailea ta an hour. Ronnds and methods intuding Surprise Major were rung under the able direction of the Ringing Master, Mr. E. C. S. Turner.

## MARRIAGE OF MR, E. P. DUFFIELD. <br> CEREMONX AT COLCHESTER.

Tha marriage took place at Lion Walk Congregational Church, Colchester, on March 4th, of Mr. Edward Patricis Duffield, secoud son of Mr, and Mrs. W. L. Duffiela, of Mill House, Saxlinghan Thorpe, Norwich, and Miss Daris May Piper, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wilkim Piper, of Granbiook, Fitzwalter Road, Colchester. The ceremony was attended by a large congregation, for both the bride and bridegroons are actively connected withl the church and well known in Colchester.
The Rev. I. J. Tizard officiater at the gervice, which was choral. The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Muriel Peck and Miss Christine Cyoss (friends). Mr. W, C. Buffield, the briderroom's brother, was best man. A reception was hold at the Albert Hall, Colchestev, and afterwards Mr. and Mis. Duffeld left for a honeymoon in the South of France.
Mr. E. P. Duffield is one of the best hnown ringers in the Exercise nad served for two years as Mastor of the Gollege Youths, concluding his term of office last November.

The bride, whose father is an Alderman and ex-Mayor of Colchestor, is local hon. secretary of the Surgical Aid Society and assistant hon. serretary of the Colchester Operatic Society, in whose past productions she has taken a prominent part.
Mr-anti Mrs. Duferf'e residence is Acland Lodge, Aclamd Aveune,
Lexden, Golehester.

## DEATH OF THE REV. E. W CARPENTER

SECRETTARY OF TWO ASSOCIATIONS.
We much regret to record the death of the Rev. Fdward westall Carpenter, who passed away at his home at Stoke-by-Clare, Suffolk. at the advanced age of 81 years, on February $9 t h$.
In a quiet way, the Rev. E. W. Carpenter did a great dual to further the art of change ringing and ralse the statas of the ringer. He was not among those who made a name by penl ringing, but it was in organising that lis scrvices to the Exercise will be best remembered.


## THE LATE REV. E. W. CARPENTER.

 retired about two rears 800 Connty Association, and when lie wo year ago be had been af homoraly menber lur many years. For a considerable time he shared the rather arduous dutjes of the Analysis Commitue.Mr, Carpenter was a scholar of Gonville and Cains College, Canbridge, and took lis B.A. degree in 1878 , proceeding to his M.A. In 1881. He was ordained deacon in 1881 nt Canterbury and priest in the following year. He was cirate at Milbou-pext-Sittingbonme 188183, and Ficar of Bobbing 1883-1891. After a curacy at Margate he returned to Miltan as Vicur in 1895 and remained there muli] 1900. when he became Ficar of 'Thorpe, This living he beld uail 1907. when he twas preferved to the Rectory of Boothby Pagnell, mear Grantbam, Lincs, and remained infil 1917. He continued to veside in the diocese of Lincoln until 1933 when he retired to Stoke-by-Clare, Suffolk. Even in liss advaneing year's he tinglat a band to Ling in this parish, and our plotograpli shows him in the belfry.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

A SUCGESSFUL MEEIMNG AT BARNBY-IN-THE-WILJOWS. Last Saturday, the Norlh Noits Association paid its first visit to Bamby, where 28 ringers met to tuy the light six (fenor $6 \%$ owt.). The following towers were represented: Balderton, Easlwoud. Farmdon, Hough-on-the-Fill, Lincolu Cathedral, Newark Parish Clinich, Nottingham (St. Marys), Ordsall, Sutton-on-Trent ancl the home tower. Ringing commencer at 2.15 and went on until 9 a'cluct excent, for the interval for tea.
The Vicnr of Barnby, in apening the business meeting, welcomed the association to bis tower, and paid a warm tribute to the local band who did so much for the church in that small village.

The hon. secretary (Mr. R. Towler) announced that arrangemerts were being, made for the joint meeting of the Doncaster District of the Yorkshire Association and the North Notts Association af Blyth on April 3rid. The annusl meeting had been altered to April 10th.

The Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, Rector of Ordsall, in replying to the Vicar's welcome, also complimented the Barnby ringers. They were, he said, pery enthnsiastic and had done great good in the district.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and to the ladies for providing an excelleat ten were passed.
The Rev. R. F. Willivson raised the question of reports of the association's mectings being sent to 'The Ringing Would ' for publication, and proposed that the secretary be asleed to farward a shorti account to the Fdtor, IN. T. Vessey seconded, and the semretary replied that he would attead to the matter for this and future meetings.

A set of havelbells was produced, and the company was delighted to hear courses of Bob Minor, Stedman Triples and Grandsire Thfoles and Caters. On returning to the tower, further mothods were rullg. and a very successfil nueewing brought to a clase towards 9 p.in.

ASBPRITTLE, SOMTERSET.-At SL. John the Baptist's Chutch, a quarter-peal of Grandsize Toubles, with ten callings, was man for morning service on January 3Ist: S. Bristow I, J. Munamg 2, F. Alderman (conductor) 3. T. Atderman 4, H. Bristow 5, I. Atcloman 6.

## "MARCH 4th'AT APPLETON, BERKS.

On Saturday, Karch 6th, the $119 t h$ anniversary of Appleton bells was celebrated in the ustal way. Visitors from many parts assembled and some good touches of Grandsire and Stedman Gaters were brought round. Many joung zingers from far away rang their first rounds on ten bells and were delighted with that experience. Between forty and fifty sat down to dinner at The Thatched Tavern, and no one 'weut cmpty away.'

After the tables had been cleared and 'The King' toasted, tune tinging and song singing were bise order of the evening, durmg which, for the beneft of many whose firgt visit it was, the veterau, Mr. G. Holifield, rave his usual interesting history of Appleton bells and the things that have been done there. One thing they have to be proud of is that from a population of only 400 there is once more a local Stedman Catere band, which is really a remarkable thing.
The evening was too short for most of those preseat; fin fact, more than one was heard to say, 'Well, I shall come agsin, but next time I shall stay the night.'

## BLIND RINGERS.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-Having read with interest the letters publizined in your journal re 'blind ringers,' I should like to mention one, John Kittle, who, hawing been bind from the age of four years, lenrned to ring here at St. Peter's Church, Colchester, in the year 1890, and rang several 360 's of Bob Mivor on an "inside" bell. He was a very capable ringer on hancibells, ringing two 'inside 'bells and conducting 720's of Grandsire, Bob, Kont and Oxford Minur. He also rang double-handed several quarter-peals of Bob and Graudsire Triples. and just before he died j'ang lialf-way in an attempt for a 5.040 Bob Major.
G. M. RASHBROOK.

Coleliester. $\qquad$

## BLIND ORGANIST-RINGER.

Dear Sir,-I have read with interest the correspondence in "The Ringing World ' with reference to blind ringers.
At Chiseldon, Wilts, tho organist, Mr. H. Whittaker. who is bind, is also a regular tinger, having learnt to ring long after he lost his sight.
He rings and conducts severel methods of Doubles from any bell in the tower (five bells, tonor 14 古 cwt.), aud has rung in at least one guarter-peal.

Shyewsbury.
W. A. FARMER.

## MR, J. J. PARKER, 84

GOMPOSER OF THE FAMOUS 12-IART.
On Mouday, March 8th, on the oceasion of the 84th birthday of Mr. J. J. Parker, of Faruham Royal, the bells of Hitcham Parish Church were rung to a 720 of Oxford Bob Minor and touches ol Kent and Liftie Bob, Farnham Royal hells not being available. It was also a birthday compliment to the father of the captain of the Hitcham company, Mr. Berry, who has reached the age of 82 years. The ringers were Martin A. Blaney treble, Peter A. Blamey 2, George J. Barry 3, Bryan O'Neil1 4, Jom E. Taylor 5, George Gilhert tellor. With the exception of Mr. Berry. all are members of the St. Peler's Society, Burulan. This was the Blamey brother's first 720 of Oxford.

Oxford Beb was rung as it is a favourite method of Mr. Parker. A message of greeting was sent to the old gentieman by the young bloods of Buruham.
The bells at Stoke Poges were also zung in honour of Mr. Parker's birthday.

Mr. Parker, as most of our readers know, is the composer of he famous 12 -part peal of Grandare Triples and scores of other peals.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

 SWINDON BRANGH AT HJGEWORTH.A good number of members and visitors attended the quarierly meeting of the Swindon Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association at Bighworth on Saturday, Marcli 13th, and some very useful practice was obtained in the standard methods and Double Norwich and Cambridge Major.

At the business meefing the places for the next three meetinge were provjionally arranged as follows: Purfor, South Marston nnd Bislopstone.
Ringers were present from Bishopstone, Blunsdon, Cirencester, Coventry, Faringdon. Rodbourne Cheney, Swindon, Stratton S1, Margareb, Southwark and South Cerney.

## NEW VICAR'S INDUCTION.

At St. Mary's Church, Frensham, Surrey, on Saturday, March 13th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles ( 1,260 changes): $N$. Ovaringtou 1, G. Ackerman 2, Miss D. I. Aslet* 3, E. J. Pepler 4, A. J. Clnter (conductor) 5, K. Dalton 6. First quatter-peal by ringer of the feuor. Rung as a welcome to the new Vjear, tho Rev. Canon L. G. Buchanan, M.A., on the cecasion of his institution and induction to the bentire of Frensham.

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## GOOD FRIDAY

On account of Good Friday, "The Ringing" World ' will be published a day earlier next week.

Correspondents are reminded that all matter intended for publication must reach our office NOT LATER THAN MONDAY.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Tha sympathy of the whole Esercise will go out to tate Essex veteran, Mt. W. J. Nevard, of Great Bentley, in the bereavement he has sustained by the death of his wife. Mr, and Mrs. Nevard had beens married for 59 yents.
The hon, secretary of the Swindon Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diccesar Association anust look a poor, lasassed old bachelor'. When he visited Highworth the other day to arrange a meeting, he was asked if he had come to have the bunns 'put up'!
The Rev. E. W. Carpenter, whose death is reported, was one of the very few men who had had the distinction of gerving two diflerent associations as general secretary. He was secretary of the Kent County Association and afterwards of the Winchester Diocesan Guild

Mr. Arthur L. Colemall, secretary of the Norwicl Diocesan Association, was formerly secretary of the Warwickshire Guik. Mr. George Williams has been secretary of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, after servitg as a divisional secretary of the Sussex Association,
Mr. Challis Winney celebrated his 78th birthday on Wednesday Hhe day after his old friend, Mr. Prancis E. Dawe, reached his 75th birthday. The Exercise wili exteud thoir good wishes to these two veterans.
The report of the Dudley nud District Guild annual meeting will appear in our next issue.

## PEOPLE'S MEMORIAL TO CANON ELSEE.

RINGIERS' PROPOSALAS FOR FURTHER COMMTMORATION,
On Sunday, March 7th, moblher memorial was dedicated to the memory of the lato Ganon H. J. Elsee, who had been president of the Lancashire Association for 45 years. 'The Ohnrch Lads' Brigade gubscribed for a tent and altar rail, bhe looal clergy have also a scheme in hand, so lave the local Hospital Committee.

On Sunday the memorial was that provided by the congregation of St. George's, Bolton, where Canou Elsee had been Viear For the past forty years.

The memorial is in three parts, comprising panelling to the baptistry, four per frontals to the east end of tho nave, and two choir screens iu the chameel, all in oak.
The panelling to the baptistry is constructed as a bachground to tho font, and it harmontges with the adjoining panelling to the main calumas. Rising above the centre of this part of the memorin, at the angle of the north-east eorner of the cliureh, are two oak panels to which are secured bell-metal tablets referring to the late Canon and mbertioning that he was Hon. Canon of Manchester CathedraI, Hon. Chaplain of the Forces, Rural Dean of Bolton, Proctor in Cenvoention and president of the Laneashire Association of Change Ringers. Surmonnting these tablets is a carred oak quadrant of n bell, sud inside the bell is a light to illuminate the tablets with a floodlight effect.
The details for the pew froutals are in accove with the adjacent choir and ciergy stalls. The late Canon frequently expressed a debire that the seating accompodation to the centre and wings of the rave ghould be completed in this manner. The choir sercens are also designed to match the choir stalls and are required to shield the choristers from draughts. They are fitted with leaded lights, glazed with two shades of amber glass to correspond with the new clerestory windows in the chatheel. The latter, the gift of Mr. Thomas Booth in memory of Iis wife, were also dedicated.
Tho gilts mere dedicated by the Bishop of Manchester (Dr. Warman) in the presence of a large congregation, The bells were rung from 2 p.n?. to 3 p.m. and also after the service, in touches of Double Norwieh, Stedman and Grandsire Triples, by ringers frons many parts of Lancashire, includine the hon. secretary (Mr. W. H. Slluker) and hon. treasurer (Mr. O. D. Davies).
A ringers' memorial has been occupying the attention of a committee for some time. The late Canon had often expresged a wish to see s peal of ten in Bolton Parish Ohurch, and the fact that he was the Rural Dean eansed efforts to be made towards that object, but it proved too big an undertaking for ringers ouly. It had been hoped to get the co-operation of obher sections. Steps are, however, being taken to put St. Gearpe's bells into first-class order. It has been suggested that they ahould be put into a new frame at a lower level in the tower, and, if the responge is good enotgh, add two trebler, If the chureh aththorities grant permission for thig, all appeal will be made for subscriptions.

## HISTORIC PERFORMANCE RECALLED.

HOW HOLT'S ORIGINAL WAS FIRGI' RUNG 'SILENT.' A Jubitee Celebration
A unique celebration took place iz week ago, when, on Thursday evening, Mr. dolut Olyistoplier Mitchell entertained a small party of ringing frieuds at his charming home in West Norwood. It was the fitticth anniversary of a wonderfis handbell performance. On March 11d1, 1887, four College Youths, of whom Mr. Mitchell, then 19 years of age, was the youngest, rang Folt's Original "silent' for the firct tine. 'Ihe ather members of the hand were W. H. $L$. Buckingham, C. F. Wimey aud G. ग. McLanghlin, and the peal was rung at the old lreadquatters. the Goose and Gridicon, in Si. Paul's Churchyard, fo hostelry which has sinee disappeased.

Of thos's who took part, Mr. Buckingham and Mr. Winney survive with Mr. Mitchell, but Mr. MoLanghlin slien some years ago, and the two umpires, Messre. J. W. Rowbetlam, of the Callege Youths, and W. Baron, of tho Cumberlands, are also no longer with us.


## Standing: Mr. J. C. Miter FIFTY YEARS.

## ham. Seated: Mr. C. F. Winney

The litute gathering that met last weck as the guests of Mr Mitelell inctuded, in addition to Messrs. Buckingham and Winney, Messrs. 7. F. Lewis (Master of the College Youthe), A. A. Hughes (treasurer), F. F. Dawe (who was ona of the unofficial witnesses of the peal) and J. S. Goldsmith, while other members of Mr. Mitcliell's family present were Miss F. Mitchell and Mr. B. Mitchell. Unfortunately the weather prevented Mr. W, T. Gookerill (hon. secretary of the College Youths) from joining the party, but during the evening lie was greeted on the teleplione with good wishes and returned his congratulations.

After a happy meal togetler, during which tongues waged and reminiscences of past days were retold, the proceedings were contimued in the lounge, where handbell riaging took place and the three heroes of the great event of half a century ago showed they had lost little of their ability. When they sat, down for the first touch, with F. E. Dawe at the tenors, Winney was asked to call a bit of Grnndsire hut, prosimably from force of habit, raid 'Go Stecman, and these youllas, whose ages totalled 293 yar's, mate no 'hones ' about it (Gontimmed in next eolmran.)

## CENTRAL COUNCIL'S PUBLICATIONS.

## PHE VALUE OF THE SURPRTSE MAJOR COLLECROUN

 To the Editor.Dear Sir,-May I malie one ny two short comments on your interesting article in last week's issue?
Personall $y_{3}$ i an quite satishied with the effect that the Major Methods Collection has had. I never expected that there wohly be an immediate increase of peals in Phan Major meblacis, for it tatacs a long time before the Exeverse is ready for any great advallec in such matters. The mumber of wesc methods that have lyeen ruat is greater then perhaps some people suppose and the [ull ellicet will not be seen for many years.
At present most ringers think that a Surprise method must he a better lhing than a Plain method and so rather aeglect the latter. Achally the average Plain methon is hetber than the average Surprise methox, and especially so on tey ant fwelve bells. Onr kinor Meblhods book revolutionised siz-bell ringing, hut, it, was lutile to imagino that a similar thins would happen on eight bells, at any rate for maly years. But it is instructive to cempare a list of the new methods rung in (a) the 18th eentinty, (h) the 19th eentity; (c) the pregent century before the war; (d) the present ecatiry since the war. You have there a conclusive reply to those peaple who think that the Central Courcit books have not dome an enormous mount to extend method ringing.

The new Surprise book is intended not only to make a largo solection of methods available for ringers, but also to give information which is interesting to the great mass of ringers who linve not the opportumity of actually practising new methods-information which will Firther tha development of the arts indirectly in muny ways. When I wrs prepring it I considered the quegtion of giving diagrams, and my then aomection with "The Ringing World " (Irom which I havo benefted more than I should keve thought possible) erabled me to get some information, from which I reluctantly eame to the eanelusion that the cost was prohbitive. Yon know much moie about that than I do, but I fancy you will agree.

Of the ralte of diagrams there can be no questiou. When dealing with the Surprise methods I woyked them all ouf and the selection was mades from the diagrams in the first fastance and not from the figures. If we could be sure of a sale of five thousand copies of the book spread over twenty or twenty-five yoars, it would be good hasimess to have the blocks made. But where is the necessary capita) to come from? I feel that a gowd deal can be done to improve the bonks Which the Council publishes, and I ams sure that the new Surprise book is on the right lines. For one thing, it is a luoole to be rean and studied, and not merely is collection of figures whiah am of interest only when a band wanta something new to ring.
J. ATkMIGER TROLTOPF.

## LONDON TOWERS

## To the Editor.

Denr Sir, I had almost the snme experienen as Mr, Corby desmibeu in jour lact issue, and ft was only by hearing the bells that 1 fona d the church. Eveu the 'Bohby' I asked dirlu't linow. A goon sug gestion, Mr. Corhy!

Over, Cambs.

## SUCCESS FOLLOWS MANY FAILURES.

(Continued from previous colnmn.)
Afterwards other touches of Stednan, Grandsire nur Boly Mnjor wero rung in which all present shared, and old times discussed until the little party broke up, with thenks to Mr. Mitchell for his hospitality and tire hope that, despite the advance of "Anno Domimi," these veternms might be spared to meet again.
In the days when this memovable jeal was ming Messts. Mitchell and Buckinglam were Ifving at St. Abans, but, being ju business in London, were able to meet constantly for practice. It was Challis Winmey's "bright idea' that thoy shonld attempt the Original "silent," and they med at all hours of tho day and night, oflen al Mr. Winmey's home in Chelsea. On one accasion, whem Mr. Mitchell was detainod at busimess until 10 p.m., they started For a peal at uine minutes to 11 and finished at twenty minutes past ame next moruing. This peal was rung witheut bobs lyaing aalled, hut trips were carrected. Mr. Bill Garrard was the wituess and it was the eighth meoting the band had had
This was on February 25 fh .1887 , nad enthusinsm had renched almost fever heat. On February 28th over Inalf a peal was ruilg in strict silonce. On Minvoh 2nd two-thirds of the peal was accomplished inder similar conditions before to came to glief. On March 8ih, 4, e00 changes were rumg. This peal was lost, so it was snid at last weat's号atherimg, because 'Buck' thought be beard St. Paul's Cathenral clack strike thirteen when it should only havo struck eleven. Wext erening nearly half a peal was rung, but nothing danned by these failures, a. furtizer attempt was made on the 11th and triumplo was achioved in 2 hours 39 mimutes.
Mriy ringers heard the peal in an adjoining room and testified to the perfection of the performance, which stands out as one of the finest Fandtabll achievemenls of all time.
Tt wat fotinaly the antiversary of the first silent peal of stexman Tuples hamg 33 years earlion at he Whiltingfon anst Cat. Bathal Green, ifs I. Cox, W. Cooter, II. Hinley and II. Wood.

## BROADCASTS FROM ST. MARTIN'S-IN-THE-FIELDS

 bells to be rung in FutureIn future, when the bells of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields are broadcast they will be rung instead of chimed.

This announcement was made by the Vicar of St. Martin's (the Rev. Pat McCormick) on Saturday, at the annual dinner of the Royal Cumberland Youths, the society which is responsible for the service ringing at the celebrated church in Trafalgar Square. The announcement will be receivec with great pleasure by ringers everywhere, for the chiming that has been heard for years has been a miserable travesty of church bell music, and in no sense befitting the dignity of the services which have followed.

The Rev. Pai MeCormick was responding to the toust of "The Ghuroh,' and, in reference to the incueasing difficulty of getting ringers to ring for service in Lontion, said it was a matter which rather perturbed him, becalise he was haping very unach that the Cumberiand Youtlis wete going to do unother bit of work for St. Martin's.
I am sure all of you here, he said, will be glad to hear that arvangements are nearing complebion and $I$ Lopa will eventuate by the next Groedcast gervice from St. Martin's (lond applause).
Flhere are one or two reasens why I would like to have the bells pealed properly. One is because it will save me a great deal of correspondence (Itughter). Not puly do I get letfers from beilringerg protesting against this ciniming, but also crowds of letters frobl other peaple suying that our bells mue out of tune. As You know, tt is nothing to do with the bells, bute with the bammers. If the lammer is the elightest bit ont of place where it strikes the bell, the bell sounds ont of tumc. I have to write back to all these people and explain su oftan that I gell 'fed up' with it (laughter).
The other reason is, I think it is rather a seandal, having such a magnificent peal of bells as we bave got, that they should not be rung properly so that people all over the world are able to hear them (spplanse).
We shall, of course, get a great many criticisms. We shall get criticism from the old ladies who love to lear the hymm tunes played on the bells. It is quite extroordinary what a momber of people do like that. I suappese it brings back old tures to thera, or something of that sort, hat we alt know that is not the method of ringing bells.
had lroped it would he possible to bagin the new arrangement to-morrow. When I shoke to the Relirious Director of the B.B.C.
the other day he said, "When are you going to bave your bells properly days? is said, 'When are you going to bave you bella of this sort liave to pass through so many chanmels that they had mot then been able to trate the correspondence, but the Director himself is also 'fed up. with the chiming of the bells of St. Martin's, so I am glad to be able to announce that wa hope in future to have them rung (applause).
I am sure you will agree, continned the Vicar, that not only in the interests of bellinging, lunt also in the interests of what I may cail tho ' pride ' of St. Martin's-in-the-Rields, it is right that the bells should be pealed (applause). It means, however, that you will only be on the air a short lime. None of your ruming oper time (laughter'), hecanse even if tha bells are faded out I do not want to Lave fo compete with the bells when I am taking the service. We you probnbly know, we have a 'preparation service' before the brondenst service, and it would menn that that preparation wonld have to be cut down and would not be of the value that it, is and anght to he. I believe that little prepartion service, wher we practise the liymins and say a prayer, is one of the chief factors which enables St: Martin's services to get over tine air and be of such infmite value to listeners all over the world (applange). I hope yor will all cnter into the spirit of it and that by next time a broadcast takes place we shall have the bells properly praled (applause).
We thall do away witly the sewices of Mr. Blewitt, aud for that J am sorry. He las played the bells ever since the first broadcast and has mever missed onee (applause). I shatl be sorry for him, because I know hy loves it, hut he has retired actually from $S t$. Martin's and has been coming ip for this ouly bit of lis duty left to him. I shall be sorry for him, but I am quite comvinced, for everybody's sake, that the beils ought to he properly rumg (hear, hear)
Speaking later, Mr. E. J. Lewis, president of the Gentral Council. said he was very pleased to heni what Mr, MoCormick had said about the Jinging of St. Martin's bells for the broddcasts. He hoped the Society of Cumberland Youths, when ringing for these services, would show some other paits of the country what broadcast ringing should be like. He got into tronble a while aro for some rimg pointed remarks about certain broadosists, but he was not in the least repentant. They had had some better ones since. The last he herd was Croydon and it was really a treat to listen to. At Stepney, in view of the fact that a number of the band were comparative beginners, the hroadcast was quite successful. They hat a delightfus] course of Superlative from Pudser, except for one trip, whinh was far hetter than certain hroadeasts from another comer in the North.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## WESTERN DIVISION MEGI AT SNOWBOUND LONGWOOD.

The Weat Riding of Yorkghire had been practically stowboud for over a fortnight, and the winter was showing its very worst side on Saturday, yet it was in such conditions that the Western Jivision held their anmul meeting at St. Mark's, Longwood. Only a few days befors the meeting there had been another exceptionally heary fall of snow and many of the roads on the Yorkshize Moors were impassable. The stalwarts of the Western Division made light of these diCliculties, however, and one peity at lenst trevelled ovar 40 miles by road, through show and fog-such was their enthusiasm. When the first of the wisitors atrived, Nr. Rothery and the local company were busily engaged in excavating their church from the show. Over 40 uembers Were present from 20 towers and all lielped to make a very successful meeting.
St. Mark's, Lonqwood, has a fairly moderı tower, which was edded to the church in 1914, and the peal of eight which it contains is one of the finest in the connty. The bells were raised aboul 2.30 , and, excepting for the tea interva, were kept moving ankil after 9 o clock, when they were finally bowered in peal. Tlee striking throughout the day was of a particularly ligh standard for meelings, and another pleasing feature was the number of young ringers who aro being trained in the district
The Rev. W. A. Griffiths, M.A., conduted a short Litny service in the church prior to the tea, nud gave an inspining address which was greatly appreciated. An excellent fea was served in the schools by the local ringers, to which over 30 nembers sat down. This wus followed by the bnsiness meetimg, presided over by Mr. W. II. Soniot in the absence of the vice-presideut, who was called away imuediately after the selvice.
A telegram was read from the association's president, Canom Marshall, expressing his regret at his unavoidable absence, and wishing the meebing every success. A letter was also read from Mr. Knight, of Stanwick, enclosing a short history of St. Mark's, and this was greatly appreciafed by all present.
The three retiring members of the committee, Messre. F. W. Dixon, J. Fardcastle and R. Bottomley, weve elected for a further period of three yenrs.

MTR. JOE BLKADLEY RESIGNE RTNGING MASTERSHIP
A letter had been received from Mr. Josepin Broadley, ihe retiritg of his age. Mr. Broadey, who is uow 78 years old, yecently rathg his $400 t h$ peal for the assaciation.
It was decided to defer the appointment of a successor until the next quarterly meetimg in Juas, when due aotice would he given Coll nominations for the ofice.
The Chairman voiced the tianks of the assoclation to the Vicar and wardens for kindly granting the use of the bells and for the welcome which had been recefved. IIe particularly thanked the Vicar for his inspiring address, which they hat all evjoyed.-Chis was supponted by Mr. Knisht.

The Rev. W. ML. Griffitis, M.A., in replying, said how sorry he was that the weather had been so bad, but assured the members, amin laughter, that he really was trot responsible for it. He delightod his hearers by recounting his carliest experiebees with ringel's, and showed how. fram his boythood, he had always appreciated the comradeship which their calling implied.
Mr. Leslie Morris proposed a learty vote of thanks to the lacal company fow their splendid arrangements ond for providing such an excellent tea, also to the organist for officiating at the selvice. This
was supported by Mr. Huterinsog, and Mr. Ralply Willians replied for the local comenativ
The association's thanks are also due to Mr. Mellor for kindly placing Lindley bells at the disposal of the meeting, and had thit Weatine been normal there is no doubt that both towers would have been fully occupied all day. The secretary reported that ins
advertisements in "The Ringing. World, he ha-d eroneously deseribed the Lindley bells as having been recast. This was an error, as thie bells had only been retuned, and whilst perlages little difference would be noticerl betweers the two, he wished to correct the matter so that no wrong impressions would be gainei
Tho new members were elected-Mr. T. Lancaster, of Mitdlesbrough, and Mr. Andrew Blachburk, of Longwood.
The Chairman mentioned that as there had been some disenssion on the suliject of forming a district society found Huddersfield, he felt that there was plenty of scope, atrd if carried an in harmony with the Yorkshire Association he was sure that unthing lust good would result. The Wentern Division covered a very wide area embracing aver 80 towers, and as they ouly bad four meetings twery yeur, it was obvious that same considerable period must clapse betwera their visits to individua] places.
An invitation lad been received to hale the Jnne meeting at Giggleswick, but owing to the great distance it was felt that it would be more advisable to try a place a litile nearer, and so wover the whole of that erea egrally as well. It is. therefore, hoped that a meeting can be arrauged in the Kildwick district aboit the second saturday in Jnne, hut an fnnouncement will be made later.
The following towers were represented at the meeting: Ahmandmury, Armley, Batley, Filand, Huddersfield Parish Church, Td̃le. Kirkhurton, Lindy, Lobgwood, Helthani, Holbeck, Quebnebury. Rothwell. Fraciingley (St. Chat's and St. Michat's). Ripponden, Sherbum-in- Fimet, Fincrey sul, Chats and st. Minhatsid.

## ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

## ANNUAT DINNER REYIVED

The Society of Royal Oumberland Youths held a very successful dimner in Loudon on Saturday. It was a revival after a great many Fears, aud members from many distant places rallied to the committee's effort. After ringing at geveral churches in the aftermoon the company, rumbering aitogether 92 , including 22 ladies, assembled at the Bedford Head, Maiden Lane, Strand, under the chairmanship of the Master (Mr. Geovge F. Cross). Among those present were the Rev. Pat McCormick (Vicar, St Martin's-im-the-Fields), the Rev. F. Li. Edwards (hon, secretary, Salisbury Diocesal Guild), the Rev. A. G. G. Thurluw (Wokingham), Mr. E. H. Lewis (president, Central Council, and Master of the College Youths), Mrs. G. H. Cross, Mr. T Beran (senior steward) and Mrs. Bepan, Mr. J. Bailey (junior steward), Mr. G. W. Steere (hou. tweasurer), Mr. N. Summerhayes (assistajit hon, secretayy), My. F. Sinith (trustiee), Mlessrs. J. Parizer (Eumonton) and G. Gilbert (Maidenhead), Centra] Council representatives: Mr. T H. Taffender (Master, London Country Association), Mr. T. W. Taffender (lion. secretary, Louklons County Association), Mr. J. Waugh (Master Northern District of London County Association), Mr. W. Bottri] (vice-president, Nutional Police Guild), Mr. G. Wilhams (Master, Win cliester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild), Mr. W. H. Fussell (SIough) Mr. F. E. Dowe (Woking), Mr. A. F. Mantin Stewart (Dorset), Mr. G. Pulliuger (Bishopstoke). There were also members and visitars from Maidenhead, Northfleet, Graresend, Guilciford, Brentwood, Romford, North Storelam, Hampslead, Sevenoaks, Bishopagete, Dartfard Smanscombe, Chiselhurst, Str. Olape's, Hart Street, Shoreditch, Woodford, Broxbourae, Burmham, Ghristchurch, Oxford, etc. Apologies for inavoidahle absence were received from the Rev. A. Taylor (St Bride's), the Rev. Wellard (St. Olave's, Hart Street), Messrs. A. Hardy (trustee), G. Card (lown secretary), J. Huin (Taunton), H. Hopkins (Whitstable), A, H. Pulling (Guidford) and many others.

## The Master, SER the conclusion of tho LONDON.

 toast, and afterwards, in thanking the company for making ine gathering such an excellent one, expressed the hope that fit would prove the foremmer of many more and that the next would be even better attended than this. There wore, he said, two old friends who would specially be thinking of them, Mr. George Card, the secretary, who was in hospital, Ent Mr. Arthur Herdy, one of the trustees, who was rasent through a lamily bereavament. He (the Masfer) thought they should write and tell these old members what a good gathering they had hud.Proceeding, the Naster proposed the toast of 'The Chureh.' This was Coronntion year, and the Church, he said, bad a very important task to perform, namely, that of blessing the new reign. In that connection ringers would be expected to do their part in ringing at all the churches where ringing was possible. Sunday service ringing in London, said Mr. Cross, was very difficult, aud lie appealed to members of the society to give their fullest support to the service ripging for which the society was responsible. In conclusion, the Master said this was inn inferesting yeav for ringing in London, for the College Youths wonld celebrate their tercentenary. The Cumberlands all wished them the best of stecoss (applause).
The Rev. Pat McCormick, in responding to the toast, sain they in the Church krew they could not do withont the bellringers. The close frientship between the two must always exist. the churches depended on the yingers, but the ringers also depuded on the Church, because there were very few bells they could cimg that were not in churches. He was glad to hear what the Master lad said about riuging for serrices. He aryreed that it was a very differlt thirg for the London chirelies. Tt was all right in the country, because ringers lived, generally, faily close to the church, but the position was rathey perturbing lim, as he was yery much loping the Cumberland Yonths Were going to do another bit of work for St. Martin's-in-the-Fielde. The viar then went on to speak of the proposed ringing of $s t$ Martin's bells before the brodacast services, which is reported under a separata heading. Then, returning to the subject of the toast, he
said that this was in rery mportant year for the Cluroh, not merely on account of the Coronation, but in the whole life of England. If only taken properly he believed this year might be a year of real advance for the Chinch.

## HISTORICAI REVIEW

Mr. W. Fr. Fussell, one of the oldest members of the society, proposed the tonst of "The Socjety of Royal Cumberland Youths.' The Cumberiands, he said, had two legs to stand on, and they went back before 1745. He thontrint he might put the toast by arsking them to drink to the Ancient Society of Loudon Scholars and the Society of Royal Cumberland Yauths. The thought one or two historicul facts might be interesting to the younger members and encourage them to think that this old society was worth supporting and worth working for. In 1702 a work upon change ringing was pullished by two members of the Landon Schulars. Those members, with other members of the old society, mugt lage known a good deal about camb panology even at that carly day. A few years later, in I716, a peal of Caters was rung out the bells of St. Bride's. This was recorded on $\Omega$ tablet in the belfiry and it was the first performance ever known in the way of a full peal. He saw no reason for refusing to accept Mr . Osborne's stalements contained in the MSS in the British Museum. Just as the great fire of London in 1666 destroyed the early documents belouging to the Ancient Soctety of College Youths, founded
in 1637, so tha early records of the London Scholarg were Lost and their foundation was unknown. What frommeuts of history of thesu ancient societies had survived showed that both had manned the gells of the churches of London with never failing efliciency on all im pertant occasions. The two old societies were promoting the art and science of ringing three hundred years nga.
A turning point in the history of their awn society was in 1745 when thoy lost touch with the London Scholars, after blie reloclian in the Nartb, when there was a battle royal between Bonuie Princa Charlie, grandson of James 11 ., aud William Augustus, second son of George II. The latter proved the victor and received the title of Dikno of Cumberland and a pension of 525,000 a year. The use of the name "Cumberland" became fashionable. Streets and inns were named Cumberland, and the ringen's who practised at Shoreditch either had that title bestowed upon them or acquired it by some unknown means. When the Duke returaed to Loudon by the road which entered the city by the old chutch at Shorediteh there was great rejoicing and no coilbt the bells were fully employed.

In the year 1747 a now corde of aules was drawu np by the society under its new title, and in 1748 a peal of Bob Major was mong at Shoreditch, which was the beginning of the long list of ringing records to bs found to-day in their Volume I., which contamed a portrait of the patron Duke on the front page.
Mr. Fussell went on to recall the Cumberlands' soug of 1802. which said:- "For Cumberlands we are, And Cumberlands we will loe To perform with any ringers
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He regretted to find there were f few old faces missing-nren who had been members for over 50 years. They remembered Ben Foskett and Edwin Barmett, but they ware pleased to have with thenn Mr. George Williams in his 80th year (applanse). He (Mr: Tusselly was elected a member of the socjety in the belfry of St. Giles in 1881, Mr. Fussell concluded by remarkiug that the present Ruyal Fimily, through Queen Mary, were in direct line of succession from the fimons Duke of Cumberland, and if they wanted to compliment the yangent member of that royal house, they could ring a peal on bilie hirkhury of Princess Margaref Rose (applanse)

## WELL worth surporting

Mr. Norman Summerhayes expressed great vegret at the alsence of Mr. Geurge Card, the hon. sectetary, wlo was ill jm hospital at
Fulhm. Mr. Summerhayes gave a long list of apologies fron ment bers and frieads and went on to refer to the fact that simese the last time they had held a dinner they had lost Mr. J. D. Mathews, who was their Master for 21 years. During the time he was Master he built up the society into a strong organisation and had a great den! of suppore from the members. It was Mr. Matthews great clesire that the society should long continue to flourish and grow, but with his passing there was a falling off in the vigour that was showit. Members who lad been very entlusiastic supporters failed to maintain their enthusiasm as they might have done. The society was well worth supporting and deserved the support of all the members. Last vear they made 45 new members, and he thouglt they would agren that that was a very good year's wark (applause). If thoy could do would continue to support them, they conld progress and huild up a position which would be the envy of all othar societies (applatse). He hoped this year would be one of renewed activity and that they would
have the support of all the mombers. They had made a vary good have the suppord of afl the mam
start with that dimer (applause).
Mr. George Gilbert proposed 'Kindred Societies.' He sairl they, unfortumately, often found that ihe spirit, of "]eindred' was left ond of relations between inger's and societies. He las found that there was a little too much of the 'pent at any price' in some guarters Gud ruch of not wanting to ring with 'so and so.' That was not "kindred' and it was not "society." He would like to see a litile closer association at the root of the societies. In the past there had been petty bickeriugs, even to the extent of "hammer and thriss arguments, instead of it friendly rivalry to advance the science. They were told, said Mr. Gilhert, that ringers could noi be got. He chal lenged lhat statement in any village. They wonld not come, hat they conld be got if the ringers would go out. and fetch them. He hat often wondered how many ringers rang to the honour and glory of God? If they did not ring to the honour and glory of God, ilens, he said, they land never lieard bells rung as they should he mund On behalf of the Cumberlands present and mamy who could not pet there, ineluding Mr . Farry Fopkins, of Whitstable, who joined the
society on January 14th, 1872 , he wished success to kindred socioties. CORONATION OPPORTUNITIES
Mr. F. H. Lewis, in replying to the toast, said he had been mucl interested in what Mr. Gibert had said, and he agreed with a great deal of it, particularly about the quality of ringing. Fe felt very strongly there was a great apportunity for ringers in this Coronation yenr, when a large part of the public will be expecting a great dana of ringing to show what they can do in the way of quality. Fie hoped all the bands who rang during the Coronation ceremonine would only attempt what they could ring perfeclly and not go in for new or complicated methods with which they were not quite friniliur. They shonld ring so well that prople will say how nice it is. In that way they could recover some of the sympatly for ringing which he was afraid they had lost in previous years, owing to the prewalence in many purts of the country of striking that was not good.
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## Friendship Between London Societies.

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Contiming, Mr. Lewis sajd that in years gone by there was e good denl of bittermess between their society and lis society, but he hoped that was a thing of the past (qpplause), "Although we are mutually
exelusiuc," said Mr, Lewis, we oan, I hope, be very soad friends (applnase). We, at any ratie, wish to be friendly with yoit, and I feel certain jon wish to be friendly with us (Leaw, hear). Befare I recenved the invitation to this dinner, my Dianer Committee had already kecided to send ar invitation to your Mastev to our tercentenary dinner on November 6th this year (applause).

Referring to the subject of getting ringerg, Mr. Lewis said he asreed it was quite possibla to get them in a village, but he was convinced the first thing to do wag to piek their reerubs from the congregation, who wern already churchpeople. He knew that occasionally they rould get someone outside who was not a chinchman and eventually perfaps, i刀terest him in the church, but it was far better, to his mind, to begin at, the other end and pick their recruits from members of the congreagtion. Then, he thauglit, they would not find at dificutty ill keeping them at rangers, provided they gave them plenty of interest in their ringing. Mr. Lewis illustrated his point by quoting his own experience at Brasted, and spoke of the advantages of teacling absolute novices, by being able to traiu thom to landle thejr bells properly.

## VISITORS WELCOMED.

Mr', (1, W. Steere proposed "The Visitors, whom he welcomed There were some, he said, who were not riugers, but he hoped their presence would increase their interest atd that they would come again. With regard to the feeling between their own and other societjes, their society was nnly too willing to be friendly with any other society in Londm or the provinces \{applause).
Mr. F. E. Dawe replied to the toast. Fe remarked that he joined the College Youtlis fifty years ago, and while he had many ald and good friends in that society, he also had a remarkable number of frients in the Cumborland Sobiely, for whom he had the greatest possitile respect. He was one of those who regretted that the project, put, forward about 50 years ago to permit suyone residing more than 25 miles from London to belong to both societies, was rejected. Mr. Dowe mentioned many of his friends ameng the Cumberlands of a bygale day whom he knew well, and particularly John Cox. He had, he said, manty letters from lim, as he also had from men like Jasper Suowdon and Henry Johnsou, and when he liad time he intended to collect them aud hand them aver to the Masters of the various societies. Through his friendship with old Cumberlands he was able to eall live peals of Cinques, divided between St. Martin's and St. Buidets. There whs ona tower left in London whexe le would like to call a peal and that was at shoreditch. He did not know whether it would be possible to make arrangenents for him to do this by ringing it for the old St. James' Society, which was now the London Connty Association. He would very much like to do it. In conclusion, he wished hatli his old and lis young friends iu the Cumberland Socicty, good health and long life to cariy on the ever pleasant and inferenting science in which they were engaged (applause).

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Hr. J. B. Pniley proposed the toast of 'The Press.' He sfid they often leard of the difficulty of getting young lingers because of the namber attractions that were offered. Other forms of entertainmemt attracted young people by publicity, and he thought it was up to them as ringers to meet their opponenfs on their own pround and to nse greater publicity through the local and national Press. Mr. Bailey paid a warm tribute to the sertices rendered to ringine by "The Ringing Woxtd and jts Editor, whose mame was coupled with the toast.

Mir. J. E. Goldsmith, in responding, suid it gave him special pleasure to do so 2 s an old Cumberland. Ringing to-day, he said, was well treated by the Press in general and this year offered a great opportunity to ringers everywhere to show the Press that ringing was a groal art and worthy of consideration and sympathetic treatment,
This conchaded the toast list, in the course of which an course of Stedman Cingles, and songs by Miss Dawson had been interspersed. Miss Damson greatly delighted the company with ' Ring, bells, rimg; and "Rells across the meadows." Mr'. F. Farkington was the accompanist. Later an entertainment of a varied kind, which was thoroughly enjoved, was given by the Conoptimists Concert Party, and furber handbell ringing took place. The sncecss of the evening was latgely due to the efforts of the Dinner Gommittee and particularly of the energetic ilinner secretary, Mr. J. E. Bailey.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

PERRY BARR, BIRMINGHAM.-On Sumday, January 3st, et the Churel of St. John, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: G. T. Mitchison 1, M. J. Morris 2, T. Price (conductor) 3 R. G. Ingram 4, G. F. Williams 5, F. W. Rusleworth 6, G. F. Swann 7, C. Davies 8. Lungest lemsth as condnctor from non-observation bell. TUNSTALL, KENT-On Sunday, February 28th, after an unsuccessfil nlitompt for a peai, 1,280 Cambridge Surpise Major: W. E. Spice 1, P. Spies 2, A. S. Boar 3, T. Temmett 4, K. Kenward 5, J. W. Unwin 6, G. F. Spice 7, W. Spice, sen. (conductor) 8 . Rung to cele hrate the 76th birthady of Mr. W. Spien, sedr

## NOTICES.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

TO ALL MEMBERS.
All notices of motions must be sent in forthwith toconform to the rules.

TO ALL SECRETARIES OF AFFILIATED SOCIETIES.
Subscriptions became payable on January 1st.
G. W. Fletcher,

Hon. Sec.
45, Walsingham Road, Enfield, Middlesex.
ECKINGTON, Nr. Sheffield.-Ring of eight (tenor 17 cwt.), restored by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston- A ringers' gathering will be held on Saturday, March 20th. Tower open from 3 p .m. to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in the Parish Room at 5 p.m.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Wisbech Branch.-Next meeting at Marham on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON

 DON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District. Next meeting at Edmonton on Saturday, March 20 th. Beils from 3 o'clock. Service at 4 o'clock (not 5 p.m. as previously announced). Tea, 1s. each, at 5.30. Special methods, Cambridge Court Bob Major and St. Clement's Bob Triples. This meeting is held jointly with a meeting of the Ladies' Guild.-C. T. Coles, Har. Sec.LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Southern Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Lambeth, on Saturday, March zoth. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea in the Parish Hall at 5 p.m., and meeting to follow. Further ringing until 7.30 p.m., when there will be a short service.-A. P. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 1:18, Sarsfeld Road, Balham, S.W.12.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL.-The new ring of 12 bells (by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough) will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Winchester on Saturday, March zoth, at 3.30 p.m. The Dean and Chapter, tagether with the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers, invite visiting fingers to tea in the Guildhall after the service. Admission will be by ticket only. The Cathedral bells will be available for ringing from 6 to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., by kind permission of the Very Rey. the Dean of Winchester.
LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-A joint meeting will be held with the Middlesex County Association on Saturday, March 20th, at All Saints', Edmonton. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. (not 5 p.m. as previously announced). Tea (1s.) at 5.30 p.m. All those requiring tea please notify Mrs. G. W. Fietcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield, Middlesex. - M. L. Cross, Hon. Dis. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -The annual meeting will be held at Wath-on-Deatne on Saturday, March 2oth. Beils (8) available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at is. 3 d. per head. Meeting after tea for election of officers, etc.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Street, Bentley, Doncaster.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION:-Furness and Lake District Branch. - Half-yearly meeting to be held at Broughton-in-Furness on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 . Meeting to follow. Names for tea to Mir. W. T. Clark, Gable Mount, Broughton-in-Furness. - N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Gloucester Branch.-The eighth annual -dinner of the Gloucester Branch will be held on Saturday, March 2oth, at the Spread Eagle Hotel, Market Parade, Gloucester, at 6 p.m. prompt. Tickets, $3^{5}$. The following towers open for ringing: Barnwood (8) at a p.m. if requ red; St. Mary de Lode (6) 2.30 to 3.30 ; St. Mary de Crypt (8) 3.45 to 4.45 ; St. Michael's (io) 4.45 to 5.45 p.m.-W. H. Harris, Hon. Branch Sec., G.W.R. Terrace, Lydney Dock, Lycney, Glos.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western District.-The next meeting is to be held at Redbourn on Saturday, March 2oth. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Short service, tea and meeting. Come along and extend your knowledge of Minor methods. - W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

JOINT MEETING OF THE LADIES' GUILD (Southern District) AND GUII.DFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Guildford District) at Chiddingfold, Saturday, March 2oth. Beils from 3 o'clock. Service 4.45 p . m. Tea at Swan Hotel, 5.30 p.m. - Miss H. F. Mills, Maidencombe, Northbrook Road, Aldershot; G. L. Grover, East Clandon, Hon. Secs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION,-Leicester District. - Quarterly meeting at Anstey on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.rn. All welcome.-H. W. Perkins, Hon. Sec., 53, Landseer Road, Leicester.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Penn ( 6 betls) on Saturday, March 20th, at 3.30 p.m. -A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at All Souls', Bolton, on Saturday, March zoth. Beils available 3 p.m. No business meeting.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District-A meeting will be held at Braughing on Saturday, March 2otk. The bells whll be open during the afternoon and evening. Service at 5 p.m. Address by the Vicar. Tea and business meeting after. I hope for a gond attendance of old friends and new.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Litrle Munden.

POYNTON, NEAR STOCKPORT.-Special services for the reopening of the bells on March 2Tst, at ro. 45 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Ring of 6 rehung by John Taylor and Co.

OKEHAMPTON, Devon,-Two trebles added to coniplete the octave, tenor $15 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., and hung in a new frame for eight by Gillett and Tohnston. Dedication service by the Lord Bishop of Exeter on Wednesday, March 24th, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.

DARLINGTON, DURHAM. - The ring of 8 , tenor $17 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., recast and rehung in new frame by Messis. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated on Thursclay. March $25 \mathrm{th}_{1}$, at 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The 57 th amual general meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday. The association service will be in St. Mary's Church at noon (preacher, the Ven. Archdeacon of Maidstone), followed by lunch in the Parish Hall. Business meeting afterwards to elect officers, and consider the adoption of the revised rules, etc. The following towers will be open for ringing during the day: Wye (8) (after meeting), Mersham (8), Willesborough (6), Eastwell (6), Great and Little Chart (6), Hothfield (6). Ashford belis will be available at 10 o'clock till noon and after the meeting. Luncheon, free to practising members, 25 . 6 d . to others. Application for tickets must be made on or before first post Wednesday, March 24th, accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope and a list of names attending. After this date no application can be entertained.-Fred M. Mitchell, General Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Annual general meeting at St. Neots on Easter Monday, March 294. Bells available from 12 noon. Service $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, 4 p.m., followed by business meeting. Other towers: Eaton Socon, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m. ; Eynesbury, 2 to 3 p.m., 6.30 to 7.30 p.m. ; Huntingdon, All Saints', 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.-Kitty Willers, Gen. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-East Devon Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Honiton on Easter Monday, March 29th. Service, 4.30 , St. Michacl's Church. Tea and meeting, 5.15, Gill's Café. Bells (6) available 2 p.m., also Ottery St. Mary (8). All are wel-come.-J. H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Silver Street, Ottery St. Mary, Devon.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, March 29th. Business meeting in the College Hall at 2.45 p.m. prompt. Chairman: The Very Rev. Arthur Davies, D.Litt., Dean of Worcester. Service in the Cathedral at 4.15 p.m., witi address by the Rev. J. F. Hastings, M.A., clerical secretary. Tea (non-members is. each) provided at 5.30 p.m. For all those who notify me before Wednesday, March 24th. Bells available: Cathedral (12) 1 to 2 p.m. ; All Saints' (10), St. John-in-Bedwardine (8), St. Nicholas (6) anr St. Swithun ( 6,11 a.m. to 1 p.m. only). Central Committee meeting in St. Helen's Church House at $\$ 1.30$ a.m. Subscriptions should be paid and reports obtained in St. Helen's Church House between 12 noon and 1 p.m. -I. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Cheltenham Road, Sedgebarrow, Evesham.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The anrual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Service in Cathedral 4.30 p.m., with addicss by the Dean. Towers open as follows: Cathedral (12), St. Stephen's (6), St. Michael's (6), 12 noon to 1 p.tn.,
and again at 2.30 p.m. Sr. 1'eter's (10), 2.30 p.m.; Sandridge (6), 11.30 a.m. It is advisable for those wishing to ring at the six-bell towers to inform me, so that someone may be in attendance. Meat tea, 2s. per head, in the Abbey Institute immediately after service, followed by business meeting. Let your secretary know if you are coming to tea not later than Easter Eve.-G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Duffield, St. Albans.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at Heanor on Easter Monday, March 29th. Bells available at 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea provided at 5 o'clock to those who notify Mr. A. Elliott, 82, Milward Road, Loscoe, by Thursday, March 25th. Business meeting to follow.J. W. England, Hon. Sec.

MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting at Nottingham, Easter Monday, March 29th. Towers open: St. Mary's (10 a.m. to 3.50), St. Peter's ( 10 a.m. to 3.40 ) and St. Paul's, Daybrook ( 10 a.m. to 3.15) and after the general meeting. Committee meeting 3 p.m., St. Mary's Institute, Barker Gate. Service, St. Mary's Church, 4 p.m. Address by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Neville S. Talbot, D.D., M.C. Tea, in the Institute, immediately after service, 1 s .6 d , to all applications received by Miss I. B. Thompson, 52, Lace Street, Dunkirk, Nottingham, on Wednesday, March 24th; after that date 1s. 9d. General meeting follows. - Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The antual general meeting of the association will be held at Norwich on Easter Monday, March 29th. By kind permission of the incumbents, the ring of bells at St. Peter Mancroft, St. Michael-at-Coslany, St. Giles', and All Saints', will be placed at the disposal of the members from 10 o'clock a.m. Divine service will be held at St . Peter Mancroft at 12.30 p.m., when the address will be given by the Rev. Christopher H. Flack, M.A., Rector of St. Augustine, Norwich. Luncheon will be served at the Bell Hotel, Orford Hill, at 1.30 p.m. ; tickets, 2s. per head, followed by the annual business meeting.-Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec, and Treas.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Llandaff (in lieu of Cardiff owing to tower repairs) on Easter Monday, March 29th. Cathedral bells available in the afternoon. Service at $40^{\prime}$ clock. Tea at 4.30 . Business meeting to follow. The Dean will preside. J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -The annual meeting will be held at Tewkesbury on Easter Monday, March 29th. The twelve beils will be available throughout the day. Business meeting $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Parish Room. Business: Election of officers, etc., and, most important, proposed rules. Owing to the lengthy agenda and weddings at the Abbey, there will be no service arranged. Tea will be provided after the general meeting, or, if necessary, the meeting will he adjourned for tea. It is essential that a large number of members should attend to deal with the proposed rules, which can be obtained beforehand by enclosing one penny stamp. This will bring a copy of the annual report direct to each member. - Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 46a, Tankard's Close, Bristol 2.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-.The annual meeting will be held at Berlford on Easter Monday, March $20 t h$. The bells of St. Paul's (10) will be avail-
able from 10.30. St. Peter's (6) from noon. The tea and business meeting will be at St. Peter's Church Hall at 5 p.m. Tea 1s. per head.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District. - The next meeting will be held at Croydon Parish Church on Easter. Monday, March 2gth. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Parish Hall, Sylverdale Road. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. D. Cooper, 5, Harrison's Rise, Cfoydon, by first post Wednesday, March 24th. - F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1687).-Meeting for practice will be heid at St. Paul's Cathedral on March 30th. Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Rond, Clapham. S.W.4.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -Sleaford District.-Quarterly meeting at Heckington, near Sleaford, on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells of St. Andrew's Church (8) open from 2.30. Service at 4.15. Tea will be provided in the Village Hall at 15 . each to all who notify Mir. J. H. Clark, 6, Banks' Lane, Heckington, Sleaford, by April 1st.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755). - Quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Aston, Birmingham, on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells (12) available at 3.30 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Please notify Mr. W. Davies, 99. Rosary Road, Erdington, regarding tea not later than March 31st.-T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham 11.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting at Clive on Saturday, April Srd. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Will all requiring tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, March 30th.-R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craigmore, Upper Road, Meale Brace, Shrewsbury.

THORLEY, near Bishop's Stortford.-On Sunday, April 4 th, at 11 a.m., the Bishop of Bedford will dedicate the bells which have been restored and augmented to a ring of five by John Taylor and Co.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly meeting of the Maidstone District will be held at West Mailing ( 8 bells) on Saturday, April 10th. Usual arrangements. Details later.-A. Waddington, Dis. Sec.

CALLING ALL CARS!-HITCHIN, Saturday, April 17th. Special meeting as farewell to Rev. R. F. R. Louth, President of Hertford County Association, who is leaving the county. District secretaries in Herts and South Beds please do not clash with this date. Full particulars later.-Don Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. C. H. Webb (late of Rugby) has now removed to 68 , Brownshill Green Road, Radford, Coventry.

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On Saturday, February $27 \mathrm{tl}_{3}$, at the Church of St . Lenrence in Reading, the marriage of Mr. W. Hibbert, to Delia, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Henry White, of Basingstoke, was solemnised. The Rev. Canon G. T. Coleridge (Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild) ofliciated. The riugers assembled to give 'Young Bill' and his bride in send-off. The belis were 'fired' and two courses of Stedman Cinques rung in good style. An interestigg fact was that listening to the ringing were two of the bride's sisters, once penl ringers of note when they were the Misses Alice and Dora White. The ringers wish the couple a long and bappy life.

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## WINGHESTER CATHEDRAL'S NEW BELLS

The opening of the new ring of twelve bells at Winchester Cathedral is a reminder of two things; one the vast improvement that has been effected in the hast three decades in the art of the bell founder; the other the great and crowning dignity which a noble peal of bells gives to a church of the grandeur of Winchester Cathedral, internally one of the finest ecclesiastical buildings of this country, and hallowed by centuries of Christian worship. There are few churches in England that can claim with positive documentary evidence the possession of bells in the eleventh century, before the coming of the Conqueror, but the authentic history of the bells at Winchester goes back at least as far as a gift of two by King Canute. Nine hundred years of bell history! And at intervals since that time generous benefactors have added to the number and dignity of the bells in the Cathedral of the ancient city which was the seat of government of King Alfred. These bells must have rung for the Coronation of most of the Sovereigns through these ages, and now, for the crowning of king George VI, a new peal of twelve bells of glorious quality will be heard over ancient Winchester. They take the place of a ring of twelve which had come at different times through the last two centuries from several different founders, and, for the first time for two hundred years, Winchester has a peal of bells all of one 'family.'

Those who remember the old ring, of mixed age and quality, will find in the new peal a revelation of the modern founder's art, something entirely satisfying in its tonal qualities and robustness. Founders to-day are able to produce bells of deeper note and finer qualities with less metal than their predecessors, thanks, of course, to the tuning methods which they now apply, by which the whote bell contributes to the purity and perfection of the tone. In these days, indeed, there is no need for peals of excessive weights to produce all that the critical ringer can desire. There are, perhaps, a few ringers, who like to think of tenors in tons of metal, who will disagree with us when we say that in these days peals up to forty hundredweight are sufficiently heavy for all practical purposes. We know that modern hanging can make much heavier bells pealable singlehanded, by a handful of men of exceptional strength and sfill, but with the present high state of craftsmanship in turning out perfect bells, peals of the size and weight of Winchester or thereabouts are amply satisfying both from the average ringer's and the public standpoint. Do not let it be thought that under any circumstances we deprecate the installation of heavier bells, but the circumstances need to be very exceptional to justify it;
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## TEN BELL PEAL.

DUDLTY, WORGTSTERSHIRP
THE DUDLEY AND DLSTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, March 20. 1937, in Thyee Howrs and Twalve Minntes, At the Ceqreg of St. Tgomas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGEEI Tenor 901 cwt.
Tom D. Whorton ... ... Trebla Harold Seuck ... ... ... 6 Alfred Rowley ... ... ... 2 Stanlay Prestidger ... 7 Welliam Grern ... ... .** $^{3}$ Norman G. Lebce .** ... 8 Gilbert Goest ... ... ... 4 Hent Hobbale .... .... 9 Joln Goonman ... ... ... 5 - Eric Fletcerr... ... ...Temor
Composed by B. Jraloos. Conducted by forn Goodman.

* First peal. This peal was yung to celebrate the 73rth birthday of Mr. W. Giteen, also the birthay of Mr. B. Gough.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WEST MEON, HAMPSHIRT
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Twesday, Maych 16, 7937. th Thres Hours and Thirfecn Minkes,
At ter Chorch of St. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MASOR, 8280 CHANEESI Tenor 12 cwt . 3 qr. 27 lb . in F .
Grorge Williams ... ...Treble Frangis E. Dawe
Thomas JI. Thergndre ... 2 Hbnry G. Miles... ... ... 6 Harry Hosxins ..... .0 Artagr B. Wifren ... .... 4 Grorge H, Crose .... ...tenor

Composed and Conducted by Francis Edward Dawe.
This peal was specially erranged for and rung on the conductors 75th birthday, and at his native Filage.

> CRAWLSY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Or Wednesday, Mayeh 17, 1937, in Thres Howys,
at the Chorch of St. Joun-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF RUTLAND SURPRISE MAEOR, 5088 CHAHEES;
Tenor 13 at cwt.
William Seadgeter ... ...Tyeble Cegil Nice
Miss Florrie Wyman … Krnnezh Sneling ... ... 5
Wileiam T. Bezson ... ... 3 Alfred J. Bull ... ...
Reginald V. Jognson ... 4 Oliver Sippetis... ... .... Tenor
Composed by J. Reeves. Conducted by O. Sippetts.

- First peal in the methed by all the band ard by the association. GRUNDISBURGH, SUFTPOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Satwrdy, March 20, 7937. in Three Hours, At tae Cerrce of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 11 cwt .
 *Mess Sylvia R. E. Bowyer 2 \#Cbcil Aldoos ... ... .... 6 Cbarles Clarke ... .* 3 Grorge A, Flbming.a* ... 7 Frank L. Fisger ... ... 4 Fradgrick $]$ Smita ... .... Tetor
Composed by A. Knigets. Condacted by G. A. FLeming.
* First peal in the method. First peal of Major.


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THE FORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION,
On Saturday, Maych 20. 1937, in Tws Hours and Fifly-Thyce Minutes,
At tar Chergh df St. Mary,
A PEAL OF YORK8HIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt .
William Green ... ...TYeble Joen H, Brotawell ... ... 5
Miss N. Cahthorne... ... 2 Arther Firth ... ... ... 6


- Laslif Heywood ... ... 4 Albert Nase ... ... ...Tenor Composed by Genagr Lewis. Conducted by A, Nass. * Tirst peal in the motiod. First peal in the method on the belle. SHENSTONE, STAFTS.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE AROHDEACONRY OF STAEFORD. On Saturday, March 20, 1937, in I wo Hours and Forty-Eight Minktes.

At the Cherch of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANEES;
Parker's Thecve-part (7th observation),
Tenor 18 cwt (approx.).
 Conducted by Harry Boswell.

+ First attempt for a peai on eight bells. $\dagger$ 50th peal. COSELEY, STAFTOORDSITRE.
THF SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, March 20. 1937. in Thres Howrs and Ton Minutes, At the Parisg Cberce,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twhlve-part (7th observation) Tenor II cwt. 2 qL .5 lb .
Leonard Holden
Dennis Holden..

Frederick Holdzn ... ... 4 Bert Horton ... .... .... Tomor Conducted by Wicliam Fisaer.
First peal on the bells, a new ring by Mestrs. J. Taylor, which give entire satisfaction. The peal was alsa a birthday compliment fo Mv. B. Gough, of Coseley, nud the composer. BNDERBY: LEIOTSTERSHIRE.
TEE MEDLAND OOUNTIES ASSOGIATION.
On Saturday. March 20, 1937, in Two Hours amd Fifiy-Threa Minates, At ter Cemeg of St. Joen-the-Baptist,


## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES:

 Tenor II cwt. 2 cir. 55 Ib. Composed by M J, Morris (No, 82). Conducted by Ernest Morris Filst peal of Major.

WEST WYCOMBE, BUCKS
THE OXTORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (East Berrs and Sopzr Bocks Branch.)
Dm Satarday, Maych 20. 1937, in Two Houys and Fifty-Five Minutes, At tae Cbufge of St, Lawrence,
A PEAL DF HEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRIEE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE8; Temor 16 cwt.
William F. Fussell ... ...Tqeble
Frederice G. Biggs ... ... 2
Miss Kathlefn E. Fleicher 3 Roland Biggs
Composed by Gabhirl Lineofs.


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

TUDDENHAM, SUITOLK. THE SUFFOEK GUILD.
On Sunday, March 14, 1937, in fto Hours and Thinty-Nine Mandes,
At the Cherch uf St. Maprin,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Threa extents of Plain aud two each of Kent aud Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 7 cwt .
 Oliver J. Kidey ... .... ... 3 Joun R. Cr-oks ... ... ....Tenor Conducted by William J G. Biown.
BURTON-ON-STATHER, LINGS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Brance.)
On Morday, March 15, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minktes,
At tee Parieg Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, GO4O CHANGES;
Being one extent of St. Clement's, and two each of Oxford and Kont Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor $12 \ddagger \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frank Lord
... ... ...Tyeble 'Harold Jund
... ... ... 4

- Fred Lacey ... ... ... 2 Ernrst Brittain

Bbrnard Gillati, jon. ... 3 | Jack Bray .. ... ... ....Tmoy Conducted by Jace Eray.

* First peal of Minor "inside,"

SCOTTOW, NORTOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Marh 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty Minwtes,
At ine Chorch of All Salnts,
A PEAL DF MINOR, $\mathbf{F O} 0 \mathrm{FO}$ CHANGES।
Comprising seven extents : (1) Oxioud Bob aud Plain Bob; (2) Thelwall and Childwall Bob; (3) Cambridge Surplise; (4) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob; (5) Double Oxford and St. Olement's; (6) Gollege Sivglo Reverse; (7) Double Court. Tenor 9 cwt. in $G$. Clifford Bird ... ... ...TYede Cbcti B. Ebbbrison Nolan Golden ... ... ... 2 Hbrazrt C. Read ... ... 5
Grorge Mayers ... .... .... 3 George Balley ... ... .. Temor
Conducted by Nolan Golszn.
First peal in more than one method on the bells. First peal for the essociation in eleven methods condajned in seveu true extents.

GHILLINGTON, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHFRE ASSOCIATION.
On SaHzday, Maych 20, 1937, in Two Howsand Fifly-Eight Minutes, At the Parise Chorch,

## A PEAL GF DGUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 12 six-scores of Bob Doubles nud 30 of Grandsire Doubles. Tenor 18 ewt. (epprox.).
Stanley Ggavbstock ...Tyeble John Cedrce
Francis Beacmont ... ... 2 Percy Tompinins...
Lewis H. Bywazers ... ...'fonor
Conducted by L. H, Bywasers.
First peal on the belle.
IENDRING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
Dn Saturday, March 20, 1937, in Two Hows and Thirty-Nine Minutos,
At tef Parish Cevreb of St. Edmond.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES !
Being 729 of Oxford Bob, two 720 's of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Treble Bob and two of Plain Bob.
Gegrge A. Buiton ... ...Treble Urban W. Wildney ... ... 4 Grorge E. Jemnings ... .... 2 Edward E. Davey ... ... 5 Harry J, Millat... ... ... 3 Alan R. Andrews ... ...Thoy Conducted by Alan R. Andrews. REPDHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWIOH DIOOESAN ASSOCEATION.
On Saturday, Narch 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Fiffy Minules,
At the Chorch of St. John-the-Bapist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 50\&D GHANGES;
In 42 exteats, 10 callings.
Tenor 8 cw .
"Miss Frances Sales ...Tyeble | †Grorgr Hrwitt an ... 3
Mrs. R. William Earber 2 -James Taylor ... ... ... 4
R. W. Barber ... ... ...Tenoy

Conducted by R. W. Barber.

* Tirst peal. f First peal "inside." Rung by St. John the Baptist Sumday service ringers. It is the first peal recorded on the bells.

KINGSDON, SOMERSET
THE BATE AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Salwrday, Murch 70, w37. in hye Hours und I wenty-Eigh: Minteles,

## N THO CHURCH OF ALL SAINT

Being four eix-scores each of St. Bumstan's, Stedman and St. Simon's, and ten eacla of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire, with 30 different callings.
Habold C. $\mathbb{R}$ VNe
|rable
Gilbert W. Rendall ... 3 H. Dennis W Bi-rop

| Perfan | $\cdots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| N. G. |  |

E.

EIELD

## Conducted by E. T. P. Fieed.

* First peal in sim methods. First penl on the bells, which have recently been relung in a aew rrame, and are believed to be the barwieat 'five' in the conntr. Mr. and Mrs. Pring very hospitably entertained the band after the peal.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

BURTON-ON-GTATEER, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOPESAN GUILD.
(Northern Branch.)
On Thursday, Marek 78,1937 , in Two Howrs and Twenty Minutes, At Thentwoob.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 504D CHANGES! Tenor size $14 \frac{1}{2}$ in $C$ sharp.
Mrs. J. Beay
$-2 \mid$ Jack Bra
Eanest Brittaln...
Frany Lord
Composed by H. Tnessns.
Conducted by F. Lord.
SEDGEBERROW, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, March 27, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Mixwtes
At the Restdence of Mr. J. D. Johnson,
A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE GATERS, 5098 CHAMGES
Tenor size 15 in 0.
Miss Khtrleen M. Jobnson I-2
Miss Amy R.Jngnson ... 3-4 Johe Thomas
Thomas W. Lewis ... ... 9-10
Compnsed and Conducted by Josppr D. Jounson.

* First peal of Caters "in hand.' + First peal 'in hand.'


## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## A WELCOME TO BISHOP'S CLEEVE.

A mecting of the Chelteniman Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association was held at Bighop's Cleeve on Saturday, March 13th. Ringing took place from 3 o'clock onwatds on this fine peal of six bells. The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. T. Jesson), who also gave a very interesting address. By the kind invitation of the Rector aud Mrs. Jesson, the xingers were their guests at tea in the aprciots hall of the Rectory.
A ghort meeting afterwards took piace, the Archdeacon of Cheltenham being in the clair, supported by the Req. T. Jesson, Mr. J. K. Armstrong and upwards of 40 members from most of the towers in the digtrict.

Reference was made to the sad loss of Cauon Edgar Male, who for long had been a valued member of the association, and those present stood in silence fas a mark of respect.
Severnl new members were elected nad it was decided to hold the annual outing on Jume 19th, the route chosen being Warwick, Banhury, ete
The place and date of the nexl meeting were left in the hands of the secretary to arrange.
Mr. Walter Rose proposed a rote of thanies to the Rev. Jesson, Mr. G. Folley (tower captain) and all at Cleeve who had helped to make The mecting so successfit], also to Archdeacon Sear for taking the chair.-The Rector, responding said how pleaseal he was to see so many present, fud added binl lie would be pleased to welcome the vingers at any time.

## PETTRBOROUGK DIOCESAN GUILD.

A mecting of tile Towcester Granch was held at Cold Figham on Saturdnt. March 13 tha, when abont 30 members attended, The service was conducten by the Rentor (the Tier. - Carpenter), who gave an interesting ardrras. Having travelled a great deal. he has geen the Great Ball of Moscour, $n$ monnment of tho founderts wort, but as a bell of no nse at all. He also referred to the bell on the Monnt of Olives. which capid he heard for miles.
At thie tea which followen, the Master (the Rev. E. S. Powell) and Mrs. Pawell were present, and the Master proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector and all who belpod to make the meeting so enjoyable.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## CALLING STEDMAN TRIPLESS.

There are many ringers who are fond of ringing Stedman Tuiples, but never trouble themsclves uhout the calling of it, yet Stedman Triples is a very interesting method to conduct. It is a method that keeps the conductor specially alert by reasou of the constantly changing conrsing order of the bells.
In this methon, as in any other, the young conductor should aim at a certain amount of proficiency in kecping the bells light, and he can obtain it by study and practice. Tnere are some ringers who can follow the working of the bells 'in the slow,' wherever they may be themselves, and while that is the ideal standard to which every Stedman conductor should try to attain, there is no reason for a ringer to be disconraged if he finds his abilities do not reach as far as that, He can contenv limself with much less and still have a good working knowledge of his job, if he will really study the subject on paper as well as in the tower.

It is hardly necessny, perhnps, to tell the budding Stedman conductor that in bob in the wethod can be made at any 'six.' T'he bob change is the first change of the 'six,' and, therefore, has actually to be called before the end of the proviors 'sir'-usually at the handstroke change before the "six-end."

Usually touches and peals are composed with the 7thas the observit tion' bell, and, except sometimes at siugles, it is not usually disturbed. In order to do this, hobs have to be mado when the 7th is below Sth's place, which means that they must come when the 7th is in 54 down, in the slow, or when it is a quick bell.
There are six sixes whel a bob may be called while the 7th is a 'slow ' bell and two in which a call may be made while it is 'quick,' without disturbing its course. Tlie bob places are known, by the number of the ' six' in the course.
A boh at 3 is called when the 7th is completing its dodging in $5-4$ (down) before going in 'Slow.'
A bob att 4 at the first handstroke of the first whole-tum
A bob at 5 at the landstroke of the 3rd's place before the first halfturn.
A bob at 6 at the haudstroke before the last half-turn.
$A$ bob at 7 at the first handstroke of the last whole-turn.
A bob at 8 at the handstroke in 3rd's place bafore going out of the slow.
A bob at, 12 is called when the 7 the is completing its dodging in 5-4 (down) before going in 'Quick.

A boh at 13 at the handstroke in 2nd's on the way out.
Usually bobs come in pairs in Stedman; that is, a bob at 3 is followed by one at 4 ; a bob at 5 by one at 6 ; a bob at 7 by one at 8; and a bob t 12 by one at 13 .
A prir of bobs at 3.4 is somelimes indicated by the letter $S$ (meaning 'Slow '); at $5-6 \mathrm{by} \mathrm{Ft}$ (meaning half-4am); at $7-8 \mathrm{bv} \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{c}}$ (weaning Last whole-tum) ; and at 12-13 b\% $Q$ (meaning 'Quick'). The calling of your touch or peal may be written either way. For instance, here is a touch of 252:-

| 2314567 | $5-6$ | $12-15$ | $\frac{2314567}{}$ | H | Q |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3452617 | - | - | 3459617 | - | - |
| 4263157 | - | - | 4263157 | - | - |
| 2314567 | - | - | 2314567 | - | - |

At any time youl want two conrses, or 168 , you call get it by calling any one of the pairs of bobs in each conrse: thats 3.4 twice, or $5-6$ twice, atc. Thres courses are produced by calling any one pair twice Followed by another later pair twice as 34, 3-4, 12-13, 12-13: but, remember, the two middle pairs are in the same course.

This is how you can work out tallehes for yourself :-
For 2 courses, call either S.L.. S.Q., or L.Q. and repeat.
For 3 conrses, in addition to diose mentioned above, you can eall cither S.H.L. or F.Q. three times.
For 5 courses either S.H., S.H.Q., H.L. or H.L.Q. five times
You can join some of the louches together to lengthen fluem, as long as in doing sa you do not ring more than a plain course withont a bob. Fou may rim the risk, in some instances, of ringing a false touch (by a repetition of changes), but that is not a serions matter when you are practising calling. For instance, if you lisve rung two courses produced by calling S.L. twice, you cannot get a true touch by tacking on Q. twice, becansa S.L.Q. is a touch which produces rounds, nad would, therefore, bring you back to changes which you have already sung

Evitence that composition is not as simple as it looks is provided by the figures of the quarter-peals of Grandsive Triples by T. I. Trim, which we published in the Beginners' articIe last week. Examination slows them ta be false. In the first the leads of the plain contse are repeated; in the second two leads in each part repeat with two leads in a previous part.

## BIRTHDAYS.

A quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung at St Michael"s. Yorkfown. Sutrey, on March 14th, for evening service and the hiwthdays of $F$. Marcitant and H. Noekes and the coming of age of $A$. Beck: F. J. Hunt 1, F. Tary (first qurater-peal "inside') 2. P. Marchant (conductor) 3. S. Beck 4, F. Noakes 5, Edwin Hunt 6.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## OFFGIAL MINUTES OF TH』 LONDON MEETING.

Ninuter of the first Session of the Stateenth Council (44th Aphur) Meeting', held in the Council Chamber of the Guildhall, in the City of Tuondon, on Whitsun Tuesday, June 2ud, 1936, at 11 a'clock.
'I'ho Dean of St. Paul's Cathetral, Dr. Mathews, offered a hearty welcome on behalf of the Church and the Loxd Mayor and Corporation. Dr. Matthews opened the meeting with prayer and the president look the chair.
Present:
Ancient Society of College Youths-Mr. W. T. Cackerill and Mr. A. B. Peck.
1hath and Wells Diocesan Association-Mr. If. W. Brawn, Mr. J. T. Dyke and Mr. J. Hunt.
Bedfordshire Association-Mir. A. E. Shamman.
Cambridge University Guild -ir' E. M. Atkins and Mr. E. H. Lewis. Chester Dipacsin Guild-Mr. A. Crawley, Mr. T. W. Milner nnd Mri. F. Parker.

Devon Gaild-MI', T. Laver.
Dudley zud District Guiki-Mr. F. Colelough.
Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association-Mr. W. H. Barber and Mr. W, J. Drwidson.
East Derbyshive ant Notts Assaciation-Mr. T. Clarke.
Ey Diocesan Association-Mr. C. W. Cook, Mr. F. Warrington and Mies K. Willers.
Essex Associstion-Mr. E. J. Butler, Mr. J. T. Duffeld, Mr, G. R. Pye and Mr. T. W. Wiffen.
Gloncester and Bristol Diocesan Association-Mr. T. K. Armstrong.

Guildrond Diocesan Guild-Mr. G. M. Grover, Mr, A. Harman, Mr. A. C. Hazleden and Mr. A. H. Pulling.

Hertford Coninty Association-Mr. W, Ayre, Itr. H. E. C. Goodenough and lihe Rev. R. F. R. Romth.
Association-Mr, G. Lianofl.
Trisha Associaticn-Rr, G. Linamit.
Fent Colnty Association - Mr. I, IF. Cliensman, Mr. T. Groombridge, Mr. F. MF Mifchell and Mr. T. E. Sone.
Ladies" Guik-Mrs. E. K. Flefelrer aud Mt's. R. Richardson.
Tincashirn Aspocintion-MIr. G. R. Newton, MTr. W. H. Shuker and ME T. B. Wotsley.
Tiricoln Diocesan Guild-MLr, .T. Bray, Mr. Gr. Cliester, Fea. Avchdencon Parry anci Mr: R. Richavson.
Loudaff and Monmoult Diocesan Association-Mr. J. W. Jones and Mr. C. H. Perry.
Wondon Geunty Assoegtion-M3. F. F. Dawe, Mr. T. H. Taffender and ME. T. A. Waugh
Middlesex Country. Asecoiathin-Mr. C. T. Colen, Mr. G. W. Fletcher,
Mitland Compties Assecimion-Mtr: A. J. Harris, Mr. W. H. J. Hooton, Mr. J. F. Swinfeld and My. E. Denisom Taylor.
Norwich Diocesaj Association-Mr. A. J. Coleman ana Mr. F. Nolan Golden.
North Staffs and District Associalion-Mr. A. Thompson.
Oxford Dioesan Quird-Mr, A. D. Barker, the Rey. C
Oxford Diocesan Guild-Mr. A. D. Barker, the Rew. Canon G. F. Coleridre, Mr. A. F. Lecle nind Mr. R. H. Post.
Oxford Socjety-Mr. W. G. Collett.
Oxford Univeisity Society-The Rev. C. E. Wigg.
Pctertorourh Diocesam Guild Wr. H. Haxter, Mr. R. G. Black and
the Rev. F. S. Powell. the Rev. F. S. Powell.
Romncy Margi gud Distriet Guild-Mn. P. Patge.
St. Markin's Guild-M. A. Padion Smitl.
Salisbury Doocesan Guil? A Phe Rev. F. Tl. Fowwards, Mr. S. Ff. Hillier, Mr. C. F. fennings and Mr. F. W. Romane.
Sooietyr of Roval Gumherinand Youths-Mr, G. F. Gross, Mr. G. Gilbert,
Mr. T. Purlier and Mz. G. W. Stemv. Mr. T. Purker and Mz. G. W. Steny.
Shaford ArehdeacomJ Societr-Mr. G. Hoton and Mr. H. Knight. Sulfolk Grild-The Rev. \#. Drake, Mr. C. Mee and Mr. Siedman H. Symonds.
Surrey Association-Mr. D. Cooper and Mr. C. H. Kippin.
Swansen arld Brceol Diocesan Grild-hyr. Gwyr I. Tuewis.
Trumo Diocesan Gnild-Mr. C. Lanxon.
Whwickslire Guild-Mr. D. T. Augyle.
Winhester and Portsmonth Diacesar Guild-Mr. F Parton, Mr. G. Puldirger, Mr. F. W. Rogers and Mr. G. Wiliams.
Worcester and Distriots Association-Mr: S. IT. Folt aud Mr. C. H. Woodberty.
Torkshire Assaciation-Mr. J. Hawdeastle, Mr. P. J. Johnson, the Rev. Ganon $C$ C. Marshall nind Mr. S. F. Palner.
Honorary mombers - Mr. W. A. Cave, Mr. C. Dealn, Mr. J. S.
Goldsmith, Maior J. H. B. Hesse, Mr. A. A. Hnghes, Mr. C. F. Goldsmith, Maior J, H. B. Hesse, Mr. A. A. Fighes, Mr. C. F.
Tnlunston. the Rev, H. S. T. Richardsan. Mr. J. A. Trollope, Mr. F. C. S. Thmer, Mr. A. Walker, Mr. S. H. Wood and Mr. F. Alex. Young.
The hon. secretary called attention to the new inles, and reported on those governing affilation as follows:-
The operation of the rule governing affliation divides the associafions into two groups: (1) Territorial associntions and (2) nonterritorial nssociations.
In Gromp 1 there are three gections: (a) Associations with annnal suhanibing members; (b) associations whose members pay one life
subscription only; (c) essocintions made up of affinated towers with no individual subscriptions.
In this Council we have 43 associatious in Group 1, of which 41 are in section (a). Tho aggregate memberghip of this section is returned as 81,860 , made up of 19,445 annual subscribing ringing mernbers, 1,674 annual snbscribing honorary members, 438 resident life ringing members and 503 resident life hohorary members.
Two associations previously asseciated with the Council ure no longer included. The Sherwood Youths linve advised me that Hey could no longer show a minimum menbership of 75, and tha Sussex County Association are considering the matter at their meeting on June 20th. The North Wales Association hawe rejoined,
The representation of this section is 116 , but only 111 nembers have been elected-vacancies being left in Bath nind Wells, Lancashire, North Notts, Northl Whas, Swangea and Brecon, and Worcester end Districts Associations.
The Londou Geunty Association falls into section (b). No particulars as to numbers of its members are arailable, but effots are being made to obtain them. The secretary has estimated that the uumbers justify three representatives.
The Truro Diocesan Guild has 66 towers affiated with a fee of 5s. per tower. They have elected one representative only.
In Group 2 are the followily associations: Ancient Society of College Youtiss, Society of Roysl Cumberland Xouths, Cambridge Univergity Guild, Oxford University Saciety, Oxford Society and the Ladies' Guild TIm Oxford Saciety and the Ladies Guild are the only two assoniations in this group to fumish actan figures of membership. Approximate figures have heen supplicd by the Soctety of Royn Cumberfand Youths. The grour is represeutar by 14 represcntatives. An affiliation fee of $5 s$. las been received from the St. Clement Youthe, but mo particulats of membership are apailable, and mo member" las been elected.
Excluding the St. Clement Youths, the total menbership of the Coumcil is as follows:

> Associations mfiliated
> Tohal members to which mulieled
> $\begin{array}{r}49 \\ 134 \\ 127\end{array}$
> Total metrabers elected
> 127

All these associations have fiven an undertaking to loyally abide by the rutes and decisions of the Commeil.
The total number of honornry members
With the exception of two associations, the Norlin Notts and the Swansen and Brecon, who, whilst entitlad in eleef two reprosentatiwe ench, have only paid the fer for one menhor, all affilintion fees due to the Courcil lave been paid.

ADDRESS TO H.M. THE KING.
On the motion of the president, it was regolved to senti the follow-
ing message of Coyal congratulation:Chamber, Cruildhall, London, for thair 44 tir ammal meeting, trake this, the first opportunity in yonr Najesty's leign, lumbly lo express to your Majesty the loyally of the 20,000 change ringers they represent, and pray that pour Mujesty's rejgu may lig long aut prowperoue. -E. H. Lewis, Prosideat.'
-E. H. Lewis, Prosicent,
${ }^{-}$Plense convey to the Contral Council of Clurelin Bellringers assembled in the Council Chamber, Guildhall, the King's sincere thanks far their kind ard iowal message of good wishes.- ]rivate Secretary:

## ELEOTIONS

President. The hon, secratioy reported linat Mr. Juewis land been nominated for re-electiot by Mr. F. M. Mitelel], seconded by Mr. T. Graombridge, sen. The resolition was put to the meeting by Canon Coleridge and carried umanimonsly
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.-On the motion of the Rresident. Mr. G. W. Fletclier was re-eleoted.
Hoa. Librarian--The Standing Commithe recommended the election of Mr. W. H. T. Hooton, ind, on tine propasal of Mr. A. A. Hughes, seconked by Mus. E. K. Fletclicr, the veconmmendution was edopted.
Hon. Auditors. - On the proposal of Mr. G. R. Newton, secondent by Mr, E, Denison Taylor. Mr. C. T. Coles and Mr. A. A. Fughes were re-clected.
Fon. Memliers. Tt was reported that Mr. if. Griffa had tendered his resiguation, which it was agreed to accept with thaniks for past work.
On the motion of Mr. A. Padilon Smith, seconcled by Mr. W. T? Cockerill, the tollowing retiring members weve ve-clected : Alderman J. E. Pritchett, Major J. H. B. Hesse, Messres, C. Dean, J. S. Goldsmith, C. F. Johnston, C. W. Roberts, J. A. Trollope nad C. Alex. Young.
On the proposal of the Rev. F. TN. Fiwards, seconder hy Mr. C. F. Jennings, supported by the Rev. H. Drake and Mr. E. Alex. Yonig. it was agreed that, subject to his lordship's consent, the Earl of Shaftesbury be elected a member:

PRESENTATION OF NPW MFMTERS.
The following were presented to the president in accordance with Rule 11 : Mossrs. J. W. Miner, F. Parker (Cliester'), O. W. Cook, F. Wazrington (EIV), E. P. Diffield, I. W. Wiffen (Fssex), J, K. Armstrong. W. B. K ynaston (Gloueester and Bristol), A. Harman (Gnildford). H. E. C. Goodenough, the Rev, R. F. Routh (Hertford), 'J.' B. (Continued on nert prge.)

## CENTRAL COUNCIL OFFICIAL MINUTES.

## (Continued from previous pige.)

Worsley (Lancashir
] J. Bray (Lincoln) C W, Whan (Landaf and sex) A 3 Horis W H J Hooton (Midland Connties) (Narth Stafs), A. D. Barker, R. H. Post (Oxford Diacesan), G. Gilbert G. W. Steere (Cumberland Youths), B3. Eortan (Stafford), Stedman H, Symonds (Suffalk), C. Lanxon (Truro), D. H. Augyle (Warwickshire), 5. T. Holt, C. H. Woodherry (Worcester).

APOLOGJES FOR ABSENCE
Apologjes werg received from Ahlerman J. S. Pritchett, tite Rev, F. V. Cox Messrs. D. E. Porret, J. P. Hyet, J. D. Johnson, A. Kinm, J. W. F'arker, C. D. Potfer, C. W. Roberts, C. J. Sedgeley, F. Wilford and C. W. Woolley.

LOSS OF MEMEERS THROUGH DEATH.
Tha death of the following members and past members was reported by the president:
Rev, Canon H. J. Elsee (1891-1935) : Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitr-Drake (1919-1835), Hon. ibluariant of the Conncil: Res. C. A. Ciementa (18951902, 1927-1935) ; Rev. I. C. S. Look (1927-1935) ; Mr. R. A. Daniell (1900-1911) ; Mr. E. E. Richards (1891-1896); Mr. J. W. Rowhotham (1903-1905, 1909-1911)
The president also referred to the denth of Mr. A. R. Powys, secrethry of the Scciety for the Protection of Ancient Buildings.
F'ice Council expressed their sympathy with ihe bereaved hy standing in silence.

## MTNUTES OF LAST MEETING.

On the proposal of Mr. J. H. Swinfiold, seconded by the Rev. $H$. Drake, the minutes published in "The Ringing world 'on April 10th, 1938, wer: approved and takon as read.

The Rer. F. N1. Eflwards reported that action was taken on the motion passed last year, urging the provision of peals of bells in new howsing estates, and a jettor was addressed to all Bishops and Archbishops. Of 24 replies received, 17 were favourable, and these included the replies fron four Archbishops.

## REPORTS.

The following reports, etc., were circnlated to all members and ascocintions, and have been publishen in "The Ringing World.' They aro preserved in the Conncil's lecords and are available far inspection. RPPOR'T ON LIBRARY AND PDBLICATIONS.
Owing to the death of the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake, the report was prosented by the hon. secretary and was mublished in "The Rinring Worlad out June 5th, 1936 .
The president stated that Alderman ir. S. Pritehett had now completed the revision of the pamphlet, "The Law Afecting Clurch Bells, and hat eonsidered the gitestion of insmance of rimgers.
On the motion of Mr. J. A. Trollope, geconded by Mr. E. J. Butler,
the report was adopted.
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.
'Jhe anmial mecounts were presented by the hon. treasimer and published in "The Ringing Wonld," Fume 5th, 1936
The nccounts had Freen audited, and on the proposal of Mr. A. A. Hughes, seconded by Mr. O. T. Colcs, were adopted.
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CARTER RINGING MACHINE.
The report whs prosented hy 11 . E, Alex. Young and published in T'lie Ringing World' on Tune 19th, 1935 .
The thutees recommondect the appointment of Mr. A. G. Driver as an additional demonstrator.
The repmrtand recommendation were adopted on the propasal of

## REFORT ON THE STANDING COMMTTTEE

A formal report was presenked by the hon. secretary, stating that the agendil has been considered and recomneudations would be placed befora the Council.
Tin mowing the adootion, the president drew attention to the fact that. the Sfanding Commiflee did not fry to rule the Council, but that, hy its previous considerntion of the agenda, it endeavoured to The wie concuuct of the bustncss.
The report was aflopted.

## TETECTION OF COMMITTET.

(Note.-In 1933 the Conmeil agreed that the Standing Committee shonld consist of (I) the president. hon. secretary and treasurer, hon. Iibrarian and converiers of comnittees ex-oficio; (2) twelve elected members.)
It was proposed hy Mr. A. Paddon Smitle, seronded by Mr. E. Denison Taplor aud cinuind. that the two anditors, Messrs. G. T. Coles and A. A. Hughes, shon? sloo be ex-ollicio members of the committee, together wilh the ex-prosidnat. Canon Coleridge, and ex-secretary, Mr. E. Alex. Yonkg, who ste ethl memhers of the Council. It wis proposer bv Mr. E. . . . Butler, seconted by Mr. J. H. Swinfield and curripd, then the frilowing six momhers be re-elected. Alderman J. 5. Pritrlelt, Messig. W. A. Cave, w. T Cockerill, For the remanimy six vadnacieg, twolve Denison Taylor.
For the remnining six vacancieg, twelve mames were proposed nud
 son, A, Walker and S. H. Wood.

RPPORT OF THE PEALS COLLECTION OOMMETTEL:
The report published in ' 'he Riaging World' on May 2941 , 1936. was presented by Mr. O. Lindoff, who also moved the adoption. The motion was seconded by Mr. G. R. Newton and carried.
Election of Committec.-On the proposal af Mr. ©. R. Newton, seconded by Mr. G. H. Grass, the following memlers were ro-clected: Rev. E. S. Powell, Rev. H. S. 'IM, Richardson, Messrs. G. Linduff, G. R. Nembion, G. R. PYe, G. W. Roberts, J. A. Trollope, with the addition of Mr. T. B. Worsley in place of Mrs. E. $\mathbb{K}$. Fletcher, resigned.
On the proposal of the Rev. F. La. Edwayds, seconded by Mr. G. M. Newton, Mr. Lindoff was appointed convener.

REPORT OF METHODS COMMIPTEE
The report was presented by Mr. J. A. Trollope and pulighed in The Ringing World ' on May 29th, 1936.
Ihe Standing Gomnittee reported the receipt of the book on Surprise Major Methons and remonmended that priating be deferred in wiew of tho estimated cast, to enable some opinion to be formed as to possiblo demand. The officers of the Conncil to consider the matter and if necessary to obtain periuission from the Standing Comnittee to print, otherwise to repart agair next year.
The report and reconmendation were adopted on the proposal of Mr. J. A. Trollope, secanded by Mr. S. H. Wota.

Election of Committee.-On the motion of Mr. J. J. Butler, seconded by Mr. W. Ayre, the followind were reblected: Messrs. J. A. Trollope. E. C. S. Tarner and S. H. Wood, and an the proposal of Mr. E. J. Butier, seconded by Mr. W, A. Cave, Nu. Trollope wos appoanted oozyener.
REPORT OF THE PTAL ANALYEIS AND RECORDS COMAITV'FF.
The adoption of the report palhlished in 'The Ringing World' or May 22nd, 1936 , was moved by Mrs. E. K. I'letelier and seconded br Mr. G. R. Pye.
Mr. J. S. Goldsmith proposed and Mr. C: T. Cales secollded that the peal of Minor rung at Wishiaston for the Chegker Guitd on Inly 13 th, 1935 , be aleleted from the Council's rocards, as it did not conform to any decision of the Gouncil regarding a peal of Minors. (Note, The peal was stated to contrin tluree 480 's of Little Rols.)
The amendment was accepted by the committoe and the тeport was adopted.
In reply to an inquiry by Mr. $F$. W. Rogers, the president stated thant the Chester Guild inust withdeaw the peal
Mrs. Fletcher reported that since the publication of the report the record parl of Stedman Cingives lad been proved false, and would, therefore, be deleted from the rccords.
Instruction to Committce.-It was proposed by Mr.. T. S. Goldsmith, seconded by Mr. G. L. Grover and oarrien, that it be an instruction to the Anaifsis Committee ant to include in the statistioal tables any peal which was contrary to the decisions of the Conncil, but to draw attention to it in their report for decision ly the Conncil.
Fhection of Oonmitte. It was proposed IWY Mr. G. R. Nemtor, geconded by Mr. S. F. Palmer and cartied, that the following the re elected Mrs. E. K. Netcher, Messrs. C. Dean, G. L. Grover ans G. R. Tye, with Mrs, Fletclier as convener, proposed by the Tew in. Richardson
REPORT OF THE TOWGRS AND BFLTRTFS COMMIMVE,
The report published in 'Tlae Ringing world ' on Jume 5:h was presented by the presidont, who also reported on the steps taken to olotaiss the reopening of the Ghesterfield Lndls, the ringing of which hat been banned by the architect.

The committee reparted an the Davis sileucers and recommended the use of such silencers as well worth a trial in those eases wheyr the bolls wete a serious source of mismance oll pwactice niethes. They did not take whe place of pronerly blocking u1. the windows, what, the windows should be blocked up to render the bells anieter ab all times, but in cases where funds were not available for this, the silencers were very well worth lyying. The commitiee thonght it desirablo, before purchasing a complete set, that trizls shoura be maste to fund the most suitable thickuess of leather and steel, as eath tower zeanired tri be treated on its merits.

The report and recrmmendation were adopted on the presiden's motion.
Election of Committee-It wns proposed by the Rev. Tr. TIl. Edwards. seconded by $3 I r$. A. Paddon Snith and carried, that the followitng be re-elected: Mr. J. H. Lewis, Major J. F. B. Hesse, Mr. E. Mjex. Young and Mr. I. Hunt, alnt, nn the motion of Mr'. ह. H. Wood, seconded by Carnon O. C. Marshall, Mr. Lewis was apmainter enuraner. REPORT OF THE TITERATURE. PRFSS AND BROADOASTINF COMMITTEF.
Tho Rev. F. L1. Edwards presenteri the committee's report, whish reviewed the notice given to rimping dnring the yoar iur the Preas and others, torether with a report, on brondeasling published hin "The Rinuing World.' Jume 19th, 1936.
After a fengthy discnssion on brondensting. it was morecd, an tin suggestion of Mr. F. W. Rogers, suphorted by M上, E. P. Duffield, thut the commitite slould approach the R.B.C. and enilmavorr to obtain advance information of bell broadcasts for the next twelve montha and try to infuence the rarious loral incumbents and lecal bands to give tho best possible ringing.
The report wrs adonted on the motion of tho Rev. F. Ll. Frlwards, seconded by Mr. A. Paddon Smith.
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## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A mosi enjoyable meeting of the Crewe Branch was held at Clurch Lawton, and members visited this delightfu! spot from Alsager, Acton, Crewe, Wistaston, Lawton, Kidsgrove, Norton, Northwich and the Potteries.

Ringing commenced about 3 o'clock, under the guidance of the Ringing Master, Mr. George Biddulph.

A service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. O. R. England), and the Vicar of Mon Cop (the Rev. W. MeTear) preached a most eloquent sermon.
Tea was afterwawls served in the Institute, kindly given by Mr. Hollinghead, of Lawton.
The Ficar, in a happy speech, welcomed the visitors most heartily to Church Lawtow, and hoped they would arrange to come anch year.
Ringing again took piace after wea, ank some good practice was put in, ranging from Grandsire to Cambridge Surprise.

## (Continaed from previous column.)

Electian of Commitfee.-On the proposal of Mr. W. Ayre, secoaded by Mr. T. Hunt, the following committee was re-elected: The Rev. F. Lul. Edwards, Messre. J. S. Goldsmith, A. Paddon Smith and A. Walker, and on the motion of Mr. W. A. Cave, eeconded by Mr. E. A. Young, the Rev. F. L. Edurids was appointed convener.

REPORT OT THE PEAT BOARDS COMMITTEE.
Mr. W. H. Hollier presented the committee's report (publisled in - The Ringing World, on June 26th, 1936), which was adiopted on the motion of Mr. W. Ayre, seconded by Mr. A. L. Goleman.
On the proposal of Mr. T. Groombridge, seconded by Mr. G. H. Gross, the comimittee was re-elected as fallows: The Rev. C. E. Wiga, Messrs. W. Ayve and W. H. Fiollier, und on the motion of Mr. G. H. Cross, seconded by Mr. H. Barton, Mr. Hollier was appointed convener. REPORT OF THE BIOGRAPHIES COMMITTEE.
The ndoption of the report published in 'The Ringing World ' an Inne 5th was moved by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, seconded by Mr. W. A. Cave and carried.
The following committee was re-elected on the proposal of Mr. H. Barton, seconded by Mr. C. F. Jennings, Mrs. E. K. Fleteler, Messrs. W. A. Gave and J. S. Goldsmith, and on the motion of Mr. G. H. Cross, seconded by Mr. S. F. Palmer, Mr. Goldsmith was appointed convener.

THANES TO ALL MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES
On the president'g motion, the thanks of the Council were accorded to all memlers of committees for their worle during the past three years.
(To be continued.)

## KNEBWORTH SURPRISE MAJOR. <br> BY HAROLD G. CASHMORE.



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BRAMPFORD SPEKE, DEVON.-On Monday, March 15th, 720 Kont Treble Bob Minor: The Rev. E. V. Cox (conductor) 1, W. J. Key Q, W. J. Key 2, W. J. Andrews 3, H. J. Corry 4, H. J. Rowe 5, W. J. Baker 6. First in the method on the bolls by a lecal band and for all except the couductor.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Moulton Radio bandtell ringers have becur requested to so 'on the air' again on Good Friday, 4 p.m. to 4.30 , iv connection with the Fev. Walter Hitchford's talk on church bell chime music. All are members of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild.
The ringers gave such satisfaction to the officials at Birmingham on New Year's Eve that they wero urgently requested to come again. This time they are playing in conjunction witit the B.B.G. Choir and Orchestra, the jems being transmitted to all stations, and an Empire brondeast.
Messrs. Gillett and Johbston, Ltd., Croydon, have received the contract for the restration of the bells at Great Toller Clureh, Dorchestor, Dorset. The woxk includes rew frame and fittings and the addition of en Ellacombe chiming apparatus.
Heartiest congratulations are extended to Mr. George Honry Coombes, of 25, 5 wammore Road, Isle of Wight, who (D.V.) celebrates bis 94th birthday on 玉aster Day. This grand old veteray las been a ringer at All Saints' Clureh, Ryde, since 1886 (when the bella were installed in the tower), and he contiuues to ring regularly for divine services and seldom misses the weekly ringing practice on Tuesday evetiags. He is the oldest ringing member of the Winchester and Fortsmouth Diocesan Guild, and is believed to be the oldest 'active' service ringer in the 象ribish Isles.
The Rev. C. E. Wigg, Deputy Master of tie Oxford Diocesan Guild, has been preferred to the living of Chearsley-cum-Nelher Winchendan, near Thame, Oron, and will be inducted about the end of April. At present he is filling a curacy at High Wycombe.
Everyone will wish success to the band of the Oxford Guild who on Monday will attempt to break the Major record by ringing a peal of 19,040 Double Norwich at Kingham, Oxfowishire, where the tenor is about 12 cw .
The band comprises W. T. Judge (conductor), the Rev. C. E. Wigg, F. E. Taylor, F. E. May, H. Alexasder, A. D. Barker, IT. D. Boteham and R. A. Post. A start will be made at 8 a.m.
Attention is directed to the notice of the Tly Association's anman meeting on Jaster Monday, with clanged tine of yinging at Fyresbury.

## LEICESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

## FORTHCOMTNG DEDICATION.

The recast and augmented ring of 12 laels for Leicester Cathedral (St. Marlin's) will be dedicated (om the floor of the church) ons \$aturday, April 10th, by the Lord Bishop of Leicester (the Rt. Rev. G. Bardsley, D.D.), with sermon by the Provost (the Fery Rev. F. B. Machutt, M.A., F.R.Hist.S.). Admissjon to sorvice by ticket only, owing to limited space available. Wial subscribers to the Restoration Fund who wish to attend please apply to Mr. Emest Morris, 24, Coventry Street, Leicester, at onge, and any towerg which heve not sent in special appeal forms please do so at once, as Mr. Morris wishes to close this fund as'soon as passible? St. Margavet's (12) witI be availalble for visiting ringets fram 6 to 7 p.m. on this date.

## HIS 75th BlRTHDAY.

MR. F. E. DAWE GELJBRATES IN HIS NATIVE VILLAGE.
Mr. Francis E. Dawe, a well-known College Youth, who has made one of his hobbies in life the ringing of peals at as many cathedrals as possible-there are now only two or three left at which he has not been successfu!-reached $\mathrm{h}_{1}$ is 75 th birthday on March 16 th .
To colebrate the event, a peal, specially arranger for the occasion, Whs rung at West Meon, Hamplire, his birthplace. The large, picturesque thatched house, wherein he first saw the light, still stands in the middle of the street-always greatiy admired by wisitors to this delightful spot in the Meon Valley. The church leells mearby were ringing for service on the Sunday morning in 1862 when he was born. His eldest brother was oue of the ringers, and three other brothers were sitting in the belfry as woll.
Tho peal Iasf week was Kent Treble Bob, Mr. Dawe conducting his own composition. After coming into rounds, the bells were "fired" eight times.
The band and other frlends were entertained to dimer at the Red Lion Hotel. When this was over Mr. E. A. Young (who always attends as an honoured gucst) in a neat littie speech affectionately expressed the congratulations and good wishes of the assembled company. This was acknowledged by hir. Dawe, who, unfortunately, was suftering from a severe chill and had been in pain all through the peal. He endeavoured heartily to thank those present for coming so far to oblige him at much inconvenience to themselves on a day in mid-week, anđ particularly Mr. T. H. Taffender for undertaking the arrargements, there being many difticulties in the way of raising a band of the right quality.
Double-handed Steaman Triples and Treble Bob Major on Mr. Young's handbells by the London contingent was greatly enjoyed by other visitors in various parts of the building.

It is interesting to recall that peals had been rung at West Meon previously for Mr. Dawe's 50th, soth and 7oth birthdays, but on this occasion, in consequence of the heavy downpour of raiu, the usual photograply of the party liad to be abandoned.

## THE NEW PEAL AT WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

## RING OF TWELVE DEDICATED. <br> Bishop and English People's Love of Bells.

Amid civic pornp and with inspiring religious ceremony the new ring of twelve bells at Winchester Cathedral was dedicated and opened on Saturday. The Mayor and Corporation of the City attended the service in State, and the Lord Bishop, supparted by the Dean and Chapter, the Honorary Canons and a large number of other clergy, performed the dedication. Many hundreds of ringers, Friends of the Cathedral and citizens of Winchester were present, and the impressive event will long leave pleasant memories with all who were privileged to share in it.


THE CENTRAL TOWER OF THE CATHEDRAI. The small windows under the Louvres light the Ringing Chamber.

## [Photo by F. E. Dave,

The great scheroe for the recasting of the bells was carried out by the generosity of the Friends of the Cathodral and the liberality of the Fmba Barron Bell Trust. At first it was intended only to rehang tia old peal, but the larger scheme was eventually decided mpon and it has been carried through to a highly successful conclupion. It was found possible to retain thic old frame, part of it put in with eight bells cast in 1734 by Richard Phelps. The bells, howover, have been incrensed in weight and the tenor now weishs 35 cwt. 2 gr. 6 lb . The present work lias been carried out by Messrg. John Paylor and Co., and they bave given the Cathedral a truly magnificent peal: worthy of the grand old buildinf which for so many contaries has ibeen a great centre of religious life in this country. KING CANUTL'S GIFT'
Winchester Cathedral had bells in Saxon times, and from some historieal notes by Canon Goodman compiled in connection with the decication, we find that King Cannte is recorded in the 'Antaig of Winchester,' 'undey the year 1035 , to bave given two bells to the ehurch.
Bells are mentioned on various occasions throngh the centuries. In 1248 ' a vane fell from the tower of St. Swithun's at the time when the ovening peal was ringine." In 1334 Prior Alexander in London ordered the monks of St. Swithun's to assemble in churel, ring the
bells and sing a To Deum, praising God and their patron sainis for the happy reconciliation of Bishop Adam, of Orlton, with King Edward IIII
In the winter of $1630-31$ a new frame for the bells was made, in view of tha alterations in the tower carred out in 1634. Ereviously the tower had been an open lantera, now it was arched and the preseut ringing chamber constutacted oven the new ceiling.

Before the Restoration there were geven bells, but in 1734 the Denn and Chaptor dolivered 'all the Bell motall belonging to the said Cathedral Churcl: to My. Riehawd Phelps, of Whitechapel, who undertook to make 'eight new musien Bulls of the weight of Five Thens or thereabouts, the Tune of the lenore to in D sol re ngrecable to the tone of the Organ in Saint Michaells Cornhil! in London.
At varjous times between 1734 and 1936 all but two of Phelps' bellg were recast, the tenor in 1891.
In 1892 two additional beils, incroasing the number to ten, were givell respectively by the city end the Diocesan Guild, and two ather to completg the jing of twelwe were given as a ringers' memorial of these comrades who fell in the Great War.

## INECRIPRIONS ON BELLS

Treble.-Gillett and Johntion Faunders Groyclon 1921. Sociis, qui morti se pro suis [dedernnt'] MCMXIY-YIII.
2nd.-Gillett and Jomston Tounders Croydon 1921. Hns iunbo mamor vovet gilda MCMXX1
3rd. Mears et Stainbank, Londini, fecorvint. Me ciwes Wintonuensea vt landes Donini celebrem Deo et Ecelesime $\$$ Swithyui dedervnt: A.D. 1892.

4th. Mears et Staimbank, Londini, fecervot. Ad te Domine lovaho vocem meam mes Swilivao dedit pulsatorvan in diocesi Winton gikla. A.D. 1892.

5ti.- R . Wells : Aldbourne: fecit : 1772.
6th. Theodore Ecclestone Esqr 1742 T:L.
7th. Mears of Stainbank, Londini, fecerunt. Qiuta Dei resono quas quondam tertía laudes Confata CICICCOXXXIV Fracta recoctit GTCCCICIII.
gth. James Wells Aldhourn Wilts fecit 1804
9th.- $\mathbb{R}$ : Phelps Londini lecit 1734.
10th--James Wells Aldbontrn Wilts fecit 1814. The cost of refitting this peal of Bells in 1937 was partly defrayed by the Friends of Winchester Gathedral. E. G. Selwsu, Dean. W. Andrews, Captain of Ringers.

11th.-R : Pleelps Londini fecit 1737. To the Glory of Goul his ring of trelve Bells was rechst as the gift of The Barron Bell Trust, 1936. Emma Barrod, Founder. F. JIopkins, C. M. Walroth JI. W. Elired, Trustees.

Tenor, Mears and Stainbarik Fombers Londou 1891. Horas arolantes numero morthos plango: vivos ad preces voco: Jan Georgi Sextil jubeor resounre Corozam; Regis et inscriptum nomen adorat opus. MCMXXXVII.
The tenor originally hed the name of King Edward Vill insoribent on it, but the words 'Edwardi Octavi' have been crossed out and the words 'Georgi Sexti ' subgtituten?
On each of the bolls it is recorded that it was "Reenst by , Tohn Tayfor and Co., Lougliborough, 1937.'

## IMPRESSIVE DEDICATION SERVTCE

The scrvice in the Cathedral was a most inpressive one, and tho geat nave was well filled with a congregation that began to assemble an hour before the ceremony. Ringers cnme from all parts of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, and others were present from the neighbouring dioceses of Salisbury, Oxford and Gaildford, aud even fartber awhy still. The ringers and their friends had regerved seats on one side of the aisle rud the Friends of the Cathedral on the other. Shortly before 3.30 a civic procession entered the west door. Bendes, with their maces, preceded by a burly police oficer, led members of the Corporation, wearing their rolses, up the centre aisle, with the town clerk and the city macgbearer, followed hy the Mayor, bringing up the rear. Al the same time the choir prssed along the soulh aisle to meet a procession of invited represontatives. Headed by the crossberrer and the choir, this procassion passed slowly up tha Cathedral. It included the officers of the Diocesan Guild of Ringers, the representatives of the bellfounders, tine Friends of the Cathedral and the Managing Tristee of the Barron Bell Trust, the clairman of the Frmpshire Connty Conncil and the clergy of the Rural Deanery, the Honorary Canons of the Cathedral and the Dean and Chapter.

The procession moved solomaly on its way to the strains of the ringers' hymn, 'Unehangily God.' At first its notes came from the choir at the west end, but soon it swelled in great rolume to the high vaulted roof as the congregation joined in cinging the words, so familiar at ringers' gathorings.
While the procescion wne slowly making ite way, the \#ishop, attended by his chaplain, passed almost unnoticed to his throne.
The Precentor offered the prescribed prayers, and the lesson from Isriah LV. was read by the Mayor of Winchester. Then came the hyman, sung to a special setting, made up of three stanzas from wellknown lines in Tennyson's "In Mamoriam," prefaced by an appropriate verse, specially written for the occasion and sung by the Lay Cierks onlr:-
(Continued on next page.)

## BISHOP AND BELLS.

(Continued from previous page.)
Rirer fortl, 0 bells, across the vale, Ring forth the Gaspel's glorious word, Let good St. Swilhun's peal be heard, Far throlght the land o'er bill and dale.
While this by nut was being sulg the Bishop was escorted to a place in the choir umderneath the central tower, accompanied by represenhatives of the donors, the Mayor of Winchester and other clergy.

Tho Dean having requested the Bishop to dedicate the bells, his lordship offered special prayers and then pronquaced the dedication. A prayer involing the hlessing of Godupon all those 'by whose labours and gifts this work lias been done and these belis restored to thy serviee, concluded the ceremony, and as the Bishop proceeded to the pulpit the hells rang ont from the tower overhead with the Cathedral ringers at the fopes. In the Cathedral it was difficult to hear them fully, but the booming notes of tho largor bells came down with a satisfying offect to the enger listeners below.

## FWQLISE PFOPLE FOND OT THETR BELLS.

In his andress the Bishop of Winchester said: After an jnterval of many mondhs, the Catheciral bells linve once again rung out. For cenluries past the hells have been rung from this great Ghurch of God, callint people to praise and thankspiving and prayer, and in commemerntion of great events which have taken place boilh in Clumeln and State. As lows tro as the Jear 1035 there is a record that, two bells were given 10 this Catliedral by King Gnimio. Since then, as various times, lic belis java been changed ana mew bells lave beem siven. Continuously bells lazte beon runs from the Cathedyel, but of late yeare fram various causes bellringing became difficult here. Su it was decided lhat the whole peal should be recast and rohnings and thoongl the linerality of the Frieuds of the Cathedral and tlo Tinme Barron Trust, which has already done so much for the bolls of this county, it was possible to fo tind. Fille bells were taken down, semt on their hone jonmey, and now they have retnmed lome antionce ggain we lave lueard them sending forth their message to the people.
We Farglish meople are, indeed, fond of aur bells. Thronghout Christermom hells are a characteristic feafure. There are conntries in which bells are rarely, if ever, heard; these ave lands in which tho worghippers nte summoned wn their places of prayer either by the lienting of a mong ot: by tha call from the minaret. There are evec lands in whicla unti] quitite recently bells were heard; now they are silent, Ta Russia and in Tumbey no longev are bells jeard. Tliey have been silouced by the ememies of Christianity. Bnt in Giristian lands, where worstips is freely sllowed, the hells ring forth their message to jicls nad poor.

PFOPLE \&R活 FEOUD OE THEPR BELTA.
Ib is true Lhere ale sone who from time to time complam of the ringing of liells. Thle Besliop, I suppese, is the firsf to hear such complaints, hul; those who make those complaints are not speaking Far the orreat masg of the preple. The majoisty of the people of our combty are prond of lheir bells.

As long as they, are rung well as lang as they are well tuned; as long as they are not rung at all hours and at unseasonable timos, the poople are proud and thankfol for thoir bells.

Cerlains this is the caso in onir own county. In pillage after village there ale to ho heard good sets of balls wall and faithfuliy Fumg. Jarismioners take a real pride in their bells, ant when sometimes helds have to be siletnced for relaanging or recagting, I have heare parishioners sny that duting lho fime of silenee it seemed as if their mamely was gotic.
Our bells are associndod in our minds with many iecolleations and many memories. I thinls the ieal reason whiv people sie so fond of then bells and regand them as so diatheteristic of Euglish life is that they lave so many associntions. There are, of collse, the historient agsaciations, and hells lad at, one tinas an sotive part in the soctal and political life of the nonmmity, wliether that comaninity was to hie fottrd in town or in constay: There are many people, too, who luwe their own indisidnal resction and agsociations comected with
 thate to moments in the past which are erosed again by the sound of the hells.
Eut firsi and foremost our bells are assoniatad with God. They Liturselves there are inscriptions, as there ate on these hells, the bells of the praine they offer to God. Ji'om the bells there goes up to Almicity God praise, thankssivivig, intercesion and poetition, and 18 the hells :ing forth thay, give a cill from coo, to come together to worshity foid in His heman

## BELLS ANT THE RECATI, TO RELTGION

We liear today about, the recall to religion, and one aspect of this recal] shoula be a summons to those who hate become careless about
 af arayer As wou liston to the halle, calling you to come with your fellaws mari to worshif God, calling Foti to conle. with Sliristians nli कrey the world, to foin in prajse of the Most Hirln, tluaz is one of tho massarges which fihey are seeking to mive ais sill. TThey are ealling fleo to the indivinurl in his everyany fife. Tlie rush of life is so greal that God is often forgotten in tha clamour and noige aramad us. Amid th, distractions of daily life the bells ving ont with bleme
message to 115 , whether in the ficlds, or whether in places of business, in shops or in the streets, calling us for just a moment to think of God and his elaims on ont life.
When yout hear these bells ar the bells of your own parish church ringing out, sometimes ou a weekday as well as on Surday, if you are not able to respond by going to church, at any rate for a moment think of God; think of Evernity.
I think tire bells, especially in these days, give us another message. Bells are ofter associated with peace; I suppose it is becallse so often they have been rung at the declaration of peace. The bells which have been rimging this afternoon are wrought of the metal which mast have rumg on variaus occasions in the pasti when peace ato last has come to an anmious nation. Bells axe nssociated with the call tra peace. The world teeds peace; but the world seems to be drifting towards wat, statesmen and people seen almost powerless in the face of a doom tlat seems to ba hanging orer mankind. Man is failing; but where mau fails God can succeed. The world is shuddering and allaking and trembilug ta-day because it has so largely forgotter God. Without God we cunnot have permanent and righteons peace; with Gori in the hearts of individuals and ruling over the dostinies of hations peace can come. So, somelimes, when the bells ring, aftor $n p$ a prayer for peace; pray that the statesmen of tire world may be guided so wisely that the perill of war will fade; pray that people of the world may bo fillod with the passion for peace for righteonsmess and peace i pray that God may give us all that peace which Ho alone can give, the peace that fasseth nill understanding.
The service ended with the hymm. "Now thank we all our God, nad the Blessing, pronoumeer by the Bishoy. The collection was on behalf of Winchester Guild aud the funds of the Friends of the Cetheerral. As the eongreyation disperserl the Cathedral company rang the bells in a touch of Grandsice Cinques, which yave visitors the opportunity of wandering into the Catinedral Cloge and listenng to the new peal. The orly criticism which was offere was that the shat terimg up of the belfry windows had been rather overdone, lout we maderstand they remain as they were with the old peal. Certainly the residents ronnd mbout the Cathedral will have no canse to complain of excessive noise. In the city strects the hells can hardly be herivd. ln the ringing room the bells ara a little boisy, but that will fee lemedien when the '奴ap" in the ceiligg has been sealed down again.
Visiting ringers rud their friends were enterfaned to ton in the City Fall, and in the eyening when the bells were open for ringing scores of ringers fooked to the great ringing chember-nearly 40 ft square-and tried Eleir liand ati the bells. Many rang on twelve for the first time, and, is is often the case on such occasions, some of the ringing was indifferent. However, many courses and touches of Stedman Cinques and coluses of Grandsire Cinques were hrourht round, and an excellent course of Double Norwich showed up the back eipht to great advantage. Rreryone was deliglited with the bells, which are an well-balauced aud really noble pent.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## EASTERN DTVISION ANNUAL MEETTNG.

The annual meeting of the Eastern Division was heta at Christ Church, Easthoume, on Saturday, March Cth, when members attenderl from Henthfeld, Brighton (St. Nicholas' and the Good Shepherd), Battle, Fasting (Alt Saints'), Willitydob, Eastboume (St. Savioar's and St. Mary's), Mr. Piper ard members of the loeal hand. Mr. H. Ir. Butcher (Master of the association) was also present.

The service was conducted by the Rev. M. G. Findiside, who ghve it very much appreciated address on "Peate."

The Master presided at the tean and business mecting which foilowed. He referred to the great loss both both to the Eastern Division end the assaciation of Mr. G. W. Stokes, who had passed away since the last meeting, and us a mark of respect the members stood in silence for a few moments.
Mr. W. Booth was elected to the Commititee of Advice in the place Three new members were elected, one from Chinist Charch and two from S't. Mary's, Lastbourne.
A wote of thanks was accorded to the Rer. M. G. Handiside for conducting the service, to Mr. A. Piper for defraying part cost of the tea, and to the lady helpers at the tea.

A collection for the Benevoient Fumd realised 12s.
Some of the memhers then retumed to the tower, the remander going an to St. Saviour's, where the bells were kept going until $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS.

HALEWOOD, LIVFRPOOL - On Monday, March BLh, a quarter, peal of Bob Wajor (1,264 changes) : W. Maddock 1, James Robinson 2 , John Rohinson 3, I'. Robinson 4. J. Ludkin (conductor) 5. J. w Garviner ©, J. Dunhnvin 7, W. Robinson 8. First quarter-peal oí Major by ringers of 1,2 and 7.
 Church, for evening service and Confirmation ly the Bishop of Grimshy, finarter-peal of Tinb Major ( 1,264 changes) : Tr Chanbers 1, James Goddard 2, Harold Fistoe 3. Miss Mison Goddard 4. Geerge Johmsoan 5. James Chaptasi 6. Josepli Atkinson 7. A. W. Hoodless 8. Longest length in the method by the th ringer and first attempt in any methot by the ringer of the 6th.

## DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

PRESENTATION TO BE MADE TO THE HON. SEORETARY.
The annal moeting of the Dudley and District Guild was held at Dudey Parisin Cburch on Saturday, March 6th. The weather was very winury, but a large number of members attended. The bells wele at the dipposal of the members from 3 o'clock until $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. when the usual Guild service was held, conducted by the Ven. Dr. A. F. Shepherd (Vicar and Arehdencon of Dudley and prosidevt of the Guild). The lesson was read by the Rev. W. H. Waring (eurate), and the adiress was given by the Rev. B. H. Green (Rural Dean of Dudley and Yicar of St. John's). A substantial tea, provided by funds collected by the hon. secretary from prominent members of Sti. Thomas' congregation and other friends, was served in the Parish Hall, the taljes being presided over by Mesdames Tait, Barry, Clarke, J. Goodman, sen., and 5. Goodman, juy.

At the business mecting, the president occupied the chair, supported by the charchwardens (Messrs. J. McD. Tait and W. E. Barry), the ERev. B, H. Green, the Rev. W. H. Waring, Messrs. Herhert Shepherd (hon, secrebary) and John Goodman, jun. (hon. trensurer).
The Clamiman heartily welcomed the Guid again to Dudley mad said how pleased he was to meet them once more. The large attendance that afternoon showed their real fnlerest in belringing, The Jon. treasurer then presented the balance sheet, which compared very favourably with lhose of the lass few years. I'he statement showed that for the year ended February 25 th, inchiding a balance from the previous year of $£ 14155$. 10 dal., there was a credit balance of $£ 117 \mathrm{~s}$. 0ht. The Charman congrafulated the treasurer ank members on the satisfactory financial position of the Guild.
The Ver. Dr. A. P. Shepherd was re-elected president, and, for thanking the members for the honour they had conferred on lum, he said he would do all he conld to further the interests of the Guild.

The vice-presidents were re-elected as follows: The Rev. Th, I Warten (Vicar of Netherton), the Rev. Prebendary H. W. Tones, M.A. R.D. (Vicar of Wednesbury), Dr' P. S. Blaker, Messrs. J. McD. Tait W. E. Barr'y, W. Sinutleworth, I. W. Nayler, C. E. Eloyd, A. E. Meredith, Arthur Spittle and A. Finbow.

Afr. Alfred Daries (Netherton) was umanimously elected as Rimgimg Master to succeed Mr. Clifford Skidmare, who wished to retire. Mr. Herbert Sheppard was again elected as hon, secretary, Mr. John Goodmans as hom treasurer, and Messrs. G. T. Guest and T. H Jinstice as auditars. All were thanked for their services.

Sovoral new members were elected, and it was left, with the secretary to luy ald grrange the next meeting bither at Juville or Coseley if possible. T'he antual peal was proposed to be oltempted at Dudley, the vicar rendily giving his consent.
Mr. Tail and Mr. Barry spoke in terms of appreciation of the ringers' services nt their several thurohes and especially at Dudley, and said they were glad to see the spirit of goodwill and brotiterly feeling that existed anong them.
Mr. Foh. Goodman, jun, referred to the poor attendances at the quarterly meetings. He urged upon the members to see if they could mat attend these meetings in little stronger force, as it was discounaging to thos? Vionrs who gave permission to hold the meetings at their cinurelies and to the local members who made the necessury arrangements to see such a small number present.
Mr. S. J. Fughes said that since he came into the room he had heard that hat was the completion of 25 years' service to the Guild of Mr. FF. Sheppred as hon, secretary. He thouglit that a slight recogaition of Mr. Shepherd's valuable services should be shown to him, and be proposed tilat a presentation be made.

The proposal was received with approbation, and the President sumgested that a suall conmittee shonld be formed to carry it tirough Messis. Johu Goodment, jum., S. J. Hughes, C. Skidmore and J. F. Cox were elected to form the committee, and any ringing friends wina would like to contribute to the presentation fund should remit their contrihutions to Mr. Jahn Goodman, jun., 45, Holeroft Street, Burnt Tree, Tipion, Staffs, who will acknowledge all amounts received.
On the motion of Mr. S. J. Hughes, seconded by Mr. J. Goodnan, jun. the best thanks of the neeting were given to the Vicar of Dudley, to the Rov. W. H. Waring the Rev. B. II. Green and to the organist, and also special thanks to the donors to the tea fund, and to the ladies who presided at the tables and prepared and served the tea.- The Vicar replied to the vote and then closed the meeting with prayer.

Afterwards several members again kept the church bells merrily yoing in various methods mutil nearly 9 o'cloek, when another happy and successfil meeting was brought to a close.

## FATHERS' AND SONS' LOCAL QUARTER-PEAL

Thiree fathers and three sons look part out Sunday, March 14th, in the lirst quarter-peal of Stedman Triples rung by ar entirely loca? hand in fhe Diocese of Swansea and Breeon. This was at St: Catherime's Chumf, Gorseinon, and was rumg by J. Williams 1, G .
Pethit (farst quartet-peal of Stedman Triples) 2 , W. Dobbins 3 ,
 W. Dolbins 6, H. Dobbins (conductor, aged 18 years) 7, Reg. Dobbing 8 .

## CORONATION RINGING.

## AN EXAMPLE FROB TEE GUHLDTORD DISTRICT

Guidford District of the Guildiond Diocesme Guild is not leaving the question of charch bellumping on Coronation Daty to clanue questiongaire has beer sent to e.li towers in tho disbines ly the hom, district secretary (Mr. G. Grover) inquing as to their arrangements and whether they required assistance from the Guild to ensure that their bells shanld be rung.
A reporb on the questionarice was presentod by Mr . G. Grovor at a meetiag of the Guildford District at Chiddingfold on Saturday, ${ }^{\text {w }}$ hen the Ringing Master (Mv. C. Emest Smith) presided. From the reblies received it wats elicited that in two bowers - Bramley $2 t a t$ Dinsfold-the ringers would be uabble to ring. Bramley, in then reply, stated that they would have no objection to any bard going to their tower and ringing what thoy liked, as all their ringers would be otherwise engaged. Dunsfold stated that they had not cnongli ringers, and if anybody liked to go there for a peal they would be welcome. There was also a. conditional promise on behalf of Alhury that visitors could attempt a peal by arrangement

Among ather towers the following is an extract of the replies Chiddingfold propose to attempt a local peal; Oranlegh will be abio to ring for the Caronation, but will not attempa a peal; Holy Thinity aud S. Nicolas', Guildfard, wore muking tjeir own arragements Grayshott will ring for the Corountion, but they did uot wane aus help; Huslemere proposed to altempt a peal; Pirbright and Warples don wero making arangements for ringing, and if there was any peal ringing they would make their own arringoments; $l^{3}$ nitenhan would be able to ring, but they did not propose to aticmplo ar peal Shere proposed to attempt a peal; West Clandon will ring for the Coromation and will perineps attempt a peal; Wonersh will ring lol the Coronation and will attempl a locai peal: Lwhurst were ringing on Cononstion Day aud during the yent would attempt a poal; Shal ford were ringing and probably a penl would bo attempted,
Mr. Grover also stated thati he understoon that Otilian bells wnuld be available on Corouation Day. Their captain, unfortunately, wat in the Royal Survey County Hospital.
Mr. J. Bartlett said he would try nad arrange for a party from Chiddingiold to ring at Dunsfoid, aud Mr. Leslie Funter promiasl that he would see if Shalford could make arrangements for the ring ing of Bramley luells.

A pertinent guestion was'asked the chairman as to what congtituter a Coronation peal. The chanman repalied that he assamed that, a peal fung during the week berare the Coronation and the week aftor could lia classified as a Corouation perd.

The election of Mr. John O. Weller as a componadirg member previous to the ringing of a peal at Godalminy was conlirmed, Mr. Gaild menluers.

The medting, which was held in conjunction with the Jarlies' Guild, whs highly successful, and was alitended by over 40 ringers. 'The Rector (the Rev. C. F. Fr. Raldwin) conducted the Guild service and was thanked at the tea which followed at lite Swan Hotel for placing the bells ar the Guild's disposal and for his helpful address.

## THE CORONATION YEAR 'PUSH,

SUFFOLK GUILD TO MAKE SPECIAL EFFORT.
At the meeting of the Suffolk Guild at Stowmarket on Salurday. March 6th, consideration was giren to the leading artisle in The Ringing World of the previons day, atvocatilag support for Ihe suggestian for' a Coronation year 'mush' to encourage an influx of new ringers. It was agreed that during his Coronation your a great effort should be noade by ald wha are interested in bells fo get every bell in tha comnty putinta good ringing order. Moreover, it wh pointed ond bint as good ringing of bells would be whaterl at the time of the Coronation, in every parish (and, tincrefnre, places would nat. be ahle ta help one another'? attempts slanlal he made ato onct to obtain new recuits for minging everywhere: also that armagenmis should be made without delay to teach such beamaers.
Mr. H. G. Herbert, of Sudbury, was mected secretary to fill un the interval till the ammal meeting, which is to be beld at Sudbury on April 3rd.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

 CENTRAL BRANCE AT WHTTWLESEY.By the absence of Fly momhers the Ceatral Branch meetitug at Whittlesey might have been an dismal falure, lat visitors from Peter-
 Rose, Vnuglan and Waldren (Peterborongh). Riaging, which commencer about 3 p.m., reached a good standaud, the methads rung including Superlative, Troble Tob, Splieed Trehle Bob, Double No wieh, Bols Mafor and Sterdman priples, Tea was partaken at Mr O. Brititan's (an old Whittlogey ringer), a very nice bour boing hapily spent. Both peals of eight were tried, but St, Mary's were mosi in demand. These ure a nice Taylor jobs. St. Andrew's is a lovely peal, but there is something not fuito right about their "go." An overhmin might do good. Althongh only a small number were preseut, m most anjoyable afternoon and evening were spent.

## NOTICES.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOLTHS -There will be ringing for service on Easter Sunday at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch (12), commencing at 10 a.m. All ringers welcome. The usual monthly practice at Shoreditch, which should take place on, the 25 th, has been cancelled as it falls in Holy Week.-N. Summerhayes, Asst. Hon. Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford.

LURGAN, IRELAND. - The ring of 8 (tenor 2 I cwt.) rehang in new frame by Messrs. Gillett \& Johnston will be redicated by the most Rev. C. F. D'Arcy, D.D. (Primate of all Ireland) on Sunday, March 28th, at II o'clock. All ringers welcone.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The 57 th annual general meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday. The association service will be in St. Mary's Church at noon (preacher, the Ven. Archdeacon of Maidstone), followed by lunch in the Parish Hall. Business meeting afterwards to elect officers, and consider the adoption of the revised rules, etc. The following towers will be open for ringing during the day: Wye (8) (alter meeting), Mersham (8), Willesborough (6), Eastwell (6), Great and Little Chart (6), Hothfield (6). Asliford bells will be available at io o'clock till noon and allter the meeting. - Fred M. Mitchell, General Hon. Sel., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Annual general meeting at St. Neots on Easter Monday, March 29th. Beils available from 12 noon. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea, 4 p.m., followed by business meeting. Other towers: Faton Socon, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m. ; Eyresbury, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.; Huntingdon, All Saints', 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please note change of time at Eyresbory; those bells are not available during afternoon as previously advertised. - Kitty Wiliers, Gen. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.

WORCESTERSHERE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, March 29 th . Business meeting in the College Hall at 2.45 p.m. prompt. Chairman: The Very Rev. Arthur Davies, D.Litt., Dean of Worcester. Service in the Cathedrai at 4.15 p.m., with address by the Rev. J. F. Hastings, M.A., clerical secretary. Bells avatlable: Cathedral (12) 1 to 2 p.m.; All Saints' (10), St. John-in-Bedwardine (8), St. Nicholas (6) and St. Swithun ( 6,11 a.m. to 1 p.m. only). Central Committee meeting in St. Helen's Church House at 11.30 a. m. Subscriptions should be paid and reports obtained in St. Helen's Church House between 12 noon and 1 p.m. -J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Cheltenham Road, Sedgeberrow, Evesham.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be beld at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Service in Cathedral $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. . with address by the Dean. Towers open as follows: Cathedral (12), St. Stephen's (6), St. Michael's (6), 12 noon to 1 p.m., and again at 2.30 p.m. St. Peter's (10), 2.30 p.m.; Sandridge (6), 11.30 a.m. It is advisable for those wishing to ring at the six-bell towers to inform me, so that someone may be in attendance. Meat tea, 2s. per head, in the Abbey Institute immediately after service, foliowed by business meeting. Let your secretary know if you are coming to tea not later than Easter Eve.-G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Duflield, St. Albans.

MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting at Nottingham, Easter Monday, March 29th. Towers open : St. Mary's (10 a.m. to 3.50), St. Peter's ( 10 a.m. to 3.40) and St. Paul's, Daybrook ( 10 a.m. to 3.15) and after the general meeting. Committee meeting 3 p.m., St. Mary's Institute, Barker Gate. Service, St. Mary's Church, 4 p.m. Address by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Neville S. Talbot, D.D., M.C. Tea, in the Institute, immediately after service. General meeting follows.-Ernest Mortis, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District. - The next meeting will be held at Croydon Parish Church on Easter Monday, March 2gth. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Parish Hall, Sylverdale Road. - F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting of the association will be held at Norwich on Easter Monday, March 29th. By kind permission of the incumbents, the ring of bells at St . Peter Mancroft, St. Michael-at-Coslany, St. Giles', and All Saints', will be placed at the disposal of the members from 10 o'clock a.m. Divine service will be held at St. Peter Mancroft at 12.30 p.m., when the address will be given by the Rev. Cliristopher H. Flack, M.A., Rector of St. Augustine, Norwich. Luncheon wili be served at the Bell Hotel, Orford Hill, at 1.30 p.m. ; tickets, 2s. per head, followed by the annual business meeting.-Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Treas.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN

 ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Llandaff (in lieu of Careliff owing to tower repairs) on Easter Monday, March 29th. Cathedral bells available in the afternoon. Service at 4 o'clock. Tea at 4.30 . Business meeting to follow. The Dean will preside. J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec.BEDFORDSIIIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annual mecting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday, March 29th. The bells of St. Paul's (10) will be available from 10.30. St. Peter's (6) from noon. The tea and business meeting will be at St. Peter's Church Hall at 5 p.m. Tea 1 s . per head.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). -Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on March 30th and April 27th, St. Magnus' on April 1st. 15th, 29th. Southwark Cathedral on the 8 th, *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 13 th . St. Andrew's on the 22nd, at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Northern District.-Combined practice will be held at All Saints', Pilgrim Street, Newcastle, on Wednesday, March 31st, at 7.30 p.m. Come and help the newly-elected members of your association. - K. Arthur, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -Sleaford District- -Quarterly meeting at Heckington, near Sleaford, on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells of St. Andrew's Church (8) open from 2.30. Service at 4.15. Tea will be provided in the Village Hall at 1s. each to all who notify Mr. J. H. Clark, 6, Banks' Lane, Heckington, Sleaford, by April 1 st.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -A quarterly meeting will be held at Glastonbury on April 3rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Street bells ( 8 ) available after tea.J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Thrapston Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Brigstock on Saturday, April Sid. Bells at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Business to follow.-W. J. Whitmore, Marshall's Road, Raunds.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755). - Quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Aston, Birmingham, on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells (12) available at 3.30 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Please notify Mr. W. Davies, 99. Rosary Road, Erdington, regarding tea not later than March 31st.-T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham 11.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting at Clive on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Will all requiring tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, March 30th.-R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craigmore, Upper Road, Meale Brace, Shrewsbury.

LADIES GUILD (Lincolnshire Branch) AND LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Lincoln District). -A joint meeting will be held at Dunholme, near Lincoln, on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45 p.m. Wili those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, March 31st ?-Mrs. R. Richardson, Glyn Garth, Surleet, Spalding, Lincs.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Brown Edge 01 Saturday, April 3rd. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Will those requiring tea please advise Mr . G. Hall, Brown Edge, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs, not later than March 31st? - Andrew Thompson, 37, Broad Street, Newcastle, Staffs.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Rural Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Henbury on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea and mecting. Please advise for tea. Practice meeting at St. Werburgh's on Friday, April 9th.-R. C. Gifford, Hon. Sec., Frampton Cotterell, near Bristol.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Bishops Cannings on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Southbroom bells available from 7 p.m. Friends from the Marlborough branch especially wel-comed.-W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Melksham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Stoke Golding on Saturday, April Brd. Bells will be ready at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea provided at 5 p.m. Names to Mr. H. Hill, Wykin Lane, Stoke Goiding, Nuneaton.-Wm. A. Wood, Hon. Dis. Sec.
SUFFOLK GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Sudbury on Saturday, April 3rd. Ringing all day at St. Gregory's (8 bells) and St. Peter's (8). 4.30, service at $S t$. Gregory's, with sermon by Rev. Canon Round-Turner. $5_{5}$, tea in the Parish Hall, 1s. each. 530 , meeting follows. Names to H. G. Herbert (sec. pro tem.), 61, Acton Lane, Sudbury.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting of the West Norlolk Branch will be held at Soham Toney on Saturday, April Brd. Ashill bells will also be available.-W. J. Eldred, Hon. Branch Sec., 4, Wellington Street, King's Lynn, Norfolk.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The newly recast bells of St. Cuthbert's, Darlington, will be open to ringers on Saturday, Aprif 3 rd, from 2.30 p.m. onwards. Tea will be at the invitation of the. Vicar and churchwardens and those whose intention it is to attend should notily Mr. L. Venus, 93, Salisbury Terrace, Darlington, by Wednesday, March 3ist.-Roland Park, Hon. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Lilbourne ( 5 bells) on Saturday, April 3rd. Usual arrangements. Please notify honorary secretary not later than Tuesday previous of those requiring tea.-Geo. A. Hollick, Hon Branch Sec., West Street, Welford, Rugby.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Colne on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{j}}$ p.m. Everybody welcome.-F. Hindle, Branci Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Tempsford on Saturday, Apri1 3rd. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Tea at in. All ringers welcomed. Please come. - C. J. Bail, 25 , Tempsford Road, Sandy.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A meeting will be held at Salehurst on Saturday, April 3rd. Tower open 3 o'clock. All ringers welcome.-C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY AND NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - A joint meeting: wili be held at Blyth (6) on Saturday, April 3rd, commencing at approximately 3 p.m. Rounds to London Surprise, but look up Donble Oxford and York Surprise for practice. Please come and make this new venture a success, and send a card for tea to R . Towler, Ollerton Rond, Retford,-E. Cooper and R. Towler, Hon. Secs.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at South Anston (8 bells) on Saturday, April 3rd. For tea please notify Mr. H. Stenton, 32, Sheffield Road, South Ansion, near Sheffield. All welcome.-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., I3, St. Ronan's Road, Sheffield 7 .

THORLEY, near Bishop's Stortford.-On Sunday, April 4th, at 11 a.m., the Bishop of Bedford will dedicate the bells which have been restored and augmented to a ring of five by John Tayior and Co.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton and Petersfield District.-A meeting of the district will be held at Blackmoor on Wednesday, April 7th, for practice. Bells (6) available from 6 to ! p.m.-C. E. Bassett, Hon. Dis. Sec., 32, Charles Street, Petersfield.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Helmshore, on Saturday, April 10 hh. The local captafin informs me that his band will be in attendance from 3.30 ; so what alout it? You will expect your secretary to be there, why not come and keep him company? You will be welcome. - J. Porter, 11, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury, Lancs.

DURHAM AND NEIVCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOClATION. Wednesday Afternoon Guild.-The next meeting of the Guild will be held at Newburn-on-Tyne on Wednestay, April 7th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. - W. Sheraton, Hon. Sec., Rosevilic, Boundary Cottages, Philadelphia, County Durham.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Sedgley on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.45. Tea (1s.) at 5.30. Please send word not later than Tuesday, April 6th.-H. Knight, 15, Rugby Sireet, Wolverhampton.
SUSSEX COLANTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual metting of the Southern Division, for election of officers, etc., will be held at Southover, Lewes ( 10 bells) on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea, price 1s., 5 p.m. Those intending to be present please inForm the undersigned by Wednesday previous to meeting. It is hoped that the proposed form of association service will be tried at this meeting.-S. E. Armstrong, Hon. Div. Sec., 70, Hollingbury Park Avenue, Brighton 6.
SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern District. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Merstham on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by service. Please send me numbers for tea not later than Tuesday, April 6th. All ringers heartily welcnme.-W. Claydon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branchs. -The annual branch meeting will be held at Eccleston on Saturday, April 10th. Bells ready -3 p.m. Meeting afier tea. All who intend to be present must send word not a day later than Wednesday, April 7 th, to Mr. A. Rigbye, Tannersmith Lane, Maudesley, Ormskirk. good atlendance is hoped for.-J. Charnock, Branch Sec.
sussex County Association. - Northern Division.-The annual meeting will be held at Warnhaum on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting afterwards. Election of oflicers, etc. All ringers welcome. Names for tea by April 7th, please.-O. Sippetts, 10, Albany Road, Crawley, Sussex.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly mecting of the Maidstone District will be held at West Matling (8 bells) on Saturday, April IOth. Bells availathle 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Please send names or numhers For tea to Mr. W. A. Sloman, St. Leonard's Street, West Malling.-A. Waddington, Dis. Sec.

WORCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. - Southem Branch.-The spring meeting will be held at Mirkleton on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea ( 1 s . pet head). Numbers for tea by Tuesclay previous.-J. E. Nuwman, Hon. See, Hinton, Evesham.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.The annual meeting will be held at Goole on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service
in church at 4.15. Tea in Hackforth's Cafe at 5 o'clock, 1s. 6d. per head. Please notify Mr. J. Drake, 29, Second Avenue, Goole, by Thursday, April 8th. Business meeting for election of officers, etc., after tea.-H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Ebor Street, Selby.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District.-Next meeting, Hathern, April 10 hth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Tea arranged for those advising me by April 8th. Subscriptions accepted,-H. O. Over, Dis. Sec., 130, Ashburton Road, Hugglescote, near Leicester.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Northera District.-A meeting will be held at Fenham (SS. James and Basil) on April 17th at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in Church Hall. Method to be practiced: Double Bob Major. I expect all Northern District mernbers to attend.-K. Arthur, Hon. Dis. Sec.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The amnual general meeting will be held at St. Giles', Cripplegate, on Saturday, April 17 th. Ringing at Cripplegate and other City churches. Particulars later.-C. T. Coles and F: W. Goodiellow, Hon, Secs.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The amnal general meeting will be held at Guildiord on Saturday, April 24th. At a service at 3.30 p.m. the Lord Bishop of Guildford will dedicate a memorial, erected by the Cathedral ringers, to the late Provost E. C. Kirwan. Tea and meeting will follow the service. Full details later.-J. S. Gotlsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover Cottage, Pyrford, Surrey
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The half-yearly meeting will be held at Worsley ( 10 bells) on Saturday, April 24 th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea in Calé at 5 p.m. to all who notify before April 22nd, Mr. P. H. Derbyshire, Beeslev Green, Worsley, Manchester ; is. each. - W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.

LONDON.-The London County Association will be pleased to welcome visitors to the City at St. Mary-leBow on Easter Sunday at 5.30 p.m.-J. G. Prior, Sec.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - A new issue now at par, ' The Report,' on allotment 6d., by p.o. 7d. early application requested. - T. W. Talfender, 26, Southway, Raynes Park, S.W.
CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. S. I. Hector has removed to Devizes Road, Hilperton, Trowbridge.

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## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' HISTORY.

Ringers throughout the country, whether they are members or not, are greatly interested in this year's celebration of the Tercentenary of the Ancient Society of College Youths. The long history of the society, with the traditions surrounding it, have given it a place high in the esteem of the Exercise, and anything that is done to mark this auspicious year will be followed with the closest interest both inside and outside the ranks of the A.S.C.Y. The culmination of the celebration will, of course, be the annual dimer on November 6th, but we understand that there is a prospect of further marking the year by the erection of a suitable memorial, as suggested in this column, to the first Master of the Society, Lord Brereton, who was buried at Brereton Church, Cheshire, but whose association with the society remains uncommemorated. Lord Brereton was the leader of the little band of aristocrats who took up bell ringing as a sport, and who on November 5th, 4637 , laid the foundations of an organisation which, despite inevitable vicissitudes, has come down to us through three centuries and provides us with an unbroken link with the earliest days of change ringing.
Hitherto only the scrappiest of information has been available to the Exercise concerning the history of the old society. Those who have been fortunately placed have had the opportunity of examining the ancient records of the Youths, but even to the general body of members there has been nothing available in the shape of history except the sketchy outline, published in the rule book revised in 1928. For the ringer outside the membership, there has been up to the present no authentic history available, for at no time has there been published for all to read any account of the society, let alone one which did justice to its long existence and the important role which it has played in the art. That omission it is now hoped to make good. For many years Mr. J. Armiger Trollope worked upon a history of London Ringers and Ringing in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries, in which the activities of the College Youths and the personalities which made up its membership occupied a prominent place. Mr. Trollope's exacting researches led to the discovery of many hitherto buried facts, which have thrown an extensive light upon the art in those distant days. The portion relating to College Youths has been drafted into a separate volume, and, although it was completed without any idea of associating it with the society's tercentenary, there could be no more opportune time than this year to issue it to the world. It will prove one of the most deeply interesting,
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## rwelve eell peals．

READTNG．BERES．
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
In Monday，March 29，7937，in Three Hours and Forty－Five Minules， At the Churce of St．Ladrencee
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES，501日 CHANGES； Tenor $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{cw}$ t．
Riceard T．Hibeeri．．．．．．Treble｜Rev．A．G．G．Therlow ．．． 7
William Hibbert ．．．．．．z $\quad$ Harry W．Smith ．．．．．． 8
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Ernest J．Taylor ．．．．．． 5 Richard White ．．．．．．．．．II
Reginald W．Rex.......
Composed by C．H．Hatiersley．Conducted by R．T．Hibeert
＊150th peal．
TROWBRIDGE，WILTSHIRE
TEEE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Monday，March 29，1937，in／hrea Hours © Thirty－Eight Mimutes，
At the Church of St．James．
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES，SOO7 GHANEES； Tencr 24 cwt．
John S．Goldsbith ．．．．．．Tyeble William C．Dowding ．．． 7 Alghrt Walebr．．．．．．．． 2 William A．Cave ．．．．．． 8 Frank W．Prrrens $. . . \quad . .$. Cearlis T，Colbs ．．．．．． 4 Frank E．Pgrvin．．．．．．．．． 10 George R．Pye ．．．．．．．．． 5 James Benneti ．．．．．．．．． 1 I Mrs．R．Richardson．．．．．． 6 Repert Ricgardson ．．．．．．Ten

Composed by J．Carter．
J．S．Goldsnaith＇s $4001 / 1$ peal Conducted by Albert Waiker．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

BILLINGSHURST，SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION
On Saturday，March 20．1937，in Three Hours and Threc Minutis，
At the Chorgh of St．Mary
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE 日OB MAIOR， 5086 CHANGEE Tenor 121 cwt．

| ＂Ernest Triagus | $\ldots .$. Trebie | Thomas Adame | ... | ... | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Walter Cbarman | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Edward J．Charanan | ... | .. | 6 | 6 |

John Coox ．．．．．．．．．．．． 3 Raybond Waod ．．．．．．．．． 7
Peter Cearman $\ldots$ ．．．．． 4 Raymond Wood，fon．．．．．．．TTM
Composed by T B．Worsey．
Composed by T．B．Wonscey．Conducted by R．Wood，juN．
Firsf peal of Treble Bols．A birinday compliment to the cor ductor．

GORTON，MANCHESTIGR．
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，March 20，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty－Six Minutes， Az Bronmpirle Chyrch，
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR， 5024 CHANGE8； Tenor $13_{1}$ ewt．
William Fernley ．．．．．．Tiebie｜fames A．Milner
Wilfred Stevenson．．．．．．． 2 Walter W．Wolstencroft 6
 Kennety Lewis ．．．．．．．．．． 4 ｜John Worth．．．．．．．．．．．．．Temo

Composed by J．S．Wilde．Conducted by John Worth．
This composition is now rung for the first time．First peal of Surprise on the bells．

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HALEWOOD, LANCASFYRE
THE LANCASFIRE ASSOCLATION. (Liverpaol Branch.)
On Monday, Mach 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Two Minties, Ai the Cherce of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;

Therstans' Foor-part.

- James Robinson... Jobn Robinson ... Jobn W. Gardmer Thomas Robinson

| $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$. Treble | T |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 2 | E |
| $\ldots .$. | .. | 3 | H. |
| $\ldots$ | ... | 4 |  | Condocted by H. Lodxin

First peal of Triples.
PUJHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturduy. March 27, 1937, in Three Howrs and Nine Minutes, At fhe Churce of St. Mary Magdalrne,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 GHANGE8; Tenor 3 j cwt. I qr. $2<\mathrm{lb}$.
Alfard Smith .... ... .... 7 yeble $\mid$ Ctarles Lojme ... ... ... 5 Frrderick C. Roprr... ... 2 Frederick C. Gonion ... 6 Charlss Baker ... ... ... 3 Ernest Whiting... ..... .7 Stanley W. Copling .. ... 4 Frbderick Roope .... .... Composed by Arthor Craven. Conducted by Ernest Whitshg BOREHAM, FSSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOGIATION.
Jw Monday, March 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fonr Hinutes, Ai tae Chorgh of St. Anerew,
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, 5056 OHANGES; Tenor i3 cwt. Ig lb. in $E$.
Hiazel Edwards ... ... Irable Arsedr H. Evereit .... .... 2 HarRy Warn ... Sydney Taylar ... ... ... 4 Horack Mansfirld ... ... 7 Composed by $\}$. A. Troclopr, Conducted by Hirzrl. Edwards. Firgt peal in the adetworl by all except the 3rd, 4 th and 5 th riurgers. BISHOPGTOKE, HAMPSEIR1:.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOGESAN GDILD. Im Monday. March 29, 1937, in Thyee Hows und fuelve Hinutes, At the Cedach of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANEES; Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr. $j \mathrm{l}$. in E . sharp.

- Harold Clare ... ... ...Trable
- Miss Joan Wharler Grojor Poinalar $\quad . \quad 2$ Grorge Pozliogr ... ...
 Composed and Conducted by C, Winiams.
- liust penl. Miss wheeler is the first lady to ring a peal on these bells.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

IEBNHAM, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.
TEE DUREAM AND NLWCASTKE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (SS. James and Basil's Goild.)
On Friday, March 19, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly Minufes. AI tek Cfurch of SS. Jamss and Basil,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, g040 CHANGES;

Consisting of an extent each of Thelwall, Double Oxford Bob, Cambridgo Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and wwo extents of Plaia Bob.

+Donald Reay ... ... ... 2 Thomas W. Crowe ... Reginald H. Hewitt $\quad . .$.

## Conducted by Krnneir Arthur.

* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' First exteut of Thelwall by all. Firsh peal on the hells usiog the new set of silencers, which give entire sntisfinction.
AETBOIS LDIGE.-On Masch $2 u d, 720$ Combridge Surprise Minor:
G. Bonnet $1, \mathrm{~N}$. Goombs 2, L, Moore (conductor) 3, Ed. Trampton 4, G. Ponnet 1, N. Gommbs 2, L, Moore (conductor) 3 , Ed. Frampton 4 , berlain 1, L. Rovre 2, G. Bennet j, N. Cooubs (conductor) 4, Erje Framplon (fist 720 of Bols Minor) 5, Ed. Framplon 6.

GREAT IINBOROUGH, SUFFOLE THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, March 20, 1937, in I'wo Howrs and Fiffy-Seven Minules, at fer Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, GOAO CHANGES;

Consisting of 700 each of Cambridge Surprise, St. Ciement's Boh and Plain Bob, and two 720 's each of Oxford and Kent treble Bob.
Shelford Sparrow ... ...Tyeble Ariedk Ghimwood ... ... 4 Robemi J. Sthed......${ }^{-1} \quad 2$ Abieur R Woodward...$\quad 5$ Fhase W. J. Roper ... .... 3 Edwin A. Cragkerll... ... Thor Conducted by Edwin A. Cracksible.
First peal as conductor.

## SIISTED, LSSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
Um Saturday, March 20, 1937, in T'wo Hours and Fifly-Two Minntes, At thi Cerore of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;
Being seven extents called diferandy.

- Douglas Bareaway... ...Treble | Vicior Morley ... ... ... 4
 Condacted by Rovald Suckles.
* First peal. † First peal of Minor.

THE CHART, LIMPSETELD, SURREY THE SURREY ASSOCLATION.
On Satuyday, March 20, 1937, in ["wo Hours and Foyly Minulds, At rae Choage or St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF RINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Oxford Single Bob, two eacts of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob aed Plain Bob.

Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.
Alfrbd E. Everest ... ...Tyedle|Lronard A. Tidy

- John S Igglemden ...... $.2^{2} \quad$ Jabas W. Knigut $\quad . .$. Frbderick W. Bodgen ... 3 Johs O. Weller ... ... Conducted by Laronard A. Tidy.
* First peal. Rung as a birtleday compliment to the conductor. WELLINGTON, HEREIFORDSETRF.
THE HERGFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Om Siturdy, March 20, 1937, im Three Howrs,
At the Chorge of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF BOE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being soven $720^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ eath called differently. Tenor 17 cwt .

 Concucted by Erness F. Smemons.
${ }^{*}$ Finet peal in the method. Firsti peal of Minor as conductor. Also the first peal of Minor on the bells. The quarterly peal for the Hereford District of the Guilit.


## BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Munday, Match 22, 1937, in I two Howrsand Forly-Five Minutes.
At tee Cherch of St. Petzr,
A PEAL OF MINOR, EO4D CHANOES;
Being 700 each of Double Court, Wootbine Trotule Bob and Plain Boh, and ©wo 720 's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Thenor 93 owt.

 Conducted by Arthur E. Smith.
Jiust peal as conductor. TROMPINGTON, GAMBRIDGL.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday. March 26, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minueds, At the Church of S5. Mary and Michael,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANEES;

## Being seven different extents.

Tenor 10 cwt.

*First peal of Treble Bult. + 200th peal for the FITy Diocesan Association. Ruug with ituly mufled clappers.

MARPLE, CHESEIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
Om Satwrday. Murch 27, 1937, in /hree Hours and Fwo Winutes.
Ai the Church of All Saint:
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Leing ons extent cach of College, St. Clement's Bob, Double Bob, Revorgo l3ob, Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Fulbeck Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 17 ewt. (approx.).

- Eric Wigley
- ... i reble Antaon Whiting
fArtedr Hebbert [Alan ]. Brown
… $\quad . . . \quad 2$

Krnnetb Lewis ... ... James A. Milner... $\cdot .$.

## Coaducted by KReneth Lewis.

4 First peal. + First peal in seven methods away from treble. FFirst peal in seven methads. Rung on the accasion of the wedding uf Mr. N. Costigan, a member of the local bund, which took place at this church prior to the peal.

## SILSDEN, YORKSHIRE.

THE FORKEHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. March 27, 1937. in IHree Hours,
At the Chonch of St. James,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two fen's of Plain Bobs, two of Kent and three of Oxford Treble Bob (called differently).
Hrberrt Heatiwe l...
. Troble Mies A. Mary white

Treble
Allen Reseworth ... Tenor 12 cmt .
onducted by
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## Kenneth Simpsos

 ... -.. 4First peal on the bells since 1981 . Rung instow.
Firat peal on the beils since 1921. Rung in hanour of the wedding al Mr. G. Bairstow and Miss M. Hainsworth.

## WESTASCON, CHESEIRE

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUIED.

On Monday, March 29, 1937, in Two Hours and worty-Chree Minutes,
At the Choreh of St. Mary

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANEES

Being ons 720 of Reverse Gnuberbury Pleasure and two 720's each of Plain Bob, Oxford Boh and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 6 lb. Gborge H Crawley... ...ive e| Hahry Thrlwbll ... ... 4 Richard T. Hillding ... ... 2 'Jesse Bailey ... Grederick H. Crawiry . 3 | Albert Crawley ... ...t Temoy Cnnducted by A. 'rawiry.

* Firist peal in four methods. Mr. A. Crawley's 200th peal, and his sud his son's (F. H. Crawley) Bath peal together.


## A QUARTER PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES.

(Continued from mext column.)
The bell that 'makes' the first bob of either of these pairs-that is tha bell thati makes 5th's and turns round in 4.5 -is atways a guick bell, and, if four bobs are called, makes the last as well as the first boh, but being then (as the second of a pair) always slow.

Pairs of bobs called at $Q$. have precisely the opposite effect both on the bells in 6-7 aud the bells making the bobs.

These are some of the simpler things which we advise young conductors to nssimilate and then to make a further study of touches for themselves to see how the calling of bobs transposes the relationwhip of the bells.
Here is the caling of a fanous quarter-peal which you may like to try yonr hand on:-

## 2314567


[iepeat that calling fout times. Your other part ends will be :4531267
5142367
1235467
2314567
We would ask those who are interested in calling Stedman to make a careful study of this quarter-peal, because we shall return to jt latar oll.

## SUSSEX WEDDING BELLS

On Saturday, March 27th, et St. Deny's Church, Rotlierfield, the wedding was solemnised between Miss Dolly Hammond, of Rotherfield. and Mr. Ernest Holt, of Mayfield. The bride is the eldest danghter of Mr. and Mrs, Prank Hammond, of Rotherfield. The hride's father. Who is a loeal ringer, has been a member of the St. Denj's Guild of Ringers for over 25 years and is the steeptelseeper. As the bride and bridegraom left the church a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung : C. Brasior (conductor) 1, J. Hack 2, R. Mitchell 3, A. F. Lewry 4, F: Bishop, sen. S, F. IL. Ficks G, M. Hiason temor (covering).

On Sunday. March 28th, for evening service is honont of the accarion and with the bride's father taking part, a quartel-peal of Boh Triples was rung: J. Lovell (first quarter in the method) $\mathrm{I}, \mathrm{R}$. Mitchell 2. A. F. Lewry 3, S. Russell 4, F. Hammond 5, E. Bishop, вen. 6, C.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

ALDS 'TO CALLING STEDMAN T2PTPLES
If the young conductor of Steuman will carefully study the methot, he will find many things that will assisi hin in " keeping the bells together,' He nust not expect to see overything pt ouce - only practice will enable him to become a master of his job-bud there is mo need to wait for thinge to become apparont by vonsland occurronce. Study of the figutes will enable the "hol) caller' to pick up mathy useful hints to make laimself a "conductor.'
For cxample, you probably know that the bell imunediately in frout of you and the one innyediutely behind you in the dodging ire going into the work in front, iu the opposite way to you. If you are a 'slow' bell, they are 'quiek' if you are 'quick' bhey are 'slow.' The mere knowledge of the fact will often anable you to prevent a trip when you see a hesitating blow on the part of either of these ringers.
Again, when you are dodging up, the bell you are dodging with will go in, the same way that you have come out. This applies on all numbers, but we are more particularly concerved here with Triples.

Another very useful thing to bear in miud is the relationship between tw: bells, not rectually coursing in the dodging, but separaderl by a six. When you have trainced yourgelf to know, subconsciously as it were, what the bells lins separated are doing, you have a very helpful knowledge of what the majority of the bells are doing.

You already know that the bell in front of you and the ane behind go out into the 'slow' (for that is a general way of describing tine work of the frout three bells, even if the six happens to be a 'quick' six) the opposite way to yourself. If you are 'slow, they are quick and they are soon out of the waty if you are quick you leave them both in the slow, and, as they are separated in their work by a six, if you know what one is doing, you automatically know what the other should be doing. Tuat, with gour own bell, gives you a gratij of five of the seven bells.
The relationship between these 'separated ' hells is not difficult tu follow. In between the quick sixes-when one has fiuished and before the other begins the quick work-they dodge together in $4-5$, and while onc is in 'quick' the other is in 5-7. This dodge in $4-5$ is the only tine they dodge together while in this relationship. At other times when they are dodging one is in $4-5$ (11p) when the other is 3n $7-6$ (cown): when the latter is in 5-4 (down) the former is in 6-7 (up). When they get into the slow together the first one in does its last half-turn when the secoud one does its first whole turn; and when the first one does its last whole turn the lust one does its first half-turn
Now, when your own bell is in the 'slow, you can, with the above in mind, keep your eye on both the slow bell ahead of you and thr slow bell behind you. And in the spaces between you have a pair of ' quick ${ }^{\text {B }}$ bells, in similar relation to eacle other.
Suppose you are ringing the 7 th in the plain course, when you go into the slow you fud the 4 th there; as the $4 t h$ leaves the troble comes to its slow werk. Here you will see it in figures :-

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| :--- | :--- |
| 4376521 | 147 |
| 347 | 174 |
| 374 | 7142563 |
| 734 | 1724653 |
| 743 | 187 |
| 4735612 | 217 |
| 7453162 | 721 |
| 754 | 7126435 |
| 574 | 1762345 |
| 547 | 716 |
| 457 | 761 |
| 4751326 | 617 |
| 7415236 | 1673254 |
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Examine the relationship between the 4 and 7 and then between 7 and 1. You cannot expect to get all the detail into your head in one 'go,' but study and practice will teach jou gnite a lot, which presently, will become as much a part of your ringing as is the actual method itself.

The real difficulty in following Stedman, of course, is the rapid changes causod by the bobs but here again fou can go on picking up 'tips' if you use peacil and paper at home and use your eyes in the belfry.
The orthodox tonches and peals of Stedman Triples have bobs only in pairs, and, althougly odd bobs can be used, we are not troubling about that now.
You remember what we said last week thout the calling places for nairs of bols being designated 5 . $H$. and $L$. for the three pairs 3-4, $5-6$ and $7-8$ respectively, and $Q$. for the $12-13$. One useful thing to remember is that the bell dodging $7-6$ (down) at either S . $\mathcal{H}$. or L . is always a quick bell afterwards; and consequently the bell dodging 6-7 (up) is always a slow bell afterwards.
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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## MINUTES OF THE LONDON MEEIING <br> (Continued from page 199.) <br> MOTIONS

It was proposed by Mr. S. H. Wood, seconded by Mr. C. T. Coles, atd carried, " That compositions which containu move than one method slall be called "Spliced," provided that the methods are so joined hat tho fundamental units of which they are constructed (i.e., the "laads ${ }^{\text {" }}$ in the case of treble-dominaled methods, the "sixes" in the case of Stedman, Duffield and similar methods, etc.) remain intact.

That reports of all spliced peals shall include a reference to the number of methods rung and the number of changes fron one method lo another during the peal.'
An mmendment that the words 'provided ' to 'intact' be deleted was lost.
The above notion was by permission substituted for the motions numbered 14 and 15 in the published agenda.
On the motion of Mr. F. E. Dawe, seconded by Mr. E. Alex Young, To call attenition to the present very inadequate support given ia "Tlie Ringing World,", and to consider what steps can be taken o incoanes the circulation,' the following resolution, proposed by Mr.
W. Fletcher and seconded by Mr. F. T. Dawe, was carried :

That this Council requests all menbers and secretaries of affilated societies to send in suggestions with \& view to increasigg the circulation of "The Ringing World." that the suggegtion be considered by the officers of the Council and Mr . Goldsmith, and that a report be civeutated to all members.'
It was proposed by Mr. J. S. Goldemith and seconded by Mr. G. W. Metcher: "That, with a view lo providing future guidance, the officers of this Council be requested to consider the question of the correct method of muffling and ringing church bells oul occasions of national and local mouring, and, affer consulting at discretion those who may be able to give intormation, draw up a recommendation on the subject, which, if possible, shall be submitted to the Church authorities for approval, and laid before the Conncil at the next meeting.
As an amendment, it was proposed by Mr. E. P. Duffeld, seconded by the Rev. F. Li. Edwards, supported by the Rev. H. Drake, and earrion, that the words 'which if possible slall be submitted to the Church authorities for approval,' be deleted. This to give the Council the opportunity of agreeins the recommendations before they are mbmivted to the Clurch autiorities.

The motion in its amended form was carried.
It was propesed by Mr, G. Pullinger and seconded by Mr. F. W. Rogers: "That in the opiniou of this Council the morning session of the Council meeting should where possible conmence at 10 a.m.
An amendment to fix the time at 10.30 , proposed by the Rev. F. Ll. Fiwards, seconded by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, was leat, no ume voting. The motion was also lost.
It was proposed by Mr. F. H. Lewis (president), secooded by Mr. a. W. Mletcher and carried: "That all persons laving collections of hooks on ringing matters be invited to supply particulars to the hon. lihrarian and to iudicate whether they are willing to give access to their collection.'

## PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

It was deciderl on the proposal of Mr. F. M. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. A. A. Hughes, to hold the next meeting at Ganterbury.

## OTHER BUSINESS.

On tha proposal of Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, seconded by Major I. T.. B. Hessen, it was decided to send a latter of greeting and congratulation o the church and riggers of Hobrat, Tasmania, on the occasion of the dedicalion of the rew tower and bells of St. David's Cathedral.
On the president's motion, it was decided to convey the Council's
ongratulatious to the handbell band at Oxhey, who had rung a peal four Spliced Surprise methods "in hand.'
Mr. C. T. Coles reporteत the completion of the William Pye Mamorial, and, on belialf of the Memorial Committee, tendered thanks to all who lad assisted the scheme.

## VOTES OF THANKS.

On the president's motion, the thanks of the Counoil were accorded 10 tha Lord Mayor and Corporation for the use of the Council Chamher, the Dean of St. Paul's for bis welcome, H.M. Ofice of Works add Church authorities for the use of bells, and to all steeplekeepers.
To the following associations and their representatives for making grangements: Ancient Society of College Youths, Mr. A. A. Hughes; Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, Mr. G. H. Cross; Essex Associafion, Mr. E. J. Butler; Middlesex Association, Mr. C. T. Coles; London County Association, Mr. T. W. Taffender; Kent Conuty Associntion, Mr. F. M. Mitchell; Surrey Association, Mr. G. H. Kippin.

Thanks were also given to Mr. A. A. Hughes, who was solely ragponsible for obtaining permission to use the Council Chamber for the merting.
On the proposal of Camon Coleridge, f vote of thanks was passed to the president, and, on the president's motion, thanks were accorded to the hon. secretary
'Fhe meeting terminated at ahout 5.30.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

## CORPORATE COMMUNION SFRVICE AND MEETING AT ARMLEY.

The Leeds Society invaded Armiey for their biennial visit on Satimday week, and at this mecting the nominations for ollicers for the forthcoming year were received. The beils ware rung up at 3 p.m. and ringing contimued until 4.15 p.m., when in place of the usual evensong, a ringers' corporate commumion service was heid. Twentytwo ringers attended. Iustead of a sermon the Vicay of Uppor Armley (the Rev. Dr. J. S. Holliugworth, A. A., D.LL.) gave the eociety a warm welcome to the church and the ringing chamber. He referred to the service, which the understood to be an inmowation, and said he was piensed tu be assaciaterl with it, Although not held in the early morning, is some desired it, nor yet as a supper as when firad iustituted, the time was immatorial if the spirit of appronch was right. He was glad that the ringers gathered that day were showing peoplc that they mot, only invited others to church, but themaelves attended.
After the service the Vicar showed same of tho ringers the man points of interest of the ehurch, which is of early Engligh design with wonderful Gothic arches. The reredos is of Caen stome, the chancel aud baptistry floors are laid with Italian marblo.
Owing to insufficient numbors having sent in requests for tea, the manberg present wire divided into sumall parties and invited to tean al the homes of the local company.
The buginess meeting was held is the tower, tho president (Mr. Seniory being in the elanir, Mamberg were present from Battey, Birstall, Bramicy, Burley, Bradford, Drighlington, Guiselew, Headingly Str. Chad's, Holbeeh, Idle, Leeds Parish Chircl, Rothwell, Shipley, Sherbum, Sutton and the lacal company. Two now membere wero elected, viz., Messrs. James Hodgson: and Arthur Barlow, of Liversedge.
The usual vote of thauls to the Vicer of Upper Armaley and the local company was proposed by the president and seconded by Mr. A. E. West - Mr. Lofthouse replied for the lacal company.

Mr. R H. Figos proposed that specinl mothods be mamed for practice at the monthly metings, and after discussion (duriug which it was pointer out that claiming one meeting for one method did not help the society in ringing or attendance) 16 was decided that indjvidual attention should be given to new methods with a viow to trying them out at meetings.
Tho following nominetions were received: President, Mr. W. H. Senior; three vice-presidents, Messra. H. Davidson, T. W. Strangeway sand S. Barron: Ringing Master, Mr. L. Drake; seoretary and treasurer, Mr. H. Lofthouse; trustecs Mossre. F. Raymens and L. W. G. Marris; auditors, Messre. F. Rayment and F. Hutchinson.

The geueral meeting is to be lield on April 24 til at Leeds Pariab Church.

## LINK WITH FOUNDATION OF BAGSHOT CHURCH.

## RINGER FOR OVER ITMTY YEARS.

A link with the early histery of St. Aume's Church, Pagahot, Surrey, has been severed by the passing of Mr. Thomas Gousld, at tho age of 79 years. He was a member of the band of ringers formod when the bells were dedicated in 1885 , and previously lad been a chorister fram the foundation of the chureh, having been present at tho laying of the foundation stome.
Althotigh e cripple, Mr. Gould attained considerable akill in the art of change riuging. At the time when there were only six bells, Bagshot boasted an exceedingly efficient company of rityers, whose achievements are commemorated by recorde now hanging in the ringing chamber', and the name of ' $\Gamma$. Gould occupies a very prominent position.
Although in more recent years his heallh did not permit him to attend service ringing as regularly as was bis custom for ramy yoan his heart was always in the belfry, where his valued assigtance and ready wit were nlways welconed and appreciated
His loss will be keenly felt by St. Anne's band of ringers, in which a gap is left that will be exceedingly difficult to fith.
Mr. Gonld died suddenly in lis clidr on Sunday, Mareh 14th, whila the bells were ringing for evening service.

## SHAFTESBURY BELL RESTORATION.

On Sunday evering, March 7th, the bells of St. Jnmes' Church Slaftusbury, were dedicaterl aftel reetoration by Gillett and Johneton, of Groydon.
The Archdeacon of Dorset performed the ceremony and slso presched to a large eongregation. The collection for the bell find amonnted to $\pm 14$.
After tha service visiting ringers lang Grandzive and Stedman Doubles and Bob Minor.
The tenor is 6 cwt., gnd the inscriptions on the bells erce:
No. 1.-Draw neal to God. 1875.
No. 2.-0 praise Gocl. 1597.
No. 3.-Sancte Iagobe Ora Pro Nobis (62).
No. 4.-N.C.E.C.I.D. $O$ rive thanks mathe Lord. 16 ge
No. 5.-Servo God. 1875.
No. 6.-Fope in God. 1875

## SURPRISE METHODS

## MAJOR THAT EXTENDS TO 10 AND 12 BELLS

Below we print another Surprise method which is equaily perfect on ten and twetve as it is on eight bells, and does not disturb the coursing order of the bells above 4ths.

It is Mr. Gabriel Lindoff's No. 6i, as yet unrung on any number.

| Major <br> 12345678 | Royal 1234567890 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 21436587 | 2143658709 |
| 12463857 | 1246385079 |
| 21848375 | 2164830597 |
| 26143857 | 2614385079 |
| 62418375 | 6241830597 |
| 62143857 | 6214385079 |
| $26+18375$ | 2641830597 |
| 62481735 | 6248103957 |
| 20847153 | 2884019375 |
| 28641735 | 2264103957 |
| 82467153 | 8246019375 |
| 28647513 | 2864091735 |
| 28895731 | 2684907153 |
| 62487513 | 6248091735 |
| 64285731 | 8488937153 |
| 46825371 | 4862795031 |
|  | 2426970513 |
| False C.E.'s | 盎46795031 |
| 46253 | 2864759301 |
| 65432 |  |
| 53624 32546 |  |

Royal and Maxinus have clean proof soate
Royal and Maximus have chan proos soate Whole pull behind at lead ond. The bob is made on the last three bells.

## OKEHAMPTON'S NEW OCTAVE

DEVON'S LEAD TN BELLS
The Bishop of Excter (Dr, C. Cirzon), on Wedinesday, March 24tis, dedicated two new bells and rededicated the six old bells in a ceremony which he stated to be the first he lad performed.

Of the siv old bells. four have been reanst, the tenor being adned to, to make its weight 16 cwt .2 qr .17 lb ., and the octave rehung in a metal frame with modern fitinus.

The old peal af six was cest in the chumbyard by T. Wroth in 1750. Tho old inscriptions have heen added to by reference to the Coronation year of Gearge VI. The additional trebles weigh 4 ewt . 1 gr .17 lh . and 4 cost .1 qr .23 lb . The total cost of the scheme has been 5553 , of which only 550 is left to be raised.
The Rev. F. R. Burnaby. Vicar of Samnford Courtenay, acted as the Bishop's chaplain, and the Revs. R. Y. Holmes (Monkokehampton) C. Lister (Belstone) and the curates at the Parish Church of Okehampton were in the promession. The service was conducted by the Fienr (the Rev. R. B. Weichman)
In a short adiress the Rishon refaryed to the fact that the Freter Diocese load more than 1.000 bolls in excess of any other dincese in the conntry, athd, therefore, he supposed, 1,000 more ringers. He rhoiced in the tengnes of the bells becanse they seemed to woice the deeper things in life which cannot be spoken.
At the dedication rite in the tower the patron of the "iving, Mr Charies Calmady-Hamlyn attended with the Bishop and robed clergy Mr. Gyril Johnston was also present.
The local band rane the opening rounds, atter which teams from North Tawton and Winkleigh, as well as a band of 'Guild' chareqe ringers, who z'ang towches of Stedman and Bob Major, confinned tho ringing. Mfessrs. Gillett mnd Johnston did the work in their usual axcellent style and are to be congrntulated on adding another fine and handy octave to the 53 or so octeves in Devon. The 'go' and 'tone were appreciatod by 'old hands.

## QUARTER PEAL AT QUEEN CAMEL

On March poth, a onarter-peal of Grandsire Donbles was rune at Oneen Camel by Dr. C. N. Faisey 1, G. T. \#awkins 2. F. C. Mogford 3, G. H. Gress 4, S. Woodburf (conductor) 5, H. Ellis 6. Dr. Vaisey is from Freshforl and it was his first quarter-peal.

BTVERLEX.At the Minster for evening service on March 27st. a quarter-peal of Grandsire Gatera (1.259 changes): B. Weaver (first marter af Cafers) 1, G. P. Bradley 2, R. Owen 3, J. W. Braithwaite 4. F. W. Comey 5. G. J. Constahle 6, L. Damoit (conductor) 7 ris Osgerby 8, W. Middleton 9, T. Witson (first gumeter of Caters) 10. This quarter-peal was arranged for ringers of 1 and 5 , who were on an excnrsion to Beverley from Woodford, Essex, and who wish to thank Mr. nad Mrs. Midaleton for their hospitality before and after the ringing.

## POYNTON BELLS REOPENED.

## SUCGISSFUL OUTCONE OF RINGJRS' EFFORLS.

After months of untiring effort by the local fingers, the belis if Poynton Parish Chureh, Cheshire, were rcopened on Sundiay wech, after having been rehung by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. Special services were held and the preachers were, in the morning, the Vienr. and iv the evening the Rev. A. J. Fumphreys, Rural Dean, who delivored an appropriate address, taking as his text verses from the sth Chapter of Proverbs, berinning from ' Doth not wisdom cry out understanding put forth ber voice, etc.'

The preacher referred to the great number of clurch towers and steeples which are dotted all over our Finglish combtryside, and said he imagined that the bells from each tower catled out to the otlw towers, like deep calling unto deep. Bells had also a peculiar interesi in our literature, as, for example; in "The Cbimes " by Dickens, Tennyson's immortal poetry, and in more recent years in the plar 'St. Jonn' He said he thoutht, perlaps, the loason why somm people disliked the saund of charch bells could be traced to the fan that they recognised the invitation given to atiend worship, and throngh neglect by getting out of the nathit of thanking God for His mercies, they came to resent being reminded by the bells of theis slackness Then, in times of rejoicing, such as jubilees and coronations, where shonid we be without our bells? Thraughout the ensuing Holy Weak he thought the bells would remind ns, and partionlarly on Good Fidiay, of the significance of the message of Easter, amily boped they would say to the many pcople who were intent on getting abroad at this time, is it nothing to all ye who pass by?
There was a good aftendance at both services, but, owing to it being Sunday: very few outside ringers were able to be present Those who managed to attend, however, fomm that a decided iut provement bas been effecter in the going of the bells, and the ringers of Poynton have good canse to be proud of their efforts so that thei bells might be pit in good order once more.
The first 720 on the bells since their rehanging was mung poior in evening service, being 720 Plain Bob: G. Tumer (Poynton) 1, T Downes (Poynton) 2, A. Brames (Reddish) 3. S. Smitl (Poynton) 4. K. Lewis (Marple), conductor, 5, H. Jackson (Poynton) 6. The methor was Plain Bob.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

SOUTHERN JOTSTRTCT'S SUCGTSSFUL MEFTJNG AT LAMPFTH A very successful meeting of the Southern District was held at Si Mary's, Lambeth, on Saturday, March 20th. There was all attentiance of nearly 40 members and friends, and 28 sat domn to sin excellent meat tea at the Prrish Institute.

At the binsiness meeting, presided over by Mr. F. Mance, the District Master, two new members were elected. viz.; Mr. P. A. Corby of Beckerham, and Mr. W. A. Stote of Coventry.
The place of next meeting was fixed for Barnes. subject tre per mission being grauted, and the date siggested was May zend, as the usural thind Saturday was Whit Satmrday.

Totes of thanks were accorted to the Rev. A. Llewellyn Jones, Vient of Lambeth. for kindly granting the use of the bells, Messis. W Hardy and T. Wyatt for their valuahle help with the armagement and Miss Hare and helpers for the first-class tea provided.
The hon. district secretary (Mr. A. P. Cannon) mentioned that hi had a large mumber of the new reports for sale at bd. a copy, and urged everyone present to lny one.
Ho was supported in this bv Mr. F. F. Hawthorne, and their remark. apparently had the desired effect, as 25 wero sold in a vory short time
The business meeting over, members retarned to the tower and continned zinging intil 8.45 p.m., will a break at 7.30 p .m. to nttent the usual evensong.
During the proceedings touches and conrses in the following methonle were sticcessfully accomplished: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bols Treble Bob, Double Norwich. Canbridge, Superlative and London

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTIF DIOCFSAN ASGOCIATION,

APPEAL FOR SUPPORT TOR MEFTINGS
A meeting of the Easterm District of fite Dirliam and Neweastle Diocesan Association was held at Honghton-leSpring on Saturday March 20th, ringers being present from Sinderland, South Shields West Hartlepciol, Chester-le-Street, Whickham, Neweastle and the local rincers.

A short meeting was Ield, with Mv. R. I. Pattergon in thf chair.
After the loyal toast, the Ghairman sald it was gratifying to see so mauy young ringers present, and it was up to the older members to help thems ald sive them an interest to come to these mectings. Fr deplored the fact that, some members did not support the meotings as they should dro. and hoped they would come aud see for themselves what hanpy meetings they were

Mr. W. Tolison nraposed a vote of thanks to the Rentor for the use of the bells, this heing calried with acclanation.
The next mepting will he hold at Gateshend on April $24 t h$, and dise notice wilf be given in 'The Ringing World
The hells were kept gaing from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , the methots runc loing Boh Major. Kent Treble Bals and Deable Norwieh Major, Grandsira and Sterman Triples.
Although there was only a frir attendance, it was an excellent meeting and all ngreed it was a success.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SOUTHERN DISTRICP ANNUAL MEETING AT WATH. Protest Against Peal Ringing on Meeting Days.
The annual meeting of the Southera Division of the Fockshire Association was held at Wath on Saturday, March 20th, when the towers represented were Shoffeld (Cathedral and St. Marie's), Eastwood, Wortley, Doocaster, Rawmarsh, Arksey, Adwick-le-Street, Fellirk, Penistone, Cawthorne and Wath. Previous to ansort serwice at party was conducted over this fine old church by the Vicar (the Rev. Russell), who pointed out the various interesting feafures and gave a shor't history of the building. This inspection of the church was a real pleasure to all those who were present.
Tea was provided in the Church Hall and wes followed by the business meeting. Owing to a previous engagement the Vicar was compelled to leave before the meating and was heartily thanked for the use of the bells and Charch Fall and for his very interesting addrees at the service.
in reply, he said how pleased he was to welcome tho associntion, and while he was Vicar they need never be short of a meeting place. He would always be glad to see them at Wath.
Mr. G. Lewis (vice-president) took tho chair at the business meeting, at which the following were elected members of the association: Messrs. R. Hill and J. T. Whito (Felkirk), B. Birketi (Arksey) and T. It. Fadon (Banmaley).

The Rector of Rawmarsh and the local company sent an invitation to the aspociation to hold the annual joint meeting at their tower, and this was accepted, the date fixed being June 19 th.
Owing to having been appointed hon. treasurar of the Yorkshire Ascocintion, the retiring Finging Master (Mr. S. F. Palmer) was desirous of giving up the office, but no volunteer betrg forthcoming, he was persuaded to undertake another term of three years, with the best ihavies of the members for his past semices.
The retiring members of the local committee, Messrs. G. Halksworth (Doncaster), A. Panther (Wath) and T. C. Rydor (Rotherham), were also re-olected for a period of three years, Mr. Hatksworth was also clected t? the General Committee and all were heartily thankef for past services.
Some discussion took place on the subject of peal ringing by memhers on quarterly meeting days, and opinion was expressed very forcibly that it, was not 'playing the game 'for members to arrange peals on meeting days. It was decided to ask towers not to allow peal attempts on these days and to rocord this decrsion in the minutes rif the district.
Votes of llanles to the local compang for the armanemants made were moved, and roniced to by Mr. Pauther on their behatf.

## MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION AND THE LADIES' GUILD.

JOLNT MEETING AT EDMONTON
Gpwards of 40 ringers and friends attended nu enjoyizble meeting of the above societies, held at Edmonton on Saturday, Marcli 20th. A short service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. R. C. Evill, at which Miss G. Church, a member of both societies, playod tile organ. The Vicar afterwards pointed out objects of great interest in this ancient and historic clurch.
To the repret of the company, the Vicar was unable to bo present at tea, but Messrs. Edmunds and Barrett, clurchwardens, aitended. Befors the business meetings, the vica-president of the Middlesex Association (Mr. G. W. Fletcher) thazked the churchwardens for their attendance and asked them to convey thanks to the Viear for his kindness in allowing the meeting to be held at short notice, and for conducting the service.
A brief interlude or handbells consisted of two courges of Stedman Caters, couducted by Mr. O. W. Roberts.
At the business meeting of the Middlesex Associabion, with Mr. Fleteher presiding, one new member was elected and four provigional clections confirmed.

Pinner was chosen for the mext meeting on 3 fay 1 st, and St. Laurence Little Bob Major as the special methorl. Mr. T. J. Lock, District Master, urged members to leam theso special methods prior to the meetings. It should he noted that any, or all, of the usurl standard methods may be rung at meetings; the special method is an attempt to widen the scope of ringing.
The hon. eecretary made another appeal for volunteers for Coronation ringins frem those members not evgaged on that day. He would boglad to place such ringers with ar otherwise shorthanded baud. A question was askgl about the bells at All Hallows', Lombard Street, and the hon. sacretary stated that a letter sent to the Bishop of London had been forwarded to the Feclesiastieel Commissioners and acknowledged by thew as being under consideration.
At the close of the Middlesex Association meeting the mere men withdrew, leaving the Ladies ${ }^{1}$ Guild in possession.
Tha chai= for this meeting was taken by Mrs. F. F. Deal, vicepresidenc. The place selected for the noxt meeting wus Berkenham on Saturday, May 8th, whilst a mid-weok meeting was announced for Wednesday, April 7th, at St, George the Mertyr, Borough.

Ringing during the day included rounds and methods ranging from Grandsire Triples to Bristol Surprise and Spliced Sulprise, and included Cambridge Court Bob Major and St Clement's Bob Tripleg. These latter methods caused somo little trouble, pessibly due to lack of study outside the tower, a matter which may easily be remediod.

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## BELERY GOSSIP

The band who rang tite peal at Trowbridge on Monday would like to associste with it the name of Mr. W. J. Prescott, who was one of those who received an invitation to take part. Mr. Prescott, however, was engaged on more important business, for that afternoon be gava his daughter, Miss Kathleen Frescott, in marriage to Mr. Harold Hatherill. The ceremony took place at Bath Abbey.
In view of the attempt for the Major record on Monday, it is interesting to recall that on April 3 rd, 1899 , a 15,072 Double Norwich was rung at Erith, Kent, in 9 hours 24 minutes, conducted by the late William Pye.

One of the very earliest 'long' peals was rung 210 years ago yesterday, This was 10,080 Oxford Treble Bob Major, rung by Norwich men at the Churel of St. Michael Coslany, it 6 hours 28 minutes.
Next Wednesdey and Thursday are the anniversary of the 40,390 Bob Major rung at Leeds, Kont, in which James Barham and 13 others took part, in the year 1761. It occupied 27 hours.

Much sympathy will toe extended to Mr. James Hunt and his family. of Taunton, in their bereavement by the death of Mrs. Hunt. The deceased lady had been a great sufferer for many years.
The ringer of the tenor in the pask of Bob Major at Euderby, reported in last weęk's issue, was Arthur Debenham, of St. John's, Leicester. and not Alired as reported.

## DEATH OF MR. ALBERT COPPOCK: <br> LOSS TO NOTTINGEAM RINGING.

Wo much regret to rccord the death of Mr. Albert Coppock, of 33. Hazelwood Road, Nottingham, leader of the St. Mary's Society, who passed away on Easter Day, after only three days' illuesa, from pneumonis.
Mr. Coppock game of a yinging family, and had been a leading personality in Nottingham ringing for many years.
He was a great-grandson of James Coppock, one of tho band who used to ring with Wiliam Doubleday Crofts and who were known as the Sherwood Youths. They made quite extensive journeys in the latter part of the eighteenth century to ring at alstant churches. On one occasion in 1775 they opened the new ring of tea bells at Grantham with a peal of Ggandsire Caters. It took two men to Fing the 9th. one of whom was Crofts, and three to ring the tenor, one of whom was James Coppock, who, being mentioned first in the record, was presumably 'on the box,' the other two being strappers.
Mr. Albert Coppock after the war resuscitated the Sherwood Youths and became Master. For some few yeare an anual dinuer was held, and the society continues to hold frequent meetings at the towers round Nottingham.
It was largely owing to Mr. Coppock's continued pressure that the authorities eventually took in hand the racastiug end rahanging of the bells of St. Mary's, Nottingham, and he effected ai vast improvement in the belfry arrangements there,
Mr. Coppock's keenness and leadership will be much missed at St. Mary's, and the sympathy of a large orcle of friends will go out to the widow and two daughters thus suddenly left in bereavement.

## SILENT BELLS.

## SMALL HAMPSHIRE PARISH'S GREAT NEED.

An appeat has been issued for funds to restore the tower and bolls of Soberton Clurch, Hampshire.
This peal has now been silent for about 12 months, and it is beyond the resources of the parish to zaise tho s500 required for reatoration unaided.
Thare are eight bells. The tenor (14 cwt.) was cast in 1623. Niumbers 6 and 7 bells date from 1527. The present ork frame is too slight to carry the peal, and ils movement, when ringing, has waskened the tower, thus greatly increasing the cost of restoration. It is proposed to put in a steel frame ard new fittings at a cost of e 332 .
There may be ringers interested in Soberton who can holp in this work of restoration. Any donation will be gratefully received by the hon. treasurer, Major E. P. Bickford, Corner Cottage, Soberton.

## BELL BROADCASTS HEARD IN INDIA.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir, -Having read from previous jssues of 'The Ringing Worid ' much comment on the 'striking' during broadeasts of Engith church hells, I should like to know if many home liptenerg tet Sti. Paul's on the air? I do, at the time of their Empire service relays. Congratulations to the College Youths on their well-struck Stedman Cinques. What a pity this band ennnot 'ring the changes" with the interval signal. Some ringers haye condemned 'stony' broadcasts; those wa get very rarely, but the 'interval signal ' dally.
On Sunday, March 7th, I much enjoyed the 'Grandsire' from Croydon Parisla Church. The ringers did credit to a very musical peal.
To one who only has the pleasure of hearing daily the clenging of temple bells, the ringing from 'home' is a welcome change. I ofttimes wonder what many of our ringers would prefer. 'A mix up in change ringing' or 'a mix up of temple music '? With best wishes,
L. H. BAYBUT.

Srinagar, Kashmir, India.

# HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. <br> MR. G. RADLTY ELECTED PRESIDENT 

Plea for Wirler Support for Bencvolent Fund.
"'he anuual meeting of the Hertford County Association was held At. Albans on Easter Mouday, and the members had the opporlunity of ringing on tho Abbey twelve, the ten at Si. Peter's and at Hit. Michael's and Sandridge. The customary service in the Abbey. was conducted by the Dear (the Very Rov. O. C. Thicknesse), who also gave au address.
bollowing tea in the Abbey Institute, the amual meoting was presided over by the retiring president (the Rev. R. I. R. Routh, Vicar of Fitchiz).
'Ehe hon. secretary in his numual report had a very satisfretory state of affairs to reveal. The assaciation, he said, in common with wher ringing organisations, stresses the importance of Sunday service ringing as an essential duty of evory member, and it is gratifying to


MR. G. W. CARTMEL,
Feeted Foy. Secretary of the Hertford Gounty Assaciation for the 34th time.
yrcord that they lave again done then best to observe this rule of honour. The advance made in charre ringing of recent years, botil on tower bels and latadbells, by aur members, in the ringing of Surprise peals in Spliced and other complicated methods, has brought oir essociation prominently before the whole Exercise. Peal ringing suggests, in my opinion, better service ringing, and the incumbents of our churches, agreeing, many of them, with this assertion, have generously given our membera permission to attempt, it least, the ringing of a peal, and have accepted the aftermath sometimes supplied ay a disgruntled parishioner. Let me assure any of the clergy who may have had to eadure complaints that they have the ringers' gratitude and sympathy, and tha nssurance of their desica always to minimise even the possibility of complaint from the outside public.
The peals rung on tower bells, during 1936, number 45, and 11 on handbells, in a variety of methods. The outatanöjug performances of the year, both for our association and in the listory of change ringing, lave been the ringing upon handbells of four 'Spliced' Major peals in four Surprise methods, by Messrs. Hodgette, Woolley, Cashmore and Brinklow.
On tower bells, first peals of Uxbridge Surprise and Cassiobury Surprise Major have been rung, both peala without any previous practice whatever, a most exacting and praiseworthy performance. First peals for the nssociation of Darlaston Bot Triples and Litte Rol Royal have also been rung. The Apsley band, under the skilled guidance of Mr. Walter Ayre, liave also created recordes in ringing a
peat in nine surprise methats, and anothor in 14 Spliced mathorle, both on six bells. Iacidentally, the latter brought Mr. Ayre's tot:il number ef peals rung to 400.

The Aldenham company lave also scored their first local penl, a peal of Grandsire Triples, conducted by Mr. C. E. Horton, and Lord Alienbam has generously given a tablet to commemorate the peal. Ten members have rung their first penl, and the nuwber of mombers who have rung their lingt in a now method is too bewiddoring for me to analyse. The conductors of peals number 18 on tower bells and three on handbells.

REPORTS FLOM THE DISTRICIS.
At the last anmual meeting alterations made in the rules grve powers to each district to elect its own district secretary rnd committes, and, as far as I am aware, the scheme has worked successfully and giver impetus in mauy directions.
Firom the Northern District, the scorctary (Ms. D. Mears) veported that they had exceeded the usual balanee in hand by approximately £4, partly owing to a number of members paying up arrcare and party owing to an increase in membership-some 24 now monbers linving been added to the list-a good sign. The District Committee is also a new featare and has cone good work. Eleven meetinge were held and the average attendance had been good. The combined practices were something new for which the district deserved credit. It was a big venture, but, assisbed by a president who takes such ant retive part, and the support which was received from the members, proved worth while. Some excellent work was done and ver'y much appreciated by a great number.
These practices incurred so exponses upon tive association, as at collection was taken at exch meeting, which resulted in a balance in hand of 18 s . $1 \frac{1}{2}$ d. It was hoped these practices pould be continued, as they are the only means of the aasociation assisting membera whir do not attend the meetings. Next year it is hoped to see more of these meetings held in towers where ringers ave really striving under dificulties or are at a standatill with regard to methods, A word of praise was added to Mr. R. T. Newmen, of Batelock, who has beught a band of ringers at Baldeck-and kept them interested.
From the Western District. Mr. W. Ayre reported a very successfil year of ringing, although mainly alone by the Apsley band.
Mr. C. FI. Horton reported from the Western District that during the year seven meetings had been held, at which 140 ringers attended. Peal ringing lias been exceptionally good aud the greatest praise shauld be accorded to the handbull band. Ten new members have been enrolled.
The secretary of the Ensterl District (Mr. W. H. Eamrence) reported a successfui year with good attendances at meetings.
From St. Albans District Mr. W. Nash reported that six mootinga had been held with an average attendance of about 80 . The joint meeting was a very happy affair, about 60 ringers atlending. The general impression one got from these meetings was that the ofder ringers were attending and the proportion of young members pery small.
Mr. Cartmel reported satisfactory progress of the Benovolents and Bell Restoration Fands, and said the library continued to flourish, and, after thanking Mr. George Debenham for his assistance, added words of appreciation of the services of the district secretaries. Bebween them, 30 to 40 district meetings had been arranged, which had meant a great deal of labaur. Mr. Cartmel conclnded. 'I am gure the members are grateful for all that is done for them, but in oome districts greater support would bring cheer to tho organisere. It is your $\operatorname{society}$, and upon you resbs its success, or otherwise. I would add my appreciation of the liappy fellowship which I have enjoyed in common with you all, for so many years, and may I also express the hope that the truest and highest spirit of fellowship, whinh finds expression at Eastertide, may ever continue with the membars of this association, for that is the inly forndation upon which we can buita and successfully maintain, the objects for which this ascociation was formed.
The financial statement, submitted by the treasurer (Mr. G. E. Debenham), showed that the lalance in band amounted to 87 Ss. 11d., but acturlly on the year's work the association was 10d. down. Members* subscriptions amounted to $221135_{1}$, while subsexptions from honorary and life asembers totalled 875 s . 6d.
Mr. Debenham pointed out that the Benevolent Fund, which had a balance of $£ 20 \mathrm{Os}$. 8त, was now getting to a position in which it coulit 'stand on its own lege' far betuer tnan in previous yenrs, atthough there was still meed for general support througlkut the connty. The Voluntary Bell Fund, which was now in its second year, bad a balance of $£ 216 \mathrm{~s}$.
Three new honorary members were admitted to the associntion, they being the Dean of St. Albans, the Suh-Dern (he Rev. G. W. Clarkson) and the Rev. A. M. Furguson (Vicar of St. Pcter*s, St. Albans).
The following officers, nominated by the ommititee, were electer President, Mr. G. Radlay (Broxbourne) ; treasurer, Mr. G. F. Dehenham: hon secretary. Mr. G. W. Cartmel; assistant secretary, Mr. G. W. Debenlam; librarian, Mr. H. V. Fiost: representafive to the Central Comeil, Mr. A. Lawrence (Hatfield) : anditor, Mr. W. Metcer.
The meeting concluded with thanks to the Dean for his address, expressm by Mr. G. T. Dehenhant. and a vote of thanks to the Vichm of St. Peter's, St. Michael's and Sandridge and churchwardene of St. Stephen's for use of the bells, and the stemplekepurs for thoir servirns, proposed by Mr. W, H. Lawience and roplicd la by the Rev. Furguson.

## A DERBYSHIRE BELL RESTORATION

IMPROVEMENT OF THE PEAL AT EOKINGTON.
On Sunday afternoon, March 14th, in the presence of a large conMeration, the Archdeacon of Chesterfield (the Very Rev. Difworth Earrinon) rededicated the bells und Wextminster chimes of Eckington Church, Derbysbire.
'The bells before the restonation were cast by Jolan Warner and Sons, hed., lumdon, in 1897, end, as on wany other things in this workl, fime had lukeln its toll. Restoration becama necessary. A meeting of the church authorities decided to make an appeal to the parisinimers, who were asked to take a collecting box into their homes, and it was also decided to ssk those interested in the bells of Eckington Church, round about the district, to support them in their effort.
The appeal was talten up with a spirit of enthusiasm by all, and left no burden for the church authorities to carry now the work has been finished.
As is usual when bells are dedicated, they were mung in rounds durimg the service by the Sunday service band: E. T. Tomlinson 1, A. Tonlinsot 2, A. West 3. P. Jervis 4, H. Nelson 5, G. Graham 6, S. R. Morton 7, T. Howes Smith 8.
The company of ringers at lickington ate to lue congratulated on the strides they have made towards the state of efficiency which all ringers like to hear when bolls are rung.
The work done to the hells has been to reasst 1 and 2 , retune the rest, overimul all the clappers and rehang the hells on ball bearings. The work was carried out in a Highly efficient manuer by Mess's. Gillete and Johnston.
Ati open meeting was held on Saturday, March 20th, when the bells were avmilable for all who cared bery their hand on the newlyrestored ring. Aboal 60 riugers were present. Tea was provided in the Parish Fioom, the Rector and churchwardens joining the party.

After ten the Rector gave a haxty welcome to all who were present and hoper? they would he safisfed with the manner in which the work hat been curvied out by Messrs. Gillett nud Johuston. He also lanaked the hellhangers and asiked Mr. S. Roper to convey to the firm he represented his appreciation.
Mr. S. Roper thanked the Rector For his kind appreciation of the work doue.
Mr. O. Faynes, prosident of the Sholfeld and Distriet Society, thanked the Rector and all concemed for the manner in which the ringers lana been entertained.
Several teuches on the handbells were rung, and then a move to the tower, where ringing until about 9 p.m. brought a most enjojable dny to a close.

## THE TESTIMONIAL TO MR. C. T. COLES.

The G. ']'. Coles Testimonial Committee of the Mididesex Comty Association nud London Dionesan Guild ask that all who wish to suhseribe to the testimonial to ho given to Mr. ©. T. Coles and have not already done so should send their contribution to either of the underaigned if possible by April 10th. The presentation is to commemornto Mr'. Coles' 25 years service as sectotary of the Middesex County Ascociation, int is to be made at the anmual meeting on Anvil 17th:

W, H. Hollier, Hon. Treasurer", 29, Duke Road, Ghiswick, W. 4.
Firnest C. S. Turner, Hol. Secrelary, 65, Kingsley Averue, West Ealing, W. 13.

All contributions will be acknowledged by the hon. treasurer.

## CLERICAL RINGING WEEK

TOURLNG ROUND EVESHAM.
What has now hecome an anntal 'institution,' the Olerical Ringmy Week, begins next Monday. 'The headquarters this year are Evesban, and the Rev. E. W. Cox (prestient of the Devor (Guild) has again arranged an interesting programme.
The party meet at Ashelureh on Monday afternoon and afterwards visit Overbury, Bredion and Norton. On Tuesday they go to Elmley Crstle, Lilth Comberton, Great Comberton, Eckington, Pershore Ahbey, Norton and Hampton.
Wecinesdays itinerary takes in Offenlan, Badsey, Childs Wickham, Wellersey. Saintbury, Mickleton nur Pretfortou. On Flhursday they ro to Biffard-on-Ayon, Alester, Stratford-on-Avon, Snitierfield, Quinmo o Bidfard-on-Avon, Alcester, Stratford-on-Avon, smiterfed, QunExpeshant
The only peal in the programme is atranged for Finton-on-the-Green 4n Friday momiug. Later in the day the party will visit Broadway, Stantont and Stow-on-the-Wold.

The party will comprise the liews. T. (G, Tenson (Burghill, Hercford), H. C. Benson (Nyasaland), C. Carew Cox (Lyme Regis, Dorget), E. V Cox (Braupford Spelce, Devon), F. Ll. Edwards (Kington Mugna, Dotset.), F. Bankes James (Fareham, Jants), F. S. H. Marle (Deane, Hanls), B. F. Shepparí (Cambridge), A. G. G. Thurlow (Wokingham, Herlis), W. MI. K. Warren (Bineger, Brtin), G. Elliot Wigg (Figh


## THE RECORD MAJOR ATTEMPT

## SHIFT CODRSE' PUTS END TO PEAL.

The attempt on the Major record at Kingham, Oxfordshire, on Monday, was lost after' $3 \frac{1}{2}$ hours' ringing, owing to a 'shift course after about 5,600 changes had been rung.
It is hoped to make another attempt on this record in the 1ear future.
The present Major record is 18,144 Bob Major, rumg at Benuingion, Hortis, in 1933. 'the attengh at Kingham was for 19,040 Double Norwich.

## WING AND QUEEN CAMEL BELLS.

## To the Editor

Dear' Sir,-Had the band that visited Wing said 'in their opinion ' the bells were not pealable, no exception could have been taken. The definiteness of their statement makes them out to be au authority. In uy first lotter I gave an example of a definte statement made concerning a temor bull as being muringable: then somente else rang it without any difficulty.
Here is another case of working hard at a peal of bells to make them pealable. In 1905 a party visiled Lundy Isle on the off chance of ringing a peal. On arrival they fonnd the bells in such a stale it was no use thinking of ringing them, leaving out the question of a peal, without finst putting in a lot of hard work. Then a sturt was made for Stedman Triples. But after half an hour's ringhy it was fourd impossible, and the party, beaten and dispirited, prepared for their return voyage. Fortanately for them as it turned out, a gale had sprung up. The stoamer cauld not risk the journey, and this gave the party another day on tha island. Noxt morning, eifer an enolmons amount of hard work, they made another start, and to their delight it was strcessful in 2 hours and 53 minutes. No one should, therefore, say delinitely that any bells are umpealable.

With regard to Queen Camel, I am of the opinion that had the party gone there befcre the bells were rehung their verdict wotld liavo been the same as at Wing.
J. HUNT

## Tannton.

## PEALS TEAT DO NO GOOD

Dear Sir,-Perlaps Mr. Hunt will agree there are peals rung where the bells are almost unpealable, but I would like to state that these peals do no good and linwper locad authoriby from gefting bells relung.
There is much difference in ringing a heavy bell with the late Mr Pye's band than with novices. I, for onc, kuow. I have tried hotla
F. WARRINGTON

## Orer, Cambs.

## N OFFLER

sir,-May I ask Mr. J. Hunt if he would like to brine a friend for a peal of Minor on the Wing, Bucks, bells? I should lse pleased to get four ringers to riag the frout four bells. If he comes over afterwards he will be able to write to 'The Ringing World ' and say if the bells are pealable or not.

LinsIade.
F. VICKERS

## FIGURES AND DIAGRAMS,

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, - Was interested in your recent leader and Mr. Irrollope's letter on the prohibitive cost of producing diagrams instead of the figures of methods. Perlaps I may be allowed to trespass upon yoir valuable space to show how any yinger, keen enough, can possess a diagram book of methods at practically no expense whatsoever, except his own time.
All the would-be ' diagrammalist' need do is to purchase a suitahtet book to fit the pocket, whinh can be obtained from a pemny or so up, to $z$ tew shillings for a super-book, then produce perl and ink and transfer his methods from figures into diagrams. He can write oul as many methods as he wants, or as few; thase he regularly rings, those he is learning and, if he lifes, those he would like to ring. It is quite easy to write these out, and after a little practice one gels quite expert at the job.
Many years ago, when I commenced ringing, I purchased stich a look and wrote ont all the methods I could lay my hands upat, including standard methods and the Central Council's Collection of Minor Methods; and, as methorls have appeared from time to time in "The Ringing Word,' these have been added to the bools. I still have this book, and not only has it been a source of pleasure to me in writing it, but it has been seen hy quite a lot of ringers and commeatied upon, and has, on numberless occasions, been the meana of onathling a zinger at an outing or meeting to 'polish up' an obscure method which le had not rum for some years and had half forgoticen.
The excellent series of meihod books published by the C.C. shouk be in every ringer's hands, but it is an infortmate fact (in my experience, at any ratej thal ringers witl not buy these books, whether on account of price or apathy I do not know.

BERNARD H. WLDLS.
Merstham, Surrey.

## HIGH TIDES AND FLOODS IN FENLAND.

## To the Bditor.

Dear $\operatorname{Sir}_{3}$-I am sure that meny of us, dusing the flooding of the l'ens, must have recalled those chapters of 'Tlhe Niae Tailow, desoribing the bursting of the waters over the fenfands and the warming hoom of the tenor bell.
Not oniy Miss Sayers, but another lady, Jean Ingelow, has also dealt with this theme, viz., in her ' High lide on the Coast of Lincolnskire ${ }^{\text {a }}$ -one of our most beautiful poems. If it were not that it runs to 22 verses, we might have had a reprint in your columns, for bere again the bells play an importand part. May I, however, give the in'st werse?
' The old Mayor climbed the belfry tower,
The ringers ran by two by three;
Puly if you never pulled before;
Good ringers, pull your best,"' quoth he
"Play uppe, play uppe, O Boston bells!
Ply all your changes, all your swells,
Play uppe "The Brides of Enderby
In no less than sover of the verses is there a reterence to the bells ff waraing, they form a haunting curbain to the progress of the tragic sory. Thus:-

And all the aire, it secmeth mee,
Bin full of floating bells (sayth sliee)
That ring the tune of Enderby."
Till, floating o'er the grassy sen
Oame down that hindly message free,
The " Brides of Mavis Euderby.
And, lastly, whilst clinging to the roof amidst the swivl of waters:-
'And awesome bells they were to mec.
That in the dark raug "Enderby." "
I have asked several of my ringing friends if they could throw a light on this curious reference to our art, but to 10 purpose. (The lite Mr. Law James was duubtful abont it.) Miss Inglelow has been dead nearly 40 year's, and we may never know the genesis of 'Enderby.' It is an beantiful poem. Try reading it (as I have done) to a Linoolnshire man and watch his face.
E. ALTEX. YOTNNG.

## PEAL RINGING ON MEETING DAYS.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-It seems to be a sol'e point among many riugers that a local momany ox any band of ringers should attempt a peal on a day when the association or sociely of which they are members is holding ite fuarterly or annual meeting. Not ouly is it a sore point, but it shows had taske and lack of interest in the association. It is also disappoint11 g to the secretavies, who have more work to do than many ringers think and deserve all the praise they get; and to the local company where tho meetings are held. It is a prictice that, it seems to me, will be carried on for ever, umess these bands are penalised by all associations making a rule to have nothing whatever to do with or acknowledge any peal rung on a meeting day, unless, of course, they can show proof that it was for a very special occasion.
G. S. LEE.

Rotherham.

## ST. MARY ABBOT'S GULLD.

KENSINGTON RINGERS' DINNER.
The annual dimner of St. Mary Abbot's Guild, Kensington, was held at Slater's Restaurant, Kuightsbridge, on Saturday, March Gth, when over 30 members and friends were present, some of them having taken part that afterwoon in a peal of Stedman Caters, which was rung to celebrate the induction of the Rev. Prebendary A. E. Smith, M.A., as Ficar of St. Mary Abbot's in succession to the late Rev. E. Broolts Tackson. Prebendary Smiti presided, aud was supported by Mr. H. V. Kenyon, J.P., and Major N. L. Garratt, the churchwardens of St. Mary \&bbot's, and tho Rev. Kennetly Wood, the cheplain to the Guild. After an excellent dimer, the toast of 'The Guild, was proposed by Mr. Kenyon, and Mr. W. E. Judd, the Ringing Master, replied, giving a brief summary of the activities of the Guild duriug the past year and expressing gratification at the attendances for the Sunday service ringing.
The tanst of "The Church" was proposed by Mr. G. J. Strickland, who paid thibute to the constant and valuable work of the miuisters of the Churel.
An adjournment was afterwards made to an upper room, where, with Mr. J. A. Dart and Mr. Roberts Thanas successively preaiding at the piano, ans enjoyable musical evening followed, which also in cluded tonches on the handhells and tune ringing by Mr. J. Ir. Mackman and Mr. Howard Mackman.
The assistance at the piano of Mr. Roberts Thomas, who was a visitor for the second year, was much appreciated hy those present.

## MUFELED BELLS.

At St. Andrew's, Backwell, Somerset, with bells half-muffled, as a foken of respect to Mr. M. C. Lack, a quarter-peal of Doubles, four extents of Bob Douhies and six of Grandsire: W. Carpenter' 1, L. Derrick 2, J. Young 3, E. Shearn (conductor) 4, j. Lot.t 5, R. Roherts 6.

## NOTICES.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Glastonbury on April 3rd. Beils (8) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Street belis (8) available after tea.I. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Clilcompton.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755 ). - Quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Aston, Birmingham, on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells (12) available at 3.30 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow.-T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham 11.

LADIES GUILD (Lincolnshire Branch) AND LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Lincoln District).-A joint meeting will be held at Durholme, near Lincoln, on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45 p.m.-Mrs. R. Richardson, Glyn Garth, Surfleet, Spalding, Lincs.
midLand counties association.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Stoke Golding on Saturday, April Brd. Beils will be ready at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea provided at 5 p.m. Names to Mr. H. Hill, Wykin Lane, Stoke Golding, Nuneaton.-Wm. A. Wood, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SUTFFOLK GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Sưobury on Saturday, April 3rd. Ringing all day at St. Gregory's ( 8 bells) and St. Peter's (8). 4.30, service at St. Gregory's, with sermon by Rev. Canon Round-Turner. 5, tea in the Parish Hall, is. each. 530 , meeting follows. Names to H. G. Herbert (sec. pro tem.), 64, Acton Lane, Sudbury
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting of the West Norfolk Branch will be held at Sohan Toney on Saturday, April 3rd. Ashill bells will also be available.-W. J. Eldred, Hon. Branch Sec., 4, Wellington Street, King's Lynn, Norfoik.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The newly recast bells of St. Cuthbert's, Darlington, will be open to ringers on Saturday, April 3 d , from 2.30 p.m. onwards. Tea will be at the invitation of the Vicar and churchwardens. - Roland Park, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Colne on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6 p.m. Everybody welcome.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Tempsford on Saturday, April 3rd. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Ali ringers welcomed. Please come. - C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.The next meeting will be held at Coppull on Saturday. April 3rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. ( 9 d , each), for which please notify Mr. J. Fisher, Ellandene, Park Road, Coppull, near Chorley. Special invitation to Preston branch. - S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wipan.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bueks Branch.-A ringing practice will be held at Shenley ( 6 bells) on Saturday, April 3rd, at 5 p.m. A goor? tneeting is desired. All ringers welcome.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Alhert Street, Bletchley.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY AND NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - A joint meeting will be held at Blyth (6) on Saturday, April Brd, commencing at approximately 3 p.m. Rounds to London Surprise, but look up Double Oxford and York Surprise for practice. Please come and make this new venture a success, and send a card for tea to R. Towler, Ollerton Road, Retford.-E. Cooper and R. Towler, Hon. Secs. LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - North Southwark Diocesan Guild.-Meetings for April : Service ringing, April 4th, St. Clement Danes', 10 a.m.; April E5th, Bow, Cheapside, 5.30 p.m. Practices: St. Clement Danes', 12th, at $6.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , followed by quarterly meeting at 8.15 p.m., and 26th; St. Mary, Lambeth, 87th, at 8 p.m.- T. W. Taffender, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at South Anston ( 8 bells) on Saturday, April 3rd. For tea notify Mr. H. Stenton, $3^{2}$, Sheffeld Rd., south Anston, ur. Sheffield. All welcome. M. E. Wison, Hon. Sec., i3, St. Ronan's Rd., Sheffield 7.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN (iUll.D.-Andover District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Laverstoke on Saturday, April 3rd. Beils available from 2.30. Service in Parish Church at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meeting follows.-F. S. H. Marle, Hon. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

THORLEY, near Bishop's Stortlord.-On Sunday, April 4th, at $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$, the Bishop of Bedford will dedicate the bells which have been restored and augmented to a ring of five by John Taylor and Co.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton and Petersfield District.-A meeting of the district will be held at Blackmoor on Wednesday, April 7th, for practice. Belis (6) available from 6 to 9 p.m.-C. E. Bassett, Hon. Dis. Sec., 32, Charles Street, P'etersfield.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Wednesday Afternoon Guild.-The next meeting of the Guild will be held at Newburn-on-Tyne on Wednesday, April 7th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Ten at 5 p.m. - W. Sheraton, Hon. Sec., Roseville, Boundary Cottages, Philadelphia, County Durham.
I.ADIES' GUILD. - A meeting will be held at St. (ieorge the Martyr's Church, Southwark, S.E., on Wednesday, April 7th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. ; tea 5.30. - E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Sec., 45, Walsinghan Road, Enfield, Middlesex.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held nt *St. Paul's Cathedral on April 27th; St. Magnus' on April 15th, 29th, Southwark Cathedral on the 8th, *St, Mary-le-Bow on the 13th, St. Andrew's on the gind, at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. -Wiliam T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.The meeting which was arranged for Saturday, April 10th, is postponed.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 73, Rye Street, Bishops Stortford.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch. - The quarterly meeting will be held at Little Houghton on Saturday, April 10th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea to me, please, by April 7th. J. C. Dean, Hon. Sec., 16, St. Peter's Strec1, Northampton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Hornby on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (8) ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30. A hearty invitation is extended to all members and friends to come and spend a profitable half day.-E. Swain, 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch (Newport Pagnell Rural Deanery).-At Lathbury (5), Saturday, April 10th; 2.30, begin; 4, service; 4.45, tea.-Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Helmshore, on Saturday, April 10th. The local captain informs me that his band will be in attendance from 3.30 ; so what about it? You will expect your secretary to be there, why not come and keep him company? You will be welcome. - J. Porter, 11, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury, Lancs.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Sedgley on Saturday, April 10ti. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.45 . Tea ( 1 s. ) at 5.30 . Please send word not later than Tuesday, April 6th.-H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting of the Southern Division, lor election of officers, etc., will be held at Southover, Lewes ( 10 belis) on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea, price 1 s ., 5 p.m. Those intending to be present please inform the undersigned by Wednesday previous to meeting. It is hoped that the proposed form of association service will be tried at this meeting.-S. E. Armstrong, Hon. Div. Sec., 70, Hollingbury Park Aventue, Brighton 6.
SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern District. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Merstham on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by service. Please send me numbers for tea not later than Tuesday, April 6th. All ringers heartily welcome.-W. Claydon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly meeting of the Maidstone District will be held at West Malling ( 8 bells) on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Please send names or numbers for tea to Mr. W. A. Sloman, St. Leonard's Street, West Malling.-A. Waddington, Dis. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Desborough (8) on Saturday, Aprif 10th. Usual arrangements. Please notify me if you require tea.-H. Baxter, 256, Windmill Avenue, Kettering.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. -The annual branch meeting will be held at Eccleston on Saturday, April 10th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting after tea. All who intend to be present must send word not a day later than Wednesday, April 7th, to Mr. A. Rigbye, Tannersmith Lane, Maudesley, Ormskirk. A good attendance is hoped for.- J. Charnock, Branch Sec.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division.-The annual mecting will be held at Warnham on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting afterwards. Election of officers, etc. All ringers welcome. Names for tea by April 7th, please.-O. Sippetts, 10, Albany Road, Crawley, Sussex.

WORCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. -Southern Branch.-The spring meeting will be held at Mickleton on Saturday, April 10 th. Beils available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea (1s. per head). Numbers for tea by Tuesday previous.-J. E. Newrnan, Hon, Sec., Hinton, Evesham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District.-Next meeting, Hathern, April 10th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Tea arranged for those advising me by April 8th. Subscriptions accepted.-H. O. Over, Dis. Sec., 130, Ashburton Road, Hugglescote, near Leicester.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Felkirk on Saturday, April 10th, Bells ready 2.80 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Specially arranged at the Vicar's request before his departure. Make it a good meeting. Alt are welcome. For tea please notify me by April 8 th.-Daniel Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shafton, near Barnsley.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branen.
A Gainsborough District meeting will be held at Lea ( 6 bells) on Saturday, April 10th. Service at $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all members requiring tea inform me by the Wadnesday previous, as this tea is kindly provided by the Rector?-H. Morgan, Dis. Sec., 22, Grey Street, Gainsborough.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. - A meeting will be held at Hernmingford Abbots on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots, Hunts.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Swindon Branch. -. Meeting at Purton on Saturday, April 10th. Heayy peal of six. On bus route. Tea at Vicar's invitation. Please advise if possible.-W. B. Kynaston, 3, Dumbarton Terace, Victoria Road, Swindon, Wilts.

PEAK DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Will all members and friends please note the adjourned general meeting will take place at Matlock, Saturday, April 10th, when a good attendance is desired? A card to Mr. V. Taylor, Ryda!, Limeton Road. Matlock, not later than Wednesday, April 7th, will ensure adequate arrangement for tea.-H. L. Warburton, Hon. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUlLD.-Leatherhead District. - A meeting will be held at Christ Chureh, Epsom, on Saturday, April L0th. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea in the Church Hall. J'lease send numbers for tea to Mr. W. Rolsinson, 23, Lower Court Road, Epsom, by next Thursday.-A. H. Smith, Hon, Sec.

MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Burton District.-The above district will hold their first meeting at Ticknall on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (6) available. at 3 p.m. Special Minor method for practice: Double Court. The success of this new venture depends upon the attendance. All ringers invited. Tea, 4.45 , can be arranged for those who notify me by Wednesday, April 7th.-Joseph W. Cotton, Coronation Street, Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A special meeting will be heid at Weedon (6). Saturday, April 10th. Usual arrangements. - W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Axbridge Deanery.-A quarterly meeting wifl be heid at East Brent on Saturday, April 10th. Bells from 2.3 n p.m. Divine service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.H. Minifie, Hon. Sec., Royston, Uphitl, Weston-superMare.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Ilchster Deanery Branch.-The next meeting will be held at South Petherton on Saturday, April 10th. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. For tea pleasc notify early.-F. Farrant, Martock.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. - A meeting of the Grimsby District will be held at Thornton Curtis on Saturday, April 10th. Beils (6) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.n., at 1s. $6 \mathrm{~d}^{\circ}$. per head. Business meeting to follow. Please send notice for tea to Mr. G. Atkinson, West View, Thornton Curtis, Ulceby S.O., by Wednesday, April 7 th, who cannot guarantee tea after that date. All wel-come.-H. Mingay, Hon. Dis. Sec., 394, Wellington Street, Grimsby.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. A meeting will be held at Kirkham on Saturday, April 10th. Ringing at St. John's R.C. (6 bells) 3 to 1 p.m. 4 p.m., ringing and business meeting at the Parisin Church. Tea in school 5.30. - C. Sharples, Fylde

## Branch Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Stockport Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Reddish on Saturday, April 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15. For tea please advise Mr. A. Barnes, 3, Longford Roarl, North Reddish.-Kenneth Lewis, Sec

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern Branch.The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Wrangle on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (6) availabie from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea at Angel Hotel at 5 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. Will all intending to be present please let me know by Monday, April 5th? W. W. E. Clarke, Hon. Sec., Park House, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Cuckfield on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome. Please notify me by the 7 th for tea.-B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uclifield, Sussex.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION,-The annual meeting will be held at Retford on Saturday, April 10 th, when the bells of East Retford (10), West Rellord (6) and Ordsall (6) will be at our disposal. Service in East Relford Church will be at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 , followed by the business meeting. I hope all members will endeavour to be present. Please send a card for tea to R. Towler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Frome and Midsomer Norion Branch. - A quarterly metting will be held at Compton Dando on Saturday, April 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting 4.30 p.m. Roll up and support the new secre-tnry-C. H. Nash, The Talbot, Mefls.

WHATLEY, SOMERSET.-A ring of 6 , rehung in at new [rarne by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., will be dedicated by Irebendary W. H. F. Randolpl, on Sunday, April 11 th, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided in the Parish Hall lor all those who notify me by Wednesday, Aprif 7th. All ringers welcome.-E. H. Nasit, The Talbot, Mells.

VALGRAVE, NORTHAMPTON. - The ring of 5 (tenor 13 cwt .2 qr .8 lb. ), rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Peferhorough on Sunday, April 11 th, at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis-1rict.-The quarterly mecting will be held at St. Marfin's, Chelsfield, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells (6) afnilable at 3 p.m. Further particulars next week.-A. fi. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere, Kent.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be helk at Portishead on Saturday, April 17th. Bells availaisle from 3 o'clock. Divine service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 n'clock, to be followed by the business of the day.Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.
WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Rugby, on Saturday, April 171h. Further details will be given next week, but meanwhile please keep the date open.-Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., Exhall, Coventry.

ALDENHAM, April 17th.-Ringing from 3.30. Tea at Village Club at 5.30. Herts Assoctation. - C. H. Horton, 58, Aldenham Road, Bushey.

ALL SAINTS', KINGSTON-ON-THAMES.-Dedication of beils on Saturday, April 17th, by Lord Bishop. of Southwark. Service 3 p.m. Ringing after service and again after tea. All ringers welcome.-T. W. Taffender, 26, Southway, Raynes Park, S.W.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Feering on Saturday, April f7th. Bulls (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present please notify me not later than first post Wednesday, 141h? This is essential. - F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Qucen's Road, Earls Colne.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Glastonbury Deanery Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at West Pentard on Saturday, April 17th. Divine service and dedication of Memorial Tablet to the late Master ( $1925-1935$ ), the Rev. E. S. C. Lock, will be performed by the Rev. L. S. Lewis, with address by the Rev. W. M. K. Warren (Master) at 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Those requiring tea must notify me by April 12th.-F. D. Rickards, 32, Burcatt Road, Wells, Som.

ASHBURTON, DEVON.-On Saturday, April 17th, at 3 p.m., the bells will be re-dedicated by the Bishop of Crediton; ring of eight restored by John Taylor and Co.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District. - A guarterly meeting will be held at Sherborne St. John and Monk Sherborne on Saturday, April 17 th. Bells available Trom 2.30. Service in Sherborne St. John Church at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business mecting follows. All requiring tea please notify by April Eth to Mr. G. C. Hammond, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke.-J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Dis. Sec
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annua! general meeting will be held at Guildford on Saturday, April 24th. At a service at 3.30 p.m. the Lord Bishop of Guildford will dedicate a memorial, erected by the Cathedral ringers, to the late Provost E. C. Kirwan. Tea and meeting will follow the service. Full details later--J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover Cottage, Pyrlord, Surrey.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The hatf-yearly meeting will be held at Worsley ( 10 bells) on Saturday, April 24th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea in Café at 5 p.m. to all who notify before April 22 nd , Mr. P. H. Derbyshire, Beesley Green, Worsley, Manchester; 15. each. - W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.

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## CORONATION DAY RINGING.

Numerous inquiries have come to us on the subject of Coronation Day ringing. There are many towers, apparently, where ringers are desirous of knowing if there is to be any general plan for celebrating this great event, so far as the church bells are concemed. There can, we think, be no general rule laid down. Obviously there must'be widely varying local circumstances into which the ringing of the church bells must be made to fit and one of the first things, we suggest, ringers should do is to ascertain what the local programme of festivities is to be and come to some arrangement to fit the ringing in with the town or village scheme.

On this occasion there is another extremely important point to bear in mind-one which has never arisen in connection with previous Coronations. The ceremony in Westminster Abbey is to be broadcast. . Nearly everyone who can do so will be listening, at their wireless receivers, to the service, and that makes it essential that nowhere should ringers, however loyal and enthusiastic, ply their art to the disturbance of those who are listening to the proccedings in the Abbey. To do so would be not only an annoyance, but a breach of good manners, and would recoil on the ringers' heads. No doubt the desire of the majority of ringers themselves to listen to the historic ceremony will be sufficient to ensure the silence of the towers during the service, and the bells will come with all the more dignity and effect if they are heard at a more apt time.

It has been suggested in high quarters that ringers might take their cue from the bells of the Abbey itself, which will be heard as their Majesties leave the building. That seems to us very useful guidance, and ringers who are anxious to get to work as soon as possible alter the ceremony can lay their plans accordingly. Apart from this, however, we feel that ringers, wherever they can, should herald the great and auspicious day by ringing as early as convenient in the moraing. It would give an appropriate and cheerful start to the local celebrations, it would distinctively mark the festival and would not interfere in any way with broadcast reception.

Whatever ringing is done, however, it should be the aim of every responsible ringer, to see that it is the hest that the band can produce. Ringing for the Coronation should not be made the opportunity of a practice, or even of a peal for ringers who are not capable of putting up a good performance. The ringing of the bells on that day will be expected by the public; they will be listening more critically than is usual with them, and it is a mistake to run away with the idea that the public do not know the
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..Tyeble Raymond G. Codsins... ... $6^{\text {E }}$ .. 2 Hrrbert E. Addslay ... 7 Ernest J. King ...... Ernast W. Furbane ... .... 5 | Jack A. Wadgr ... .... .... ... Composed by York Grebn. Conducted by Thomas H. Tappender Rung on the 5lst aniniversary of the birth of Mr. Arthar B. Wiffen. JRIGHTON.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, March 29.1937, in Three Howrs and Thivty Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 6040 GHANGES; Tenor $25 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frederick W. Rogers
Edward J. Charmani.
Kewneta Sullung..
Kene 2 Wiliam R, Madgwick … 7

Fred Page ... ...
Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by Wilfred Williams.

* Tirst peal of Surprise Royal.


## LIVERPOOL,

THE LANCASHLRE ASSOCLATION.
On Twesday. March 30, 1937, in Ihye Hours and Thisty Mitures, At ter Parise Chorch of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 504日 GHANCES; Temor 39 cwt. 3 qr. Io lb. in C.
Cgristopher Godgeon ...Treble Frank Varty
.... ... 6
Lester Le Gry ... ... 2 Pbrcival W, Cave ... ... $\quad 7$ Jobn WiLEInEOn ... ... 3 "Josepa H. RibYard ... ... 8 Arnold Brenton ..... .4 4 .Stapford H. Green .... 9 Grorgr R. Newton..... $.5 \quad 5$ Jambs C. E. Simpson... ...Temor Composed by W. Pye. Conducted by J. C. E, Simpson. * First peal of Crmbridge Royal. ISLEWORTE, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty-Thyee Minmers, At tae Cebrch og All Saints,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE sURPRISE ROYAL, 5OLO CHANCES; Tenor $16 \frac{1}{\mathrm{e}} \mathrm{c}$ wt
Jabes H. Sezperrd ... ...Tymble Ggorge R, Pye ... ... ... 6
Glorge M. Kilby ... ... 2 J.Armiger Trollofe....- .7
Tbomas J. Lock ... ... ... 3 Ernest C. S. Torner... ... 8
Migs IK. M. Bradford ... 4 Cbcil C. Mayne... ... ... 9 Cearles T. Cinles ... ... 5 James IL. Riding... ... ...Tamor Conducted by Ernest C. S. Torner.
Thinst peal of Royal in the method by all except ringers of Znd and tonor. G. T'. Coles and G. R. Pye have now mang peals of Yorkshire Surprise on eight, ten and twelve bells.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

MYTHOLMIROYD, YORKSHITE. 'HE YORKSHTRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monduy, March 29, 1937, in Thyee Hours andi Four Minutes, At ter Catrch of St. Micharl,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRI8E MAJOR, 6058 CHANOES

 Tenor 14 cwt 22 [b. in F , sharp.William Woodazad ...Tyeble |"Harry Davison... ... Kenntth Simpson ... ... 2 Gborge Robinson ... ... 6 Leglie W. G. Morris ... 3 Herbert Davenport ... 7 Arther Arbitage .... ... 4 Ernest H. Simpson ... ....Terop Composed by A. Knigeis. Conducted by Lascie W. G. Morris. * First peal of Surprise, aud first attempt by ringers of 2 aud 4. BLETGHLEY, BUCKINGHAMESEIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Cn Monday, March 29, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minntes. At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUELE MORWICH CDURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor $55 \mathrm{cwt} .2 \mathrm{qr}, 6 \mathrm{lb}$. in F.
 SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GDILD.
On Monday, March 29, 1937, in Three Hours and Thirreen Minutes. Ax tee Cburce of SS. Mary and Nicrolas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5 Ess CHANGEs Tenor 16 ewt.

 - Nevil Hollingworte ... 4 Jobn G. Ames .. ... Tonor Composed by w. Hooson.

Conducted by Joan G. Ames.
Frrst peal of Treble Bob. Rung for the Easter festival.
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WEDMORE, SOMERSER
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Om Manday, Maroh 29, 1937, it Thres Hours and Thirty Minutes,

At tag Cebreg of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6066 CHANGES;
Middlezon's.
Tenor 30 cwt. 5 lb .
Joan H. B. Hesse ... ...Trebla Harby J. Sangar... ... ... 5
Herbert W. Knight ... ... 2 Precy N. G. Raingy ... ... 6
Frank Silidmore ... ... ... 3 Ronald G. Bgck ... ...
Kennete Ford ... ... ... 4 Josepe T. Dyre ... ... ... Temor Conducted by K. Ford.
First peal as conductor and first toneh in the meflod as conductor. WELLS, sOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOGESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, March 29, 1937, in Threa Hours and Thirty Minutes,

At ter Cerrch of St. Cotebert,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 505日 CHANGE8;

Middleton's.
Tegor $27 \frac{1}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Fogn H. B. Hesse
Frank Smidmore.
Kennetb Ford
Harry J. Sanger

|  | ... Troble |  |
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$\ldots \begin{array}{lllllll}\ldots & \ldots . . & 3 & \text { Ronald G. Beck } & \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$
... ... 4 Josepr T. DyкR... ... ...T Tenor Conducted by ]. T. Dyse.

* First peal in the melliod.


## HEREPOTLD

TFE HEREFORD DLOCFSAN GUTLD.
On Monday. Mard 29, 5937, in Threa Howrs and Seventeen Minules, At the Cerrci of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 608B CHANGE8;

## Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb .

William H. Symonds
Treble Alfred T. Panlitan
William T, Poston ... ... 2
Cerlite Walter Taylor

Comest Cox … .... ... 4 William Poston... w........ Tanor
Composed by W. Harrison. Conducted by W. Poston.
Arranged and rung in honour of the Eiaster festival,
MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASEIRE ASSOCLATION. On Monday, Mard 29, 7937, in Thee Fiours.
At the Cenrce of St. John, Miles Platiting,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR, 6088 CHANGES; Tenor 12 cwt 22 Ib.


* First peal of Kent Major. I Firsit peul on eumht belis. BEESTON, NOTTS,
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCTATION.
On Monday, March 29, 1937, in Thres Hours awd One Minute. Ax ine Ceorch of Sr. Johs.


## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, $\operatorname{b040}$ CHANGE8I Tenor 192 tit.


 - Ricuard M. Harvey ... 4 Clifford A. Vessey .... .... Timor Composeã by H. Hobbard. Conducted by Cligford A. Vessey. * Firet peal of Bob Major. SAFTRON WATIDEN, ESSEXX THE DSASEX ASSOCIATION.
Or Monday, March 29, 1937, in Thre Howrs and Six Miantes, Ai the Churce of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES; Pitsrow's Transposition of Thersians' Fonr-part. Tenor 24 cwt , in D .
-F. Rowland Ridgwill
Ggorge Jordan...
...T, able
George S Sparrow...
... 2 Frederick Distow
Walter Ayre ...... Conducted by L. E. Pitsiow.

* First peal in the method.

RUNCORN, OHTEHERE.
THE CHESTER DIOCDSAN GUILD
On Monday, Maroh 29, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten Jinutes,
At ite Cadeca of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Parkeá's Twelva-part. Tedor r6 cwt. Roberz Spraring ... ...Treble Thomas H. Matger... ... 5 Gebrge Sperring ... .... 2 †Haray Pye... ... ... ... 6 - Robqri B. Holer... *Jogn Brst ... ... .*. ... 4 *Samoel Boort ... ... .. Tenor

Conducted by Robert Sperring.

* First peal of Triples. + First peat of Irriples on a working bell. Firat peal on the bells since relanging.


## DARESBURY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Monday, March 29, 1937, im Three Howrs and Ten Minutes,
At ter Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MANOR, EOGI OHANGES Tenor 16 cmt .
Robert Sperring ... ...T Treble $\mid 4$

4 Jogn Best - Harold wor ... '... .. Georgi Sphrring ... ... 2 "Harold Worrall ... .... 6 - Robert B. Holse ... ... 3 Harry Pyr... ... 3 ... ... 7
-Thomas H. Materr... ... 4 Percy Swindley ... ...Temor Composed by J, R. Pritceard. Conducted by Percy Swindley. * First perl. f Pirst peal of Major. PENDLEBURY, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION. On Monday, March 29, 1937, in Three Howrs and Three Minutes, Ay Cerist Church,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE GURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANEES; Tenor 137 cwt . in $F$ sharp.

 Ladernce J. Williabs ... 4 JamBs C. E. Simpson ... ...Tonor Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson. D1SS, NORFOLE.
THE NORWIGH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION
Un Twesday, Match 30, 1937, in Theee Houys ard Sixteen Minutes,
Aithe Cborch of St. Mary-thr-Virgin,
A PEAL OF gOUBLE MORWICH GOURT BO日 MAJOR, $\operatorname{gOOS}$ CHANOES: Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb . in D.


Ernesi F. Porpy ..... $.4 \quad 4$ Wrllam Stbggall...
Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.
Rung lalf-muffled following the interment of William Ireland, an oriminal member of the association and a ringer at Diss before and since 1877.

WORSLEY, MANOHESTER.
TEE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
Om Tuaday, Maych 30, 1937, in Thrae Hours and Eight Minutes,
At ter Cerrce of St, Mark.

## A PEAL GF BOB MANDR, GOG日 CHANEESI

Teaor 24 cwt .

-Cgarles Ridyard
Composed by J. R. Prisceard
 epe H, Ridyard Firs peal in the metiod, first peal in the method as conductor. Tirste peal of Bob Major on the bells. Rung on the back eight.


## WISBEOH, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATJON
On Wadnesday, Maych 31, 1937, in Three Howys and Eleven Minntes,
AIt the Cburch of SS. Pgter and Pate,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
C.C.C. No, 5z.

Tenor 21 cwt .

- Harry Means.

| .. | ... Treble |  |
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| ... | 3 |  |

Wallace Coosins ... ... 2 Lbwis Bosh $\quad . .$.
Joan C. Frances ... ... 3 Walter Frerman +** ... 7 -Walter F. Jarvis ... ... 4 Fred Wigmore ... .... ...Tenor Composed by E. Francis. Conducted by Fred Wighorz. * First peal of Major, + First peal, Fiftieth peal together hy Messrs. W. Gousins and F. Wigmore.

> NORTHFLEET, KENT.

THE KENT CODNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, March 31, 1937, in Two Fours and Fifty-Four MTinutes,
At the Cedrce of St. Botolpa,
A PEAL OF BOB MANOR, 5040 GHANOES; Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

 | W. J. Eric Peartrez... ... | 2 | Norman Summbreayes | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss Jean M. Tbompson ... | 3 | E. George Morrad | ... | .. |

 Composed by C. Cearger. Conducted by Grorge J. Butcerr. Iung as a birtuday compliment to the treble ringer. GULVAL, CORNWALL. THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUIDD.
On Wednesday, Murch 37, 7937, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Cedref of St, Golval,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

## 3. J. Parber's One-part. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt,

 -William J, Sanders... ...Treble Phelip J. Hitcaens ... EdWard Sanders ... .... 2 Wileiam H. Sleeman ... 6 Miss E. Jesser C. Angwin 3 Cyrie E. Lanyon........... 7 Frederice H. Harris ... 4 Percy R.C. Williams ...Tehoy Conducted by Crril E. Lanxon.* First peal on eight bells. Rung half-nufled as a fribute of respect to the late Mr. Join Wood, the vice-captain and stecplekeeper of Gulpal, who was interred on the previous day.


## NOTTINGHAM.

THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS
AND THE MIDDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, April 7, 1937, in Theee Howys ana ituchty Minules,
At the Cefrce of Si. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twrlve-part.
*H. Parfrement ... ...Tveble tFrank Bradley...

Walter White .. ... .. 3 Ralpe Nabborodge... ... 7
F. Allen Hickton .... ... 4 Walter Nicbolls ... .... Temoy Conducied by Alfred Barratt.

* First peal. +70 hh peal. Rung with the bells half-mulfled as a token of esteem and regerd for Mr. Albert R. Coppock, Master of the Sherwood Youthe, who was interred at Beeston Cemetery the same day. Finst peal on the bells since the recasting and rehanging is October, 1935.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Aprid 1, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Eifteen Minutes, At tae Cataedral Chorce of the Holy Tanity,
A PEAL OF STEDBAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Pitstow's Transfosition of Therstans' Fotr-fart. Tenor 233 cwt .

 | Eraest J. Ayliffr | ... | ... | 2 | Wicliam R. Melville | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Aefred H. Paling | 6 |  |  |  |  | Willamj. Robinsona..... .4 a $\quad$ Cbarlas Hazelden.... Conducted by Alfred H. Pdeling.

Rung in hanour of the visit of Queen Mary to Guildford, when Her Majesty opened a new Quecn's Nurses' Hostel, and inspected the work in progress on the site of the new Cathedral. The peal was W. R. Melville's one hundredth on the bels.

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## SIX BELL PEALS．

LEVERINGTON，CAMBS．
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCDATION．
On Saturday，March 27，1937，in I wo Hoursand Fifty－Eight Minutes， At tae Chorce of SS．Lronard and jogn，

## A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being 720 each af Cembridge Surprise，Double Court，Double Oxford，
St．Clement＇s，Single Oxfosd，Oxforz Treble Bob and Plain Bob．
Tenol $15 \frac{1}{2}$ evt．$i n f$ ．
Wallace Cousins ．．．．．．．lieble｜William Buckengan．．．．．． 4 Jobn C．Franclis ．．．．．．．．． 2 Clatder Codsins ．．．．．．．．． 5 Eswis Bose ．．．．．．．．．．．．． 3 Tony Price ．．．．．．．．．．．．Tenar Conducted by Tony Pricr．
Rung in lononr of the birth of a danglater to Mr．aud Mrs．W． 13nckenham．

## GAMETON，NOTTS．

TEE NORTH NOTTB ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Mach 27，1937，in Two Hours and Thirty－Eight Minutes， At the Cerech of St．Phter，
A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；
One exbent each of Sandal，OxFond and Kent Treble Bobs，St Clements，Single Court，Oxford Bois and Plain Bob，Tenor 9 cwt． －Frederick Hooprs ．．．．．．Jiehle｜Thomas Vessey．．．．．．．．． 4 すЈack Vessey ．．．．．．．．． 2 すJack L．Milleodese ．．．．．． 5 Artider Mulvey ．．．．．．． 3 †Clifforn A．Vessey．．．．．．Temor Conducted by Clifford A．Vessey．
＊First peal in seven methods．t Finst peal in seven methods ＇inside． 4251 h peal together．Quickest peai on tie bells．Rung in honour of the wadding of Mr．Harold Denman and Miss Irene Lanengter：

EEMPSTED，GLOUCESTERSETRE
THE GLOUGESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION． On MuHdoy，March 29．1937，in I wo Howrs and Forty Minutes． At the Cuprch of St．Swithon，
A PEAL OF DOUBLES．EOAD CHANGE8：
Deimg 10 slix－scores of Grandsire and 32 of St．Dunstan＇s，called difierentily．
Melville Jordan ．．．．．．iveble Erabst I，Matterws ．．．
Hargy Worpat
Tom Worrale ．．．．．．．．．．． 3 ．．． 3 Cgaries Hodgrs ．．．．．．．．Tenor
＊First peal．
Conducted by Ersest J．Matraews．
ELSEAM，LTNCS．
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD． （Northers Bramce．）
Or Morday，March 29，1937．in Two Hours and Thirty－Six Miruter，
Aitar Catrce of All Sainis，

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR， $\operatorname{GO} 40$ CHANGES；

Being two exbents of Carlisle．three of London and two of Cambridge． Tenor 7as cwt．
Harold judd ．．．．．．．．．fy－bie Frank Lord．．． Mrs．J．Bray $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad$ a Grorge Dogbs ．．．．．．． Jack Bray $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Grorge E．Fgirn．．．．．．．．．Temor Conducted by G．E．Frian
Fixs peal in the Surpurise methods by all the band and in the distriet．

> HODNET, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHRE ASSOGATION．
On Monday，March 29，1937，in Two Hows and Fifty－Nine Minvtes， At tee Cgurgh of St，Lukh．
A PEAL DF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；
Being two 720＇s of Oxford Treble Boln，two of Eent Treble Boh and three of Plain Bob． Tenor $12 \mathrm{cwt}+24 \mathrm{lb}$ ． William Sadnders ．．．．．．Treble William A．Earmbr．．．．．． 4 Thomas Price ．．．．．．．．．．．． 2 Frederick Price ．．．．．． 5 G．Leonard Hewitt ．．．．．．． 3 ＂Arthor Pritchard ．．．．．．．．Tenoy Conducted by Arther Pritcgard．
＊First peal in thyue methuds．

SOUTH PEREOTE，DORSET．
TEE GUILDFORD DIOGESAN GULLD．
On Monday，Mayed 29，1937，is Two Hours and Forty－Four Mirsmies， Ax tee Parise Church，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR，5040 GHANOEB；
Seven extents called differently．
Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
＂Thomas E．Denyer ．．．．．．Tydela Reginaed J．Whixgord ．．． 4
 William Denyer ．．．．．． 3 Cbarlbs W．Denybr．．．．．．Ter Conducted by C．W．Denyer．
＊Firgt peal of Mindr．Fitst peal on the belfs．

## HITGHAM，BUCKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD．
（St．Peteris Society，Burnaam，Bocks．）
On Monday，March 29，1937，in Ttu Hours and Fifty－Thyce Minulos， At the Cherce of St．Mary，

## A PEAL OF HINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being 720 of Kent Treble Boly and two T20＇s each of Single Oxforid， Plair Bob and Revorse Canterbury Pleasure（methods Iung alter－ antely）．
＂Martin Blamey（aged I5）Tyeble James D．Taylor（aged 16） 4 PPbter A．Blamby（aged 16） 2 \＄Bryan O＇Nzill（aged 15） 5 Jogn E．Taylor（aged 5 ） 3 ）Grorge Gilberi ．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Gro．Gilesert．
＊Tirst peal．中 First peal away from the treble．$\ddagger$ First peal in other than plain methode．

## MAULDDIN，BEDS

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Tuesday，Maych 30，1937，in Two Hoters and Forty． 7 wo Minutos，
At the Chorce of St．Mary
A PEAL DF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR，EO50 CHANRES；
Seven 720＇s．
Tenor 102 cwt．


－Donald Cockings ．．．．．．． 3 William A．Stoss ．．．．．．Tenor
Conducted by W．A．Store．
＊First peal of Cambridge．

## HANDBELL PEALS．

LEVERSTOCK GREIEN，HERTS．
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOOLATION．
On Sunday，tayh 21，1937，in Two Hayrs and Twenty－Nine Minusos，
In the Sceool，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5088 DHANGEB； Tenor size 15 in C ．
＊Horace L．Waite ．．．．．．I－2 Walter Ayre ．．．．．．
Cbristopyer W．Woolley 3 3－4 William J．Randall ．．． 7 －8
Composed by W．Hodson．Conducted by Walter Ayre．
＊Firet peal in the method＂in hand．＇
APSLEE END，FERTS
THE HEREFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION．
On Monday，March 22．1937，in Two Howrs and Seventen Minwtes，
In tey Berpry gr St．Mary＇s Cegrce，
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR， 5008 CHANEES：
Tenor size 15 in $G$ ．
Horace L．Waite ．．．．．i－2 ©Francis Kirk ．．．．．．．．．． 5 －6
 Composed by B．Swisson．Conducted by Walter Ayre． ＊50th peal logether．This composition（ $A$ 2）is now rung for the first time．
（0ther peal raperts are uhavoidably held over．）

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## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. <br> ANNUAL MEETING AT NOTTINGEAME.

## Ceniral Council to be Invited to Leicester.

The weallier proved to he kinder on Easter Mondey than of late, and this 10 doubt helped to attract a good number of members and friends to Nottingharn for the anmual meeting of the Nidand Counties Assobiation. A gloam fell aver the proceedings, however, for visitors learnerl, an arrival, of the sudden and lamented death of the twlented leader of St. Mary's, Nottinglam, band, Mr. Albert Coppocis. Consequently St. Mary's bells were rung half-mafled as a token of respect. At St. Peter's, too, ith accident to the tenor bell prevented the ten from being rumg, and only the fronts six bells were arrilable. Daybrook bells (8) were open throughout the day, and food prachice bade by a large number of visitors.
The commitice met it St. Mary's Institute at 3 p.ma, nud as a resull of their deliberations, franfs from the Bell Repaiy Fund were mude to Jont Eaton, Notts, where the eight bells are to be recast, and Kirkby hallory, Leicesterstrire, where a new treble is to be added to the existing five bells, It was suggested that the general hon. sectelary write to the secretary of the Central Conmeil requesting that, if pussible, their agenda be pulyislied before Easter, to enable those guilds and assaciations which-like the Midkand Counties-hold thoir umual muetings on Easter Monday, to discuss the various points raised and instruct their representatives accordingly. It was also turgrasted that the representatives propose that the next meeting (1938) the held in Leicester, as by that date thore would be two pings of twelve belle, che of tel, and several eights avuilable.
Following the committee meoling, a special service was held at St. Mary's Ohurch, conducted by the Right Rev. Lord Bishop Neville S. Tulhot, D.D. The Bishop opened by saying that the association form of servica would he slightly attered on account of the death of Mr. Alhert Coppock, which ereated not only a great loss to St. Mary's Charch, but to the ringing community as a whale. A sad fenture, too, was the fact that while on what proved to be bis death-bed, Mr. Coppoek lidd written to ask Mr. Walter White, of Cotgrave, to play the organ for that service
As a volantary Mr. White played *O rest in the Lord,' and special liymos included "Fow sweet the uame of Jesus sounds" and "Abide with me
The Bishop, in his brief hut inspiring address, made touching eference to the passing of Mr. Coppock, and in view of the Easter message of hope and in the Resurrection, left the sorrowing family with theses words of comfort.
After the service, ten was sorved in St. Anry's Institute, and between 90 and 100 sat down. The general meeting which followed was prosidm over by Mr. 玉. Denisn Taylor, supported by the Right Rev. Lord Bishop Talbot, D.D., the Rev, R. F. Wilkinson, of Ordsall, Notts, Mr. Wilkinci E. White (treasurer) and Mr. Ennest Morris (general hon. eecretary). Members were present from each of the associatiou's bratubes, viz.: Burton, Chesterfield, Derby, Finckley, Leicester, Loughhorough and Nottingham, and many friends from long distances, jaghading Mr. and Mrs. Beamish, of Warwickshire Guid, Mr. T. G. Black and Mr. W. Rogers, of the Peterborough Guild, Mr. Johm Austin, of Gloncester, and of hers from Slieflield, Birmiugham (St. Martin's), Byomsrrove, Smethwick, Mneclesfield, Stoke-on-Treut and Cheshire
In opening the meeting, the president first made touching reference to the passing of Mr. Albert Coppock, who was, he said, a withed and respeated member of the associalion. To asked the genema secretary on behalf of all present to send a letter of condelence and sympathy to the sorrowing family, and as a token of respect all the company stoont in sileane for a few moments.

## INTERPSTING PEALS

Mr. Taylor then gave a review of the past quarter's peuls rung, Which, althouph very few, were nevertheless interesting. There were the Leicester company. Among the towel-bell peals were three whels Mr. Taylor termed - triprogenitory "-a word he himself coined foa describe threc generations ringing together in peals at staveley (Parsons), Loughherongh (Harrianos) and Matlock (Paulsons). "Quite $\pi$ lot of sons!' Wr. Taylor then thanked the Lord Bighop for honouriny them with his presence at foa, and also for arrayging the beauliful and toueling service in St. Mary's Cluych.
Bishop Talbat, in reply, said, like Boy Sconts, Bishops lad to ${ }^{\text {ch}}$ be prepared, usualy, however, in theit case, to 'say a fef words.' Hast timo he met the association some four years ago lue ard only just ariver from the Pranswan, where everything was very different from Englnid. Very rarely they saw a complete church, still more rarely ona with bells, and it was a great joy to come hack to the Motherland with iks beauliful churches and their wonderful bells. It was his nrivilege and pleasure to have lad the job of seenirg St. Mary's tower atud bells thoreughly restored and everything therein put in good andew, and ha knew the late Mr. Coppock had rejoiced with him aqually in this great work. He was very pleased to welcome any ringers to St. Mary's, sud trusted that their own ringers would soon
be ndding many peals to the credit of the association.
The anmual report and balanee sheet, which las now been printed and is in circulation, was daly passed on the proposition of Mr. Colin Hartison, one of the anditors,
(Continued in mext molumn.)

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## STEDMAN CATERS

It was not our intemtion in these articles to go beyond the serpe of eightubll ringing, because we felt that when a beginner had mastered ringing up to elght bells he could go on to the higher numbers by other means than help from this column. However, as we have had in past months several requests for an article on Stedman Caters to assist young cunductors, this may bo a fitting point, following on the last two articles on Stedman Triples, to devolia a Iittle atteation to Caters.

We must suppose, however, thut our readers know the metliod and also know that the only differences bebween Triples and Unters are the two additional dodging places in $8-9$ (sandwiched betweeu the dodging in $6-7$ up and $7-5$ down), and the moving of the liob plave from 5th's to 7th's.
In Stedman, therefore, whether in Iriples or Caters, only the last three bells are affected by a hoh or siturle, In some respects Stedman Caters is easier to conduct than Stedman Triples, becanse, apard from a "soing off" and "thrming' or "honing' course, the bobs tho not cut up the coursiug order of the bellas to anything like tho sume extent; and the bells are coursing two sixes longer in the doulging places. Moreover, in the body of a lony touch or peal only one or two bobs in a course are necessary, and this, agath, simpliffes tile conduction's task.

As in Triples, the cnling is done by the sixes, which are mamberet from 1 to 18. Conposition in Caters is facilitatod by Keeping 7, 8 and 9 undisturbed in certain relative positions and retaning the same bell in 2nd's and also in 5til's place. Thus five of the nine bells are 'fixed,' which is another great help, for in Triples you lave only

The result of fixing all these bells is that once you get these ' fixed holls' into position, you are limited, if you do not want to disturh them, to bobs viade in the 5tb and 16 th sixes and called, of conrse, a whole pull before those sises berin. These, as will be inferved, are known as bobs at. 5 aud I6. If the 5th's place bell is changed it is done by a bob at 4. The 2nd's place bell, if it is changed ather than in the turming course, is moved by a bob at 15
The 'tiftums' position, in whieh at the course end the bells belind strike 9-7-8, and tome away in the coursing order 7, 8, 9 is generally preferred in peals and long touches, with, often, a change of music by tuming over to what is known as the 'bandstroke, that is bringing the back bells into the 'rounde' position at handstroke when they are behind together, so thrit, if the 66h is the 5th's place bell, the handstrokes, in the six' after the course-end, come up 6-7-8-9 and the bells are in the coursing order $7,9,8,6$.
We would guggest that those who wish to go further into this shonld write out full courseg of Caters beginuing both from 213465978 and 214365879, drawing a line between each six and numbering the sixes, 1 being the first change of the first six. Study the courges well and examine the order in which the bells come up behind
Next week we hope to say something further about this suloject.

## FOUR HUNDRED PEALS.

Ai Trowhridge, Wilts, on Enster Mouday, Mr. J. S. Goldsmith reug his 4001 h peal. He raikg his first, when he was 15 years of age, and it has taken 43 years to compile this (for these days) modest lotal.
In this number nre three pats of Minor, gis of Triples (in six methods), 183 of Major (in 20 metlods, including 15 of Surpriste), 50 of Caters, 28 of Ropal, 26 of Cinqtes and 12 of Miximes. Or the lotal 3 have been conducted.
Twenty peals have been on handbells and the rest have been rumg in 136 towers. The peals lame been rung in five commiries (Fingland, Ireland, Wales, Belgiam and Australia) and on fire seas (the Mediterthe Red Sea).

## MIDLAND ASSOCLATION MEETING. <br> (Continued from previous column.)

As there were mo other vominations, Mr. W. H. Curson proposed and Mr. J. W. Cotton seconded that the general officers be elected on hac, which was carried with agelamation. The officers are Mr. E. Denison Taylor, president; Mr. Waliani Willson, vice-president; Mr. Wiliam E. White, hon, treasurer, Mr. Wrnest Morris, hon, secretary,
Each of the ofticers, except Mr. Willson, who was mafortunately absent, replied thanking the members for the honour and assuzing all of their contimued eforts on hehalf of the association's walfare. The hon. secretary apologised for Mr. Willson's absence, he being unfit to travel owing to illness. Mr. Morris also asked menbers io let him know at once of any errors they might notice in the amual report and not leave it till tom late. Seveval corrections were needed and it was up to the members to notify them.
New members proposed since the last meeting werre 14 new, 2 rejoining, 2 homorars, 1 life, who were duly elected. Three places for next quarteriy meetings were then proposed and carried, viz.: Bolsover, Juve ; Burbage, September; Repton, January, 1938.
This concluded the business, and Mr. J. Harris proposed and the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson seconded a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Thompsors and the local committce for their arrangements which made the mecting a successful one, also to the incmmbents and ringets of the fhree towers open for ringing.

## DOUBLE WEDDING OF RINGERS．

RINGING SISTERS MARRY RINGING BRIDEGROOMS
For the first time，we believe，in history，$a$＂double，wedding of ringers took place ut St．Peter＇s Church，Rock Ferry．Birkenhend，ou SAaturday，March 27th．The Misses Elsie and Marjorie Cooke，both singers，daughters of Mr．J．Caoke，captain of St．Peter＇s company and Ringing Master of the Wirral Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guld，wero married respectively to Mr．Frederick Oldroyd，a ringer at Ossett Parish Claveh．Wakofield，atd Mr．David Mereditl Poole， a member of the Rook Ferry baud．
Miss Elsie Cooke started ringing when 14 years of age and has rug the peal in five methods．In addition slie has rung 720＇s in various methods，including many of the Surpuise methods．Since 1929 she has been a member of the baud at West Clandon，a village near Guild－ ford，Surres．Miss Matjorie Cooke was only 12 years old when she started in the belfry，and has rung thee peals，including one in seven Surprise methods，which was the first peal on the bells lyy the loal band．She has also rung a 720 in all the 41 Surprisa methads which the Rock Ferry company mamp in the year 1934．Mr．Fred Oldroyd learned to ring at Holy Trinity Cathedral，Guildford，and rang one peal there hefore he left for Jis Forkshire home．Mr．Poole began his rituging after his atygagement to his bride．
The interesting double ecremony attracted a large amount of interest，and many finers were enong tho large congregatiou of well－ wishers．The Rev．J．D．Pearson，Ficar of St．Peter＇s，oficiated，and the brides were givat in marriage by their fatler．गhey wore similar frocks of ivory satin．Their veils of sill embroidered tulle were held in place by halos of orange blossom and they carried houquets of pink carmations．Fach was attended thy two bridesmaids． During the reception al Si．Teter＇s Fall，which followed the service， two wedting cakcs，decorated with silver bells，were aut gimultaneously Hud the company toasted tha＇belles＇and their grooms．
Necalless to say，the bells of Sti．Poter＇s Ghurch greeted the lyappy couples and were rung to warious touches in homour of the everat．

## WEDDING BELES

At Lyme Regis，Dorset，on Saturday，April 31t，\＆quafter－peal （1，280 charges）of Bols Minor ：E．Hawker 1，J．I．Pliblbriek 2，H．G． Keeley 3，Rev．C．C．Cox（conductor）4．F．Blackmore 5，C．W．Powell 6．First quarter－peal by the ringer of the treble．Rung in honour of the marriage of Lt，－Camdr．Walpole John Gyre，younger son of the Rev．G．Fand Mrs．Eyre（Mayor and Mayoress of Lyme Regis）to造iss Joy Best，which took place at Merrow，near \｛tuldford，that aftomon．Also as is compliment to Mr，and Mrs．F．Blackmore on the sixth anniversary of their wedding．

## SURREY ASSOCIATION．

DぶTRICT COMMITUEE TO DEVISE CORONATION RINGING SCHEME．
TIIe meoting of the North－Westerg District of the Sumey Assacia－ tion，held at Croydon Parish Church on leaster Mouduy，atorneted members aud friends from a very wide anea．Pifiy－two ringers nttended，represanting the faliowing 26 towers：73ansticad，Feddang－ tou，Benhilton，Bolton（Eanes），Canberwell，Chelsea，Croydon（SL， Johu＇s and St．Peter＇s），Ealing，Edmonton，Epsom（Ohrist Chureb）， Headingley（Yorlsk，Kingsion，Faslmerc，Lingporb（Somerset）， Merstham，Merton，Reigate，Sevenoals，Solutugate，Sireatlam（St． Leontrd＇s）．Sunbury，＇lumbridge Wells，Ucktield（Sussex），Wimbledon and Woodford（Lissex）
The service was conducted by the Rev．J．C．Kinnear，who con－ veyed to the menting the apologies of the Bishop of cuoydon for unzvaidable absence．
After welvaming the association to Croydon Ibrish chureh，the Rex． himmerr said ho hai lieen warned by his collenetues of the helfry not to talk about bells nu bellringing．He mbald talk about anything else he liked，so long as he did hot give an adrleess the subject of which was bells．He had 110 iden what the genaly woud be，but deeided not to risk iti．So le read a portion of the 24tl chapter of Sh．Juke＇s Gospel，and ben described in homely and Camiliar tems the journcy of the two disciples from Jerusalem to Fimmaus．＂Eike those disciples，＇he said，＇we ofteu fail to recomise the Minu who wonle he， if we so desire，our companion blanghout the jonnoly of life，helping ws throagh our difficaties and tomforting ns in unr sarrows．If only， he added，＇we eonld realise more fully the nearmess of Chribi when we were ringiag the lells，the message af those bells would always lie the ribht one．
Tea was served in the L’rimh Fall，and afterwards some good Jnmal bell ringing was heard．
Tle busicess meeting followed，presided over by the Dislirict Ringing Masler，Mr．Dan Cooper．Hy．Frank Butler was elected a momber of the association
A discussion took place on the question of ringing for the Corona－ tion，with a view to get ling the hells rung at all towers in the district， and，if possible，assisting those tawers which are likely to lue short－ handed．The matlet was referted to fho District Committee ta devise a scheme to this end．

A hearty vote of thanks was accorted the Bishop for the use of the belle；to tho Rev．I．G．Kinnear foy conducting the serviee and giving the address；and to Mr．Dan Cooper for making all the necessary arrangements for the confort and refreshment of the visitors．
A rehuris to the tower was then made，where ringing continued．

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## HANDBELLS

## BELERY GOSSIP.

Foundry Established A.D, 1570 (12th year of reign of Elizabeth).

Mr. Edgar Guise was elected hon. secretary of the Glowcester and Bristol Diocesall Association for the twentieth time at the annual meeting at 'Jewkegbury on Easter Mondey.
The Rov. H. Drake, hon. secretary of the Suffolk Guild for the first 15 years of its existence, gave up offioe at the ganual meting last Saturday. He is succeeded by Mr. Harold Herbert, of Sudbury.

The revised rules of the Kent County Association were adopted at tho aunual meeting held on Easter Mouday at Ashford, when there was an attendsuce of over 250 mombers and friends.
Mr. Charles Slingsby, of Alington, England's oldest bellringer, who will be 100 years old next month, was unable to attend, as he was recovering from infuenza. Riugers will celebrate his 100th birthday by a gathering at Aldington on the last Saturday in May.
The Kent Association has 32 life ruembers, 73 hon, members, 968 practising members and 98 juniors, 120 towers in union, and total funds of f971 185. 5d.
The reports of these meetings will appear in our noxt issue
An original copy of Stedman's first 'Campanologia' (1677) recentily came to light at Eastbourne. Unfortunately it has a good many pages missing, but through the efforts of Mr. Harold S. Holiden it has been secured and will buve a pormanent home in the ringing chamber at Clurist Church.
It is interesting that the name of an early, if not the original, owner of the book is preserved. On the fy leaf is inscribed the name of John Bassett, of Dordworth, ind the date 1698.
The recast bells of the Cathedral of St. Philip, Birmingham, are to be dedicated by the Bishop of Birmingham on Salurdny, May ist. Messrs. Gillett and Johuston are carrying out the work. At the amual vestry meeting on Fviday Mr. George E. Fearn was apponted tower warden and Ringing Master, This is good gews, Mr. Fearn's enthusiasm for ringing ensures that the new bells will be made use of
Our reports include one of a peal of Minor rung at South Perrott, Dorset, by members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild! It was a misunderstanding that it was not a Salisbury Guild peal. All the band came from Aldershot, and because some of them were only compounding members they thought they could not elect the others.
If that rule prevailed the peal of Cinques at Trowlidge the same day could not have been ruag for the Silisbury Guild, as there were only compounding members present to do the electing.
The enthusiasm of the Aldershot 'brigade' is well known to their friends. Here is a fact that will intcrest others, besides. Some of this band made fowr joumeys ta South Perrott for this pasal, and South Perrott is 110 miles from Alacrshot! Motor bikes have been enployed, but what is the attraction at South Perrott?
We regret to record the death of Mr. George A. Card, hom. secretary for many years of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. Ho passed away on Monday iu Fullam Fospital. Mr. Card had been in indifferent bealth for some fime past, and only at the last anmual meeting in Sanuary an assistanl secretary was appointed to relievo him of some of the duties.
The inauguration of the recast peal of eight bells at St. Cuthbert's, Darlington, which Messrs. Gilleft und Johmeton have hung ins a welded steol frame, took place on Saturday. The work was made possible through the legacy of a Darlington lady. A further report of the opening will appear rext week.

## DEATH OF MR. JOHN WOOD, OF GULVAL.

## A WELL-KNOWN GORNLSH RINGER.

By the passing of Mr. Jolan Wood, who died suddenly at his home at Gulval, Penzance, on Priday, March 26th, Cornish ringing has lost a familiar figure and many ringers a valued friend. Mr. Woori, with his brother, Mr. William Wood, the late Penzance district, secretary, started ringing nearly 50 years ago, and ou his movisg to Penzance in 1913 joined the Gulval band. where for several jears he had been vice-captain and steeplekeeper.

Mrr. Wood rang only nine peals, all of Grandsire Triples, hut le was alwaps considered to be one of the safest ringers in Cormwall. He zang his first peal at Kenwyn in April, 1927, where be also rang lis last in June of last year.
Several ringers from West Cornwall were present at his funeral an Tuesday, when the bells were rung half-mufted.
Ou Wednesday a peal of Grandsire Triples was runs half-mufied to his momory at Gulval Churelh,

## PROPOSED RING OF TEN FOR POOLE

## TWO TREPLES WANTED

An appeal is being made to raise a fund to augment fo ton the present peal of belis at Poole, Dorset, in conmemoration of the Coronation.
The approximate cost of the addition of the two bells will be about E200, of which 550 has already been promisen. The remainder of the task is tos great for the paribh to undertake unaided, and an appea] to all members of the borough, to ald parisinoners and to all bell lovers, wherever they may be, is made.
Donations will be gratefully received by the Rector (the Rep. E. C. Harris) and by Mr. I. Davis, 35 , Tatnam Road, Poole.
Mr. F. W. Townsend is the enthusiastic Ringing Master at Poofe, and his many ringing friends will no doubt be glafe to support him in the project.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## PRESENTATION TO MR. A. L. COLEMAN

## Hon. Secretary Retires After Nearly 20 Years' Sarvice.

At the amual meeting of the Nowwich Diocesan Association at Norwich on Faster Monday, Mr. Arthur L. Coleman refinquished the hoin. secretaryship after nearly 20 years' service, and was made the recipient of a gold watch as a murle of the members' appreciation of his loner sorvices. Mr. Nolan Golden was elected to tine vacant office. Mr. Golden has been serving the association as hon. secrelary of both the Nortit and South Norfolk brauches.
'1'lere was a large gathering of ringers, who had the bells of St. Peler Mancroft, St. Michael at Coslany, St. Giles' and All Saints' at their disposal from 10 a.m. Divine service was held at St. Peter Mancroft Church at 12.30 p.m., when the address was given by the Rev. Q. H. Flack, Rector of St. Augustive's, Norwich.

The members afterwards assewbled for luncheon at the Fiell Hotel, the president, the Yen. G. M. MacDermott, being in the chair, supported by the Rev, H. McMallan (Rector of St. Peler Mancrof ${ }^{\text {S }}$ ) and Mr. Charles E. Borvett (vice-presidents), Mr. Arthur L. Golenana (general secretary and treasurer'), Mr. William J. Lee (chairman af the East Norfoll Branch), Mr. Willian L. Duffield (chainnan of the South Norfolk Branchy, Mr. Herbert H. Heyhoe (claniruan of the West Norfolk Branchi), Mr. Johus W. Harwook (secretary of the East Norfolk Branch), Mr. Nolan Golder
(secretary of the North and (secretary of the North and
South Norfolk Branches) South Norfolk Branches),
Messrs. Eric G. Bennett, Messrs. Eric G. Bennett: Cooke, Willinm O. Dufield, Johm A. Godfrey and Arthay G. King (members of the consmittees, and representatives from Acle, Aylslam, Bergh Apton, Buston, Caston, Dickice burgh, Diss, Fakenlam, Garboldisham, Gressenhall, Eal vergate, Happishursb, HetherLett, Howstolyan Northrepns, Paitt grave, Paston, Pulam Mar


MR. ARTHUR L. GOLEMAN. ket, Reedham, Redenhall

Rocklaud All Saints', Saxlingham, Shelfanger, Shroplanı, Snetrisham, Swaffern, Wiveton, Wroxham, Wymondiam and Yarmontl. The Suffolk Guild was represented by Messis, ]s. G. Herbert (Gudbury) aud F. F. Poppy (Stoke Ash).

Mr. A. L. Ccleman presented the 59th anmal report, which stated that the work of the association had been well maintained in all its branches. The balauce shect showed a balance of 8755 . Gi., a
 elected, making the total membership 873. The riums at Scotow mud Srham Toney had been restorech. Phe Reserve Fund amounted to 8150 12s.
Mr. $\mathrm{B}^{2}$. S. Thompson, referring to the shastantial reserve fund, surgested that some of it might be used in future to pay a part of the expenses of the members attending the Laster Monday festival al Norwich.

The secretary pointed out that the reserve fund land been drawn on for a munber of purposes, and if members' expenses were paid, in three years' lime there would be no teserve fund at all.

The question was referred to the Standing Committeo.
The Archdeacon annonnced lis resigaation of the presidency, which he lad lield for nine zears. He proposed that the Rev. I. McMulam, Ticar of St. Peter Mancrofl, Norwicil, bo the new president.-Mr. Coleman, seconding, said that they all regretted that their old president had wesigned, but 起. McMullan would be a worthy successor.Mr. MeMullan was aecordilagly unanimotsly elected president,
Mr. W. C. Duffeld paid a tribule to the amiability and tact of the Atchdeacon.
The President gad they accepted with wery great regrot the resiswation of Mr. Arthur L. Coleman frow the post of tencral secretary and treasurer. It had been the wish of the members to present hiv with a mementa of his long years of service to the association.
The Archdeacon of Norwich then presented Mr. Coleman with a geld half-hunter wateh, inscribed "Presented by menbers of the Norwieh Diocesan Association of Ringers to Arthur L. Goleman, Esq., General Secretary and Treasurer 1918-1957.
Mr Coleman, returning thanks, said it had been a work of love for hini for nenrly 20 years. After paying a warm tribute to the hranch semotaries, Mr. Golenan suid he liad shared with the lafe (Continued in next column.)

## FUNERAL OF MR. ALBERT COPPOCK.

RINGERS AND BRIEISE LEGION REPYESUNTED.
The funcral of the late Mr. Albert Coppock, Riveing Master at St. Marg's, Nottingham, and Mastev of the Sherwood Youths, who, us recorded in our [ast issur, passed away ou Easter Suuday, ffer om] a few days illness, took place ou Thursday of last week at Beeston Cometery, Nottinginam.
The nows of his death came as a great shock to his many ringing friends and lo tine members of tire Midland Counties Associntion who neel in Noutingluan on Easter Moneay for thein annual meeting. Mr. Coppock was a member of the M.C.A. For about 40 yenrs and had rung 113 peals for the assochation. He was lowking forwavd to fin meeting aud keenly anxious it should be at success.
His abilities as a ringer and conductor aro well known throtghath the Exercise. He conducted the fust Surprise peal 2 wilg in tho county of Notingham. For 14 years be was a member of the band of si. John's, Beeston, during which period the band reached a very high standard.
In 1924 he took over tho tower of St. Maxy's, which at that hime was in a very poor state. The tower was dark and dingy and there was only $a$ "stoney" band. Under his guikince a wonderfal change has taken place. There is a change ringing band in regular attondance for Sunday service ringing and the tower is second to none in the country. Mr. Coppock was a man of deads, not words, aud only those who knew the tower of St. Mary's before his tenure and after can realise the amount of work ho accomplished for the church he loved so well. It is a greatijoy to his fellow-riugers that lo lived to see the restoration of the bells and tower of St. Mary's.
Tho [uneral service was conducted by the Vicar, the light Rev. Bishap Neville S. Talbot, D.B., M.C., and in uddition to the fagily monriers there were pregent Mr. W. A. Johnson und Dr. Blandy (charchwnicus), St. Mary s ringers, Mr. W. E. Whito thon. treasurer, Midland Counties Association), Miss I. B. Thompson (hon. secretary, Sherwood Yonths and Ladies' Guild), Miss T'. Collings (Ladies' Guild), Mr. F. R. Cobhin (Ringing Master, St. Peter's), Nr. F. S. Price (Ringing Master, Holy 'Trinity. Lenton), aud many locat ringers
During the war Mr. Coppock served with the D.L.I. in Framea, Belgium mad Germany Atter the committal, Mr. J. Hobus, of line Britisin Legion, recited the soldiers' farewell, then a courge of Grandsire Triples was rang on handbells by F. S. Price 1-2, T. O. Gobey 34, F. Gobey 5-6, H. R. Cobbin 7-8.

So was lajd to rest a much loved and respeeted 品inging Master, who leaves behind him an example of thoroughness and duty well done. In the evening a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells haff-mufled by a band of local ringers. This was the flrstion peal on the bells since their restoration in 1935.
At Beeston, affer the Euneral, Thurstans' quarter-peal of stedran Triples, with the bells halt-mufiled, was ring by $\mathrm{F}^{2}$. S. Prite 1, H. Rogers 2, J. C. Diclens 3, 4. B. Mosa 4, M. Kirk 5, A, Lowe 6, ]. Price (conduclor) 7, A. Wation 8.

## SECRETARY OF TWO ASSOCIATIONS.

(Continued from previous column.)
Rev. E. W. Carpenter the distiaction of holding the office of gencrat secretary in two associations. He (Mr. Coloman) was one of the founderg of the Warwickshire Gaild in 1907 and also its first secretary. He had always been proud of the Norwich Dincesan Association, Hs he also was of their peal recores, whici contained many fine performances.

Mr. Coleana went on to suy that during his term of office he last registered 956 members, and he expressed his gratitude and thanks to the leaders of companies and all members for their assistance and loyal support. He had speut many happy years in the interest of the nasoctation, aud he would continue to lielp il all he could (applause). He liad grown up with the association, and as a boy of 15 well remembered its foundetion in 1877 . His father was ono of the founderg, nud his godiather, the Rev. George II. Harris, tho lirst general secretary of the associntion.
The President informed Mr. Coleran that later he wolld receive an albim with the names of the subscribers.
Mr. W. L. Duffield, remarking that they were sorry to lose an admirable servant like Mr. Coleman, proposed Mr. Nolan Golden as the new general secrefary and thensurer.-Mr. Caleman seconded, and tho motion was varried manimously.
Mr. Golden thanked the members for the expressions of appreeintion of his work in the pasti, and sad he hoped he would mainlain their corfideuce in him in the futuro.
The following new members were registered : The Misses Edith Duve and Gweodoline Walker, of Takenlan, Messrs. Cliarles A. Farrow and Eruest J. Bessey, of Fappisburgh, Mr. Reginald Stone, of Aylshan, performing members, and the Rev, Chistopher Chitty an honorary marmber.
Reference was maie to the denth of Mr. William Ireland, a foundation member of the association, and the company stood in silence as a mark of respect.

Mr. Golden applied for a grant for the Northiepps Bell Fund, ant it was agrech to formard the sum of E 2 .
A voto of thanks to the incumbents for the use of the bells and in the Rev. G. F. Flack for his address terminated the business of fine meeting.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

## The Resteration of Ripple Tower.

'rhe anmual meeting of the Worcestershire and Districts Association was held, as usual, on Haster Monday at Worcester. Unfavon'able week-cand weather probably decided a mumber of members living at a distance not to make the journey, and numbers were a little below average. Despite this, however, there was keen discussion at thu business meeting, especially witt repard to a grant from the general find towards tower repairs at Rpple.
The meeting was held in the College Fiall, by kind permission of Lhe beadmaster of the King's School, and was presided over loy the Dean of Worcester, the Very Rev. Arthur Davies, D.Litt, supported by Mr. Willimm Short (Mastor'), the Rev. G. W. Webb (vice-president), the Rev. J. F. Jiastings, of Martley (clerical secretary), and Mr. J. D. Juhnson (lay seuretary). Also present were Mfessrs- R. Mathews (vieepresident), $\mathbf{J}$. $\mathbb{R}$. Newman (ribe-president), Charles Camm (Master of Hre Western Branchy, S. I', Folt, G. W. Cooper (librarian) and a srod number of mambers.

The Chairman extended a hearty welcome to the association.
The secretary read letters of thanks on behalf of Norton, Wordsley and Upton-on-Stevern Churches, to each of which the sum of e5 liad teen granted for bell iepairs.
Acknowledgments of donationg of one guinea each to the William Pye and Dean Moore Ede Memorial Funds were also recelved, and the Chairman said that the latter fund now stood at about $£ 800$. It would be used to provide a memarial window in the cloisters oppasite Dr. Fde's grave, and uny residue would go to endow a choil scholarship.

Mr. S. I' Folt (Crowle) referved to the pasition with regard to the bells of St. Helen's, Worcester. He said that since last year's meeting thare hat been big developments, and the committee should keep an ege on what was goinm to happen at the clusch. It was proposed to inite the benelices of St. Frelen's alati St. Alban's with St. Andrew's and All Saints'. He had it on the authority of the Rector of All Saints' that it mirht mean the closing down of St. Helen's for services in the near fubure and probably the church would be removed to the suburbs. They must bear ju mind the historic penl of bells at St. Helen's. The Rev. W. R. Buchanan-Dualop had told him that he thought it woild not be of mueh use fo send a motion from that
meeting but added that he wond motify them if the bells were likely meting, but added that he would notify them if the bells were likely
ta be romoved from the tower. गhey would then be able to approach the anthorifios with regatd to preserving the peal. There were also several peal boards in the lualfy recordinur rotable peals. These onght not to be lost. The set of haudbells presented by the jate Mr . Harvey Recves would probably be removed to All Saints', where they would le in safo kreping. He (Mr. Holf) was keepins an eye on the posilion and would see that the committee had fifll linowledge of uny decisions on the whole matter.
Mr. Toll also reported that he lad conducterd a peal of Erin Cinques at. Kitiderminster on Mareli 6th, this being the anmual peal for the association.
It was decided to hold the annual dimer again at Worcester on the latat Saturday in Septeraber.

BELFLY REPAIR INND.
Discussion followed on a recommendation of the committee to grant the sum of from the general fund wownds the restoration of the trawer of St. Mary's, Ripple, this being a special case. It was ex-
plaiact that althongh tho matier was not directly tho aftair of the asseciation, indirectly it aflected ant ringers, as the bells, which were in perfect order, could not be rung unless certain repairs were made to the tower.
Mr. Charles Camm said that the estimated cost of the work was £704, and that it had already been beant. Meanwhile the bells were silent,

Mr. Robert Mathews nsked why the money conld not be granted out of the belfry repair fund, hut it was pointed out that this fund was only nvailable for work directly on bells. Mr. Matthews then propposed that the minute affecting the allocation of money from the repair fund be altered to include towers, although in opposition to this it was held that in the event of such an alteration calls would probably be made on the fund in eases where ringing was not at wake.
The Chairman, however, ruled Mr. Muthews' proposal out of order, atslthe miles provide that notices of motion to be brought up at the smmal meeting must be given to the secretary at least one month before the meeting

Mr. Newmais explained that the belfry repair fund was formed solely for work on bells. This was a special case and should be treated as such. It was decided to pay the money out of the general fund, and provision was made that, if the composition of the minute governing the ropair fund were altered to include tower repair, the money could be repaid from the repair find to the general fund.

The ndwisability of consultation with regard to bell restorations was emphasised and the secretary drew attentiou to a paragraph in the anninal report, which read: 'Activity in bell restoration continues. Tofortunately, one or wwo tadifforent jobs have come to our notice, in cach case the warle having lean completod withont refercyee either to tho Diocesan Adwisory Beald or to this association, the result being unsatisfactory from the ringers ${ }^{3}$ point of view. We in this diocese are fortnnate in boing represented on the former body by a praeticat?
ringer'. We have men appointed who are ready to give adpree on all matters in councetion with rings of bells, and we regret that moro use is mot made of their services. We earnestly appeal to all incumbents and parochial church councils having the care of peals of bells, and where restoration schemes are contrmplated, to make full use of the practical advice which is available anti so ensure that nothing but the best is doue for our bells.
The fifty-second annual report, after speaking of the pant it was hoped ringers would play in the Coronation, the changes among the officers of the association and the success of last year's annual dimer, which was attended by 74 members, alluded to the substantial inorease in the membership of the Western Branch this year of 19. This increase was, unfortunately, offset by a decrease in the ather two branches. The statement of ncconts showed a loss on the year's working of 53 \&s. 10 d. , due, in the main, to small extres of a nonremurring type. 'This loss, the report states, 'should be counterbalanced nexi year.' Income, together with a favourable halance in
 leaving a balauce in hand of EI 10s. 9d. The repart and accomats wove both considered very satigfactory and were adopted.

## Mr. C. W. Cooper reported briefly on the library

GHANGE IN GEFRICAL SEGRETARY.
The following were elected officers for 1937 and thanked for past services: President, the Very Rev. Arthur Davies; Master, Mr. William Short; lay secretary, Mr. J. D. Tohnson; auditors, Messus. S. T. Holt and E. E. Barber; treasurer, Mr. W. H. Johmson; the clerical and lay wion-presidents were elected, with the substitution of the Rev, Webb (who was taking up that post).
Mr. Short was congratnated on ringing his g00th pral. Mr. Sid Holt said, 'It is a big thing to do; more than fury other memtaer of the association has clone.' He went on to say that not all the peals had been rung for their association, but a number of them had been notable and others had helped younger ringers though their fitst peal. All would join in wishing Mr. Short good health to accomplish the feat of ringing at thousand peals (applause). The number who had rung a housand was a very small and select company-hot moro than a dozen in the country (applause).
Mr. J. S. Mason (Northern Branch gecretarg) called attention to Mr. Short's commencement of his 50th year of membership of the association, and said this was a record of service equalied by fow.
With regard to the election of a clevical secrebary, the Rev. J. F. Hastings said he had held the post for 25 years, but cireumstances had arigen which prevented him from continuing. He propased as lis successor the Rev. G. W. Weblo, and this was agreed.
Appreciation of the services rendered to the association by Mr. Hastings was voiced by Mr. T. R. Newman. He said that in his early days Mr. Hastings had been an active ringer. In Martley he was always trying to encourage young ringers, and in this had been successful with many of them. Ho proposed that the hughest thanks of the meeting bs given to Mr. Hastings.

Secondmg, Wir. Short shid they were all sorry to lose Mr. Hastings, but lee thought they had a good man in bis place.
On the propesitian of Mr. Holt, it was agreed to add Mr. Hastinrss" wame to the list of freemen of the association, and this decision was applanded.
Mr. Hastings, acknowledging the compliment, said lue lad had ringing in his heart all his life and had never spent a happier time than when ringing. He learned to rine at Areley Kings Church by getting tup on Shmay morning to xint the 'eight o'clock' boll. He was very proud when be got the fifth bell up-it weighed about 6 cwt. When lie went ta Oxford he got, under Washbrook, Robrisons and atleer frmous men, and used to gro abouf with them on 'ringing weeks.
One life member and three performing membors were elected.
After discussion it was agreed that the annual peal be attempted on the Worcester Cathedral bells, and Mr. Sid Holt was asked to conduct The meetmg closed with a vote of thanks to tho Dean and Clapter to the headmaster of the King's School, and to the incumbents of the varions churches for the use of the bells during the day
Following the meeting, the members attended service in the Catleedral, at which the special preacher was the Rev. J. F. Fastings. He took as his text St. Paul's words,' Whatsoever ys do, do it heartily. St. Paul, he said, might be regarded as a saint peculiarly connected with our own land. There was a tradition that he had wisited it ame our greatest cathedral was namerl after him. The largest bell in thas land was known as Great Paul. St. Paul's Christianity was keen and practical, and ringers would do well to imitate him in thefr work. It was God's worls and ought to be well done. Theory was Hecessary to their art, but it was useless without a greab deal of practice and enthusiasm. The preacher concluded by telling a story of the patienre and enthusiasm of a schoolmaster in North Germany. A new bell was needed for the church and he carefully teaded a blade of corn and sowed the increase until he was the owner of such a large cropr that he was able to sell it and buy the bell-a fine lesson of perseverance.
During the serfice a nollechion was taken for the repair fund of Ripple, and the Dean closed with special prayers and Benediction.
The annual meeting is inseparable from actial tinging, and bells were going in the city until quite late. Besides the fine peal of 12 at the Cathedral, which was only avatable for a short time, the lells of Al] Saints" (10), St. Soln's (8), St. Swithun's (6) and St. Nicholas (6) were used to good effect.

## DEATH OF MR. J. J. JONES

AN OLD WINCLESDTE DIOCESAN \&ULLD OTTICLAT
The death ocenred an Saturday ab his home in Guitford of Mr. Joha J. Jones, who formerly was one of the most energetic officers in the old Winchester Diocesan Guilrl. Mr, Jones was abmut 79 years of age and liad heen in failing liealih for some time, that it was a pathetic coincidence that his wife preclecensed him tay only a few hours.

Mr. Joase went to Guildford as a


THE LATE MR. J. J. JONES your man in hie printitg trade and later set 1 for formself, combining with printing onewsrgent's business and latej adding wholesale side to his concern,
His interest in vinging began in the early cighties of last century. He learat to landlo a rope at S . Micolas' Chureh, Guildford, where he was a woushipper, and all his ringing life wha ashosialen with that tower He rang lis lirst peal on the old eigltt there on May 27th, 1889, which Nr. George Wiliams conducted. Altogether lie had zung about 130 peals in twelve methods, but it is many years now simee lie took part in syeli at performanec
His work for the Wirchester Dioussan Guild made a lasting mark it the urea of which Guildford is the centre. When the Guild was split into districts about the year 1895 Mr . Jones became secretary of the Guildford Districh, which then covered an area from Haslemere to Leatherhead, and he threw hionself wholeheartedly into the task, encouraging towers to joun and domg excellent propaganda work anong both clergy and tingers.
He continued in affice matil February, 1921, when lye resignex and in recognilion uf lis taluable work lie was mude an honoraty life member of whe suitcl. In 1919, on the occasion of his marriage, the members of the Guidford District presented him with a handsonte coffee service

Atter his resiguation as distriet secretary, Mr. Jones was less seen in the breffrs, bus he followed the affairs of the Guild with iaterest and on the dirision of the dioese a fow yun's later was one of those who successfully championed the scheme for the formation of the Guildford Diocesan Guld, and his advice and help in this mation was of great value. He became a life member of the new Guild.
Hu: Jones was a member of other associations, among them the Rayal Cumberlan Youths and the Sussex Association.

## DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM IRELAND

## A FOLINDATION MEMBER OF JHF NORWICH DIORTSAN

 4SSOCEATIONOne of the few remanimg origimal members of the Norwioh Diocesan Associatio: wars laid to rest on Tuesday, March 30th, in Diss Cemetery.
William Ireland warde have been 85 years of age an May Gth. He had heen a ringer at Diss for over 60 yeats, and had taken part in 103 peals, five of which were ruag on landbells. His first peal for the association was at Diss on December 17th, 1877, a 7,040 of Oxford Troble Hobs, condurfed by James Rudd, while 'saddy' himself, besides condhutirg a mamber of peals of the usial lengti, called Reeves' 7,296 of Trehle Boh Major (Kent Variation) at Debenham
 same method four montlis later (Octoher 16th)
On Hay 12th, 1883, Willium Ireland set but to enll Day's 16,608 of [reble Bols, at Yehenliam, but one of the band hecame inl and so the hells were brought round at the first pat to givo in peal of 5,568 changes. A septurgenarians' peal was xumg at pulhani Market bn Octolyer 281 h, 1928 , nud Diss was represented by hoth Willian Ireland and tive late John Sonter, whe rang the Lenor and conducted the peal. It is mteresting to note that Mr. त. F. Bromale took part in all the above mentionert peals except the one al Diss ju1877. Fror manw years 'Paddy' had been the secretary of Uhe Diss District, resigning in 1929 when the association was rearganised into its present fon branclies
The funeral took place at Diss on Tuesday afterugous, March 30th Four brother tingers-Messes. George Archur, Albert G. Harison, Clemant fi. Move and William Steggall-acted as bearers. A wreath mascibed 'In remembuace of on' cldest member and former secretary of SE. Mar'y's Clurch, Diss,' was among the floral tributes, and a course of Gundsire Triples was rung over tho grave on the deeased's own hutudbells.
Other ringers present included Messrs. Wric G. Bennett (GarboldiGham), Herhert G. Fulcher (Starston), Nolan Colden (Norwich, general secretary and iveasinex), George Mayers (Norwich), Ernest F. Pappy (Stoke Ash), Fredericik J. Roope (Pulham Market) and Mr. Frederick G. Roper (Shelfinger).

A well-struck half-muffled peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major was rung later in the afternoon as a token of respect, and is recorded in the apromriate colimms.

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## 1Bth CENTURY PEAL RECORDS

Will all secretaries, or any interested ringers who hate collected records of old peals rung previous to 1825 , platse forward same or particulars, not Iater than Nay Ist lir this year's report to the Central Council, to Win. H. Hollier, 29, Dulke Road, Chiswick, W.4?

LANCASHFRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branclt. -The next meeting will be held at Hornby on Saturdaty April 10th. Bells (8) ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30. A hearty invitation is extended to all members and frienkls to come and spend a profitable half day.-E. Swain, 29 , Beecham Street, Morecambe

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossentale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas' Hemshore, on Saturday, April 10th. The local captain informs me that his band will be in attendance from 3.30: so what about it? You will expect your secretary to be there, why not come and keep him company? You wil! be welcome. - J. Porter, 11, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury, Lancs.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern District. -

 The next quarterly meeting will be held at Merstham on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by service. All ringers heartily welcome. - W Claydon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartield Road, ReigateKENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly meeting of the Maidstone District will be held at West Malling ( 8 bells) on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Please send names or numbers for tea to Mr. W. A. Sloman, St. Leonard's Street, West Malling.-A. Waddington, Dis. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District. The annual meeting will be held at Goole on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (8) available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service in church at 4.15. Tea in Hackforth's Café at 5 o'clock, 1s. 6d. per head. Business meeting for election of officers, etc., after tea.-H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Ebor Street, Selby.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. -The annual branch meeting will be held at Ecclesion on Saturday, April 10th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting after tea. A good attendance is hoped for.-J. Charnock, Branch Sec.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division.-The annual meeting will be held at Warnham on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting afterwards. Election of officers, etc. All ringers welcome. - 0 . Sippetts, in. Albany Road, Crawley, Sussex.
WORCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION -Southern Branch.-The spring meeting will be held at Mickleton on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea ( 1 s . per head).-J. E. Newman, Hon. Sec., Hinton, Eveshan

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Brancin. A Gainsborough District meeting will be held at Leat ( 6 bells) on Saturday, April 10th. Service at 4.15 p.m. -H. Morgan, Dis. Sec., 22, Grey Street, Gainsborough.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. - A meeting will be held at Hemmingford Abbots on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Gircat Staughton, St. Neots, IIunts.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District.-The above district will hold their first meeting att Ticknall on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (6) available :11 3 p.m. Special Minor method for practice: Double Court. The success of this new venture depends upon the attendance. All ringers invited. Tea, 4.45. Joseph W. Cotton, Coronation Street, Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Axbridge Deanery.-A quarterly meeting will be held at East Brent on Saturday, April 10th. Belis from 2.30 p.rn. Divine service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m.H. Minifie, Hon. Sec., Royston, Uphill, Weston-superMare.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Ilchester Deanery Branch.-The next meeting will be held at South Petherton on Saturday, April 10th. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. For tea please notify early.-F. Farrant, Martock.

IINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch.
A meeting of the Grimsby District will be held at Thomton Curiis on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (6) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m., Business meeting to follow. All welcome.-H. Mingay, Hon. Dis. Sec., 394, Wellington Street, Grimsby.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. A meeting will be held at Kitkham on Saturday, Aprit 10th. Ringing at St. John's R.C. (6 bells) 3 to 4 p.m. 4 p.m., ringing and business meeting at the Parisin Church. Tea in school 5.30. - C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec.
I.INCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.- Eastern Branch.The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Wrangle on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (6) available Fron 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea at Angel Hotel at 5 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.-W. E. Clarke, Hon. Sec., Park House, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston.
rATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Frome and Midsomer Norton Branch. - A quarterly mecting will be held at Compton Dando on Saturday, April 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting 4.30 p.m. Roll up and support the new secretary. - E. H. Nasin, The Talbot, Mells.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Wimborne Branch.-A quarterly meeting is to be held at St. Gites' on Saturday, April 10th. Ringing from 3. Tea in Parish Hall 5. Service at 6.15. Address by the Master (Rev. R. H. Gundry).-C. A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Cuckfield on Saturday, April 10ti. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome. - B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District. - A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Epsom, on Saturday, April 10th. Service at 5 o'ctock. Tea in the Church Hall.-A. H. Smith, Hon. Sec.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be heid at Retford on Saturday, April 10th, when the bells of East Retford (10)., West Retford (6) and Orisall (6) will be at our disposal. Service in East Retford Church will be at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 , followed by the business meeting. I hope all members will endeavour to be present. Please send a card for tea to R. Towler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

WHATLEY, SOMERSET.-A ring of 6, relung in a new frame by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., will be dedicated by Prebendary W. H. F. Randolph, on Sunday, April 11 th, at 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-E. H. Nash, The Talbot, Mells.

WALGRAVE, NORTHAMPTON. - The ring of 5 (tenor $13 \mathrm{cwt}$.2 qr .8 lb .), rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Peterborough on Sunday, April 11th, at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -There will be ringing for service at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on April 11 th and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on April 25 th at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Usual monthly practice at Shoreditch on the 29 th, commencing at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-N. Summerhayes, Assistant Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-The meeting arranged at Hitchin for Saturday, April 17th, has had to be cancelled. Please note new arrangements: Hitchin, Monday, April 12th. Bells available from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. This is an opportunity for members and visitors to bid farewell to the Rev. R. D. R. Routh, who is leaving the county. Make an effort and come.-Don Mears, Hon. Sec.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on April 27th; St. Magnus' on April 15th, 29th, St. Andrew's on the 22nd, at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingtham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION -Chew Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Portishead on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Divine service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, to be followed by the business of the day.Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

ALL SAINTS', KINGSTON-ON-THAMES.-Dedication of bells on Saturday, April 17th, by Lord Bishop of Southwark. Service 3 p.m. Ringing after service and again after tea. All ringers welcome.-T. W. Taffender, 26, Southway, Raynes Park, S.W.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Bath Branch - A quarterly meeting will be held at Batheaston, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15 p.m.-Theo Grant, Swainswick, Bath.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Giastonbury Deanery Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at West Pennard on Saturday, April 17th.
Divine service and dedication of Memorial Tablet to the late Master ( $1925-1935$ ), the Rev. E. S. C. Lock, will be performed by the Rev. L. S. Lewis, with address by the Rev. W. M. K. Warren (Master) at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business to follow. Those requiring tea must notify me by April 12th.-F. D. Rickards, 32, Burcott Road, Wells, Som.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Feering on Saturday, April 17th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present please notify me not later than first post Wednesday, 14th? This is essential. - F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

ASHBURTON, DEVON.-On Saturday, April 17th, at 3 p.m., the bells will be re-dedicated by the Bishop of Crediton; ring of eight restored by John Taylor and Co,

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Sherborne St. John and Monk Sherborne on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available From 2.30. Service in Sherborne St. John Church at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meeting follows. All requiring tea please notify by April 13 th to Mr. G. C. Hammond, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke.-J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD OF RINGERS. * West Dorset Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Netherbury on Saturday, April 17th. Beils (6) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea by Aprit 15th, please.-C. H. Lathey, Middie Street, Bradpole, Bridport.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUIL.D.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Giles' Church, Cripplegate, on Saturday, April 37 th. Service at 4.30 p.m., Preacher, Rev. E. G. Turner, Vicar of Cripplegate. Meat tea at the Zita Restaurant, 9, Fore Street (adjoining the church) at 5 o'clock, at 1s. 3d. each. Please advise either of the undersigned by April 14th. Business meetingr after tea. Ringing arrangements, St. Giles', Cripplegate, 12 bells, from 2 to 4.30 , and after the meeting; St. James', Clerkenwell (8) from 2 to 4 p.m. ; St. Lawrence Jewry (8) from 7.30 to 8.30 p.m. Important-send in your notice for tea.-C. T. Coles, 21, Vincent Road, E.4, F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks, Joint Hon. Secs.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Rugby on Saturday, Aprif 17th. The bells of St. Andrew's Church, rings of 8 and 5 , will be available from 3 p.m. Committee meet in the Church House at 4 p.m. Service at 4.45 , followed by tea in the White Heather Café, Market Place, at 5.15. Business meeting immediately after tea in the Church House. - Malcolm Melville, Gien, Hon. Sec., Exhall, near Coventry.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District. - A meeting will be held at Cople on Saturday, Apri] 17th. The bells (5) available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $\overline{5}$. You will be very welcome. Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec., 10, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-A meeting will be held at SS. James and Basil, Fenham, on Saturday, April 17th, at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in Church Hall. Trams Nos. 31 and 32 from the Central Station pass the church. Special method: Double Bob Major.-K. Arthur, Hon. Sec.

TILEHURST, BERKS.-The bells will be opened on Saturday, April 17 th, after rehanging by Messrs. Mears and Stainontik. Service at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided at 1s. per head to all who send by Wednesday, April 14th, to C. J. Watts, Church End Lane, Tilehurst, Reading.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL GUILD.-Chippenham Branch. - Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Andrew's on Saturday, April 17th, at 3 p.m. St. I'alal's bells will be open. Visitors, please notify early and oblige.-F. W. Merrett, 38, Downing Street, Chippenham, Wilts.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.--Portsmouth District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Wickham on Saturday, April 1 '7th. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5, followed by business meeting. All requiring tea please notify me by Thursday, April 15th. All ringers welcome.-A. T. Greenwood, 6, Sheffield Road, Portsmouth.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-A meeting will be held at Orwell on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.im. Tea at the Nags Head 5 p.m. Meldreth bells available from 6 p.m. Please support this meeting and encourage our five-bell ringers.-C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewishan Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Matrtia's, Chelsfield, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available at 8 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Teas at 1s. per head to those notifying me not later than Tuesday, April 13th.-A. G. Hill, Hon, Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere, Kent.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Wollasion on Saturday, April 17 th. Bells (6) from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business. Good bus service from Wellingborough. Please sent cards to A. Bigley, Hon. Branch Sec., 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough, Wellinghorough.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H. Branch.A by-meeting will be held at Stanford-in-the-Vale on Saturday, April 17th, at 6.30 p.m.-R. Gilling, Hon. Sec., Fernham, Faringdon.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOI. DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-South Forest Branch will hold their next meeting at Ruardean on Saturday, April 17th. Bells (8) open 3.30 p.m. Tea and business mecting at 5 p.m., Church Room. All ringers who require tea must let me know by Wednesday, April 14th.-Oliver Thomas, Branch Hon. Sec., 11, Victoria Road, Lydney, Glos.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Bootle, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service 6 p.m. Please notily Mr. Jas. Martin, 15, Fairly Crescent, Orrell, Bootle, Subscriptions due.A. Grundy, Branch Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Luton Parish Church on Saturchay, April 17th. Bells available From 3 p.m. Tea, followed by business, at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Alt ringers invited.-F. J. Plummer, Sec., c/o Post Office, J.eighton Buzzard.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Terrington St. Clement on Saturday, April 17th. Beils available from 2.15 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Busiress meeting afterwards. Will those intending to be present kindly let me know by April 12th?-Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. - A joint meeting with the Elloe Deaneries Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild will be held on Saturday, April 87th, at Terrington St. Clement. Belis (8) from 2.15 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea (1s. per head) will be provided for those who notify by the previous Wednesday. All ringers welcome-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. - The next meeting is to be held at New Hay (St. Thomas') on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. Please come atlong and support us. You will be welcome.-S. Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdate.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch.A meeting of the Wirral Branch will be held at Bromborough ( 8 bells) on Saturday, April 17th. Tower open at $30^{\circ}$ clock. Service at 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. A good attendance is requested.-H. S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 30, South Hill Road, Birkenhead.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at Guildford on Saturday, April 24 th. At a service at 3.30 p.m. the Lord Bishop of Guildford will dedicate a memorial, erected by the Cathedral ringers, to the late Provost E. C. Kirwan. Tea and meeting will follow the service. Full details later.-J. S. Goldsmith, Mon. Sec., Southover Cottage, Pyrford, Surrey.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. The half-yearly meeting will be held at Worsley ( 10 bells) on Saturday, April 24th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea in Café at 5 p.m. to all who notify before Apris 22nd, Mr. P. H. Derbyshire, Beesley Green, Worsley, Manchester ; 1s. each. -- W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.
l.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Worsley on Soturday, Aprit 24 th, in conjunction with the half-yearly meeting of the Lancashire Association. For arrangements see further notice.-Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec. 35, The Crescent, Worsley.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-South Norfolk Branch.-A meeting will be held at Pulham Market (illness at Redemhail) on Saturday, April 24th. Bells from 2.30 ; service 4.15 ; tea 4.45 . Special businessalection of branch secretary. Special methods-Bristol Surprise and Cambridge Court.- Nolan Golden, Winton, 26. Brabazon Roasl, Norwich.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division.A meeting will be held at Wiclford on Saturday, April 24th. Bells avalable from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, April 21st?-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.

DITRHAM AND NEWCASTIE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Eastem District.-A meeting will be held at Gateshead on Saturday, April 24th. Bells of St. Mary's
available from 2.30 p.m. Tea in Anchorage at 5 p.m. Please let Mr. J. McRobie, 58, Bensham Road, Gateshead, know by April 22nd. All ringers and friends welcome, a hearty invitation being extended to all. - F . Robson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 13, Grainger Street, West Hartlepool.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - Six bell contest and meeting to be held at Lindley, Saturday, April 24th. Applications for teas and entries for contest to be in my hands April 17th.-Fred Hodgson, 566, Halifax Road, Hightown, Liversedge.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-North-Ease Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bampton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Notification for tea to be sent to me by April 19th.-R. Harris, Hon. Sec., Park, Silverton, nr. Exeter.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April 24 th, at St. Mary's, Holloway Road, Holloway, N.7. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. in the Church Hall. Will those wanting tea please let me know by Wednesday, April 21st?-James G. A. Prior, Section House, Ixworth Place, Chelsea, S.W.3.

GUULD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-Aylesbeare Deanery Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Otterton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (6) 2.30 ; also Colator Raleigh and East Budleigh (6) bells. Service at 4.30 p.m. The address will be given by the Vicar (Rev. E. C. Grimaldi, R.D.). Tea at 5 p.m. in the Village Hall. Meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Monday, April 19th.-R. Brook, Hon. Sec., 3, Greatwood Terrace, Topsham.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banhury and District Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Great Tew on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. All welcome. Names for tea if required.-E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Banbury, Oxon.

STEWKLEY, BUCKS. - The Bishop of Buckingham will dedicate the trebles to existing peal of 6, which have heen retuned, on April 29 th at 3 p.m. All ringers are invited.

RAMPISHAM, near Dorchester. - The re-dedication of the bells will take place on Friday, April 30th, at 6.15 p.m., by the Bishop of Salisbury. Ring of five restored and rehung in new frame by John Taylor and Co.

## DEATH.

IRELAND.-At 3, Mere Street, Diss, on Good Friday, March 26th, William Ireland, aged 84 years.

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The representative of the Bishop's Advisory Committee had to admit that in Thetford the committee's intervention was regarded as ' unnecessary fuss by a body of faddists,' and, in a letter to the Chancelior, one of the churchwardens wrote that 'the damage already caused to the religious work of the church is such that it will not recover for a generation.' Obviously Thetford deeply feels the snub that the interference of the Advisory Committee has given it, and well it may do so; It doesn't, for instance, help the 'recall to religion ' when, in their enthusiasm to improve the possessions of their church, the parishioners find themselves thwarted by the whims of a lew outside antiquarians. We can understand resentment at interference of this kind, and especially when the delay involved will also affect the display of loyalty which the people were anxious to give-even if the Chancellor does personally take the blame because, as he said, ' applications to do things in a hurry in order to be in time for particular seasons or occasions harden my heart and make me very suspicious and slow.'
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BANBURY, OXON
TEE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Un Sundup, April 4, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At ter Chorce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 GHANGES; Tenor $17 \frac{1}{8} \mathrm{cmt}$.
Marig R. Czoss $\begin{array}{cc}\text {...Treble } \\ \ldots . . & 2\end{array}$ Margarbt E. Reynolds .. R. Gordon Cross ... ... 3 Francis E. May ... ... ... 8 Walter F. Judge ... ... a Herbert Impey ... ... ... 9 Francts E. Taylor ... ... 5 William Aston ... .. ...Teray
Composed by G. Lindope. Conducted by Walter F. Jodge. LONDON
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, April 10. 1937, in Three Howrs and Ternty-Nine Minutes, At the Ceurce or St. Clfment Danre,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 504: GHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt .
 Mrs Grore H Cross 2 Enward Smith
 Gborge W. Stbere ... ... 4 *Edward J. Berr ..* ... 9 Robrri Heazle ... ... 5 Ggorge H. Cross ... ...Tenor Composed by I. W. Parerr. Conducted by George H. Cross. First peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal. First ten-bell peal by He ringers of the 6tin and 8th.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BOUTRN, CAMBRDGTESHIRE.
THE ELY DTOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Apvil 1, 7937, in Three Hours and Twenty Minules,
At tee Parise Church of St. Helena,
PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, Б日B6 CHANGE8;
Jobngon's Variation of Midilbton's. Temor iat cwh.
libert E. Austin ... ...Tyebie T. Reginald Dennis ... 5

charles W, Coor $\quad . .$.
Manspleld Ginn... ... ... 4 Frank Warringion ... ...Temor
i Condacted by Frank Warbingion.

* First peal of Cambridge Major.

HALEWOOD, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Aprii 3, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-One Minvtes,
At ter Cherch of St Nigholas,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, BOEO CHAMCE8; Tenor micwt, in G .
Irrabrt Ledkin... ... ...Tpeble Percival W. Cave ... ... 5 Eigtbr L. Gray ... ... ... 2 "Ernbst F. Bennett... ... 6
borge R. Nawton ... ... 3 Edward Cadnce ... ... 7
Arnold Brdnton ... ... 4 James C. E. Simpson... ...Tenoy
Composed by G. Lindopr. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.

* Firet peal of Surprise on an 'ingide' bell. First Surprise peal at the bolls since they ware recast.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.
THE JAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, April 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Mixutes,
At fer Cedreb of SS Pefer and Padl,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F sharp.

First peal of Canbridge Major.

DUNSTABLE, BEDFORDSHMF
THE BEDFORDSFIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. April 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Priory Cherce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 GHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt .
-Edgar H. G. Tingey ...Tyeble Fredrrick J. Plummbr ... 5

| "Rby. R. F. R. Rodte | ... | 2 | *Brit F. Calcott | ... | .. | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Abtbor E. Sbarman | ... | 7 |  |  |  |  |


Composed by Joun Cartrr. Conducted by A. E. Syarman.

* Firsl peal of Stedman Triples.

DORE, DERBYSHIRE,
THE YORKSEIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Sberfield District Society.)
O. Satwiday, April 3. 1937, in Ihrea Hours and Six Minutes, At Carist Cegrch,
A PEAL DF OXFORD TRE日LE BOB MAJOR, B162 CHANGES; Tenor irł cwt.

Harry Warburton ... ... 3 Tbomas Lae ... ... ... 7
Grorge M. Tborpr ... ... 4 Jobn W. Symes ... .... ...Tenor
Composed by Artaur Knigats, Conducted by J. W. Syrss.
Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Mary Isa Graut, of Dore, and Mr. Duncan R. Mackintosh, of Drumalin, Inveruess, which took place at the above church on March 31st. First peal as conductor. WARBLRTON, CHESHIRE
THE OHESTER DIOORSAN GOLD.
On Saturdav, April 3. 1937. in Three Howrs and Nineten Minutes,
At the Cadrge of St. Wbrburgh,
A PEAL OF BRIBTOL BURPRISE MAJOR, GO88 CHANGES; Tenor $26 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
'Josepa Waitaker ... ...Treble Jambs A. Milnbr
Jambs Fernley ......
Kennete Lewis ... ... 3 Lionel Clodge ... ... ... 7
Willtam Frrnley ... ... 4 Jobn Worte... ... ... ...Thoy
Composed by A. Kmjgats (6r). Conducled by Jobn Worth.

* First peal in the method. First peat of Major on the bells. ALTARNON, CORNWALL.
THE TRORO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturady, April 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes. At ibe Cefece of St. Non,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original.
William J. Sanders ... ...Tyeble |"
Crile E. Lanxon ... ... 2
Artaur S. Roberts ... .. 3
Eredzrick H. Harris

Tenor in cwt. 3 Gr, a lb.
-Miss E. Jbesie C. Angwin 5 Edward Sanders ... .. 6 William H. Slegman ... 7 Percy R. C. Williams ...Tmoy Conducted by Cyril E. Lanxon.

* 50th peal. Fivet peal on the bells. Rung within the octave of Eastar.

ICKLETON, CAMRS
THE ELY DIOCRSAN ASSOCIATTON.
On Saturday, Apyil 3, 1937, is Three Hours and Twenty Minwles,
At ter Chorce of St. Mary Magdalene.
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES;

$$
\text { Tenor } 188 \mathrm{c} \text { cwt. }
$$


-Cbarles W. Cook ... ... 4 Ernest G. Hibbins ... ...Tenof Composed by Rev. H. Law Jahes. Conducted by C. W. Wooleey * First peal in the method, and the first attempt by ringers of treble, fourth and sixith. First peal in the method as conductor. Tho band wish to associate with the peal the name of Mr. F. G. Gleaves, who was unforthuately prevented from taking part.

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BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.
-THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and Sodth Bucks Brancy.)
On Saturday, April 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Parisa Cadrch,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, $\operatorname{b040}$ CHANGES;

Therstang' Foer-part.
Tenor $21 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt. William H. Fessell ...Treble 'Jessb Harrison ... ... 5

 Conducted by Harry Wimgrove.
*First peal. Rung as a complinent to the Rev. R. B. P. Wells and Mrs. Wells, who are slortiy leaving the district, also as a complimeut to Miss O. Bigese and Mr. R. Blaby, who were married at Hughenien os Easter Monday.

## ROSS, FEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUULD.
Ow Saturday, April 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Seventenh Minutes, At inf Cherce of St, Mary.

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;

Thurstans ${ }^{2}$ Fodr-fart.
Tenor $24 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.


†Garles L. Sadler .... .4 Haryby H. Winney ... ...Tenoy Conducled by W. Poston.

* First peal of Stodman al first attempt, 1 100th peaj for the Hereford Guild, his first peal having keen rung on this bell.

CHESHUNT, HERTFORDSEIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Satwrday, April 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minntos,
Ait tee Parisy Chorch,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRIBE MAJOR, $\operatorname{EO56}$ CHANGES;

Midileton's.
Grores Radiey ... ...T rebhe ...
 Conducted by John Armstaong.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. G. Radley on being elected president of the association at its annual meeting on Easter Monday.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Surday, April 4, 1937, in Two Houys and Fifty-Six Minutes,
At the Cgorce of St. jobn-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5O24 CHANQES; tenor $13 z_{\text {ewt }}$ ewt.

| Cecil Nice... | ... | ... | ..Treble | Jack M. Crifps | ... | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Reginald v. Jobnson | ... | 2 | Kennene Sneling | ... | ... | 6 |  |  |

Euward J. Cgarman ...
William T. Bebson ... ... 4 Oliver Sippbits ... ... ...Temor
Compesed by A. Kisigers.
HARRIETSHAM, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, April 4, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minntes. At iee Chorce of St. Joun-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GGURT BOB MAJDR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Gzorge Kemward Miss Dorts Dobhie Rbgimald B. Lambert
 Composed by William Wileson. Conducted by Harry Parkes. No. 223 C.e.C.

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DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Aprel 5. 7y37, in i wo Howrs and Fifty-Four Minktes, At the Cgorce or St. Helan,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
Dextrris Variation of Thorsians'.
Tenor 17 cwt .
Grorgr H. Padlson... ...Treble Alfrgd H. Bowler ... .... 5 Edifin Hopilinsen ... ... 2 Romald Allsop ... ... ... 6 Victor E. Taylor ... ... 3 Herbart E. Taylor ... ... ${ }^{7}$ Hggr W. Grbgoay ... ... 4 | Ernbst Pablson ... ... ...Tekor Conducted by H. E. Tayzor.
Fizst peal of Stedmay by tull the band except the zinger of the 4th. Kung for the wedding of Miss Agatha F. Griftitbs, yourger danglter of the Rev. R. Griffiths, Rector of Darley Dale, to Capt. Clarles ${ }^{\text {S }}$ Robinsan, Royal Army Ordnance Corps. The Rev. R. Giffiths is al honornry member of the M.C.A.

LOUGHBOROUGH.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On I uesday, Apral 6,1937 , in Two Hours and Fifty minutes,
At fee Bell Fodndry Campanile,
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGE8; Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Georfrey Harrison ... ...jueblo Charles Allsop ... ... ... 5 Jobim. Fidler ... ... ... 2 William Smith ... ... ... 6 john Grdndy $\quad . . . \quad$......$\quad 3$ G. Ronald Edwards ... ... 7 Leglir Stevens ... ... ... 4 Colin Harrison ... ... ...Tenor Composed by Ggo. Lrwis. Conducted by Colin Harrison.
Rung with lalf-muffed cluppers as a token of respect to tho late Mr. James Smith Huthby, for 40 years a ringe: at Loughborough Parisl Church, who was interned on the 3xd inst.

PENTRE RHONDDA, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCRSAN ASSOGIATION
On Thursday, Apyils, 1937, tn three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes, At the Chorgh of St. Pbier,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, E184 CHANQE8;

 Tegor 27 cwt. in D.George Wines ... ... ...Treble Josepr Loveit ... ... ... 5
Frederick Lasbery ... ... 2 Alyred W. Heati...
Hgrbert Dayigs... ... ... 3 Tom Pagr ... ... ... ... ${ }^{7}$
Jobn W. Jonis ... ... ... 4 William Page ... ... ...Temor
Composed by F. Robinson. Conducted by Herbert Davies.
Specially arranged and rung as a silver wedding peal for the conductor, and a birthday pea! fur the wife of the ringer of the 7th.

BUSHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOOLATION. (Bushey Socibty.)
On Thursday, Apyil 8, 1937, in Three Hows, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8; Tenor 13 ewt.
Francis A. Smite ... ...Teble William G. Weitribad ... 5
Henry Hodgetts ..... $.2^{2}$ William Sbrley... ..... .6 Jobn E. Rootes ... ..... .3 Madice F. R. Hisebert ... 7 Edwin Jennings ... ... ... 4 William Cross ... ... ...Tenoy

Composed by Rzv. H. Earle Belwer (No. 6).
Conducted by Manice F. R. İibebri.
Rung with the bells half-mufled as a last token of respect to the Rev. G. Mortague Hall, Rector of Bushey for 39 years, who was cremated at Golders Green on this day. He was a patron of the association for many years and took at very keen interest in ringing.

## BARTON-ON-EUMBER, LINCS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Nortbern Branch.)
On Thursday, April 8, 1937, in I wo Hours and Fifty-Five Minwtes, At tee Cefter of Si. Peibr,
A PEAL OF OXfORD AND KEnt TREBLE bob majoh, 5120 bhanges ILKESION ARRANGRMBNI.

Tenor io cwt. I qr. 2 lb .
Arthur W. Hoodless ...Treble |-Harold Jedd ... ... ... 5
Jambs W. Goddand ..... $.2^{2}$ †Jambs Cbapman ...


- Firbd Lacby

Composed by E. C. Gobry.
Conducted by Jack Bray.

* First peal of Major in two methods. † First peal. Ruug as a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. Bray, also to Miss June Hoodless.


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## DEEPING ST. JAMES, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathrday, March 27, 1937, in Three Hours and /wrlue Minwtes,
Artae Parise Chorch,

## A PEAL OF BURPRISE MINOR, GO\&O CHANOEE;

Being sevelı 720's, viz.: (1) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Primrose, Hult and Bourn; (2) London end Wells; (3) Durham and York; (4) Northumberiand; (5) Beverley; (6) Carlisle; (7) Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and York. Tenor 19 ewt.
William Oldman ... ...Treble Ernest C. S. Torner
 William H. Waldron ... 3 Thomas L. Bainbridge ...Temoy Conducted by H. M. Da\%.

* First peel in 14 Surprise methods 'inside.'

WEST WIOKHAM, KENT.
THE KENT CODNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wadusday, March 31. 1937, in Two Hours and Fifcy-Two Minutes,
At the Cedrch of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANOES
Being four extents each of Stedman, St. Simon's, Reverse Canterkury and Plain Bob, each with four different callings, and 86 of Grandsire, with 10 different callings.

Tenor 13 ewt.

- Harry Hoskins ... ... ...Treble *Edwin A. Barnety ... ... 3
"Miss H. Oabseett ... ... 2 "James Bennett ... .. ... 4
†Artaur S. Ruceards... ...Temor Conducted by E. A. Barneti.
* First peal of Doubles. f First peal in five methods. First peal in five methous on the belis. The name Reverse Canterbury is taken From ths O.O. Collection, though it is there incorrectly applied.


## LEA, LINCS

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Norterrn Brance, Gainsborodge District.)
On Thursday, April 1, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Five Mirsules,
At the Chorce of St. Helen,

## A PEAL OF DOURLES. EOAO CHANGES:

Beirg 30 six-scores of Grandsire ( 10 callings) and 12 six-scores of Plain Bob (four callingsi).

Tenor 12 ewn, 12 ,

Nofl B. Thorlby ... ... 3 Gborgr W. Hudson ...Tenoy Conducted by Gro. L. A. Lonn.

* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. $\ddagger$ First peal of Doubles inside.' Rung in honour of the 27th anniversery of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Lunu, parents of the zingerg of 1,4 and 5 , which takes place on Apri] 20th, this being the nearest available date

HANLEY CASTLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORGESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOGIATLON. (Western Brance.)
On Salurday, April 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
Ax ther Cedrcr of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF GINBR, EAS CHANDEB;

Being one 760 each of St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. I'enor 14 cwt.

| Allen Morgan ... .... | ...Treble | Thomas W. Lewis | .. | ... | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Reginald Woodyati | .. | 2 | Grorge E, Large | ... | .. | 5 |

 Conducted by Grorge E. Large.

* First peal in seven mothods. First seven-method peal as conductor.

OADOXTON, NEAR NEATH, GLAMORGAN.
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, April 3, 1937, in Two Howrsand Thivty-Eight Minntos,

## At tae Parish Cebech,

## 

720 Stedman, 720 Plain Bob and 3,600 Graudsire. Temor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lis.
 Cooducted by G. I. Lawis.

* Pirst peal of Doublag. Rung to welcome the Rev. D. W. Rees, who was inducted to the above church previous to the peal.

COLMWORTH, BEDS
THE BEDFORDSFIRE ASSOCIATION,
On Saturday, April 3, 1937. in I'wo Houys and Forty-Nine Mimwles,
At tae Cedrge of St, Denys,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANEES:

Being 30 six-scores of Grandsire (tien callings) and 12 six-scores of Plain Bob (four callings).

Tenor 10 cwt.
Donald Cockings ... ..Tyeble Henry J. Parker
... $\quad . . .3$

- William Ceamberlain ... 2 Leonard Wilelams ... ... 4

Frane W. Lack ... ... ...Temoy
Conducted by F. W. Lack.

* First peal. First peal on the bells. The treble was added list year in memory of Mr. W. T. Lack, father of the conductor. The peal was a birthday compliment to Miss D. Howkins and Miss P. M. Lack, who botl came of age during the preceding week.

> LINCOLN, LTNCS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUDD. (Northern Brance.)
On Saturday, April 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirty-Four Minktes, At tee Ceurce of St. Botolpa,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGE 8

Being one gxtent, each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprisa, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Single Court, Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 912 cwt.
Jack Vessey...

## 5

 ... .. Treble Gra. Leslie A. LunnMiss Dorothy VBessy Conducted 3 Clifford A. Vesse

Rung as a farewell to the Vicar, the Rev. C. C. Fawler, who is retiring after 25 years as Voun of the above church.

## ACION, CHESEIRE.

THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GULDD.
On Saturday, Apris3, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Five Mintices, At ter Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAMGES;
Being two extents of Oxford Bob and five of Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.


| George H. Crawley | ... | 2 | Harry W. Howard | ... | ... 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Albert Teomas... ... | Hat | 3 | Harry Parker ... | ... | ... | Conducted by H. Parker.

* First peal and first attempt. Rung on the annivergary of the wedding of H. W. Howard's parents and as a birthday compliment to H. Thelwell's father.

CASTLE HEDINGKAM, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Satwrday, April 10, 1937, in Two Howrsand Fifty Mintetes,
At the Chorch of St. Nicbolas,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 6040 GHANGESI
Rev. E, Banlies James' Arrangement.
Tenor 11 c wh
Ralpa Bird ... ... ... ...Tyeble | Ronald Suckling .... ... 4
Albert Catterwell ... ... 2 Aerc M. Genery ... ... 5
Bernard W. Pettitt ... 3 |eomas Bird ... ... ... Temof Conducted by Ralpe Bird.

* First peal of Cambridge Minor. The conductor's first Surprise peal and first peal as conductor. He is only 16 years of ags and had uot previously called a bob in the method.

LONG SUTTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOOLATION.
On Saturday, Apyrl 10. 1937, in Thyen Hours and Eeghteen Mixwtes,
At the Church or ter Holy Trinity.

## h PEAL OF DOUBLEE, SOA CHANEES;

Being four six-scones of St. Simon's, nine onch of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, and 20 of Grandsive, with 22 different callinge. Tenor 17 cwt .1 qr. 22 lb.
Harold C. R. Vine... ...Tyeble | Dodglas W. Ransom ... 3
-H. Dennis W. Bisbop ... 2 Gilbert W. Rendell ... 4 E. T. Padl Fibld … ...Tenoy

Conducted by E. T. P. FigLD.

* Fotl peal. t First peal in four methoda. First peal on the belle. (Other paal roports are unavoldably hald ovar.)
PUTNEF-At St. Mary's Chureb on Easter Sunday, aquarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, composad and conducted by W. T. Elson: T. Bolton 1, A. C. Williams 2, C. E. G. Moody 3, P. J. Bilby 4, F. Mord 5, W. Winter (first quarter and first attempt) 6, W. T. Jison 7, F. W. Wieks 8. Arranged eapecially for the ringer of the 6th.


## FORTHCOMING BELL OPENINGS.

ASHBURTON, DEVON.-On Saturday, April 17th, at 3 p.m., the bells will be re-dedicated by the Bishop of Crediton; ring of eight restored by John Taylor \& Co.

TILEHURST, BERKS.-The bells will be opened on Saturday, April 17 th, after rehanging by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. Service at 3 p.m.
kiNg'S SUTTON, near Banbury.-On Sunday, April 18 th, at 3.30 p.m., the bells will be re-dedicated by the Bishop of Peterborough. Ring of eight restored by John Taylor and Co.
GREAT WALTHAM, ESSEX. - The restored peal of 8 bells at Great Waltham will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford on Tuesday, April 20th, at 8 p.m. -L. J. Clark, Gen. Sec.

GREAT WALTHAM, ESSEX.-Special Thanksgiving Service for the restoration of the ring of 8 bells, which has been carried out by John Taylor and Co., will take place on Tuesday, April 20th, at 8 p.m. Preacher, the Bishop of Chelmsford.

GLODWICK, OLDHAM.-Re-dedication of bells, at St. Mark's Church, will take place on Sunday, April 25th, by the Lord Bishop of Hulme. The bells have been recast and rehung by Mears and Stainbank.

HARTHILL, SHEFFIELD.-The peal of 8 (tenor 17 cwt.), rehung in a new frame by Gillett and Johnston, will he dedicated by the Bishop of Sheffield on Tuesday, April 27 th, at 7.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.
LLANFIHANGEL RHYDEITHON. -The ring of 5, restored and increased to 6 (tenor 6 cwt.) by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by Dr. Morgan, Bishop of Swansea and Brecon, on Wednesday, April 28 th , at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.

STEWKLEY BUCKS. - The Bishop of Buckingham will dedicate the trebles to existing peal of 6 , which have heen retuned, on April 29 th at 3 p.m. All ringers are invited.

RAMPISHAM, near Dorchester.-The re-dedication of the bells will take place on Friday, April 30th, at 6.15 p.m., by the Bishop of Salisbury. Ring of five restored and rehung in new frame by John Taylor and Co.
BIRMINGHAM CATHEDRAL.-Preliminary Notice. -The ring of 10 (tenor 31 cwt .), recast and rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Birmingham on Saturday, May 1st, in the evening. Further particulars later.

BURTON HASTINGS, near Nuneaton.-The bells will be dedicated on Saturday, May 1st, at 5.30 p.m., by the Bishop of Coventry. The peal has been restored and augmented by five by John Taylor and Co.
STOKE ASH, SUFFOLK.-The ring of five bells, recently rehung and augmented by Bowell and Son, will be dedicated by the Bishop of the diocese on Sunday, May 2nd, at 3 p.m. A tea will be provided. Notice of intention to be present to E. F. Poppy, Stoke Ash, Eye.
WILLENHALL, STAFES.-The peal of 8 increased to 10 (tenor $15 \frac{1}{1} \mathrm{cwt}$.), rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Stafford on Sunday, May 2nd, at 11 a.m. Ringers' meeting at Willenhall on Saturday, May 8th. Beils available 3 p.m. Service 4.45 . Address by the Venerable R. L. Hodson, Archdeacon of Stafford. Tea 5.30 (1s. each). Please send names for tea not later than Tuesday, May 4th, to C. Wallater, 1, Marston Street, Willenhall.
(Continued in next column.)

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

AGENDA FOR THE CANTERBURY MEETING.
The second session of the sixteenth Council ( 45 th annual meeting) will be held in the Chapter House, Canterbury, on Whitsun Tuesday, May 18th, 1937, at 11 a.m. precisely.

The morning session will be adjourned at 1.30 and the afternoon session will commence at 2.30 , or as may be decided.

## AGENDA.

1. Report of the bon. secretary as to membership and payment of stibscriptions.
2. Election of nonorary members.

The following retire and are eligible for re-election: The Rev. H. S. T. Richardsen, Mr. A. A. Hughes, Mr. E. C. S. Turner aud Mr. Stephen H. Wood,
3. Presentation of new meinbers to the president. (Rule 11.)
4. Apologies for abseuce.
5. Loss of members through death.
6. Minutes of the last meeting.
7. Report of the honorary litisrarian.
8. Statement of accountr.
9. Report of the Trustees of the Carter Ringing Machine.
10. To receive, discuss nind, if thought fit to adopt the reports of the following committees.
To pass such resolutions as may be necessary on matters arising out of the reports.
To alter the constitution of the committees if considered desirable.
(a) Standing Committee.
(b) Peal Collection Committee.
(c) Methods Committee.
(d) Peal Analysis and Records Committee.
(e) Towers and Belfities Committee.
(f) Literature, Press and Broadcastritg Committee.
(g) Peal Buards Committee.
(h) Biograplies Committee.
(i) As to the circulation of 'The Ringing World.'
(j) As to the muffling of bells,

MOTIONS.
11. That so much of all previous resolations of the Council defines or attempts to define what shall be recognised as peal of Doubles be rescinded and that the following lse substituted therefor:-

1. Peals of Doubjes shall consist of 5,040 or more clanges rung in:-
(a) True and complete Six-Scores, withont interval between any two Sixscores end without rounds or any othes row being struck more than owce before the nex: change is muds.
(b) Round blocks consisting of two or more Six-Scores provided that each of thas Six-Scores which compriso the round blocks shall be itself a true and completo found block.
(c) Twelve Sicores known as Morriss' and Pitman's.
(d) Combinations of (a), (b) and (c) above or any two of them.
2. At the conclusion of 5,040 ar more changes, rung in accordance with (1) above, one trite touch of any length less than 120 changes may be added.
3. Peals of Doubles may be rung with or without a covering bell.
Proposed by Mr. W. G. Wilson, scconded by Mr. E. C. S. Turner.
4. To fix the place of the nest meeting.
5. Other business (if any).

Gronge w, Ftarcher, Hon. Secretary.
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## SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Shropshire's heaviest ring of six, tenor 25 cwt ., at Clive, cast by Taylor and Co. in 1894, were hoard in some good Minor ringing when nembers atsended the meeting of the Shropslive Association. addition to Doubles, Oxford, Kent, Cambridge, London, Double Court and Plain Boh Minor were rung.
At the service the Vicar (the Rov. C. Legard) weloomed the ringer's in an appropisate address.
No business was transacted, as the extra meetings this year allow for business on alternate dates only.

## (Coatinued from previous column.)

## KING'S BROMLEY, NR. BURTON-ON-TRENT.-

 On Tuesday, May 4 th, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., the bells will be rededicated by the Bishop of Stafford; ring of 6 bells recast and rehung by John Taylor and Co.
## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## PROPOSAL TO FORM BRANCHES.

The annual meeting of the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association oi Easter Mondey at Llandafi was splendidly aftended by members from both the dioceses. The bells were available in the afternoon and were made full use of until the eervice at 4 o'clock. The Dean gave the address, which dealt mosthy with the argin and use of church towers and Lells and was most interesting. At the conclusion of his address he condially welcomed the ringers to Llandaff and desired that all should take tea with him in the Prebendal House.
The Dean and his wife had very generously provided the meal aud it was with diffeulty that all were able to gef sitting room,
The business meeting followed, the Dean taking the chair.
Restoration and angmentation reports were received and also instruotors' reparts.
The sum of 23 was voted to the Jlanfreghfa augmentation of two trebles, which have been iostalled.
It was decided to hold the next Monmouthshire quarterly meeting at Linnfecha end the Glamorganshine mecting at Penarth.
The next annual meeting will be held at St. Woolos', Newport.
The Rev. Ivor Richards was elected Master for the ensuing year. The hon. seerctary and hon. auditors were re-elected and a large number of new members were efected.
Notice of mation was given that at the next annal meating a proposition will be made to divide the association into two branelies.
A hearty vote of thanks, which was received with great acclamation, was accorded the Dean, special mention being made of the fact that he most readily agreed to have the meeting at Llandaff. It lad prepiously been arranged to hold the meeting at Cardif, but owing to tower repairs the bells were not available. It was, therefore, considered best not to visit Cardiff. The Dean was thanked for the use of tha bells, for his address and for the hospitality extended by himself and his wife.
The Dean, in reply, said that it was always \& pleasure to them both to do whatever they could for the lingers, who, he congidered, Fere doing such useful church work.

The meeting was a huge success.

## PASSING OF A VETERAN CO. DURHAM RINGER.

The Ohester-lestreet Guild have logt a faithful member by the passing of Mr. William Brown at the age of 75 years. He joined the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association in 1884 and has bebn a regular ringer at Chester-le-Street for the past, 55 years.
The bells were rung half-muffled before and after the funeral service on March 31st by his fellow-ringers as a token of respect.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SOUTHERN DIVISION ANNUAL MEEIING.
On Saturday, April 10th, the annual meeting of the Sonthern Division of the Sussex County Association was held at Southover; Lewes, $\overline{5}$ members and friends being present from Brighton (ist. Peter's, St: Nicholas' and the Good Shepherd), Henfeld, Rothenfeld, Lamberhurst, Chiddingly, Lindfield, Shoreham, Furstpierpoint, Burgess Hill, Eastbourne, Hastinge, Uckfield and members of the laca] tower.
The Rector (tho Rev. D. G. Mathews) presided at the business mecting, and officera for the year were elected as follows: Hondivisional secretary, Mr. S. E. Armstrong; committee, Mesers. J. Dearlove, G. P. Flphick and K. Hard; Gommittee of Adyice, Messts. Derlove, Page and Elphick.

One new life member was elected, Mr. E. H. Preston, temporarily resident at Seaford.
The Master. Mr. H. R. Buicher, proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, for the service and fox presiding at the meeting.

Ringing ranged from rounds on the tea bells to Stedman Gaters and Canbridge and Superlative Surprise, and the tower was made good use of from 2.30 to 9 p.m.

## RINGER'S WEDDING AT STEPNEY

The Archdencon of Middlesex (Rev. Hon. S. II. Phillimore), assiated by the Rev. R. French, M.A., M.C., Rector of Stepner, oflicinted ati the wedding of Mr. George Fox to Miss Margaret Stincey on Saturday, April Jrd, at Stepney Parish Church
phe bridegroom is well known in the district, not ouly as a ringer, but as a churchwarden and sacristan. The bride has been closely connected with the work of the chureh, being a Suuday Scliool tgacher, seeretary of the Social Clu\}, and holding obther ofices connected with parochiul organisations. The best man was Mr. II. Thompson, the secretary of the Guild of Stepney Scholars.
The local company rang the bells in honour of the event, which was favonred with glorious sumshipe. It was a scarlet and whife wedding, the five bridesmajds being dressed in red velvet, and, judging by the crowded church, the most popular wedding there for a long time.
The reception was held at Red Coat Hail. After the ceremony fellow-members of the London Connty Associntion successfully accomplished a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal, the ringers later attending the reception fur refreshment and to express their congratulations. The bridal couple left for an unknown destination for their lioneymeon.

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## THETFORD BELL RESTORATION.

## HISHOP'S ADVLSORY COMMITTEE INTERVLNE.

An interesting case, in which a Bishop's Advisory Committee inter vened to prevent a bell restoration being carried out on the lines desired by the local chureh authorities, came before the Chancellor of the Diocess of Norwich (Mr. F. K. North) at the Consistory Court on Siaturday weck. It concerned the bells of St. Peter's Church, Thetford. The Rector and churchwardens had applied for a faculty giving them permission to take down the bells, recondition, tune and restore them. I'lo application lad been adjommed from a provious Court.

On behalf of the Advisory Committee, Mr. H. R. Nevill said he had been to the church, and the committee's fatervention was regarded, as usual, as unnecessary fuss by a body of faddists. He had the advice of Mr. Willian Weir, one of the greatest living muthorities on the hanging of bells. Mr.'Weir made a detailed inspection of the bells and lad said that their condilion had been greatly exaggerated. He (Mr. Nevill) and Mr. Weir found that neither the Rector nor the churchWarden who was conducting the business had been in the belfry. Mr. Weir spent 40 minutes examining the bells and found their frame was good but loose. It wanted stressing laterally and vertically.
The peal was put up by Lord Rivers in 1790, when the ancient bells were recast and made into a peal of eight, Mr. Nevill stated. The peal was rellung about 1870. Mr: Weir found that the wear and tear on the bells had not been great. The proposal to quarter-turn them was mot necessary, but it was inobjectionnble.

## COMMIT'IEE'S OBJECTIONS

What Mr. Weir and the committee did object to very shrongly was a proposal loy the firm the Rector and clurchwardens liad employed to cut of the cannons of the bells and substitute their patent iron headstocks. This would weaken the crowus of the bells. As it was, the elm headstocks put on them in 1870 were in very good condition. They were of seasoned elm and should not be destroyerd. Mr. Weir said it would be troublesome, but not impossible, to ring the bells in their present condition, the reason for the dificulty being that the bearings were worn. Mr. Weir suggested that if the Kector and churchwardens wanted any work to be done they should put in modem
ball bearings, which would cose f180, as compared with the $£ 300$ in the ball bearings, which would cose f180, as compared with the $£ 300$ in the
present estinates. The fivm had put in an alternative proposal which would retain the wooden headstocks, and the Advisory Committee said of they did that there would be no objection to dnything else they did to the bells. Thiey could do anybling so long as they did not cut the bells about. That was a highly dingerous and objectionable practice. He could point to one peal that had been ruined by that treatment. The Chancellor: Where is that?
Mr. Novill: It is at Scarning. They cannot ring the bells at all now.
The Clinncollor said le had had a letter from Mr. T. E. Rudting, one of tlie churchwardens.
Scanning the letter, he said: 'I am sorry to read this-" Whe damare already caused to the religious work of the chnirch is such that it will not recover in a generation." I am very sorry for that, though I don't quite follow why it should be. The custing off of the cannons of the hells seems to me to be a piece of wandalism to be avoided if possible. The fact that it is pnece ofsary is enough to condemn it as far as $I$ am concerned.'
Mr. Nevill : The reason Cor the trouble was that they wanted to have the work done in a hurry, and to have the bells ringing for the Coromation. They have given out that the Advisory Committee stepped in and prevented jt. $A_{s}$ a matter of fact, the committce did bothing of the kind, because tho worls advised by Mr. Weir is adequate and could have been dons in half the time. It might have been done
The Chancellor: At the Iast Court I said applications to do things hurry in order to be in time for particnlar seasous or occasions rden my heart and make me very suspicious and very slow. If here is any blame to be taken for these bells not being ready to be ung for the Coronation, I am quite ready to take it.
Mr. Nevill: If they had applied to the Advisory Committee first, insiead of getting estimates from arm, as is so frequently done, there wonld have been no troable at all.
The Chancellor issued a facklty for the work to be done, subject to the retention of the wooden headstocks on the bells. He said he thonght Mr. Weir should superintend the work, and he reserved to the Advierory Committee leave to gmply to him again if any difficulty arose. 'I am sorry' he added, 'that the bells won't be ready for the
Coronation, and I am willing to take the blame.' VICAR PiOTESTS AT DELAY.
An interesting commentary on the delays which occur in regard to the granting of faculties oceurred at the same Court.
The Revistrar (Mr. C. B. Bolingbroke) said: The Vicar of Docking which he said: 'As it is five montilis since I applied for a faculty for a which he said: ${ }^{6} A s$ it is fye months since I applied for a faculty for a tablet to be erected by Mrs. F. Hare and the citation has been on the church door for four months, I am giving her leave to proceed, as I can get no further by application. You may yecall that this is the third letter I have written abont this, and two descriptions sent. I am no nearer getting word from you. I have also applied for a faculty for electric light, and as I nust lave this in time for the Coranation, which I explained in my communication three months ago, I intend to go forward with the matter at once.'
The Chancellor: I will degree the faculty for the tablet, and as for the letter, you liad better send it to the Bishop.

## SUFFOLK GUILD.

NEW SECRETARY APPOINTED.
A well-athonded meeting of ringerg was held on Saturday, April 3rd. As the bells of All Saints are not yet back from the foundiers, only the towers of St. Petor's and $\$$ t. Gregory's were quailable. Ringing began at 2.30 , and there was a service in §t. Grerory's at 4.30 , al which the body of the chuych was filled. A serman was preached by the Rev. Canon Round-Purner, Rector of Bealings, which was appreciated by every one of his hearerg. JIe gave instances of the wuy in which people bad been inlluenced for goad by the solind of church bells, aud mentianed cases that he had known of people being brouglit back to the practice of their religion, He spoke of the way in which lo had.been trught to ring, the importance of delails being inpressed on him, and most of all that of "good gtxilcing.' He theu showed how these lessons applied to our daly life and to oul practice of religion.
A large company sat down to tea in the Parish Hall, atticr which tie business meetug was held, with the Bishop of Dthwich in the chair.
The report showed a balance of ext, and spoke of good progress both with new ringers aud with new riugs of bells.
The Rev. J. T. Hughes proposed the re-election of the Rev. H, Drake as searetary, but Mr. Drake said that he barl quito made up his mind to resign. Fige had been seopetary during the 15 years that the Guild had existed, and had wavched it grow until ib was in the front rank, with about a thousand members and ringing about a hundred peals a year. He hed now entered on his 7oth year, and it was only fair that he should give way to someone younger. Then, if he be spared for a few more years, he could watch be Guild being safely guided by someone else in its future destinies,
After some discussion, Mr. Harold Herbert, of Sudbury, was eleeted as secretary.
To fil the two vacanoies on the committee, the Rev. . . Drake and Mr. David Elliott were chosen.

The ring at Horhan was then discussed. These bells have long been ver, dilapidated. They are believed to be the oldest is fite country to have been cast as now existing, and probably the first rizg of an odiave to be made, dating as they clo from the 17 th century. They are also the lightest, tho tenor being only 7 ewt. A collection amounting to $£ 28$ s. 3d. was made for these belle.
It was decided to hold the nexd meeting at Sproughton and a later olle at Assington.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

## SUGGESTED FOXMATION OF DEST?RICTS.

The aunual meeting of the North Nottg Association was held, as usual, at Refrord on Saturday, April 10th. The weather was not too good, but this did not prevent 40 ringers from being present. East Ordsall (6, tenor 7 少ewt.) were all open for ringing. At the firstinamed tower various Triples ta Royal methods were rung in the afternoon and evening, but auly a little yinging took place ut Ordsall and that before tea, while Wost Retford bells did nod u'cally get going until after tea, when the lower was almosl crowded out. The striking was fairly good; as good, at any rate, as call be expected from mixed companies.
The service was held in East Refford Churel, the Rev. Redunund officiating. Mr. FI. Blagg played the organ, and the Rev. A. J. Linsell, of West Ret ford, gave the address. He stressed the point that ringers should be the first to hear the message of the bells. There would then, he said, be more conviotion belind that message ns jt went out over the countryside to other people.
Tes fallowed in the libsworth Hall, the Rev. Redmand welcoming the assaciation to East Retford.
At the business maetiug which followed, the election of officers and adoption of the report and balance sheet were carried tirough.
The question of the division of the association into a Retford and a Neprark District was discussed, but no conclusions ware reacherd, The
subject will be brought forward again at the next meeliug in the subject will b
Newark area.
It was decided that a memorial to the late secretary, Mr. R. W. Stockdale, consisting of a bronze tablet, should be erected in the nave of Ordsall Church.
The committee's recommendation Lliat Blyth or Harthill shoutd he the tower for the next Crawford Cup contest nid not meet. with the approval of the memhers, udd it was resolver to visit Sutlon-onTrent, as it was the turn of that tower, which is easily accessibie. Towler') asfed the captain of every tower to make early arrangements for their bells to be rung some time during the day. If they found this impossible, owing to lack of numbers, they were to write to the secretary, who would try to get outside vingers to assist.
Mr. H. Stenton informed the meeting of the loss of a good dinger by the death of Mr. S. Smith, of Anston, who alied on Easter Day. Fo hed been a rinter for many years and was for some time on the committee of the associstion,

Votes of thanks were passerl to all who made arrangements for tho day. Some ringers afterwards rang their first touch of Royal, athers tried the more intricato Minor methods, at East and West Retford respectively. The lowering in peal of the bells it hoth tawers at 8.30 brought an enjoyable day to a close.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,

## OvER 1,000 Practising Members.

## Revised Rules Adopzed

More than 250 ringers and friends assembled at $A$ shford on Easter Monday for the annual meoting of the Keat County Association the alitendanca was a record, except for the jubilee meeting at Canterbury, After ringing during the morning, service was held in the Parish Church at noon, the Wicar (the Rev. Ronald Sinclair) officiating. At the opening of the zervice he welcomed the association, fud the Archdeacon of Maidstone (the Ver. T. K. Sopwith), in his address, said how deeply and constantly he appreciated the work ringers were doing for the flory and honour of the Church

T have many opportsinities of appreciating that work,' he said, 'as on most Suudays in the jear I travel tirrougli that part of Eent in which I exorcise whatever jusisdiction an Archdeacon may have and I find bells ringing in the Romuey Marsh, the Weald, or it the beatiful village churches aroubd Mandstone, and I hear the bells of the grent churches of Asbford and Maidstane to speed me on my way. advisedly, because whatever you may think about clergy-and people express their opivions rather freely-you and we are united jo the yeoman task of calling people of the country and this county to God and the worship in His bouse.

Do regard your wowk as a real vocation and real calling, continued the Archdeacon. You make a great contribution to English lifo aud one I hops will never be broken, but you do something more-you are daing $\pi$ work whith God has given you to do.
Mr. F. H. Lewis, vice-president of the association and president of the Ceutral Council, presided at the luncheon and juginess meeting that followed. He was supported by the Archdeacon of Maidstone, the Rev. R. Sinclair, and the principal officers of the association. Mr. F. White mroposed the toast of "The Archbishop and Clergy" and said the Archdeacon's address had praised them for the past att given encouragement for the future. He also thanked tife vicar of Ashford for the fine service and the use of the rooms, and the organist, Mi. P. Steinitz.

The Archdeacon replied, aud, an his suggestion, a message was taken by him to Canon Helmore, who was formerly secretary of the association for 38 years.

HIGHEST MCMBTESEIP FOR FIFTEEN YEARS.
In tho annual report, presented by the hon, secretary, regret was expressed at, the death of the second hon. secretary of the association (the Rev. E. W. Carpenter). He took over the secretaryship when the Rev. $R$ Kuatchbull Hugessen resigned in I889, and it was during his term of office that the county was divided into five distiocts. He resigned in 1891 and was succeeded by the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore.
Tho report went on to record that the association had aver one thousand practisivg members last year-the first time for 15 years. "Having ohtamed these additional members," continued the report, we must all do our best to kecp them interested in the and of chango ringing and association affairs, and thus, perhaps, be the means of flling the gaps that must necessarily occur as time goes on.'
There were 120 towers in union, an incresse of fonr aver the previous year. There were now affliated to the association one 18-belf tower, five 10-bell, 65 eight-bell, 46 six-bell and five five-bell towers. The life members tetalled 32 , hon, menbers 73 , adilt practising members 960 juniors 98 , naking is total of 1,058 . Ten non-residerts bave been added to the membership and the total now exceeds 1,560 .
An appeal was made to all bands to proclaim the message of the forthcoming Coronation in a fit and proper manner and to see that the ringitis is fitting for the occasion. "Recently," said the report, "we have heard caustic remarks concerning the "striking" of hells; let us see it to it that our bells are well struck and the ringing worthy of such an aseciciation as ours
Hhanks were expressed to fincumbents at the 31 places where district quarterly or by-meetints had heen held and to those who on various occasions had extended hospitality to the members. Thanks were also extended to the members of the committee who lad retired.
Tha peals rumg numbered 128, which was 27 less than in the precading year. The 124 tower-bell peals were inng in 79 towers: 39 members rang their first peal and 137 their first in a method. Nine conductent thelr first peal and six their first in a method.

In analysing the peals rung, the report said that the Surpise peals wero 16 fess than in 1935. The association could not boast of sur edvancement in the quality of the methods rung, but it was hoped that what had been lost in peals had been made up for in extra ringing and good ringing for Sunday setvicos.

SUBSTANTIAL MUNDS
The general acconst showed $a$ reduced halance, and stood at f28 14s. 5d. The Benevolent Find liad an increased balence and stoor at $£ 2685 s .10$. Six appeals for help wele recaved and grants were made to the cxtent of eza. The fund had been helped to the extent of 813 Ss .4 d . as n result of collections at meetings.

From the Belfy Repair Fund six mineas had been paid and the balance in hand had increased to $£ 1285$. 9d. The total funds from all somrees was $£ 971$ 18s. 5 d ., an increase over last year of 854 s .2 d . In moving the adoption of the report, the Chairman referred to the record gathering (excluding the jubilee meeting), and said it showed contmuen interest in the associntion. They had reached a thousand members; but they had 1,450 bells to ring, so were still a good deal
short of what they should be. There were 216 towers and only 120 in union witly the ussociation.

I do not thiuk we should be satisfied,' he said. 'A little of the cnergy of the last two years put into the question of rules should be pat into missionary work so that we can get 100 per cent. of the towerg in uaion and nembership up to the number of bells there are to ring.

The report and accounts Fere adopted.
In moving the adoption of the revised rules, the hon. secretary said he hoped that the work of the committee, that luad been appointen to consider the various ameadments, would be approved. Fach district had boen rooresented on the commitien and he considered they had done their work well, and their reconmendation was unaaimous.
Mr. H. Eroskins secouded the adoption.
A livel $y$ discossion followed, partieularly on the provisions affecting the election of representatives to the committee. Thie proposed revision included the clause: 'That the district secredaries and two represeutatives from each district. .. . be elected at the annual district meeting

1 districts may, if so desired, elect them by tower representation,
Mr. E. Barnett (Grayford) asked what exactly was meant by 'tower cpresentation.
ML: A. J. Battin (Tunbridge Wells, St. Peter's) : It means the goodwill of the ringers (cheers)
Mr. Barmett said unless they maintained the right to exercise an individual vote they wera losing a great English privilege. 'We must guard arainst a diatatorship,' he said, 'and I propose that the clause be ruthlessly struck out.'
Other speakers pointed out that the proposed revisions had been fully considered by the committee, and it was unfair to question the votes of elected roprosentatives.
Put to the vote Mr. Barnett's proposal was defeated, onIy four voting in favour, and the revised rules were adopted.
All the offeers were unanimously re-elected, which showed that the mon:bors were satisfied with the management of their affairs.
In meriug the re-election of the how. secretary, the Chairman said he had opportunities of seeing the work that was dane bohind the sconeg, and he was pleased to say the secretary had been provided with a typewriter, which was a great asset to the association. Fo felt sure they could not have a better man than Mr. Mitchell.
In weturning thanks, Mr. Mitchell congratulated tite members their co-operation in that eay's arangemente. He liad asked for applications for tickets to be made by the last posk on wednesday and the members had excelled thomselves, as all had applied at the stated time, which was quite unusual for ringers. He thanked bint district secretaries for their work during the year, as without thei: valued help his duty would be fin more difinomit.

ENGLAND'S OLDEST BELLRINGER
The Chaiman read a letter from the Rey. Page, Vicar of Alding ton, who apologised for the absence of Mr. C. Slingrby, who would b 100 years old in May. Fe had hoped to bring him along, but he wa now recovering from an attack of influenza. 耳 ringers to a meetirg on the last Saturday in May, et Aldington, celebrat $\Rightarrow$ Mr. Slingsby's 100 th birthday.
A collection for this 'grand old man' was made to enable hime talre a little extra nourislment, which realised 520 s .6 d ., and was aken to him the same afternoon
Thanks wero voiced to the Vicar and Archdencon and the clergy arions parishes where clurch towers lad been opened for the ringer Ilie collection for the Benevolent Tund was £5 Is. 91

## LATE NOTICES

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.--The next meeting will be held at Whitby on Saturday, April 24 th. Ten bells (tenor 18 cwt ). Tea will be provided at Hood's Marine Cafe at 5 p.m. Pleass notify me for tea not later than Wednesday, A pril 2 Ist.J. Reed. Hon. Sec., 67 , Hedley St., Guisborougb, Yorks. WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESA GUILD.-Isle of Wight District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Brading on April 24th. Bells (8) availabie from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 , followed by quarterly business meeting. All requiring tea please notify by April 21st.--H. P. James, Hon. Dis. Sec., 1r, Portland Street, Newport, Isle of Wight.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual meeting at Lincoln on Saturday, April 24th. Service in the Morning Chapel of the Cathedral at 3.15 p.m. Tea at 4.30 at the Co-operative Hall, Silver Street, at I/8 per head, followed by business meeting. Ringing at the Cathedrat, St. Peter-at-Gowt's and St. Botolpl's from 2 p.m. All requiring tea please send their names without fail to Mr. G. Chester, x 6. Carline Road, Lincoln, not later than Wednesday, April 21st.-F. W. Stokes, Hon. Sec.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

USETUL HINTS IN CALLING STEDNAN CATERS.
last week we showed that the calling of the "ordinary courses of Steduan Caters is a fairly simple matter, because the bobs usualiy occur at 5 and 16, with occasional bobs at 4 (to move the 5th's place bell) and, very ravely, at 15 (when it is desired to change the 2ad's place bell). This last is seldon done, because it complicates the composer's task ly adding to the risk of falseness.
The bob at 5 chauges the 'treble's place' bell, that is, the hell which, at the course end itself, strikes first. Acturally this bell is then doing its last whole turn. When the bob at 5 is called this bell is dodging i \& 8 -9 (up) and consequently remaims there for arother 'six,' and the bell it dodges with (1.e., the bell in 9-8, down) becomes the treble's place bell insticad.
The importance of this bell to the conductor is this: If he is a wise man he will memorise the order in which the working bells (tusually there are only four' become treble's place bell throughout the touch or peal-just as ic calling a peal of Major he will, or should, know the 5 th's and 6th's place bells. The bobs at 16 are like calling so many "Homes" in Major, and it is necessary to know when the last of a set of two or three lias been called, for memory is not always reliabla.
The treble's place bell is the key to the position. After the last 16, there must loe cither a bob at 4 or 5 . Let us deal with the hob at 5 first, as that is Elie one that most frequently occurs. You should know beforehand, as we have said, which is to be your next trable's place bell. When you call the last hob at 16 , this bell will make the bob and will then be the 'quick" well at the course end; that is the quick bell in the last six of the courge, and will hunt up through the dodgiug places immediately in front of the existing trebie's place bell until it renches $9-8$ (down), when the bob is called to change over the treble's place bell. Thus the condnctor has plenty of opportunity to make sure of his position.
If the bab happens to be at 4 , the same bell becomes treble's place bell, hut dodges up at the bol (which is one 'six ${ }^{2}$ earlier) instead of down. The bell that is leavino treble's place makes the bob.

These are just a few points to belp you check up on your calling of
otdinary' courses, which form the main body of most peals and touches.
The calling of 'starting,' or 'turning,' or "homing " courses is not quite so smaple. A 'starting' course is the one which brings the *fxed ' bells, referred to last week, into their proper positions. A "turning" course is one which transposes these bells into alternative fixed positions, and a 'lhoming' course is one cmployed to bring tho bolls romnd. Usually it is unnecessary to employ both a 'turning' and as homing course, because the former is so arranged that the bells will run round antomatically after a given number of courses.
There is no really royal road to calling these starting and twining courses. It is safest to learn them thoroughly, and in doing this to know which bells are going to "make the bobs' and which pajrs will be dodging behind at the bobs. Witl practice you will get to know quite a lot about the construction of these caurses, but to go into elaborate details is not necessary in this article.

Conductore should prich out these courses for themselves. They will get all th: information they want from the six-ends, hut there are certuin things lo remember. First, the usual 'start' is from 231456789 . which is the ncturl six-end, rounds being really the fourth change of tho six. Next, there are two different transpositions of rows which have to be 118ed alternately, one for the 'slow' six and the other for the 'quick' six. The transpositions ga thiss in pairs:-

> | 231456789 |
| :--- |
| 342618597 |
| 346829175 |

If there are bobs the transpositions are:-
231456789
Bob at 1342617589 followed by
Bob at 2346725189
One other thing to rememher is that if you want to eall a bob at 1 , you must do so mmediately the bells go of into changes, because it is made in the change ofter 231456789.

As an experiment, write out a starting comrse by the six-ends, with bohs at 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12, 13, 16. If you do it correctly your conrseend shoulr be 412365978 . From this go on and write out a homing course with bobs at $2,6,7,8,9,12,13$. Your course end will not be 231456789 ; but see what you can make of it for yourself and then go into the tower and call the tauch if yous have the opportunity.

## FUNERAL OF MR. J. J JONES.

The funers of the late Mi. J. J. Jones, formerip hon. secretary of the Guildford Brandh of the wimehester Diocesan Guild, took place at Guidford Cemetery on Wednesday of last week.

As already reported, Mr. Jones was predeceased by his wife by only a few hours. and the remains of both were interred in the samo grave.

Namerous representatives of variaus hadies in Guitdford wera present, and the Guildford Diocesan Guild was represented by Messrs. T. S. Goldamith (hota secretary), E, G. Ieath, S. Radford, E. Raddon and Mrs. Hazelden (S. Nicolas, Guidford. of which company Mr. Jones was for many years a mermber), Mr. W Melville and Mr. T. W. White (Onthedral, GuildFord) and Miss Avonall (Worplesdon).

A wreath was sent by the S . Nicolas' Society.

## NOTICES.

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## 18th CENTURY PEAL RECORDS.

Will all secretaries, or any interested ringers who have collected records of old peals rung previous to 1825, please forward same or particulars, not later than May 1st for this year's report to the Central Council, to Wm. I-I. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, Chiswick, W.4?
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Giles' Church, Cripplegate, on Saturday, April 17th. Service at 4.30 p.m., Preacher, Rev. E. G. Turner, Vicar of Cripplegate. Meat tea at the Zita Restaurant, 9, Fore Street (adjoining the church) at 5 o'clock, at 4 s . 3d. each. Business meeting after tea. Ringing arrangements, St. Giles', Cripplegate, 12 bells, from 2 to 4.30 , and after the meeting; St. James', Clerkenwell (8) from 2 to 4 p.m.; St. Lawrence Jewry (8) from 7.30 to 8.30 p.m.-C. T. Coles, 21, Vincent Road, E.4, F. W. Goodrellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks, Joint Hon. Secs.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

 -Bath Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Batheaston, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15 p.m.-Theo Grant, Swainswick, Bath.BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Glastonbury Deanery Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at West Pennard on Saturday, April 17th. Divine service and dedication of Memorial Tablet to the late Master (1925-1935), the Rev. E. S. C. Lock, will be performed by the Rev. L. S. Lewis, with address by the Rev. W. M. K. Warren (Master) at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business to follow. - F. D. Rickards, 32, Burcott Road, Wells, Som.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Feering on Saturday, April 17 th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. - F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Sherborne St. John and Menk Sherborne on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 2.30. Service in Sherborne St. John Church at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meeting follows.-J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Dis. Sec.
WARWICESSHIRE GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Rugby on Saturday, April 17th. The bells of St. Andrew's Church, rings of 8 and 5 , will be available from 3 p.m. Committee meet in the Church House at 4 p.m. Service at 4.45 , followed by tea in the White Heather Café, Market Place, at 5.15 . Business meeting immediately after tea in the Church House. - Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., Exhall, near Coventry.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Martin's, Chelsfield, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belveders, Kent.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-A meeting will be held at Whetstone on April 17th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in schoolroom.-H. W. Perkins, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Landseer Road, Leicester.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD OF RINGERS.West Dorset Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Netherbury on Saturday, April 17th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. —C. H. Lathey, Middle Street, Bradpole, Bridport.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-The meeting at Cople on Saturday April 17th, has been cancelled.-Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec., 10, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Wickham on Saturday, Aprif 17th. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5, followed by business meeting. All ringers welcome. - A. T. Greenwood. 5, Sheffield Road, Portsmouth.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-A meeting will be held at Orwell on Saturday, April 1'7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Nags Head 5 p. m. Meldreth bells available from $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please support this meeting and encourage our five-bell ringers.-C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.--Wellingborough Branch.--A quarterly meeting will be held at Wollaston on Saturday, April 17th. Bells (6) from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business. Good bus service from Wellingborough. Please send cards to A. Bigley, Hon. Branch Sec., 30, Allen Road, Irthlinghorough, Wellingborough.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H. Branch.A by-meeting will be held at Stanford-in-the-Vale on Saturday, April 17th, at 6.30 p.m.-R. Gilling, Hon. Sec., Fernham, Faringdon.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Bootle, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service 6 p.m. Please notify Mr. Jas. Martin, 15, Fairly Crescent, Orrell, Bootle. Subscriptions due.A. Grundy, Branch Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Luton Parish Church on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea, followed by business, at 5 p.m. All ringers invited.-F. J. Plummer, Sec., c/o Post Office, Leighton Buzzard.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Terrington St. Clement on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 2.15 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.-Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-The next practice meeting will be held at Kendal ( 10 bells) on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available 2.30 p.m.-N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -A joint meeting with the Elloe Deaneries Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild will be held on Saturday, April 17th, at Terrington St. Clement. Belis (8) from 2.15 p.m. Service 4.30. All ringers welcome. - W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisberch.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. - The next meeting is to be held at New Hay (St. Thomas') on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. Please come along and support us. You will be welcome.-S. Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

GET a pull over your neighbour at Aldenham on Saturday, April 17th. Ringing from 3.30. Tea, Village Club, 5.30. Bells open till 8.30. Excellent bus service to church from Radlett, Bushey, or coach service. - Herts Association.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Combined practice meetings have been arranged at St . Albans, St . Peter's, on Monday, April 19th, and the Cathedral on Tuesday, May 4 th, both at 7.45 p.m. All ringers are cordially invited.-W. Nash and H. V. Frost, Dis. Secs.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at Guildford on Saturday, April 24th. At a service in the Cathedral at 3.30 p.m., the Lord Bishop will dedicate a memorial, erected by the Cathedral ringers, to the late Provost E. C. Kirwan. Mecting at 5 p.m. in the Royal Grammar School; tea in Abbot's Kitchen 6.15, 1s. per head, for those who notify me not later than Wednesday next, April 21st. Cathedral bells (8) available after service; S. Nicolas" (10) and Shalford (8) after tea.-J. S. Goldsmith, Mon. Sec., Southover Cottage, Pyrford, Surrey.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. -- The half-yearly meeting will be held at Worsley ( 10 bells) on Saturday, April 24th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea in Café at 5 p.m.-W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Worsley on Saturday, April 24 th, in conjunction with the half-yearly meeting of the Lancashire Association. For arrangements see notice above.-Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec., 35, The Crescent, Worsley

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting, arranged for Leigh, will be transferred to Worsley on April 24th. It will be held in conjunction with the half-yearly meeting. See notice above. -Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-South Norfolk Branch.-A meeting will be held at Pulham Market (iilness at Redenhall) on Saturday, ApriI 24th. Bells from 2.30 ; service 4.15 ; tea 4.45 . Special businesselection of branch secretary. Special methods-Bristol Surprise and Cambridge Court.-Nolan Golden, Winton, 26, Brabazon Road, Norwich.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-Aylesbeare Deanery Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Otterton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (6) 2.30; also Colaton Raleigh and East Budleigh (6) bells. Service at 4.30 p.m. The address will be given by the Vicar (Rev. E. C. Grimaldi, R.D.). Tea at 5 p.m. in the Village Hall. Meeting to follow.-R. Brook, Hon. Sec., 3, Greatwood Terrace, Topsham.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division.A meeting will be held at Widford on Saturday, April 24th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow.-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-North-East Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bampton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.-R. Harris, Hon. Sec., Park, Silverton, nr. Exeter.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northern District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April 24 th, at St. Mary's, Holloway Road, Holloway, N. 7. Beils available 3 p.m. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Church Hall. -James G. A. Prior, Section House, Ixworth Place, Chelsea, S.W.3.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury and District Branch. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Great Tew on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. All welcome. Names for tea if required.-E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Banbury, Oxon.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.The spring meeting of the above branch will be held at Aldermaston on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., at 6 d . each. All ringers welcome. Intending visitors please notify Mrs. Hunt, Hind's Hend Hotel, Aldermaston, near Reading, by Wednesday, April 21st, for tea. - H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be heid in St. Mary's Cathedral, Glasgow, on Saturday, April 24th. Service in Cathedral at 4 p.m. Tea (new rule) 4.30. Business meeting to follow. Ringing from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome. Wm. F. M. Stenhouse, Hon. Sec., 7, Brantwood Avenue, Dundee.

CHESTER DIOĆESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch. The next meeting of the Crewe Branch will be held at Market Drayton (8 bells) on Saturday, April 24th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Will all those who intend to be present kindly let me know by the 21st inst.? -Richard D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec., 118 , Ruskin Road, Crewe.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Tickhill on Saturday, April $24 t h$. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. A short service at 4.30 . Tea, at 6d. per head, will be provided for those who notify me by Tuesday, the 20th. A hearty invitation is extenced to all members and Friends.-Ernest Cooper, 1 , Groswenor Crescent, Arksey, near Doncaster.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting witl be held at Throwley on Saturday, Aprit 24th. Bells ready 2.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-P. Page, Hon. Sec., 110, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The annual general meeting will be held at Leeds Parish Church on Saturday, April 24th. Bells available from 3 p.m, to 4.45 and from 6 until 9 p.m. Tea can be obtained near the church.-H. Lafthouse, Hon. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at King's Somborme on Saturday, April 24 th. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m., followed by tea in the Church Hall at 4.30 . Bells available at 2 p.m. Please let us know if you are coming. All welcome. G. and Miss Noice, Hon. Dis. Secs., 6, Cathedra! View, Winchester.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Taunton Deanery Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Ash Priors on Saturday, April 24th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea, etc., to follow. Those wanting tea please notify by previous Tuesday. - P. Merson, Bishops Hull.

BATH AND WELIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Cary Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bruton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Mitton Clevedon bells also available. P.C. for tea, please.-W. A. Osborn, Hon. Sec., Galhampton, Yeovil.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Bridgnorth Branch.-The next mecting will take place at Madeley on Saturday, April 24th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Those sequiring tea please notify me as soon as possible.-H. G. Thomas, Hildon, Victoria Road, Bridgnorth.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Hunsdon on Saturday, April 24th. Bells during afternoon and evening. Service at 5. Tea at the Turkey Cock after. I hope we may have a good attendance of old and new friends.-W. H. Lawrence, Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton and Petersfield District. - A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Hawkley on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Business meeting follows. It is essential to let me know numbers for tea by Wednesday, April 21st.C. E. Bassett, Hon. Dis. Sec., 32, Charles Street, Petersfield.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Kington Dis-trict.-Quarterly mecting will be held at Dilwyn on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (6) available 4 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Business meeting.after tea. All requiring tea please notify me by Tuesday, April 20th.-Jabez Precee, Dis. Sec., Lea Lodge, Staunton-on-Arrow, Leominster.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Potton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.rn. Tea at the Rectory at 5 . All ringers welcome. Please come.-C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch.The spring meeting will be held at Shiplake on Saturday, April 24th. Ringing from 3 p.m. till 9 p.m. Service ${ }^{7}$ p.m. Tea, 1 s . per head, at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please let me know ijy April 21st how many for tea.-E. G. Foster, Hon. Sec, and Treasurer, 401, London Road, Reading.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. North Bucks Branch; Newport Pagnell Deanery, - On April 24th, a meeting at Weston Underwood; 2.30, begin; 4.15 , service; 4.45 , tea. - The Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be at Stoney Stanton on April 24th. Bells ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea arranged for those advising me not later than April 22nd.-Wm. A. Wood, Dis. Sec., Fosseway, Croft, near Leicester.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-The branch annual meeting has been arranged at Boyne Hill on Saturday, April 24th, at 2.45 p.m. Tea, at is. per head, for those who notify me not later than April 19th.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slongh.

LADIES' GUILD. - Northamptonshire District. - A meeting will be held at Hazelbeech (8) on Saturday, April 24th. Service 4.15. Numbers for tea by previous Tuesday, please.-S. Thursfield, Hon. Sec., Cranford Rectory, Kettering.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. Northern District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's tower, Glasbury-on-Wye, on Saturday, ApriI 24th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5, kindly provided by the Rev. R. W. Lockyer (Vicar) for those who notify me by the $19 t h .-\}$. P. Hyett, Hon. Dis. Sec, Dulas Terrace, Hay.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Chesterfield District.-A meeting will be held at Old Whittington on Saturday, April 24th. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. G. Newman by Thursday, April 22nd? J. P. Tarlton, Hon. Sec.

SAIISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Dorchester Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be heil at Buckland Newton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. - C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., 3, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

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

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey District. - The next meeting will be held at Hersham (Oatlands Park not available at present) on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Church House 5 p.m. A p.c. by Wednesday, April 28th, will enable me to arrange tea for all. All ringers velcome.-F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec., 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, May 1st. Bells ready for 3 p.m. Members and non-members cordially invited. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District. -Meeting at Pinner, Saturday, May 1st. Full particulars later.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting will be held in conjunction with the Sheffield and District Society at St. John's, Ranmoor, Sheffield, on Saturday, May 1st, when the peal of 10 beils will be available from 2 p.m. onwards. Meeting of the general committee in the Church Hall at $3.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea (1s.) at 5 p.m. in the Church Hall. Names to be sent to Mr. C. Haynes, 441a, Sandygate Road, Shefficid, by Wednesday, April 28th. The general meeting will be held immediately after tea.-J. E. Cawser, Hon. Gen. Sec., Cragdon House, Ashion Lane, Braithwell, near Rotherham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A by-meeting will be held at Teynham on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.n. Tea 5.15 ( 1 s .). To help with tea, please send your names in to Mr. V. J. Page, 1, The Crescent, Teynham, near Sittingbourne, not later than Wednesday, April 28th.-B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Hawkhurst is just the place to visit in the spring ; is picturesque; has fine peal of bells. The spring neeting of the Tonbridge District will be held here on Saturday, May Ist. The Hastings and District Guild wil! associate itself with this meeting. 3 p.m., tower open; 4.30, service. Tea (free to practising members) to follow; also business meeting. All ringers intending to be present please notify me by Tuesday, April 27th. -Alec E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict--The quarterly meeting will be held at Queenborough on Saturday, May 1st. Further particulars later.-Stanley J. T. Sheilock, Hon. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-The festival will be held at Salisbury on Saturday, May 1st. Luncheon (1s. 6d.) in British Lepion Hall, followed by annual meeting, at 1 p.m. Service in Cathedral, at 3.30. Preacher, the Bishop of Salisbury, Towers open: 8 bells, St. Thomas' (11-12.30, 6.30-8), St. Edmund's, St. Martin's ; 6 bells, St. Paul's, Amesbury, Britford, Broadchalk, Berwick St. John, Coombe Bissett, Downton, Semiey, Wilton, Woodford. Visitors intending to take luncheon please notify secretary before Monday, April 26th. - F. Llewellyn Edwards, Hon. Sec., Kington Magna Rectory, Gillingham, Dorset.
SUFFOLK GUILD. - A meeting will be held at Sproughton on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (6) available at 2.30 also Bramford, Hintlesham and Copdock (all 6 bells). Tea 9d. each, at 4.30 at Church Hall. Meeting follows.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Willingcion on Saturday, May 1st. Tower oper 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea, 5 o'clock, 1s. 3d. per head. Will those intending to be present kindly let me know not later than Wednesday previous to meeting? Hall rail fare (maximum 1s. Gd.) -A. C. Pankhurst, Hon. Div. Sec., 13, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-The 58th annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, May 17th. Details later.-L. J. Clark, Gen. Sec., 36, Lynmouth Avenue, Chelmsford.

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## THE PEALS OF 1936.

The report of the Analysis Committee of the Central Council reveals, as we indicated some few weeks ago that it would, a considerable fatling off in the number of peals rung in 1936, compared with the preceding year. The actual difference was 114. Compared with 1934 it was thirty-five less, and compared with 1932. the decline is no fewer than 450 . On the face of it it would appear that peal ringing is less in favour than it used to lox, but there are many circumstances which may account for a falling total, apart from lack of interest or enthusiasm. Peal ringing has always been a variable quantity, and we do not propose now to analyse the causes. Probably this year, with the impetus of the Coronation, there may be an upward jump. It is satisfactory, however, to note that, on the whole, the standard of the methods rung has been maintained, as a careful study of the committee's report will show. Despite the fact that there seems to have been a 'slump ' in Surprise peals of Major, in the old methods there has been more variety introduced inte, this class of ringing, which is reatly all to the grood. There is little more credit to a first class Surprise hand in ringing a succession of peals in ally one of these methods, than to a team of "rabbits ' who only ring peals of Grandsire or Bob Major: The real proof of advance in method ringing is the enterprise that is shown in doing something different and doing it as well as or better than anytling that has been done before.
In the peals on six hells contrasting facts emerge, Minor has increased by 31, but Doubles decreased by 33, and while, in the latter, peals in only one mothod have decreased by 19 and peals in more than four methods have increased by 17 ; in Minor the peals in one method increased by $25^{\circ}$. It is true that peals in over seven methods have risen by 14 , hut it does not say much for the enterprise of some ringers that 138 peals were run on six bells in which only one method was employed. We know that a few of these have been peals in the higher methools, such as Cambridye, but it is much to be hoped that those who are, and some have lonk been, content with Bob Minor will get away from this rut as soon as possible. In the old days rineers used to make it almost a point of honour never to ring less than seven metkods in a peal, and we could wish that more would follow that example.

One other point in the report needs emphasising, and that is the falling off again in the number of ringers who rang their first peal. This, to nur mind, is much the most serious indication revealed in the report. As we have said on many occasions, peal ringing should not be the 'be all! and end all' of a ringer's aspirations, but (Coutimed on page 259.)

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peal ringing does raise a man's enthusiasm, increase his keenness and, generally, does a lot towards improving his ringing. Every encouragement ought to be given to young ringers to ring their first peal-it is one of the surest ways of keeping their interest. A man who has rung his first peal usually feels that he has done something worth while and that it gives him a fresh footing among his colleagues. It is in the best interests of the art that youngsters should be induced to take up peal ringing.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

## LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUIED.
On Saturday, April 10. 1937, in Threo Hours and Fifly-Four Minntes, Ai tee Ceurce of St. Mary-zh-Bow, Cegapside, Cify. A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5088 CHANOES; Tenor 54 cwt I2 [b. in B.
Frzderick G. Symonds ...Treble John H. Cramplon ... ... 7 Thomas H. Targander ... 2 †Rev. A. G. G. Trorlow... 8 Ernest J. King ... ...... Frank E. Darby... .... ... 4 Ricgard A. Post ... ... Thomas W. Tarpender ... 5 James G. A. Pribr ... ... it F. Donald Baegeam... ... 6 Jack A. Wadge ... ...Tenor

Composed by J. Carier. Conducted by Teomas H. Targender.

* First peal of Maximus. F First peal of Treble Bob Masimus. First peal of Maximns an the bells siluce the majocity of them were recast and rehirig

CHRISTCHURCE, EANHS.
THE WINOHESTER AND PORTSMODTH DIOCESAN GUTLD. Of Wodnesday, April 14, 1937, in Three Fours and Forty-Three Minutes, At the Priory Chorce of tae Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 5280 CHAHEEB;
Tenor 28 cwt in D.

Composed and Conducted by George Preston.
First peal of Maximus by all the haud, who are Surbday service ringers at the Priary. Firat peal of Boh Maximus for the Guild. Rung to commemorate the jubilee of George Preston as a ringer at the Priory for 50 pears, also to celebrate the birth of a son to the ringer of the 6th and the third anniversary of his wediding.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LIVERPOOL.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Thesday, April 13, 1937, in Three Hours and Teventy Minutes; At tar Churce of St. Nicaolas,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN GATERS, 5055 CHANCEB; Tenor 39 cwt 3 gr . Id lb. inc.
-Thonas G. Horridge ...Trebla Ernest E. Bennett... ... 6 Frane Varty ...... Jambs C. E. Simpson ... 3 Josapa Ridyard .... ... 8 Joum Wilkinson ..... .4 Percival W. Cavz ... 4 ... 9 Georger. Newion $\quad . . .5 \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{lll}5 & \text { Edward Caunce } & . . . \\ \text {...Temor }\end{array}\right.$ Composed and Conducted by Ghorge R. Newton.
First peal of Stedman.

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SWINDON, WILTS.
THE GLOUCDSTER AND BRISTOL DIOCLSAN ASSOCLATION. On Sa!wrday, April 17, 1937, in 1 hre Hours and 1 hirly Alnutes,

At Chrisz Chorch,
A PEAL OF GRANESIRE CATERS, 5039 GHANGE I Tenor 24 cwt. 9 lb .

\author{

Charles J. Gardiner <br> ...Treble Alfred Lawrhncr ... <br> "Cearles J. Hateaway Sidnes Palmer... ... E. John Berry ... -... $\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 2 \\ \ldots . & 3 \\ \ldots & 4\end{array}$ Composed by Joun Carter. | William W. T. Danibll |
| :--- |
| *A. George Wells ... ... |
| 7 |
| W. Bertram Kynaston ... | r. Conducted by C. J. Garciner * First peal on ten bells. + First peal of Grindsire Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor and on his retiremeat from the G. W.R. alter 41 years service.

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## DARTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Aprid 5, 1937, in Thyee Hows ard Seven firutes, At the Cenref of tege Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Washrrook's.
Gborge I. Botcerer
Tobn H Chebsman
Jogn $H$ Chersman ... ....
Tos, G H Cioss

Couducted by Hergeri E. ADosley.
Ruag with half-muffled clappers as a tribute of respect to Mr. Edward Brown, for 25 years a xinger at this church, and to Mr. E. Heed, a prominent chturchworker, both of whom were interred on the same day at Dartford Cemetery.

## ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Tiurrday, April 8, 1937, in Three Howrs and Seven Ninutes, At tee Ceurch of St, Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 608B CHANGES;

 Tenor I7 cwt. 9 lb.Grorgr Harvey... ... ...Tyeble Edward F. Gobey
William Thornley, sen.... 2 Wileiam Tbornley, jon.... 6 Edward C. Gobey ... ... 3 Ralpe Narborodge ... ... 7 P.C. Thomas Anderson ... 4 Fredrhick A. Salier... ...Temor Composed by J. H. Pilkington. Conducted by F. A. Salter, A birthday compliment to Mr. Frank Bradley, of St. Feter's, Nottingham.

CRAYFORD, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, April 9, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty. Eight Minutos,
At ter Cedach of St. Phelinos,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, BO5日 CHANGE8; Tenor 123 cwt.

Ermest H. Oxbneam.. R, Gordon Cross ..... .ireble Norman Stumerhayes $\quad . . .6$
 Derek M. Sharp... .... ... 4 Edwin A. Barnett ... ...Tehor Composed by C. H. Martin.
First peal of Major as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messis. E. Barnett and G. V. Murply.

## BLACKBURN, LANCASEIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Satuyday, April 10, 1937, in Two Honrs and Fifty-Seven Minutes, At the Church of St Micharl and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, GO40 CHANGES:

## Parker's Twelye-fart.

Tenor $22 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cw}$.

Fred Yates... William Milefr $\quad . .$.

## Condacted by A. Tominson.

* First peal in the method. H First peal. Rung on the eve of bellyingers' sermons at the above church.

LONGTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STATTS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, April 10, 1937, it Three Hours and Fite Minkes,

Ai mer Church of St. Jofin.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 DHANGES;

## Holi's Ten-part.

Tenor 15 cwt .
Neville R. Holeand ...Tyeble Edward Steele ... ... 5
-Harky Hall ... ... ... 2 Alan D. Strel... ...
†Edmard Cegadles ... ... 3 Cearles H. Page ... ... 7
Harold Rose
Conducted by Caarles H. Page.

* Tirst peal on eight bells. + Mirst peal 'inside.' $\ddagger$ First peal. This peal was arranged in houour of Mr. W. Wade, of St. Joh's, who has been connected with the tower for 50 years, and for several years as leader.

HILLINGDON, MTDDLESEX.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Or Saturday, April iO, 1937, in Two Honrs and Fifty-Fowy Minutas,
At the Parish Chitren,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, BO\&0 CHANGES;

Heywood's Transposition of Thorstans' Fodr-Part.
Tenor 13 cwl. i qu. 25 lb.
Josefe J. Prati ... ... ...Tyeble Thomas Langdon ... ... 5
Percy E. Jones ... ... ... 2 Edgar Hancox ... ... ... 6 Alam R. Macdowald ... ... 3 Ernest Bratt ... ... ... $^{7}$ Wilson Reseyon ... ... \& Wilfrrd S. Childs ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Edgar Hancox.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. FARNDON, CHESHIRE. THE GEESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathriay, Apyl 10. 1937, th Thee Hours and Two Ninutes,
At tee Chorch of St. Chat,
A PEAL OF SPLICED DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB, DOUBLE OXFORD
BOB, PLAIN BOB, AND LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCE8:


John W. Griffitis... Composed by Iames Morgas. Conducted by Prrcy, Swindeey.
This peal contained 1,472 changes of Double Norwich, 1,008 Double Oxford, 1,680 Plain Bob and 840 Little Bob, wich 20 changes of method. First peal in four plair Majow methods by ulf the band, the firsb in the county and rung att the first atitempt. 'Ilie conductor's 100 il peal. PULHAM, NORFOLX.
THE NORWICH DIOCPSAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satiayday, Aфvil 10, 1937, in Three Hones and Twelve Mirtutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary-ter-Virgin,
A PEAL OF DUFFIELD MAJOR, 5088 CHANRES;
Tenor 14 cwt.

Composed by Henry Dains. Conducted by Ernest Whiting.
First peal in the method by all the band. NUNEATON, WARWLCKSHIRE. PHE W\&TBWLCKSElRE GULLD.
On Satwrday, April 10, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes, At the Cebrch of St. Niceolas,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEE8; Tenor 14. $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.


| Albrrt Wabker... | ..$*$ | ... | 2 | Ernest Stone ........ | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Thomas W. Cbapman... | ... | 3 | Welfred H. J. Hooton | ... | 7 | Frank W. Perrens ... ... 4 Grorgz E. Fgarn ... .... Temay Composed by C. H. Haitersley. Conducted by Frank W. Perrens

## EASTER TOUCHES.

SEVENOAKS, KENX.-On Faster Sunday by the local bend, a quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples: Miss 0 . Matthews (frgt quarterpeal) 1, Miss D. Colgate 2, L. Turley 3, P. Turley (conductor) 4, S . Conher 5, W. Turley 6, D, Ford 7, H. Fard 8.
YAlleLTY, HANTES. - On Easter morning a quarter-penl of Grandsire Triples: E. Hearmon 1, W. G. Bunct 2, C. Bunch J, J. Bunch (first glarter-peal as conductor) 4, G. Ives 5, A. Goodall B. S. J. Riddelí 7, G. Over 8.

SKEITY, GLAMORGANSHIRE
THE SWANSEA AND BRBCON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, April 10, 1937, in Jwo Howrs and Fifly-1 wo Minxies, At tas Cburch of St. Padl.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original.
 Benjamin Wilelams Conducted by E. Stisce. Joun T. Williams Charlbs Morse ... ... ... 4 Gywn I. Lewis ... ... ...Tenor

Quarterly peal for the Guild. A birthday pal for G. Popnell, R. G. Knowles and W. Short. The last peal in this tower was rung before 1914.

OXENHORE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, April 10, 1937, in Ihree Hours and Twelve Minutes, At ter Cadreh of St. Maby,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE bob MAJOR, 5088 CHANGEs; Tenor 12 cwt .


Composed by J. Platt.
Conducted by William Ambler.

* Tirst peal of Major.

HUSBORNE GRAWLEY, BEDFORDSHIRE. THE BEDFORDSHRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturiay, April 10. 1937, in Three Hours and E'ghteen Minutes, At ter Cadrcy of St. Jambs,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6088 CHANGES; Tenor $18 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
 Hurace H. Smise ... ... 3 Edmond J. Hobbs ... ... 7
 Composed by Yorr Green. Conducted by A. E. Sharman. * First peal of Major. First peal of Plain Bob on the bells. This peal was arranged ns a 60th birthday compliment to Mr. Ernest Herbert, vice-pressident and hon. anditor of the Bedfordshire Association.

## GOUDHTUST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 10, 1937, in Thees Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Cherce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TR!PLES, 5040 CHANGES; Heywood's Transposition or Thorstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 25 cwt 5 ib
Frank Bennatt ... ... ...Tyebia Krginald E. Lambert Hebbert Markwell 2 Rnbert T. Lahbert ... 5
6 Frbderich I. Lambert, sem. 3 Fredericr White $\quad . .$. Alpred W. Doream ... ... 4 Cyril Butleer ... ... ...Tehor Conducted by Franik Bennetit. SILVERDALE, STAFIS.
THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCLATION. On Saturday, April 10. 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly Minates, At taf Churce of Si. Lure.
A PEAL OF LITTLE BOE MAJOR, 5040 CHANEES; Tenor gewt. 2 qr. i3 lb.
Harby Terlwall ... ...Trebla Thomas Herd ... $\ldots . . .{ }^{2}$ Jome. Webrlion Richard T. holding ...

Composed by G. Lindopr.
.. 4
Haray Parker ... ... ... Andrew Tgompson ... ... 6 Ceristophra Gudgeon...- Tenor the method as conductor. Also firsent the conductor, and first in and by the Nortle Staffs Association.

HANBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Westren Brance.)
On Sunday, April 11, 1937, in Three Howrs awd Two Minstes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parker's Twrive-part (6th observation). Tenarifewt,
Gborge E. Large ... ... Iveble allbn Morgan ... ... ... 5
Ernest Wilson... ... ... 2 Ralpg W. Saybrs ... ... 6

- Raymond C. Saybrs..... .3 Tromas W. Lewis 3 ...
†Williad H. A. Compion... 4 James F. Nase ... ... ...Temor
Conducted by Grorge E. Large.
* First peal in the method and on nn 'inside ' bell. $t$ First peal on eight bells. Rung prior to the dedicating of a peal tablet.

CAMPSALL, YORESHIRE.
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On 1 uesdury, Appil 13, 1937, in 7 hree Hours,
At the Chorge of St. Mary Magdaline,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGE8; Tenor ifla cw .
Milton C. Fowler ... ...Tyeble Harry C. Walrar

- herbbrt Walker ... ... 2 Fard Newton ... ... ... 6 Antgut Walker ….. $.4^{4}$ J. Edward Cawser... Composed by A. Knigers. Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.
* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the beils. MARRET HARBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
Un Thursday, April 15, 1937, in Ihree Hours, At the Parish Ceurge,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Foda-part. Tenar $18 \mathrm{cwt}, 3 \mathrm{qr} .5 \mathrm{lb}$.
A. Nunnbley Wood ... ...Tyeble Josrpa C. Cebster ... ... 5 Ryland E. Marsh ... ... 2 Gedrge Hollick... ... ... 6 Leslie Rodd $. . . \quad . .$. C. Artabr Mannjng ... Conducted by C. A. Manning. WEST FIRBY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GULLD.
On Thursday, April 15, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minvtes,
Ai tar Cherch of St. Bridert,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, EO24 CHANGES; Tenor 12 cwt . in F sharp.
Ralpa G. Edwarde ... ... 7 yeble Percival W. Cave ... ... 5 Lefter L. Gray ... ... 2 Arnold Bronton ... ... 6 Grorge R. Newton ... ... 3 James Morgan ... ... ... 7 -Gborge Lbesbam ... ... 4 James C. E. Simpson ... .... Tenor
Composed by T. B. Worslery. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.
* First peal of Surprise Major on an 'inside' bell. First Surprise peal on, the bells.


## SUTPON, SURREY.

THE SURREX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursfay, April 15. 1937, in! 'tuo Hocys and Fifly-Eight Minutes, At tee Cuorch of All Salys, Benallion,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Heywosd's Transposition of Thdrstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 191 cwt .
Cgarles H. Kippln ... ...Tveble Fredrrick E. Collins ... 5 - Frank H. Randall ... ... 2 Harry W. Simmons Waltbr Claydon $\quad . .$. Amos W. Clark... .... ... 4 A. Patrick Cannon ... ...Temoy Conducted by Daniel D. Conpre.

* First peal in the method. Rung to welcame the Rev. B. M. Ritson, M.A., who was indueted to the Vicarage of All Saints', Benhilton, the previous day.


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TEE SUFFOLE GUILD.
On Monday, April 12, 1937, in 7 hred Hours and Thivieen Mirntes, At igz Cedrce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF Otley surprise major, 5189 chamges ; Tonor 191 cme .
James Bennett, jon....
.. 7 reble
Jobi H. Arbon ... ...
... 2
Grorge Bennett Grorgr Pryxe Legele G. Brett... .... .... 4 T. William Last .... .... Temo
Composed by G. Lindopy.
Conducted by G. Whiting.
A peal in this method, which is Lindof's No. 66, is how rung for the fist time, making the 40th Surprise mothod rulg at this tower.

## NORTHILEET, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION
On Sahyday, .fpril 17. 1937. in 'I wo Houss and Forty-Five Minuts, At ter Choreh or St. Botolpa,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, EO40 CHANGES; Wasbbroor's Variation of Thorsians' Fudr-part. Tenor 16\& cwt.
Herbrrt E. Addaley ...Tyeble Harry Hoverd ... ${ }^{\text {.*. }}$... 5
Frrderick G Sodthgate 2 E. Georgr Morrad ... ... 6
Mns. Georgr H. Cross ... 3 Grorgb J. Butcher ... ... 7
Joen H. Ceresman ... ... 4 †Leslie T. Stacey ... ...Tenoy Conducted by George J. Butceer.

* First peal, + First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor, Rung as aistaday compliment to Mr. A. Durling, one of the local ringers.


## POOLE, DORSET.

THE ANGLENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Saturday, April 17, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten MLnutes, At teg Churce of St. James,
A PEAL OF BOB MASOR, 5D58 EHANEES; Tenor 19 cwt 3 qr .20 lb.
Ivon P. Davis ... ... ...Tyeble Aatadr G. Rose... ... ... 5 Frans W. Romaine ... ... 2 Jobn H. B. Hesse William G. Yodng ......$\quad 3 \quad$ Alan R. Macdonald...... Pgrcy W. Witham ... ... 4 Fraderick G. Cole .... ...Tenof Compased by J. R. Pritcanar. Conducted by F. G. Cole.
First peal in the county by the society. Rung as a compliment to the society on attaining its 300 th year.

> TRITTENDEN, KENT.

THE EENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
© On Salurday, Afril 17. 1937, in Two Howes and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At tee Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH GOURT GOB MAJOR, EO24 CNANEES: Tenor 15 ert.
Tom Saundyrg ... ... ...terebla James G. Powhll ... ... 5 Charles H. Sone ... .... 2 Lother J. Honess ... Harry Bartr ... ... ... 3 - Philip A, Corby $\quad . .$. William Gorringe ... ... 4 Tbomas E.Sonb... ... ...Tonoy Composed by S. H. Wood. Conducted by Tromas E. Sone.

* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANGASHIRE ASSOCLATION. OFFICERE' PEAL.
On Saturday, April 17, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Three Minutes, At tee Parige Cherch of Si. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

 Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twhlyx-fart. Tencr $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.Tromas B. Worsley, Ceniral Council Represeatative . Rev, Arthor Scott, President
...Treble
William H, Sederr General Secretary .... -** ... 2 Arteo Ton Grorge R Newton Cental Council Representative ...... grorger, Nawron, Central Council Representative , Harbert Davenport, Vice-President

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Ladrence J. Williams, Central Council Representative
Cladee I. Davies, Treasurer

## Conducted by Georgr R. Newton.

First peal for the late Rev. Canon Elsee's successor to the presidency of the associntion, the Rev. Arthur Scotb. The conductor's thoth peal.

## SIX BEll PEALS.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Om Saturday, April 70 i937, th, wo Howrs and Forry-Two Minutos.
Ax ter Parisa Chorch.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, and two 720 's anch of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 111 cwt. in $G$.
Jamgs Patro...


First peal in five methods by all. Finis after meeting short for Major.

## WILLESBOROUGE, KENT.

TEE KENT CODNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Apris 10, 1937, in Tto Hours and Fifly-Nine Minwtes, At ihe Chorce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extentre each of Plain Rol, St, Clement's, Double Oxfori and one af Double Court.
Thomas R. Moge ... Tyeble Carlrs L Smite Raymond G. Carcton ... 3 Whatlin J.... 4
 Conducted by Edward S. Rock.
Tirst peal in four methoda by all the band, who are all local, and on the bells. Rung as a welcome to the Rev. A. E. and Mrs. Blake, the new Rector and his wife.

WYLAM, NORTHTMBERLAND.
On Saturday, April 10, 1937, in Jhree Howrs and Twenty-Sowen Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL DF HINOR, G040 CHANCE8;
Consisting of an extent each of Double Oxford Bob, Double Court, Single Oxford Bob, Cambrdge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Charles E. Lawion ... ...Tfebly | Reginalo H. Hewitu... ... 4 Kenneth Aathor $\quad . .$. T. W. Crowe ... .. ... 3 Wim. |. Davidson... ... ...Temar Conducted by If. Artaor.
First peal on the bells since rehanging.

## WICKHAM MARKEP, SUTFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On SaLurday, April 70. 1937, it Two Howrs and Fifiy-Eight Mimutas,
At the Choreh oz All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, GOLO CHANGES;

Being 700 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Double Court, Plain Bob, Woodluine Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treife Bob.
 Artaor R. Smita .... ... 2 William Woods ... Aldgrman Ling... .... ... 3 Garnham A. Blaxcell ... 3 enor Conducted by Garnham A. Blaxcell,

## FONTMELI MAGNA, DORSET.

THE SALISBLRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Snlurday, April 10. 1957, ist three Hours and Twenty Mtmutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANEE8;

Ten varied callings, 42 six-scores.

| John S. Smith | $\ldots .$. | ... | $\ldots$ Treble | William C. Shote | ... | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edward C. Cbant | $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 2 | W. James Jacrson | ... | ... | 5 | Wilciam G. Damen $\ldots \ldots$....... 3 Harold A. Woolringe $\quad . .$. Tomor Conducted by W. G. Damen.

First peal by all except the 4 th ringer. Treble and tenor ringers are local men.

## CHURCHWARDENS' QUARTER-PEAL.

On March 3ist a party of churchwardens met ot All Saints' Church, Little Staughton, Beds, and rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: S. Litchfield (Riseley) 1, W. Wagstaf (Northill) 2, R. W. Gray (Littie Staughton) 3, G. Seth (Keyeoe) 4, F. W. Lack (Great Staughton) (conductor) 5 .

STISTFD, ESSEX
INDEPENDENT PEAL
On Studay, April 11, 1937, in Two Hours and Forly-Five Minultes, At thb Cherch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR 6040 CHANGES;

Two 720's Kent. Treble Bob, two 720's Oxford I'reble Bob and three 720's Plain Bob Miner. Tenor 10 cwt .
Bernard W. Petritt...
Victor Morley ... ...
Reginald G. Simmonds

| ...Treble |
| :---: |
| $\cdots .$. |
| $\cdots$ |
| .. |

Alex M. Genery.. Henry f. Cooper
$\begin{array}{lll}\cdots & \text {... } & 4 \\ \cdots & \text {... } & 5\end{array}$
A 65 tiz birthday and 40 th wedding day compliment to Mr . H. F. Cooper, who is churchwarden at the aiove church. It was his first peni for eight years and he kindly eatertained the band to tea afterwards.

## WORTE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Monday, April 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes, At ter Chorce of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 GHANGES;

Being 720 changes each of Woodbine, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Trebla Bob, Oxford Bab, Canterbury Pleasure and Plan Bol.
...Treble Algrgd J. Boll ......
 Conducted by O. Sippeirs.

## SCOTTOW, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOOESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Wetuesday, April 14, 1937, in Two Hours and Forly-Siz Minutes, At ier Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, $504 \theta$ CHANGES;

Heing severs different extents.
Tenor 10t cwt .


Conducted by William C. Dupfield.

* First peal.


## MISTLEX, YESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, April 17, 7937, in I wo Hours and Fifty-One Minutes, At tee Cburce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 GHANEEE;

Being two 720's of Keat Treble Bob, two of Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.
Alfred Hombywood
Cbarles A. Andrrws

- Norl Foakes

Treble
2 Harry J. Millait
3 Wilelam Stiff
Conducted by Alan R. Andrews.

* First peal 'iuside.'

HEMINGBROUGH, YORKSHIRT.
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, April 17, 1937, in [wo Howrs and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At tye Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, GO4D CHANGES:

Seven 720's called differently. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb . in F slarp. Mrs. E. Bradley
Miss D. M. Horley Fred Terry

Treble | Donald Hatrield

| 2 | William Thrry | $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | ... |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4 |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | Edward Bradley | $\ldots$ | ...$T$ Thoy |  |

Conducted by E. Bradlgy.

* First penl. First peal es conductor.

PENN, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Aprio 17, 1937, in Two Hous and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Cherch of the Holy Tainity,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Baing 720 each of York, Londom, Wells, Norwich, Beverley, Surfeet and Cumbridge.
Jesse Harrison
Jesse Harrison ... ... ...Treble
"Grorgr Martin
Conducted by H

* First peal of Minor in seven Surprisa nethods.
$\dagger$ First peal in


## HANDBELL PEALS.

GLANDFORD, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION
On Welnesday, Apyil7, 1937, in Two Howrs and Thirty Minutes,
At the Mill Hodse,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505日 CHANGES:

*Jogn Bone ... ... ...

William K. West ... $\quad . .$.
Cbarles E. Coreman .. ... 5
….. $.7^{-8}$

Composed by f. R. Pritchard. Conducted by E. V. Blake, Witness-Mrs. W. R. West.

* First peal. First peal 'in hand ' for conductor and first attempt. STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GOILD.
Un Wedresday, April 14, 1937, in Two Hours and Tweny-Five Minutes, At 20, Aberdebn Cbescent,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, bUO7 CHANGES;
Carter's Broadsbelet. No. 493.
Tenor size 17 in B flat.
James W. Wasbbrook
$\begin{array}{cc}\text {... } & \mathrm{I}-2 \\ \text { … } & 3-4\end{array}$
Petbr Laflin
Conducted by
Allen F. Balley... ... ... 5-6 Harold Jackson Condu

9-10
A. F. Balley.

Witaess-Mrs. A. F. Bailey.
Umpire-Harry Ashton,
Rung for the 50th anniversary of Mr. A. Barnes' first peal, which was r'ung at St. Albans Gathedral, April 1ith, 1887.

## CHRISTCHURCH BELERINGERS' LEADER.

MR. GEORGE PRUSTON'S JUBILEE,
On Wednesday, April 7 th, at the Priory Church, Christehurel, Hants, an attempt was made by the Priory Churcl ringers to ring a peal of 5,280 changes of Bob Maximus to celebrate the 50th amiversary of Mr. G. Prestou us a dinger at this church, but they failed after oringing 3,009 changes.
The ringers adjounted to tlie King's Arus Hotel for light refreshments and a presentation was then made, on behalf of tho ringers, by the Vicar (Canon W. H. Gay) to Mr. Preston. It consisted of ail itluminated address and a Davenpont writing bureau. In making this presentation, Canon: Gay said what a great pleasure it gave him to lye there on such an oceasion. He had always fonnd Mr. Preston a man of few words, but what he said he would do he always carried out. The services given by hinn for the past 50 years had not only been for the chuicl, but for the whole of the deancry.
Mr. W. Tucker, churchwarden, suppurted the Vioar's remarks and added that he always admired, at the annual meetings of the Guild the umanimous way in which the members of the district re-electad Mr. Preston as their secretary.
Mr. Preston thanked Lis fellow-ringers for their gifts, and said what pleasure it gave him to do all in his power for the advancement of change ringing. From the time of commencement as a ringer ho had been able to have a band capable of ringing changes for Sunday services, and he hoped to continue his duties as captain nud conductor for many years to come.
Mr. F. Sparshott, on boisalf of the ringers, conjratulated Mr. Preston on his 50 yoars' service, and said how proud they all were to have such a capable captain and conductor in their tower, as ho was far above the average bob caller. He thisted Mr. Preston would be with them for many years to come.
Mr. Finton supported these remarks, and said that he was the first pupil of Mr. Preston's to learn the art of bellriuging 49 years ngo.
The address expressed appreciation of Mr. Preston's valuable services and zealous efforts on behalf of all bellwingers who had passed through his most talented training, and heartily congratulated him on conpleting 50 years' service on March 8th, 1937, as a bellringor, conductor and captain of the Cluisteltutch Priory bellringers. 1 concluded by praving that the blessing of God mightt rest upon his contiuned labours and that he might be spared to serve in such capacity for many years to eeme. It was signed ly the Vicar, churchwardens and fifteen ringers.
A further attempt for the commemorative peal was successful on Weduesday, April 14th.

## MR. J. GEORGE RETIRING FROM RINGING MASTERSHIP.

At Bishop Ryder's Church, Birminghan, on Sunday, April 18!h, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. Walker (conductor) 1 , G. E. Fearn 2. D. T. Mathin 3, J. Gearge 4, S. O. Holloway 5, I. H. Fearn 6 F. E. Haynes 7, T. S. Mason 8. This was arranged as a compliment to Mr. James Goorge, who is now retiring from the posicompliment to Mr. James Goorge, who is now retirno from the posid was the longest touch he had rung since his jliness, and his ringing friends will be pleased to hear of his recovery.

## FORTHCOMING BELL OPENINGS.

GLODWICK, OLDHAM.-Re-dedication of bells, at St. Mark's Church, will take place on Sunday, April 25th, by the Lord Bishop of Hulme. The bells have been recast and rehung by Mears and Stainbank.

HINTON BLEWETT, SOMERSET.-The ring of 5 bells, rehung in new frame by Alfred Bowell, Ipswich, will be rededicated by the Bishop of Bath and Wells on Sunday next, April 25th, at 3 o'clock. Tower open to visitors all the evening.

HARTHILL, SHEFFIELD.-The peal of 8 (tenor 17 cwt.), rehung in a new frame by Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Sheffield on Tuesday, April 27 th, at 7.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.
LLANFIHANGEL RHYDEITHON.-The ring of 5 , restored and increased to 6 (tenor 6 cwt ) by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by Dr. Morgan, Bishop of Swansea and Brecon, on Wednesday, Apri] 28 th, at 3 p.m. All ringers welcame.
CHARLES, NEAR BARNSTAPLE, N. DEVON. The neyv tenor bell will be dedicated on Wednesday, April 28th, at 7 p.m. Ring of 5 rehung and augmented to 6 by John Tayior and Co.
STEWKLEY, BUCKS. - The Bishop of Buckingham will dedicate the trebles to existing peal of 6 , which have been retuned, April $29 t \mathrm{th}, 3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers invited.
RAMPISHAM, near Dorchester.-The re-dedication of the bells will take place on Friday, April 30th, at 6.15 p.m., by the Bishop of Salisbury. Ring of five restored and rehung in new frame by John Taylor and Co.
BURTON HASTINGS, near Nuneaton.-The bells will be dedicated on Saturday, May 1st, at 5.30 p.m., by the Bishop of Coventry. The peal has been restored and augmented by five by John Taylor and Co.
BIRMINGHAM CATHEDRAL. - The ring of ten (tenor $31 \mathrm{cwt} 21 lb.$.$) , recast and rehung in a new frame$ by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Birmingham on Saturday, May Ist, at 6 p.m. A broadcast of the bells will be given from 7.45 to 8 p.m. in the Midland Regional programme.

STOKE ASH, SUFFOLK.-The ring of five bells, recently rehung and augmented by Bowell and Son, will be dedicated by the Bishop of the diocese on Sunday, May 2nd, at 3 p.m. A tea will be provided. Notice of intention to be present to E. F. Poppy, Stoke Ash, Eye.
WILLENHALL, STAFFS.-The peal of 8 , increased to 10 (tenor $15 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. ), rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Stafford on Sunday, May 2nd, at 11 a.m. Ringers' meeting at Willenhall on Saturday, May 8th. Beils available 3 p.m. Service 4.45 . Address by the Venerable R. L. Hodson, Archdeacon of Stafford. Tea 5.30 (1s. each). Please send names for tea not later than May 4th, to C. Wallater, 1, Marston Street, Willenhall.

CRONDALL, HANTS.-Dedication by the Lord Bishop of Guildford of the peal of six (restored by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank) on Sunday, May 2nd, at 11 a.m. Everybody welcome! A RINGERS' OPENING on Saturday, May 8th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business at the Cricketers. A good muster of ringers and friends requested.-C. W. Denyer.
KING'S BROMLEY, NR. BURTON-ON-TRENT.On Tuesday, May 4 th, at 7.30 p.m., the bells will be rededicated by the Bishop of Stafford; ring of 6 bells recast and rehung by John Taylor and Co.
(Continned in next column.)

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## CALLING STEDMAN CATELS FROM A WOREING RIELL.

If you want ta call Stedman Cators from is 'workines' bell there are plenty of good guides to help you. There me, of course, the regular positions into which the 'fixed' bells fall, but even witbont observing these too elosely you can have thumerous checks upon your calling.

Once yon have got over your starting course, in touch or peal of ordiuary type there are only four belfo which ara afiected by the bobs at 5 and 16. They are the bells whicls fall into treble's place, 3ra's, 4th's aud 6th's at the course ends, and three of then are concomed at the bobs.
If the bob be at 5 , the bells affected itre the 3 ya, tretule's place and 6lh's place bells. If tine bob be at 16 , the Krd's, 4th's and 6th's place hells are concerned.
Many of our readers will romember whit has been said in this column about the positiuns of the bob-making bells in methoris like Plain Toh. Three successive bobs, with an interval of a coutse hetween, canse the bells concerned to work in a cycle of lin, Ont, th's When lhe oflls are made.
So in Stedran Caters there is a cyele which follows the order of $9-8$ down, $8-9$ up and 7th's (which. of conrso, is making the buint. Thus you know, if you are called into any one of these places, what your next, calling position must be if you have to run a full course. We explained lastr week how the bolr at 5 changes the ireble's placo bell, by sulsstituting the quick bell (3ud's place) at the course pasl. The bell that makes the bols is the 6fh. You can watch these bells comiug into position from the course end, and, even if you have 1:0 other check, you cant ulways sec which is the 6th place bell, hecnuse when your prospective treble's place bell gets into $4-5$ on his way up, the bell he dodges with is the bell that is going to make clie bok.
Further, the bells concerned in the bob are the three which course up after the 5th's place bell, which is one of those that are 'fixed.' The first dodges down at the bolb, the eccond dodges up and the third, having dociged wilh 5 th itself in E-7, makes the bob.
Sinilarly with a hoh at 16, the place to make the call is ensy to observe. The three bells concorned couse up from the froat hehind the treble itself (that is if the treble, as is usially tilee cane, is the 2nd's place hell). The bob comes when the tueble is in $7-6$ down, and if you aye the first of the three bells after the treble your call the bob when you are dodging down. If you are the second bell yous call the bols when you are endgiug up, and if you are the last of the three you find yourself dodging in 6-7 up with the treble and the bab is crilled nt that six-end.
There are ouly two other calling positions with which you need concern yourself if yon are ringing one of the working bells, If you are tha's place bell at a course eud and have to call a boh at 5 ; remember the call is made as yon approach the last hali-tin'n. If you are treble's place bell anti have to call a holb at 16, mato the call as yous hegin your first whole turn.

Now the best thing the ringer chu do who wants to call Stedman Caters is to write aut oue or two courses by the six-ends, in the wny we expliniued last week, insert hobs at 5 and/or 16 , and exanine the way in which the working bells arrange themselves at these boibs.
If you want to construct a few touches for yourself your enn do so
 effect of an hols at 5 tramspose hr 326451 ; for bolss at 5 and 16, trnaspose by 381654 ; for a hob at 16 transpose by 126354.
Yous ran turn the hells into the linatistrake position by a bob at 2 , followed by a single at 9 , which prodnee the prewions conrse-mid with 8.9 reversed. The bells will conce ronnd in the change following the course end 214365879 but do nat overlook the fact fint yon cannot get this with that turbing course umless somewhere you have nsed ainother single. A single at 5 reverses 3 and 1 , o single at 16 reverses 3 and 4, when compared with the transpositions for a bob.
Those of our readers who are interested may like to construct some touches on paper. It will help then, when they have had some experience in the tower, to huild ap touches as they go. Here is the sort of thing we mean.
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214563 hy Bohe nt 5, 16
Turning Coirse $2145 / 53$ hy Toh at 2. Single at: 3
214365 loy Boly ati 5 , Single at 16

WIRKSWORTH, DERBYSIFIRE-The rededication of the peal will take place on Friday, May 7th, at 7.30 p.mn. Preacher, Very Rev. Provost Ham (Derby Cathedral). Ring of 8 rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co.

DALMOOD, NEAR AXMINSTER, DEVON. - On Saturday. May 8th, the bells will be rededicated by the Bishop of Crediton at 3 p.m. Ring of 6 rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AS SECRETARY. MR. C. T. COLES' SERVICES TO MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION Prasentations From Members.
The members of the Midllesex Counly Association and London Diocesan Guild gave tangible expression to their appreciation of the lobry scrvice given as one of the joint honowary secretaries by Mr. C. T. Coles, at the annual meeting at Cripplegate, London, on Saturday. Mr. Coles has held office for more than a quarter of a century and was mado the recipient of a suitably inscribed gold watch, while Mrs. Coles was presented with a very nice leather liandbag.

The prescatation toole place in the presence of a large number of members, ovar whom the president of the association, the Rev. W. P. Colesheane, presiged.

The proceediugs were introduced by Mr. J. A. Trollope (vicepresident), who said that last ycar he called attention to the fact that Mr. Coles had completed twenty-five years as a secretary of the association. They then showad their appreciation of his services by passing a vote of thanks. Me was not going to sey that words were cheap, because wlien they passed that resolution they did mean what they said and he was anre Mr, Coles realised it. Some of them, however, thought that, the occasion called for something a little more Eargible thau words, but, as the members would recull, the death of the late Master, Mr. Willizam Pye, had led to their having launched a national mentorial to him, and
the commitice felt they could not make two appeals for subbcriplions at the same time. Therefore, they postponed any idea of a testimonial to Mr. Coles to this year. They had now got togedjer a few strillings and he was going to wask the president to present Mr. Coles with: it gold watch from the association is a mark of their appreciation (applause). He (Mr. Trollope) need not say that that gift hatl been eaved. Only those who had worked with Mr. Coles intimately for many years kaew his real worth, but all of them knew, in rreater or less degree, somelhing of what he rad done. Mr. Coles was not one who had sought the linelight. Fe had been coutent to
 worle and lef other people slare tha credit, and the results. For-

MR. C. T. COLES auately in the ringing Exarcise a man of Mr. Fom Coles' standing and value was nob overlooked, and to-day thoughout the country among ringers there was no one more homoured and more respected than he was (applause). Like of good maug others, life was not as young as he was, but he was still in the prime of life and he was sure they would all mite in wishing Mr. Coles many more years of liappiness in ringing and many more jears of service to the association and to the ringing Exercise (epplause).

The President, in handing the gift to Mr. Coles, who received it amid applause, said lie knew it had been the experience of the association alwnys to find him ready, always in the right place and always going strong. He (the president) hopen that the watch would also be always roady, always in the right, place and always going strong (laughter and applause).

## MR. COTHS AND HIS COLLEAGUES.

Mr. Coles, in acknowledging tho gift, said he must ask the members to take most of his thanke fur granted, for he felt that the occasion was too auch for him. It was almost 27 years ago that he first hecnme a secretary of the association-on June 7th of this yenr to be exact-when the first secretary and founder of the association, Mr. Arthur T. King, yetired. The associntion was founded alnost 40 years ago and they jad had only two secretaries in the North and East District in the whole of that time, Mr. King for the first 13 years and he (MI'. Coles) for the last E7, with the exception of "a periad between 1916 and 1919, when he was away on war service, and wher the duties were carried on by Mr. W. F. Oram. The association, as they kuew, had no general scurctary; the two district secretaries were joint secretaries. In the Soutl and West District his colleagues had been four -Mr. H. C. Chander', who was still a nember of the association, Mi'. W. F. Oram (who for a time carrind on as secretary for both districhs and contimued in the South amd West District afterwards), Mr. W. H. Hollier and, latterty, Mr. Goodfellow. Tlus there had not been many officers during the perion, and it was due, he thonght,
not because secretaries were stickers to office, but because they found it was not so easy to slip out as to elip in (laughter and applause) In the aear future they nuight Lave to make a chauge. Although lie was not an old man and le did not like even to think he was getting old, one did feel one could not do as much at his age as 20 years ago. It had occurred to bin during the tast few years that it was too much for a man to be district secretary and joint secretary of the associa tion at the same tine. Perhaps when they weat into the question of the revision of the rules they might find it way out of the difficulty.

Continuing, Mr. Coles paid a tribute to the support which he had always received from the ofher officers of the association. The late Mr. William Pye, as Master, was a tower of strength, and any success ho (Mr. Coles) attained in ringing was entirely due to him. He was a great help in everything they did; in fact, the association would never have attained the position it did in the ringing world but for Mr. Pyc. They had recoived excellent support from the District Masters, and the preseni Master was doing a great work in helping ringing at different towers. To all of them he offered his most sincere thanks for their help. The great majority of the members continued Mr. Coles, had given loyal support to the assochation, and he would like to urge them to continue to support the officers at tite district meetings, which were the means, and the best meank, of enabling members to get practice which they could not possibly , tat in their own towers. In conchusion, Mr. Coles thanlsed the members for their handsome gift, aud udded that while lae was unlikely to bo able to bs their segretary for another 65 years, he woult, ha hoped, lave a few mare happy years with them yet (applause).

## GIFT FOR MRS. COLES.

Mr. G. W. Fletcher (vice-president) said it was only right and proper that they should express their appreciation and thanks to Mrs. Coles for what she had done to keep $\mathbf{M r}$. Coles 'up to scratich' for the last 27 years (laughter and applause). She had been the power behind the scenes, and no doubt Mr. Coles himself would tell them that without her sympathy and help Le would not have been able to devote so much of his time to the association. He asked the president to hand Mrs. Coles a handhag as a token of esteem and with many thanles for her help to the association (applause).
The president made the presentation amid applause, and Mrs. Goles briefly expressed her thanks.
Mr. Coles said his wife could really tell them quite a lot, and rigger, with wives would know vely well what that would be without his going into detail (laushtor). It was true that without his wife's sympathy and help he condd not have carried on all those years. It was undoubtedy ane to the gympathies of a wife that a mat was able to carry on anything. Mrs. Coles greatly appreciated their kinduess, and on her belanf be thanked the members wery much for their hanc. some present.
The Prepident said there remained a substantial baiance from the presentation, and it was hoped when the fund was closed to present it to Mr . Coles as a purse.

Mr. W. H. Hollier (the lon treasurer) said, later, that the fund wonld be ciosed on May 22ud. He whlhed Mr. Coles mary years still of lampy service to the associntion.
The watel was jnseribed: 'Presentad to C. T. Coles after 25 years' service as honorary secretary of the Middlesex County Assechation and London Diocesan Guild of Change Ringers. 1937.'

The report of the annual meetigg of the association will appat in our next issue.

## DEATH OF MR. J. S HUTCHBY.

## MEMBER OR' M.G.A. 'WTEDTSDAY BAND.

Mr. James S. Futeliby, a bellringer at Loughborough Parish Church for 40 yenrs, passed awny on Thesday, March 30th. Althotgin he had beon in indifereat health for the past 18 months, the end came very suddenly, and was due to a scizure whilst in his garden.

Mr. Hutchby was a member of the famous "Wednesday band which a few years ago, under the leadership of Mr. Maurice Swinfield used to meet ou the "half-day off "(Wednesday) for peal ringing, and their efforts zesulted in a large number of peals, principally Stedman Triples, being rung on behalf of the Midland Counties Association. Whenever he met for a peal it was always with the intention of scoring, and there was no mare disuppointed man than 'Jim ' Ifutelhby if the attempt proved unsuccessful. Ho had rung oyer 220 peals, including the Midland Counties Association's record leugth of Bols Major ( 13,440 changes), rung on April 8th, 1928.

Mr. Hutcliby was, up to 18 months ago, most punctual in his attendance for Sunday service ringing, and although at the age of 75 it wha not to be expected that be would be with us weup mote years, his passing is greatly regretted, not only by the Loukhlotough ringers, but also by the wide circle of friende which his kindly disposition wor for him in the urea of the Midland Counties Association.

At the interment, which took place on Saturday, April 3rd, four members of the Loughboraugh Tarish Church company acted as hearers, handbells were rung at the graveside and the bells of the Parish Church were rumg half-muffled, whilst on Tuesday evening April 6th, ${ }^{2}$ peal of Boh Major was rumg half-wuffed on the bella in the Bell Foundry Campanile, where Mr. Hutchby had rung so mant of his peals. He leaves a widow, but no children.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE WETTSUN MEETLNG.
The followiug terms la ve heen quoted by the principal Canterbury hotels: A. Inclusive terms from Saturday dinner to Wednesday breakfast. B. Inclusive terms from Sunday dianer to Wednesday breakfast. C. Daily terms. D. Bed and breakfast.

|  |  |  | A. | B. | C. | D. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Royal Fountain | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $60 /-$ | $45 /-$ | $15 / 6$ | $10 /-$ |
| Abbots Barton | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $57 / 6$ | $42 / 6$ | $17 /-$ | $10 / 6$ |
| County (Headquarters) | $\ldots$ | $55 /-$ | $40 /-$ | $17 / 6$ | $10 / 6$ |  |  |
| Rose | Healen-de-Lis | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $54 /-$ | $42 /-$ |
| Fleur | $\ldots$ | $52 /-$ | $42 /-$ | $15 /-$ | $9 /-6$ |  |  |

The Abbots Barton Hotel is outside the city. The following are temperance hotels:-

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& \text { Baker's Hotel, Ivy Lame ... ... } . . . \\
& \text { Roper Hotel (three single rooms only) } \quad . . \text { 12/6 } 8 / 6 \\
& \text { Britton's Fotel, 44, Burgate ... ... ... } 6 / 6 \\
& \text { Slatter's HoteI, St. Margaret's Strect ... }
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Applications for accommodation should be made direct to the hotel. Any members requiring privata accommodation should communcate with Mr. B. J. Luck, 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury, who will be pleased to make arrangements.

Peal arrazgements are in the hands of Mr. T. E, Sone, Warrington Bungalow, Paddock Wood, Kent, to whom applications should be addresserl.
Particulars of ringing arrangements and other information will be given next week.

GEORGE W. FLETCHER, Fon. Sec.

## BUSHEY SOCIETY'S PRESIDENT.

## DEATH OF THE REV. G. MONTAGUE HALL

On Sunday evening, April 11th, at Bushey, Herts, a quarber-peal of Stedman Triples: J. E. Rootes I, J. J. Atien 2, E. Jennings 3, P. Parslow 4, M. T. R. Hibbert 5, W. Seeley 6, W. G. Wlitehead (conductor') 7, T. Clark 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled previous to the memarial service for the Rev. G. Montague Hall, Rector of Bushey for 39 years.

He was president of the Bushey Saciety, and patron of the Herts $A$ ssociation for many years, and took a great interest in ringing. He often expressed regret at not having acquired the art in his younger days.
The remains of the late Rector were cremated on the previous Thursday, when a half-muffied peal was rung.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

 NEW HULES ADOPTED.The anmula meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Ditucesan Association was held at Tewkesbury on Laster Monday, there being a geod attendance which well represented the branches. By kind permssion of the 1 recentor (the Rev. J. ( ${ }^{2} A r c y$ Futton), the 12 bells were availabie for ringing lhroughout the day.
The business meeting was leld in the Parish Room at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., and apologies for absence were reatived from Mr. W. B. Kynaston, Mr. J. Austin and Mr. F. W. Mervett

The Master, Mr. S. Romans, in his report, called for united efforts during the Goronation year to fill the towers with ringers. He also appealed to members to support the district meetings: They had been well attencled, but usually tha loal ringers failed in their support He paid a tribute to the clergy for their efforts, and he was glad to see more clergy in the association's area taking up ringing.
The hon. secvetary, iu his report, referred to the pessing of Mrs Austin, Mrs. Brown, Capt. H. W. Grant, Mr. H. Green, Mr. 그. E. Daries, Mr. W. Gurbis, Mr. J. Owen, Mr. S. Plillips and Mr. A. R. Agg.
He recerded that 24 peals had heen rung during 1936 .
It was also mertioned that Mr. J. Gould, of Henbury, had completed 50 years as leader and conductor at the Perish Church.
The hou. traasurar's statements showed an increased balance of $£ 16$ on the year.-The balance sheets were adopted.
A report upon be Certral Council meeting at the Guildhall, London, was given by Mr. J. K. Armstrong.
The new rules prepared by the Spenial Committee were manimonsly adopted wihh one slight deletion. This referred to quorum at annual meetings, it being decided against stating a definite mumber.-The Rules Revision Comaittee were thanked and disbanded.
All the offeers were re-elected, the Master for the fourth successive time, the general secrebary (M1. E. Guise) for the tweatifeth successive occasion, and the hon, lreasurer for the uinth successiva tirng.
Messis. F. G. Leaker, J. H. Shepherd, W. Hale and A. Martin were appointed adzisers, and the Rev. E. J. Phitlips and Mr. C. H. Gordon were elected auditors.
It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Bristol on Easter Monday, 1938.
The Master proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. J. d'Arcy Hutton and Mr. H. Devereux for their hindness in making arrangements.

The Rey. J. E. Staley proposed a vole of thanks to the Master, hon. secuetary, hon, treasarer and all thase connected with the association far their work. This was unanimously accorded.
Tea was taken in the Parish Hall and there was more ringing afterwards untik fime to catch trains and buses concluded the diny's proceedings.

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## BRLFRYGOSSIP.

Althougl ' The Itiuging World' is this week enlarged to twenty pages, we regret we are compelled to hold over a number of reportis, which will appear as soon as possible.
The death occurred suddenly in Paisley on April 11bin of Mr. A. E. Wreaks, who for 25 years, 111 to September, 1911, was hon, secretary of the Lancaghire Association.
The new bells of the Birminghem CathedraI (St. Philip's) will be dedieated by the Lord Bishop of Birmingham, Dr. E. W. Barnes, at a service te be held at 6 p.m. on St. Philip's Day, Saturday May Ist.
The nevy ring of ten is by Gillett and Jajaston, of Croydon, tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb . in D. The hells will be broadcust on the Midland Regional after the service, from 7.45 to 8 o'clock, and superimposed on the broadcast, lor the lirst five minutes or so, Mr. A. Paddon Smith will give a brief description of them from the Cathedral.
Another new Surprise method, Otley, has been rung at Eelmingham, It makes the forfieth Surprise method in which a peal has been ring at this tower.
There aro frequent instances of ringers' enthusiagm for their hobby, On Saturday four members of St, Martin's Guild, Birmingham, attelded the meeting of the Middlesex Association in Leadon and enjoyed ringing at the City churches where the bells were available.
Geoffrey, Harrison, the thirteen-yearold son of Mr. Colin Harrison, of Loughborough, rang bis first touch of Grandsire Gaters on Sunday evening, when be piloted the treble without a mistake.
A report of a peal rung at Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight, has been sent without the date, and of a peal at Newland, Glos., without the time.
The twelve bels at Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, are to be rehung by Messis. Mears nndi Stninbank.
Two trebles are being added to make eight at Gorleston-on-Sea, Suffolk, and they are to be dedicated in time for the Coronation. The work is being carried out by the whitechapel Foundry;
The Chester Diocesan Guild nipeting, which was to have been held at Markel Drayton to-morrow, has been postponed owing to illuess near the church.
Mr. T. E. Sone, who has now rung penls with 275 different ringers, has called compositions by 40 composers. Sixty-five peals have becn diferent compositions by Mr. Arthur Knights.
Mr. Alfred Lawrence, who rang in a peal of Grandisire Catera at Swindon on Saturday, is in his ${ }_{3}$ rd yenr. His last peal was rung ten years ago, when he gave up peal ringing as he was getting too old for peals!
The dinner which is to be held on October 23wa by the Ladies' Guild to celebrate their silvar jubilee will take place at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Strect. Accommodalfon is limited, and it will, illerefore, be necessary to apply early for tickets.

## RINGING AT BELL OPENINGS

COUNCLL PRESIDENT ON NETE FOR GOOD STRIKING. Fo the Editar.
Sir-I see from the notices in your last issue that there are to be a number of bell dedications in the next few weeks. May I point ont that the greatest possible ceve should be taken over the arrangements for uinging on the opening day.
On such occasions the public naturally listen with greater attention than at any other time. Any bad shriking doos incalculable harm to the art of ringing, as far as public sympathy is concerned.
An even more important point is the irseveronce of imperfect ringing as part of the of ering which is beng made. EDWIN H. LEWIS.

## CLERICAL RINGERS' GUILD FORMED.

CANON GOLERIDGE THE FIRST PRESDDENT
On a recent clerical ringing tour some priests founded "The Guild of Clerical Ringers, with the object of drawing together ali elergy who talse any part in scientife ringing.
The Rev. Canoll G. T. Coleridge bas consented to be the first president.
A fee of 5 s , is payable for life membership, and farther particulars can be obtained from the hon. secrotary, the Rev. E. ₹. Cox, The Vicarage, Brampford Spcke, Exeter.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

NORTHERN DIVISION ELECTS OFTICERS.
The annual mecting of the Northerz Division of the Sussex County Ascociation was held at Warnlian on Saturday, April 10ill. Thirtyfive members were present from adjoining towers and ringing was commenced at 2.45 p.m. At the service the proposed new form for the association was used. A capital address was given by the Ficar, who also gave a brief history of Wamham Church.
Tea was partaken of at the Sussex Oak, and at the business meeting which followed the following officers were elected: Mr. O. Sippetts,
 Johnson, combittee; Messrs. O. Sippetts W. Charman and G. Apps, Committee of Advice.
Six new resident members mere elected, and the Tev. F. S. Farebrother, Vicar of Warnham, was elected an honorary member.
The Warnham baud gave nu exhibition of handbells lapped to Treble Ten and Grandsire Caters and received much applause,
The tower was ther again wisited and the bells kept going to 8.45. Round to London Surpilse were rung during the day.

## ANALYSIS OF PEALS RUNG DURING THE YEAR 1936.

Compiled by the Committee appointed by the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.


TOWER BELL PEALS OF MNOR AND DOUBIEES．

| Associetion． | MINOR <br> Number of Methois． 18346 is 78 to 70 | 唇 | DUUBLES <br> Number of <br> Methods． <br> 123 <br> 1 | 砏 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Grand } \\ \text { Totul } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { Peals } \end{gathered}$ |
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| Eiy Dfocugan |  | 31 | 1 | 1 | 32 |
| Esuex Associatio |  | 21 | 1 － | 1 | 22 |
| Glos．S Bristol |  |  | 3 | ${ }^{1}$ | 1 |
| Hereford Dio． | － |  | $22-$ | 26 | 27 |
| Hertford County |  | 12 | 81 | － | 17 |
| Eent County | 151 | 29 | 3－2－ーー | 5 | ${ }_{2}$ |
| Lancrshire | 33 a $-1-$ | 11 |  | 2 | 13 |
| Lincole Diuensan | 14 y －1 1－26 26 ¢ | 68 | $1-$ | 2 | 70 |
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| Midland Courties | $5-1-1-$ |  | 91－2－1h | 13 | 21 |
| North Nutts． |  | 16 |  |  | 16 |
| North stafts． | $1-2-\cdots-3$ | 6 |  |  | E |
| Norwich Diocesan | $\begin{array}{lllllll}10 & 1 & 5 & a & 1 & -2\end{array}$ | 22 | 2 | 2 | 24 |
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| Peterlmarnugh Dia． | $1-11$ | 8 | 131 | T | 10 |
| Eulisbury Dio． | 9 － | 11 | 8－ $\mathrm{fl}^{2} 41 \mathrm{k}$ |  | 25 |
| Shropabire Assoc． | $3-1$－－－ |  | $1-1-$ |  | ${ }^{6}$ |
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ILIn 68，65，52，45，30，25， 20 and 10 methods，two In 9 methods．b－Twelpe methods． $\mathrm{c}-7$ Two in 10 methods，one in 8 methods．d－One it 9 mothods． one in 12 methoda，ose In 14 methads．e－In 70． $81,60,57,5148,38.32,30.25$, 20．17．15，12， 11 and 9 methods．Twa in 42 methods，two in 28 methods nnd four in 14 methods f－One in 12 methods，one is 11 methods and two in $B$ $b$－Fourteerl methods．1－Thres in 7 methads．$k=T$ Ien methods．

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a－Four Mithods－Liondon，Cambridge．Superlative and Brighol．
b－Three methods－Liondon，Cumbridge and Superlative．

## REPORT OF THE ANALYSIS AND RECORDS COMMITTEE，

 1936.The followius report of the Analysis and Records Committee upont the peals rung in 1936 will be submitted to the Central Council at Wheir meeting on Whitsun Tuesday ：－
There bas been a considerable decrease in the number of peals tang in 1936，as compared with 1935.
The following summary shows comparative figures：－

| Maximus |  | 1935 |  | 1936 |  |
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|  | ．．． | ．．． 9 | 1 | 9 | － |
| Cingues | ．．． | ．．． 35 | 5 | 35 | $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{6}$ |
| Royal | ．．． | ．．． 46 | 8 | 54 | 6 |
| Caters | $\ldots$ | ．．． 82 | 7 | 91 | 11 |
| Major | $\ldots$ | ．．． 669 | 41 | 618 | 37 |
| Triples |  | 376 | 12 | 305 | 7 |
| Minor |  | 381 | 5 | 412 | 10 |
| Doubles | ．．． | 183 | 3 | 150 | 4 |
|  |  | 1，781 | 82 | 1，674 | 75 |

Peals of Maximus and Cinques remain the same，but there is an increase of 2 in the Supprise methods，aud a decrease in the Kent Treble Bob．Ginques also remsin the same，There are three peals less of Stedman，and three more of Grandsire．Royal have increased by \＆three Surprise methods and other methods 5 ．Caters have incroased by $9-S t e d m e n$ by 7 and Graudsire by 3 ．No other Cater method was rung．Major methods have decreased by 51．Surpriso methods show a decrease of 50－London 15，Cambridge 22，Bristol 3 ， Superiative 17．Spliced Surprise have increased by 4，sundry Surprise by 10，Yorkshire by 2，new Surprise methods by 1．Kent Treble Bob have increased by 4，Oxford Treble Bob have decreased by 1, and Spliced Treble Bob by 2．Double Norwich have decreased by 6 and Plair Bob lay 23 ．Sundry plain methods lave increased by 17
Triples have decreased by 71 －Stedman by 33 and Grandsire by 44 Sundry methods have increased by 6 ．
There is again an increase in Minor of 31 ．In one method peals have increased by 25 ；in two methods there is a decrease of 14 ；int thee methods an increase of 10 ；in four methods no change；in five methods a decrease of 1 ；in gix methods an increase of 1 ；an gevell methods a decrease of 4 ；ant in methods over seven an increaso of 14. In Donbles there has been a deccease of 33 ．In one method there is a decrease of 19 ；in two methods a decrease of 21 ；in three methods a decrease of 4 ；in four methods a decrease of 6 ；in five methods an increase of 5 ；and in methods over，an increase of 12 ．

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a still further decrease has taken place，and this year there are no peals of Maximus or Cinques．Royal have decreased by 2，Thajor by 4，Triples by 5 ．Caters have increased by 4，Minor by 5，and Doubles by 1 ．

## ASSOCIATIONS

The Kent Cunnty Association still head the list，with 128 peals，a decrease of 27 ou last fear＇s total．The Lincoln Guild follow with 112 ，an increase of 5 ．These are the only associatious with over 100 peuls．Nineteen associations show an increase and 25 a decrease．

PROGRESSIVE LENGTHS．
5，216 Crayford Coliege Bob Major，by the Norwich Diocesala Associa－ tion，July 2nd， 1936.

CEW MITHODS．
5，040 Spliced London，Bristol，Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Royal，by the Surey Assaciation，January 18 th ．
5，088 Uxbridge Surprise Major，by the Hertford County Association， February 15th．
5，040 Litti？Oxford Bob Major，by the Hertford County Association， February 220d．
5，088 Chester Surprise Major，by the Suffolk Guild，March 6th．
5，088 Killanatsh Surprise Major，by the Yorkshre Association，Apri 18th．
5，088 Hughenden Surprise Major，by the Oxford Diocesan Guild， April 18th．
5，152 Spliced Painswick，Yorkshire，Superlative and Cambridge Sur prise Major，by tile Oxford Diocesan Guid，April $29 t h$.
5，024 Cassiobury Surprise Major，by the Hertiond County Associa－ tion，May 16th
5，024 Leeds Surprise Major，by the Suffolk Guild，May 14th．
5，088 Leicestersinie Surprise Major，by the Midlaud Counties Associa－ tion，May 231 d．
5，056 Saudringham Surprise Major，by the Oxford Diocesan Guild May 27 th
5，056 Pyrford Surprise Major，by the Guildford Dincesan Guild，Sep tember 24th．
5，088 Cornwall Surprise Major，by the Suffolk Guild，October 19th．
5，152 Newcastle Surprise Major，by the Oxford Diocesan Guild，October 31 st．

FANDEELLS
5,056 St．Clement＇s College Job Major，by the Lincoln Guild，Marcit 22nd
5，088 Spliced London，Cambridge，Superlative and Bristol Surprise Major，by the Fertford County Association，May 29 th ．

## GENERAL.

Noteworthy performances include the peal of Spliced Surprise Major in four methors on handbells by four members of the Hertiford County Association, which undonbtedly ranks as the greatest performance yet accomplished on handbells.
Other outatauding performances are the peal of Surprise Royal in four methods by the Surrey Association, and the peals of Minor in 42 , $48,51,57,80,61$ and 70 methods by the Lincoln Guild. and in 46, 52, 66 and 68 methods by the Chester Guild.

The following are the number of peals rung during each month in 1936 and 1955 :-

|  |  | 1936 | 1935 |  |  | 1936 | 1935 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| January | $\ldots$ | 227 | 124 | §uly | $\ldots$ | 89 | 86 |
| Fehruary | $\ldots$ | 178 | 160 | Angust | $\ldots$ | 170 | 125 |
| March | $\ldots$ | 110 | 152 | September | $\ldots$ | 126 | 158 |
| April | $\ldots$ | 150 | 99 | October | $\ldots$ | 152 | 149 |
| May | $\ldots$ | 139 | 257 | November | $\ldots$ | 148 | 192 |
| June | $\ldots$ | 116 | 174 | December | $\ldots$ | 144 | 187 |

## FOOTNOTES.

There is a very serious decrease in the number of ringers who have ocored thoir first peals. The gumber is 517, as against 643 in 1935. On eight hells and over, 69 wang the treble, 92 inside and 51 the tenor; on 5 and 6 bells, 99 rang the treble, 151 mide and 51 the tenor. The number who rang their finst peal in a different method ov method on a different number of bells is 1,434 , an incresse of 519 . Ringers of their first peal iuside number 68; away from the tenor 10; Maximns 5; Cinques 13; Royal 22; Caters 15 ; Major 72; Triples 24 ; Minor 127 ; Donbles 37; on twelve bells 33 ; ten 66 ; eight 32 ; six 13 ; five 5 ; Surprise 36 ; in hand 4 : in method in hand 62 . New conductors number 57-27 an eight bells and over, and 30 on five and six. This is a decrease of 25. Condectors in new methots number 179. New collductors on handbells number 3 .

Other footnofes show that 44 were the first on the lyells; 169 the first in the method on the bells; 27 the first simce restoration or aummentation.
For the funeral of 耳ing George $F$., 175 penls were rung, muffled and lalf-mufled. Other muffled peals numbor 57 .
Fon Prodanations and Accessions 22 peals were ring; lRoyal binthdays 7; biythdays 241 ; weddings (inching silver, ete.) 97 ; ehurch fostivals and dedications 25 ; welcome and farewell 58 ; amiversaries 62.
During the jear 27 peals have been withdrawn as follows:-
Record peal of Stedman Cinques-College Youths.
2 peals London Surprise Mnjor-Sinssex Association.
12 peals Kent Treble Bob Major-Surrey Association
1 peal Kent Treble Bob Major-Guildford Guild.
3 peals Kent l'reble Bob Major-Middlesex Association.
1 peal Kent Treble Boh Mrajor-Suffolk Guild.
3 peals Kent Treble Bob Major-Norwich Diocesan Association.
1 peal Kent Treble Bob Major-Worcester and Distriets.
1 peal Oxford Treble Bob Major- Yorkslite Association.
2 peatls Stedman Caters-Gloucestar and Bristol Association.
And these havo been deducted from the total of peals rung.
We give below the number of peals rung in each of representative years since 1881, the total for the wholo period being 68,706:-

| 1881 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 156 | 1921 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1,632 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1898 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1,002 | 1932 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2,199 |
| 1905 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1,519 | 1933 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1,833 |
| 1913 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 2,359 | 1934 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1,784 |  |
| 1917 | (war | year) | $\ldots$ | 130 | 1935 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1,863 |  |
| 1919 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1,048 | 1936 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1,749 |

Included in the tables as peals of Doubles are 13 peals for the Hereford Diocesan, one for the Swansea and Brecon, ove for the Devon fruld, and one for the Ely Diocesan Guild, all containing either Fitman's, Morris' or Liudoff's 240 's or 'spliced 240 's 'of Graudsire. We are a little doublful if the Council has made any decision whict explessly recognises these compositions

We have lad in mind the instructions given to us last year by the Conncil, but in wien of the fact that peals containing the compositions referred to have heen accepted by the Council in previous years, we hesitate to decide that these peals are contraty to any decision of the Conncil, and have, therefore, included them.

Two peals of Doubles rimg for the Hertford County Aesociation and included in the tables are stated to contain "Oxford Singles.' Inquiries have been made, bint nu information has been obtained on which we could defititely decitie that these peals should be omitted from the tables.
A peal of Minor in seven methods included in the tathes and rung for the Forkshive Association contained talain course of Woodbine Treble Boh in addition to an extent in tliat mothod. We are not clear as to whether the plain course concluded the peal or was sandwiched behreen extentits.
The committeo recommend the appaintment of Mr. Walter Ayre to serve on this conmittee.
(Signed) G. L GROVER.
GEORGE R. PYE
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## KINGSTON-ON-THAMES BELLS RESTORED.

## FOYR TREBJES REOAST.

## Reopaning By Bishop of Southwark

Kingston-upon-Thames is rich in history. Seven Saxon kings were crowned there, and the stome on whiel the ceremonics look jlaco is still there to be seen. Through the ages the bells of its Parish Chureh have proclaimed the loyalty of the royal borough, and now, in timo for the Coronation of King George and Queen Elizabeth, they have been set in order to play their part again. There are records of Kingston's bells ringing for the first Queen Elizabeth. In 1570 the 'Ryngal's', were paid xjj pence 'the ferst tyme the quene whent in to bare felld, and again in the following yoar they yeceived i] shillings at 'the quens comyng' and xix pence at her 'ferst goyng in to bare feld.'
And the firm of bellfounders, whose history goes back to those distant days, was enfrusted with the work of restaring the peal in time for the forthcoming Goronation. For years the bells lata beew 'a lumpy old lotr, and gradually the necessity of overhaul fotcod itself npon the antivorities. The bell frame has been strengthened, a new belfyy flow and deadening ceiling has been provided, the front fowr belts havg been recast, the rest sandblasted and retulaed, aud the whole peat hung, with new fittings of modern type, on ball hearinge, A grent inprovement has bem effected in the tone and the bells now "go' admirably, but as the old frame was utilised, the ring still run 'the wrong way' round.
Tho bells were reopened on Saturday nfternoon, wher they were rededicated, at a largely atfended service, by the Eord Bishop of Southwark, who, in his address, relerred to the place which hells in this country had taken in our national life and of the purpose they served as a reminder to all who hear them of the higher things in our own lives.

The service was conducted by the Vical (the Rev. T. B. Sccutton), and at the ecmpletion of the formal delicalion the bells wore rumg by a tand eousisting chiefly of locrl ringers. Afterwards an oponiug touch ' of Stedman Caters was rung moder the conductorship of Mr. T. W. Tnffender, who will in future be in charge of the ringing at the church, and, later, other touches were rung, in which mimerous visiturs took pat. Mr. A. A. Hurhes represeuted the Whitechapel Foundry.

## THE BELLS.

The tenor, whicl is now 27 ewt. 2 qr. 24 lb . in D ffat, is inseribed round the shondel', 'T. Mears of London fecit 1830,' and in the waist, "Recnst 1830 . Revd, S. W. Gandy, Vicar. George Wadbrook, Tohn Reed. Churchwardens. Sammel Redford, Churchwarden elect." The other bells bear the following inseriptions:-
9ih.-Mears \& Stainbank, Founders, Loudon, Recnst 1879,
8th. The old 8 bells recast and two new Trebbles added to make $X$ by subscription. S. London, S. Belchier, Collectors. 1748.

7 thi. M. Mears of Loudnn fecit. 1826. Sanul. Allenby, Wilimm Pamphilon, Churchwardens.
Gth.-T. Mests of Landon fecit. 1826. James Fricker, John French, Brylefis.
Sth.-T. Mears of Lordon fecit. 1826. Riclaned Carter, Vestry Clerk.
4th.-Wilfiam IHews and Sons, Founders, Bimmingham. 1873. Revd. A. Williame, Vicar: Clarles Walter, Esq., Plailip Jones, Churchwardeus.
3rd.-Robert Cntlin fecit. 1750.
2nd.-Thonnas Mears, Founter, Lontion. 1841
Treble.-Intactum sileo percute dulce cano. R.O. 1748.
The last fonr bells bear the additional inscrintion: Recmat 1936. Alfen Drfland, Mayor. T. B. Scrutton, Vicar. R. T. Hesketh, G. J. Dymott, Chierchwardens.
It will be seen from the firscription on the 8th that in 1748 the complete ring of ten was cast by Robert Catlin, successor to Samuel Knight, of Holborn.

## AN OLD BRISTOL RINGER.

## DEATH OF CHARLES $H$ TOWKINS.

After an illuess only lasting a week, Mr. Clarles H. Tomking, of Bristol, passed peacefully uwry on Saturday, April 10th, in his 79th year. He was for many years a prominenli fagure in pinging eireles in Bristol. Fe rang his first peal at St. Mathew's, Bristol, in 1891, at a period when peals rung in the city were few and far hetwen. Only three were rung by local men in four years, aud he rang in each one, aTl being Grandsire Triples.
Mr. Tomkins was one of those present at the formation of the St. Stephen's Guild townrds the ead of 1894, and was an enthusiastic member of the band who made such progress in the art during the years that followed

He jonr altogether ahout 130 peals, the most notable heing the firgt - Charles ' peal; the 7,023 Stelman Calers at St. Steplen's, the longest peal rung in the city for over 100 years; and the one and onty peal rants on the bells of St. Felena, Lundy Ssland.

The interment took place on Wedresday, April 14tly, at Foly Trinity, Kingswerod, and was attended by the following: Mesgrs. C. H. Gordon, W. Kuight, G. T. Daltry, F. Tueker, W. H. Thomas, J. Gould and WT. A. Cave.
The bells of st. Stephen's werg rung muffled at the usuni practice on the previous evening.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM. <br> PRESENTATIONS TO ASTON AND ST. MARTIN'S

A very successful quarterly meeting of Si. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held at the Parish Church, Aston, It was here that such old Birmingham worthies as Henry Johnson, Tona Russam, John Carter and many others used to sing and where many record peals have been rung, It is a fine old church witl tower and spire, and in fact, is clained by meny as "the gem of the Midlatids," The lower contained a peal of eight bells as far back as 1776 , and in 1814 these were augnented into peal of ten. For some years they were silcut, but in June, 1935 , they were recast and augmented into a peal of 12 , largely though the efforts of the present Vicar, the Rev. H. McGowan,
The Guild's form of service was conducted by the curate, the Rev. R. S. O. Stevens, the Vicar acting as organist aud glso giving a very helpful address, dwelling on the dignity of the office of bellringer, and nuging them, whilst ringing the bells fo the best of their ability, not to omit attencing tho services.
Between 40 and 50 sat down to an excellent tea, provided by the local ringers and well served by their wives and other lady friends. In the ansence of the Master, Akerman J. S. Pritcheit, M.A., the Vicar, who is a vice-president, presided at the business meeting.
Reference was made to the death of Mr. Tom Russam, who died in fanuary last; and in doing so Mr. Vice-Prosident Paddon Smith eaid it was very differlt to be sad when talking of Tom Russam, who was really a very happy man. His passing, howewer, was a great loss to the Exercise and particularly to the St. Martin's Guild. For many years lie was in charge of the bells mid tower at Aston, and during that time ringers were always made welcome there. He asked all to stand for a moment as a last tribute of respect.

## PETESENTATION TO ASTON TOWER.

The hon. secretay (Mr. Ti. F. Reeves) yeported that some time before Mry. Rusam's denth he expressed the wisla that his peal of 12 landbeils (which were preseuted to him many years ago by membors of the St'. Martiu's Guild should be given to a tower where there Tans a young and progressive band of ringers. He suggested to Mrs. Russam that Aston fulfilled this condition, and that it would be a suitable piace for the balls on account of his long association with the tower. To this Mrs. Russam agreed, and so on her belalf he fad mach pleasure in landing the bells to the Vicar for the use of the ringerg of Aston Parish Church.
The Vicar accepted the gift, and, in handing them over to Mr. W. Davies, the Ringing Master, lemarked it was another token of the goodwill which existed bewween St. Martiu's Guild and Aston, and would stways remind them of a nata who for many years lati been connected with the church and tower.
Mr. Reeves alsa stated tiat he lad received from Mr. J. Frank Smaliwood, now of Bath, who for many years was a praminent membor of the Guild and still takes a lively interest in its well-being, a framed photograph of Fenry Jolnson. In his letter accompanying tho gift Mr. Smallwood remarked that be thought there should be a photograph of the 'old gentleman' in St. Martin's tower; and so lie had murla pleacure in presenting one.
The Chairman expressed the thanks of the meeting, and the secrotary was reguested to send Mr. Smallwood a letter of thanks for his gift.
Onving ts the deatir of Mr. Russam, it was necessary to elect anotiner trustee in his stead, and Mr. E. T. Alteway was unanimously elected.
Mr. Fred Price was also manimonsly elected auditor in the place
Mr. T. Fiv Lloyd, of Fall Green, was duly elected a member, and the tower election of Mr. E. T. Poppy, of Eye, Suffelk, as a life member was duly ratified.

## DONATION TO OJDBURT BELLS

It was unanimously agreed to hold the next quarterly meeting on the cirst Saturday in July at Solihull. The Ringing Master (M1. F. E. Eaynes) pointed c.ut that the date of the bi-quarterly meeting would clasly with the Goronation celebrations, and so he suggested that instead of the meeting several peals slould be attempted.
The secretary read a letter from the Vicar of oldburw appealing for subscriptions towards the recasting of the bells of Oldbury Parjsh Church. It was proposed by Mr. Hayues and unanimously agreed that a douation of $£ 2$ 2s. be sent from the Gujld's funds. " $A$ subsequent collection resulted in $\AA$ further 5138 . being added.
The secretary also announced the arrangements made for ringing at the various chwrehes in the city during Coronation Week. These would be included in the official programme, aud he urged all those taking part to do their utmost to make the striking as goad as possible. $\Lambda$ lienty wote of thanks, proposed by Mr. Haynes to the Ficnir and curate for conducting the service, to the ringere of Aston for providing such an excellent tea, and to the ladies for having prepared nud served it, was enthusimstically accorded by all. The Yicar aud Mr. W. Davies ou belalf of the iston riugers, responded.

Mr. Russam's bels were then tried out, aud, althourgh the clappers in some of them were rather stifif, a good touch of Stedman Cinques was brought round.
A returin was afterwards made to the tower, where the bolls were kept going in varions methods motil 9 o'clock, when a social hour spent in another place brought a very enjoyable meeting to a close.

## DARLINGTON'S NEW PEAL

## BELLS RECAST BY JADY'S LEGAOY.

The inauguration of the recast peal of St. Cuthbert's, Derlington, took placo on Saturday, April 3rd. The chureh, which is one of the Collegiate Chimelies in the County of Durham, originally possessed a peal of sic, which were augmented to eight by the gift of two trebles in 1866 by Joseph Pease, a prominent Quaker of the time, and son of Edward Pease, who fomded the first railway company in the world. Of late years the bells had shown signs of wear, and the authorities of St. Guthtiert's, after investiantion, decided to the delight of the ringers in tine district ta lave the whole peal recast and Fohung in ball bearings and a new steel frame. The coutract was awarded to Messrs. Gillett and Johmston, Led., of Croydon, who haw carvied out their duties admirably, the welded steel frame being a noteworthy feature. April 3 ra saw the cumination of wheir eftorts when the peal sounded once more over Darlington. Between 30 and 40 ringers from Newonstle Cathedral, Shildor, Staindrop, West Hartlepool, Ormesby, Salvburn and Leeds, togethar with merabors of the three Daclington towers, took part in keeping the luels going, nud afterwawd the company were entertamed to tea at the invitation of the Fical and churchwardeus.

Councillor Arthur Payne, O.B.E., J.P., president of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association, was in tive cirair, supporied by Mr. Roland Park, the hor, secretary, and, in moving a vote of thanks to the Yicar and wavdens for their hospitality and invitation to ring on the bells, expressed lis ploasure af being able to visit Darlington. Mr. Pagne went on to emphasise the work for the Church done by ringers, and how thonghts of religion were caried into many unerpected places by the sound of tho bells.
Mr. W. N. Parls, of Darlington, secondent the motiou, which was carried with acclamation, St, Cuthbert's being assured of the good wishes of the association for success with their dew peal.
The Vicar, the Rev. W. C. Jordan, M.A., gracefulty responded and mentioned that this was the first occrisiou upon which he liad attended a gathering of ringers. He went oll to say how pleased the St, Cuthinert's people were to have the bells in use agrin, and referred to the 62 jears' service to the belfry of St. Cuthbert's of Mr. A. Hodgson.
Mr. W. E. Watson (churchwarden in 1936) explained that the worlk done had been made possible throury the legacy of a Darljogton lady. His remezks reflected the heen interest ha had faken m the scheme throughont.

After M1. E. Minors (churchwarden) had endorsed these remarks, and added that, as borough surveyor, he was confident that the job was a sonnd engineering one.-Ir. Cyril F. Johnstan was called upor to eulighten the compary as to what had been done. This lee did in his usual capable manner.
During the proceedings courges of Grandsire Triples and Caters were rurg on handbells by Messrs. C. F. Johnston, J. W, Moarhouse, G. W. Park, W. N. Park aud R. Park, and an adjoumment, was made to the tower for further ringing, which was continued throughout the evening.

Appended are the weights of the new bells with their respective Treble. Note F. Cast by Jom Warner \& Sons, London. The gift of Joseph Pease, Esquire, to complate the chime. 1866.4 cwt. 2 qr .18 ih
$2 u d$, Li. Same as treble 4 cwt. 3 qr. 121
ird. -D. Lester \& Pack of London Feeit 1755.5 cwt .4 lb .
-C Mears \& Stainbank, Fonnders, London, 1866. Testoration of St. Cuthbert's Church, when this bell, the third and lemor were reeast. 5 ewt, $3 \mathrm{gr}$.24 lb . Gomte. Wime Hell and Thos. Darnton and Went. Andrew Wood Brown, Churchwardens 1755.7 cwt. 1 qr .23 lb.
6h.-A. G. Mears \& Co. Founders, London, 1864. 9 cwt 5 lb
Th. $-G$. Lester \& Pack of London Fecit, Andrew Wool, Curate, Fras. Hulmes, Robt. Westall, Mark Jefirey, Richd. Southern, Churcluwardens 1760.12 cwt 2 qr
Tenor.-F. G. Mears \& Co. Tounders, London, 1864. The Ring of 8 was ree cast and re-lung in the year of the Coronation of King George VI, 1937. Viear-W. C. Jordan. Churchwardels-W. G. Ghander, W. E. Watson, E. Minor, G. A. Dawsun. 18 cwt. 14 lb .
On each bell, 'Re-cast by Giljett and Johnston, Croydon, 1937.'

## 'ORANGES AND LEMONS.'

## SERVICE AT ST. GLEMENT DANES.

Among the bells of 'London town' oranges and lemons are inseparably asseciated, in thes old mursery rhyme, will St. Clemen's, and this compection is picturesquely commemorated every year at the historic Church of St. Clement Danes in the Strand. The ammal Oranges and Lemons" service took place last Friday, when children from the Danish colony in London distribnted oranges and lemons among English children. In connection with the service a quarter-peal of (ryandsire Caters ( 1,259 changes) was specially rung on the bells by Miss D. Bryant 1, 玉. G. Fem 2, C. Tr. Winney $3_{1}$ A. B. Peck 4, T. Langdon 5, F. Pasmore 6, E. J. Moris 7, G. W. Debeuham (coaducter) 8, L. J. Porter 9, H. G. Miles 10.

## Leicester's New peal of twelve.

FREEMASONS GIVE CORONATION TENOR.

## Hallowing Serviees at the Cathedral:

Two fuplessire ceremonies Lave taken place at Lecester Cathedral in connection with the coming of the new bells, whish are to form a ring of lwelve, with an additional half-tone.
On Saturday week the front twelve, together with the clack and chimes, were hallowed, and on the following day a similar service was held in comection with the Lenor bell, given by the Freemasons of the Province of Leicestershire and hutland in commemorabion of the Coronation of His Majesty King George VI. At both services the Cathedral was Full, that on Siturday being aftended by the Lowl Mayor of Lobester and Lady Mayoress, while on Sunday a large gathering of Freemasons witnessed blse ceremony. Ringers wero present from all parts of the diocese and beyoud.
The bells were arranged in a semi-circle on the floor of the unve, the tenor bell being placed bolow the chancel steps. The Bishop of the diocese and the Provost of the Cathedral, with their attendants, were seated opposite the contre of the semi-circle facing eastward, and on the south side were the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress; in a semi-circla facing eastward were the donors, while ath the foot of the chancel steps, behind the bells, were the Cathedral bellringers.
The service opened will the hymn, 'Unehansing God,' and following jntereessions, thanksivings and the 1501 h Psalm onme tho carcmony of the naming of the bells, begiming with the eleventh. The donons were led by the I'rovost and his verger, ono by one, to the bells, and cacls formally named their gift.
Tho anthem, Purcell's 'Rejoice in the Lord alway, was followed by the ceremony of hallowing, performed by Bishop Bardsley, who afterwards charged the ringers in these ferms: 'See that you ring these bells with reverence aud devotion to your sacred trust, and as you slall summon the people to worship in this holy house, so be yourselves faitliful worshippers of Him who hath called you to this gervice.'

A short touch was then Fung on handbells, and the clock and chimes were next hallowed. After the hym, 'Ring out, ye bells, to heaven on high,' adapted from the well-known stauzas in Tennyson's immortal poem, the Provost, the Very Rev. F. B. Macnutt, who is also Archdeacon of Lcicester, gave the address.
Ele dealt with the history of the old peal and made mention of the long connection of the firm of Taylor and Co. witit the bells of the diocese. He also referced to the patience of his own vingers, during the 18 years of his awn connection with St. Martin's, in waiting for the restomation of the bells.
Afterwards the bymn, 'Ring forth, holy bells, was sumg, and a collection taken for the Cathedral Tower and Spire Find. The service closed with a prayer for the people and the King and Queer, the Blessing, and the Nabional Anthem.

> FREEMASONS' SERVICE.

The service on Sunday afternoon followed somewhat similar lines, hut with prayers suitable to the special oceasion, the Masanic form of 'So mote it be' beine used instead of the customary ' Amens.
The prayers were offered by the Rev. R. C. Johnson, Promincial Grand Claplain, and the Rev. Henny Lewis, Provincial Grand Chaplain. The anthem was Selubert's 'Where Thou roignest."
The lesson, from Denteronnmy xax., 9-14. was read by Elie Rirint Worshipfnl Bro. Sir Frederick Oliver, T.D., D.L., who afterwards, standin口 by the tenor bell with Bishop Bardsley, was invited by the Provost : to mame this bell, recast at the cost of tho Freemasons of the Prorince.
The 1 Provincial Grand Master answered: Reverend sir, in loyalty to our sovereign Towd the King, who has granted us his gracious pherwission, I will name it.

He then unveiled the bell, and, laying his lund upon it, said: "T, Oharles Frederick Oliver, give to this bell the name of The Coronation Bell of Fis Majesty King George the Sixth. God save the King."
And all the corgregation ansmered, 'So mote it be.
The Bishop, at the recnost of the Provincial Grand Master, then hallowed the bell and pronounced the Ascription.

Again the hyma, 'Ring ont, ye bells, to heaven gil high,' was heard, and, following it, came a sermon by the Lord Bishop of Salisbury, The Fery Worshipful Ennest Nevilio Lovett, Past Grend Chaplain of Enclavd.
The hymn, 'Ring fortl, holy bells,' followed, and after the Blessing a memorable service was bronult to a close with the National Anthem. THE BETIS.
Tha belle, which hawe been increased froin ten to twelve, with adied woitht, thn tenor having been increased from 20 cmt . 3 g g. 28 ll .; to 24 cwt. 0 ar. 20 lb ., have heen cast hy Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughhorongh. They will lee rung for the first time on Cornation

## The following are the inscriptions:-

Treble: The Bell Founder's Bell. Given by E. Denison Thylor, Bell Taunder, Tuonghborourh. May 12th, 1937.
1 summon all to pray on this and every day
2. The John Edward Edis Bell, Given in menory of John EAwavd Fillis, Lav Canon, Churchwarden and Deputy Warden of St. Martin's, by his wife, Mabel Filis, and his thughter, Freda Lorrimer, and his niece, Kathaeen Browning. May 12th, 1937.
Praise God for Blessed Marbin. Soldier, Bishop, Saint.

3: The Bowmar Bell. jecasb in memory of Walter Hanmond Bowmar by his wife, Eva Buwnar. May 12ti, 1937.
Jesu Christo 12 iserere Nobis. John 'laylon and Son, Fonnders, Loighborcugh. A.D. 1852.
4: The Gertrude Ellis Bell. Recast. in memory of Gertrude Ellis by her daughter, Freda Lorrimer, and her niece, Fathleen Browuing. May $12 \mathrm{tl}, 1937$.
This truth I tell, In Clnist all's well. John Taylor and Sow, Founders, Oxford and Loughborough. A.D. 1854.
5: The Fielding Johnson Hell. Recast in memory of Thomas Fielding Johuson, M.A., J.P., Lay Canon of Sit. Marin's, had his wifo, Florence Lyne Johnsou, by Uneir ehildren, Florence Julia Ficlding leverard, d. P., Agres Mirian Fielding fohnsou, Willam Spurrett Fielaing Johnson. Mny 12th, 1937.

Peace to them that are afac olf and to them that are nigh, Revad, Edwd. Thomas Varghan, Vicay' Hy. Sharpe Jones, Joseph Simpkin, C. Wardens. John Taylor and Son, Bellfounders, Longhboragh, late of Oxford, Bideford, Devon, aud St. Neots, Hunis, Successors to the old and celebrated Founders, Newcombe, Wratts, Eayre, and Armold, of Leicester, names of ligh repute, duting as early as 1560.
6: The Daxiels Bell. Recast by Samuel Kilwoyth Dauicls, Lay Canon of St. Mirtin's in memory of his wite, Caraline Daniels. Way 12th, 1937.
in His Will is our Peace. Tolus Taylor and Son, Bell Fomaders, Oxford and Loughborough, 1854.

Falf-tove: The Stelfox Bell, Givon in memory of James Walter Stelfox, Eay Canou, Churchwarden of St. Martin's, by his wife, Evelyn Marsland Stelfox. May 12th, 1937.

Non Clamor Sed Anor.
7: The Pariridge Bell. Recasi in memory of Samuel Steads Partridge, J.P., by his wife, Elizabeth Partridge. May $12 \mathrm{th}, 1937$. God send us Peace in Clinist.
I. Taylor and Co., Founders, Loughborough. MDCCCLXXIX. Continentia.
8: The Jarvis Bell. Recast by William George Jarvis, Clurchwardeu and Deputy Wardeu of St. Martin's. May $12 t h, 1937$.
Adeste fideles. Gundete. Orabe.
Praise him upon the well-tured cymbals; praise his upon the loud cymbals. 1781.

9: The Sammon Smith Bell. Recast by Samson Smith, of Leicesker: May 12th, 1937.
Christ is Risen. Alleluyr. H. Watchorn, Esq., Mayor, J. Nichols, W. Cepp, Chuwchwardens. Edwd. Armold, fecit, 1781.

This Bell of the Congregation. Recasi by the Congregation of the Cathedral. May 12th1, 1937.
God Save His Church. F. Watchom, Esq., Mayor. J. Nichois, W. Carp, Churchwardens. Edwd, Arnold, Fecit, 1781.

11: The North Bell. Recast by Alderman Sir Jonathan Nortin, J. P. Mayor of Leicester, 1914-1918, and Willian Albert Norbh J. P., Ifigh Sheriff of Leicestershire, 1935-1936. May 12th, 1937.
God Save Oity and Shire. Recast by J. Taylor and Co., 1879. Elward Artold, Fecit, li81, Thomas lngram, 1879.
Tenor: The Coronation Bell of His Majesty King George VI, Recast by the Freemasons of Lefecstershite and Rutland. May 12th, 1937. F. B. Macuubt, Provost. C. F. Oliver, Prorincial Gund Master,
God Save file King. H. Watchorn, Jsq., Mayor. J. Nichals, W God Srve thie King. H. Watchorn, Esq., Mayor. J. Nichals, Capp, Churchwardens. Edwd. Aruold, St. Neats, Feeit, 1781.
The new inseription is on the waist of the bells, and on the tenor between the names of the Provost and the Prowincial Grand Master, and above tho words 'God Snve the King' is the Masonic emblem of Squara and Comprasses.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Over 30 ringers attended a most sucressfinl meeting at All Saints', Pilgrim Street, Newcastle, an March 13th. Ringing taok place hath in the aftemoon and evening, when the methods rung varied from rounds to Erjn Triples, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise Major.

At the business mecting, following the tea in the Church Hatl, it was decided to meet llext at Fenlam on April 17th. Double Bob Major was the method proposed for practice.
Coronation riuging was fiscussed, and an sub-conmittec, consisting of Messrs. J. Anderson, J. Scotb anti T. W. Orowe, with the vicepresident nud semetary, was appointex to investigate and reporti. All whe band of the local tower were elected members of tho assaciation.

## ASHOVER BELLS REOPENED.

The rehenging of the bells ou hall hearings at Asfover Parisli Church has just been completed by Messis. Joln Taylor and Co. They were rung the first time on Sunday, April 114, when for evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was conducted by Ms' Edwin Hopkinson those trking part being W. Hopkinson ffrrst quarter-peal) 1, A. W. H. Bowln 2, B. Revell (first quarter-peal an an *inside ' bell) 3, E. Foplinson 4. V. Taylor 5, F. E. Tayloy 6, T. Dent 7, H. Hopkinson 8. All the ringers are memhers of the Midand Counties Assomation, and, apart from V. Taylor (Matlock) and H. E. Taylor (Davley Dale), all belong to Ashover.

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## 1 Bth CENTURY PEAL RECORDS.

Will all secretaries, or any interested ringers who have collected records of old peals rung previous to 1825, please forward same or particulars, not later than May 1st for this year's report to the Central Council, to Wm. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, Chiswick, W.4?

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at Guildford on Saturday, April 24 th. At a service in the Cathedral at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , the Lord Bishop will dedicate a memorial, erected by the Cathedral ringers, to the late Provost E. C. Kirwan. Meeting at 5 p.m. in the Royal Grammar School; tea in Abbot's Kitchen 6.15, 1s. per head. Cathedral bells (8) available after service; S. Nicolas' (10) and Shalford (8) after tea.-J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover Cottage, Pyrford, Surrey.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The half-yearly meeting will be held at Worsley ( 10 bells) on Saturday, April 24 th. Bells ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4 p.m. Tea in Café at 5 p.rm.-W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Worsley on Saturday, April 2 thth, in conjunction with the half-yearly meeting of the Lancashire Association. For arrangements see notice above.-Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec., 35 , The Crescent, Worsley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-BoIton Branch. The next meeting, arranged for Leigh, will be transferred to Worsley on April 24th. It will be held in conjunction with the half-yearly meeting. See notice ahove -Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division. A meeting will be held at Widford on Saturday, Apris 24 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow.-FI. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held in St. Mary's Cathedral, Glasgow, on Saturday, April 24 th. Service in Cathedral at 4 p.m. Tea (new rule) 4.30. Business meeting to follow. Ringing from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-Wm. F. M. Stenhouse, Hon. Sec., 7, Brantwood Avenue, Dundee.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at King's Somborne on Saturday, April 24 th. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m., followed by tea in the Church Hafl at 4.30 . Bells available at 2 p.m. Please let us know if you are coming. All welcome.G. and Miss Noice, Hon. Dis. Secs., 6, Cathedral View, Winchester.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-North-East Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bampton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.-R. Harris, Hon. Sec., Park, Silverton, nr. Exeter.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.The spring meeting of the above branch will be held at Aldermaston on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., at 6 d . each. All ringers welcome.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

-Taunton Deanery Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Ash Priors on Saturday, April 24 th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea, etc., to follow. - P. Merson, Bishops Hull.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Cary Deanery Branch,-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bruton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Milton Clevedon bells also available. P.C. for tea, please.-W. A. Osborn, Hon. Sec., GaIhampton, Yeovil.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Bridgnorth Branch.-The next meeting will take place at Madeley on Saturday, April 24 th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Those requiring tea please notify me as soon as possible.-H. G. Thomas, Hildon, Victoria Road, Bridgnorth.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Hunsdon on Saturday, April 24th. Beils during afternoon and evening. Service at 5. Tea at the Turkey Cock after. I hope we may have a good attendance of old and new friends.-W. H. Lawrence, Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton and Petersfield District. - A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Hawkley on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Business meeting follows.-C. E. Bassett, Hon. Dis. Sec., 32, Charles Street, Petersfield.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Potton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at the Rectory at 5 . All ringers welcome. Please come.-C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch.The spring meeting will be held at Shiplake on Saturday, April 24th. Ringing from 3 p.m. till 9 p.m. Service ? p.m. Tea, 1s. per head, at 5 p.m.-E. G. Foster, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, 401, London Road, Reading.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be at Stoney Stanton on April 24th. Bells ready at 3 p.m.-Wm. A. Wood, Dis. Sec., Fosseway, Croft, near Lecicester.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-The branch annual meeting has been arranged at Boyne Hill on Saturday, April 24 th, at 2.45 p.m. Tea, at 1s. per head.-A. D. Barker, Cambrilge, Wexham, Slough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Chesterfield District.-A meeting will be held at Old Whittington on Saturday, April 24 th - J. P. Tarlton, Hon. Sec.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be heid at Chilham on Saturday, April 24th. Throwley bells not available owing to illness.P. Page, Hon. Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch. The meeting which was advertised to take place at Market Drayton on Saturday, April 24th, has been postponed, owing to serious illness near the church.-Rich. D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec., 118, Ruskin Road, Crewe.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northern District. -The next meeting will be held to-morrow (April 24th) at St. Mary's, Holloway Road, N.'7 (near Highbury Corner). Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., in Church Hall. Visitors welcome- James G. A. Prior, Hon. Sec
CEEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. -The next meetng will he held at Whilby on Saturdav, April 24 th. Ten hells (tenor $: 8 \mathrm{cwt}$ ). Tea will be provided at Hood's Marine Cafe at 5 p.m.-J. Reed, Hon. Sec., 67, Hedley Strect, Guisborough, Yorks.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual meeting at Lincoln on Saturday, April 24th. Service in the Morning Chapel of the Cathedral at $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 430 at the Co-operative Hall, Silver Street, at $1 / 8$ per head, followed by business meeting. Ringing at the Cathedral, St. Prter-at-Gowt's and St. Botolph's from 2 p.m.-F. W. Stokes, Hon. Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -There will be ringing for service at Shoreditch on Sunday, April 25th, at 5.30 p.m. Usual monthly practice at Shoreditch on Thursday, April 29th, commencing at 6.30 p.m.-N. Summerhayes, Asst. Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on April 27th; ringing from 6 to 7 and 8.45 to 9 p.m. ; St. Magnus' on April 29th, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .{ }^{*}$ Business meeting afterwards.-Wiltiam T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Hersham (Oatlands Park not availahle at present) on Saturday, May 1 st. Bells (8) available $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Church House 5 p.m. A p.c. by Wednesday, Apri] 28 th , will enable me to arrange tea for all. All ringers welcome.--F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec., 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, May 1st. Bells ready for 3 p.m. Members and non-members cordially invited. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District. - A by-meeting will be held at Teynham on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 (1s.). To help with tea, please send your names in to Mr. V. J. Page, 1, The Crescent, Teynham, near Sittingbourne, not later than Wednesday, April 28th.-B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 1st, at Christ Church, Southport. Bells available from 3 p.m. A small charge will be made for tea, for which please notify Mr. J. Ridyard, 16, Vaughan Road, Birkdale, Southport. After tea ringing will be continued at Emmanuel Church, Southport.-S. Forshaw, 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting will be held in conjunction with the Sheffield and District Society at St. John's, Ranmoor, Sheffield, on Saturday, May 1st, when the peal of 10 bells will be available from 2 p.m. onwards. Meeting of the general committee in the Church Hall at 3.45 p.m. A short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea (1s.) at 5 p.m. in the Church Hall. Names to be sent to Mr. C. Haynes, 441a, Sandygate Road, Sheffield, by Wedresday, April 28th. The general meeting will be held immediately after tea.-J. E. Cawser, Hon. Gen. Sec., Cragdon House, Ashton Lane, Braithwell, near Rotherham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Hawkhurst is just the place to visit in the spring; is picturesgue; has fine peal of bells. The spring meeting of the Tonbridge District will be held here on Saturday, May ist. The Hastings and District Guild will associate itself with this meeting. 3 p.m., tower open; 4.30, service. Tea (free to practising members) to follow; also business meeting. All ringers intending to be present please notify me by Tuesday, April 27th.-Alec E. Richardson, Laure! Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester District. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Queenborough on Saturday, May 1st. Further particulars later.-Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Sec.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-The festival will be held at Salisbury on Saturday, May 1st. Luncheon (1s. 6d.) in British Legion Hall, followed by annual meeting, at 1 p.m. Service in Cathedral, at 3.30. Preacher, the Bishop of Salisbury. Towers open: 8 bells, St. Thomas' (11-12.30, 6-7), St. Edmund's, St. Martin's; 6 bells, St. Paul's, Arnesbury, Britford, Broadchalk, Berwick St. John, Coombe Bissett, Downton, Semley, Witon, Woodford. Visitors intending to take luncheon please notify secretary before Monday, April 26th. - F. Lewellyn Edwards, Hon. Sec., Kington Magna Rectory, Gillingham, Dorset.

SUFFOLK GUILD. - A meeting will be held at Sproughton on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (6) available at 2.30; also Bramford, Hintlesham and Copdock (all 6 bells). Tea gd. each, at 430 at Church Hall. Meeting follows.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Willingdon on Saturday, May 1st. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea, 5 o'clock, 1s. 3d. per head. Will those intending to be present kindly let me know not later than Wednesday previous to meeting ? Half rail fare (maximum 1s. 6d.) -A. C. Pankhurst, Hon. Div. Sec., 13, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-May Day.-A meeting will be held at Graveley on May 1st. Bells ready 3 p.m. The Rector (Canon Jebb) has offered to provide tea for those who notify him before April 30th. Don't 'let the side down, chaps!' Learners welcome and will get good opportunities. Names for tea to Canon Jebb, The Rectory, Graveley, Hitchin.Don Mears, Hon. Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Bridgwater Branch.-The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Westonzoyland on Saturday, May 1st. Bells available 2.30. Service 4. Tea 5. Please let me know not later than Tuesday how many will require tea from your tower. All ringers welcome. - C. Evans, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Bridgwater.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD will hold a joint meeting with the Kent County Association (Tonbridge District) at Hawkhursi on Saturday, May 1st. Tower open 3 o'clock. Those requiring tea notify A. E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, South-borough.-C. A. Levett, 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Barkston on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (6) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting, at Rectory. Will those reguiring tea please help by sending names by Wednesday previous to Rev. Thorold Ella, The Rectory, Barkston, Grantham?-C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Foikingham, Lincs.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Hereford Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Fownhope on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (6) available 2.30 to 9 p.m. Tea, 5.30 p.m., in Parish Hall, 6d. each to those notifying me not later than April 27th. Buses leave Hereford at $2,3.30$ and 5 p.m., returning at 8 and 8.17 p.m. Fare 1s. return. Bus leaves Ross at 4.45 p.m., returning at 7.10 and 9.30 p.m. Fare 1 s . 4 d . re-turn.-L. H. Steckley, The Green, Fownhope.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch. - The next branch meeting will be held at Runcorn on Saturday, May 1st, at 3 p.m. Advise me by April 27th if requiring tea. - John E. Ashcroft, Post Office, Grappenhall.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District. The next meeting will be held at Pinner on Saturday, May 1st. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 . Tea in Conservative Club at 5 p.m., 1s. each. Please advise me by April 28th. Business meeting after tea. Special method for practice: St. Lawrence Little Bob Major. Trains, Metropolitan, Baker St., etc., to Pinner. Bakerloo and L.M.S. Stations to Harrow and 183 bus to Pinner.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northampton Branch.-A meeting will be held at Walgrave on Saturday, May 1st. Usual arrangements. Tea, at 1s. per head, to all who send names by April 28th. All ringers welcome.-J. C. Dean, Hon. Sec., 16, St. Peter's Street, Northampton.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-A special meeting will he held at Maidwell ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May 1st. Usual arrangements. Please notify hon. secretary not later than Tuesday previous of those requiring tea.-Geo. A. Hollick, Hon. Branch Sec., West Street, Welford, Rugby.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTIE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Southern District.-A meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Bishop Auckland, on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Ringers requiring tea please notify mė by Wednesday, April 28th.-R. Jeff, 29, Reid Street, Darlington.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at Singleton ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May 8 th. Bells ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Institute at 5.30. Business meeting after. - C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 35, Berwick Road, Blackpool, S.S.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Chrishall on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Wilt those intending to be present kindly advise me?
H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 73, Rye Street, Bishops Stortford, Herts.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-The 58 th annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, May 17 th. Details later.-L. J. Clark, Gen. Sec., 36, Lynmouth Avenue, Chemsford.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Thrapston on WhitMonday, May 17 th. Committee meet Parish Roorn 10.45. Service, Thrapston Church, 12 noon. Lunch at King's Arms Hotel at 1 p.m., followed by meeting. is. 6d. will be allowed toward cost of lunch to all those resident and subscribing honorary and ringing members who make application for ticket with remittance of 1 s . to the general secretary by May 3rč. Non-members and nonresident members 2s. 6d. each. All tickets to be applied for by May 10th. Bells available: Islip (6), Thrapston (8) $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $11.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and after meeting, Raunds (8), Tichmarsh (8), Lowick (6) after the meeting. Robt. G. Black, Gen. Sec., Stamford Road, Geddington, Kettering.

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## FALSE PEALS.

The number of false peals withdrawn during last year, revealed in the Analysis Committee's report, was rather alarming, although it was due largely to one composition, but it leads a correspondent to suggest measures for helping to ensure that in future there should be increased opportunities for examination of compositions. Such a proposal, if it proved practicable, would andoubtedly be a very desirable thing, although it would not necessarily mean that false peals would always come to light. Mere publication of figures does not ensure their checking by competent investigators, because, for one thing, it does not follow that the compositions, even if printed in association reports, as suggested, would come under the notice of those capable of putting them to the test. Then, too, there is a difficulty in insisting upon associations publishing the figures of new compositions which their members may see fit to ring. Some do not publish reports, others could not afford to print the figures. These objections, howeyer, do not in any way lessen the desirability of exploring means of providing against repetition of some of the unfortunate happenings of the past.

The possibility of human error cannot in any event be entirely averted. Nearly every one of our greatest composers - men in whom the whole Exercise has the greatest confidence have at some time or other fallen into a mistake, and it is quite possible that many peals by lesser lights have been rung, which, could the compositions be scrutinised, would turn out to be false. Even a double check is not always infallible. There is a very recent instance of a peal composed by an experienced ringer and examined before being rung by an expert composer of long experience; which proved eventually to be false. That unfortunate abbreviation of Robinson's peal of Treble Bob passed through the hands of many ringers and yet its falseness remained undiscovered for years. The figures of the Southwark record peal of Stedman Cinques had been printed ten years or more before its error was brought to light. Some of the false compositions which appeared in the earlier Central Council Collections were not discovered until long after their appear-ance-not because of any practical difficuity in ascertaining their falseness, but because no one had bothered to apply a check. Compulsory publication, therefore, while offering a better safeguard, will not entirely do away with the risks, and in any case will not prevent false peals being rung, because the figures would not appear until afterwards. On the other hand, it might encourage incompetent composers to put out figures, knowing that someone else may take on the onus of prov(Continued on prge 278.)

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ing them. It seems to us that if associations are to safeguard themselves from recording false peals they must take their own steps of requiring ' certified ' figures; certified, that is, not only by the actual author, but also by some other qualified composer. But even this, as we have pointed out, might not prevent an occasional false peal creeping into records, although it would distinctly diminish the risk, and show that the association had taken all reasonable precautions. Eventually, perhaps, we shall have professional peal provers-as there are professional accountants-to undertake this kind of work.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. Un Thursday, April 22, 1937, in Ihre Hours and Thivty-Six Minktes,

At rha Cburch of St. Mattahw,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5005 CHANGES; Tenor 26 cwt . 18 lb . in D.
James S. Eastwood ... ...Trebla | Harold Smirb ... ... ... 7 James. Easkuood

- ...Trebla alpred Buckley... Artabr T. Dutron ... ... 8
Howard Howbll... George W. Hegbes ... ... 4 Barnabas G. Key ... ... 10 Edgar T. Smita ... ... ... 5 Tbomas J. Elton ... ... if Harry T. Higging ... ... 6 Willam A. Walkbr ...Temor
Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Teomas J. Elion. * First peal of Cinques. | First peal of Cinques and first peal of Stedman.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

SOTIHTLL, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE ST. MAETM'S GUILD FOR THE DIOGRSE ON BIRMINGEAM.
On Saturday, April 17, 1937, in Thyce Hours and Thivty-Four Mirutes, At the Cborce of St. Alpagge,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES; Tenor 21 cwt.
William Lebson ... ...TTreble Frank E. Haynes ... ... 6

- Harqld R, Hofton ... ... 2 Morris J. Morris ... ... 7

Edgar C. Sagperrd ... 3 Samdel Bragg ... ...

- Jobn N. Jobes ... .... ... $\ddagger$ \& Riceard C. Ingram ... ... 9 Composed by Morris J. Morris. Conducted by Franie E. Haynss
* First peal, at the first attempt. First peal of Grandsire as conductor. Rugg on the eve of the patronal festival of this church. SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION.
On Saturday, April 24, 1937, is Thyee Hours and Twerty-Three Mintes, At ige Chorcg of St. obn-tge-Baptist
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor I7 cwt. I gr. zo lb.

Reginald E. Lambert ...Treble| Roberi T. Labbert... ... 6 | Mrs. F. Wh. Housden... | .. | 2 | Frank Bennetr | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frgdericr W. Housden | ... | 3 | Herbery Marewele | 7 | Edward J. Cgarman ... ... 4 Freberick White ... ... 9 Alpred W. Drrbam ... ... 5 Stafford H. Grebn... ...Tenor

Composed by F. Dencer. Couducted by Frank Bennety. * First peal of Cambridge Royal with an 'inside' bell. Mr. F. White's 200th peal.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 24, 1937, in Three Houys and Eighteen Miswtes, At the Church of St, Mary.
A PEAL OF YORK8HIRE SURPRISE RGYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 192 cwt .


WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, April 24. 1937, in Thyee Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes, At ter Cedreh of St. Bariholomew,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwf , 18 lb .

- Abthur H. Hingley ...Tyeble |*artbur Pritceard ... ... 5
- Harold Smitri ... ... ... 2 -Barnabas G. Kby ... ... 7

Herbert Kniget ... ... 3 William Figaer...
Cbristoparr Wallater...
Grorge E. Oliver ... ...
Composed by $\}$. Reaves.
Bizrt Horton ... ... ... 9
Thomas J. Elton ... ...Tenar
Conducted by Thomas J. Elton.

* First peal of Royal. + First peal of Treble Bob Royal.


## STONHAM ASPAL, SUFFOEK.

THE SUFFOLE GUILD.
On Saturday, April 24, 1937, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
At ter Cedrace of St. Lambrrt,

## A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE CATERS, 5093 GHANEE

No. 67 C.C.C.

- Cearles A. Catcepole . Sycyia R. E. Bowybr Ernist F Porey … 2 Sbelford Sparrow ... William C. Remsey
Composed by J. Carter.
er. Conducted by Grorge E. Symonds.
*irst peal of Grandsire Caters on tower bells. Tirst peal of Grandsire Caters by all excepting ringers of 1,3 and 9 . First peal of Grandsire Caters on these bills, also the first on tower bells of the Guild.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NEWOASTLE-UPON-TYNE.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Frizay, Appil 2, 1937. in Three Hours and Thres Miautes, At the Cedrch of Si. John-the-Baptist,
PEAL 8 f double MORWICH GOURT bob major, 5184 Ghanee ; Tenor in cwt .
 Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by Willam H. Barber.

* First peal in the method.

ALBURGH, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 3, 1937, in thyee Hours and Six Minutes,
At tee Cburce of All Sainess,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5OEG CHANGEE Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr .12 lb.


| Frbdritck C. Gunton | ... | 2 | Walter Barrbit | ... | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest Waiting | ... | .. | 3 | Rossall Ricaes ... | ... | ... |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

-Robebit D. Goston ......${ }^{2} 4$ Cbarles Loome ... ... .... Temay Composed by J. Thorp. Conducted by Cuarles Loome.

* Firat peal. G. Howlett's 100th peal for the association. HUGHENDEN, BUOKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GDILD.
(East Berks and Soutb Bucks Brance.) On Saturday, April 17, 1937, in Ttwo Hoursand Foyty-Eight Minutes, Ai tee Cherce oy Si. Miceabl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, boan GHANGES:
Parker's Twelve-part.
*Mrs. R. Biggs ... ... ...Treble holand Biges ......in + Eowart Timpson ... ... 5 toland biggs ... ... ... 2 Percy Newton ... ..... .6 Frederick G. Biges ... 3 Reginald Blaby $\quad . .$. †Mrs. R. Blaby ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 4$ Victor Evans ... ... Conducted by P. Newton.
* First attempt for a peal. + First peal of Grandsire "inside." First peal. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mies O. Bigge (duughter of F. G. Biggs) and Mr. R. Blaby who were married at Hughencen on Easter Monday. A peal on that day unfortunately failed after nearly two hoursi ringing. All are members of the local
band.

TAST MARKHAM, NOTIS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Apyil 17, 1937, in Two Fionys and Fifty-Seven Minwtos,
At the Cadrce of St. Jobn-the-Bapyist,

## A PEAL OF 8UPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6 b88 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt . (approx.).


* First peal ir the method. A 21st birthday compliment for Mr. J. Millhouse.

HEANOR, DERBYSERTE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Apral 17, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Four Minutes,
At ter Caurch of St. Lawrince,
A PEAL OF DOURLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5089 GHAMGEs; Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.
Jobn E. Hosss ... ... ...Treble "William P. Stirland ... 5

Christopher W. Wooelley 3 Rogrr D. St. Jobn Smity 7
Alex Hotchigon... ... ... 4 Frederick A. Saltbr ...Temor
Composed by I. Hont. Conducted by R. D. St. Jonn Smite.

* First peal in the methot. Tirst peal of Major as conductor.

GRESFORD, DENBIGESEIRE.
THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 17, 1937, in Three Howrs and Ten Minutes,
Ait the Ceurge of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5 gig CHANGES; Tenor ${ }_{5} 5 \mathrm{cwt}$, in D .
Miss Norab M. Bizey
...Treble
Wieliam Bibey ... ..

Lestra
Grorge Ledsbay
$\begin{array}{ll}\text {... } & 3 \\ \ldots & 4\end{array}$
Composed by C. Mideleton
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Frank Vart } & \ldots . . & \cdots . . & \cdots \\ \text { James C. E. Simpon } & \ldots & . . . \\ \text { Jemor }\end{array}$
Conducted by I. C. E. Simpson.
The conductor's 250 th peal and 100 th as conductor. The band sincerely thank Mr, and Mrs. George Williams for their kindness and hospitality after the peal.

> GREAT IEX, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Apyil 17, 1937. in Three Hoxrs and Thirfeen Minutes,
At tez Cedrge of Sy. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor 54 cwt .

 Composed by J. Rezves. Conducted by Josias W. Dyer.
All are ringers of the local Sunday service company. First peal by the band aud first attempt. Tirst peal of Major as conductor.

LOWESTOFT, SDTFOLE.
THE NORWIGH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, April 17, 7937, in Three Hours and Four Mitinntes, At ter Choreb of St. Mafgaret,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR, 5184 CHANGES;
Tenor $13{ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$ in F starp.




Composed by A. Knigets. Conducted by Nolan Golden.
First peal of Fent Treble Bob Major by ringers of the 4th and Bth.


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## OHESTER

TEE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, April 17, 1937, in 7 hree Hours and Two Mintutas, At tee Cadrch of St. Mary-witaln-the-Wales,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGESI

Parker's Twrlve-pari.
Samosl Jones Robert Sperring

- Frank Postons ...
-Sergeant Babker

Tenar If cwt.

Conducted by

## WROTHAM, KENT,

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 17, 1937, in Three Hours and Ninetean Minutes, At the Ceorge of St. Grorge,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE HORWICH CQURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 GHANCES; Tenor 20 awt
George Kgnward Miss Doris Dosela Walter H. Dobbir ... ..Tyoble Ernest J. Dobbir Composed by W. No. 223 O.C. 0.

Reginald E. Lambert
Robrri T Lambert … 5 Stanley B. Dobile $\ldots \ldots \quad . .$. Harry Parkes ... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Harry Parkes.

Willson
EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

ITHE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Apyil 18, 1937, in Thyee Hours axd Six Minules, At Christ Cabrce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Parkra's Twrlve-part.
*Robert Perrcy ...
ELD Jack Filsell ... ...* ... 3 Harold S. Hobden ...

Tenor 8等 cwt.
Harold G. F. Exynolds... 5

Lovis W. Fadlemer
Conducted by Harold S. Hobden

* First peal. Rung to welcome the Rev. J. N. Marcon, who was indutted $t$, the living of Christ Church on the previous Thursday. ROMFORD, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
Un Thesday, Aprit 20, 1937, in I hyee Hours and Fiva Minwtes, At the Chorch of St. Edward,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE HAJDR, 5024 CHANEES; Tenor 15 cwt .
Ernest J. Butler ... ...Tyeble Edwin A, Barnett ... ... 5 George R. Pye... ... ... 2 Jambs Bennett ... ...
*Berry Wayman... ......$\quad 3 \quad$ James E. Davis ...
*Francig G. Gleaver - 4 |Frank Warrington ... ...Tmor
Composed by G. Lindoff.
* First peal in the method.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Apyil 21, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Seven Minates,
Ax x日e Chorch of St. John-the-Bapisist,
A PEAL DF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANQES;


| William Sladgeter | . Treble | Alpred J. Boll |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miss Florrit Wyman | 2 | Kennete Snelcing | ... | ... 6 |
| Reginald V. Joenson | - 3 | Nelson Elfloti | -. | ... 7 |
| Cecil Nice | .. 4 | Oliver Sippe |  | $T$ |

NOTTTNGHAM.
THE MTDLAND COUNTIES ASSOGIATION.
On Thursday, April 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
At tee Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, BOAD CHANGES; Dexter's Variation ag Tbursians' Fodr-part.

Tenor 21 ewt. in E.
Frederick A. Salter.. Jogn E. Hobss ... Grorgi E. Fostbr
J. Alfred Barratt


| $\rightarrow$ T T + ble | Frank Bradlmy ... ** |
| :---: | :---: |
| ... 2 | J. Frederick Milner |
| . 3 | Ralpy Napboroug |

Rung in honoar of the cleventh birthday of H.ㄹ.H. Princess Flizabeth.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICESHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, Apyl 22, 1937, in Itwo Hours and Fifly-Four Minutas, At the Parise Cegrce or Sx. Nigholas,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANEES; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Harold Argyle .. ..... .1
 Composed and Conducted by W. H. J. Hooron.

* 300th peal. First peal in the method on the bells, for the Guild and by all except the conductor and the zinger of the 5th.

GRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, April 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Spum Minwtes, At tee Cherch of St, Pamlinos,
A PEAL OF 8T. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MAJOR, 5104 RHANGES Tenor 123 cint.
Ernest H. Oxengam... ...Treble Arthor S. Riceards... ... 5
Edwin Barnett ... ... .... 2 Derek M. Sgarp... ... ... 6 Joan H. Cbregman ......$\quad 3 \quad$ Harry Hovbrd... Edwin A. Barnett ... ... 4 James Benneti ... ... .... Tenor Arranged and Conducted by E. A. Barnett.
First peal in the method by all the band.
CONISBOROUGH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORESHCRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Apuit 24, 1937, in Three Hours and Six Minwtes,
At tee Ceurce of St. Petrk,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCE8; Tenor iz cwt. 2 gr. 20 lb .
Alberi Helliwell ... ...Treble Milton C. Fowler ... Herbert Waletr ... ... 2 Jokn R. Brearley ... ... 6 William A. Wooler ... ... 3 Harry Barnes ... ... J. Edwaru Catiser ... ... 4 Fred Newton ... ... ...Teno Composed by A. Knigats. Conducted by J. Edward Cawser. Specialify arranged and rung in honour of the coming of age of Miss Katbleen Barnes, daugliter of the ringer of the 7 th.

## CHESTER.

THE OEESTER DIOCRSAN GUDD. On Saturday, April 24, 1937, 7 Th Three Hours,
At the Cefrge of St. Mary-without-the-walls, Handbridge,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Fogr-part.
Thomas R. Butlbr ... ...Tyeble Thomas Botcer, sEn, ... 2 Robrat Sprraing .... ... 3 Prrey Swindley ...

Tenor 20 cwt in E .

Conducted by Thomas R. Botier.
The conductor's 100tin peal, and also the 50 th peal for his father, the ringer of the end. A birthday compliment to the tear ringer this being his first peal in the method and first attempt.

> Wath-on-DEARNE, YorkSHIRE.
> THE Yoreshire assoclation.
> (Barnsley ane District Socibty.)

On Saturday, April 24, 1937, in Three Hours axd Four Minktos,
Ai the Cebref of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MASOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Jobnson's Variation of Middlezon's. Tenori4cwt. (approx.). Willie Grefn ... ... ...Tyeble Josn H. Brotewell ... 5 Artidid Panther $. . . \quad . .{ }^{2}$ Albert Nash ... ......

 Conducted by Harold Ceant.

* First peal of Cambridgo Major. Second and third ringers' 100th peal together. Finst peal of Surprise Major as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells. A birthday compliment to A. Gill.

LONGTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.-Dn Sunday, March 21st, a quartarpeal of Grandsire Triples at Sb. John's Church: N. Holland (first quarter-peal) $1, H$, Tose 2, L. Cheadle (first quarter "inside ') 3, A. D. Steel (firsb quarter-peal as couductor) 4, w. H. Bloor 5, E. Steele 6, O. H. Page 7, H. Carter (first quarter) 8.

## SIX Bell Peals．

BIGBY，LINCS．
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GULLD．
On Thursday，April 15，1937，in Two Howys and Forly－Seven Minutes， At yhe Cedrea or All Samis，

## A PEAL GF MINDR，5040 GHANGES；

Being seven extents in 11 methods：（1）Oxford nud Kent Treble Bob；（2）Double Oxford and Thelwall；（3）St．Clement＇s and Childwall； （4）College and Wavertree；（5）Double Boh；（6）Reverse Bob；（7）Plain Bab．

Tezor 6 cwt． 1 gr． 8 lb ．
－Harold Morwood
4 Romald Bowness
Grorge L．Hall
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text { ．．．} & \text { ．．．T reble } \\ \cdots & \text { ．．．} & a\end{array}$ $\dagger$ Gborge Dobbs ．．．
$\ddagger$ Maritin Walkrr
Grorge E．Frirn
．．．．．． 4
Conducted by G．E．Frirn．
There were 99 changes of method．＊First peal．+ First peal in 11 methods＇inside．＇$f$ First peal in 11 methods．Rung as a birth－ day compliment to $\mathbf{R}$ ．Bowness．

FRAMPTON，LINCS．
THE LINCOLN DIORESAN GUILD．
On Satwrday，－tpril 17，1937，in Three Hours，
At tee Cherch of St．Mary，
A PEAL DF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；
Being 720 each of Old Oxford，College Bob IV．，Double Oxford， Londoa Bob，Double and Single Court and Plain Bob．TPenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
－Eric Kbip ．．．．．．．．．．．．Tyeble Abtbur Yodeg ．．．．．．．．． 4
 Miss L．M．Neal ．．．．．． 3 Jobn R．Kbmp ．．．．．．．．．Temay Conducted by J．R．Kzmp．
First peal and first attempt．＋First peal＇inside．＇First peal as conductor and first attempt．Rung as a birthday compliment to the Vicar and the ringer of the 4th．All the band are regulay Sunday service ringers at this tower，nnd the treble ringer is only 14 years of age．

## WHETBOURNE，HEREFORDSHIRE．

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION．
（Western Brance．）
On Sahirday，Jpril 17，1937．in Two Houys and Forty－Five Minutes，
At tar Cherch of St．Johe－tae－Bapisist，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE HINOR， 5040 CHANGE ${ }^{\prime}$ Zov．E．Barkes James＇Arrangement．

Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
 Sidney T．Holy ．．．．．． 3 Caarles Camm ．．．．．．．．．Temor Conducted by Sidney T．Holt．
＊Tirst peal of Surprise．
ADWICK－LESTREET，NEAR DONCASTER．
TEE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION．
（Barnsley and District Snciety．）
On Saturday，April 17，1937，in Two Howrs and Fifty－Thre Minutes， At the Church of St．Lawrence

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

Being 720 changes each of Berwyn，Waterford，Waltham Delight， Burslem Delighit，Elston Delight，Clarence Delight and Nelsor． Tenor 10 cmt .21 lb.
Ghorgr Lord
Willir Greban... Arther Pantarr $\quad . .$. Conducted by D．Smite．
HIGHAM－ON－THE－HILL，LEICESTERSHIRE．
THE MDLLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，April 37，19才フ．in Two Hours and Thivty－Six Minutes，

## At tee Charce of St，Petre，

## A PEAL OF MINOR，5日40 CHANGE8；

Beiag 720 each of Cambridge Surprise，Beverley，Kent Treble Bob， Oxford Treble Beb，Dorble Court，Double OxFord and Plain Bob． Tenor $10 \mathrm{cwt}, 3 \mathrm{qr} .8 \mathrm{lb}$ ．
＂Josepa W．Cotton，Secretary Burtoe District
Wilfrbd H．J．Hooton，Central Council Representative

－Alpred Ballard，Chairman Hinckley District
－Williak A．Wood．Secretary tinclley District．．．
－Frane R．Miasures．Comaittee，Hinckiey District
Ariber E．Rowley，late Secretary Hincliley District Conducted by Abthor E．Rowley．
＊First peai in seven metheds．Specially arranged as a faraweli to the conductor，who is shortly lenving tire district．

ALDRIDGE，STAFFORDSIIRE．
THE SOCIETY FOR THE AROHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD．
On Morday，April 19，1937，in Two Hours and Forty－Eight Minutes，
Ay ter Chorch of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BDB MINOR， 5040 GHANQES；
Being seven 720＇s oalied differently．
Tenor 8 cwt
＊P．Gborge Goldbr ．．．

| …Treble | Barnabas G．Kby |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots .$. | 3 | Harold Smith |
| $\ldots .$. | Thomas J．Elton |  |

－Gborgr E．Oliver ．．．．．． 3 Thomas J．Eltion
Conducted by Thomas J．Elton．
．．．.. .4
＊First peal of Treble Bob．First peal of Treble Bob on the bells． Rung as a birthday complimeut to $\mathrm{I}^{\mathrm{P}}$ ．G．Golder．

SALFORD，LANOASHTRE．
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION．
On Tuesday，April 20，1937，in Two Hours and Fifly－Six Minsues，
At the Cedrch of the Sacred Trinify，
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR， 5040 CHANOES：
Yiz．，sever axtents with all 5－6＇s at brokstroke．Tenor $11 \%$ cut．

 Conducted by K．Lewis．
＊．First peal at first ettempt．+ First peal on an＇inside＇bell． Rung as a birthday complineat to Master Peier David Fincent． NEWTON，PORTHCAWL．
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMODTH DIOCESAN ASSOOIATION． Un Wednesday，April 21，1937，in Two Hoursand Fifty－Seven Minutes，

At xaz Cedrch of St．John．
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES， 5040 CHANGES；
Forty－two six－scoras，ten callings．Tenor 81 cwt．
＂H．Edward Carfbntrar ．．Treble｜Dohald F．Ferguson ．．． 4
＊Cbarles M．Davirs．．．．．． 2 Ernest Stitce ．．．．．．．．． 5
$\dagger$ Trbvor M．Roderick $\quad . .3$－albert E．Bacon $\quad$ ．．．．．．．Thmor Conducted by E，Stirce．
＊First peal．$\dagger$ First peal on a hob bell．Arrauged for the ringer of the thl，who hails from Repton，Derbygiire，and a birthlay peal for Mrs．T．M．Roderiok，a ringer at this tower．

TUNSTALL，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOLATION．
On Saturday，April 24，1937，in Two Hours and Forty－Three Mixutes．

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A PEAL OF MINOR， 504 C CHANGES
Being two 720＇s of Kent and two of Oxford＇Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob．
William Spice ．．．．．．．．．Tybble J．William Unwin ．．．．．． 4
Doris G．Dobbib．．．...$\quad$ ．．． 2 Gborga Kenward $\quad .$.
Walter h．Dobbir … ．．． 3 Stanley B．Dobbie ．．．．．．Tenoy Conducted by S．B．Dosbie．

## HANDBELL PEALS．

cambridge．
THE CAMBRIDGE ONIVERSITY GUILD．
On Thusday，Apyil 22，1937，in Ttwo Haws and Thirty－Six Minutes， At 8．Qobun Anne Terrace
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5040 CHANGES；
Tenor size 14 in D．
－R．D．St．J．Smita（Selwyd）I－2 $\mid$ Rrv．B，F．Susppard（Trinity）j－6 C．W．Woolley（Selwyn）．．．3－4 B．，P．TyRwhitt－Drake（Pem）t－8 Composed by H．Howlezx．Conducted by R．D．St．J．Smisa． ＊First peal＇in laand＇and also in the method as conductor．

CRATFORD，KENT．
THE KENT COTNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Thursday，April 22，1937，in Two Hours and Fifly Minutes， In tae Old Pabise Room．

## a peal of granta treble bob royal，b040 changes；

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$\dagger$ Thomas Groombridge，sen．g－to
Composed by Rev．E．B．James．Conducted by T．Groombridgr．jon． ＊First peal of Treble Bob，+ Tirst peal of Toyal and of Treble Bob＇in hand．＇$\ddagger$ First of Treble Ten in hand．＇§ Firgt of Treble Bob＇in hand．＇First peal of Granta Treble Tea by all and first ＇in herid for the association．
（Other paal reports are unavoldably held over．）

## FORTHCOMING BELL OPENINGS．

HINTON BLEWETT，SOMERSET．－The ring of 5 bells，rehung in new frame by Alfred Bowell，Ipswich， will be rededicated by the Bishop of Bath and Wells on Sunday next，April 25th，at 3 o＇clock．Tower open to visitors all the evening．

BURTON HASTINGS，near Nuneaton．－The bells will be dedicated on Saturday，May 1st，at 5.30 p．m．，by the Bishop of Coventry．The peal has been restored and augmented by five by John Taylor and Co．

BIRMINGHAM CATHEDRAL．－The ring of ten （tenor 31 cwt 21 db. ），recast and rehung in a new frame by Messrs．Gillett and Johnston，will be dedicated by the Bishop of Birmingham on Saturday，May 1st，at 6 p．m．A broadcast of the bells will be given from 7.45 to 8 p．m．in the Midland Regional programme．

WILLENHALL，STAFFS．－The peal of 8，increased to 10 （tenor $15 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．），rehung in a new frame by Messrs． Gillett and Johnston，will be dedicated by the Bishop of Stafford on Sunday，May 2nd，at 11 a．m．Ringers＇ meeting at Wiilenhall on Saturday，May 8th．Belis available 3 p．m．Service 4.45 ．Address by the Vener－ able R．L．Hodson，Archdeacon of Stafford．Tea 5.30 （1s．each）．Please send names for tea not later than May 4th，to C．Wallater， 1, Marston Street，Willenhall．

CRONDALL，HANTS．－Dedication by the Lord Bishop of Guildford of the peal of six（restored by Messrs．Mears and Stainbank）on Sunday，May 2nd，at 11 a．m．Everybody welcome！A RINGERS＇OPEN－ ING on Saturday，May 8th，at 3 p．m．Service 4.30 ． Tea and business at the Cricketers．A good muster of ringers and friends requested．－－C．W．Denyer．

KING＇S BROMLEY，NR．BURTON－ON－TRENT．－ On Tuesday，May 4 th，at 7.30 p．m．，the bells will be re－ dedicated by the Bishop of Stafford；ring of 6 bells recast and rehung by John Taylor and Co．

WIRKSWORTH，DERBYSHIRE．－The rejedication of the peal will take place on Friday，May 7 th ，at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ ． Preacher，Very Rev．Provost Ham（Derby Cathedral）． Ring of 8 rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co．

DALWOOD，NEAR AXMINSTER，DEVON．－On Saturday，May 8th，the bells will be rededicated by the Bishop of Crediton at 3 p．m．Ring of 6 rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co．

NETHERSEALE，NEAR BURTON－ON－TRENT．－ The ring of eight bells restored by John Taylor and Co． will be rededicated on Sunday，May 9 th．

WELLINGBOROUGH，NORTHANTS．－The ring of eight（tenor 29 cwt ．），retuned and rehung in a new frame by Messrs．Giltett \＆Johnston，will be dedicated by the Archdeacon of Northampton on Monday，May ioth，at 7.30 p．m．All ringers welcome．

## DEATH OF A BRIDGEND RINGER

Mr．Joln Evans，a member of St．Tlltyd＇s band，Bridgend，passed away on Friday，April 16th．Fie had been ill for a long time，but the end canne rather suddeuly．Owing，of course，to his illuess he had not rung for some time．
A rerular Suvdiy service ringer for over 30 years，he was not keen on peal ringiug，but lad，nevertheless，rung several peals for the Llandaft and Monmouth Diocesan Association．He was only $5 I$ years of age and leaves a widow in bereavement．
A quarter－peal was rung half－muffled to his memory by the follow－ ing：V．Brown I，W．M．Evans 2，E．T．Bailey 3，C．H．Perry（con－ ductor）4，E．M．Smith 5，A．W．Wright 6，D．R．James 7，H．Pitman 8．First quarter－peal for treble and tenor ringers，

## FOR BEGINNERS．

OXFORD BOB MINOR．
Emphasis was given in the editovial articie in the last issue of＇The Ringing Word ，to the fact that the peals analysis revealed that last year peals of Minor ring in one method only had jucrensed by 25 although the total number of peals of Minor increased by only 31 Wo need not here go nuto the argnments wheh have often been put forward showing the advantages of practising a variety of methods， particularly on the lower numbers of bells，but we would like to point out to those who at present ring only Bob Minor that it is not alb all diffeult to gret on to new methods，and that it makes riaging vastly more interesting．
For instance，there is the method Oxford Bob．Put simply，it is Bob Siugles（the Plain Bob wethod on four bells），with the other Ewo bells continuovely dodging behind from the time the treble leaves the back，until it gets up there again，when the bells behind hunt straight down to lead aud two others（who led in turn after the treble）huat straight up and take their places．
Many ringers will probably be able to step straight into the belfry and riag the melhod with that explanation，but for the salse of others，let us go into it a little more in detail．
This is a table of rules by which you learn Bob Singles：－
Pass treble in $3-4$ ，lie a whole pull in 4 th＇s，dodge $4-3$ ，and luat dowt to lead．
Pass treble in 2－3，dodge $3-4 \mathrm{up}$ ，lie a whole pull in 4 th＇s，and Thut down
Pass treble in 1－2，make Zud＇s and lead again．
In Oxford Bob you do exactly the same thing，except that there is sandwiched on eact side of the end＇s place the dodging in $5-6$ referred to．This dodging is actually a three－pull dodige．That is to sny，in whichever direction you are going，you have to stap back three times You camnot very woll makr a mistake in it，however，for the two bells doage until the treble separates them．
Now let us amplify our Bob Singles＇table and make it fit our Oxford Bol Minor．
Pass treble in 34，Life a whole pull in 4th＇s，dadge $4-3$ ，and hunt down to lead．
Pass treble in $4-5$ ，a three pull dodge in $5-6 \mathrm{up}$ ，lie a whole pul behind，aud hunt down to lead．
Pass treble in 1－2，make 2nd＇s and lead again．
Pass treble in 5－6，lie whole pull behind，a three－pull dodge in 6 dowa，and hint down ta lead．
Pass treble in 2－3，dodge 34 up，lie a whole pull in 4th＇s，and hunt down．
Here are the figures of the first part of the course，showing the fufl dodging behind．Write out a complete course，draw a continuous line over one of the working bells and yon lave a diagran of the method．From it you can visislise the whole of the work

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The bobs are made exactly as in Plain Bob，but，just a word of warming，a bob＂Wrong＂in Oxford comes at the third lead aud not at the first lead as it docs in Plain Bob．For a 720 you can caft the Sth，Wrong，Right，Frong，or the Sth，Richt，Wrong，Right．

## ANOTHER MONMOUTHSHIRE OCTAVE．

## NEW TREBLES AT LLANFRECHFA．

The dedication of the two new bells at Llmofrechfa，neat Caerleos Monmouthahire，toale place during morning service on a recent Snlidry．
The ceremony wan performed by tho Bishop of Monmouth，who recaived the ropes from the donor and the churchwardens．
The new troble has been presented by Mr．C．Addans Williams and Mrs．Williams to commemarate the coming of \＆⿱口⿰口口⿺辶 of of their son， Hopton，and the new second bell by the churchpeople to commemorate the Goronation of H．M．Kivg George TI．
Immediately following the dedication the bells were rung in rounds by six of the lweal ringers，with the assistance of Mr．Pratt，of New－ port，and the Diocesan Asociation hon．secretary，Ma．I．W．Joneg， and again at the conclusion of the service a touch of Grandsire Triples was rung．

The work has been carried out by Mestrz．John Taylor and Co． Lollehborough．

## GREAT WALTHAM'S CREAT EFFORT.

BLLL RESIORATION SGHEME PAID FOR.
The bells of SS. Mary and Lawrence, Great Waltham, near Chelmsford, after being overbauled and rohung in ball beariags in a steel frame by Messrs, John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, were rededicated on T'uesday, April 20th, by the Bishop of Barking.
The bells are now hung at a lower level in the tower, thus making them quieter in the vichity of the church, and are rung from the floor of the tower instead of the former ringing chamber.

About 30 ringers, including the members of the local band, were present from various towers, including Grent Baddow, Broomfield, Boreham, Chelmsford, Harlow Common, Springlied and Little Waltham. Armong them were tho Master of the Essex Association (Dr. P. T. Spencer-Phillips), the hon. gen. secretary of the association (Mr. L. M. Clark) and the hon. secretary of the South-Easterm Division,
During the singing of the hymn, "Hark the bells with joyous sound, the Bishop, preceded by the choir, churelwardens aud Vienr (the Rev. R. F. Buraet't) proceeded to the tower, where Mr. W. E. Davis, the captain of the local ringers, handed the ropes to the churcluwardens, who handed them on to the Bishop, requestiog him to rededicate the bells.
After the rededication prayers the Bishop handed the ropes to the Ficar with the usual exhortation. The local captain received the ropes from the Vicar and the bells were rung in roulds by W. E. Davis (Great Waltham) 1, G. Green (Great Baddow) 2, L. Day (Great Waltham) 3, H. Edwards (Boreham) 4, H. Bradley (Broomfrelds) 5, J. Wood (Chemsford) 6, B. Kemp (Sprimgfield) 7, L. J. Clark (Chelmsford) 8 .
In the course of his addeess the Bishop said he was authorised by the Vicar to say that the whole cost of rehanging ( 5550 ) had been met. This was a fine effort, as only recently the parish lad raised sloo for installiag electric light in the church.

At the couchusion of the service an opening touch of Stedman Triples was rung, curducted by L. J. Clark, followed by touches in other methods, in which all the ringers took part, everyone expressing their appreciation at the way in which the restoration had been carried out and at having this delightful peal in ringing order once again.

## MUFELED BELES.

At the Parisl Churcls, Prittlewell, Southend-on-Sea, a quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,264 changes) was rung with the bells half-muffled on Saturday, April Jrd: F. Wilding 1, N. Towasend 2, W. Taylor 3, R. Watts 4, A. North 5, F. Lufkin (conductor) 6, S. Barbutt 7, G. Bacon 8. Rung in memory of Mrs. J. Watts Ditelnfield, who died March 30th. She was the wife of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Watts Ditelrficld, first Bishop of Chelmsford, and nother of Mrs. Gowings, wife of the Ficar of Prittlewell.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

EASTERN DISTRICT ELECTLONS.
The annal meeting of the Eastern District of the Forkshite Association was held at Goole on Saturany, April 10th, when, in spite of bad weather, there was an attendance of over 40 ringers representing the following towers: Beverley Minster, Campsall, Headiugley (St. Michael's), Ihar lieadiagley (St. Chad's), Heminglorotigh, Howden, Hull, Kirk Ella, Pontefract (St. Giles' and All Saiuls'), Solby Abbey, Shefteld Cathedral, Sherbuzw-in-Elnet, York Minster and the local company. Evensong was held in mureh, at which the Viear of Goole (the Rev. L. L. Knightall, M.A.) and the three curates all took part. The Vicar accompanied the singing on the organ aud also gave a most interesting address.

Tea was held in Hackforth's Cafe, 48 sitting down. At the business meeting, over which the president (Ganon C. O. Marshall) presided, two new members were elected, viz., Mesgrg. W. Hawley, of Sherburn-in-Elmet, and J. Wilson, Beverley Minster.

An invitation from the Vicar of Kirk Ella for the June mecting to be leld there was unanimously recepted.
Two nominations wero received for the position of Ringing Master, Messis. F. C. Walters and T. Terry, and Mr. Walters was re-elected for a period of three years.

Four nominations were received for three seats on tho committee, Messis. West, Pearsoll, Cook and Imeson; the three first named were elected. Mr. A. E. West was also elected to seat on the Genera! Committee ror a period of three yenrs.
A vote of thanks to the Vicar for whe use of the bells and for his nddress at the service was proposed by Mr. A. H. Fox. seconded by Mr. J. H. Fowell, supported by the president and earried with acclamation, The Yicar, in reply, extended a most hearty welcome to the association.

A vote of thanks to the lacal company for the excellent arrame ments made was proposed by Mr. F. Gryer and seconded by Mr. A. Walker, nentiou being made of the good service to Hinging for 30 Jears in Goole and for the Forkshire Association by Mr. J. Drake and also of Mr. C. Hill's enthusiastic worls in gettige the Goole bells going agaja after a lapse of 18 months.-Messtra, Drabe and Hill replied, and said they had high hopes of gettiog a good bard of ringers together again in Goole now the bellg were ringing once more.

Appreciation was expressed at the presence at the meeting of the president, treasurer and also the Southern District vice-president, together with Miss Bowling and Mr. Sherwoad, of Headingloy, Leede.
Further rimging till 9 o'clock iominatod a most exjoyable and happy meeting.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Special ringing will take place at a great number of churches in Lotdon during Goronation week, and among the peals to be attempted will be one at St. Paul's Cathedral by the College Youtha on Saturday, May 15 th.
Attention fis directed to tho preliminary notice of the Tercentenary Dinmer of the Ancient Society of College Fantlus. The number of tickets is strictiy limited and early application should be mede.
The venue of the Middlesex Association (South and West District) meeting on May 8th has been changed. It was to have been held at Feltham, but it has been transferred to Stanwell, with Bedfont and Farmondsworth towers for afternoor and eveniug respectively. A special invitation is extended to hikars, oyclists and motorists.
Mr. Rupert Richardson wishes to thauk the mauy friends who have sent letters of sympathy since lis recent accident. He assures them lie is improving rapidly and hopes to be at the end of a bell-rope again before many weeks are over. Owing to the injury being to his right, hand he is uabble to answer them individually, and his 'secretary" is working at full pressure to keep the business and household duties going. He also notes the remarks of a sympathiser with yegard to "the scarcity of water,' and will certainly follow the axdice.
Tho bus strike in Kent intorfered with peal arrangements at Tunstall on Saturday. A band met two short for a peal of Stedman Triples and bad to be content with ringing a penl of Minor.

In the usual monthly service broadeast from Croydon Parish Church on Sunday moming ad 9.25 on the National Iong-wave length, it is hoped to ring the twelve bells. This will be the first tinte the new twelve have been on the air.'
Lust Saturday at Chester father and son rang a peal of Stedmun Triples together: It was Mr. Thomas Butier's 50th peal and his son, Mr. T. R. Butler's, 100th peal. Al interesting coincidence. Has it lappened bofore?
The name of the ringer of the 5th in the peal at Campsall on Apsi 13 th was Harry C. Walters and not Walker as printed.

We regret tiat maly reports are umvoidably held over

## CENTRAI. COUNCIL MEETING.

To the Editor
Dear Sir, -May 1 appeal to those wishing to take part in peal attempts during their stay at Canterbury to let me liave their application, with full partioulars, not later than May 5th?
'Whe writer would also be grateful to receive ofters of towers that can be put at the disposal of the visitors.
T. E. SONE.

Warrington Bungalow, Padtock Wood, Kent.

## A WORCESTERSHIRE PEAL REHUNG.

Upton-on-Severn bells have been rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stambank, and were rededicated by the Bishop of Worcester on Sunday morning, April 25th. Begides the local baud there were present ringerg from Evesham and Worcester.
The Upton band, under their leader, Mr. C. Gamm, have now a fine peal of bells both as regards tone and 'go.

## THE LATE MR. GEORGE A. CARD.

MANY PEALS RUNG FOR TE ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTES
The funeral of Mr. George Card, hon. secretary of the Society of Royal Oumberland Youths who, as already briefly recorded, passed away on April 5 th in Fulnam Hospital, took place at St. Mary's, Speldhurst, near Tunbridge Wells, Kent, on Thursday, April 8th. The Royal Cumberland Youths were represcated by the Master (Mr. G. F. Gress), the treasurer (ML'. G. Steere), Mrs. G. H. Choss and Mr. W. J. Beer, After the interment, St. Mary's bells were rung halfmufled to a tonch of Grandsire Triples by w. J. Beer 1, L. A. Turley 2, G. Fugale 3, Mrs. G. H. Gross 4, G. H. Gross 5, G. W. Steere 6, J. Denton (couductor) 7, J. Meads 8.
The exact number of peals which Mr. Card rang is not known, as he kept no complete record, but the following are linown to havo been runy for the Cumberfand Society between about 1890 and 1934 : Stedman Cinques 28, Stedman Caters 4, Stedman Triples 8, Kent Treble Bob Maximus 2, Kent Treble Bol Royal 3, Kent Treble Bob Major 30, Bob Maximus 2, Bob Royal 1, Bob Major 13, Grandsire Oinques 1, Grandsire Thiples 13, Double Norwich Major 8, New Cambridge Surprise Major 2, Gambridge Surprisb Maximus 3, Cambridgo Surprise Royal 1, Gambridge Surprise Major 1, Cumberland Delight Major 1, Superlative Surprise Major 13, London Surprise Major 21, Bristol Surprise Major 3, total 158.

Mr. Gard also took part in 11,200 of Bob Major at St. Mary's, Speldhurst, in 1892, rung for the Kent County Association.
On Saturday, April 24th, at St. Leonard's Church, Shoreditch, I, 260 Stedman Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to Mr. G. A. Card. It wes intended to ring a peal of Stedman Cinques, but owing to illness and busiuess claims three of the band were unable to take part and Mrs. M. L. Cross kindly atood out. The ringers were T. Newman 1, Mrs. C. J. Matthews 2, E. J. Beer 3, W. J. Nud̈s 4, G. Radley 5, J. E. Bailey 6, G. J. Butcher (conductor) 7, T. Bevall 8.

## WESTMINSTER ABBEY BELLS.

## NEW VOLUME ON THEIR FISTORY.

Fery appropriately, on the eve of the Coropation, there has been publisked a wolume on the urgans and bells of Westminster Abbey. The anthor is Canou Jocelyn Perkins, M.A., D.C.L., F.S.A., Sanist of the Abbey, than whom, of course, there can be no greater authority on that venerable pile which ensimines so much of England's history. This book follows others deaking with the Abbcy by the same author, 'Westminster Abbey, the Empire's Crown,' 'The Chapel of Henry, VII. and its High Altar,' The Ornaments of Westmiaster Abbey, etc., and is, naturally, of special interest to ringers.

Mosb ringers, we imagine, have hazily associated bells with Westminster Abbey down the ages, but few realiso that for hundreds of yearestach bells as there were were housed in a detached campanile which stood, until less than two hundred years ago, on the site on the north side of the Abbey now occupied ly the Middesex County Hall.

This camparile, erected simultaneously with the thirteenth century choir, was of ususual proportions. It is said to have been no less than 75 ft . square, but only to have reached a height of eoft. The massive structure was crowned, according to the historian Stow, with a tall spirg covered with lead.
It was not until the early forties of the eighteenth century that the presenc twis western towers of the Abbey were completed. In those days, of course, the Abhey had ouly six bells, but their history is extremely interesting to bell lovers, who will now be able, in Dr. Perkins' book, to read all their known story from the days in 1855 , when, according to the patent roll, a grant was made by the King of one luudred shillings per amuum to be paid every half-year to the Brethren of the Guild of Westminster "who are appointed to ring the great bells,' and it was laid dowh that the Brethren were 'to eajoy all privileges and free customs they have enjoyed from the time ogjoy all privisges and ciee customs they have enjoyed from whe the
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Canon Perkins points ont the high significance of these words. Canon Perkins points ont the high significance of these words. They indicate, lie says, that the ringers of Westminster Abbey occuall intents aud purposes a Royal Fonndation.

The author traces the jistory of the bells through the centuries, gives a short chapter on ancient end modern ringing custome at the Abbey and another with the details of the reconsturtion and enlargement of the peal to eftht in 1919 by Messrs. Mears and Stainbanle, whose foundry ancestor, Robert Mott, put a bell into the old campranile as fav back as Queen Elizabeth's rejga.
The whole story of the bells will prove a fascinating one for ringers. Equally interesting is the section relabing to the organs of the Abbey. Dr. Perkins has traced their listory bach to 1304, and with a masterly hand presents the story of their vicissitudes from that distant date down to the coming of the new and magnificent instriment that is to be used for the approaching Coronation, He deals, too, with the many celebrated organists of the Abbey, among the great naumes being Orlando Gibbons and Henry Purceli.

The volume is splendidly illustrated and will appeal to all music lovers as well as ringers: It is published by Messrs. Novello and Co., Ltd., 160 , Wardour Street, Landon, W.I.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## NORTHERN DIVISION VISIT TO FEERTNG.

Dospite unfavourable weather, 15 towers were represented by 38 ringers at a meebing of the Northern Division of the Essex Association it Feering on Saturday, April 17th. Ringers were present from Witham. Halstead, Larls Cohic, Great Bardfield, Kelvedon, Springfield, Sihlo Hedingham, Greanstend Green, Teering, Bocking, Durnmow, Coggeshall, Borelam, Sudburg and Turvey (Beds),
Service at the Parish Church was condueted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. B. Howard Knight), and Mr. Fairbrass, of Kelvedon, was at the organ. The Vicar extended a hearty welcome to the ningers.
An exoellent ter was partaken of at the Bell Imm, the Vicar pregiding. At the business meeting which fallowed both Witham and Great Bardfield were proposed as the next place of meeting, and on a votis being taken the majoriby favoured Great Bardfield, and a meeting is being arranged for Jume 12th.
The Disfrict Master Mr. A. Saunders) proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and his inspiring address, to the organist for his services, and to tine visitors.
In reply, the Vicar said he was sure that the meeting was a joy to the local ringers at Feering. He hoped that the wsit would do some good and that the young men would take up the art of ringing which was so peculiar to England and helped to keep them fit. The Yicnu also thanked the organist and said lie was sorry that their old friend, Mr. W. Keeble, was absent througlt iliness, but he would convey to him the best wishes of that meeting.

Regret was also expressed at the absence of Mr. Willian Elliot, of Kelvedon, who had been indisposed for somo time, and the secretary (Mr. F. Ridswell) was asked to send to him the best wishes of the members.
It was pleasing to soe one or two youngsters amongst tle company and they appeared to emjoy a few rounds.
Others took part in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kont and Oxford Treble Bob. Double Norwich Court, Superlative and Cambriăge Surprise.

## FALSE PEALS.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-One noticed with much interest the fact mentioned in the report of the Peals Anaysis Committee that no less than 27 peals had been withdrawn dhring the year.
The question has often been asked by ringers-How many false compositions are runc? At present, I believe, there is nothing which requires the publication of the fighres of any composition, and if the conductor and the peal secretary of the association elaiming the peal are satisfied, the peal is acecpted and published as true-and yet the tigures of tlo peal may uot have beer proved except in the most cursory manner. Quite recentily a peal was withdrawn, nud the conductor hovestly admitted in your paper that he had only givan the mafter the most super licial scan over. Yt would appear that, provided familiar part ends oceur at the correct intervals, in many cases falscness elsewhere is not looked for.

A good extmple of accepted composition without even the mosh simple cxamination was furaished in your issue of March 19th, where the first quarter-peal, given in the beginuers' camer, produces 246375 as the firgt part end, and the next lead is plain! The writer, who, of coursa, must be an expert or he wond never have been asked to write these articles, evidently accepted the figures on the composer's reputation, and the part ends. Fad be even thought for a moment he must have realised that rounds were not far awny. I wouder how of ten the second quarter-peal has beon rulg as a truo touch?

How often are peals aceepled on reputation and not thoroughly proved?
It had been hoped to bring forwarl a resolution at this yenr's Contral Council meeting to make it compulsory on all associations to problish their figures in their ammal report, and to eirculate fhat report, but, unfortunately, the conditions of Rule 10 were overlooked and Lhis was not possible.
If, However, it is in order and any support is forthoming, this may be moved when the report of the Peals Committee is being considered. Anather matter whel might well be considered by the Council is the pulalication of a booktet on the proof of compositions

## Chelteuham.

## SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION

GREATLY TMFROVED RINGING REPORTED.
The ammal general meeting of tho Scottish Association was held at St. Mary's Cathedral, Glasgow, on Saburday, Apwil 24th, about 40 members being present. Ranging commenced at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and the bells were kept going until 4 o'clock, Grandsire and Stedman Gaters being rung.
The service was conducted by the Very Rev. K. C. ET. Warner, D.S.O., Provost of the Cothedral.

The business meeting followed tea. Mr. Pickett, the Master, in his repori, said that tho skandard of ringing had greatly inproved.
The secretary having tendered his resignation owing to pressure of business, Mr. Charles R. Raine, of St. Mary's Cakhedral, Fdinburgh, was minnimously elected to act as secretary and treasurer.
The Provost, who was in tho chair, reforred to the loss that the association lad sustained through the recent death of Mr. A. E. Wreaks, of Paisley, and the death of Mr. Mann, of St. Cuthberb's, Edinburgh
After the meeting the bells were leend going till 7.30 p.sin, when those who remained finished up with some lualloell ringing.

## DEATH OF MR. JOHN GOODMAN, SEN

FATHER' OF THE DUDTEY PARTSH CHURCH BAND.
We regret to armounce the death of Mr. John Goodman, sen., of Dudley, Worcestershire, which took place at his residence on April 15th at the ripe age of 83 years. Ho leaves in bercavement a widow, three sons and four daughters, with whom the greatest syopathy is felt.
Mr. Goodman commenced his minging career ahout the year 1871 at Selgley, Stafis, 昭d after a fow years he identified himself with St. Thomas' Church, Dudley, where for upwards of 50 years he had been a regular Sunday service ringer, and the band recognised him as the father' of the company because of his interest in berinners.
He rany his first peal in 1872 and had rung allogether 130 peals. He was one of the ploneers in the formation of the Dudley and District Guild in 1899, and remained a member until his deafl.
The funeral took place on Wednesday, April 2lst, the first part of the service being held in Dudley Parish Church, conducted by the Ven. Dr. A. P. Shepherd, Archdeacon and Vicar of Dudley, who is president of tike Guild. The interment took place at Sit. John's Churchyard, Kateg Hill, Dudley, the officiating clergyman being the Rev. B. H. Green, Vicar of St. Johr's and Rural Dean of Dudiley.
The Dudley band and Dudley Guild weve represented by their secretary, Mr. Herbert Sheppard, aud Mr. S. J. Hughes. In the eveniag n quarter-peal of Grandsirc Gaters ( 1,277 changes) was rung at the Parish Chuwch with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect: T. Whortan I, J. Goodman (conduetor) 2, Stanley Prestidge 3, Henry Goodmam 4, Hary Goodman 5, Alfred Rowley 6, William Greed 7, Harry Hubbal! 8, William Goodman 9, Samuel Webb 10. Tlie ringera of the 2nd, 4 th and $9 t \mathrm{~h}$ ave deceased's sons, and of the 5 th his grandson.

## MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION TO REVISE RULES.

NNUAL MEHIING AT CRIPPLEGATE

## Loyal Message to the King and Queen.

The prospect of a certain amount of veorganisation in the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, whose affairs are now conducted by the district secretaries acting as joint secrotaries, foreshadowed at the anmual mecting at Cripplegate, London, on Saturday week. The mules mee to be revised, and it wos iudicated, in at speech by Mr: C. T. Coles, who was the recipient of a token of the members appreciation of his long services, that this may be one of the points to be specially considerefl.
There was a lauge congreation in St. Qiles' Church for the service, conductent by the Vicar the Rev. E. G. Turnery. The lesson was read by Mr. J. A. Trellope (vice-president of tha association), and the Vicar in his address said it was most appropriate, at that time, to take his text from I. St. Peter, chap. 2-17: 'Honour all men; love the brotherhood; [car God; honons the King. ${ }^{4}$ He was, he said, pleased to welcome the association that afternoon. The connection between the assoriation and St. Gilos' had beome much closer during the last few years. There had been two peals rutg by their member of which the churel was very proud, the first, on Monday, May 6 Eh 1935, in honour of the Rayal Jubilee, 5,025 Stedman Cinques, and the second, on June 1st last year, a peal of 5,005 Stedman Cinques appropriately rung on a great day in English history, the anniver'sary of Lord Howe's great victory in 1794

There was one matter', said the Ficar, that he regrelted, that the tower was not mentionce in the interesting Jist of towers in the association's reportt

The Vicar wenl. on to give some interesting listorical details of the famons peal at Cripplegate, and of the occasions on which they were rung. He also quoted the iuscriptions on some of the bells. One of these, closely conaected with his text, len lim to emplasise the connection between bells and our public and private life. Fonour all men, love your awn brotherhood, live in peace and good meighbourhood with all men. And again, fear God; bo filled with the spirit of God's holy fear. This did not mean that they should bo afraid of a just God, hut that they slould have a reverence for Him. And to honour the King was a most appropriate thing to do in this Coronation year

Members attended from all parts of the county and from adjacent counties to the number altogether of well over a hundreal-one of the taryest matherings in the history of tite association. Ringing commenced quite early at St. James, Clerkenwell, where the Master, Mr A. W. Coles, was iu charge. Several methods, theluding Surprise were rung. At St. Giles, Cripplegate, Mr. I. J. Lock, District Master, was in charge of the proceedings. Here Grandsire Ciuques Stedman Cinques, Kent Maximus, with sumdry ' touches of rounds, were the order.

The business meeting followed tea af the Zita Cafe, nud was presided over by the Rev. W. ${ }^{3}$. ColeSheane (president), supported by the vice-presidents (Messrs. J. A. Trollope aud G. W. Fletcher), the oint hon. secretaries (Messrs. C. T. Goles and $F$. W. Goodfellow), the hon. treasırer (Mr. W. H. Hollier), the Mester (Mr. A. W. Coles) and the district officers.

Before the business commenced the following loyal message of congratulation to their Majesties was passed by the members standing The Middlesex County Association and London Diacesan Guild o Change Ringers uffer their sincere congratulations to His Majesty King George the Sixth and to Fer Majesty Queen Elizabeth upon His Majesty's accessiou to the rhrone, and tender a dutiful expression of their loyalty to your Majesties, and they pray that your reign may be blessed hy peace for your people and by happiness for your Majesties' own selves.
rising out of the minntes, Mr. Coles said a letter had been sent o the Bishap of London with regard to keeping intact the peal of bells at All Fallows'. Lombard Street, when the chureh was de molished, and a reply had been received from the Eeclesiastical Commissioners stating that the matter would receive attention in due course.

## MEMEERSHTP LAPSES

The annual report recalled the part which had been played by belfs during last year on national ocasions, and to the completion of the memorial to the late Mr. William Pye by the provision of two bells at St. John's Church, Leytonstone

Denling with the membership of the associalion, the report stated that althongly three honoray and 90 ringing members were elected, the total at the end of the year chowed only a slight imerease, it, now being 888. Eight mombers were lost by death and a vety large number lapsed through removals, noth-payment of subscriptions, etc

The lapses through avoinahle causes,' said the report, 'is a matter for serions concorn, and we do urتe local secretaries, not only to see that subscriptions axe pramptly paid, but to keep the strength of their bands up to a number sufficient to man the bells regularly Fach band, besides being af full strength, shonld endeavour to teach at least one new ringer every vear; and not wat for the time when recruits are so urgently needed that the bells cease, or almost cease, to be rung at all. The future of ringing generally, atud of the association in particular, depends upon the efforts of local leaders. See to Whilst
was satisfactory to nute that a new band had been formed at sit

Matthew's, Belhual Green, and was making good protress muder the tuition of tho Ringing Mastor, At St. Am's, Stamford Hill, a fresh start had been made, and ringing was in progress, and some recruits who had been given elementary instruction were looking fonward soon to start Iearning clange ringing. Relp would be appreciated at both these tawers. It was hoped next yenr to record that the towers which had ceased to show any membership at all would once agriu have come into the fold.

The peal list showed an increase on jast year, 55 having been rung. The increase, however, was almost entirely in handbell peals, and it was hoped that in this, the Coronation year, there wonld be a real revival in peal ringing. Of the 55 peals rung, 10 were on handbells, and tho tower-bell peals waro rung at 26 churches. Tho members taking part in the peals numbered 159, a few in excess of last yenr, and four members rang their first penls. There were 23 condnewers, an increase of four. Some 85 members rang their first peals in something new, inchoding several 'firsts' on lantbetls, five of Spliced Surprise Major in seven methods, two of Gambridge Royal, 21 of various Surprise Major methods, and seven of Stedman Caters.

The report was adopted, as was also the balance sheet, which showed receipts from members in the form of so per cent, of contributions from the districts of $£ 2217 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d., and excess of receipts over payments of $£ 1$ 6s. 2d. The cash in liands of the treasurer is $£ 24$ 18s. 9d.
Messrs. F. Conley (Chiswick) and W. $\mathcal{G}$. Turmer (Willesden) were elected members of the association.
The officers were re-elected as follows: Prosident; the Rev. W. P. Colo Sheane, who remominated his vice-presidents, Messrs. G. W. Fletcher (North and East District) and J. A. Trollope (Sontl ank West District) ; Master, Mr. A. W. Coles; hon. treasurer, Mr, W. IH Hollier ; joint hon. secretaries, Messrs. C. T. Coles aud F. W, Goodfellow ; auditor, Mr. E. C. S. Turner, A.S.A.A.
It was resolved that the peal hooks and rolumes of 'Bell News belonging to the association should remain at the Ghurch of St. Gilca in-the-Fields.

Mr. Fletcher sfated that a sub-committee had been formed to consider the revision of the association's rules, and loped at the next anumal meeting to be in a position to present a report on the fules The sub-cemmittoe would like to have the opportunity of presentiag the drafts to the annual district meetings in the first place, in ordet to save time at the annual general meeting, and they would also be glad if any members who had suggestions to make or criticisms to offer would send them to the sub-commiltee for early consideration

## OONGRATLEATIONS TO COLLEGE YOUTHS

Mr. C. T. Coles reminted the members that this year the Ancient Sociaty of College Youths would celebrate their tercentenary. The society was foulded 300 years ago and had been in the forefrond ringing nearly all that time. Theiv records were of the lighest class. and no member of the Ancient Society who lad taken part fu any of their performances had any reason to be ashamed of their achieve ments. The Collere Youths had always shown the way in which bells should br rung. He moved that the following resolution should be sent to the seriety: 'The members of the Middlesex County. Association and Loudon Diocesau Guluild, assembled in annnal meeting, send to the members of the Ancient Society of College Youtla sincere congrabulations in this, the terceabenary year of that society. Further they cordially wish success to the members of that society, end a con they cordially wish success of the high etandard of ringing for which they have, for so many years, been famous.
Mr. Trollope, who seconced, pointed out that the College Youths stood for something more than merely a society. They, in theis history, were an epitome of the whole history of the ringing Jxercisn Not only the present members, but all ringers were more or less the heirs of that society, and they did well to recognise the great serpices that the society in the past had rendered to the continuity of the art and science of change riuging.

The motion was unanimously carried.
On the motion of Mr. Coles, seconded by Mr. Goodiellow, a resolution of condolence with the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths on the deats of their lon. secretary, Mr. G. A. Card, was passed. Mir Coles said that Mr. Card, who was 63 years of age, died on April 5th. He was at ane time a member of the Edmontan band and of that association. Latterly he did a great worle for the Gimberland Youths and was one of those foremost in the recent advance of the society in London ringill
ts was resolved to hold the next annual meeting at Hillingdon,
Mr. Cales urged the members to see that the beils in their own and neighbouring churches were rung for thie Coronetion. It might be difficult in Loudou to ring all the bells, but those who were responsibie For ringlig would, he hoped, do their utmost to get the bells pung on that day Fe directed attention to the point mate in "The Ringing Wortd that in places where bells are near hauses they shoald avoic ringing diring the time the Coronation service was being broadeast from the Abhey-especially in places where people were apt quickly to get exasperated by the ringing of bells.
Fotes of thanks were passed to the Rector of Cripplegate aud his assistant priest, to the curate in clintge of St. Janes', Camberwell, and the Rev. A. Lombardini, Sl. Lawrence Jewry, to Mr. King, the verger, and to the organist of St. Giles ${ }^{2}$, end to the various towerkeepers and others.
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## RFSTORED PEAL AT WALGRAVE, NORTHANTS BELLS RUNG FOR FIRSI TIME SINCE 1900.

For the first time since they were inang to announce the relief of Mafekiug in May, 1900, the bells of Walgraye Papish Church were heard on April 11th on the occasion of the dedication by the Bishop? of Peterborongh of the restured peal. Fcr nearly 40 years tho bells, which were badly out of tune, have beent 'tapperl' only, as ringing was impossible owing to the unsafe condition of the carrying beams. The bells, a ring of five, with tenor of $13 \frac{3}{2}$ cwt., have been tuned and cleaned and now lang in a new motal frame, complete with modern fittings, tho work haviag been caried out admirably by Messrs, Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon.
The Rector (the Rev, A. S. Segger') conducted the dedication service, which was of a bright and simple character, and in the course of it a procession, formed at the altar and consisting of tye churchwardens (Messrs. A. Yorke and W. A. Kuight), the Rector, the Lord Bishop of Peterborough and the Rector of Isham (the Rev. E. J. Atkins, R.D.), proceeded to the bell chamber, where the ringers were waiting. After the declicatory prayers five rimgers, Messrs. 7' Tehbutt, R. Jones, T. Law, G. Valentine and J. C. Deane, members of the Northanpton branch of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, rang a touch of Grandsire Doubles, announcing to the neighbourhood that the bells were again n use.
The Bishop, iu the course of his addyess, said that they were all rejoicing that the bells were no longer dumb, and that the restored peal was now able to fulfil its accustomed task. He had no doubt that atll the people in Walgrave had taken a personal concern in the act of restoration, which was first promoted by the Rector abont six years ago. They could always appeal for the tower or bells with certainty an any parish, because they were something in which everyone could take a pride. A chureh buitding made a special appeal to people, because it was associated with their home. If the church were pulted down and the bells were silent they wonld feel that something precious had lieen taken out of their lives.
The Bishop went on to refer to the art of change ringing as wery beautiful, and said that its artistic value could not be denied. But the ringing of bells was first and foremost an act of worslip, and so
t should be regarded. Bellringers were churchworkers in the highest degree, and ho wanted them to be recognised as on a level with all other elfurchworkers.
Other elergy present were the Rew. J. Hotine (Holcol), the Rev. J. M. Turner (Moulton) and the Rev. F. B. Clarke (Loddingten). At the close of the service many members of the Diocesan Guild rang on the bells.
Following the service a tea for the ringers was held in the Church Schoul, and the Bishop, the Rector and Mr. Gyrid Johoston, of Messrs. Gillett aud Johnston, were present.
Recertly the Walgrave 'Pavish Magazine' found its way to Soutl Africa, and came into the hands of Mr. Nathan Kimbell, who left Walgrave for that country 5 ? years ago. He at once sent a substantial donation to the Rector and decided to retmon to his native village for the dedication service. A leaffel with 25 verses of poetry paying twibute to Walgrave bells was hauded to each member of the congregation at the service, the poem being entitled 'Walgrave Bellscerses written in 1912 by N.P.K." "N.P.K.' proved to be Mr. Natlan Kimbell, who had the satisfaction of assiating in the day's rejoicings this ok "home town' after' an absence of over half a century.
As the bells have been only 'tapped' since 1900 to announce the services, none of the Walgrave ringers has ever pulled a rope. This means that a nhew hand will have to be trained. A start will be made with 13 men, and if possible 15 , so that there will be three teamsthe nain team, a relief and a young one each team having five members. Change ringing will be out of the question for some time, but the Rector hopes that the ringers will make good progress and introduce this as soon as possible.

On evory liand gratification was expressed at the great inptowement effected by the tuning of the bells, and the visitiug ringers voiced their complete sabisfaction with the ' go' of the peal, both of which facts reflect credit on the bellfounders, Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.

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The President also thanked the officers, who, ho said, had the complete confidence of the members to conduct the aftairs of the association. They shonld, be said, feel very proud, as a body of ringers, of the most honourable and important place which the bells mothd have on the occasion of the Coronntion. rehere was nothing more peculinily national than the winging of the hells, and many of them woukd recall the great occasions on which bells had rung out for national events in the past. No other country in the worfd lad such a wealtl? of bells or such opportmity of celebratiug in the most dignified and beautiful way, and one established by such age-long tradition, great netional occasions, and ringers felt fine reflected honour at the part which fell to them in connection with the Coronation.
The meeting concluded wit $]_{1}$ a vote of thanks to the president.
After tha mieeting the bells at St. Lawrence Jowit, with the Master in charge, were available, and a large mumber of ringers took arlvantage of the opportunity of ringing on this fine peal, in most methods np to London Surprise. At Cripplegate Mr. E. O. S. Tumer looked after the vinging. and more Cinques and Maximus, as well as rounds, were rung until 9 o'clock, when ended one of the most memorable meetings in the amals of the association.

## WAR WICKSHIRE GUILD.

SUGGLSTED BELL RESTORATION FUND.
Members of the Warwickshire Guild visited Rugby for the manaal meeting on Saturday, April 17th, and one of the most important and interesting maiters touched upon at the business meeting in tise evening was tho formation of a bell restoration fund. Mr. Emest Stone, of Nuaeaton, suggested thaf either u certinin percentege of tho Guild's income should be set aside anmally for building up a bell restombion fund, or that a collection should be taken at eaci of thein qualterly services for the purpose. In view of the levge number of restorations Which were now going on or baing contemplated in whrwickaline, there was a real need for such a fund, and he moved bhat the gacstion e considered by the committee at their mext quarterly meelfng.
Other members iudicated their support, and Mw. Stone's suggestion was defermed for discussion ut a futhre date.
Ringing during the afternoon tonk place on the two rings of bells at St. Andrew's Church. As a matter of interest attention was lirst: giveu to the old ring of five early in the afternoons. The reason for this first clroiee by the dozen or so ringers who were tlaen presont was soon appareut when it was discevereri that Mr. J. H. Shoplrerd
was among the early birds and that it was a freeb tower for hinn. Was among the early birds and that it was a freeh tower for hims. Sharbened evensont was held in the charch at $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., and was conducted by the Rer. R. S. Wingfield Dirby, who aliso gruve the address.
Afticr tea, the busiuess meeting was held in the Churh Fouse, and was presided over by the Rev. Whagfield Digby. He was supported by Mr. Joseph F. W. White, Ringing Master, and Mr. Malcolm C. C. Melville, general secretary. Among bhose present were Messis. T. W. Chapman and James George (past Ringing Masters), F. W. IPerens, Mis. Argyle, the Rev. J. E. Wigram and ningers from the following towers: Allesley, Nuneaton, Chilvers Caton, Bulkington, Fidinglan, Lillington, Arley, Monk's Kirby, Stoke, Bedworth, Leamington, Hastings and members of the local band. Weleome wisitors inchaded Messrs. E. Pearson, H. F. Alexander and W. Watson, of Banbury, and F. H. Dexter aud R. F. Roe, of Leicester.
Apologies were received from the Archdeacon of Coventiry, the president of the Guild, and also from the Rev. and Mrs. Moyle, of Chilvers Coton, and Mossis. J. H. Beale, E. Adams and T. Mahe.
The aninual report stated that the total resident memberslip slood at 137 , an increase of seven cver the previons year. Twenty-five bew members had joined during the year. The peals slowed an increaso over last year, 16 peals haviny been rung, making the largest number since 1928. A balance in hand of 22555.6 d . was yedorded in the fitmincial statement.-Both reports were adopted.

The officers wore all re-elected, with the addition of Mr. 5. 1. S. Moreton as assistant hon. sectelary. Mrs. A. Beamish, Mrs. L. J. Hinde and Mr. T. W. Chapman were also elected honorary menaers of the collmittee.
Amolug the 17 new riaging members to be elected were two only 1I years of age, namely, Frank Moreton and Frederick Stone, both of Ghivers Coton. The Rev. J. I. Wigram, the Rev. R. S. Wiugfield Digby and Mrs. D. H. Avgyte were elected honorary menhers.
Thanks were expressed on behalf of the Guild by Mr. C. H. Webly to the Archdeacon for the use of the bells and tho Church Hause; to the Rev. Wiugfeld Digby for presidiug at the meeting and taking the service; and also to Mr. E. W. Groocock for presiding at the organ.
Everyone was plensed to see Mr. Janses George present, ind evinlence of his recovery from his fllaess was apparent when lie took part in several of the touches. Expressions of appreciation of the worle Mr. George had done for ringers at Rugby were given Ty Mr. J. B. Thenton.

Further ringing took place on the two peals of bells after the metring until a late hour. Allogether about 50 members aud friends were present.

## DEATH OF MR. JOSEPH DAVIES.

## FORNER RINGER AT DERBY, LOUGHBOROUGF AND KIDDERMTNSTER.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Joseph Davies, of 13 , Stonirport Road, Kidderminster, who passed awry at his home on hpril Bili last at the age of 64 years.
Mr. Davies, whose peals totalled 49 (fons of which lyo had couducted), started his ringing carcer at Crewe and rang his first peal (Grandsire Triples, on the tenor) on July 31st, 1894.
He had wesided at Derby and Loughborongh, and many of his peals, mostly Grandsire and Stedman Triples, were rung in these districts.

He went to reside at Kidferminster and joized the St. Mary's Church band in 1919. A safe riviser of slamdand methods, his enthusiasm ensbled him to become quite proficiont in Surprise methods and later he scored three peals of Gambridge and threa of Landon Surprise Major.

Until two years ago, when he became no longer able to climb the steps, Mr. Davies was a regular Snmday service ringer

The interment took place on April 12th at Coppenhall, near Crewe, where in his youth he was a chorister for many qears. The bells of St. Mary's Chureh, Kidderminater, were Mung half-muffled in the ovening.
The sympathy of all who knew him will go out to his widow in ber
bereavement.

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## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. <br> (Established 1637 .) <br> <br> the tercentenary festival.

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A service will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Saturday, Nov. 6th, at 4 p.m. Dinner at Camon Street Hotel at 6 p.m. Tickets to members ios. each, to non-members i2s. 6 c . each. The maximum seating capacity is 400. Application should be made as early as possible, as no tickets can be issued in excess of that number.

William T. Cockerill,
Hon, Secretary.

## 18th CENTURY PEAL RECORDS

Will all secretaries, or any interested ringers who have collected records of old peals rung previous to 1825, please forward same or particulars, not later than May ist for this year's report to the Central Council, to Wm. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, Chiswick, W.4?
GUIIDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey District. -The next meeting will be held at Hersham (Oatlands Park not availahie at present) on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (8) available $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Church House 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec., 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, May 1st. Bells ready for 3 p.m. Members and non-members cordially invited. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting will be held in conjunction with the Sheffield and District Society at St. John's, Ranmoor, Sheffeid, on Saturday, May 1st, when the peal of 10 bells will be available from 2 p.m. onwards. Meeting of the general committee in the Church Hall at $3.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A short servire at 4.30 p.m. Tea (is.) at 5 p.m. in the Church Hall. The general meeting will be held immediately after tea.-J. E. Cawser, Hon. Gen. Sec, Cragdon House, Ashton Lane, Braithwell, near Rotherham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Hawkhurst is just the place to visit in the spring; is picturesque; has fine peal of bells. The spring meeting of the Tonbridge District will be held here on Saturday, May 1st. The Hastings and District Guild will associate itself with this meeting, 3 p.m., tower open; 4.30, service. Tea (free to practising members) to follow; also business meeting. -Alec. E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Queenborough on Saturday, May 1st. Further particulars later.-Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A by-meeting will be held at Teynham on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 (is.) - B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 1st, at Christ: Church, Southport. Bells available from 3 p.m. A small charge will be made for tea, for which please notify Mr. J. Ridyard, 16, Vaughan Road, Birsdale, Southport. After tea ringing will be continued at Emmanuel Church, Southport.--S. Forshaw, 38, Poolstock, Wigan:
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-The festival will be held at Salisbury on Saturday, May 1st. Luncheon (1s. 6d.) in British Legion Hall, followed by annual meeting, at 1 p.m. Service in Cathedral, at 3.30 . Preacher, the Bishop of Salisbury. Towers open: 8 bells, St. Thomas' (11-12.30, 6-7), St. Edmund's, St. Martin's; 6 bells, St. Paul's, Amesbury, Britford, Broadchalk, Berwick St. John, Coombe Bissett, Downton, Semley, Wiiton, Woodford. - F. Llewellyn Edwards, Hon. Sec., Kington Magna Rectory, Gillingham, Dorset.
SUFFOLK GUILD. - A meeting will be held at Sproughton on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (6) available at 2.30; also Bramford, Hintlesham and Copdock (all 6 bells). Tea go. each, at 430 at Church Hall. Meeting follows.-H, Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-May Day.-A meeting will be held at Graveley on May ist. Bells ready 3 p.m. Learners welcome and will get good opportunities. Names for tea to Canon Jebb, The Rectory, Graveley, Hitchin. - Don Mears, Hon. Sec.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Barkston on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (6) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting, at Rectory-C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec.,
Folkingham, Lincs. Folkingiam, Lincs.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Hereford Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Fownhope on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (6) available 2.30 to 9 p.m. Tea, 5.30 p.m., in Parish Hall. Buses leave Hereford at 2, 3.30 and 5 p.m., returning at 8 and 8.17 p.m. Fare is. return. Bus leaves Ross at 4.45 p.m., returning at 7.10 and 9.30 p.m. Fare is. 4 d. re-turn,-L. H. Steckley, The Green, Fownhope.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at Runcorn on Saturday, May ist, at 3 p.m.-John E. Ashcroft, Post Office, Grappenhall.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District.The next meeting will be held at Pinner on Saturday, May 1st. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 . Tea in Conservative Club at 5 p.m., Is. each. Business meeting after tea. Special method for practice: St. Lawrence Little Bob Major. Trains, Metropolitan, Baker St. etc., to Pinner. Bakerloo and L.M.S. Stations to Harrow and 183 bus to Pinner.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2I, Vincent Road, E.4.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Leek tomorrow (Saturday). Bells (io) available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.-Andrew Thompson, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Bicester Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Islip on Saturday, May ist. Service $3-30$ p.m., followed by tea and short business meeting. Weston-on-the-Green bells also available. If requiring tea please notify $F$. Sharpe, Launton, Bicester, Oxon.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch.-A ringing practice will be held to-morrow (Saturday) at Woughton-on-the-Green. Bells (6) available from 5 p.m. All ringers welcome. Walter Sear, Hon. Sec. 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western District.-Short Notice. - A meeting will be held at Northchurch on Saturday, May ist. Bells (S), a delightful peal, available from 3 p.m. Tea at the Old Grey Mare at 5 p.m. Good to get at-by Green Line and Aylesbury bus service, so come along. - W. Ayre, Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch. -A meeting will be held at Cottenharn, Cambs., tomorrow (Saturday), May rst. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. A good company is hoped for.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Mill Road, Over, Cambs.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Meetings for May: Service ringing, May 2nd, St. Clement Danes', io a.m. ; 23 rd, Bow, Cheapside, $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Practices : soth and 24 th, St. Clement Danes', $7 \cdot 30$ p.m.; June ist, St. Mary, Lambeth, 8 p.m.-T. W. Taffender, Hon. Sec., 26, Southway, Raynes Park, S.W.20.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637) - Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on May 6th; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the irth; St. Magnus' on the I 3 th and 27 th ; St. Andrew's on the 2oth; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 25 th, at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at Singleton ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May 8th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Tea in Institute at 5.30. Business meeting after. - C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 35, Berwick Road, Blackpool, S.S.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Chrishall an Saturday, May 8 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me? H. A. Wacey, Hon, Sec., 73, Rye Street, Bishops Stortford, Herts.

LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-The next meeting will be held at Beddington, Surrey, on Saturday, May 8th. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea to follow. Those requiring tea please notify Mrs. C. Kippin, . ro, Courtney Road, Croydon, by Tuesday, May 4 th. Gentlemen cordially invited.-M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Darton on Saturday, May 8 th . Bells ready at 2.30 p.m. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. For tea please notify Mr. R. A. Bailey, Park View, Darton, by Thursday, May 6th. All are welcome-D. Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shafton, near Barnsley.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. - A meeting will be held on Saturday, May 8th. Towers available: Bedfont (6), 3.30 to $4 \cdot 30$; Stanwell (5), 4.45 to $5.30,6.30$ to 7 , and Harmondsworth (6), 7.15 to 8.30. Tea at Wheatshenf Inn, Stanwell, at $5 \cdot 30$, is. each. Bus if6 leaves Hounslow Garage at 8 and 38 minutes past the hour for Bedfont and near Stanwell. F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meeting of Southampton District at Dibden on May 8th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Eling and Fawley bells available. Names by May 6 th, please. - G. Pullinger, 17, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Hants.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Meppershall on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 (free). This meeting has been arranged to welcone the new Rector. All ringers are welcome. Please come. C. J. Ball, 25 , Tempsford Road, Sandy.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIA-TION.-A ringing meeting will be held at Teversal on Saturday, May Sth. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at moderate charge at 5 p.m. to those who notify me by Thursday, May oth-J. W. England, Hon. Sec., 49, The Common, South Normanton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Kirkby-Lonsdale on Saturday, May 8th. Tower open for ringing at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.-E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch. The next mecting of the above branch will be held at Barthomley ( 8 bells) on Saturday, May 8th. Will all those who intend to be present kindly tet me know on or before May 5 thi? - Rich. D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec., i18, Ruskis Road, Crewe.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Speldhurst on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All welcone. Please let me know by May 6th if you require tea.-B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.Swindon Branch.-Meeting at South Marston ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May 8th. Bells 3 o'clock. Tea 5 o'clock. On bus route.-W. B. Kynaston, 3, Dumbarton Terrace, Victoria Road, Swindon, Wilts.

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch; Newport Pagnell Deanery. - A meeting. at Chicheley, May 8th, Saturday; 2.30 begin; 4 service; tea 4.45 p.m. Numbers for tea should be sent to the Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks, by Tuesday, May $4^{t h}$.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be heid at Hoghton, May 8 th. Bells ready 2.30 p.m. Tea for all those who notify Miss M. Clayton, Lane End Cottage, Hoghton, near Preston, by Tuesday, May $4^{\text {th. }}$ A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD. - Mid-Devon Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Bickington, Newton Abbot. on Saturday, May 8th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting in Laver's Café at 5.15 p.m. Names for tea should reach me by first post Tuesday, May 4 th. - A. L. Bennett, Branch Sec., Cornerways, Elliott Plain, Buckfastleigh.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A monthly meeting will be held at Exhall on Saturday, May 8th. Bells (6) avalable from 3.30 p.m. The Vicar (Rev. E. W. Bryan) is hoping to see a good number present and has kindly offered to give the tea.-M. Melville, Highfield House, Exhall, Coventry.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Keevil on Saturday, May 8th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Other arrangements as usual. All ringing friends welcome. W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Melksham.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Norton Cuckney ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May 8th. Methods for practice: Oxford Plain Bob, Sandal T.B. Please send a card for tea to me before Wednesday, May 5th. - R. Towler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

PEAK DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will take place at Tideswell, Saturday, May 8th. Will all members and friends expecting to be present please write me not later than Tuesday, May 4 th, so that suitable arrangements can be made for tea?-H. L. Warburton, Hon. Sec., 72, Causeway Head Road, Dore, near Sheffield.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Thrapston on WhitMonday, May $1^{\prime 7}$ th. Committee meet Parish Room 10.45. Service, Thrapston Church, 12 noon. Lunch at

King's Arms Hotel at 1 p.m., followed by meeting. 1s. 6 d . will be allowed toward cost of lunch to all those resident and subscribing honorary and ringing members who make application for ticket with remittance of 1s. to the general secretary by May 3rd. Non-members and nonresident members 2s. 6d. each. All tickets to be applied for by May 10th. Bells available: Islip (6), Thrapston (8) $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $11.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and after meeting, Raunds (8), Tichmarsh (8), Lowick (6) after the meeting. Robt. G. Black, Gen. Sec., Stamford Road, Geddington, Kettering.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-The annual general meeting will be beld at Newton Abbot on Whit Monday, May 17th. Service in St. Leonard's Chapel 12. I5. Dinner and meeting at Globe Hotel I p.m. Wolborough (8), St. Leonard's Tower (8), Highwick (8) and Kingsteignton (8) bells available. Visitors will be allotted a time for ringing if they give notice by May 1oth.-T. Laver, Gen. Sec., 21, Cross Park, Heavitree, Exeter.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-The 58 th anmual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, May i 7 th. I1.30 a.m. Service in the Cathedral, preacher Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow; 12.I5 p.m., approx., meetings in the Chapter House; 1.15 p.m., approx., lanch at The Golden Fleece (nembers is. 6d., non members 2 s . 6d). It is most important that those requiring lunch should notify the Hon. Sec. not later than Thursday, May i 3 th, in order that adequate arrangements can be made. Towers open for ringing during the day: Cathedral (12), Borchan ( 8 ), Great Baddow (8), Galleywood (8), Great Waltham (8), Widford (8), Writtle (8), Broomfield (6), Danbury (6), Springfield (6), Little Waltham (6).-L. J. Clark, Hon, Gen. Sec., 36, Lynmouth Avenue, Chelmsford.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Summer Festival at Soham on Saturday, July 24th. Service 4.15 p.rn., with address by the Lord Bishop of Ely. - K. Willers, Gẹn. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.

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Composed by George Lewis. Conducted by Sidney T. Holt.

* First peal of Masimus. 4 . Tirst peal in the method. $\ddagger$ First pent of Treble Bob Maximus. First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Maximus by the rest, on the bells and for the association.


## TEN BELL PEAL.

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A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6018 CHANGES;
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* First peal on ten bells.
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AYLESFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(3) Saturday, Appil 24, 1937, in I hree Hours and Two Minutes. At tee Cherce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 605B CHANRE8; Tenor If $\frac{7}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$ in F .


- Doris E. Colgate ... ... 2 †Predrrice S. Macey .. 6

Tbomas E. Sone ..... .3 3 Benjamin F. Barbr... ... 7
Tom Sadnders ... ... ... 4 Lutebr J. Honess ... ....Tenor
Composed by A. Knigats. Conducted by Thomas E. Sone.

* First peal of Treble Boh. + 50th peal and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. T. S. Magey. The conductor bes now "complebéd the circle' in nine towers. The composition, No. 431, is mug for the first time.

WOODFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sathrday, Apyil 24, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF OAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR; 60 O CHANGES; Middleton's.
-Jobn C. Petty ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ Jobn V. Cross ...

| Jobs H. Ceessman | $\ldots$. | 2 | Jorn E. Blay |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jobn Wabadon ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... |
| Joan | ... | 6 |  |

 Conducted by Jonn H. Crampion.

* First peat. First peal of Gambridge by a band of this Christian name.

PONTYPRDDD. GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Un Saturday, April 24, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Sejeal Mintutes,

> At tee Chorch of St. Catherine,

A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5O40 CHANGE8;

Thorstans' Fodr-part.
Jonn W. Jones ... ... ...Treble Joshp日 Lovett ... ... ... 2 Herbert Davies Ernesi Silica

| ... | $\cdots$ | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ |

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr 21 lb .
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Gegrge Popnell } & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Wileiam Page } & . . . & \ldots & \ldots & 6\end{array}$ Joben Pbillips ... ... ... 7 William L. Lambert ... ...T Tenor
Ionn Prilecips.

Conducted by Jonn Pbillesps.
Rung as a birthday peal for the conductor, by whom hospitality was extended after the peal.

## EOKINGTON, DERBYSEIRE. <br> THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION.

(Shiffield District Soctety.)
On Satuyday, Apvil 24, 1937, in Thyee Howes awd Six Minutes:
At the Cergeh of SS. Pater ano Padl,
A PEAL OF BOB CAJOR, GOGG CHANQE8I
Tegor IEf cwt.
Jobn J. L. Gilbert ...
...Treble
-Cearles Metcalfe...
... 2 Jack Turley
Percy Jrrvis ... ... ... 3 Sider J. Moss ...
 Composed by H. Tucrer. Conducted by Norman Ceaddoce. * First peal. + First peal in the method. First penl on the bells simee being rechst and rehang by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston in Marcla, 1937.

## SWANSCOMBE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOIATION,
On Salurday, April 24, 1937, in 1/tee Hows and Two Minutes, At tee Churce of SS. Perer and Pado,
A PEAL OF EOB MASOR, EO68 CHANQEB, Tenor 18 cwt.

 Composed by J. E. Bprron. Conducted by P. A. Corby.

* First peal. + First peal of Bob Major and as conductor. CLA YBROOKE, LETCIESTIERSHIRT.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 2d, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Cgurci of St. Petgh,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE HAJOR, 6024 GHANGES;
Kenneth A. Rot... ... ...T, ebla *Dr, F. Stedman Poole .. 5 Redvars F. Elimgton ... 2 Ricbard F, Ror ... ... 6 J. Fredrricr Milner ... 3 Harry Brodgaton ... ... Harold J. Poolr ... .... 4 Frederick H. Dentbr ...Tenor Composed by F. H. Dexter. Conducted by Harold J. Poole.
* First peal of Bristol Surprise Major. BUSHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Satarday, April 24, 1937, in Two Fiours and Fifly Minwtes, At the Churce of St. James,
A PEAL DF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt.
 Stbphen H. Hoare ... ... 2 Whalter Ayri .... Walter G. Padl ..... .3 Frangis Kirk ... ... ... 4 Madrige F. R. Hibbert ...Tcmor Composed by F. Denca, Conducted by H. G. Cashmore.


## GHATHAM, KBNT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 24, 1937. in Thyee Hows and Nite Minutes,
At the Churce of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES।

Tgurstans' Fodr-part.
Edward A, G. Allen ... 22 William J. Walker ... .... 6
Frederick G. Sovtrgate 3
-Grorge Naylor .... ... 4 Mas, V.A. Jarrett, R.E." Thay
Conducted by Frank Belsey.

* First peal of Stedman. Rung in honour of St. George's Dry. A birthday peal for F. A. Jarrett. The conductor's 30 th peal in this tower. W. A. J. Knight is from Milverton, Somerset,

NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 24, 1937, in Three Howrs and Thirty Ifinutes,
At the Cevreh of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR, 5184 GHANGEBJ Tanor 80 लwt
Frederick R. Wicley ...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}\text { Robert Marse .... } & \text {... } \\ \text {.... } & 5\end{array}\right.$



Composed by A. Knigers. Conducted by E. V. Blake.
The composition las the 4,5 and 6 thoir extonts in 6th place and the $2 n a$ never there.

HANDSWORTH, SHENTELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
(Sabfrizld District Society.)
On Wedrasday, Apyil 28, 1937, in Two Howes atd Fifty-Fouy Minnter, At tee Cedrge of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJBR, 5056 CHANCE8: Tenor 12 cwt.

Mrs. Dorica Krely... ...Tveble Jobn J. L. Gilberi ... ... 5 *Alfeed W. H. Bowler ... 2 Leslie Haywood ... ... 6 | Fridarick Cardwrll | ... | 3 | Herbert Cbaddock... | .... 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Norman Chaddock ....... 4 Frid Watkinson .......Tomor

Composed by W. H. Wicde.
Conducted by F. Warinison Composed by W. H. Wildz. Conducted by F. Warkinson.

LOWESTOITT, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, April 28, 1937. in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At ife Cedrce of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5130 CHANGE8। Tenor $13 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt. in $F$ sharp.
R. William Barber Charleg F Saybr Rable .... 2 - Harold J. Jermy $\quad \ldots \quad$... 3 Cen .... 3 RICEABE R WH Coates ... ktata G. Ring ... ... 4 Albert E. Coleman ...Tenar Composed by J. Rerves. Conducted by Aembri E. Coleman. 7. First peal of Kent Major. + Firet peal of Kent Treble Bob and third peal wt third attempt.

## WITHYHAM, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Saturday, May 7, 1937, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At tee Ceoreb of St. Micharl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, B02 CHANGES;
Tenor 55 cwt 9 !b.
Frederick J. Lambert, sen.Tyoblo Reginald E. Lambert Robert T. Lamberi ... .t. 2 Frank Benneti ... . Stappord JI. Green ... ... 3 Herbert Markwell ... ... 7 Alfred W. Doraam ... ... 4 Frederick Whits ... ...Tenor Composed by A, Knighis, Conducted by Franx Bensert. First peat of Norfoik on the bails. Arranged as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Marlawell.

## ASHTON-DNDER-TTNE, LANCS.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Salurday, May 1, 1937, in Chree Hours and Forty-Soven Minutes,
At tee Ceorce of St, Peter.
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, G176 CHANGESI Tenor 19 cwt.

 Composed by J. S. Wildr. Conducted by Joan Woria.
Rung in honour of the forthcoming Coronation. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the 7th. Longest length in the method by all the hand. This composition, which contains the 6 th its extent wrong an 1 right in 5.6 at 12 course ends, is now rung for the first time.

OLD WINUSOR, BERKSFIRE.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 1, 1937, in Two Hours and Hifty-Eight Minutos,
At the Chuaca of St. Pater,
A PEAL OF YORK8HIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANEES;
Tenor in cwt. 2 qqu. ai ib.
Willig Green ... ... ...Tyeble Leonard Stilweli. -Grorge H, Guttbridgr ... Gorge H, Guttbridge ... 2 Acbert Nast Alan R. Pink Aritur Paniter ... ... Composed by E. W, Tipler. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Albert Nash } & . . \\ \text { Arthor Gill } & . . .\end{array}$ ** ... 4 Williab Welling ... ...Teno Conducted by Aran R. Ping. Pantier, Nash and Gill on a visit farly arrasged for Messrs. Green, couduetor's $200 t h$ peat and a farewoll to bin on leaving che district.

## LONDON

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Ter Guild of Stepney, St. Dunstan's, Scholars.)
On Salurday, May 1. 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At the Parish Ceurce of St. Densian, Strpney,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, GOA0 GHANGES!

## Vicar's.

William J. Fickran Herbert E. Thompson Thomas G. Fox ... ... Hendy A. Pincbbeck...

Tenor 3I象cwt.
...Treble

| $\ldots$..Trable | A |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots \ldots$ | 2 | L |
| $\ldots .$. | 3 | G |
| $\ldots$ | 4 | ... |

Artger A. Jarvis

4 Charles Acdecil

Conducted by Leonard J. Fox.
Rung on the back eight bells in honour of the Coronation of their Majestses. First peal by all tho band and first attempt. First peal for the Guild of Stepney Seholars, which was formed in October, 1935.

## SIX and five bell peals.

WICKRAM MARKET, SUFTOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 21, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifry-Seven Minutes,
At ter Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
13eing twa 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble and three of Plain Bob.
Edgar C. Pizzay ... ...Theble $\mid$ Hrany J. Vince ... ... ... 4
Oliver J. Kidgy ... .... ... 2 William J. G. Brown ... 5
Josepa H. W. Preastngr . 3 Jogn R. Croons ... ... ...iemor Conducted by Wicliam J. G. Brown.
WILLERSTEY, GLODCESTERSHLRE.
THE WORCESTERSHTRE AND DISTRICTY ASSOCIATION. (Sodiegrn Brancy.)
On Thursiay, Apyil 22, 1937, in Three Howys and Four Minutos.
At the Churci of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 EHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Kingston, London Scholars'
Pleasure, Sandal, Overton, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cut.
Jorn C. Perkins ... ...TYable fralph Harris ... ... ... 4 Joserg D. Johnson .... .... 2 † Joserb E. Newwan ... - Miss Amy R. Jobnson ... 3 | J. William Heath .... .... Conducted by Josepa D. Joanson

* First peal ir seven Treble Bob methods. t First peal of Minor and a birthday compliment to them loth. Believed to be the first peal on tine bells, cast by $A$. Rudhail, aud recently rehung in a new steel finme by Mears and Stainbank, the "go' leaving nothing to be desired.


## GOOKINGTON, DEVON.

On Thursiay, April 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minwtes, Ax the Parish Cedrge,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, $\overline{\text { OU }} 40$ OHANOEB;
*L. S. Howard ... ... ...Treble ©L, S. Wenslay ... ... ... 4
H. S. Lewls...
C. R. Lilley ... Con .... 3 E. E. Taylor $\quad . .$.

* Tiust peal. The ringev of the 5 th is in bis 76 th year. COPPUKL, LANOS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saiurday, April 24, 1937, in Three Houts and Three Minntes,
At the Chorge of St, Jogn,


## A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being two extenls of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent and three of Plain Bol.

Tenor 165 cwt.
A. Tominson
F. Regry

… | $\ldots .$. | ...Trebie | - Blacebprn |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | E. W. Yates |

… $\quad . . . \quad . . .4$
*A. Carefnter Conductea by A. Tomlinson.

* First peal in three methods, lung at list attempt. F. Rigby's 100 th peal. Ruag in honour of the birth of a son to the 4 th ringer. WHATLEY, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. April 24, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Churce of St. George,


## A PEAL OF BOE HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt.


WEST DEEITNG, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LANCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, April 24, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minsles, At tag Chorch or St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, EDAC CHANGES;

Being 720 of Norfolk and Primrose Spliced, and 720 eacl of York ${ }_{2}$ Hull, Ipswich, Durham, Cambridge and Bourn. Tenor 10 ewt. Horace M. Day $\quad . . \quad$...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{lllll}\text { William Oldman } & . . & . . & 4\end{array}\right.$ Charles W. Woods ... ... 2 . Alberi E. Scott ... ... ${ }_{5}$ William H. Waldron ... 3 Thomas L. Bainbridge ...Tehoy Concuacted by H. M. Day.
First attempl for a Surprise peal 'inside' by the ringer of the 4th. Arranged for the wedding of Mr. Oharles H. Tozer and Miss Margery M. Neal, second daughter of the tower ceptain, who were married in this churclh the same afternoon.

NEWTON-LN-THE-ISLE, CAMBS.
THE REY DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satuyday, April 24, 1937, in Two Hous and Thith-Nine Minutes, At ter Cadrch of St. Jamrs,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Double Court, Single Oxford Boib, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Boh and Plain Bob. eror 10 cwt .

| Sidney Flint | ... | ... | ..$T v e b l e$ | Jobn Buckenbam | ... | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Wallace Cousing | ... | ... | 2 | William Buckbnbam | .. | 5 |  | | Wallace Cousine | ... | ... | 2 | William Bucrenbam | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frbd Wigmore | ... | .. | .. | 3 | Cladde Codsins | ... | .. Thor | Conducted by Fred Wigmore.

* First peal in seven methods on an 'inside' bell. POWICK, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sathrday, Appli 24. 1937, in Three Howys and Sixteen Minutes,

At the Churce of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 each of Double Court, College Single, Cambridge Surpise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor $23 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E flat.
Robert G. Knowles ... ...Tyeble William Ranford ... ... 4 George e. Large $. . .1 . . .2^{2}$ Tbomas W. Lewis... Gropfrey J. Lewis ... ... 3 Cbahles Camm ... ... ...Temar Conducted by Geoprey J. Lewis.

STEBBING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Satuyday, April 24, 1937. in Two Howys and Thirdy-Five Minutes, At ter Cetreb of St, Mary,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Being 720 Double Court, 720 Kent Treble Bob, two 720 's of Oxford troble Bob and three 720 's of Plain Bob called differently.
Donald Jennings
Victor Morley
 Condacted by Josbpa Jfanings.

BUCKNALL, STAFFS.
THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRIGT ASSOGIATION. On Saturday, Apyil 24, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes, At the Cierch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB WINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

In seven mathods, viz., Durham, York, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Duke of York, Kent aud Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 101 cmt . J. Wallay ... ... ... ...Teble |J. G. Cartlidge ... ... ... 4 J. E. Wherldon $\quad . .$. W. Carnwbll ... ... ... 3 A. W. Hall... ... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by A. W. Harl.
T. Hurd's 100th peal.

NORTON GANON, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Swnday, Apyil 25, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes, At the Caurch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 GHANGES; Hicing 21 diferently ealled 240 's.

Tenor 81 cw t.
Jambs P. Hyaty ... ... ...Tyeble William H. Symonds ... 3 Charleg L. Sadler ... ... 2 | Erneat F. Salmons ... ... 4

Jobn J. Webs ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by J. P. Hyeit.
Rung for evening service. J. P. Hyett has now called a peal of Grandsire Doubles from eacly bell in the tower.

## GREAT FINBOROUGE, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFTOLK GOILD.
On Tuasday, April 27, 1937, in Three Howvs,
Aytae Chorch of St. Andrgw,
A PEAL OF MINDR, 5040 CHANGES:
Consisting of ono extent each of Double Court, Donble Oxford, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surariso, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treblo Bob.
-Clem Cracknbll ... ...Trebie Rosbat J. Sirebd... ... ... 4
Artber R, Woodard
 Conducted by Frank Roprr.

* First peal of Minor. First peal of seren methods by the band and on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to C. Cracknell and A. R. Woodard.

NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTS
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sahurday, May 1, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
At fhe Chercy of St. Wilfaid,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one extent exch of Capel, Saadal, hondon Scholars' Plensure and Kingston Treble Bob, Canturnge Surprige and Oxford and Kent Treble Bols.

Tenor 13:
Miss Kath, Boacanale. ...I reble
Miss Grack Bercbinall ... 2 Jace L. Millgodese ...
-Cbarles McGoiness ... 3 Clizfoad A. Vesseq... ...Temor
Conducted by Clifyord A. Vessry.

* First peal in seven Treble Bob methods. Quickest peal on the bells.


## GREAT EASTON, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, May 7, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes, At the Church of Sa. John.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, GO40 CHANGES

Being dwo 120 's of Osford and two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 awt.
Josepg C. Jennings
$\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots . & \ldots . \text { Treble } \\ \ldots . & \ldots . & 2 \\ \ldots & \ldots & 3\end{array}$
*Ricgard Portway Grorge Satndras


* First peal.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

GREAT SHELFORD, CAMBSS.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Saturday, April 24, 1937, in I wo Hours and Thity-Seven Minutes, at Harbledown,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAdOR, 5040 CHANGES!

The ' Barrabool' Peal.
Teumr siza 14 in D.
R. D. Sr. J. Smith (Selwyn) i-2 $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rry. E. Bankes james (Caius) } 5 \text {-6 }\end{aligned}$ C. W. Woollby (Selwyn) … 3 3-4 B. P. Tyrwerti-Drake (Pem.) 7-8 Composed by Rey. E. Banhes James. Conducted by C. W. Woolley

GREAT SEELFORD, CAMBS.
THE OAMBRIDGF, UNIVERSITY GUILD
Un Tuesdry, Aprll 27, 7937, in Two Howrs and Twenty-Three Minntes, At Harblenown.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Tenor size 15 in C .
${ }^{*}$ R. D. St. J. Swite (Selwyd) I-2 $\mid$ Rev. E. Bankbs James (Cailis) 5-6 C. W. Woolley (Selwya)... 3-4 Rev. B. F. Seeppard (Trinity) 7 -8 Composed by Rey. E. Bankes James. Conducted by C. W. Wooletey * Firgt peal in the method 'in land. This conuposition, a onepart, is row lung for the first time.

WOODDITION, CAMBS
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, April 27, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirly Minutes,
Ax Sonny View, Woodition Road,
A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, 605 GHANGES;
-Sidsey Brown ... ... ... I-2 |'Reginald Searpe -i. ... 5-6 Albert E. Adstin ........ $3-4 \mid$ |Alwyn Beale .... ... ... $7-8$ Composed by J. E. Burton (C C. じ. in6), Conducted by A. F. Austin

* First peal of Major on handbella. $\dagger$ First peal. First peal on handbells as conductor.
(Other paal reports ara unavoidably held aver)


## FOR BEGINNERS. <br> METHOD GROUPS.

There are many methods which run in groups. They are internally of eiraiar construction, but the yarious portions are linked together in difterent ways, it may be by 2nd's or 6th's place when the treble leads, or (in Minar) 5th's place when lie treble lies its whole pull belinind (7th's in Major when the treble is belsind), or it may bo by both 5th's and 2nd's or 6th's. In such groups the changes in a conres art the same, but the blocks into which they are formed come in a different order, so that in actual ringing the various pieces of work are in a different sequence snd a different 'method' is the resilt. But a knowledge of one method is often a great help in ringigg another.
The insertion of a place in the type of methods we are now dealing with causes other bells to dudge; for the same reason the omission of a place eliminates a dodge and the bells, instead, hunt straight off to another position.

In Oxiond Bob, which was the subject of an article last week, 4th's pluce is made twice in encir load and each place compels the bells whind to make a dodge. Botwenn the 4 thl's places, while the treble leads, zad's place is made, whicin imposes a dodge in 3.4 and $5-6$ as well. It is becanse of these three successive 'places,' 4 thr's, 2 and's and 4ilits, that the bwo bells belind have at three-pull dodge.
The 4 th's places are part of the integral construction of the method, but the 2nd's place is only a link between the leads. In combination with the 4th's places it makes 'Oxford Bob,' but this 2nd's place is not necessary to the construction of a symmetrical method, and when it is omitter it is given the meme of Court Bob. But, as was pointed out above, the elimination of a place cuts out a dodge (in this case bothe in 3-4 aud 5-6), and consecpenlly the work occurs in a different ordor and is linked together in leads, not by a place (2nd's) and two dodges ( 34 and 56 ), but by plain hunting.
Here is a tiable by which you can ring Court Bob, if you prefer too ring it by that means:-
Pass the treble in $5-6$, dodge- 65 down
Pass thre treble in 4-5, dodge 5-6 up, lie a whole pull belind and dodge 6 -5 down (this is sometimes catled dodging each way beluad).
Pass the treble in $2-3$, dodge in 5.6 up .
Atter the dodging, lund straight down to lead cach time, then:Pass the treble in 1-2, make 4th's and lead
Pass the treble in $3-4$, malce 4 th's and lead.
Ohservo there is ua dodging anywhere but in 5-6.
The antural result of omitting the 2ad's place when the treble leads is to make a 6th's phace essential, and in itinor methods, which have Gth's place nt the lead end, the bols is made by the bells behind. Whether you have a method with 2nd's place at the lend end or 6th's place, the bob must be made by a bell 'lying still,' that is, making a place, in 4th's. Here are the two forms of bob:-

2nd's Place at Plains lead
Bob
516342
153624
135642
316524
6th's Place at Plain Head
516342
153624
135264
312546
Bob
516342
153624
135642
If you want to ring a 720 of Court Bob your observation bell is callet Iu, Out and In, instend of, as in Oxford Bob, Wrong, Right and Wrong; 'In' being, of conrse, when it runs in to take the treble of the lead, and the 'Out' when the treble takes the observation bell from lead.
Now if you wrote out the full course of Oxford Bah last week, hs we suggested, and drew it diagram over it, try au experiment. Out your strip into five pieces hotween the changes when the treble is ieading; where, in fact, the line appears in the figures above. Then see if yot can joim these pieces together as Court Bob. Or, if you haven't got your Oxford Bob diagran, write out a course of Court Bob, gut it up in the same was, and transpose the five leads into Oxford Bob. The figures of a lead of Court Bob are the same as those given ahove the line in the article on page 282 last week. To continue the course, make 6th's place instead of Rnd's in the firsi row below the line.

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## THE CORONATION.

## PEALS AND OTHER PERFORMANCES.

## Important Notice.

It is certain that a large number of peals will be rung on Wednesday and other days next week in celebration of the Coronation.

We urgently request those responsible to forward us the reports immediately after the peals have been rung, and not to wait for several days before posting the details to us.

We are making special arrangements to print as many as possible in the succeeding week's issue, but the intervention of the Whitsuntide holiday will prevent our dealing with them adequately unless those rung on Wednesday are received in this office by Friday.

We shall also do our best to publish Coronation Day touches of not less than '720's on six bells and quarter peals on the higher numbers. We shall also be glad to receive any interesting items relating to ringers or ringing on that day-but all this information must reach us promptly

Next week, owing to the Coronation, 'The Ringing World ' will go to press a day earlier than usual. All matter for insertion must reach the Editorial Ofice, Lower Pyrford Road, Woking, not later than Monday. The paper will be published on Friday.

## HEAVIEST RING OF FIVE IN SOMERSET

## REDEDICATION OF KINGSDON BELLS.

The heavy ring of five bells at Kingston Parislı Churclt, Somersed, has been rededicated by the Lond Bishop of Bath and Wells (tita Re Rev. St. J. B. Wynue Willson). At tlie smme time the Bishop also dodiented an oak tablet bearng the inscription: "This tablet was placed, and the electric liglat installed, in this churel in memory of Jolin Franklin Neal, died November 29th, 1919 , by his widow and children.' In addition to the Rector, the Rev. A. D. Millen, the elerg. present at the service were the IRev. C. Lange (Dehester), who acted as Bishop's chaplain, the Rural Dean, the Rev. L. J. Jackson (Vicar of Somerton), the Rev. A. H. Bell (Yeovilton) and the Rev. S. A. Bruce (Pitney), the Iesson being read by the Rural Dean.

In his address the Bishop congratulated the parish, the Rector and his helpers on the completion of a ' great tesk for a small conntry parish. The glory of Somerset is itg towers, and these towers ave built for bells. In no diocese is there such a fine collection of towers and bells as here in Somerset. I hope for all time interest will he taken in that fine old English art of bellinging, and that there will always be meil and boys coming forward to learn the skill of ringing. Among the many ringers present were Messes. Hi Pring (Kingsdon) J. Merritt (Samerton), F. G. Sparls (Cherltot Mackerei), W. A. Oshorn (Nortli Cadbury), E. T. P. Field and Miss Davis (Thornford́) and representatives from Martock, Hewish Episcopi, Yeovil, Tintinnuil and Drayton.
Touches of Bob Singles were rung before the service, and Grandsiro and Stedman Doubles, in which Mr. Cyril Jobnaton, of Messrs. Gillett and Jobsston, took part, leept the bells going to a late hour.
The bells are repited to be the heaviest peal of five in Somerset the tenor weighing 24 curt. They have been rehung in as new metai Frame, which replaces the previous 500 -year-old oals frame, which had been severely damaged by tlie death-watch beetle. No. 4 bell has been recnst and now weighs 20 cwt. 3 qr .13 lb . The other four bells have been carefully tuned and Kingsdon now has a majestic ring of five.

The 'go' and 'tone' reffect the greatest credit on the bellfonnders' art, and Messrs. Gillett and Jolunston reccived many congratuhations on the excellence of their work.

## NEW HYMN FOR RINGERS

A new hrmil for use at ringers' serviges has been published. Tho words are by James Benson and the music by A. W. Owen, organist and choirmaster of St. Martin's Priory and Parish Church, Ruislip, Middesex. The four six-line slanzas ave sef to a pleasing air. Copies with musie can be obtained at. the rata of 3 s . 6d. for 50 and Es. per hundred (post free) from Mr' Owen, 17, Lime Grove, Ruiglip. The profits will go to the Tuislip Church tower restoration fund. Although the title is 'Tuislip Bells.' the words have no special teforence to this Middlesex church, and the hymn adds welcome variety to the limited number of ringers' hymns.

## DEATH OF MR. HENRY STAPLETON.

WELL-KNOWN BEDFORDSHIRE RINGER.
The death of Henry Stapleton, of Turvey, Beds, took place at his home on Monday, April 26ti, He was the esteemed leader of the Patish Church ringers and was only 49 years of age. Born af Keysoe, Beds, he went to Turvey in bis early days and had been employed tor many years by the L.M.S. Railway Co.
Deceased was taken ill on Christmas Day wilh heart trouble and was confined to his bed until his death. Of a cheerful nature, he was a man whose company ons enjoyed and who could always be relied on. He had marvellous patience with begmaers, and during the whole of lis connection with the tower lue has been continually teaching recruits to mantain the hand, for generally as scon as they became a bit proficient his pupils had to leave the village in search of work.
He had kept no record of the peals he had rung, but no doubt they reached a total of one hundred or more, ranging from Grandsire Doubles to Cambridge Surprise Major. He was found mostly on the heavy end, as he was a fine heavy bell ringer. Fe was a member of the Bedfordshire Assoviation, the Peterborough Diocesan Guild ard the Oxford Diocesan Guild. He leaves a widow and grown-wp family to mourn their loss.
He was laid to rest in Turvey Cemetery on April $29 t h$ amid many tokens of the love and esteem he so much merited, Miss E. Steel and Mr. H. L. Harfow representing the Bedfordshire Association.
Touches of Grandsive Triples with the bells half-mutled were rung on Turvey bells during Thursday morning by his old friends and colleagnes, and on Priday evening a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung with the bells half-muftled at St. Mary's, Keysoe, where his last peal was ruag in August last yoar. It was the first peal on the bells. The quarter-peal was rung by S. Stapleton 1, E. Asque 2, G. Setir 3, A. Stapleton 4, D. Cockings (conduckor) 5.

## EDINBURGH CATHEDRAL BAND'S SUCCESS.

The first quarter-peal rung by St. Mary's Cathedral band, Tdinburgh, without outside help since before the war was achieved on Sunday, April 18 th. The ringers are all drawn from the Cathedral congregation, and six of those who taok part lave been ringing for less than two years. The same band hope to make their first attempt for a peal of Oators on Coronation Day. The method was Grandsire *G. Duncan $1_{1}^{*} J$. Irwin 2, J. Middlemas 3, M. A. K. Simpson 4, Ki White 5, B. F. Yernou 6.J. Marshall 7, G. Marshall 8, O. F. Raine (conductor) 9, J. Pryde 10. * First quarter-peal of Caters.

## HALIFAX ASSOCIATION

NEW MILL WIN CONTEST AT LINDLEY
The quaxterly meeting and six-bell contert of the Haltfax and District Association was held at Lindley on Saturday, April 2Ath. Six tenms entered the contest to ring 600 changes, with a Plain Courso foy practice. The draw for the order of ringing was as follows: Na. 1 Holmfirth, No. 2 Livelsedge, No. 3 Fricreland, No. 4 Now Mill, No. 5 Meltham, Na. 6 Shelley. All tho tams rang Oxford except Livergedge, who rang College Fixercise. After the contest the meeting was held in the Parochiai Hall, the president (Mr. E. Farnslaw) beith in the chair.
It was decided to hold the next committes meting at Jangwood on Jume 19th and the six-belt prize contest at Almondbury on July 24th, subject to the necessary permission being oblained,
The best thanks of the association were accorded to the Vicar, churchwardens and lacal company of Lindley, -The Rev. J. B. Elkin, Vicar of Lindley, suitably replied.
Tho juage (Mr. H. H. Smith) then announced his decision as follows:-

Holinfirih: 72 faults, 5 penally, total 77.
Liversedge: 241 faults, total 241
Friezeland : 85 faults, total 85.
New Mill : 58 faults, 10 peralty, total 68.
Mellham : 95 faults, 10 penalty, 105
Shelley: 205 faules, 5 penalty, total 210.
New Mill were, therefore, declared winners of the cup, fand the Vicar of Lindley presented the trophy to the New Mill conductior. Turther riuging on the bells brought another enjoyable day to an ond.

## RAUNDS RINGER'S WEDDING

On Easter Monday a pretty wedding was solomnised att the Parish Ghurch, Deeping St. Nicholas, Lincolnshire. The contracting parties were Phyllis Mand, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ford, Deepine St. Nicholus, and William James, eldest son of Mrs. A. Nunley and the Iate Mr. G. J. Whitmore, of Raunds, Northants.
The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by two sisters, Miss EmiIy and Milss Edith Ford, The best man was MIr. F. E. Whitmore, broilier of the bridegroom. A reception was held afterwards at the bride's parents' home.
To celebrate the occasion, touches of Triples and Major were ring during the day at Rands Parish Church by the local band and Mr. G. H. Roberv, Ringgeag

The bridegreone is secretary of the Thrapston Beanch of tho Petelborough Diocesan Guike, and both he and bhe best man are members of the Raunds St. Peter's Society. Theiv future address will be 80c, Figh Street, Eanmds, Northants.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Congratulations wit be extended to the Guild of Stepney Scholars, who fing the bells of St. Dunstan's Church, upon successtully eccomplishing their first peal. Last Saturday they rang Vicars' peal of Grandsire Triples, the first by all the band and at the first attempt. The Guild was only formed in 1935 and they would like to express their thanks to those ringers from outside who have giveu them so much help and encouragement.
I'he Windsor district will miss Mr. Alan Pints, who has removed to Ealing, on transfer fiom the Eton to the West Ealing branch of the Westmiustar Bank. During his stay in the Windsor area Mr. Pink put a great deal of anthusinm into ringing, and, as our readers are aware, piuneered the ringing of many new Surprise methods.
A new composition of 6,176 Bristol Surpuise Major, with the 5 th and 6th their extent in 5-6, has been mung at St. Peter's, Ashton-underLyue. It is the compositiou of that old ringer, Mr. J. S. Wikle, whe for so maly years now has been residing in Dunedin, New Zealand. It shows that his interest is still as deep as ever, and that ho has lost none of his skill as at composer.
Mr. G. R. Browing, who has just rung his first peal-a poal of Grandsire Doublos at Cockingtoy, Devon-is 75 years of age. He must be nearly if not quite the oldest "first pealer." on record.
In our report of the hallawing of the bells of Leicester Cathedral the tenol was givel as 24 cwt. 0 q. 20 ib ; it should have beell 25 cwt. 0 qr. 20 lb.
Here is another instance of enthusiasm for ringing. Some members of the Yorkshire Association have made at point for some years of travelling to Loudon by a oup final excursion and ringing somewhere outside London. This year four weat to Old Windsor for an attempt for Yorkshire Major (and got it) Previous peals have beon rung it Ashtead aud Ewell, and meetings have been attended at Pulhan, Mitcham, Leatherhead, Guiliford, Lambeth, etc. How's that?

The Exercisf will join in offerivg collgratulations to Mr, George Williams, Master of the Wimelsester atd Portsmouth Diocesan Guid, who is 80 years old to-day, end, like a celebrated advertisement. character, ' still going stroug.'

## THE COLLEGF YOUTHS' TERCENTENARY FESTIVAL. <br> A LORD HAYOR WHO WAS MASTER OF THE SOCIETY

 To the Editor.Deat Sir,-In reference to your recent sentarks upon the above, we shall all welconse the worle of Mr. J. A. Trollope, to whose researches we are much indebted.
I do not know what his reference will be in respect to our Master for 1684, Sir Heury Talse, who served during his Lard Mayoralty, But I have discovered a few interesting fachs as to his life and death. It may suffice, however, for the present if I say that he was held in the greatest respect by bolh King and citizens, and that he was remarkable for his straight dealing and his attachment to the Church. In entarging on the latter, I would refer to the now demolished Church of St. Dionis, Backchurch.

On the desta uclion of the clurch in the Great Fire, Sir Henry was active in its rebuilcling (anong lis gifts was the font, now at St. Dionis', Parsons Green, S.M.). It was natural, therefore, that he should havo been interred in the chureh. At its demolition, some 60 years mgo, his and same other slabs were reset in the small, and still existing, churchyard. It is now indecipherable, but I find that it, read thus:-

> In a Vault Dnder-meath
> this Stunes Lyes Buried the Body
> of Sr. Heary Tulse who Departed
> this Iffe the 51 st Day of
> Sugust, I669.

May I suggest that this year (say in Aug(tht) some suitable natice be taken of this neglected gravestone? I, for one, should be happy to contribute to its recuting as an honour to a fanous Master and Lord Mayor of London.

Bromley, Kent.
E. ALEX. YOUNG

## NO BELLS FOR CORONATION DAY.

## OAKHAM TOWER UNSAFE FOR RINGING.

The Coronation Gommittee of Oakham, Rutland, woining the feeling of their townsmen, desired to have the bolls of the Parish Church rung for the Coronation festivities. But Oakham tower in 1935 was deciared to be unbafe for the ringing of the lyells. At the request of the Coronation Committee, the Vicur (the Rev. C. O. R. Wormald) recently conmunicated again with the architect, Mr. Leslie T. Moore, F.R.I.B.A., asking his adwice coveerning the ringing of the bells fur the Coronation
In his reply, Mr. Moore wroto: 'As I presume that the tower is in the same state as when I saw it in 1935, and the balance of the forces produced by bellringing is the same, T must point out that the effect of ringing even for a short period undoubtedly shortevs the life of this medixval tower and the whole structure of the nave.
I I am personally very fond of bella, and much regref that those at Oakham should be silent, bit, as an arclitect, I am certain that the whole structure has suftered, and will do so from the mechanical forces set ap if the belle, as now hung, are rung.'

## BIRMINGHAM CATHEDRAL'S NEW BELLS.

## A FINE RING OF TEN.

## Braadcast on Bpening Night.

A Farge congregation gathered nt St. Philip's Uathedral, Birming hnm, on Saturday evening ( $\$ \mathrm{St}$. Philip's Day), whea the Lord Bishop of Birminglam dedicated the new peal of ten bells, recast to cansmemorute tha Cotonation of King George VI. The scheme was made possible largely through the tyenemosity of one of Birminghan's leading citisens, Sil Charles Hyde, Dart., a newspaper proprietor, and the Cathedral now possesses one of the best peals of ten bells at their weight in the country. The worts was cartied out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, who are to be consratulated upon producing such and excellent ring of hells; a peal well worthy of the great city over which they witl be heard.
As many of our readers know, the old ten bells, most of them deting from 1750, besides being of very inferior quality, had got into a dilamidated condibion. Indeed, no band had tackled a peal on them since the year 1003 -and no oue wanted to. It was no pleasure to riug there. Ai! this, However, has been changed, and with a ring increased in weight and of the very lighest tomal quality-the tenor is now 31 cwt, 21 1b. in D-Messis. Gillett and Johnston bave worthily upheld their high repustion. The resistance of the tower has been substantially increased by lowering the bell frame level some loft., conpled wilh the insertion of massive steel girders to eary tha new jron l'rame.
The service at 6 a'clock was enonducted by the Provost (Bishop Hamilion Baynes), and among the congregation was the Lou'd Mayol of Birminghain. Many ringers were prosent from a distance, Bath, Swindon, Covertry, Derlyy, even Scotland being represented, as well as the numerous fowers in the Birminghum district. Unfortunately,

Cyril Johnston was prevented by illness fron being present The service legan with the ringers' hyman, 'Unchanging God,' and ufter the versicles, 1 salm exxii. was sung- The Bishop, preceded by the choir, charehwardens and clergy, then proceeded to the west end of the church during the singing of the hymn, 'O God, our help.' After the dedication, the bells were heard for the first time and created a very stifsfying impression. They were rung in rounds, as chergy and choir returned to the chancel, by members of St. Martin's Gnid, undar the direction of Mr. George Fearn, who has recently been appointed Tower Warden.
After the hymn, 'Rejoice with one accord,' the Bishop offered the special prayers customary to these accasions, inclading those for the worshippers, the newly-maried, the sick, the absent, the departed and the rimgers. The antrem, "Rejoice in the Lovd," was beautifully sung by the choir, and after further prayers the impressive service concluded with Lhe hymn, We love the place, O God.'
Subsequently an opening touch of Stedman Caters was rung by the band who had catier rung the rounds: G. 3F. Fearn $1_{1}$ F. E. Haynes 2, D. T. Matkin ${ }^{3}$, A. Walker 4, J. T. Ahaway 5, H. H. Fearı 6, T. H. Reeves 7, F. Price 8, A. E. Norman 9 W. T. Frogratt 10. The critinal listeners outside heard the lull beauly of the bells and passed appreciatipa comments upou them.

## THE BROADOAST.

Subseguertly ollher touches were 2 ming, and then, at $7.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , the bells went 'on the atir' throllgh the Midand Regional wavelength for quarter of nu homr, aud thousands far beyond the confines of Birwingham heard thema

The broadeast included a talk given by a vice-president and fovaner ancetary of St. Martin's Guild, Councillor Paddon Smith, and he gave the public much interesting information, with the sounds of the bells as a background. When be had finished the bells were tumed in at all volume, and the broadcast of Stedman Caters, "Queon's' and Tounds. went on matil eight o'elock.
The microphone for the bells was on the roof of the Cathernal; the talk was dolivered into another placed near the lectern. The control pane was in the vestry. Sone points from Mr. Smilh's broadcast will be of interest to those not forfunate enough to lave heard or themselves.
The Cathedral, better known perlaps to the okier generation as 3t. Philip's Clurch, is a building of stone in the Italian style, commenced in 1711 and consecrated in 1715 . It is said that the chureh Whs called 'St. Philip's' because it stands on laud, formerly called The Horse Close, ' which was couveyed for the purpose by a Eamily named Plilips.
Over the south-west door is a tablet which reads: "His Mosb Bxcellent Majesty, King George, npon the kind application of Sir Rimand Gough to the Right Hon. Sir Robert Walpole, gave $£ 600$ townds finshimg this church, A.D. 1725.' (This was, of cobrse, King George I.)
ons math of apreciation of his services in this and other direcbandsome weathervane which summounts the dome Head, was used in the

## The Cathedral is a dignifted buikine the crone

The Cathedral is a dignified building, a proninent architectura] feature of the city, and Hutton, the historian, was most elaquent in its praise. He sayR: ' This curious piece of architecture, the steepie of which is evecled after the model of St. Punl's in Loudon, hut without its weight, does honour to the age which raised it and to the place that contains it. Perhaps the eye of the critic canoot paint out a fault which the land of tho artist can amend; perhaps, too, the attentive eyc cannot shrvey this pile of buiding without communi-
cating to the mind a degree of pleasure. If the materials are not proof against time, it is rathel' a misfortume to bo lamented than an error to be conplained of, the conntiry producing no bettol. THE IWO OLD FEALS.
'Ihe ol: peal of bells dated fron 1750 to 1823 , sevaral of them having been recast at difierent dates. Thoy were pul in the tower to repluce a still carlier peat, of which it is recorded under date 1750 that the ten bells aow being in the suid Clurch of St. Hhilip, two of which are untinable, and some unfit for use, shall be taken down nud sold, and ten other new bells shall be purchased.
If those wolds Iad been written in 1936 about the peal that, in its turn, lad just been replaceal, they would have been ceually true, for a more unmusical, unmelodious ring of bells it is impossible to imnine. In fret, there was only one good one among them, the tener, or largest bell, which weighed about 29 ewt., and was dated 1772.

In addition to the name of the founders, Pack and Chapman, of London, 1772, this bell bore the inseription:-

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& \text { With hands your hearts unite } \\
& \text { So shall onr bueful tongues combine } \\
& \text { To land the nuptial rite. }
\end{aligned}
$$

For several yaars the old bells, besides being untumable, had been unringuble, aud with the appronel of the Cononation, in connecifon with which it was maturally tesired that the bella should be rung, the Church arthorjijes took advice is to what wonld lave to be done in order that the Cathedma bells should play their part ill Bjumarglamis celabradions. Experts were called in abd they athised to the effect that mat only were the old bells a very poor lot, reguiring recnsting, but, that tho old frame, which hati done duty for upwards of 200 years, was nuch decayed and 110 longer enfe
The firm of bell founders at Groydon, to whom the work was eutrusted, guaranteed to Gave them reaty for the Cormation, and they have carlied out their contract with a thoronghoess and dispatel iliat are a eredit to them.
The new ring of ten bells, which are hung in in massive sioe frame fange in weight from the tyeble, or smallest, which weiglos 5 cwt $3 \mathrm{qr}, 2 \mathrm{lb}$., to the tenor or heaviest (the one with the deeprest motel whel thans the scale at 31 cwt. 21 Fh., whose note is $D$
The inscriptions on the old belis have been reprothoed, and the new tenor bears the following in addition:-
"These bells were recasi for the Coronation of King George VT
chiefly throngh the generusity of Sir Charles Hyde, Bart.
Then follows the founders' mane and the date 1937 . The total weight of the peal is 6 tous 6 erpt. 3 cr .9 lb .
Several prominent Rirminglam men visited the Croydon Foundry Io witness the casting of the Cathedral bells, among whom were the Inle Rt. Hon. Sir Austen Chanaberluiu, K.G., M.P., Siz Patriok Hanmon, M.P., and the Rt. Hon. L. S. Amery, MP.
MI:. Sinith went on to refer to the thning of leells aldd added The bells you are listening to have been lunen by tize yery latost method and are being rung by members of the St. Martin's Guild of Cumpanelogist, ene of the oldestr ringing sociecies in the coundry. It was established in the year 1755, from whiels date its records have been preserved intact. Many of the records are beantifully embellished and are wonderfil specimens of the ntl of ealigraphy, well worth inspection. The books are preserved in the belfy of St. Martin's Churcli.

## BROADCAST SUCCESS.

## To the Editar.

Dear Sir, I wae agreeably surprised and simply delighted with the excellent broadeasi of SL. Philip's (Birmiugham Cathedral) Lells on Saburday evening. From first to fast it was remarlably clear amp distiact, aud cortainly by far the hest example of 'bells on the ain I have ever listened to!
I would ialso like to congratulate the ringers of St. Martin's Guild on Lheir magnifient striking, on a new ring of bells, esperially ent sidering that it was an 'opeuing, with the tratul diffientities to contend with, sanch as new ropes, etc.-but we nll well know their ability!
Special wention mist be maste of the exceptional and interesting commentary of Mr. Paddon Smith (whiels could not have heen improved mpon). It was typical of his well-known ability as a speaker the pitch of his woice heing simply perfech. Every word mame over clearly and fistinctly, eoupled will achal facts and commonsense, so very different to other "anhouncers" we have sonetimes been obliged fin jisten to, whose orly nim appears to be to talk a great deal too quickly, thas drowning bite musio we are supposed to hear, with a lot of senseless twadde telling us in affected tones about the 'er-s-miggege of the-er-a-Billz'-as if we do not know a great deal
more quont. Billsz' than they tol

## Wolting.

## FALSE PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE

## To the Fiditor.

Dear Sir,-I regret that the peal of Cambridge Surprise rung at Fdenoridge ou Apsil 3 rd is false, for which 1 am persowally responsible. I tender to the band my sincere apologies for the unfortanate error.

CHARESES H. KTTP ${ }^{3} \mathrm{IN}^{2}$
Croydon

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## NEW CATFIRDRAL BELLS FUND

## Gishop Unveils Aingors' Memorial to late Prevost

The anmal meeting ai Guildford Diocesan Guild was held on Saturduy week, when, during the customary serfice, held in the Cathedral, the Bislop of Guithford dedicated a memorial tablet fa the ringing chamber to the late Provost E. O. Kirwall. The lablet records a linlfmuffled peal rung on the cecession of the Provost's cleath, and has heen erected by the Cathedral Society. The umveling took place in tho presence of the rembers of the socicty, those who took part in the peal and the principal officers of the Guild
l'reaching afterwards, the Bishop, basing his remarks on the text, [ was gad when they said unto me we will ge into the house of the hord, paid a tribute to the late Provost. In him, he said, the outghanding characteristics of kindliness, lumour, love of the youngs devotion to duty, public-spirited interest in the town in which he lived and serwed all came quite nataral and simply out of the renewal of his mind, beart and spirit as ho came day by dny, as a vital part of his Jife, to lead and share in thet warship. He found in prayer, praise and sacrament the vital essentials of life and the ceatre of all was worship.

You have done the right thing in placing your record of him in the bell chamber, remembering what manner of man he was, the Hishop continued. "I nom sure he would have appreciated this gift of affection, friondsinp and loyal semombrance. He was, very deeply interested in pour work; ha otten spoke to me about it,
Expressiug his appreciation of the work the Guild was doing for the service of Christi in the diocese, the Bishop said: 'I think fill of us who have in one capacity or another to serve outwardly the religion of the Chusch of Christ, whether a Bishop or a bellyinger, have to soy wo have our special need, and quite bumbly and sinceraly to think about the deepening of our own faith and life. Don't you feel that one necds to gay to one's $\begin{gathered}\text { belf sometimes, "God help me to keep in- }\end{gathered}$ wardly loyal to the cause I serve outwardly"? If this Guild of Betlringers helps us in our membership and by our gathering for prayer and praise to be more loyal and sincere, thon thank God for it-it is giving the greatest thing For God, and may God prosper its worl, counsel and endeavours.
The business meeting of the Guild was held ate the Roynl Grammar School. Mr. Walter Harrison (vice-president) was in the chair and was anported by Minjor. J. H. B. Hesse (Master), Mr. J. Corbett (hou. Ereasurer) tud Mr. J. S. Goldsmith (hous. secretary). Theve was an atteadeuce of 80 members.

## MESSAGE TO THE KING AND QUETN

At the outset the following resolution of loyal congratulation to stлlaciog

The members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild of Church Bellringers, in inmial meeting assembled, lumbly beg to offer to your Majesty nud to Queen Elizabeth their loyal congratulations upan your accession to the Throne and your approaching Coronation. They pray that your Majesty may lave a long and peacefal reign over this country and the Empire.
The annual report stated that there are stili a number of churches in the cliacese which are not affiliated to the Guita and whare the ringers arc not members. In these cases the committee appeal to the church anthorities to encourage their ringers to join, and to the ringets to take wider view of their office than the four walls of their own tower
The year 1936 was marked by a steady pursuit of the objects of the Guild, but the membership opain showed a slight decline. The number who paid their subscriptions for 1936 was 71 honorary and 392 ringing members. This conzured with 81 hanorary and 396 ringing member; in 1935. The falling off in the honorary members was a matter of rather serious concern, for without the help of the honorary members the Guild's wark must suffer severely. The committee felt that the ringers at their lecpective towers should themselves make an effort to oring in more honorary members. The hon. treasurer's statement of acconnts showed that the general balance lias been increased from 223 12s. 9 d . to 52258 s . 3 d .
The deficit on the anmual dinner continued to grow. This year it wns 84 16s. This was due to the diminishing attendance, and, if the function was to be maintained, the committee felt thet members must give it bettel support.
The New Cathedral Bells Fhna stood at f5 1s. Gi., but it was hoped to increaso this more rapidy from now onward. This fund was one way in which zinters could take their special share in helping forward tie completion of the new Cathedral.
The Benevolent Fund bad greatil benefied from the collecting boxes placed in the towers. This source producea an addition of £11 5s. 5d. to the fund, whicl now stood at $2292 s .9 \mathrm{~d}$. Happily there uad been no demands upon it up to the present.
The districts were in a healthy financial condition. The aggregate cash balanees had increased from 542 Hz . 8 d . to E 46 19 . 11 d .
Twenty-three district meetings were held, including two joint meetjngs with neiglibouring gaths and nssociations. Admirable work was heing doue in all the districts by the officinls, but there was still need for a more general support from the members.
There had again been considerable activity in bell restoration in the diovese, and once more the services of the Master of the Guila (Major
J. H. B. Hesse) had been invalmable to the Church authorities in these matfers.
During the year 21 peals were rung, of whicll three were on handbells. This was the lowest jumber in the bistory of the Guild, and only once before have peals been rung in so few towers. There werc 58 churches with rings of bells in the diocese; in only 11 of them were peals rung in 1956. While aervice ringing should play the most important part in a ringer's activities, peals could be a valuable training in making an efficest ringer; and the committee would like to see much greater interest shown in this dineotion by all members cuable of peal ringing. Four members rang their first peal during the year.

NEED OF MOKE HONORARF MEMBERS.
Submitting the anmual deport, the Chaiman called attention to the alecline of honarary members owing to deaths and removals, the numbers having dropped from 81 to 71. He thought it would add to the strength of the Guild, and the Guide's linances, if the towers would endeavonr to obtain more honorniy members and try to raise the number to 100 . He congrabulated the Guild on the poritiou of its Benevolent F'und, which now stood at exa 12s. 3d. Fortunately they had had no calls on the fuad. For the presence of that fund they were indebted to their Master (Minjor Hesse), who bed dane such very good work. Mr. Harrison asked the meeting to remember the faithiu] departed, particularly mentioning the Provost,
The report was secondod by Mr. R. Whitington (Cranleigh) and adopted.
The balance slieet, submitted by Mry. J. Corbett, recorded a balance of $£ 258 \mathrm{~s} .3 \mathrm{~d}$, as compared with $£ 23$ 12s. 9d. at the beginning of the year.
The following officers were elected: Vice-president, Mr. W. Harrison; Master, Majar J. H. B. Fesse; hon. treasurer, Mr. J. Corbett ; hon. secretary, Mr. J. S. Goldsmith; and hon. anditos, Mr. Th. Hasted.
The hon. secrebary gave nutice that he proposed to retire nt tho end of the present year, when he would have hed the office for 10 Fears. Upon the suggestion of the hon. secretary, Archdeacon Newill and Bislop O. H. Golding-Bird weve added to the list of vice-presidents. The Libury Gommittee, consisting of Messrs. C. Hazelden, W Frorison, S. Radford and S. Petter, was re-elected. The libratian (Mr. C. Hazelden) said they had somo interesting and exceedingly valuable books in their librarf, but there was not a yery big demand for them. Tho libury is open every Tharsday eveniug aud at other times by arrangement.
It was decided to hold tho shmmer festival at St, Martin's, Epsom, ou Jtly 10th.

## OATHEDRAI, BELL TUND.

Mr. G. Grover said the Cathedral Bell Fund was lannched in a lumble way with \& contribution of one gunea a year. Now that progress was being aceelerated on the Cathedral, he proposed that all towers in the Guild shonid be invited to contribute amnmally to the fund a minimum of as. a year.
Mr. J. S. Goldemitla seconded, and appealed to the Guild, as clurchmen and churchworkers, to coutribute their quota towards tho fund. They would have to put ju a lot of work if they were going to provide one or two bells. The resolution did not make it compulsory on any tower to contribute,

Major Hesse supported the shheme, and asked if they could find out whether the architedt and bellfounders were going to confer. Was the tower going to be right for sound or ventilation? He could not find anyone who had seen the plans.
Mr. Goldsmitin : We have committed ourselves to the principle. The architect is a gentleman who is amenable to reason.
Major Hesse: Can we put it on the minutes that we confer when the time comes
Mr. Goldsmith: It is on the minutes that the sum is a wailabie for the disposal of the Guild for this purpose if they are satisfied with the solkme

## The resolution was then carried.

The Chairmal proposed vote of thanks to the Bishop for coming to preach and dedicate the memorial ; to the Rev. H. D. Pilelier for arranging the service; to Mr. A. J. B. Green for the use of the Grammar School; to the incumbents of S. Nicolas' and Shalford for the use of the belis, and to Mr. A. H. Pulling for preparing the rooni. CONTINUANGE OF ANNUAL DINNER.
Discussion followed on the question of the continuance of the anata dinaer in view of the fact that there was a deficit of fit 169 on the dinner account last year. Tho meeting decided to continue tho dinner.
Majou Hease announced that Mr. W. R. Melville was sloortly leaving the district. Ee felt certain that every one of them would regret his departure. He had been a hard worker for the Guild and a regular attencant at its meetings. They wished lim and his family well wherever they went (applare).
The Chamman endorsed the sentiments of Major Hesse, alad recalled his long association with Mr. Melville dating back to the time when the mestings of ringers were leld at the Star Hotel

Mr. Melvilte thanked the company. He said that ringing had always bean his greatest pleasure, and he always put his heart into it to do his best for his own tower. He wouli endeavour to come up for the annual meeting.
Tea was afterwards served at Abbob's Kitchen. Ringing took place during the afternoon and evening at the Cathedral and S. Nicolas and Shalford Churches.

## WILLENHALL'S NEW BELLS.

STAFFORDSHIRE TOWN GETS GORONATION PEAL OF TEN.
The little Stafiovdshire town of willeuhall, tucked away in the Black Country a few miles from Birmingham, has risen to a great cceasion by providing a ring of ten bells at the old Parish Church of St. Giles in time for the Coronation. Formerly its slooke-grimed tower contained a peal of cight with a tenor of just over 12 cwt . These bells have been recast by Messrs, Gillett and Johnston with extirn metal, the new tenor being just over 16 cwt ., and they are an extremely musical ring in F slarp. T'wo of the bells have been hung aver the other eight, and, as the old clock cuse, which previously formed a serious obstruction in the ringing room, has been transferred to the floor above, an excellent circle has been made possible.
The dedication of the bells took place on Sunday in the conree of the monning sorvice, the Lowd Bishop of Stafford performing the cerenouy. There was a large congregation, including many ringers. The Vicar (the Rev. C. A. Turner) conducted the service, and after the dedication choral Eucharist was celebrated.
The local baud rang the opening ronnds on the new bells when the dediokion had been completed, those taking part being O. Wallater 1, 1. Evans 2, E. Hortin 3, A. Evans 4, J. Luck 5, B. Munday G, S. H. Coley 7, R. Sidebottom 8, W. Edge 9, A. E. Reed 10. At the conclusion of the service an opening touch of Stedman Caters was rung by H. Enifht (hon. seeretary of the Socicty for the Arehdeaconry


## ST. GILES' CHURCH, WILLENHALL.

of Stafts) 1, J. S. Goldsmith (Wokingl 2, W. Tisher 3, F. Perrens (Coventry) 4, H. Howell 5, B. G. Key 6, H. Boswell 7, B. Horton 8, A. Paddon Smith (Birmingham) 9. T. J. Ellon (Walsali) 10. The toueh was conducted by Mr. Frank Perrens, who learned to ring at Wiltenhail.

Aftelwards cther visitors had the opporlunity of ringing and warmly praised the bells, which are of real delight to hear and rivg-
The bells hang in an entively new metal frame, and have, of course, all the most modem fitings. The back bells bear the insoriptions of the old eight, some of which had done service for a hundred and fifty years. The ndditional bells are memorial gifts.
The details of the beils as they now hang in the fower are as follow Treble.-Inscription : Given by his daughters, Emily Fox and Mary Ethel Dyke, in memory of Henry vauglan, died 1919. Weiglut, 3 cwL .2 qr . 25 lb.
2ad.-Given by her daughters, Emily Fox and Mary Ethel $\mathrm{D}_{3} k e$, in memory of Hamals Vaughan, died 1886. 3 cwt 3 qr .15 lb.
3 rad.-Mears and Stainbank, founders, 1873. We for other churches three, Are ready to make sonnds of glee. $4 \mathrm{cwt}$.1 gr .3 lb . 4 th. - Come away make no delay, 1786 . 4 cwt. 2 qr. 21 ib .
5th. -1786.4 ewt. 3 qr .18 lb .
6th.-Peace and good neighbourhood, 1786. 5 cwt .2 qr .21 lb .
7th. Mears and Stainbank, Founders, Loudon, 1873. 6 cwt .3 gr. 14 lb .
8th.-Jolun Becbee and Thos. Reynolds, Chapel wardens 1786. 7 cwt. 2 qr .11 lb .
9th. -To the clurch the living call and to the grave do summon all. 1786. 10 cwt . 2 qr . 15 lb .

10th.-Mears nud Stainbank, Fotuders, London. This peal increased from six to eight by addition of treble and tenor, 1873 . George H. Fisher, Vicar. Ralph D. Gough, Joln F. Seyde, ChurchWardens. These bells were recast to commenorate the Coronation of King George VI. 16 cwt .1 qr .1 lb.
Total weight of the peal, 68 ewt. $2 \mathrm{qr}, 4 \mathrm{lb}$.
Bells Nos. 3 to 10 have also inscribed on them : 'Recast by Gillett and Johuston, Croydon, 1937.'

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUHLD

RECORD YEAR OF PEAIS.
The annual meeting of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild was held at Lineoln on April 24th. Ringing connuenced on the twelve bells at the Cathedral, and at the sir-bell towers of St. Peter-at-Gowt's and Sit. Botolph's at two o'clock, and at 3.15 n special service was hold in the Moraing Chapel of the Cathedral, when the address was given by the Very Rev. the Deau of Lincoln, president of the Guild. Ninety-four members and filiends afterwards sat down to toan at the Co-oporative Hell in Silver Street, and ilie business mecting immedialely followed, presided over by the Dena of Lincoln.
Tho oflicers were all re-elected, namely, the Dean of Lincoln, president; Mrr. Rupert Richardson, Master ; aud Mr. F. W. Stokes, hon. secretary and treasurer.
The meeting unanimously confinmed the election of 14 noл-resident life members. The report and balance sheet were also adopted. The report shows that the Guild has established apother record, 116 peals having been rung during the year 1936, as against the previous record of 108 in 1935 . The record for the number of mothods rung in a peal of Minor is now agatin leld by the Guild, due to the achievement of members of the Eastern Branch in vinging a peal in 70 methods. Another noteworthy performance was the ringing of a peal of Bob Major at Bartou-on-Humber by eight churcliwardens from the Diocese of Lincoln. The number of 'first pealer's' has incrensed from 15 in 1935 to 26 in 1936, which is a sigu of good progress. There were 31 conductors.
Ringing was continued at the several towers during the evening. The Master took charge of tho ringing at the Cathedral, nlthought hy reason of a broken wrist, sustained in an accident in Eandon recenty, he conld not himself take an active part in the proceedings.

## THE DEATH OF MR. A. E. WREAKS

## OONG SERVICE TO JANCASHLRE ASSOCLATION

Ats already brieff recorded the death took place on April ithl of Mi. Albert E. Wreaks, of Paisley, who was formerly, from 1886 to 1911, nssistant and general secretnry of the Lancashire Association. Mr. Wreaks was on his way to ritt tor service when he was suddenly taken ill in a tratncar and prassed away almost immediately.
Mr. Wreaks was borme at Pendletan, Manchester, and began his ringing at Penaleton Chursh in 1879. Subsequently, from 1880 to 1869, he was a momber of the band at Manchester Cathedimal, then for a short time he was at St. Alban's, Rochdale, followed lyy some 14 years at The Sayiour's Charch, Bolton. In 1904 he returned to Pendleton, aud in 1911 his business took him to Paisley, Scoliand, where he had ever since been alitached to SL. James' Church.
He rang lis first peal nt Manchester Cathedral (the first in the present tower) on June 19th, 1880, and had rumg in all 215 peals, many of which he liad conducted. His G0th peal as conductor was rung for the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria.
In addition to his long meunhership of the Lancallive Association, Which ie vepresented on the Central Conncil in the yenrs 1895 and 1896, Mr- Wrealis joined the Ancient Society of College Youths ins 1883 and had thus beens member for 54 years. पe was niso a member of the Yorkslike Association, the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association and the Scottish Association. When he retired from the secretaryship of the Lancashire Association he wns presented with a clock as a mark of appreciation of his long services.

## BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

## FAREWELL MEEILNG TO FICAR OT TELIGIRK

The Barmsley and District Secioty held their monthiy meeting at Felkirk, near Harnsley, on Saturday, $A$ pril 10h, when about 30 nembers afteuded from Adwick-le Street, Barnsley, Budsworth, Cawthone, Darfeld, Earlsheaton, Foylundswaine, Sandal, Soutls Kirkly, Wath, Wragby and the local company.
The bells were rung in the ufternoon, and a short service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev, II. R. H. Coney, whose address was most enccureging and very appropriate to the occasion.
At the buginess meeting, which followed tea in the adjoining schoolroom, the Vicar presided.
The usual business was disposed of aud Mr. C. D. Potter moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar for tine kindness he had always shown towards the society. As everyone present was aware, it would be the last meeting at Telicirk with the Rev. H. R. F. Goney as Vicar, and the members were more than sorys to lose him. It was, however, nice to think he was not going out of the diocese altogether nud that they should be able to keep in touch with him. They wished him muelt happiness in his new pust as Canon Commissioner to Walefield Cathedral
The Vicar suitably replied. He said he appreciated very much that the meeting was specially arrauged before his departure. He was proud to be present at such a gathering, and in hie new work, which would take him far and wide, ha hoped to meet many ringera and relp them all he could.
Darton was closen as the next place of meeting, to be held on May 8 th. Further ringing continued until 9 p.m. in a great variety of metbods.
At a cormitcee meeting leld after the ustual meeting it was decided to hold the annual shield sontest on Saturday, July 10th, at Cawthorne, entries for the contest to close on June Beth.

## A 'QUEEN MARY' BELL

## SLR PERCY BATES GHENEROSITY

A new tenor bell has been added to the ring at Charles, North Devon. It is the gift of Sir Percy Bates, chairman of the Guntid White Star Company and patron of the living of Charles, as a thankoffering for the sticcessful hanching of the great liner, 'Qucen Mary.' The bells of Charles were formerly a ring of five, efst by Willian livants of Chepstow, in 1733, Lhe ceuor weighing approximately 61 cwi. The new bel, weighing approximately 9 cwt , sounds a whole note below the old tenor, and une old 3 rd has been tumed down half a note to suit the key of the allgmented peal. The old bells have been rehung with new gudgeons and hall bearings, whilst the new tenor is equipped with nodern fitings throughout,
The work has been carried out by John Taylor and Co., of the Lourhborough Bellfondry, and everyoue present at the dedication on April $28 t h$ expressed their satiafaction as to the 'splice' and at the much improved ringing order of the fuve original bells.
Fhe dedication was performed ky the Bishop of Exeler (Dr. C. 7 . Curzon), who, in his address, spoke of the beatiful peals of bells ins Devon. He said he had discovered there were more bellringers, nnd therefore, he supposed. more bells, in that diocese than in any other diacese in Ensland. He was very proud of that.
The Rev. W. W. Juyce, the Rector, at a typical Devonian social fanction which followed the dadication, said their patron had been very munificest. When he (the Rector) came into the parisll their pation had paid f500 for dilapidations and other sums ranging fron f100 to fi2s for other purposes, in all totalling over four figures. He wished publicly to thayk Sir Lercy Bates for his sreat benefactions.

The Bishop of Exeter also referred appreciatively to the geverosity of Sir Porcy Bates, and said he mirght guggent to other patrons they tonld equally care for the parishes which were in their cliarge.
After the service the West Buckiand School Guikd reng tonehes of Stedman und Grandsire Doubles. The boys were complimented on their standard of striking. The only other ringers present were fron the local and neighbouring bands, who all rang call changes.

## GUILDEORD RINGER'S DEPARTURE.

## RETIREMENT OF MR. W. R. MELVILLE.

Guildford Cathedral and Guildford Diocesan Guild are losing one of Wheir slalwarts by the departare of Mr. W. R. Melville fram the town. Recently Mr'. Melville retired from employment with Messrs, Dennis Bros.; Ld.., the celebrated makers of motor fite engines and tommercinl vehicles, where he has been engaged in the coachbuilding department for 21 years.

Mr. Melville came tc Guildford from Thing Herts, where he wes employed hy the late Loval Rotuschild for 15 years. Since he lias been in Guildfore he has been closely identified with the Foly Trinity (now the Catliedral) band of ringers, campanology being his alnost lifo-long hobby. He was for many years steeplekeeper at the tower, and lately was Master of the Guildford Distriet of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, a position he resigued about three years ago. Prior to the formation of the Guild lie was actively identified with the Guildford District of the Winchester Diocesan Guild.

He has rong in many parts of the country, and on the occasion of the visil of H.M. Queen Mary to Fuildiord on April Ist he rang his hundreduh peal at Holy Trinity Chureh.
Mrs. Melvills is also a ringer, having taken up ringing during the wat ycars. She is one of the few women to lave rung a peal in the Catherlral Churcl.
For about 15 years Mt. Melville has been a sidenman at Holy Trinity, fald was att ane timo member of the Parochial Gmurch Commerl. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Guildford Diocesan Gnifd. Mr. and Mrs. Melville have two daughters. Tho elder, Miss Melville, is assistant superimtendent of the Queen's Nurses at Birmingham, and the younger, Mrs. C. H. Kippir, is well known for لher riuging nbility.
On April 20th, his 65th birthday, Mr. Melville attended a social at. the Stoke Hotel, Guildford, to recive parting gifts from colleagues in the coach buidding department of Messrs, Dennis Bros. On belalf of the staff, Mrs. A. Whittitt, wife of the manager of the department, presented him with a chiming clock inscribed as follows: 'Presented to W. Melville on bis refirement by the coach department of Demis Brothers, Guildford, 1937.' Mr. Whittitt gave Mrs. Melville a handbag, nnd the staff also sent luro oak fireside cluairs.
On Sunday week in the belfry, tho Cathedral Society presented Mr. Melville with a case of pipes and Mrs. Melville with a "Pyrex dish on silver stand. On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Melville, with the Rev. H. D. Pilcher, priest in charge of the Cathedral, and memibers of the Gathedral band, were entertained to supper by Mr. T. W. White (tower hon. secretary) and Mrs. White. The loyal toast was Clpulk and good wishes expressed by Mr. White to Mr. and Mrs. Melville, to whom the Rev. H. D. Pilcher prescuted a pair of candlesticks made from the old oak frame removed from Holy Trinjty tower at tha bell restoration in 1913, and which since that time had been in possession af the late Provost. These candlesticks will be one of Mr . and Mrs. Melvilie's most prized possessions in their new home.
Mr. and Mrs. Melville left Guildford on Wednesday week for their new home at Kingsworthy, near Winchester.

## RINGERS' MEMORIAL.

## TRIEUTE TO LATE MASTER OF BATH AND WELLS

A memorial ta the late Rev. E.S.C. Eock, who was for ten years Master of the Bath and Weils Diocestin Association, has been erected at the entrance to the fower at West Pennard Chincols, and was dedicated on April 17th by the present Master, the Rev. W. M. K. Warren.

The inscription on the memorial is as follows : This tablet was erected by the Bath and Wells Association of Change Ringers in gateful memory of Erinest Seppings Cardew Lock, M.A., Prjest, Master of the association 1925-1935.' Mr. Lock was Vicar of West Pennard and Rumal Dean. He died on July 15612, 1935 . Upon his gravestone in the ohumblard weye placed a cross and wrentl composed of gorge blooms.
Amongst the towers represented at the gathering were those of Weat Pemard, Glastonbuyy, Street, Evercreech, Castle Cary, Dinder, Oroscombe, Kilmersdon, Racistock, Frome, Chilcompton, Chowton Mendip, Jath, North Cadbury, Bruton, Ilminster and Tauncon. The clergy present, in addition to the Rev. W. M. K. Warren, we the Revs. L. S. Leqvis, chairman of the Glastonlury Branch, C. L. Buekinghnu, W, Bromalian, Street, C. C. Angell, of Everercech, with the Ficar of West Pennard (the Rev. T. H. Richards). Members of the tamily of the late Rev. E. S. G. Look who attended were Brig.Gen. Loek and Mrs. Lock (brotiner and siater-in-law), Mrs. Codncr (sister), Mr. E. Lock (nepliew), and Miss C. E. Lock (niece). Jliere was a large congregation of parishianers and frionds.
Before and after the rincers' service touches in parions methods werc wung on the peal of six bellg in the tower.
thine lesson duvilu the service was read by the Rer. W. N. K. Warren, taken from Revelation vii., 9 . This was preceded by art appropriate psalm and followed by the Nunc Dimittis. Wirious collects and prayers followed, ank after the hynan, Q heavenly Jernsalem. the choir and the robed clergy, the Revs. T. F. Richards, W. M. K. the tablet wero also the ofticial representatives of the association. Messrs. D. G. Thylor (hom, secretary, Ilminster), E. H. Nash (Fiome Deanery), W. A. Osborn (Castle Cary Deanery), F. D. Rickarcls (Jurisaiction of Glaston), 1. Merson (Taunton Deanery), J. Hum (committee member) and J. T. Dyke (hon, general secretary). The dedication was performed by the Rev. L. S. Lewis with approprialo special prayers. The procession then retmon to the chancel, where the service proceded.
An address was given by the Rev. W. M. K. Warren, who said they hand dedicated that tablet to the late Master of the association as an offering of their affection for linh, that his mame might be rememhered there, as they would all do though he jad gone from anong them. He Fras a man whom they had liollourea for his good works. Ho was a clergyman who bad worked in that parish and with theny. There were few clergynen who took the interest that he did in their work as yingers. When last week it was necessary to select a elergyman for ar affee amongst the ringerg of one of their deaneries, and they looked through the Tist of the dergy, it was surpusing lrow few there were who were ningers themselves. Mr. Lock was a tingel as well as a clergyman, and he was valued by their members for his brotherly attitude towards them. That brotherly attitude was characteristic of ringers. Thef were ready wo welcome a stranger who visited tha towers, and any clergyman who did so, or a ringer rrom another place, might be sure of being heartily welcomed, as be hat found recently. Those who lived in that parish could tell of his faithfuI labour among them as a prish priest, and how much wouk he did for lis Master in that place. Through all he was a humble ninded mau. The last thing that would ever have enfered his mind was to think of his mame being recorded on such a talalet as they Had just dediated. But they desired to recognise his work as is fellow-labourer with them, as their Master and for his brotherly love to them.
Following the service, toa was served in the Parisly Sclioolroon, and af its conclusion, whilst other ringers rethrned to the tower, a meeting of the Glastonbury Branch was held, presided over by the Rev. L. S. Lewis, supported by the secretary, Mr. F. D. Riclenrds. About, in score of members were present. It was decided to hoil the next meeting at Strect on Satirday, July 17th.
Thanks ware accorded to the Vicar, choir snd churchwardens, to Mi. Warrell for this address, to those who catered for the tea, and other helpers, on the motion of the Rey. L. S. Lewis, secanded ly Mv. W. Marsh, of Street. The Rer. W. M. K. Warren briefly Mresponded.

## TILEHURST BELLS RESTORED

Messrs Mears and Stainhand have yestored the bells at Tilehirst+ Berks. The frame has been taken to pieces and re-erected in a quartier-tumned position on a double fommdation of steel girders. The bells have been relung on ball berrings.
They were renwened on Satarday, April 77th, and the first quarterneal since the relancing was rung on them by the local band on April 19th as a compliment to their foreman, Mr. Haris Goodyear, on the fortieth anniversary of his wedding. The method was Granrlsire Triples, and the rimgers were: A. Bowers 1, J. Barmes 2, F Funt 3, 玉. H. Langlev 4, H. Bames 5, R. W. Runham (conductor) 6, H. Goodjenr 7, D. Sellar 8.

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## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. <br> (Established 1637.)

## THE TERCENTENARY FESTIVAL.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.
A service will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Saturday, Nov. 6 th, at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Dinner at Cannon Street Hotel at 6 p.m. Tickets to members 1os. each, to non-members 12 s .6 d . each. The maximum seating capacity is 400. Application should be made as early as possible, as no tickets can be issued in excess of that number.

William T. Cockerill,
Hon. Secretary.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at Singleton ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Nay 8th. Bells ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Institute at 5.30. Business meeting after. - C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 35, Berwick Road, Blackpooi, S.S.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Chrishall on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me? H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 73, Rye Street, Bishops Stortford, Herts.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Kirkby-Lonsdale on Saturday, May 8th. Tower open for ringing at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.-E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.--South and West District. -A meeting will be held on Saturday, May 8th. Towers available: Bedfont (6), $3 \cdot 30$ to $4 \cdot 30$; Stanwell (5), 4.45 io $3.30,6.30$ to 7 , and Harmonisworth (6), 7.15 to 8.30. Tea at Wheatsheaf Inn, Stanwell, at $5 \cdot 30$, is. each. Bus $1 \pm 6$ leaves Hounslow Garage at 8 and $3^{8}$ minutes past the hour for Bedfont and near Stanwell. 17. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Meppershall on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 (free). This meeting has been arranged to welcome the new Rector. All ringers are welcome. Please comeC. J. Ball, 25 , Tempsford Road, Sandy.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. -The next mecting will be held at Norton Cuckney ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May Sth. Methods for practice: Oxford Plain Bob, Sardal T.B.-R. Towler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meeting of Southampton District at Dibden on May 8th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4-30. Tea 5.15. Eling and Fawley bells available. - G. Pulinger, 17, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Hants.

LADIES' GUILD. - Central District.-The next meeting will be held at Beddington, Surrey, on Saturday, May 8th. Bells (ro) available 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea to follow. Gentlemen cordially invited-M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Speldhurst on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All wel-come.-B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. - A meeting of the Grimsby district will be held at Alford ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May 8th. Service 4-15. Address by the Vicar (the Rev. W. Whitchead). Tea 5 p.m., at is. per head, in Church Hall. Business meeting to follow. All welcome to try this lovely peal.- H. Mingay, Hon. Dis. Sec., 394, Wellingtol Street, Grimsby.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Hoghton, May 8th. Bells ready 2.30 p. m.-A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-Mid-Devon Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Bickington, Newton Abbot. on Saturday, May 8th. Bells (6) available from a.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and mecting in Laver's Café at 5.15 p.m.-A. L. Bennett, Branch Sec., Comerways, Elliott Plain, Buckfastleigh.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A monthly meeting will be held at Exhall on Saturday, May 8th. Bells (6) avaitable from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The Vicar (Rev. E. W. Bryan) is hoping to see a good number present and has kindly offered to give the tea.-M. Melville, Highfield House, Exhall, Coventry.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -Next meeting will be held at St. Thomas's, St. Helens, on Saturday, May 8 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Meetings and tea in schools.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec., Alness, Green Leach Avenue, St. Helens.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 5637 ). -Mcetings for practice will be held at "St. Mary-le-Bow on May 11t1; St. Magnus' on the 13th and 27th; St. Andrew's on the 20th; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the $25 \mathrm{th}_{1}$, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{ml}$. *Business meeting afterwards-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodinghan, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Rochdale Branch. - Walsden St. Peter's NOT available on May 15th. Therefore the meeting will take place at St. Paul's, Cross Stones, Todmorden, on that date. All ringers and
friends welcomed. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.; business at 6.45 p.m. By the way, keep June 5 th in mind. Great Ringing Day at St. Mark's, Glodwick, Oldham. Further announcement with full particulars will be given later.-S. Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The pre-Whitsun meeting will be held at Hexham on Saturday, May 15th, when the bells of the Abhey will be available. Those requiring tea should notify Mr. H. W. Robson, The Abbey Press, Hexham, by the morning of Wednesday, May 12th.--R. Park, Hon. Sec.

## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - St.

 Albans District.-A meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, May 15th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., tea at 5.30 . All ringers and friends welcome.-W. Nash, North Minms, Hatfield, and H. V. Frost, 4, Kimberly Raad, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Thrapston on WhitMonday, May 17 th. Committee meet Parish Room 10.45. Service, Thrapston Church, 12 noon. Lunch at King's Arms Hotel at 1 p.rn., followed by meeting. Nonmembers and non-resident members 2s. 6d. each. All tickets to be applied for by May 10th. Bells available: Islip (6), Thrapston (8) $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $11.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$, and alter meeting, Raunds (8), Tichrnarsh (8), Lowick (6) after the meeting. - Robt. G. Black, Gen. Sec., Stamford Road, Geddington, Kettering

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-The annual general meeting will be held at Newton Abbot on Whit Monday, May ${ }^{1} 7$ th. Service in St. Leonard's Chapel 12.15. Dinner and meeting at Globe Hotel I p.m. Wolborough (8), St. Leonard's Tower (8), Highwick (8) and Kingsteignton (8) bells available. Visitors will be allotted a time for ringing if they give notice by May roth.-T. Laver, Gen. Sec., 2i, Cross Park, Heavitree, Exeter.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-The 58 th annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, May I7th. Ir. $30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Service in the Cathedral, preacher Rev. A. G. G. Thutlow; 12.55 p.m., approx., meetings in the Chapter Honse; 1.15 p.m., approx., lunch at The Golden Fleace (members is. 6d., non members $2 s$. 6d). It is most important that those requiring lunch should notify the Hon. Sec. not later than Thursday, May 13 th, in order that adequate arrangements can be made. Towers open for ringing during the day: Cathedral (12), Boreham (8), Great Baddow (8), Galleywood (8), Great Waltham (8), Widford (8), Writtle (8), Proomfield (6), Danbury (6), Springfield (6), Little Waltham (6).-L. J. Clark, Hon, Gen. Sec., 36, Lynmouth Avenue, Chelmsford.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Llangolien on Whit Monday, May 17th. Tower open 2.30 p.m. Service 3 p.m., followed loy business meeting and tea. Those requiring tea please notify me by Tuesday, May inth.-W. Cathrall, Hon. Sec., 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Viliage, Wrexham.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual festival on Whit Monday at Ludfow. Bells available from 12 noon. Service 3.30 p.m. (the Guild's new form of service will be used). Tea at Queen's Head Hotel 4.15 p.m., price 2s. Members applying for tickets before May 14 th to Mr. W. J. Beniams, Ben-All, Herley Road, Ludlow, will be charged 1s. only. Money should not be
sent with applications. Business meeting after tea. Ringers and friends wishing to view Ludlow Castle please write to Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, Hon. © Sec., S. Nicolas' Rectory, Hereford.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.-Please note:-The next meeting will be held at OVERSEALE on Saturday, May 22nd. Measham bells not available. Time 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m., followed by meeting. A hearty welcome awaits all visitors. Don't forget p.c. for tea arrangements to be sent to me by Thursday, May 20th.-Joseph Wm. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Northern District.-Preliminary notice.-A meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Whitley Bay, on Saturday, May 22nd. Special method: London Surprise Major.-K. Arthur, Hon. Dis. Sec.
SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Meeting at Oswestry on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. All requiring tea to notify me not later than Tuesday, May 25th.-R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craigmore, Upper Road, Neole Brace, Shrewsbury.
CHANGE OF ADDRESS. - Ex-Chief Inspector W. Bottrill, vice-president of the National Police Guiid, has removed to 38 , Rugby Avenue, Greenford, Middlesex. Tel. Byron in 70 .

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CRONDALL, HANTS. - A RINGERS' OPENING on Saturday, May 8th, at 3 p.m. Guildford Diocesan Guild (Farnham District) and Ladies' Guild (Southern District) joint meeting. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and business at the Cricketers. A good muster of ringers and friends requested.-C. W. Denyer and H. L. Mills, Hon. Secs

DALWOOD, NEAR AXMINSTER, DEVON. - On Saturday, May 8th, the bells will be rededicated by the Bishop of Crediton at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Ring of 6 rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co.

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## NEXT TUESDAY'S COUNCIL MEETING

The Central Council's meeting at Canterbury next Tuesday seems likely to be one of the 'quietest' of recent years. Unless the committee reports give rise to unexpected debatable matter, there is only one subject likely to produce diversity of opinion. There are an unusually large number of reports to be clealt with, but except for the Analysis and Records Committee's report, none of them has yet been published. The work of the Council is carried on very largely through its committecs, most of whom find work to do throughout the year. Sometimes the early publication of their reports has aroused interest in the Exercise generally, for ringers, Jike other folk, dearly love an argument. At one time, too, it was the only way in which the members of the Council gained any fore-knowledge of what they were to be asked to discuss. Often, however, a report was only verbally presented at the Council meeting. The adoption of more businesslike methods has now resulted in the circulation of all reports to the members prior to the meeting, which has the advantage of giving the representatives time to make a study of them beforehand.

The only motion on the agenda is likely to arouse discussion, for it brings up again, on the subject of peals of Doubles, a similar question to that raised on peals of Minor. There is most tikely to be sharply divided opinion on the motion as it stands, for the admission of anything but true six-scores of Doubles in peals is a matter on whict most ringers take a firm stand. As with Minor, there are some people who are prepared to admit that in Doubles anything is permissible so long as the changes are produced by a recognised method and do not occur more or less than 42 times each in a 5,040 . They put forward their arguments in the case of peals of Minor, and will doubtless do so again, with equal cogency, in the case of the Doubles.

On the other hand, the majority of ringers, we think, are old fashioned enough to hold that if Doubles are to be allowed to rank as peals-and it is too late now to go back upon that subject-the six-scores, which are the foundation, must be individually, true. Some, and probably a large part of the Exercise who give it a thought, hold that rounds must come at the end of each six-score. Between this and the licence which would be given by the movers of the resolution which is to come before the Council, there is a gap, into which the 'splicing' of one six-score into another finds a place. Where exactly between the various degrees of liberty the Council will land remains to be seen, but it must not be overlooked that in this question more is at stake than peals of Doubles. (Continned on page 310.)

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satherday, May 8, 1937, in Three Fowrs and Forty-Eight Minutes.
At tee Churce of St, Mary-lb-Bow, Cheapside, E C,
A PEAL OF STEQMAN GINQUES, $\operatorname{EDOT}$ CHANGES; Tenor 54 cwt 12 lb .
 Grorge R. Pye ... ... ... 2 Grorge W. Sterre ... ... 8 Hbrbrat E. Audsley... ... 3 Jambs C. E. Simpson ... .... 9 William H. Heweit... ... 4 James H. Riding... ... ... io Riceard F. Deal ... - 5 Rbtibn Sanders ... ... il Harry Hoverd...$\quad$..... $.6 \quad 6$ Wilfrad Williams... Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by William H. Hewety

## TEN BELL PEAL.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, May 8, 1937, in Three Hours and Teventy-Five Mirntes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tevor $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Fredraick S. Baylay ...Trehie frederick Page... ... ... 5 Edward J. Charman ... ... 2 Frank I. Hars .... ... Mrs. F. I, Halrs... ... ... 3 Clargrce H. Dobbib... ... 8 Alzred W. Groves ... ... 4 Alfrgd T. Greenwood ... 9 C. Ernest Smith $\quad . .$. Composed by Jorn Carier. Conducted by Fridr. W. Rogras.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

QUORNDON LEIOESTERSETRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday. Apvil 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
At tar Chirch of St. Baktgolomew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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Tenor 15 cwt .

William A. Rousg ... ... 4 Ed Eward E, Davey $\quad . .$.
Composed by J. R. Pritciard. Conducted by E. E. Davey.

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## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twerve-part (7th observation).
Tenor 17 cwt .
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Miss Berye Loor ... ... 2 Kennetb Fond ....
-A. EDward Vezey ..... $.4 \quad 3 \quad$ Josepa T. Dyre ...
Henry J. Sanger ... ... 4 Rgnald G. Beck... ... ...Tenoy

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Officrrs' and Crntral Commiztre-men's Coronation Peal. On Satwday, May 8, 1937, in Thred Howrs and Six Minutes, At ige Cborce of SS. Perer and Patl,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 5024 CHANEES;

Rev, Everard S. Powell, Goild Ringing Master ... .. Trebio
"George A. Hollick, Secretary, Guilsborough Branch...
Waltre Perkins, Ringing Master, Weilingborough Branch
Thomas Law, Treasurer, Northampton Branch ...
Tom Tebsoti, Central Council Representative ...
Erngst C. Lamerrt, Central Committee, Towcester Branch...
Borley P. Morris, Central Committee, Kettering Buanch ...
Robert G. Black, General Secretary ... ... ... .... Tenor
Composed by A. Khigets. Conducted by Rev. E. S. Powhll.

* First peal of Major ' inside.' Firat peal of Major on the belis.

GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, May 8, 1937, in Three Hours and Nine Minules,
At the Cedrch of St. Michagl. and All Angels,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 5088 CHANEES; Tenor 14 cwt.


| Stanley E, Edwards | ... | 2 | Harby Bradley | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Hirzel Edwards | ... | .. | 3 | Horace J. Mansfield | ... | 7 | Artier H. Eqerbit ... 4 | Frgid Cealk .... +** ....Temoy

Composed by J. Pratt.

## Conducted by Grorge Grema.

H First peal of Oxford l'veble Boh. + First peal of Oxford awuy
from the treble. Rung in honow of the Corounifon of Lheir Majesties.
STEWKEEY. BUGFS.
THE OXFORD DIOQDSAN GUILD.
On Saturday. May 8, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
At the Parish Churce.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holit's Ten-part.
Riceard White ... ... ...Tyeble
Walter Sear...
Jesse Poplett
Francis Taylor...

Tenor rit cwt.

| Fredarici Mrsginger |
| :--- |
| Gromge Holifieid, jon. ... |

Harry Sear...
Ered Waitr...
Fi. Fred Waitr...

Conducted by G. Holifizld, jen.
The first peal on the bells. Rung in lomond of the birthday of the donor of the trebles (Mr. F'. Bliss) ant hae 791 h birthday of Mr. G. Holifield, sen.

ALBURCH, NORFOLE.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 8, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minute5,
Auter Caurge of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR, 6088 CHANGES; Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr . 2 lb .
Cbarlas Loomg... ... ...Treble Frederick C. Gonton ... 5 Ernest Whiting.... - Fredericr W. Monnings 3 Rossele Ricies ... ... .... 7 Grorge W. Howlett ... 4 Williab Flaty ... .... ... ... Tanor Composed by Rev. H. E. Bolwer. Conducted by Willian Flati * First preal.

## GOLWALI, HEREFORDSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHLRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Wrstern Brance.)
On Saturday, May 8, 1937, in Three Hours and Twelve Mantes.
At tee Chorch of St. James-thr-Great,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5 T84 OHANEES; Tenor 11 cwt .
Robert G. Knowles
.. 7 reble William Ranford ...
-Ralpa W. Sayers ... ... 2 Sydney T. Holt ... $\quad .$.
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Gborgrat E. Largri } & . . . & . . . & 3 \\ 3 & \text { †Reginald Woodyati } & . . . & 7\end{array}$
†Allen Morgan......
Composed by F. Robinson, Conducted by Grorge E. Largr.

* Firab peal of Major aud of Trebla Bob. t First peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. This completed 100 peals by tho conductor, rung in 50 different towers. Arrurged in honomy of W. Ranford's 68th birtloday.


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

LITTLE FOUGHTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE. THTE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 1, 1937, in Three Hours and Thyee Minutes,

## Aitae Cherce of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, EAAO CHANQES:

Consisting of 10 six-scores each of St. Sipuon, Plain Bobs and April Dey, and 12 six-scoros of Grandsire.
-Sidney Wilrins ... ...Tyebla |Frgd Robinson ... ... ... 3 iEdward Hastings

Cyril Longland.
Phillp Jones
... cril Longland ... ... ...Temor
Conducted by Philip Jones.

* Firgt peal. + First peal on a working bell. First peal on the bells since their rohanging and tuning by J. Taylor and Co. It is believed to be the first peal on the bells. Rung in honour of the wedding of the Rev. R. H. Pelmer, lato curate of Little Houghton and Brafield, and Miss M. Benson, of Little Houghton.

SHARNBROOK, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Un Satmrday, May 1, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Five Minutes,
At ter Chercy of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Lourt, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt . (appros.).
Cgarles W. Clarke ... ...Tyebie | Henry W. Gayton ... ... 4 Miss Evblun Striql ... ... 2 Ernest Wbitmore ... ... 5 herbert L. Harlow..- ... 3 Wilelam J. Whitmore ...Temot Conducted by Cbarles W, Clarke. SUCKLEY, WORCPSTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Western Brance.)
On Saturday, May 1, 1937, in Three Hours,
At the Cherce of St. Jobn-the-Baptisi.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGE8;
Seven differontly called exteuts. Tenor 14 cwt ,

- James Woodyatt tralpy W. Sayzrs Reginald Rowe
... ...Trebie

.....Trebie $\mid$ Grorge E. Large | ... | 3 | Whlen Morgan ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

Conducted by Grorge E. Large.

* First peal other than Triples. 1 First peal of Minor and with an "inside ${ }^{3}$ bell in the method.

GAWTHORNE, NEAR BARNSLEY.
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Barnsley ane District Socibty.)
On Saturday, Muy 1, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, At tee Caurce of St. All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Plain Bob, Oxford, London Scholars' Pleasure, Colleg Lixercise, Kingston, Sandal end Kent Treble Bob.


Clifford Robinson ... ... 3 Daniel Smite ... ... ....Tenor Condacted by D. Smite.

* First peal 'inside' and first attempt.

WROXETER, SERROPSHIRE. THE SHEOPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, May 2, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutes. At ige Choreb of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, b040 CHANCE8;
Forty-two six-scores, ten callings.

- Frank Grbgory... ... ...Tyeble Fred Gregory
 Conducted by W. H. Llovd.
* First perl and first atternpt. Believed to be the first peal on these old bells, which date from 1598 to 1877 . Ringers of $1,2,4,6$ are Sunday servich ringers at this church.

[^17]TOTTENHOE, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION
On Tuesday, May 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minties, At ibe Cerrce of St. Giles,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different extents.
C. Edward Jepfries...

- Hobert C. Hillyard
R. Jack Scott

Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt. in F sharp.

* First peal. First peal as conductor.

UPWELL, NORFOLK.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fednesday, May 5, 1937, in Two Hours and Fory-Seven Mitutes, At the Cagrce of St. Peibr,
A PEAL OF MINOR, EO40 CHANGE8;
Boing 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Single
Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Trelle Bols and Plain Bob.
Tenor $14 \mathrm{cwt}, 1 \mathrm{qr}, 10 \mathrm{lb}$.

 Conducted by F. Wigmore.
STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRLSTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. On Thurday, May 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Mirules,

At tee Cherce of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores, ten callings.
Tehor 8 cwt. 1 qr .17 lb.
Cbarles J. Gardiner ...Trelhe
-Grorge Langastra ... ... 2 W. Bertram Kyhaston … 4
-A. George Wells ... ... 3 William M. Grbenaway ...Temoy Couducted by W. Bertram Kynaston.

* First peal of Doubles. A compliment to Mr. R, C. Argent (a member of the local band) on the occasion of his marriage. Rung after meeting short for Triples, Mr. H. W. Bishop etanding ont.

MOORLXNCH, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 8, 1937, in Three ITours and Five Thinktes,
At fer Cburce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Ten callings.
-S. Harold Emery

- Alpred J. Peacock

Blrtram T. Jeanes ...

Tenor 20 cwt. (approx.)

* First peal and first attempt. First peal as couductor. First peal on the bells. Rung in honon of the Coronation.

STEVENTON, BERKSAREE.
THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Sathrday, May 8, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty Minutes,
At tee Cedrch of St. Micharl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, b040 ChanGes;
Being 22 extents in ten different callings and ten 240 's. Tenor $1 i^{3} \mathrm{c}$ ewt. Frank W. Bonge ... ...Treble -Wililam E. Goodey ... 4

Conducted by Join Nobes.

* First peal. Kung in homonr of the Coronation of their Majesties King George Vf. and Queen Elizabeth.


## EEMPSTON, BLDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, May 8, 1937, in Three Hokys and Eight Minutes,
Ai the Chorce of All Shints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford nuad Kent Treble Bob, Donble Court, Oxford Bob aud Plain Bob. Tenor 19 cw . Grorge Waizi ... .-. ...Treble | Raginald West ... ... ... 4 | Herbert Li Harlow ... | ... | 2 | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Harry Tysoe } \\ \text { Hearey } \\ \text { Pbarl Insip }\end{array}$ | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | Henry W. Gayton ….. .6

Condacted by Pearl Inskip.
All the above bend are grandfathers.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## DOUJBLE METHODS:

When the worle of a method with the treble in front (that is, in Minor when it is below 4th's, and in Major below 5th's) i⿴ reproduced, relatively, with the treble behind (above 3rd's in Mnor and above 4th's in Major), that method is at doutble' nethod. A simple example is Double Bols.
In Plain Bob, the Rad's place made when the treblo is leading canses tho bells aboye to dodge ins pairs. If a place is made immediately below the treble when that bells lies its whole pull behind (5th's place in Minor, 7 th 's in Major), whe bells below dodge in pairs. 'Double' Bob is the method in which both 2nd's and 5iti's are made and doulging takes place on each (iccasion.

It is interesting to notice the effect of this on the ' Iead head, (that is the position of the bells at the backstroke lead of the treble). Rounds is the first lead head. The second lead head in Bob Minor is 135264 ; the thind lead head is 156342 . You get this by transposing 135264 by 135264 . Naw if you introduce 5 th's when the treble is hehind as well as and's when the treble is in front, then your second lead head is 135264 transposed by 135264 , giving you 156342 , and your third lead head is 156312 transposed hy 156342 , viz., 142635.
Without going into a detaiked explanation of the reason, it may be atated that all "Yegular 'Minor methods produce the same lead heads, although, as we have seen above, they may come in a different order. There are five lead leads in a course, and, bethining, as we always must, with rounds, they can come up in four different orders:-

Pirst lead head: $123456 \quad 123456 \quad 123456 \quad 123456$
Second lead liead: 135264 156342 164523 142635
If you worle out the courges under each of theso heads, by using the iranspositions shown in eacl case, jou will find that, as we said above, they produce exactly the same lead heads, but in a different order.
All this may seem to lave lithe to do with "double " methods, but it. is one of the establizhed facts about 'regulur' ' mothods which beginners should krow and remembor, because it will help in an minderstanding of certain groupings of methods, which whe hope to deal with later.
But, now, about these double methods. In examining their consiruction, and, at the manent, we will deal only with Minor, you Want to write ont, a course, draw your diagram over it, and then divide it from top to bottom with a line drawn betwen the 3rd and 4th fgures. When you have done this you will see that the 'work; on each side of the line is exactly balanced, that you can, in fact, कurn it upside down, read yonn method from bottom to top, and find it is the same either way.

When we explained Oxford Boly we said it cousisted of 4thr place made twice inside each lead, and 2nd ${ }^{1}$ s place when the treble leads. Now Doubla Oxford Bob contains all these places, mado when the treble is below 4th's, and corresponding places, two of them in 3ud's rud 5th's place when the treble is abovo 3rd's. Here is a lead, but we recommend you to write out the full course and study it. Compare its construction with Oxford Bob:-

| Onfrord Bois | Double Oxforki |
| :---: | :---: |
| 123456 | 123456 |
| 214365 | 214365 |
| 241356 | 241356 |
| 423165 | 243165 |
| 432615 | 426351 |
| 346251 | 243651 |
| 364521 | 426315 |
| 635412 | 426135 |
| 653142 | 412635 |
| 561324 | 146253 |
| 516342 | 142635 |
| 153624 |  |
| 156342 |  |

The two methods are tofally different to ring; and in some ways Double Oxford should prove easier than the single variety. There is really very little to remember. There is a threepuli dodge each way (that is, down and up, with 2nd's place botween) ou the front; and a three-pul] dodge each way (that is, up and down, with Sth's place between) behind. In between, whether, going up or down, there is a dodre in 3-4, places acrose the treble, (that is 4th's and 3rd's whon going up or 3rd' and 4th's when going down), and another doige ia 34 .
If you look at the fipures above you will see the lead head of the double metlod, 149635, is a double transposition of the $15 \times 342$ of the single method.
If you wani a 720 , you can call Double Oxford, as yon call the single method (becnuse, in both methods, 2nd's is made when the treble leads) Wrong, qught and Wrong, with an additional single called at the otherwise plain Riglit, at lialf-way, and end. Remember, however, that while in Oxford Bob the Wrong is the third lead of the course, in Double Oxford the Wrong is the fourth lead.
There is the same alternative extent, with tho fiftla called Right, Wrong and Right, as there is in Plain Bob.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR THF WHITSUN MEETSNG.

HEADQUARTERS.-The County Hotel, HigL Street, Cauterbury. Members are invited to ase this hotel as a meeting phace. Pa ticulars of any atterations in the arrangements will be available.
CATHEDRAL.-Mr. Morton Pieree will be pleased io condatat members raund the Gathedral. Please see Mr. Mitchell or Mr. Luck.
SATURDAY, MEY 15th.-No arrangements have been made for tinging. If roquired, please advise Mr. B. J. Luck, 20, Deaconsfielal Road, Ganterbury.
WHIT SUNDAY, May 16th,-IFoly Comnunion: Cathedral, 7 a.u. aud 8 a.m. Serfice rimying: Cathedral (12 bells), $2-3$ p.m.; St. Stephen's ( 8 bells), $10-11$ a.m., $5.30-6.30$ p.m. ; Sit. Alpliege's ( 6 belis), 10 ml a.m., $5.30-6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} . \mathrm{i}$ St. Durstau's ( 6 bells), $10.30-11$ a.m., 6 p.m.

WHIT MONDAY, May 17末1.-Ringing : Gathedral, 11-1 and 4-8.30; St. Stephen's, 10-12, 2-4. 6.30-8.30; St. Dunstan's, 10-12, 2-4, 6.308.30; St. Alpliege's, $10-18,6.30-8.30$.

The following bells are avaitable, but memboris are asked $t_{0}$ advise Mr. Mitchell (address ljelow) or Mr. Enek if they wish to take advantage of the opportunity: Margate (8 bells), Ramsgato (10), St. Peter's, I'hanet (8), Waterloo Tower, Ques Park (12), Broadstairs (8). (These places aue easily nceessblo by bus or traill.)
Standing Cammitiee meeting at 8 oclock at headquarter
WHIT TUESDAY, May 18th.-Holy Communiou, Cathedral, $8 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{m}$. Standing Commititee meeting in Chapter Fouses 9.45 .
Council meeting in Chapter House 11 a m. prowpt. (Will menbers kindly sign the roll and be in their places by 10.55?
Mombers and their frieuds are invilad to be the gaests of tive Kent Connty Association at twe to be served at lieadquarters. Admission by tickets to be applied for on or before Friclay, 35 ay 14 th , from Mr. F. M. Mitchel!, 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

Ringing at the Catherlral during the evening.
Social at headquarters at 8 p.m.
TMPORTANT. The Kent County Association have appointed a subicommittee to assist members. Please mase your requinements known to them.

## MR. J. BENNETT IN U.S.A.

## RINGING AT KENT SCEOOL.

When the 'Quecu Mary' docked at Southamplon on Monday, ung of her passengers was Mr.' Jim ' Bemmelt, of Lewisham. He lard justi finished "a quick one "-no, not the kind usually associated with that phrase, but a swift wisit to the United States. Mr, Bennctit travelled out on the 'Berengaria , and spent about fon and a half hectic days in America, during which he visited Niagara Falls ( 463 miles from New York), went to Kent School, Connecticut, and did some riuging, saw the famous carillon of 72 bells with $18 \frac{1}{2}$ ton bass $2 t$ Riversicle Church, New York, and had a breathless ride to the top of the Empire State Building, 1,250 feet from the ground.
His vigit to Kent School took place on Monday, May 3 ricl, and there he met the students who arg endeavouring to carry on the ringing introduced when the nuw ring of bella was instatied at the Scheot Chapel. Prior to the usual short 6.15 p. m. service, various touches of Grandsire Doubles and Triples and rounds on the excellent poal of ten bells were rung.
Atter service and supper, by the kiud permrission of the Rev. Father F. F. Sill, O.H.C., further vinging was carried oll

Among the seforal touches brought round were 120 Gmandsire Doubles by Theodore Sterling, jun, 1, James Girdwood 2, James Bennett (condactor) 3, Georga Mallory 4, Josepli Bodell, jun. 5, William Taylor 6.

Alss 168 Grandsire Triples by Theodore Sterting, jun. 1, Frankliu Seeley 2, J. Beuneut (conductor) 3, Harry Van Temmselaer 4, Joseph Bodell, jun. 5, James Girdwood 6, Georye Mallory 7, Julian Simmons 8. Two probationers, Dudley Amos and George Whittlesey, also took part in some rounds, ete.

Great credit is due to Fatizer sill and the students for maintaining \& change ringing band at Kent School under very diffeult circumstances. No instructor has been arailable since the return to En5land of Mr. I. J. Atwater, who first initiated this band ints clazrge ringing.
Any visiting ringers to the United States may be assured of a very warm and hearty welcome from Futher Sill and the students.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

GROEDON SURREY.-At the Church of St. Fohn tlac Baptist for eversang on Sunday, April 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Cinques (1,341 changes) : R. Devis 1, F. E. Copper 2, H. J. Skeit 3, E. Acock (first quarter-peal of Cinques) 4 , A. W. Clark 5 , D. Buxton 6, F. E. Mitchell 7, G. H. Hunphries B, J. Rumble 9, F. E. Collins 10, D. Cooper (conductor) 11, H. G. Pratt 12.

EASTBOURNE.-At Christ Church, on Sunday, April 4th, for evening sarvice, \& quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes): $R$. Percy I, H. S. Hobden 2, R. Rayfield (first quarter-peal) 3, J. filsell 4, B. Fisher 5 , C. Sayage (first quarter as conductior and first attempt) 6, H. Reynolds 7, W. Erriage 8.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## AN FARMONIOUS BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at All Saints', Boyne Hill, Maidenbead, menbers from Beaconsfield, Boync Hifl, Bray, Burnbam, Chewer, Cookliam, Faruliam Royal, Fulmer, Hughenden, Maxlow, Slough, Stoke Pogres, Wemdover, Old Windsor, Wooburn, High Wycombe and West Wycombe being jresent. The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. W. S. Mahony, and an interestiug sermon was preached by the Rev. Ganon C. E. 垂. Fry, R.D.

Tea was enjoyed by some 60 persons in the Parish Hall, Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Fidridge having provided au oxcellent repast. Owing to illness; the chairman, Sir Charles $A$. Beanett, was unable to be present, and the Master of the Guild (the Rev. Cazon G. F. Coleridge) was, therefore, asked to preside at the business meeting. The vicechairman (Mr. W. H. Fussell), Deputy Master (tho Rev. C. Elliot Wigg) and general secretary (Mr. R. T. Hibbert) were also present.
Screal new members wern elected and the stabement of accounts was accepted. The district inas or balance of e27 14s. 3d. The secretury, having read his repart, said that as it seemed to be one lond grouse, he would tell them how nearly they had lost it. Fe caused much laughter with the stoxy.
The Branch Ringivg Draster's report was unanimously accepted, and a recommendation from the commiltee that five guineas be given to the Stoke Poges Bell Fund was also passed.
Tha officers were re-elected on bloc, also the seven representatives for the General Committec.
It was decided to take prurt as usual in the joint meetings with teighbouring associalions and ruild on dugate 28th and October 9tli. Mr, W. H. Fussell proposed a vote of thanks to all those who had lielped to wake the meeting a success, the Vicar, the preacher, the organist, Mr. W. F. Walker (forcman) and the tadies who had served the tea.
Mrs. A. D. Barker proposed a vote of Lhanks to the Master for conducting the meeting, and to the Deputy Master and general secrelury for their presence.
Canon Colerídge expressed his very great pleasure at being able to come to this brameh annual meeting and see how harmonionsly the liranch was conducted, whing lightened the work of the general officers. He also reminded the members that good striking the fomdation of all good ringing, was the thing all rimgers should aim at. The Deputy Master (the Rev. C. Eliut Wigg) thanked the memJos for their welcome, uevbunal that ne had uten meeting a nortain individual at other brauch annualg, and said that, in lis opiniou, this was the most efficiontly tum of all branches.
Mr. R. T. Hibbert gave bis usmal contribution to the proceedings. He snid he had been mecking men with whom for over 50 years he lad had real fribudinip. There was no lack of young faces in that hranch. He hoped to meet them all for several more years, and if other branches wauld meet more often, it would help to keep the Oxford Guild at the top of the tree.
A shorv silence was observed in memory of Mr. Frank Boreham, of High Wycombe.
After the meeting in ungwer to a letter from the branch, the following commurication was received from Buckingham Palace:-

Tlie Private Secretary is commanded to convey to the members of the East Berlss and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild of Church Beflringers the King's thanks for their kind message of gook wishes in connection with the forthcoming Coronation of ther Majesties.'

## NEWBURY IBRANCH YOTPS GRANT FOR BEENHAM.

The spring meeting of the Newtury Branch was held at Aldertaston on Saturday, April 24th. Ahout 40 ringers attended during the afternoon and evening, the following towers being represented: hucklebury, Beeuhan, Clifuveley, Compton, East Ilstey, Newbury, Thatcham and Aldermaston. Yisitons aticnded from Basiogstoke, Fighclere, Overton and Swindon.

The sevvice was conducted by the Ficar (the Rev. Fr. Newham) and the nddress given by tlie Rew. R. Howes (Vicar of Beenliam). Mr. L. A. Nutley was at the organ.

Tea at the Hindxs Head Hotel was followed by the business meeting, over which the Rev. R. Howes presided in the absence of the Rev. W. Kingsley Kefforl (chairmau) Fe was supported by the hou secretary and treasurew, Mr. H. W. Curtis.
The simmer meeting was lixed for Beentram in June,
A grant of three guineas was voted towards the rehanging of the bells at Beenham.

Two new mernbers were electen.
Yotes of thanks were accorded to the Rev. F. Newham, the Rev. R. Howes, Mr. L. A. Whtley and Mrs. Hunt for providiug the tea. Farious methods mp Double Noxvich Major were rung during the aftemoon and everins.

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## MANCHESTER TOWN HALL BELLS.

The new bells at Manchester Town Hall installed by Messis. J. Taylor and Co. were formally opeued on Saturday by the Lord Mayor of Mancliester. The bells are now 24 in number. The great hour bell, weighing 8 tons, is hung in the dome of the bower with the remaining 23 bells below. Thirteen of the bells are Jung for ringing, these being a ring of 12 with tenor 43 cwt., notee B , and au additional sharp second to prodace an octave with the 8 as tenor bell.

## DEDICATION OF BURTON HASTINGS BELLS.

A GIEN FROM THE BARRON BELL TRUST.
The bells of Sit. Botalph's, Burton Hastings, were dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Coventry on Saturday, May 1st. Tha finy churel proved quite incapable of holding all the parjshioners and visiling ringers who desired to attend the service, aud the congregation overflowed into the church walk and the village street.
The church had fhree bells, and two trebles have been adiled to make them into a ring of five. The cracked tenor hell has been recust and the peal hung lower dewn in the tower, with new dittings and new framework. The inscriptions are as follows:-
Troble. 3 cwt. 1 qr . 18 fb . Note F sharp. J. Taylol and Co., Louglsborough, 1937. This peal was uagmeuted to five bells by the Barron Bell Trust, 1937. Emua Barron, Founder; F. Hopkins, C. M. Wralroud, W. IV. Eidred, Trustees.

Second-3 cwt. 3 gr .1 lb . Note E. J. Taylor and Co., Loughhorough, 1937. 'Io commemorate the Crowning of King Gcorge VI.

Third. $-\frac{4}{1659}$ cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb . Note D sharp. Bryanus Etcridge me fact, Fourth. 5 cwt. 1 tb. Note $C$ sharp. Henry Barley made mee, 1687. Tenor- 6 ewh. 3 q1. 9 lb . Note $B$. Praise God onli.
This bell was badly erwacked and has been recnst; its date is probably about 1600. The original iuscription has been perpetuated.
The service was conducted by the Rer. Mostigu Robinson (Vicar of Wolvey with Burton Eastinge). Special prayedr were said, and the scryice took the form of shortened evensong.
During the singing of a liymn, a procession was formed and made its way to the west end of the churcu, where the Bighop, whilst holding a aell rope, dedicated the bells, and asked the Fivar aud churehwardens to receive them for the service and glory of God.
Immediately after this a few rounds were rung by the Burlon Hastings aud Wolvey ringers.
In the course of a striking addres the Bishop spoke of the church, which had come down througlt the ages and yelb still stood at thm centre of their village life. It was his privilege to thank all who had helped in bringing about that day, so that a dream conld be realised, that of Burton's bolls ringing for the Coronation. With regard to the bells, they could not have them sending out their message without the ringers. Change ringing was a true English eustom. There was hardly any other country where the bells were rung like they werb in Fingland. Pcoplo dide all sorts of queer thiags with bells. When the hells of Jerusalem were broadcast le knew it was baid that people wished bellingers from England had been there to ring them. Fe hoped there would always be the bellumgers aud that their rolationships will the Vicar and congregation would always be of the best
It was no grod, the Bishop continued, dedicating bells to the glory of God unless there were people who were going to answer the anmmons and call. The bells spoke of the hatmony which marked a Ohristian congregation; expressed sympatlyy at tirnes of sorrow and joy; whilst they ialso bore wilness to the love of Christ. There weyo many who never said a word in season about what Christianity lad done for them. They might talk ahout the English reserve in making excuses for that, but he thonght, it was evergane's aluty to tell it out, like the bells, into the streets, the workshops alld everywhere.
Immediately after the service a representative band rang the first touch on the bells, and then they were thrown open to wisiting ringers. The ringers were also entertuined to tea in the Parish Schoals by the kinduess of the Vicar.

## NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION <br> \section*{CORONATION PEALS}

A meeting of the North Staftardshire Association was lacld at Leck an Saturday, May 1st. Forby-seven memlers and friends were present from Brown Edge, Burslem, Burton-on-Trent, Cheadle, Draycoti. Derby, Kingsley, Kidsgrove, Leek, Longton, Norton, Newcastle, State, Stoke-on-Trent, Tunstall and Uttoxeter.
A learty welcome was extended to all present by the Rev. I. F. S. Martin (curate), and a vote of thanks was proposed to tlie Viear and the ringerg of Leek for the use of the bells by Mr. T. Hurd, seconted by Mr. A. D. Steel.

Congratnlations were extended by Mr. W. P. Deane, on belalf of the association, to Mr. T. Hurd, on completing his 100th peal.
Reference was made to the proposals regerding ©Coronation' peals. Mr. J. T. Wheeldon wilhdrew his proposition that all peals Enns dming May should be recognised as Coronation peals, and proposer that should a band fail to ring the peal arranged for forontion peal in May, it may attempt it until the end of June-Tlis view was strongly supported by the meeting.

One hotoraiy monher, the Rev. Brookes (Rector of Langton), was elected.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## SOUTE NORFOLK BRANCH'S NEW GECRETARY.

The South Norfolk Bmach of the Norwich Diocesan Association spent an onjoyable aftermoon at Pullam Market on Saturday, April $24 t h$, when 30 members supported the meeting, at which a new sccretary of the brasch had to be elected on account of Mr. Nolan Golden's appointment as general searetary of the association.
The Rev. R. Hugh Stacey, Rector of Pulham St. Mary, conducted the service and delivered an address. Tea was partaken of in the lRectory Room.
At the buriness meeting which followed, Mr. William L. Duffeld presided, supported by the Rev. R. Fugh Stacey, the Rev. Canou I'. J. Perowne, Mr. N. Golden (general secretary and treasurec) Messrs. E. G. Benaett, A. G. Harrison, O. J. More, R. Riches nud E. Whiting (inembers of the commitiee), and representatives from Alburgh, Diss, Redenhall, Saxlinghem and the local band, while other branches were represented by members from Halvergate, Narwich, Swaftham and Wymondham.
The Chairman referred to Mr. Golden's appointment to the secretaryship creating a vacancy in the branch officers.

Mr. Golden spoke of the happiness the work lad given him, and proposed that Mr. Albert G. Harrinon, of Diss, be the new secretary. This was seconded and carricd nuanimously. Mir, Harrison expressed his thanks and lis willinguess to undertake the work.
Mr. Charles Loome, of Redenhall, was elected a member of the committes in place of Mr. Harrison.

The following elections took place: Capt. Andrew Jolntstone, R.N., of Alburgh (performing member), Mr. Robert $D_{\text {. }}$. Gunton, of Abburgly (rabification of belfry election) and Mr. Frederich W. Munciugs, of Hendham (re-election).

It was decided to wisit Kenniughall on July 3rd and to include a sit, if possible, to Quidenham.
Fotes of thanlss to the Rev. R. Hugh Stacey for his hospitality and for conducting whe service, lo the helpers at tea and to the arganist conclữed the business of the meeting.

A variety of methods wore rung during the afternoon aud ovening, including attempts at Bob Major, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Dousle Nouwich, Cambridge, Superlative, Lonton and Bristol Surprise.

BURNHAM, BUOKS.-On Saturday, March 2Oth, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of Kent Treble Bob by the local band, a quarter-peal (1,264) Bob Majar: B. O'Neill 1, M. A. Blamey 2, P. A. Plamey 3, C. 4 Burgess \&, J. E. Taylor 5, G. W. İmmer S, G. H. fimmer 7, G. Gilbert iconductor) 8 . Firev quarter of Majar by ringers of $1,2,3$ and 4 .

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SPECLAL' MEYHODS FOR MEETINGS.
A glorions summer's afternoon should havo aftracted a crowd to a North and East District meeting of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild ai Pinner on Saturday, May 1st, but there was only a moderate attendance. Perhaps it was the cup fiant; possibly the bus strike; or a combination of both. Howevar that may be, the 30 or so ringers who did attend were given a real royal welcome. In fact, there were so many flags and banners that it was difficult to ses the church when looking up the main street in this fise old village.
Ringing conmenced some little time after that advortised, and at 4.30 a ghort service was held. The Vicar (the Rev. Eric Barnes) gave a cordial welcomo, and some interestiag and useful thoughts on the Coronation, to the ringers present. After tea the usual business was held, and this very necessary, but sometimes horing parl of the day's proceedings was quickly disposed of, nume, the able clatimuanslup of Mr. G. W. Fetcher.

Harrow Weald was chosen for the next meeting on May 290 h , and it was decided to give a further trial to St. Lawrevee Little Bob Major as the special methot. The hon. sectetary reminded memhers that if they axperienced any difficulby in obtnining the fignures of the methods adyerfised for special practice, these could be found in the CentraI Council publications, on sale at a cheap rate, as advertised in 'The Ringing World.'

Mr. G. W. Fietcher proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for his address at the service and for the use of the bells, to the organist and choir, and to Mr. A. I. Harding for making arrangements for the meeting. This was earried with acelamation, aud the Rev. Eric Barnes, in reply, said lie was very glad iadeed to see the members of the assciation, who were always welcome at Pimet.

A brief interlude on the handbells followed, after which more ring ing took place on the fine peal in the tower, under the able guidance of Mr. T. J. Lock, who gave opportunity to all to ring the yiethoũs of their choice. Included in the ringing were an exoellent totuch of St. Lawrence Little Bob, the special method for the day; another of Cambridge Court Bob, to show that a previous special method hue not been forgotten; and a touch of Spliced Surprise Major in five methods, as a grand finale!
In connection with the special methods chosen for practice, the han. secretary would like it to be known that these are circulated, with the notice of meeting, to all affiliated towers. He will be preparad to make arrangements with any umatachad members to supply them with copies at the time the tower notices are sent out.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

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The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, for may years hon, secretary of the Kent County Association, is about to retire from the position of Minor Canon of Ganterbury Cathedral, which le has held for 58 years.
A band of grandfathers rang a peal in seven Minor methods at Kempston Beds, on Saturday, and it is bolieved to be the first rung for the Bedfordshire Assaciation by a band consisting entirely of 'granfers.' Mr. H. L. Harlow, who taok part, is also a greatgrandfather. The peal was called by the youngest member of the band.
A peal of 'Real' Double Norwich has been rung at Cragiord. Other similar peals have been rung before, and we wonder who first ceized upon the rather stupid way of describing this form of ringing the method. Double Norwich is just as 'real' whether bobs are made when the treble is behind or not.
Bohs made in 3 rdas place when the treble is in 8 th's do not make tho method any more real; in fact, we should think the only thing they really do is to break away from Double Norwfeh pure and simple. We don't blame the Crayford men; they have only called it by the namo others have used before them. It is another instance of tho loose spplication of terms in ringing.

## UNSAFE TOWERS.

To the Editor.
Sir,-Your articlo du a certain tower in which ringing has been forbidden because the tower is considered unsafe raises the question as to the position in which the Parochial Church Council aro thereby placed.
Juries are very inclined nowadays to give leavy damages for injuries; and if ringing has been stopped, evidence of an incontravertjble nature has been gratritously provided for anyoue who may imatine he has been injured by the state of the fatrie.
Is there no insurance expert anong us who would explain the exact position?

HERERRT DRAKE.
Ufford Rectory.

## ANOTHER BELFRY ROMANCE.

MARRIAGE OF MR. N. S. BAGYYORTH AND MISS M. GREENALL.
At St. Andrew's Parish Church, Enfield, on April 24th, another belfry romance culminated in the marriage of Miss Elsie M. Greenall, a member of the Edmonton band and the Ladies' Guild, and Mr. Norman S. Bagworth, honorary secretary of the Metropolitan Police Guild.
The Rev. E. Cooke, Rector of St, George-the-Martyn, Southwarf, the tower at which the Metropolitan Police Guild meet, officiated, and the hymns were The Foice that breathed o'er Eden and 'Praise, my soul, the King of Heaver.'
The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a dress of oyster satin, an embroidered veil and halo of orange blossom, and carried a sheaf of arum lilies. She was attended by two bridesmaids, her sister and a friend, who wore ground length frocks of eau-de-nil gatin, and carried sheaves of iris.
After ths ceremony, the bride's mother beld a reception in the Church Room, which was attended by a considerable number of ringing friends of the bride and bridegroom. Mr. and Mrs. Bagworth left later for Abingdon for their homeymoon.

A peal of Stedman Triples was attempted at Edmonton in honour of the occasion, but, unfortunately, came to grief after 55 minutes. It has been surgested since that the sole cause of the breakdown was 'weddingitis.'

## ST. MARY'S, NOTTINGHAM

MR. RALPF NARBOROUGF ELECTED RINGTNG MASTER.
A meeting was held in the belfry of the above church on April 26th to appoint e Ringing Master in the place of the late Mr. Albert Coppock.
The Right Rev. Neville S. Talbot, D.D., M.C. Vicar of St. Mary's, presided, and on lis special recommendation the ringers (with the exception of Miss Thompson, who expressed 8 wish not to wote) unalimously elected Mr. Raiph Narborough as their Ringing Master.
Mr. Narborough has been a member of this band sinee 1929 , and he has the good wishes of tha band now under his leadership. He was formerly Ringing Master at St. Peter's, Wisbech, and formerly represented tha old Central Northants Association on the Central Council.

## THE FALSE PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE.

## To the Editior.

Dear Sir,-It was very generous of Mr. O. F. Kippin to take the entire blame for the false peal of Cambridge Surprise Major rung ot Edenbridge.

My proving of the peal, as I thought, was entirely separate from the plan used by Mr. Kippin, but in both cases the course head 25346 was the stumbling-block, and I wish to offer my sincere apologies to the band who rang the peal for the oversiglit (ffyst foumd by Mr. Kippin), which was as much, or more, my fault than it was Mr. Kippin's.

GEORGE BAKER.

THE DEDICATION OF BIRMINGHAM CATHEDRAL BELLS.


By courtesy of the ' Alimingham Fost. Birmingham Ringers, with the Bishop and Lord Mayor, at the Dedication Ceremony.
Prom left to right: J. C. Gill (past warden), W. P. Waller (people's warden), Bishop Hamilton Baynes (Provost), A. Paddon Braith, the Lord Major of Birmingham (Alderman H. Roblerts), the Rav. M. R. Holloway, the Bishop of Birmingham (Dr. Barnes), G. E. Fearn (Ringing Master at the Cathedral), T. H, Reeves, E. T, Allaway, A. Walker, A. Norman, F. E. Haynes, W. T. Frogeati, D. T. Matkin, H. H. Fearn.

## DEVON GUILD.

BRANCH MEETENG AT BIGKINGTON
A guarterly meeting of the Mid-Devon Branch of the Devonshire Guild was held at Bickington, near Newton Abbot, on Saturday, when ringers were present from Kenn, Newton Abbot, Buckfastleigh, Gollaton, Paignton and Cockingtou. Ringing commenced on the hindy peal of six bells after three o'clock, and a service was later held in church, conducted by the Rep. W. ER. D. Mills, chairman of the branch, in the absence of the Vicar of Bickington, who was away roon home. The collection for tho Guild Bells Restoration Fund monumted to 4 s . 9 d .

Aiter ten the usual business meeting was held, the Rev. R. D. Millg presiding.
The Chairman reported that he had interviewed Mr. Pope regarding his resigation, but without eucceas.

It was also reported that the General Committee had made a grantr to the branch towards instruction purposes, but that it had not yet been received.
The secretary reported that he had the arrangements in hand regarding the proposed joint meeting with the Exeter Branch at Teignmouth on June 12th, and after a discngsion it was resalved to apply for the bells of Bishopstoignton only, in addition to St. Michael's, Teignmoutl].
Apologief for absence were received from the president of the Guild, the genoral secretary and Mr. O. R. Lilley.
The following were unanimonsly elected non-resident members of the Guikd, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kippin and Mr. D. Oooper, of Croydon, and Mr, and Mrs. F. W. Housden, of Tunbridge Wells.
of certificate was presented by tho chairman to Mr. Richard Cann, of Crakington band.
Il was regolved to hold the next meeting at Kingskerswel] on Saturday, October 16th, subject to the mecessary permission being abtained. Hearty votes of thanks, accorded the Vicar of Bickington for the $11 s c$ of his church and bells, Mr. Christopler for presiding at the mrgan, ank the secwetary for the arrangements, coneluded the business, and the party retaraed to the tower for further ringing-

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

THFRTTTN MEMBERS ELECTED AT BARKSTON MEETING. A quarterly meeting of the Gouthern Dibtrict was beld at Barkston recently and was well attended, some 25 vingers being present from Peterborough, Granthan, Rotherlam, Market Deeping, Bilhinfborough, Donuington, Hough-on-the-Hill, Blankney, Folkingharn, and Barlston. The musical aud good going peal of six was dwaileble for rimging during the aftemoon and evenmg, and was kept going to a veriety of methods, meluding Plais, Treble Bob and Surpriac. Service was conducted by the Recter, the Rev, F. A. Thorold Eiler, Who gavo a helpful and interesting address and extended a jearty welcome to the visiting ringers. He explained that lie retumed to England in 1931, after being in Canada for 25 years, and one of the greatest joys to him on his return to this land wis the sound of church belfs coming across the green felds. He hoped ringers from the various parishes represented at the meeting would endeavour to ring their own bells Sunday by Sunday and to roalise the duty anil privilege that was entrusted to them. He was sure the average Englishman appreciated the soumd of churel balls twice on a Sunday, even if they did not aften attend a place of worship. Tea was served in one of the large and spacious reome at the Rectory, with a beautifin viow ecross Syston Park, looking jts bast in the follage of spring.
At the business meeting Mr. F. W. Stokes (genaral Eecretary of the Guild) presided, and 13 nevw performing members of the branch werc elected, wiz., T, T. Allen, A. E. Chilton, A. Chilton, G. S. Collishaw, G. Greasey, F. Carford, S. Wilson, all of Billingborough; J. Whitmore, A. Wilson, Mrs. Coupland, Miss Muriel Wilson, Miss Maud Faulkner, Miss Violet Talmer, aII of Rippingale.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at. Billingborongh in July. The meeting concluded with a henrty vote of thanks to the Rector for lis hospitality and for the use of tho bells and the service, and also to the organist.
The tower was again visited nad it was grafifying to gee a good master of young ringers, some ringing their first touch in a method. The bollis were lowared in pal at 8.30 , aud this coucluden a very successful mooting.

## 400 YEARS OF BELL HISTORY.

## ANCIENT IRING RGSTORED IN FAMPSHIRE VILAGE.

One of the most interesting churches in the diocese of Guildford has just had its six bells restored. The village of Crondall, just inside the Haupshire border, goes hack to Roman times; in Saxon days the manor was held by King Alfred. It passed through Jis successors to king ldgar, who left it in his will, dated A.D. 976 , ' to the Church of the fenerated Trinity, lovingly dedicated to Peter and his co-Apostle Paul, in the city of Winchester, as a perpetual pension for the support of the monks dwelling thercin, for the propitiation of my eins, and those of my sons, and of the people of the entire kingdom.' The nature and extent of the gift is described as " a certain portion of land, forty-five cassates, in the famots plase, which is called by tle well-known name, Crundel.
The Donesday $1300 k$, 1086, records that ' the Bishop holds Crundele; it has always belonged to the Church." It goes on to state "There is a church there, worth twenty shilinges, This churels, of course, was Saxon, the sole relic of which is the font.
During the latter half of the $12 t$ h century the present Norman charcl, dedicated to All Saints, was built. This consisted of a nave, with two lemn-to aisles and chancel, and a central tower over the whancel arches. To the north of the ehancel, a stair turret still exists, which gave access to the rood loft, and also to the great central tower
The bosses in the chancel roof bear the stamp of having been carved by one of the carvers who were engaged at Canterbury, under Wiliam de Sens, c.1176. There are two styles at Canterbury, the second being derived from the first, but diferent from it in many respects. The second style epread to various places in Sussex, Hampshire, Surrey and elsewhere. But the first stylo of Canterbiry has not been met with anywhere but in the Cathedral itself and at Orondall
The stability of the ancient Norman tower hecame a matter of serious urgency in the year 1642. In that year a new bell frame was placed in the old tower. and the bells relung. In 1653 the old tower was re-leaded, after which it was evident that the last straw had been added to the camel's back, and steps had to be taken to remove the old tower and brild a uew one. This was cartied out in 1657 , and the mresent tower built in 1659; the bell frame, which had been made in 1642, being transferred from the old tower to the new. It still bears the date of its making, and the names of the churchonarcleus and carpenter.

## BERT FRAME 300 YEARS OLD

$D_{\text {clls }}$ in the ald Norman tower can so traced in the chutchwardens ${ }^{3}$ nccounts as far hiek as 1543, when repairs were charged for 'the third bell,' ' the great bell,' 'the second bell ' and "the foremost hell." In 154b one 'Olyver of Froyle' mended 'nll tive iiii bell clappers.'
The bell france of 1642 was obvionsly made to carty six bells, but it is not known exactly when the rins was inereased.
The troble bell hears the inseription: Fienry Knight made this hell 1616. W.B.' This helt was recast in 1556. and again in 1616. A hell, not specifiad, was recast in 1586. probably the treble bett.
No. 2 bell has the inseription : William Baker and George Burt, churchwardens, 1619. H.E.' There is no specific reference to this in the nocounts
No. 3 hinll
hell is inserihed thus:
Robert Wells, Aldbourn, Wilts, fecit, 1788.' This was a recasting.

No. 4 bell has a curious inseription : 'This gell gayued by william Baker, and his naplorg W.C., E.F., G.B., B.H., 1616: and new cast by H. Knight, 1619. This, again, is not mentioned in the accounts.
No. 5 bell lias $^{2}$ Lntin liexameter line for its inseription: Me resonarg jubet pietas, mors, atque veluptas, 1650. William Baker and William Reaves, Clurchwardens.

The tewor bell records that it was made by Robert Wells, of Aldliourne, Wilts, in 1788. This bell was reenst in 1616, and, before that, was ruentioned in the earliest accounts of 1543
The tenon was baclly out of tune and lias now been recast by Messrs. Marrs and Stainhauk, who have retured and rebung the rest of the hells. The old frame, which proved to be in excellent condition, has heen retained and strengthened, and given the additional support of three beams of fustraling jarriah wood.
There is a chrious entry to the ringing room. The ringers use the old stairway that formerly led to the roed toft, then pass across an extermal wooden bidge, to the doorway leading into the riaging chamber in the now tower.
The tenor bell has again been recast as a memorial to Capt. Cecil Mnxwell-Lefroy. C.M.G., R.N., and now bears three inscriptions: Recast 1616," its 1788 inscription, and a new one, viz. ' 'Recast, 1937 C. R. Ansor, T. W. Taylor, Churchwazdens. R. P. Butterfeld, Vicar.' A memorial tahlet or plate will also hear the inscription: 'To the menoly of Caplatin Cecii Maxwell-Tefrop, C.M.G. RI.N. The tenor bell restored by his wifo, Bentrice W. Maxwell-Lefroy 1937 .'
The greater part of the cost has been raised withoy the parish, but anoug the gifts from ortside wrs a domation of 30 guineas fromi $S$ t. Grass Hospital. Winchester.
The resiored bells were fledicated by the Bishop of Gnilkford on Sundry week in the presence of a large congregation, whicin included Mrs. Maxwell-Lefroy amd her Eon, Mr. J. R. Maxwell-Lefroy, who took part in the procession to the tower.
The hishops ndiresssion to to the with the long history of the parish of
Crondall and its church. Such traditions. he said, were a rich in(Continued in next column.)

## ARCHITECTS AND BELI RESTORATIONS.

 To the Editor.Sir,-I know nothing of the circumatances at Thelford, other than as roported in your issite of April 16th, but, putting personal mattere aside, there is, I think, a good deal to be said for the Advisory Committrees' work. All bell founders or hangers are not equally competent, nor are all ringers even, zud certainly not churchwardens. There is a tendency sometimes to examgerate the antigne side at the expense of the practical, bat there is rertainly an equal tendency to do the opposite. This is where the Advisory Committee is, or slould be, able to guide both sides into the right clannels. To do this they must havo on the committee some competent architect and some corrpetent ringer witl a knowledge of winat is good art as well as what is practical. The obvious person for this latter duty is the president or Master of the local Diocesan Guild. And it is certainly time that the Guilds got tagether, perhaps through the medium of the Central Counci, and pressed for a represeatative on the Adrisory Committecs. In my diocese this has alremly been done without pressure, the Bishop invitiag me, as Ringing Master, to be a nember.
Some trouble is uydoubterly caused by antiquaries ignovant of the axt of ringing, but, in my experience, there is far more danger frum the desire to have something new and perfect at the expense of axt. All pre-Reformation bells and a good many cast simee should be treated primarily from the art side. To cut the cannons off a good old bell unnecessnrily is a crime.
Prior to my appointment, within tho last few years in one towar alone three medizval bells, uncracked, were put into the melting pot, and the other had fts camnons removed when a ring of six was installed. This is merely one instance of many. As an instance of gooll work, take the following. A tower with one medimal bell requiring a complete ring. It was decided locally, with the aivice of the founder, to cast a complele ring and leep the mediryal as an art founder, to cast a complete ring and keep he medisval as an art
treasure. Bat supposing the contract had appeared before the Advisory Board with the molusion of this ancient bell to be reenst, they to be considered 'silly old fossils' heanise they refuse to recommend the faculty? If sa, T am a silly old fossil.
Due conld 80 on indefinitely, but $I$ hawe already writen enomgh show that, in my riew, it is not the existence of the Advisory Buart which is Wrong, but the fact that probably in some cases they not go wide erlough in their membership. It is, of course, alsurd boteh up an old wood frame if the parish is prepared to go to in expense of a new ove ; hut is it so equally absurd to refuse a grant alter entirely the character of an old bell lyy cutting off its cannor tuless there is some defect which makes this desirable? "NEMO.

## WORM-EATEN TRAME 'TOO OLD TO BE DTSTROYFD.

Dear Sir,-In reference to your recent leader, with which quite agree, the Bishop's Advisory Committee certainly use very lit commonsense in some of their decisions, as, for instance, when they decided that the old worm-eaten frame in which the siz bells at Soliam Toney, Norfolk, had swang for so many years was too old to be
stroyed, and lad it fixed over tha new frame, an excellent teat stroved, and liad it fixed over the new frame an excellent teak one intend making a ohnrge for wiowint
E. F. POPPY.

Stolee Asl.

## A RINGERS' MEETING

(Gontinued from previous colnmm.)
heritance and an inspiration, and the efforts of Croncall chnichpeople in restoring their sucient peals of belis showed that they were not forgotten.
The collection, which was for the New Cathedral Fund, amounted to £7 16s. 10d
After the service tho local ringers first rang, and then ringers from vaxions parts of the diocese took part in touclies of Minor and Doubles on the restored bells. Mr. A. A. Hughes, representing the firm of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, took pert in the riuging.
There was a large gathering of vingers aud friends at Crondall last Saturday, when a joint meeting of the Farmham District of the Guild ford Diocesan Guild and the Southern District of the Ladies' Guilt was held. Some good ringing was enjoyed in spite of the bells being hung anti-eloekwise. The Rer, R. P. Butterficld (Vicar of Crondall) conducted the Guild service and interested the ringers with an address on the history of the Crondall Church and bells.
Tea was served at The Cricketers, a compary of nearly 50 sitting down. The Tarnhana District business meeting was presided over by the Vicar, and three ringing members and one honotary member were elected.

Mr. J. W. Carter (Seale) congratulated the Vicar, ringers ama all concernecl uyon the carrying oni of the work of restoration in the tower. The bellis were now a pleasure to ring, he said.
The Vicar responded aud a yote of thanks was accorded to the Wicar, the organist and local ringers with acclamation.
The Ladies' Guild business meeting was presided over by Mrs. Bruce. It was decided to hold the annual districh meeting at Frewsham in June, and tlie next quarterly meetivg at Aldershot on Octohur 30 th.
Ringing in the evening was directed by Mr. R. Hasted (District Ringing Master) and Kiss FI Mills (hon. secretary, Ladies' Guild). Representatives were present from Ash, Aldershot, Seale, Worplesdon, Fleet, Farnham, Bramley (Hants). Bentley, Haslemere, Yorktown, Frensham, Long Sutton, Pirhright, Porlsmonth and the local company:

## EIGHTY-NOT OUT.

## MR. GEORGE WIELTAMS, OCTOGENARIAN

Last Friday, Mr. George Williams, Master of the Winchester and Portswouth Diocesan Gnidid, reached the age of 80 years, and received the congratulations of many friends. Unfortunately a peal of Stedman Caters on the bells of North Stonchum Chureh in honour of the event was cost after about an hour alld q quarter's ringing, much to the disappointment of all the band, not least to the conductor, one of George Williams' many pupils. In the comb-out of a rather bad mix up, after some excellent ringing on this almost toy-like ring of ten, therg was a charge course, and, despite the occasion-well, that was that.
Of course, it was not the first peal George Williams had lost, nor even the first on a great ocension, and le took it widh the philosophical calm that has beer a charac-
teristic of his loug ringing life. Has anyone ever seen George Willams excited, or Fuffed temper? I never have and I have known him for gearly 45 years. He still smiles his way ihrougls life, with that merry winkle in his eye, that is so well known to his friends.

Last Fridey I found him at lis home at Eastleigh, where he lias lived since he gave up work, sutronnded by many reminders of his long career in rinting, and which recalled to me events of 40 yeats ot so ago. Fon instance, there was a framed record of the first peal rumg by a lady, whest Mrs. Witliatms zevg 1-2 to a peal of Gravdsire which her husbend sonducted. Then there was the photoreapla of a group taken outsido Wiachester Cathedral 1899 after the first peal of Stiedman Caters in Hampshire and by


MR. GEORGE WILLIAMS. the Winchester Guild.

- We thenglt we had done something to falk about when we rang 13yb peal, George.' I said to lime.

Tes, and so we had,' he reptied. "Peals were peals in those days and yon bad to enom them.

And so we did. Those whose parals in these rays come almosfor for the asking hardy realise the difficulties that had to be overcome. When Georre Wiliams rang his first peal, Jung at Soberton, Fants, which incidentally wits the itst peal in the counly by the then newlyformen Wiuchester Guild, two comaties hat to be scoured to hind ringers capable of ringing a peal of Grandsire Triples.
Since those days Mr. Williams has readered yeoman service the the canse of ringing not only in Sussex and Hampsinire in particular, but in the Txercise in general. It lias been the encouragement be has gipen to roungsters throughont his long life that is Elie outstanding merit of his carery. Scores and scores he has tauglit to ring; scores and scores of olherg owe their advancement to him. I ams among the latter, and gratefully I acknowledge the encouragement I received from hinu when, as a lad, $I$ was privileged to join in the practices at St. Petier's, Buiglitan, when that society were making histoly in adiranced method ringing, but were never too concerned wibl their aftairs to give opportunities to one mach below their awn ringing stature. George Willians was the rumspring heland the progress nade at St. Peter's. His chcouragement of the lesser fry, however, helpet to make viggers of the tuture; and lie was as ready to ring a peal of Grandsira Tuples for a beginner as la was to ring a peal of London Surprise or in some new method with his awn accomplished bald.
And thus he has gone on though the years, giving his service to helping others and gaining his own rewatd therehy. He was for years a district seeretary of the Sissex Connty Association when he lived at Brighton, and when he left was wade an honorary life member. After returning to his mative Hampahire lie filled the office of hon. secrelary of the Winchester Diocesan Ginild, of whinh he was afterwards mads a vice-president and Master-offices which, under the enlarged title, he still holds.

At North Stoneham, the tower with which he hecame associated when living at West End, near Southampton, ho built up a new hand and quickly got the bells nugmented to eight. T'o celebrate their golden wedding Mr. and Mrs. Williams gave tavo new treble bells, and recantly, in mennery of his wife, who diet abont two years ago, Mr. Williams presented to the church a handsome oali belfry sereen, to which, on his sotl\} birkhay, was attached a bell netal tablet r'ecording the purpose of the rift. It has effected a great jmprovement in the conditions for ringing, which is done on the ground floor and was formerly open to the church.
George Williams is 80 years yonng, and the wish of all his many friends will be that he may long be spared to enjoy the art of which he has been such a brilijant exponent. Ho has now rung 1,422 peals, of which hu has conducted oper a thousand.
J. S. G.

## NEW BELLS IN SUFFOLK VILLAGE

## SCOKE ASH RING AUGMENTED TO FIVE.

A ring of live bells las been ingtalled in the Parish Church of the lititle vilage of Btoke Asls, in Suffolk, and they were dediented ons Sunday week by the Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich. Tius tower Iormerly contained four bells of considombla age, but they had got into at very dilapidated and dauserous condition.
Some time ago the Iate Mrg. Brance Bower1, widow of tho lato Rev, E.J. O. Bowen, bequeathed the sum of $£ 100$ to tho Church Conncil to spend and use on the bells in memory of her husband, who was Rector [rom 1898 to 1920. This amoutt was insumient to neet tho cost of procuring at peal of five bells, and an appenl for further help, in conjunction with mappeal for a new organ, was made, anci ns it result the sum of £112 was collected.
The Churel Council decided to have some of the bells recast, ruil the work was entrusted to Mr. Alfred Bowell, of ipswich. Nos, 1 and 2 were cast from a part of tho old tenor bel, which was of the pteReformation period. The part bearing the inscription is now in the charch. The two new bells bear the iuscription, "Alfred Bowoll, Founder, Ipswich. Cast from old Tenor Bell, 1937.' No. 3 is athother ancieat bel beariug the inscription, 'William Dobson, Fouader, Downham, Norfolk, and was in good condition. Na. 4 was recast, heing an old Bury bell, and bears the inseription, 'Reanst by Bowell, w Ipswich. Coronation of George VI., May, 1937. F. H. R. Perkins, Rector. G. H. Lammis, E. F. Poppy, Churchwardens.' No. 5, 爪] 3 wy bell of the period 1527-1587 and bearing the inseription, "Saneta Anm Ore. Pro Noblis,' wes iu good order
The weights of the bells are: Treble, 2 cwb, 3 qr. 17 1b.; 2not,
 teror, 6 cwt .2 gr .24 lb ; ; f totial weight of $20 \mathrm{cwt}$.2 qr .8 lb .

Tlive churule could not hold all who sought to be present at whe dedication, and over a hundred were mable to oblain arimissions, The congregation inchded ringers from far and nent, including the Master of Lise Suffolk Guild of Ringers, Mr. C. J. Sedgley, and fol lowers of canpanology from Bentley, Boxford, Braiseworth, Cotilun, Cretinglam. Debondam, Eye, Goldianger, Helwingham, Ipswich, Genton, Mendesham, Norwich, North Walsham, Saxliugham, Sprough ton, Wetheringsett, Wickhan Skeith, Woodbridge, Wymondlams Thorndon, Thomban, Stouham, Diss, Newmarkel, Wrentham, Eal grave and Garlictdislian.
The service, which was conducted by the Rector, the Rev, T. H. Th, Perkins, commenced with the singiag of the lijmm, "Unclanning God, followed by the 84th Psalm. The first lesson was read by tho Rev. P. T. E. Wravehan, and the choiv rendered the anthem, Mrake a joyful noise.
The second lesson was read by the lev. W. E. Mattinson, nud the Bishop and the clarey then procecded to the ringing chanber, where the churchwartens, Mr. Lumtnis and Mr. Poppy, were awnitigy then. After the dediuatory prayers the bels were rung in rounds whilo the procession relured to the chatree. The Biehop, in his address, reforred to the bainistry of the late Rev. E. C. J. Bowen, and spokt of the place of the bells in the lives of the people and history of the mation. The call to prayer and worship, he sata, ought to he answered more regururly than it was at present. To attend chureh for worship was the heiglat of good living.

At the conclusion of the service 120 Bob Dathles was ? Poppy 1. Miss Plirllis Tillett 2, Miss Eleanor Reeve 3, Miss Berthi Recve 4, Miss stylvia Bower 5. The ladies me ringerg at [pswich. Afterwarls visiting ringers in turn maly on the bells and later wert entertained to tua in the Purisin Room, where the Rector dhandeal them for their interest.

## CORONATION QUARTER-PEALS.

On Sunday, May gth, for morning service at the Cathedral Campanile, Chichester, a quarter-peal of Oxford Boh Triples (1,250 changes) : H. Stovold 1, W. Fralconer 2, T. A. Doick 3, W. F. Ticehursl 4, II. J. T'ucker (composer and conductor) 5 , G. Marshall 6, J. H. Blake 7. A. Carver 8. Arranged as at Coronation quarter-pen for their Majestics King George Vt. and Queen Elizabeth. The band are all Sunday service ringers at the Cathedral.
At Swindon, Wilts, on Sunday, May 9th, quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters ( 1,259 elanges) : W. A. Ballock 1, A. Lawrence A, R. (i. Townsend $Z_{2}$ W. W. T. Daniell 4. F. J. Berry 5. S. Palmer 6, A, is Wells 7, W, B. Kynaston (conductor) 8, C. J. Gardiner 9, A. E. W. Smith 10. Rumg hefore the official pre-Coronation service.
At Birminuhn Cathedral, on May 9th, a quarter-penl of Grandsire Cuters: F. B. Yates 2, C. Webb 2, E. T. Allaway 3, H. H. Fearn 4, D. Marsh 5, H, J. 'Iurner 6, J. Marshali 7, J. George 8, G. E. Fear" (conductory 9 , S. J. Mason 10. Tlue first quarter-peal on the bells. It was speciatly arranged for the Coronation civic service, conducted hy the Rt. Rev. the Lor'd Bishop of Birmimgham.

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## CLERICAL RINGING WEEK

## VISLTS TO MANY CFURCHES ROUND EVESHAM

The clerical ringing week was held this year with headquarters at Evesham, ngain under the efficient lendership of the Rev. E. V. Cox (Brampford Speke, Devon). The rest of the pariy were as follows: The Revs. E. G. Beason (Burghill), F. G. Benson (Nyasalani), ©. Carew Cox (Lyme Regis), F. L! Edwards (Kington Magna), E. B. Gumes (Fareham), F. H. S. Marle (Deane), the Rev. and Mrs. E. S. Powell (Staverton), the Revs. B. T. Sheppard (Canabrigge), A. G. G. Phurlow (Wukingham), w. M. K. Warren (Binegar), C. Elliot Wigg Tiigh Wyeonibe) and R. F. Wilkinson (Ordsall) and Mr. Chris. W. Woolley, who had somehow forgotten to bring his clerical collar with him ( 0 , these forgetful clergy!), and althongh he is sometimes known its a wizard, he couldn't manafe to produce one! Some of us were, unforturately, only able to appear for part of the week.
The programme opener of April 5th, punctually at 230, at Ashdurch, near Tewkesbuy, where the six bells were raised and lowered in peal (this was always done when possilue), and rang Bob Minor, Cambrilge and Stedman. Mr. Harris kindly met and rang with us. After tauches of Kent and Oxford at Overbury ( 6 , tenor $9 \% \mathrm{cwt}$.), we were kindly invited to tea by the Vicar: whence we went on to Bredon's Norton ( 6 , teyor 6 cwt.). where Mr. Attwood met us. Here the back five are by Rudhall. After spliced Kent and Oxford (when some wit remarked that the clergy had oftea spliced people, but not mathods before), etc., we went to our headquarters, the Hamptom House Hotel, Evesham, a very nice place, where they do not mind if yor ring handbells till midnight.

## SALLY NEARLY SEVEN FFET LONG.

On Tresday we arrived first at Timley Castle ( 6 , temor 18 awt.), where the two trebles want thaing badly. Here wa rang Cambridge, and, after 'a little someting' at the Vicarage, wento on to Little Comberton ( 6 ), and Great Comberton ( 6, tenor 8 cwt .), where the Rev. J. F. Hastings (who was, turfortmately, only able to be with us for a few henrsi nearly got stuck in the narrow staircase. After Stedmnu nul Double Court, we found a delightful spot near the River Avon (don't ask me which Avon! for picnic luneb. Then on to Croome D'Abitot. Fere the key, whiel ought to have been in the funt, or under the harmonium, or somewhere, liad to be fetched some तistance. After a long delay, which E. V. stood with amazing patience, we eventually got up to the bells, which hadn't been rung for two years. However, E. Y's castor oil worked wonders, and the heils were soon going. The tenor sally is nearly 7 ft . long. It was rather cusious, while raising her, to have the top of the sally rising at landstroke, while the bottom was still coiled up in one's hand! How did the pigeons, hatcling in the bell charaber, like ont Grandsire, I monder?

Then to Pershore Alhey $\{8$, tenor 31 ewt. $\}$, where we rall Stedman amd Bob Major, suspended 'twixt heaven and amrth-heaven seemed terrifyingly near, and earth an tucomfortable distance away! Affer n hasty look round the glorious church and the nearhy Church of St. Andrew, where the siz are to be restored, we had tea at the Vicarage ; then to Norton (St. Egwin, 6 bells, tenor 15 cwt .). After Grandsire and Cambuidge here and dinner at Evesham, the day finished with London, etc., at Hampton ( 6 , tenor 912 cwi.), where we had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Hemming and other friends.
We started at Offenham (5) on Tuesdar, and there ranc Queens and 'fired ' the bells for the Vicar and Mrs. Combs' wedding anmiversary. Then to Badsey, a nice ring of 8 , tenor 15 cwt. After Double Norwich we went to Child's Wiekham (6, tenor 11 cwt .), where tho ringers of 4 and 5 can see their bells swinging. Unconducted touches are the most sutecessful the this plece. Mary Lane is buried here; she died, aged 133, in 1741. Thon to Willersey, a nice 6 by Rudisil, tenor 11 , cwt. Here Mr. Featli rang with us, and later we liad a 720 of Cambridge. At Snintbury, very near by, we rang Stedman, etc., on a nice ring of 6 , temor $11 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt., and also liad the pleasure of ringing with Miss Mavis Brighton. Next, at Mickleton 18 , tenor 18 owt.), we rallg Treble Boh (both variations) and Double Norwich and Stedman. Messrs. L. Kinclin and $F$. Tufley ranc with us, while Cyril Tumfley, eged 8t, showed us how to ring a bell solo. At Bretforten ( 6 , tenar 8 ewt.), Mr. Perkins met us, and we rang Kent, etc. After a touch of London, off to dinner at Evesham. After this the Cambridgo Guild members rang Grandsire Cingnes and Bob Major and Rognl, Double Norwich, etc., on latidbells, other members joining in too.

## An interesting church.

Thursday hegan with Stedman ard Canbridge at Biaford-on-Avon (6, tenor 13 wow ). At Alcester (6), tho 5th slipped wheel and set during the first touch. After profuring enough keys to unlock all the doors in Alcester, the Vicar's danghter kindly found the bell c:lamber key, and we cifhted things and had time for a short touch lefore leaving for Stratford-on-Avon. Here we pang Cambridge and Double Norwich on a beautiful Ting of eight (tenor $17 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.), and uttor lunch, r photograph and a look at Eliakespeare's tomb. went ou to Snitterfield, where the Rev. Thonas met us, and we much enjoged Bob Minor. etc., on g fine six (tenor reputed 20 cwt.). At Quinton (6. tenor i9 cwt.) the Vicar. who afterwards kindly gave us ten, seemed rather perturbed at Feing told that his tenor would eventually rome off the headstuck if not tightened mp. At Chipping Camden ( 8 , tencr 25 cwt.) we were delighted to find one of the most beautiful (Contirued fan next columo.)

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
DISAPPOINITNG ATTENDANCE AT TENHAM MEETING.
The 'luxury meeting,' as it was termed by Mr. C. L. Toutiledge, held at Fenham, proved unsuccessful from the point of view of the attendance, only 15 members sitting down to tea when nearer 50 werc expected. The feelings af those present, however, werc not damper and good use was made of the bells, Cambridge Sunprise Major Dufficid and Douhle Bub Major, the special methed, being the, most noteworthy methods hrought round.
In the alisence of the vice-president, Mr. M. D. Onbridge, Mr Routledge presided over the meeting and thanked the Vicar, Canon S. Redman, for the usc of the bells. The Vicar, in replying, referter to the fine effect produced by the use of the new silencers. Thic bells were almost irandible at the foot of the tower, but at a distanoe they re sweetly and clearly heard.
Mr. John Anderson thanked the ladies for the splendid tea.
It was decided that no meeting should be held on Whit Monday, but St. Paul's, Whitley 酸ay, was proposed for the Satireday following i.e., May 26th, and Loudon Surprise Major was adopted as the special method for practice.

A district practice was also proposed for May 6th at St. George's, Jesmond where the bells have been recently reluug. Botil proposals were agreed to.
The secretary informed the meeting that the report of the suhcommititee on Coronation ringing was not jet ready.
Following the adjoumment, the handbells were rung to Grandsire Caters, Stedman and Grandsire Triples, and further ringing took place in the tower.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

PRESWNTATION TO FORMER CARY DEANERY SGORETARY
A gathering of about 30 ringers attended the meeting of the Cary Deanery Branch of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association at Erutor on Saturday, April 24th. Tourteen towers were represented and visitors were welcomed from Melkshm, Pensford, Zeals and Stourton Tinging in verious methods of Donbles and Minor took place in the afternoon and evening.
At the business meeting fullawing the ter the president (Rev. F. H Lang presented Mr. E. F. Creed with an inscribed iulaid barometer a a token of appreciation of his work as hon. secretary of the brancl since 1919. Mr. Crecd taught first lessons in change ringing at many that day many of his pupils of peats ago.
The secretary (Mr. W. A. Osborne), speaking on the subject Cororation ringing, said that he hoped ail tower leaders would mat careful arramgements for ringing, and suggested that if a full pea was not possible a half or quarter-peal should be attempted, bu whatever ringing was done nothing should be attempted that cond not be perfectly dane. The times for ringing should be arranged to fit in with the local celebrations, but no ringing should take piac during the Abbey service broadcast or other important broadoasts.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the clergy, organist and chon and to the ladies who provided the tea

CLERICAL RINGING WEEK.-Continued from prevous column.
of the little Cotswold towns, with a grand church, similar in man ways to Northleadh, with some fine ald brasses, and the oldest cope and altar frontal, etc., still remaining in its own church in England The cope dates from 1380 , and the altar frontal (1480) was copied by command of Queen Mary for the high altar of Westminster Abbey for the Concnation in 1911. Here we rang Double Norwich, Stednan etc.
After dinner we visited the Bell Tower at Evesham, built by Clement Liehfeld, the last shhot of Evesham but one, mbout 1525. Here wo enjoyed Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Kent and Bob Royal on the fine ring of 10 (tenor 31 cwt.), and were very pleased to meet Mr. Hemmirg atud other friends again.
An important discussion took place at the hotel in the evening. On Friday the only peal attempt of the weck (Double Norwich) 'went west 'after a little over an hour. This was at Hinton-on-the-Greer After rivging Cambridge, otc, during which Miss Johnsod reng with us, we went on to lunch at Broadway, another delightful Cotswoid village. After Douhle Gourt, etc, on the fine six at Broadway Old Church. or to Stanton, perhaps the least spoilt of all the villages we saw. Camhridge, etc., on the six here was followed by tea at Stow-on-the-Wold. We had meant to ring handluells in the foul counties round the Pour Shire Stone nearby, but as no one thought of bringing hamdbells, we contented ourselves with an manalical course of Bob Minor on some of the table bells in the cafe at Slow At Stow Church, our last tower, the Rev. Fare met us, and we had a pleasant finish to the week with Stedman and Bob Major on a fine eight (tenor 30 cwt.).
In conchusion, we should like to thank the clergy for the use of their towers, those clargy and their wives who gave us tea and other refreshment, the steeplekeepers and other ringers who rang with ut, and most of all the Rev. E. $V$. Gox, to whose wonderfully efficient organisation the success of a most kelightful week was so largely tue
A. G. G. गसHRLOW

## NOTICES. <br> ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. <br> (Established 1637.)

THE TERCENTENARY FESTIVAL
PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.
A service will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Saturday, Nov. 6th, at 4 p.m. Dinner at Cannon Street Hotel at 6 p.m. Tickets to members ros. each, to non-members 125 . 6d. each. The maximum seating capacity is 400. Application should be made as early as possible, as no tickets can be issued in excess of that number.

William T. Cockerill,
Hon. Secretary.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. - Walsden St. Peter's NOT available on May 15th. Therefore the meeting will take place at St. Paul's, Cross Stones, Todmorden, on that date. All ringers and friends welcomed. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.; business at $6.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. By the way, kecp June 5th in mind. Great Ringing Day at St. Mark's, Glodwick, Oldham. Further announcement with full particulars will be given later.-S. Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The pre-Whitsun meeting will be held at Hexham on Saturday, May 15th, when the bells of the Abbey will be available.-R. Park, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch.-For Newport Pagnell Deanery and others. A meeting at Milton Keynes. to-morrow, Saturday, May ${ }^{15}$ th. 2.30 begin. 4 p.m. service. 4.45 tea.-Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, May 15th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., tea at 5.30 . All ringers and friends welcome.-W. Nash, North Minms, Hatfield, and H. V. Frost, 4, Kimberly Road, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-The 58 th annual meeting wrill be held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, May $17^{\text {th }}$. II. 30 a.m. Service in the Cathedral, preacher Rev, A. G. G. Thurlow; 12.15 p.m., approx., meetings in the Chapter House; r. 5 p.m., approx., lunch at The Golden Fleece (members is. 6d., non-members 2s. 6d.). Towers open for ainging during the day: Cathedral (i2), Boreham ( 8 ), Great Baddow (8), Galleywood (8), Great Waltham (8), Widford (8). Writtle (8), Proomfield (6), Danbury (6), Springfield (6), Little Waltham (6)-LL. J. Clark, Hon. Gen. Sec., 36, Lynmouth Avenue, Chelmsford.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual festival on Whit Monday at Ludlow. Bells available from 12 noon. Service 3.30 p.m. (the Guild's new form of service will be used). Tea at Queen's Head Hotel 4.15 p.m., price 2s. Members applying for tickets before May 14 th to Mr. W. J. Beniams, Ben-Alt, Henley Road, Ludlow, will be charged 1s. only. Money should not be
sent with applications. Business meeting after tea. Ringers and friends wishing to view Ludlow Castle please write to Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, Hon. Sce-, S. Nicolas' Rectory, Hereford.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Thrapston on WhitMonday, May 17 th. Committee meet Parisin Room 10.45. Service, Thrapston Church, 12 noon. Lunch at King's Arms Hotel at 1 p.m., followed by meeting. Nonmembers and non-resident members 25. 6d. each. Bells available: Islip (6), Thrapston (8) :0 a.m. to 11.45 a .17 m . and after meeting, Raunds (8), Tichmarsh (8), Lowick (6) after the meeting.-Robt. G. Black, Gen. Sec., Stamford Road, Gedington, Kettering.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). -Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 27 th; St. Andrew's on the 20th; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 25 th, at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William '1'. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodinghan, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.--Please note:-The next meeting will be held at OVERSEALE on Saturday, May 22nd. Measham bells not available. Time $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 4.45 p.m., followed by meeting. A hearty welcome awaits all visitors. Don't forget p.c. for tea arrangements to be sent to me by Thursday, May 20th.-Joseph Wm. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

RISHTON PARISH CHURCH.-The re-dedication of the peal of eight bells, recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Jolnston, Ltd., Croyclon, will take place on Saturday, May 22 nd, at 3 p.m. The dedication will be conducted by the Rev. Canon G. Stewart Perry, M.A. (Rural Dean of Blackburn). Tea will be provided after the service in the Horwood Road Schools. Ringers and friends are heartily invited to the dedication service.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -The branch will meet at Walsoken, on Saturday, Nay 22nd. Bells (6) at 3 p.mi. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. See., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chester Branch.A meeting will be held at Malpas on Saturday, May z2nel. Ringing from 3. Service, $4 \cdot 3$. Those who hope to be present for tea please notify me by Thursday, May 20 th. -J. W. Clarke, Hon. Sec., Wayside, Circular Drive, Chester.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District. -The next meeting will be"lueld at Sapcote on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Usual arrangements for tea. The Sharnford meeting is fixed for June 26th.-W. A. Wood, Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. - The next practice mecting will be held at St. George's Church, Millom, on Saturday, May zzncl. Tower open at 2-30.-N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol City and Rural Branches.-A combined meeting of the above branches will be held at Mangotsfield on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells (8) open from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Please make a special effort to attend, and do not fail to send mumbers requiring tea.-R. C. Gifford, Hon. Sec., Gifford House, Frampton Cotterell, near Bristol.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The next practice has been arranged at Chenies ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May z2nd, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, at is. per head, for those who notify me not later than May $18 t h .-A$. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.
I.INCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, May 22nd. Service 4.15. Tea at the Sun Hotel 5 p.m. (resident members, whose subscriptions are paid for the current year, free, non-members is. 6d.), for those who notify me by the Wednesday previous. Bells (8) available 2 p.m. and after the meeting. Hearty welcome to all.-F. S. Butler, Hon. Ser., 2, Bayard Sireet, Gainsborough.

MIDLAND COLNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborough District.-The next meeting will lye held at Rothley on May 22nd. Quorn bells not available, Ringing from 3.30 to 4.30 and 6 to 8 p.m. only. Sulsscriptions accepted.-H. O. Over, Hon, Dis. Sec., 130, Ashburton Road, Hugglescote.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A special mecting will be held at Daventry ( 8 bells) on Saturday, May 22nd. Usual arrangements.W:. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Henlow on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-C. J. Ball, Sec., 25 , Tempsford Road, Sandy.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUIJD.-North Berkshire Branch.-Annual meeting will be held at Wantage on Saturclay, May 22nd. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify early.-A. E. Lock, 35, East St. Helen's Street, Abingdon, Berks.

TETSWORTH, OXON. - The first anniversary will be celebrated on Saturday. May 2gth. Bells available all day. Dinner 5.30. Please notify.-J. W. Gibbard, Tetsworth, Oxon.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual general meeting will be held at Chichester on Saturday, May 2gth. Cathedral bells available from 3 p.m. Meat tea at 5.15 p.m., price 25.6 d . (Is. to members), but notification by May $26 t h$ is essential. Service will be at the sub-deanery church at $4 \cdot 30$. Half rail fare (maximum 25 . 6id.) allowed to resident members.-S. E. Armstrong, Hon. Gen. Sec., 70, Hollingbury Park Avenue, Brighton 6.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Next meeting, Harrow Weald, Saturday, May 2gth. Bells from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5. Tea, is. each, at $5 \cdot 30$. Advices by May 26 th, please. Special method, St. Lawrence Little Bob Major. Nearest station, Stanmore (Met.), and short walk, or No. II 4 bus (if running). Alternative route, if buses are available, tube to Edgware and No. 114 bus. All ringers welcomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4. Tel. number, Larkswood 1959.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Kislingbury on Saturday, May 29th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by May 27 th.-J. C. Dean, Hon. Sec., 16 , St. Peter's Street, Northampton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Ashford District) AND ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Aldington on Saturday, May 2gth, to celebrate the jooth birthday of Mr . C. Slingsby. Bells ready 2.30 Service 4.30. Preacher, the Bishop of Dover. Tea p.n. Please send numbers for tea by Monday, the $24^{4} \mathrm{th}$. P. Page, iro, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Meeting Oswestry on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. All requiring tea to notify me not later then Tuesday, May 25th.-R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craig more, Upper Road, Neole Brace, Shrewsbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.-A meeting will be held at South Weald on Saturday, Mas 29th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea ti follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly ad vise me not later than Tuesday, May 25ti? - E. Butler, Dis. Sec., $3^{1} 3$, Mawneys Road, Romford.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Nort Norfolk Branch.-The branch meets at Cromer on Satu: day, May 2gth. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m Tea (is. 3 d.) at the Rendezvous Tea Rooms, The Parada at 5 p.m. Special business: (I) Presentation of albur containing subscribers' names to his testimonial to Mi A. L. Coleman; (2) election of branch secretary. It i hoped all members of the association will make a specia effort to attend. It is important that I should be informed of those who require tea.-Nolan Golden, Gen. Sec. ant Treasurer, Winton, 26, Brabazon Road, Norwich.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5 th.-At Elstree, Herts ( 6 bells) Tower open from 3.30. Tca at $5 \cdot 30$. Herts Association -C. H. Horton, Bushey (City 4270).

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Well and truly did the bells of old England, and of Wales and Scotland, too, celebrate the Coronation of King George and Queen Elizabeth. There was, of course, never any doubt that they would play their traditional part, hut if the information, which has ever since been pouring in to us, is any criterion, never before has so much ringing been done on one day. Peals there were in plenty-our peal columns will testify to that-and hall peals, and quarter peals innumerable, to say nothing of the infinite number of shorter touches which were rung. The little villages have contributed their share as well as the towns and cities; indeed the villages, just as they have more than held their own with their greater neighbours in their decorations and celebrations, have vied with the more populous places in the enthusiasm of their ringing.
Early and late the bells were singing. In several cases a $6 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. start heralded the day, and in one instance at least-at Guildford-ringing at If p.m. was part of the ordered programme of the day. And the bells were only a part of the expressed love and loyalty of this country to the throne, which is deep rooted in the hearts of the peopie. It was not only London, the centre of the solemn ceremonies, and the setting of the great pageant, that rejoiced. Everywhere the public, in their masses, and in every walk of life, joined in the celebrations, and those who imagine that a monarchy in this country is but a decaying institution must have realised last week that they are woefully out of touch with the real spirit of the nation. The sounds of the bells, if they heard them, must have jarred upon them as they often do upon those who, on other occasions, neglect the things to which the bells direct attention Sunday after Sunday.

Ringers themselves will be able to look back with satisfaction to the part they played on May 12th, 1937. Many old hands, while taking their share in the events of the day, were able to recall their exploits of previous Coronations, for quite a number must have counted this as the third in which they have liclped in the celelorations at the end of a bell rope. Younger ringers, as they get on, will have happy recollections. Many of them rang their first peal or their first quarter peal. In a few cases whole bands have scored their first peal and there could have been no more auspicious occasion for so doing. To record the activities of ringers on Coronation day we have this week enlarged 'The Ringing World,' but so great has been the demand upon our space that even four extra pages will not accommodate all the reports sent to us and there are many other peals and interesting items of news to appear in our later issues.

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Tbe Bincient societe of Gollege youtbs.
On Wednesday, Hay 12, 1937, in Three Hours and Ninateen Minutes,
AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER IN
WESTMINSTER,
(Coumouly called Westruinster Abbey)
2 DPeal of Бteoman Tripies, 5040 cbangee; Thirstans' Fodr-part,
Henry R. Newton ... ...Tyeble Alpred B. Prgi ... ... ... 5 Hfrbert Langdon ..... .2 alan R. Macdonald ... William H. Pasmore ... 3 Harold N. Pitstow ... ... 7 Wilson Reseion ... ... 4 James H, Romiby ... ...T emoy Conducted by Harolo N. Pirstow.
The peal commenced as the Royal Procession left the Abbey.

## TWEEVE BELL PEALS.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIEIY FOR THE ARCHDTACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Weinesday, May 12, 1937, in 1 ibree Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,

Ai the Cburch of St. Matigew,
A PEAL DF STEDHAN CINQUES, 5018 CHANGE8; Tencr 26 cw . 18 lb . in D .
Jambs S. Eastwood ... ...Tyebie "Henry E. Grben ... ... 7
Howard Howill ......$\quad 2 \quad$ Arther T. Dotion ...
Alfred Bucklby... ... ... 3 Walter R. Hegabs... ... 9
Alfred adams ... ... ... 4 Gilberx Iiarding ... io
Grorge W. Hogers ... ... 5 Tbomas J. Elton ... ... il
Harry T. Higgins ... ... 6 Willam A. Walizr .. Tehor
Composed by Jobn Carter. Conducted by Teomas J. Elion.

* First peal a woy from lenor, All are Sunday setrice ringers at this church.

JITRMTNGHAN
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMTNGHAM.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Jhyee Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Parish Cedrch of St. Martin,
A PEAL Of GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5037 Changes;
Tenor 37 cwt .
Maker to St. Paul's Cathedral, Weatminater Abbey, Imperial Institute, Onatarbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Autrelie), Rochester, Dublin, St. Patrict's, Monchester, Durban and Worceeter Cathedrala, etc., ete.

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..Tyeble Morris J. Morris ... ... 7


| Frank E. Haynes | ... | ... | 2 | Albert Walker ... | ... | .. | 8 |
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| Ernzst T. Allaway ... | .. | 3 | Ernest Manselc | ... | ... | 9 |  | Grorgb E. Fearn ... ... 4 Tbohas H. Reeves ... ... 10

Sidney O'C. Holloway ... 5 A. Paddon Smita ... ... ir Jobn S. Mason ... ... ... 6 Williab T. Froggatt ....Tonoy Composed by G. Lindopr. Conducted by Franiz E. Haynes.

## LEICISTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION. (Leiceszer Catgedral Socirty.)
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Howrs and Fifty-Six Minwas, At the Catardral,

## A PEAL DF STEDHAN CINQUES, 501B GHANGE8;

 Tenor 25 cwt . in D.

Composed by F. H. Dextre. Conducted by H. З. Poole.

* First pent of Cingues. First peal on the bella since recasting end rehanging.

ASTON, BIRNINGHAM
THE ST. MARTIN'S GOTED FOR TEE DIOCESE OT BIRMINGHAM.
On Weinosiday, May 12, 7937, in Three Hours and Farty-Eight Minutes. Az the Cgurch of SS. Pzter and Padl,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, SOB7 CHANCES;

## Tenor as cwt.

Grorgr F. Swann
..Treble| William Pettigrew ... ... 7 Aclan Sflort ... ... ... 2 Fred Prict ... ... ... ... 8 Richard C. Ingram... * Williab L. Weiston George T, Mitcitison $\qquad$ ... George H. Williams

Frederick W. Riseworte 9 Eric G. EVans *** ...... Io Percy N. G. Rainey ... ... It William Davies ... ... ...TTer Conducted by George F. Swann,

* First peal and first attempt. First peal of Gramdsire Oinques by all the band except the conductor. First peal ou 12 bells by all except ringers of $1,2,8$ and 12 .


## TEN BELE PEALS. PLYMOUTH, DEVON. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(St. Andrew's Society, Plimocth.)
On Wedneriay, May 12, 1937, in Three Hours and Foyty-Five Minutes,
Ay the Churce of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 35 cwt. in C.
Allen S. Whateerly -Wieetam G. Hiecoti -Cecil L. Gey ...


 H. Frederice Myrrs ... 5 Tbomas G. Myers ... ...Temo Composed by H. J. Tocker. Conducted by Thomas G. Myers.

* First peal of Royal.


## GLASGOW

TसE SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION,
(St. Mary's Cathedral Society.)
On Wedtesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Hows and Thivien Minsifs,
At ter Cathedral Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor $32 \neq \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Adam Dodds ... ... ...Tweble | Neil Leifer ... ... .... 6 Jobn Ewing ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Sydney G. Lewis $\quad . .$. Henry F. Sargent ... ... 3 Ernest A. Stapford ... 8 R. J. G. Tgonn ... ... ... 4 Reginald 0 . Street - 5 Tgomas C. Winderam ...Teror Composed by A. Knigets. Conducted by W. H. Pickett. * First peal. Fist peal of Gmadsire Caters by wil except the ringers of 5th and 9th. First peal of Grandsine Oaters by Scothish Association and first in Scotland ly a serviec-linging band.

BEDDINGION, SURREY.
THE SUREEY ASSOCIATION
On Wedresday. May 12, 1937, in Tto Hours ard Fifiy-Etght Minutes, As ihe Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, $\operatorname{GODO}$ CHANGES; Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in E 月at.
Mes, C. H. Kippin ... ...Treblo |Frank E. Darby ... ... ... 5

- Miss Gwendoline Kippin
- Leonard Bance

2

- Mrs, F. W Honsden ...

Fredgrick W. Houspen …
Composed by F. E. Darby.

* First peal of Treble Tea.
 Conducted by Casas. H. Kupfin.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.
THE HERTMORD GOUNTY ASSOOLATION.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Howrs and Eighteen Minntes, Aiting Abbey Cadrcy of St. Ladrence,
A PEAL OF GRANDEIRE CATERS, 3093 CHANGESI
Tenor 38 cwt 3 gr .21 lb.

| Frederice C. Perrin | ...Trubic | Hamold J. Hazell | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George Maxim ... | 2 | alered J. Hodse | ... 7 |
| Grorge Gray | 3 | Ernest Brbit | 8 |
| Stanley A. Caftrr | 4 | George W. Drbbinam | -. 9 |
| Gicbert Debenham | 5 | Cabrles W. Roberis | ...Tenar |
| Composed by A. Kn |  | Conducted by G. W, Der | Him. |

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

 JEAST JLSLEY, BERKS.THE OXFORD DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Weduesday, May 5, 1937, in Thyer Hours and 7 hrec Winutes,
At the Cedreh of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505B CHANGES;

Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $G$.


Composed by F. A. Hocinn, Conducted by R, T. Hibbert.

* Wirst peal of Major. Arvarged as a commermoration to Coromation festivities in the village.

LLANTRISANT, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFT AND MONMOUTH DIOGLSAN ASSOCLATION. On Saiurday, Muy 8, 7937, in Ttwo Hours ard Fifiy-Sruen Minulis,

At the Parese Churce,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Six-rart.
Tenor 12 cwt.
Alfred Hannington ... ...tiedile John Dafce .... ... ... ... 5

Jogn Evans ... ... ... ... 3 Frank Rowsell ... .... .... 7
Robert Coles
Conducted by Frank Rowsell.
NOTTTNGEANL.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE SOCIFTY OF SHERWOOD FOUTHS.
On Monday, May 10, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At tee Cherce of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. 50 0 CHANEE8

Parker's Tprlve-part.
Fred Biood... ...
Ralpa Narborodge ...
Mise I. B. Thompson ... ... 3
Harold Parfrement...

Tenor $35{ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Conducted by J. A. Barratt.
DISS, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICEI DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION
On Tuesiay, May 71, 7937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, BO56 GHANGES: Tenor 24 cwt. in D.
William Mosk ... ...Treble Alebri G. Harrison Clement J. More
Waltrr Elsey ...
Frrderick Rofer
Composed by J, R. Paitceard.

| Frank Bradley | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Brex


| ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | $\begin{array}{cc}\text {...Trable } \\ \ldots & 2\end{array}$ | Alebri G. Harrison |
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| Samter I. Pring |
| Wictiam |

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\text { Wileiam Sieggalid ... ... } 7
$$ Eric G. Benneit ... ...Tenor Conducted E. G. Bennext.

SCUNTHORPE, LJNCS.
THE LJNGOLN DIOCESAN GITILD. (Northrrn Branch.) Or Tussday, May 17, 1937, in Three Hours, Ai ief Cebrch of St. John-the-Evangelisi,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGESI

Parker's T'wheve-part (7th observation). Tenor i8t cwl.
*Artetir Emmans ... ...Tteble | Bernard Gileatt, jon. ... 5


| Fred Lacey | ... | ... | ... | 3 | Ernest Brityain | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harold Jedd | $\ldots$ | .. | .. | 4 | Thomas Warr | ... | .. | ...$T e n o$ |

Harold Jedd ... ... ... 4 Thomas Warr ... ... ...Teror
F First peal away from tenor.

SUTPON-ON-TRENT. NOTTS
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Wed̈nestay, May 12, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutos, At tab Church of All Sainte,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 6040 GHANQEB; Tenor 12k cwt .

| Miss Kath Burchnall ...Treble | Harold Denman ... ... |
| :---: | :---: |
| Miss Grace Burchnall ... 2 | Rictard M. Harvey ... ... 6 |
| 'Jack Vrssey ... ... ... 3 | Ernest A. Midwneter ... ${ }^{7}$ |
| - Thomas Vessey | Clifford A. Vessey ... ...tenoy |
| Conducted by CL | ipyord A. Vessey. |
| First attempt for a peal on eig | lit bells. |
| DARTFOR <br> THE KENT COUN | D, KENT. <br> TY ASSOCLATION. |
| On Weảnesday, May 12,1937, At tar Chdrce of | itwo Howrs and Fifty Minults, tae Holy Trinity, |
| A PEAL OF StEDMAN T | RIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8; |
| Wasbbroor's Variationo | of Therstans' Four-par |
| Tenor $18 \frac{7}{4} \mathrm{c}$ | wt. in E flat. |
| James R, Lambrin ... ...Treble | Jobn Wbiadon ... |
| Jorn H. Carbsman ... ... 2 | James E. Balley ... ... ... 6 |
| Frank E, Walibr ... ... 3 | Harry Hoverd ... ... ... 7 |
| Merbert E. Addslig | Norman Stmmerbayes ...Tenor |
| Conducted b | Harry Hovrrd. |

THDRCASTON, NEAR LEICESTER.
THE MIDLAND DOUNTIES, ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, is Three Howss and Five Misutes,
At tee Latimer Cherge of Acl Saints,
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES, SO40 CHANEE8;
Wasbbrook's Variation of Thorstans' Four-part. Tenor 10 cwt .7 lb . in $\mathbf{G}$.
Walter P. Whitgerad ...Tycbio Edward R. Weitebrad... 5
Frank Mason ... ... ... 2 William A. Wood ... ... 6
-R. S. William Smite ... 3 Jambs Gborge ... ... ... 7 Lbomard H. Weitebeats 4 †Arthor Williams ... ...Tmor Conducted by W. P. Weitreead.

* First peal of Stedman. † First peal.

ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHTRE ASSOOATION.
On Weduesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Hours and Twonty-Eight Minutes, At the Cedref of All Saints,
A PEAL OF YORK8HIRE 8URPRIBE MAJOR, 50 GG CHANGES; Tenor $34{ }^{\text {星 }} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Joen W. J. Cottam ... ...T reble Ernest Wagstapfe ... ... 5 Albert Nasy ... ... ... 2 Arthur Firtb ... ... ... 6 Tom Brotbwbll ......$\quad$... 3 Reginald Payne... ... $\quad . . .7$ Jobn H. Brothwbll ... ... 4 T. Colin Ryder ... .... ...Temar Composed by G. Lewis. WELLIEGTON, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHTRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Thres Howrs and Fowy Minwtes, At the Cedref of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 OHANGE8;

Tenor 16 cwt . gr . 2 lb . in E flat.


- Jospre L. Stanier ......$\quad 3$ Waltir Lago ... ... ... 7
G. Leonard Hewiti ... 4 Abtgor Pritcbard .... ...Temor Composed by J. R. Pritceard. Conducted by A. Pritceard.
* First pesl of Bob Majoc. First peal of Bob Major on the bells. HALEWOUD, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Liverpool Brange.)
On Wedusday, May 12, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifty-Two Minutos, At ter Caurce of St. Nicgolas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelye-part (7th observation).
Tenor in cwt.
- Willlam Maddock ... ...Tredla Joen W. Gardner ... ... 5

James Robinson $. . .1 . . .2$ Jobn Robinson ... ... ...
Thomas Robinson ... ... 9 William Robinson...


* First peal and first attempt.

LYME REGIS, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wret Dorset Brance.)
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Thrw Hours and Six Minuths,
At the Ceurce of St. Michazl-the-Archangel,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, goto CHANGE8;

Heywood's Transpasifion of Thdrstang' Fodr-pari. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Rev. C. Carhw Cox ... ...Tyeble Frani Price
 Henry G. Kbeley ... ... 3 "Frank E. Blackmore ... 7 -Grorge H. Whitbmore ... 4 †EliS. Hawker ... ... ...Teroy Conducted by Rzv. C. Carew Cox.

* First peal of Stedman. † First peal and first attempt. First peal in the method on the bells and the first peal of Stedman in Dorset by an entirely locai band.

> BOLSTERSTONE, YORES.

THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Shepfield District Society.)
On Wedinesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Hours and One Minuta.
At ife Cedrch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, $\operatorname{cosioghanOES;}$
Tenor 13 cmt .
Alegrt Helliwell ... ...Tyeble Vicior Copley ... ... ... 5

- David W. Briarley.. $.2^{2}$ William Harrison ...
*Leonard Wragg ... ... 3 Charles Gillott ...
Jobn R. Brearley ... ... 4 Jobn A. Brearley ... ....Tenor
Composed by H. Hebrard. Conducted by J. A. Briarley.
* Tirsi peal.

PENTRE RHONDDA, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. (St. Petrir's Society.)
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, is Three Howrs and Eighton Minutes, At the Cherce of St. Pbibr,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, E040 GHANGES; Thorstans' Four-part. Tenor a7 cwt, Josepe Loveit ... ... ...Tteble Frederick Lasbury ... ... 5 Herbert Davies ... ... 2 William Page ... ... ... -Grorge Page ... ... ... 3 Tom Page ... ... ... ... 7 Tbomas Hamlin ... ... 4 Henry Crabs ... ... ...Temor Conducted by Tom Page.

* First peal of Stedman. The bellis were 'fired ' before ringiug fhe peal.

REDENHALL, NORFOLE.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednasday, May 12, 1937, in Thre Hours and Seventeen Minwles, Aitge Chdrge of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TRE日LE BOB HAJOR, 508 OHANOEB; Tenor 24 cwt .
George Howlett

Frid Monnings ......
Robert Genton.... .... ... 4 Cbarlbs Loome ... .... ....Tenor
Composed by J. Platt. Conducted by Georgr Howlett.
Rung for 11 a.m. gervice.
HETHERSETTT, NORFOLK.
THE NOZWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesday, May 72, 1937, in 1 wo Horvsand Fifty-Eight Minutes, At ter Chirch of St. Remigius,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGEs; Tenor Io cwt. iqr. Is lb, in G.
Alfred W. Broome ... ...Trebie Nolan Golden .. ... ... 5 - Raymond G. Lopty ... Cyril T. Crowe ... ... 3 Harold Qoantrill ... ... 7 Robert G. Fisari ... ... 4 Cbarles H. Moore ... ...Temar

Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.

* First peal.


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SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLT DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wedresday, May 12, 1937, in Two Hotrs and Fifty-Five Miruter, Ai mer Cadrge of St. Ignatios-ter-Mariyr,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Heywood's Variation.
Tenor 13 cwt .

 William Armoer .... ... 2 Joseph W. Parker .... ... 6 | Tgomas Stevenson | ... | ..- | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Micgabl F. Habrison | Robri L. Patterson | 4 | ... |
| 7 |  |  |  | Micbabl F. Harrison ... 4 Grorge Habyey ... ... ...T 4 moy Conducted by Josere W. Parerr.

LTNDLEY, HUDDIERSFLELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOOIATION.
On Wedresday, May 12, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Charce or St. Stephen,
A PEAL OF KERT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, ERH DHANQES; Tenor 18 ewt.

 William Hargreaves .... 4 Hgnry H. Smita.... Composea by A. Kwigets (Na, 36g). Conducted by Jor C. Mellor * First peal.

BOLSOVER, DEEBYSHIRE.
Om Wednesiay, May 72, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Parish Cerrge,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOE MAJOR, 502 OHANEES, Joan Flint ... ... ... ...Tweble | Harold Jaceson ... ... 5 Jesse J. Moss ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Harold Keht.. .4 | Charles Mason ... | ... | $\cdots$. | 3 | Josepr Laxion ... | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brnjamin A. Cooper | .. | ... | 4 | Stanlay Slaney | ... | ...$T$ Thor |  |

Composed by G. Lewis. Conducted by Jöm Finin.

* Firat peal in the method. The conductor's 500th peal.


## OXPORD.

THE OXEORD SOCLETY.
On Wedresday, May 12, 1937, in Thres Howys and Eleven Minutes, Ay the Cebrch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5日5月 GHANEE6; Tenor 7t cwt.
Margaret E. Reynolds ...Tyeble $\mid$ William G. Coliets ... 5 Harry Miles ... ... ... 2 . 2 Francis E. Taylor ... Vicior J. F. Benneit ... 3 Francis E. May... .... Herbert Badder ....... 4 Walter F. Judge .......Tenor

Composed by C. Middlzion. Conducted by Walter F. Jodgr.
MIDDLETON, LANCASHTRE.
THE LAANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rocedale Brance.)
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifty Manutes, At tae Parise Churge,

## A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, EOFB CHANGES;

 Tenor 12s cwt.Thomas K. Driver ... ...Treble |om A. Ogden ... ...



Composed and Conducted by William Berry.
All are service ringers at the Paish Church.
WIGSTON MAGNA, LEIGESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND OOUNTES ASSOGIATION.
On Wedresday, May 12, 1937, in Thyn Hows and Five Minwtes, Ai the Ceorca of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF SPLIGED SURPRISE MAJOR. GO24 CHANEES;
In seven methods, viz., Wigston, Leicestershire, Loughborough, Grayford, Huatingdon, Bogmor and Buckingham. Tenor 16 cwt 11 lb . in E. Wh. H, Hohbersione ...Treble $\mid$ Riceard F. Roe ... ... ... 5 $\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { A. Harrison Cartrar... } & . . . & 2 & \text { Edwin Lloyd } & . . . & . . . & . . . & 5 \\ \text { Josbpr S Cabier }\end{array}$
 Albert Ceamberlain ... 4 Kennete A. Roe... ... ...Tmor
Composed by A. G. Driver. Condacted by Kennetr A. Ror. First peal of 'Spliced ' by all the bund. The peal consisted of 704 changes each of Wigston, Leicestershire, Loaghborough, Huntingdon, Hognor and Buckingham and 800 of Grapford. There were 153 changes of method.

WALKDEN, LANCASHYRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOOIATION.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Thrue Hotirs and Eight Minutes, At tae Cegrca of St. Paul,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANQESI

Parker's Twelve-fari (7th observation). Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Alfred Potrer... ... ...Treble Mattaew Berry... ... ... $\quad$...
Miss Annir Pottri ... ... 2 Alpazd Potter;jon..... ... 5
*Joseph Boyce ......
Benjamin Welsby ... .... 4 Robert Denner ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by joss Pozirr.

* First peal on eight bells and belongs to ${ }^{3}$ Nantwich.

NORTH STONRHAM, HAMPSHTRE.
THE WINOHTSTER AND PORTKMOUTH DIOUESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Fours and Twalve Minwtes,

## At iee Cedrge of St. Nicolas

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6088 EHANRES; Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lb .

| Ernest Domper | $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ Treble | Harold P. Rebd | ... | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ggorge Pollinger | ... | ... | 2 | Reginald A. Reed | ... | ... | 6 |

- Labomard Knoti $\quad .$. Andrew J. Corrigan ... 4 WiLliam T. Tocerr.... ...Tenor Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by George Williams.
* First peal of Treble Bob. At the fiuish of the peal the bells wero fired ' 21 times.

STOURBRDGE, WOROTSTERSHRE.
THE WORGESTERSHIRE AND DIETRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(Northern Brance.)
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minulas, At mes Cburch of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twhlve-part (7th observation), Tenor ig ${ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$. Artior D. Fellows ... ...Treble |Charles W. Cooper ... ... 5 Waligr Farley ... .... .... 2 Alfred Reynolds .... ... 8 Fbederice V. Nicadls ... 3 Artbit E. Whatmore ... 7 Kemette I. Pardoe ... .t. 4 Ernest S. Bosbell ... ...Thior Conducted by A. E. Whatmore.
All are membors of the local band.
COLCEESTER, FSSEEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Hotus and Siz Minules, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 GNANEES; Tenar 21 cwt.

 Composed by F. Drnce. Conducted by E. P. Deffirld. * First peal. + First peal in tha method on an 'ingide' bell.

## GUILDTORD, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Fiours and Twelue Mimutes,
At tae Cathbdral Chorch or the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holx's Original.

Tenor 23 ewt.
Herbert W. Collier ...Trejle Joen H. B. Hesse $\quad$... $\quad . . .5$
Joan S. Goldsmiti ... $\ldots . .2$ Erenest J. AYliffe $\quad . .$.
William J. Robinson ... 3 Alfred H. Polling ... ... 7


* First peal of Grandsire 'inside.'


## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS.

ELTHAM, KENT.-At the Parish Cluurch of St, John the Baptist for evening service an Ascension Day, May 6ih, a quarter-peal of Bob Major: A. Kilner (first quarter-peal of Majory 1, A. Purdon 2, J. J. Lamb 3, W. J. Jeffies 4, J. E. Lyddiand 5, J. Batters 6, F. J. Hurrell 7, H. Wood (couductor) 8.
BURNHAM, BUCKS.-On Sunday, April 11th, as a last tribube ta the late Mr. George A, Card, the Burnham Cumberlands rang a quartar-peal of Bob Triples (1,260 changes): G. Gibbert 1, P. A. Blamey 2, M. A. Blamey 3, B. O'Neill 4, J. E. Taylor 5, G.' W. Limmer B, G. F. Limmer 7, C. A. Burgess 8. First quarter-peril of Triples with a bob bell by the Blamey brothers.

SIX BELL PEALS.
WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM
THE DUREAM AND NEWCASCLE DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION. On Saturday, May 8, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minntes, At thr Chorce or St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Beillg one extent cach of Cawbridge Surprise, Double Oxford Bob, Double Court Botr, St. Clement's Bols, Single Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, and Oxford and Keut Treble Bub spliceu. Tenor 8 ewt.
"John A. Brown ... ... ...Treblé | Reginald H. Hewiti ... 4
*Thomas W. Crowe ... ... 2 Stbpaen Tbompson ... ... 5
-john anderson... ... ... 3 William J. Davidson ...Temoy
Conducter by W. J. Davidson.

* First peal in eight methods.

KIDSGROVE, STAFFS.
THE NORTH STAFES AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
On Satuyday, May 8, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Six Minutes,
At teb Cuurce St. Thomas
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
In five methods, viz., 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Oxfuril Bob, two 720 's each of Canterbury and Plain Bob. -H. Wers

- A. Windsor
-W. Sebrratt ... ... ... 3 J. A. Сook ... ... ... ...Temoy
Conducted by J. A. Cnor.
* First peal and rung at first attempt. First peaj as conductor FOTisELL, SURREY.
THE GDILDEORD DIOCESAN GDILD.
On Sathrday, May 8, 1937, in Two Hours and Forly-Five Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, SHA OHANEES;
Forty-two six-scores, ten calinilgs.
Tehor 10t owt .
-E. Hocrings
L. Scammell

Cenor 10z owt.
$\dagger$ t. Clark

Conducted by E Goatrr.

* First peal. + Tinst peal on an 'inside' lech. First peal of Donbles by all. Ringers of 1,3 and 6 are local men.

BURTON-ONSTATHER, LINCS.
TיHE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUIJD.
(Northera Branch.)
On AFonday, May 10, 1937, in Two Hoars and Fory-T wo Minutes, At the Church of St. Ancrew.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being ons extenti each of Donble Oxford, St. Clement's and Oxford Treble Bob, and two each of Kent Treble Bob aud Plain Bob. Tenor $12 \mathrm{ewt} 28 ll.$.
Brrnard Gillatt, jun. ...Tyeble Jack Bray

- Frgd Lacey … ... .... 2 Frank Lord ... .... .... ... 4
- Harold judd ... ... ... 3 Ernbst Bhittaln ... ...Tehor

Condacted hy Jack Bray.

* First peal in five methods. Mr. B. Gillatt, jun., has now completed the circle at this tower.

SUTMON, MACCLESFIELD.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Un Tuestury, May 11, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Churci or St. famps,
A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 GHANEES;
Consisting of 720 Londou Selholars' Pleasure and twn 720 's each of Oxford, Keut and Plain Foln. Tenor 121 cwt. James Manifold ... ... Freble Miss Milliceni Feiegrs... 4

Conducted by Joan Woaxt.

* First peal in four methods.

SALFORD. LANOASETRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOOLATION.
On Tmesday, May 11, 1937, in ? wo Howrs and Fifty-Four Minutes,
At the Church of tie Sacred Trinity,
A PEAL OF MINOR, $}$ CH CHANEES;
Viz, two 720's of Oxford and Kent Trebie Boh and three 720's of Elain Bob.

- Harold Hollingworth ...Trebie I Ceristopabr Gudgeon William Brammbr
Alan J. Brown ...

Conduct ${ }^{3}$

* First perl in three methouis.


## MARPLE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Howrs and Five Minutes,
At tae Ceurch of Ael Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6048 ChANEE8;
Being 30 six-scores of Grandsire and 12 sis-scores of Plain Bob with 14 calliogs.
-Mrs. F. Osbaldiston ...Treble Kenneta Lbwis ... ... 4 -Samuel Grabam ... ... 2 Arthor Whiting ... ... 5 feric Wigley ... ... ... 3 - Frank Osbaldiston... ...Temay Conducted by A. Weizing.

* First peal end rung at firsit attempt. First peal away from treble. First peal as conductor. First peal of Doulljes by all the bind. This is the first peal on the bells rung by an cntirely local bind. DAGENHAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Thivty-Two Minutes,
Aitre Ceorch of SS. Peter and Pach,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUGLES, EO4Q CHANOES; Forty-two six-scores, ten callings.

Tenor $14 \frac{5}{5} \mathrm{cwt}$.
"Jobn Day ... ... ... ...Tyeble
Frbderick J. Cbaplin ... 2 Fank J. Berry... ... ... 4
Grorgr Playle ... ... 3 - ambs Bullock... ... ... 5

* First peal. Rung after meeting short for Treble Bob.


## BUXTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Sw Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in I wo Howrs and Forty-Five Minutes,
At tae Chorch of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two 720's Kent Treble Bob and three 720's Bob Miuor, cach called differently. Tenor 12d cwt.

- Dodglas E. Rost ... ...Trebia Walter C. Medler ... ... 4
- Artevr S. Broterers .... 2 William R. Catcepole .... 5 Robert G. Catchpole $\cdot . . . \quad 3$ William C. Dupfirld Conducted by William C. Doffield.
* First peal in three methods.


## HARDINGTON MANDITHIJLE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Eleven Minutes, At tee Cburch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL DF DDUBLES. 5040 ehanges:

Being 12 six-scores of Reverse Canterbury, 20 of Bob Doubles and 10 of Grandsire, with 18 callings. Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Leslie J. Hawkins ... ...Trehte Gilbbat W. Rendrle ... 4
Mrs. G. W. Rendele *Stanley Geppy … ... 3 ©Cecil J. Ransom ... ...Temoy Condacted by G. W. Rendele.

* First peal and first attempt.

REDBOURN, HERTS.
THE HERTEORD COUNTY ASSOCTATION.
On Wedtestay, May 12, 1937, in Tvo Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
At tee Ceurce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Ten extents.

W. Taylor..

"L. Hobse Conducted by Joe Hobss.

* First peal. First peal as conduetor.

GHATTERIS, CAMBRTDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-One Minutes,
At the Parisa Chucre of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF MINOR, EO4N CHANGES;
Consisting of 720 each of Cambritige Surprise, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent 'rieble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 ewt. 1 qr. 8 lb .

## Rossell Pade <br> - Stanley Morehy <br> Artagr Abrabis <br> $\qquad$

Treble
Conducted by
3 "Dodlby Pade ...

* First peal in seven methods. Firsl peal in seven methods as conductor. First seven-method peal by a local bnad at this tower.

APSLEY END, HFRRTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Ow Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Fowy Minntes, At ter Churge of St, Mary.

## A PEAL OF EURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

010 extent exch of Beverley, Netherseale, Norwich, York, Wells, Cambridga and London.

Tener $14 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{emt}$.
William J. Puddifaot
...Treble
Horace L. Waite
Francig E. Tomprins...
... William J. Randall ... .... 5 Augosin V. Good

Conducted by Walter Ayre.
NORTON, STAFORDSHRE.
THE NORTE STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOOLATION. Un Wodnesday, May 12, 1937, it 2 hree How's and Two Minutes,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Milton, Loudon, Wells, York, Durhnm, Ipswicis
and Cambridge.
Joen F. Ryles
Charles S. Ryees
Jobn E. Wherlidon

* First peal "inside."

On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Forly Minutes, At meg Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5940 CHANGE8; Forty-two six-scores, ten diflerent callings. Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~cm}$.
 Sidney King

Tenor 12t ewt, in F sligip. -Alban J. Jack
Williars C. Eadrencr ... 5
James Walley ... ... ...Tenor James Waciey

> NORTE WFALD, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASGOCTATION. Tay 12,1937 A

* First penl. First peal as conductor. First peal jus this tower by a tean wholly composed of members of the local Guild.


## WANETEAD FSSEX.

THE MSSEX ASSOOIATION
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Two Howrs and Twenty Minutes, Ax Cerisi Chorch

## A PEAL OF HINOR, EOAD OHANGES;

Being 720 Doisble OxFord, 720 Oxfiord Treble Bob, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob and three 720's of Plais Bob.
-Mrs, Joen H. Crampion...Treble | Cearles J. Petiy Tense 9 cwt.
-Joan C. Petiy ... ... ... 2 James Ceatr ... $\quad . .4$ - Jorm C. Petty ..... .1

Conducted by John H. Crampion,
First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells.
MONK BRETTON, NEAR BARNSLEY.
THE YORESEIIRE ASSOCLATION AND BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes, At the Cborce of St. Padl,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 BHANGES;

Being 720 each of Brinintree Delight, Wragby Delight, Neasden Delight, Loudon Schalars' Pleasure, Capel, Sandal and Kingstor. Tenor 10 cwl .2 qr .10 lb.
Roland Hill ... ... ...Treble | Ernest Brookes ......

 | Conducted by D. Smita. |
| :---: | :---: | DISLEY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, May 12, 7937, in Two Houys and Fifiy Minutes,
At the Cedrce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR: 6040 CHANGES;
Seven extents in five methods, viz. : (1) Capel and Kingston: (2) Capel and Landon Seholars' Pleasure; (3) Capel and Sandal; (4) Sandal; (5) London Scholars' Pleasure; (6) Kingston; (7) Oxford.

## Tenor 8a cwt.

 Conducted by J. A. Milsier.

* First peal in five methods.

DARLINGTON, OO. DURHAM,
TEE DURHAM $\triangle N D$ NEWCASTLI DIOCESAN ASSOOEATION. On Wednesaay, May 12,7937, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Mintes,

Ai mee Church of tee Hoey Trinisy,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 oach of Cunterbury, Surflet, Beverley, Cambridge, York,
London dad Wells.
Tellor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{ewt}$.
Kichard Busby

| ... ... itedie | W. Norman Park |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | George W, Park |
|  | Roland Park |
| Conducted by | W. N. Park. |

$\begin{array}{lll}\ldots . . & \cdots & 4 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 5 \\ \cdots & \ldots & \text {... }\end{array}$
Robert B. Simpson
Conducted by W. N. Park.
A royal salute was 'fired ' ut the conctusion of the penl. BARNBY-TN-THEWLLOWS, NOTTS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION
On Wednesduy, May 12, 1937, in Two FTonys and Twinty-Fanr Mintits,
At tab Church of All Shinys,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of Capel, Sandal, London Beholars Pleasure aud Eingston Treble Bob, Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 6t owt.
Frederick Hodper ... ...Tyelle | Miss Dorothy Vessey ... 4 Frank Vernon ... ... ... 2 Jack L. Millbodse ... .. 5 Ricrard M. Harvey ... .... 3 Clifford A. Vessey ... ...Tenor

Conducled by Cluford A. Vessey
( Other peal reports are unawoidably held over,)

## LIMCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

ENTHESTASM AT GEDMSBY DISTRICT MEETTNG
A very pleasant meeting of the Grimsly District of the Lincoln Diocesmu Guild was held at Aiford un Saturday, May 8th. The good Weather brought fogether many ringers. Menibers attended from Bigby, Burton-onsilathey, Uleeby, Guiusby, Killiughulme, Mablethorpe and the local members. Tho mambers wore ghad to welome ithe Guild Ringing Master (Mr. R. Richardsoni), who brought with lijm Mr, and Mrs. A. Walker, of Birminglam, athl Mr, and Mrs. F. E. Pervin, of Coventry. Ringing friends from Lincoln wore also present. The lovely peal of six were ning to a large variely of methods.
Scrvice was conducted by the Vicar (itie Rev. W. Whitehead), who gave a hearty welonge to the members and also an excellent address. Wr. Graves Pesided ab the organ. Tea was served in the Church Hail , kindly arranged by churchworkers, and a party of 34 sat down.
The busimess meeting was presided over by the president darchdeacon Parry), supported by the Ficar and churehwirdens ( $\mathrm{Mr} \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{a}} \mathrm{G}$. Muston aud Mr. \$V. J. Humplneys). Mr. G. Muston wos elected an honoray member. The Vicas and both churchwardens of Altord are now honorary members.

The callection for the District Bell Fund amomented to 9s. 8d
The Presideat informed the members of the sad deall of Mr, W, Fisber, who was accidentally killod in a motor-cycle accirlent on Satarday, May lst. He wos ath one time at ringel' ali St. Andrew's Glurch, Grimsby. Members stood in silence to his memory.
Mi, J. Bray welcomed tine visitors and said he hoped they would sce then again if possible,-MIr. A. Waker replied and axpressed tho pleasure of the visilors in aftending the meeting if they lnd larger gatherings at fheir meetings in the Midlands, he was sure there was more enthusiasm ab that neeting. Menbers were attending fron as far as 65 miles and he boped that interest would continue.
Mr. Bray proposed a comprehensive vote of thanke the Vicar for condacting the service and for the hells, to the caterers and to thase who hediamde arrangementos.-Mr. M. Walleer seconded and the president supported the voto of Linnks, to which bla Wicar suitably respanded.
A bearty vote of thanles to the president for presiding brought a very happy ruecting to a close. After some good ringitg on handbells the to 中rer was agrin wisited.

## DEDICATED ON CORONATION DAY. <br> \section*{NORTHEREPS BELLS REHONG}

The peal of five bells at Northtepps bas for some years beon in an almost nuringable condilion, hut in spite of this several riugers beve been taught on them, and attempts have been made to ring the bells for services inp to a few moathe aro. 'lhen the Rector (the Rev. Charles F. Winter) organised nal appeal, and the worls of rehanging the bells in a new steal frame, with uow fittings, fueluding canmonretainiug lieadstocks, and retuning thee peal, was entrusted to Messes. John Taylor and Co., who have carried out the work satisfactorily.
The rededication service was condncted by the Rector, following a Coronation service, on May 12 th. Yisitors motuded Mr, N. Golden, general secretary and treasurer of the Norwich Diocesan Ascociation, and Mr. W. R. Wast, of Wiveton. After the new ropes had been roplaced by used ones, cxtents of Grindsire were rung, and, following the crowning of the King, further ringing took place.
The Rector hopes to have a sixth bell insfalied by July 6th next

## LEICESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS OPENED

TRANSFORMATION OF RLNGING CHAMBER.
Tho new ring of 12 bells at Leicester Cathedral were opened on Coronation Day, together with the new electrically driven cjack and chimes. At 8 a.m., Colonel Sir Frederick Oliver performed the opening ceremony by striking the first few blows on the tener, which, by permission of H.M. the King, is insoribed 'The Coronation bell of His Majesty King George VI.'
A few rounds were rung upon the ring of 12 followed immediately by rounds upon the light eight, utilising the figt sixth bell. Afterwayds Stedman Cinques alad other melinods wero rung until 10.45. In the afleracon a peal of Stedman Cinques was suceessfully necamplishied.


## LEICESTER CATHEDRAL

The hells, which are of exceptionally fine tone, are ty the famous Loughboreugh Foundry. Hing nal ball bearings in an iron frame witll all up-to-date fittings, the "go' is excellont. The clock and chimes are by Messts. Gent nad Co., clectrical engineers, of Leicester, whose тeputation for this kind of clock is world-wide.
1r addition to new bells, clock, etc., the tali spirc of the Cathedral has heen restored and the rirging chamber transiomed from the former bam-like structure into a very pleasaut apartment. Alf the old encurnbauces have been renoved; the upper walls clenned down and colour-washed, the lower portions panelled in oak. Oak doors hinge been fitted in the north and south doorways, a new oak floor laid and oals furnitnre installed. With a rearranged lighting system the whole combine to make what, must be one of the finest ringing chambers in the combiry.
A wery regrettable feature of the opening ceremonp was the absence, through a gerions illuess, of the Provost of the Catheciral (the Very Rey. F. B. Macuutt), who was responsible for the work being done. Ho raised the necessary funds in an ineredibly short period of time. Granophove yecords of thic proceedings were taken to cmable the Prowost to hear the c:pening cevenony in his nwt home. The ringers wish him a speedy recovery.
It is hoped to arrange an 'open day' for wisiting ringers in the near future, of which notice will ibe givell in ' The Ringing World.' After having been in charge of ringing affairs at St. Marlin's Catheirrsl, Leicester, siuce the Coronation of Kiug George V., Mr. Fred Dexter has thought it time that. हomeone else should take over (Continued in next columa.)

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## AMENDED RULES ADOPTED.

A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held jointly with the Sheffield and District Society at Ramoor, Sheffeld, on Saturday, May lst, when the light peal of ten bells was made good use of by the nembers.
A meeting of the General Committee was held in the Chureln Fall during the afternoon, and a short serviee, conducted by the Rev. Adams. About 80 zat down to tea in the Church Hall-mazy moro than had sent in their names, but fortunately the Ranmoor compauy were equal to the occasion.
The general meeting was held immediately after in the same room, the president of the association (Canon C. C. Marshall) being in the clair.

The thanks of the company to the Vicar and chucehwardens for the use of the bells, to the Rev. - Adams For conducting the setwice, and to the organist for his services was voiced by the chairman and acknowledged by the Rev. - Adams in the absence of tho Vicar. Thanks to the local company for the arrangements they had made for the success of the meeting and to the ladies for waiting at tho tea tables was also masset, Mr. P. J. Johnson at the same time making some pointed remarks to those who had failed to send in their names for tea. - Mr. C. Haymes acknowledged the vote of thanks on behalf of the Ranmeor company.
It was decided to hold ilie next, general meeting at Kirleburton, near Huddersfield, on Septesnber 18th, or, failing that, at some other tower in that district.
The proposed alteratious to the rules were explained at length by Canon Marshatl, and on lis proposition, secondeci by Mr. P. J. Johnson, the alterations were carried, after discussion on two or three points.
Some animated exchanges took place during discussion on Rule $\overline{3}$, paragraph $I_{\text {, in }}$ relation to Rule 10. After it had heen proposed, seconded and carried that the meeting proceed with the next business. the following motion was tabled for the September meeting, proposed by Mr. G. Robinson and seconded by Mr. R. H. Vigor :

In view of the fact that the veveaue (yearly) account of the association continues to show a substantial credit balance, the cost of providing the teas at the anntal general meeting be met annually ont of the aforesaid focount, lo all those members who give due notice of their intention to be present, provided that the liability thereby involved cloes not exceod the sum, of 27 in any one yenr, in which case a small charge per head be made to cover the cost over and above the said amount.'
Messrs. Geofirey Kibjlewhite and Harry Barnes were elected members, and Mr. C. Metealfe, of Manstield, was elected a non-resident life nember of the association.
Mr. ©. Haylies informed the meeting that the new peal of cight at Harthill would be open to the Sheffield and District Society on May 29 th .
This concluded the busipess and further ringing took place.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. <br> CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MASTER

A quarterly meeting of the Southampton District of the Winctester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild was held at Dibden on Saturday, May 8th, when there was a fair attendance representing the following towers: Dibden, Jiling, Fawley, Bikhopstoke, North Stoueham, Ringwood, Southamplon (St, Mary's), Upham, Winchester and Wimborne, The service was conducted by the Rector of Dibden, tho Rev. G. T. Tritton, who is chairman of the district. At the business meeting after tea he congratulatod the Master of the Guild and of the Sonthampton Distrjet, Mr. George Williams, on attaining his 80th hirthday on the previous day, and, in referring to the wouderful ringing record set 12 p by Mr. Williams, recalled the fact that last August the Master's one thousandth conducted peal on tower bells was rumg at Dibden, though mforfunately the honour had since been transferred to mother tower in the Guild (Curdrige) by the elimination of a false peal.
Mr. Williams, in replying, said he hoped that he might be spared for many years to continue bis active ringing, and also the work of helping to teach others the art.

The towers of Fawley and Elling, as well as Dibden, were available during the afternoon and evening, and were made use of by the members. The methods rung ranged from Grandsire to London and Camuridge Surprise Major.

At the business meeting a cordial invitation from the new Rector of Eling ta the Guitd was conveyed by Mr. W. Pearce, the captain of Fing tewer. It was decided to accept the invitation for the summor of 1938.

## (Continusd from previous column.)

the duties In future, therefore, all correspondence in connection with the bells there should be addressed to Inspector H. J. Poole, The Wayside, Narborough Road, Leicester, or to Mr. Harry Brougheon, The Gien, Cooden Avente, Leicester, who have been appointed Ringing Master and hon, secretary respectively.

## QUEEN MARY＇S GIFT TO BELE PUND．

KING＇S BROMMEY BELLS RECAST．
The bells of King＇s Bromaley，or，to give it its older title，Bromley Regis，were first hung in the tower the year before the union of England and Scotland，an event which wels，no coubt，the first of national importance which they were called upon to celebrate．History does not record the many and varied occasions for which they have been rung，and it was deeply regretted by the inhabitants that their bells were in no fit order to be used for celabrating the Jubilee of King George $V$ ，and to be sounden in mufled ringing at lis passing． But they were jestored for the Goronation of King George and Queen Elizabetio，and made ready to take part in the national celabrations．
The sir bells have beon recast at Loughborough and now form a very handy ring，telnor weighing approximately 11 cwt ．It is interest－ ing to noto that tha onthusiasm of the people of the village was atimu－ lated by a personal gift to the bell fund from H．M．Queen Mary．
The completed work was solemnly dedicated by the Bishop of Stafford on Tuesday evening，May 4th，in the presence of a large congregation．An interesting feature to the villagers was the number of visiting riugers who were present in spite of the lateness of the hour，amongst them being Mr．W．A．Stote，of Coventry，Mr．L．Oliver， of Bridgnorth，Mr．J．H．Swinfield，of Burton，Mr．J．P．Fidler，of Loughborough，and members of the hand from Overseale，under Mr． J．W．Cotton．Ereryone expressed their pleasure at the beauky of tone and inproved＇go＇of the bells，the worl havills been carried ont in the usual thorough mamer of Messrs．Taylor and Co．

## FORMER GRIMSBY RINGER KILLED．

FATAL RESULT OF AN AGCIDENT．
It was with deep regrel that the members of the Grimsby District of the Lincoln Guid and others heard of a fatal motor－cycle accident to Mr．W．Fisher，＇Liltle Billy＇as he was affectionately known in Grimsly．Undil four years ago he was mamber of the band of Sb． Andrew＇s Churcht，where he rang his frst peal．Previous to caming to Grimsby he resided at Bigby．His father was killed in the Great War and le was bronght up undor the kindly guidance of Archdeacon and Mrs．Parry．Fe removed to Londion，where lie was doing well in his trade as a cabinet maker and had a promising career before him． On Saturday，May 1st，whilst motor－cyoling with a young lady com－ panion，he met with an accident whioh caused his death in a few hours aud injuries to his companion．
The funeral took place at Belchford on Thursday，May 6th．The last sad rites mere conductad lyy the Ven．Auchdencon Parry，presi－ dent of the Grimsby District．Mr．R．Sutton represeated the Grimsby ringers，who seut a wreatil in the form of a beli．

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD．

## DORCHESTER BRANCH ENTERTAINEO AY BDCKLAND NEWION．

In delightful spring weather tho quarterly meeting of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guitd was held at Buckland Newton on April 24 th，A party of ringers were there on the stroke of 3 o＇clock to raise tho bells in peal，assisted by Mr．J．H．Shopherd，of Swiadon， who had already taken particulars of the venor bell．He thus added another tower to lis long list，and followed with anothor later．
The Guild service was conducted by the Vicav（the Rep．F．Bitz－ patrick），and the chairman of the brinch（inte Rev．A．W．Markhy） read the lesson．
Tea was served in the Schoolroum，followed by a ahort business meeting presided over by the branch chairman，supported by tho vice－chailman（the Rov．R．R．Fhirow）．
The secretary reported that the uext quarterly meeting would tako place at Wyke Regis in July．It was Fegolved，among the practice mestiegs during the summer，to hold olle at Hilton，and thus thep forward the ringing at that tower．It was also decided to hold onc or two Thursday efternoon practice meetings．

The chairman made sympathetic reference to the sudden passing of one of their promising young chanje ringers，the late Arthur Groves，emptain of the St．Peter＇s，Dorchester，baud，and the mem－ bers stood in silence as a nark of respeotful sympathy．

One associate member was alected．
The Chairman，in proposint a compreliensive vote of thanks． thanked the Branch Ringing Mastor，Mr．P．Field，for the kind lospitality that alternoon in providing，in co－oparation with his mother，tho excellent tea they had enjoyed．This was received with： acclamation．Thunks were aiso accorded to the Vicar for falcing the service and uso of the bells，and to Mr．M．E．Blessley，to whom great credit was due for all the local arrangemonts．
The following towers were represented at the meeting：Bradford Peverell，Buckiand Newton，St．Peter＇s，Dorchester，Fast Lulworth， Preston，Stratton，Upwey，Wyke Regis，Warelam，Lytehett Matrovers， Shooton，Iwerne Courtney，Thornford，Sherborne Abbey，Longburton and Lydlinch．There ware welcome visitors from Swindon and Cook－ ham，Berks，making e total of over 50 members and friends present during the afternoon and evening．The methods rung were Grandsire， Plain Boh and St．Dunstan＇s Donbles，Plain Bob，Double Oxford and Oxford Bob Minor．

MERE，WILTS．－On Sunday evening，May 2ne，a quatter－peal of Grandsire Triples：V．Hill 1，G．Goward 2，J．Paul 3，I．Gray（con－ ductor）4，G．Bunce 5，W．Keats 6，E．Coward 7，H．Jordan 8．First quarter－peal for ringers of 1,2 and 8 ，also as conductor．

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## BELERY GOSSIP.

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Mr. T. H. Taffender (Masler of the London County Association) has been decorated with the King's Coronation Medal for his services in the Post Olfice.
We regret to record the death of an old Sussex ringer, Mr. George Walder, of Buluey, who died on May 7h at the advanced age of 81 Fears.
The death occurred on Coronation Duy of the Rev. John Freeman Russell, Dean of Oricl College, Oxford. He was 39 years of age.

When a student at Pembroke College he learned to rimg, and since his veturu to the distriet he has frequently rung both with the University and Oxford City ringeys, by whom his early death is much regretted.
It musi be rather unusual for a ringer to ring a peal of Suparlative Surprise Royal before ringing a peal of Superlative Surprise Major, but, beving rung the Royal some tima ago, Mr. F. F. Darby, of Beddington, has just rung his first in the mathod on eight bells.
Tha golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Kerley was celebrated at Aberdare by a peal of Grandsire Triples. Mr. Kerley was a ringer for 22 years before the war. The peal in honour of the golden wedding was conducted by his son.
The peal rung at Cockingtan, Devon, ou April 23 rd, should be credited to the Devon Guild.
The Coramation peal of Stedman Triples at Marlow, Bucks, Iast Saturday was the first peal on the bells for a periot of 33 yetrs. Now that the ice has been broken it is to be hoped that such a lang period will not be allowed to lapse before tho next peal is recorded.
The first peai of Rochester Surprise Roval was rung at St. Mary-leTower, Ipswich, on Saturdny. F. J. Swith, who was a member of the baud, has ruug the method on 8,10 and 12 bells, being the first to gain such a distinction.
Mr. J. H. Oheesman, the noted North Kent ringer, added another link to his record on May 13 th when he rang his 100th peal of Cambridge Su:prise Major at St: Joln the Baptist Church, Erith.

## IN RURAL MIDDLFSEX.

MDDEESEX ASEOCIATION'S UNUSDAL TRIP.
The recont notice of a meeting of the Middlesex County Association at Bodfont, Stawell and Harmondsworth, optimistically referred to 'buses from Founslow.' The completo absence of such apparentily kept the freybcards at lome, and we now report the May run of "the South aud West District Oycle Club." "Tis true there were two hikers, but the rest were all oyelists. There were big, little, heavy, light, old and new cycles of overy description with handlebars of wonderful design! Thete were also two pairs of braw knees on view.

Rev. G. H. Bradley, Vicar of Bedfont, welcomed members to his tower, and expressed his pleasure at their visit. And so ta the bells, a tuneful riag of six (when heavd at a distance!). There is the story of the village tdiot who, when asked why lic was clouting his own head, replicd that it mas go niee when he left of. Such is the din in the ringing chamber nt. Fedfont that one has a somewhat similar foelize when the bells are sed up:
At Starwell, Rev. E. F. Gastar grected the party, and remained with them throughout their visit. It was refreshing to meet a clerie so genuinely interested in ringing and ringers. He presided ower the tea, and later, in his stutly, presented the secretary with a guinea towards the associstion funds. The [ive bells proved more dificult than many expected. The boginner is tald to hold his bell up more when hunting up and the veverse when coming to lead. The lower the number of bells, the more marked the difference. If eight-bell ringers would bear this elementary rule in mind, their attempts at five and six-bell ringing woald be mare successfull Stanwell teaor was cast in 1766 . On the belfry wall are details of a record peal of two hours,' in which two men rang the tenor! No doubt a notable achievement in local history.
The last town, Harmondsworth, presented no diffeulties. A nice handy ring of six, they were rung to various methods, inclnding Cambridge Surprise.
From the top of the tower, a vast mound of gigantic stones conld be seen set in $\Omega$ feld. It wns tlie remains of FWaterloo Bridge, and not a pyramid in course of erection, as first suspected! Certainly an odd sight in a district chiefy agricultural.

And so to a final impression, the 'club' spinaing along the homeward round in orderly formation. An enjoyable meeting, notable for its friendly atmosphere.

The nexi meeting will be held at Sunbury on June 12th.

## MR. F. WHITE'S 200 PEALS.

Mr. F. White, of Cranbrook, Kent, frag his 200th peal on Saturday, April 24th. His total is made up of: Grandsire Triples 5, Caters 5 , Stedman Triples 41 ( 2 in hand on 7-8), Gaters 7, Giuques 1, Plain Fob Major 4, Rogal 2, Maximus 1, Kent. Treble Bob Major 8, Royal 10, Maximus 1, Oxford Treble Bob Royal I, Spliced Treble Bob Major 1, Royal 1, Double Norwich Major 22, Cambridge Surprise Major 18 (ono New Cambridge), Royal 2, Superlative 47 (conducted 2), Londion 9, Bristol 6 (including 12,160), Norfolk 3 , Forkshire 3 , Jititle Bob Maximus 1, Canterbury Pleanme Maximus 1, total 200. Fung in 80 towers, in 17 counties, with 360 different ringers.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## TUESDAY'S MEETING AT CANTERBURY.

## President Electad an Honorary Member.

The second session of the sixteenth Council, the 45 thannaal meeting as held in the Chapter House at Ganterbury Catbedral on Tuesday There were prosent 83 representiative members and 12 honorary members, 51 representative and four honorary members being absent. Of the 50 affiliated societies, 19 associations were fully represented, 20 partially represented and 11 were urcepresented.

The chair was occupied by the president (Mr. E. H. Lewis), who is a representative member of the Cambrituge University Guild, but the aliliation fee of the Guild not having been paid, under the rules Mr. Lowis was debarred from speaking on roting. The situation was met by olecting him an hononary momber.
Before the meotiug opened, however, the President said that, had his engagements permitted, the Archbishop of Canterbury would have been present to welconse then, but he lagd had to return to London Fortunately, they hed someone else to welcome them to the county of Kent and the city of Canterbury in the person of an old member of the Council, who was for many years secretary of the Kent County Associatian-Canon Helmore (applause).
Oanon Helmore, who is now considerably over 80 year's of age, was received with renewed applatuse. He welcomed the Geuncil to the Cathedral, the city wad tho county. He wished the Council success in their deliberations and hoped the result of their meeting would be the progress of the Council and the cause they had at heart. He added that he used to be a member of the Council, but that was a thing of the pest.
The hon. secretary (Mr. G. W. Fletcher) reported as to the constitution of the Comel, which eonsisted of 50 affliated associations, ontitled to 138 nembers, of whom 135 had heen elected, and 15 hon. members. He added that the subscyptions of the Durliam and Newcastle, the Norll Notts, the North Wales and the Cambridge University Guild had not been paid.
The dificult situation in which the president was thus placed wrs filmounted by Mr. A. Paddon Smith immediately proposing the clection of the president as an honorary member
M1', S. H. Wood seconded, and, as a member of Cambridge University Guild, expressed regret for the omission which had produced the rathor unfortumate siluation.
The motion was carried witu applane.
MTSGAGE FROM THE KING.
The following message of loyalty and congratulation to the King $s$ passed by the members standing:-
'The memberk of the Geutral Council of Church Bellringers, who represent 21,000 change ringers, assembled for their annual meeting in the Chapter House, Canterbury Cathedral, wish to repeat to your Majesty the message of cong'atulation and loyalty which rang out last Wednesday from the church towers of the counsiy. - Edwin $\mathbf{H}$. Lewis, President.
During the afternoon the following reply was received from Bucking ham Paince:-

Presideut, Central Council of Churel Bell Ringers
The King is much gratified to receive your message of congratulations on the occasion of His Majesty's Coronation. I am desired to express his warm thanks to all who joined in these good wishes. rwate Secrotary
After the reading of the message the members joined in singing the Natfonal inthem.
The [ollowing retiring hefi. members were re-elected: Rev. H. S. T. Riclavelson, Nessss. A. A. Hngles, J. C. S. Tumer and S. F. Wood. After the presentation of new members to the president and the eading of a long list of spolosies for absence, reference was made by the president, to the members nud past members who had died during ithe year, and the Comeil stood for a few moments in silence as a marlh of respect to the momory of tioe departed.

## GLOSSARY TO BE GIVEN AWAY.

The report of the hon. librariar referted to the adiditions made urizg the year to the library alad asked for instructions as to the isposal of 962 copies of the 'Glossary' much of which was ont of date. It also called attention to the fact that the following books
were exhansted: "Rules and Decisions of the Council, t Model $R \mathrm{Mules}$ for a Local Company' and "Preservation of Bells.' The two latter' are in demand.
The Coumeil ariopted the report and decided to distribute the copies of the Glossary to ansociations free of charge, on payment of earriage, and to reprint ' Model Rules' and 'Preservation of Bells.'. They also decided to reprint 'Hints for Instructors and Beginners' if necessary. Thanks were nccorded to the donors of books to the library.
The statement of accounts showed that the receipte, which amounted to 551 185. 5x., included e50 15s. Fuom aftiation fees for $1936-7$ and 10 s . in nrears for $1935-6$, fil 10 s . from hour members subscriptious, 5 from interest on stock and £14 3s. 5d. from sales of publications. The expenditure amonnted to e15 3s. Id., leaving a balance on the general account of $£ 10511 \mathrm{~s}$. 7 d ., compared with $£ 68 \mathrm{CB}$. 3 d . ]ast year. The accounts were adopted.

## A METHODS REGTSTER

The Methods Committee, in their report, pointed ont that they had in working order a scheme hy which all methods can be tabulated and indexed, and any information regarding them can be obtained in a
very fow minutes, The assistance of the Conncil was asked in making it operative. Several thousands of Surprise methods are urailable, and any information respoctiny them will readily bo given to nay ringer or band asking for it.

The report went on to deal with the question of claims to methods by those who work them out. These men, the commitice said, had a right to claim diat they had composed the mothods but the ciaim to ownerslip and exclusive rights had fajled. That, howevel; did not diminish the eredit which rightly luelongs to those nmen who have mado so many pood methods available for the Exercise

The following recammendation of tho commititee, as well as the report, was adopled.
"That In order to assist the Council in Keeping up to dater a Registor of Methods which have been rung the secrevaries of affiated associations be assed to forward to the Council the Figutes of ary method rung for the first time, and the composition, together with particularg of the first performame.

## ANTI-NOLSE LEAGUE LEAFLETS

The Towars and Belfies Committee in their report said that tho committer had riven adviee in some dozen cases. In several af the towers advice was asked about mudification of sound near the churul. Since the last meeting of the Council the Auti-Noise Leagute had priated a pamphlet on the subject. The commitee thought, it desirable to co-operate with the Anti-Noise Leagus as far as possible, and, after reviewing the pamphlet, decided to send copies to all Archdeacons with a covering leitor recommenditg it to flicir seriouts consideration.

WELDING USELESS TOR ORAGKED SOUND BOWE.
In moving the adoption of the report, the President gave an inderesting dissertation upon the welding of bells. As the resulb of what ho had seen in the case of a boll welded, which had uracked again, he expressed tile opinion that it was useless to wehd a bell evacked at the sound bow. Mr. Lewis explained the scientific difficulties iu the way of successful, welding.
Fee also gave some important details as to the effect upon weak towers of the lowering of bells in peal, and, reforring to the receat case of the refusal of a faculty at thetford, reminded the Council of the importance of the various associations liaving someone on the Dioecsan Advisery Committees wherever possible.
Discussion took place, and on the president's suggestion a resolution was passed to obtain from the affiliated associations information as to what was happening in the dioceses, so that they miglat Inow which associntions liad representatives on the cliocesan advisory bonrds and which hod wot. When they had that information, the President snid, they could consider what further action could be taken.

A diselssion next followed as to the insurance of pingers, which elicited the information that the Ecclesiastical Jnsumane Company was prepared to insure against accidents to ringers (whetlier paid or voluntary) in the belfy and in going to and from ringing, at the rate of one slilling per zinger per annum, with it miniontim of ter sliilijugs.
It was resolved to make a donation of one guiner to the Anti-Noise League in recognition of the gift to the Council of the leaflets gent ont to the Arclidencons, and to keep the Council in touch with the League's activities.
The report of the hiterature, Press and Broadeasting Committee reviewed the treatment of ribging lyy the Press, innd referred to tho principal events in broadcasting in which bells lad figured. -The report was añopled.

## COI LECTING INEORMATION.

In the report of the Peal Boards Commilteo if was stated that many intmasting records had been received, including a complete list of 48 peras rung by the Sociely of Sherwoot Youths, whicl was established in 1672. Many records had been sent without tile names of the performers. The committee asked the Council's opinion whether the mames of the performers should be obtained and recorded, and it was decided that the fullest information should be obtained and recorded.
The Biograplies Committee reported that only slightly over half the number of forms sent out liad been refurmed, and asked those who had the remainder in their hands to send them in at an early date. Permission was asked to spend up to three guincas for the necessary albums, and also to incur expenditure in having certain plotograplis copied that were at preseat only ou losn.
The report was adopted, together with a suggestion by the Stand int Commilite that the Biographies Commitiee be empowered to lave all the necessary photographs copiod to bring them to $a$ uniforra size. The committee wers also authorised to olntain biographical details and photograplis from present nembers of the Council, for future use, the committea having expressed the opinion that this course would save much trouble in the future.
A report, arising out of last year's discussion on the stibject of increasing the circulation of 'The Ringing World,' said tlat the request to members of the Gouncil and secretaries of affliated sacieties for suggestions had an extrensely disappointing result, and it was resolved to give a further opport tinity for suggestions to be sent in,
The president presented a report upon the question of muffled ringing, which was approved in general outline, and when further information as to local customs has been obtaned it will be submitted to the authorities of the church for their approval.
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## CORONATION JOY BELLS.

## HOW RINGERS CELEBRATED THE GREAT EVENT.

## News from All Parts of the Country.

Everywhere throughout the country, from the tower of Westminster Abbey itself to the tiniest viliage church, the bells celebrated the Coronation of King George VI. and his Queen. A large number of peals were rung, many were attempted but lost, but in the vast majority of places the ringers were content wilh shorter lengths. We print to-day many interesting details with regard to Coronation Day ringing
The peal records, elsewhere, begin with the achievement al Westminster Abbey, where, after the King and Queen had left, a peal of Stedinan Triples was rung-

Listeners throughout the world heard over the ether the ribging of the befls at St. Margaree's, Westminster, as their Majesties approached the Abbey, and at the climax of the wonderful service, when the King was crowied, the "firing' of the bells of the Abbey. Then, after the coremony and before the peai began, the bells were 'fred' 42 tinestha King's nge separaterl by the Queen's change, as a salute for Her Majesty
A peal was lueran immediately after the Abbey service at st Clement Dancs in the Strand and succesfully completed, as recorded elsewher
It had been hoped to attempt a peal at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, but a stand erected on the roof of the church made continuous ringing for this leugth of time impossible. However, the Cumberland Youths tang touches of Stedman Cinques and a course of Cambridge Surprise Maximus during the aftemon, in which the following members tuok part : ML's. G. II. Cross, Miss J. phompson, G. Radlev, J. H. Cheesman, H. Hovard, F. E. Audsley, H. Parkes, F. J. Cullum, न. Bailey, T. Nemman, N. Summerhayes, G. W. Steere, W. J. Nudds and G. H: Cross.

Ringing took plate also at many of the Londou chturches. The peal athempl. at St. Itan's Cabhedral had to be postponcd wntil Saturday, when, however, it was unfortunately lost after two and a guarter hours' excellent ribsing-

## A DATE TOUCH.

At St. Leonard's Clurch Padinem, Lancs, on Coronation Day, a dato Loucli of Bob Major ( 1,937 clamges) : R. Taylor 1, A. Parkinson 2, I. Woods 3, G. Ainsworth 4, H. Biskharn 5, K. Warmison 6, J. Wade 7, 18. Parkinson (conductor) 8. Lougest lengll by all except ringers of 3, 4 and 8. Longest lengti as ronductor, All are service ringers at St. Leonuri's Ghurch.

At Kingtor Magna, Dorset the bells were runy at intervals from 5.30 a.m. to 10 p.m. and 'fired ' as a bonfire was lit at nightrall

The festivities nt Guildford conchuded with revelries in the High Street, us the signal for the starting of which, at, 11 p .m., the beils of the Cablinedral were rung at the request of the Mayor.

At Yatelog, Hants, a quarber-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. Heermon 1, W. G. Bunch 2, A. Fenrmon 3, D. Bunch 4, S. Bunch 5, A. Gooda! 6, G. Butler (conductor) 7, F. Buncla 8.
At New Arrosford, Ianls, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Danbles, with 7.6 .8 behind: J. Buniface 1 , F. Shaw 2, C. White 3, L. Tremeer 4, H. Newnham (conductor' 5, W. Smith 6, W. Wearieg 7, G. Allen 8 . First, quarter-peal by all excepting the conductor
ar beation, Grandsire Triples ring by the following local band: Avthur ison (first quarter-pcal) 1 , F. If. Ramdall 2, A. W. Long (first quarter-peal) 3, E. Fnticknap 4, G. Cliverton 5, FL. \&umerdon 6, W. C. smith (conductor) 7, Ft. Fore maje 8.
At, Hayes, Kent, 720 Bob Minor: W. Lyddind 1, J. Lyddind 2, A. Purdom 3, Miss Oukshett. 4, F. Keech 5, M. F. Oakshett (Girst 7e0 as conductor') 6.

## HELLS OPEA OFFICTAE PROGRAMME

Ithe oficial progimmme at Cirencester, Glos., was opened by a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1, 259 changes) nt the Parish Church H. S. Pursons 1, H. I. Cooke 2, T. J. Lewis sen. (canductor) 3, F. J. Lewis, jur 4, J, C. Eder 5, W. G. Cook 6, E, C. Boud 7, A. Mainter B, W. II. Haywart $9, F$ F. Bloxlam 10, and was followed by a royal salate ' of 21 shots. F. J. Lewis, jun., has now rung a duarter-peal on each of the 10 bells.
At St, Lithe's Churel, Bromley Common, Kent, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Lydiard 1, Miss Oakshett 2, A. Purdom 3 , M. T. Oakshelt 4, F. E. Pitman 5, E. Mounter 6, T. Lyddiard T, P. Whiteheat (first quavier-peal) 8 .
For the special Coronation 'dedications service on May 8 th at Hreglescote, Laicestershire, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: $G$. Hudfeld 1. ©. Waiker 2, W. Johnson 3, T. ㅌ. Dean (conductor) 4, H Moult 5, J. Tovell 6, H. O. Over 7, T. Aldread 8.

At Watford, tine Wratford Society rang the first peal of Watford Surprise Major. What for? did someberly ask? Why the Coronation, Silprise M
of course.

At Woolwich (St. Mary's) Yarish Oburch for Corouation service all Sunday, May 9th, a quarter-peal of Grandsige Triples: P. S, Davis 1, D. M. Sharp 2, A. J. Hopper 3, E. Mackinder 4, F. Johnson 5, A. S. Richards 6, B. W. Aldridge (conductor') 7, S. MeCabe 8.
Atst. Mary's, Nottinghaw, for Coronation Day Communion service, 1,260 Stedman Triples: H. l'arfrement 1, H. Clemence 2, F. A. Salter 3. W. Nichols 4, F. Blood 5, J. A. Parratt 6, F. Bradiey (conductor) 7, B. Marshall 8.

At Stalybridge, Cheshire, \& querter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Robert Crawshaw 1, Walter Schafield 2, George Crowdy 3, James Jucksolı 4, Frank Hodge (conductor) 5, Herbert Davenport 6, Harr'y Saxou 7 Tom BroadGent 8.
At St, Mary's, Woodford, Fssex, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples after the evening Corouation service: B. Weaver 1, H. Corngy 2, F. Corney 3, A. Moyack (first quarter "iuside ') 4, 5. Webb 5, C. Mogs 6, E. Holman (cenductor) 7, W, Morley 8. It was also a birthday compliment to the rimger of the 2nt.

Ringing at Spalding Parish Cuarch commenced at 7 a.m., when 504 Stedman Triples was rung : A. J. Farr 1, J. T. Brown 2, N. Holliugwortil 3, Ih. Smith 4, W. Hollingworth 5 , T. Wootten B, J. G. Ames (conductor) 7, Raymond Sinith 8. After this a salute of 41 "shots " was fied on the bells, then followed another 504 of Triples With G. W. Ains in the phase of Fting short for a peal attempt of Bob Major at Lon mstanton, Cambs, 720 Cumbridge Surprise Minor and 720 Eolldon Surprise Minor were rung by F. G. Glawas, G. Crisp, B. Wayman, R. St. J. Smith, H. Martir, T, $\mathbb{R}$. Dennis and E. G. Hibbins.

THREE THEEDS.
Mr. J. Gould has rung at Heubury, Gloucestershire, for threo coronations, three royal funerals and threo jubilees. He conducted a quarter-peal of Grandsire T'riples on Coronation Day: A. J. Filbar $1_{3}$ Mrs. J. Gould 2, T. Harris 3, C. Gould 4, H. Baugley 5, H, Bromfeld 6, J. Gauld 7, T. Lewis 8.
Three firsts' were included in the quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples Mung at Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastirys: E. J. Levett 1, N. S. Palmer 2, ${ }^{\text {F G. Broome 3. S. May 4, L. Giles 5, NJ. E. Pennells 6, }}$ C. A. Levett (conduchor') 7, J. Downing 8. * Pirst quarter-pesi.

At Billinghorongh, Lines, $n$ quarter-peal of Minor, consisting of a 720 of Enigle Court and al 540 of Bob Minor: A. Ginterns 1, T. T. Allen (couductor) 2, G. Creasey (first qualter-pral) 3, L, Wilson 4, F. Carford 5, G. S. Collishaw 6. The band made an unsuccessful attempt for a Coronation peal on Soturday, May 8th, breaking down in the fifth 720 .
Mr. Alfied Bcwell, of Ipswichy wha also took part in the ringing for wo merious Coronations, vang in a touch of 240 Oxford Treble Boby St. Clement's, Ipswich, after the following lad rung 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Fuederick Bowell (conductor) 1, David Brunaing 2, Victar E. Waters 3, Willinm Prime 4, Ed. C. Simpson 5, Ernest C. Kimm 6.
Thurstans" quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was ring in the morning at Ohrist Clurch, Sonthgate, Middlesex: Mrs. E. Fi. King 1, Mus. N. A Tomlinson 2, W.J. Bowdeu 3, J. E. Miller 4, H. Willer 5, J. G. Masla 6, S. Wade (conductor) 7, F. Miller 8 .

At Tunstall, Kent, a guarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by Miss Froda Hollands 1, G. JI. Spice 2, W. Spice, juth. 3, Mys. G. HI. Spico 4 G. Wehb 5, Jw Webb 6, W. Spice, sen. (conductor) 7, NJohn Spice 8. * First quarter-peal and first attempt. Also a $720^{\prime}$ of Bob Minor Miss $\mathrm{F}^{\mathrm{F}}$. Hollands 1, John Spice 2, Mis. G. H. Spice 3, J. Webh A, G. H. Sjpice 5, W. Spice, sen. (conduetor) 6. First 720 by Master Johu Spice.

## A RECORD.

"Teddy' Barnett, of Crayford, has made another record, and ane which will probably stand for a long while. He is only eighteen years of age, but tho Coronation peal which he conducted was his one hundredth peal in lis own tower, and is the third generation of his family to reach this number, for bath his father and grandfather surpassed this number at Crayford.
4t SS. Peter fnd Paul's Church, Farningham, Kent, a quarter-jpal of Grandsire Donbles: G. Mills $1, ~ \Gamma$. Mason $\mathcal{Z}_{1}$ W. Wingate 3 , J Coucliman 4, A. Bates (conductor) 5, B. Garman 6.
At Rotllerfield, Sussex, a quiriter-pal of Bob Triples by members of the locai company : A. Lovoll 1, J. Hack 2, R. Mitchell 3, A T. Lewry 4, F. Fammond 5, B. Bishop, sen. 6, O. Brasier (conductory 7 H. Hinsor 8 .

A band who only started mothod ringing in October last year rang a guarter-peal of Crancisire Doubles at Longparish. Hants. It was their first quarter-meal and first aftempt. They are all Sunday servico ringers: G. Brown 1, F. Tonge 2, A, Boudall 3, A. Turton 4, L. Trickey 5. F. Sully 6. The condncting was shared by A. Bondall and L. Trickey. An attempt for a peat on the following evening failed in the 20th extent.

At Lyaiard Millinent, Wiltr, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Douhies (1,200 changes) in 43 minutes: Denuis Brewer (aged 11) 1. A. Lawrence iaged 82 , 2, A. H. Strange 3, R. Shailes 4, W. B. Kynasten (con(uctort) 5, A. J. Gongh 6.

At Gringby, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Tuiples: Haydn Hadwick 1, George Suell 2, Arthur Swain 3 , J. Benjanin Budd 4, Frederich Overton 5, Charles W. Taylor (conductor') 6, Stephen Blomfield 7 Charles Keunimptou 8.
Six ringers rang their first quarter-peal of Bob Major at Toscazd, Cheshire, when 1,280 Bob Major was hrought round: Hugh Roberts I, Robert Lear 2, Douglas Watson, jum. 3, d. Norman Benson 4, David Hughes 5, George Ledsham 6, Lester L. Gray 7, Frank Varty (conAhetor) 8 . First quarter of Bob Major for ringers of $1,2,3,4,6$ aud 8 . A quarter-peal of Loncon Surprise Minor ( 1,272 changes) was rung at Limpsfeld Ghart, Surcy : Frederick G. Budgen 1 , James W. Kairht 2, F. F. Fyiton Tidy 3, Fimard E. Tjdy 4, Jom O. Weller 5, Leonard A. Tidy (conductar) 6 .

A quarter-pual of Stedman Triples was rung at Aglaford, Keut: Mrs. Q. W. Everett 1, T. Tabrert 2, J. Parsons $3, H$. C. Castle 4, Swaffer 5, P. 毛age 6, C. W. Everebt (conductar) 7, D. Godden 8.
 W. H. Stevens 1, W, F. Ellingham 2, F. G. Chandler 3, W. Morris 4, W. Sparrow $5, A$ Jones 6, C. S. Bird (condentor) 7, H. G. Cooper 8. Members of the Heston band also assisted at Feltham nud Hounslow earlier in the day.

After au unsuccessful attempt for a peal ot St. Mary Masdalene's Church, Followay, a quarter-peal ol Giandsire Triples: $H$. Brown $1_{\text {, }}$ Miss Dixon 2, R. Newman 3, R, Ohmrge 4, C. Charge 5, M. Fensom 6, A. Turner (conductor) 7, A. Johnson 8 .

## HARD LUCK FOR BOURNEMOUTH RINGERS.

Tho St. John's, Bournemouth, ringers had hard luck with a peal of Stedran ririples. Afler three hour's' excellent tingurg, the beils just "piled up' witis only a few minutes to go. The band wish to cougratulate the tenornan, Mr. F. I ongman (who is in his TRud wear), on his steady ringing throughout the peal.
A 720 of Boly Minor was rung at Willingham, Lines: W. Roberts 1, H. Mimgham 2, P. A. Eunn 3, N. B. Thurlay 4, F. Scrimshaw 5, George L. A. Lunn (conductor) 6 .
Four lacal ringers at Lea, Lincs, took part in a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doulles: Miss IK. M. Smith (first quarter-pogi) 1 George L. A. Lun (conductor) 2, Miss E. Marshall 3, F. Dinon 4, P. A. Lunn 5, George MF. Hudson 6. The local ringers were those on Nos. $1,2,5$ and 6.
At Stretford, Jancs, a quinter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,284 cluanges): F. J. Steele 1. W. Birchall 2, C. W. Dirchall $3, T$. Birchall 4, H. Bircliall 5, C. N. Birchall 6, IL. Chapman 7, W. J. Moss (coneductor) 8 . Also during the day the bells were 'fired,' and 'Quenn's' and 'Whittington' dhanges rung, Messrs, W. Wigglesworth and T. Alelcroft taking part.
At Wooinum, Bucks, $a$ quarter-peni of Gmandsire Doubles, witl 1.2 leading an! tenor covering: IL. Burtou (first quarter-peal) I, R. Baleer (first quarter-peal) 2, S. Buton (firsi quarier-peal) 3, A. Martin 4, T. Burton (firs quarter-peal as conductor) 5, 1 . Hinton $6, B$. Collet 7 , r . Jones (first quarter-peal) 8 .

Three quarter-peals were rung on Caranation Day at Netherton, Worestershise, a quarter-peal of Erin Triples (camposed and conducted by Alfied Davies), a quarter-penl of SEedıan Triples and a quarter-peal of Grandsine Triples ( 1,260 clunges), both contucted by Alfred Davies. The ringerg were John W. Smith 1, Stanley Prestidgo 2, Henry Hill 3, Fred Boote 4, William Davies 5, Henry Hubball 6, Alfred Davies 7, Joseph H. Davies 8 .
At St. Mary's, Newmarikt, a quarter-peal of Bob Mimor: Ir. is. Holps 1, R. Heath 2, S. Wart 3, S. Howlett 4, R. C. Sharpe 5, A. E. Anstin (coDductor) 6 , and ali All Sanns', Newnarket, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor with 6.8 covering: S. Ward 1, S. Howlett 2, R. Heatil 3, A. T. Austin (conduetor) 4, F. E. Helps 5, F. C. Turner 6, IR. C. Sharpe
I. Beale 8 .

## MR. JAMES GEORGE COMES BACK.

It scems very fitting that on Coronation Day Mr. James George, Who, by the way, is in his 84th year, should renew his peal rivging activities after an absence of 13 months. On Wednesday lie rang the 7th at Thurcaston to 8 yeal of Stedman Triples. Ho has lost none of the knack of putting is bell in its place, and to ring a five thousancl " of Stedman without a single mistake is truly a remarkable performance, even for such an octogenarian.
A flrst quarter by all the band, who are Sunday service cingers, wns seored at Tieknall, Derbyshire, on Coronation Day, 1,260 changes of Grandsire Dorbles was rung by W. Soav I, J. Huse 2, G. Hill 3, Coronarion Day ringing at Sit Masenret's Chumard 6 . sisted of a quarter-peal of Gitnudsire Triples: Miss $\bar{Y}$. Gooper 1, Miss E. Bedford 2, G. Gutieridge 3, A. Bray 4, B. Marson (finst inside ${ }^{\text {y }} 5$ F. Corke (conductor) 6, G. Nicholls 7, J. Chitcs 8.

After a peal attempt failed at Thatcham, Berks, on Saturday, May 15th. A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung by T. Fisher 1 ,
 Fowler 6, F. W. Rex (conchetor' 7. C. Thlling 8 .
Ino twelwe-year-ole ringers achieved their longest lengths on Coronation Dey. Enid Richardson, of Surfeet, daughter of tha Master of Limcoln Dianesan Guild, rang her first quarter-peal, and to fald to the distinction it wes conducted by her mother-Mrs, Richardson's first quarter-pen] as conductor. Unfortunately, his recent accident provented 'daddy" taking part as well.

An outstanding performance was that at Wigston Magra, Leicestershinc, where a peal of Spliced Surpriso Majol in seven methods, with a chnage of method af every lend, cxcept three, when a Beforo was called, was rung. dud its merit was enlanced by the fact that all the band are Gunday servica vingors at the church, and that it was the lirst 'spliced "peal by all the band.
The Sunday service bnad at St. Mary's Cathedral, Glasgow, Tid well in scoring the first peal of Grandsirg Caters for the Scottish Association. Only two of the ringers, tho conductor (Mr. Wi. I. Piekedt) and Mr. R. O. Stred (of Cambridge Univewily Guild) Had previously tunt a peal of Grandsire Gaters.

Five of tho lells at St. Edburgha's Church, Fardey, Birminglna, havo rung for ho fewer than twolvo Coromations, for they date back to the early part of the 17 th century. The present peal of six was completed by the addilion of a treble to commemorate the Coronation of King Edward VII. in 1902. On Wadnesday, $\pi$ quarter-penl of Grandsire Doubles was rung on them by Courad Plillips 1, Roland Edwands 2, Albert IT. Scrivens 3, George F. Tnylor (canductor) 4, William Mullock 5 , John Lindon 6 .
Ali the ringers who took mart in the pent of Stedman Cinques at Wasall are Sunday Service ringers at St. Matthew's Church, and at Stourbridge, Worcestersthre, a local band raug a peal of Grandsire
Triples. Triples.

## GELEBRATIONS IN FIVE REIGNS

At the Parish Church, Brighouse, for 9.30 a.m. service, the local yingers, assisted by a recruit from Stainland, rang 720 Kent Treblo Bob Minor, after which the bells wele 'fired' 41 times in royal salute: Jack Whitely 1, Arthur Finelseiffe 2, George Drake 3, Oyril F. Sudeliffe 4, James Palman 5, W. E. Holroyd (conductor) 6. Thle ringer of the 3 rd has now rung for celebrations in five reigns.
Two ringers, A. White and E. Rodenhurst, who rang in tho tower at Stanton-ou-Hine-Heath Salop, for the Coronation of King George V. on Tune 22nd, 1911, rang last Wednesday for the Coronation of King George VI. For the Coronation service, 960 Granelsive Doubles: J. Bayley 1, A. White 2, A. Bayley 3, A. Jones 4, E. Rorlenliuret (conductor) 5, F. Davies á.
The peat at East Msley, Berks, on May 5th, was Specially arranged as a prelude to the Caronation festivities in the villuga.
The Coronation was celebroted at Marple, Oheshire, by the firsti peal on the bells by an entirely local band-a peal in two methods of Doubles. Two of tho ringers, including a lady, rang thoir tiost peal at the fixst adtempt, and two others, including tho lady's husbund, their lirst peal away from the treble. It was also Mr. $\Lambda$. Whiting's first peal as conductor.

Another good performance was et Kirkby-in-Furness, where five of the local band mang their first peal at the first attempt. The conductor was Mr. N. M. Newby, the distriet sencetary of the Lancashire Associention.
At Whitele-Ie-Woods, Laucs, a peai of Jent Treblo Bob Major was mang. The ringers dehed superstilion aud rang Mr. Arthur Knight's composition No. 13 . It was a 5,088 , veduced from 7,360 , and was rung for the first time. Nothing untoward happened, so the superstition hat another blow.

## SO NEAR AND XET SO FAR.

The peal of Stedmau Triples, rung nt Daptroite Cor the Goronat tion, had only just been completed, and the betis were being lowned in peal, when an ominous thump overhead announced tho fact that the tenor ciappen had broken off short below the staple.
Twin sisters and win broblers took part in a peal of Bob Major at Sutton-on-Trent on Coronation morning. The Misces Kall and Grace Burchmall, who have rung over is lutidred peals together and never onc apart, rang the hreblo and 2nd, and Jack and Thonas Vessey, who were making their first attempt for an eirghthell peal, rang the 3rd and 4th. And they got up early to do so, for 'Go' was called at exactiy 6 a.m.
This peal was called by Clifford Vessey, another brother, who later conducted the quickest penl rung at Barnby-in-the-Willows, Notits, where the tenor is only $6 \frac{1}{2}$ owt. This whs in saven methods, and oecupied only 2 lirs. 24 mins. And yet another member of the family participated, for Miss Dorothy Vessey rang the 4 thl.
The bolls of St. Hilda's Church, South Shields, wero rubg for a few minutes following the retual crowning of the King in Westminster Abhey. T'lie hells Lhad also been rung from 6.30 to 7 o'clock ith the morning, and after the broalcast of the Abbey service 2,160 Bob Minor was rung: R. Keddie 1, 'T. F. Preston 2, S. Patterson 3, C. Lea 4, H. Lea 5, W. Robson (conductor') S. This is a comparatively new band, it was the langest length by any of them except tho conduetor

The quarter-peal (I,344 Boh Major) was rung by Miss Enin M. Richardson 1, C. Dobney 2, J. W. Carter 3, J. W. Flowers 4, C. C. Rawding 5, E. T. King 6, N. T. King 7, Mrs. F. Richardson (first quarter-peal as conductor') 8 .
Tho obher youlg rillger was F. Perrom, of Brampford Spoke, Dewon, who seored his fut 720 , when ho rang the troble to an ex-
tent of Bob Minor, the band heing F. Perram I, w. J. Baker 2, W. J. Andrews 3, W. H. Key 4. IT. J. Rowe 5, Rev. E. F. Cox (condhetor) 6.

The first peal on the bells at St. Mark's Church, Bath, was rung on Coronation Day, and by a band all attached to the church.
[11 a peal of Doubles, with $4-6-8$ covering, at Sunbury-on-Thames, fuur of the band rang their first, peal at the first attempt, and another rang his first peal "inside.

For the broadcast Coronation service, in the Parish Church of St. Martin, Tipton, Staff, a guarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. Williams 1, N. Leech 2, B. Windsor 3, G. Fughes 4, R. Morton 5, A. Rowley (conductor) 6, C. Winwood 7, G. Morton 8.
The first 720 of Double Oxford by all but one of the ringers was 1untr at Bergli Apton, Norfolk: A. Boggis 1, [. Jermy 2, R. Werman 3, H. Hoggis (coaductor) 4, R. Drane 5, L. Lester 6. First by all, except the ringer of the lhird.

At Stavoley, near Chesterfield, a quarler-peal of Bob Major (1,264 cluanges) : Miss M. Harris 1 , Lewis G. Palmer 2, George Willis 3, livederiok E. Parsons 4, Herbert Stowe 5, Dennis Parsons 6, William T. Palmer 7, Alfred E. Palmer (oonductor) 8 . First quarter-peal by the ringers of the treble and उुd, and first quarter-peal 'inside" by 1 he ringer of the 6tll.

An attempt for Heywood's peal of Stedman Triples, at Kingsteignton Parish Chureh, Devon, failed after 2 hours 5 minutes ${ }^{\text { }}$ good ring ing owing to $a$ shift course: A. L. Bennett 1, F. G. Lewis 2, J. E. Lilley 3, C. R. Walker 4, F. J. Taylor 5, H. C. Collyer 6, C. R. Jilley (conductor) 7, H. J. Hole 8.

## WTDDTNG GITT AEFER CORONATION RINGTNG

Tonches of Jefndon aud Bristot Surprise Major were rumg on Corouation morning at Jrthlingborough. At the conclusion of the ringing a set of carvors was presented to Mr. Fred Palmer, of Irthlingborough, as a wedding gift, the presentation heing made by Mr. A. Y. Tyler (foreman). Mry. Palmer was married at the ibushden Independent Wosleyan Chuch on Saturday to Miss M. Lawson, of Rushden. The same day in honour of the Coronation and also as a wedding compliment an attempt was made for a peal of Siperlative Surprise Major ut Irthlingborcugh, After 1 hour nud 20 minutes good strikiur the pus was lost. The uingers were E., Shellon 1, B. Morris 2, F. Chan-
Lrers 3, F. Tite 4, C. Bird 5, B. Saddington 6, A. Bigley 7, A, Y. Trier (comdictor) 8.

His Mujesty is patron of the living of Landulph, Comwall, and it was ouly antural that the bells tilere should be rung with special sifnificance. Members of the Trulo Diocesan Guild rang, first 720 lirandsire Douhles: Mrs. G. J. Clark I, F. Hosking 2, G. Snell 3, F. M. Srown \&, H. J. Claik (conduetor\} 5, L. Clark 6 . The first 720 by tha treble and tenor ringers. This was followerl by a quarterpeal of 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: R. Husking 1, T. Hosking 2, G. Snell 3, F. NT. Trown 4, H. J. Clark (conductor) 5, H. Fosking (first quarter-peal) 6. The contuctor is one of His Majesty's tenants.
But the peal had been rung, and the ringers wore more fortunato than a band at: Yeovil, where a peal of Stedman Caters was lost at the very last change. iWe are informed that 214365879 camo up-and then it, 'bust.' What luck! We should have liked to liear the 'iaquest " that followed.

## FALT-PEATS.

Jn several places half-peals were rung. One at the Parish Church, Wareham, Dorset, was rung for the 8 a.m. Communfon service. It was a halk-peal of Grandsire Donbles, in 10 variations, wilh 7.6 .8 covering: Leon N. Duy 1, F. Owen Day 2, Dr. A. M. Cunninglam 3 , H. W. Samalers 4. Trancis G. Blako (coudinetor) 5, Frederick Welsh 6, William G. Tiscock 7, John C. H. Hnghes 8. All tlie band are Sunday service ringers at the churel.
Beforo the $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at Bradford Abbas, Dorset, a half-peal of Grandsive Donbles: TI, Gillam 1 , *F. Smith 2, R. C. Day 3,
 All ate members of the local hand axcept the conductor. At Prittheweil, Southond-on-Sea, a lialf-peal of Bob Major 12.529 chnoges) was rung: H. Rhichordson 1, N. Townsend 2, W. Perry 3, A. Therve 4. R. Watts 5 , $W$. Dirdley 6 , F. Tuflein (conductor) 7 . W. Taylor 8.

At Henlow, Beds, before Holy Communion service at 7.30 a.m., a fitnrter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Wilton $\mathbf{Z}$, S. Gravestock 2, F. Beaumont 3, J. Church 4, I. Bywaters 5, P. Tompkins 6, For 10.30 service a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bols by the same band.

A peat at North Cadbury, Somerset, had to be abandoned owing to a broken rope, but a half-peal, consisting of two six-scores of Boh Danbles und ig six-scores of Grandsire, was rung in one and a hatf hours: S. Laver 1, W. Laver 2, J. Laver (conductor) 3, L. Devis 4, W. Osborn 5, W. Parker 6.

Mr. A. Woods, of Thorne, Yorks, bas now rung for three coronalions. He took part on Wednesday in a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. A. Audrews I, J. Thorley 2, A. Woods 3, T. A. Hepworth 4. C. झi. Thorley 5, W, Hobson 6, C. Thorley (conductor) 7, R. Ward

At $\mathrm{St}^{2}$. Mary's Ghurch, Birkenliead, Cheslhire, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor (1,260 changes) whs brought ronncl: F. J. Fawcett 1, W. K. Hamilton $Z_{\text {, W. W. Battle 3, G. Battle 4, J. Cooke 5, J. A. Blair }}$ (ronductor) 6.
The bells at St. John-the-Gaptist Church, Tihshelf, Derbyshive, were 'fired " at 6.30 on Coronation morning. A 720 of Bob Minor followed: F. Wood 1, J. Maddison 2, J. Todd 3, H. Tord 4, J. Draycott 5. II. Drayeat (condietor) 6.

Previous to the naited serwice, held in St, Peter's Church, Rock Ferry, Cheshire, at $9.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. , two camplete 720 's of Londou Surprise Minor were rung: D. Parzy 1, A. J. Martin 2, Mrs. D. M. Poole 3, J. Leslic 4, F. T. Parry 5, W. Dean (conductor) 6.

After meeting short for Triples at Earls Barton, Northants, 780 Grandsire Doubles was rung with 7-8 covering: J. Lipler 1, H. Lime 3, G. Packwood 4, 1. Johuson 5, G. Broficld (conductior) 6, F. Jones 7, T. Haughton 8.
The treble ringer at St. Mary's Church, Widford, Essey, also acored his first quarter-penl h1 a, 1,260 Grandsirg Triples: S. Sibley I, A.
Tarbun 2, J. Tarbun 3, H. W. Kirton 4 , F. W. Sluadrack 5, L. J. Tarbun 2, J. Tarbun 3, H. W. Kirton 4, F. W. Sh
Clark (conductor) 6, E. J. Runter 7, A. Brewers 8 .

## A HALE-PEAE.

A half of Parker's Trelve-part peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 1 hour 40 mins. at Truro Cathedral, where the tenor is 33 cwt.: Johu Treloar (longest length on worling bell) 1, W. H. Southeard 2 , Miss E. Jessic C. Angwin 3, F. II. Harris 4, E. Sunders 5, W. H. Slemen 6, C. E. Lanyon (condtetor) 7, P. R. C. Witliams 8.

Abaut half-way through the peal of Treble Ten, at Beddington, a Press photographer appeared, accompanied by the verger. Although no wisits were expected, a flashlight photograpl from the doorway was taken of the ringers in action. The peal concluded at 10.45 a.m.
On Coronation morning, at St. Andrew's, Coblam, fox early service, $n$ quarter-pent of Kent Treble Bob Minor: A. Holden 1, A. Roberts 2, J. Mills 3, E. Mathews 4, W. Faulkner 5, W. James (conductor) 6.
A quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles rung, we know not where, because the report does not say, was scored by the following on Wednesclay: John Adams 1, Frederick W. Pritchett 2, Thomas Brewer 3 Harry Adams, ju1., 4, Lconard Larner (conductor) 5, Harry Adams 6 In addition to being in honomr of the Coronation, it was a binthdag campliment to Ms. Harry Adams.
Mr. Oharles Tyler, an original mamber of the Sussea Association, foumden 53 years ago, look part at Henfield, Sossex, in a Covonation service quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: E. Brown 1, W. Morey 2, C. Tpler 3, F. Parsons 4, W. J. Alliss 5, A. E. Baker 6, G. Payne (contwetor) 7, T. Cruttenten 8.
At Cholntiord Cathedral, 1,259 clianges Grandsire Caters gave the treble ringer opporturity for his first quartor-pen: R. Groves $1, ~ H$. W. Kirton 2, H. Allen 3, H. Edwards 4, A. O. Hume 5, L. J. Olark (eonductor) 6, J. Wood 7, R. D. Tlarift 8, R. C. Clark 9 , G. Cooper 10.

On Coronation DaF, ringing at Dumstable strirted at 7 a.m., when 252 Stedman Triples, 272 Bolj Major and 336 Grabdsive Priples were ring. Thas ringers taking part were $C$. Tr, King, C. W. King, H. Burrows: F. Tearle, G. Holer, F. Ramsey, A. G. Matthews, G. H. Sentance, J. Holmes, F Fremblin and A. E. Slarman. The bells were also fired as moyal salute,
A quarter-peal of Single Osford Minor ( 1,280 changes) was rung at Billesdon, Leicestersinire: an Goromation Day hy R. Boldye 1, F Geary 6.

At Warnham, Susex, at 7 a.tn., alunter-peal of Grandsire Triples Geslie Brock 1, Jolu Cook g, Jolm Stanford 3. Peter Chaman 4 Willian Hooker 5, Jack Branch 6, Walter Chaman (comsuctory 7 Alired Chapmen
At St. Mary's Glureh, Finchley, a quarter-peal of Minor (900 Plaim Bab and 360 Oxford Bob): $G$ Sanders 1, R. Willis 2 , Blake 3 . Ti Tubb 4, B. Tuth 5, Farker (eoncluctorl 6 On Tharsday, May Bob and 180 Tlain Bobl: Fr. Willis 1, P. Biake 2. B. Tubh 3, F. Fubls 4, A. Warren 5, F. Barker (ronductor) 6 .

## GOING STRONG $\mathrm{A}^{\prime} 95$.

Eighteen ringer's took part in the Coronation Day ringi ag at St Mary-le-Tower Church, Ipswich, when 1,056 Chmbridee Maximas, also 528 Superlative Maximus, 905 Stedmar Cingues, touch of Granalsire Cinques and Forward Maximns were rung. Atuong the company was the veteran Robert H. Brindle, who although in lis $86 \mathrm{th}_{\mathrm{h}}$ yoar rang in both the Cambridge and Superlative Maximus-really a wonderfa performauce.
A quarter-peal of Bols Major was rung at All Saints' Churoh, Basing stoke: W. Hibbert 1, F. A. Munday 2, C. W. Munday $3_{1}$. A. Anstin 4 H. Wooding 5, H. Balaam (conductor) 6, F. G. Cooper 7, J. Chester mau 8 ,

A band of Sunday service ringers at Whithourme, Ferefordshime, rang a quarter-pan of Doubles in tbree methods, viz., Canterbury Plain Bob and Graudsire: R. J. Caswell 1, Fred Davis 2, Ernest Jones 3, George iones 4, George Soley (conductor') 5, Willinn Morris 6
Prior to a service at the Parish Charch, Hallow, Worcestershire, the local band rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: T. Lane 1 P. L. Blissett 2, A. H. Tyler 3. J. Batchelor 4, J. Clay 5, A. Morgan 6, T. G. Green (conductor) 7, W. A. Sharp 8.

Exeter, after 7.15 of Givervice: W. Rundle 1, J. Hossood 2. R. Trmanan 3. W. A. Wills 4, T. Wills 5, E. W. Biffin (conductor) B. F. Hill 7 E. Spurling 8. First quarter-peal for W. Rundle and E. Spurling. The quarter-peal was preceded 3 a royal salute of 21 'shots. fired on the bells. After 9 a.m. service firther rjngiug took place with "firing at intervals. Time would not permit an attompt of a peal.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
SIGNE OT ADVANGE IN THE ART.
Hon. Sacretary's Cheerfal Outlook.
The Earl of Sljaftesbury (president) presided over the luncheou and meting of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild at their annual festival at Salisbury on May lst. He was supported by the Bishop of Sulisbuyg, the Dean of salisbury, the Master (the Rev. R. H. Gundry, Ringwoad), and the hon, becretary (the Rev, F . Ll. Edwards, Gillingham). A company includiug many olergy, and uimbering 162, sat down.
The loyal tonste and that of the Bishop of the Diocese were honoured.
The nunual meating followed, and the hon. secretary, in his report, Etated the number of peals rung was naturally below the outstanding record of 1935. The list included one notable yehievement in the first peal of Cinques on the twelve bells of Trowbridge. Il was ruug by the local bayd, to whom cordial congratulations were offered. 'Considerable progress in change ringing is being made in diferent parts sociely at the Theological College is a slep of great practical value; some of our younger enthusiasts are showing praiseworthy nctivity im training bands of beginners in the art, while more expericnced bands aro making steady advance under skilled direction. Plactical proor of methods rung at some of the brunch meetings.

SA'ISFACTORY FEATURE OF PEALS
A mosli satisfattory feature of the whole histion peals was that in fop less than 31 out of the 37 rung one or more of the band scored a frist peal, or else first in the nethed or the number of mothods. The prodressive company at Lymo Regis lost no time in inaugurating the new reigh. Within a week of Sing George VI.'s aceession to the Throne they rang the first peal of Bob Major ever accomplished by a local baud in West Dorset, with the Yicar, the Rev. C. C. Cox, as conductor. The firsl peat of Cireques in the county of Wilts, in the diocese nnd by the Guild brought the record for 1936 to a memorable conclusion, on the last day of the year.

In the coming ycar,' stated tite Master's report, 'I rejoice to see signs of an advance in the art of change binging; there are more taking advantage of the services of the instructors and interest in ducouriplighed.' A great deht of gratitude was owed to instrictors. The statement of acounts showed the income for the year to be 5674 ss . 9 d . and the expenditure 6018 s . 11 d ., the credit balauce heing E66 IJs. 4 d ., as ugrinst 460 2s. 6el. the previous year.

The report, and acounts were adopted.
Officers for the ensuing year weye elected as fullows: Master, the Rev. R. H. Gundry; hur, secretary and treasurer, the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards; hon. assistant secretary, Mr. TP Gveen, Devizes i hon. Houkins, Kington Magna; committee, the officers of the Guild and of the branches, the Rev. Canon R. E. P. Gorringe and Mr. E. P. Field.
Messrs. W. J. Mees, Hilperton, aud Willian Williams, Wost Lalworth, wero elected life members, and Mr. H. D. W. Bishop, of Tivershot, was appointed an instruetor:

ADDRESS TO THE KING.
On the mation of the Earl of Shaftesbury, it was afreed to send the following layal address to H. M. the Kings on the occasion of his Coromation: 'Members of the \$alisbury Diocesan Guid of Ringers,
assemtheal at their anmul mectivy in this year of the Royal Coronation, humbly desire to assure your Majesty of their loyal devotion to your throne and persou, and pray that for many years to come it will he the privilege of the ringers of this ancient diocese of Salisbury to gelehrate your Majesty's birthday with the masic of the chureh bells. ${ }^{2}$

The sirn of 19s. was voted te the Bishop Domaleson Memorial Find. Mr. Jennings proposed that grants be made to the following towers: St. Peter's, Dorchesler', Raupishan, Wyke Regis and Poole.

The Rev. A. Wilkinson Markly, whilst thanking the Guild for their findness, aijl St. Peter's conld now see their way to meet their needs and would like to stand down for some other tower in greater need (applause)
The other grants were passed,
MUSIC OF BELLS.
The Guild service was beld in the Cuthedral, when the Bishop, in his address, saia the great sipnificance of a bellingers' festival was that brethren of the crant, and which they made to the ennited religious Fife of the conntry. There is in this country, declared the Bishop, 10 music so aneient as that to which we have listened in its miniature form in the course of thie service (a peal was ring on hand hells during the service). There is no music so widely diffused over the country, axcent, of course, in Gire miracle of brondcasting, there is none so widely spread atd coming from so many points as the music of the church bells. There is no musie in the land which engnges so many morning Suliday evening or Goronation Dry. 'God speaks through your bels and you do well to make yonr dinging as scientific, as shilful and as beatutiful as you can.
Ahout 400 attended the service, and the collection, f4 6s. 1d., was onl helialf of the Gathedral Spire Fund.
The methods ming at the varians clurches through the day were Frandsire, Stedman, Plain Lob, Cambridge, London and Superlatipe Surprise.

MANCHESTER TOWN HALL BELLS.
FINE RING OF IWELYE POR THE CITY.
An Eight-Ton Hour Bell.
Messrs. J. Taylor and Co. have just completed a magninicent set of bells for Manchester Town Ilall, and they are crowned with an cightbon bourdon on which the clock will surike. During the past few weeks drays with heary hoisting tuckle, followed by others with stieel girders and thea, later, others with bells, have created interest iu front of the atin entrance at Manclusater Town Hall. Crowds of girders of the new boll frame and the 'landing' of the largen bells up the steps and khrough the main doorway. Al this was peat of the work of rehanging the recast bells in the tower of the 'Town Hall, which is one of the few eivie buildings to possess a ringiog peal of bells.
There are now 24 bells all told, the great hour bell, weighing 8 tons, being humg in the slome of the lower, with the remaining 23 bells below. Thlirten of the bells are lung for ringing, there being a ring of 12, with tenor 43 cwt ., note B , and, in addition, in sharp 2nd, so ns to produce an that diatonic octave with the 8thas the tenor bell. whicls will be found to be very usefin for practice parposes.
The other ten beils are lang rigid, nud they, togetber with the 13 bells of the ringing pal, will he conuected up to an electro-phenmatic player, whereby well-known lunes will be phayed at specified times of the dny. When the Town Hall anthorities placed tire contract with Messrs. Taylor ant Co., Loughborangh, the wish was expressed that: everything possible slould be done so that the ringing peal woutd be at ther disposal for a great worle of this nathre the bell foundery are to be congratulated on what they have accomplished.
The pal was formally opered at noon on Saturday, May 8th, tho Lord Mayor of Manchester, Alderman J. Toole, giving the sigual to commenco the ringing. The ringers (members of the Police Forec) then broke into rounds, and then was heard for the first time tho the larger bells. Grandsire Cinques and lreble Twelve followed.
Mry. J. Wilson, whe is in eharge of the bells, regrets that notice of the formal opening of the peal wits boo short to allow of any
announcenient in. Thie Rinming World, and he hopes that no one will feel aggrieved because they ware not informed of the eveat. A few outsiders, however, either got to know of the ceremony or by chanco heard the belle being huts and upon aseending the tower were mate welcome and took part is the ringing. Amangst the ringers present
Were Supt, $F$. Williams (president of the National Guild of Folice Ringers), Mr. W. F. Slunker (seeretary of the Lancashire Association), and visitors from Didsburp, Ashiton, Reddish, Marple and Bolton,
whilst Mr. J. F. Fider represented Messrs. Taylor and Co, of LonglaWorough, We contractors for the whole of the liell restoratian scheme. The work hes incleded the reeasting of 20 bells and adding three new smafler ontes, the peal being equipped with modern fittings throughout, and hing in a massive cast-iron and steel framework upon a grillage of steel girders. The bells are inscribed as follows, each bearing a line from Tennyon's immortal poem, 'In Memoriant =-
Tenor.-M. C. Ring on the grief that saps the mind.
This pert of bells was zacnst nuld rehung in the Coronalion
22nd.-W. H. T. Fing George VI., 1937 .

(The inilials are those of members of committee.)
2lst.-T. H. Ring out the fend of rich and puor.
20th.-J. Is Plisg in redress to all mankind,
19th.-J. N. Fing out a showly dying unuse,
18in.-C. S. And anbient froms of party strif
$17 \mathrm{th}, \mathrm{J}$. C. Ming in the nobler puades of life.
16th.-J. A. With sweeter manmers, purer laws.
15th, -J. W. Ring out falge pride ni place and blood,
14th.-G. B. The civic slander and the spite.
12th.-J. J. H. Ring in the of truth and right.
11 th.-J. B. Ring out old shapes of foul disease.
10th.-T. G. Ring out the narrowing lust of gold.
3th, J. M. B. Ring ins the thonsand years of peace.
7th, -P. F. W. Ring in the valiant men and free,
5 h.- J. K. Ring out We dnokness of the land
4th.-J. G. L. Ring in the Chrizt that is to be.
The three smallest bells Jrve 10 inseriptions.
The Longhbarpugh founders htave added another glorious peal of twelve to their innosing record. The bells are now rung from tho chamber ahove the prepious ringing chamber, and the shorter draught
will roo doubt he much appreciated ly all those who are familiar with Whe tower. There is no donbl that the Police Guild will make goad use of this, their first ring of twelve bells.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

## (Continued from pago 335 .)

PEALS OF DOUBLES.
IThe following motion was then discussed:-
I'hat so much of all previous resolutions of the Gouncil as defines or attempts to define what shall he recagnised as a peal of Doubles be rescinded and that the frllowing be substituted therefor:-

1. Pealy of Doubles shall consist of 5,040 or more changes rung in :(a) True and consplete Six-Scores, without interval between any twa Sixscores aud without rounds or any other row heing struck more than once before the next change is made
(b) Round blocks consisting of two or more Six-Scores, provided
that each of the sizseores which comprise the round blocks Ehall
be itself a true and complete round block.
(c) Twelve Scares known as Morriss' aud Pitman's.
(d) Combipations of (a), (b) aud (c) above or any two of them.
2. At the conclusion of $5, \mathrm{CA} 5$ or more changes, rung in accordance with (1) above, one true touch of any length less than 120 changes many bo added.
3. Peals of Doubles may be rung with or without a covering beil.

It. was moved by Mr. Wilfred Wilson, in a 'maiden' speech. He raviewed the course of the controversy on Minor and Doubles peals, commencing with the Hereford meeting in 1928, and urged the Council to edopt bis proposal as placing Doubles on the same basis as Minor, since the admission of the Bankes Janes arrangement.
T'lie mokion was seconded by Mr. E. C. S. Turner, and opposed by Mr. S. II. Wood and Mr, J. S. Goldsmith.
Mr. J. Funt, Mr. C. T. Coles aud Mr. P. J. Johnson spoke in support, the last-named on the ground that the Council should be consistont iu jts inconsistency.
An amendment, moved by Mr. Trollope and seconded by the Rey. H. Drake, to omit clanse 2, was carried, but another amendment, moved by Mr. W. B. Kyuaston and seconded by Mr. S. H. Hillier, to delete sub-clatuses (b), (c) and (d), was defeated by a considerable majority, and the resolution, as proposed, was then adopted.
The Commai by a large toajority decided to meet next year at Leods. OLher places proposed were Leicestrer and Dublin.

CONGRATULATIONS.
On the motion of Mrs. Fletrher, seconded by Mr. Trollope, it was resolved to send a lelter to the Ancient Society of Gollege Youths congratulating them upon attaining their tercentenary.
On the suggestion of Mr, F. W. Rogers it was also decided to send a letter of congratulation to the Ladies' Guild on reaching their silver jubilee.
The subject of "radio" bells was ventilated, but no action taken.
Mr. A. J. Harris bronohed the subject of the publication of notices of matiers of major importance at least six months before the Counvil meeting, so that assoctations might have the opportunity of considerimg them at their own annual meetings,
It was pointea out that, to enable all associations to have this opportunity, zootions would have to be handed in a jear ahead.
The President ruled that no action could be taken thet day as an alteration of the rules was involved, and due notice must be given. PROPOSED MEMORTAES TO PAST MEMBERS.
It was resolved, sulject to the scheme being carried out to provide a memorial to the Into Danon E. J. Elsee, to subscribe a sum of threo guineas. The scheras at present before the committee of the Lancasidire Association consigts of improvements in the tower of St. George's Church, Bolton, estimeted to cost about $£ 450$.

A sum of threo guineas was also provisionally voted to a scheme, if one were set on foot, for a memorial to the late Rev. B. H. Tyrwhith Drake, who was Iibrariau of the Council.

## RAISING AND FALLING BELLS

Tho Presideat made reference to the practice in some places of jangling the bells up and down, and called attention to a previous resolution of the Council that bells sluould preferably be raised in peal, but where it was necessary to raise them otherwise it was desirable to raise them singly and in order. Fe boped that ringers would adhere to this practice where they could not raise or lower the bells in peal.
Au omnibus voto of thanks to all concerned in the arrangements for tho meeting was passed, and hearty thanks were also accorded to the hon. Geeretary and Mrs. Fletcher, and to the president.
This brought the mecting to a close soon after 5 p.m.
Members and friends afterwards took tea nt the County Hotel as the guests of the Kent County Association, and later there was a social evening.
Throughout the week-and there was much ringing done on the bells of the Cathedral and other churches in Ganterbury and neighbouring places. There was also a tour of the grand old Cathedral conducted by Mr. Morton Pierce.

A fuller report of the meeting will be commenced in our next issue.
ALDERSFOT, IfANTS.-Ou May 2nd, for evening service at the Church of St, Michuel the Archangel, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Thiples: Wiss I. Tuck 1, Miss E. Southby R, T. E. Denyer 3, G. W. Challen 4, W. Denyer 5, F. J. Gower 6, W, H. Viggers (first quarterpeal is condictor) 7 , R. Genward 8 .

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## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. <br> (Established 1637.) <br> THE TERCENTENARY FESTIVAL.

## PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

A service wili be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Saturday, Nov. 6th, at 4 p.m. Dinner at Cannon Street Hotel at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets to members ios. each, to non-members 125.6 d . each. The maximum seating capacity is 400. Application should be made as early as possibie, as no tickets can be issued in excess of that number.

William T. Cockerill,
Hon. Secretary.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). -Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 27th ; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 25th, at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.--Please note:-The next meeting will be held at OVERSEALE on Saturday, May 22nd. Measham bells not available. Time 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m., followed by meeting. A hearty welcome awaits all visitors. -Joseph Wm. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

RISHTON PARISH CHURCH.-The re-dedication of the peal of eight bells, recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Ltd., Croydon, will take place on Saturday, May 22nd, at 3 p.m. The dedication will be conducted by the Rev. Canon G. Stewart Perry, M.A. (Rural Dean of Blackburn). Tea will be provided after the service in the Horwood Road Schools. Ringers and friends are heartily invited to the dedication service.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -The branch will meet at Walsoken, on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5. All ringers welcome.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Sapcote on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Usual arrangements for tea. The Sharnford meeting is fixed for June 26 th.-W. A. Wood, Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-The next practice meeting will be held at St. George's Church, Millom, on Saturday, May $22 n d$. Tower open at 2.30 .-N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, May 22nd. Service 4.15. Tea at the Sun Hotel 5 p.rn. Bells (8) available 2 p.m. and after the neeting. Hearty welcome to all.-F. S. Butler, Hon. Sec., 2, Bayard Street, Gainsborough.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol City and Rural Branches.-A combined meeting of the above branches will be held at Mangotsfield on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells (8) open from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Please make a special effort to attend, and do not fail to send numbers requiring tea.-R. C. Gifford, Hon. Sec., Gifford House, Frampton Cotterell, near Bristol.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The next practice has been arranged at Chenies ( 6 bells) on Saturday, May 22nd, at 3.30 p.m. Tea, at 1 s . per head.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborough District.-The next meeting will be held at Rothley on May 22nd. Quorn bells not available. Ringing from 3.30 to 4.30 and 6 to 8 p.m. only. Subscriptions accepted.-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., 130, Ashburton Road, Hugglescote.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO. CIATION. - Northern District.-A meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Whitley Bay, on Saturday, May 22nd, at 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Special method: London Surprise Major. It is hoped that members will make a special effort to be present.-K. Arthur, Dis. Hon. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Daventry (8 bells) on Saturday, May z2nd. Usual arrangements.W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-- Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Fenlow on Saturday, May 22nd. Beils (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-C. J. Ball, Sec., 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Berkshire Branch.-Annual meeting will be held at Wantage on Saturday, May 22nd. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify early.-A. E. Lock, 35 : East St. Helen's Street, Abingdon, Berks.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch. -A meeting will be held at Histon on Saturday, May 22 nd . Bells (6) available at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The short ringers' service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by the meeting. -F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -There will be ringing for evensong at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on Sunday, May 23rd, at 5.30 p.m. Usual monthly practice at Shoreditch on Thursday, May 27th, at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-N. Summerhayes, Ass. Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.- A mid-week meeting will be held at Epping Town ( 8 bells) on Wednesday, May 26th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those requiring tea please notify L. Cordell, Dis. Master, Potter Street, Harlow, Essex.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATLON. - A combined practire will be held at Hatfield on Wednesday, May 26th, at '7.45. Please note the date, as it will only appear once. All ringers welcome. -W. Nash and H. V. Frost.

TETSWORTH, OXON.-The first anniversary will be celebrated on Saturday, May 2gth. Bells available all day. Dinner $5 \cdot 30$. Please notify.-J. W. Gibbard, Tetsworth, Oxon.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The anual general meeting will be held at Chichester on Saturday, May 2gth. Cathedral bells available from 3 p.m. Meat tea at $5.15 \mathrm{p.m}$., price 2 s .6 d . (is. to members), but notification by May 26th is essential. Service will be at the sub-deanery church at 4.30 . Half rail fare (maximum 25 . 6d.) allowed to resident members.-S. E. Armstrong, Hon. Gen. Sec., 7o, Hollingbury Park Avenue, Brighton 6.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Next meeting, Harrow Weald, Saturday, May 29th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5 . Tea, is. each, at 5.30. Advices by May 26th, please. Special method, St. Lawrence Little Bob Major. Nearest station, Stanmore (Met.), and short walk, or No. II4 bus (if running). Alternative route, if buses are available, tube to Edgware and No. It4 bus. All ringers welcomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2 I, Vincent Road, E.4. Tel. number, Larkswood 1959.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Kislingbury on Saturday, May 29th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by May 27th.-J. C. Dean, Hon. Sec., 16, St. Peter's Street, Northampton.

IKENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Ashford District) AND ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Aldington on Saturday, May 29th, to celebrate the Iooth birthday of Mr. C. Slingsby. Bells ready ${ }^{2.30}$. Service 4.30. Preacher, the Bishop of Dover. Tea 5 p.m. Please send numbers for tea by Monday, the 24 th. -P. Page, iro, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent:

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Meeting at Oswestry on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. All requiring tea to notify me not later than Tuesday, May 25th.-R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craigmore, Upper Road, Neole Brace, Shrewsbury.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - North Norfolk Branch. - The branch meets at Cromer on Saturday, May 29th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea (1s. 3 d.) at the Rendezvous Tea Rooms, The Parade, at 5 p.m. Special business: (I) Presentation of album containing subscribers' names to his testimonial to Mr. A. L. Coleman; (2) election of branch secretary. It is hoped all members of the association will make a special effort to attend. It is important that I should be informed of those who require tea.-Nolan Golden, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer, Winton, 26, Brabazon Road, Norwich.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.-A meeting will be held at Benington on May 20th. The bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. Tea by the kindness of the Rector; business after.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District.-Annual meet. ing at St. Mary's, Nottingham, May 29th. Bells available 2.30. Service by Rt. Rev. Bishop N. S. Talbot, D.D., M.C., 4 o'clock, followed by tea (IS.) in Barker Gate Institute. Please notify me for tea by May 26 th . This is the Guild's Jubilee year-come and celebrate. Gentlemen specially invited.-I. B. Thompson, 53, Lace Street, Dunkirk, Nottingham.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-A meeting of the Doncaster District and the Eastern District will be held at Thorne on Saturdiy, May 29th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Those attending must make own arrangements for tea. Plenty of cafés near church. - H. S. Morley and E. Cooper, Hon. Secs.

WARWTCKSFIRE GUILD.-An extra meeting will be held at Leamington Hastings, near Rugby, on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Teat at the Rectory, by kind invitation of the Rev. J. E, Wigram, at 5 p.m. Malcolm Melville, Exhall, Coventry.

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LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Batley on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3 p.n. Tea can be obtained near the church. Business meeting at 7.30 p.m.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. - A meeting will be held at Beckwithshaw (near Harrogate) on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea to Mr. W. A. Holmes, The Smiths' Arms, Beckwithshaw, before Thtarsday, May 27th. A hearty invitation to all.Edward Mudron, Hon. Dis. Sec., 4, Keldale Terrace, Sharow, Ripon.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUIL.D. - A meeting will be held at Bexhill on Saturday, May 29th. Tower open 3 o'clock. All ringers very welcome. - C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—On Saturday, May 29th, through the kindness of the Rev. H. R. Everson, Rector of Hartill, near Sheffeld, the bells (8) of Hartill Church, recently restored, etc., will be available for ringing. For tea, please notify the Rev. H. R. Everson, Rectory, Hartill, near Sheffield.-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13 , St. Romans Road, Sheffield 7.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Crewkerne Deanery Branch. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 29th, at Seavington. Bells at 3. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 o'clock at the Volunteer Inn. All requiring tea notify me by Tuesday, May 25th.-D. G. Taylor, Ilminster.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Pendlebury, on Saturday, May 29th. Tower open for ringing at 3 o'clock. Service at 4 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'ciock, 1s. 3d. each. Meeting in the Schoolroom. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. A. Kershaw, 118, Moss Lane, Pendlebury, not later than Wednesday, May 26th.-Josepi H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Leonard's, Streatham, on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea and meeting at the Manor Arms at 5.30 p.m. Immanuel bells (8) after tea until 8.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, May 26th, please, -. A. P. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 118, Sarsfeld Road, Balham, S.W. 12.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.--The next quarterly meeting will be held at Christ Church, Coseley, Stafs, on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.30. Tea will be provided at 9d. each for those only who notify me not later than Tuesday, June 1st. Business meeting afterwards.-Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 49, Hellier Street, Dudley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The annual branch meeting will be held at Whalley on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting in tower at 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome. - F . Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at St. Cuthbert's, Eytham, on Saturday, June 5th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea in Memorial Hall at 5.30 , 9 d . each. Meeting afterwards.-C. Sharples, Branch Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The next meeling will be held at St. Nicholas', Halewood, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells 3 p-m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Price gd. each. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. W. Gardner, Church Roac, Hale. wood.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - General quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 19th, at Bolsover, Derbyshire Bells (8) open from 2.30. Committee meet 4 p.m. Tea (15. per head) 5 p.m., in Church Hall, followed by meetipg, Those requiring tea must apply not later than June $15 t_{1}$ to Mr . J. Flint, 45 , Oxcroft Lane, Bolsover, Derbyshire.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

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Those who attended the Central Council meeting at Canterbury last week must have been quite satisfied with a day well spent. It was not an occasion when the agenda produced much diversity of opinion, except on the definition of what should constitute a peal of Doubles, but there was some very solid work done, which revealed once more the continued and useful activities of the committees of the Council and its officers. The proceedings of the Council have been reduced to a very businesslike basis, but despite this, the meeting lasted, in all, nearly five hours, and interest was thoroughly maintained throughout.

Canterbury is the only place which the Council has visited more than once, if we except Birmingham, where the preliminary meeting, to pass resolutions forming the Council was held, followed by a routine meeting two years later. The first annual meeting of the Council was held in London in 1891; it was not unfil 1905 that a visit was paid to Canterbury, and it is instructive to contrast the interest displayed in the meetings of the Council in those days with the present time, judged by the attendance. At the first Canterbury meeting, when the total membership of the Council was exactly a hundred, the attendance was 41. There have never been fewer at a meeting, but it was not much below the then averagre provincial gathering; for the ten meetings nutside London up to that time had had an average attendance of only 45 . Last week the attendance was 95 , out of a total membership of 150 . Only five members present in 1905 were at Canterbury in 1937. They were Canon Coleridge, the only person who has attended every meeting of the Council since its formation, and Messrs. J. H . Cheesman, C. Dean, R. Richardson and J. A. Trollope. Indeed, there are not many members left who were assnciated with the Council thirty-two years ago. Tine, even so comparatively short a time, works wondrous changes, and one of the most noticeable differences is in the atmosphere of the gatherings. In these days the social distinctions have entirely disappeared.

This year's meeting was marked by an unprecedented incident. The rules debar any representative member of the Council from voting at a meeting if the affiliation fee of his society is unpaid. The President found himself in this rather unfortunate position, for the Cambridge University Guild, of which he is a representative member, had failed to pay the necessary fee before the meeting. The Council, therefore, took the step of electing the President an honorary member as a solution of the difficulty. It seems strange that so important a person
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as the President should be dependent for the discharge of his office upon the payment or otherwise of the current subscription of the society which he has been elected far three years to represent, but it was a position that was not foreseen when the rules were drafted. It might be well in future if steps were taken to place the three chief officers of the Council above this risk, because there may not always be vacancies among the hon. members of which advantage can be taken.

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A PEAL OF GRANQSIRE TRIPLES, 5840 CHANGES;
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On Saturday, May 8, 1937, in Two Hoxys and Fiffy-Six Minktes,
At teg Cevege of St. Peter,
A PEAL Of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, GE24 OTAHRES;
Tenor 13 ewt. in $F$ sharp.

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* First peal and first attempt. † First peal ' inside."

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## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GINQUES, 50Bi GHANGEB;

Tenor 36 cwt 3 gr .18 lb , in C sharp.
 -Roydon Dapies... ... ... 2 †George H. Humperibs ... 8 †ambs Rembold... ......$\quad 3$ †Franx E. Mitchell $\quad$... 9 Edward Acock ... ... ... 4 †Amos W. Clark... ... ... Herbert J. Skelt ... ... 5 | Daniel D. Cooper ... ... it Dadley Buxton ... ... 6 Frbderick E. Collins ...Temoy Composed by A. Kmights. Conducted by Daniel D. Cooprr.

* Firest peal of Cinques. $t$ Finst peal on twelve belle $\ddagger$ First attempt for a peal. Tirst peal of Cinques as conductor. First peal on the bellg since their restoration and augmentation to twelve by Massis. Gillott and Johnstan. Ruug by twelve members of the regular Sunday eervice band.

BRISTOL.
THE GLOUCESTLER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. 14 Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Three Howrs and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At tee Cherce of St. Mary Redcliffe,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES; Tenor 50 cwt 2 qz .20 lb.
Albbrt M. Tyler ... ...Treble Alprgi Pearce ... Alfred E. Reeves ... .... 2 Gilbert Pearcs ... ... ... 8 Mrs, E. Wilkins $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Hifnry pring... Miss Annir Brown ... ... 4 Enwin Jobn Brown ... ... io Fredericr G. Learer ... 5 William A. Cavg ... ... it Thceard Clare ... ... ... 6 Cecil F. Mogrord ... ...Temoz Arranged and Conducted by William A. Cave.

* First peal of Cinques.


## LIVERPOOL

THE LANCASHERE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 75, 1937, in Theee Hoursard Thirty-Five Minutes, At the Parish Cedrce of Odr Lady and St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, 5007 CHANQES;
Tenor $39 \mathrm{cwt}$.3 qr , ro lb .
Lester Gray ... ... ...Tyeble |ferngst Bodmparey ... ... 7
*Frank Varty.. .1

- Tbomas G. Horridge ... 3 Josbfb Ridyard... ... ... 9
-Arnold Bronton ... ... 4 Claddr I. Davies ... ... 10

Thomas W. Hammond ... 6 Ernzet e. Bennett... ...Tenor
Composed by John Carirr. Conducted by Percival W. Cave.
* First paal of Stedman Oinques. $+300 t h$ peal for the Lancashire Assaciation. $\ddagger$ First peal 'inside' in auy method.

GUGKIFELD, SUSSEX. At the Perish Church on Sundey, April 10th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: T. Jeffery 1, W. Watts 2, T. Jeffery 3, T. Mitchell 4, G. Lewry 5, ©. L. Mitclodl (conductor) B, G. Apps 7, F. Leney B.

## LONDON

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTES.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Three Hours and Thity-Four Minutes,
At ier Catrca of St. Michabl, Cornaill,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor 4 c cwt.
Albert A. Hoghes ... ...Tyehe Wicliam G. Weifbeead ... $\quad$ g Ernist Brbtt ......
Edwin F. Pike ... ... ... 3 Grorge H. Dibeneam ... 9
Raymond G. Cousins ... ... 4 Herbert Langdon .. ... 10
Jack M. Cripps ... ... ... 5 Ahfrtd B. Pbck ... ... ... if
George N. Price... ... ... 6 James Belcock ... ... ... 7 emor
Composed by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by Herbert Langdon LINCOLN.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUUD.
O. Saturday, May 15, 1937, in 1 hiree Raurs and Thirty-Eight Minutes, In St. Hogh's Towbr, at fer Cathedral.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5021 CHANGES;
Tenor 24 cwt ,
John A. Fregman ... ...Tveble Frederick W. Stores ... 7
Kbnnete W. Maybr ... 2 John Walden ... ... ... 8
Joen Frbeman ... ... ... 3 Jack L. Millbodse ... ... 9
Cearles C. McGuiness ... 4 Harold Marcon ... ... ... 10
Ggopfrey M. Maybr ... 5

- Percy Holmes ... ... ... 6

Composed by G. Lindoff.
Harold Walker... ... ... it

* First peal on twelye bells.

Hbrbert Lowman ... ...t chay Conducted by Joen A. Frezman.

## TEN BELE PEALS. <br> LONDON.

THE ST. MARY ABBOT'S GULD, KENSINGTON,
on Wodnesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Howrs and Thiry y-T wo Minstes. At ife Cefrge of Si. Mary Abroti, Kbnsington,
A PEAL OF BTEDMAN GATERE, EOU4 CHANEES।
Tenor 33 cwt .
Wigliak H. Wood ... ...Tyeble Frank Skevington ... ...
Mis. Phillis Humperey ... 2 William E. Jodd ... ... 7
Ernest C. S. Torner ... 3 William R. Madgwice ... 8
E. Ralpa Mackrill ......

Pbrcy L. Miles .......... 5
Composed by C. W. Roneris. Conducted by H. G. Miras.
LONDON.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCLATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DLOCESAN GUTLD.
On Wednesday. May 12, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty-Ore Misulas,
At tee Caurch of St. Clement Danes, Sirand,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 8080 CHANGESI
Tanor 24 ewt.
Ernest J. King ... ... ...Tyeble |William D. Grainger ...
Teomas H. Tafpender
Miss Bertan M. Miles ... 3 Henry T. Wilson
Teomas W. Taffender ... 4 Ernest W. Forbanr ... .... 9
Ronald H, Bulibn ... ... $j$ Frank e. Darby ... .... ...Temor
Composed by J. Cartar. Conducted by Thomas H . Tarfrendr.
The peal commenced at the completion of the service in the Abbey. WORSLEP, MANCELSTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Wadnesday, May 12. 1937, in Three Howrs and Tunnty-Seven Minutes, At tee Chdrce of St. Mark,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, 6007 GHANGES;

Cartrr's Broadshbet, No. 3 I . Tenor 24 owt. Wilgred Grondy ... ...Tyelide James K. Welsey ... .. 6 Benjamia T, Allerbd ..... $.2^{2}$ Fred Grdndy ... .... ... 7 Charles Ridyard ..... .3 Percy H. Derbyseire 3 ... 8
 Eric Yates ... ... ... ... 5 Robrbt Jones ... ... ...Tonor Conducted by I. H. Rinyard.
First peal of Stedman Caters by all except lihe 2nd, 3 rd and 9 th ringers. First peal as conductor. Also rung as a birthday peal to Viscount Brackley, son and heir of the Earl of Fllesmere, his birthday talsing place on the 10 th .

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS,-On Sunday morning: April 11th, a quarterpeal of Stedman Triples (Thurstans) S. Smith 1, A. Czano 2, F. Stonton 3, H. Morris 4, W. Sear 5, H. Sear 6, A. P. Cannon (conductor) 7, E. Smith 8 . Arranged for Mr. A. P. Cannon.

LONBON.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOOIATION AND NORTH SOUTHW ARE DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Thursday, May 13, 1937, in Three Hours and Eleven Minntes, Ai fae Ceorcb of St. Gilbs, Camberwell,
A PEAL DF ETEDMAN GATERE, 5006 CHANGES, Tenor 22 cwt .
 Zomposed by G. Newson, Conducted by Tbomas W. Taffender Firef peal on tea bolls.

## LONDON

THE ANGIENT SOGIETY OT COLEEGE YOUTHS.
On Fraday, May 14, 1937, in Throe Howys and Twenty-Two Minules,
At zee Ceurch of St. Clbment Danes. Sirand.
A PEAL OF ©TEDHAN CATERE, 5007 OHANEES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

Herbert Langdon Haray Hoskins .. Henry G. Miles.. Ernest Breti ... Grorgr N. Pricz composed by Joan Cartro.
...
$\square$ ... 2 ... 3 … 4
$\cdots$
Willig Rougeton
Jack M. СяIPpS ... .
Wieliam H. PaSmore

$$
\text { George W, Debingam ... } 9
$$ Riceard F, Deal ... ...Temor Conducted by G. W. Debenbam. IPSWICH,

THE SUFFOLK GULD.
(St. Mary-Le-Tower Socigty.)
On SaMwday, May 15, 1937, in Thyes Houps and Thirty-S'x Minutes, At ine Cedrch or St. Mary-hr-Towzr,
A PEAL OF ROCHESTER SURPRISE RDYAL, 5040 CHANRES Tenor 32 cwt .
...Tyethe George A. Fleming
Peyclis E. Tilleti .. Paylejs E. Tille

... Hobart E. Smita ... ... 3 Charles J. Sedgley ... Willjam P, Garrett... Composed by C H. Martis. | George A. Fleming ... |
| :--- |
| Ce. .. |
| Cerles A. Catchpole |
| William J. G. Brown |
| G... |
| 7 |
| Grorge E. Symonds ... | Grorge E. Symonds ... .... 9 Conducted by Grorgr E. Symonds

First peal of Rocisster Surprise Royal ever rung.

> ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCDSAN GUILD.

On Sadurday, May 15, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Twenty Minntes, At tap Cadrch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5021 GHANEEB; Tenor $16 \underline{1}$ crit.
J. Armiger Trollope ...Tyeble| Francis D. Bisrop ... ... 6 BETER Hergert W. Lidebiter ... Frederick G. Baldwin ... 8 Miss Oliye L. Asbbrook ... 5 Hary Brooks ... ... .... Tenor Composed by A. Knigats. Conducted by Ernest C. S. Torner. * Pirst peal in the method.

FASLRMERE, SURREY PHE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Thyes Hours and Eighteen Mirutes, At teg Churci of St. Bartholomgw,
A PEAE OF STEDMAN OIMGUES, 5091 CHANEES; Tenor 15 cwt. 9 lb .

C. Ernest Smify ... ...Treble| Ernest J. Ayliffe ... ... 6 Alfare H. Pulling ... Tromas E Denyer | Cgarles W. Denyer... | ... | 3 | 4 | Wheejam T. Beeson .... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Jobs S. Goldsmiti ... ... 5 Artajr J. Bartleit ... .... Composed by Ebgar Bhnnett, Conducted by Afpred H. Polling REIGATE, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
Or Safurday, May 15, 1937, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minstes,
Ai teb Churce or Si. Mary Magdacene.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5BOO BHANPES; Tenor $19 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$ in E flat.
Cearles H. Kiprin.
...
...TYeble $\mid$ tArteor G. Willetit
M's. C. H. Kippin Ronald A, Togrin
Ronald A, Togein
Frana B. Jeal... Gearge Oeliver
Composed by G. H. Cposs.

* First teu-hell peal. 1 First peal of Royal.

E1GHT BELL PEALS.
MOOKSIDE, OLDFAM.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 10. 1937, in Three Hours and Siz Minutes,
AI tee Chorch St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAIOR, EOBA CHANGES Tenor 18 cewt.
 WATEORD, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCTATION. (Watpord Society.)
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minntes,

## A PEAL OF WATFDRD SURPRISE mAJOR, 5120 EHAREES ;

 Tenor z $_{4} \frac{7}{d} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 Composed and Conducted by Harolid G. Cashmore.

* First perl of Major. This is the first peal in the method.

LANEASTER LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCHATION.
On Wednesiay, May 12, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minules,
At the Priory Ceurce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:
Holt's Ten-part.
Tenor 32 cwt .
R. Harden ... ...
F. Postegiawate
W. Bateson...
... ...Treble
W. Bateson... $\begin{array}{lll}\cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$
J. Orr

5
A. Aldren .......

Concucted by F. Postigif Walte.
First peal by all.
BURBAGE, LEICESITERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND CODNTTES ASSOGIATION.
(Hinckley District.)
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Hours and One Minute.
At ter Canrce of St. Catelerinz,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parkea's Twblve-part.

- Edwin L. Campton ... ...Tpeble

Edward J. Clodge ... .... 2
Whater Ernest Riviri ... ... ... 6

Conducted by F. K. Mraseris.

* Tirst peal of Triples. 1 Firsh peal of Triples 'inside.' $\ddagger$ First peal. WHITEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE GLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCTATION. On Wednesday, Mкy 12, 1937, in Three Hours and One Minute,

At the Parige Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE TRIPLES, 5040 ©HANGES;
J. J. Parkhr's Sixpart. Tenor 18 cwt,

Cearles Tindale ... ...Tweble |George White ... ... ... 5
Alfred E. Oxiby ..... 2 Willjam A. Bheckon... 6

.... 4 Ricgard Hansele ... ...Tenor
Conducted by H. Shori. EASTBOURNE, SDSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, May 12,1937, in Three Howys and Seventeen Minules,
At the Ceurce of St. Saviodf,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thorstans' Four-part.
Tenor 25 cwt.

- Harold G. F. Reynolds Trebla

Herbert Margwell ... 2
Harozd S. Hobdra ...
Hi. 3 Ehnest Gowar ...... sdward Bray ... .... ... 4 Fradraick H. Dallaway ...Tenor Conducted by Frasm Beanett.

* First peal aí Steriman.

GHILVERS COTON, NONEATON, WARWICESHIRE.
THE WARWICESEIRE GUILD.
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifil-Two Minutes, At tee Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5OबO CHANBES।
Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Cearles E. Rayson ... ...Treble James Draycott ... ... 5
John Gibbons ... ... ... 2 -Prrgy Stone ... ... Arthor H. Beamise ... .... 3 Harry Harris ... ... .... 7 Mrs. Dorothy E. Beamish 4 Jobn E. S. Morrton... ...Tenoy Composed by H. Howlett. Canducted by A. H. Bramish.

* First peal of Bob Major 'inside."


## WOODBRIDGE, SUFTOLE.

THE SUFFOLE GULLD.

On Wednesday, Muy 12, 1937, in Thyec Hawrs,
At the Parise Chorch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, EOAO CHANGES,

Parker's Twelve-part.
George W. Warner... ...Tyeble A. Stanley Woodard -.. 2 William A Woods ... ... W. Jabies Woodruffe

Tenor 25 cwt 26 db .

* First peral in the Conducted by F. L. Fisura
* First peel in the method.

RAWMARSH, YORKSHIRE.
THE FORESHIRE ASSOOIATION.
(Shbffield Distrigi Society.)
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minhtes, At the Cburce of Sr. Mary.

## A PEAL OF BOB MASOR, 5120 CHANGES;

 Tenor $12 \mathrm{cwt}$. I gr. 13 lb .Erederick Г. Wilson ...Treble Elijar Pammenter ... ... 5 Frank Pickrring ... ... 2 Tbomas Cooper ... ... ... 6 Errderick F. Wilson ... 3 George Tuke ... ... ... 7 Alaert Firta ... ... ... 4 Harry Mortbmore ... ...Temoy Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by H. Mortrmore. The Royal Salute of 21 'shots' was fired ab the end of the peal. Nll are Sunday service jingers.

## BOLTON, LANOASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
Of Wednesday, May 12. 1937, in Two Howys amd Fifly-Eight Misutes, At ter Parise Cetreb or St, Petre,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, BDH0 CHANGES;

Parker's Twblye-part
verest Ford Tenor I5zcwt.
Cumplc Moorp
$\begin{array}{ccc}*+.+ & \text { +. Treble } \\ . . & . & 2\end{array}$ WiLcia Tyson … ... 3 Peter Motiale ........ Conducted by T. B. Worsiey.
WHITTLELEWOODS, LANCS.
THE LANOASHIRT ASSOOLATION.
(Preston Brance)
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Thece Howrs and Sever Minufos. At the Chorce of St. Joen,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGEG:


GRAYFORD, KENT
THE KENT CODNTY ASSOCIATION,
Um Wednesday. May 12, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifly-Two Minules, At the Ciurch of St. Pajlinos,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6050 OHANQES: Tenor 122 cwt.
Derek M. Sharp... ...Tyebia EDwin A, Barnett
Edwin Barnett ......$\quad$... 2 Joun A, C. Abson $\quad . .$.
ALAN J. Hoppri ... ....... 3 Arther S. Riceardos.... .... 7
Grorge W. Fogden ... ... 4 Pbilip A. Coriy ... ... ... Tenoy
Composed by J. E. Burton. Conducted by D. M. Searp.
D. M. Sharp's 50th peal. E. A. Barnett's 100tly peal on tho bells.

EAWKHUPIST, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(Hastinge and Distaict Goild.)
On Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Hours and Twelve Mintets, At the Parish Cgurch.
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, 5056 BHANGEEI Tenor 23 cwt Ig lb.
FFane Cbapman ... ...Treble Lescie W. Jaryis ... ... 5
-Gbobge Maseril ... ... 2 tAlbert Goldsmith ... ... 6
Otder Whgiorn ... ... 3 William Gorringe ...
*EdWhrd Biseor ... ... ... 4 James G. Poweic ... ...Tanar
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by J. G. Powecl.

* First peal in the method. + Mirsk peal"' inside.' Rung by a local bond. First peal in the metiod on the bells by jesident ringerg.

PORTSMOUTH, EAMPSHIPE,
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wedrasday, May 12, 1937, in 7 hree Horrs and Eight Jinudes,
At zer Church of St. Mary, Portsea,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt 7 lb .
Miss Joan Pararga
*. ....Trebla
Josiae D. Harris
...Tyebld James Topp ...
... ... $\quad$ Frederick S. Baylay ... 6 Lhsliz Pgarson ... ... ... 3 Fridaricr W. Rogers.. .7 Edmard J. Charman ... ... 4 Albred T. Greenwood ...femoy Composed by C. Midderion. Conducted by Fredx. W. Rogers. The conductor's $400 t l_{1}$ peal.

GHESTER.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Ow Wednesday, May 12, 1937, in Three Howrs and Fourteon Himptes,
At tee Cenrch df St. Mary-withodt-the-Wales,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor 20 ciwt.
-Arther B. Close ... ...Treble |James Swindley ... ... ... 5
Harry Lewis.. .4
Jonn Hayes ... ... ... 3 Thohas Matrer... ... ... 7 †Jobn Best $\quad$ Conducted by Percy Swindiry 4 ... .... ... Teror
Conalucted dy PERcy SWINDLEy

* Cirst peal. + First peal of Treble Bob. WYMONDFAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWIOH DIOOESAN ASSOCLATION,
On Wadnesday, May 12, 1937, in Thrte Hours and Thitly Tinutes,
Ayter Cgurce of SS. Mary and Thomas-of-Cantbrbery,
A PEAL OF SPLIGED OXFORD AND KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANPES;
Tenot 25 cwt.
Wileian Clover ... ...Troble Jorn Godrray .... ... ... 5

Peilip W. J. Fryer ......$\quad 3$ Henay Tooke ...

Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by William Ceover.
* First peal of Major. First peal of spliced by all except ringers of trebla and 7th.

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LYTHAM, LAANCASEIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thersuty, May 73, 1937, in There Hows and Eight Minutes, Ax ter Ceurce of S\%. Cothbret,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJDR, 5085 OHANGEE; Tenor 14 ewt.


* Pirst peal of Kent Treble Bob Major.

ERTME, KENT,
TEE KENT COUNTY ASSOQIATION
Un Thursday, May 73, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Sfaen Minules, At tae Cuorce of St. John-ter-Baptist,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 505a CHANEES;

Middleton's.
Jobn Wheadon ... ... ...T Tyeble
Jobn H. Cbebsman ... .... 2
Mrg. George H. Cross ... 3
Malcolm C. C. Meeville...

Tenor I5 cwt. in $G$. Meiville... 4 Frederick J. Collom... ...Teno


BRIERLEY HRLL, STAFPS.
On Thurscay, May 13.1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Fioe Hinutes, At the Chorce of St. Micearl,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Theeve-pari (7th observation).
Tenor 14素 cwt.
Rrginald Alfpori .... ...Tyebid Harold Sbecek ... ... .... 5 William Potier... $\operatorname{lin}^{2}$ Hector G. Bird...... Clifford Skidmore... ... 3 John Lloyd... - Bernard Lawton ... ... 4 |tEric Myces... ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by C. Skidmorr.

* First peal of Triples + First peal.
BREN'H WOOD, TSSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOGIATION

On Fyiday, May 14, 1937, in Two Honrs and Fifty-Five Minwies, At the Chorge of St. Thomas-of-Canterbury,
A PEAL DF OKFORD TREBLE BDE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Temor 193 cet.

- William Forrester... ...Treble | |Bertram C. Hings ... ... 5 Ernest W. Furbank
†Lescir Tarifi ...
†Alsury E, Prybe
Composed by G. Lindoe
* Chisst peal + Tind are memberg of the local band

> ECCLESTON, OHESHIRE.

THE GHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
[Ceester Brance.)
On Friday, May 14, 193', in Thre Hows and Fiftem Minuter, At ter Pafisb Ceroch.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part.
Frank Jones..
.Tyebtig Percy Swindley ...
Georgr Jones.. .0
William Hopwood $-. . x_{1} . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Harry Thomas...
Tbomas Puge .......... 4 Edward Pricr ... .... .... Tenor
Conducted by Samorl Jones, jow. SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORESHERE ASSOCIATION.
(Leeds and Diftrict Amalgamated Society.)
On Salurdy, May 15, 1937, in Three Hours and Seven Mintues, At the Chorce of St. Pade,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 DNANGES: Tenor 18 cwt. in $F$.
Ernest F. Smpson -..Tyeble Miss Mary wina Leslie W. G. Morris Tgowas B K Bndact
 Composed by C. W. Roberts, Conducted by Leslir W. G. Morris * First peal in the method and first attempt on an 'inside' bell. The 100th peal on the bells.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS

DERSINGEAM, NORTFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Weduesday, May 12, 1937, in Two Hoursand Fifiy-beven Minutes At the Ceurch of St. Niceolas,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5G40 CHANGES;

Seven 720 's all different.
Tenor 12 owt. (approx.),
Rev. R. L. B. Oliver ...Trahle George Batterbee... ... 4

-Ralee Burton ... ... ... 3 FRED Rix ... ... ... ... .. Conducted by Fred Rix.

* Tirst peal. Tirst peal as couductor.

DEEPING ST. NICHOLAE, LLNCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesdey, May 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Winutes, At the Ceqreb of St. Nicgolas.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES; Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}^{2}$.

 Conducted by Frank Taylor.

KIRKBY-LN-FURNESS, LANCS.
THE EANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wedneday, May 12, 1937, in Two Houys and Thity-Six Minutes.
At tee Chorch of St. Cdtherrt,
A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 5040 DHANEES:
Beint seven extents called differontly.
Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ crit.
D. Waterworth... ... ...Tyeble|C. L. Symes . T. W. Moorhodsb, jun. ... 2 L. Rawlinson ... W. Mourgouse, sen.... ... 3 N. M. Newsy ... ... ... Temy

Conducted by N. M. Newby.
All are service ringers except the conductor, who is from Ulverston. Tirst peal and first attempt by all except conductor.

## EVERSHOT, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. (West Dorset Brance.)
On Wednesday, May 12,1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Thyee Minutes, At rez Churca of St. Osmund,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES. 504B EHANGES:

Being four extents each of St. Dunstan's and St. Bartholomew's, six each of St. Simon's, Stedman Slow Course, Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury and ten of Grandsire, with $33^{2}$ callings. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt. in $A$
Wileiam Rofitey ... ...Treble fHagold C. R. Vine .... ... 4 H. Dennis W. Biseop ... 2 Arther G. Cbebb ... ... 5 "Madrice Batien ... ... 3 William Groves ... ...Tenor Conducted by H. D. W. Bishop.

* First peal and first abtompt. t First peal in seven methods 'inside.' All are members of the local baud.

LFTOHETT MATRAVERA, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. On Weduesday, May 12, 1937, in I hree Hours, At the Ceurce of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, B040 CHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores, ten callings.
-Miss Prgey Marse ...Treble
Lionel H. Pine......
Hardld E. Whitr ....... 3 | John B. Powlesland ...Tenoy Conducted by Wm. C. Sedte.

* First peal. 中 First peal of Doubles. Pegsy Marsh is only 11 years of ege.

THURLETGH, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Weduesday, May 12, 1937, in I wo Hoursand Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Cherce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OP GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, SO40 DHANQES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten callings.
Rgginald Parrott ... ...Trehie
fGeorga Seta .... ... ... 2
Donald L Coceings ... 5
-J. Harold Swhpston ... 3 |Albert Siaplhton ... ...Tenor
Conducted by D. L. Cockings.

* First peal. + First peal 'inside.' First as conductor.


## EAST PEOKHAM，KTENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Wednesday，May 12，7937，in Two Howrs and Forly－Nine Minutes，
At tar Church of St．Micharl．
A PEAL GF DDUBLES， 5040 CHANEEE；
Being 12 six－scores of Plein Bob and 30 of Grandsire． Edqard Botceer ．．．．．．Tyeble Laterer J．Honess ．．．．．． 4 George Brookbr.......$\quad 2 \quad$ Harry Bishop ．．． TOM SADNDERS ．．． ．．． 3 William H．Darthall ．．．Tenor Conducred bv L．J．Haserss．
＊First peal of Doubles．$\dagger$ First peal．
LYTGHETT MINSTER，DORSET．
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUJlD．
On Wednesday，May 12，1937，in 7 hrze Holevs．

## Ax ine Parise Chorca，

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES，5O\＆B CHANOES； Forty－two six－scores，ten callimgs． Jobn B．Powlesland ．．．Treble Philif N．Tocock ．．．．．． 2 William C．Seqte ．．．．．． 4
Frank H．Wills ．．．．．． 3 ｜Sideney F．Sims ．．． Conducted by Harole E．Waita．
＊First peal．First peal as conductor． SUNBURY－ON－THAMES．
TUE MIDDLESEX CODNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD．
Om Wednesday，May 12，7937，in Three Haws and Seven Minwtes， At the Chirch of St．Mary．

## A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLEB，5040 CHANQE8；

## Rung with 4．6－8 covering．

－Dodglas E．Rownes ．．．Treble
＊John W．Strwart ．．．．．． 2 Stepben Cootrr，sen．．．．． 6
†Ronald F．Aelgord．．．．．． 3 Arthor F．Putland.- .7
＜Strphen Cooprr，jun．．．． 4 \＃Vadgann L．P．Davis－．．Tenor Conducted by Artier F．Potland．
＊pirst peal and first atbenpt．＋First peal ingicte．

## BATE，SOMERSET．

THE BA耳＇H AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
Qu Wednesday，Way 12，1937，in 1 wo Hours and Forty－Six Mintes， At the Chorch df St．Mark，

## A PEAL OF EOB MINOR， 5040 CHANEES；

Seven 720 ＇s called differently．
Tenor 10 cwt． Harry Andrews ．．．．．．Tyeble Georgr Baatz ．．．．．．．．． 4
 Clado S．Knotr ．．．．．． 3 William G．Brown ．．．．．．Tomor Canducted by William G．Brown
First peal of Minor．t First peal．Firsi peal on the bells．All the band are attached to this charcla．

## STOKDSIY，SHRORSHIRE．

THE HERETORD DIOOTSAN GUILD．
（Ledlow and Cebree Stretion Disirict．）
On Weduestay，May 12，1937，in Two Hours and Thirty－These Mintules，
At the Ceúrch of Sz．Joan－tbe－Bapisi，

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DDUBLES，EO4O GHANGES；

Being 42 six－scores with 10 different callings．

Tenor 12 cwt， －Leonard E．A．Davies ．．．Treble Hobert Jones ．．．．．．．．． 4 †EDWard Sdllivan ．．．.. $.2^{2} |$| Arthor Nason | ... | ... | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Conducted by W．J．Beniams．

First peal on tower bells．中 First peal．Also rung as a birthday complimente the conductor and the pinger of the tenor．

## BIGBY，LINCS．

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
（Northern Brancr．）
On Wedmesday，May 12，1937，in Two Howrs and Farty－Five Minules， At tee Ceurch of Ale Saints，

## A PEAL OF MINOR，6040 GHANGES；

Being an extent each of College，Donble Court，Dutuble Oxford，St， Glement＇s，Oxford Treble Hob，Kent＇Theble Bob and Plain Bob．
Harold Morwood Ronald Bowness George E．Feirn

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& \text { Tenor } 6 \text { cwt. a qr. a lb. } \\
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& \ldots . . \text { Theul. } \\
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\end{aligned} \text { Martin Waliker } \quad . . .
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NORZH BRADLEY，WILTS．
On Wednasiday，May 12，1937，in iqu Howys and Fifiy－Six Minutes，
At ibe Cebrch of St．Nigholas，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLE8，G040 CHANGES； Tonor $13 \mathrm{cwt}^{2}$
J．Giddings ．．．...$\quad$ ．．．... Trelue $\mid$ Ron Habding $\quad . .$.

Conducted by P．Harding．
EXNING，SUFFOLK．
THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Wednesday，May 12,7937 ，in Threa Hours and Foxy Minwtos，
At zer Chorce of Sz．Martin，
A PEAL DF DOUBLES， 6040 CHANOES！
Consisting of 15 six－scores of Stedman， 23 six－scores of Grandsive and four six－scores of Bob Doubles．
－Williab Webe．．．
．．．Tteble＂Sianley Benting 3
－Sidney Bonting
SiDney Brown
Ernest Jaggard ．Tenor Conducted by Sidsiy Brown．
First peal on the bells．＊First peal and first adtempt．First peal as conduetor．

SANDAL MAGNA，WAKEEIELD，
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION． （Biannsley and District Society．）
On Wednesday，May 12，1937，in Turce Howes and Two Mimutos， Ax tge Churca of St．Helen．
A PEAL DF TREBLE BOB MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；
Being 720 egch of New London，Duke of York，London Scholars＇ Pleasire，Kingston，Sandal Erorcise，Kent and Oxford．Tonor 13 cwt． H．Spencer ．．．．．．Trable｜E．Cotr．．．
－A．Lamb … ．．．

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | G．Cotr．．． |
| Conducted by E．Cori． |  |  |  |

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＊Firat penl．
WEST GRINST幅，SDSSEX．
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION，
On Wednasday，May 12，1937，in Two Hours and Thirty－Three Minetes， Ax the Chorge or St，Geurge，

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR， 5040 GHANGES；

Consisting of three 700 ＇s Kent Treble Boh，two of Woodbine and 720 Oxfard Treble Jiob．
 Oxfo
＊Finst peal．

## FIRST QUARTER－PEALS．

ALDENHAM．－On May 2nd for morming service， 1,260 Grandsiro Triples：G．Bistop 1，A．Wobtien 2，Rov．F．Burues 3，O．Evins 4， C．H．Harton（conductor）5，W．Inwood 6，W．Gilks 7，W，Lawrence 8．Firgs quarter－peal by treble and temor ringers，aud first＂inside＂ by 3 ra ringer．
HOGHENDEN，BUCKS．－On Sunday，May 2nd，for morning ser－ vice，a quarter－peal of Bols Mujor：C．Bond 1，Mrs．R．Blaby $2, \mathrm{R}$ ． Blaby 3，F．G．Briggs 4，E．Timpson 5，A．Newfon 6，P．Newton 7， R．Biggs（conductor）8．First quarter－peal of Major by the ringerg of 1,2 end 5 ．
LYME REGKS，DORSET．－On Sunday，May 2nd，for ceening ser－ vice，a quarter－peal of Stedman Triples ：F．Hiscock $1_{1}{ }^{5}$ ．E．Pliibrick 2，O．W．Powell 3，G．H．Whitemore 4，Rev．G．O．Cox（conductor） 5 ， H．G．Keeley 5, F．J．Blackmore 7，E．Hawker 8．Jirst quarter－paal of Stedman by Fi Hawker．
PATLERSBURY，NORTHANIS．On April 27ti，a quarter－peal of Grandeiro Doubles：W．Smart 1，B．Smart 2，F．Webb 3，J．Foster 4， E．Smart（conductor）5，P．Foster G．First quarter－peal and first attempt by the local band，

HARLOW COMMON，ESSEX．－On April 17thr at St．MnTy Magda－ lene＇s Churel for Holy Erucharist service， 1,264 Bob Major：F．Whitby 1, W．Aley（first quarter－peal） 2 ，S．Clark 3 ，B．Copping 4．L．Cordell $\hat{S}_{5}$ V．Tipton 6，W．Wheeler $7_{1}$ E．Rochester＇（first as conductar） 8. BILIINGSFURST，SUSSEX．－On Sunduy，April 11th，in quarter－ peal of Bob Major（ 1,264 changes）：$F$ ．Alfrey $1_{1}$ E．Rapley 2， 0.
 jun．（conductor） 8 ．First quarter－peal by ringers of 1 and 2 ．
ADWICK－LESTREET．－At St．Lawrence＇s Clurel for evening service on April 4th，a quarter－peal of Doubles（Grandsire and Plain Boh）：J． Levís（fixst guarter）1，H．H．Goodiale（eonductor）2，F．P．Newton 3 W．Fay 4，C．Nattage 5，I．Hampshire 6.

## CORONATION JOY BELLS.

## MORTB RECORDS OT THE OELEBRATION.

Another attempt for the Goronation peal at St. Paul's Cathedral is to lue made to-morrow. On Saturday week, the peal of Stedman Cingues came to grief after two aud a half hours ringilg.

By in printer's error the peal on Coronation Day at St. Martin's, Birminglan, was described last week as Grandsire Cinques. The peal was Stedonan Cingtes. As a matter of fact, it is over 40 years ago-to be Jrecise, on Dccember 28th, 1896 -chat the last peal of Grindsire Cinques was ring there.
Among those who took part in the Coronation peal were Mossrs. Walker, Munsell and Paden Smith, who also rang ha peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Martin's for the Caronation of King George V. and Queen Mary, ou June 22nd, 1911 -the only twelve-bell peal rung on that date.
For a noitter service held on Colonation Dry at Stt. Mary's Church, Fairford, a quarter-peal of dinor in different methods was rung after meeting show frm Triples, wiz, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Kent and Oxford Trelpe Bul, and Paim Boly: B. Guy i, Miss F. M. Hone 2, W. A. Law 3, E. Coopel 4, E. Acoek 5, J. Hope (conductor) 6.
$i$ quarter-perl of Grandsire Doubles was rurg at the Old Church, Smethwick, himmingham: $\mathbb{T}$. Johnson 1, C. Hastings 2, R. Willetts 3 , D. T. Matkin 4, S. O'C. Holloway (conductor) 5, F. Masters 6. A1] except the ringer of the the are nembers of the lacal lagud, and it was their second attempt for a quarter-peal.
A qurter-peal of Grandsire Triples was begth at Si. James' Church, Taunton, af 6 a.m. : B. T. Holt first quarter-peal) 1, J. Hunt 2, W. 7. Jeanes (frst quarter-peal with a bob bell) 3, A. A. Walker 4, A. F. Reed 5, H. Bumgay 6, W. G. Gigg (conductor) 7, T. Jarman 8. At $g$ a,m, a start was made [or a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, but a ghift occurred in the last course of the 3rd part. J. Hunt has now rung for three Corouations.

## SUFTOLK RJNGING.

Ringing commenced at Ealesworth, Suffolk, at 7 a.m. A royal salute was 'fired ' o? tho bells, and tonches of Kent treble Bob Major, Bob Major and 'l'iples were lung. The ringing was continued at intervals throughont the day
At Wissett, too, the six bells were Ered at 7 a.m. and touches of Grandsire Doubles mog lay the local band at intervals until 3 p.m.

Ringing, which began at 9 a.me, carcied on motil 6 p.m. at Chediston, Suffolk, while fit Wenhaston the bells rang hefore and after the united service at the Parish Church.
The newly-formed young band ab Ramburgh rang the five bells in call changes and fired" z rayal snlate. May touches were zung ou the eight bells cinring the day at Southwold.
A Coronation touch was rung at Highclere, Fants, after evening service on Sumday, May $16 t h$. It was 720 Bob Minor after meeting short for Triples: Miss Yuene Kuapp 1. A. Ghalice 2. Miss Doris Honeywell 3, T. Batelell 4, F. Knapp (conductor) 5, G. Chesterman 6.
Seven memluzers of one family took part at Appleton, Berks, in a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters ( 1,259 changes) : F. S. White 1, F. C. White 2, G. Holfich, sel. 3, F. C. White 4, F. Messenger 5, A. H. White 6, C. G. White 7, G. Holifield, juı. (couductor) 8, R. White 9, $F$. White 10.

## KING'S EMPLOYES RING PEAL.

The anly peal of bells on the King's Sandringham estate is af Dersinghim (a mile From Sandringham), zind it was fitting that a peal slould be rung liere ort Coronation Day. The peal was rung by the regutar Sunday service kingers, most of whom werk on the estate. The Viear took part in the peal.
The Caronatien peal on the new bells at Croydon Parish Church was rung lyy twelve nemberg of the regular Sunday sexvice band, of whom siv rang their first peal an twelve bells and one other his first ever. This is a good 'send-off' for the peal riuging history of this fine ring, the product of the local foundry.
$\Delta$ penl at Kidsgrove, Stafts, was in honour of the centenary of the church as well as of tho Coronation.
At Foorside, Oldlans, the Coronation peal, rung on. May 10th, was also in honour of the diamond weddiag of Mr. and Mrs. F. Crossiand, of New Earth Street, Oldham
Tlla virgers of the Priory Church of St. Mary, Lancaster, must be a proud band. Their penl of Grandsire Tuiples on Coronation Day was tho first peal by ath the band.
At Willesden ou May 11th, 1,40 Spliced Bristol, London, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise wafor: F. B. Fartley 1, J. A. Tuollope 2 , J. F. Riding 3, T. J. Loch 4, Miss K. M. Bradiord 5, Q. C. Mayne 6, H. Killy 7, E. C. S. Turner (conductor) 8. Rung after an unsuccessful peal attempt for the same methods.
At Kilmersdon, Somerset, $f$ quarter-peal of Doubles, consisting of three six-scores of Plam Bob, three of Old Doubles and 41 Grandsire: E. Counock (first guarter-preal) 1, F. K, Rhymer 2, R. W. Rhymer (eonductor) 3, W. Johmsan 4, E. F. Nash 5, F. Dredge (first quarterpeal) 6.

## EARLY BELLS.

Ringinz began at 5.10 mm . it St. James Clurch, Taunton, with a Thater-peal of Grapdsire Triples: B. T. Holl 1, J. Hunt 2, T. Jeanes 3. A. Walker 4, A. H. Read ह, H. Bungay 6, W. G. Gigy (conductor) 7,

At Selby Abbey ringing began at 5.45 a.m. wleen an attempt was mado for a peal of Kent Tieble Bub Major. This, however, cawe to grief owing to a "change course "arter la hours' ringing, but afterwards a quarter-peal of Grandsire Iriples was rung, with F. Cryer taking the place of W. Terry, of Hemingbrough: F. Cryer (Selby) 1 . Mrs. E. Bradligy 2, Miss M. D. Hawley 3, F. Terry (Heminglarough) 4 R. H. Vigor 5, H. S. Morley, conductor (Selby) 6, E, Bradley 7, T. H. Foster (Selby) 8. Ringers of 2, 3, 5 and 7 frow Sherbuin-in-[1]met-

The peal at Hetherseti, Norfolk, was begun at 6.17 a.m. It was rumg by the local company, with the inchasion of the hon. socretary of the Norwich Diocesan Asseciation as conductor.

Messis. Cotton, Dexter aud Taylor, who toolt part in a peal of Stedman Cinques on the new riug of twelve bells at Leicester Catintdral, rang in paals in the same tower for the Coronations uf King Edward VII. and King George V.
The belts at Apsicy End, Herts, went into changes at six minules to six a.m. and came romd at 8.38. That was an early seart. Al the conclusion of the peal the hells wete fired.

Ons of the earliest peals in the area of the North Stafordshir Assaciation was rung at Norton, where seven Surprise methods were begun at $6.40 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.

## A HAPPY COINCIDENCE

Mr. Johu Fint, of Boisover, rang his 500th peal an Coronation Daya very luppy coincidence. It was also the 150 th peal which he and Mr: Jesse Moss luad rung together.
The first peal of Stedman Triples in West Dorset ever rung by a local hand was scored at Lyme Regis, under the conducterstrip of the Vicar (the Rev. O. C. Cox). The band are all Sunday service ringerg and three of them rang their first peal of Stedunn.
The treble to a peal of Kent Treble Bob at Lindley, Hudderslied, Was rung by Geoftrey Gee, a 16 -year-old youth, who flus rang i, is first peal after only six montis' training. He had never rumg the method bofore, and his striking roused the admiration of the whole band.
The local hand at Eqershot, Dorset, rang a peat of Doubles in seven methods, and special credit is dure to Maurice Batten, who scored l.js first peal at the first attempt. He was 15 years 14 days old 1. Coronation Day and only learned to hnndle a bell 16 months ago.

The band who rang the peal at Monk Bretton, Yorks, afterwards welt on to Barnsley and were hospitably entertained by Mr. ©, D. Potter.

Prior to 8 a.m. Conmouion service, at Chilvers Coton, Warwickshire, a quarler-peal of Stedran Triples: C. E. Rayson 1, H. Harris 2. J. Draycott 3, Mrs. D. E. Beamish 4, P. Stone 5, J. Gibbons 6, A. H. Benmish (conductor) 7. J. E. Woreton 8 .
At Christ Chneh, Swindon, Wilts, a quarter-peal of Grantsire Gaters ( 1,259 changes) : A. Lawtunce 1, R. (i. Townsend 2 , $S$. Palmer 3. W. W. T. Daniell 4, H. W. Bishop 5, W. B. Kyuaston (conductor) 6 , A. G. Wells 7, H. W. L. Wells 8, E. J. Berry 9, A. E. W. Smith 10.
 F. J. Trimnter 3, R. Curtis 4, N. Cumb 5, L. M. Sanires 6, F Mursell 7. H. Reeves 8, R. Brown 9, J. Elliott 10 . Roy Faiblufull was the reserve for the cecasion.

## A HALTPEAL

At Ottery SE. Mary, Devon, on Goronation Day, a half-peal of Grandsire "Iriples, 2,520 changes (the first half of Holt's Tea-Trart), was rung in 1 hour 34 minntes: Fictor Pyae I, John Fi. Godfrcy, jun. 2. Lewis Hine 3 , Gharles Je Tumer (conductor) 4, Jolau fr. Godfrey 5 . Edwaid Marks 6, John Arbury 7, Robert Wood 8. It was the longest towch of Grandsire for ull the bond with the exception of the 5th and 7th ringers.
Three local ringers scored their first quarter-peal at Bray, Herks, on May 12th, wheu 1,280 Grandsire Bonbles was rung by $N$. Tomalin 1, W. Glark 2, Tr. J. Russell (conductor) 3, 3. G. Lidliow 4, H. W. Russell 5, J. Fine 6. It was the first quarler-peal bey ringers of 1.2 and 6 , and all the band are yegular service vingers at this church, where the tenur is 27 cwt. and the bell frame is supported on stanchions cartied up from the ground floor.
A quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung ati All Saints' Clurch, Westom, Balh: R. Brewer (first quarter-peal) I, G. II. Gross, sen. 2, G. H. Cross (First quarter-peal away from treble) 3, G. Brewer 4, S. S. Woodburn (conductor) 5, G. Drew 6.
At Chatham, Kent, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. Norvis 1, H. Poultar 2, D. T. Hills 3, T. G. Soullurate 4, T. Jelsey (conducfor) , C. E. J. Norris 6, W. A. J. Knight 7, G. Lawrence 8.
After ringing for service at 8.45 a.m., the ringers of Manaccan, Comwall, met gain at 2 p.m. For a peal of Doubles. The conductor, Mr. J. Nimnes, whose first attempt at conducting a peal it was, had unfortunately a badly sprained ankle. However, he gallantly made the attempt, lunt after half an hour he was only able to stand on one faot. In spile of this, lie went on to call the bells rennd to asplendid quarter-peal (1,200 changes). All 10 callings were used-a very creditable perfornance at a flrst attempt with a dog ${ }^{\text {g gawing at }}$ your foot' : 0 . Lovesy 1, C. F. Jerram 2, R. Vagtie 3, E. Cossentine 4, J. Ninues 5 , J. Vague 6 .

As a prelude to the Coronation festivities at Crawley, Sussex, it quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung: C. Charton 1 , Reginald V. Jolmsen 2 Miss $F$. Whrman 3, Cecil Tnce 4. K. Snelling E. N. Elliotit 6, O. Sippretis (conductor) 7, W. Diplack 8.
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## YOUNGEST CORONATION PFAL RINGERS．

（Coutimued from previous page．）
Miss Peggy Marsl，of Lytelett Matravers，Dorset，is probably the youngest ringer to ring a peal on Coronation Day．She is orly eleven yours of age and is to be congratulated on ringing her first peal mpon such an auspicious occasion．She had rung her first quarter－peal two days earlier，for a Confirmation service．In both she rang the treble nad the method was Grandsite Doubles．

Another young ringer to scole his first pali during the Goronation celebrations was Reginald W．Collis，of Croft，Leicestershire，who，at 13 years of age，lang the theble to a peal of Doubles in five methods． सFarry Cheesman scored his first peal at the age of 14，at Banstead，on May 17tly and it was a peal of Stedmen Triples，tou．

The Coronation peal rung at St．Giles＇，Camberwell，by the London County Association was aiso as a compliment to the Master of the association，Mr．T．H．Taffender，who had received direct from His䣷道esty the King the King＇s Coronation Medal for his bervice as a senver supervisiug officer in the General Post Office．

> LOYAL SENTMCNTS ON OLD BELLS.

At Pavenham，Beds，where a Coronation peal was ling on the five bells on May 15th，the 2nd bell is inscribed，＇God save the Queene， 1602，＂nad the tenos＇，＇Gous save the King．＂

The Coronation peal at Mullion，Cornwall，was the lirst peal on the holls．Tho peal of Donbles at Rampisham，Dorset，was also the first peal on the bells，which have recently been relnung by Messrs．Taylor and Co．

A quarter－peal of Oxford Bob Minor was rung at St．Margaret＇s Chureh，Barley，Herlis：V．Liee 1，W．Chapman（first＂inside＂）2，W． Hannfield 3，H．Foward 4，W．Tack 5，R．Howard（conductor） 6.

On May 15th at Holy Trinity Church，Watermoor，Cirencester，a quarter－peal of 太tedman Thiples：F．J，Lowis，sen．（conductor）1， H．I．Cooke 2，Miss Kathleea E．Fietcher 3，Miss Dorothy R．Fletcher 4，H．O．Bond 5，E．S．Parsons ö．W．H．Hayward 7，W．G．Cook 8. Misses Metcher are from Beaconsfield，Bucks．

At St，Katherine＇s Church，Merscham，Surrey， 720 Bob Minor： Alec Cheasely 1，George Welch 2，Charles Killick 3，Bernard H．Wells 4，Robert Audrews 5，James Batters（conduclor＇）6．Afterwards the bells were fired＇gud lowered in peal．

For 10 n，m．service at Burnham，Bucks，a quarter－peal（ $\mathcal{I}, 280$ clanges）of Bol Major by local band ：M．A．Blamey 1，P．A．Blamey $\mathbb{Z}_{2}$ ．J．E．Thylor $3_{1} \mathrm{C}$ A．Burgess 4，B．O＇Neill 5 ，G．W．Limmer 6， G．H．Limmer 7，G．Gilbert 8 ．From 6 a．m．Imtil 8 a．m．early cetebra－ tion，louches of Little Bob，Kent and Bob Major were zung by the sume band．

In the evening al Hibcham，Bucles，a quarter－peal of Minor（consist－ iug of 720 Plain Bols， 360 Canlerbury Pleasure aud 180 Single Oxford）： H．Webb 1，Miss J．A．Blackman（Wokiugham）2，A．J．N．Rance （Binfield，3，W．O．Woodley 4，R．W．Walker 5，J．F．Taylor（Burn－ ham）（first quarter－peal as conductor）6．First quarter－peal of Minor by 1,3 and 4 ，who ara local men．

The Coronatiol peat at Barlian－on－［Hmber on May 15tIn was also ruing as a compliment to Miss M．Eayres and Mi＇．G．Joluson，both members of the keal band，on the ocension of their marriuge，and in honour of the birth of a son to Mrs．1［．J．Chapman，wife of another locnl ringer，who took part in the pea！．
A band who had itranged a Goronation peal at Stanford，Eincs，on Whit Monday，looked like baing one short for the attempt，but Mr ． W．F．Smith stepped into the breucly at the last moment to ring tho treble，and the peal was successful．Tho rest of tho company ara grateful to Mr．Smith for his kindiness．

CITY WITHOU＇I BELTS．
The city of Ely was withoul bells for Coronation Day．Tile ring of eight at St．Mary＇s Charel are silent，ss the fomdation beams and frame have been condemned，and it is feared that rivging would damare tha tower．It is hoped a restorntion mey soon be undertaken， but matters have been delared，as the parish ut present is without a．Vicar．
The peal rumg at Mallow，Bucks，for the Coronation was the firth in the tower for 33 years！

The band which rang the peal of Sterlman Cinques at St．Nicholas＇ Church，Liverpool，on May 15th，in hononr of he Coranation，was practically a＇local＇band，Mr．J．Ridyard，who hails From Sonthport， being the only member who contd not be strictly termed＇lowal．＇
It is interesting to recall that the late oncasion on which a local hand rang e peal of Stedman Cinques ati St，Nicholas＇whe for the late Queer Alexandra＇s fineral（November 28th，1925）．Messrs．Newton， Hammand，Gave，Davies and Gannce were in looth peals．
A quarter－peal of Bob Major in honour of the Coronstion was jung at Overseale，Derbysliye，on Whit Sunday for evensong：If．C．Adams 1，G．W．Clayfield $2_{1}$ L．Freaman 3，W．Brooker 4，W．F．Cinyfield 5 P．W．Grice 6．J．W．Cotton 7，W．H．Curson 8．First quariver－peal of Major by the local band

A tollell of 1,764 Grandsire Triples was mang on May $15 t h a f$ ．Farwelt， Berks，to commemorate ihe Coronation：B．Bishop 1，W．V．Wehb 2， G．F James 3，W．Lambell A，R．G．Rice（conductor＇）5，E．R．Robey 6，J．Nobes 7，T3．Mulford 8.

A quarter－peal of Guadsire triples was ring on Coronation Day nt Hetfeld，Ferts：R．Young 1，A．Shlepherd（condnetor）2，S．W． Cull 3，J．G．Dunliam 4，W．T．Holmes 5，H．Nobles 6，A．R．Law－ rence $7, L_{\text {．}}, \forall$ ．Cull 8.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. Maurice Atkins was a sutierer from the failure of the Cambridge University Guild to pay the affiliation fee for its representatives on tho Gentral Council. He broke his holiday in Devonshire and travelled all the way to Canterbury-for nothing.
We repret to record the sudden death of one of the band of ringers at St. Paul's Cathedral, Melboume, Australin. Mr. J. Birlies, who was a native of Great Budworth, Cheslure, expired suddenly while attending a dog show on Rester Monday.
If anyone should ask Messis. John Worth and Wilfrod Stevenson, of Macclesfield, what they think of the view of the Manchester Ship Canal from Warrington Swing Bridge, they will be surprised at the lack of these ringers' appreciation of a wonderful piece of engineering.
They had been invited to take part in the Coronation peal at St, Nicholas', Liverpool, and were held up en route at the bridge for 20 solid minutes. They arrived finally at the tower just in time to hear the bells break iato rounds.

Albert Tyler, a son of the late Mr. Jesse Tyler, whe rang the treble to a peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Mary Redclife, is only 14 years of age and has just left Redcliffe School, His oaly two previous peals havo also been Stedman Cinques.
Among the visitols to this country for the Coronation are the Ven. Archdeacon Blackwood and Mrs. Blackwood, of Holart, Tasmania. The Archdeacon is Vicar of Holy Trinity, where two peals were rung on the Australian tour in 1934, and the towists are looking forward to moeting these visitors before they return to the other side of the world. This week they have been spending a day or two with Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Richardson at Surfleet.
Tho King has been pleased to noknowledge through his privato secretary i letter of loyal assurances on the occasion of their Majesties' Coronation sent by the St. Mary's Cathedral, Glasgow, Society.

Mr. Tom Fowler, of Cookham, a well-known member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, won the 75 yards race for grandiathers, starting from seratch, at the local Corountion festivities. His prize was a bread knife. A few years ago he won two pairs of hair brushes in oue dayand he was as bald then as he is now!

## LOST PEALS.

HOW MANY TATLURTS?
In duo course roports of all the peals rung in celebration of the Caronatior will bo published in these columas. Up to the present we have received records of ovar 200 .
It would add interest in the activities of ringers on this historic occasion if it were possible to ascertain how many Coronation peals wers lost. Will our readers help us to do this by sending in posteard in all cases where a peal was lost, stating

Date of attempt
Pance
Method
Time rung
Cause of fsilure?

## CAMBRIDGE U.G OFFICIALS' APOLOGY.

## To the Editor,

Dear Sir,-May we, through the medium of your paper, express our regret that, owing to an oversight, the Cambridge University Guild was blacklisted at the recent Gentral Council meeting for non-payment of subscription.
We tender our apologies to all concerned, and especially to tho Guild's representatives.

ROGER D. St. J. SMITH, Master.
MICHAEL B. SHAW, Hon, Secrefary.

## THE PEAL AT ST. MARY'S, WALTHAMSTOW

 To the Editor.Dear Sir, - I find that I made an erroneous claim in connection with the peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal rung at Walthamstow on April 24th, as about six years ago a similar peal was rung on the bells. I should, of course, have known better, but I was "aided and abetted in this error by some ringers in the carlier peal. I rathey fancy they imagined the date to be April 1st ingtead of the 24th. With apologies to all concerned.
O. T. COLES.

## SCHOOLBOYS' QUARTER-PEAL.

At East Buekiand, Devon, on May 3rd, the West Buckland School Guild of Ringers rang a quarter-peal of Doubles, being 660 of Steduman and 600 of Grandsire rung in altornate six-scores: J. A. Turner 1, P. R. Dale 2, H. L. Morgan 3, E. V. Westcott 4, the Rev. J. H. B. Andrews (conductor) 5, F. P. W. Bray 6.
First-quarter-peal by ringers of 1 and 6 , and first quarter-peal "inside' by ringer of 4th. It was the first quarter-peal in two methods, or in either Grandsire or Stedman, by any of the band.

The boys hava been ringing Stedman since February, but they rang their first 120 of Grandsire only last week.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## ATTENDANCE at the CANTERBURY MEETING REGISTER OF METHODS ESTABLISHED.

The meeting of the Central Council at Oanterbary on Whitsun Tuesday was held in the Chapter House of the Cathedral. Mr. E. H. Lewis (president) occupied the chair, and the following members werb present:-

Ancient Society of College Youths: Mr'. A. B. Peck
Bath and Wells Diocesan Association : Messis. H. W. Brown, J. T. Dyke, J. Hunt.
Bedfordshire Asgociation: Mr. A. King
Gambridge University Guild: Messrs. E. M. Athins, E. H. Lewis
Cheater Dicceseu Guild: Messrs. A. Crawley, H. Parker.
Devon Guild: Mr. T. Laver.
East Derbyshire and Notts Gssociation: Mr. T. Glarke.
Ely Diecesan Association: Messrs. C. W. Cook, F. Werrington, Miss F . Willers.

Essex Association: Messers, E. J. Butler, G. R. Pye, L. W. Wiffen. Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association; Mr. W. B. Kyneston. Guildiord Diocesau Guild: Messrs. G. L. Grover, A. Q. Hazledens . ㅍ. Pulling.
Hertford County Association : Mr. W. Ayre.
Kemt County Association : Messis. T. H. Cheesman, T. Groombridge, T. M. Mitichall, T, E. Sone.

Ladies' Guild: Mrs. E. K. Fletcher, Mrs. R. Richardson
Lameashra Association: Messrs. W. H. Sluker, L. J. Witliams, T. B. Worsley

Lincoln Diocesan Guild: Vea. Arehdeacon Parry, Messrs. J. Bray, R. Richardson.

Liandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association: Messrs. J. W. Jones, a. H, Peiry.

London County Association: Messrs. F. E. Dawe, T. F. Taffender, A. Waugh.

Middlesex County Association: Messrs, C. T. Coles, G. W. Fletcher, , H. Hollier, W, G. Wilson.
Midland Counties Association : Messrs. A. T. Harcis, J. H. Swinfeld [1. Denisorn Taylor.
Norwich Diocesan Association: Messrs. A. L. Coleman, F. Nolan oldea.
North Staffs and District Association : MIr. A. Thompson
Oxfow Diocesan Guild: Rev. Ganon G. F. Coleridge, Messis. A. D. Parker, A. E. I_ack, R. H. Trost.
Oxford Society: MI. W. G. Collett.
Oxford Universily Society: Tho Rev. C. E. Wigg.
Romney Marsh and District Gıild: Mr. P. Page.
St. Martin's Gıild: Mr. A. Paddon Smith.
Salisbury Diocesan Guild: The Rev. F. LI. Edwards, Messrs. S. II. Inlier, C. H. Jennings, F. W. Romaine
Society of Royal Cumberland Youths: Messrs. G. H. Oross, G. Gilbert, J. Parker, G. W. Steere.
Stafford Archdeaconry Society: Messrs. B. Forton, H. Knight.
Suffolk Guild ; Rev. H. Drake. Mr. C. Mee.
Surrey Association: Messrs. W. Claydon, D. Cooper, C. H. Kippin.
Sussex Qounty Association: Mr. H. R. Butcher.
Spaneen and Bracon Diocesan Guild: Mr. Gwyn I. Lewis.
Thuro Diocesan Guild: Mr. C. Lanxon
Warwickshire Guild: Messrs. D. F. Argyle, F. W. Pomens.
Winehester and Portsmouth Diacesan Guild: Mesgre. G. Pulliner,
[5. W. Roogers, G. Williams.
Worcester and Districts Association : Mr. J. D. Johnson.
Yorkshire Association: Messrs. J. Fardeastle, P. J. Joluson, S. I. Palmer.
Hohorary members: Messrs. W. A. Cave, G. Deam, J. S. Goldsmith, J. I. B. Hesse, A. A. Hughes, C. F. Jolmston, T. A. Trollope, E. C. S. T'umer, A. Walker, S. H. Wooc, E. Alex. Young.
MEMBERSHIP OF MHE COUNOIL.

After the Conncil had been welcomed by Canon Felmore, the hon. secretary (Mr. Gr. W. Tielcher) reported that the Council han zow 50 atfiliated societies, entitled to elect 138 members. The total elected Was 135. There were 15 honorary members. All subscriptions had been paid except those of the Durham and Newcastle, North Wales and North Notts Associations aud Gambridge University Guild (of Which the president is ane of the representatives).
Mr. A. Paddon Smith said it was unfortunate that the Gambridge Unversity Guild subscription bad not been paid. It made it impessible under the rules for the president to speak or vote at that meeting, hecanse he was a representative of the Guild. That was an impossible position for the Council to be in, and in order to regularise the situation he had great pleasure in proposing that the president be elected an honovary member of the Council.
Mr. S. H. Wood, in seconding, sxid, as a member of the Cambuidge University Guild, he would the to express regret that the omission of the Guild had placed the president in that rather unfortunatio situation.
The motion was carried with applause.
The President proposed that a message of loyalty and comgratulation be sent to the King upon his Coronation
the text of the hessage (which was oarried by acciamation), together with the King's reply, was published in our last issue.

On the motion of Mr. J. A. Trollope, seconded by Mr. D. Ir Jolinston, the following retiring hon. members were re-elected: The Rev. F. SS. T. Richardson, Nesses. A. A. Huglies, E. O. S. Turnor and S. E. Wood.
'I'wo members attending a Colucil meeting for the first time wore presented to the president.

Apologies for absence were received from the Rev. Canon C. O. Marshall (Torkshire Association), the Rev. E. V. Gox (Devon Guild), the Rev. W. M. In. Wirren (Bath and Wells Associabian), Messirs. R. G. Biack (Peferbotorgh Dfacesan Guild), H. Barton (Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, G. Chester (Lincoln Diocesan Guikl), G. Lindoff (Irislı Assaciation), W. H. J. Hooton, hows. Jihrarian (Midland Colinties Association), S. T. Armshrong (Sussex County Association), G. R. Newton (Lancashire Association), E. P. Duflield (Essex Association), G. J. Sedgeley (Suffolk Guild), A. E. Sharman (Bedfordshire Associntion), K. Thacker (North Staffs inncl District Association), W. Saunclers (Shropshire Association), G. E. Borrett (Norwich: Dowesan Association), S. H. Spmonds (Sufolle Guild), W. T. Cockerill (Ancient Society of College Yonths), F. Colelousl (Norib Staffe Association), C. H. Woodlyerry (Worcestershine Assouiadion), W. J. Davidson and W. H. Barber (Durlam and Newenstle Association), E. E. C. Goodenoumh and C. W. Woolley (Hertford County Association), Alderman J. S. Plitchett, the Rev. H. S. I', Richardson and Mr. O. W. Roberts (hon. members).

LOSSES BY DEATH.
The President referved to the loss of members and past members by death. They included the Rev. A. F. B. Boughey, an liou, member of the Gouncil from 1892 to 1928, and president from 1918 to 1920. The President said thoy all knew Mr, Boughey so well hat he need say tittlo about him at that mament, oxcept, possibly, to refer to his extraordinary capacity for beaching young ringers both on handbella and in the tower. A rreat many of his pupils had occupied positions of importance in the Exercise, particularly armong the clergy.
Obhers who had passed on were the Rev. E. W. Cazpenter, representative of the Kent Coundy Association and afterwurds an hon. member, a member of the Conucil 1891-1932; Mr. F. Wilfond, Centra] Northonts and Peterborouglt Associations, a member of the Council 1904-1936; Mr. A. Coppoel, Midland Connties Association and Sleerwood Youths, a member of tho Council 1924-1935; Mr. T. Jhillips, Lineoln Guild, a member of the Council 1932-1935: Mr. H. S. Ellis, St. James' Society, a member of the, Council 1912-1914: Mr. IR. I. Dawe, Sussex Associatiou, is momber of the Council 1909-1911: Mr. A. E. Wreaks, Lancashire Association, a momber of the Council 18951896 ; and Mr. G. W. Stokes, Sussex Association, who wos elected last year but nover liad the opportuntity of attending in meting.
Referring to the late Rev. E. W. Carpenter, the Rev. F. Drake mentioned that he was ame of two famous brolhers who nerved on the Conncil. Only a year or two before he died he gave a new treble bell to Stoke-by-Clare tower, had the bells rehung and taught a band of ringers.
The members stood for a few moments in silence as a marle of respect.
The miauteg of the last meeting, lield in London, lyavily hen printed, were taken as read, and-adopted.

GLOSSARY' STOCK TO BE GIVEN AWAF
The report of the hon. Tihrarian was presented by the hon. secretary. It was as follows: The thanks of the Council are dan to the following persous for gifts to the library: Canon Fisee (throngh Mr. Peter Grook) : Cavillons of Belginm and Hollnma ' (Gorlinm Rine, 1915), "Guriosities of the Belfry" Briscoe, 1883), Ghurch Bells of Lnicestershire (North), Suffolk (North), Warwickshire (Tillev and Walters). Mr. Th. A. Danfell: Note book, photo of Stedman's will. Mr. .J. A. Trollape : ©hurch Belle ' ("Arts of the Ohurch, Eeries).
The only purchase has been a oopy of the "Tintinnalogia' reprint. The lih'ry tist is being revised.
As fat as publications are concerned, I should ho glad to inave instructions for the disposal of 962 copies of the 'Glossary.' These might be sold at a reduced price if the Conncil thinks it antrisnlite to circulate a book containing nyuch out-of-dite matter.
Stacks of the following books are exlausted : "Rules and Decisions, "Model Rules for a Lacal Company," Preservation of Bells.' The two latter are in demend and should he reprinted, while the stock of the Plain Major and Cater Methods' hook is getting low.
The new hook af 'Doubles and Minor Methods' ant the book on the 'Law Affecting Church Relle' are in the press.
Two orders for books came from Anstralia, and a letter from Sydney asking for information about patent clappers for practice.
More than one inguiry for a hook on domitle-lameded handoell ringing had been received.
The secretary reported tifat tho Standing Committee lan considered the various recommendations in the librarian's reporth As to the disprsal of the 962 copies of the 'Glossary,' the committee recommended that they be offered to associations free of charge, on payment of carriage, as it was thoumht they might he given away by the associatious to people who would benefit from their use.

BOOKS TO BE REPRINTED.
With regard to "Model Rules for a Local Company" and 'The Preservation of Bells,' the committeo recommended that the reprinting be undertaken, arrd asked the Courcil to allow the committee to decide what number shall be printed, as bhey first wanted to make (Continued on next page.)

## THE FATE OF 'THE GLOSSARY

## (Continued from previous prge.)

an estimate of the likely demand. As to a book on double-handed haudbell ringing, the committee recommended that it be left to the officers to consider'. The committee also recommended that a further supply The Rey. Ins. Drators and begingers be printed.
The Rev. F. Drake sufggested that the cemainimg eopies of the 'Glossary' be destroyed. It did not seem to be right, he said, that they, as a Council, should continue to publish a book which the librarian said contained much that was out of date. Far too many were printed to start with, and be thought the best thing to do was to destroy the old copies and start making a new Glossary
Mr. E. Alex. Young seconded the proposal, pro forma.
Mr. A. Paddon Smith said although the 'Glossary 'was not entirely acurate, it contained very much useful information. The committee's proposal was that they should make use of it hy distributing it free, on payment of postage, and that, he thought, the Council should do. Mr. J. A. 'Trollope said the 'Glossary,' as far as it was a glossary, was one of the best books erer published by the Council. It was the work of Earle Bulwer, who devoted an enormous amount of resoarch work to the compilation of the book. What was out of date about it was the final chapter, which consisted of alout a quarter' of the book; that was writter helore sufficient was known about the subject. The Gtossary ' itself was one of lhe best lyooks the Council had ever' jssued.
Ouly the proposer voted for the motion io destroy the copies and all the recommondations of the committes were adopted, together with the sugrestion of Mr. . S. H. Wood that the final chapter of the "Glossary "should be stamped 'out of date.'

## THE PRTESIDENTM'S SHOP.

The librarian's accounts showed that £18 18s. 2d, had been received from the sale of pullications, and in atidition 18s. from the Durham and Newcastle Association and 18s. 5d. From the president of the Council-making a total of e20 14s. 7d. After paying expenses there was a balance on the year of $£ 143 \mathrm{~s}$. 5d.
The President said in the itccomts lye was down as an agent, having sold 18s. Sd. worth of books It might interest members to know that he look a bagful of books with him to the annual meeting of the Kent Connty Association and opened a 'shop.' In about ten mimutes he had 18s. 5d. in his pocket. He recommended that course of action to other nicmbers. There were still a numbor of copies of pulljications out on sale or relurn, aud in these cases the libivarian did not know what sales had been made, as there had been no return.
The Lom, secretary said ME. A. E. Sharmam, of the Bedfordshive Associrtion, had presented to the litrary a book written by Mr. Charles Herbert, of Woburn, containing all the 40,320 changes of Bois Major
A vote of thanks was passed to alf donors of books to the library. FINANCIAL.
The statement of the Council's accounts was suhmilted by Mr. G. W. Thetcher, who is hon treasurer. The receipts were as follow: Talance, Whitsun, 7936 , £68 166. 3d.; a finliation fees, $1935-36$ arrears, 105.; 1936-37. 23015 s . ${ }^{2}$, subscriptions, honn. members, 51 10s.; interest
 £1 1s. 1d.; ' Jin Eimalogia ' reprint, 6s.; Carter ringing machine (fees and expenses), $£ 13 \mathrm{~s}$. : advartisements, $£ 2$ 2s. i stationery, printily and postage, $£ 1093$; Ringers' Directory, 2 s ; b balanco in band, $£ 105$ 11s. 7 d . The inarket value of the investments was fll41 19 s .
The accounts were adopted on the motion of Mr . A. A. Hughes, se:onderl by Mr. C. T'. Coles (auditors).

## CARTER RINGING MACHINE

Mr. E. A. Young, as a trustec, reported on the Carter Ringing Machine. The macling hat heen cxamined, and rlthongh it showed signs of wear, they detested no particular fault. Ont qecount of alterations heing carried out at the Musenm, it conld not be rum on
power, but the demonstrator revolved it by hand and it ran over a power, but the demonstrat
Mr. Hughes, the other trustee, seconded the report, whinch was adopted.
The President said hie had had a letter from Mr. G. F. Woothouse, of Sedhergh, Youks, who regretted that, owing to the distance, he could not lring his machine to Canterbury for demonstration. A's he could not travel more than 20 wiles an hour when convering the machine, it would take lim three clays to do the journey. He hoped, however, to be alle to demonstrate the machine to the Council at gome time when they came north.
The Standing Dommittee reporten that they had considered the agends and recommendations thercon had been or would be placed before the Council. This was adopted on the motion of the secretary, sceonded by Mrs. Fifetoher.

## PEAL COLLECTION DELAYED.

The hon. secyetary said he had received a letter from Mr. Gabriel Linioff, talied May 12th, in which he snid that owing to several members of the Peuls Commiltec not having yet returned their selection of peals, he was still umahle to hand in the completed collection.
This lefter was adopted as the geport of the committee, on the motion of Mr. A. ATrollope, seconded by Mr. W. H Hollier.

## AN AUTHOR'S RIGHT TO A METHOD.

The report of the Melhods Committee was as follows: At the last spssion of the Council we reporter that the MSS. of the hook on Surprise Major Methods nme the third edition of the Minor Methods

Gollection had been handed over. The Conmeil has already approved publication of these and its owaits favourable finamenal conditions.
During the past yeur the question has again been raised of forming a Register of Methods. We wish to point out that the committeo has in working order a scheme by which all methods call be tabulated and indexed, and atry information remathg them can be obtaneed in a very few minutes. This scheme will be explained in detail ut Cantorbury and the assislance of the Council asked in maling it operative.
The MS. collection givar by the committee to the Council's library at Shrewsbury contains 817 of the best of the Surprise methods, complete with a full iead, diagram, false course-ends and a comprehensive collection of suitable peal compositions. These are arranged on a plan by which any method cau readily be tumed up once the places in it are known.

In addition the commitbee has a manuseript collection coutaiuiner several thousands of Surprise methods and ather members of the Exercise (notably Mr. Driver and Mr. Lindoff) have large and more or less exinustive collections.
There is, therefore, no lack of methods, and any information te specting them will rendily be given to any rivers or baud asking for if
Bub perhaps that is not what is asked for. It seems that what some people wat is a scheme by which, when a man has worked out a method which he has reason to believe has not previously been runs or published, ho can register a claim to it as his composition ant property. If that is what is wanted we fear it cannot be done. It might have been possible years age when every mehod was con
sideren to be aseparate thing, each with its own composer aud ownm, sidered to be a separate thine, each with its own composer ava ownem but a study of the mathematical law independent, but that the exist foll has shown that methods ance of many more. We canlot separat methods and say that this oue is the composition of $A$ and that of $B$ minis one belongs to C and that to $D$.
Given the existence of Stedman's Imperial Bob, such methorls Norfolk and Peterborougly and Cornwall and many others auta matically follow. Cambrigge and Yorkshire were nudouhtedly posed quite indepeudently of ench otirer, yet a man who knows the coustruction of Cambridge knows that Yorishlire must exist and that its lead ends and rows must be thus and not otherwise. It would in absurd to give to the man who first composed a method the eredi for" all those which spring from it about which he knew wotling, anc it is impossible to consider any math as the author of a method whe rould have bean got from an older one by merely mechancal means, do matter how it actually was got. Purther, durung the last 30 year many clever men have been working at methods, some on comprehem sive and exlanstive lines. Their work overlaps fund tite same methon may and probably has been composed by several persons. Betwent them it is not possible to distingnisl?. The ofd test of priority publication altogether lreaks down, for the vast numbers have nev. been pullished, yet 10 one can say they have not been conposer. If $A$ writes ant a method on Monday and $B$ works out the same on Snturday, guite independently, it is difficult to see why A should be considered the exclusive owncr, especially as he may merely have mord or less blatily wrtithen ont some figures while $B$ had worked on some definite plan. Therefore, even if a man could prove that lie was the first to write out the lead of any method, we cannot see that he bes acquired any ownership or proprietary right
We must, howeyer, emphasise the fact that this does not diminishi the credit which rightly belongs to those men who have made go namy good methods availahle for the Exercise. These men have the right to clain that they lave composed methods. It is the clain to owner ship and exelusive rights that fails.
Mr. T. A. Trollope formally moved the adoption of the repport ant Mr. W. C. S. Purner seconded. The latter remarked that the com mithe bad the proofs of the new edition of the Danbles and Minor book in hand, and they hoped it wanld be on the market very soon They noted that the librarian had reported that the PTain Major methods was nemyly sold ont. The commitiee would take the ve printily of it in hand
The raport was adopted.

## AN INDEX FOR METHODE.

M2. S. II. Wood moved the following recommendation on bebalf of the committee: That in order to assist the Conncil in keeping up to dato a Register of Methode which have been rimg, the secretarios of affimated assaciations bo rsked to farwand to the Council the forures of any method rung for the first tive and the composition, together withe particulars of first performance Mr. Wood said that practically as long as he conld remember, speaking campanologically, the Exercise had been calling, about every six montha, for two things. The first was a register of conpositions and the second a legister of methods. So fat a register of compositions had been ruled out as impracticable, and, as far as lio could see, it would be impracticable for many years to come, for these two reasons: As far as lhe kuew there was no method of working out all the possible compositions of even one method, say Bob Majer, and if it was possible to work them all ont, was there anyhody in that Council who wanld he prepared to say whether any particular two of them were the same compositions, or wariations, or different compositions?
In regand to methons, hawever, they were on very different gronnd. There was nothing to prevent somelody writing ant atl the possible (Continued on next page.)

## METHODS REGISTER

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Surprise Major methods, except that it would probably take lolger thot one wars lifetirae; but it was a perfectly straightforward job. Alhough, perhaps, no oue in that roon was prepared to say how many there were, there was a definite mumber. Unlike compositions, there wns no question of any two methods being the snme; therefore, it was nossille to have a register of methods. It seemed to him, however, thal what was really required was a system of indexing, so that any methor coulti be placed in its proper entegory and thas avoid two methods being rung under the same name, or two names given to the same method.
There were in existence a number of registers of methods-there wns nothing now about that. ?lo Records Committes liad a very excellently kept register, which was indexed by uames, bui if somebody rang a new method and gave it a unme there was mo simple wny of findiag out whether those fignves had been previonsly rabg under a different name, which was what, il seemed bo him, the Exor cise really wanterl. He had beer working on a system lately which would fulfil the raquirements. He meed not describe the system, but it would lye sufficient for the Council to know that if he were given ladf a lead of a Surprise Major method, he rould tell then ial less than one winute whether it had been rum before, and, if so, give them delails. It was based upon the half-lead end, which was the first of the two rows in whicht treble lay lebind. Fe had worked out all the possible lalf lead ends wheh would give regular methods. There were 1,116 of them, and they ware written out in the index.
Mr. Wood proceeded to show by the example of Cambridge how the system worked, and went on to say that the recommendation asted that the Conncil should be furashed with the details of methods rlaimed to be rimg for the first time, and as soon as they got the figures they would be able lo say if they had been rung before
thonght it was clear that if a hand wanted to make certain hefore ringing a tucw method, that had not, been previonsly rung, they slonld write to the Council or to him and he would be glad to reply by rethem of pest.
Mí'. E. C. S. Turner seconded the motion, which was carried

## THE PEALS ANALYSTS.

The Comeil next hand before them the report of the Peals Analysis nol Recoris Committee, published in our issue of April 23rd last. Hrs. Fletelner, in moving its adoption, said that siwce the publica-
hished as a non-associstion peal, fad been credited to the Ely
ociation and this alteration had been made in the records. A pent
soven Surprise Major methotls was omitted from the list of new methods and this had now been zncludeti-Mr. G. R. Pye seconded the reports.

Mr. A. D. Burker asked for information abont the peals of Donlwes Hich lard includerl a methad described as Oxford Singles
Tho President said they had found out that Oxford Singles was a method with ene bell lying eight consecutive blows belind. The Standing Commiltee lasd passed a recommendation that the Conncil regret that such a method should be rung, considering the number of methads there ate. He added that with regard to the peal of Minor, in which ary ald coutse of Woodbine Treble Bob had heen rumg the Standing Coumittee recommended that further inquiry be made to ascertain at what stage of the peal this addition was included.
W. Ayre said the peals which included Oxford Stigles were futg for his own associntion, the Fertiord. He iatended to ining the matter upy before the association and suggest that these peals be deleted from the records

ADVANTAGES OF HANDBELL PEALS,
The Rev. T. L. Dedwards referred to the decrease in the number of 1andhell peals, The ringing of handhell peals should be eycouraged as mach as pessible. He thought there were three advantages in nondell rimge. First it required a larger amonat of skill and that was all to the good of the Exercise nund progress. Second, it could loe done without muy anmorance to the meighlowrinood, and, third, it was much easier for four people to meet for reperted attempts than
was for a larger number.
Theve was also, said Mr. Edwards, a serions decrease in the number of ringers ringing their first peal. So far as the Salisbury Guild, Which te represented, was concerned, he was glad to say it was a conspicuons exception. In a fathe proportion of the peals rung luy the Guild tiere was a ringer who rang his first peal or lis first in the methad. One other point he had notited in the report was that seren peals were rung on royal occasions or birthdays and over 200 birthday peals ats compliments to ote or anotier of the bend. It was very nice and very friendly to have these birthdey peals rung, but he thought ringers mould do well to consider the atbitutule of the weneral public fowards it. The public could maderstand a peal fung for a royal hirthatay, but a peal for the birthdat of an nadivinul ruger appealed to ho one ontside the hand of ringers, Riuters wond co well to make the occasion for perls in these days more occasions of publie interest (hear, hear)
Mr. T. S. Goldsmith. Jefering to the commitice's statement that Sheir inguiries as to Oxford Singles had not, at the time of the report, brought forth any finformation, moved that it be an instruction to the commitee that, when meessary information is mat forthcoming, when the statisties are made wp, the peals shonld be iguoved
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## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

The 63y] anmual meeting of the Devonsline Guild was held at Nowtou Abbot on What Monday with a gathering of nobut 150 members and friends [rom al] the branches of the Guild. A sarvice int St. Leonard's Chapel, conducted by the Rev. C. E. W. Russell, Recter of Wolborough, with Mr. C. Fi. Walker at the organt, was heartily readered.
Lonncheon was served at the Globe Hotel, followed by the business meeting wilh the president (the Rew. E. V. Cox) in the chair. Reference was made to the death of Bishop Cecil, aud the meeling slood in silence mespect to his uemory as a wortly patran of tho Guitd The prestdant antionned that his successor; Dr. Gurent, laal coatsented to continnte the patronage.
Tho reporti and statement of acconnts for 1936 as published werc adopted. The officers were re-elecfed as follows: Treesuont, the Ruy E. V. Cox; eleven viceprosidents, of whom three were preseni: general secretary, Mr. T. Laser; gencral treasurer, Mr. T. G. Baitlett; auditor, Mr. J. C. Obe; and hotorary members' ropresentutive to wonmitite, Mr. A. Langman. Two places were proposed for the anamal meeting in 1938, Cullompton and Plymouth, and on a sliow of haturs Cullomptou was chosen lyy a large majority. Six yinging and ane honorary members were olected, rad bwo from Ilrucombe re-elented. Mr. Southwood appealed to representatives af bands to make evory affort to sope in young ringers in order to fill vacancies.
Votes af thanks to the Rev. T'. C. Walters for his splathdid address and the organist and Rectors of Eigliweek and Kiugsteignton were cartiod with applause. Riugines was kindy permitled at miterwhs at Wolborongl, si. Leonards, Higliweek and Kingsteigation

## WIRKSWORTH BELLS RESTORED

## SPECLAL ATTENTION TO SOUND.

The rededication of the ring of eight bells at Wirksworth Parish Chmel, near Derby, was carried out on Friday evening, May 7ih, by the Very Rev. Herbert Ham, M.A., F.R.C.O., Provest of Derhy Cathedral. Oiher clergy taking part in the service were the Vicat, the Rev. S. J. Caiger, B.A., B.D., Canon G. A. Hazlehnrat, Rumi Dean of Wirlsworth, and the Revs. W. *. L. W'illiancs, R. F]. S. Currey, M.A., H. Pickles and F. Kelly.
In 1934 the old bell frame and supports were found to be rothen, owing to the ravates of beetle grib, and it was, therefore, decided to discontinne ringing of the bells, except fov very special occusions, until such time as the peal was thoroughly restored. This worle has now been completed, the bells lnving been equipped with modent fitlings and hung in an entively new frame by Mlesars. tohn Thy lon guestion of the sound of the bells both from the ringers' point of riew and aiso to those residents in the imnediato vicinity of the chimeh. In the ringing clanber the some of the bolls is nieply subdued so that: they can be tapped in the way which all good strikerg delightin, whilst in the charehyard there is 110 'shouting down at yon' to inter'fere wilis the quietest of conversation.
During the rededication the bells were mong by memhers of the lowa] band-G. H. Bowmer, L. Hanson, T. H. Greatovex, Brinu Hilditeh, J. Flint, K. Fanson, F. Johmson, B. Greatotex (eaptain). The l-unson fanily have heen ringers for four generadoms. Mr. Fired Tusuer, dume the ringing The visitors included ringers from Derby, inat lock, Ashovel and Loughborongh, the contingent from the labler place including Mr. Clarles Allsop, a mative of Wirkswordh, where the first Jearnt tho art of yimging, and ho was privileged to call the first touch an the restoved peal
'They've made a fine joly' was tho general opinion expressed on Messra. Taylor and Co.'s work.

## EDINBURGH RINGERS VISI'T NEWCASTIIE

St. Mary's Cathedral Sociely, Edinburgh, held thefz anman onting on Abril 291, 1, when they visited Noweastic-on-Ty
In the whming they rang touches of Grondsire Caters and Stedman Triples at All Saints' Charch, Gosforth, and in the afternown visitel St. George's, Jemmond. The most interesting and erijoyabile part af the flay was : wisit to the Cathedral, when they had ans opportamity to ming Cinques
The Newcastle Cathedral ringers gave the Edinhnsh visitars a wann weleome and mate their visit mosi enjoyable. It was interesting to meet neaith Mr . C. Is. Roulledge, wha is ath honomary member of st Mary's Society, and Mr. W. H. Barber, who was conductor at s Liary's, Ediuburgh, for a mumer of years. The trip was an interest ing departure for Scottish tingers
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And amited from the Aunlusis. M\%: Goletsmill said tre Canncil couln not expect the commiltee to hold up Lheir work for the sike of dilatory correrpondents, anf it was mufair to akle them to expend endless time on seeking information. The Council conld be guite sure that the commitee would require only reasonable information.
This motion was secouded by Mr. A. Walkel and carvied, as were also the recommendations of the Standing Committee. The report was adopted, and, on the molion of Mrs. Fleteler, seconded ly M M', $F$ permes, hre. Walter Ayme was adder to the commitiee.
(To be cantimned.)

## FOR BEGINNERS

## COURT AND DOUBLE COURT BOR

In these notes a fortnight ago we lad somethiug to say about donble methads and the grouplus of methods. Let us jook now at thother woll-know? method which produces a perfect double. It is Court Boh, and it belongs to the group of which Oxford Bob is a nember.

If you studied Oxford Bob yon will remember that, the main feature of its construction wiss the tin's place made at each end of the lead is the treblo passed up through $2-3$ and down through $3-2$.

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\begin{array}{ll}
123456 & 653142 \\
214365 & 561324 \\
241356 & 515342 \\
423165 & 153624
\end{array}
$$

Ille lends themselves are joined by 2nd's place made when the treble lends its whole pull, causing the two pairs in $3-4$ and $5-6$ to dodge.

Now Court Boh is exactly like Oxford Bob, without the 2nd's place when the treble leads. Row for row the leads of a plails course wios alike in the two methodx except that they are joined by 2nd's in Oxford Bob and 6th's in Const Bob. Tlase who wisls to stand the method should be able to write ont the course withont further inaluction and make theic own diagram.
When they come to ring it, they will find that the change in the link ' between the leads cuts out centain dodges and connectig thp the aliher work into a different sequence-but the construction of the method is the same.

The double method lins the same relationship to Wingle version as Douhle Oxford las to Oxford Bob
Pluces are made in corresponding places with the treble athove 3rd's as when it, is belou 4 th's. Thus the 4 th's when the treble passes throngh $2-3$ anf $3-2$ is drplicated in 3ud's when the treble passes through 45 Had 54.
But while in Double Oxford there were places in 5ih's and 2nd's with the treble behind and leading, respectively, in Double Court (following the example of the single method) there is neither 5th's nor 2ad's. Rere again you should, with this information before you, he able $t$, construct your own course and make your cliagram. Just try it; the ellow to do these thinge for yourself will enable yous to lanrn much more than having the figures given to your.
This is how the places are wade 'across the treble' in Double Court:

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\begin{array}{ll}
214365 & 645213 \\
241356 & 465123 \\
42365 & 641532 \\
243615 & 614523
\end{array}
$$

Tha second lead lead of Court Bob (rounds being the first) is 135264 The second lead lead of Double Court is, thereFore, 135264 trausposed ty 135264, which produces 156342.
Breause of the absence of 2nd's place when the treble leads, the talling of these two methods is not the same ns Oxford 3ob, viz., Wrong, Rigitiond Wrong. As we pointed ont vecently, methods with Gth's made when the treble leads have as theip 'staudard' calling -In, Onk and In'-that is, bobs called when the observation hell runs Tiv to fake the trehle off, and when it rums OUT from the trolble. In the case of Court Bob, if the tenor is the olservation bell, the plain 'Out," that is the 'Out, where there is no bob, contes first (at the 2nd lead) and the first bob 'In" the following lead. In the double method the plain Out comes at the first lead and the first boh ' In ; int: the fourthl leat.

## NEW VICAR'S INDUCTION

On Friday ereang, Way $7 \mathrm{th}_{\mathrm{h}}$, at the Cluurch of St. Michael the Archangel, Alclershot, prior ta the induction of the new Vicar, the Rev. J. B. Rowsell, a quarter-peal of Donble Norwich Con't Boh Major: © W. Wenyer 1, Miss Doris Viggers 2, F. J. Gower 3, Mrs. M. Didridge 4 , $G$. W. Ghallen 5, w. II. Viggers 6, P. L. Eldridge $7, T$. E. Denver (conductor) 8. This is the first quarter-peal in the method all except the ringers of tho 1 st and 6 th

## LATE NOTICES

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Farnham Dis-

 trict. - A meeting will be held at Bentley on Saturday, June sth. Bells (6) available 3. Service 4,30 Tea, by invitation of the Rector, at 5 p.m. at the Rectory. Please notify for tea by Wednesday next. All welcome.-C. W. Denyer, Hon. Sec., 120, Ash Road, Aldershot.BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Cardington on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (grand neal of 8 ) ready at z. Tea at 5 p.in. You will be very welcome. - Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec. io, Grange Road, Bromham, Beds.

## DEATH OF THE DEAN OF ORIEL COLEEGE.

HIS SERVICES TO RINGING IN OXTORD.
On Wednesday, May 12th, after an illness of some manths' duration the Rev. Jolm Freeman Russell, Lecturer; Fellow and Dean of Oriel College, Oxford, passed to his rest. A contributor has sent us the collowing appreciation of a most valned personality :-
Mr. Russell's name is one which will be unfamiliar to the majority of the readers of this journal, but he was typical of the best type of clerical ringer, He learnt to ring when he was an undergraduate at Pembroke College, Oxford, und though never an advauced riager himself, he was a steady striker, and could be relied ou in the stiandard methods.

But those who knew him will remember chicely his unfailing readiness to help with the leaching and practice of beginners. In this direction there will be many members of the Oxford University Society and of the ringers at Cuddeston College, who will remember him with gratitude and affection-gratitude for the many lours of unselfish labour which he put in on their belalf, and affection for one Who was Lever impationt, whu was always ready to give of his best to those who neaded his help, and who was a real friend to all those with whom he came in contact,

Mr. Russell's distinguished academic and clerical careor-lie was only 39 whan he died-would have been considered by a lesser man to have eutitled him to a more prominent position in the ringing frabenity: he was, however, one of the most hamble of people, ant it would have beon abhorrent to ham to have pushed himself forward in any way. Fe remained in tile background, ready to be of service when wated.
The present, writer desires to acknowledge the debt that he owes to Mr. Russell, from whom he learnt sometiong of how a riuger slould hehave in the belfiy. Mr. Russell never shouted, and never forgot that the belfiy is part of the church. When askied to do so, he would condnct a touch, but when not conducting he never interfered: he sought no honour for hinself, but was always ready when wanted.
He will be greatly nissed by the ringers at Cuddesdon, nod by the Oxford Society and the OxCord University Society. For the past two years be had been a vice-prasident of thr latter society.

Those who knew him will feel that they have lost a friend, and the Exercise will be the pooror by the death of one who always puthimself last.

## BELLS UNUSED FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.

## RESTORED FOR CORONATION

Uunsed for a quarter of a century, the bells of St. Michael's Church Llanfilangel Rlyydithon, Radnorshire, liave been restored and monted and were ready in time to ling for the Coronation.
The preseut Vicar, the Rev. IS. W. Fowler, was inducted twelv montlis ago. A keen bellringer, he found on his arrival in the parisl that the peal of five bells were out of order and had not been for 25 years. He launched an nppeal for funds to restore the exist ine five bells and put in a new treble to augraent them to six, and on Wednesday, April 28 th last, his ambition was realised mhen the bell were cledicated by the Lord Bishop of Swausca and Brecon (Dr. John Morgan, D.D.) hefore a largo congregation,
The lessons were read by Canou Grifith Thomas, R.D. (Llandriuden? and Canon T. S. P. Grifiliss (Knighton). The Bishop took for hip text I. Chrancles xxix., 6. He spoke of the beautifying of the House God and appealed to all churchworkers to carry on the good wo in which they were engaged.
The work of velauging the existing five bells and adding a mew treble was entrusted to Messes. Gillett and Jomston, Croydon, anc everybody present axpressed their pleasure at the 'go' and tone the resloted peal. The new treble weighs 3 cwt 2 cf . 20 lb .
The opening toucli was an six-score of Grandsire Doubles by $C$. A Davies 1, B. H. Davies 2, W. D. Grifliths 3, D. F. Bennetb ductorl ${ }^{\text {a }}$, S. C. Powell 5, S. L. Speake 6. The ringers were the ners of the Swansea and Buecon Guild 1936 bellringing contest. Oulv ringers were present from Brecon, Talgarth, Kington, New Ratmo and Mr. J. H. Sheppard (Swindon) and Mr. J. P. Hyett, Worcested shire Association Northern Branch secretary, were also present Messrs. Gillett and Jolmston were represented by Mr. S. R. Roper

## DEATH OF AN OLD LEICESTERSHIRE RINGER

We deeply regret to announce the death of John Hutchin Wildnan, of Croxton Kerrial, Leicesterghire, who passod away on Aprit 22nd after: a very short illness.

Mr. Wildman, who was 74 vears of aga, had been a ringer for 62 years. He was a mamber of the Framland Deaneries Grild and also a member of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild.
Ho was a good and well-known ringer in the Grantham and Melton Mowbras districts, and as a last token of respect fome of his fellowringers rang a course of Graudsire Triples on handluells at the graveside on Motiday, April 26 th.

After the fnneral service the tower bells were half-mufled, aud 720 of boll Keut and Oxford Treble Boh Minor were rung : H. Thorpe (Grantham) 1, Sidney Proctor (Granthan) (conductor) 2, R. Bartram (Melton Mowhray) 3, A. Ward (Bothisford) 4, W. Thorpo (Granthan) 5, P.C. H. R. Wnods (Grantlani) 6.

## BELLS FOR NEW CHURCHES. <br> BISHOP OF SHFENELD'S HOPE.

The ring of six bells at Harthill, Yorks, has been recast and augnerted by Lws trebles by Messis. Gillett aud Johnston, Ltd, of croydon old bells varied in dates and were hume in an oals frame which had becomo unsafe, and the bells thangelves formed no kind of muclens for a satisfactory diatouic scale. They had lueen silent for some years, and eventually it was decided to make atr effort to mise subseriptions n arder that the work of recasting and also Telangint in an mon frame could be put in land and completed in cime for the Coronation. As the parish is not a large one aud is mostly agricultural the selfsacrifice of tho parishioners is to be highly commended, whilst special mention shorfa be made of the splendid example set bJ. Mr. H. Garbetit, a local gentiteman, who has been responsible for rasing some handreds of pounds towards the total expenditure by the production of village payeants, etc.
1 lase congrteration attended the eeremony of dedicatioll, periomed by the Bishop of Sheffield (Dr. E. I. Gurrows), the seating capaciby beibg taxed to the atmost. The sermiee was conducted by the Rector of Harthil (the Rev. H. R. Lverson), Amongst the elergy present were Cinion S. T. G. Smith (Attorelife), the Rev. R. Hodgson (Anston), the Rew. A. D. Alderson (Todwick), the Rev. A. E. Lewis (Thorpe Salvin), the Rev. W. A. Surtees (Malliby) and the Rev. A. M. Selle (Wales), who acted as Bishopss chaplain.
The Bishop gave an excellent address on the origin and uses of belle. He laid parlicular stress upon their connection between the church aud the people, inasmuch as although serwing their mission in sumunoning the parishoners to worship, they also, amongst other things, conveyed a message of comfort to those nmablo to attend though sickness and other causes. He also spoke of the present-day xpansion of elty town and city parishes, and staited that he hoped that every cffort would be made by those responsible to instal a peal bells wherever a new church was erected. Finally he teldered aise to the parishoners for theil woble self-sacrifice, to the former Rector (the Rev. I'. E. Boswell), who started the scheme, and to the presont, Rector, who took over the completion of the scheme on his mduction to the parish sone four months aro.

NEW 13AND OF RINGERS TO BE FORMED.
the Soutl Anston Sunday service ringers rang rounds at the actuaI dedication, and immediately after the servico the same bend rang a ell-struck touch of Boh Major, when the beauty and full tome of The nem peal was heard to geod effect by a large nimber of visiting fingers from Tekincton, Handsworth, Killamarsh, Rotherham, Retford, Sheffeld, Woutcsop and Wortley. Touches were aftermards rung the various risitors present, the belfaunders being repressuted by Gyzil F. Johuston, of Groydon.
The Forkslire Assceiation was represented by Mr. Sidney F. Palmer (hon, treasurer), Mr. George Lewis (vice-presidont, Southerm Divjeion), Had the Shefleld and District Society by Mr. M. E. Wilson, hou. cretary.
It present they is no baud of ringers at Harthill, but a mumber young men heve shown interest and offered to take up the mystic
and there was every izdication of active encauragement and sistance from leading ringers of the district in the creation and derelopment of a band mortliy of the tower and the new peal.
at the invitation of the Rector, anl open rimgers gathering will e place on Saturday, when all ringers will be welcomed.
The former bells were six in mumber, with a tenor of 18 cwt . "They ave been recast irto a magnificent ring of eight, with an $18 \frac{1}{2}$ owt. enor in $F$. They lave been hung with the latest type of modern fittings in an all-steel frame, which looks and is an first-class engineering job.
The work las been camied out in a most satisfactory mamaer by ressis. Gillett and Johnston, who are to be collgratulated on supply$g$ Sonth Forksline with ret anotluer excellent peal, the 'go' of whith is everything that could be desired.

## OPEN BELLS FOR RINGER'S FUNERAL.

## SDASEX PTETERAN'S WISH

Owing to failing health, Mr. George Walder, fhe Sussex veterna, whose death at the nge of 81 ycars, on May 7 th, we hrisfly recorded in our last jssue, had not been able to ring for the last few years. He had expressed a wish that the bells of Bolney Church, where he thad been at ringer for so many years, bhould be rimg with open clappers immediately after his interment, and this was accordingly done, touches of Grandsire Triples being rung loy past and present members of the Bolney Church Ringers' Sonjety.

One of the original members of the gbove society, Mr, Walder was is secrebary until the year 1930, and has left many interesting notes the minute book ou the Bolney belis and the early struggles of the society.
$H_{e}$ conducted its first peal (Grandsire Triples) on November 9th,

FIILINGDON, MIDDLESEX.-On Easter Sunday for evening serGice at St. Andrew's Clutch, a quarter-peal of Boh Major: A. Bray (first quarter of Major) 1, Miss E. Bedford 2, 1. E. Fones 3, G. W. Hancos (Cambridge) 4 , W. S. Childs (first quartor of Major')

## WELLINGBOROUGH BELLS REDEDICATED

TUNED AND REEUNG IN TWO TIERS
Scarcely two hours clapsed between tho finishing touches being put to the newly-rehung bells of All Hallows' Church, Wellinglorouth, aud their aedicalioa on Monday, May 10th, by the Archdeacon of Northampton. The pral of eight bells lave been tuned and relung with wow fithings in a sleel frume, 1, 3, 5 and 7 being hung above the 2nd, 4 lih,
 the wark lus been cirried out very successfully by Messrs. Gillett ant Johnston, Ciroydon.

Following the words of redediention, the bolls were rung agan for the first time since October last to a course of Stedman I'riples by A . H. Martin (Higham Ferters) 1, A. Bigley (secretary of the Wellingborough Brauch of the Peterlorough Diocesau Guild) (Irthlingborought 2, H. E. Plowman (Wellinghorongit) 3, T. Hensher (Finedon) 4, J. I. Main (Finedon) 5, F. Barber (Mablethorpe) 6, W. Perkins (Irthtinghorough) 7, E. Inettitt (Wellingbarough) 8.

A large congregation, representative of the town, waited in lansheti silence to hear the familiar peal onse-more,
After the dedication the cuergy passed back to the choir stalls fur the remainder of the service, which was couducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. C. Ohambers).
A colleotion was taken for fhe 'lower and Bell Fund, $£ 150$ still being requined tr meet the cost.
Besides the Archdeacon and Vicar, other clergy present were the Revs. A. G. Bagshaw, president of the Wetingboroush Branch of biae Peterborougla Diocesan Guild (Finedon), E. J. Atkins, R.D. (Islana), G. S. J. Downes (Wellingborongh All Saints'), IR. I. Robinson, D.D. (Wilhy), and W. C. Knight (curate at All Hallows').
After the bells had been lowered in peal, the local bumd, together Aith the visitore who tools part in the oponing cour were entertained at the Vicarage to light refreshments.
Mr. F. Barber, of Mablethorpe, at ohe time belongiry to the Wellinghorough hand, and fozmer brancls secretary of the Pelerborongg Diocesan Guild, congratulated the Vicay on his very successful accomplishment. He slso wished the local team happiness in their fuhtre cluurch work.
The Vicar repliad and suid that soon after he came to Wellingborough Mr. Barber lad told hin of the condition of the bells and he had promised to get them in ovder eventually. Thad evening ha was delighted to entertain the riagers and to prove that ho had kepi his word. He also spoke of the way Mesers. Gillett and Johnston's men had worked overtime, willingly to get the fob dons for the Coronation and ine tound that bellhungers as well as vinmers wern very entlusiastic int their work
Mr. J. C. W. Stevenson, who represented Messis. Gilleltit and Jolnston, thanked the Vicar lor lis revarts and satd how eomy Mr. Cyril Joheston was at being prevented from attending the service.
Visiting ringers, mumbering about thinty, were present from 14 different towers, and as the tuma allowed for mingrg, after tho service, was only half an bour, wery short courses were the order, the bots ground floo eriginally used, making a landy and majestic peat of aight belle.

## ANOTHER OCTAVE IN BUCKS. <br> GENFROCYS GIMY TO STEWKLEY

Tlle new treble bells at Stowkley, Bucks, were dedicated on April 29 H by the Bishoy of Juchingham. The service was condueted by the Ficar (the Rev. D. R. A. Williams), and numerous local elargy were also present.
The bells are the gift of ML", T. A. Bliss, a former resident of the village, in menory of his parents. The donor also defrayed the expense of rehauging and returing the ofd six, and erected a tabled in the charch giving the details of what lad been done to the bells.
In the collse of the service, eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a cousse of Grandsire Triples, and at the conclusion of the servico the same band rang a well-struck 504 of Stedman Triples: R. White 1, Rev. C, Wi. Wig 2, G. Holifield 3, J. Puplett 4, F. Mears 5, 'T. C. White 6, F. T. Hibbert (conductor) 7, A. White 8.
Afterwords a sumptuons tea was provided in the Sehoolroom for all, at the expense of Mr- Filiss, and the inhabitants were pleased to have Mr. Bliss with them.
The work of rehanging the new bells was in the hands of Mr. R White, of Appleton, the now hells having been cast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, to whom credit is due for the excellent 'splice.
On Saturday, Mav 8th, eight members of the Oxford Diocesam Gutd rang a pasl of Grandsirf Triples, the firat peal ever vine oun the bells.

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## NOTICES.

GUILDRORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District. - Godalming meeting, May 29th, is cancelled. Albury neeting is on July 3rd instead of June 26th.G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon.

TETSWORTH, OXON.-The first anniversary will be celebrated on Saturday, May 2gth. Bells available ail day. Dinner 5-30. Please notify.-J. W. Gibbard, Tetswortl, Oxon.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual general meeting will be held at Chichester on Saturday, May 29th. Cathedral bells available from 3 p.m. Meat t.ea at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , price 2 s . 6d. (1s. to members). Scrvice will be at the sub-cleanery church at 4.30. Half rail fare (maximum 2s. 6d.) allowed to resident members.S. E. Armstrong, Hon. Gen. Sec., 70, Hollingbury Park Avenue, Brighton 6.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON DON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Next meeting, Harrow Weald, Saturday, May 29th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5. Tea, is. each, at $5 \cdot 30$. Advices by May 26 th, please. Special method, St. Lawrence Little Bob Major. Nearest station, Stanmore (Met.), and short walk, or No. 114 bus (if running). Alternative route, if buses are available, tube to Edgware and No. ir4 bus. All ringers welcomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21 , Vincent Road, E.4. Tel. number, Larkswood 1959.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Ashford District) AND ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.-. A meeting will be held at Aldington on Saturday, May 29th, to celebrate the rooth birthday of Mr. C. Slingsby. Bells ready 2.30. Service 4.30 . Preacher, the Bishop of Dover. Tea 5 p.m. - P. Page, 110, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

IANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Walkden, on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available 3 p.m. Business meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.-A meeting will be held at Benington on May 29th. The bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. Tea by the kindness of the Rector; business after.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District.-Annual meeting at St. Mary's, Nottingham, May 29th. Bells available 2.30. Service by Rt. Rev. Bishop N, S. Talbot, D.D., M.C., 4 o'clock, followed by tea (IS) in Barker Gate Institute. This is the Guild's Jubilee year-come and celebrate. Gentlemen specially invited. - I. B. Thompson, 53, Lace Street, Dunkirk, Nottingham.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-A meeting of the Doncaster District and the Eastern District will be held at Thorne on Saturday, May 29 th . Bells ready at 3 p.m. Those attending must make own arrangements for tea. Plenty of cafés near church. - H. S. Morley and E. Cooper, Hon. Secs.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-On Saturday, Mlay 29th, through the kindness of the Rev. H. R Everson, Rector of Hartill, near Sheffield, the bells (8) of Hartill Church, recently restored, etc., will be avail able for ringing. For tea, please notify the Rev. H. R. Everson, Rectory, Hartill, near Sheffield.-M. E. Wit son, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronans Road, Sheffeld 7.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Batley on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea can be obtained near the church. Business mecting at 7.30 p.m.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-An extra meeting will be held at Leamington Hastings, near Rugby, on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at the Rectory, by kind invitation of the Rev. J. E. Wigram, at 5 p.m.-Malcolm Melville, Exhall, Coventry.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H. Branch.The annual meeting will be held at Faringdon on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Service at 4.30. - R. Gilling, Hon. Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern District - A meeting will be held at Beckwithshaw (near Harrogate) on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea to Mr. W. A. Holmes, The Smith's Arms, Beckwithshaw. A hearty invitation to all.- Edward Mudron, Hon. Dis. Sec., 4, Keldale Terrace, Sharow, Ripon.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A meeting will be held at Bexhill on Saturday, May 29th. Towe oper 3 o'clock. All ringers very welcome. - C. A Levitt, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

BATH AND WELES DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION -Crewkerne Deanery Branch. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 29th, at Seavington. Bells at 3. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 o'clock at the Volunteer Inn.-D. G. Taylor, Ilminster.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The rext meeting will be held at Christ Church Pendicbury, on Saturday, May 29th. Tower open fo ringing at 3 o'clock. Service at 4 o'clock. Tea at o'clock, 1s. 3d. each. Meeting in the Schoolroom Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend -Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Souther District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Leonard's Streatham, on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (8) availabla 3 p.m. Tea and meeting at the Manor Arms at 5.80 p.m. Immanuel bells (8) after tea until 8.30 p.m -A. P. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 118, Sarsfield Road Ballam, S.W.i2.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at South Weald on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea to follow.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Nawneys Road, Romford.
ely diocesan association.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch. - A meeting will be held at Fulbourn on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. All welcome.-C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on June 3rd; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 8 th ; St. Magnus' on the 10th; St. Ancrew's on the 17th; *St. Gites', Cripplegate, on the 22nd; St. Magnus' on the 24th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 29th; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Christ Church, Coseley, Staffs, on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.30 . Tea will be provided at 9 d . each for those only who notify me not later than Tuesday, June 1st. Business meeting afterwards.-Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 49, Hellier Street, Dudley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The annual branch meeting will be held at Whalley on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting in tower at 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome. - F. Hindie, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at St. Cuthbert's, Lytham, on Saturday, June 5th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea in Memorial Hall at 5.30 , 9d. each. Meeting afterwards.-C. Sharples, Branch Sec.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Kingsley on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. H. Carrwell, Sunnyside, Kingsley, near Cheadle, Staffs, not later than June 2nd?-Andrew Thompson, Hon. See.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755). - Birmingham Cathedral. The ringers' opening will take place on June 5th. Ringing from 3 o'clock until 6 o'clock. Tea at Kunzle's Café, Union Street, for those who notify (before June 2nd) G. E. Fearn, 49, West Hill Road, King's Norton (Dial. Kin. 1677). Sunday ringing:1 st, 3rd and 5th Sundays in the month at 5.30 p.m. ; 2nd and 4 th Sundays at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Practice Wednesdays, 7.30 p.m.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUil.D. - North Bucks Branch. - The amnual. meeting of the above branch will be held at Bletchley on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) available from $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. . Tea and business meeting $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those requiring tea please send along in good time. All visitors welcome. - Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., Albert Street, Bletchley.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch.A meeting will be held at Meston on Saturday, June 5 th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeting alterwards. A good attendiance is re-quested.-Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 30, South Hill Road, Birkenhead.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUIILD-Winchester District. - A quarterly meeting will be heid at Tichborne on Saturday, June 5th. Service in the Parish Church at ${ }_{4}$ p.m., followed by tea in the Racquet Court at 4.30 . Please let us know if you are coming.-G. and Miss Noice, Hon. Dis. Secs., 6 , Cathedral View, Winchester.
SAlisbury diocesan guid. - West Dorset Branch.-A mieeting for practice will be held at South Perrote on Saturday, June 5th, at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. at Baker's Arms Hotel. Notifications for tea by Tuesday, June 1st, please.-C. H. Lathey, Middie Street, Bradpole, Bridport.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Long Buckby (bells 5) on Saturday, June 5th. Usual arrangements. Please notify hon. secretary not later than Tuesday previous of those requiring tea.-Geo. A. Hollick, Hon. Branch Scc., West Street, Welford, Rusby.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Shireoaks on Saturday, June 5th. For tea please notify Mr. F. Iargreaves, 4, Shireoaks, Worksop. All welcome.-M. E. Wilson, 13, St. Ronans Road, Shelfield, 7.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Deyizes Branch. - A meeting of the branch witl be held at Heytesbury on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (6) [rom 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea in Reading Room at 5. Sutton Veny bells available during the evening.-W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Melksham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. Cuthisert's Church, Halsall, on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 3 p.m. For lea, please notily Mr. A. Matudesley, Post Ofice, Halsall, near Ormskirk: - S. Forshaw, Brancls Sec., 38 , Poolstock, Wigan.

ELSTREE. - Saturday, June 5th. Bells (6) open from 3.30. Tea at 5.30 (Gouldsmith, High Street). Good service train or coach to Elstree. Names lor tea must be sent by June 2nd.-C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenhanı Road, Bushey, City 4270 . Herts Association.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch.

- A meeting will be held at Great Gransden on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available 3 p.m: Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots, Hunis.
[ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fumess and Lake District Branch. -The next practice meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Hawkshead on Saturday, June 5th: Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. - N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochchale Branch. - A bearty invitation to all ringers and friends to be present at St. Mark's, Glodwick, Oldham, on Saturday, June 5th, the occasion being the Ringers' Day. Bells available from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. A service will be held in church at 4.30 p.n7. Special preacher: Rev. A. Scott, M.A., President of the Association. To be followed by tea in the School at 5.30 p.m. Will those who intend being present for tea kindly notify Mr. Herbert Barlow, Baker and Confectioner, Glodwick Road, Oldham, not later than June 2nd? - Stephen Lloyd Pavey, Hon. Branch Sec., 24, St. Janes Strect, Milnrow, Rochdale.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Halewood, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Price 9 d . each. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. W. Gardner, Church Road, Hale-wood.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - North-Western Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be heikl at Christ Church, Epsom, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells available from 3 to 5 p.m. and from 7.30 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.45 p.m. at Christ Church Hall, followed by business meeting. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. J. Crawford, 2, Woodcote Side, Epsom, by Thursday, June 10th. All ringers welcome.-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton, Surrey,
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Washington on Saturday, June 12 th. Tower open 2.30 p.m. Service $4.1 \stackrel{N}{3}$ p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at 1s, per head, at Mrs. Settatrees' Tea Rooms. Half rail fares (maximum 1s. fid.) to mem-bers.-F. H. Mecten, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, North Strect, Worthing.


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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. -Mecting at Sunbury on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) from 3.30 p.m. Service 5. Tea in Church Hall. Quarterly business to follow. Excellent bells and attractive surroundings. Won't you come? - F. W. Goodiellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver


 Heath, Bucks.NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Branch. - Meeting at Loddon on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) Crom 3 [.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Do not forget to notify me of names or numbers for tea, as it is very important this time.-J. G. W. Harwood, Hon. Sec., 4, Cobder Terrace, Northgate Street, Great Yarmouth.

IFEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Ledbury District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Ledbury on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service in Church 5 p.m. Tea, 5.30 , at the Rectory, to be followed by business meeting. A hearty welcome will be extended to all visitors, but it is important that I should be informed of those who require tea not later than Wednesday, June gth.-A. Jones, jun., The Reddinys, Colwall, near Malvern.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-Summer meeting at Longdon ( 3 miles [rom Upton-on-Severm, west of river) on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (6), recently rehung, from 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 . Tea in the Schools 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting. Please advise me by Tuesday, June 8 th. Midland Red bus (364) leaves Upton for Longdon at $2.58 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. bus from Worcester to Upton connects.-Geo. E. Large, Branch Sec., Hawford, near Worcester.

13EVONSHIRE GUILD. - Exeter and Mid-Devon Branches.-A joint meeting will be held at Teignmouth on Saturday, June 12th. Bells available: St. Michael's (8) and Bishopsteignton (6) from 3 p.m. Service at St. Michael's Church at 4.30. Tea at London Hotel at 5.15 p.m., followed by meeting of Exeter Branch, Numhers for tea to reach Mr. A. L. Bennett, Cornerways, Eltiott Plain, Buckfastleigh, by first post Tuestlay, June 8th.-W. H. Howe and A. L. Benmett, Branch Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Throwley on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 , followed by tea. You are asked to send in your name for tea to Miss K. Hooker, Park Farm, Thowley, Faversham, not later than Wednesday, June gth.-B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Great Bardfield on Saturday, Junc 12th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea will be provided for all those who send in their names to Mr. J. Jennings, Pant Place, Gireat Bardfield, near Braintree, not later than Wednesday, June 9th, or to me. F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Western Division. -The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Kildwick, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) available from 2 p-m. Tea (1s. 3d.) at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Those requiring tea should advise Mr. C. Law, Main Street, Kildwick, near Keighley, before Monday, June 7th. - Frank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.

OXFORD GUILD. - Newbury Branch.-Summer meeting will be held on Saturday, June 19th, at Becnham, near Reading. Ring of 6 rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Jolinston. Service at 4.30 by the Rev. C. E. Wigg, Deputy Master. Tea at 5 p.m.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - General quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 19th, at Bolsover, Derbyshire. Bells (8) open from 2.30. Commiftee meef 4 p.m. Tea (1s. per head) 5 p.m., in Church Hall, followed by meeting. Those requiring tea wust apply not later than June 15 th to Mr. J. Flint, 45 , Oxcroft Lane, Bolsover, Derbyshire.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. The Master and Mrs. E. H. Lewis will be at home to all members of the society and their ladies on Saturda? afternoon, June 26th.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-ThC Shield Contest will be held at Cawthorne on Saturdaly. July 10th. Closing date for entries June 26th. Tower closed for practice June 12 th . All entrance fees and sub. scription for prize fund must reach me not later thar June 26th.-D. Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shafton, near Barnsley.

DUDLEY GUILD.-Presentation Fund to Mr. H Sheppard for valuable service as hon. secretary for 2 b years to above Guild. Will members kindly send a small donation to Mr. John Goodman, hon, treasurer, 45, Holbrook Street, Burnt Tree, Tipton?

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## A USEFUL COMMITTEE.

Of all the reports presented to the Central Council by the numerous committees, that of the Towers and Belfries Committee provided the most interesting discussion -a discussion which ranged over a wide field, from the welding of bells to questions of insurance against accidents to the person. There had been, the President revealed, some criticism of the committee outside the Council, the allegation being that it serves no useful purpose. Only a prejudiced individual could take up that attitude, for the Towers and Belfries Committee does some of the most practical work which goes on behind the scenes throughout the year. There have been numerous cases where the advice tendered by members of the committec have saved peals of bells from a type of 'restoration' which would have left them largely unfitted for ringing, and rhe outstanding achievement of the committee was its success in convincing the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings that some of the ideas which they formerly pursued were fallacious. But for this, ringers would to-day have had, in many cases, 10 sacrifice their craft to the whims of the 'die-hard' antiquarians.

The committee has constant opportunities of proving its usefulness. When architects and bellfounders disagree, the committee has often been able to influence Advisory Committees on the points at issue and the advice is tine more readily accepted bectuse it is realised that it has no axe to grind. The committee has, among its members, a large store of scientific and lechnical knowledge, which is always at the disposal of those who are responsible for restorations and the committee is more and more, through the Council, beconing a recognised authority on the subject. The bell founclers, as the critics apparently have said, may be able to fight their own battles, but when they have to meet Advisory Committees, weighted with antiquarian prejudice, their proposals are not infrequently treated as "suspect," commercially, and in such cases the unbiassed opinion of a member of the Towers and Belfries Committee may often be the deciding factor.

There is no committee of the Council which has more fully justified its existence, and, in view of the many activities of bodies outside which bring pressure to bear on church authorities, the need of such an expert committee will be more than ever necessary in the future. What we feel is important is that something should be done to train-if that is the right word-a few of the younger men in the Exercise so that they may later take up this work, when present members of the committee quit their task. Questions relating to strains and (Continued on page 366.)

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stresses on towers are scientific, and need study and exploration. Bell restorations require experience, and in both these things we would like to see some of the younger men of real ability taking an interest. There is more in this kind of work than visiting a belfry and condemning an old frame or recommending the recasting of a bell. There is sometimes the question of saving a towe $r_{r}$ from damaye, often the necessity of proving an architect mistaken-neither of them always an easy matter. Both are quite beyond the capacity of the inexperienced individual, but if the work of the Towers and Belfries Conmittee is to go on successfully young men must be brought on to take over the work.

## CORONATION PEALS

In honour of the Coronation of their Majesties King Ceorge V1, and Queen Elizabeth in Westminster Abbey the following peals were rung:

## TWELVE BELL PEAL. <br> LONDON.

ANGIENT, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF ENGLAND. Om Monday, May 17, 1937, in Thye Hours and Forty-Thret Minwles, Ax the Cegrca of Sx. Leonard, Shoretizce,
A PEAL OF BOE MAXIMUS, 5016 CHANGES;
Tenor a 8 c cut.
Bro. Enwim Barnett, M. M., Gavelkind Lodge Mo. 4265 ...Tyeble Bro. Ersesy T. Allaway, M. M., Arts \& Crafts Lodge, No. 41342 Bro, Frank W. Perrens, M. M., Arts \& Crafts Lodge, No. AI 343 Bro. J. Bennett, M. M., Per Mare, Per Terram Lodge, No. 3609 4 Bro. Reg. Brooge. M. M., Frederick of Unity Lodge, No. 452 Bro. Jonn H. B. Hesse, M.M., Cama Lodge, No. $2105 .$. Bro. Ernest Brett, M.M., Harrow Lodge, No. 1310 Bro. A. D. Barkzr, M. M., St. Clement Danes Lodge, No, is... 7 Bro. Harold W. Clark, M.M., Jeande d'arc Lodge, No. 4168 Bro. Ggorge W. Siebre, M.M., Sowest Lodge, No. 3797 ... 10 Bro. William Boritili, M. M., Polaris Lodge, No. 4407 Wor. Bro. Frenk. White, P.M., Holmesdale Lodge, No. 874 ...Tenor Arranget by Bra. G. Newion. Conducted by Bro. James Benneti

TEN BELL PEALS.
PONTEFRACT, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHDRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 13, 1937, in 7 hyee Hours atd How Minutes.
Ax the Chorce of St, Gifes,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATEFS, EO10 GHANGESI Tenor 18 ewt.
Joan H. Lenton ... ...Tyedb Horace Fox ... ... ... 6
HzRbert Walker $\quad . .$. Artadr Walier ... .*. 3 |thomas Holder .... .... ... 8 *Harry C. Walters... ... 4 Charles Browa ... ... ... 9 +Harry Newton... ... $\quad . . .4$... 5 Albgrt T. Strangward .....Tendy Composed by Sir A. P. Heywoon. Conducted by H. C. Walters * 100th peal. f First peal on ter bells aad first attempt.

## IONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCTATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 15, 7937, in I hrea Howrs and Eighteon Mitutes,
At the Chorgh of St Magnos-the-Martyr, London Bridge,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 500D OHANRES; Frederick G. Symonds ...Tyeble |Joan G. Nasa ... ... ... 6 Thomas H. Taffender ... 3 Henry T. Wilson ... Ernbst J. King ... ... ... 3 Ernest W, Furbank ... 8 Tbomas W. Taffender ... 4 Franic E. Darby E. Ralph Magralle ... ... 5 Edward D. Smith ... ...teray Composed by York Green. Conducted by Thomas W. Tarfrinder * Tirst peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal.

[^19]ST. HELENS, LANGS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION,
On Monday, May 17. 1937, is Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
At ter Cherce of Si. Helen.
Tenor 24 cwt.
Jonn Booth
Treble 1 Stanryp N Hareison
Josefr Lzat
Joan Poiter
Joen Poiter ... ... ... 3 | Cbcil Raddon ... ... ... 8
James W. Grodnds $. . . \quad . . .4$ Josbpe H. Ridyard ...
C. Kennete Lewis ... ... 5 Ceristopabr Gudgbon ....temor
Arranged and Conducted by C. Gudgron.

## EIGHT BEEL PEALS.

HTLGAY, NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCGSAN ASSOCLATION. On Friday, May 14, 1937, in Three Hours,
Ax tge Cerrce os All Saints,

A PEAL OF GRANQSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tayloz's Six-Part.
Williak Bockrsbam. Whliak buckesham... ...Tybble |"Artbor G Bason Whabd E. bacon ..... $.2^{2}$ Frid Wigmore ... Wallace W. Coosins Cladde Codsins ... ...

## Tenor ry cwt.

 Con ... 4 Jobn Buckeneam... ... 7 Conducted by Frbd Wigmore.

* 50 th peal. First peal of Triples by all except the ringers of the 2nd and 7tli. OHIDDINGTOLD, SURREY. THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Fi iday, May 14, 1937, in Three Hours, At fae Cetrice of Si. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGE8;
Pitsiow's Transposition of Tedrstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 12 ${ }^{2} \mathrm{~cm}$.
Jobn h. B. Hrsse ... ...Treble Madrice Smither ... ... 5 Alprgd H. Pucling ... ... 2 Ernest J. Aylifye ... ... 6 C. Ernest Smith ... ... 3 Artadr J. Bartcett ... ... 7 Kicbard Hayes ... ... ... 4 Wilprbd Bartlext ... ....Tenor Conducted by Alfrid H. Foiling.
First pan on the bells since recasting and rehanging by Mears and Stainbank in October, 1936.

FOBBING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATLON.
On Friday, May 14, 1937, it Thyee Hours and Eight Minutes, At tee Parise Cerreb of St. Micearl,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5055 OHANQES; Tenor 10 cwt .

- Wilyred Ochendon ...

Norman Townsend
William Dudegy ...
Artacr Refve ......
Composed by J. A. Trollopr albirt Norte ...........
Tirst pasel of Major. t First peal of Boh Major. TRING, HERTS
THE HERTFORD COUNTX ASSOCLATION. On Sathrday, May 15, 1937. in Thrce Hours, At ige Cedrce of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, EQ40 CHANGES: Parker's Twelve-fart (7th observation). Tenor 24 cwt. - Dorald Campbele ... ...Tveble §f. Williab Lgacg ... ... 5 †Grorge Eeley ... ... -.. $\quad 2$ William J. Randall ... $\overline{6}$ Cbristopber Badrick.. .3 Waler Ayre ... ... ... 7 †Walter Lee ... ... ... a $\quad$ Henry C. Jones... .... .... Temoy Concucted by Waltrr Ayri.
Firsb penl. i. First peal and first attempt. $\ddagger$ First peal on eight. First peal of Triples.

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CLAINES, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WOROISTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCTATION. (Wbstrrn Brancl.)
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifle-Fowr Minutes,

> At ter Cajrce of St. Jobn-tbe-Bapisist,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES
J. J. Parkrr's Six-pari, No. I3. Temor I4 cwt.

 Conducted by Grorge E. Large. MARLOW, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Thece Houry and 1 wo Minutes. At tar Cgurch or All Saints.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

## thorstans' Fofr-part.

Tenor 15 cpwt.
Josepr S. Hawzins ... ...Tveble $\dagger$ Ralpa W. Atkins ... ... 5
Harry Wa, Badgrr.at ... $\quad$ a Abtbur Martin ... ... 6

- Vigior Gigson ... ... ... 3 Gborge Martim ... ... 7
tFrane O. Nicbolls, szn. 4 Henry Bdckingeam ... ...Tenoy
Conducted by Grorge Martin.
* First peal. + First peal of Stedman.

REDDTSH, LANCS.
THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, is Thyee Hoarsaud Ten Minutes, At the Churce of St. Elisabrit.
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREELE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANQES; Tencr $12 \frac{1}{1} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Alprgd Barnes... ... ...Trebie | Kennata Lbwis ... ... .... 5
James Fernley ... ... .... $\quad$ z Alan J. Brown ...
'Stanley Noble......
Josepa Whittaker ... ... 4 William Ebrnlery .......Tenoy
Composed by I. S. Wilde. Conducted by K. Lzwis.

* First peal of Major awny from treble.

DUNSTABLE, BTEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Threo Hours and Ten Minutes,
At tae Priory Cedrch of St. Petbr,
A PEAL OF BOB MAIOR, B120 CHANEESI Tenor 94 ewt.
Artegre, Sambman
...Tyeble Grorge W. Hzley

- Henky B. Weirney ...

Hent b. Weitney ... ... 2 Frank H. Ramsay ...
*James G. Nbwman ......$\quad 3$ Frederick J. Plommer ... 7
Harold Burrows … ... 4 "Edwin A. Brison ... ....Temor Composed by A. Knigets. Conducted by Arther E. Sharman.

* First peal of Bob-Major.

FENTON, STAFTORDSHIRE
THE NORTH STAFES AND DISTRICT ASSOOTATION, On Sanuray, May 15, 1937, in Three Howrs and Five Minutes, Ax tee Parise Cgerch,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MASOR, 5120 CHANGES, Tenor 14 ewt .


## HHGHER WALTON, LANCS.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOGIATION.
(Preston Brance.)
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Thyta Hours and Seven Minules.
At the Cgurci of All Saines,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5085 EHANGES; Tedor 16 cwt. in F .
John jackson ... ... ...Treble Thomas Harrison .... ... 5

Harold Clark ... $-. . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Frank Codpg .... .... .... 7
John Taberner.... ........ 4 E. Roger Martin .... ...Tenor
Composed by T. B. Worscesy. Conducted by E. R. Martin.

* First peal. Ringers of $3,4,6$ and 7 were re-elected provious to starting.

HLNCKEEY, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Thyes Hours and Five Hinutes, at tee Ceureg or St, Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
PRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORGESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICIS ASSOCIATION.
un Saturday, May 15, 1937, in 7 hree Hours and Two Minktes,
At tee Chorch or St, Micearl
a Peal of spliced london, bristol, eambridge, and superlative surprise major, 5024 Ghanges;
Tenor 14d $\mathrm{c}=\mathrm{wt}$.
Joun Bass
Clifford Skidmore... $\quad$. $\quad$ Thomas Hemming

- William Sbort... ... ... 3 Robrrt Matthrws ... ... 7
Sidney T. Folot ... ... 4 Charles Camm ... ... ...Temoy
Composed by Rev. H. Law Jambs. Conducted by Sidney T. Holi
* First peal in spliced method. Tiss peal contained 2,944 London, 668 Bristol, 736 each of Cambridge and Superlative, the two latter methode being rung in alternate courses, with 111 chauges of method. ARMEEY, LEEDS.
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Legds ane Dihirict Amalgamated Society.)
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minstes,
At Cirist Cetren, Upper Armley,


## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 5088 CHANGEs;

 Tenor If cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.| Thos. H. Strangbway | $\ldots$ Treble | Joserb Tbackray | ... | ... | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sam Helliwell | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 2 | Artbur Fibldhodse | .. | ... |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Frane Raymbent ......
Miss Olive Rbaton ... ... \& Leonard Drare ... ... ...Tchor Composed by T. B. Worgley. Conducted by T. W. Strangeway. BEACONSFIELD, BUGKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCTSAN GUILD.
On Soturday, May 15, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutos, At tee Parish Ceurca,
A PEAL DF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, GE5E CHANGES, Middleton's.
William H. Eesseil
W1LETM WOCLING
 Conducted by Harry Wingrove.

* First peal in the method.
STEYNING, sUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Three Houys and Seden Minutes, At ter Chorga of St. Andrew,


## A PEAL DF 8UPERLATIVE 8URPRISE HAJDR, 5088 CHANGES;

 Tenor 12 owt .| alter Charman | ... | ...Treble | Reginald V. Jobnson |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Keith Hart |  | ... | Kannete Snelling |  |
| Edward J. Ca |  |  | Fredericr W. Page |  |
| Alfred W. Groves |  |  |  |  |

Composed by tr. Dajns. Conducted by O. Sippats.

HEADCORN, KENT.
THE EENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 15. 1937, in Three Hours and Six Misutes, At ter Cetrce of SS. Peitrand Padl.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Holz's Original.
Charles H. Sone
Thomas E. Sonz ...
.. ...Tyebla

Jorn W. Jones
... 2
... 3
Conducted

* First peal on eight hells.

WARFFAM, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Three Howrs and Sewenten Minutes, At ter Cedrce of Lady Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505 E CHANGE8;
h. Wheter Saondehs
..Treble William C. Sadte Edward T. Gripfin ... 2 Frbdrricr G. Cole... E. T. Padl Fibld - Dr. Alan M. Cunmingram 4 William E. Cebatbr .. ...Temor Composed by C. H. Marins. * First peal.

Tenor 24 cwt .
Tom Sadnders ... ... ... 5
William Wbnbak ... .- 6
Lutber J. Honess ...

| Lletbrr J. Honrss ... |
| :--- |
| - .... |

Thomas E. Sonz.

Conducted by Wicilame E. Cabater Parkea's Twelve-part.

- alfrbd jordan ... ... ...Tvebl:

Artedr D. Aldaam... ... 2
prrcival a aldeam .i.
Cyril Ison ...
Transposed by Ernest Morais.
Bertie Ringway Tencr 22 cwt.

* First peal.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT,
THE KENT COONTY ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Three Howrs and One Minute.
Ai ter Cedref of St. Peibr,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Groves' Trangposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 14 cyt .
Alfrzd J. Battin ... ...Tyeble Joan Medgerst ... ... ... 5
Albert Worsfold ... ... 2 Bernard V. Collison ... 6 Mrs. F. W. Hodsden ... 3 Ernest J. Ladd ... ... ... 7 -alec E. Riceardson ... 4 Fredericy W, Hodsden ....Temor Conducted by Exnest J. Ladd.

* 50th peal.

CFFSTER.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Twa Hours awd Fifty-Five Minutos, At tee Ceurch of St. Mary-within-the-Wales,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parker's Twhive-part.
Tenor I; Cwt.
Alfred Barker .
Ehnest Waring ...
Ronald G. Jones
Robert Sprrring


| James Morgan |
| :--- |
| James Swindley |
| ... |
| ... |
| In | ... 5

Conducted Pgrcy Swidey Edward Price .... LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Three Hours and Nine Manutos,
At tee Cedrch of Sy. Olave, Hart Street. Cify,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, $505 G$ GHANGES;

Middleton's.
Jobn Themas ... ... ...Treble | Miss Amy R. Jounson 25 Ib. James Bennett ...


SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS．
KIEDFORD，SUSSEX．
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOGTATION．
On Weinesiay，May 12，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty－Three Minetes，
At the Churce of St．Joen，
A PEAL OP CRANDSIRE DOUBLES， 6040 CHANGE8；
＊Charlie Tovey ．．．
Stepeen Killengr
Mgseact Sopp ．．．
．．．．．．Treble Grorge Killner．． ．．．．．．． 2 Pricy Doncton ．．． Conducted by P．Duncton．
＊First peal．

## CORFE MDLLEN，DORSET

THE SALISBDRY DIOCESAN GUYLD． On Thw＇sday，May 13，1937，in Thee Howrs，

At tee Churce of St．Hobrrt，

## A PEAL OF BOE HINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Soven 720 ＇s called diferently．Tenor 12 cwt ． Lionel H．Pink．．．．．．．．．Ivedg fPeilipN．Tocock Harold E．White ．．．．．． 2 Willam C．Shote ．．．．．．
 Conducted by W．C．Snote．
Pirst peal on an＇inside＇bell．T First peal of Minor． EOLNER，HEREPORDSHIRE．
ITHE ETEREFORD DIOGESAN GUILD．
On Thusday，May 13，1937，is Two Howrs and Fifly－Two Minutes， At tee Cafreh of St．Bartholomew，

## A PEAL OF MINOR，5040 CHANGES；

Scirg two 720＇s of Oxford Single Bob，two 720＇s of Canterbury Pleasure and three 720＇s of Plain Bob．
Charles H．Tomprins ．．．ireble｜josbpe W．Downes ．．．．．． 4
 Walter S．Evans ．．．．．．．． 3 Ernkst F．Salmons ．．．．．．．．Tghor Conducted by Ernusi F．Salmons．
linest peal of Minol in three methocis for all the band and on the belle．
玉EA, LINCS.

THE LTNCOLN DIOOESAN GUILD
aND THE NORTH NOTIS ASSOCIATION．
Un Thuysiay，May 13，1937，in Two Horrs ana Forty Minutes， Aithe Cgurch of St．Helen．

## A PEAL OF MINOR， 6040 CHANGES；

Being one extent each of St．Ciemente＇s，Single Court，Oxfora Treble Bob，Kent TrebTe Bob aud three extents of Plain Bob（called diferently）．
Norl B．Tabrlay ．．．．．．Tyeble｜Josbpa A．Lonn．．．．．．．．． 4 Ricerbd H．M．Haryey ．．． 2 Jack L．Millegose．．．．．． 5 Gbo．Leslie A．Lunn．．．．．． 3 Ceifrgre A．Vgssey ．．．．．．Tonor Conducled by Clifford A．Vessey
＂Rivzt peal in five methods＇inside．＇＇Quickest peal on the bells． TRUMPINGTON，CAMBIRIDGE．
THE ELF DIOCFSAN ASSOCIATION．
On Thursday，May 73，1937，in Shree Howys，
At the Chorch of SS．Mary and Michael，

## A PEAL DF BOB MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Sevon different eallings．
Harold Newell．．．．．．．．．Tveble｜Stanley Goodwin ．．．．．． 4 Kitty Wielibs ．．．．．．．．．．．$z$ Roger St．Jogn Smita ．．． 5 Victor Cbapaan ．．．．．．． 3 Arigur Wilson ．．．．．Temoy Conducted by Roger St．Jobn Smith．
First peal＂inside．＂

> CORRINGHAM, LINCS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
（Northern Bhanch．）
On Friday，May 14，1937，in Twa Honys and Fonty－Sewen Minutes， At ibe Churca or St．Lawrence，

## A PEAL OF MIMOR， 5040 CHANEES；

Heing one extent each of St．Clement＇s and Singrie Court，two exterits of Oxford Bob and three of Plain Bob．Tenor $13 \pm$ cmb．
－Raymond F．Smith ．．．．．．Tyebts Jack L．Millhodse ．．． Jacr Vresey Gro．Leslie A．Lonn 3 Clifford A．Vessey ．．．．．．．．Temoy Conducted by Ellifford A．Vessey．
－First neal and first attempt．First peal ou the bells in more than one mellind

WESTON，BATH．
On Sanurday，May 15，1937，in Two Houp sand Thivty－Sevan Minwtes， At the Cedrch of All Saints，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES，GO40 GHANPE8； Forty－two six－scaves with tan callings．
G．II．Cross ．．．．．．．．．．．．．Treble G．H．Cross，SEN，．．．$_{\text {．．．}} 4$ A．E．Baverstock ．．．．．． 2 S．S．Woodsern．．．．．．．．． 5 W．J．Prescoit ．．．．．．．．．．． 3 •G．Drew ．．．．．．．．．．．．Temor Conducted by S．S．Woonborn．
＊Tirst peal．
BOSBURY，HEAEFORDSHTRE
TEE HEREFORD DIOGESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，May 15，1937，in Three Hours and Eight Minutes，
At ter Parish Cerrce，
A PEAL OF MINOR， $\operatorname{EO} 040$ CHANEES；
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise，Woodbine，Oxford and Kent
Theble Bob，Double Orford，Oaford Bob aud Plain Bob． Tener 18 ckt ．

 W．Ranford．．．．．．．．．．．．． 3 G．Gordon ．．．．．．．．．．．．＇Temor
First peal on the bells after rehnnging in a new steel frame by Messrs．Mears and Stainbanh．

FRANPTON，LINGS．
THE JINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，May 15，1937，it Two Hours and Fifty－Seven Minutas，
At the Cgorce og Si．Mary．
A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 OHANGES；
Being 720 each of Primrose，Bourne，Cambridge，Nethorseale，Mort－ ing Stal；College Bob IF．and Old Oxford．Tenor 13하 ewt．
Arthur Young ．．．．．．．．．Treble ${ }^{\text {© C．H．Jobnson }}$
Miss Lois M．Neal ．．．．．． 2 Wieliam Wilhinson．．．．．． 4
Joan R．Kbmp ．．．．．．．．． 3 Jogn R．Young ．．．．．．．．．Temor Conducted by Jorn R．Young．
＊First peal iu seven Treine Bob methods＇inside． BRAMPIORD SPIKE，DEVON． THE DEYONSEIRE GUTLD．
On Saturday，May 15，1937，in Two Hours and Fify－Three Minutes， At the Cburce of Si．Peter，

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR， 6040 CHANEES；

Seven different extents．
＊Williag H，Key ．．．
Wh．．．．Trebie $\mid$ †Henry J．Corry $\quad .$.
Whan Andrews ．．．．．． 2 ＂HzNRy ］．Rowe ．．．．．． 5 Conducted by Rev．E．V．Cox．
＊Tirst peal of Winor．First penl，15 ycars of age the prewious Sunday．$\ddagger$ First peal of MEnor on an inside＇behl．First peal of Minor on the bells by a local band．

SHILTON，WARWICKSHIRE． THE WARWICKSHERE GUILD．
On Sutxydav，May 15，1937，in 「wo Hows and Trenty－Three Mintles，
At ahe Ceurch of St．Andrew，
A PEAL OF BOE MINOR， 5040 CHANEES；
Seven different extents， Tenor 7 cwb．
Frederick Watts ．．．．．．Trebie Dodglas Ellender ．．．．．． 4 Edward H．Jobnson ．．．．．．． 2 Jobn Taylor ．．．．
Cearles H．Webg ．．．．
Cin Charles H．Webs ．．．．．．． 3 Frank E．Pervin Conducted by Frank E．Previn． RAMPISHAM，DORSET．
THE SALISBURY DIOOESAN GUILD． （West Dorsei Brakeg．）
On Saturday，May 15，1937，in Three Hours and One Minute，
Ay the Cedrch of St．Michael，
A PEAL OF DOUBLES， 5040 CHANOES：
Being two extents each of St．Vedast aud New Doubles，four each of St．Dunstan＇s，St．Bartholomew，Reading，St．Simou，Stedman Slow Course，Plain Bob，Reverse Canterbury，and 10 of Grandsire，with 42 callings．

Temer 16 cmb ．in F ．
＊Thomas J．Staneby．．．．．．Treble †Harold C．R．Vine ．．．．．． 3
Hubrri Smite ．．．．．．．．． 2 H．Drnnis W．Bishop ．．． 4
Arther G，Cauge ．．．．．．Tenoy
Conducted by H．D．W．Bisgor．
＊First peal in 10 methods．中 First pea！in 10 metlods＇inside．
First peat ou，the bells．

BILLINGBOROUGH, LINCS.
Un Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Two Hours axa Fifty-Five Minntes, At ige Caurch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 OHANGES;

Consisting of 720 of Singlo Court and two 780 'e each of Single Oxford Bob Minor anei Oxiord Treble Bob. Tenor 7 cwt 3 gr .11 lb . -A. Cailiton...

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| . Cailiton... | yeb | L. Wilson ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J. E. Allen... | . | F. T. Carpord ... |
| -G Crbashy | . | G. S. Collishaw ... ...T | Conducted by J. E. Alezn.

* Tirst penl. First meal as conductor. The band riag regularly for the services each Surday at this church.


## WHADDON, BTJOKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULD.

 (Nortr Bucrs Branch.)On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Three Hows and Five Minutes,

## At the Ceurch of St. Mary

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Baing 42 six-scores, ter callings.

- Fred Hobbs
- Rég Savage
$\qquad$
Conducted by
- Fred Dormer William H, Jones ... ... 5 $\begin{array}{llll}\text { *Thomas Adam } & . . . & . . . & . . . T \\ \text { W. Hemor }\end{array}$


## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEEIING AT OHELMSTORD.
Following loug established custom, the numual meeting of the lissex Association was held at Chelmsford on Whitsun Mouduy and there was a large and representative gathering.
The service jut the Cathedral was canducted by the Pravost, the Very Rev. W. E. R. Morrow. The lesson was read by the MasLer of the association (Dr. P. T. Spencer Phillips), and the Rer. A. G. G. Thurlow, of Wokingham, Berks, Eave the address, in the conuse of which he zeferred to the importance of doiug the small things firgt in order to understand the greater things later on. It applied to everything through life. Everyous, said the preacher, was stived by the wonderful service and ceremonial of the Coronation, but it was anly those people who love retralar Cominunion and prayer who were most truly stirred end helped by that service. Continuing, ilie preacher said:-
" It is the same with the attitade of the general public to ringing; an attitude which 1 am afraid oftren propes annoying to us, as ringers. Nearly all people want and expect ringing on great occasions, and it is quite right that they should expect il. On great aceasions, we, ha ringers, are often tola by members of the general public just luw and when we cught to ring und if we do not do all that is coxpected of us we are told we ought to lave done better. But this same general public is often too ready to criticise us when we ring a peal, or when we hold our ordinary practices. They never realise, miness they try and take up ringiag themselves, the immense amount of hard practice tlat is necessary before we aro good enougla to ring on gread occasions. They never roalise that if thoy want to hear us ring really well on occasions such as the Coronation they must eudure onr frequent Sunday ringing and our week-night practices.
-What of the atitude of ringers themselwes to our att? Everyong who is worth caling it ringer at ithl is keen to come to is wonderfo tower, like this one at Chelmsford, and to have tho privilege of riasing fine bells. But if we are to produce expert ringers for ous grenter churches, we must holp forward the ringing at our parish churr great or small. And to those who are begingers-and who is not one -I wouk sty you may find it havd, and perhaps even dull at first but da not mind that, keep it up. Accept willingly all the erdicisu and advice that bether ringerg give you, and never take offence. Good ringers aiways give their advice in a kindly spiril. Yon cannot become a good rinuer without vonstant practice of mina sind enm If it were easy to heccme a good ringer it would net be worth wile If yout do get rather boled with practising, think over what a woul derful and romantic exercise ringing is. Think of the age-loug part that bells have piayed in our country's history. Think of all 1 i: romance and legend that clings to so many of our old bells. Thiul how, when yon help to ring, you are lelping to lift up the hearts of all those within hearing, helping to tell people of the gead am righteous things of life, the things that really matter, the et joy of the knowledge and love of God.
The business meeting follawed in the Cathedral Chapter Humse Dr. Speacer Phillips was enthusiastically re-elected Master, Mr. L.
J. Clark hon. secretary and treasurer, and Mr. I. W. Wiffen peal J. Clark h
secretary.

The 58 th anmual report, presented by the Master, stated that year had been one of steady work and some progress. The restistar of towers in affilistion had been revised, and now numbered 107 , decrease of seven, due to some towers having no ringcrs. The namp bership was: Honorary members 83, ringing mem13ers 774, aud non resident members 249, a decrease of two. The district meetings had been, on the whole, well attended. Onea again there had heen a sharp decline in the number of peals rung muler the anspices of the association, but it was to be noted that more vang their firsi peals, still more their first in the method, which was more inuportant 1 that a larger number of peals should be recorded by a few old stuger The standard of ringing had been well maintained, and Belgrave Surprise was rung for the first time for the association. Thirty-thre members rang their first peal, and 76 their first in the mothon Satisfactory restorations had been carried out at both North Wealit and Great Waltham, and it was hoperd in the near future to talise hand the ring at Telchamp Walter. Regret wns expressed at the loss by death of an lon. member in Canon Macdonald; also of $E$. W Lillywhite, St. Shaviour's, Walthamstow: W. J. Schofield, St. Pater's Golchester: H. W. Richardson, Great Bawfield; aud A. Tarbun, snn Widford. Each year they lost some waluble members by the Great Reaper, and $i$ was satisfactory to note that their numbers were made up aguin by new members. The accomts were satisfactory, suhscriptions being slightly greater than lasi year, so that, in spite of the subscription to the William Wye Menorial Fund of fl5, their hanane was only t 13 less than last year, and they hat becr ithle th help substantially both the restorations at Great Waltham and Nerth Weald, and also Fobhing. Tho Rell Restoration Fund showed a halnmee of 55812 s . 10 the. An effori had heen made durina the yoar to help start a young hand of ringers at Purleigh, but had not yet met with much snccess, owing to lack of keenmess on the part of the learmers. Hope was still entertained of achieving the desired result. Dr Spencer Phillips affered hest thanks to the general serretary nal distrint officers for the hard work they had put in during the pent, and to whose efforts their success was due.
(Doutinued in next column.)

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION,

## MEETING AT STREATHAM.

An emjoyable meeting of the Southern District was held at Streatham an Saturday, May 29th. Owigg to a wedding, ringing at St. Leonard's did not commence until 3.45 p.m., but was continaed until 5.30 p.m. Tea at the Manor Ams, to which 21 sat down, was followed lyy the business mecting, presided over by Mr. H. Mallee (Disbrict Master.).

Messirs. E. L. Miles and G. W. Fogden, of Streabhan nod Beckeninam respectively, ware elected members, and Isleworth chosen for the next meeting on July 17th, subject to permission being granted.

A hearty vote of thank was accorded the Vienrs of St. Leonard's and Immanuel Ghurches for their kindaess in granting the use of the bells, and especially to Mr. J. W. Chapman, who very kindly ellowed members to come after four previous applications to other towers had been unsuecessful.

After the meeting members went to Immannel Clurch until 8.30 p.m. The methods rung at befh towers inchided Grandsire, Btedman, Phin Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwioh, Camaridge and Superlative, but the striking was not up to the usual standard. But for the presence of sis friends from Kent, the attendauce wouk have been very poor.

## (Continued from previous columi) <br> SEE FINANOTAL POSITION

The general account showed a credit of 53014 s . 7 d , compared with r. Jalinea brought forward of 844 lls . Ild. The subseriptions umounted to $\ell 6517 \mathrm{~s}$. $6 d$. The reserve fund showed an amount on deposit of $\mathrm{E} 112 \mathrm{15s}$. 10d., interest $22 \mathrm{14s}$. Sd., and El50 Conversion Loan.

The report and accounts were adopted.
Messrs. W. Keeble, F. Dench, G. Greon, G. R. Pye and H. T Wilson ware reappointed memhers of the General Committee; and Messrs. G. L. Joyce, G. R. Pye, W. Keeble and F. Denel were reelected on the Peal Committee. Mr. G. W, Fanlkner, one of the auditors did not seek re-election, and he wras cordially thanked for his sorvices. Mr. J. Grampion was appointed in his place, and Mr. W. H. Theobald was re-elected.

It was agreed to make a tion of the Belchamp Walter bells.
Cxnon S. L. Brown (Breatwood) and Mr. G. Dent (Potter Etreet) were elected life members of the association.
Subsenuently the members had lumbeon at the Golden Flaece Hotel,
Ringing took place during the day at the Crthedral and ati ten atlier chutches in the district, anfl ranged from Doubles to Cambridgo Maximus.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

RETIREMENT OF NGRTHERN BRANCH SEORETARY
The anoual meeting of the Northern Branch of the Liucolu Diocesay Guild was held at Grinsborongla on Satavday, May 82ad, when 59 menbers were present representing the tollowing towers: Ashby-de-latLaunde, Bigby, Burtan-anStather, Blubkney, Lea, Lincoln Gathedua, Scunthorpe, Springthorpe, Uleohy, Upton and Willingham. There WBre also mattached members from lincaln and Grimsby. Mr. R. Tichardson (the Guild Ringing Master), Mrs. and Miss Fuld Richurdson and ringing friends from Surflect and Refford also attended. The bells of the Parisk Church were made gocl use of during the afternoon and evening.

Service was conducted loy the Vicar (Canon C. E. A. Whitworth), who gave a most interesting address. An excellent tea was provided in the Sun Hotel, presided over by the president of the branch (the Ven. Archdeacon Parry).
All the offcers were re-elected with the exeeption of the hon. seeretary (Mr. F. S. W. Butler', who wished to resign and hand over to a younger man. The President spore of the great work Mr, Butler lad dono during 14 years in that office, and said how difficuit it would be to replace him.-Mr. Butler, who was very warmly applanded, briefly replied.
Mr. J. Bray, of Burton-on-Stather, was nnanimously elected to the affice
Apologies for alisence were received from Mr, F. Morgan (Grinsborough District secretary) and Mr. and Mrs. C. MeGuiness, of Lincolıı.
New memhers were elected as follows: Messrg. W. A. T. Bimacombe, H. Croft and M. Freeman, of Lincoln, and Mr. D. Honltby, of Uleeby.
The next anmal meeting was fixed to take place at Grimsiby on Saturday, May 28th, 1938.
Mr. Gecrge Chester (Lincoln) made reference to the deatlo of Mr. N. E. Snow, of Slenford, an original member of the Guild, and suggested that note of his death be placed an record.
A collection was taken towards the rehanging of Haxey bells, which sroounted to $£ 1 \mathrm{11s}$. 6 d .
Votes of thanks to all who had coulrihuted to its suceess brought a plearant mecting to a close.

## RINGING AT STEDMAN'S CHURCH.

Visitors to Cambridge are asked to note that service ringing takes place at St. Bene't's Church, associated with Fabinn Stedman, ab 10.30 a.m. on altemate Sundeys-June $13 t h, 27 \mathrm{th}$, ete

Last Sunday moming 720 Boh Minor was rung: A. Raynev 1, F, G Hibbens 2, S. Goodwir 3, A. Furst (first 720 of Minor) 4, C. W. Cook (conduelor) 5, H. L. Martin 6.

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 a hew designafion. A boand in Woolwich tower records a peal of Real Double Norwich,' conducted by William Banister nearly a century ago. This peal liad one reverse bob in each part. But wa still think the title a mitmamer.
Cyril E. Lanzon, of Truro Cathedral, is the first mative of Cornwall to sing a Surprise peal.

Bro. G. R. Newton, of Liverpool, was preveated from taking part in the Masonic peal at Shoreditch owing to his sister being dangerously ill. His place was taken atishott zotice by Bro. R. Brough, to whom the thanks of the band are due. The composition was Joln Reoves' 19 courses with the Gth at Jome, erranged by Bro. G. R. Newton. It was the first peal of Bob Maximus lung by a band of Freemasons.

The Ohesterfield veteran, Mr. Arthur Knights, rang the treble in a peal of Superlative at St, Marie's, Norfolk Row, Sheffeld, on Whit Monday, 1937. On Whit Mondag, 1884, he rang the treble at the same clsuroh to his Grst peal of Stedman Triples. It was conducted by the late Mi: C. H. Eattersley, and rung by eight membors of the College Youlbs. Mr. James Dison, who also rang in the peal, is still a service ringer at St. Maria's.
A peal rung at Eckington on May 18th wes the 5sth anniversary of Mr. Knight's first peal, rung at Diss, Norfolk, in 1879 , conductod by the late William Ireland.

We regrot that many reports of peals and other metters are wa woidably held over.

## VETERAN YORKSHIRE RINGER PASSES

The many friends of Mr. Fred Sclolefield, of Intake Lane, Osgett Yorks, will regret to learn of his death on Saturday, May 22nd, at the age of 75 pears. Althously ho luad bcel in falling health for some years aud had not done any active ringing for a long time, he had always teken a keen inlerest in the Yorksline Association, of which he was one of the earlier life members. His passing severs another link with the old Ossett company.
Tho funeral took place at Eoly Trinify Church, Ossett, on Tuesday, May 25th Deceased leaves a widow, but no children.

## COURT BOB.

To the Editor.
Sir, At least once I have asked in your columns why the name Court Bob was first employed. In your column "For Eeginners' last week you supply the answer. At the time this neme was first used a bob was a dodge, and 'court' was a fuller form of 'curt' or 'cut.' Now you say that Court Bob 'cuts out cer'tain dodges" of the sister methed, Oxford Bob. What could be a plainer meaning for the name? The reason for it is as simple as Treble Bob for a method in whitch the treble dodges all the time.

HEREERT DRAKE.
Woodbridge, Suffolk.

## IPSWICH MENS JOURNEY TO LONDON.

On Saturday, May 22nd, St. Mary-le-Towar Society, Ipswich, chaptered a motor-coach aud journeyed to London to attempt a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus aif St. Giles', Cxipplegate. The band was as follows: W. Tillett, C. J. Sadgley, W. J. G. Brown, E. H. Smith, H. R. Roper, L. W. Wifen, G. A. Fleming, F. J. Smith, C. A. Catchpole, F. J. Tillett, G. E. Symonds, E. P. Dufteld. After I\# hours' ringing the 6th rope broke.
This attempt was made passible on tha very nice suggestion of Mr. E. H. Lewis, Master of the Ancient Society of Cotlege Youths, conveyed to the ringers by Mr. WT. T. Cockerill, the hon. secretary.

The College Youths aftemptad peal in the same methed on the same day at Bow, Cheapside, and broke down at the same time.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## (Gontinued from page 357.

CO.OPERATION WITH ANTI-NOLSE LEAGUE.
Tlie report of the Towers and Belfries Committee was as follows: Dnring the year the members of the committee have given advice in sonte dozen cases, applying the principles with which the Council are tamiliar. In several of the towers adivice was asked about modification of sound near the churob. Since the last meeting of the Council the Anti-Noise League have printerd a pampliet on this subject, being mainly the reprint of an article which appeared in the 'R.I.B.A. Journal.
Your committee think it desirable to co-operate with the Anti-Noise Leazue as far as possible, and, after reviewing this pamphlet, decided to send copies to all Archdeacons, with the following covering letter:

For some years past the Towers and Belfries Committee of the Oentral Council of Churcl Bell Ringers has been advocating appropriate treatment of church towers in cases where the sound of bells is likely to be a source of annoyance to peoplo living in the neighbourhood of a church.

Recently the Anti-Noise League have had the same suluject under consideration, and have issued a pamphlet of which we enclose a copy for your consideration, in case it has not already been brought to your notice.

The book by Six Arthur Heywood, to which reference is made, was witten while he was president of the Central Conncil of Church Bell Ringers, and with its support, and three of the present members of ge Towers and Belfries Committee contributed clapters to that book.

The commibice is, therefore, whally in agreement with the pamphnow enolosed, and recommend it to yon seribus consideration.
Tho members feel strongly that it is better that, where bells are nduly loud in tie vioinity of a church, action should be taken before complaints are made, rather than as a result of representations from persons who have come to live in the vicinity.

The mombers of the committee are always ready to, give further Information and technical adwice In any particular case."
As an addendum to the report for 1935-36, the committee said: At the Council meeting of 1935 , a request was made that the commithee should inquire about the so-called 'silencers' and make a recommendation as to their use.

The 'Davis silencers ' have now been used over a considerable period in several towers with suncess, and your committee think that they are well worth a trial in towers where it, is desired to reduce the volume of sound during practices nund peals without taking any permanent steps such as blecking up louvres.

The silencers consist of a leather pad resembling a muffle, wilh a thin steel plate attached to the face. The result of their inse is to give alr effect rather like muffler ringing, while retaining a certain amount of metallic tap of the clapper. To get the best effect in each individual case, it is evident that experiments should be made with different thicknesses of leather: For this purpose the committee are ohtaining samples of diferent thicknesses which can be lent to towers for this purpose at no cast other than postage both ways. These for this purpose at no cast other than postage both ways. These
silencers are not expeasive and have shown litte wear after twelve months' use.

## A REPLY TO CRITICS.

The President, in moving the adoption of the report, said he bad heard, since he came to Canterłury, that there had been some slight criticism of the commitbee that they did not do very much good; that the bellfonnders could get on very well without them and that it would be better to leave these matters to the founders. Fie thought half the cases he had dealt with had been dealt with at the request of bellfounders, who had asked for his help in getting over snags with diocesan bodies on with architects. Ho hoped that answered the criticism.
A few of the jolbs where they had helped were Boston Stump,
Croydon, North Weald, Ghiddingfold, Orondall, Shalford and others. In several cases they were of amsistance in getind over the clifficulty of the antiguarian archivect. That brought lim to the question of Thetford, Where a yestoration scheme was beld up by the Chnircellor of the Diocese. If on the Diocesan Committee, Which doalt vith these matters, there had been a representative of
the ringing fraternity, this difficulty would probably not have srisen fhe ringing fraternity, this difficulty would probably not have srisen
(hear, hear). He proposed to ask the Gouncil later to take steps empowering them to obtain the names of Diocesan Committees where they liad a representative who knew something abont bells and of those who had not, so that the Gonmell could take some sfeps to get a representative of ringers on every Diocesan Advisory Committee.
Recently, said the Presidert, there was a letter in tha Press reforring to Saham Toney. He was colled in with the late Mr. Powys, secretary of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, end lie was entirely in favour of keeping that old bell frame. It was unfit to carry the bells, but was an extraordinarily interesting old reme. They arranged that it should be offered to a museum, but neither South Kensington nor Norwich could take it. If it, was to be hept elsewhere than in the tower it would lave meant that the parish liad to provide some sort of shed to house it, but they laad it lifted hither in tho tower aud those interested could now seo $i t$. The bells han beon reinug in a perfectly good terk frame, lower down in the tower, where they shonli be hung. He thonght they were right in preservingere that old frame (hear, hear).

Mr. A. L. Coleman (late secretary of the Norwich Diocesan Assuciation, said they had tried hard to get a reprosentutive on the Norwich Diocesan Committeo. Tbey land pointed ont that there was nobody on the ccumattee who knew anything about whe techuique of balls and bellhangigg. Tuforbinately, the reply was that they had quito sufficient members on the commitbes atready and did not watt any more, and they ignored the suggestion that they should lave a represeutative of the associntion on the committee. With regard to Thotford, ho thought, if only tiog had hat a repuesentative, the point raised there might have beon pup right. Their president, Areludeacon McDermott, agreed with hin with regard to their representatiou, hat the Bishop thouglit otherwise.

## EFFECX OF LOWE2ING BELLS IN PEAL.

Mr. J. A. Trollope remarked that it han been said in several cases that if they had a weak tower and dropped the bells in peal, it was liable to endanger the safety of the structure. He asked the president: the committee could give auy definite information on that point.
The gresidens said that, as memherg probably knew, every lower had a natural period of oscillatiou of its own, which conld not be altered, unless they altered the structure of the tower, or added or subtracted a large weight to some portion of the tower. Normally speaking, each tower had a natural period of oscillation, and it was a curious fact that the natumal period of the forces set up in linging a normal peal of bells nearly coineided with the avemge perrod of oscillation of the average tower: "'lerefore, they wonld find in mearly every case there was one particular speed of ringing which did gef the two sets of oscillations in tune one with blse oblier. He could quote a good example of that. If strangers went to ring the beils at St. Andrews, Hoborn, they nearly always fonnd they hnd got a
ban's job, or even more than a man's joh, because they rang the bells at what thay considered the normal speed of bells of that weight. The lncal hand rang the bells without any difficulty whatever, becanse they rang biliem a litite bu quicker. St. Andrew's tower was rather tall for itt widtin; there was a fairly ligg tower arch. One might call it a' whippy " tower and its periad was rather slow; therefore, ff the bells were rung at mormal
speal for bells of that weirht, ther got tihe two forces in slep. If they rang a litile quieker all was well and there was no drouble ahout ringing. Fe could quite understand there were certain towers which had a rather quicker period, gither short towors, ol towers which were thick in comparison to their heigbt. Ee conid coneoive that bells wheu part of the way down would get in step with the fower, and if they were to continuc to ring the bolls at flat height it was possible it woutd do some damage to the tower, but bhey would lave to do so for some cousiderable time, unless the tower was so weak that they ought not to ring at all.
M1. Trollape said the bower he had specially in mind was Guildford Gathedral
Mor. F. A. Yong said they were progressing so rapidly thaf the thought had ocenved to him that it mgith the possible in time for experts ta find out the exact speed af, which every individunl peal of bells should be rung so that accentuation of oscillation coukd be prevenfed. One of these times they would, perlaps, have issued by every firm of bellfounders a statement showing in every instance what the speed of ringing should be, whether bells must not be loweren in neal, or, if lowered, not maintained in a certain position. The hnowledge they were gaining emplasiged the great value of tho Towels and Belfries Committee.
Mr. A. TH. Puling said, with rearand to Guildford Cathedra] tower. after ringing on Coronztion Day the bells were lowered in peal, and there was a bigger vibration when the bells were half-way down than he had ever known before. They were always warned nost to lowel them in peal ly the late Mr. John Taylor. After theit experiment the other nifint, he did not think they would try it segnis.

The President said Guildford Cathedral tower was of a distinctig ' whippy' type. Not only was it umbutiressed, but it was built of brick, with many conrses of mortar and linble to more movement than a tewer built of stone with fewer joints. Wlat lapppened at Guildford was, probally, thati when the balls were half-way down they got, not in tune with the tower, hat in tunc will the octave of the tower:

THE BELLS OP ATA HALLOWS', LOMPARD STREFT.
Replying to Mr. ㄹ. G. S. Tumer, who asled if the Council proposed to tako any action with regard to the bells of All सullows' Church Lombard Street, which is to be demolished, the president said two sogieties, the College Youths and the Middlesex Association, had writiten to the Bighop of London requesting that when the belle were taken down they should be removed to some other church as a whole peal and not split up. He thought thase represendations would have some effect, in view of what lappened in tlie case of Sli. Andrew's, Wells Street, but it might be a good thing if the Council also paspot
a resoliftion
Mr. S. F. Palmer asked if anytinny further hat been done on heard will reference to Chesterfield.
The President said the noxt move with regary to Chesterfield was with the Vichr. The Conneil could not wery well butt in any more. They did as mucla is they conld the the first instance, and the Fias: promised to write aud report further, lut he had never' done so
Mi'. Palmer said lie was sorry to sap tlie ringens were not taking (Coutinued on next para.)

## DIOCESAN ADVISORY COMMITTEES

## (Continued from previous pege.)

nuy nufivo interest in it af all. 'They were wainng for the anthorities to move.

The President said the committee suggested the Council migint buy a get of Davis Silencers, which could be put on loan to people who wanted to toy them, an payment of postage. The Standing Consmitiee veconmended that such purchase be authorised, and he proposed that the silencers be purchased and be lomed to any responsible person who asked for the loan of them, is order that they might be tried out.
This was agreed to.
With regned to the airculation to Archdencons of the pamplilets irsued by the Anti-Noise League, the Presideat said these pamphlets were given to the Comeil by the League, although they normally made a charge. The Standing Commitee thourht it very desirable khat the Council should keep closely in tonch with the anti-Noise League and to have the Leagug on their side wathar than against them. In order to show their soodwill in a practical form, he proposed that the Council send the League a donation of a guinea, party in gratitnde for the pamphlets they had had and partly in untigipation of favours to counc (harghter).
The proposal was agreed to
The President then moved that the Comen send an appropriato letter to the Church authorities with regard to All Hallows', Lombard Sireet, asking that when tho bells were moved, they be noved as a whole peal and net split up.
The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards: And hung for ringing
The President: Yes, wo will put that in, and add "in a proper tower.'
The notion was carried.
DIOCESAN AUVISORY COMMITTEES.
The President next moved wat the Council take steps through the local secrataries to find out whieh of the Diocesan Advisory Com miltess liad got member who fuew anything about bells and bell hanging, and which of them had not. They might then take steps he said, to bring a little preasure to bear, so that on each Advisory Committeo there was at least one member with a krowledge of bells even if lw were only elected an ad hoc member for cases in which bells were imvolved.
The prosident added that in his own diacese they had not got anyone directly on the commitee, but he mentioned a ase in which he hax been consulted by the Archdeacon of Tonbridge. The Archdeacon wanted tro kinow what be should do about a certain bell that had been wolded three times and had once more eracked. The diocesan sutholilies were inclined to recommend that the bell be welded ispain. He (My. Leqwis) piomised to look into the matter and lie went to set the bell. It was quite true lhat it had been welded three, if not more, times. About a year hefore he had heard a clock strike on it. onnd if it had slruck on two or threa feet of rusty inon girder it would lave been much more musical than the welded bell (laughter). The bell wis quite hopeless, and entirely ievoid of tone. He doubted if it was ever a good bell. He told the Archdeacon it would be foolish to attempt ta retaina the bell. He printed out that at the time of Stalschmidt ${ }^{\dagger}$ s smrvey there were at least 70 other bells by the same fonnder in the coumty, so it was mot a unique example, and the mulhorities ati Rochester lian, fow years before, destroyed at leas ann if not two bells by the same fonnder in their own Crthearal The Arehdencon suw sense in the matter and was williug to lave the bell recast. That showed what could be done if there was someone in tound with the diocesan aulhorities who could adwise them. That was why he wanted to see someone in bvery diocese who could be sent Cor, even if lee was not a member of the $\Lambda d$ visory Commitiee, when questians comerning bells arose

THE WTELDTNA OF CRACKED BELLS
the President continued that ho did at one time think that welding might be worth it trial in cases where the Church autlorities were prepared to risk welding, rather than have a bell recast, if il were definitely pointed ouf to them that welding was an experiment and might succeed, and if it did succoed the first time it might cost then legs than yecasting: but that thay always had to face the possibility of several me-wolds, and if it hid to bo done mare than once the result would cost them more than recasting in the first place.
If authoritins were propared to face these risks and the cosb of taking tha bell down and replncing it more than once, the was at one time propared to recommend it, but he was inclined now to say that welding at the sound bow was quite hopeless. The reason was this He lud seen a piece of a bell which was welded and where the weld had hooken the netal had not grippen at, afl, except in odd spota. It was uot a praner weld and he believed that was probably the eage in most weids of old bells. Although they mighe look all right on the surface. Ihe metal had not got a proper grip inside. To unite an alloy of copper amd tin musi; be extruordinarily diflicult, beeause tin rapid! oxidised and burmel out. In welding they had to build un the ineta, afler having first opened the crack. Allowance would be mude for a eprtain amonnt of burning out but it must be very diffalt to lif. off the right amount of tin for the process and fo get the new metal lutult up to resemble the alt in its exact compasition. Fhe had eome to the conchusion, therefore, after laving seen the result of a hroken welding, that only in very exceptional cases should weld ing be tried
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## KENT'S CENTENARIAN RINGER.

## MR. CHARLES SLINGSBY'S ONE EUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY.

The oldest ringer, Mr. Charles Slingsby, of Adington, Kent, celn brated his 100th birthday on May 26th, and on Saturday a meeting in his honour was held by the $A$ sliford District of Keut Gounty Associit tion and the Romney Marsh Guild. There was a recond attendunce of over a bundred members, nnd Mr. Slingsby was the recipient of host of coustratulations. All the village joined in the celebrations.

Despite his years, Mr. Slingesby was able to mix. with the many visitors and thorcughly enjoyed the procedings. Ringers were prescat frour over a wide ares, extending to Tunbridge Wels, Gravesend, Canterbury and Dover, New Romney and Tenterdeu.
Witl the parishioners the church was lilled to its capacity for the short gervice, ceuducted by life Rector, and at which the address was given by the Bishop of Dovel

Tea was served at the Rectory, over 200 being catered for. Mrs Loug, on behale of the parishioners, presented to Mr. Sliugsby in


MR. CHARLES SLINGSBY
wallet containing Treasury motes, and Mr. Slingsby, in aeknowedging the gift, said how much their kindness was appreciated,
Mr. F. M. Mitchell, genoral eecretary, had with him the Kat County Association peal book, which rovealed that Mr. Slingelby must in the second peal entered in the book, and his sigature is now lonenth the entry written by himself and without the aid of spechacles, as somenne present remarked. All present were grouped on the lhwn for the thsual photographs,

Mr. Slingsby has been a ringer for nearly 90 years, for he started at an very early age and has been connected with the churcil tull his life. On his 90th birtbday he was presented with a small nodra of Aldington treble bell in recognition of his long service to the ehaweh. He has always taken the keenest interest in ringing and was a fommintion member of the Kent Cunnty Ascociation. He was also one of the ringess who formed the Ronney Marsh and District Guild.

At the business meeting of the Guild it was decided to place a fallet in the tower to commemorate the centenarian's birthay.

## RINGING FOR THE CORONATION.

## PEJFORMANGES AND PERSONALIIDS Abbey Ringars Roceive Coronation Madals.

Amongst those who have received the King's Coronation Medal are momenbers of the Westminster Abbey company of rimeres.
They were received in the Jemsalem Chamber by the Dean, and aich member was presented with the medal and a letter from Buckjnelnum Palace Expressing the King's Command.
The College Fonths brought round two peals of Stedman Eingues in London last Saturday in honour of the Coronation-one at St. Paul's Guthedral and the other at Southwark Cathedral.
i peal of Bob Major attiempted at SL. Michael's, Flacklarn, ou Coronation Dary, urded in 2 zours 55 minutes lwo and a lalf conrses ron home througla a broken rope.
Ringing' gave a send-off' to the official programme of the Coronaion festivities at Boumemonth, ic well-struck quarter-peal of Grandine Iriples starting at 9 a.m.: F. Frankland Rigby 1, R. Dear 2, W. Farrett 3, H. Roberts (first quarter-peal inside 4, C . R. Forfitt 5, P. W. Withann 6, A. V. Davis (conductor) 7, H. Osborme 8.

Mr. C. R. Fopfti, the 74 -year-old veteran of St. Peter's baud, has now rung for he accession of four Kings of England and faree Goronations as well as for Queen's Victorna's Diamund Jubilee.
A Coromation peal was atlempted at Wimborne St. Giles' Church on Wednesday, May 19th. Tinfortunately, the ringing came to srief within four minutes of completion owimg to three successive trips uccurring in the last two courses which ended in the treble hosing itsolf. The excelleuce of the striking of Grandsire Triples, the method selected, probably contributed to the failure, the errors coming about when success seemed assured.

## OORONATION DAY IN VANCOUVER

In Vancouver, Britisl Columbia, there was a gathering of ringers who celebrated the Coronation by ringing the bells of the Cathedral of the Holy Tosary in short touches for nearly three hours. Many of them come from a considerable ristanice.
Among the tonches were 336 Grandsire Thiples: $A$. B. Lomas 1, A. C. Limpus 2, R. Pitman 3, F. M. Bressey 4, G. W. Foster 5, Frank Dunaway 6, W. Sampson 7, $R$. Tapper 8, and r 504 in the same method: A. C. Limpiss 1, A. B. Lomas 2, R. Pilman 3, F, M. Bressey 4, G. W. Foster 5, Arthur King 6. W. Sampson, 7, R. Papper 8. Also turther 336. Al thest were conducted by George W. Foster, who had come from Port Haney, 30 miles distant. Mr. Bond also covered ${ }^{\text {P }}$ Cor several shart touches, aud romds and 'queens' were rung and a oyal salute of 21 'shots' was fired
At 2 a.m. some of the ringers lad hard the balls of St. Margaret's, Westminster, through the radio, and afterwards afew good rounds and plain hnubing on the spiendid peal in Christ CInreh Catbedral, Fictoria, but this was cut off after two minutes as the progranme of the Canadian B.C. was interrupted.
For 50 years Messis. J. Jaggar, J, Walker and J. Screen, who rang together at Christ Ohurch, West Bromwich, for the Coronation of King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth, have rung for all the principal royn] events-Tubilees, Accessions and Coronations.
John Jaggar, tine senior member of the trio, had his first lesson in tinging on May 6th, 1867 , when his father took him to St. Thomas' nurci, Oxford. He has thus compteted 70 ycars as a ringer.
These three veterans took part in a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples t Christ Chireh, West Gromwich, on May 29th, runt by H. Morton 1, 7. Slieklon 2, J. Jaggar ${ }^{2}, ~ F$. Horsfield 4, J. Walker 5 , J. Screen conductor') E, E. Parieli 7, J. Reed 8. On Coronation Day only plain inging and 'firing 'was poskible.

## BAD LDOK JN GLAMORGANSHIRE.

If is 25 years aro since the last peal was rung on the bells at Redyr, Glamorganslifre, owing to objection by residents adjacent to the chumeh. Permission was, however, granted by the Vicar for an ettempt for a Coronation peal on Satarday, May 22 nd. All went splendidiy until the middle of the 11th part of Parker's Iwelve-Part peal of Grandsire, when the Fienr molocked the belfry door and asked for tile hells to be stopped at once. The ringers shouted only ahatrt 29 minntes to go, but. lee insisted on stopping and then explained that a womne was ilt opposite the church suffering from hlood pressure: The Viesr was as much disappointed as the rimgers, but messengers to his honse and the constant ringing of his telephone compelled him o stop the ringing. Those taking part were as follows: A. W. Heath 1, ©. Tallot 2, J. W. Jones $\mathcal{S}^{2}$ E. Stitch 4, R. E. Coles 5, G. Popnell 6, J. Pliillips (conductor) 7, $\mathbb{S}$. $\mathbb{R}$. Barker 8

A rum of bad hek in Covomation peals dogged Mr. E. Stitch, district secretary of the Swansea and Brecon Guild. He had five failures and no success.
A peal of Bob Minor came to grief at Cadoxton, near Neath, in the midale of the fourth ign on Coronation Day: W. Lewis I, E. Phillips 2, B. Devoneld 3, E. Stitch 4. B. Williams 5, G. I. Lewis (conductor) 6.
The bells were rung at Aberavon, Glam, on Coronation Day, and a peal of Grendsirg Triples atitempted on Saturday, May 15th, but minfartunately came to grief in the seventle part throushat anift course: G. Chappel 1, F. K. Stone 2, E. Phillips 3, J. T. Williams 4, G. I. Lewis 5 , E. Stitej (conductor) $6, ~ A$. J. Pitman 7, T. M. Roderibk 8 . A peal of Grandsire Doubles was arranged at Baglan, Glam., for Wednesdaf. Muy 19th. but the band met one short. With the help of Penarth rincrers, who were ons their outing, a few six-scores were rung. The helle were lung by the local band on Cownation Day.

The bells at Newton, Portheawl, Glam, wero rugg by the lonal buml on Corenation Day, and a peal of Grandsire Doubles attempted on Thursday, May 20t $\mathrm{l}_{\text {, }}$ but it came to grief in the 27 tin 120 , throught one of the ringers missing the sally: H. E. Carpenter 1, V. Smith, 2 , C. M. Davies 3, T. M. Koderick 4, E. Stitich (conductor) 5, A. J. Bacon 6. CHURCH AND GIVIC EMPHASIS.
At Penwortham, Lanes, the ringing on Coronation Day was given official backing lyy resolntione passed both by the Pasochial Cinurdi Council and the Parish Council. Thas charch and civic emphasis was giver to the ringers' own loyal intentions. The bells were rumg to a 720 of Kent Treble Bob before an early celebution, and for an, hon' before the service at Westminster. Ihis ringing inchaded bwo Fibls of Kent Treble Bob.
Two guarter-peals were rung at Donington. Lincolushire. The lirst for Coronation service was the first on the bells silica they were yelnily in a new frame. 1 f consisted of 720 and 360 of Oxford Treble Jisis and 180 af Platin Boh by Gerald Shott 1, Jesse Pearson 2, Pred 0 . Peascon (conductor') 3, Erinest Etaples 4, Percy Markham 5, Gyril Wender 6. In the everine a quarter-peal comprisimg 720 of Kent. Treble Bob, 360 of Oxford Treble Bols and 180 of Plain Sob: H. Woods (conductor) 1, Jesse Pearson 2, Perey Markhatu 3, Emesb staples 4, Cyril Wander 5, Sianley Woods 6.
Prior to the Caranation service ut St. Mary's Chnrel, Malsey Hampton, GIas., a date temel of Grandsire and St. Dunstars' Donkias
 W. C. Cuss (conductor) 3, N. J. Penve 4, (r. Yeare 5, W. A. Ciorwin 6.
The first quater-peal on the belle was rung to commemorate Coronation Day at Iwerve Minster; Dorsel. It was 1, 260 Grandisira Doubles, rung by F. W, Chant 1, Edward C. Clatut fondacior 2, A. Roberts 3, T. Wareliam 4, W. G. Dawen 5, J. Kiddle 6. First quarter-peal for treble, 3 id and 4 th ringers.
Visiting Royston, Herts, for a Coronation peal on Thurshaty, 越sy 13th, the following rang over two lours in an altempt for hourint Surprise Major: Miss V. Shorter 1, A. K. Pitstow 2, B. Wiryman 3, Warringlon (conductor') 8. It was A new eomposition for Mr. F. Desth and was lost with seven more courses to ring.
On Saturday, May 15th, at Eaton Socon, Beds, the conductor had wore 'bobs ' than 'sovereigna,' and let the band down in the eighth course of a 15 -course peal of Kent Troble, this also being a mew composition by Mr. Deneli : H. J. Firlow 1, S. Gopdwin \& F. G. Gleaves 3 , A. E. Austim 4, 1F. J. Parker 5, Th. 1. St. J. Smith 6, F. Warrington (canductor) 7, H. Fields 8.
 wes
 rimgers of 1 and 6 .
A Coronztion neal of Stedman Triples was attompted af; Buck!ebury, Berks, on Saturday, May 8th, but unfortumately was lost after ringing two hours, ip to which point there had not heen a trip of nuy sort: Miss S. Davis I, G. Heskoth 2, G. Fowler 3, H. Smith 4, G. Slocker 5, R. W. Rex 6, E. Humfrey (conductor) 7, P. Dyke 8 .

A veal on Coronation Day at Dodderhill, Droitwich, had to be abandoned, as the conductor wats suffering from tonsilitis. A quartorpeal was, however, accomplishad with anether conductor, but the invalid had recovered sufficiently to call a peal on the folloming Monday.

Ringing legan at 6 a.m. nt. St. Anvustine's, Killurn, nad to synchranse with the floodlightiog of the steeple in the evoning iu
quarter-peal of 1,260 Grandeine Friples was rumg: Miss D. Vale 1 ,
 E. M. Atking (conductor) 7, J. Wilkins 8. Mirst quarter-peal by, ringers of treble and tenor. Afterwards a royal salnte of 21 'shots" was fired.
Conmencing at 7 a.m. on Cornmation morring, a quarter-peal of Minor 720 of Gambridge Sulprise, 360 Nev London Pleasuve and 240 Woodbine) was rumg at Jititle Munden, Herte: W. Witliams $I_{4} A$. Woolston 2, W. F. Lawrence 3, A. Philhps 4, E. Overall 5, S. Carter (conductor) 6.
The first quarter-peal on the recast bells at Rishton, Lames, was rung on Coranation Day. It was Kent Treble Rob MEjor = R. Atherton 1, T. Parr 2, T, Brunton 3, R. Brlderstone 4, L. Williame 5, T Clegg 6, F. Fead 7, L. T. Williams rconductor3 8 . Tlue bells latue juat been recast by Messirs. Gilletit and Jolinston.
The offint programme at Kington, Herefordshire, on Coromation Day, was opened by ringing on the church bells. This enmsigted of 1,260 Grandsire Donbles by Bert Fifice (first quarter-panl) I, Percy Evans 2, Trevor Jones (conductor) ${ }^{3}$, Trom Giddings 4, William Prien (first quartar-peal 'inside ') 5, Reg. Edwards 6.
At the Parish Church, Ickleton, Camhs, a quarter-peal of Grandsire R. Clemenis 4, L. Fittonn 5, G. Lilley 6, W. Fintion 7, A. G. Lilley 8 .

At Great Totham, Essex, on Sundry, May 9th, for special morning Coronation service, at quarter-peal of Minor, being 7on Cambridge
 Sayer 6. For evening service 720 Oxford Trelile Boh: F. Seager 1 ,
 Sayer (candactor) 6.

## SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD

## CRFN COLD'S PERFEC1" HERTORMANCE IN ANAUAL

 COMPETITION.Ilse anmal competition was laeld this yenr at St. Elli's Church, dumely, Breconshre, on May 2ud. Owing to the Coronation and Whitsur halidays, many riugers found it impossible to lose another clay, with the result that only four teams entered via., Talgarth, Cefn Coed, St. Kary's Brecon, and Llanely, [3reconslire. Tho comfetutars completed their basks during the atternoon and then sat clown to : 12 excellent tea, kindly provided by the Rev. Perry Jones (Viche of Lenely) and a band of his parishtoners, after tea the Yicar called upan Mr. W. TH. Hesedl, slough, for his adjudication. Mr. Fussell said his task had been a simple one, due to the fact that the entries were small. Cein Coed were outstanding; in fact, he roald not panaliso them at alt, his onlf criticism being that their ring$11 \mathrm{~F}^{2}$ Was on the slow side.
I[rs. Palry Jones presented the shield to $\mathbf{M r}$. Bert 耳unt (captain) alm also harided a silvor mednal to each member of the winning team. T'ulyarth, the runners-up, with 12 failits, weceivod a certificate. Brecon, 32 faults, and the home team were thims and fourth respectively.
Mr. S. 'L'. Racham (Master of the Gmild) proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Fussell, and the Rer, Gurnos Davies, in seconding, anationat blat it was the 13ila occasion upon which Mr. Fussell had ubliged tive Guild. THe vote was cartied manaimously with three hearty cheers.
Mr. Fussell, vesponcing, said it was a real pleasure for him to come (n) Wales to judge the Guild's competition, as it gave him au opportumity of meeting ofd friends as well as making new ones. He deplared the fact that we were passing through a period when Sunday suort and amusement seemed to have more adherents than the services of the Churel. He made a strong appat to the ringers to play their part in clurch life lyy leeping the bellg going and by each ringer bringing alane one new member to the tower
The proceedings elosed with at vote of thanks to the Rey. Parry Innes, Mrs. Parry Joncs and her lady lelpers for the excellent meal which hat been provided.
The winniuy team was as follows: A. Eunt 1. Ray Ghappeli 2, V. Chuppell 3, C. Chappell 4, E. Woozley 5, W. Thomas 6.

## A PILGRIMAGE

A party of Oxford Guild rimets recently made their anmal pilgrimage 1k East farston, the resting place of the late Rev. C. W, O. wanky. A 720 of Boh Minor, such as he would have loved to hear, as rung by $\pi$ band, at of whom have happy memories of the late Master: Miss M. Field 1, R. I'. Hihhert 2, R. Warwick 3, Miss S. Ditvis 4, W. Hibbert, jun. 5, C. J. Jiblbert (conductor) 6. The ringing was completed with 120 each of Stedman nud Grandsire Doubles, with G. Woodley at the wenor.

## LATE NOTICES

BICKLEIGH, DEVON.-The ring of 6 bells (tenor 13 cwt. 1 restored and rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicited by the Bishop of Plymouth on Thursday, June 17th, at 3 p.m. The service will be followed by tea; ticket, adults 9d., children 6d.
YORKSFIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District. Quarterly meeting at Kirk Ella on Saturday, June igth. Further particulars next week.-EI. S Morley, Hon. Dis. ec.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL <br> (Continued from page 374.

3 Fr . A. Whiker saitl that white the welling of jron or steel was a success, he agreed with the president that it must be very diffent to re-weld old bells, cousidering the constitution of the melal and the different fising points. He agread it should not be enconraged

Mr. 13. A. Foung asked the president if his remarks referred only welding in the sound bow sund not necessarily in the orown of a betl= The President said he did not know of any case where a bell welded In the sound bow had been finally successfin without cracking again. Ho knew some bells had apparently been welded in the crowa, and as fic as onf coudd say up to date had been more of less snceesefin, but in. still rather mistrusted it. If it were not for the expense he would like to see a bell carefully broken up to see what ackally had happened.

## NOTICES.

TO-MORROW (June 5th).-Birmingham Cathedral. Ringing 3 till 6 p.m. Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, at 7.30 until ' dark,' for social intercourse.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Cardington on Saturday, June 5 th. Bells (grand peal of 8 ) ready at 3 . Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. You will be very welcome. - Framk C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec. to, Grange Road, Bromham, Beds.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Farnham District. - A meeting will be held at Bentley on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (6) available 3. Service 4.30 Tea, by invitation of the Rector, at 5 p.m. at the Rectory. All welcome.-C. W. Denyer, Hon. Sec., 120, Asli Road, Aldershot.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Late Notice. - A meeting of the Lincoln District will take place at Leadenham ( 6 belis) on Saturday, June 5 th. Fulbeck not available. Tea at George Hotel is. 3d. per head.-K. W. Mayer, Dis. Sec.

ELSTREE (6 bells).-An opportunity to become a star (in ringing). Every facility to rise (or (all). To-morrow (Saturday). Bells open from 3.30. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$ - C. H. Horton, Bushey. City 4270 . Rail or coach service to village from all parts.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Soming Deanery Branch.-A meeting will be held at Binfield ( 6 bells) on Saturday, June 5th. Tea 5.I5 p.m. Service 6.30. Ringing 3.30 p.m. and after service. Visitors welcome.-W. J. Paice, Hon. Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The annual branch meeting will be held at Whalley on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting in tower at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Everybody welcome. - F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. - A meeting will be held at St. Cuthbert's, Lytham, on Saturday, June 5th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea in Membrial Hall at 5.30, 9d. each. Meeting afterwards.-C. Sharples, Branch Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester* District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Tichborne on Saturday, June 5th. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m., followed by tea in the Racquet Court at 4.30 . Please let us know if you are coming.-G. and Miss Noice, Hon, Dis. Secs., 6, Cathedral View, Winchester.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Shireoaks on Saturday, June 5th. For tea please notify Mr. F. Hargreaves, 4 , Shireoaks, Worksop. All welcome.-M. E. Wilson, 13, St. Ronans Road, Sheffield, 7.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. Cuthbert's Church, Halsall, on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 3 p.m. For tea, please notify Mr. A. Maudesley, Post Office, Halsall, near Ormskirk. - S. Forsliaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Bletchley on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting 4.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please send along in good time. All visitors welcome. - Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., Albert Street, Bletchley.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. --A meeting will be held at Great Gransden on Saturdiay, June 5th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots, Hunts.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. -The next practice meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Hawkshead on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. - N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdaie Branch. -A hearty invitation to all ringers and friends to be present at St. Mark's, Glodwick, Oldham, on Saturday, June 5th, the occasion being the Ringers' Day. Bells availabie from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. A service will be held in church at 4.30 p.m. Special preacher: Rev. A. Scott, M.A., President of the Association. To be followed by tea in the school at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. - Stephen Lloyd Parry, Hon. Branch Sec., 24, St. James Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARE DIOCESAN GUILD. - Mectings for Jane: Service ringing, June 6th, St. Clement Danes', Strand, 10 a.m.; Bow, Cheapside, ${ }^{27}$ th, at 5.30 p.m. Practices: St. Clement Danes', 7 th and 21st, at 7.30 p.mi. ; St. Mary's, Lambeth, 2gth, at 8 p.m.-T. W. Taffender, Hon. Sec.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Mary-le-Bow on the Sth; St. Magnus' on the roth; St. Andrew's on the $1^{\text {th }}$; ${ }^{*}$ St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 22nd; St. Magnus' on the $24^{\text {th }}$; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 2gth; all at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 3z, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
FIERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Combined practices for June: Barkway, Thursday, June ıoth; Great Wymondley, Friday, June I8th; Knelbworth, Thursday, June 24 th; Aston, Wednesday, June 30th. Don't forget these are for your benefit, so support them as well as you did last year. -..Don Mears.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - South and West District. -Meeting at Sunbury on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) Irom 3.30 p.m. Service 5. Tea in Church Hall. Quarterly business to follow. Excellent bells and attractive surroundings. Won't you come? - F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.
SURREY ASSOCIATION. - North-Western Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Chirist Church, Epsom, on Saturday, Jine 12th. Bells available from 3 to 5 p.m. and from 7.30 th 9 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.45 p.nn. at Christ Church Hall, followed by business meeting. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. J. Crawford, 2 Woodcote Side, Epsom, by Thursday, June 10th. All ringers welcome. FF. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton, Surrey.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Halewood, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Price 9d, each. Those recuiring tea please notify Mr. J. W. Gardner, Church Road, Hale-wood.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Washington on Saturday, June 12th. Tower open $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at Is. per head, at Mrs. Settatrees' Tea Roons. Half rail fares (maximum 1s. 6d.) to mem-bers.-F. H. Meeten, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, North Street, Worthing.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-EasterII Branch. - Meeting at Loddon on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Do not forget th notify me of names or numbers for tea, as it is very important this time.-J. G. W. Harwood, Hon. Sec., A, Cobden Terrace, Northgate Street, Great Yarmouth.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-Summer meeting at Longdon ( 3 miles from Upton-on-Severn, west of river) on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (6), recently rehung, from 3 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea in the Schools a o'clock, followed by business meeting. Please advise me by Tuesday, June 8th. Midland Red bus (364) leaves Upton for Longdon at 2.58 p.m. The 2 p.m. luus from Worcester to Upton connects.-Geo. E. Large, Branch Sec., Hawford, incar Worcester.
DEVONSHIRE GUILD. - Exeter and Mid-Devon Branches.-A joint meeting will be held at Teignmouth on Saturday, June 12th. Bells available: St. Nichael's (8) and Bishopsteignton (6) from 3 p.m. Service at St. Michael's Church at 4.30. Tea at London Hotel at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by meeting of Exeter Branch. Numbers for tea to reach Mr. A. L. Bennett, Cornerways, Elliott Plain, Buckfastieigh, by first post Tuesday, June 8th.-W. H. Howe and A. L. Bennett, Branch Secs.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Canterbury District. - A bye-meeting will be held at Throwley on Saturday, June 12 th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 , followed by tea. You are asked to send in your name for tea to Miss K. Hooker, Park Farm, Thowley, Faversham, not later than Wednesday, Jtme 9th.-B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - $\Lambda$ meeting will be held at Great Bardfield on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea will be provided for all those who send in their names to Mr. J. Jennings, Pant Place, Great Bardfield, near Braintree, not later than Wednesday, June 9th, or to me.F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Western Division. - The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Kildwick, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) available: from 2 p.m. Tea (1.s. 3d.) at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Those recuiring tea should advise Mr. C. Iaw, Main Street, Kildwick, near Keighley, before Monday, June 7th. - Frank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Oxford Cily Branch.-The half-yearly meeting will be held at Headington, Oxford, on Saturday, June t 2 th . Bells (6) available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea (rs. per head) For those who notify me by Wednesday, June gth.-Miss M. Reynolds, Hon. Sec., io, North Parade, Oxford.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Ecclesfield on Saturday, June 12 th. Bells ready 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. T. Kitson, 39, Greaves Road, Ficclesfield, near Sheffield, by June roth. A hearty welcome to all. - D. Smith, Fon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shafton, near Barnsley.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division.-A meeting will be held at Withyham on June 121h. Bells available 3 p.m. Service, if can be arranged. Tea and meeting to follow, 5 p.m. Half rail fares to nembers. All are welcome. Names for tea by Wednesday prior to meeting, please.-O. Sippetts, Div. Sec., io, Albany Road, Crawley, Sussex

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Central Bucks Brancl. - The annual branch meeting will be held at Cudidington on Saturday, June 12 th. Bells (6) available from 2.45 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business meting to follow. Please send a card if you require tea. All ringers welcome.-F. Gibbard, Hon. Sec., 30 , Horn Strect, Winslow, Bletchley, Bucks.

LEICESTER CATHEDRAL. - Ringers' opening, Saturday, June izth. All ringers heartily welcome. Ringing from 2 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \cdot 30$. Further ringing 7 till 9. Names for teas, please, not later than Thursday, roth, to H . Broughton, 18 , Cooden Avenue, l.eicester. Leicester District, M.C.A., meeting arranged for same day at Kibworth postponed until July grd.

DUREAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Southern District.-A meeting will be held at St. John's, Shildon, on Saturday, June i2th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Ringers requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, June gth.-R. Jeff, 29, Reid Street, Darlington.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossenciale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. James' Church, Haslingden, on Saturday, June i2th. Bells available from 6 p.m., and a meeting will be hetd in tower at about 6.30. All who attend are welcome.-I, Porter, Hon. Sec., 1 , Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.

MIDZAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Loughborough District will be held at Quorn on Tune 12 th. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Good "hunting." Let's have a record "meet."-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., Hugglescote.

GLOLCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Swindon Branch.-Half-yearly mecting at Bishopstone on Saturday, June 12 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Bus service from Swindon function Station. - W. B. Kynaston, 3. Dumbarton Terrace, Victoria Road, Swinrlon, Wilts.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. Eastern District.-A meeting wilt be held at Jarrow on Saturday, June i2th. Christ Church and St. Peter's bells available. Ringers please meet at Cinist Church 2.30. Tea 5, at Co-op. Café. Please advise Mr. H, Craig, 2I, York Street, Jarrow, by p.c. if you require same. A good attendance requested and all ringers and friends welcome. - F. Robson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 13, Grainger Street, West Hartlepool.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Royston, June 12 th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Short service. Tea provided by the Vicar, the Rev. F. F. Grieg, The Vicarage, Royston. Send a card to the Vicar if you will be staying for tea.-Don Mears, Hon. Sec.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Llanfrechfa on Saturday, June r2th. Aftermoon ringing, service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business raeeting to follow.-J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Alteryn View, Newport, Mon.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Donington on Saturday, June 12 th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting afterwards. Will those intending to be present kindly let me know by June $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{\text {th }}$ ? - Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding

BINEGAR, near Wells, Som.-The beils will be dedicated by the Bishop of Taunton on Sunday, June $1_{3}$ th, at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome. The bells have been restored and augmented to a ring of six by John Taylor and Co

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Leatherhead District.-A meeting will be held at Newdigate on Saturday, June 19th. Tea at the Six Bells. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. E. Vine, The Village Club, Newdigate?-A. H. Smith, Hon. Sec.
OXFORD GUILD. - Newbury Branch.-Summer meeting will be held on Saturday, June 19th, at Beenham, near Reading. Ring of 6 rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. Service at 4.30 by the Rev. C. E. Wigg, Deputy Master. Tea at 5 p.m.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - General quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 19th, at Bolsover, Derbyshire. Bells (8) open from 2.30. Committee meet 4 p.m. Tea (1s. per head) 5 p.m., in Church Hall, followed by meeting. Those requiring tea must apply not later than June 15th to Mr. J. Flint, 45, Oxcroft Lane, Bolsover, Derbyshire.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District and Romney Marsh Guild.-A quarterly meeting witl be held at New Romney on Saturday, June 1gth. Bells ready 2.30 . Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please send numbers for tea by the I6th. Usual travelling allowance paid at this meeting.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., 1 ro, Cariterbury Road, Kennington?, Ashford, Kent.

YORKSIIIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -The annual joint meeting of the societies in the above division will be held at Rawmarsh, near Rotherham, on Saturday, June 19th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 m , at is, each. Please notify Mr. F. C. Wilson, I3I, Wheatcroft Road, Sandhill, Rawmarsh, by the $\mathbf{1 7}^{\text {th }}$ for same.- F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Street, Bentley, Doncaster.

WADENHOE, near Oundle, Northants.-The Bishop of Peterborough will dedicate the bells on Sunday, June zoth, at 6.30 p.m. The bells have been restored and augmented to a ring of six by John Taylor and Co.

DUDLEY GUILD.-Presentation Fund to Mr. H. Sheppard for valuable service as hon. secretary for 25 years to above Guild. Will members kindly send a small donation to Mr . John Goodman, hon. treasurer, 45, Holbrook Street, Burnt Tree, Tipton?

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## ADVISORY COMMITTEES.

The absence of any member on many Diocesan Advisory Committees capable of giving practical advice on questions relating to bells and bell hanging from the bellringers' angle has long been a sore point, and the Central Council has once more determined to investigate the question. Some years ago the natter was discussed and an effort made through the various affiliated societies, to remedy what is felt to be an omission in the constitution of Diocesan Comrmittees. No substantial progress was, however, made on that occasion, partly, we think, because the Bishops concerned failed to realise the importance of the subject from the ringers' standpoint, and partly because of indifference, and, perhaps, obstinacy. Let it be at once admitted that bells and bell restoration schemes form only a small part of the cases that come before the committee, but that, in our opinion, is no reason for the exclusion of the advice which a competent person could offer in these matters. Other members of the committee hold their position because of their special knowledge of particular subjects-artistic, antiguarian, ecclesiastical among them. In those cases where Diocesan Committees include a member with sound knowledge of bells and the requirements of ringing, the advice at their disposal has been of really great value, and equally useful results would follow similar appointments to other committees.

What ringing associations feel is that where the practical ringer's views are not available, either through a member of the committee or a consultant, to whom bell cases are submitted as a matter of routine, the dice are loaded in favour of the antiquarians, whose opinions are accepted without question. The prejudices of some ecclesiastical architects also weights the scales against common sense restoration in frequent instances, and one of the things which seems to us most important is that Advisory Committees should be 'educated' in regard to bell matters. They are amply circularised and 'spoon fed ' on the antiquarian diet and, never hearing' the other side of the case, naturally conclude that there is only one view worth consideration. At the moment all the Central Council proposes to do is to collect information as 10 the position in each diocese, and it will be at least another year before any further step can be taken. In the meantime, however, we suggest that the Towers and Belfries Committee should prepare a propaganda programme on the practical side of bell restoration, so that, when the information as to the constitution of Advisory Committees is available, a further year will not elapse berore anything can be done. We think, too, that they
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should give serious consideration to the suggestion of approaching the Central Council for the Care of Churches．All the Advisory Committees are represented on this body，and their views have，naturally，great in－ thuence in the dioceses．We fear that the stumbling block at present is that Advisory Committees，or，per－ haps，the Bishops who have the appointment of them， think of ringers as of fittle importance in matters of this kind，and think of them，also，as having＇an axe to grimd．＂＂Hhis is an entirely mistaken view．Even where there are no principles to be argued，the advice of a practical ringer could often avert mistakes or omissions， whicti，though small，may prove a constant source of irritation and annoyance to those who are responsible for ringing the bells and who have to use the tower week by week．

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On ifonday，May 17，1937，in Threc Houvs axd Thirteen Minwtes， As tee Cgurch of St．Mary．
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A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH GOURT BGB MAJOR， 5162 PHANBE8 Tenor 2I委 cwt ．

 George A．Naylor ．．．．．． 4 ｜Harry Paregs ．．．．．．．．．timoy Composed by Erabsi Morais．Conducted by Harry Pagres．

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On Moxday，May 77．1937，in Two Hours and Fifty－Five Minutes，
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Middleton＇s．
Tenor 12霊 cwt
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Thos．Groombridge，jun．．．． 2 EDA Edwin A．Barnett ．．．．．． 4 Jambs Bennett．．．．．．．．．Temoy Conducted by T．Groombridge，itn
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Oliver Thoma
...Teble J W Davi
 W. H. Harris Conducted by A. H. Carter. GRAVESEND, KENT. THE KERT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Snturday, May 22, 1937, in Three Howrs and One Minute,
At the Cerreh of St, Grorge,
A PEAL OF ERISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, $60 B 8$ CHANQES; Tenor 187 cwt . in $E$.
Jobn Weradon ...
...Tyeblé EdWard J. BeEr..

- John Crampion ...

Jorn H. Chersman ....
… -... $3^{3}$
 Corpposed by J. W. Par

* 50th Surrise peal. MONKS EIRBY, WARWICKSEIRE. THE WARWICKSHERE GUILD.
On Suturday, May 22, 1937, in Tivee Fours and Twonty-Three Minutes,
Ai taf Cborch 0f St. Edite,
A PEAL DF BFISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $24^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Joseph B. Fenton

| $\ldots . T_{y}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | 2 |
| $\cdots$ | 3 |
| $\cdots$ | 4 |$|$ Malcolm C. C. Mrlvilee 5 Frank E. Pervin josepr H. W. Weite. Frank W. Perrens Joseph A. Fenton ... .... 6 Riceard F. Roe … $\quad .{ }^{7}$ Composed by G. R. Pye. Conducted by Frank W. Perrans * First peal of Bristol.

WATH-ON-DEARNE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHTRE ASSOCIATION. (Barnsley anc District Society.)
On Satuyday, May 22,1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Ceurch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BRISTDL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGEA; Tenor 13 cwt.
Willie Green ... ... ...Treble Jogn H. Brotewel.l ... ... 5 Tom Brothwele......
 Reginald Payne... .... .... 4 A Albert Nase .... .... .... Tonor Composed by Gborge Lewis. Conducted by Albery Nase. First peal in the metlod by all the band and on the bells. LOUGHBOROUGF, LEICESTERSHTRE.
THE MIDLAND GOUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday. May 20, 1937, zn Two Hours and Fijty Minuzes, At iee Belc. Fodndry Campanile,

A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANEES; - Geopfriy Harrison $\quad .$. Tyeble $|$\begin{tabular}{ll}
Adobriy L. Bennett \& ... <br>
Ionn Grdndy \& <br>
\hline

 Jonn Grondy ...... 

Jobn Saddington \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots .$. \& 3 \& G. Ronald Edwards ... \&... <br>
Charles Aclsop \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 4 \& Colin Harrison \&... <br>
\hline
\end{tabular} Charles Aclsop ... .... 4 Colin Harrison ... .... ...Tenor

Composed by A. Tigigrs.
Conducled by Colin Harison.

## NORWICH.

THE NORWICE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wedmesday, May 26, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minuies, At the Cegrch of St. Giles-on-the-Hill,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANEE8;

Tenor 133 ewt.
Miss Winjfred Ditceam ...Tveble
Grorge Maybrs ... ... ... 2
Miss Gwendoline Tunnadine 3
Miss Darotay Dirceam ... 4

Cedric Curson Grorge Saybr $\qquad$ |  | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ldots$ | 5 |  |
| $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 7 |

Composed by H. Hosaard. $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Harry Tooke } & . . . & . . . & \text {... } 7 \\ \text { Clifpord Bird } & \ldots & \text {... } & \text {...Tehor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Clifrord Bird.
First attempt as canductor. Rung in honour of H.M. Quceu Mary's 70th binthday. It was also as a birthday compliment to J iss Ditcham.

ENDERBY, NJAR JEICESTER.
THE MIDLAND GODNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, May 20, 1937, in Two Hours aud Forty- 1 two Minutes,
At tar Chorce of Sx. John-tha-Bapyist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAR TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Wasbbroor's Variation uf Teorstans' Four-part. Tenor in cwt. 2 qr , iI lb.

Cearles Marghall ... ... 2 William A. Wood ... ... 6 Algred Balkard $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Edward R. Weitebiad .... 7
Walter P. Whitegead ... 4 Leonard H. Whitegrad ...Tenor Conducted by W. P. Weizeread.

## CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, May 28, 1937, in Two Hours and Fordy-Eight Minutes, At the Cburch of St. Padlinos,
A PEAL OF REYERSE BOB MAdOR. 5040 CHANGES ;
Tenor 12 s cwht.

- Harry Hoshing... ... ...Tyeble Hbrbert E. Addeley ... 5


Composed by G. Wilhams. Conducted by E A. Barnbxt.
* First peal of Reverse Boh, H. Foverd's 300th preal. H. Hoskins and A. S. Riohards have now 'circled the tower. It was the latter's 50 th peal. He has rung 12 peais 1112 attempte at this tower.


## HUGHENDEN, BUOKS.

THE OXFORD DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Safurday, May 29. 1937, in Two Hours and Fiffy-Eight Minutes. At the Cefrch of St. Micgabl and Ale Angels,
A PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE MOJUR, 5024 CHANCES;

Contanning 2,944 London, 736 exch Superlalive and Cambridge, and, 608 Bristel, with 111 changes of method. Dorothy R. Fletcera...$\quad 2 \quad$ Harry Wingrove $\quad . .$. | Kathibin E. Fletcerr | ... | 3 | William Henley | $\ldots$ | $\ldots .$. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Roland Biggs | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 4 | Chcil C. Mayne | $\ldots$ | Roland Biggs ... .-. ... 4 Cheil C. Mayne

Composed by Rby. H. Law jabs. Conducted by C. C. Mayme.
Superintive and Cambridge were rung in alternate courses. First penl of 'Spliced' Surprise Major by all the band except the conductor. First 'spliced peal as conductor.

NORTHETELD, BTRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOOESE OF BIRMINGEAM.
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifis-Nine Minmies. At fhr Crofch of St. Lugrence,

## A PEAL DF CAMERIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 505 CHANGES;

Jobnson's Variation of Middleton's. Tenor 14 Cwt. I qr. 13 lb . in F sharp.
-Norman ]. Goodman ...I reble | †H. James Turngr
Hznry H. Frafn +.. ... 2
William B. Cartwright
Frank E. Havnrs
William C. Dowdiag 5
0 Conducted by Atberi E. Normam

* Firgt peal of Major. t First peal of Surprise.

THORPE-LESOKIN. For evening service at St, Michat's Churth on April $\mathbf{I 1 t h}, 780$ Bob Ninvi ; R. Bugg (age 13 ) $\mathcal{I}_{1}$, Durcant 2, F. G. Thorogcod 3, L. Sharpo (rist 720) 4. W. Downe 5, F. Davey (Litale Chactan) (conductor) 6 . The first live members are all loerl Sunday service ringerf at the above church.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

IBSTOCK, LEIGESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNHIES ASGOCIATION.
On Saharday, May 15, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At tee Cedrge of St. Denys,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 OHANPEE;
Forty-two sir-scores in ten differeut callings.
Tenos 12 cwt .
F. G. Bailey
.. ... ... Ireble J. W. Aituins

A. R. Tonks... ... ... .... 3 A. Overton ... ... ... ... Jenor Conducted by A. R. Tonks.
First peal as conductor.

## QUCKNEY, NOTTS.

THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 17, 1937, in Three Hours and' Ten Minutes, At zere Chorch or St. Mary

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different extents. Tenor 104 cmt .
Jone Morris ... ... ...TTebla |J, Rrader ......
Wilciam Dicrinson ... ... 2 George Flint .... ... ... 5
Fred Flint ... ... ... .... 3 Herbret T. Rooke ... ... Temoy Conducted by H. T. Rooke.
First penl by all excopt the conductor and first peal as conductor.
LITPLE STAUGHTON, BEDS
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOQIATION.
Un Twesduy, May 78, 7937, in Two Houts and Fifty Minntes,
At ter Ceurch of All Sajnis.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 OHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten callings. Tenor 11 cwh in G

- Atbret Marsaall ... ...I Iveble J. Harold Swbeston ... 3

ERARST Asgoz ... ... .... 2 George Sete ... ... ... 4 Donald L. Cockings ... ...Tenor Conducted by D. L. Cocramgs.

* Firsk peal. First peal on the bells since relanging by Mears and Stainbank in 1935 , the last peal having been rung in 1906.

WIVBION, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOGUSAN ASSOCIATION
Ox Fednesday, May 19, 1937, in Two Hours ard Fifty-Fioe Minutes, At the Ceurge of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 GHANEES;
Comprising two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two T20's of Kent Treble
Bob and three 720's of Plain Boh, each called differently Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cmt}$.
Robery J. Wisker ... ...iteble I Laslig V. Page ... ... ... 4
William Copeman ... .... 2 William R. West ... ... 5
Charles E. Coreban... ... 3 Ernest V. Blakr... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by E. V. Blake.

HARTOLD, BCDS.
THT BFDFORDSHLRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturady, May 22, 1937, in Thyce Hours.
At tee Ceurch of St. Petrr and All Saints,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being 720 enclz of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Doubie Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Donala Cockings Tezor 15 cwt. 61 lt.
Herbyrt L. Harlow ... .... 2 Henay W. Gayzon ... ... 5

Conducted by Reginald West.
COSGROVE, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOTOUGH DIOOESAN GULDD
On Saturday, May 22. 1937, in Two Hotrs and Fifty Minctes, At tee Parise Ceorce,

## A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 GHANEES:

Viz: Two 720's af Double Court, two of Oxford Bob and three of Plain Bol.
-George 17. Tustaln ...
Jozn Higgins


Herbert C. Edwards ADEREY R. Atkins .... .... 5 Enemst C. Lambert .... .... Temor Arther G. May

## Conducted by E. C. Lambert.

First peal. First peal of Minar in three methors by ringers of 2 , 3 and 5. First peal on the bels since the treble was added.

NORTHMOOR, OXON
THE OXPORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At tae Parisa Chuaca
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tell callings.
F. Frinder
V. Clifion
... ... ... ...Treble
... ...Treble | H. Farmer ..
. FabMEr ... ... ... .-
 Conducted by N. Spindlow.
HAMPSTEAD NORRIS, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Om Saturday, May 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Cetref of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven extents in eight methods, wiz. : (1) Thelwall Bob; (2) Double Oxford; (3) Doublo Court; (4) Cambridge Surprise; (5) Oxford Treble Bob; (6) Keut Treble Bob; (7) St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Teuor 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. (approx.).
EdWard W. Ricgardson ...Tyeble Reginald W. Rex .... ... 4
Henry Lawrenson ... ... 2 W. Bertham Kynaston ... 5
Charles J. Gardiner ... 3 |Gborfrey E. Fowler ...temoy Conducted by W. B. Kynasion.
First peal in eight methods by all and on the bolis.
WROXETER, SHRORSEIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
万m Saturday, May 22, J937, in Ttwo Hours and Fifty-Fowy Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven diferent extents.
Tenor 12 ewt. (approx.)
William Saundrrs ...
...Treble
G. Leqnard Hewity ...

JOSEPE L. Stainer ... 2 Edward V. Rodenhoret
Walter Lago.... Conducted by Arteor Pretchare.
猬ugg at the recuest of Mr. E. Weatherby of Los Angeles, U.S.A. to commemorate the 150th anniversary of a 720 of Bob Minor rung at Atcham or May 23 rd, 1787 , in which three of his ancestors took part. First peal of lininor on the lyells. CORSLEY, WILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOOESAN GUIED.
On Saturday, May 22, 1937, in Two Howrs and For y Minutes,
Ai the Cgurct of St. Margarat,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Bointry 42 six-scores.
-A. Tgomas ... ... ... ...Treble| W. Gray
*B. Hams ... ... ... ... 2 E. F. Mariow .... $_{\text {.... }}^{\text {....... }}$.
"T. Renyard .+. ... ... 3 |H. MOODY ... ... ... ... Temoy Conducted by E. F. Marlow.
$=$ First peal. Rung as a welcome to the new Rector (the Rev. F. R. Edmonds) and Miss Edmonds. All ate Sunday service ringers.

MADRESFIELD, WOROESIERSETRE.
THE WORCESTERSEIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Wbstern Branch.)
On Saturday, May 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Seven Minutes,
At teb Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of College single, Cambridge Surprise. Oxford and
Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. T'enor 14 cwt .
Allen Morgan ... ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Sidney T. Holt ... ... ... 4
Robert G, Knowles ... ... 2 Reginald Woodyats... .. 5
Williak Rampord ... ... 3 Charles Camm ... ... ... Tent Conducted by Sidney T. Holt. WEST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATTON.
On Saturday, May 22, 1937, in Two Hours and / hivty-Nine Minutes, At the Ceqrea of St. Gaorge,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Consisting of two $720^{\prime}$ s of Oxford Treble Bulb, three different $720^{\prime}$ s of Plain Bols and two of Oxford Bob. Tenor 88 cwt .
Fraderick Torrel ...Tyeble ${ }^{\text {•Ralpa Short }} . .$. *Eddir Rapley ... ... Victor Goaceer ... ... 3 | Wilhiam Denman ... ...Teror

* First peal.

Conducted by W. Denman.

## CORONATION PEALS

In honour of the Coronation of their Majesties King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth in Westminster Abbey the following peals were rung:

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCLETY OF COLLEGE FOUTHS On Sathrday, May 29, 1937, in Fowr Howys and Three Minutes, At the Cathedral Ceurci of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES; Tenor 62 cwt

| Ernest G. Fens .. | Treble | Willism H. Ba |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thos. Groombridee, | N. 2 | Frederick W. Rogers |  |
| Wilitim Hibbert | -. 3 | Jacis A. Waugh |  |
| chard T'. Hinbert |  | James Hi. Riding |  |
| \% G. Mites |  | Richard F. Deat |  | Edwin FI. Lewrs ... ... 6 EDward P. Durfield ...Tenor Composed and conducted by H. G. Mites.

LONDON.
THE ANCITNT SOGIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS On Saturday, May 29. 1937, in Three Hours and Foriy-Seven Minutes, t the Cathedral Church of St. Saviour, Southwark, S.E., A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, бO19 GHANEES; Tenor so cwt.
Horace Belcher ... ...Treble Raymonid G. Coustins ... 7 fierlert Langion ... ... Edwin F. Pike Ernest Brett 8 3 Hardld V. Frost ... ... 9 ... 9 Habry Hoskins Wieliam J. Davidson Tack M. Cripes Alfred B. Peck ... $\cdot$... it Composed by Cins. W. Roberts. Conducted by Herbr. Langdon.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

 SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATIONOn Saturday, May 22, 1937, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minntes. At the Churci of St. john-the-Baftist A PEAL OF bOUBLE NDRWIGH COURT BOB ROYAL, 5040 GHAMGES;

## Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{7} \mathrm{cwl}$. 1 qr. 20 lb .

*heriert Markwell ...Treble *Edward J. Cearman ... 6

 \#Staflord H. Greex ... ${ }_{5}$ Grorge W. Iitetcher ...Tenor Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by F. Bennett. * First penl of Donble Norwich Roynl. First peal of Double Norwich Royal on the bells.

## TROWBRJDGE, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wedmesday, May 25, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

## Tenor 24 cmt

Charles Bitcher
Wilitiar Loud ...
..Tyeble Cuaries Ratson
2 Ernest Parker
Reginald Axok
Jesse Trascis
Charles F. Andrews
Gifbert H. Hardiñ - Wilinar J. Prescott ...Temo by J. Carter. Conducted by Samuel J. Hector. Also rung in houonr of the visit of H.R.H. the Duke of Kent to Trowbridy: for the Bach and West Show. First peal of Caters as conductor

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS

SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Elloe Deaneribs Branch.)
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Three Howrs and Seventren Minutes, At the Cgerch of SS. Mary and Nicolas, A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5068 CHANGE! Tenor 16 cwt .

- Fred Payna

Treble Arthor J. Farr
William Hollingworta 2 William A. Ricgardson .... $\quad 6$
Grorge Ladd ... ... ... 3 George W, Mills ... ... 7
Nevil Holling worte
Composed by W. Ayre.

* Firet peal of Major.

HUGETENDEN, BUCKS
THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GUILD
(East Berrs and Soutb Bders Branch.)
On Sunday, May 75, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minwtes, Aiter Ceurce of St. Micearl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505 OHANEES; Tenor 121 civt.
James W. Wileins ... ...Treble |"Edwarn Timpson ... ... 5
Mrs, R. Blaby ... $\begin{array}{lll}. . & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$ Artbor G. Janes ..... .3 Prrcy Newton Fredrrick G. Biggs m 4 Roland Biggs ... ... ....Tomor Zomposed by H. T. Tucker. Conducted by Roland Biggs.

* First attempt for a peal of Major.


## SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.

THE KENT CODNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, May 16, 1937, in Thye Hours and Twenty Minufes,
At tar Chirch of St. Miceabl,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5066 CHANGE8:

Pral No. ${ }^{1} 5$ C.C.C.
Tenor 21 cwt . in E .
Miss Doris Dozbie.
...Trebla
Anar s. Boar ... ... ... 2 Ernest J. Dobsir ... ...
William J, Wood ... ... 3 Stanley B. Dobbir ...
Willam A. Wood ... ... 4 Harry Parrgs ... ... ... Temoy
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Harry Parkes. BEOCLES, SUTFPOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Montay, May 17, 1937, in Thyee Howrs and Thirty-Hive Minutes,
At ter Campanile Tower of St. Miceabl's Ceurch,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANEES 1 Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in D fat.

| Miss Kathlefen M. Lewis Trebia | "Donald A. Long | ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| R. William barber.... | Goderey G. Walpole | 2 | .. | 6 |


| R. William Barber ... | .. | 2 | Godfrey G. Walpole | ... | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss D. R. Constance | .. | 3 | Jambs Spalding.... | ... | .. | 7 |


Composed by J. Regegs. Conducted by Cuas, E. Sayrr.

* First peal of Keat Major. First peal as conductor.

BANSTEAD, SURRTYY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
AND THE SURREY ASSOCLATION
On Monday, May 17, 1937, in Throb Hows and Two Minutes, At the Churce of All. Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCE $3_{3}$
Thirstans' Fodr-part.
Tenor 21 cwt .

- Harry Chersman ... ...Tydile Fredgrier G. Woodiss ... 5

Albert E. Chersman ... 2 Tbomas Norman ......
 Conducted by H. N. Pitstow.

* Firsb peal, agea 14. if First peal in the methoul. BIROHLNGTON, KENT.
THE ANGIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Morday May, 17, 19.37, in Cwo Hours and Forty-Eight Minntes,
At tie Churcit of All Sannts,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SUAPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;


## Tenor 9 cwt .

Joseph T. Dyke
Jack M. Cripps
Treble $\mid$ C. Ernest $\$ \mathrm{mtth}$
George Popnelt
Edwin F, Pike
2 W. Bertria Kynaston...
$\frac{5}{6}$
... ... 4 Witfred Wrllams ... ...Tenor
Composed by C. Middietos. Conducted by Fredii. W. Rogers.
First peal of Surprise on the bells.

NORTFCHL RCE, HERTS
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCTATION.
c. On Monday, May 17, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mart,
a PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, BOEE GHANGEE, Middleton's.

Tenor 15 cwt .
Reg. C. H. Connolly ...Treble William J. Randall Jack bray
Arthir Day
…...${ }^{2}$
... ... 4
Conducted by
Francis Kirk
HoAce L W ... … ... 5
Waltek Ayre ... ... ... 7
Maurice F. R. Himeert...Tenor Walter Ayre.
First Surprise peal on the bells.
DODDERHILL, DROITWICH, WORGESTERSHIRE.
On Monday, May 17, 1937, in Three Hotrs and Eight Minties.
At the Church of St. Augletine,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parkrr's Twelve-part (7th observation). Tenor $x 8$ cwt, 2 qr .4 lb .
*Abtier G. Thomas
.Treble

## $\dagger$ Charles R. Smith

John H. Colley
Thomas H. Young

Arthur R. Moseley
John Marshail
Walter H. Raxter
†George Evaks ... ...Tenot

Conducted by Walter H. Raxter.

* First peal in the method. 中 First peal on eight bells. $\ddagger$ First peal. First peal of Triples as conductor. Seven of the above are members of local Sunday service ringers' band.

SHEFFPIELD, YORKSHIRT.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Sbeffield District Society.)
On Mondav, May 17, 1937, in Three Hours and Tayty-One Minates, At the Church of St. Marie (R.C.).
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES; Tenor 25 cwt . in D.

Abther Knights
Jesse J. Moss
*Sidney Briggs ...
Coniposed $A$ Ber ... 4 Benjamin A. Kheghts ...Tenor Coniposed by A Kmichts (No. 46). Conducted by B. A. Knights.

First peal of Surpyige. First peal of Superlative on the bells. First peal on the bells since rehangiug by Mears and Stainbank.

> HILLJNGDON WEST, MIDDLESEX.

THE MODEESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tusday, May 18, 1937, in Three Hours,
As the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, $\operatorname{bOEG}$ CHANGES;
Gro. he. Gutieridge ...Treble + Wilpred S. Ciembs
*Reginito W. Dabvilu
Fredr. W. Goodfellow
Joseph J. Pbatt ... ... 4
Edgar Hancox
$\ddagger$ Percy E. Jones
Frank Corke ......
Composed by C. H. Martin. Conducted by Frank Corke.

* First peal of Bob Major. + Ftrst peal of Major. $\ddagger 100 \mathrm{th}$ peal. FARNDON, CHESEIRE.
THE GHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, May 18, 1937, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church or St. Chad,


## A PEAL OF KENT AND oXfohd treble bob Mador 5184 Changes ;

 Tenor 13 cmt .Waiter Thomas
.Treble
J. Whahm Clarke

KE
James Swindley
Robert Sperring
Composed by James Morgar.
Thaes Morgan
Ad.iert E. Richards ... 6
John Griffiths
Percy Swindley ... ....Tenor Mr. J. Swindley's 200th peal.

> SLAUGHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wcdnesday, May 19, 1937, in Three Fonrs and Four Minztes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Miss Florrif Wyman Tenor lis ewt.

| Miss Florrif Wyahan | ..$T r e b l e$ | Frank Bennett | $\ldots$ | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Nelson Ellott | $\ldots .$. | 2 | Apam Deas | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. | 6 | Reginald V. Johsson … 3 | СеcाL Nice ... Kemneth Snelling ... ... 4 Oliver Siteetts ... ...Tenar Composed by J. W. Whshrrook. Conducted by D. Sifperts. A. Deas is from Newcastle-on-Tyre.

## LOUGHBOROUGE, LETCESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. <br> On Thursday, May 20, 1937, in Two Howrs Thirty-Eight Minutes At the bell Foundry Caspante,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-part.
Tencr $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c} w$.
Geoffrey Harrison ...Treble
G. Ronald EgWard

John Saddington $\quad . .$.
Leslie W, Stevens ... ... 4

## Conducted by Charles Allsop

TIOKHILL, YORKS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 22, 1937, in Thyea Hours and Thirteer Minates.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MALOR. 5024 GHANEES, Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr .7 lb .
Arnold Hill

* Oswy Steeet
.... 2 *FRANK W VERNO
Miss Kath Burchnill... $3 \quad$ \# Jack L. Millhouse
Miss Grace Burchnail 4 *Clifrord A. Vessey...$T$ Tenor
Composed by Artiuur Kmights. Conducted by C. A. Vessey.
* First peal in the method. The freble viuger has now 'circled the tower.

HEXFAM, NORTHUMBEREAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Nbweastle Cathedral Guied.)
On Saturday, May 22, 1937, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minut-s,
At the Priory Cherph of St. Andrew (Hexham Abeey),
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Heywood's Transposition of Tberstans' Foor-part. Tөлог 21 ewt.
Georce A. Pickering ...Treble William J. Davidson
Thomas H. Reeves ...
.... 2
ohn Anderson ...

- Heraert ${ }^{1}$. Cliff

Charles E. Lawson $\ldots . .$.
Conducted by W. J. Davidson. GHPPING BARNIST, HERTS.
TEEE MTDDLESEXX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathyday, May 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten Minates,
At the Cherch of St. John-tie-Baptist,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5098 GHANGES;
Walter J Bownen
Cham J. howden ...Treble Normay A. Tomlinson
Charles T. Coles ... ... 2 Wmblam R. Madgwice
George R. Pye
$\begin{array}{ll} \\ \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$
George R. Pye … ... 3 George W. Steere ... John G. Nash ... ... ... 4 James C. E. Statpson .... Tenor Composed by Thomas B. Worsley. Conducted Chas. T. Coles. BISHOP AUCKLAND, COUNTY DURRAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION.
In Saturday, May 22, 1937, in Two Houys ard Fifly-Eight Minutes,
At the Parisif Culecer of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Rev, E. Bankrs James' Tgn-part, Na. io. Tenur 12 cwt,
Roland Pabe ... ... ...Tyeble *Robart R. Robinson ... 5
James T. Trtt … ... ... 2 "John F. Pemtand.. .5

Conducted by RoLand Park.

* First peal in the method.

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Lebds and Distrigt Amalgamated Society.)
On Saturday, May 22, i937, in 7 hree FHours and Fitteen Mixutes,
At the Parish Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt 4 Ib . in F .
 * Harry Davison ... ... 4 Leslie W. G. Morris ....Tenor Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Leslie W. G. Moruis. * First peal in the method. First peal of Surprise Major rung in this tower, and first peal of Major on the recast bells.

REDHILL，sURIREY
TEE SURREY ASSOCLATION．
UN Saturday，May 22，1937， 17 Two Howrs and Fifty－Eight Minwtes，
At the Church of St．John－the－Evangelist，
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRIBE MAJOR， 6068 GHAMRES； Toner 14 ewt．
Alfeed J．Bell
．．Treble
Ronald A．TuFfin
Walter Claydon
$\begin{array}{ll}\cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$ REGiNaLD Y．JOHNSON ．．
＊First peal in the metiood．

## EWELL，SURREY

THE GUILDTORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，May 22，1937，in Thye Hours and Two Minutes， t the Pabish Churdif of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES； J．J．Parker＇s No．I5．Tenor I3 cwt． 3 qr． 20 lb ．in F sharp． FFlancis W．Johnson ．．．Treble †Aritive A．Hadley ＋Harky E．Good 2
3
4 Charles E．Read． George F．Marriner John Beams ．．．
HJOHN E．BEAMS
＊Richard V．Fuller $\quad . .7$
Oliver Sippetis ．．．
7
＊Arthur G．Willett
Kenneter Snet
＊Richard V．Fuller Conducted by O．Sipeetrs．

Jorn E．Beirs

Conducted by J．Beams
＊First penI．＋First peal in the method．Fiust peal in the method ly the Guild．

ST．STEPHEN－IN－BRANNEL，CORNWALL
THE TRURO DIOGESAN GULLD．
Un Saturday，May 22，1937，in Three Hours and Seven Minules， At the Church of St．Stephen
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 0040 CHANGES； Parker＇s Twelve－part（7th observation）．Tenor i3叠cwt．
 Crril E．Lanxon ．．．．．． 3 †Stanley Seymour ．．．．．． 7 Philip J．Hirchins ．．． 4 Percy R．C．Williams．．．Tenor Conducted by Cyrif．E．Lanxon．
Tirst peal on eight．\＆First peal on eight awry from the tenor．
HINTON－ON－THE－GREEN，WORCESTERS巩IRE．
＇1HE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCLATION．
O4 Saturdav，May 22，1977，in 1 hree Howes and Eight Minutes， At the Churcer of St．Peter，

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5024 GHANGES；

Tener 1012 ewt．
JOSEPE D．TOFNSON
－Frank tuffley ．．．．．．
 Composed by T．Lockwoon．Conducted by Johs Thomas． ＊Pirst peal of Major． LONGTON，STAEFORDSHIRE，
＇LHE NORTF STAFFS AND DISTRIGT ASSOCIATION． On Soturday，May 22，1937，in Two Hours and Fifly－Seven Minutes， At the Church of St．JoHn，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES； Holj＇s Ten－part．

Tenor 16 cwt ．
William H．Bloor
．Treble
$\cdots \quad 2$
Harry Hall ．．．．．．．．． 2
＊Neyille R．Holland ．．． 3 Harold Rose

Conc
First peal inside．
GATESHEAD，COUNTY DURHAM．
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASGOGIATION． On Saturday，May 22，1937，in 7 wo Hows and Fifty－Two Minutes，

At The Parish Church of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES．5040 CHANGES； Tenor 15 cm t．in F ．
JOHN E．Fuller ．．．

Percy E．Johnson
Richard Patinson
＊FDward Wilson ．．．．．．．
Composed by F Taytor
Fin Concucted by R．H．Hewitr． ＊First peni＇inside．＇＋First peal．First peal in the method as conductor，All the above are Sunday service riugers at this church．

ANSTEY，NEAR LEICESTER．
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Misy 22，1937，in Two Hours and Forty－Three Minutcs，
At the Parise Celurch of St．Mary，

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，的 40 CHANGES；

Heywogd＇s＇Transposition of Thorstans＇Fodr－fart．
Tenor io cwt． 2 q． 4 lb.

| Ernest Moruis | Treble | RowLand farrow |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 12．S．Wilciam Smith | ． 2 | Redvers F，Elfingio |
| Josiar Morris | － 3 | ＊Sidney Harrison |
| Alban Disney | 4 | ＋Miss Eileen Cuffl | Alban Disney

＋Miss Eileen Cufflin ．．．Tenor Conducted by Redvers F．Elakington．
＊First peal of Stedmua away from tenor，F First peal and first attempt：First peal on the bells since recasting of Bih，7th and tonor． The ringer of the 3rd rang in the first peal on these bells；his 100ih peal was also rumg bere．

## BURNHAM BUGKS

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL GUMBERLAND YOUTHS．
On Saturday，May 22．1937，in Three Honts and Thros Minutos，
At the Church of St，Peter，

## A PEAL OF BOE MANOR，SOEG OHANGEBI Tenor 16 cwt．

＊Martin A．Blamey ．．Treble John E．Iamok
＊Peter A．Blamey ．．．．．． 2 Gordon W．Limmer

| ＊Bryan OiNeill | $\ldots .$. | ... | 3 | George H．Limmer | ... | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas Beyan | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Grorge Gilbert | ．．．． | ．．．Tenor | Thomas Beyan

Composed by J．R．Pritchard．Conducted by Geo．Gilinert
＊Birst peal of Major，All ale members of the St．Peter＇s Society，
Buruham，except ringer of the 4th． LONDON．
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION $A N D$ GONDON DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Empire Day，Hontay，May 24，7937，in Two How＇s and Fify－Eight Minutes，
At the CEupgh of St．Botolph，Bishopsgite，
A PEAL OF GAHBRIDCE SURPRISE MAJOR，6056 GHAMGES， Tenor 20 cwt ．
Charles＇T．Coles
Habey Hoskins ．＋．．．treble Jates E，Davis
．．．$\cdot . .{ }^{2}$ Enkrst Brett
GEORGE R，PYE ．．．．．．．．． 3 JOSEPH Marks
John W．Euston ．．．．．．．． 4 Reuben Shnders ．．．．．．．Tenor
Composed by Cias，Mindleton．Conducted by Cilas．T．Coies．
TWERTON－ON－AVON，BATH．
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOGESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Monady，Mav 24，1937，in Two Homes and Fifty－Four Minthes，
At tee Church of St．Micharl，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 6040 CHANEES；
Parker＇s Twelve－pari（7th observation）．Tenor izit cwl


＋Sealy Woopblrn ．．．．．． 4 A．E．Bayerstock ．．．．．．Tenor
Conducted by Wrleam Cr．Brown．
＊First peal in the mothod．+ First peal on eight bells．First peal as conductor on eight bells．

BOLTON，LANCASFTRE．
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOOIATYON
On Monday，May 2A，1937，in Iwo Hours and Fifty Minutes，
At the Cefurcie of the Holy forinitys
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPEES，5日a0 CHANGES；
Thirastans＇Fodr－part．Tenur I7f chut，in E，
Arthur Heiwood ．．．．．．Trebla $\mid$ Prter（rook，sen，．．．

Kenneth Levis
Wдllam PyE ．．．
Tenor Conducted by Christopirn CuDaEon．
＊50th peat．

> HEIMTNGHAM, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GULID.

On Friday，May 28，1937，in Thre Hours and Four Minates，
At the Churce of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 CHANOEE；
＊Tenor 194 cwt ．


SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.
ST. HELENS, LANCASHTRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCRATION.
On Tuesday May 11th, 1937, in Two Houys and Ftfey-Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL DF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different 720's.
Grorge Bate ... ... ...Tybble | William Leace...
Harry Grondy ... ... ... 2 Charles Blaceborn
William Jornson

- Samorin ${ }^{3}$
+Peter Cask .Tenor
Conducted by Charles Biacknurn
* First peal in any method. + First peal 'inside' on any method. Rung after being short for Grandsire Triples.

MULLION, CORNWALL
THE TRURO DIOQESAN GUILD.
On Thersday, May 13, 1937, in Two Howr and Fifty Minutes, At the Parise Churce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 42 six-scores in eight callings.
Vivian Williams ... ...Treble, Edward Sanders
William J. Sminders... ... 2 Frederic H. Harris **
William H. Slerman ... 3 Pregy R.C. Wileiams ...Teno
Conducted by Frrderic H. Harris.
The lirst peal on the bells.

## HALVERGATE, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifiy Minutes,
At xhe Churcer of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF WINDR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of Double Court nund Cambridge Suprise, two 720 's each of Ketst and Oxford Treble Bab, and 720 of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 uwt. (approx.
Stanley W, Gall .-. ..Treble Thomas W. DrVille ... 4 Stanley Fenn ... ... ... 2 Godpaey G. Walpole ... 5 R. William Barbsr... ... 3 \&Donald A. Long ... ...Temor Conducted by Godfrey G. Watpole.
First peal in five methods. † First peal 'inside. First peal as conductor.

PEBMARSH, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
Un Satsrday, May 15. 1937, in Two Hours and Thivty-Sesen Minutes,
At the Chorch or St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being one extent each of Double Court, St. Clement's, Plain Bob Cambridge Surprise, Woodibine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 8 cut, 1 qu'. 4 ll , in B fat.
Vigior Morley ... .... ...Tyebie |Reginald Simmonds ... ... 4 Alec M, Gberry.
Bernard W. Pettit $\square$ 2 Ralph Bird
Ronald Suckling $\quad . .$. ..................

## Conducted by Ralpa Bird

First peal in geven methods on the bells.
WILLINGH゙\&M-BY-STOW, LTNCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Nortaern Brance.)
On Salurday, May 15, 1937, in Two Hours and Forly-Five Minutes,
Ai feg Canrce of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF MINOR, GOAO GHANEES;
Being olle exteat each of Cambridge Surprise. Single Court, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12! twt.
-Noel Tburley ... ... ...Truile| Tearles H. Baker ... ... 4 † losepi A. Luna .... ... 2 | Lestiz Lonn ... .... .... ${ }^{2}$ Frank Vbraon ... .... ... 3 | Clifpord A. Vessey ... ...Tenoy Conducted bv Clarorn A. Vessev.

* Pirst peal in seven methods. t First peal in seven methocis 'insjas.'

PHIERBOHOUGH, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUIED.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minntes, At ter Chitace of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 OHANEES;
Being seven 720's, with varied eallings. Tenor 9 cwt

- Ernest Warner ... ...Treble| Arcbib Leagy ... ... ... 4
 Conducted by William Rose.
* First peal.

TEYNHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOGIATION.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Cwo Hanysand Fifly-Five Minutes,

## At tey Parish Caurch,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's with timen calliugs. Tenor 11 cwt .
Bert W, May ... ... ...Treble Francis J. Cbeal ... ... 4
Grorge A. Naylor .... ... 2 W William J. Walier ... ... 5
Edward W. Tomber ... ... 3 Cearles Tumber ... ...Tenor Conducted by Cearess Tambrr.
YARDLEY, BIRMINGHAM, SKR. EDBURGHA'S SOCIETY.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Five Minutes,
Ay the Churce of St. Edgurgra,
A PEAL OF ERANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 GHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores, ten callings.
Tenor 15 cwt
Conrad Pbillipa ... ...Treble
Jogn Lindon
Georgr H. Taylor ... ... 3 William Nidicock ... ... 5 Albert T. Scrivess... ... 3 William Scrivens ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Ggorge H. Taylor.

* Firsi peal.

TYOKNALL, DERBYSHERE
F'HE MIDLAND COUNTIIS ASSOCTAITON.
On Saturday, May 15, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes. At the Chorce of St, Georgr,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent I'reble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tegor 11 cwf
-Tom J. Marriott ... ...TYeble William Lancaster ...
Joen Houge
Corson....
$\dagger$ William H. Corson.
Conducted by Jack Bailey,

* First peal. * First peal in three methods. The band wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Marriott for their kind hospitality aftes the peal.

BRADFORD ABBAS, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Smuday, May 16, 1937, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, At the Ceurce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANRES;
Being 42 six-scores, wikh 10 different callings. Tenor $13 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{qr}, 21 \mathrm{l}$

- Henry J. Gilleam... ... 7 reble ${ }^{\text {-Cecil C. Smite... }}$

Habert Smite ... ... ... 3 *Ernest Smity ... ... ...Tenpy Conducted by E, T P. Firco.
* First peal af first aftempt and a member of the local band. EASTNOR, HEREFORDSHIRE
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 17, 1037, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, GO4D CHANEES: Being 42 six-scores, 10 callings. Tenor 10 ewt AUSTIN Wingate ... ...Tyeble

ErNest F. Salmons
Ane 2 Wililam Duggan

* First peal "inside." by Ernest F. Salmons,


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THE LINCOLN DIOCDSAN GUILD.
(Soutaern Branch.)
On Monday, May 17, 1937, it Three Hotys, At the Churce of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two extents each of Single Courl and Oxford Bob, and three extents of Plain Bob.
Pte. R. W. Randali m...Tyeble Mes. Phillis Humphrey 2
 James F. Musson ... ... 3 Charles Wilkinson ...Tenor Conducted by C. T. H. Brameex.

BIDSTON, CETESEIRE.
THE GHESTER DIOCFSAN GDILD.
On Monday, May 17, 1937, in Two Houts and Thivty Minutes,
At The Parish Church of St. Oswald ${ }_{2}$
A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Consisting of one extent of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Bob and two of Plain Bob.

Tenor 5 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.
\#George Clolgh ... ...Treble | Wilisam Wilcox ... ... 4 - UOUGLAS Watson, sen. 2 SMTTH WOOD ... ... ... 5 DOUGLas Witson, JUn. ... 3 Jas F. Smith ... ... ...Tenor Condacted by Jas. F. Smith.

* First peal aud first atempt. $\dagger$ First peal inside.

STAMTORD, LINCS
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Rotland Brance.)
On Monday, May 17, 1937, in Tro Hours and Fifty Hinules,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Beingr 720 eacll of Oxford TrebIe Boh, Kent Trable Bob, St. Clement's, and 1,440 each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bols. Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

 G. Grazy ... ... ... ... 3 J. H. Blufe ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. B. Bu.deF. First peal of Minor on the lelis.

BARNSLEY, YORKS.
THE YORKSHERE ASSOCIATION.
(Barnseey and District Sogiexy.)
On Monday, May 17, 7937, in Thrce Fours and Three Dfinutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGEB;
Being 720 each of Ohester, Munden, Canterbury, Newcastle, Garlisle, Sandiaero and London.

Tenor 14! cwt.
Roland Hill.
... ...Treble LrNEST BROOKES
*ARTHUR PaNTHER ... 2 ARTHUR GILI ... ....... 4
 Conducted by D. Smrri.

* 50th peal together. First peal of Surprise Minor on the bells since rehanging.


## LTNCOLN, LTNCS

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 18, 1937, in Two Howe Thirty-Four Minties,
At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one extent each of Double Gonvt, Gambridge Surprise, St. Clemeat's, Singlo Court, Oxford Bol, Oxfori I'rehle Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9를 dw.
*RayMOND SN. Smith ...Treble | Percy HoLnes … ... 4 Geb. Leslie A. Lunn ... 2 † $\quad$ ]ack L. Mifihouse... Kennetil W. Mayer ... 3 Clifyord A. Vessey ...Tenor Conducted by Ceipforn A. Vessey.

* First peal in seven mothors. I Fiftiath peal, rung in 33 towers and with 57 ringers.


## HAMPTON RISHOP, HIRETORDSHIRE.

THE EISRETORD DIOCESAN GURDD.
On Thursday, May 20, 1937, in Two Honvs and Fify Minates, At the Parisei Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGE8;

## Meing 42 six-scores, 20 callings.

*Traess Wililiars ...Treble
AuSitn Wingate...
Conducted by Ernest fr. Sacmons.
First peal and first attempt.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

## \section*{(Continned from page 376} <br> DIOCESAN ADVISORY COMMFTTEES.

Speaking on the report of the Towers and Belfrics Committee with regard to Diocesan Advisory Committees, Mr. George Pulinger said that about soven or eight yesrs ago the Winchester Diocesan Guild approached the Bishop in an irdirect way-if approach were made in a direct way they often got refused-through a member of the committee. The result was that in matiers relating to bella
Mi. Wilfred Audrews or Mr. George Willizms was askea to give advice.

Walter Ayre said in Hertfordshire they had great dificulty in getting any voice in bell mafters when they came before the Adwisory Committee. Ho approached the chairman, who told him they had onough to do witli the bellfouuders. Thes had an axe to grind and did not seem to know anything about the other part of the job at all. Later in regard to another matter two representatives of the Bedfordshire Association and Hertfordshire Association, which made $1 p$ the diocese of St. Albans, mot the Bishop, and he seemed greatly in favour of laving someone who knew about bells and belluanging an the committee, So they lived in lopes.
Mr. J. Huat pninfed out that Advisory Committees met on church matfers a dozen times a year, but might only liave to deal with a question relating to bells once in a year. It was unnecessary to have ta attend a committee twelve times to discuss bell matters only once. Miv. C. F. Johuston said Thetford had been referred to. Unfortmately, he knew a little about Thetford. If anybody could be found who could get the Advisory Committee to give imstructions how to chang the bells on the old headstocks, four of which are entirely derelict, the belifounders would be very grateful.
The Rev. H. Drake said there were two difficulties about having a representative on the Diocesan Committee. Ons had been referred to. If they had a member of an association on the Diocesan Committee, he had got a great deal of work to do that had nothing to do with bells. Bells did not come up very ofton, perhaps only two or most of them had. They had approached the committee and had had a nice answer, but nothins seemed to have been done. What they really wanted was not to liave a member on the Advisory Committee as a ringer, but someone who should be elected ad hoc, or as an assessor for bells, and that the Advisory Committee should not pass any work on bells until the assessor had been consulted and probably called to advise the committee at a particular mecting. The other lificully was one of their own. All associations were not coterminous with dioceses. Those which were diocesan associations could readily "et into touch with the Diocesan Advisory Committee or the diocesan arthorities, but all associntions could not do that, because sone were connty associations and in some cases two associations covered one liocese, or two dioceses were covered by ono association. Could they not do something througl the Central Council for the Care of Churches nstead of through the separate Diocesan Committees? If they could get the Central Council for the Care of Churches to agree that every
Diocesan Committee should have an assessor to deal with questions relating to bells, he thought it would be better step than each assofiation approaching its own Diocesan Committee. If neeessary he ronld meve a resolution to that effect.
The President said the resolution before the Conncil was that in the first place they should get information as to what was happening in The dioceses. Aftor that they could take further action
Thes carried.

## was carried

INSURANCE AGAINST ACCIDENTS
The Rev. H. Drake reforved to a recent letter in 'The Ringing World ' and asked tho committee to consider the question of the legal liability of charch authorities in the case of acodent to a menetier of the public after a tower had been declaved to be meafe for inging. He thonght when a tower had been declared unsafe, authorilies 'rape themselves away' if an accident happaned or a nulingered pretender to have sustained some injury from the tower. He thought the Towers and Relfries Committee should consider, as soon as they cond, the guestion of insurancu in such circumstances, and, if pessible, get semetting printed about it which could be published in the 'Law of Church Bells.' It was inportant it should be done, beanse even where church autionities had insured their church generally alout rridents of this kind, it was quite certain if they were to forbis inging beanse of the condition of the tower and were not to inform their insurance company, the company would refuse to pay. It was most important that church anthoribies shonld know that, and that, if they were going to forbid ringing, it might juvolve them in the cuent of an mecident.
Tho Fon. Secretrry said the proofs of the revised bookfet on "Lavs " was in hif hands and would shortly be printed. There was a paragraph with regarid to the insurance of yingers. The view whs expressed that there was no obligation to insure voluntery ringers or ather volinntary churchworkers gatinet accident. The Ecelesiastical Thsitrance Company, lowever, had e specinl scheme of insurance based upon a premium of Is. per ringer, with a minimum premium of 10s. That provided, he thought, for e 250 in the event of a fatal necdent, 5125 for partinl disability or disablement and 30 s . a weels during temporaty diealility for any ringer injured in any tower where he had gone for practiee, or while travelling to or from lis own or

The Rev. II. Drake said that did not cover his point. Supmose a nember of the mublic was going past a tower where change ringiug had been forbidden and pretended that lo ladi been injured by some thing fallity from the tower, the church authorities would luve considerable diftheulty in proving they were not liable
Mr. L. J. Willianas suid that was a matter for tho charch authorities and not for the Council.
The Presidert said Mr. Drake had raised the question of a tower said to be unsafe for ringiug. He had never yet found a lo
because of ringing; it might be unsafe for other reasons.
Mer. J. W. Jones said his Yicar had told him that since the case in which damages were awarded for an injury in chureh, through n
defect in hell fitings, he had paid for insurance of the bellringers, the ohoir and even the congreration against auy nocident happenag in church.
Mr. F. W'. Rogers asked what the Cauncil recognised as the dufinition of a paid ringer and a voluntary ringer. This was rather important when they talked about insurance claims, becanse in some churches, althougl they might not pay thein ringers, they made there a gratuity which was shown in the church accounts as paynemt to ringers.' Were the riagers bound to sigu some form to say bluy were paid ringers?
The How. Secretary said it had never been decided what was a 'paid' ringer, and the Insurauce Company would not decide it. Their scheme was devised to get over the difliculty, so that in the event of a claim arising, which might be a Workmen's Coupensatiun Ant claim, no question would arise.
Mr: Trollope said be thought the company took the position that they insured the ringers and did not bother whether they were paid
The President said the only condition was that the church authorities paid ten slillings a year to insure them.

## NOISY TOWERS

The Rev. H. Drake said with regard to the question of noise ouside a tower, he lad advised several towers to have their wiadows hricked ap. Now it had come to a question of his own tower, what he had had done had not been successinl. He would like to ask tho connmittee to go further into the question of lessenilig the sonnd outside lowers.
The Presicient said if Mr. Drake would send him the particuln's of the tower, with full dimensions and details of what he had done anti what substance he lad used, he would go into the maltel
The committee's report was adopted

## HE PRESS AND BELLS

Tho Literature, Press and Broadeasting Committee presented the fllowing report:
Numerous references to bells and ringing in the Landon and provincial Press have manifosted a sympadiefic and friendly atibude, with increasing appreciation of change winging as a national art anc of the part played by bells in our mational life. The tercentenary of the Collero Fouths Ias attracted attention. In the Midinuls the bells of Birmingham Cathedmal have been very much in evidence. Several articles oft tine subject, with pictorial illustrations, luwe been published in the local Press, white Sir Charles Hyde, owner of the Birmingham Daily Post,' himself guaranteed the cost of the wew peal. Thn record set ap in Dorset by the band of ringers at Marnhull in completiay 40 years of continuous sarvice figured prominently the 'Daily Express.' The 'Moming Post phalighed an article In Praise of Campanology' over the signature santmel, Which eliciach "It is a happy thonght," lie wrote, 'that bell ausic is the only medium of expression that has never come to base ages. . . The organ is too often degrindee

The pianoforte has lost its character. But the bells are still left to send out their uplifting message free from jazz.' (This last sentence suggests an apt moral; never to let change ringing 'lose its character' by the admission' of any jazz rhythml) Agents of the distriot Press were diligent in their abtention to the party of clerical yingerg recently witing Hvosham, and Press photogrophers assaited them at Stratford-on-Avon
The official organ of Imperial Steel Works, Ltd., would secrn one of the most unlikely of publications to invite vile attention of its readers to the bistory and traditions of clurch bells. That jourmal, however, which has for its titie 'The Expar Allen News,' published of few years ago, "in fear" and trepidation, ${ }^{\prime}$ as the editors tell us, an article oul bells. 'The tesult was surprising. From all quarters of the world letters and comments came in, showing how greatiy the subjecti of bells interested readers.' Further articles on bells have accordingly appanced from time to time, and last Tane three pages wero devotot to a review of Mr. J. Morzis' recentily published work, 'Legends the Bells, ${ }^{\text {' }}$ reproducing a number of the illustrations and recommenaling 'all inter'ested in bells to make a point of buying

The 'Church Assembly News' in two successive numbers contaned admirabls articles, with good illustrations, on 'Bells, their' eat'e and their use, by a ringer. An article on the Guild of Ringers appenrea in the current issue of the "Salisbury Diocesan Gazette.' The 'Radio Times of last December contained an intorestiog paragrapli on bells, with reference to a talk on that subject arranged in the Northern Tretand programme. 'The Bells of England,' by Hugh M. Blendel, appearing in 'Tho Sign' for March, was written in the right spirit and well itlustrated, but contained not a few inaccuracies. One sentence, whicli follows up a reference to bells installed in celehration of (Contisued on next page.)

## BELLS 'ON THE AIR.'

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Qneen Victoria's Jubileb with the strange statement that ' the decline wif the ant will find few such idditions to mark ifte Coronation this Year,' is conspienously wide of the matr in riew of the fact the the bell foundries have all been working at high pressure and that just Iately of whole columa in 'The Ringitg World' was taker up wilh motices of opening of bells.
The conimitiee are glad to lue able to issue an exceptionally gatisfactory report on broadcasting. Mury of the services tiansmitted havo been introduced by the churely bells, and, with one or two unfollumate exceptions, the ringing has been worthy of its purpose, while the vaice of the ganomincer no longer intarupts for ala undue length of time. Well-struck touches of Caters on the fine peal of bells lately, installed at Croydon have been a great feature of the Sunday morning programmes. Amongst the evening broadcasts the bells of St. Mary's, Notingham, and thosa of Stephoy have been heard with especially berutiful effect.

On New Year's Eve rud in ofher Christmas programmes the bells of Sth. Mary's, Reddife, and of village churelies were a deliohtinl ferture. On one notable oceasion especially the English arb of ringing came into its own. New Year's greetings were broadeast from the parions countries of burope, with musio or song in the chazaoteristic idiom of each nation. The contribution of England took the form of records of tho bells of Westminster Abbey and of a country cburch. The series 'Charches and Ghimes' was well conceived, but the time allotted the bells in each case was disproportionately short. Thalks on clack climses have been interestifne, and handbells have been introduced with grod effect. Our ancient art was put to its most modern use on Christmas Day, when Four' College Youths feafured with handbells in a teltwision programme at the Alexandra Palace, and proved one of the most successful 'tums.

Wilh the greatesf satisfaction of all we record the fact that the parody of bell intisic prodined by the chiming apparatas, which for the list ten years las been employed as a prelude to the montaly service broadcast frool St, Martin's-in-tho-Tields, has given way to gemume riuping on this well-known peal of bells, well and worthily enrried ont by the Roynl Cumberland Youths.
On May lst the B.B.C. devotied a quarter of an bour of their Saturday evening programme on the Midand Regional to the new bells of Birmingharn Cathedral. Tlie bells hat been dedioated at a service ahout an hour before, and they were 'on the ain' in somo excellemily rung Stedman Caters. Counoillor A. Paddon Smith, a member of this committee, broadcast a description of the jejuvenated peal nnd something of their mistory. It was a very successful and interesting brondcast and another evidence of the increasing publicity which is heing given to bells.
Ith moving tha adontion of the report, the Rov. F. IA. Edwards apologised for one umission. There should the been included, he saikl, in lation of an interesting work recently published by Canon Perkins an the bells of Westminster Abbey. In the report was a refemmed to a tean of rimgers at Marnlanli, Dorset, who had completed 40 years' sorvice together as ringers. Since that appeared, the ress lad referred to some oblior old ringers in Wiltshire who had uny topethel for 48 yeas.
Tlie report was seconded

## by Mr. A. Walker amd adopted.

 OLD PidL RECORDS.In the afternoon the recoption of committee's reports was continned Mr. W. H. Hollier submitted the following report of the Peal Jonyds Committec: We aze pleased to be able to report considerable progress since flue last mecting of the Council. We have received
detuils of many interesting records of peals rung before 1636 , as well detnils of many interesti
Hitiy details seat to us do not contain the names of the per-formers-only the date, place and name of mothod wing being given rnd others do not give the urme of the conductor. The committee desire the Canncil's opinion whether the names of the performers
slonlal be obtuined gnd recorded.
We have received a camplate list of 48 peals mung by the Saciety of Sherwood Youths (cstablighed 16r2); a record peal of Minor, 15.120 changes, $\pi x m g$ at All Saints', Wath-on-Dearne, on Shrofe Tuesday, 1816, in 8 hours mud 27 minutes, in 21 methods; a peal of Double Notwich Royal rung at St. Peter' Mancroft, 5,040 changes, on Mon-
 6.200 changes, af St. Leonard's, slioreditel, by the London Youths on MConday, Januery 19th, 1767, in the Year of Bells 3257.
Othew notable peal records of which details liave been received nchule: St. Prul's. now the Parish Church of St. Mary, Oldiam, lree peala of Boh Major- 10,080 changes (1793). 14,480 changes (1794) art 15,120 clanges (1821). Also a peal of Treble Bob Major, 14,016 Marges (1821).
Many of the old peal boards reend the first peal rung on the bells Pr hice first in a mow methud, i.c., 5,040 Treble Job Triples at St. St. Martin's. Birminasham (1817)

The comnittee tonder their sincere thanks to all who have assisted them in this interesting listoricnl worle and to those who have promised to d) so. They will be pleased ta rereive assistance from any interested ringer औutug the coming year.

In moving the adoplion of the report, Mr. Hollier called attention to the committee's wisli for iustructions as to obtaining fuptley details of the records, where the usmes of the ringers had nat been supplied. There were many cases in which they could not obtain the names of the conductors as they were not recorled on the boards. M). Hollier specially directed abteution to the peal at Wath-on-Deame referred to in the report as ane of special interest. This recond was as follows: All Saints' Church, Wath-ou-Dearne. On Slirove Tuesday, February 27th, 1816, the following 21 methods were rung, lyeing 720 ench of Evaning Delight, Cambridge, Morning Exercise, Primrose, Callege Pleasure, Saint Amme's Delight, Duke of York, Evening Star, Symphony, Monning Star. Tulip, Laedon Scholars', Nevigation Bob, City Delight, Cheapside, Bob Royal, Moming Pleasnme, College Treble, Oxford Treble, Violef, Rodney's Victory, making 15,120 changes, which were brought round in a grand and masterly style in eight hours and liwenty-seven minutes withont a man guithing his rope, while the whole was performed by the following persons: Treble, Christopher Taylor' second, Joseph Blackbustr; third, Joseph Myers: fonrth, Edward Myers; ifth, Mathew Blackburn; sixth, Wilinm Blackburn. The whole was conducted by William Blackbum
Mr. Hollior said they hat ouly received two records of peals of Minor rung up to the year 1826. The committee thought thore nust have been more rumg than that, and he appealed to members to assist the committee in tracing the records.
Mr. W. Ayre seconded the adoption of the report, which was agreed to.
Mr. A. D. Barker moved that the committee be insirueted to gret as ranay dotails as possible from the old records.-Mr. R. Richardson seconded.
Mr. P. J. Jolmson said on some of the old peal boavds the calling of the peal was given. Such an instance was at Wakefield, where there was the record of a peal of Gambridre Royal rung nearly a hundren years before the one at Chettenliam.
The President said all possible details ongitt to be rocorded.- the motion was adopted, ankl Mic. Wilfred Wilson's name was added to the committee, the President remarking that he would be of great assistamce in preparing the records in a suitable form for retention in a book.

## BIOGRAPHIES OTT PAST MEMBERS

The Biographies Committee summilted the following report: Since tho last report of the committee, 54 further forms, giving biograplical details of past members of the Couneil, have been received, bringing the total up to 168 . This, huwever, is only slighty over half the number of forms sent ont, and the committee hope that the remainder may be received at an early date from the secretaries of associations or ollhers in whose hands the forms now are.
It is proposed to collate the biographies in a loose-leaf book. 50 that it may be conveniently ndidod to from time to time, but owing to the great wariety in the style and size of such photographs as have Heen received, the coumittee consider it will be necessary to hare a separafe photographic albure, with cross-references to the subjects in the biographical volume. The committee ask the permission of the Council to incur an initial experse, up to three guineas, for the purchase of these books.
In a few cases the photographs which have been sent in are ouly on loan. The commiltee recommend that the Council should give them permission to lavo these pictures sulitably copied, at a cost not ex ceeding is Ed. each.
In view of the diffentity that has been experienced in obtaining details of many past mernhers, with whom contact has been lost or who are largely unknown to the present generation, the commidice think it would be a good plan if, during the coming year, they ate allowerl to collect hiographical details of the members of the present Council. Particulars of futare members dan be obtained as they come to the Council. These details could loe kept for future reference and added to the albums when the suhjects cease to be members of the Council. This plan, the committee feel, would have the advanlage of securing the necessary information from the members themselver, which afterwards need only be brought up to date, and would also enahle photographs to be ohtained of the members during their term of office.

The adoption of the report having been formally moved by Mr. 7. S. Goldsmith aud seconded by Mrs. Flotelier, the hon, secretary said the Standing Committee had considered the recommendations conbained in the report and wanted to nmend them. They thought it would ba best if the photographs conld he kept wjth tho biographes, and in order that a satisfactory job might be made of it the Standing Committee recommended that all tho photographs should he reproduced in one uniform size. The committee fad suggested that biograplical details of present memhers should be collected, and the Standing Committee recommended this should be done.
Mr. Goldsmitl said the Biographies Committee were fad to accept the recommendations of the Standing Committee, Their original recommendation was made as heing the cheaper metlod. He appeated to those who had in hand forms which had already been sent out to return them as soon as possible to facilitate the commitice's work. The committee's object in suggesting the collecting of hiographies of present members was to make it easier to colleet the information. Particulars of some past members were unknown to (Continued on next page.)

## CORONATION BELLS.

## HIS MAJESTY'S INTEREST IN MASONS' PEAL

## Oldest and Xoungest Coronation Peal Ringers.

A report of the Masonic peal of Bob Maximus, rung at Shorediteh, was sert with expressions of loyalty to their Majesties and graciously acknowledged by them in the following letter from Buckinglan Palace, dated May $25 t h:$ 'Sir,-I have laid before the King and the Queen your letter of Mry 24th. Their Majesties were much interested to hone of the fine performance given by the welve Master Masons at the Church of St. Leonard, Shorediteh, and greatly appreciated the loyal assurances contained in your letter.- Yours truly, (Signed) A. Lascelles.

The reports of peals whig on Coronation Day reveal that the oldest ringer was Mr. James George, who rang the 7th at Thurcastan, Leicestershire, to a peal of Siedman Triples at the age of 83 years, and the youngest Peggy Marsh, who, only elewen years of age, war ibe treble to a peal of Grandsire Doubles at Lytchett Matravers, Dor'set.


## PEGGY MARSH,

oungest Corouation Peal Ringer.

If is interesting to recall that Mr. Gearge lung in a penl of Stedman Cinc̨ues at Birmingham for the deati of Queen Vietaria in February, 1901. He also took part in peals at Cipplegate (Stedman Cinques) and Ashton-under-Tjne (Kent Trelale Bob Maximas) for the deatly of King Edward VII. in May, 1910.
Jin Junce, 1911, he finished a peal of Stedman Triples at North Stomelam, Hants, ait balf-past seven in the morning for the Colonation of King George V. and Queen Mary and later in the day scorod a peal of Stelman Caters at. Wimborne Minster.
At the age of 72 he ralle the 53 cwh, tenor at Bow, Cheapside, to a lalf-muffed peal of Treble Twelve for the inde Queen Alexandra, and since then he has liaken part in peals for the Silves Tubilec, in May, 1935, and for the death of King George $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{o}}$ in February, 1936. Fe was the oldest person to lisg r peal for the silver Jubilee as well as for the Coronation.

Of all the young ringers who will have reason to renember the Coronation of King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth, by the part they took in ringing for this auspicious event, none is likely to have a happiel recollection of it than Fegey Marslz, of Lytchett Matravers, Dorset.

She rang her first peal on Coromation Day, baving rung her first quarfor-peu! two days earlier. We are told she reng the treble adminably for one of her years. We hope she will live long to ring peals on many future royal occasions. She has been ringing for just over a year and iulso eings bin the choir.

At St, Mary's, Prestwich, before evensony on Smuday, May 9th, in horour of the forlheoning Coronation, 720 Bob Minor' : G. A. Bell 1, R. H. Bert 2, F. Reynolds 3, W. Bullangh 4, A. Turner 5, W. Foster 6, F. I. Mande (conductar) 7, 太s. Reynolds 8. Rung with 6-8 covering.

The bells at St. Nicholas' Church, Great Yarmouth, were fired in a royal salufe of 21 'sloots' at 12 noon, and straightwry tley went off into a quarter-peal of Gundsire Gaters ( 1,259 changes): Petor Newslearl 1, Alfred Moy 2, John Kenyon 3, John G. W. Harwood 4, Red. J. Davey 5, Clayton Parmell 6, William J. Lee 7, Robert Tooley 8. Edwin G. Kelif (conductor) 9, Herbert, jermy 10. In the afternoou after the Abbey selwice a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: $P$. Newstend 1, J. G. W. Harwood 2, R. J. Davev (conductor) 3, Parnell 4, W. N. Lee 5, R. Twoley 6, E. G. Kett 7, H. Jermy 8.
Mr. W. H. Barber, of Newrastle, who toak part in the peal at St. Prul's Cathedral, as well as in tile abortive attempt, travelled over a thousend miles for the purpose.

Tho Coronation peal at Brading, Isle of Wight, rung on May 296h, recalls tio faet that the frat peal on the then newly-restored bells wats ming almost 50 years ago-on Jume 18th. 1887 -in commemoration of Queen Victoria's Jubilee. Mr. Geurge Williams, now Master of

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the rimgers of to-day, while others were completely lost sight of. It thformation were collected from the members themselves, althongly it woind not go into the biograplies until they ceased to be members of the Council, the committce would have authentic information to work on
Mr. C. T. Coles said the diffeulties of associntion secretaries in getting seme of the forms completed was that they got into the hands of friends who had no interest in the matter, or of past members themselves whose inverest had entirely evaporated. In sone cases, in spite of scveral appeals, the papers lifd mot been returned

The report, amended by the recommendations of the Standing Com militee, was adopied.
the Wirchester and PorEsmonth Diocesan Guild, conducted bolh thiese peais and is the only survivor of the 1887 peal. The last peal was also a birthday compliment to Mr. B. J. Snow, who rang the Gta and who has done valuable work for the Guild on the Island
Amonr the peal attempts in celabration of the Corolation was one at Tlichmargh, Northants, ou May 15kh, wlee as 'George' peal of Boh Major was lost after 2 bours 40 minutos.


MR. JAMES GEORGE,

## The Oldest Coronation Peal Ringer.

A quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters in celelpration of the Cononation
 crief when only two leads from the end, owilig to the setond rope bremking. The gnarter-penl was, lowever, bunr on Sunduy, May 30tis ly IT. Longden 1, J. Hallingworth 2, J. Sinplains 3, H, \#. Wicloon 4, W. Owens 5. A. Ridyard 6, 13. Walkhaw 7. F. Reynolds 8, R. Langrden (conduetor) $9_{t}$ I. W. Wright 10.
Tho lirst peal of Major on the redast bells of Lade Parish Chureh was fung in celebration of the Coronntion on Hay 2and. It was rung on the liglty eight. It is approximately 40 years since a peat of Major was rung at this church, which, as is well known, possesses a ring of twelve. This early peal of Major was the first rung in the city of Leeds.

Tho Corenation peal at Queenborough, Isle of Slreppey, rung on Satneday, May 29th, was also a birthbay complimoni to Miss ]. Naplor, Mr. W. J. Wuod and Kent's centevarian, Mr. G. slimgiby. At Frant, Sussex, the Coronation penl was also a birtladiny compliment, to Mrs. L. W. Jarris, wife of the ringer of the treble.
Kenneth Sholley, of Draycott, stiffs, has to be added to the young folk who have scored their lirst peal iu celebration of the Goronation. He is only 13 yoars of age, and on May 27 th rang the treble ath his homo bower to a peal of Grandsire Donbles. I'wo other Draycoti ringers sook part, and it was the lirst perl in which inuea members of this tower have rung together.
Mombers of the local company at Thornford, Dorset, took part for the first time in a peal on the bells on May 2and. One rang the treble and the other the temor to 5,040 of Doubles in three melnods. atter the peal the band were hospitably entertained at Bembury House by Nrs. and Miss Davidson.
Coronation and Empire Dny were jointly celebrated by the peals rung at St. Betolph's, Bislopsgate, Jondon; Twerton-on-Avon, Bath; and Ioly Trinity Bolton.
After losing their peal in Coronation week, through the treble rope slipping wheel, after clever six-scores had been rumg, is hand at Publow, Somer'set, were successful on May $23 r d$.

## MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL RINGERS' CELEBRATION.

## LEADEJRSHIP AND LOYALTY

Meetiag at 10 a.m. on Coronation Day, the Cathedral xingers at Manchester wera unable to commence ringing before 1 p.m., owing To the relay of the Abbey service. This gave the ringers an opporLisnity to listen to the proceedings until 12 noon. At the invitation of their leader, Mr, W. C. Bridpeford, they then celebrated the accasion with a luncheon at the Victoria Hotel, Manchester, at which pust and present mombers of the band were present.
fameheon over, Mr. R, Longden proposed a vote of thanks to the host and spoke of the lons bervice Mr. Bridgeford, Mr, Morris and Nr. Fairley, who had rung the Gathedral bells on royal occasions for the past 50 years, and of other members who could show a good record, especially in their aftendance for service zinging. He hoped they would be spared to receive the reward of their labours for mang yearg to come.
Mr. Bridgeford, replying. spoke of leadership and loyalty. It was cesential in all enmpanies that hoped for progress and fame to have a leader with tact and personality to make the team work of enthusiasm and sitccess. It was not necessary that the leader be an expert, but I he greater the knowledge the easier the ideal, The leader's views, which he used for the general berefit, nust be consistently followed. As soon as conficting arguments or undercurrents were introduced, it meant disaster. Much had been written of how to form a company, burt very litile of how to keep one torether. Tlle gathering, he added, gave him the greatest pleasure, and be felt rewarded for any effort hic had made to creato fellowship and goodwill.
Mr. Charles MoLauchlin then proposed the toast to the King, who hat just been crowned. The ceremony had been heard orer the wireless in the adjoining roon, the whole company rising for the occasion.
Reluraing to the tower, a geveral "salute" was accorded to the newly-crowned King ana Queen. After eveusong the band attempted a quarter-peal of Grandsire Cabers, but, unfortunately, with only two leads to go the rope of the second bell broke, robbing the band of what they would lape been proud to record, an excellent quarter-peal, well struck, with a right royal spirit.

## CORONATION BELLS

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Among the disappointments on Coronation Day was a lost peal of Oxi'ord Beb Triples at Margate. After nearly three hours' ringing, -Stand was called ouring iu a shift course. If successful it would have been the first pral in the method for seven out of the eipht ringels, who were: R. Dadds 1, F. Gadsden (conductor) 2, J. Waghorn 3, A. Dadds 4, E. Speckett 5, J. Fifield 6, A. Saxby 7, R. Whybrow 8. A quarker-peal of Grandsire Cuiples was rullg at Coseler Parish Clurch on Coronation Daj : W. Jeavons 7 , A. Jaker 2, F. Holden 3 ,
A. Cope 4. W. Grinsell 5, S . Baker 6, W. Fisher (conductor) $7, \mathrm{D}$. A. Cope 4. W. Grinsell 5, S. Baker 6, W. Fisher
Holdent 8. Other ringing was done during the day.

A peal in seven Treble Bubs Minor methoris was lost at Shenfield, Essex, on May 15 th , in the fifth 720 , but the band made amends on Way 3lst, when anather attempt was successful.
At Sedbergh, Yorks, in honour of the Coromation, 576 Forkshire Surprise and a quarter-pesl of Superlative Surprise (1,280 clianges) were rumg on May 16th: E. Dawson 1, Miss N. Harrison 2. E. Pennington 3, J. Smith 4, T. Sissen 5. J. W. Peunington 6, H. Haresuape 7. G. F. Woodhouse (condtotor) 8. The band are the regular service ringeris at Sedbergh.
An attempt for a peal of Minor at St. Martin's Clurel, Brasted, Kent, was lost after rinming 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Tols and Double Onford Bob: G. W. Davey 1, J. O. Weller 2, F. W. Budgen 3, C. E. Towner 4, Staftord H. Green 5, E. H. Lewis (condivetor) 6.
Ringing on Coronation Day at Bislop's Stortford, Herts, commenced at $7 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$., and during the afternoon three 504 's and two 336 's of Grandsing Triples were rame as woll as touches of Stedman Triples. The ringers taking part wore Miss D. Waces, $\#$. Wacey H. M. White, F. Bird (conductor), W. T. Prior, P. Sprimgham, W. Wikinson, stortford, F. Bull, F. Bind, E. Ausell. Ay Thorley, near Bishop's H. M. W. Grandsire and Stedman Donbles were rung by H. Bull, . Whive, T. Prior, H. Bird, Re Bird, E Ansell.
At Wareham, Dorset, Dr. Alan M. Cuminglian, one of the churohwardens, rang his first peal in connection with the Coronation celebrations.
A peal rung on What Sunday at Bradford Abbas, Dorset, commemornted botly the Coronation and the whitsur festival. Four local ringers rang their first peal and it was the first on the bells in which members of the local band had taken part
On Coronation Day at Newport, Isle of Wiglt, 350, 1,260 anc 742 Grandsire Triples were Tung at different lours during the day. Those taking part were W. Scott, Een., W. Scott, jun., S. Wuody, F. Taylor, A. Callaway, W. Chambers, W. Upton, J' Leal and W. G. J. Scott. Ail are Sundny service ringers at this tower.
In hononr of the Coronstion at Thompertow, Dewon, a grarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was zung on May 25tly: J. Ridler I, R. B. Fard, jum. 2, B. F. Milford 3, T. F. Pook 4, H. J. Corty (conductor) 5.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## SUCOESSFUL MEITING AT CROMER.

## Album Presented to Mr. A. L. Coleman.

The North Norfolk Branch held its second meeting of the year at Cromer on Saturday, May $29 t \mathrm{~b}$, when all four branches were represented to pay further tribute to Mr. A. L. Coleman, who recently retired from the oflice of lon. secretary and treasurer. He was presented with an album containing the names of the subseribers to the testimonial presented to him at the qumual meeting.

The six bells were available from 3 o'eloek, and the recently restored peal of five at Northrepps were visited in the eventing
The Rer. H. Stonely, curnte, conducted a service, with ML: E. E. Chasteney at the organ.
Forty-three members and riends sat down to tea at The Rendezvous Tea Rooms on The Parade. At the business meeting which followed the chair was taken by the Rev. H. W. Benson, supported by M A. L. Coleman (vice-president), Mr. N. Golden (general seccetary aud treasurer). Messrs. W. C. Duffietd and G. Mayers (members of the committee) and i ingers from Buxton, Glandford, Fethersett, Norwich, Northrepps, Wiveton and Wymoudham, and a strong muster of the local band, witile the ather branches were represented by menbers from Dersinglam, Fakenliam, Gressenlall, Hafvergate, Eippislurys Readlam aud Saxlingham. The Rov. H. Stonely, the Rev. C. H Winter (Rector of Northrepps) and Messrs. E. E. Ohnsteney and A Woollari were also present as guests of the association.
Mr. Henry Tooke, of Wymondham, was elected branch secretary place of Mr. N. Golden, the latter being thanked for his seryices the branch.
The re-election of Mr. D. Grimble, the ratification of file belfr election of Mr. A. R. Dawes, of Watford, and the election of My George E. Catchpole, fomerly of Buxton, as a life member, wer carried unaninhously.
It was decided to visit Marsham on September 18th.
On behalf of the association the chairman presented Mr. Colema with an album, bound in black leather, containing an illuminated frontispiece and at list of the 251 subscribers to the gold watch recentl presented to him as a toker of the members' esbeem and appreciation or almost 20 Feas's' devoted service as general secretary and treasurer
In reply, Mi. Coleman expressed his thanks foi the kind recognition of his work. He hoped the support and assistance be had always receivad would be transferred to his successor, Mir. Galden. Mr Coleman spoke with pride of the way in which the association bad since its formation, lept its records complete, especially the regisfe of compositions rung.
The Rev. Gharles $H$. Winter expressed his debt to the association its help, and thanked Mr. Golden for drawing his attention to deplorable state of his bells. Now that the Northrepps bells had rebung he hoped that the menbers would pay the village a visil Mr. Golden thanked all those who had contributed to the suces of the meetiug-the Rev. II. Stonely, Mr. E. E. Clasteney and M E. C. Wisson, captain of the Cromer band of ringers.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

DISTRICT MEETING AT QUEENBOROUGF.
On Saturday, May 1sti, in sjite of the aitractions of a broadeast the cup final, in addition to the diffenlties of local trevel now vailing through the busmen's strike in Kent, a good meeling of Rochester Districh of the Kent Association was hed at Queen borongl: This was probably due largely to very happy memories of at forme meeting held thure five years previously
Touches in Doubles and Minor were arranged to suit the tastes and capailities of mombers, and the association's form of service was can attended fo lead the singing, and a collection, in ad of the Benevolent Fund of tho association, was taken during the closins hymm.
After the service the ringers with their wives and friends, गumber ing abouv fifty, were very generonsly ontertained to tea by tile loca ringers and frinnds, and, in addition to the Vicar, the district officers Fere supported by Mr. Weekes, an honorary member of the association, and also Mr. Mason. A very yallant attempt was made to clear the tables. but the Queenborough folk had evidently been determined that robody should leave feeling 'just comfortalile.' A course of Grandsire Caters on the haudbells was rung after tea.
The business ruceting was conducted under the able chainmanship of Mr. Mason, and it was unanimously decided to hold the mext meeting at Tunstall, about mid-July
The dishict secretary pointed out that the next issue of the repost would contain tho mew rules of the association, and asked that every member should make himself acequainted with them.
Very hearty votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for permiesion to hold the mecting, to the organist for his practical help, and also to all who had been associated with providing such a sumptuous meal, not forgetting tho ladies who waited upon the party with such grace. -Mr. W. J. Wood replied on behalf of the local ringers and sajd his ouly regret was that the company was nat much larger.
The districd secretary would like to take this opportunity of sunlogiging to the Exercise for the rmission of not conpleting the notice of meeting in "The Ringing World.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING.

## Divisional Committees to be Reduced in Size

Favoured with one of the most brilliant days of the year, the aunual general meeting of the Sussex County Association took place at Chichester on Saturday, May $29 t h$.
Although the numbers were not up to the nsual staudard, as Ghichester is situated at the very end of the connty, the encouraging number of 55 members and visitors were present. The eiglt bells of the Cabledral, hutg in a campavile separate from the main buibdiog, were kept going from 3 p.m. in methods wanging from Grandsire to Splived Surprise, with rounds for those not so far adranced. Although some found that the size of the tower and the long draught proved somewhat of a handicap, a fuir amount of good ringing was beard. The service took place in the sub-deanery church, adjoining the Cathedral, and the new form of association service was tried out in its final form for the first time. Cunon Mortlow, Precentor of Chichester, preached from the text, "Their voice is gone out to all people, drawing a simile between the voices of the bells in spreading the Gospel and those of the missioners in distant lands. A particularly interesting association was called up by the preacher when speaking of the voices of the bells and their tuning, when loe recalled his friendship with the late Canon Simpson during the time the latter was experimenting with his new system of tumng, which has so exer-
cised the minds of vingers since that time. After speaking of the cised the minds of yingers since that time. Atter speaking of the
beauty of sound produced by bells, the preacher referved in an andible aside to the one which was even then calling hin to his next duties in the Gathedral as that wretched bell'!
At the busimess meeting Hit Master, Mr. H. R. Butcher, took the Arair, supported by Mr. F. B. Tompkins (some time secretary of the ssociation), Nr. S. E. Anmstrong (hon. general gecretary) and the divional secretaries. Three дew members were elected, Messrs, $F$. Otaway, J. Butcher and S. Russell.

## STRONG FINANCIAL POSITION

The balance sheet was accepted, as was the report of the Master and hon, secretary and peal secretary's reporto.
The general nccount showed receipts of $£ 65 \mathrm{Js}_{\mathrm{s}}$. from affilited towers, E1 5s. from non-resident members, 22 10s. from hon. members, 21 12 unafiliated members, 6 s . 3 d . from sale of reports, AI 15 s . from
 Iivisional expenses had been $2276 \mathrm{~s}_{\mathrm{s}}$, E 1 l 0 s . lad been spent on intruction, 53 on a presentation to Mr. A. W. Groves, £9 18s. 3d, on ail fures and part cost of teas, and f36 6 s .1 d . on pinnting aud other expensbs. The balance, which staod at s133 165 . 9d. at the beginning of the year, was 8129 12s. Bd. at the conch. The reserve fund stands at 550 , the Benevolent Fund at 077 19s., and the Gertificate Fund it $£ 313$. 9 d . The total balances amount to $5261.55 .3 d$.
The Benevolent Fund received $£ 116 \mathrm{~s}$, 10d. from interest and $£ 3 \mathrm{I} 7 \mathrm{~s}$. d. from collections. The grants totalled 88 os.

The report presented by the Master and how, secretary said the past year might well be considered as the first of a Jlew period in the iistory of the association, which celebrated its jubilee in 1935.

Athough no cutstanding feature has marked the year in our own rgauisation, wo are sure that all members will have watched with yupathy the great national events which have made 1936 notable. Tho death of His Majesty King George $V$., following so soon after iir Jubilee, cast a shadow over the whole nation, and the bells of the Sussex churches played their part in the conntry's mourning- The accessian of King Edward VIII, his abdication and the accession of King George VI. are eveuts which will male tho year long rememed in history. God save the King?
We arz giad to report ateady progress in the attendance at mectings, and that the affliated towers have continued their valued support and encourggement. To those towerg, and to the honorary nemberg, we shonld like to crpress our thanks, as also to the clergy,
whom we are indebted for the use of the bells and their work at meetings. Yet we must remind ringers that if the benefits given members at the meetings are to be continued, a prompt payment of the affiliation fees is an essential, for it is from them that pracically the whole of onr income is derived.

Grants from tha Benevolent Fund have this year exceeded the ncome, and, although this is a good indication of the usefulness of the fund. a falling balance in any brancis is to be deplored, and wo sppeal to the members to give generously to the benevolent collections. 'As the years pass, death takes its toll of our companions, and we
ould like to mention in partieular six members who lave rendered shonld like to mention in particular six members wha have rendered
aplendid service for many years: Mr. F. Arthur, of Chichester: Mr. R. J. Dawe, of Lewes; Mr. H. Rann, St. Nicholas', Brirghton; Mr. L. Payrie and MIr. J. Welch, of Henfield, and Mr. G. W. Stokes, who passed away while holding the office of hon. treasurer and trustee. Their deaths will leave gaps which it will be diffeult, to fill, and we enrnestly appeal to those remaining to give every assistance to those younger" ringers who, in the future, will have to step into the positions of tower leaders and association officers. It should be remembered that the divisional meetings are the training grounds for the inexpert, and we wish to see more becoming regular attenders.

In conclusion, we must record our expression of thanks to Mr. A. D. Stone, for many yenrs secretary of the Central Division, who retired from the general secretaryship at the snnual meefing in 1936.
The Master, as delegate to the Central Council, gave a brief sum. mary of the business that was transacted at Ganterbury.
(Continued in next column.)

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCYATION

PLEASANT JVFIING AT HARROW WEAED.
The meeting of the North and Fast Distrjet, held at Harrow Weald on May $29 t h$, was hot too well athetdex, but was muelt ebjoyed by the 30 or so members whe paid a visil to that delightitul spot. As usual, the beanifin garden of Mr. Fint, father of one of the ringers, was open for the use of members, who were able to resh between ticit ringing exertions, or display their prowess (?) on the lowling grener. To say the least oif this natier, there weyo no ringers present maneri after Fraucis Druke!
The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. S, Durlam), who gave an address on the reasons for, and lessons of, the Coronation ceremony.
An excellent tea was followed by the business meeting. The Viear had to leave early, so Mr. G. W. Fleteher (vice-president) asked him to accept the simecte thank of the mewbers for a pleasant afternoon's ringing-This was duly acknowledged.
The death of Mr. F. Edwards, of Bushey, who died on Miy llib, was referred to. He had been a member of the association from 1897 to 1912 , and from 1918 onwards, und had been of great assistance to the Stammore ringers. As a mark of respect, all present stood in silence for a lew moments.
The hon secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles) roported on Coronation ringivy which had been quite satisfactory. Most of their bells had been lung at some time or other on the great day, and during the days following some seven peals were rung.
A brief account of the proceedings at the Contrinl Council weoting was also given by the secretary, and Mr. Fleteher followed this nip by congratulating Mr. W. G. Wison on the succers of his maiden ctrort at i Council meeting
Arising out of the report, it was decided to ask for a supply of Council publications, an sale or return.
Kendon was chosen far the next meeting on July 10th, with Double Stedman Slow Gourse as the special method.
The recipients of votes of chanks included Miss Fleteher, Mr. Holnes and friecds, for tea, flowers, etc., and Mr. Goodship atud the local ringers fow a cordial welcome, not forgetting Mr. and Mrs. Hart for the use of thefr garden and for jefrestimentis.
The District Master, Mr. T. J. Lock, looked after 1he titging, and it was noticed that whilst the special zuthod for the diay, Sl, Lawrence Little Bob Major, was in great demand, it was mot allowed to interfere with the wants of those menlrers who had not cone prepared to ving it.

## FILLING VACANT PLACES.

(Continued from previous colmm.)
At the election of officerg, the president, flie Bishop of Chichuster, and all the wice-presidents weye leelected, and Mr. F. It, Butcher was re-elected to the post of Haster Eor a further year. The office of hon. treasurer, wactut througla the deatio of Mr. G. W. Stokes, was filled by 1 Ir . A. D. Stone, whe had retivel from the general secretaryship in 1936. The lion. Egenemal secretary, Mr. S. E. Armstrong, aceepted election for a further year, and Mr. F. I. Hairs undertook
 caused by the resignation of Nr. N. Edliolt, was lilled hy Mr. J. T.
Toms, whas thus occupies the office fointly wibh Mr. W. C. Hart. Messrs. F. TB. Tompkins and H. R. Butcher contimed as hot. tutustes of the funds, together with Mr. F. Dallaway in the mace of Mr Stokes. Mr. Dallaway also plled the vacant place as representative on the Central Comell
Two places were voted on far the next numal general meeting, aud Horsham was carried by a majority
Mr. A. C. Pamkhurst proposed that the divisional committees be reduced in order to saye expense to a maximum of two menthers oach instead of the previons thee as opportunity permitted. The Executive Committer, stated Mr. Pankhurst, numbered abont 20 and was nunecessarily large. A reductions woukd reduce the cost of will fares to the meetings and would render the committee more workable. On the other hand, old members might feel that compulsory reduction was a poor reward for services rendered, so the plurise 'as opportinity permits; was inserted. -Tbe motion was carried unamimously.
Mr. Elphick's proposal, that in the opinion of the meeting the association should be represeated on the Diacesan Advisory Committee on Faculties, received strong support, aad Mr. Tomplins spoke of it as an excellent suggestion. The exact procedure as to its membership, howover, was not known, and Mr. Tompkins offered to make inquiries and put the suggestion before the proper authorities.
The meeting closed witl a very pleasant piece of business in the form of a presentation of a golk watch to Mr. A. D. Stone, as a memento of the many years' service he lad rendered as secrelary of the old Central Division, and latterly as hon. general sectetary.
Mr. Butcher and Mr. Tompkins hoth spoke in oppreciation of Mr. Stone's abilities in these onerons posts, nat mentioned that they welcomed him back to an official position its treasuver
In reply. Mr. Stone thanket the members for their gift and assimed them of his hest services in their interests for the future.

The presentation was endorsed with enthusiasim by all present.

## NOTICES.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. -South and West District. -Mceting at Sunbury on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) from 3.30 p.m. Service 5. Tea in Church Hall. Quarterly business to follow. Excellent bells and attractive surtoundings. Won't you come? - F. W. Goodfellow, Hon, Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - North-Western Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Epsom, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells available from 3 to 5 p.m. and from 7.30 tn 9 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock. $^{\text {o }}$ Tea at 5.45 p.m. at Christ Church Hall, followed by business meeting. All ringers welcome. - F. G. Woociss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton, Surrey.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Throwley on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 , followed by tea.-B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Great Bardfeld on Saturday, June iath. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. - F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

YORI゙SYIRE ASSOCIATION. - Western Division. -The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Kilrwick, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Tea (1s. 3d.) at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. - Frank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Oxford City Branch.-The half-yearly meeting will be held at Headington, Oxford, on Saturday, June izth. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea is. per head. —Miss M. Reynolds, Hon. Sec., ro, North Parade, Oxford.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division.-A meeting will be held at Withyharn on June rath. Bells available 3 p.m. Service, if can be arranged. Tea and meeting to follow, 5 p.mı. Half rail fares to members. All are welconme-O. Sippetts, Div. Sec., 10, Albany Road, Crawley, Sussex.
LEICESTER CATHEDRAL. - Ringers' opening, Saturday, June 12 th. All ringers heartily welcome. Ringing from 2 p.m. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea $5 \cdot 30$. Further ringing 7 till g. Leicester District, M.C.A., meeting arranged for same day at Kibworth postponed until July 3rd.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. James' Cinurch, Haslingden, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells available from 6 p.m., and a meeting will be held in tower at about 6.30. All who attend are welcome.-J. Porter, Hon. Sec., II, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.

MIDT.AND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Loughborough District will be held at Quorn on June rath. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Good "hunting.' Let's have a record " meet."-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., Hugglescote.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Royston, June i2th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Short service. Tea provided by the Vicar, the Rev. F. F. Grieg, The Vicarage, Royston. Send a card to the Vicar if you will be staying for tea.-Don Mears, Hon. Sec.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Llanfrechfa on Saturday, June iath. Afternoon ringing, service at 4.30 p.m., tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow.-J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Alteryn View, Newport, Mon.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - EHoe Deaneries Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Donington on Saturday, June 12 th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.15 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.-Gco. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Lymington on Saturday, June izth. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Church Hall at $;$ p.m. - G. Preston, Dis. Sec., 42, Waterlow Place, Christchurch.
BINEGAR, near Wells, Som.-The bells will be dedicated by the Bishop of Taunton on Sunday, June $133^{\text {th }}$, at 5.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. The bells have been restored and augmented to a ring of six by John Taylor and Co.
SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS -There will be ringing for service at St. Olave's, Hart Street, on June $13^{\text {th }}$ and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on June $25^{\text {th }}$, at 5.30 p.m. Usual monthly practice al Shoreditch on Thursday, June 24th. Commence 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. - N. Summerhayes, 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford.

BICKLEIGH, DEVON.-The ring of 6 bells (tenor 13 cwt.) restored and rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Plymouth on Thursday, June ifth, at 3 pm . The service will be followed by tea ; ticket, adults gd., children 6d.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX (St. John's.)-Practice night altered to Friday on and from June 18 th. All ringers welcome.-F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.-Western District.-A meetine will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, June 1gth. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea at Battle Axes. Will those requiring tea kindly let me know by June 16th?-N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Batli.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Firk Ella, on Saturday, June igth. Bells (6), tenor 20 cwt ., available from 2.30 p.m. Service in church 4.15 . Tea at 5 o'clock, provided free only to those who notify Mr. $A$. H. Fox, Kilmarnock, Beverley Raad, Kirk Ella, Hull, by Thursday, June ${ }^{17 t h}$. Buses run from Paragon Street, Hull, to the church every 15 minutes; return fare 7d.-H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Scc., 5, Ebor Street, Selby.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - N. Dorset Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Buckhorn Weston on Saturday, June zgth. Bells 3 p.m., Guild office, $4 \cdot 30$; followed by tea and business. Cucklington and Kington Magna bells available. All welcome; please advise early.-J. Ralph, 9, Orchard Road, Gillingham, Dorset.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Leatherhead District.-A meeting will be held at Newdigate on Saturday, June 1gth. Tea at the Six Bells. Will those reguiring tea please notify Mr. E. Vine, The Village Club, Newdigate?-A. H. Smith, Hon. Sec.

LAVENHAM.-The 126 th ringing anniversary will be held on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available from 2 o'clock. A hearty welcome extended to all ringers. S. H. Symonds.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Netherton on Saturday, June 1gth. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.mn., followed by meeting. Will those requiring tea please advise me before Wednesday, June r6th? All outstanding subscriptions should be paid at this meeting. -T. S. Mason, Branch Sec., r9, Broadwell Road, Oldbury, near Birmingham.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION - St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at North Mimms on Saturday, June rgth. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by tea at the churchyard cottage at is. each. A postcard from intending visitors would greatly help with tea arrangements. All ringers and friends welcome.-W. Nash, North Minms, Hatfield (Phone Hatfield 2117 ) and H. V. Frost, 4 , Kimberley Road, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch.-The tower at Chew Stoke is calling every keen ringer to come and take part in good evening's practice on Saturday, June 19th, commencing at 5 o'clock. So, please come along.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Sec., Long Ashton.

OXFORD GUILD. - Newbury Branch.-Summer meeting will be held on Saturday, June 19th, at Beenham, near Reading. Ring of 6 rehung in a new frame bv Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. Service at 4.30 by the Rev. C. E. Wigg, Deputy Master. Tea at 5 p.m.-H. WW. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury.
MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - General quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 19th, at Bolsover, Derbyshire. Bells (8) open from 2.30. Committee meet 4 p.m. Tea (1s. per head) 5 p.m., in Church Hall, followed by meeting. Those requiring tea must apply not later than June 15 th to Mr. J. Flint, 45 , Oxcroft Lame, Bolsover, Derbyshire.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.
IKENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District and Romney Marsh Guild.-A quarterly meeting will be held at New Romney on Saturday, June 19th. Bells ready 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please send numbers for tea by the i6th. Usual travelling allowance paid at this meeting.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., iro, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -The annual joint meeting of the societies in the above division will be held at Rawmarsh, near Rotherham, on Saturday, June igth. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Service 4 .30. Tea 5 p.m. at is. each. Please notify Mr. F. C. Wilson, I3r, Wheateroft Road, Sandhill, Rawmarsh, by the $I_{7}$ th for same.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Street, Bentley, Doncaster.
I.INCOLN DIOCESAN GULLD.-Northern Branch. -A mecting of the Grimsby and Gainsborough districts will be held at Bigby on Saturday, June rgth. Bells (6) ready 2.15. Service 4.15. Address by the Rector (the

Ven. Archdeacon Parry). Tea 5 p.m., in the school, at a moderate charge. Busincss meetings to foilow. Those requiring tea must advise the Ven. Archdeacon Parry, Bigby Rectory, Barnetby, by Wedresday, June 16 h .H. Mingay and H. Morgan, Hon. Dis. Secs.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GULLD. The next meeting will be held at Turner's Hill on Saturday, June 1gth. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea, by kind invitation. Everybody welcome! Don't forget the p.c. (before the 1 \%ih, please) if you require tea.B. Saunders, i8, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfeid, Sussex.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 19th, at All Saints', West Ham (ro), starting at 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged, so please try to let me know if you are coming. Underground to Plaistow, thence by tram; tram from Stratford Broadway.-J. G. A. Prior, Hon. Sec., Section House, Ixworth Place, Chelsea, S.W. 3 .

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - South Forest Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Awre on Saturday, June igth. Bells (6) open at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Church Room. Ringers who require tea must let me know by Wednestlay, June 16th.-Oliver Thomas, Branch Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Blackburn Cathedral on June rgth. Bells (10) available from a p.m. Everybody welcome. Please note tite association holds a committee meeting here also on this date.-F. Hinclle, Branch Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Cirencester Branch. - A meeting will be held on Saturday, Junc iglh. Shipton Moyne bells (6) available 3 to 4.30 . Tea at Tetbury, 5 p.m., bells ( 8 ) alterwards. Please notify Mr. W. R. Locke, 54, Hampton Street, Tetbury, for tea by Tuesday, Jume 15 th. W. H. Hayward, Branch Sec.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-If you have not yet rung at Monk's Kirby, near Rugby, you have an opportunity to do so on Saturday, June 19th, when the Guild will hold a monthly meeting. Bells ( 8 , tenor $24 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.) available from 3 p.m. Tea at the Denbigh Arms Hotel, 5 p.m. Please note the meeting is not at Hentey-inArden, as originally arranged.-Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec.

DEVON GUILD.-North-East Branch.-A quarterly mecting will be held at Calverieigh on Saturday, Junc 19th. Bells (6) will be open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5. Will those intending to be present notify me by Monday, June i4th?-R. Harris, Hon. Sec., Park, Silverton, near Exeter.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUlLD.-Crewe Branch. The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Wistaston (6 belis) on Saturday, June igth. Will all those who intend to be present kindly let me know on or before the rath inst.? - Rich. D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec., 18 , Ruskin Road, Crewc.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Eaton Socon on Saturday, June rgth. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers and their friends are welcome. Please cone; let us have a good meeting. - C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. Meeting prior to six-bell prize contest will be held at Longwood, June 19th. Bells available 6 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-Fred Hodgson, 566, Halifax Road, Hightown, L,iversedge
SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be heki at Lavenham, in conjunction witl the anniversary, on June igti. Tca and meeting at $4 \cdot 30$, is. Please advisu S. H. Symonds, Lavenham, for tea.-H. G. Herbert, Hon. Sec., 61, Acton Lane, Sudbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Adlington on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available 3 p.m. Business meeting 7 p.Im. Nominations for annual meeting.-Pcter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUJLD.-Rutland Branch.-A joint meeting of the Rutland and Kettering branches will take place at Cottesmore ( 6 bells) on Saturday, June roth. Bells available 3 p.m. All are heartily invited to this meeting. For tea apply to S. H. Towell, Oakham, or H. Baxter, Kettering, Hon. Secs.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Idle on Saturday, June 1gth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Members requiring tea should notify Mr. W. Feather, 4I, Crag Hill Road, Thackley, near Bradford, by Thurslay, June $17^{\text {th }}$.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec.

WADENHOE, near Oundle, Northants.--The Bishop of Peterborough will dedicate the bells on Sunday, June 20th, at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The bells have been restored and augmented to a ring of six by John Taylor and Co.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at "St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 22 nd; St. Magnus' on the 24 th; St. Micliael's, Cornhill, on the 2 gth; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

LADIES' GUILD.-A micl-week meeting will be held at Sevenoaks on Wednesday, June zard. Beils avaiable from 3.30. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Will all who require tea please notify me by Saturday, June igtl? ?- Edith K. Fletcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield.

GLASTON, UPPINGHAM, RUTLAND. - The Rt. Rev. Bishop Lang, D.D., Archdeacon of Oakham, will dedicate the new treble beil, installed by John Taylor and Co., to augment the peal to a ring of 6 , on Saturday, June 26 th, at 3 p.m.

A MEETING of Ringers at Piddington, near Northampton, Saturday, June 26th ( 6 bells) ly the permission of the Vicar. Please send numbers for tea to the Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Eastern Branch) AND LADIES' GUILD.-A joint meeting of the above will be held at Sutterton on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea, 5 p.m., at Vicarage. Business meeting afterwards. Will all intending to be present for tea please lee me know by

Tuesday, June 22nd, certain. - W. E. Clarke, Hon. Sec., Park House, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston, Lincs.

ELY ASSOCIATION-Central Branch.-A meeting will be held at Fordham on Saturday, Junc 26th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5. Please drop a postcard (Itd.) stating numbers for tea to Mr. J. W. Pickett, School House, Fordham, Cambs. The village, situate between Newmarket and Ely, is now at its best, flower growers being in their harvest. Please come and spend an enjoyable half day.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Horsell (near Woking) on Saturday, June 26 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at the Institute for those who notify me by Wednesday, 23rd. Don't forget your officers, they need your support. All ringers and friends welcome.-F. E. Hawthorne, 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton.

LADIES GUILD (Southern District) and GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (Farnhan District.) -A joint meeting at Frensham on Suturday, June 266. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at Marindin Institute 5. 5. All welcome, but please try to notify for tea by Wednesday, June 2 rod: Miss H. F. Mills, Maidencombe, Northbrook Road, or C. W. Denyer, izo, Ash Road, Aldershot.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The next quarterly meetirtg will be held at Bletchingley on Saturday, June 26 th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4 -30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please send me numbers for tea not later than Wednesday, June 23 rd. All ringers heartily welcome.-W. Claydon, 8, Chartield Road, Reigate.

GOATHURST near Bridgwater, Somerset. - Rededication of the bells by the Bishop of Taunton on Tuesday, June 29 th, at 8 p.m. ; a ring of six restored by Johnt Taylor and Co.

LADIES' GUILD.-Preliminary Notice.-The anmual general meeting will be held at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturday, July 1oth. Further particulars later.-E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Summer Festival at Epsom on Saturday, July roth. Reserve the date. Further particulars later.--J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. C. Ernest Smith has now removed to Birch Croft, The Drive, Godalning, Surrey.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. Percy N. G. Rainey, of Marston Magna, Yeovil, has now moved to 5, Doidge Road, Erdington, Birmingham.

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## 1T RESTS WITH RINGERS

Anong the subjects discussed on report by the Central Council was that of "The Ringing World.' The question of securing the future of a ringing journal by proviting a satisfactory circulation has been before the Council at two or three previous meetings, but very little of a practical nature has ever come out of the discussions, and it was so on this occasion. We know, as well as most people, how the circulation of "The Ringing World' miglt be increased, but we have not yet found anyone who is able to tell us how the compensating financial support is to be assured. We also know, probably as well as most people, how 'The Ringing World ' coulk be made to cater for even wider interests than it is able at the moment to do. Many folks are ready to advise us on this score, but what they always fail to do is to give us any practical suggestions to ensure that the increased cost would be met by a corresponding increased sale among the ninety per cent, of ringers who do not at present buy the paper, although there are large numbers who do not hesitate to read a copy which someone else has purchased. The example quoted by Mr. Percy Johnson, who said he knew of one tivelve bell tower where the ringers shared one copy between them, is a typical instance of what happens in many places, but 'The Ringing World ' is not alone in suffering from this attitude of ringers towards ringing. The associations themselves suffer badly from the type of inctividual who refuses to join because he looks at everything from the attitude of what he is going to get out of it, instead of what he can put into it. If ringers would think more of what they could contribute to the advancement of the art by supporting ' The Ringing World ' and enabling us to make it more worthy of the Exercise, the difficulties would rapidly disappear and the future of the ringers' journal would be secured.

We appreciate very much the goodwill of the Council in the interest they have shown, but it is really not surprising that so few practical proposals have been forthcoming from the opportunities which have been offered. Business men know that business developments are impossible without an expansion of capital, unless profits have provided an ample reserve. If the Exercise wishes for an expansion of its paper either by way of a larger journal or a reduced price it must provide either capital or profits to enable it to be done. That, when it comes to rock bottom, is the position, and until some practicable steps in this direction are possible the Exercise-we say it with regret-cannot be given what it does not pay for. Criticism of details in a matter of this kind are worthless in solving the larger problem. The Council has not yet (Contimned on page 582. )

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

## IPSWIGH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUIED.
(St. Mary-le-Tower Society.
On Saturday, June 5, 1937, in Three Fourg and Forty-Six Minutcs, At tee Cherch or St. Mary-le-Tower,
A PEAL of CAMbrigge surprise maXimus, 5280 Chances;

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\text { Tenor } 32 \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }
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William Tillett ... ...Tybble William J. G. Brown ... 7 Sylyia R. E. Bowyer ... 2 Frederick Dence ... ... 8 Cearlbs J. Sbnglby ... ... 3 |'Cbarles A. Catchpole ... 9 William P. Garreti ... 4 Jobn W. Ward .... ... ... Grorge A. Fleming ... ... 5 George E. Symonds... ... iy Harry R. Roper... ... ... 6 Frbderice J. Smitg... ...Temor Zomposed by G. E. Symonds. Conducted by Cearles J. Sedgley * 100th twelre-bell peal in this steeple.

## GROXDON.

THE SURREY ASSOOATION.
On Sunday, June 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,
At ter Parish Ceurch of St. Johm-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5059 CHANEE $;$
Tenor 37 cwt in C sharp.
Roydon Davibe... ... ...Tyeble Dudley Boxton ... ... ... 7 Jabrs E. Cooprr ... ... 2 Gborge H. Humptrizs ... 8 -Mrs. C. H. Kippin ... ... 3 Amos W. Clark ... Franx E. Mitcerll ... ... 4 Daniel Cooper ... ... ... 10 Herbert J. Seblt ... ... 5 Ceablis H, Kifpin ... ... it Herbert G. Prati ... ... 6 Frederick E. Collins ...Temor Composed by Joan Carthr. Concucted by Caas. H. Kippin. * First twelve-bell peal. Rung as a farcwell peal to the Vicar, the Rt. Rev. E. $\mathbb{E}$. Woods, Bishop of Croydon and Surrey Association president, who will be enthroued sliortly as Bishop of Lichtield.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

NOTTENGEAM.
THI MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minates,
At tege Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 8TEDHAN CATERS, 5039 CHANEESI Tenor 21 emt.
Fredzrick A. Salter ...Tvoble *Frane Brown ... ... ... 6 Gsorge E. Foster ... ... 2 -Edward Foster ... ... 7 J. Frederici Milngr...$\quad 3$-J. Alfred Barrati ... R. Allan Hickton ... ... 4 "Ralpe Narhoromeg ... ... 9 Frank Bradley ... ... ... 5 Walter Nicbols ... ...Temof Composed by A. B. Carpenter. Conducted by J. A. Barraty. * First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Ralph Narborough.

WORSLEY, MANCHESTER.
THE IANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Satarday, Junc 5, 1937, in Three Hours and Twanty-Two Minutes,
Ax the Cadrca of St. Mark
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGE Tenor 24 cwt .

- Josbph Weittarbr ... ...Treble | †jambs A. Mienre ... ... 5 †William Egraley ... .... 2 Cgristopazr Gedgeon ... 7 Norman Heaps ... ... ... 3 Wilered Sthvenson... JJambs Fernley ... ... ... 4 †honel Clojge ... ... 9 $\dagger$ †'ganeth Lewis ... ... 5 Josn Worty ... ... ...Tenor Composed by William Pye, Conducted by Joan Worta. * First peal on ten bells. i First peal of Surprise Royal. First peal of Surprise Royal as conductor.

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Ax teg Beil Fodndry,
A PEAL DF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor 64 cwt.
Kannetr A. Ros ... ...Treble | Harold J. Poole... ... ... 5
Harry Broughton ... ... 2 R. Frbderick Rof ... ... 6
Fredrrack J. Milaer ... 3 Colin Harrison...
Rbdibrs F. Eleington ... 4 Fredbrick H. Dbytbr ...tehoy
Composed by F. Denge. Conducted by Harold J. Poole.

* 200th perl. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. E. J. Needluam.

CHURCH LANCS
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesday, Jure 2, 1937, in Two Hours and Fidty Minutes, At the Chorce of St. James,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, E040 EHANGE8I

Parker's Tweeve-part. James Parr ... ... ... ...Treble Lescie L. Williams .+* ... 2 -derla L. Willams ... ... 2 Jack Clegg ... Eric Bromion $\qquad$ ... 3 Conducted by L. J. Wiclians
Tirst peal of Triples by all except ringers of 6 and 7 . First peal of Triples as conductor, and first peal of Grandsire on the bells. HINTON-ON-TEE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
IHE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIGFS ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesdav, June 2, 1937, it Three Howrs and One Minule, At the Churce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDNAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Heywood's Transposition of Tifrsians' Fotr-part. Tener 104, cwt.
Joza W. Jongs ... an ...TVeble Joseph E. Newhan $\quad .$. Thomas W. Lewis *** ... 2 Charles Camm ... - ... 6 Joen Hall .... ...... Sidmey T. Holt ... $. . . \quad . . .4$ Migs Florence A. Jobnson Tmoy Conducted by Josera D. Johnsom.
Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Amy R. Johnson, of the local band, and Mr. Jolna Thomas, of Edmonton, which took place at the above church earlier in the day.

HEFETMRSETM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOOLATION.
On Thtrsday, Jure 3, 1937, in Two Fours and Fifty-Five Minues, At tae Cherce of St. Rehigius,
A PEAL DP BOB MAJOR, FO4O BHANGEA;
Tenor io cwt. I gr. 12 lb , in $G$.

| Henry Toore | ... | ...$T r e b l e$ | Crdric Corson ... | .. | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miss Dorothy Ditcaam | ... | 2 | Charles H. Moore | ... | .. | 6 |  |
| Miss Gwen Tunadine | ... | 3 | Clifford Bird | ... | ... | ... | 7 |

Gborge Maybrs:... ... ... 4 George Sayer ... ... ...Temor
Composed by B. Annable. Conducted by G. Saypr.
First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Hinger of the 3rd.

HADDENEAM, BUOKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Qn Saturday, June 5. 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES;

Tenor 20
Harry Wingrove ..

...Treble Miss D. R. Fletcher Miss D. R. Flexcier | $* R e v . ~ R . ~ F . ~ R . ~ R o e t e r ~$ | ... | 3 | 4 | Wicliam Henley | Tony Price | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| *.... | ... | ...Tunor |  |  |  |  | Composed by Frank Bennetr. Conducted by Harry Wingrove. * Tirst peal in the method.

EDENHAM, LNCOLNSHIRE THE LINCOLN DIOGESAN GUULD.
On Saturday, Jume 5, 1937, in 1 hree Hours and Two Mixutos, At the Church of St. Michaed,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBEE BOB MALOR, E120 EHANGES; Tenor 16 cwt .
Horage M. Day ... ...Treble Albert E. Scott ... ... 5 William H. Waldron ... 2 士Amos V. S. Ngale ... - Frederici W. Frence ... 3 fClemene W. H. Bothamley 7 $\dagger$ Wilciam Oldman ... ... 4 Tgomas L, Bainbridge ...tenoy Composed by J. Tgorp. Conducted by H. M. Day. * First peal on eiglth bells. † Finst peal of Major 'inside." $\ddagger$ First peal in the method.

PULHAM, NORTOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASGOCIATION.
On Suturday, Jure 5, 1937, in Three Howrs,
Ai the Chorge of St. Mary-tee-Virgin,
A PEAL DF SUPERLATIYE SURPRIBE MANOR, 5088 CHANGEBI Tenor 14 cwt.
Alfred Sbita .... ... ...Tiobla Frederick C. Roper ... .... 5
Walter Elsby .... ... ... 2 Cbarles Loome ...
Charles Baker .... ... ... 3 K Ressbll Ricers... .... ... 7 Frgdratce C. Gunton ... 4 Ernest Waiting........................... Composed by Joan Thorpe. Conducted by Ermast Whiting.

## ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June $5_{1}$ 1937, in Thyee Hottrs and Seventem Minutes,
Ax mee Chorca of St. Denys.
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 6088 EHAMCE8;
Wilfred Boote ... ... ...Treble |Frank H. Hicks ... ... 5 Eringst J. Ladd ... ... ... 2 Artadr F. Lewry ... ... 6 William A. Kitcarnside ... 3 Cearles Brasier $\quad . .$. Brrnard V. Collison ... 4 Albert Relfe ... ... ...Temay Arranged and Conducted by Alberi Relpe,

* Firgt peal in the method away from the treble. A birthdoy peal for A. Kitelenside.

PRESTEIGN, 7ADNORSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GDILD.
On Satuyday, Jtwe 5, 7937, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At ies Chorch of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, BO5B CHANEES; Tenor 14 cwt .
Joma Clari
Treble William H. Symonds

- Ermest F. Salhons... ... 2 Walter Tayler ... ... ... 6 Cearles L, Sadler......$\quad 3$ John J. Webb ... 3 ... .... 7 William E. Wicliams ... 4 Wieliam Poston ... ... ... Tenor Composed by J. R, Pritcaard. Conducted by W. Poston.
* First peal of Major.


## BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN, KRNT.

 THE KFNT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, Jome 5, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifty-Fow Minutes,
At tee Cegref of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. GO4ी CHANGEg\&
Parker's One-part.
Tenor 12 $_{2}$ cwt.

- Miss Amy Slingsiy ...

Beetram Iace ...Tyedule
Bertram Luce ... ... ... 2 †Gborgr Simpson ... ... 6
Frederick Brrti ** ..- 3 Edward Trendell ... ... 7
Frederige Weller... ... 4 *Randall Port ... ... ...Temof Conducted by Edward Trendell.

* First peal. F First penl in the method. First peal on the bells after their restoration by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank in Jure, 1936.

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## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

RICKINGHALK, SUFTOLK.
THE SDFFOLK GU1LD.
On Sunday, May 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minwtes, At tee Cegrce of St. Mary, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being I wo 720's of Plain Bob, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob and three 720 's of Oxford 'l'reble Bab, each called differently. Tenar 10 cwt . Artaca Cook ... .... ...Treble David Cragknell ... ... 4 George Filby ... .... ... 2 "Cearles V. Orves ... .... 5 Williak Goodson ... ... 3 Garmeay A. Blaxcell ...Temoy Conducted by Garneam A. Blaxcrle.

* First peal and first attarnpt.

STRATHON STRAWLTSS, NORFOLK.
THE NORWIOH DIOCESAN ASSOGLATION.
On Wednesday, May 26, 1937, in Two Howys and For!y-Four Mintits, At the Ceqreh of St, Margaret,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Boing two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three 720's of Bob Minor, each called differently.

Rored R. Dawes ... ...trcble Eric Dorrant ... ...

| Rohray G. Catcepole | ... | 2 | William R. Gatchpols | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Dodglas E. Rust | ... | ... | 3 | William C. Doffizld | ...$T e m o r$ | Conducted by Wm. C. Doffield.

* First peal. First peal on the bells since 1894, when the one aad only previous peal was conducted by J. Armiger Trollope. DISEWORTH, LEICESIERSHIRE.
THE MDLAND GOUNTIES ASSOGLATION.
On Sariday, May 29, 1937, in Two Howys and Forty-Five Minutes,
Af tae Ceurch of St, Micharl and All Angels,


## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGE8;

Seven 720's called differently.
Tenor 113 cwt.
Herbert G. Frgiwble ...Treble Wilciam Lancaster ... ... 2 Prrcival W. Grice Josern W. Cotron … ..* Frragrick G. Fretwele ... 3 Jack Balley ... ... ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by Josber W. Corton.
First peal of Minor as conductor.
CLEWER, WINDSOR, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Sayen Minutes, At the Chorce of St. Amdrew,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being the exteat each of Norwich and Combridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 gr. 24 Ib.
James A. Glass ... ... ...Treble Leonard Sillweel ... ... 4
Georgr H, Gottridige ... 2 Grorge Gilberet ... ... 5
William Welling ... $\ldots . .3$ a 3 Alan R. Ping $\ldots$... Conducted by Alan R. Pink.
Rumy on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Geraldine Fayno Cook (divighter of the Rector) to Mr. R. G. Chamberlin. BIDDENHAM, BEDS.
THE BEDTORDSHIRE ASFOCIATION.
On Satwrday, May 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Fify Minutes, At the Chogch of St. James,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 780 each of Gambridge Surprise, College Exereise, Woodbine,
Oxford aud Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Grorge Wriget... ... ...Treble | Herbrat L. Harlow... ... 4
 Conducted by Reginaed Whet. BARKING, SUTTOLE. THE SUFFOLK GEILD.
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Consiating of three 720's of Bob Minor and two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, each called differently.
Serlford Sparrow ... ...Tyeble William E. Waihen

 Conducted by Sebeford Sparrow.

WITCHAMPTON, DORSET
TEE SALSSBURY DTOOESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Two Hows and Farty-Nine Minctes At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being four differont extents of Keut Treble Bob and three of ${ }^{1} 1$ ain Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.
 Edward T. Griffin ...... ${ }^{3}$ Wonducted by W. E. Cerater. Conducted by W. E. Cerater

* First peal jn two metoods. + First peal of Minoz. First peal on tho belis.

CAWTHORNE, NEAR BARNSLEY, YORKS. THE YORESHIRE ASSOCLATION.
(Barnsley ane District Socibiy.)
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifby-Thyee Minutes, At the Cevrch of Al工 Saints
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Elston Delight, Nelson, Burton, Rochester, Killamarsh. Trinity Sunday and Fent Treble Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.
John W. Moxon ... ... ...Treble | Ernest Brookrs ... ... 4
Arthur Panterr $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Arthur Gill ... ... ... 5
Ciffrord Robinson ... .... 3 Daniel Smita ... ... ...Tenor Condmeted by D. Smite.
NEW RADNOR RADNORSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Two Howrs and Thirty-Three Minwtes,

## At the Parise Churce,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLEB, 5040 CHANOEE; Ten callings.

Tenor 7 cwh .2 qr .18 lb . in A . Walter Evans ... ... ...Tyehb Aeqheg Owens ... ... Trevor Jones

Leslig Evans ... ... ...Tenor Condacted by Trevor Jones.
25 th peal for conductor. DITCHINGFAM, NORFOLK. THE SUPFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Three Hows,
At tee Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 OHANGES;

Being 780 each of Plaiu Bob, Toodbine Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bab, and two 720's each of College Exercise and Oxford Treble Job, called differently.

Teurar $12 \mathrm{cwt}, 3 \mathrm{qr} .12 \mathrm{lb}$. in Fighar.
 Grorge Howard... ....... 3 Garneara A. Blaxcrll ...Tehor Conducted by Garneam A. Blaxcell:

## HANDBELL PEALS.

LGVERSTOGK GRETMN, HERTS.
THE HERTMORD CODNTY ASSOOLATION.
On Sunday, May 16, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifteen Minutes,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEE8;
Parker's Twelve-pari (yth observalion).
 Walter Ayra ... ... ... ... ... 3-4 $\mid$ Chrisiopera W. Woolley ... Conducted by Jack Bray.

## LEVERSTOCK GREEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Thursday, May 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Nintet Minutes,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5050 CHANOEEB
Horace L. Waite ... ... ...I-2 | Walter Ayre ... ... .... ...5-6
 Composed and Conducted by Walter Ayrb.

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## CORONATION PEALS

EIGHT BELL PEALS. RATNHAM, KFNT.
THE KRANT COUNPY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturayy, May 22, 1937. in Three Howrs and Twelve Minades,
At tee Churci of. St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, $50 \not 0$ CHANGES; Vicars'

* Bert May


Francis J. Cheal ...
Frink Belsey
.Treble
ayner
Conducted by
2
3
4
Triples.
KETTERING, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGE DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, May 27, 1937, in Three Hosys and Eighten Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Pair,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, En40 CHANGES; Wagebrook's Vartation or Tgurstang' Fogr-Part. Tenor ${ }^{4} 4 \mathrm{cwt}$.

Aethir K. Harrison
Matrilis Hobss
.Tresble
Walter P. Whittehead
Charles W. Bird...$\quad$... $\quad 4$
Conducted by W. P. Wennis Deig LONGSTANTON, CAMBS.
THE ELY DIOGESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fviday, May 28, 7937 , in Three Hours and Four Minutes. At tee Chlifer of ild. Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MADOR, 5184 CHANGES;
Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr, II 1 b .
Geqgee Chisp ... ... ...Trebte *Stanley Goonwin

 Composed by G. Lindofr. Conducted by Ernest G. Hiubins. * First peal on eight bells. ALDERSHOT, HANIS.
THE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GOLD.
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Three Hours and Owe Minute.
At the Church of St. Michael-the-Archancel,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Midelefon's.

Teaor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Joinn S. Goldsmith
+隹ileram H. Viggers : First peal of Candncted b

| 3 | Clarence H. Dobbie | ... 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4 | Alwred |  |
|  | H. Pulling | ...Tenor |

Adifed H. Puling.
First paal of Cambridge. T Tirst peal of Cambridge Major. TPSWIOE, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Two Hoursand Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Cindrlif of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Carter's Twelve-part.

Tenor $\mathbf{1} 6 \mathrm{cmt}$.
Janes Rose ... ...Tyeble George A. Fleming ... 5

 +Sylvia R. E. Bowyer ... 4 Georce More ... ... ...Tenor

* First peal and first attenapl. f First peal of Grandsire Triples and First peal and


## SOUTHEND-ON-SEA, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Parish Cetrch, Prittleweli,
A PEAE OF BOB MANOH, 5056 CHANEES;

| * Henry Richardson | ..Treble | John Fowler ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Norman Townsemd | 2 | Frank Lufkin ... ... |
| Williabe Prrry | 3 | Ernest Furbank ... ... 7 |
| Walter Taylor |  | Albert North ... ... ...Tenor |
| Composed by | Cfiskg | Composed by F. Lurkin. |

BRADING, I.O.W.
THE WINOHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULLD. On Saturday, May 29, 1037, in Three Hoares and Three Minhtes,

At the Parish Cedree,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBEE BOB MAJOR, 608 CHANOE8;


Hensy
Composed by
Hincry
Dandins. legimald A. Reed ... ....Tenor Conducled by Georce Wiflams.

## PONTYPRIDD, GLAMORGANSEIRE.

THE LLANDAFT AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Satu day, May 29. 1937, in Three Howrs and Six Hinutes,

At tie Church of St. Catherine.
A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holz's Original.
George Talbot
George Popnelt John Darci
Herfert Davies

| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |  |
| $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 |  |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 |  |
| Conducted by |  |  |  |
| from tenor |  |  |  |

* First peal away from tenor.


## LEATHERHEAD, SURREY

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturany, May 29. 1937, in Three Hours add Five Minutes,
At tee Cedrce of SS, Mary and Niceolas.

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505 G CHANGES;

Prizcearis Four-part.

- Ernest W. Bdgden ... ...Treble Alpred H. Winch ... ... 2 Ghorge Marriner ... ... 3 (... ... 7 albert Harman $\quad . .$. Conducted by A. H. Wince.
* Tirst peal, All the above wre Sunday service ringers.

UYTON-ONSEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICIS ASSOCIATION, (Wegtern Brance.)
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Three Howrs and Five Minotes,
At the Cedrch of SS Peter and Pael,
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
J. J. Parker'e Six-part, No. 4.

Tenor ryth cwt.
Frank Lawrence ... ...Treble
Edwar Cearles Young
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { EDWARD Madnd } & \ldots . . & \cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \text { Joseph Lawrence } & \ldots . & \ldots & 3\end{array}$

rred Hawer ... ... ... 4 Henry Bishop ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by C. Camm.

* First peal our cight bells.

ALDENEAM, EERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Johin-The-Baptist,
a PEAL OF LANGLEY BURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES Tenor 15 cmt .

 | Walter G. Paul | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Fredrriek W. Brinklow | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Strphen $H$. | Hoare | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Faler Aybe |

 Composed and Conducted by H. G. Cashmore.
The first peal in the method.

## NORTHTLEEET, KEWT'

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOGIATION.
On Momday, May 31, 7937, in Two Honrs and Forty-Nine Minatos,
At the Cgurce of St. Botolpa,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, EDAD CHANGES:
Tenor 16t ewt.
W. J. Eric Peartree ...T reble | Dbrek M. Sgarp

Norman Summrreaybs .:-
abman Sumbreaybs ... 2 E. Georgir Morrad ... ... 6
 Composed by C. Cuargo. Conducted by G. J. Butcher.

* First peal in the metlod.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.
WALLINGTON, HERTS.
THE HERTIORD COUNTX ASSOCLATION. On Saturaay, May 15, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-T wo Minutes, Ai ter Chorce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different extents.
Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Walter D. Pooley ... ...Treble jobn Chorch ... ... ... 4
-Edwin C. Bock ... ... ... 2 Lewis H. Bywaters ... ... 5 Prrcy Tomprins ... ... 3 I R. Thomas Ngwman ... ...Tenor

## * First peal 'inside ' in the method.

FRAMPTON-ON-SEVERN, GLOUCFSTLRSEIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRIS'OL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 17, 1937, in 1 wo Hours und Forty-Five Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES. 5040 CHANGES:

Being 10 six-scores of Grandsire and 32 of $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{St}}$. Dunstan's Doubles, each called differently.
Melville Jordan
Thomas Joprizl ... ...Treble
Reginale Dantels
... 2
Conducted by Ernzst J. Matthews.
DUCKLINGTON, OXON.
TEE OXFOLS DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tresday, May 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirty MIinktes,

## At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLEE, 504D GHANGE8;

 Tive callings.*H. TOWNSEND
*B. Townsend
*G. Fox

Conducted by N. Spindlow.
Tenor 6 ewt .
..... .4
… ...Tenor

* pirst peal.

MARKSBURY, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELIS DIOGESAN ASSOCTATION. Un Tuesday, May 18, 1937, in Two Howrs and Thinty-Five Minwtes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5940 CHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores, with 10 calliugs.
Tenor 12 owt. (approx.).
*Ronald W. Treasure ...Tyeble
$\dagger$ Harold Parfrey
Leslie B. Coles ... ... 2 F. Cech Mogford .... 5 Willlam Rosewell $\cdot \cdots$

Conducted by W. Roseweel.

- Firet peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Doubles. Firsb peal on the bells. The tenorman is local; ringers of 1,2 and 5 from Publow, 4 from Farmborough, 3 from Compton Dando.

LONGPARISH, FANTS.
THE WINCEESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wedresday, May 19, 1937, in Three Hoxys and Six Minutes,

## At the Parisa Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5080 CHANBE8;

Forty-two six-scores, with ten callings.
G. Brown ... ... ... ... is reds A Traton


Conducted by A. Bendall anả L. Trichey.
First peal by all the band, who are sarvice ringers at this clurch.
The conductors eech called 21 siascores.
KNUTSFORD, CRESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, May 21, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Chumch of St. John-the-Bafinst,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being three extents each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and one of Plain Bob. David Vincent ... ...Treble Frank Reynolds
 Norman Hough ....... 3 Kennery Lewis

[^23]KINGSLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 22, 1937, is Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of St. Werblrgit,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, $\operatorname{EO4O}$ CHANGES;
Being a 720 each of York, Cambridgo and Norwich Surprise, Wragby
Delight, Kingston, Trinity Sunday and Kilamarsh Treble Bob.
Ernest Twigg ... ...Treble John G. Cartlidge 'Yenor 12 cwt.

Hemry Carnwell ... ... 2 Williai Carnwell ... ... 4
Williak Edwards ... ... 3 Azthur W. Hall ... ...Tenor Conducted by Heary Carawel.
KINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 22, 1937. in Two Howrs and Fifly-Nine Mirutes, Ax tae Parish Chorce,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5日40 CHANEES;

Twenty-two six-sceres of Bols Doubles and 20 of Graudsire Doubles, 14 callings.
TREVOR Jones
...Treble
†Thomas Gidnings ..... .4
Frank Sandford ... ... $\quad$ a Leslie Evans ... ... ...
*Willagr Preece ... ... 3 *Jack Thomas ... ... ...Teror Conducted by Trevor Jones.

* First peal. F First peal in two methods. The ringers of treble and 4 from Eington, 2 and 3 from Stanton-oi-Arrow, 5 from Earlisland and tenor from New Radnor.

BRENTFORD, MDDLESEX
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTE ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 22, 1937, in a two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes. At fee Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being one extent each of Donble Oxford Bob, Double Conrt, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Keat Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise aud Oxford Treble Bob, each called diferently.
J. Armiger Trollofe ...Treble Erafst C. S. Turner $\quad$... 4


mRANT, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturäay, May 22, r937, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Alban,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, GO\&O CHANGES;

Being twa 720's each of Oxiord and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.
Leslie W. Jarvis ... ...Treble $\mid$ Arthur F. Lewry ... ... 4
 Conducted by Albert Ret.fe.

* First peal of Minor


## THORNFORD, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Satwriay, May 22, 1937, in Twa Hours and Fifly-Nine Minutes,

## At tee Cedrce of St. Mary Magdalene,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANQEI;
Being 11 six-scores each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure nud Pluin Bob and on of Grandsire, witiz I8 different callings. Tenor 9 cwt. - L. H. Davenport ...Treble E. T. Paul Field. Mrs. G. W. Rendelf … 2 Gilbert W. Rendeli.
 Conducted by E. T. P. Field.

* First peal and a member of the local band. f First peal in threa metiods. PUBLOW, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, May 23, 1937, ir Two Honys and Fifty-five 山imutes.
At the Churce of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 50s0 CHANGES; Forty-two six-scorss in 10 different callings. Tenor $21 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt. Ronald W. Treasure ...Treble Harold Firffey Leslie B. Coles
 Whliam Rosewell … $\cdot \ldots . .3 \mid$ *Leslie W. Bal
* First peal. First peal as conductor.


## DEATH CURTAILS RINGING.

The Shbropshire Association met at Oswestry on May 29th, but owjag to the very recent death of the Rector (the Rev. A. R. Laggford Brown), only a sliort half-muffled touch was rung and a short service beld.

After tea some members and visitors went to Whittington, where permission to use the bells was very kindly given at a moment's notice by the Rev. Thursly Pelhim.
The half-mufled toueh was 420 of Grandsire Triples. At Whittington methods up to Cambridge Minor were rung. There were 19 members preseut for tea.

## DEATH OF A SWINDON RINGER

Wo regreb to record that Mr. Robert W. Hyner, a member of Swindon Parish Church company, and one time district secretary of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, passed away suddenly on Thursday, June 3 rd.
The funcral look place at Swindon Parish Church min Monday week.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

OPEN-AIR MEEIING.
Batley tower is of the convenient type for a meeting in warm weather, such as prevailed on a recent Salurday, when Leeds and District Society held its May gathering. The tower door is on a level with the churchyard, and, with only two steps down, ringers are in the rimging chamber. The fact that there were no steps to climb was greatly sppreciated by those who chose Batley from the thnee meetings held adjacent to Leeds. During the afternoon and evening, ringers waiting for a touch were able to sit on forms outside the belfry door, and, while Ifstening to the ringing, to see into the belfry.

The business meeting was held just outside the tower. The president was chairman, and members were present from Arniley, Burley, Birgtall, Bradford Cathedral, Caiverley, Drighlington, Eiland, Earlsheaton, Holbeok, Idla, Rothwell, Shipley and the local company, also Mr. Brothwell, of Rotherham, and Mr. Dove, of Headingley.

Mr. F. Burton, of Batley, was electerl a member of the society.
Mr. F. Payment, in proposing note of thanks to the Vicar churchwardeas and the local company, said that while thanking the church authorities for allowing the use of the bells, he would like to thank the president for his kiadly thought in providing the forms to emable the meeting to be held in the open air on that lovely day.

At the express wish of the ringers at Idle, it was agreed to hold the gext mecting there on Satnrday. June 19th. Will members pleade note this will be one week earlier than the usual meeting day.

## NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

- DINNER TO BE ORGANISED.

A meeting of the North Stuffordshire ead District Association was held at Kintssley on Saturday, June 5th. Forty members and friands were present from Burslem, Bucknall, Buddulph, Gheadle, Draycolit, Kingsley, Leek, Longton, Norton, Newcastie and Stokeon-Trent, A servec was beld, which was couducted by the Rev, W. Willinms (Rector of Kingsley), who also exleuded a warm welcome to all prescnt.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector and ringers for the use of the bells and for the splendid way the risitors had been catered for.
Two new members weye elected, viz, Mr. Fi. Box, of Busslom, und Mr. J. Ryles, of Norton.
A committee meeting was held afler tea, with Mr. H'homas Hurd in the chair, supported by Mr. Audrew Thompsou (hon. secrevary) mad Mr. Kenneth Thacker (assistant hon. secrotary).
After a short discussion it was proposed by Mr. E. Stecle, of Lomstan, seconded by Mr. W. Fradley, of Buckuall, that the association should hold a dinner, ana it was pointed out by the secretary hinet it would most probably take place in February, 1938. The following committee was set up to make the arrangements: Messrs. F. Steele, C. H. Pago, T. Hurd, K. Thacker and A. Thompsou.

A report of the Central Conncil meeting was presented by the lon. secretary.
After moving the adoption of the report, a vote of thanles was proposed to the secretary by Mr. E. A. Ridgway, of Leck, seconded by Mr. J. E. Wheeldon, of Norton, the latter remarling that it was the first time they had had m veport of a Council meeting from a representative.
A suggestion was made by the semretacy regarding the advertising of meetings of the association in "The Ringing Worly ' fhat meetings should be advertised for two weeks, tho association to pay for one and the fower where tho meeting was ta be held to pay for the other.
Eventually was decided that this be left to the discretion of the ringers where the meeting is to be lield.
Mr. Alan D. Steel, of Stoke-on-Trent, whs unantmonsly elected Ringing Master for eight-bell towers on the motion of Mr. H. Garnwell, seconded by Mr. O. H. Page. Nominations had been sent to the secretary from four towers, all of which nominated Mr. A. D. Steel for the position.
Under the leading of 'any other business' it was strongly suggested that the association should have its name changed to "The North Staffordshire Association of Change Ringers, and the mater was left to be decided at the next commitilee meeting-

## MEARS \&

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The Chester Guild beud which has been helping to break records in the number of methods rung in a peal of Minor, have carried the total atep further, by scoring on Safurdiuy a peal in 73 methods. Five of the extents have been rong previously, but the peal included two new ones, one in six methots arrauged from Mr. A. G. Driver's tables, and one which Mr. Driver has compiled, with 13 methods changed at every lead. In all, the peal contaimed 142 changes of method.
'Tho ringing tour' season starts next week, when some of the old stagers will ramble throury Hampshive seeking what they may devour' in the way of peals. Other tours in contemplation are in Devon, Liveolushire, Oxtordshire and Somerset.
Here is an opportunity which all the youlcy lady cydist-ringets should jump at: Walited, girl, apo $17-25$, to join a band of yours people on a eycling-ringing holiday in Somerset, August 21st to 28 th . Must be a good cyclist and preferably a ringer. Apply to Edna Bedford, 52, The Greenway, Uxhridge, Middlesex.

Congratulations will be extended to Mr. W. H. J. Hooton (hon. librarian of the Central Council) and Mrs. Footon upan the birth of a daughter, and to the president of the Central Council aud Mrs. Lewis upon the arrival of their first graudchild.

Mrs. F. M. Mitchell, wife of tho general hon, secretary of the Kent County Association, gave a talk to the nembers of the $\begin{gathered}\text { filton Branch }\end{gathered}$ of the Gravesend Constitutional Association on Tuesday week on 'Church Bellringing," with demonstrations by a working model of a bell. "the listeners were greatly intercsted, and Mrs. Mitchell was asked to give a longer talk on the subject in the autumo.

Mr. O. H. Howard, of Braintree, Formerly Master of the Essex Association, lins recently presented to St. Michael's belfyy his most interesting collection of ringing books, chief among which are "Churcls Bells of England," "Clavis," Among the Bells," "The History and Art of Change Ringing,' Stedman's "Tinlinnalogia,' 'Church Bells,' Slipway's 'Campanologie,' 'Stealman ' and a collection of books on various methode, etc.

At one of the Leeds tawers, it is the practice of the members to take turns in lolling for the 8 a.ms. Communion service on Sundey monnings. Last week the Ficar and the verger, also the neighbouring rosidents, were roused from their slmmbers at a quartor to seven by the wigorous tolling of one of the bells.
The Vicar upon investigating was anazed to discover the lady member (whose tura it lappened to be) of the local band performing her duties in the usual mamer, heing under the impression that it was a quarter to eiglit. Arter the Ficar had assured her as to the correct time, she spent the remaining honr improving her knowledge of the art of rinting by reading old copies of 'The lhell News ' wich were available.

Slrange to say, the tower in quethion has a very good elock with four faces, all of which have recently been gilded, but as there have been numerons questions in recont weeks from her colleagues regarding the dato of the wedding peal, the reason for this remarkable oversight on the part of the lady is, perhaps, not far to seek.
The peal of Grandsire Doubles rung at fll Saints', Westod, Bath, should have been credited to the Bath and Wells Association
The ringer of the 5th in the peal at Eckington on May 18th was John W. Sykes, not John W. Knights as printed.

## HALF A CENTURY OF RINGING.

THE LATE MR. F. W. THORNTON.
The funcral took place an Friday last, Jume lith, of Mr. F. W. Thomwon, whose death on the previous Monday we briefly renorded in our last issue. There was a service at the Parish Church, Greenwich, and the interment took place at Slooters Hill Cemetery.

For many years Mr. Thornton was a momber of the Greenwich Parish Oharch bellringers, and bis name appears on numerous tablets now in the belfry recordibg notable pals. The last time he rang was as recently as May 31st, an the occasion of the annual Pepys commemaration service at St. Olave's, Hart Street, E.C.

Mr. Thornton's interest in ringing had extended over 50 years, and as a member of the now defunct Trinity Youths, represented the society in the first Central Conncil (1891-1893). Afterwards, from 1897 to 1902, he ropresented the Kent County Association.
Mr. Thomton, who was 73 yeams of fuse, was a member of one of the oldest families in Greenwich, and macebenrer to 18 mayors of the borough. He lived at Crooms Hill, Greenwich. Se retired from the office of macebearer in 1929, when the then Mayor and elepen former Mayors of the barough joined in presenting him with a gold hunter watch. On the same occasion he received a luminous traveling clack, the pift of Mr. F. J. Simpson, town clerk at the time, and au oak clock from the Town Hall staff.
Ho leaves a daughter and three sous, the eldest of whom, an Engineer-Lienterant in the Royal Navy, was made a Member of tha Order of the British Fmpire in the Coronation Fononrs List.

## GRAMOPHONE RECORD OF 'SPLICED' RINGING.

The order list will close on Wednesday next, after which no furbhor applications will be considered. To cover actual costs of record, packing and postage it has been fomm necessary to chavg 5s. 6d. per record. All remittances should now be sent to G. W. Fleteher, 45, Walsingham Road, Fufield, Niddlesex.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

(Coatinued from page 393.)
THE RINGLNG WORLD.
At the last meeling of the Council the following resolution was carred : That this Gouncil requests all members and secretaries of affliated sociefies to send in suggestions with a view to increasing the circulation of "The Ringing World," that the suggestions be con-
sidered by the officers of the Council and Mr. Goldsmith, and that a report be circulated to all memberg.
Thue repert has not been circulated because the response to the request coutained iv the resolution was extremely disappointing. Guly thee letters were receiped-one from an affiliated society contaning in resolution passed at an ammal meeting, one from a ringer's and one [rom a District Master of an associntiou.
Among the shiggestions were a reduction in price, if necessary, by means of subsidies or guarantees from the associations; payment for the publieation of peal reperts; also that all reports should be reduced to not more than talf a colume in length to make room for more items of news.
With regard to the financial suggestions, the report said that perhaps the following figures would assist members in their considerafion of the preseut position: Talsing tho present circulation as a basis for anch 1d. in the reduction of price, the numual sum of $£ 86613 \mathrm{~s} .4 \mathrm{~d}$. has bo gnaranteed or subscribed, which, if apportioned between cocieties on the basis of their membership of the Uouncil, is equal to 5555.7 d . por member of the Conncil amiually. This does not seem to bo a solution, for there are many societies who already liave difticulty in payiug current expenses.
The otile: main suggestions are that the contents need rerision so hat instead of long articles about one particular event a series of horter articles covering a wider field would create more interest. In this, unless the Fditor is to rewrite all reports, the remedy seems to be in the hands of those who send in the repores, ete., for publicalion ly cusuring that the matter has the widest possible interest, and that hose local detnils which are so oflen inserted are eliminated.
As regards puymeut for the insertion of peal reports, we beliese his would to some extent result in non-publication unloss members of socielies were hound by the rules of their societies to do so, and this also applies to the payment suggested for the publication of reports of meetings.

## INADEQTATE SUPPORT

In considering this matter the following points must be borne in mind: (1) 'The Ringing World' is a privately owned venture, and the Gouncil lias no control oper it. (2) The Editor, anxions for the continuance of the paper if he is compelfex to give up, has called ableation to the fact tlat wilh the present circulation it is improbable that anyone wauld undertake the finuncial responsibility. (3) The Fditor regrets that he is compelled to charge 3 d . per copy, but has generously agread to give the Exercise the first benefits which arise from increased circuntion, either by increasing the size of the paper or yeducing the cost. (4) The Edilo is willing to consider all practical suggestions, but cannot shoulder further financial burdens
With regavd to this last point, the oflicers of the Council feel that as the present support is so inadequate (uuder one-fifth of the anmual thboribing members of societies represented by the Council), 'The Rinping World' cannot be expected to shoulder further financial bufdens.
The offcers think that a further opportunity should be given to members and secretaries to send in their susgoslions, and propose hat the fiual report in this matter be deferred. In the meantime, luey would like to point ont that adverse criticism if unacompanied constructive proposals temds to decrease rather than increase the MI. T.
th this Clark asked if it was the business of the Council to deal
 it did the Ringing World did not do the Council as mutheh good it did the individual ringer, nad he thought they should try and
rease the sale throurh the associations. He brought the subject up the meethags he attended, ana he had sold a good number of copies that way. They would do better by gelitig back to the associations. Mr. P. J. Tomson said in Yorkshine ringers took ar good deal of tisfying. When bhey talked to \& Yorkshireman about spending 3d. b looked at what was on the other side. He know of at least one welre-bell tower that took one copy of the paper for the twelve ingers ( Shame'). He sincerely sympathised with 'The Ringing Forld. When they realised that tha Exereise numbered somewhere ahout 40,000 it was hopeless to expect that they wore going to geta arge proportion of then sufficiently interested to buy the paper. Another thing lie was convinced of was thet it was quite hopeless Fa expect they were going to get another enthusiast Euch as the present coilor to shonlader the responsibility and to pay for other people's luxury of getting their reports on the cheap. He thought, sooner or later, the Conneil would have to consider a scheme for the futire of Tho Ringing world, Those who were or had been secretaries of insocrations bad been epeaking on this matter for a good many years, bat in looking ronad and seeing what they had dono it seemed to him thet were nearly as badly off as they wero at the start. He had fourght many batiles for 'The Ringing World, and would he interested 0. kilow the experience of other representativen. He felt they would not get anolher man in all Fingland with the cuthusiasm of the present

Editor, add ho shuddered to thiult what would huppen when he logt his enthusiasm or the health to cary on

The Hou. Secretary said on the bisis of Mr. Johnson's estimnte of 40,000 ringers he could aniend his note and say, not thab wot one-fifth, but not one-tenth of the ringers supported tine paper.

The report was adopted.

## MUFTLED RLNGLNG

The President submitted the report of tho offieers as to mulfed ringing. Ho said he hoped the Council world adopt it as far as its main suggestions were concerned, and he then wanted than to leave it to the officers to add further details and allow them to eirculate it and get it finally passed by the eodestastical authorities without delaying it to next year's meeting.

The report was as follows: The practice of mufled riuging for Royalty, or indeed for any person, is comparabively recent. As far as wo can trace, ringing witil belle half-mufled or iully muffied was first practised by ringers as marls of respect to depeased ringers about the beginning of the 18th century, and was later introduced for persons otleer than ringers.

Various eustons have grown up in different parts of tho country, and we think it undesirable that these customs should be changed. Where there is no fixed custom whatronld recommend the following practice:-

That us a mark of respect bells shonad be rung half-mufled dopen at bandstroke).
2. That bells should not be runt mufled for a serriee on a Sunday or feast day, unless the service is a funeral or of the nature of a memarial service.
3. That if the death of Royalty oceure, or a deaila in a parish whece a meeting has beer arranged, elther the bells should not be jung or be rung muffled iu a few touches with carefully chosen bands. We deprecate the holding of au ondinary practice naeeting with the bells. mutled.
4. That all muffed ringing slould be in as slow lime as possible.
5. That certain local customs are worthy of more gemeral adoption,

For example, the Cambridge custom of setting up one bell atia time, gradually reducing the number aud then tolling the ago on the beure, is very elfective.
Tor this last, reason we should like association sceretaries to gend us particulars of looal customs in onder that a selection inight bo added in our final report.
We suggest that this fual report should be circulated to the Strading Conmittoe, and, if approved of by thom, circulated to all members, and fimaly sent to the ecclesiastical anthontiles. If they also approve it could be published witlout furthel delay.
The President added that he would be glad to lear any criticismo or sugaestions on the five main points which were recommended for ase in places where they had no established local custom.
Mr. J. Hunt said oue vital thing was onrithed from the report. Muftled ringing should always bo done witll the tenor behind.

The President: No, I don't agree.
Mr. Humb: As a ribger for over 40 years $I$ lave never heard ringing that sounded as selemn as when it is well sfruck with the teror behind. I think that point ought to be added.
Mr. S. H. Wood: I disagree entivoly. I think the most benutiful ringing is in Major when yon getu tio minor clanges, that is 6567 followed by 5678 coming up asuffed.
Mr. L. J. Willians: Whae is the point of puting in Mr. Hunt's suggestion when a band oan only ring ane melhod ${ }^{\text {F }}$
Mr. $\mathcal{P}^{3}$. ${ }^{J}$. Johnson said in the district in which he liven (Leeds) they generally muffed the bells at handstroke, the idea being that, in ringing Major, the tenors struck in thelr nifht, order with an open beckstroke. Anather advantage was that is Jiad any bed leads at handstroke (laughter').
Mr. O. Mee said in Suffolk they alwnys had the luthdelrode oper. THE OLDDST CUSTOM
Mr. J. A. Trollope said the oldest cuslom in connection with rimgiag for funcrals was the custom of ringing 'three times thin'es' for a man, aud 'tlaree times two' for a wonam. TJait was not only Fogisl, but European, aud went fack certainly to the early midale ages. What they did at his church was to ring thuce whole pulls slowly, before nad after the other ringing, not only because it was zather effective with the bells lalf-muifled, but nlso hecange it belped to continut to some extent a custom which, like so maliy others, was dying ond rapidly, especially since tha war.
Mr. F. W. Rogers asked if tho committee conld givo them any information as to the occasions on which to ving bells fully muitled.
The President said the committee and bhe Standing Committee did not recommend fully muffled ringing. Fully mufled zinging had, to a large extent the same ffect as shuttering up the windows-ib rednced the carrying power of tife bells, but liad not the same appea! to the public as half-mufted ringing. They fifd not gre tho striking contrast between the two blows, whiel was so effective,
Mr. Crawley said that at his church they had rumg two peals fully muffled and the belig were heard at a greater distance than when they were open (laukhter).

Tho President: Fery often, when windows are blocked up, the bells e heard better at a distance.
The Rev. F. Drake supporter what Mr. Trollope Ind geid, and added that "three times one" was used for a chite. Be suggested that that be added to the report,
(Oontinued on next pare.)

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## SUCCESSFUL MEETING A'K KLDWICK.

## Mr. Joe Broadley's Retirement Fram Dffica.

Although most of the country liad been under the spell of thunder, which was alreudy on its way to Yorkshire, the 'Clerk of the Weather'? was able to postpone the downpour uintil the Westerm Division bad concluded a nost satisfactory meeting ab Kildwick on Saburday, Jume 12h. Gonsiderably over 80 nembers were present, representing more ihan 30 towers, and it was pleasing to notice the number of lingers who dad broughi their wives and friends to enjoy the benuties of this part of Yorkshire. Almost everyone took the opportunity uf looking through the grounds and gardens of Kildwick Hall-one of the noted places in the district.
The bells of Kildwick are rung from the ground floor, and very full ase was made of them from 2 o'clock until well after 9 p.m. A large varicty of methods was rungs zanging from Bob Major to Cambridge and Stuperlative Surprise, and for a meeting the striking throughout the day was paticularly good. Not a drop of rain fell during the day, and we have heard of at least two young ringers who wore so thorotighly euraptured with Kildwick that it was ouly with great dificulty that they were able to tear themselves away after a little gentle persuasion by their bus driver.

A splendid tea was served in the Parish Room by the local company,
Tha business meeting, which was held in tho schools, was presided over by the nssociation's president, Canon Marshall M.A., in the absence of the vice-president, $\mathbf{M r}, \mathrm{P}$. J. Johnson, who was unable to he present.

The Chaimen intimated that the main basiness of the meeting was the appointment of a Ringing Master in succession to Mr. Joe Broadley, who had recently resigued. Mr. Broadley had been a namber of the General Committeo over 44 years, and had been Ringing Master of the Westerm Division over 20 years. Te felt that a great debt of gratitude was due to Mr. Broadley for the enormous service which he had given to the association. He was indeed sorry that the time had come when Mr. Brondley had to lay down the rems of office, but lee knew that ikis jnterest would always be with the association and that his lielp and advice would always be available.
Mr. W. Barton algo spoke of the work which Mr, Broadley had done for the association and expressed his reqret af the parting.
Mr. Brordley, in replying, said that he had only been too pleased to do what he could for the association. Aluough he was not in at the start, ha had krown Mr. Jasper Snowdon personally and had rung five peals with him. He would still continue to attend meetings wherever possible and would gladly give any advice whenever zecessary.

## MR. W. ANLLLER PROPOSED AS RLVGING MASTER

The Chairnan intimated that one nomination had been received for the Ringing Mastership, but that the nominee on being appraached frad felt unable ta undertake the work. Mr. Barton thereupon proposed and Mr. Hardeastio seconded that Mr William Ambler, of Queensbury, he approached. Mr. Ambler said that it was rather sudden and lie would like a few days to consider the matter more fully, but he would make up Jis mind as soon as possible.
The seoretary prnuosed a hearty vote of thanks to tho Vicar and wardens for kindly granting the iase of the bells, and expressed pleasure at the splendid response of the members in being present und making the meeting such at success.-This was seconded by Mr. Jolm Cooper and also supported by the chairnan, who expressed regret rit the absenco of tho Vicar, who was unavoidably detained at a garden party
Mr. J. W. T. Holgate propesed a hearty vote of thanks to the lacal company for their splendid arrangements, also to the ladies who so kindly waited at the tea tables.-Mr. A. West, of Sutton, also supported this resolution, which was carried in the usual manner, Mr. Charles Law, in replyingy sard it had been a real pleasuro to entertain the associntion at Kildwick.

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Roplying to Mr. F. Warriagton, the President said the committee was not concerned with customs of chiming; their reference was with regard to muflled riaging.
Mr. W. A. Gave pointed cut that there was nothing in the report eferring to the "whole pull and stand."
The Presillent gajd that was we of the customs which they proposed to add at the end.
Mr. Cave said there was nothing more effective than this for a memorial service or when the coffin was being taken from the church to the grave.
Replying to Mr. Mee, the President said le did not think they should attempt to colleet all the chiming customs. They were already recorded, as far as many counties were concerned, in the county bistories.
Mr. G. Cross seconded the adoption of the report, which was agreed to, together with the recommendation that it should be completed and circulated before the next meeting.
This completed the committee's reports, and Ganon Coleridge proposed a vote of thanks to all committees for their laborious work and for an they lad done.-Mr. T. Groombridge seconded and the motion was carried.

## RINGERS' DAY AT BIRMINGHAM CATHEDRAL

A SURVIFOR OF THE 'FORTY IHILVES.'
A ringers' openiug was held at Birminglam Cathedral on June 5th. Approximately 60 ringers and friends attended, and from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m tite bells were rung in various methods, including London Surprise Major and Cambridge Suprise Royal.

At the conclusion of the ringing, tea was taken at Kunzle's Cafe, Uuion Strect, during which Mr. A. Paddon Swith, Mr. Abert Walken and Mr. T. H. Reeves all congratuhated Messrs. Gillett and Jobnston Ltd., upon the excellency of their wark, and also the Oathedra authorities on the cletightiful rinm of belis which they now possessed. Reference was also made to the old bells, which both from the point of view of 'go' and tone were among the worst jn the country, and also to the now non-existent Hizmingham Amalgamuted Society whose members were known as the "Forty Thieves." This society was formed by the ringers of the Cathedral in opposition to the St, Martin's Youtlis.

Uufortuuately, the Provosb of the Birmingham Cathedral (Bishop Hamilton Baynes) was unable to be present; and Sir Charles Fyde whose generosity made the restoration possible, was prevented froms atteuding by a previous ellgagement.

Mr. W. P. Waller, people's warden, represented the Cathedral and Mr. G. E. Fearn, Ringing Master, said that Mr. Waller had taken a great interest in the scheme. It was due to lis efforts that the rimging chamber laad been redcorated.
Mr. C. F. Johnston, who represented the founders of the bells, mentioned that illnass prevented him from beiug at tho dedication service, but that he listenei to the bells when they were broadcast, and he congratulated the ringers who took parb upon the excellent striking durng the touch.
After tea an informal social evouing was held at the Trumorth Arms, Moor Strect. Mr. Harry Withers tapped a course of Doubin Norwich on the piano and also sang lis very popular song, Bob Major.' Several tonches in various methods were rang on landbella and fumes were played by Messrs. A. Walker, $H$. Withers and $T$ Miller. The last named was one of the "Forty Thieves," and he entertrined the compary with his quaintly-told stories of old Birmingham ringers.
Altogether the evening was typical of the sociability of rimgers in general, and Birmiagham ringers in paxticular.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

NORTH BUCES BRANGH SATISFACTORY POSITION.
The ammurl meeting of the North Bucks Branch of the Oxiord Diocesan Guild was lield at Bletchley on Saturday, June 5th. The weather was fine and the attendance about 70 , representing the following towers: Beachampton, Buckingham, Bladwill, Chicheley, Drayton Parslow, Emperton, Fenny Stratford, Loughton, Newport Pagnell, Newton Longville, Ohey, Shenley, Stony Strifford, Whaddon. Westom Underwood and the local riugers. Service was couducted by the Rev. - Partridge, who gave a short address, whely was very mueh appreciated by the members.
At the business meeting, held on the Rectory lawn, with the Rev, H. Byard in the chair, the hon. secretary (Mr. W. Scar) presented the statement of accounts, together with his report. He said that it was his 21st anmal report and he was pleased to state that the branch was stronger now than it had been at any time during the period he had Geen their secretary. There was a memberslip of 205 and 29 towers in union with the Guild. Financially the branch was in good condition, and he was stre, with the same support in tho future, it wauld grow stronger.

Both the chairman, the Rev. H. Byand, of Newport Pagnell, ar the secretary and treasurer (Mr. W. Sear) were unanimously re-elected The Guild offeials attending were the Rev. O. E. Wigg (Deputy Master), Mr. A. D. Barker (Guld treasurer) and Mr. R. T. Hibhert (Guild secretary).
The Deputy way the work was being carried on, and felt sure it would give no anxiety for the future.
The Rev. Williams, of Stewkley, and six ringing members, were elected.
otes of thanks were passed lo the Rev. and Mrs. Partridge for findly placing the Rectory gronnds at the disposal of the members and for making all arrangements for such a successful meeting.
Ringing during the afternoon ranged from Graudsire and Stedman to Gambridge Major.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION

## MEETING AT BISHOPSCONE.

The half-yearly meeting of the Swindon Branch was held at Bishopstome on Saturday, June 士2th. Fiavoured with beartiful weather tliere was a good attendance.

The hon. secretary gave $n$ brief report of the Central Conncil proceedings at Canterbury, while the places for the next three meeting were provisionally fixed as Sevenhampton (for a Wednesday evening), Crickiade and Malmesbury:

Good fractice was obtained in the standard methods, also Donlile Narwich and Cambuthre Major. Members and visitors attonded from Blmosdan, Rodhoumse Cheney, Swindon, Aldboume, Cireucester and Faring don.

## CORONATION BELLS．

## IATERS，AND NOT CINQUFS

The peai ju celebration of the Coronation at Haslemere was Major J．H．B．Hesse＇s 600 th peal．
It was ouly watural that the Editorjal＇leg＇should be pulled for the error that erept into the report of this peal．We have seddom received su many postcards and letters over an ernor in our columas as over the slip which was allowed to creep in．But，then，we alo not often make mistakes of this kind．
The pal was，of course，Stedman Caters and not Stedman Cinques； the two treble ringers did not also ring one handbell apiece；no con－ yeatilations are due to the first band to rimy a peal of Cinques on ten bells，and the Editor has not taken part in the most unique per－ formance of all time．
The Peals Analysis Committee will，doubtless，take note of all this and there is nothing wrong with that wonderful little peal of bells upon which Major Hesse experds so much care
The Coronation peal at Hugheuden，Bucks，on Sunday，May 16 tb, lso coincided witli the christening of the dauchter of Mr．E．Olitrs， a member of the choir，and the 74th birthday of Mr．J．W．Wilkins who rang the troble to the peal．These two eveats are，therefore， coupled with the performance．
At St．Helens，Lancs，the Coronation peal was also in honour of the birth of a son to Mr．and Mrs．N．Heaps
ffer meeting short for a peal of Major at Headeorn，Kent，on May I5th，a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung，Mr．W．H．Dartinell com ing in to fill the gap at tho lasiv minute and ringing the tenor to his first peal on eight belis．Mr．J．W．Jones，of Newport，Mon．，took part． At St．Ardrew＇s Ohurch，Wiveliscombe，Somerset，on Coronation Day，a quarter－peal of Grandsive Triples was berun at 6.30 a．m．and

 S．Smith 1，J．Summerhaves 2，E．Purchase 3，C．Tarr 4，A．Turner 5， Quick（conductor） 6 ．This touch was rung after an atitempt for a peal of Stedman Doubles had heen called round at the seventh 120. On ringing the 120 agrain it turned out that the bells bad been in order The hells at St．Joln＇s，Silverdale，L，$⿴ 囗 十$ nes，were fired at $6.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$ on Coronation Day and touches of Oxiord，Kent，Duke of York and Woodbina Treble Bob and a 720 of Cambridge Surprise were after－ wards rung：J．Holme 1，1．Holden 2，T．Dobson 3，G．Fall 4，C． Lock wood 5，W．Bolton（conductor）6．It was the first 720 of Can－ bridge Surprise by all but the treble ringer．The ringing also com－ memorated the birth of a great－grandson to the treble rimger and a son to C．Lock wood．

At St．Martin＇s Church，Fynsford，Kent，on Saturday，May 2and， a peal of Grandsire Triples in honour of the Coronation was lost after an hour＇s goed ringing，owing to a shift course．Not to be outione， the band rang a quarter－peal of Bob Major：F．$V$ ．Grosskey（firsi quarter－peal）I，G．W．Fogden 2，H．Mackinder 3，J．Fs．Lyddiard 4 A．J． H Ho

## COMMEMORATIVE QUARTER－PEAL

At Redrath，on Corouation Day，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung，after meeting short for eight：Vivian Williams 1 ，Stephen Jeffery（fist quarter）2，Harold Seymour 3，William Reed 4，Frederic Harris（conductor）5，Percy Williams 6.

A 720 of Kent Treblo Bob Minor was rung at Treeton，Yorkshire： James \＃I Haywood 1，John J．L，Gilberb 2，Frederick Cardwell 3 John E．Turley 4，Fred Watkinsou 5，Leslie Faywood（conductor） 6. At Barrow－iu－Furness，for Coronation service evensong，on Sunday， May 9th，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Triples：G．Slack 1，J．Baguall 2，
M．G．Wheat 3，F．H．Crawley 4，A．Steadman 5，J．E．Burles 6， C．J．A．Cushing（conductor）7，S．Hyder 8.
The Rev．R．ㄱ．R．Reuth，who has recently been inducted Rector of Beaconsfield，rang in the Coronation peal at his own church on Mas 15th．It was his first peal of Cambridge Surprise Major．

A quarter－peal of Minor was rung at Folmer on Monday，May 10th，
honour of the Corovation．It comprised 720 of Oxford Bob， 360 Canterbury Pleasure and 180 Plain Bob：Chayles H．Tomkins 1， Gearge T．Cousins 2，Walter S．Evans 3，Josenh W．Downes 4，William Duggan 5，Ennest F．Salmons（conductor）6．First quarter－peal of Winor in three methods for all the band．
At Little Slelford，Cambs，a quarter－peal of Grandsira Doubles Was rung for service on Coronation Day ：C．Furst 1，A．Thorogood 2 ， T．Shergan 3，B．Dean 4，A．Furst 5．All are members of the local bind．Longest lengtl by ringers of treble and 3 rd．
Ringiug eommenced at Stowmarket，Suffolk，at 7 n．m．Touches of Grandsire Triples were rung and the bells were＇fired．＇Ringing was conlinued at intervals during the day in toteles of Bob Major，Kent and Oxford Treble Bob，Double Norwich aud Cambridge Surprise， I2 ringers in all taking part．
As a prelude to the day＇s festivities，at Rickmansworth，Ferts，tho holls were rung by the St．Mary＇s Gnitd from 10 a＇clock for one hour previous to the Abbey service broadeast in the church．Several touches of Grandsire Triples，including one of about 400 changes， 9－8－10 covering，by W．Crowsley 1 ，F．W．Elliott 2，D．Hookham 3， A．E．Millett（condmetor）4，A．W．Howlett 5，J．E．Jones 6，T Long 7，T．Reeves 8．A．Walker 9，T．Gander 10.
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## A LANCASHIRE RESTORATION．

## RECAST OCTAVE AT RLSHTON．

The peal of eight bells which has recently been recasi and rahung in Rishton Parish Church tower，Juancashire was dedicated ata well． atteuded service on Suturday afteruoon，May 22nd，the ceremony being performed by Canon G．S．Perry，Rural Dean of Blackburn， assisted by the Vicar（the Ruv．W．I．Brown）and the Rev．A．Scott， of Bolton，president of the Lameashire Association．Amonty those present were Intr．IR．Parkinson，of Blackpool，formenly of Oswakl twistle，who had the privilege of conducting the flrst peal ou the old bells at Rishton Church；Mr．A．Tomanson，Blackbun，a joiab secre－ tary of the Lancashire Association；Mr．A．Blogg，secrelary of the Preston Brauch．Representaines also attended from tha Todmarden， Rochdale and Fylde branches of the association．ML．Gyril $F$ ． Jolunstou was present to represent the bellfoulders．
In the ceremony the IRural Dean was requested by the church－ wawdens（Mr．F．Piclnp，J．P．，and Mr＇G．H．Asliworth）to＇dedicate to the glory of God and the use of this chureh，this peal of bells and the Rural Dean，having received from the wardens the ropes of the bells，delivered them to the Vicar＇as a sacred brust，commited to thee as the appointed minister of Christ in this ohurch and parish．＇
The Vioar then called upon the rimers to ring a shord peul，solemmy charging them＂to be gool men and true，to uphold the honour＂ our belfry，and loyally to observe and keep all our rules and laudable castoms．＇Tle bells were then rung by $A$ ．Yates 1，P．Read 2， 1 ． Williams 3，R．Atherton 4，13．Crabtyec 5，R．Balderstone（capt：）E， W．E．Wilson 7，L．J．Winiams 8 ．
In his short adress，Ganon Perry emphasised that the highest of all purposes associated with the function of bells was that expresser hy their use in the churel．Ho congratulatad the parishoners of Pishor upon their enterprise in carrying ont this improvement of their belfry，
which zepresented，he said，an undertaking of no incensiterablo difficulty，and one which had ivvolved them in rather heavy cost．In these modern times，the sound of bells often fell on deaf cars．The answer to that criticism was that they always had done，yet the message of chureh bells，sounded through the nges，would continue．
Following the service the bells were rung to short tonches in tho following methods：Grandsire and Stedmen Triples，Bob Major＇，＇J＇reble Bob Major，Cambridge Surprise Major and Double Norwich Court Rol Major，by ringers from Blackbura，Blackpool，Chorley，Church，Bolton， Oswaldtwistlo，Loudon，Whittle－le－Woods，Todmorden and Helnasloye．
The new bells，which have been tuned on the latest principle，aro lung in a massive cast iron frame，supported by steel girders，The tenor－note $F$ sharp－now weighs $15 \frac{\text { cowt．The bells are inurg ous hal }}{}$ clappers and ave a fine example of moveru bell foanding and installa tion，reflecting great credit，on 㱏essrs．Gillebt anal Johnsion，who carried out the work．
All present at tha dedication service expressed delight at the＇go and tolle of the bells，and residents generally have voiced their ciation of the musical qualities of the new peal．

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## TWO CONDUCTORS FOR A PEAL．

The band at Longparisl，Hanis，all mang their first peal in honour of the Coronation．Ilseir first attempt failed afber 1 lour 25 minutes， but the second was sticcessful．They had two conductors，who each called 21 six－seores．It was rung on the birtiday of F．Tonge，ringet of the Qnd bell．
Leatherhead＇s Cowonation peal was rung on May 29th and was also a compliment to Mr．W．Messnm，who ettained the ege of 80 years or May 13th．He has been al servico vinger at Leatherhead for 57 years and is still on the active list，

Mr．A．F．Dayis，of Bonsuemonth，writes：By responding ta yonw request for reports of lost＇Coronation＇peals，I am afraid I have been guilty of sending a hadly framed report of the masuctessinl attempt at Wimborue S．Giles on May 19th．May $I_{\text {，with all possihIe }}$ speed，explain that I did not wish to blame the treble ringer or ncy otler ringer for the collapse of the peal．If any have read the report in this way I ask them to acceptimy sincerest apologies．I was in the mofortunale position of a conductor caught＇mapping＇by the unexpected in some very excellent ringing，and am preparcd to take the blame，if any there be，for not rising to the occasion．I sincerely scove the peal at some future date．
The peal at Dodderhill，on Whit Monday，was lung for the Worcestershire and Disbricts Assoniation
In the peal of Donbles at Northmoor，the ringer of the trable was F．Trinder，not Frinder as printerl．It whs ring as a Coronation peal On Coronation morning eight of the service land turned up at St Marts Church，Holmingham，at $\%$ n．m．and rang three courses of Gambridge Surprise Majoe and 504 Stedmen Triples．Then，after ＇fring＇the royal salnte，they went ou to Framsden and rang a course each of Superlative，Bristol and London，again firisg the royal salute，Those taking part were J．H．Arbon，W．J．Rutton， L．G．Brett，T．W．Last，G．Prwke，L．©．Wightman，A．T．Whiting and G．Whiting．The remaining three of the band，J．Bemett，$G$ ． Bemmett and W．G．Whining，went to make up a band for the six at Otiey．

## NOTICES.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE. - The meeting arranged for Saturday next (June rgth) at Adlington has been can-celled.-Peter Croak, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

LADIES: GULLD.-Western District.-A meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at Battle Axes. - N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Kirk Ella, on Saturelay, June igth. Bells (6), tenor 20 cwt ., available from 2.30 p.m. Service in church 4.15 . Tea at 5 o'clock. Buses run from P'aragon Street, Hull, to the church every 15 minutes; return fare 7 d . - H. S. Morley; Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Ebor Strect, Selby.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Leatherhead District.-A meeting will be held at Newdigate on Saturday, June 19th. 'Tea at the Six Bells. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. E. Vine, The Village Club, Newdigate?-A. H. Smith, Hou. Sec.
LAVENHAM.-The 1266 ringing anniversary will be held on Saturday, June roth. Bells available from 2 o'clock. A hearty welcome extended to all ringers. S. H. Symonds.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Netherton on Saturday, June 19th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service in church at $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by meeting. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid at this meeting.-T. S. Mason, Branch Sec., 19, Broadwell Road, Oldbury, near Birmingham.

[^24]HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION - St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at North Mimms on Saturday, June 19th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by tea at the churchyard cottage at 1s. each. A postcard from int tending visitors would greatly help with tea arrangements. All ringers and friends welcome.-W. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfield (Phone Hatfield 2117 ) and H . V. Frost, 4, Kimberley Road, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

OXFORD GUILD. - Newbury Branch.-Summer meeting will be held on Saturday, June 19th, at Beenham, near Reading. Ring of 6 rehung in a new frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. Service at 4.30 by the Rev. C. E. Wigg, Deputy Master. Tea at 5 p.m.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - General quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 19 th, at Bolsover, Derbyshire. Bells (8) open from 2.30. Committee meet 4 p.m. Tea (1s. per head) 5 p.m., in Church Hall, followed by meeting. - Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District and Romney Marsh Guild.-A quarterly meeting will be held at New Romney on Saturday, June 1gth. Bells ready 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Usual traveling allowance paid at this meeting. - P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., 1 ro, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -The annual joint meeting of the societies in the above division will be held at Rawmarsh, near Rotherham, on Saturday, June 19th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.n. at is. each.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Strect, Bentley, Doncaster.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUiLD.-Northern Branch. A meeting of the Grimshy and Gainsborough districts will be held at Bigby on Saturday, June 19th. Bells (6) ready 2.15. Service 4.15. Address by the Rector (the Ven. Archdeacon Parry). Tea 5 p.m., in the school, at a moderate charge. Business meetings to follow.-II. Mingay and H. Morgan, Hon. Dis. Secs.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. The next meeting will be held at Turner's Hill on Saturday, June 19th. Bells (8) available From 3 p.m. Tea, by kind invitation. Everybody welcome !-B. Saunders. 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uclifield, Sussex.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 19th, at All Saints', West Ham (10), starting at 3 p.n. Tea will be arranged, so please try to let me know if you are coming. Underground to Plaistow, thence by tram; tram from Stratforcl Broadway.-J. G. A. Prior: Hon. Sec., Section House, Ixworth Place, Chelsea, S.W.3.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Blackburn Cathedral on June 19th. Bellis ( 10 ) available from 3 p.m. Everybody welcome. Please note the association holds a committee meeting here also on this date.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Eaton Socon on Saturday, June sgth. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers and their friends are welcome. Please come; let us have a good meeting. - C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-If you have not yet rung at Monk's Kirby, near Rugby, you have an opportunity to do so on Saturday, June rgth, when the Guild will hold a monthly meeting. Bells ( 8 , tenor $24 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.) available from 3 p.m. Tea at the Denbigh Arms Hotel, 5 p.m. Please note the meeting is not at Henley-inArden, as originally arranged.-Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec.

DEVON GUILD.-North-East Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be heid at Calverleigh on Saturday, June 19th. Bells (6) will be open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and mecting 5.-R. Harris, Hon. Sec., Park, Silverton, near Exeter.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Lavenhan, in conjunction with the anniversary, on June 19th. Tea and meeting at 4.30 , is. Please advise S. H. Symonds, Lavenham, for tea.-H. G. Herbert, Hon. Sec., 6i, Acton Lane, Sudbury.
WADENHOE, near Oundle, Northants.-The Bishop of Peterborough will dedicate the bells on Sunday, June 20th, at 6.30 p.m. The bells have been restored and augmented to a ring of six by John Taylor and Co.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at "St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 22nd; St. Magnus' on the $24^{\text {thl }}$; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the agth; all at 7.30 p.m. "Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4 .
LADIES'GUILD.-A mid-week meeting will be held at Sevenoaks on Wednesday, June 23 rd. Bells available From 3.30. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Will all who require tea please nolify me by Saturday, June igth?- Edith K. Fletcher, 45. Walsingham Road, Enfield.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Eastern Branch) AND LADIES' GUILD.-A joint meeting of the above will be held at Sutterton on Saturday, June $26 \mathrm{th}^{\mathrm{h}}$. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea, 5 p.m., at Yicarage. Business meeting afterwards. Will all inrending to be present for tea please let me know by Tuesday, June 22nd, certain. - W. E. Clarke, Hon. Sec., Park House, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston, Lincs.

ELY ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch.-A meeting will be held at Fordham on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5. Please drop a postcard (ifd.) stating numbers for tea to Mr . J. W. Pickett, School House, Fordham, Cambs. The village, situate between Newmarket and Ely, is now at its best, Hower growers being in their harvest. Please come and spend an enjoyable half day.-F, Warrington, Dis. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Horsell (near Wohing) on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Short service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, 5 p.m., at the Institute for those who notify me by Wednesday, 23rd. Don't forget your officers, they need your support. All ringers and friends welcome- F. E. Hawthorne, 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Dition.
LADIES GUILD (Southern District) and GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (Farnham District,) -A joint meeting at Frensham on Saturday, June $26+h_{\text {. Beils (6) from }} 3$ p.m. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at Marindin Institute 5.15. All welcome, but please try to notify for tea by Wednesday, June 23rd: Miss H. F. Mills, Maidencombe, Northbrook Road, or C. W. Denyer, 120, Ash Road, Aldershot.

GLASTON, UPPINGHAM, RUTLAND. - The Rt. Rev. Bishop Lang, D.D., Archdeacon of Oakham, will dedicate the new treble beil, installed by John PayIor and Co., to augment the peal to a rong of 0 , on Saturday, June 26 h h, at 3 p.m.

A MEETING of Ringers at Piddington, near Northampton, Saturday, June $26 t h$ ( 6 bells) by the permission of the Vicar. Please send numbers for tea to the Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Andover District.-The summer meeting will be held at Highclere on June 26th. Bells (8) open at 3 p.m. Service in church at + p.m. All recuiring teat please notify F. D. linapp, Highclere Farm. All ringers welcome.-Rev. F. S. Marle, Hon. Sec.

PEAK DISTRICT SOCIETY. Will all members and friends note our next meeting at Ashover, Saturday, June 26 th? Those expecting to be present are asked to drop a card to Mr. A. H. Bowler, Eastwood View, Ash.. over, near Matlock, not later than Wednesday, Jume 23rd.-H. L. Warburton, Hor. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bletchingley on Saturday, June 26th. Tower opetl 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please send me numbers for tea not later than Wednesday, June 23 rd . All ringers heartily weicome.-W. Claydon, 8, Chartfeld Road, Reigate.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -Next meeting at Shouldham on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4 -30. Tea 5.15. We shoult like you to be present.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington SE. John, Wisbech.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUIED. - Grappenhall Branch.-A branch meeting will be held at Warburton, Cheshire, on Saturday, June 26 th, at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided to anyone advising me not later than the and inst.-John E. Ashcroft, Post Office, Grappenhall, Warrington.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Rural Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Bitton on Saturday, June a6th. Beils (8) open 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Please advise for tea,-R. C. Giiford, Frampton Cotterell, near Bristol.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-A ringing practice will be held at Loughtor ( 6 bells) on Saturday, June 26th. A good attendance desired. Visitors welcomed.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, on Saturday, June 26 th. Tower open for ringing at 6 oclock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-Joseplz H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Warfield ( 8 bells) on Saturday, June 26 th, at $3 \cdot 30$ p.171. Tea, at is. per head, for those who notify me not later than June 215 st. Phone Slough 1260.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Mceting at Great Ness, Saturday, June 26th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m7. All requiring tea to notify me not later than Monday, June 21st.-R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craigmore, Upper Road, Meole Brace, Shrewsbury.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A meeting will be held at Sedlescombe on Saturday, June 26th. Tower open 3 o'clock. All ringers welcome. - C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., ${ }^{238}$, Priory Road, Hastings

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. Will those members who are going to Brasted on the afternoon of June 26 th and who have not given in their names at a meeting, please send their names before June ${ }_{2} z^{\text {rd }}$ to E. H. Lewis, Moorcocks, Brasted, Sevenoaks?

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.-By permission of Rev. Dr. Irwin, beils (10) available Saturday, June 26th, 2.30. Names for tea to F. W. Stone, Derby Road, Duffield.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The summer festival will be held at Husborne Crawley, on Saturday, June 26 th. The belis (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Short service at 4.30 . Preacher, the Rev. ©R. Wynter, Rector of Sympson. Tea, at 5.15 , in the Vicarage garden (weather permitting). It will greatiy help in making tea arrangements if intending visitors will send a p.c. to Canon Rust, Husborne, Crawley, Bletchley.-Arthur E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., Ig9, High Street N., Dunstable.

SAFFRON WALDEN' SOCIETY (Established I623). -The $3^{14^{t h}}$ anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 26th. Bells ( 12 ) available from 2.30 p.m7.-Leonard E. Pistow, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-A meeting will be held at Sharnford on Saturday, June 26 th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea should be sent to the Rector by June 24 th. - Wm. A. Wood, Hon. Sec.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.--The annual meeting will be held at Ripon on Saturday, June 26th. The Cathedral bells (io, tenor $z_{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.) will be available for ringing. Tea, followed by business meeting at the Black Buil Hotel at $4-45$ p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, June 23rd. - J. Reed, Hon. Sec., 67, Hedley Street, Guisborough, Yorks.
EDWINSTOWE, Nr. MANSFIELD, NOTTS. Ringers' Day, Saturday, June 26th. Bells available 3 p.m. A ring of six rehung by John Taylor and Co.

GOATHURST near Bridgwater, Somerset. - Reeledication of the bells by the Bishop of Taunton on Tuesday, June ${ }^{2}$ gth, at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.; a ring of six restored by John Taylor and Co.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Tewkesbury Branch.-Meeting at Kemerton. July zrd. Bells (6) availalsle at 3 p.rr. Intending visitors please notify by July 1st.-A. Pulley, Bickford, Tewkesbury.

## BATH ÁND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

 -The anmal meeting will be held in Bath on July 3rd. Rells available: Abbey (ro) 3 to $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and 6.30 to 7.30 p.17. ; Twerton (8) 3 to 4 p.m7. and after the meeting; St. Mark's (6) 3 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and after the meeting. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at St. Mark's. Tea and meeting to follow. Other towers could be open if required. Free copies of The Glossary ' available.-J. 'T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton, Bath.CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch.A meeting of the Wirral Branch will be held at Burton on Saturday, July 3rd. Tower_open at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5.30 p.in. Mecting afterwards, when tea tickets for jubiee meeting may be liad. A good attendance is re-quested.-H. S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 30, South Hill Road, Birkenhead.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Solihull, near Birmingham, on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells (Io) available from 3.30. Tea $5 \cdot 3$, followed by business meeting. Kindly notify regarding tea not later than July ist. - T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., ${ }^{3}$ 6, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birnıinghan II.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division. The next meeting will be held at Goldhanger on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 and tea to follow. Will all those intending to be present and requiring tea please let me know by Wednesday, June 3oth? Tollesbury and Tolleshunt D'Arcy beils available during the evening.-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Dis. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. Burton District.-Next meeting, Measham, July 3rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome. Tea provided for those who notify the undersigned by Wednesday, June 3 oth. Please note: The district outing will take place on July xoth (not the I7th). Route: Via Hoar Cross, Rocester and Ashbourne. Those who wish to join the party should let me know by June 26tll. - J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-East Division. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Mistley ( 8 bells) on July $3^{\text {rd }}$. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea provided by the Vicar at 5 p.m. Arrangements have been made for beils at Holbrook-Sutton and Harkstead to be available, which are on the Suffoik side. Will all those intending to be present please let me know as soon as possible?-J. R. Sparling, Hon. Sec., Station Hotel, Wivenhoe.
SIEVERTON, Nr. EXETER.-.The beils will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Exeter on Thursday, July 8th, at 7.30 p.m. The ring of six beils has been restored and augmented to eight, including new framework, by John Taylor and Co.
LADIES' GUILD.-Preliminary Notice.-The annual general meeting will be held at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturday, July toth. Further particulars later.-E K. Fletcher, Hon. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Summer Festivai at Epsom on Saturday, July roth. Reserve the date. Further particulars later.-J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-A mieeting will be heid at Harston on Saturday, July oth, when the Vicar is extending a hearty invitation to all ringers to try the bells restored and augmented to a ring of six by J. Taylor and Co. The bells will be available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 . As the Vicar is also entertaining us to tea, I must ask for names of all intending to be present to reach me by Wed. July 7th. -C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Staplehurst ( 8 bells) on Saturday, July roth. Bells available 2.30. Service at 5. Half fares up to 2 s . will be paid to members attending this meeting-A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec.

## APARTMENTS

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240's had been rung and accepted in the Analysis. That standard was rejected by the new definition, but no action was taken on the performances already recorded. Obviously you cannot legislate in ringing for the past, but if the standard is ever to be raised, the Council must have no compunction in declining to accept for the fature things which men have practised in the past merely because they have been practised. If they do, ringers will just ignore the rulings of the Council because they know they have only to go on doing a thing long enough and the Council will give it official acknowledgment, whether it is worth it or not. We cast no slur whatever on the performances that have been rung, but we ask our readers who seriously consider these things to think of the already open door which there is for 'wangling' in Grandsire Doubles and of the much wider breach that is made for the unscrupulous conductor if he is to be encouraged to provide himself with opportunities to juggle with these modern "arrangements." We think thoughtful conductors, on contemplation, will leave these 'scrambled' compositions alone.

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EIGHT BELL PEALS
BRIDGERLLE, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHTRE GUILD.
On Wednesday, May 20, 7937, in 2 wo Howrs and Fifly-Two Minvics, At ter Canrca of St. Bridget,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES:

Holy's Ten-part.
Jona W. Sangwin ... ...Treble - Ronald Hill ... ... ... 2 Cgarebs Sangwin ....... G. Harry Myers .... ... 3 H. Frrderick Myers Thomas G. Myers .... .... 4 William J. Shears ... .... Temoy Conducted by Taomas G. Myres.

* First peal on eight 'inside.' This peal, rung on the eve of Corpus Christi, was also in honour of the birthday of Queen Mary. SWANSEA, GLAMORGANSHIEE.
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Jone 5, 1937, in Three Hours ard Three Minter, At the Chuecei of St. Marx,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part.
Joun W. Jones ... ... ...Treble JOBN T. WICIAMS ERNaSI Stixce ... ... ... 6 Edward Pbillps ... ... ... 3 Albeat J. Pitman ... ... 7 Grorge Popnell ... ... 4 •D. Allen Rose ... ... ...Tenar
* First peal. Conducted by E. Sifich.

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Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation).
Tenor 20 cwt .

- Miss Aodrey M, Loor ...Tredle |†Jack Spiller ... Miss Annie Brown ... ... 2 Leonard Derrick ... ... 6
 Edwis J. Brown $\quad$....... 4 tGeorge F. Burcher i.. Tenor
F First pea1. + First peal in the method.
NEWOASTLE-UNDER-LTME, STATFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, June 19, 1937, in Three Howrs and Ten Minutes, At tae Chorch of Si, Giles,


## A PEAL OF GRANDEIRE TRIPLES. 5040 CHANGES:

Holt's Thepart.
Tenor 18 cwt .
Sidney Teompson
$\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & . . . \\ \text {... } & \text {.. }\end{array}$ Kennete Teacker.. .4 ... $\quad 2 \quad$ Alan D. Sterl ...... Cearles Morley.... Frederick A. Horstrr .... 4 Artgor Allman ... .... ...tenoy Conducted by Charles H. Page.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEAES.

DRAYCOTT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTE STATIS AND DISTRIOT ASSOCIATION. On Jhursday, May 27, 7937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Sevon Minntes,

At the Ceurch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores.
*KENAETH SyIELLEY
EDward Steele
Wmitiam perkins

| Treble | Alan D. SteEl.... | ... | .. | 4 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Charles T. Page | ... | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |
| . | 3 | Fredertck Sheley | ... | ... | Temor |

Conducted by Charles H. Page.

* First peal. The ringer of the treble is only 13 years of age. QUEENBOROUGF, ISLE OF SHEPPEY. THD KENT COUNIY ASSOCLATION. On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Three Hours. At tife Cwurch of the Holy Trinity, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two $720^{\prime} s$ of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.
*Bert May
.... ...Treble *Francis J. Cheal ... ... 4

Conducted by George A. Naylor.
* First peal of Minor in three methods. William J. Walken's 300th peal. First peal of Minor as conductor.

WARKTON, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBORODGE DIOGESAN GOLD.
(Kettering Brance,)
On Saturday, May 29, 1937, in Tivo Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Ceurch of St. Edmund,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Being six six-scores each of Stedman Slow Course, Nem Doubles, St. Simon's, Canterbury, Chase, Plain Bob and Grandsire.

Borley P. Morris ... ...Tenoy
Conducted by Burley $P$ Morris.

* First peal in seven methods. WINFARTHING, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sathrday, Muy 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes, At the Churciz of St. Mary,


## A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 CHANEE8;

Being an extent each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exercise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Boh, Double Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.
*Walter Elsey … ...Tyeble *Albert G. Harrison ... 4

Conducted by Jrnest Whirist.

* First peal in seven methods. IT First peal of Minor.

WOLLASTON SFOURBRIUGE
THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. Om Satwyday, May 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minules,

At the Chlugch of St. James,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, EO40 CHANGEE;
WILTIAM HODNETT ... ...TycJle | JOHN Bass ... ... ... ... 4 Robert Matthews ... ... 2 John Lloyd ...... William Short ... ... 3 | Perct Richards ... ...Tenor Conducted by Noevit Mathews.
First peal of Oxford Treblo Bob Minor by the band and the association, Also rung as a welcome to the Rev. O. R. Craze as curate to Wollaston.

BADBT, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETEREOROUGH DIOGRSAN GUILD.
(Daventry Branca.)
On Salurday, May 29, 1937. in Three Hours and Twenty Minucs,
At the Parish Church of St. Mart,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Consisting of three 720's of Kent Trablo Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob.
Bob.
 George Hincock ... .... 3 +Lawrence Greenhow ...Tenor Conducted by Rev. IS. S. Powelu.

* First peal of Minor. + First peal in two methods. First peal by the brancl. BONVILSTON. GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDATTF AND MONMODTH DIOCESAN ASSOOATION.
On Monday, May 31, 1937, in Two Hours and Fify-Five Mitules,
At tee Church of St. Mary-ter-Virgin.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANEES; Being 42 six-scores with 10 differeut callings. Tonor 12 cw . -Cyril G. Edmed ... ...Treble| Robert E. Coles .... ... 4 William Samoel ... ... 2 Acpred Hanningion ... ... 5
Edward J. Thomas ... ... 3 | Edgar Coles ... ... ...Tenter Conducted by Alfred Hanmington.
* First peal. First peal on the bells sinee thein restoration by Messrs. Gillett and Johrston.

KETELE, STAFTORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFES AND DISTRICT AESOCIATION.
On Thursday, Jthe 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Winules,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 BHANQES; Forty-two six-scores, witl ten callings. Teuor 9 ewt -Sidney Teompson ... ...A'ebie Edward Atkinson Frgderick A. Forster ... 2 Andrew Thompson ... .... 5 Kbnneth Tbackrr ... .... 3 Artedr T. Allman ... ...Tenor Conducted by Andrew Thompson.

* Tirst pesal. First penl as conductor.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

NORTE STONEHAM, HAMPSFIRE.
THE WINGHESTER AND PORTSMOUYPI DIOCESAN GUILD. On Salwyday, Jume 72, 7937, in Thyea Hours and T wentiy-T wo Mitutes,

Ax tee Cemrce of Sx. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANEES; Tenor 9 cwt 26 lb . in $\mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{z}}$
George Wicliams ... ...Treble |Tower R. Thycor ... ... 6

| Alpred T, Gregnwood ... | 2 | Fafdarick S. Bayley | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ceristopher W. Woolley | 3 | Fredrrice W. Rogers | .. | 8 |

$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Ceristopher W. Woolley } & 3 & \text { Frederice W. Rogers } & . . . & 8 \\ \text { James Topp ... } & . . . & . . . & . . & 4 & \text { Jambs Parker }\end{array}$
Mrs, G. W. Fibiceer ... 5 George W. Fletcher ..Tenor Composed by Fredr. Dence. Condacted by Fredu. W. Rogers. ISEEWORTH, MEDDLESTE.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Salwyay, 7une 72, 1937, in Three Howrs and Sixteen Minutes, At the Churcil of All Saints,
h PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANQES| Tenor i6t cwt.
Horace Belcere ... ...Treble [ Ciagence H. Dobbib ... 6

Ernesy J. King... .... ... 3 † †pilip A. Corby $\quad . .$.
Tbomas H. Taffender ... 4 | Cecil W. Pipe ... ... .... 9
E. Ralpa Mackrill ... ... 5 Teomas W. Taffender ...Tenor Comprased by York Grefs. Condocted by Thomas W. Tapfender

* Tirst peal of Treble Bob Royal, 中 First peal in the method.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

PINCHBECK，LLNCOLNSHTRE． THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，June 5，1937，in Ihvee Hours and I wenty Minutes， At the Church of St．Mart，
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES，ह040 BHANEES； Brooe＇s Vartation og Tedrsians＇．Tenor i8 cwt． 9 lb． Joun G．Ambs ．．．．．．．．．Trehl｜†Frank Dewhy ．．．．．．．．． 5 Grorge Ladd ．．．．．．．．．． 2 Sidnay Proctor ．．．．．． 6 －Nevil Hollingworte ．．． 3 William G．Taorpe ．．． 7 William E．Clarge ．．． 4 FAegert E．Flatters ．．．Tenoy Conducted by Sidnzy Procror．
＊First peal of Stedman．† First peal of Stednan on an＇inside＇ bell．

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THE YORESHIRE ASSOOIATION．
On Saturday，Jun 5，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes， At the Church of St．Mary，
a PEAL OF DOUBLE NORHICH COURT EOB MAJOR， 5024 EHANEFE；

## Tenor I3 cwt．in F sharp．

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$\qquad$ －Daniel Smiza ．． 5 Albari Nasa ．．．．．．．．．．． 3 Artbor Gill ．．．．．．．．．． 7 Amihor Panteer －••
Composed by Gro．Lewis． Harold Ceant ．．．．．．Temay Conducted by H．Ceans． conductor

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A PEAL OF WYMONDHAM BOB MAJOR， 8184 CHANGES；
Tencr 12 cwt ． $\mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{lb}$ ．

| Clifrord A．Vhssby ．．．．．．Treble | Grorge L．Hall | ．．． | ．． | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Jack Bray ．．．．．．．．． ．．． ．．． 3 Ggorge Dorbs ．．．．．．．．． 7 G．Leblie A．Lunn ．．．．．．． 4 －George E．Fibra ．．．．．．Tenay Composed by J．W．Parker．Conducted by G．E．Fbirn． ＊100th peal．First peal in the method by all the band and for the Guild．J．Buy aid G．E．Feime＇s fiftioth peal together． EINNINGHALL，NORTOLK．

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On Sunday，Jmue 6，1937，in Three Hours and Theee Minutes， At the Ceurce of Str Mary，
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT E日S MAJOR， 5120 CHANCES； Tenor 16 cwt ．in F．

| Whlter Elsey | ．．．Treble | Nolan Goldhn |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Erederick C．Rofrr | 2 | †R．William Barber |  |  |
| Adbrat E．Aostin | 3 | Henry Toore ．．． |  | 7 |
| Alrert G．Harrison |  | Eric G．Bennett |  | Tenor |

s．I25th penl．† First attempt for a peal in the methor．The composition is the first of its kind to be rung th the methot． MILTON－NEXT－GRAYESEND，KENT． THE KENT GOUNTY ASSOCLATION．
On Friday，Jure 11，1937，in Three Houys and Two Mintes， At ter Cegrce of SS．Petrr and Padi，
A PEAL OF KENT TRE日LE BOB MAJOR，EIB4 EHANEEB； Tenor 12d cwt．
Arther S．Ricbards ．．． ．Treble Fredrrick M．Mitceric． ．． 2 Dhrer M．Searp．．．... Harry Hoskias ．．．．．．．．． 4 Ed Emund Modeter.... Composed by F．Roninson．Conducted by J．Bennett． Rurg to replace the penl of 5,024 at St．George＇s，Gravesend，on Tune 12th， 1920 ，recently found to be false．A 14 th birthday compli－ noent to Miss Muriel Mitchell，fanglater of the hon．genenal secretary of the Kent County Association and lender of this tower．

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On Wednesday．Jture 9，1937．sn Two Hours and Fifty Minutes， Ax the Cburca or St．Jobn，Deritbnd，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 OHANEES； Heywood＇s Transposition of Teurstans＇Four－part． Tenor 11I $\frac{1}{2}$ ewt．
Jamers Grorge ．．．．．．．．．Tveble Marris J．Morris
Grorge F．Swann ．．．．．．． 2 Grorge E．Frarn $\quad . .$.
Sydney D＇C Holloway ．．． 3 Erane E．Haines ．．．．．． 7
Henry H．Fearn ．．．．．． 4 William T．Froggati ．．．Tehoy
Coaducted by George F．Swann．
＊Tirst peal of Stedman Triples．
PRESTWICH，LANCS．
THE LANC\＆SEDRE ASSOCIATION．
Dn Satnrday，June 12，1937，in Two Hours and Fifly－Five Minules，
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## A PEAL DF DOUBEE MORWICN GOURT BOB MAdOR， 5024 CHANPE8；

 Tenor 16 cwt ．
 Composed and Conducted by C．Guugron．
＊First peal in the method．
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THF OHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Salnyday．Jume 12，1937，in Three Howrs and Six Minules，
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A PEAL OF LITTLE ALBION TREBLE BOB MAJDR， 5040 CHANCES： Tenor 11年 cmt．


John Hayes ．．．．．．．．． 4 Prrcy Swindley ．．．．．．Thor
Composed by James Morgan．Conducted by P．Swindezy．
＊First peal in the method．First peal in the method in wales． PALGRAVE，SUTFOLK．
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Sathrday，Jure 12，1937，in Two Hours and Forty－Six Minutes， At tae Church of St．Peter，

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAdOR， 5058 CHANGE8； Tenor 7 雃 cwt．

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AT ter Chorch of St．Lambert，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BDB MAdOR， 6184 OHANEES； Tenor 24 crit．
Harry D．Lister ．．．．．．Treble Shelford Sparrow ．．．．．． 5 William E，Wathen 5 Kgitg W．Whitiell ．．．．．． 3 Edwin A．Cracaneri ．．． 7 Grorgr W．Abliti ．．．．．． 4 Artaur Grimwood ．．．．．．Tenor Composed by W．Sotrangtale．Conducted by Harry D．Lester． CHARD，SOMERSET．
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION． On Saturday，June 12，1937，in Three Hours and Four a inutes， At ter Churce of St．Mary，

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR，ED5B CHANGES；

Tenor 23 cwt ，in E flat．
David G．Taylor
Alfrid J．Wyatr
Jahrs Hunt．．．．．
S．Grorge Coles

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Composed by A．P．Cannon．

| R．Gordon Cross | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |
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| Percy Merson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| Wileiam H．Lloyd | $\ldots-$ | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |
| A．Patrick Cannon | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Tenoy |  |  |

First peal of Major on the belis，

Conducted by I．G．Cross．

SLOUGH, BUCCKINGHAMSHIRE,
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 72, 1937, in Thtee Howrs and Nite Minntas, At ter Ceuree of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANEESI Tenor $17 \mathrm{~g}^{\mathrm{s}} \mathrm{cwt}$ in E .

 Willam H. Fossell ... 4 Harry Wingrove
Composed by J. R. Pritceard, Conducted by Harry Wingrove. Composed by J. R. Pritceazd, Conducted by Harry W!ngrove.
Rumg for the centonary celempations of the church and to celebrate the State Drive of the King and Queen to Windsor, the peal being int progress as their Majesties passed through slough.

KNEBWORTH, HIRRTS.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLEEGE YOUTHS
On Saturday, June 12, 1937, in iwo Hoxrs and Foyty-Seven Minutes,
At ter Chorch of St. Mary-tel-Virgin,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6058 CHANGES; Tenor 12星 owt.
Grorge Gray ... ... ...Tyeble Gilbert E. Drbeniam ... 5
 Tbobas A. Blow ... ... 3 Gborge W. Debenham ... 7 Lronard E. Fidler ... ... 4 R. Thomas Nrwman ... ...Temor Composed by A. Knigats. Conducted by G. W. Debenham. No. 419 , reverse variation.

NORTHFLEET, KENT THE KENT COUNTY' ASSOCIATION.
On Satiseday, June 12.1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minetes, At the Church of St. Botolph
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, GO6G CHANGES, Midnleton's. Harry Hoverd ... ....Tyeble fames M. Balley Teror $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
 Norman Sommerbayes ... 3 Herbert E. Addsley.. .7 Jobn Wheadon ... ... ... 4 Gqorge J. Bujebrr ... ...Tenoy Conducted by George J. Butcaer.
First Surprise peal as conductor. Jnmes M. Bailey's 400th peal. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Jean M. Thompsan and Mr. Tames E. Bailey, which took place eatiler in the day at Swanscombe. Hazelbeiech, northants.
THE MIDLAND COUNTTES ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Jure 73. 1937, in Thres Howys and Two ATinutes, At the Church of St. Michale,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, BO40 CHANGES; Washbrgor's Variation of Thurstans' Fodr-Para. Tenor 15 cwt id lb .
Walter P. Whitbuead ...i reble William A, Wod ${ }^{\text {Wen }}$..... .5
 Arteur D. Aldbam ... ... a Frid Prary... ... ... ..Tenor Conducted by W. F. Wertehead.

## SIX AND FIVE Bell peals.

GLASBURX-ON-WYE, BRECONSFIRE.
THE FEREFORD DIOCESAN GUIID.
On Sunday. May 30, 1937, in Three Howrs and Eight Minutes.
At tbe Cedrch of St. Pezer,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6090 CHANGES;
Being four 720's of Grandsire, two of Canterbury Pleasure and one of Plaia Bob rung altemately with 28 oallings. Tenor 15 ewt.

David H. Bennett ......${ }^{2}$ Thomas Beaver ...
 G. James R. Price ... ... A John Jonrs .. ... .... ...Tenor

* First peal in three methods. Ring for evening saryice with 7-6-8 belind.


## SHENFIELD, ESSEX

the essex assoclation.
On Monday, May 31, 1937, in Two Hows and Thivty-One Minules,
At fee Celrge of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Oonsisting of 720 ench of London, Wells, Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise, Callege Exercise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 9 cwl.

- Bertram C. Hines ... ...Tyeble |Joen Sitch ..
${ }^{-}$Leslie H. Thrift $. . . \quad . .-\quad 2$ Enward T. Sifch......
 Conducted by ty. Torner.
* First peal in seven methods.

> BARTON-ON-HUMBER, LINCS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Northern Branch.)
On Thursday, 7una 3, 7937, in Two Howrs and Fowty Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 50.0 CHANGES;
Beirs one extent each of Single Court, Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt 1 qr .9 lb.
Artaur W. Hoodless ...Treble Grorge E. Fbirn - Harold judd...$\quad$... ... 2 Grorge Dobbs. $\qquad$ Conducted by G. E. Fairn.

* First peal in seven methods.

STOKE-BY-CLARE, SUFFOLK.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. June 5, 1937, in Three Howrs,

## Arter Pafisa Cetreb,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent anch of Cambridge Surprise, Woorlbine Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Douljle Court, Tlain Bob and St. Clement's. TYenor' 13 cwt . Grorge R. Towngs ... ...Treble | Ronald Suckling Reginald G. Simmonds ... a Albert Cattbrwall... ... Bernard W. Peititt... ... 3 Ralph Bird ... ... ... ...Tenoy Concuucted by A. Catrerwale.
First peal on the bells.
BURWARTON, SHROPSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Sativeday, June 5, 1937, in Two Hourc and Forty-Two Minutes. At thb Cbifch of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 42 six-scores, 10 callings.
Artiger C. Nason ... ...Treble
Wiluitu beniams .... Hebrrt Jongs ... ... ... 4

Conducted by Wm. J. Reniams.
The ringer of the 5th hails from Clurch Stretion, remainder from Ludlow.

FELKIRK, NEAR BARNSLEY, YORES. THE YORESEIRE ASSOCIATION. (Barnsley and District Snciety.)
On Sunday, June 6, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-T wo Minutes, At teb Ceurce of St. Pbibr,

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

Bing 720 each of College Exercise, Norlury, London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston, Sandal, Kent and Oxford.

Tenor 10 cmt .
Raland Hill
Win ... ... Treble Cyril Cook...
 Conducted by D. Smita.

* First peal on an 'inside' bell. First peal rung in this tower for the Yorksinire Association by an entirely locnl band, all the above being regular service ringers. Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, who was inducted on June 4th.

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BARNBY-IN-THE-WLLLOWS, NOTTS. THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCLATION.
Us Saturday, June 5, 1937, in Two Hours and Tworty-Nine Minstes, At the Chorge of All Salnts,

## A PEAL OF SPLICED MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 20 methods in seven extents:-
(1) Oxford Bob and Single Court,
(2) Double Bob, Reverse Bob. Fulbeck and Canterbury Pleasure.
(3) Double Oxford, London Bob, Thelwall and Lytham.
(4) St. Clement's, College, Clildwall and Wavertree.
5) Capel and Studal Treble Bob.
(6) London Scholar's' Pleasure and Kingston Treble Bob.
(7) Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Frane Vernon ... ... ... 3 George E. Feirn
Conducted by G. E. Feirn.
First peal in 20 methods by all the baud and for the association. NETHERSEALE, DERBYSBIRE.
THE MIDLAND GOUNTTES ASSOCLATION, On Twesday, June 8, 1937, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLEB, 5060 GHANEE8; Being 42 six-scores, 10 callinerg.
Sidney S. Scattergood ...Treble
Oliver Hines
Frank Searp

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r Yates

First peal. First peal on tho bells since they were relung. SALFORD, LANGASEIRE
THE LANOASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
un Tucsiday, Juate 8, 1937, in Two Ffours and Foyty-Nine Minutes, Ax ter Chorch of tre Sacred Trinity, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Reing one extent of Oxford and Kingston Treble Bols, one of Kingston Treble Bob, one of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and two of Plain Bob.
-Harold Hollengworte ...Trehle | Merbert McKinnell - fobn Hassell

Kenneta Lbwis

## Conducted by Kınneta Lewis.

First peal in four methods. Rung after meeting short for Major, F. Reynolds kindly standing down.

## BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

Un Satheday, June 12, 1937, in T to Houts und Fify-Foucy Minutes,
At yhe Ceurge of Sx. Peter, Fairfigld,

## A PEAL OF SPLICED TREBLE BOB MINOR, BO40 CHANEES ;

Beiug seven extents in 73 methods, viz. :-
(1) Kentish, Berkeley, Edinburgh, Pembroke, Oswald, Barham, Melanki'm, Beeston, Chelsea, Percril and Leasowe Delight, and Waterford and Berwyn Treble Bob.
(2) Chepstow, Rostherne, Balmoral, Wilmslow, Skipton, Knutsford, Fothoringay, Bogedone, Ely Delight, Hull and Bourne Surprise and Nelsou Treble Bob
(3) Charlwood, Newdignie, Neasdon, Old Oxford, St. Abans, College Bob IV., Wragby, Willesden, Braintree, Marple, Humber, Taxal, Clarence, Elston Delight and Morning Star Treble Bob.
14) Capel, Ockley, Sandal, Duke of Norfolk, Iondon Scholare Pleasure, College Exercise, Kingston, Norbury, Oxford Theble Bob and Carisbrooke, Donotiar, Wath and Pontefract Delight.
(5) Hexlian, Surfleet, Berwick, Beverley, Primose, Cambridge Surprise and Waltham and Burslem Delight.
(6) Rossendale, Lightfoot, Stamfard, Wearmouth, Anabblo's London and Netherseale Surprise.
(7) Crowland, Combermere, Vale Royal, St. Werburgh, Abbeyville and Oanterbury Delight.

Tenor 12 cwt .7 lb .
James A, Micner

| James Fernley | ... | ... | ... | Trelle | Wilfred Stevbnson ... |
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Kenneta Lewis ... ... ... 3 Jobn Worta ... ... ... Tenor

## Conducted by Kenneth Jewis.

One bundred and forty-wo changes of method. This is the greatest number of methods yet rung in seven trie and complete extents, and is also the maximum number of Treble Bob methods which can be spliced into seven extents.
(Other peal reports are unavoldably held over.)

## PEAL NOTES.

Two ladies (Mrs. Jack Bray and Miss Dorothy Vessey) took part ins a peal in 20 Minor methods at Barnby-in-the-Willows, Notts, on Juns 5 th. It was the first peal in 20 methods by all the band.
The peal of Bob Major at Chard, Somerset, on Sune 12th was arranged by Mr. P. Marson to enable Mr. Pat Cemnon to ring a peal at the church in which le was confirmed and which be attended when at school at Chard.
Sunday service ringers at Netherseale, Derbyshire, rang, on \&unt 8th, the first peal in the tower since the bells were reluing prior to 8the Coronation.
A composition by Mr. Nolan Golden, hon. secretary of the Norwielt Diocesan Association, the first of its kind to be rung to Double Norwich, was called by the composer at Kenninghall, Norfolk, on Sunday, Jume 6th. The only calls are singles, and the sixth is never away from either 5th's or 6th's at a course-end. It is a 48 -course peal and at Kenninghall was reduced to 5.120 , the 2nd thus never being in $61 h^{\prime} w$ at course-ends. Here are the figures:-


A hand 'met short' for a peal of Treble Ten at Stonliam Aspall, Suffolk, on June 12th, and consoled themselves by ringing a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major.
The peal of Kent Treble Bob at Milton-next-Gravesend, Kent, ols Tume 1Ith, was mung 'true and complete' to replace one, rung at §t, George's, Gravesend, on June 12th, 1920, and conducted by the late Mr. W. H. Judd, of Prittlowell, which has lad to be numbered among the slain since the discovery was made that the abbreviated version of $F$. Robinson's peal was false. This time the full 5,184 was rmur-
On Jumb 12th a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal was rung at North Stonelam, Hants, to welcome home from their honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Smith, the former being organist of the church.

## LEICESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

## RINGERS' OPENDNG BRTNGS LARGE GATHERTNG. <br> By A Correspondent.

On Saturday, June 12th, the new ring of 12 bells at Lecester Cathedral was 'open' to visitors, and the event brought together a "crowded house, over 80 ringers arrivine from all points of the compass. The first arrival was the 'globe trotter' from Swindon complete with loft. rule. Fes, the teror bell was well and iruly measured. Can any bells be said to be 'open' until Mr. Shepherd has performed this ceremony? He regretted his inebility to stay long, as he was due at another measuring party in Somerset the next day.
Among other old timers present were Jack Holman, of Sheffield Harry Chapman, Iate of Manchestev and now of realms unknown, Ferry Bartram, of Melton, and Jack Swinfield, S.O.F., that old stalwart of Midland Gounties ringing, who hails from the town on the Trept where the river water is put into casks and botties and retailed to thirsty and long suffering ringers under the name of beer! Birmingham, Walsall, Rugby, Nuneaton, Nottingliam, Derby, Northampton and Kettering were all represented and quite possibly other places too.

Ringing in various methods took place on the 12,10 and both eights, courses and short touches being the order of the day to enabla everyone present to have a pull.

At 4.30 a service was lield in the Cathedral, the Midland Counties Association form being used. The service was conducted by the Precenter of the Cathedral, who, in a short and appropriate addves, mentioned that the Provost of the Cathedral, who has ljeell jll for some time, was now somewhat better, and sent a learty greebing to the ringers.

Mr. Harold Dexter, son of Mr. F. H. Dexter, officiated at the organ
In the avering the bells were again set going, but as time crepi on the mumber in the ringing chamber gradually diminished. It is believed that tlio missing ringers had gone to study articles on elbew bending 'and 'throat massage 'in an adjacent free library!
During the afternoon many expyessions of appreciation of the bolls were offered-ilhey really are a very fine lot. The finc appearance of the newly refitted bell chamber aiso brought much favourable consment. Who was the oldest ringer present is cloubtful, but the youngest conductor was aged exactly 12 weeks 1 His parents-both ringer: are evidently bringing lim win in the correct manner.

## THE LATE MR. R. W. HYNER.

## FORMER SEGRETARY OF GLOUOESTER AND BRISTOL

 ASSOCIATION.The funeral took place on Monday, June 7th, of Mr. R. W. Hyner, whose suddeu death has already been brietly recorded in our columns.
Deceased was 62 years of age and a antive of Ledbury, where he learned to ring, and, despite the handicap of a delormed hand, was an excellent ringer and striker. He was a member of several associations, including the College Youths, Hereford Association and Salisbury and Oxford Guilds.
Ho joined the Swindon Parish Church Guild in 1902 and was a member up to the time of his death, acting as tower secretary for many years, while from 1915 to 1918 he was hon. secvetary of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association. Fe also served the association as branch searetary for some years. Not a great peal ringer, his peals numbered 63, consisting of Grandsire Dotthles, Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters, Plain Bob, Keut Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative Major and Plain Bob and Kent Royal, while los liad conducted peals of Grandsire Dotibles, Iriples and Caters and Double Norwich Major.

The funeral service at the Parish Church was coudueted by the Rev. L. Golledge, and, in addition to the family moumers, there were representatives of the Swindon Press, Ltd., by whom deceased lad been employed for 40 years The Gloucester and Bristol Association was represented by Messrs. W. H. Trueman and W. B. Kynaston (chairman and secretary, swindon Branch). St. Mark's ringers were represented by Mr. N. Allnatt, whilst among his old colleagues who attended to pay their last respects to a faithful momber of the tower were Messrs. Berry, Bishop, Gardier, Lawrence, Palmer, R. G. Townsend, G. W. Towosend, Smith and H.' W. Wells.

The bells were rung half-mufled before and after the service, and wreaths were sent from the Parish Church ringers, St, Mark's ringers and the Swindon branch of the association.

## THE LATE MR. F. W, THORNTON.

Witl the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect for the late Mr. Trederick W. Thornton, 672 Stedman Triples was rung on Sunday, June 13th, for evening service at St. Olave's, Harl Street, City: $\mathbf{H}$. Feazel 1, 5i. J. Beer 2, Mrs. J. E. Davis 3, Mrs. G. H. Cross 4, G. H. Gross 5, W. J. Beer 6, G. W. Steere 7, 耳. Willson, jum. 8. The bells were also rung half-muffled for the morning service by the local company. St. Olave's was the last church at which the late Mr. Thornton rang.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.

THE NEW PEAL FOR EBBW VALE.
A guarterly meeting of the Llandaft and Monmouth Diocesnn Absociation Aesociabion wes held at Llanifrechfa on saturday, June 12tlu. Jovely weather prevaited, and at 3 o'elock the bolls, a dight ring of eight, recently augmented from six, were raised and rung in various methods, The Vicar officiated at the service and gave an interesting address pertaining to church bellyingers.

Tea was served in the Charch Hall aud was followed by the business meeting, Mr. C. Addams-Williams, the donor of one of the new bellis, being prasent, and, at the colaclusion of the meetivg, becoming an honorary life member.

Instructors', rastoration and augunentation reports wero read, mention being made that the proposed new peal of bells for Ebbw Vale wera to be installed and dedicated about the middle of September.
A report of the Central Council meeting held at Canterbury was given by one of the representatives who atteuded.

New members were elected from Cagrleon and Magor towers.
The usual vote of thanks to the Vicar for his kindness and hospitality closed the meeting.

The bells were alterwards kept going antil late in the evening, bringing to a close a pleasant and succescful meeting.

## THE LATE DEAN OF ORIEL

On Wednesdey, May 2bth, at the Parish Chnreh, Redruth, Cortwall, a half-peal of Grandisire Doubles, with 4-6-8 covering, was rung in 1 hour 45 mimutes: Stagiey Seymour 1, William Sanders 2, Vivisu Wiliang 3, Edward Sinders 4, Havold Seymotir 5, Harry Mitchell 6. Frederic Harris (conductor) 7, William Simmons 8. This half-peal Was rung half-mufted as a tribute of respact to the late Rev. John Freeman Finssell, Dean of Oricl Callege, Oxford, whose death on Goronation Day was announced in a previons iscue of this paper, but contrary to the report which says be learned to ring whilst to student at Pembroke College, lie, as a watter of fact, learned to tiug at Redrath, and, together with his brother, Fore two of the flrst of the local band to be awarded the Guild medal for proficiency in change ringing, and it is interestitg to note that two of lris sometime fellowringers, E . and S. Seymour, stood in this balf-peal.

BOYS' FIRST QUARTER-PEAE.
A quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles ( 1,269 changes) was ming at the Glurch of st. Mathew, Orhey, before Confimation service on Sunday, Jume 6th: Kennetly 0 . Curtis (age 13) (lims quirter-peal) 1. F. W. Brinklow 2, Jack L. Rosson (Rge 14) (first guarter-pes] "inside 't 3, P. J. Bowiey 4, Tr. A. J. Steward (first quarter-peal as conductor) 5, A. Ny 6, P. Bishop 7, R. Frehely 8. Rung with 7, 6, 8 covering.

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## BELERY GOSSIP．

Realistic sounds of ehurch bells played a part in the Adershot Tattoo，which concluded on Saburday．Part of the scenery repre－ sented old London，with church tower，complete，firom this tower the pealing af bells in a course of Triples（provided by gramophone and amplitiers）heralded the opening item of the programme and was heard again in snother part of the wonderful pagennt．
Members of the Archdeaconry of Stafs Socioty will hold their ammal meeting in Sichfield on July 10th，but，although they meet as usual in their own Cuthedral city，they will not have the use of the Cathedral bells－because this is not the year for them．It is stragge that a diocesan organisation may only wing the bells of their Gathedral once in two years．
Special interest attaches to the meeting of the Salisbury Guild at Wybe Regis on July 10th，and members should make a point of being present．
The ringer of the eleventh in the peal at Liverpool on May 15th was Edward，and not Eraest Caupee as published．

## SPLICED PEALS． <br> \section*{To 能e Editor．}

Dear Sir，The Gentral Gouncil，at its meeting Iast year，made cer－ tain decisions in respect of spliced peals．In view of these decisions， is the peal rung at Wymondham an May 12 th correctly described？ I ask in the interests of accuracy，and for no other reason．

O．T．COLES．

## LEEDS＇GOOD EXAMPLE． <br> To the Editor．

Dear Sir，－As，as staunch supporter of on exceltent paper，＂Tho Ringing World，and as one wha has read with great interest the debate which fook place at the Central Comncil meeting，I feel I canuat allow the opportunity to pass，without endorsing entirely the remarks that were made and the soathing，but nolta the lass true， references to towars which take only one copy of the paper amongt their total strongth．
Mr．Percy Johnson cites an instance of a twelve－hell tower where this pesition obtaims．Assuredly this is despicable．I may suy that at Leeds Parish Church we have eleven members，six of whom toke the paper regularly，and in addition we also take ona copy for the tower，Of the remainimg five who do not take the paper it is only fair to say that their ages range from 65 to 78 years of age．Then again the problem of momployinent las beer acute．

However，I feel that if all towers supported the paper in this propor－ bion，the troubles of＂The Ringing world＂would，to $⿴ 囗 十 ⺝ 丶$ be greatly reduced．In conclusion，I trust your article will be read， marked，lenrut and inwardly digested by all who have tile interests of ringing ot heart．I may say I have taken the paper since its innovation and am now 76 years of age．HARRY SMITH，

Hou．Sec，Leeds Parish Chureh．

## CHESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS．

THE NLW TREBLES．
In order to commemorate the jubilee of the Chester Diocesan Guild two bells havo been added to tho Gathedral peal in order to bring it to ten．The occasion has also been used to recognise the great work which has been carried out by the Dean end also the Covonation of Eing George VI．
The bells bear the following inscriptions：－
1．－Tbink aud thank．F．S．M．Bennett，Dean，Cast to celebrate the jubilee of the Chester Diocesan Guird of Bellringers，1887－ 1937.

2．－Benedictus Bemedicat．Cast in the yevar of the Coronation of H．M．King George VI．，1937．God Save the King．
The Diocesan Festival is to be held on Saturday，July 17th，when the Lord Bishop will declare the full peal open．
The service will commence at 3.30 ，followed by tea at 4.30 and the antual meeting at 5.15 ．
Several towers in the city will bo open for ringers who wish to＂bave a pull＇and in this way celebrate the accasion．

## BIRMINGHAM CHURCH TO BE DEMOLISHED．

LAST PEAL ON THE BELIS．
On Wednesday．June Gth，was rung what will probably be the last peal upon the bells of Deritend Church．The church，a plain red－brick structire，is scheduled for demolition in the near future，to make way for th road－ppidening scheme．The bells，a tumeless peal of eight，were installed in 1777 by Robert Wells，of Aldbourae．Wilts．They had been silent for some five years，chiefy because，with so many modern peals in the vicinity，they were not considered to be worth ringing． However，with a borrowed set of ropes，and after seperal afternoons lad been spent by one or two of the band in greasing the bells and timhtening bolts，the bells were made pealable．
Pecnliarly enough，the sixth bell，which is the only bell in the tower to be linny on ball bearings，las the worst reputation for＇go．The following inscriptions may be of jaterest：－

4th，May the town of Birmingham bo ever heid in esteem for its manufact．R．Wells．Fecit．
6th．Wisclom to the Council of the State and success to the Britfsh Fleet．
Thi－May Great Britain ever stand unriva＊led in her commerce．

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## (Continued from page 410 <br> <br> PEALS OF DOUBLES.

 <br> <br> PEALS OF DOUBLES.}The following motion was on the agenda:-
That so much of all previous resolutions of the Council as defines or attempts to define what shall be recornised as a peal of Doubles be recinded and that the following be sulistituted therefor :-
. Peals of Doubles shall consist of 5,040 or more changes rung in :-
(a) True and conplete Six-Scores, withaut interval between any
two Six-Scores aud withoue rounds or any other row boing struck more than once before the next change is made.
(b) Round blocks consisting of two or more Six-Scores, provided Ind each of the Six Scores which comprise the round blocks shall be itself a trite and complete round block.

Twelve-Scores known as Morris' and Pitman's
(d) Combinations of (a), (b) and (c) above or any two of then. 2. At the conclusion of 5,040 or more changes, rung in accordance witia (1) above, one true touch of any length less than 120 changes nay be added.
3. Peals of Doubles may be dilng with or without a coveriag bell
th proposing the motion, Mr. W. G. Wilson said he made po apology or bringing the matter before the Counci, beanse the position which uroso on lije Peals Analysis Committee's report last year made it mevitable that sometring slould be done to clear the question up, 'rlse definition in the motion meant that peals should be recognised spliced " 1201 's were included in the secoud cdition of the Douphes sh Minor Collection. They consisted of round blocks, in which a x-score was commenced aud before it was firished, ane or more otber cix-scores were rung, and then the fust was finished. With regard to ho Morris and Pituruu arrangements, the latter was equivalent to the Bumes James arrangement ous six hells and the Council had already pproved of that. In the Morris arrangement the 120 changes were rugg nt hundstroke and also att backstroke, so that they had two 120 's intermingled more than they bad with an ordinary round hlock.

## WHEN TEE TROUBLE SRARTED.

Mr. Wilson went on to yeview the attempts which the Conncil had unde to deal with the natter. Doubles had never heen dealt with
hefore the Fereford meeting in 1928 and that wag when the trouble hefore the Hereford meeting in 1928 and that was when the toonble luat peals on five or six bells were. The one relating to Doubles was: That peale of Donbles consist of 42 true and complete 120 's rund ithout intorval and without rounds or ayy other row being included, - rung more than once in aus 100. A peal may be lengthened by ary number of 120 's fulfilling the same conditions, with or withont one tonel of less than 120.' That definition said, ' 42 true and complete 120 's." Thu Minor defnition was exuctly the same, except that :T, referted to seven $720^{\prime} s_{s}$ althongh Mr. Goldsmith claimed that it would allow Pitman's, but excluded Morris'. The Rev. F. Law James secouded that motion. Several people felt doubtril, if a peal was to -onsist of $42120^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$, whether Pitnan's and Morris' could be pung, and whether round blocks of 240 's would be excluded, and Mr. Tanes said infinitely "No." Although that dofinition exclucled epery thanges except $120^{\prime} s_{\text {, }}$ the proposer and seconder said the only thing it did exclude was
Morris'. The Comeil passed the resolution. The zext lot of trouble Whe in 1929 nt Chelmsford, when the Methods Gemmittee reported that they wanted to include certain compositions in the new edition their book, it being shid that if the Exercise found they were aluable they would get nsed; if they found they were of no wse they mould distppert, but, said Mr. Wilson, they had not disarpeared yet. Hnrinte the delata Mr. Goldsmith said he was in fatour of including the Garkes James Camluridge, but hoped the Council would decide fhat the oliner aomposifions in disputa sinould be excluded, althongh, gaid Nry. Wifson, he had assmed the Conncil in the previous year that they wete inchtded in the resolution. Tlat 1929 meeting was the year when they liad an amendrant to exclude the compositions fram the linole passed by one vote, 30 to 29 , but conld not carry it as a zubstantive mation, which showed there was a good deal of donbt. When it was suggested it should be included as an appendix with an indica-
tion that tine insertion did not commit anyong to the opinjor that tion that the insertion did nat commit anylund to the opinion that volos to three, which seement to him to hring out the fact that ay lat meribers thought they were valuable enough to put, in the book, an if they were doubtful nbout ringin宫 a peal containing them.

## NNGLTDED TN THE ANALTSES TABJTES

After thet debate Mr. Whittington hat a motion which was ceferred matil a later date, but lie dfd ask ane gutestion : Would the inclusion of these compositions in the book commit the Peals Analysis Commatitec lo accepting thern in thein reporth, rad he was definitely told "No." Rut every year sinco then they lad been included in the report, and
the Conncil had approved of the tninles without debate, and had even the Comin bad approved of the tatiles withont debate, and had even done so again that mormin芦. In 1929 there was an marticle in 'The Ringing World" which satil the position with regard ta peals of Donbles was in a most unsatisfactory state, that things conld not remain as they were and sooner or later the question would have to be settled. That was eight years aso and still the question was not settled. They had a resi foi a yeni or two and the question was next brounght in in 1934 when the Conncil decided that, notwitinstand-
ing any definition to the entrar", peals in any recognised Minor
method contuiuing compositions on the Brakes James plan werc, iu the opinton of the Council, permissible. That settled the ahinor question and was a commousense way of dealing willh it, allhugh they were warned on that oucusion hat it wonld bring other things in its truin. As far as Minor was concerned they had had no more of it. What he was asking the Council to do that day was the same as they had already done for the Minar. The immediate thiug that caused that motion ta be put on the mgenda was the decision of the Comail last year, when, they would remmber, the Councit considered a report of the Peals Analysis Commiltee and a peal of Minor was mentioned which had been rung ia 1935 and dia not coniom to the decision of Whe Conncil, because it contained three 480's of Little Bob. The Analysis Committee was then definikely instructed to exclude it from the report, but 110 one suggosted that they shourd exclude peals in which Pitman's and Morris arrangements had been nung. Tho Councli also instrueted the committee to exclude from their tables may peals which were contrary to the decisions of the Council and to draw the Council's aftention to them [or discussion. That made the guesfiom bound to be considered that day. Even if his motion had not been on the paper, safd Mr. Wilson, the Council wotld have had to tonsider it that maraing on the report of the Analysis Committec.
There were three things which the Conneil cotld do. They conld carry ous as they were now doing, disapproving of these peals on paper and allowing then in the report. He did not think the Council wund agree that that was sutisfnctory. They could decide to enforee the original motion on Doubles and exchinde everything except 120 .s.
they did that they would bo treating Doubles ringers diferent to the way in which they treated Minar riugets, with less reason, hecanse Doubles tingerg were more restricted. The othor connse, and the one he wanted them to choose, was to pass his resolution and face up to the sifuation that progress had been made in composition; that fivebell ringing conk do with something extra, and should loe dealt with in the same way as six-bel Linging. Ho was asking then to do 1928 they were tasured by the proposer and seconder that Pitomn's nid Bankes James" arrangements were included.

Mr. Wilsou was wrimly epplauded on tha cunclusion of his "maiden speech in the Council.
Mr. E. C. S. Turnoy, in seconding, said that from the Anvlysis rung mo less than 13 peals durita 1936 . thourgh that was a good reason for passing the resolution.

NOT $A$ IEG TO SIAND ON.
Mr, S. I. Wcod congratulated Mr. Wison an tho wny he han stated his case in his first speech to the Courail, especielly benving in mind the tasl: he lad got, for he lad not got a lag to siand an or Minor at all. The grounds on which ho (M1. Wood) apposed tho motion were, firgt, tha length and complicated nadure of the rale. The existiug ruld semed to him to be quite simple aud concise, it was understood hy everybody. It mitht not have been at first, bul
he thought they all now underston what 120 of Doubles was nud what 720 of Winer was, He felt the Council was going to be al laughing stock if it could not say what it would accepil as a peal of Donblea without taking up lalf a page of the printed agenda papar and havist three clauses and four sub-chascs to explain it. As reands Morris and Pitman's arrangement ho did not feel very much either way. He did mot do huoh Doubles ringing hinsole ond ho would like ta hear the views of Doubles ringers as to whelinor they wanted to contimon ringing these compositions. He conld nat gee that they wanter ho alter the whole principle of a poal. Recently ho weat through the whold listory of the controversy. It scemed to him that one matin thing came out of tha loug and bitter years of strugrle and that wass that after a certain amount of dithering and wavering on the part of the Council they did, in the end, renffrm the provious primoiple that peals on six and five bells shonld consist of the requisite number of extents The Bankes Janes Minor was not recomisod by the Council untit it was proposed thet, notwithstanding that it was not in conformity with the existing delinition of a peal, it should be accepted. He could not see why they could not de the snme with the Doubles and sny that the Mortis and Pitman arramgements conld he let in as exceptions. Mr. Wilson himself sald that when they passed the resolution on the Bankes James arrangement it ended the controversy and mathint more had been heard of it, Exerybody was satisfied and everyboay would still be satisfed witlo regard to the Doubles
Mr. J, A. Trgllope congratilated Mr. Waod on the mose persuasiva way he had talked the largest amount of tosh and tripe that he had heard for' a long time (langhter). When he talked shat the Bankes James composition having been lat in an an exception, he was not spenking the truth. That was brought in ' notwithstanding anythinge to the contrary.' As to Mr. Wood's objection to this definition of a peal of Danbles on the score of its langeh, he the speaker) had been a member of the Canmil for 40 years and he had seen $n$ mumber of attempts fo formulate defintions. Most of them had shown low extracrdinarily difficult it was. There was one criticisn of the present motion has whild offer, and he wonld move as an emendment the omission of the second clanse about ringing an odd tonch. Fe did not know where that came from. A peal of Doubles should be in muitiples of six-scores and a peal of Minor shonld be in multiples of 720 . (A Foice: Herv, hear
(Continned on next pnge.)

## THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MINOR AND DOUBLES Continued from previous pespe.)

Mr. Trollope: I know exactly what I an saying, you won't get me on that (laughter). It was extraordinarily diffeult, conbinued Mr. Trallope, to say in a definition exactiy what they meant by truth and corapleteness except on seven bells. They all agreed that on seven bells a peal should consist of 5,040 changes 'without repetition of a change or a bell out of conerse.' If they were ta ring Fold's tenpart peal and at the cud ring a touch of, suy, a thousand in the same method without interval, could they claim they bud rung a peal of 6,000 of Grandsire Triples? He thoutht not. They would have rung a peal aud a touch; the fact that they had been rutg without interval would not alter the fact. The same principle ought to be made to apply to Doubles. The ringing of odd bita was not only contraty to the principle on which peal ringing should be done, but he did not think it was wauted. Fe moved the deletion of clause 2.
Mr. J. S. Goldsmith opposed the motion on the ground that what shonld constitute a peal of Doubles was already edequately defined. It was quite true that when le moved tha definition at Hereford he said le considered it included tho Pilman Doubles, and he now frankly confersed that he changed his opiaion on this poizt very soon afterwards, and that was the reason he opposed its inclusion in the Donbles and Minor Colleotion' at Ohelmsford. The Morris and Pitman arrngements were riot on the bame footing as the Bankes James arraygement of Cambridge Minor, aud in proof of this the speaker quoted the Council's own rules on 'Regular Hethods.' In thege rules it was laid down that 'in methods with one hunt, which included Minor, the division between the leads was between the first and second blows of the whole pull of the hunt, before or behind.' Therefore, Minor methods hnd rowds as the firet row of the metlod, and, that being so, the Bankes James arrangement consisted of true extents. But when they came to Doubles the Council's rules laid it down that "in methods with two hunts (the treble and another) the division between the leads was midway befween the whole pull of the first bunt and the whole pull of tha second hunt, before or belind. ${ }^{1}$ Thus rounds was not the first row of Grandsire Doubles, and consequently Pitman's arrangement did not consist of true extents. There was, therefore, a definite distinction between the Minor and Doubles, and he asked the Council not to accept the motion on the ground that the Doubles should be admitted because they liad accepted the Minor.

## NO REAL DEMAND

As to whellier there was any real demand among ringels to ring ${ }^{3}$ hese compositions, as was surgested by Mr. Turmer when he said that last year one association lad rung peals including these arrangements 13 times, Mr. Goldsmith said an entirely different complexion was put upon this fact when they realised that 12 of these peals were called by the fame conductor and the other by one of his baud. Ouly an three other occasions hed this arrangement been used by other conductors, and even then in one case only 240 was used and in another only a 720 . He sugtested that these facts showed there was no real demand for the admission of these compositions as peals, and in any case if conductors and ringers wanted greater variety in their peals they could get it by tha far more interestin口 way of substituting other bells than the trebto as the hunt bell, and by doing go they could continue to rint, true extents, which should be the basis of all peals of Doubles and Minor. He wamed the Council that this motion was only the thin ead of the wedge on the pert of those who leld that any sort of arrangemeut of Doubles or Mizor should be accepted as a peal as long ats recognised method was used and every low of Doubles appeared 42 times and evers tow of Minor seven times, He contended that this was against the fradition of peal ringing and asked the Council to vote against the motion
The President asked if the 15 peals rung by one association liad Mr rung in five-bell towers.
Mr. Goldsmith said in only fwo or three instances was that the case.
The President said ho asked in case the baud was limited to ringing Doubles.

## CONSISTENT TNOONSISTENCY

Mr. P. J. Johnson said it seemed to him that the Council, having accepted certain things, must accept certain ather things, and he could not see how they were going to get out of it, Once having accepted the Bankes James anrangement they must, to be consistant in their incousistency, accept this motion. It was wrong to havo accepted the Bankes James arraugements, but, having done so, they must accept this other. One or two of the speakers, continued Mr. Jolinson, had put wp the argument that these compositions were something that ringers wished to ring. He thought that was one of the things that settled the Bankes James joh. What they had to decide, however, was nat what ringers cared to ring-that had nothing to do with the matter at all-but a mathematical problem. What they had to decide was whether they wero going to ring sepctitions, but, having decided to accept the Bankes James composition, to be consistently inconsistent they must accept this motion.
The Rev. I-. Drake supported the amendmert to leave out paragraph 2 and was prepared also to lenve out paragraph 3 .
Mr. C. T. Coles, in congratulating the mover and seconder on giving the Council the cnly subject for discussion that day, apart from the committee reports, said, from his own experience, be was astonished at bineir temerity in reintroducing the subject. With regard to the
number of peals rung, said Mr. Coles, Pitman's composition was puhiished in December, 1923, and Morris ir December, 1926. Up to the end of 1830 Pitman's composition lad been rung in peals, wholly or in part, some 139 times by 15 associations. About that time the controversy began and people began to look upon them suspiciously as lreing false. Since then there lad been a considerable falling off. This year, up to date, they liad beer fung three times, by three associations and three different conductors. The compositiong had never been rung by the association which Mr. Wilson and he represented, so they did not attempt to regalarise them for their own sake, but for the sake of the Exeroise at large. A composition of Triples or Major if known to be false was ignored; ringers would have nothing to do with it; but there were a considerable number of people who did not consider that the Morrjs ne Pitnan arrangements could be revarded as false. If they had had any doubt on the subject they would have ignored them. He reminded the members that theso compositions bad been published by the Council ; were they, then, to be told that they encouraged the ringing of them but refused to recognise them in peals? If they did they would certainly, as Mr. Wood said, make a laghing stook of themselves. If these compositions were to be barred, wero the Gouncil going to clelate the peals from all previous analyses or only trom last year's; or would it be only from this year's or only from that day? If they wero false why should they not all be cut out? Another dificulty the committee would be faced with was that pols were not always fully described. Occasionally a reprort merely stated "5,040 Grandsire Doubles.' Were the committee to write and ask for further details or were the committee to be allowed to put these particular peals in the analysis and so encourage a certain amount of dishonesty among conductors, who could ring Pitman's and Morris' compositions tho their heart's content and not describe them? It was said that the Bankes James peal consisted of true 720 's because rounds was the first row of the method. If it consisted of true 720's there was no need to bring up the resolu tion three years ago admitting it as ank oxception. In conclusion, Mr Coles asked members of the Conncil who were not six and five-bel ringers, and who had fundfmental objections to six and five-bell peals, not to euter the controversy, but to let it be settled by those wio were in sympatly with the siy and five-bell ringers. The Council published thess compositions in one of their publications and hard inclucled the peals in the analysis iables for the past 14 years: if they were to be consistent, therefore, they must admit them at this stage

## NO MORE ADDED TOUOHTS.

Mr. J. Hum said lae did int agree with accepting the Minor, and ho still did not agree to-day, but he felt, in justite to the five-hell' ringers, that, liavitg accepted the Bankes James Minor, they must accept this resolution. He, however, supported the deletion of Clauses 2 and 3. They did not want to fuish a peal with a tanch of two bats regand to the covering bell, they had been ringing peals with that for the last 40 or 50 years or move.
Mr. Wilson accepted the amendment to delete Clause 2 relativg to the additional touch at the and of a peal, although, le saich, he did not know there was anything fundamentally wrong about it.
Mr. Kynasfon then moved as an amendment to delete all the motion fter $1(a)$ - Mr. Hollier seconded, but the amendment was lost.
Mr. S. H. Wood moved that sub-clause (b) be deleted. He said this provided for starting a 120 , and then splicing into it another 120. would be possible, he said, to go on splicing the six-scores one into the other, until they got a one-part 5,040 , the only thing about whinh was that they had each clange 42 fimes
MI'. Goldsmith said to delete this would be more inoonsitent than ever, and Mr. Coles said if it were taken out it, would be one of the most fonlish thinss the Council had ever done.
Mr. A. D. Barker said the Tankes James aud the Mortis and Pitman arrangements were mot rung as much as they uset to be, and he thought the use of them would die out in time.

Mr. Wood's amendment was negatived, and the original motinn (omitting (lause 2), on being put. was carried, the President remart ing that ft was by about a three to one majority.
(Ta be contimued.)

## BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, BOURNEMOUTH.

## A RESTORATION TUND.

A fund has been opened to provide the mecessary money to completely xestore the befls of St. Peter's, the Parish Church of Bourisemeuth, in commemoration of Coronation year.
It is proposed to reeast und relang the peal in modern fittinge at a cosf of f500, and in connection with the recasting wark a very generous offer has been mace to the Yicar.
The raising of the required balagce would not be formidable lant for the presence of a large deficit on parochial funds, a deficit which has accunnlated since St. Peter's has become bereft of its residential congregation and las become something of a ${ }^{2}$ city chureh ' surroumted by business establishments. There is 110 donbt as to the urgency of attention to the peal of eight bells, and it is hoped to maise the money da allow for the completion of the work during Coronation year.
It may be that some of the visitins ringers who lave been welcomed at St. Peter's midht like to help. Contributions may be sent. to the Vicar, Canon Feriley Burrows, St. Teter's Hall, Hinton Road, Bommemotht, and will be gratefully aclinowledged.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION

IHE IMPORTANCE OF QUARTERLY PEALS.
Thirtotures members put in an appearance at the summer urebling of the Western Hranch, fiehd on Saturday, Juae 12tl, at Longdou, 13 miles from Worcester, and lying between Upton-on-Seven and Towkesbury. Considering the traveling distence and diffenties of gocess (for Longdon js it village situated on a secondary road, and hases loneling the place are few and far beween, this number was satisfactory. phe old church possesses a ring of six bells supplied by T. Meurs in 1835, wemor abont 12 cwt., which were rehung by Mears and Stainbank in the eatly part of this yerw, and althang the toue leaves something to be desired, the "go' is excelient.

The Rev. W. Griffiths, curate of Uptou-on-Severn, kindly took the service in place of the Vidan of Longdon, the Rev. G. W. Webb (clerical secretary), who, unfortumately, lies ill in a Malvern mursing home. Cousequently arrangements for tea were re-made at slart uotice, and it was held at the Plough Iun, no member beiog out of canlise.
In the Vicnr's absenge, Mr. R. G. Knowles (vipe-presicent) was voted to the chair, JIlse first matter exising out of the minulies was the last gatarterly peal, but no one knew whether it lad been successfully ruag. The condincor was not present and no notification of its having been rumy laad reached the meeting, whereunon Mr'. S. T. Eolt observed that the guarterly peal had been instituted primarily for the benefit of local binds and to encourage budding conductors, and, whelieq sucecssful or otherwise, the result ought to be made known to the meeting. Fe expressed fhe hope that conductors would treat the quanterly peal serionsly, and look mpou it more as an homour at being elected to call the peal.
"He hon. secretary (Mr. G. E. Large) told the meeting that in spite of their proposing and accepting tho Bushley ringers, he had spent quite a lot of poslage in Lrying to obtain that band's subscription hut without result, so that he feared it was now a hopeless case.
The quarterly peal, to be rung at Lonyrdon, was left in the hands of the Branch Ringing Master, MIr. C. Camm, while it was decided to hold the hranch annual meating at St. John's, Worcester.

## LOOAI RINGERS ABSENT.

Thu Clainman expressed his pleasure at seeing so many young ingers present. They were very mecessary, he said, if the place of older ones was to be taken, to say nothing of keeping bellfounders in lasiness!
The secretary asked members if they would point ont to him any errors in his 'Meport' so that they could be rectiffed.
Mr. Holt proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. G. W. Webb for llowinet the use of Longdon Church and bells, to the curate of Uptor for laking the service at short notice, and to Mrs. Welob for playing the orgas He also proposed that the secretary write to the Vicar expressing the meeting's wishes for his speedy recavery.-These proposals were carricd manimously and ended the business meeting
Thore followed a fnrther hour or so's rimginm, ranging from rounds to two successfin tonches of Spliced London and Cambridge Surprise, thongh it mast he admitted that the splice '-Cambridge to London -nearly elyded in a 'clean break' on several oceasions.
Olf stalwarts in the persons of Mr. Tom Elcoz, who came from Areley Kings, it distance of about 27 miles cach way, and Mrs. Bill "Evergreen') Renford, who came from Suckley, 24 miles, were an exanple to many of the younger members of the franch, who live only hialf the disfance away and yot who failed to turn up.
This mecting, arranged at Iongdon especially to encourage the new local hand just forming there, did not have the desired effect, as all were taking part in a ericket match at Worcester!

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUIED

A sucecssful meeting of the Sonning Deanery Branch of the Oxford Diocesau Gifild was held at Binfeid, Berks, on Saturday. Juna 5th, when wemthers and wisilors ware precent from Hurst, Sandhurst, Sonnitg. Walthan St. Jawrence, All Saints', Wokinglann, Finchampstead, Burnham, Hillingdon, Pirbriglit and the local band. Tea was served in the Parish Hall by Mrs. Rance and friends, who were warnly thanked by the branch chairman. Sorvice was conducted by the Rector (thi Rev. G. Eliwood), who srave a helpful nddress, his subject being the 'joy of living,' which, he said, ringers in their wark helped lo bring oll..
It was in pleasure to have present Canon Coleridge, JJaster of the Guild and brancla chairman, who was able to take part in a six-score of Stedman Doubles and afterwards gave sonve practical advice to some presenta as to the correct way to laandle a rope.
The ping of six bells was made good use of in the following methods Grandsire. Stedman and Boh Doubles, London, Cambringe and Nowwich Surprise, Plain Bob, Oxford Boh, Canterhury, St. Clenrent's, Oufond and Kent Treble Bob Minar and rounds for beginners.

## 2,237 720's.

At Ajeat franaden, Cambs, to open the Hunts Branch meeting of the ELy Diocesan Association, on Saturday, Imme 5th, f 720 of Cumbridge Surpise Minor: H. Fields 1, s. T. Peek (first 780 of Cambrodgel 2. II. J. Parder 3, T. W. Iack A, A. E. Austin 5, F. Warringtorl (condretor) 6. The conductors $2,237 \mathrm{tl} 720$.

## SURREX ASGOCIATION

VICAR LEAVES CRICKET MATCH TO CONDUCT RENOERS' SERVICE
Wisen members of the surrey Association visited Ohrist Claureft Epsan, Fol the Norlin-Western District neeting on Saturday week, the Ficar, Gie Rer. Join E. Mathews, B.A., was playing ericketr for ing local side on the common by the chutch. Ho left word for tha visitors that he would come along in the tea interval to conduth that service, and he did. ' I want,' he said in the course of a sloort addiens, "Lo express my gratitude to you all foy the work which you do Sunduy by Sunday for the Church and ta sive you a ward of appreciation and encourngenent in that worls. f also desine to thank you most heartily for the peal of welcome which you tried to ring ati the tomo of my induction,' (This was at peal of Kant Treale Bob Major whiel came to grief nfter 21 lourg' ringing.) Immediately after the servico the Fiear relurned to the cricket field as the hope of his side. Verily. a sporting parsoli.
The company lued their wa and meeking in the Parish Fall. The atlendauce mamberma 40, represeuting Banstoad, Beddingtou, Bethhilton, Camberwell, Chelsea, Croydon (St. Johu's and St. Peter'sh; Ewell, Leatherhead, Lomdon (St. Lawrence Jewry), Uckfield, Wimbledon and the local hand.

At the commencenemt of the busimess meeting the company stomet in silence for two minntes as a rribute of respect to the nempry of the late Mr. Allen dilas Gower, who died on May 19tin, arged se yenis. For a quarler of acntury Mr. Gower was aringer at Chrish Chatela, Epsom, and for many years was the association's honorary aaditor.
The secretnry (Mr. IF. (i. Woadiss) gave a short résture of tou ringing which had been doue in the district in cotmection with the Coronation, with special reference to the first peal of Cinglats at Croydon, end requested those tower secretaries who had not yet done so to send praticulars of nuy Coronation ringing that wns dang al their towers to the gencral secretary without delay.

The secrecary also reported that an invitatiou had been received Grom the Middlesex Association to join with them and the Oxforl and Guildford Diocesan Guilds in the combined meeting to be held at Staines aud Erham on Suturday, August 28th, and that that inviation had been aceepted on behulf of the Sinrey Association.

A proposifion nvising aut of a meeting of the Distritt Gonmilfed regarding the printing of the cover of the association's report for 1937 (Coronation yeray was fischssed. It was decided that this yeat's cover be printed, if possible, in the national colorrs (red, white and blue) to a design to be approved hy the General Commiltoe.
Mr. J. T. Mackman, of Benhilout, was elected it member of the assoctation, and Ihe election of Mr. E. T. Wootlof in the belfry at Banstead prior to a peal on Whit Monday was ratified.
Apalogies for nnभpoidable rlosence were received from the Master, Mr. D. F. C. Bistr and from Mrs. Kippin, a member of the committee, who had that day had to enfer hospibal for an operation.
The meeting terminated with the usual wote of thanks to the Vigar, be tor. Thoford for making arrugements for the meeting to be hen and for its succesplal anclusion. The ringing during the Surptise Major.

## A PENWORTHAM CELEBRATION.

## 225ul ANNIYJRESRY OF A LANCASHIRE RTVG

The mucient Chureh of St, Mary, Tonvortham, on its wooder eserppmenfi on the south bank oí the Ribble, was en lete on Finturdiry, Inu 12th, tho oceasion being the 205ilh anniversary of the bells, an riag ot six by A. Rudhall, angmented by the lieemasons of the North-Weab Province to an wetave some vears ngo.

The eelebration was originated by the local veterau, Mr. J. J.
 took place in a ratiely of methods from 2.30 till 4 p.m., when a service was hold, the pruyars heing shid by the Yicar (the Rev. O. Turton) and a rery helpfil address dehvered by the president of the Junamshire Associafien (the Rev, Arllut Scoti).

Atterwards an adjorrmment was made to St. Mary's Hall, where mu admimale tea was spread and "changes swiftly made at the tables, also in a variety of mellods.

Welcoming the vistors in a wity speech, the yicar recalled the bicentenary of the bells, whivh, he said, seemed only yesternaty. Daring and also after tea Mr. J. and Miss Booth, of Standish, ghve selections on the landiels, which were mugh appredated, and Mr. from 185 till now. He apponled for more young folks to take up the art of change ringimg, at tho same lime extending the juritution la the grenther sex.
The presideul of the association also emphasised the appeu! in his response to the welcone. He said there was a dinger of ringing becomina folos art if we dith not keep on belfries filled with reernits. . Wr. I. Roskell, the loenl captain, thatiked all those who hat lichped in any way to make the erent such a memorable one,

Asked to say a few wards at the and of the procoedings, ivt. 7 . G. Bradloy, Prestan branch president, in expressing the appreciation of the nembers, remarked that there appeared to be no danger in Fenworlhan of eatering bewinimg one of the lost arts.
Furbines rating ofs the thaty lithe sing till 9 p.m. ented a mery happy day in the Preston Brnith.

## NOTICES.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Horsell (near Woking) on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Short survice 4,30 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at the Institute. Don't forget your officers, they need your support. All ringers and friends welcome.-F. E. Hawthorne, 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton.

LADIES GUILD (Southern District) and GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD. (Farnham District.) -A joint meeting at Frensham on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at Marindin Institute, 5.15.-Miss H. F. Mills, Maidencombe, Northbrook Road, or C. W. Denyer, 120, Ash Road, Aldershot.

GLASTON, UPPINGHAM, RUTLAND. - The iRt. Rev. Bishop Lang, D.D., Archdeacon of Oakhan, will dedicate the new treble beil, installed by John Taylor and Co., to augment the peal to a ring of 6 , on Saturday, June 26 th, at 3 p.m.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GYILD.-Andover District.-The summer meeting will be held at Highclere on June 26th. Bells ( 8 ) open at 3 p.in. Service in church at 4 p.m. All requiring tea please notify F. D. Knapp, Highclere Farm. All ringers welcome.-Rev. F. S. Marle, Hon. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bletchingley on Saturday, June 26 th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers heartily welcome.-W. Claydon, 8, Chartield Road, Reigate.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -Next meeting at Shouldham on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5-I5. We should like you to be present.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wishech.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, on Saturday, June 26th. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.--Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.

SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY (Established 1623). -The $3^{1} 4^{\text {th }}$ anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (I2) available from 2.30 p.m.-Leonard E. Pistow, Hon. Sec.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting at Great Ness, Saturday, June 26 th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. -R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craigmore, Upper Road, Meole Brace, Shrewsbury.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. The summer festival will be held at Husborne Crawley, on Saturday, June 26th. The bells (8) will be available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Short service at $4 \cdot 30$. Preacher, the Rev. R. Wynter, Rector of Sympson. Tea, at 5.15, in the Vicarage garden (weather permitting). It will greatly help in making tea arrangements if intending visitors will send a p.c. to Canon Rust, Husborne Crawley, Bletchley.-Arthur E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.--The annual meeting will be held at Ripon on Saturday, June 26th. The Cathedral bells (ro, tenor 23 cwt.) will be available for ringing. Tea, followed by business meeting at the Black Bull Hotel at 4.45 p.m. -I. Reed, Hon. Sec., 67, Hedley Strect, Guisborough,

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Warfield ( 8 bells) on Saturday, June 26 th , at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, at is. per head. Phone Slough iz60. - A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-A meeting will be held at Sharnford on Saturday, June 26 th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-Wm. A. Wood, Hon. Sec.

EDWINSTOWE, Nr. MANSFIELD, NOTTS. Ringers' Day, Saturday, June z6th. Bells available 3 p.m. A ring of six rehung by John Taylor and Co.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - There will be ringing for service on Sunday, June 27 th, commencing at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , at Shoreditch. Please book the date for the summer meeting-July ifth at Pinner. Full particulars later.-N. Summerhayes, Hon. Sec., 26, Wilnot Road, Dartford.

GOATHURST near Bridgwater, Somerset. - Rededication of the bells by the Bishop of Taunton on Tuesday, June 29 th, at 8 p.m.; a ring of six restored by John Taylor and Co.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on July Ist, *St. Mary-le-Bow on July 6th. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
-The annual meeting will be held in Bath on July 3 rd. Bells available: Abbey ( 10 ) 3 to 4 p.m. and 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.; Twerton (8) 3 to 4 p.m. and after the meeting; St. Mark's (6) 3 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and after the meeting. Service 4.30 p.m. at St. Mark's. Tea and meeting to follow. Other towers could be open if required. Free copies of ' The Glossary ' available.-J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton, Bath.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established ${ }^{1} 755$ ).-Quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Solihull, near Birmingham, on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells (土) available from 3.30. Tea $5 \cdot 30$, followed by business meeting. Kindly notify regarding tea not later than July ist. - T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., $3^{6}$, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham II
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.-Next meeting, Measham, July 3rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome. Tea provided for those who notify the undersigned by Wednesday, June zoth. Please note: The district outing will take place on July roth (not the $工 7$ th $)$. Route: Via Hoar Cross, Rocester and Ashbourne. Those who wish to join the party should let me know by June 26 th. - J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Rishton on Saturday, July $3^{\text {rd. Bells (8) available from } 3 \text { p.m. Meeting at }}$ 6.30 p.mn. Members and non-members cordially invited. -F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-East Division. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Mistley ( 8 bells) on July 3rd. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea provided by the Vicar at 5 p.m. Arrangements have been made for bells at Holbrook-Sutton and Harkstead to be available, which are on the Suffolk side. Will all those intending to be present please let me know as soon as possible?-J. R. Sparling, Hon. Sec., Station Hotel, Wivenhoe.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch.
-Meeting to be held at St. Mary's, Balderstone, Rochdale, on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells from 2 p.m. Business at 6.45 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome. S. Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Minnow, Rochdale.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch.A meeting of the Wirral Branch will be held at Burton on Saturday, July 3re. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5.30 p.m. Meeting afterwards, when tea tickets for jubilee meeting may be had. A good attendance is re-quested.-H. S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 30, South Hill Road, Birkenhead.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Circumstances necessitate the cancellation of the summer meeting which was to be held at Wylam and Newburn on July 3 rd.-Roland Park, Hon. Sec.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at Petersfield on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells available: East Meon (8), Privett (8), Buriton (6) and Steep (5) from I to 3 p.m. and after the meeting, Petersfield (8) from 2 to $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and after the meeting. Service in St. Peter's at 3.30 . Tea and meeting to follow in St. Peter's Hall. Will those requiring tea please inform Mr. C. E. Bassett, 32, Charles Street, Petersfield, by Thursday, July 1st? All ringers welcome-F. W. Rogers, Hon. Gen. Sec., $5^{2}$, Samuel Road, Portsmouth.
LADIES GUILD.-Central District.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Tottenham Court Road, London, W.C., on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at the Express Dairy. Business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, June 3oth. Gentlemen cordially invited.-M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec., 9, Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester Bistrict,-A quarterly meeting will be held at Kibworth on July 3 rd. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. A. Martin, Kibworth, not later than July ist.
CFFESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Stockport Branch. --A meeting will be held at Poynton on Saturday, July 3 rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 . For tea please advise Mr. G. Turner, 26 , Park Avenue, Poynton, near Stockport.-Kenneth Lewis, Sec.
NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND DISTRICT ISSOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Draycott on Saturday, July 3 rd. Bells ( 6 ) available from 3 p.m. Will those requiring tea please advise Mr. W. Shelley, The Wentlow, Tean, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs, not later than June 3oth?-Andrew Thompson, Hon. Sec.
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS. ASSOCIA-TION.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Morton on Saturday, July 3rd. Beils available 3 p.m. Bus service at 4.30 . Tea at 5 o'clock. Please notify me how many will require tea by Wednesday, June 3oth.-J. W. England, 49, The Common, South Normanton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern DivisionThe next meeting will be held at Goldhanger on Saturday, July 3 rd. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 , tea to follow. Tollesbury and Tolleshunt D'Arcy bells available during the evening. A special coach will leave the Corn Exchange, Chelmsford, at a p.m. prompt, fare approximately 3 s. Will all those who wish to travel by the coach and those requiring tea please let me know by Wednesday, June 3oth, certain?-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting of the West Norfolk Branch will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 3rd.-W. J. Eldred, 4, Wellington Street, King's Lynn.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Parbold on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. - S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38 , Poolstock, Wigan.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The half-yearly meeting will be held at Melksham on Saturday, July $3^{\text {rd. Bells }}$ (8) available from 3 p.m7. Ser. vice 4.30. Tea in Parisil Room 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome. For tea please advise.-W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Melksham.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Norton Church on Saturday, July 3 rd. For tea please notify Mr. Wm. Biggen, ${ }^{13}$, Abbey Lane, Woodseats, Sheffield. All welcome.-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., I3, St. Ronans Road, Sheffield 7.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION, SHERWOOD YOUTHS AND LADIES GUILD.-Northern District. -Joint meeting at Newark, July 3rd, at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. For tea (rs.) please notify Mr. W. Thompson, 86, Hatton Gardens, Newark, by July ist.-I. B. Thompson and R. Towler, Hon. Secs.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Peterborough Branch.-The next meeting of the above branch will be held at West Deeping on Saturday, July 3rcl. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Tuesday, June 2gth? - W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec., 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Asliford District. - A bye-meeting will be held at Brabourne on Saturday, July 3 rd. Bells ready 2.30 . Scrvice 4 -30. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. For tea, notify S. Finn, Ivy Cottage, Brabourne. - P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Great Brington, on Sat., July 3rd. Names for tea to me by June 30th.-J. C. Dear, Hon. Sec., r6, St. Peter's Street, Northampton.

SILVERTON, Nr. EXETER.-The belis will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Exeter on Thursday, July 8th, at 7.30 p.m. The ring of six bells has been restored and augmented to eight, including new framework, by John Taylor and Co.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District. -The summer meeting will be held at Ash on Sat-
urday, July roth. Bells (8) available from 3. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting. Half fare (maximum 2s.) will be paid to members attending this meeting. Please sencl your names in for tea to Mr. W. C. E. Goldup, Durlock, Ash, near Canterbury, not later than Thursclay, July 8th.-B. 'C'. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.-Preliminary Notice.-The annual general meeting will be held at Handsworth, Sheffield, no Saturday, July soth. Further particulars later. - E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Summer Festival at Epsom on Saturday, July soth. Bells (ro) of St. Martin's from 3 p.m. Service at +30 p.m., followed by tea. An eight bell tower will also probably be available in the evening. Numbers for tea must be sent to Mr. G. L. Grover, East Clandon, Guildford, not later than Tuesday, July 6 th.-J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Arclodeaconry of Ely Branch.-A meeting will be held at Harston on Saturday, July roth, when the Vicar is extending a hearty invitation to all ringers to try the bells restored and augmented to a ring of six by J. Taylor and Co. The bells will be available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4 -30. As the Vicar is also entertaining us to tea, I must ask for names of all intending to be present to reach me by Wed. July 7th. -C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton. Cambridge.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.- The next quarterly meeting will be held at Staplehurst ( 8 bells) on Saturday, July oth. Bells available 2.30. Service at 5 . Half fares up to 2s, will be paid to members attending this meeting.-A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-A meeting will be held at Yateley on Saturday, July roth. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meet. ing follows. All requiring tea please notify by July 6th, to Major J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Sec., Lea Cottage, Yateley, Hants.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF -FORD.-The annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, July roth. Bells: St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 p.m. in Wade Street School; to fully paid members 9d., to others 15. 3d. General meeting to follow. Please send word not later than Tuesday, July 6th. - H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Woiverhampton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Stansted on Saturday, July roth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me?H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 69 , Rye St., Bishop's Stortford

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-Leigh, the model village of Kent, with its interesting church, will, on Saturday, July roth, be the meeting place of many ringers. You must come and join them. Details next week. Please notify me for tea by July 6th. - Alec E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GLIID, - Dorchester Branch. -- The summer meeting will be held at Wyke Regis on Saturday, July $10 t h$. Belis ( 8 ) from 3 p.m. Guild office 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. A large gathering expected. Please advise for tea.-C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., 3, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury and District Branch.-Annual mecting at Adderbury on Saturday, July roth. Bells (S). Service at 4 [.m., followed by tea and meeting. Banbury (io), Deddington (G), and by kind permission King's Sutton (8) on the Peterborough border, are available for ringers attending at Adderbury. Please let me know for tea.-E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Banbury.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-Annual festival at Gorseinon, Saturday, July Ioth. $12-2 \cdot 30$, tower open for ringing; 3, service at St. Catherine's ; 4, tea; 4.30 , business meeting. Let secretary know as soon as possible the number for tea.-L. T. Havard, 2, Harp Terrace, Brecon.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East: District.Meeting at Hendon on Saturday, July roth. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, is. each, at 5.30. Please send your advices by July 7 th. Nearest station, Hendon, on Edgware tube, Cheap tickets from all tube stations. Special Method: Double Stedman Slow Course Minor. Practice at St. Giles', Cripplegate ( ra bells) on Wednesday, July 14th, 7.30 p.m. Joint Herts and Middlesex meeting at Monken Hadley on July 24 th.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4. Tel.: Larkswood 1959.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The Annual Shield Contest will be held at Cawthorne on Saturday, July roth. All entrance fees (6s. per band) and voluntary subscriptions must reach me not later than June 26th.-D. Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shalton, near Barnsley.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-South Norfolk Branch.-.-This branch meets at Kenninghall on Saturday, July zoth (not 3rd as previously arranged). Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at 4.45 p.m. at the Red Lion, opposite the church, followed by business meeting. Also Quidenham ( 8 bells), 1 mile distant, 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m., and after meeting. A postcard with names or numbers for tea, please, by July 7 th. - A. G. Harrison, Hon. Branch Sec., go, Denmark Street, Diss, Norfolk.

SATURDAY, JULY ifth.-Meeting at Abbots Langley. Ringing from $3 \cdot 30$. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Herts Association.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festiva!, 1937, will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July 17th. Service in Cathedral if.is a.m. Preacher: Bishop G. B. Allen, D.D. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church Hall at I. 30 p.m. Tickets, 25 . each to members, 3 s. each to non-members. All applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance, must reach general secretary not later than Wednesday, July 14 th, after which date the business will be in the hands of caterers. Further particulars wil? be given on notices sent to guild towers.-Richard T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec., 69, York Road, Reading, Berks.

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## AN IMPORTANT SUBJECT.

Among the general items which came before the Central Council, under the heading of 'Other business,' was one which was mentioned by the President and passed over without further comment. And yet, in regard to the practical side of ringing, it is by no means the least important subject which should concern us. We refer to the method by which bells are raised and lowered before and after ringing. At all too few towers is this matter given the attention it deserves. The correct way to begin and end ringing is by raising and falling the bells in peal and there is no other effective substitute. There are expedients which minimise the unpleasant eftect of bellis raised or lowered incliscriminately, such as pulling them up or dropping them singly and in order (which is probably the best method if it is not done in peal), or by doing it in chords. Too frequently, however, no attention is paid to these preliminaries, or finalities, often be cause ringers will not take trouble to practise.
In the old days, before the use of stays and sliders, raising and falling was necessary in connection with every bout of ringing, and was an essential preliminary of every ringer's training. To-day it seems to be one of the last things the majority of ringers learn. Yet raising and falling in peal, well done, not only, as the President pointed out, puts a polish to a performance, but is actually one of the best methods of teaching a beginner bell control. There are, of course, quite a number of bands who make it a practice to do his thing properly, and it is often the least accomplished change ringers who are most assiduous in their attention to it, indeed, the 'round' ringers of the West Country would not dream of doing anything but pull their bells up and down in peal.

We hope the President's remarks will receive the attention they deserve, and that, particularly for service ringing, ringers everywhere will improve their efforts in this direction. Raising and falling cannot be accomplished properly without practice, but for the sake of the general effect on the ears of the public it would be all to the good if the 'jangling' of bells indiscriminately before and after ringing were entirely avoided. If, because of the weight or for other reasons, all the bells in a tower cannot be raised or lowered in peal, the President's suggestions are those which cause the least offence to the ear; and particularly should it be made a practice, where raising and falling cannot be carried out, to get the bells up and down, one at a time and in order from treble to tenor. The effect of many a good touch has been spoiled by clashing bells in discord afterwards, but (Continued on page -434.)

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there are ringers who seem not to realise this. If they do, but fail to mend their ways, their action is all the more to be regretted. But the ideal aim should be raising and falling in peal, and that well done.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS. LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARE DIOCDSAN GUILD.
On Sahtrday, Jun 5, 1937, in Three Hours and Eighten Minutes,
Ai the Cefrce of All Saints, West Ham, E.,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5日5 CHANGES; Tenor 28 cwt .
Henry T. Wilson ... ...Treble Ernesi W. Furbank ... ... 5
Thomas H. Taffender.. $.2^{2}$ F. Donald Borbeam...
 Thomas W. Tafeender ... 4 Edward D. Smith ... ...Temor Composed by C. Middeeton. Conducted by Edward D. Smita.

WITLDY, SUREEY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOORSAN GUILD.
On Salwrday, June 5, 1937, in Two Fours and Fifty-Sis Minures, At tee Cedrce of Alr Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Pixstow's Transposition of Therstans' Fogr-part. Tenor 13 cwt. I qr. i2 lb.
Thomas E. Denyer ... ...Treble Ernast J. Aycifre ... ... 5 Madrice Smitefr ... ... a Clarence H. Dobbie ... 6 Alfred H. Poeling ... .... 3 Aribur J. Barteeti ... ... 7 C. Ernesi Smite ..* ** 4 Colin A. Hopper... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Alfred H. Pocling.
Rung in honour of the Coronation of King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth.

HATFIELD BROAD OAK, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 5, 7937, in Three Howrs and Thyee A inules,
At tae Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDEE GURPRIBE MAUOR, 5O5 GHANGEBI Tonor 19 crit.
Edward J. Roceester
George R. Pye ... ...
...Tyeble Ernest W. Pye
Ernest J. Boilbr $\quad . .$.
... 2 Josepe Maris
... $\quad . .1$... 5 Lodis Cordell ... ... .... 4 Jambs Benneti ... ... ...Teror Composed by C. Midderton. Condacted by Giorgr R. Pye. First peal in the methad on the bells

WHITGHURCH, HANTS.
THE WINOFESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wednesday, June 9, 1937, in Thyce Howrs and Six Mirutes, At tee Parise Ceurce of Ale Hallows,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
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 - H, G. Smart ... ... ... 4 H.C.Clarke ... ... ...Tonor Conducted by O. J. Smarr.

* First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung in honour of the birthday of King George VI.

DARTRORD, KENT.
THE FENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, June 14, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifly-Eight Minstrs,
At the Church of the Holy Trintiy,
a PEAL AF DOUBLE MORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5O24 CHANCEB| Tenor I8童cwt.
Harry Hoverd ... ... ...Tyeble Herbrrt E. Addsley... ... 5 Join H. Ceersman ... ... 2 Harry Hoskins ... ... ... 6
 Norgan Summerhayes ... 4 Harry Parkes ... ... ...Tenor Composed by E. Barnett, sen. Conducted by Herbrri E. Addrley

Specially arranged and rung to celebrathe the wedding of Mr. J. E. Bailey, of Leiston, Suffolk, and Miss Jeau Thompson, of Swanseombe.

GHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE THE WARWIGKSEIRE GUILD.
On Monday, jus 14, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Tive Minutes, At the Church of Ail Satnts,

## A PEAL DF PUDSEY BURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANQES;

 Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.Thomas W. Cgapman .... 7 reble Josepe H. W. Whete... ... 5 Frank W. Prrrens ... ... 2 Dodglas H, Argyle ... ... 6 Erank E. Pervin ... ... 3 Ernest Morris ... .... ... 7 George E, Fearn ... ... 4 Frederick H. Drxter ...Teno Composed by N. ]. Pissiow, Conducted by Fravr W. Prrrbas.
First preal in the method for the Guild, on the bells and by all the bund except the ringers of 7 and 8, who lave previonsly rung Pudsey Tloyal.

GUTLDFORD, SURREF.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesiay, Jume 15, 1937, in Three Hours and Sixtens Minutes, Ax ter Caterdral Cerreb of the Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 605 CHANQE8: Tenor 33 cwt. 3 q5. 8 lb . in D .
*Thomas W. Tomlinson ...Treble Ernest J. Ayliffe Joen H. B. Hesse ... ... 2 Colin A. Hopper William J. Robinson ... 4 William T. Beeson ... ... Teror Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by William J. Robinson * First attempt for a peal. Fiust peal in the method as conductor. EASTWOOD, ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Saeffield and District Socibty.)
On Tuesday, Juthe 75, 7937, in Threa Horars and Five Minates, At the Church of St. Stephen
A PEAL DF BOB MADOR, S2L6 CHANGE8, Tegor 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
fogn J. L. Gilbert ... ...Tyoble Reginald Payng... ... .... 5

 Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by N. Ceadmock.

MILES PLATIING, MANOEESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Un Tuesdav, Jwte J5, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Ceurce of St, Joun,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICN COURT BOB MAJOR, EOLA GHANREE: Tezar 12 cwt.

 Composed and Conducted by T. B. WorsLey.
Rung for the birth of $\Omega$ son to Mr . and Mrs. Norman Heaps. BRLDGERULF, DEVON. THE DEVONSEIRE GUILD.
Om Wednesday, June 16, 1937, in Three Hours and Four Minntes, Ai teg Church of Si. Bridget.

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, EO4O CHANGE8;

 Tevor so cwt, I qu, 2 I lb , in A flat.Johe W. Sangwin ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ H, Fardericr Myers... ... 5
 Ernest W. Marst ... ... 3 A. Wilciam Myers $\operatorname{l..}$... 7 Frederick Sangwin ... 4 Thomas G, Myers ..."....Tenor Cormposed by H. Dains, Conducted by Thomas G. Mysrs. * First peal of Major. Pirst peal of Major on the bells. BOWDON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesdav, June 10, 1937, in Thre Hours and Thiriy-One Minutes,
Ax the Cborgh of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6056 OHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt. I qr. 26 lb . in F .

| David Vincent ... | ... | $\ldots$ Tyeble | Herbert McKinnell | ... | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jogn Hassald | .. | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Sidney Hougr, Sen. ... | ... | 6 |

 Frank Reynolds $\quad . .$. Composed by J. Lockwood. Conducted by K. Lewis. * First peal of Major. The first peal on the bells.

## WIGSTON MAGNA

THE MIDLAND COUNTJES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 17, 1937, in Three Howrs and Nine Minules, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MASOR, SI52 CHANGES: Tenor if cwt, in lb. in E.


| William Fernley | $\ldots$. | ... | 2 | Kinneth A. Roe | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harold J. Poole | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Ricgard F. Roe... | ... | ... | 7 |

Ernhet G. Hibzins ... .... 4 Fregerick H. Dexter ...Temor Arranged and Conducted by F. H. Drxier.
First peal of Bristol Surprise on the bells.

## ALBURGH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Satwrday, June 19, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifly-Six Mintetes,

## At the Churci of All Saints;

A PEAL DF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 OHANEES;
William Platt
...Treble
George Howlatt

- Fraderick Monnings

ERNEST Whiting $\quad \cdots 3$
Composed by Ionn Cox.

* First peal of Oxford.
$\begin{array}{ccccc}\text { Sianley Copling } & \ldots & \cdots & 5 \\ \text { Frrderick Gonion } & \ldots & \cdots & 6 \\ \text { Rossel Rigees } & \cdots & \cdots & 7\end{array}$ Cgarles Loome... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Cbarles Looma.

OXHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD GOUNTY ASSOOLATION.
On Saturday, Tune 19, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,
At tae Caterch of Sx. Matreew,
A PEAL OF DOUELE NORWICH COURT BOR MAJOR, 6024 CNANOEB; Tenor 8 8 awt.
Francis A. Smita ... ...Trebla Edwin Jeninges... ... .... 5 Henry Hodgetis ... ... 2 Frbdericx W. Brinklow... 6
 Joan E. Rootes ... ... ... (No. I6). Conducted by H. G. Cashmore
Composed by J. W. Pafker (Nor Fung to celebrate. the 50th anniversary of the opening of these bells. HASTINGS, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, (Hasitings and District Goild.l
On Satuday, June 19, 1937, in Three Hours ard Ten Jfitutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOE MAJOR, 6089 CHANEES; Temer $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwf}$.
-Sidiey J. Leybit
.Tyeble Harry Barer
†Cbarles H, Sone ... .... 2 Tbomas E. Sone...
Tom Sajnders ... ... ... 3 C. Alfred Lhveit...
Joen A. W. Downing ... 4 Lotabr J. Honess ... ...Tanoy
Composed by A. Knigrts. Conducted by Thomas E, Sone.

* First peal of Major. tr 275th peal. Wirst paal of Keat Treble Bob on the bells. The composition, No. 433 , in rung for the first time. WARNHAM, SOESEX.
THE SUSSEX COONTY ASSOOLATION.
On Saturday, Jone 19, 1937, in Three Hows and Elquen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5080 GHANOE: Tenor I4 cwt, 2 qr. II lb , in F .
Waltar Cearman ... ....Treble | Edward J. Cearman ... ... 5 Jobn H. B. Hesse ..-... Peter Cbarman... $\operatorname{lin}^{3} \quad 3$ Clarenge H. Dobebe... ... 7 -Ernesi J. Ayliffe ... .... 4 Alfred H. Pulling ... ...Tenor

Composed by A. Knigeis. Conducted by A. H. Puliang

* First peal in the method. Rung on the 30th anniversary of the 8nd and tenor ringers' first peal together.


## CHESTRR.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Jure 19, 1937, in IMres Hours and I wenty Minutes, Ay the Ceurch of St. Mary-withovi-the-Walls,

A PEAL DF BOB MANOR, 50EG EHANDESI Tenor 90 路t.


DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND GOUNTHES ASSOCLATKON.
On Saturday, Juna 19, 1937, is Theee Hours,
At tae Cgorge of St. Alkmond,
A PEAL OF KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES ;
Tenor 18 cwt .
Walter Nichols ... ...Treble William Teornlev, sen, ... 5
R. Alcan Hickton ... ... 2 Fredrrick A. Salter ... 6 Jack Bailey ... .4. ... ... 3 Ralpe Narborodge ... .. 7 Frank Bradegy ... ... ... 4 Edward F. Gobey ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by Edward F. Gobey.
Peal No. 4,666. Rung as a bixtiday compliment to the conductor. DISS, NORTOLE.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Smaday, Twne 20, 1937, in Three Hours and Ihree Minutes, At tee Chorge of St. Mary-ter-Virgin,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES; Tenor 23 cwt, $2 \mathrm{qr}, 26 \mathrm{lb}$. in D. -AlbertG. Harrison ...Tieble| Leslie G. Bretit ... ... 5 - Eric G. Benneti ... ... 2 Leslie C. Wigetman ... 6 - William J. Clover ... ... 3 T. William Last ... ... 7 Ernest Whiting ... .+. 4 *Nolan Goldhn ... ... ...Temar Composef and Conducled by Nocan Goldrn.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method in the diocese since May $16 \mathrm{th}_{1}, 1914$.

SLTTTNGBOURNE KENT.
THE KENT GOUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Jume 20. 1937, in Three Hours and Eighten Mitutes,
At ter Church of St, Micearl,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE MERYICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor 21 cwt .
Ebwin A, Barnett ... ...Trehle Ernest J. Dobbie ... ... 5 Edwin Barnett ... ... .... 2 Wheter H. Dobsie ...* ... 6 William Spieg ..... .4 ... 3 Stanley B, Dobbir ... Arthor S. Boar ... ... .... 4 Clarence H. Dobbis... ...Tenoy Composed by E. Barnett, sen, Conducted by E. A. Barnati.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the rinters of 4, 5 and 7 ; also to Dorig, daughter of E. J. Dobbie, nnd Betty, daughter of C. H. Dobbic. Mr. W. Spice at shore notice kindly took the place of Miss D. G. Dobbie, who was indisposed.

BIRENTWOOD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Morday, June 21, 1937, in Three Hours,
At mee Chorch or St. Thomas-or-Canterbidry,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 EHANEES;
Parkera's Twrlve-fart (6th observation). Tenor $19{ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$. James Benneit ... ...Tyeble Robert C. Heazel ... ... 5 - Wilitam t'. Forrester ... 2 I. Harry Torner ... ... ... 3 Ernist W. Forbank... ... 7 -Cearles J. Harrington... 4 |Albert E. Pryee... ... ...Teng Conducted by J. Benneti.

* First peal of Triples.


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND EONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, June 23, 1937. in Three Howrs and Five Minwtes, At tar Cafreg of St. George-thb-Martyr, Southwark, S.E.,

A PEAE OF YORKSHIRE 8URPRIEE MAJOR, 5056 CHANRES;
Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb.
Mrs, Peillis Hompargy...Treble Miss Kate. M. Bradford
Tgohas J, Lock ... ... 3 -John W. Eusion .... ... 4

Composed by Henry Dains.

* First peal in the method.

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## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEAlS.

BRAMFORD, SUFTOLK.
THE EUFFOLK GUILD.
On Wedusday, June 2, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Menutes, At the Church of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;
Comprising one extent eacli of Double Court, St. Clement's Tolb, Donthle Oxford, Plair, Canbridge Surprise and Kent aud Oxford Treble Bob,

- Miss Bertea Reeve
...Treble
Miss Ereat ...T JJamas W. Jennings...
Mis Eleanor Regye ... 2 Charles A. Catcepolb ... 5
Miss Sylvia R. E. Bowyer 3 William J. G, Brown ... 7 emo
Concuucted by William J. G. Brown,
* First peal in seven methods. + First peal af Minor.

IPSWICH, SUTFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, June 12, 1937, is Ttu Hours and Forly-Thred Minutcs, At tee Chorch of St. Matterw,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE 8 URPRISE MINOR, 8040 GHANGESI Seven extents with five different callings.

Tenor 10 ewt.
William J. G. Brown ...Treble $\mid$ Charles A. Catgerole ... 4 Miss Sylvia R.E. Bowyer 2 George A. Fleming ... ... 5
*Frederick J. Smite... ... 3 Cecil H. Aldods ... ...Toror Conducted by George A. Fleming.

* First peal of Carabridge Minor,


## ACTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHIGTER DIOCDSAN GUT.D.
Du Saturday, Jums 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Thrae Minutes, AI the Cedren of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANEES; Forty-two six-scores, with ten calliugs. Tenor 14 cwt * Harry Tberwall ... ...Ttedle †Stanley Sotion ... ... 4 - Herbert Sotion ... ... 2 a Algert Crawley ... ... 5 Ricgard T. Holding ... 3 †Tromas E. Roberts... ...T T enoh Conducted by A. Crawley.

* First peal of Doubles. t First peal. STEDLESCOMBE, SUSSEX.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 12, 1037, in Three Fours,
At the Churchi of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven extents called differently. Tenor 10 cwt .
*Stanley Etberidge ...Tyedf Edward Bishop... .... ... 4
-George Maskrle ... ...e 2 †Albert Kemp ...
Archibald Stevenson ... 3 James G. Powbli ... ...Tenor Conducted by James G. Powell.
* First peal in the method. 中 First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of 3rd and 5th.


## EAST COKER, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIASION.
On Saturday, Jure 12, 7937, it Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
At tee Chorce of St. Micgarl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven different extents.
Dodglas W. Ransom ...Treble Arigor C Cabeb
Hobert Smita $. . . \quad . .$.
Trevor E. Mares $\quad . .$.
Conducted by W. C. Sacte.
Rung after meeting one short for Triples.
WHATPLEY, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturdty, June 12, 1937, in T wo Houys and Fifty-Two Minties,

At ter Cuurce or St. Grorge,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR. 5040 CHANGES!

Being one extent each of Ipswich, Lightfoot, York, Durlam, London, Welis and Cambridge.
Acec Mondr Tenor 11 cwt .
Alec Mondy .... ... ...Tyeble Harry J. Sanger Miss Norah G. Wicliams 2 Ronald G. Becr... Kennete Ford ... ... ... 3 Josepe T. Difes .... ... Conducted by Ronald G. Beck.
First peal of Surprise on the bells.

HOUGH-ON-THE-HILL, LINCOLNSEIRE.
THE LINGOLN DIOCESAN GULLD.
(Sodtaran Brange.)
On Saturday, June 12, 7937, it Three Hours,
At the Cburce of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bolj, one 720 oach of Court Bola and Oxford Bob, aud three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 ewt. Arterr MacKears ... ...Treble | Sidney Wbatley ... ... 4 - Leseif Sgqiris ... ... 2 Arthur Davey ... ... ... 5 Joen H. Haynes Conducted by Hrary Squires. ... ... ...Tenor

First peal away from the treble. First peal as conductor. Rung on the ceasiun of the 21st birthelay of the ringer of the 2nd and the hirtheday of lis younger brother.

> MICHAEL TSKLEY, HEREFORDSHIRE.
> TFE EEREFORD DIOCFSAN GUILD.

On Sunday, June 13, 1937, in Tum Hours and Forty-One Jinutes,
At tee Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 CHANBES;

Being 720 ench of Morning Star, Off Doubles, Plain Bob end two 720 s of Canterbury Pleasure and Graudsire, 30 callings. Teuor 8 cwt . Wilciam H, Symonds ...Tpabla Charles L, Sadegr ... ... 3 fames P. Hyett ... ... .... 2 Ernest F. Salmons ... ... 4

> John J. Whes

Conducted by J. P. Hyett.
First peal in five methods on the bells and rung for evensong. BINEG\&R, SOMERSET,
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOGESAN ASSOCIATTON. On Monday, June 14, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Six Jinules,

At the Chorch of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHAMGES:
Seven diflerent extents. Tenor gis cwt. (npmox.).
Kenneit Ford ... ... ...T reble Josepg T, Dvie... ... ... 4
John E, Metcales ... .... 2 •Rev. M, K. Warren....
Miss Norab ]. Wilclams... 3 | Ronaed J, Beck... ... .... Tenor Condacted by Josera T. Dy'ke.

* First peal of Minor 'inside.' F'íst peai on the bells.


## BRLNDL ${ }^{(1)}$ JANCS.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Juwe 75, 1937, in Three Hours.
At ing Parisa Church of St. Tames,
A PEAL DF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, E056 CHANGESI Beiny seven 720 's called differenty.
Agtgdr Hatch ... ... ...Treble | Herbsrt Blacklidge ... 4
 - Alfred Blogg ... ... .... 3 William Fowler ... ... Temar Conducted by Hehbert Blacklidge.

* First peal in the method. + First peal of Minor. Rong as a token of monming low the late Mr. If. Nelson, a ringer of this tower, wha was interred the sanie day.

NEWINGTON, HYTHE, KENT.
THE GENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Jhupday, /une 17, 1937, in Two Honcs and Thirty-Seven Minutes,
At the Ceurch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5090 GHANGES;
Forty-two extents, ten caliiugs. Tenor 94 cwt. -Miss Minnir E. Harden...Tyedle Frank $A$. Slingsby ... ... 2 Lioner F. Leacy
 Conducted by Charies Turner.

* First peal. Rung to commemorate the centenary of Mr. Charles Slingisby, of Aldington, Kent.


## RUSIDDEN, EERTS.

THE HERTPORD COUNTY ASEOOLATION.
On Saturday, June 79, 1937, in Two Hours and Thiviy-Two Minutes,
At the Church of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 GHANGES; Forty-two six-scores, ten diferent callisge.

Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2}$ cut. Jack Dear ... ......$\quad$...Tyeble $\mid$ Edwis C. Buck ... Percy Tomphins .... $\quad . .$. ㄹ. Teomas Newman .....Teror Conducted by R. T. Newmati.
First peal and aitompt by J. Dear (aged 14), and the first peal on the bells, which were all east by John Briant in 1796 approx.

MAIDWELL NORTEANTS
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUDD.
(Ggilsbohodge Branch.)
On Saturdny, Jume 19, 1937, in 1 hree Hours, At the Parise Churce,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different extents.

- Creir Brown
$\begin{array}{ll}\text {... } & \ldots \\ \ldots & \cdots \\ \ldots & \ldots\end{array}$ ...Treble Jack Bell Tegor 11 cwt .
\#John Plana ....... 3 SIDNEYMONTOH... $\begin{array}{lll}. . . & \text {... } & 4 \\ \cdots . . & \text {... } & 5 \\ \ldots . . & \text {... } & \text { cno }\end{array}$ Conducted by S. Manton.
* First peal of Bol Minor, t First peal and first attentpt, Rung as a complimert to My . Charles Dixon, a local riuger, who was married on the previous Saturday (Tune 12th) to Miss Dorothy Noble.

DISLEY, CHESHREE.
THE GHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saiurday, June 19, 1937, in Two Hours and Fouty-Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Marys

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

Being seven extents in nime methods, viz.: (1) Charlwood, Neasden and St. Albans Delight; (2) St. Albuns, Wresby and Charlwood Delight; (3) Capel Treble Bob; (4) Sandal Treble Bob; (5) Laudan Scholars Pleasure Treble Bob; (6) Kingston Treble Bob; (7) Oxfowd Treble Bob.

Fenor 81 cwt .
William Atringon ... ...Treble |Albert Bancroft
*REv. Frank Bonner ... 2
 Conducted by J. A. Milner.

* Tirst peaj in nine metlods. Ninc changes of methods. Rung to commemorate the centenary of the installabion of the present peal of belle.

> EARDISTAND, HEREPORDSHTRE.

THS HEREFORD DLOCESAN GUTLD.
Dn Salurday, June 19, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fify-Nine Ninwtes. At the Chunch of St. Makv,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, $\bar{G} 040$ CHANGES;

## Ton caltings.

Joge Powell ... ... Trable Ernret F. Salmons Harry Owens .... .... .......... 2 Lescib Eyans


Conducted by Leslie Evans.
Rung as a compliment to the Rev. P. A. H. Birley, who thas been Vicar of Eardisland for 20 years. He was instituted on Jume 19th, 1917. All the ringers are local men with the exception of F. F. Salmons.

SCOTEOW, NORFOLK.
TEE NORWICH DIOOESAN ASSOOIATION.
On Wednesday, June 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minmes,
At tae Caurch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 GHANCES; Sevon 720 s each called differently.
Ggorge Bele ... ... ...Treble Dennis F. Ber.

Miss Jran Bel | ... | ... | ...TTreble | D |  |
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| ... | ... | ... | 2 | A | Dennis F. Bell....

Azpred W. Jing... $\begin{array}{lll}\ldots . & . . & 4 \\ \ldots & \text {... } & 5 \\ \text {... } & \text {... } & \text { Temor }\end{array}$ Conducted by W. C. Medeer.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

STOGKPORT, CERSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD,
On Wednesday, Jum 2, 7937, in Two Honys and Teuenty-Ona Minules. At zo, Aberdern Cxescent,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, GO4E CHANGES;
Tenor aize 17 in B figt.
Alzrid Barnes ... ... $4-2$ Allen F. Bailby ...
James W. Wasbbroor ... 3 3-申 Peter Laflin .... .... ... 7 -
-Harry Asbion...
Conducted by A. F. Bailizy.
Composed by Ernest Morris,

* First peal of Royal.

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KGNT COUNTY ASSOCLATJON.
Qn Twestay, Juno 15, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Two Minnis,
Inthe Bflfry of St. Padlinus' Churce,
A PEAL DF BOB ROYAL, 6040 CHANOE:
Frederigk G. Groombridge x-2 Tmomas Groombringe, jon, 5-5

- Derer M. Sabrp ... .. 3-4 Edwin A. Barnett ... ... 7 -8

Composećan and riducted by T. Granmbridgr, jor.

* First peal of Bob Royal. t First peal of Royal. D. M. Sharp has now rung Bols Miner to Maximus "in hand.'


## 'A HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.'

By J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE

## To be published in September by Che Ringing World

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS

## THE MASTER'S GARDEN PARTY AT BRASTED

On Saturday last, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis entertained a number of the officers (past atid prosent) and stich other members of the sociaty as were able to accept the general in witatiou extended to them. This being the festival year, it was hoped that many ladies would come with their menfolk. They formed about a fourth of the party, which mustered about 45 in all

Tho Landon contingent mostly availed themselves of the private bus placed at their disposal by. Mr. Lewis, and which left St. Panils Charchyare at 1.30 . Others arrived by car, and at 3 oclock Mr. Lewis and family were welcoming quite a big assembly on the lawn and forecourt of Moorcocks (formerly the old Rectory) at Brasted. To those who do not know the lovely Westerham valley in which Brasted lies, it may sufice to say that it is Kent at its best and that the Pilarims chose it in forming the "Way" to Centerbury.
Reassembling, the party drove away over wooded hills and by winding lanes to Penslurst, a village known for its beauty even amongst Kentish villatses. The bells had been kindly placed at the party's clisposml and were rung to aereal "touches.' Time did mot allow of a visit to Penslimst Place adjoinilg. On memories are, however, anakened los seefor this famous Elizabethan bouse, and we think of 1he Virgin Queen, of Leicoster, Sir Philip. Sydney (poet and lero of Zatphen) and others associated with Penshurst.
The return journey was by the main road thruugh Sevenoaks, affording a glimpse of Knowle, another famous mansion (they seem to cluster in these parts), and so again to Brasted. We are late and there is Mrs. Lewis waiting for her riuests to do justice to the temptingly fpread tables. These old rectories! How easily tley ahsorb a crowd and exhale hospitality.
Skirtimg the flower beds, the great cedar and the elaestnuts, for Moorcocks is embowered on three sides by stately trees, we fiad two meadows, a hrook, and there is Brasted Church. Tlee massive old lower has six bells, and, the day being their anniversary, they are cloubtiess well satisfied at the way in which it was celebrated.

The ringers being thus employed, the ladies explore the gardens, now at their best, aud which also supply two dozen beautiful bonquets for thenz and those others who were unable to be there. The last of these pleasant hours soou passes in refreshment and elintting on the lawns, with the cinkling handbells for musical backgrounci. Nine p.m. and all join in heartily thanking Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, with cheers for lhem and all their family. And so home.
Amongst the past ant present officers of the society who attended were Messrs. Ttighes, Dawe, Pnssmore, Groombridge, Young, Fenn, Porter and Waugh.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION <br> OANTERBURY DISTRTCT'S BXE-MEETING

A pleasant bye-meoting of the Canterbury District of the Kent County Association was held at Throwley on Saturday, Jume 12th.
Fifty members and friends attended, representing 13 towers and four districts of the association. There was also present a visitor from Joundon.
Ringing took place on the night bells, and the association's form of service was conductea by the Vicar (the Rev. C. D. B. Somerville), who also gave a short address.
Tes, kindly provided by loenl friends, was partaken of on the Vicarage lawn and was thoronglaly enjoyed by all present.
One new member was elected, and the election of a member previous (o a penl attempt was confirmed
Hearty votes of thanks were passed to the जicar for the use of the luells, thie Eervice and address, and also to the local people for providing tho tea.
After 'snaps, had been taken by one of the younger members, a return was made to the tower and further ringing enjoyed until lake in the evening, rounds, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent and Oxford Trehle Bob, Double Norwicls and Cambridge being practised,

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## We regreb the internption af this series of articles, owing to

 the pressure on our space by the large number of peals rung 3 celebration of the Coronation. This week we take up tho broken threw of Minor methods which are related in their construction The last article appeared in our issue of May 28th.$$
\text { FEREWARD } \triangle N D \text { LONDON BOB. }
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In preceding articles we dealt with double methods and method grouping-the real object of which has been to show that ringere, with the exercise of average intelligence, will find it porfectily easy to extend their practice from one to a number of methods-let us look at some other methods which come into the group of which Donble Oxford and Double Court form part.
It has previonsly been pointed out thas certain blocks of changes, forming plain courses, may have their constituent "leads" unted sither by 2nd's place or 6th's, when the treble lcads, thus forming two different methods. In addition, the same clianges can be used to make other methods by the use or omission of 5 th's place when the treble lies its whole pull behind. Thus the clianves of a plain coutse can be kait togetber in one or other of the following ways:-

By 2nd's only, when treble leads.
By 6th's only, when treble leads.
By 5 thi's, when treble is vehind, and 2nd'a,
By 5th's, when treble is behind, and oth's.
Strictly speaking, 6 th 's, in Minor, is not a 'place' ' within the meaning of the Act,' or, shall we say, within the meaning of the application of the word 'place.' It is only a necessary whole pull in ane position to enable a bell, which las been lunting ap, to reverse its course alld hunt down. But as $4 \mathrm{lh}^{\prime}$ s place at the lead head of a regular method is a bob, it follows that if 2nd's place is not made when the treble leads, the bell behind must of necessity lay a whole pull, and so we have our methods divided into 2nd's place and 6th's place metliods.

Double Oxford, as we heve explained, is, constructionally, Double Court, with the addition of Sth's place when the treble is beland and 2nd's place when the treble leads.
There are twe other mathods in this group which are obtained by the employment, in one case, of Zud's only and, in the ather, by the use of Sth's only. The former is Hereward Bob and Whe latter London Bob.

When you come to write oul the methods you will find that London Bob is the same as Double Oxford, row for row, until the treble leads, and then Znd's is omitted, and 6th's place is necessarily made by the bell behind.
Fercward Boh follows Double Court, row for row, matil the treble feads, when Znd's has to be ingerted. In earla half-lead of all these four methods places are made across the treble, 4 th's and 3 rd's as it passes up through $3-4$; and 3 rd's and 41 h 's as it comes down through -3. The difference in them all is the link that joins the half-leads.
Fere is an interesting thing to vo: Write out a full course of one of the methods, cat it into ten pieces by dividing it between the rows when the treble is behind and when it is leading. With these ten pieces you can reconstruct any one of the four methods.
The 'standaud callings as applied to Double Oxford and Double Court apply to these two other methods. Ifereward. having 2nd's place, is called Wrong, Right, Wrong; and London Boh, heving Eth's when the treble leads, In, Out, In.

This is when the 6th is observation bell and the tenors are brought up always the right way behind. If the 5 th is to be used as the obsorvation bell and you keop the tenors the right way -as yout should -the calling to be used is, Right, Wrong, Right in the Znd's place methods: and Out. In. Ont in methods wilhout 2nd's place. This applies to all resular Minor mothods.
In plain methods two singles aro necessary to complete the extent, and they aro called at what. would otherwise be a "plain" Right or n plain 'Out,' according to whether it is a 2nd or 6th's place method, if the 6th is the observation hell and at a plain Wrong or plain In if the 5 th is the observation bell. The first single raay be called in ejthel the first, second or third prart of the first half, as lover as the second single is called in the corresponding part of the second half.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## WESTERN DIVISION MEETING AT WASHINGTON

A meeting of the Western Division of the Sussex County Association was held at Wasingiton on Saturday, June 12th, when 40 members attended from Arundel, Angmering, Heene, Lyminster, Rudgwiok. Shoreham, Twineham, West Turring. West Grinstead and the local band. There were also two visitors from Hayes, Kent.
Ringing during the afternoon was followed by a short service, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. $F$. O. Houserana). After tee the business meeting was presided over by the Vicar: Four $11 e$ w members were elected, viz., Messis. R. Burch, A. Blackman, J. Bentinck ani H. Parsons.

A vote of thanks was accorided to the Vien for the use of the bells, and Mr. Houscman, in replying, gave the ringers a cordial welcome, also remayking on tho big nttendance. Further ringing until 8 pm . brought in very successfind and cnjoyable mecting to a close.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCEETY.

## NOT IDEE AT IDLE.

On Saturday, June 19th, the Leeds and District Society visited Idie, near Bradford, for their June meeting. The weather was far from the 'Flaming June' of the poet's phrase, as it was raiming most of the aftemoon and evening, but this did not deter ringers atitendius from Armley, Batioy, Bradford Cathedral, Burley, Calverley, Drighlington, Holbeck, Lindley, Leed Parish Ohurch, Headingley (St. Chnd's), Rothwell, Shipley and tire local company.
The business meeting was held in the tower, with the president in the chair.
One new member was elected, viz., Mies Edith Mansbridge, of Drighlington.
The usual vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens and the local company was propased by Brr. Lofthouse, and seconded by Mr. Rayment. - Mr. Thomas Hill, who is churchwardee as well as riager, raplied.
The next meeting is to be held at Drighlington on Saturday, July 2th.
Diecussion was inviled on the question as to how the ciroulation of The Ringing World ' could be increased.-Mr. Simpson (Shipley) suggested all new or young ringers should be advised to take a copy. Anothar suggestion was that all towers be asked to inquire the number of copies talres, with \& view to an increase in each tower.

## LADIES' GUILD.

## CENTRAL DISTRICT AT BEDDIRGTON.

An enjognble meeting of the Central District of the Ladies Guild was held at Beddington and was very well attended, about 40 people beint present. Tea was partaken of in the Church Fall, and Mrs. Deal presided at the business meeting which followed.
Two new menbers were eleated, i.e. Mrs. F. E. Collijs, of Thoveton Hrath, and Miss M. Proxliam.
St. Giles-in-the-Fields was closen for the annual reeting on July 3rd. Braintrec was selected for the September meeting. The next Wednesday meeting has been arranged for June 23 rd at sevenonks,

Mrs. G. W. Fletcher requested all those who require tickets for the Jubilee dinuer of the Guide to send their names to her or their district secretary os soon as possible, as the number is limited.
A vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector, the organist and Mrs. D. Rippin, who lind to make such hasty arrangements for this mecting. The ringing in the tower included a course of Grandsire Catere, Stedman Catiers and a touch of Double Norwich by members of the Guid. London and Cambridge Major and Cambridge Royal was also rung, three parts of the band in each case being composed of members. Tho ringing, on the whole, was of a very high sitandert.

## DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

MBEIING AT COSELEY.
The quarterly mecting of the Dudley and District Guild wns hold at Christ Church, Coseley, SLaffs, on Sraturday, June 5th, in ideel summer weather. The attendance of members was bolow the average. The bells wore kept going in various methods, and service wns couducted by the Vicar (the Rev. N. W. Watson), who gave a very interesting and homely address. After service the members adjourned to tho schools, where a bountitul ten was in readiuess, kindly providen by the Vicar, and it was verretted that there were not more present to partake of the good things provided. It. is hoped that thosc who sent in their names and did not turn up will kindly make a note of this for future occasions.

The usual business meating was held under the chairmanship of the Vicar, who welcamed the members to Coseley and said he hoped that they would enjoy their visil.
The secretary mentioned that since their last meeting they had lost by death ane of their aldest and most respected membors, a poneer in the formation of this Guild-he referred to the late N1. John Goodman, sen., "father" of the Dudley Guild.-Mr. Isarc Eyans, of Wilienhall, was clected a member of the Guild. It was decided that the next quarterly peal be attempted at Coseley, and the next quarterly meeting beld at Taville, Stalts, subject to the nsual permission being obtained failing whicin the secretary make afler arrangements. Tho arrapgements for the quarterly peal race left in tho hands of Mr. W. Fisher.-Mr. C. Wallater proposed and Mr. S. J. Ifuglos seconded the best thanks of the meeting to the Vicar of Coseley for his kindness in regard to the mecting and gervice; to the organist, Mr. F. Flavell, and especial! to the Yicar and Mrs. Watson for the splendid tea that they provided, and to the ladies who prepared and gervod the meal; also to Mr. Dennis Folden for making the necessary arrangements and to all who had in any way assisted in making the mecting an enjoyable and happy one.-Mr. Fisher, on belanlf of the Vicar and Mrs. Watson and all concerned, thanked the members for heir appreciation and thanks.
There was further singive afterwards in various methods.

## UNDERGRADUATES' FIRST QUARTER-PEAL.

On Fidny, June 18th, et St. Mary Mogdalene's, Oxford, by mexbers of the University Society, a quanter-peal of Granclsire Donbles: T. Ti. Tayior (Keble) 1, H. Miles (St. Cafherine's) 2, S. Lester (Pemhroke) 3 , Rev. H. T. Wisdom (Exeter) 4, Rev, C. E. Wigy (Keble) (conductor) 5, H. W. Horlock (Pembreke) 6. First quarter-peal by ringers of 1 , 3 and 6 , who are undergraduates.

# APPRECIATION 

## "Messrs. Taylors,

" Messks. Bellfounders, Loughborough.
"Dear Strs,
At a meeting of the Town Hall Committee held on the 23rdi instant, the Town Hall "Superintendent reported that the work of installing the new bells in the Town Hall Belfry was now "completed, and I am desired, on behalf of the Committee, to tender to yout their sincere thanks "for the very efficient manner in which the work has been carried out, and to ask you also to convey "the thanks of the Committee to the workmen who were employed on your behalf.

> Yours faithfully,
> F. E. W. HOWELL,

Town Clerk."

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The claim of a band of the Essex Association to have rung the first peal on the bells of Stoke-by-Clare, Suffolk, is not sorrect. Aecording to a Sulfolk correspoudent, the first peal was ruug on February 18th, 1903, when a band of the Ely Association rang a peal of Bob Minor, called by Mr', R. Gawers. 'IU'hese bells,' our correspondent adds, 'ay'e a maiden peal and are just as they camo out of the foundry, Osboin's, Downham, in 1786. Tliey run the wrong way round.'
A successful week's rilging tour in Humpslife concluded on Mriday June 25th. Six of the cight pails rung were conducted by Mr. Frank Hennett, the others being called by Mr. George Williams and Mr. George R. Pye.
Twice the Rev. C. T. Wigg started to call a peal of Cambridge. At Hursley the rope of the hith slipped after an hour's good ringing, and at Lymington somebody in the church below pulleat the hammer that was used for service chiming right into the path of the tenor which took it squarely with the jnevitable result of stopping the peal. Fortunatsly tho bell ascaped injury, but the hammer was krocked clean out of its bolts.
We uaderstaud that the wwo historians of the party made their usual collection of aotes on the backs of an apparently unlinated supply of envelopes. When these are deciphered, 'Ringing World readers are promised a choice story!
The ringer of the fourth in the peal of Grandsire Triples rung ato Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffs, reported in our last issue, was Frederick A. Forster.

The clain made for the first peal on the bells, at Marksbury, Somerset, on May 18th last, does not hold good. A peal of Minor had previously been rung there.
Three of the ringers who took part in the Corouation peal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, at Wollaston on May 29tl-Messrs. J. Bass, R. Mathews and W. Short-have now wung peals of Oxford and Kent Treblo Bob, Plain Bob and Cambridge Surprise from Minor to Maximus, and Grandsine and Stedman from Doubles to Cinques.
The conductor of the peal of Treble Bob Royal at Isleworth on Tune 12th was Thomas H. Taflender and not as stated in our last issuc.
A diary correction to hand. The joint meeting and social at Fillinydon between the Oxford Guild, Ladies' Guild and Middlesex Association will be held on Octrober 16th and not Ockober 9th.

VALUABLE BOOKS AT POPULAR PRICES.
CHEAPER EDITIONS OF 'BELLS THRO' THE AGES' AND "HISTORY AND ART OF CHANGT RINGING.'
Ringers will welcome the announcement that Messrs. Chapman and Fall bave published cheap editions of the two books, 'Bells Thra' the Ages,' by J. R. Nichols, and 'Fistory and Art of Charge Ringing,' by Eruest Morris, F.R. Hist.S. The new edition of each is now priced at 75. 6d. and can be obtained through any bookseller.
The books, ench in their particular sphere, when first published filled a place in bell bibliograply which bad long wanted filing. Neither subject had been realiy adequately covered in auy one volume, and the student had, perforce, to glean his knowledge of bells and bellringing from many sources.
Mr. Niuhols did a great service in bringing together witzin one volume the story of bells down the centuries, and, in the same way, Mr. Morris compiled an invalnable book of reference when he brought together the mass of information and records crowded into the neariy 700 proges of his history of ringing.
Equalty Messrs. Chapman and Hall have now rendered a great service to ringers and the art of ringing by placing these volumes on the market at a price within tie reach of a far larger circle of interested readers, both inside and outside the Exercise.
The wolumes are complete reproductions, as far as contents are concerned, of the originals, and ringers who were unable to purclane the first editions will welcome the opportunity now presented of cecuring these books for their own sheives, for they are nat only full of passing interest, but invaluable for reference.

## BASINGSTOKE BELLRINGERS' FEAT:

STRANGE HAPPENINGS AT EAST HAGBOURN\#
We krow that ringers do strange things at times, but until now we have never hesiv of them Morris daneing while they rang the church betls. But here is what a Berkshire newspaper printed the other day (the italics ate ours): -
Members of the Basingstoke Bellingers' Society visited Easf Eagboume on Saturday on their anuual outing. At the tower of St. Andrew's they rang touehes of Grandsire Triples and Cambridge Supprise. They were welcamed by the foreman of the tower (Mr. A. H. Webb). During the ringing and after the wisitars gawe diapiays of coundry daneing and Morrig danoes round the Upper Cross. The party danced under the direction of a special instructor, accompanied by their own music of violing and drums.

## THE PEAL OF TREBLE BOB AT WYMONDHAM To the Editor.

Dear Sir, With referance to Mr. Goles' inquiry, the peal rung at Wymondham on May 12th was erroncously described as a spliced peal. Th the records of this association the peal is written down as "a peal of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Major, Worcester Variation, and will appear in our report for the current year as such.

NOLAN GOLDINN.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL. <br> (Continued from page 426.)

## LEEDS FOR THE NEXT MEETING.

When the Coumeil was called upon to decide the place of the next meeting, the President said the Standiug Committee recommended that the Council should visit Forkshire.

MT. P. J. Johnson (Leeds) said the matter had been diseussed in the past by the Yorkshire Association, who would rather the Council wisited Leeds. Lreeds was in the centre of some of the finest scenery in the finest county of England (laugliter nud applause), with some of the finest bells in Englaud and some of the finest-looking ringers (laughter). He proposed that the nert meeting of the Council be held at Leods.
Mir. S. F. Palmer (Sheffietd) seconded. He did not agree with all Mr. Johnson had said (laughter), because they had some of the best secnery in Eogland round Sheffeld and they had some fane bells.
The Hon Secretary said that at their meeting on the previous evening the Standing Committee received an invitation for the Council to visit Leicester.
Mr. J. Harris, who proposed that the meeting be held at Leicester, aid that although there were good bells in Leeds, they claimed to arve befter bells in Leicester (langhter). They opened, on Coronation Day, what they considered the finest peal of twelve they had ever beard, and they were the only city in the world, atside London, that had two rings of twelve. Iu Leicester also they claimed to have three hown lalls-a Raman formm, a thirteenth or fourteenth century town hell and the present town hall. If the Council would go to Leicester hey would be sure of a good welcome.
Mr. J. H. Swinfleld seconded.
The Hon. Secretary said the last meeting in Forkshire was in 1904 and the previous meeting to that in 1895. There were only two oceasions since the formation of the Council when they had beer north of a line from Liverpool to Shellield-Fork in 1904 and Newcastle in 1913. The last meeting at Leicester was in 1911.
Mr. O. Mee asked if they lad not promised the Irish Association that they would go to Dublin. He thought it was time they considered that, and proposed that, the Council visit Dublin next year.Mr. Grawley seconded.
The President pointed out finat next year it was, according to the neral rota followed, the turn of the North to have a meeting.
The places were put to the vote and Leeds tras carried by a large majority.
Mr. S. H. Wood suggested that the Council thould consider visiting Nanburgh in the not too distant futura-possibly the next time they went North. Althongh Edinburgh was a rather long way, it would be the first time the Gounci liad gone over the border. While he could no longer speak for the Scotish Association, he was sure the Council would get a warm welcome from that association.

CONGRATELATIONS TO THE COLLEGE YOUTHS. Several minor matters were discrissed under the beading of ' Other usiness.
Mrs. G. W. Fletcher proposed that the Council send a letter to the nelent Society of College Fouths congratulating them upon attaining heir fercentenary (applause).
Mr. J. A. Trollope, in seconding, said his qualification for doing so dis because he was not a College Youth and because to some extent e represented the only other society which could, in antiquity and istorical interest, equal the College Youths-he meant the Norwich cholars. It was not the fact that the society was 300 years old that anttered, but the Exercise was indebted to the society because during s 300 years of existence it had preserved the continuity of the art nd science of change ringing. Without it, or something of the sort, ange ainging would undoubtedly have tapsed, even if it lad been rented. He did not suppose that anyone inside or outside a lunatic Flum would invent it to-day, but, liaving been invented as it was, only way in which it was possible to continue it and hand it on ts by means of such a society as the Collese Youthe. The society nod at its ups and downs, but it had, until modera times, elwnys d at the top of the Exercise and had been, so to speak, the tocracy of the art, taking the position which, in much the same that Council filled at the present time. The whole Exercise was Thdebted to the society, to the men who were dead and gone,
or the science and art whin they had to-day, and it was only right hat that Council should offer its congratulafions.
The motion was carcied with applause, and the president (who is hist Master of the socieby) said be would convay the good wishes to the College Youths. He was sure they would be much appremiated.
Mr. F. W. Fogers said he thonght they might also congratulate the
dales' Guili on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee this year.
Th putting this to the meeting, the President gaid he felt, in doing fhe motion was a litile of his awn back on Mrs. Fletcher (laughter). The motion was agreed to.

## RADTO' BELTA.

The Fon. Secretary said that during the year be had received a oiter asking for the opinion and crificism of the Gauncil on the subject 'radio" bells, which were to be installed in certain churches. He ished to give the members the opportunity of expressing their views this subject, which was becoming very important.

Mr. S. F. Wood said that there lad recently been an article in the 'Guardian' on a new kind of 'earillon,' electrothic in characterThe first public demonstration liad been given, and it was described as a new departure in the art of campanology (laughter), Mr. Woud said he thought they had got to be carcful about these things. It was 710 good 'going of the deep end abont it.' Parsonally, if he henm of a church being built which was not going to have a tuwer, or any chance of ever laving a tower which would carry a peal of hells, be would much rathor it had something of this sort, or "rudia" bells, so that it could provide some good bell music on a Sunduy morning, rather than use one single bell, or no bell at all. There was, of course, the danger about such remarks printed in the Press as to it being the beginning of a new era in the art of campanology. For one thing, that statement was not true. Such an instrument could nob hava anytling to do with campanology because it had no bells. He thougtht, however; that they ought to work iu conjunction with the builders of this new iugtrument rather than against them.
Mr. Trollope said this development was probably done for organ work in cinemas, although, no doubt, the makers would like to self th elsewhere if they could.
Mr. Gave said that at St. Christopher's in Bristol they used records and an amplifier and they heard the bells quite clearly where he lived. Many people had been taken in and thought a peal of bells was ringingMr. Wood said there were actually three such cuses in Bristol.
Mr. L. J. Willizms said there were ulready four or five installed in the Blackbura district.
No action was taken by the Council.

## A QUESTMON OT PROGEDURE.

The Hon. Seeretary said a surgestion had heen remived regarding motions of major importance, particularly those relating to what should constitute a peal. It had been suggested that such nolices should be in the lands of the sectetary of the Council six manths hefore the Council meetinot. The iden was that they sloould lee circulated to associations some time before the Council meeting to give am opportunity to associations to disciss them and give their representan tives some idea of what the members wanted.

Mr. J. Harris, wha was responsible for the suggestion, eaid there was only one object in view and that was to enable associations to discuss matters of importauce at their annuml dieetings. If they looked through the issue of "The kinging warld " which whs putished the week before Easter they would find that eirgt of the big associations had their anmual meetings on Easter Monday. Unfortunately, the secretary could not get the Conncil's ngendr through to the representatives in tirue for those meetings. He thought it would relieve the eecrelary of a good deal of stress at the last moment if nolines were in his hands some time before, and it would be hefter for all cancerned. It could not be said theve was anything so urgeate that it could not be got in six montlis before, and if it whs not important enough for that it was not worth considering. If longer notico were giver every member of the Council coutd learn the wiews of his own members and everyone would henclit. Fo suggested that the last date for notice be December 3lst.

The President said the Council would sympathiso with what Mr. Farris had said, but he did not think they contd pass it us nesolution, becarse it iuvolved the alteration of rules.
Mr. Harris said perhaps it could be kept in view Eol future action if nothing could be done that day.
Mrs. Fletcher pointed out that many of the associntions held their anmual meeting just after the meeting of the Council. Hor own Guild was an exumple. Their anuual meeting was in Tuly, and if they wore to have a clance of cousidering motions, these would have
to be in the hands of the secretary of the Council within a fortnight aftar the last meeting

DONATIONS TO MEMORIAL FENDS.
The President sald Mr, Geurge Nowton, had he been present; at the meeting, wauted to mention the project of rasing il memorial to the late Canon Eleve. It was to talee the form of an alteration to the tower af St. George's, Bolton, and he (Mr. Newton) added that he thotight the Council would be glad to sulaseribe to the memerial.
Mr. T. B. Worsley said the Lameashire Association hat had an estimate for the work. It amonnted to about f450, and he was iftrad that wrould be rather too much to entise.

Replying to a question, Mr. Worsley said the matter would come to a head bafore the next meeting of the Council and the scheme accepted or rejocten.
On the motion of the Rev. H. Drake, seconded by Mr. E. A. Young, it was decided to vote the sum of three guineas to the schome, if carried out
The President said the Ely Diocesnu Associntion had asked whether the Council contemplated providing any memonial to the late Rev. B. H. IYrwhitt-Drake (the Council's honorary librarian), nutl whether, if they were doing so, the co-operation of the cruild wonld be aceoptable. The President said the Council could not undertale inything, but if the Ely Association were prepared to do sa he had no doubt the Coumorl would be ready to subscribe. If the Fly Association went on with the scheme he thought the Council might contribute three guineat.

This was agreed to.
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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## (Continued from previous pege.)

## RAISIMG AND LOWERENG OF BELLS.

The President caid come time ago the Council passed a zesolution that bells should preferably be rased in peal, butif not it was desirable they should be zaised singly and in order. He was afraid, in spite of that, in parts of the country bells were stijl jangled up anyhow. Not wery long ago tho weat fo the opening of a new peal of bells, and, geting there early, gat in the ohuroh: The ringers beyan to pull the bells up, aud the lady who was with him remarked, 'What dreadful bells.' The bells were all right, said the Tresident, but the local yingers started by puiling up the second und seventh togetler. It din not give the bells the best chance. Fe suggested thet members of the Council, where possible, should get the Conncil recommendation followed. These little things did count with the public. Another thing which might be done in many places where there were ten or twalve bells and they were nut all lowered in peal, but were let down anyhow. It would be better if the back four were dropped singly and the front six in case of ten and the middle six in case of twelve let down in peal, finisling witl chiming the bells round. It would pus a litule polish to it.

## MEMBERSHIP LJST TO BE LSSUED.

Whe Fon. Secretary pointed out that in the case of sone societies changes were made in representation and the alteration was mot notified to him iecorving to the rules. He was gelting out a little booklet which he proposed to issue to every menber of tho Council. It wonld contain the names and addresses of all representative memluers of tho Ooumeil, and if allerations were made without notifeabion the look would be out of date belote it was issued. He appealed to all members to get the secretaries of their societies to send him full information as fay as representation was concerned.
The Hon. Secretary then reported that at that meeting mere were 83 representative aud 12 honorary members present, z total atteudance of 95 . Pifty-one representative members and four honorary members Fere absent. Nineteen sociefics were fully represented, 20 partially represented and 11 wete untepresented,

## VOTES OT THANES.

The Tresident proposed an omnibns wote of thanks expressing gratituda to the Deag ant Chatber for the use of the Chapter House, to tho Kent County Association for the kea which tley were going to provide for Mn mewhers and their friends, to Mr. Mitchell, hon secretary of the Fent, Grunty $A$ ssociation, and Mr: Latek and the summitter of the associntion appointed to nate the arrangements for the meuting; also to Mr. T. E. Sone for undertaking the peal arravgements at the various towers, to the various church authorities who had given them the use of the bells, and to the towerkeepers: also to Mr Martin Pearce, who hacl conducted wembers round the Cathedral.

The motion was carried with acclamation.
Mr. W. Ayre proposed n. vote of tlanks to the hon. secvetary for tho tremendous ampunt of work he had done in connection with the meeting.-Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, who secouded, Teferred to the work which Mrs. Fletches also liad clone, particularly in typing all the reports of tha committees, which liad heen of great assistance to the members.- The ingtion wis carried with applause.
Canon Coleridge proposed a voto of thanks to the president. They were deeply grateful to Mr . Levpis, be said, for the admirable manner in which he had conducted their proceedings (applause).

The President, in eclenowierlging the motion, which was carried by acclamation, said lis task was freatly lightened by all that Mr. Metcher did for them.

This concluded the business and the Council then rose
Aftermards alarge party were the guests at tea of the Kent County Association it the County Hotel, where, later, a social evening was spent. Tn the meantime there was ringing on bells at various Canterbury churches.

## DEVON GUILD.

JOINT MERTING AT TEIGNMOUTH.
The Treter and Mid-Dewon Branches of the Devon Guild held a joint meeting at Teignmouth an Saturday, June 12th, when ringers were presont from Exeter, Brampford Speke, Thorverton, Milverton, Ide, Konu, Newton Abbott, Torguny, Buckiastleigh, Christow nind Gockington, efc. Rinfing commenced at St. Michael's Ghurch soon after 3 o'elock, and a service was later held it St. Michael's, couducted by the Rev. F. S. Wyatt (Vienr), whe based his address on the words, "O that men wauld praise the Lord for his goodness."
Tea aflerwards followed at the London Hotel, and the Ereter Branch sabsequently held a short business meeting.

Hearty votes of thanks were accorded the Ficar of St. Michael's for the usz of his bells and for conducting the service, to the organist for his assistance, and to Mr. A. L. Bennett, of Buckfastleigh, for making all tho errangements.
It was resolved to hold the next meeting at Dunsford and district on Saturday, Scptember 4th.

The visitors afterwards returned to the tower for further ringing, some of the mewbers also visiting the neighbouring parish of Bishopsbaignton. The methods vung during the afternoon included Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Triples, Plan Bob Minor and Double Norwieh Court Bob Major.

## THE MINOR RECORD.

OHESHIRE MEN RING 73 METHODS.
As we briefly mentioned last week, the Chester Guid band, whu are such experts at ringing Spliced Minor, have now increased the record to 73 methods in seven extents, and finality bes, it is helispod, been reached in one direction at lemst. This peal, rung at Fairfield, Buxton, on June 12th, contains the maximam number of Trehle Bols methods which carz be spliced info seven extents. Altogether there were 142 changes of method.
One of the two new extents introduced was arranged by Mr. A. G. Driver and contains 13 methods (Trehle Bob and 3rd'g Place Delight), with a change of methor every lead. The other new 720 consists entirely of Surprise methods and was arranged from Mr. Driver's fables. The other 720's comprisiur the peal have been rung and published previously.

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| 26435 | Keatish Delight | 26435 | Rossendale Surprise |
| 63254 | Chelsea Delight | 63254 | Lightfoot Surprise |
| 54326 | Melandra Delight | 54326 | Lightfont Sur'prise |
| 42635 | Berwya Treble Bab | -42635 | Wearmouth Surprise |
| 23564 | Chelsea Delight | 35264 | Tossendale Surprise |
| 64352 | Melandra Deliglit | 56342 | Rossendale Surprise |
| 52436 | Berwyr Treble Bob | - 54235 | Annable'g London Sur. |
| 36845 | Berkeley Delight | 35426 | Annable's London Stur. |
| 45623 | Barham Delight | 26543 | Anuable's Lendon Sur. |
| -52364 | Berwy Treble Bob | 43652 | Annable's Ionton Sur. |
| 64235 | Peveril Delight | 52364 | Annable's London Sur. |
| 35426 | Barham Delight | -84352 | Rossendale Siurprisc |
| 26543 | Berkeley Delight | 45623 | Rossendale Surprise |
| 43652 | Chelsea Delight | 52436 | Rossendale Surprise |
| 35264 | Oswald Delight | 235164 | Stamford Surprise |
| 56342 | Edinbixrght Delight | 36245 | Stamford Surprise |
| 64523 | Beeston Delight | -64523 | Stamford Surprise |
| -42356 | Berwyn Treble Bot | $-42356$ | Lightfont Surprise |
| 55234 | Pembroke Delight | 56234 | Lightfont Surprise |
| 34625 | Beeston Delight | 34625 | Lightfoot Surprise |
| 25463 | Barham Delight | 25463 | Wearmouth Surprise |
| 63542 | Chelsea Delight | 63542 | Lightioot Surprise |
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| 56234 | Pemaroke Delight | 62534 | Netherseale Surprise |
| 23645 | Chelsea Delight | 45362 | Netherseale Surprise |
| 45362 | Barham. Delight | 23645 | Netherseale Surprise |
| 62534 | Berwyn 'I'reble Bab | 56423 | Netherseale Surprise |
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The holding of the record in the mumber of methods incorporated into a peal has alternated hetween Cheshire aud Lincolnshirc. Before the peal at Buxton, the Algarikirk, Lincs, band held it wilh 70 methods, rulag on December 5tlo last. During 1956 the number of methods rose to 57, 60 and 81 in Lincolnshire, which the Cheshire band capped wit], 66 and then 68, to be followed by the Lincolnshire total of 70 , all in one zear'. Now comes Cheshire's 73. What about it, Lincolnshire?

## BRIDAL PARTY RING WEDDING TOUCH.

MARRLAGE OF MR. J. E. BAILEF AND MESS J. M. THOMPSON The wedding took place at Swanscombe Parish Churel on Saturday, Tune 12th, of Mr. James E. Bailey, oaly son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M Bailey, of Leiston, Suffolk, and Miss Jean M. Thompson, younge daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Thompson, of Swanscombe, Kent.
Given away by her father, the bride wore a dress of white satio beauke, with veil aud wreath of orange blossom, and carried Madonn: lilies.

Canon E. T. Campbell-Ward (Rector) officiated and Mr. N. Snmmerhayes acted as best man
After the siguing of the register, a bob-course of Stedman Triples Was rung on the bells, in which the bride and bridegroom took pert together with their respective fathers, the best mans and ceptains of Dartford, Swanscombe and Northflcet towers. The tauch was conducted by the bridegroom.

Mr. J. E. Briley, who is junior stewafi of the Society af Roya Oumberland Youths, is member of the Dartford Parish Ghurch and St. Martin-in-the-Fields companien of ringers, bis father, Mr. James M. Bailey being one of the famous 'Bailey brothers' of Leiston. Suffolk. The bride has been a member of the Swanccambe band for several years, and her father, Mr. A. J. Thompson, is also a member. Tine best man is the acting han. secretary of the Royal Cumberland Youths.

The reception was held in the Parish Room, about 30 guests being present.
In the ovening, some of the guests took part in a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major at Northieet, Kent, in honour of the occasion, and on the following Monday a peal of Double Norwich was rung at Dartford.

Mr. nud Mrs. J. E. Bailey have taken up residence at 20, Swaisland Road, Dartford.

## PEAL NOTES.

The present year is a notewortly one in the church history of St. Mary's, slough, where a peal was rung on Jume 12th in connection with the centenary of the churcl, which was dedicated in 1837. Not only is it thus 100 years since the church was opened, but it is also just 1,000 years since the original mother charch of slough, St. Lawrence, Upton, was built.
Ofher interesting amiversaries; Fifty years since the present Bishop of Buckingham, onco Pector of Slongh, was ordained; sixty jears since Mr. W. H. Fhssell, who took part in the peal on July 12th, rang his first peal at St. Mary's.
He has ruag at this church for every royal event since-the accession of four sovercigus, the funmals of three, three jubilees, and three coronations. You must be getting old, Master William!

A wedding penl was rung at Maidwell, Northants, on June 19th, as a compliment to one of the local ringers, Mr. Charles Dixon, who was married on June 12tls to Miss Dorothy Noble. Afterwards the rigers enjoyek Mr. and Mrs. Diron's hospitality.
A mumber of birthdays were celebrated by a peal rung at Sittingboume, Kent, on Jume goth, those thus lonoured including three of llue ringers and two of their daughters. One of the latter, Miss Doris G. Dobbie, was umable to take pati in the peal through indisposition, and Mr. W. Spice took the vacant rope at short notice. Four members of the Dobbie fanily, lowever, rang the four back bells.
The peal of Bristol Surprise Major rums at Diss, Norfolk, on Sunday, June 206h, whs the frst peal in the method in the diocese of Norwich simee May 16th, 1914, when a 5,024 was rung at Quidenham, conducted by the late Mr. Edivin Whiting.
The golden jubilee of the Church of St. Mary-Wiblout-the-Walls, Chester, was celebrated on June 19th by a peal. N\%. Gilbert Gerrard, who took part, rang for the opening of the bells in 1887.
The half-peri and of Mr. Nolan Golden's composition of Double Norwich, published last week, should read 24356.
The peal of Bols Major at Eastwood, Rotherhay, on June 15th, was ming as a welcomo to the new Ficar of St. Stephea's (the Rev. P. Kennedy), who was inducted the previous week, and also to celelarate the cngagement of Wiss Trey Shimmin to Mr. Devid Cedric Switson, both of Mellbonrne, Australia, which was announced just over a montli earlier. Miss Shimmits is the ouly Australian lady ever to ring a peal. She took part in the peal of Grandsile Oluques at St. Paul's Gathedrai, Malbonme, on Arnistice Day, 1934, which was zung by six Australian and six Enaryish ringers.
The composition of the peal of Bob Major, whicls is believod to be fomg for the first time, contains twelve $4-6-8$ and twelve $6-4-8$ courseonds, the rest being 4-7-8 or 6-7-8. It is by the late Mr. Arthur Crayen, Mr. R. H. Holding, of Crewe, rang in a preal of Grandsire Donbles at Acton, Cheshire, on June 12th, and thus completed peals of Doubles, Tuipies, Caters and Ginanes in the method.
The first peal on the bells at Rinegar, Somerset, was rung on June 14th. These bells, originally three, were increased to six, with a tenor g唃 cwitr by Mesers. Taylor and Co.
The first peal of Major on the hells at Bridgerule, Devon, was rung mexpectedly on Jume 16th. Originally tlie peal was arringed for Stratton, in Cornwall, where there is a Thylar elght, with 22 cwe tenor,
When the band reached Stratton Ghurch, however, they fonnd workmen in possession, treating the roof for the death-watch beetle. Ringing is fone from the gromd floor of the tower, open to the chureli. To atiempt a peal was out of the guestion. The fumes were overpowering and the workmen were using gas masks!
Straightway it was decided to try Bridgerule. The distance of abont fen miles wns covered in record fime, permission was readily givelt, and a well nigh perfect peal was scored on this musical little product the Croydon Foundiy.
A peal of Double Norwich Major on Snturday, June 19th, at Oxhers Terts, celcbrnted the 50 th annversary of the opening of the bells. The late Mr. E. P. Debenham, so long hon. tieasurer of the Hertford County Association, rang in the first peal on the bells; his son, Mr. G. W. Debenham, took part in the jubilec penl.

Mr. Ardarew Powell, of Eardisland, Herefordshire, rang his first peal for 27 years on June 19bh, when le rang the tenor to a 5,040 Grandsire Doibles, which commemorated the EOth anniversary of the institrution of the Vicar, the Rev. P. A. H. Birley.
Tack Dear rang his first peal at the first attempt at the age of 14 an Jume 19tla at Rushden, Herts. There are five bells in the tower, ala cast by Jolm Briant, of Hertford, about the year 1786, and this is believed to be the first peal ever rung on them.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUTICE. meeting of the Sleaford Branch will be held at Eweriey, near Sleaford, on Saturday, July ioth. Bells (ro) of St. Andrew's Church will be open from 2.30 p.m. Tea will be served at the Hatton Arms. Will all those who require tea please notify. Mr. H. S. Hinkins, Elmside, 4r, The Grove, Sleaford?

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## JASCERN DISTRICT ENTERTANED AT E1RK BELA,

By the lind invilation of tho Vient, the Rev. R. Foord, M, A, and the Parochial Church Coumcil, tho June \{uarterly meeting of the Eastern Districh of the Yorkshire Associntion was Lehd at the pleasantly sitnated village of Kirk Eila, near Hull, on Saturtay, June 19th, and was attended by over 40 rimgers from Beverley dinster, Onmpsull, Cotitugham, Goole, Heminghrough, Hesslo, Hult, Market Weightbu, Pontefract, Sberburn-in-Dimet, Selby Abbeg, Sution-on-Full and the lacal company, and visiting ringers from Grimsby, Liacolnshite.

Apologies for absence were raccived from the York Minster ringers, who ware holding thair amual outing, Mr. Mf: Walker, of Ulceby, Lincolnshire, aud Mr. R. F. Vigor, of Sherburn-in-Elmel.
A shor service was held in church, at which the Ficar gave tho address.
Tea, which was generouty provided by the elntheh aullovilies, was held in the Memorial Hall, and was followed by the business meeling over which the Viear presided.
Three new members were elected-Messrs. M. Terry, of Hemingbrough, J. R. Whitehouse. of Coktingham, ard $A$. Davies, of Market Weighton.
An invitation to hold tho Scptember meeting at Campsall was necepted.
Mr, Oryer proposed and Mr. Poarson seconded a vole of thanks to the Vicar, who, in his reply, welcomed the association to Kirk Ella. He stressed the importance of ringers being punctnal in beginuing ringing for church services.
A hearty vote of thanks pas passed to the laties who served at ten, special mention being made of Miss Fox, danghter of Mr. A. H. Fox, caphain of the local riugers and organist of Kirk Fila Church, for jer kindness in coming from London in order to organise tlje arrangements for tea. Thanks were aIso accorded to the local yingers, and Mr: Dan Meady responded.
Mr: Foz very kindly conveyred those present by car from the Memorial Hall to the church after the meeting, a custapee of nearly a mile, owing to the showery weather.

Furthe ninging till 9 a'clack noncluded a very hrppy meeting.
A special practice mecting is to be held at Hedou on July I7th

## DEATH OF VETERAN GLOUCESTERSHIRE RINGER.

Cheltenlana Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association have recently lost by death nne of their oldest and most yespectea members in the person of Mr, William Dyer, lenter af the Charlton Kings Soeiety. He had tanglit many in the district to wing, and lade rung is good many peals from Doubles to Cinques, including Trehie Fob and Douhle Novwich, and liad conducted Grandsire an? Stedman Triples and Caters.
Many ringers were present at the Ehseral. The bells were ming mulifed and a peal of Steduan was to havo been attempted. Once of the hand, liowever, failed to Eurn up and a guarter-peal of Stedman Triples was, Gherefore, rung nti St. Mary's Churely: W. Townsend 1, F. Holford 2 , W. Yeend $3_{\text {, }} \mathrm{G}$. Walters 4. T. Dyer 5, T. Jorehain $\mathrm{F}_{3}$ J. Ir Bullinger (condactor) 7 , R. Hemming 8. The whole pall nat stand was rung 75 times, correspandins with deceased's nge. The
many foral tributes inclided ona in the form of a bell from the association.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## FOLTNG RTNGERS AT BARDTRTELD

$\Delta$ meting of the Northern Division of the Tesex Aspocintion was held et Great Bardfield recontly, it being the first meeting to bo held in the parish since July, 1931. The fallowing twelve towers were represented: Chelmsford, Falstead, Boreham, Sudbury, Little Waltham: Dummon, Greenstead Green, Grenf Bardfield, Sible Hedinghatm, Earis Colne, Springfield and Bocking. The Vicar (the Tiev. K. E. Carbwrighti comfucted a sorvice in the Parish Chureh, Mrs. Jacksan being ot the organ. Before his address the Vicar, on behalf of the chuthwardens and parishoners, extended a warm welcome to all the ringers.
An excellent teal was provided by the Vicar, ancl, the wenther conditions being favourable, it wrs arranged on the Vieatago lawn, $\overline{3} 5$ participating.

The business meeting followed, it which the Fiear presided, being supported by the District Master (Mr. A. A. Saunders), the district secretary (Mr. F. Ridewell) and the general sectetary (Mr. L. J. Clark). Thre new ringing member were elected, and Witam was chosen for the next meeting in august.
The District Master proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vical for the use of the bells, lis excellent address and kind generosity in prowiding ter. Thanks were also accorded the organist for her services. In reply, the Wicar said it was a pleasure to hear their secretary
spenk of tho Joung ringers thking part. Ho spenk of tho Foung ringers tnking part. He agreed that it was always
encouraging to see young ringers in the tower and sticking to it with a view to becoming efficient. He was glad and lappg that they land youmg ringers in Bardfeld.

Mrs. Jackson also briefly replied.
Fandbell ringing on the lawn was much appreciated and the ringers subsequentip retarned to the fower, where the following methods were rung: Bob Major, Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich Court, Superlitive, Cambridge and London Surprise,

## NOTICES.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION -The annual meeting will he held in Bath on July ard. Beils avalable: Abbey (ro) 3 to 4 p.m. and 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.; Twerton (8) 3 to 4 p.m. and after the meeting; St. Mark's (6) 3 to 4.30 p.m. and after the meeting. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at St. Mark's. Tea and meeting to follow Other towers could be open if required. Free copies of - The Glossary ' available.-]. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton, Bath.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Solihull, near Birmingham, on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells (io) available from 3.30. Tea $5 \cdot 30$, followed by business meeting.--T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136 , Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham 11
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Brancl. -The next meeting will be held at Rishton on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells (8) available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Members and non-members cordially invited. -F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-East Division. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Mistley ( 8 belis) on July 3 rd. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.3 . Tea provided by the Vicar at 5 p.m. Arrangements have been made for beils at Holbrook-Sutton and Harkstead to be available, which are on the Suffolk side. Will all those intencling to be present please let me know as soon as possible? -J. R. Sparling, Hon. Sec., Station Hotel, Wivenhoe.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -Meeting to be held at St. Mary's, Balcierstone, Rochdale, on Saturday, July 3 rd. Bells from 2 p.m. Business at $6.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers and friends weicome. S. Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Minnow, Rochdale.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be heid at Petersfield on Saturday, July 3 rd. Beils available: East Meon (8), Privett (8), Buriton (6) and Steep (5) from I to 3 p.m. and after the meeting, Petersficid (8) from 2 to 3.30 p.m. and after the meeting. Service in St. Peter's at 3.30 . Tea and meeting to follow in St. Peter's Hall. All ringers welcome-FF. W. Rogers, Hon. Gen. Sec., 52, Samuel Road, Portsmouth.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Kibworth on July 3rd. Ringing at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. A. Martin, Kibworth.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting of the West Norfolk Branch will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 3rd.-W. J. Eldred, 4, Wellington Street, King's Lynn.
LADIES GUILD.-Central District.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Totterham Court Road, London, W.C., on Saturday, July 3 rd. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at the Express Dairy. Business meeting to follow. Gentlemen cordially invited. - M. L. Cross, Hon. See., 9, Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Parbold on Saturday, July 3 rd. Bells available frons 3 p.m. - S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division. The next meeting will be held at Goldhanger on Saturday, July 3 rd. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, tea to follow. Tollesbury and Tolleshunt D'Arcy bellis available during the evening. A special coach will leave the Corn Exchange, Chelmsford, at 2 p.m. prompt, fare approximately 3 s.-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7 Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Norton Church on Saturday, July 3 rd. For tea please notify Mr. Wm. Biggen, 13 Abbey Lane, Woodseats, Sheffield. All welcome.-M E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronans Road, Sheffield 7.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION, SHERWOOD YOUTHS AND LADIES GUILD.-Northern District. -Joint meeting at Newark, July 3rd, at 3 p.m. For tea (is.) please notify Mr. W. Thompson, 86 , Hatton Gardens, Newark.-I. B. Thompson and R. Towler, Hon. Secs.

KEENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -A bye-meeting will be held at Brabourne on Saturday, July 3rd. Bellis ready 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.mp For tea, notify S. Finn, lvy Cottage, Brabourne. - $P$. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northampton Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Great Brington on Saturday, July 3rd. Usual arrange ments. United Counties bus 2 p.m. and 3.10 p.m.-J C. Dean, Hon. Sec., 16, St. Peter's Street, Northampton.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford Dis-trict.-Meeting at Albury, Saturday, July 3rd. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea, business meeting and further ringing.-G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., West Clandon, Surrey.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Meetings for July: Service ringing, St. Clement Danes', Strand, July 4th, 10 a.m.; Bow, Cheapside, July 25 th, $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Practices: St. Clement Danes', July 5 th, at 6.45 p.m. followed by quarterly meeting at 8.15 p.m. ; July rgth, at 7.30 p.m. ; Lambeth, July 27 th, at 8 p.m.-T. W. Taftender, Hon. Gen. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-That the qua:terly meeting to be held on Monday, July sth, to be a special quarterly meeting for purpose of altering Rule 26, of which due notice has already been given. - T. W. Taffender, Hon. Gea. Sec.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLIEGE YOUTHS (Estabishhed 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Mary-le-Bow on July 6th; St. Magnus' on the 8th and 22nd; St. Andrew's on the 15 th; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 20th ; Southwark Cathedral on the 2gth at 7.30 p.m. ${ }^{*}$ Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
SILVERTON, Nr. EXETER.-The bells will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Exeter on Thursday, July 8th, at 7 p.m. The ring of six bells has been restored and augmented to eight, including new framework, by John Taylor and Co.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting of this district will be held at Stevington on Saturday, July woth. Bells ready from 3 p.m. Tea in Church Room at 5. You will be very welcomeFrank C. Tysoe, ro, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The summer meeting will be held at Ash on Saturday, July roth. Belis (8) available from 3. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting. Half fare (maximum 2s.) will be paid to members attending this meeting. Please send your names in for tea to Mr. W. C. E. Goldup, Durlock, Ash, near Canterbury, not later than Thursday, July 8th.-B. T. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec.
GUILDFURD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Summer Festival at Epsom on Saturday, July roth. Bells (ro) of St. Martin's from 3 p.m. Ewell from 7 to 9 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m, followed by tea. Numbers for tea must be sent to Mr. G. L. Grover, East Clandon, Guildford, not later than Tuesday, July 6th.J. S. Goldsmith, Hon, Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Dorchester Branch. - The summer meeting will be held at Wyke Regis on Saturday, July roth. Belis (8) from 3 p.m. Guild office 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. A large gathering expected. Please advise for tea.-C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., 3, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Staplehurst ( 8 bells) on Saturday, July 1oth. Bells available 2.30. Service at 5 . Half fares up to 2 s. will be paid to members attending this meeting.-A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-A meeting will be held at Yateley on Saturday, July roth. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting follows. All requiring tea please notify by July 6th, to Major J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Sec., Lea Cottage, Yateley, Hants.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Stansted on Saturday, July roth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me? H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 69 , Rye St., Bishop's Stortford MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Meeting at Hendon on Saturday, July roth. Bells from $30^{\prime}$ clock. Service at 5 . Tea, is. each, at $5 \cdot 30$. Please send your advices by July 7 th. Nearest station, Hendon, on Edgware tube. Cheap tickets from all tube stations. Special Method: Double Stedman Slow Course Minor. Practice at St. Giles', Cripplegate ( 12 bellis) on Wednesday, July $144^{\text {th, }} 7.30$ p.m. Joint Herts and Middlesex meeting at Monken Hadley on July 24th.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec, 2I, Vincent Rd., E.4. Tel : Larkswood 1959.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-Leigh, the model village of Kent, with its interesting church, will, on Saturday, July roth, be the meeting place of many ringers. You must come and join them. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting.-Alec E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-The annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, July roth. Bells: St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 p.m. in Wade Street School ; to fully paid members gd., to others is. 3 d . General meeting to follow. Please send word not tater thas Tuesday, July 6th. - H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-A meeting will be held at Harston on Saturday, July roth, when the Vicar is extending a hearty invitation to all ringers to try the bells restored and augmented to a ring of six by J. Taylor and Co. The beils will be available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.3 . As the Vicar is also entertaining us to tea, I must ask for names of all intending to be present to reach me by Wed. July 7th.-C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury and District Branch.-Annual meeting at Adderbury on Saturday, July roth. Bells (8). Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Banbury (io), Deddington (6), and by kind permission King's Sutton (8) on the Peterborough border, are available for ringers attending at Adderbury. Please let me know for tea.-E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Banbury.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-Annual festival at Gorseinon, Saturday, July roth. ${ }^{12-2.30}$, tower open for ringing ; 3, service at St. Catherine's; 4, tea; $4 \cdot 30$, business meeting. Let secretary know as soon as possible the number for tea.-L. T. Havard, 2 , Harp Terrace, Brecon.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-South Norfolk Branch. -This branch meets at Kenninghall on Saturday, July ioth (not 3rd as previously arranged). Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at 4.45 p.m. at the Red Lion, opposite the church, followed by business meeting. Also Quidenham ( 8 bells), i mile distant, ${ }^{2}: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{ml}$, and after meeting. A postcard with names or numbers for tea, please, by July $7^{\text {th }}$. -A. G. Harrison, Hon. Branch Sec.; 90, Denmarle Street, Diss, Norfolk.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western District.-Meeting at Great Gaddesden, Saturday, July 10th. Beils (6) available from 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Please let me know if you need tea. A p.c. by July 8 th will be enough. Methods to suit all coners.W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Isham ( 6 bells) on Saturday, July zoth. Special business: Arrangements for branch outing. Please notify for tea.H. Baxter, 256, Windmill Avenue, Kettering.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Frome and Midsomer Norton Branch. - A guarterly meeting will be held at Norton St. Philip on Saturday, July roth. Bells (6) available at 3 p.mp. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.-E. H. Nash, Hon. Sec., The Talbot, Mells.

SURREY ASSOCIATION (Southern District) AND EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-A joint meeting of the above will be held at Lingfield ( 8 bells) on Saturday, July 1oth. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. For tea, please notify Mr. H. Wallis, Mount Pleasant, High Street, Lingfield, Surrey, not later than the 7 th inst. All ringers are welcome.-W. Claydon and B. Saunders, Hor. Secs.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A special meeting will be held at Crawley on Saturday, July roth. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m., followed by tea in the Church Hall at $4 \cdot 30$. Bells available at 2.30. Sparsholt bells in the evening. Please let us know if you are com-ing.-G, and Miss Noice, Hon. Dis. Secs., 6, Cathedral View, Winchester.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborough District. - The next meeting will be held at Woodhouse Eaves on July roth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Kent and Oxford T.B. specially requested.-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., 130, Áshburton Road, Hugglescote.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch -Monthly meeting will be held at Huyton on Saturday, July roth. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea and meeting $5 \cdot 30$. Ringing after tea until 9 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. P. Cave, 3, The Rooley, Huyton, as soon as possible.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The annual shield contest will be held at Cawthorne on Saturday, July 10 th. Drawl 2.45 p.m. First band to commence ringing at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. W. Broadhearl, Church Street, Cawthorne, by July 81 h .-D. Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shafton, near Barnsley.

LADIES GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be held at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturday, July roth. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Will all who require tea please send their names to Mr. J. Gilbert, 25a, St. Joseph's Road, Sheffield 9, by Wednesday, July $7^{\text {thh }}$ ? Edith K.. Fletcher, Hon. Sec., 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Ambleside St. Mary's ( 8 bells) on Saturday, July roth. Bells available at 2.30 . Please notify Mr. T. B. Newton, Vicarage Road, Ambleside, for tea not later than Thursday, July 8th. All ringers welcome.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival, 1937, will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July 17th. Service in Catherral ir. $\mathrm{I}_{5} \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Preacher : Bishop G. B. Allen, D.D. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church Hall at 1. $30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets, 2 s . each to members, 3 s . each to non-members. All applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance, must reach general secretary not later than Wednesday, July iqth, after which date the business will be in the hands of caterers. Further particulars will be given on notices sent to guild towers.-Richard T Hilbert, Gen. Sec., 69, York Road, Reading, Berks.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be heid at Bispham on Saturday, July 17 thl . Bells ready 3 p.m7. Tea in school 5.30 . Business meeting after.-C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON DON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. - A meeting will be held at Harlington on Saturday, July 17th. Bells (6) from 3.30 and after tea. Tea, 5.15 p.m., in Church Hall. Buses 95 and 98 from Hayes and Hounslow pass the church.-F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS -The summer meeting will be held at Pinner on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Service in church at 5. Tea at 5.30 p.m. Ringing after tea until 8.45 p.m. Travelling facilities: Metropolitan, Baker Street, etc., direct to Pinner on Bakerloo and L.M.S. Stations to Harrow, thence by 183 bus to Pinner. Please notify me for tea by 14th. All ringers welcome. N. Summerhayes, Hon. Sec., 28, Bean Road, Bexley Heath.
HERTS ASSOCIATION.-July ${ }^{17}$ th. At Abbots Langley. Tower open from 3.30 . Tea at 5.30.-C. H. Horton, Bushey. City 4270.
JUST A REMINDER.-Book the date for the annual dinner of the Lancashire Association at the County Hall, adjoining the Palace Theatre, Promenade, Blackpool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Flixton, on Saturday, July 17th. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec., 35, The Crescent, Worsley.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-The Annual Festival, Jubilee Service and opening of the augmented peal will be held at Chester Cathedral on Saturday, July $17 t^{\text {th }}$. Service at 3-30. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Chester. Tea at 4.30 , price 1 s . 6d. (tickets obtainable from the branch secretaries before July isth) and annual meeting at 5.15. - Rev. M. H. Ridgway, Hon. Sec., Tarvin Vicarage, Chester.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Wiston (s bells) on Sat., July 17 th. Usual arrangements. Train to Castle Ashby or York's Easy Saloon from Wollaston $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea important by Tuesday previous.-A. Bigley, Hon. Branch Sec., 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. -A meeting will be held at Gt. Staughton on Saturday, July ryth. Bells available 3. Tea at 5 p.m. Service at 6.30. Please come and help to make this meeting a success. -H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Gt. Staughton, St. Neots.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The Summer Festival at Soham on Saturday, July 24th. Bells (io) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Ely. Tea in Vicarage garden, if fine, price is. each.-Kitty Willers, Gen. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.
CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-The address of Mr. Wm A. Stote is now 22, Mile Lane, Cheylesmore, Coventry.

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One of the things which the Central Council did at their meeting was to accept without demur, and probalbly with little thought, the proposal to delete from the motion defining a peal of Doubles, the permission to add at the end of any peal a shorter length than 120 as long as it was a true touch. As so much stress was laid upon the fact that the introduction of the motion was to remove an injustice to Doubles ringers by putting them on the same footing as Minor ringers in regard to certain compositions (although actually the motion has done something totally different), it scems strange that the sane people should rob the Doubles ringers of one of the things it was proposed to give them in common with the six-bell fraternity. Ever since there has been a definition of as peal of Minor, introduced in 19ri to secure the use of true extents only, Minor ringers have had the privilege of extending their peals by the addition, at the end, of any true touch-a concession obviously granted so that they coutd, if they desired, ring some special length for a special occasion.
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But the Council have said that the Doubles ringers are not to have that concession, which hitherto they have enjoyed without question-whether they have exercised it or not is another matter-from the beginning of five-belf peal ringing. Minor ringers, however, may continue to do the same thing and their peals will be recognised by the Councii. And the members talk about justice to the Doubles ringers! Truly Mr. Percy Johnson was right when he said the Council were only consistent in their
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inconsistency. This particular deletion was done quite casually, without apparently any real thought as to the logical result or the reason whicl lay behind its original introduction. Short of restoring the clause, the only sensible thing whicl the Council can now do is to rob Minor ringers of a privilege which, whether they have used it or not, has always been theirs. The wise thing for the Council to have done would have been to have kept the clause in this new defnition and at some future time discussed the principle of these lengthening touches and dealt with the Minor and Doubles together and on the same footing. Actually the matter is not one of vital importance, but these slipshod methods of doing things do the Council no good in the eyes of lookers-on.

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Pane .... 2 AEAN J. Brown ... ..... .7
Cbarles Ridyard.......$\quad 3 \quad$ Eric Yates ...
Keite Whesby ... ... ... 4 Chaistopher Gudgbon ... 9

* Percy H. Derbyseire ... 5 Thomas B. Worslay ... ...Temor

Composed by A. Khigurs. Conducted by C. Gudgion,
昔 First peal of Grandsire Oaters. GULLDFORD, GURREY
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Satwrday, Dune 26, 1937, in Three Howrs and Seventeen Misxles,
Ai the Carreh of Si. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF ETEDHAN OATERE, 6067 OHANEEA;

Tenor 23 ewt.
Charles Hazblden ... ...TYeble Sidney Brerzz... ... ... 6
Thomas E. Denyer....
C. Ernest Smita $\ldots . . . . .{ }^{2}$ James Branett... Cbarles T. Coles ... ... 4 ARtbur J. Bartlett ... 9 Sidney Elton .... .... ... 5 . Wheliam F, J. Core........Tenor Composed by W. Willson. Conducted by Canrees T. Coles.

* First peal.

ST. ALBANS, HERTE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. Jine 26, 1937, in Thyes Howrs and Eighteen Hinutes, At the Chuech of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATER8, 5079 GHAARESI
Tenor 23 cwt in D .
Josepa F. Chatley ... ...Treble *Harbert G. Mason... ... 6
Henry Hodgetis.... Madrice F. R. Hibbrrt ... 3 †Edwin Jrnnings ... ... 8



* First peal in the method and first attempt. + First peal of Stedman Caters. $\ddagger$ First peal on ten bells. First peal in the method as couductor. Rung for the paironal festival.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## PRESTBURY, GLOS.

IHE GLOUOESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN AESOCIATION. (Caeltentam Brance.)
On WFedresday, June 16, 1937, in Two Howys and Forty-Sev.n Minutes, At the Chirce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 GHANQES;

 Tenor 13 cwt .William Townsend ... ...Treble Roger W. Daniels...
Harold Holford ... ... 2 George H. Walters 5 Jobn Austin ... $. . . \quad .$. Cbarles W. Martin... ... 4 Jorm F. Ballinger ... .... Tenor Composed by H. Hobbard. Conducted by Joen F. Ballinger.
*First peal of Bob Major. Thing as a Goronation peal for the parisll of Prestbury.

EDGBASTON, BIRMINGEAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OT BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, Jume 19, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifty-Fonr Minutes, At ter Parise Church of St. Bartgolomew,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES; Jobnson's Variation, James Grorge ... ... ...Treble | William C. Dowding ... 5 Herbert Iinigat .... .... 2 Percy N. G. Raingy ... ... 6 Frane E, Haynes ... ... 3 Grorge E. Fearn ... ... 7 Richard C. Ingram - ... 4 Henry H. Fgarn ... ... Thoy Conducted by Frank E. Haynes, BROMLEY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Monday. Juth 2f, 1937, in Two Houys and Forty-Eight Minutes, At tee Cborcb of St. Loke, Bromley Common,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGE8; Parher's Twelve-part.
Dercy J. Spice ... ... ...Treble Abtbor S. Riceards... ... 5 Wieliam G, Grace ... ... 2 Edmund Mounter ... ... 6 AILLISON PORDOM... .... ... 3 Jogn E. LYDDIARD ... Eremerice E. Pitman ... 4 Jim Hurbell ... ... .......tcmar Conducted by J. E. Lyddiard.
Rung in commemoration of the jubilee of St. Luke's Church, LIANITR COHFA, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDATF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Twesday, June 22, 1937, in Three Hows and Eighe Minwes,

At the Parisa Church of Ale Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, БO 40 CHANEES; Tenor 8 cwt. in Fi flat.
"George Jobn ... .... ...Treble *William Powell ... ... 5 "Miss Gwyneit M. Smite 2 Jobn W. Jones ..* $\quad$... Lesfig Bainkam …...$\quad 3 \quad$ Robert Smite ... 3 .... ... 7 Rey, Ivor J. Ricgards ... 4 'Sidngy Bampond .... ...Temor Composed by Tonn Carter. Conducted by Jorn W. Jones,

* First peal of Triples and local mingers. First peal on the bells since they were murmented from six to eirht. Rulfy as a 27 s birthday compliment to Hopton Addams-Willinms, a lieutenant in Spencer's Horse now serving in Tadia.

BRADFORD-ON-AVON, WILTS.

> THE SALTSBURY DIOGDSAN GUILD.

On Wedresday, Jume 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

## At Cerist Cegrce,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 518 CHANEEB;
Tenor 121 cwt.

"Cbarles Botcarr ... ...Tyoble Samdel J. Hector ... ... 5 J. Frang Smallwood $\quad . . .2^{2} \mid$ Eranest Pabkrr...... | Jesse Franeis ... | ... | 3 | William J. Prescoti | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charles F. Andrews | ... | 4 | Giebrrt H. Harding | ...temoy | Composed by J. W. Washarook. Conducted by G. H. Harding. *) First peal in the method.

## NOTYINGHAN.

THE MIDLAND GOUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
Un THedduy, Twne 22, 7937, in Two Howrs and Fifiy-Five Minules, At the Churciz of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-part.

RLSHTON, LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Weiresday, Jume 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nime Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 OHANOE ; Tenor $15 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{Cwt}$.

Compased by A. Knigets. Conducted by K. Balderstone,

* First penl of Major. First peal on the bells after being recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnstou. Rung in honont of the diamond jubilee of the church, the recast hells being part of the renovation scheme.


## LONG EATON, DERBYSFIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTTES ASSOCIATION.
On Salwrayy, Jure 20, 1937, in Ttwo Hours and Forty-Five Mitwtes,
At the Chorce of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EO40 CHANEES;

 Haywood's No. $x$.Josere Bailey ... ... ...Tydile
R. Allan Hickion .......... Arthit Braines

Tenor rof cwt.
R. Allan hickion ... ... 2 Cbarles Gzary ... ... .... $\quad 6$

Alezry H. Ward ... ... 3 W. Ricbardson Drage ... 7
Josepr W. Cozzan ... ... 4 E. C. Crasty ... ... ...Tenoy
Conducted by Albert H. Ward.
HUGHENDEN, BUGK\$.
PHE OKTORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 26, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At tae Ceurca of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 OHANGES; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{Cwt}$.
Fridericr G. Biggs... ...Tvelle George Marzin ... w. 5
Miss D. R. Fleiceer .... 2 Roland Biggs ... ... ... 6
-Miss K. E. Feticerar ... 3 Chcil C. Mayne...
Wirliam Hzalgy .. .... 4 Harry Wingrove ... ....Tanor
Composed by Gabrial Lindorg. Conducted by Harry Wingrove

* First preal in the method. First peal in tire method as conductor. GREAT BARDFIELD, ESSEX.
THE ESSTX ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, June 26, 1937, 哖 Three Hours and Fouy Minutes. A'f the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE HAJOR, EO5B CHANOEB; Tenor 16 cwt.

Ronald Sucklimg $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Lewis W. Wieten...
Frank Claydon ... ... 4 Albert Wiffen ... ... ... Temor Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by L. W. Wiffen.
* First peal in the method and frst attempt.

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DRIGHLINGTON，YORKSHIRE．
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
（Lebds and District Amalgamatrd Society．）
On Sadwrday，Jभre 26，1937，in Two Fours and Fifty－Seven Minutes，
At the Cerore of St，Eadl，

## A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR，5OFE CHANGES；

 Tenor r6 ${ }^{1}$ cwt．in $\xi$ ．$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { William Woodigad } \\
& \text { Harry Davison... } \\
& \text {...Tyble | Herbert Davenport... ... } \\
& \text { Snnion... .... } 2 \text { Grorge Robinson ... }+\ldots \text {... } 6
\end{aligned}
$$

Composed̃ by C．Minderton．Conducted by Lesliz W．G．Morris
＊First peal in the method．A birthuay compliment to Messrs．
G．A．Jowett and A．Armitage．

NORBURY（HAZEL GROVE），CHESFIRE． THF OHESTER DIOGESAN GDILD． On Saturday，June 26，1937，in Three Hours and Thyen Hinutes， At tan Crorch St．Thomas
A PEAL DF BOB HAJOR， 5120 CHANCES； Tenor 14 cwt． 3 qr． 2 I lb．
James Fernley．．．＊＊＊．．．Trable｜Josepb Werttarer ．．＊．．．． 5
－Mrs．James Fernley ．．． 2 Walter W．Wolsyencroft 6 fRev．Erane Bonner ．．． 3 James A．Milener ．．．．．． 7 †C．Kgnneth Lrwis ．．．．．． 4 Joan Woria ．．．＊＊．．．．．．Temor Composed by J．S．Wilde． Condacted by Jome Worra．
＊First peal and first attempt．＋First peal in the method．Rung as rabinday compliment to the Rev．F．Bonner，Mrs．Fernicy taking a rope at shore notice．

> ARUNDEL, SUSSFX.

THE SDSSEX COUNTYY ASSOGLATION
Dw Saturday，Jwhe 26，1937，in Two Hours and Fify－Six Minutes， At xhe Cedrch of St．Nicholas，

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRI\＆E MAJOR， 5056 GHANEEB；

 Tenor 14 cwt． 1 qr． 23 lb．in E．
 Edmund H，Linder．Hatrersley．Conducted by Fredk．W．Rogres HERTFORD
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION．
Ot Saturday，Jtite 26，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty－Three Minutes， At the Church or St．Andrew，

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 OHANEES；

Parkrr＇s Twrlvz－pari（7th observation）．Tenor 16 cwt．
Josbra Ladiby．．．．．．．．．Tredte Grorge Radlay ．．．
Regikald Dore ．．．．．．． 2 †Sidney C．Roceester ．．． 6
Miss C．Difion（aged I4） 3 Arareb J．House...
George Gray ．．．．．．．．． 4 Prrcy W．Sadnders．．．．．．Tenor
Conducted by A．J．Hoose．
＊Tirsit penl in the method away from treble．＋First peal in the method．

MTCKLETON，GLOUCESTERSFIRE．
THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DESTRICTS ASSOCLATION． Om Salurday，Juthe 20，1937，in Three Howes and Twenty Minufos， AI teg Churce of St．Lawrence，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 CHANEES；
Groves＇Transposition of Parker＇s Twelve－part．
Tenor 18 cwt ．

| John Thomas | ... | $\ldots$. | ...$T y e b l e$ | Joserb E．Newman | ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mrs．J．Thomas．．． | ... | ... | 2 | Frank Tderley．．． | .. | .. | 6 |

Joserpe D．Jobnson ．．．.. .0
－Leorard Kifcein ．．．．．． 4 Erederick G．Kincein ．．．Tenor Conducted by Josepri D．Jobnson．
Tirst pal＂inside．＂t First peal．Rumg as the Southern Branch quarterly peal．

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## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS．

NUTPLELD，SURTRET． THE SDRRET ASSOOLATION．
Or Saturday，Jthe 19，1937，ix Two Hours and Forty－Two Minwtes，

## At tee Cborch of SS．Peter and Paul，

A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；
Consisting of two 720 s each of Gambridge Surprise，Kent and Oxford Treble Bob，and oue 720 of Plain Bob．＇Cemor 11 点 cw ．in G gharp． Roydon Davies ．．．．．．．．．Treble｜Harky W．Simmons ．．．．．． 4 Walter Claydon ．．．．．．． 3 Frederigr E．Collins ．．． 5 Daniel W．Coopgr ．．．．．．． 3 Charlgs H．Kippin ．．．．．．Temoy Condacted by Cearles H．Kippin．

MEASHAM，LEICESTERSHIRE．
THE MTDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATYON．
On Saturday，Jum 19，7937，in Two Hows and Fijty－Eight Minutes．
At the Church of St．Lawrence，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES，5040 GHANEES；
Forty－two six－seares with ten different eallings．Tenor 10 ewt．
Walikr Belceer ．．．．．．Tyehle William T，Goadby．．．．．． 4 Cecil Verey ．．．．．．．．．． 2 ＂Jambs W．Atkins ．．．．．． 5 Frrderick G．Bailey ．．． 3 William Taebot $\quad . .$. Conducted by James W．Atkins．
First peal as concuctor．

## WLNFORD，SOMERSET．

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION． On Saturday．Jute 19，1937，in Two Hours and Forty－Nine Minutes，

At the Chorce of SS．Mary and Peter，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOU日LES，5046 CHANGES；
Porty－two six－scores in ten callings．
Tenor 16 owt．
Ronald W．Trbasorg ．．．Treble Francis C．Mogrord
Williak Rosewell ．．．．．． 2 Harold Parfrey ．．．．．． 5
Leslie B．Coles ．．．．．．．．． 3 ｜Edwarn Gile ．．．．．．．．．．Tenor
Conducted by H．Parrrey．
＊First peal and first attempt．Tirst peal ąs conductor．

## DONLNG＇ION，LDNCS

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
（Elloe Deaneries Brance，）
On Saturday，June 19，1937，in Two Hours and Forty－Five Minutes，
At ige Cedrce of SS Mary and the Holy Rood，
A PEAL OF HINOR， 5040 CHANEES；
Comprising five 720＇s of Oxford Treble Bob and two of Keat Treble Bob，each extent called differently，
Herbert Woods ．．．．．．Tyeble Tegor 15 cwt
－Percy Markeam ．．．．．．．$\quad$ a ．Cybic
Gerald Short ．．．．．．．．． 3 P．C．H．R．Woods ．．．．．．Tener
Conducted by Herbert Woods．
＊First peal．
WATE－ON－DEARNE，YORES．
THe FORESHLRE ASSOOLAPION
（Barnseey and District Society．）
万n Monday，Junt 21，1937，in Three Hows and Sis Mirutes， At the Church of Ale Saints，
A PEAL OF TREGLE BOB MINOR，EO40 CHANGES；
Being 720 each of Capel，Joodon Scholars＇Pleasure，College Exercise， Norbury，Duke of Norfolk，Sandal and Kingston． Tenor 13 cwt．
Roland Hill ．．．．．．．．．Tyebis Arteor Gill
Trerr
 Conducted by D．Smizh．
WADENHOE，NORTEANTS．
THE PETERBORODGH DIOCISAN GUILD．
．．．On Monday，Jwite 21，1937，in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes， Ax tar Cerrce of St．Micgarl And All Angels， A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；
Being three 720＇s of Kent Treble Bob and four 720 ＇s of Plain Bob．
J．D．Deighton ．．．．．．．．．Treble A．H．Martin ．．．．．．．．． 4 H．J．Balcomz ．．．．．．．．． 2 Watter Perkins ．．．．．． 5 Miss Evrlyn Sterl．．．．．．． 3 Caarles W．Clarke ．．．．．．Tehoy Conducted by Cuarles W．Clarke．

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOOIATION. On Tuesday, Jume 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minwtes, At the Church of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANOES;
Being 720 each of Canbridge Surprise, Duke of York, New Londion
Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 13 ewt.
Wilelam Williams ... ...Trebif Barmard Patmore ... ... 4 William H. Lawrence ... 2 Ernest A. Overall ... ... 5 Albert Lawrence ... ... 3 Sidney Caribr ... ... ...Tenar Conducled by Sidney Carier.
BARTON SEAGRAVE, NORTHANTS THE PETERBORODGH DIOCESAN GDILD. (Kettering Brance.)
+Wednasiay, June 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Botolpe,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES; Forty-two callings.
-Sidney Sargent ... ...Treble | †Cecil Brown
Matibias Hobrs ... ... 2 Sidney Munton ....... 3 Bernard Saddington ...Thay

Conducted by M. Hobes
Frirst peal and first attempt. + Fistr peal on an "ingide" bell. PLEASLTY, DJRBTSHIRE.
THE NORTH NOTUS ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday. Jume 23, 1937, in Three Houys and Four Mimutes, At the Churce of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 GHANEES;

Being 21 six-scoies of Grandsire, 10 different calliugs, amd 21 six-scores of Plain Bob, four diterent callings. Tenor 16 cwt . *Joun R. Wilson ... ...T Treble |Joan Norris... .... .... ... 3 Fredertck Fimi ... ... 2 J. Reader ... ... ... ... 4

Herbert T. Roore ... ...Tenoy
Conducted by H. T. Rooke.
First peal and first attempt.
BAREING, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
Dn Salurday, Jwns 26, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minules, At the Church of St. Narr,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 GHANGES; seven 720's called differeatly.

Tenor 11 cwt.
Keith W. Waititll... ...Tidble "Shelpond Spafrow ... ... 4 Eowin A. Cracknelc... .... 2 |Harry D. Listgrin ... ... 5 Arthor Grimwoob $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Arther R, Woodard..- Tenor Conducted by H. D. Lester.
First peal of Cambridge Ninor.

## A HAMPSHIRE TOUR.

Peals rung for the Winctester and Portsmouth Diacesan Guild. SOUTEAMPTON.
On Saturday, Junc 19, 1937, ім Three Howys anc Twelve Minutes, At the Cegreb of St. Micharl.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, EOSI CHANEE8,
Tenor If cwt. I qr. Is lb.
James H. Surparrd ...Treble Frank Eennett ... ... 5
Andriw J. Corrigan ... 2 •Reginald A. Rerd .. ... 6 George Williams ..... .3 William E. Cebater ... 7 Frederick W. Rogers ... 4 Arthdr T. Greenwood ...Temor Composed by C, Midoleion, Conducted by Frank Benneit. * Tirst peal of Surprise. EAST TYTHERLEY.
Ом Moнday, Јин 21, 1937, in 7hre Hoнуs,
At tife Churce of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF HOUBLE MORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANPES; Tenor $\mathrm{T}_{4} \mathrm{cwt} 1$ qr. 2 g lb .
Williar H. Fussele ...I foble| Reginald A. Reed ... ... 5 George Wilciabs ... .... 2 Frank Bennett ... ... 6 "Andrew J. Corrigan -... 3 James H. Sbeprerd... ... 7 Louis J. Lockyer ... ... a William E. Caeater ...Tenoy Composed by S, H. Wood, Conducted by Frank Berneti, First peal of Double Norwich and at first atiempt. Mr. Bennetts 1,400tla peal.

## HGHCLERE

On Tuesday, Jwhe 22, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fiffy-Nine Hinules, At ter Ce日rce of St. Micearl,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tener 11 ewt.
"Louis J. Lockyer ... ...Tyeble| Ernest W. Pye... ... ... 5 † Andrew J. Corrigan

| $\ldots .$. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | 2 |
| $\cdots$ | 3 |
| $\cdots$ | 4 | Williab E. Cieater

.. 6
... 6 Grorge R. Pyb...... Frane Benneti ... ... 4 |Reginald A. Reed ... ...Tenor Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Frank Benneit. * First pead of Supprse. + Filst peal of suporlative. Kung as a birthday compliment to the Rev. C. Elliot Wigg.

## WHITCHUROH

On Tuesday, Jure 22, 1937, in Thyed Hours and Sixtern Merutes,
At mee Cerfch of All Hallowz,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 50SB CHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt .
James H. Serpaerd...
...Trebld
Welliam H. Fosseil
$\ldots$
$\cdots$
$\cdots$
Grorgr R. Pyb .... ... 3
Grorge Williams ... ... 7 * First perl of Surprise "inside " and at firgt attempt. ROMSEY.
On Wednesday, Jure 23, 1937, in Three Howy and Thiriy-One Minutts,
At tee Czurce of SS. Mary and Athelfl.isda,
A PEAL OF BOB MANOR, 505: OHANGEB; Tenor 24 cwt.

| Reginald A. Refd | Treble | Andrew ]. Corrigan |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William H. Fussbll... | 2 | - Ernest W. Pye | ... 6 |
| Frank Benneti | 3 | James H, Seepabrd | 7 |
| Witliam E. Cgeatrr.. | 4 | Rev. C. Elliot Wigg | Tenor |

* First peal of Plain lools and ate first attempt.


## MLMORD-ON-SEA.

On Thursiday, June 24, 1937, in Tiree Howrs and Nita Minutes,
As the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL DF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE WAJOR, 5056 CHANCE8; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{5}$ cwt.
William H, Fossell...
George 8 Pue
 Grorge Williams ... ... 4 IRev. C. Elliot Wigg ...Tenor

Composed by A. Kmigats. Conducted by Grorge R. Pyr.

## FGRDINGBTLDGE.

On Friday, Jtane 25, 1937, in Three Hours and Sixtean Minttes,
At tee Cherch of St, Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6088 CHANOEs; Tenor 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Reginald A. Refd ... ... $\langle$ rebié| Frank Bennett ... ... ... 5
Andrew J. Corrigan... ... 2 Ernest W. Pye .... ... .... 6
William H. Fussell... ... 3 Wilelam E. Cieater $\quad$.... 7
George R. Pyr ... ... ... 4 James H. Sheparrd ... ...Terty
Composed by A. Kingers. Conducted by Frank Bennett,
R1NGWOOD.
On Friday, Jthe 25, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,
At the Cherce of SS. Peier and Patl,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH EOURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANEEB; Tenor 18 cwt, 1 qr. 2 : lb.

 Fhans Bghnett ... ... ... 4 Williame. Chbater ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by Frank Brinnit.
(Other peal reports are unayoidably hald over.)
FOBBING, ESSEX. - On July 2nd, of the Parislı Churcli, 2,016 ohanges of Plain Bols Major: Wilfred Ockondon 1 , Albelt North 2, Arthur Ockendon 3, Miss C. Chinnery 4, Allhul Reeve 5, Frank Lufkin (conductor) 6, Harry Chinuery 7, Harry Snith 8. Rung on the accasion of the treble Inger's 21st birthiay and his father's gilver wodding.

## VETERAN YORKSHIRE RINGER.

## PRESDES AT CLEYEEAND ANNUAL MEETING

Glorious weather favoured the Cleveland aud North Yopkshire Association when they visited Ripon on Jume 26th for their annual meating. The fime day madie the visit to this ancient city, with its lovely cathedral and splerdid peal of bells, a great pleasure.
The Dean of Eipon, a remarkably achive man considerimy his 82 yars of age, mot the ringers stt the Cathedral and gave them a hearty welcome to Ripon.

Tea was held at the Black Bull .Hotel, when over 50 ringers and triends were present. In the unavoidable nosence of the president, who sent a letter of apology, Mr. T. Mctealie was voted to che chair. IIr. Metealfe expressed lis great appreciation of the honour confrred upon lin. 'I'he secretary (Mr, J. Reed) voiced the congratulalions of the company to the chairman on completing 60 years' service is at ringer and delebratiag his 72nd birthday a fortnight ago by onducting a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples from the 7 th.
Roplying, the Chairmm recalled some of his early expericuces and lio miles lse used to cyche going to different places to ring. He loped that others would get the same amonnt of pleasure out of ringing, as lie had spent the happiest time of his life ringing.
The secretary's report and balance sheet were accepted unanimously. The balane shect showed a credit balance of $£ 28$ 10s. On the proposal of the chairman and scconded by Mr. W. N. Park, the sceretin'y was thanked for his work during bis first year of office. $\mathrm{K}_{1}:$ J. C. Pollind, of Middeshrough, was re-elected presideat, and Mr: J. Reer, of Gnisborough, secretary nud treasner. One new honorary member and threa new purformug nembers were olected. Certifirailes for the Sunday service ringing were presented to the winners, Tadeaster, and lipon second, and it was hoped that more towers would compete this year. Meetings were arranged to be held throughcont the year, Scptember meeting at Ormesby, Janatary at Northallerlon, April at Riclmond, and the anmual meeting at Saltburn

A vote of thanks was given to the Dean aud Chapter for the use of the bells. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to Mr. Metealfe for presiding.
Rivging at the Catitedral continued until 9 p.m., the methods rung heing Stedman Cators and 7'riples, Grandsire Caters and Tuples, Kent Poyel and Major, Double Norwich Major and Rob Major. Tlingers attended from Whitby, Skelton, Salthurn, Guisborough, Ormesby, Middlesbrougl, Darlirgion, Thirsk, Ripon, Tadcaster and Liceds.

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

## STOCKPORF BRANCH MEETS AT REDDISH.

A meeting of the Stockpor Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild was heln at St. Slisabeth's Church, Reddish, when some 35 membera and friends were present. The eight bells were requisitioned early in the aftermcon and a variety of methods rung. Service was conducted liy the Rector (the Rev. R. W. Watson), who also gave a short nildress. The singing of the hyuns was greatly assisted by the preEriace of the choir, and the accompaniment to the singimg was upon the magnifleent organ, an instrament which is quite in kceping with what may be considered one of the most beantiful churches in that part of tha mintry.
After service, ten, partaken of in the adjagent schools, was followed hy tha business moetiug. Mr. W. W. Wolstencroft, the branch chairrann, who presided, apologised for the Rector's inability to be present owing to other disties. The Rector had assured him that he was preeedingly pleased to weelcome the Guitd.
Reference was mate to the passing to higher sorvice of Mrs. W. Wilde, and those present shod for a moment in silence as a tribute o fier memory
There was very little busimess ta be disposed of-a shart report of flue committee meeting, a slrong recommendation to all to read the pecellent article on Coronation ringing in the curvent issue of "The Ringing World 'and apply it to their individual cases, comprised the main points
The meeting terminated with a hearty rote of thanks to the Reator for permission to hold the meeting, to the local ringers for having overything in readiness, to the choir und the organist for their services, and to the ladies who so admirably attended to the needs of the company at the tables
Purther riuging tham took place matil a late hour and ranged from rounds to Cambridge Miajor

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

 ASHPORO DISTRICTHho quartoyly meeting of the Asifford District held at New Romney in Saturday, Jume 19th, was atkonded by 30 mombers representing ight towers. The betls were mnde good use of during the afternoom mad evening, two young members ringing their first touches on eight bells.
A short service was conducted by the Yicar (the Rev. W. F. Scott). Tea was served in the Church $\mathrm{F}[\mathrm{nll}$, followed by a business meeting, th which the Yiear presided.
Thanks were accorded to the Vicar for taking the service, for the ase of the hells and for his kindness in prowiding the excellent tea. The Vicar was elected an honorary member.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

FOW TO SET ABOUT GALLING GRANLSLRE ITRIPLES.
Many beginners in couducting make a start witis Grandsire Triples and we have been asked to aevobe one of thase articles to telling the novice how to set about it.
Let us say, first of all, that, the man who aims at being a ' conductor" ' must endeavour to make himself something move than a mere bobcaller.' The real conductor shoulders more tham tho responsibility of putting in the bobs and singles at the right place. He musf know whether the bells ale right or wrong, so tilnt lie does mot lave neecssarily to go to the end of the toncli or peal bofore he knows if the bells will come round.
At first, perhaps, he will only be dead sure of his ground at certain intervals, whey some definite change, whicli he has previously memorised, turns up. To do this he niust be abie to read the ropes, but it is befter to be able to watch the bells working up to the required positious than to roly upon the eye at same particulan fall of the ropes. One ean be so easily deceived.
In cultivatiug the ability to watch the graunal development of the various positions of the bells, the condictor also accinres the fnowledge and ability to correct mistakes if they should occur. It is easy, of course, to tell a man to dodge wills hint if the other ringer has
shown that he is going to miss the dodge, lint without a more extorsive knowledge of the relative positions of all the bells jt is not so ensy give prompt and definite instructious when, say, the couduetor fo on the front and the two bells behind are clashing in obvious uncertainty as to which should be the first to hunt down.

From this it will be seen that the younge conduclor must extend his studies beyond mere bob-calling. In plain methods, for instance, lue should be able to observe the coursing order of the bells, that is the arder in which the bells follow one another through ithe sequence of the work of the method and cume to lead.
For example, in Grandsire Triples, with two bells plain huntingthe treble and another-therc are five bolls 'working.' The conductor should first know the owder in which they are coursing, next he should bo able to anticipate any chande in this orter which a bob or singic will canse, so that when the call has been made he is eertain that the bells have come correctly into their new positions, or, if not, is able to direct them into their right slace without hesitation.
A ringer with good 'rope-sighis' can easily "pick-tp, the coursing order of the bells, but the anticipation, whielt is so Hecessary to real conducting, is more difficult, because it involves an nedilional mentul process. Tt means that the contuctor must hunt his own hell cuwrectly, at the same time remember the exsting coursing order of the
bells, and also be able to transmose them into the next secuence in bells, and also be able to transpose them int
anticipation of the call he is going to make.
The novice must not expect that he car do all this at once; tho ability comes only by stady and practice. Sone of it ean be required when other people are calling by a slose observation of what is going Fir
First of all, note the bell in the hmot, then look for the order of the bells following the treble and the bell in the lusit. In the plain coures they are $3,4,6,7,5$, and this cycle will be mainiained until a call is made, the only variation leing thati the last bell in one leat becomes first in the wext. Thas the first lead of 3.7.6.7.5 hecomes 5.3.4.6.7 in the second and 7.5.3.4.6 in the 3nd and so on. Tllis is brought about by tita last bell in the series (laving eome to lead immediately in front of the treblo) making 3rils place and coming back in front of the rest.
When a bah is called, the transposibion is different. The hell that has heen in the lumt has then to be talsen into consideration.
The hells as they course after the treble in the first lead are 2.3.4.6.7.5 If a bob is called the transposition moves the two last belle into position in front of the bell tinat lass heen in the lunt, ana the first of these twa becomes the new hunt bell, and cant then be left out of consideration in the mental operations mutil the next eall comes along. Thus a bob at the first lead changes the 2.3.4.6.7.5 ouder into 7.5.2.3.4.6: another boh at the following lead would make the coursing order 4.6.7.5.2.3; but a plain lead would make it 6.5.2.3.4 (that is, always remembering that the 7th continues ta course afler the treble).
As a first step to conducting, then, we recommend the beginuer th study the coursing order of bells in touches which other peopla are calling, afterwards he can ga on to the boh alling limself. We know that very often the process is reversed; that all the heginner troubjes about is to call the bobs in the right place ard leave the rest to luela, or somebody else. We, however, think that the most efficieut way

## MISS E. J. C. ANGWIN'S FIFTY PEALS

The followitg is a list of Miss E. J. C. Angwin's fifly peals, whinly have all been rusg on a working bell except one of Grandsire Doubles on the tevor and one of Gratusire Thiples an the treble: Grandsire Doubles 12. Triples Is, Caters 3, Stedman Triples 2, Plaiu Bob Minor' 2, Major 7, Royal 2, Minor (3 metloods) 2, Kert Theble Boh Major 2. The peals have been ruag under tite following auspices: Triro Diocesar Guild 39, Devon Kiuild 3, Norwich Diocesan Association 4. Bath and Wells Diocesan Associztion 1. Gloucester and Bristul Diocesna Association 1, Midland Comnties Association 2.

## DEATH OF MR. J. H. MIDWINTER.

Towerkecper and a member of St. David's Clurch, Bangor, for 40 years, Mr. J. H. Midwinter died on June 26th after a short illmess, nged 67 years.

At lis native village of Charlton Kings, Gloucestershire, Mr. Midwinter iearnt to ring. He luad rung 62 peals, consisting of 1 Gundsire Doubles, 1 Minor, 23 Grandsire Triples, 8 Stedman Triples, 11 Bol, Major, 8 Eent Treble Bob Major, 3 Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 2 Superlative Surprise Major, 2 Grandsire Caterg, 1 Kent Treble Bob Royal, 1 Grandsire Cinques, 1 Bob Maximus.
'rice funeral on June 30 th at St. David's Clurch was conducted by the Rev. R. C. Jones (Vicar), assisted by the Rev. G. Hushes (curate). Handbells were rung at the griveside by Ts. Jones, J. G. Davies, A. E. Pegler, sen., A. E. Pegler, jun., who also acted as bearers, assisted by W. T. Pegler and A. Ferries (a great friend).

The bells were rung half-muffled in the evening by the local band and also ringers of Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno, Mrs. G. D. Kelly, of Handsworth, Sheffeld, and J. T. Bartram, of Misterton, Notis. Methads that were rung during the evening were Bob Major, Grandsire Triples and the whole pull and stand.

## DARLEY DALE TOWER BEREAVED

By the tragric and sudden death of Mr. W. E. Blagslaw, aged 34 years, the Darloy Dale belfry has lost one of its most valued members. He was of a cheerfal and pleasant disposition, regular in his Sunday service ringing and worship, a useful and willing member in all chnch ectivities.

Mr. Blagshaw was nat a great peal ringer owing to his employment as a nurseryman and the distance he lived from the belfry. He had taken part in seven peals for the Midland Counties Association, but he was alvays ready to help in progressing the art of change rinsing, being a good ringer in a number of plain metrods; in fact, be was a good example of what a ringer should be. He will be long missed and remembered at Darley Dale.
Fis findral took place on Sunday afternoon. JuIy 4th, in the churchyarl he loved so well. The Rector of Darley Dale conducted the service. Tour of his fellow-ringers ralag a plain course of Grandsire Triples on handbells at the graveside. For evening service on the day of his burial the tower bells were rung hali-mufted to a quarterneal of Grandsire Triples, the striking being very good, by R . Bentan (first quarter-peal) 1, B. Allsop 2 V. E. Taylor 3, $\mathbf{F}$. W. Gregory 4, II. E. Taylor 5, R. Allsop 6, G. F. Pattson 7, E. Paulson 8. G. H. P.

## DEATH OF MR, WILLIAM MAUND.

Mr. William Maund, one of Warwickshire's oldest bellyingers pissed away suddenly on June 29tin. A man with a high sense of devotian to duty will be wreatly missed by all, but by hove more than lyy the members of St. John's Church, Coventry, where he had Leld the office of verger for the last eleven years.
Fe was bom eve Whitbourne, Hucefordshire, and his encly ringing was doue fa that connty. Later lie want to Bridgnorbly, where he rang three peals-two of Grandsire and one of Darlaston Bob Triphes tor the Hereford Diocesar Guild. Fe came to Coventicy about 35 years argo, and was one of the pioneer members of the Warwickslire Guild when it was formed in 1907. Whenever duties allowed, he was to be found ringing the bells he loved, these of Stoke Parish Glusch, and it was at this church where he rang his seven peals for the Guild, three of Grandsire and four of Stedman.
The interment at the Coventry Cemetery was preceded by the funeral service at St. John's Chtreh. Widh the litile company of mourners, seven members of the Guidd followed his body to its fnst resbing place, and as a last fribute to his memory it eanrse of Triples was ring over tho open grave. $\qquad$ M. M.

## BALLOONIST AND BELLRINGER.

MR. HARRY HEXDEN DIES IN AUSHTRALTA.
An Australian paper records the death, at the age of 89 years, of Mr. Farry Fenden, af Orange, New South Wales. Ke was born art Dartford, Kent. Ir 1873, says the report, Mr. Heuden, was widely known for his daring balloon ascents in London and dustralia. He made 230 ascents in all, Inchading several fin Sy uey, Melbourne, and Orange, where he knd worked tor 52 years before his denth as : watchmaker and jeweller.

Mr. Henden,' the report adds, 'was also expert in the art of bellringing and was tha oldest member of the ancient society of the London College of Beliringers. On the occasion of tho dinmoltd jubilee of his wedding, which he celebrated in Orange seven years ago, members of the suciety pealed the bells in London in Jis hononr.?

## A MEMORIAL TOUCH.

At Leeicester Catbedval Cburch of St. Martin, a quarter-poal of Stedman Cinques with Falf-mufled bells was rumg on Saturday, May 15th, in memory of the Iate Carnon Winckley, of this Cadhedral, in 55 minutes: S. Catton 1, L. E. Allen $2_{1}$ J. J. Poale (conductory 3, Dr. F. S. Poole 4, S. Cheney 5, C. F. Howitt 6, P. L. Earrisan 7, H. G. Tenney 8, F. E. Wilson 9, A. I. Harris 10, TF. H. Dexter 11, Fi. Taylor 22. First quarter-peal on 12 bells by 4,5 aud 10 .

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The Willian Pye memorial peal tablet will be unveiled and dedicated on July 20th at Sit, Mary-le-How Cburch, Claspside, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Mr. Jolin G. Ames, Riaging Master of the Lilloe Deaneries Brauch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, was married on July Brd to Miss E. IB. Stacks, of Pinchbeck. Yhe accasion was honoured by a peal of Boh Major:

As good as ever is the report sent of the handint of Mr. Alficed Lawrence, the 84-year-old mamber of the Christ Church, Swindon, band. On July 4th le participated in a birthday comptiment quarterpeal of Stedman Tciples: Another member of the band, Mr. W. W. T. Daniell, also received birthday felivitations, and the occusion was the first quarter of Sledman away from the tenor of A. $G$. Wells.

Connected with the bells of St. Deny's, Ibstock, for over 60 years, Mr. J. W. Hopkins celebrated his $84 t h_{h}$ birthday on June 24th. Fol 30 years he has been churchwarden. A touch of Graudsive Doubles, consisting of 840 changes-the 84 lead-cuds being appropriate for his age-was rung by A. Overton 1, C. Verey 2, A, R. Tonks (conductor) 3, H. Tonks 4, J. W. Atkius 5, W. H. Ball 6.

More about veterans. Midsummer Day was the 78th birthday of Mr. J. A. Dixon, who has runs at st, Marie's, Sleffield, for over 60 years. Mr. Dixon tools part in a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples at St. Marie's on June 27th in honour of the event, the company consisting of J. Osgathorpe 1, F. Gates 2, A. Chaddock 3, G. C. Kibblewhite 4, J. A. Dixon 5, R. Farrison, jun. 6, R. Earrison (eonductor) 7, H. Hurst 8 .

There is a possibility that the hells of Prittiewell, Essex, where Mr. William Dudley has completed 50 years of change ringing, will be augmented to iwelve. A firm of bellfounders have estimated for the work.
In honour of Mr. Dudley's golden jubilece as a ringer, a peal of Stedman Caters was attempted on Jume 13th, but unfortunately broke down after l $1 \frac{1}{2}$ lours' good ringing. Another abtempt, it is lioped, will be made later.

## THE HAMPSHIRE TOUR,

A CYOTCE STORY.
As surgested by the Editor of 'The Riuging World,' I am sending a couple of chapters with thin hope that bo may be able to spare roorr to publish same.
Ohapter 1.-East Tybherley.
"Time there was but it is goae;
Trime there may be-who can well?
Time there is to act upon,
Help me, Lard, to use it well."
Chapter II.-Sherfiek English.
"All that pleases is but for a. moment,
All that grieves us is lout for a moment,
Notling js important but. that whicl is Etemal.'
Milan Cathedral.
The above lines may be read it the trspective churehes. Onr visit concided with the first day of summer, in glorions weather, amidst peaceful and picturesque Hampshire scenery, recaling a well-known poet's verse, "Oh! to be in England, when the village bells ape ringing."

BELLS SHOULD SOUND THEIR LOUDEST.
In his address to members of the Southern District of the Surrey Association at Bletchingley on June 26th, the Rector said that fingers should always ring their bells in such a good manner that the bells would always sound their loudest-the best praise to God. This praise should also be shown by ringers in their lives. The heart as well as the head should be in bellringing and then the message of the bells would sound all the clearer to people not thinking of God.
The 60 odd feet of draqght and new ropes did not deter the ringers from makins good use of the bells. Of the company of 25 , members came from Lingfield, Buckland, Reigate, Redhill (St. John's), Merstbam. Banstead and Uckfield, sud the mobile section of the Northern District, heuded by 'the hroadensting bellringermen Nos. 1 , 2 and $3 .{ }^{\prime}$
At the meeting sympathy was expressed with three members who were ill-Mr. Batten (Merstitam), Mr. Fitler (Reigate) and Mr. Whitmore (Horley).

## THE ADMIRATION OF THE EXERCISE. <br> \section*{To the Editor}

Sir,-On page 422 in pour issue of June 25 th is recorded a peal of Minor, the ringers of which have surely earmed the admiration of the whote of the Exercise. I refor to the peal at Fairfield, Buxton, in the maxinum number (73) of Treble Bob methods it is possible to ring in seven extents.
As readers of "The Ringing Warld' will have observed, this band of Spliced Minor experts have been steadily increasing the number of methods in their peals, and their efforts have now culminated in this truly splendid achievament.
It reflects not only the exceptional ringing ability of the performers, but also their co-operation and loyalty as a band over a long period, qualities which are, in far too many cases, lacking at the present time.
It is the more remarkable that the band should have such widely differing ages, as to range from the youngest in his early twenties to the eldest in his sixties. Teartiest congratulations to them all!

Chalfont St. Giles.
IDA FAWKINE.

## OUTINGS OF 1937 <br> INTERESTING NARRATIVES.

## IMPRESSIONS OF EAST ANGLIA.

## WOODFORD RINGERS' OUTING

Ideal weather favoured the Woodford riugers and their friends on une $27 t h$, when a party of 32 visited some interesting churches of Suffolk and Essex. An early start was made to enable them to xing or the moming service at St. Mary's, Woodbridge.
True to time the bells were set going, and touches of Grandsire Triples, Kent Treble Bob and Bob Major, nob forgetting some 'call changes ' for the learners, were rung on a wery tuneful eight, tenor 25 cwt, all cast by Thomas Osborne, of Downham Market, in 1799. Well may Mr. C. J. Trotman, who welcomed the party, and his local band be proud of their bells which grace a lofty fint tower!
The next halt was made at St. Mary's, Bury St. Edmunds, where Mr. Chinnery welcomed the visitors, and touches of Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob were rung on an excellent ring of eight, tenor 28 cwt., also cast by Thomas Osbome. The church, one of the largest in England, is full of interest, Tanking with the Cathedral Church of St. Janes close by as outstanding Perpendicular edifices.
After the long fast had been broken at the White Lion, a short fun brought the party to Lavenham, where Mr: A. Symonds, who igured in the Lavenham broadcast of a year aro, extended a genial welcome. This was indeed the "climax" of the outing. The picthresqueness of the medimval eloth-exporting town is only excelled by the magnificent Church of 95 . Peter and Panl with its ricly sounding peal of bells, tenor 23 cwt . The tenor, cast by Miles Gray in 1685 , must bo the envy of all bellfounders! Touches of Kent Treble Bob, (irandsire and Stedman Triples were rung and well struck. The tower, built about 1483 and rising to 141 ft ., is worthy of such a peal. No pains were spared to use the best of materials, and Barnac stone and Brandon flint are both in evidence. Strong buttresses give strength and beanty to this crowning. glory of an outstanding edifice. St. Mary's, Bures, was reached in time for touches of Oxford, Kent and Cawhridge Minor to be rung prior to the evening service on a good going thuefuI six, tenor 22 cwt., Mr. Bower and Mr. Ives joining in. The church, with its I4th century embattled and pinnacled tower, stands near the Stonr and adds charm to a typical Suffolk scene. Tea was well served at the One Bell, and at the conclusion of the refreshing meal Messrs. S. Webb, $\dot{F}$. Corney and C. Morss were specially thanked for arranging most enjoyable outing.
The final lalt was made at St. John's, Finchingfteld, where touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Kent Treble Thob were rung on a good eight, tenor 18 cwt., Messrs. H. Samms and D. Jepnings, of the Bardfied band. joining irk. The 12 th century west cloor and the I5th century rood screen with its elaborate tracery are outstanding features of na historical chureh.
By 11.20 Woodford was reached and all quickly disperged, having seen the conntry gaily bedecked with flowers and foliage, wiewed from winding roads and clarming hillacks, and having heard tunefal bells which peal from some of the nost interesting ehurohes of East Anglia.

## HELMINGHAM RINGERS VISIT KENT.

On June 26th, the Felninglam band, with a few frionds, making a party of 20. held their annual outing. A few minutes past 6 a.ma. a start was made by motor-coach for Waolwich, St. Mary's Chureh being reashed just after 10 a.m. A few good courses of Surprise weve rung, then on to St. Johu's, Erith, where Mr. and Mrs. George H. Cross met them, and acted as guides for the rest of the day. Lumeh at Dartford was followed by a visit to the tower just in time to ring a happr bridal pair out of church. The next call was Northfleet, and then to Gravesend for tea and the final ringing for the day. The methods rung during the day were London, Bristol, Cambridge, Superlative Surprise, Double Norwich and Stedman Tiriples.
At $7.40 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ we hid farewell to our guides at the Ferry and the drive Fome in the beatiful summer's evening was delightful. Home was reached about 11.45 , everyone happy although tirea, but St. Mary's bells were tapping off Cambridge and Superlative at the usual time on Sunday morning. The party thank, through 'The Riuging World,' imumbents for inse of bells and towerkeepers for having bells ready, and lastlo Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Cross for making the arrangements.

## FIVE TOWERS VISITED BY BOLSOVER RINGERS.

Bolsover ringers hela their annual outing on Tune 26th and had a very enjoyable day in the Derby district. Ringing took place at Rohlestone-on-Dove, Burton-on-Trent, Overseale, Abhbr-ie-la-Zoueln
and Melbourne. The methods rung were Plain Bob Major and Melbourne, The methods rung Were Plain Bob Major. Kent lative Surprise Major. Cambridge Sirprise Major, Little Bob Major, Little Boh Roynl and Kent. Treble Bob Royal

A pleasant event took place at ten at Ashby-de-la-Zanch, when the mgers presented Mr. Jolm Elint with a walking stick, suitably inseribed. to mark the ringing of his 500 hin peal which he conducted on Coronation Day at Balsover. Glowing tributes were paid to Mr . Fint's efforts on behalf of the Txercise hoth at Bolsover and in the disl riet, and the ringers showed their gratitude for the excellent way in which he carries ond his duties as captain and tutor of the local

## YORK MINSTER RINGERS AMID THE DALES

York Minster tingers repeated last year's outing to Derbyghite for their 'ennual' on June 19th, when a bitity of 18 had a mosb enjoyable day. The arrangencuts were in the hands of Mr. S. IP, Palmer, who mel the company on arrival at Sheffeld with a luxnrions coach. fitted with kuee rugs and wireless, and reted as guide, philosoplicr anil friend througlout the jouraey.
Eope was our first stopping place, whicla was reached vis lrox JTousc. The Surprise and Bamford. The Surprise View, met unexpectedly. was a lovely sight right across the valley, with wall-wooded country beyond. It was well worth the two or three minutes wo stopped to take 甜all in. At Hope we were met by Mr. B. Tadfield, and soon the bells were roing to Stedman Triples and Bob Majar. They are a nics lishlt peal of eight, and we thoroughly enjoyed our ring more especially as we were given to understand that proviously permission for visitors to ring on these bells was unobtainable.
From Hope to Tideawell, where dinme was provided at the Gearge Eotel (proprietor, Mr. James Buckley), and an excellent dinner it was. Duritur the 'courses " Inesh saluon ("surprise') came on and we went to the extent (of the salnon). Afber ㅍrace a course on handbells was rung for the benefio of the local customers. It was a really beantiful drive to Ashover, travelling through Tradington, Dale, Jsaliewell, via Gallia Dale, Crowford and Matlock. Hewe ringng wis arrangen b. Mr. A. W. H. Bowler. Tho tenor is approximatoly ewt, and tine difference bebween the 7 th and tenor is about 8 owt. Nevertheless.
they are a niae musical peal. Ths third hell dates baok to 1625 and the 7th to 1630, guite the most ancient bells thet wny of our paty had been privileged to landle.

At both Eope and Ashovel a wedding had just taken pance previons to our ringing. At Ashover we stood on one side until the mine with the camera had taker the weddiug party. Jhen we dic our bit on the bells-mo, it didn't lead to anything! and we hope neither of the respective brides or buidegrooms inealth will suffer in consequence. Back to Matlock, where a substantial ment tea was provided (b,y W. F. Moore and Sons). After tea most of the party made theit way up to the church there, whero Messus. Wictor and E. Taylor kindly met us and had all ready. The very steep hill to the church was accomplished by our 84-year-old colleague (Mr. A. Haigiz) in good style. Some good touches in various meblods weve rung the bells rumning very well. Four of our party decided on a gatre of howls instead of the climb up to the church, but, minformatiely, it was a 'Gromn " green instead of their accustomed 'flat.' Wo accepted witz some resolve the 'fne ends' they played. ospecially as one of them would persisd in playing wrong "bias." Nothing trauspired on the journey to Sheffeld except we ran past The Peacock at approxinately 20 miles per hour. There wasn't time?
The train journey was enlivened by soum counsos on line hanthells and we arrived back to York at 10.50 aftor a most enjoyablo day. I take this opportunty of saying "Thank you" to the imetmberts of the churches Fisited for permissian to use their belis, and also to thr gentlemen previously mentioned for meeting us and making arrangements which contributed largely to the success of our outing.
I. E.

WESTON-SUPER-MARE RINGERS' OUTING.
Ideal weather conditions, ringing in fout towers and a jollw party made the outing of the Weston-strper-Mare belivingers monorable on June 19th.

After aalling at Bristol to pick up Mr. W. H. Thomas, the party of 30 was welcomed by Mrs. Oakhili, wife of the local ceptain at Wotton under-Edge, where ringing was enjoyed at the Churcin of St. Mary the Virgis.

Lunch at the Tralcon Hotel, Painswicle, was followed by riuging in this famous church and a cordial welcome by Mr. Goulding, the loca] captain, At Great Malverm, the party were greeted lyy Mr, J. C.
Lavprence, lacal captan of tive rincers at the Priory Church, and the Lawreuce, local captain of the ringers at the Priory Church, and the
ringinac was most pleasurable. A saunter rond the town followed tea. On the homeward trip o halt was cilled ad Deerhurst, where Mr W. Bartlett, the captain of the ringers of the quaint old Church o St. Mary, received the party, and mare ringing enjoyod. Supper wis served at the Montague Eotel, Bristol, and Wethont was reached it 12.45 a.m. 'J'lanks are due to Messrs, Poplinm fald Minifie for makiug the arrangements.

## FAKENHAM COMPANY IN FENLAND.

Accompanied by the Rector (the Rev. Dr. E. F. Morison) and menbers from Dersiusham, Sculthorpe and Gressenhall, the Fukenham company held their ammal outing on June 18.
Their tour took them through Swaflam, Brandon, Mfldenhall and Soham to Ely in the morning, where lunch was served at the Bell Hotel and the Cathedral whe risited. In the afternoon the party continued on throngh Littleport, Hilgay and Denver to King's Lyan, Tea was very kindly provided by Archdeacon Ward at Filgav. The members enjoyed touches in varions methods on the bells of ench clureh visited.

## A DAY IN THE WEST.

## LONDON RINGERS' EXPERIENCES

Nine kindred spirits of the Loudlon County Association--Messis. Waugh, Cousins, Brightey, Cockey, Start, Shorter, Murvell, Richards and Cannon-telt this story of their auting to Somerset and Wiltshire ol Jime 27th
Headed by the famons red sports model, the party left London at 6.45 a.m., and $3 \frac{1}{2}$ hours later had accomplished the jouruey to Wells Cathedral.
'I'lis famons peal of ten, temor' 56, ewt, was soon aung to Grandsire, Stedmur Caters ard Bob Roynl. The party were joined by Messrs. Melvillo and Stote from Coventry, always welcome visitors. The funny incident of the day occhrred here. Au electrical engineer from Essex and a tower-grabber from South-West London were deputed to ring the tenor to some Stedman. By some anistake the 'man on the box 'hat hold of the strapping rope and the "strapper' had hold of the tail end. Tho result on pulling of was that the nppermost ringer had about 5 ft . of slack, and the poar strapper was just glble to hold the extreme end of the tail end! Amid langater, the ropes were changed over and tho damage done. No nantes ure mentioned, but suffice it to sny that they both ware ' plus-iours'!
After saying farewell to the local ringers and taking lunch, a move was made to Wermore, and this fine peal of eight, tenor 30 cwt , were mueli enjoyed to Cumbridgc, Double Norwich, Trebin Bob, Stedmar and Grandsire. These bells are similar to St. Lawrence Jewry, both relung by Mears and Stainbank. Mr, William Fibbert was in the district and rang Cambridge with the party.
Leaving the village at 2.15 p.m., the journey was continued throust the beatiful Chedfar Gorge. Wending their way over the Mendip hills, through Chewton Mendip, Wells and Trome, the next tower Westbury, Wilts, was reauhed at 4.15 p.m. Mr. R. H. Newton met us, and we heard these fine bells to adwantage in Cambridge, Plain Bob, Trelje Bols and Stedman. The tenor is 35 cw ., the second heaviest, eight in the commery.
Tlise last tower of the day, Trowbridge, was reached at 5.30 p.wn and Mr. Sa muel f. Hector and his merry men gave us a hearty welcome. This lhady little ring of 12 , temor 24 .cwt., were soon tripping out Stedman Cingues, Grandsire Cinques aud Gaters, and even the veriest tyro shoulk be able to ring 12 hells here with' litife difficulty, Thanks and farewells were exchniged and supper taken at the King's Head. The lomeward journey started at 7.45 p.ma., and singing and exchinging pleasantries wilh village 'helles' hiclpee' to pass the time away. A stop was made at Thatcham to setile expenses and chanks
accorded M . Waugh for his excellent arrangements.

## UNIVERSITY OUTING FOR CAMBERWELL RINGERS.

The St. Giles', Camberwell, Society held their ouling on Sundsy, Tume 27th, ati Oxford, leaviti Paddington in the morning by train, and were met at the station by MIr. R. A. Post, who was responsible with the help of Mr. Rennett, secretary of the Oxford Soniety, in a liechic but thorouglily enjoyable day being spent.
The party were shown round many interesting colleges aud a brief history told of them. Paticularly delighted were we when we visited Chirist College to be shown the Bellingers' Comer, where the memorials to the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyu and the Rev. F. E. Robinson are to be scen. In the afternoon permission to ring on the bells of Merton College was obtained, in which we were successful in hringing round touches of Stedman Triples and Keat Treble Bob Najor. By
clanging the exercise we rowed to lfley for a brief ring on the peat of six at St. Mary, Ifley, and, returning to Oxford, rany for evening service at-St. Giles' Church toucles of Sterman Triples, Kent Treble Bob nid Cumbridge Wajor. Between this and 7.15 p.m. the next tower inranged for our bonelit, we managed to secure a little tea and light refreshment, theu we mado our way to the tower of St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford, a beantiful ring of six, which were set going to Kent mud Canbridge Minor. Ou leaving the tower we had but three-quarters of an hour left to ourselves ont of the whole day in which to make onr way back to the station for train to London. We wish to thank most gratefully hoth Mr. TBennett and Mr. Post for the arrangements tmade on our behalf, which we think conld yot be improved upon, and to the clergy concerned in allowing us to ring on their bells att the various times aud to our brother ringers for making us at home.

## IPSWICH RINGERS VISIT ESSEX.

St, Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich, decided for their annual outing on June 26th to ring on some of the well-tuned hells of Essex, viz Great Baddow, Mayleigh, Prittlewell, Hornchurel, Brentwood, Chelms ford Cathedral.
At Rayleigh there was the pleasure of mecting an old Ipswich friend in the person of Mr. G. F. Margetsou, who is in his 88th year, and rang at courso of Kout Trelile Bol Major with Mr. Bob Bruadle, in his 8fith year, and three generations of Tilletts. All the usual plain methods and four Surprise reethods were anlig duning the day, finishing up with (as a splendid finale) a course of Superiative Surprise Maximus on the 12 good hells at Chelmsford. Home was safely eached at midnight after an 18 hours' journey.
'Chis society wish, through the medium of this paper, to thank all steeplekeeners and others for their co-operation in making the outing steephereepers and others
so successful and enjorable.

## HESTON RINGERS IN HAMPSHIRE.

## SURPRISE TWUICE

So popular has the Feston ringers ${ }^{2}$ Whit Monday annual outiug become that the usual 32 -seater coach was found to be totally indequate. Two members (Messis. Bird and Cattermaul), therefore, very lindly drove their own cars to convey the overlow. A start was made at 9 a.m., the coach being suitably decorated for the Coronation. The peals of eight rung on during the day were at Shalford, Grayshott, Privett, New Alresford and Trarmham. Lhuch was trken at the Fox and Pelican, Grayshoti-some preferred it al fresco' on the village green.
Six of the ringers shared the bob-calling and five towers were numbered among the guesis. Rosson-Wye can certainly call humble Grandsire Triples, Chiswick (who have made rapid progress in thei ringing) suggested Cambridge Major, at which surprise was expressed, but they can sing and sleep well. Islewortz tried to tach Twickee ham Oxford Bob Friples, but the lady's blackboard was missing, and he who was being tanglit always learns by diagram. Putuey has a long last rung a course of Oxford Treble Bob Major. Much Stedman Bob Major (with vocal accompaniment) and Double Norwich wore also rung.
Heston produced an insisteut carillon player and an outing secretary with a hustle but without whip. The wives (bless 'em all) caused him a spot of bother at Privett when they asserted their women's sighits by ordering cups of tea at a cottage just when the party were due to leave this mure than delightifl spot.
The Vicar of Eeston, who always enjoys the company of bellriagers motored down to New Alresford to be one of the 49 who sat down to at meat tea at the Bell Hotel, bint where was the bread? Unfor tunately, the Rector of Alresford could 1hot stay to the tea, but in looked in to say 'a quick one' by giviug tite invaders a warm welcome to his parish and licped they had had a good day at their ringing. The Vicar of Heston, on behalf of the ringers, thauked the Rector for the use of such a heautiful peal of bells over and above the allotted time.
Before the coach left on its return journey 'surprise ' was sung a the call of Mr. H. C. Chandler, and the onting secretary learned, for the first time in his life, that he was a jolly good fellow
The home tower was reached at 11.30 p.2n., wlien the company fel into the arms of the law, the only person to be seen being a member of the Police Guild, who, perforce, had to be on duty during the day and consequently was unable to participate in the 'best ever ' Heston onting.

## All tho peals rung on were perfect going eights, especialiy Slalitord

 and Privett, and the best thanks are due to all towerkecpers who met the visitors, also the iucumbents who eo readily gave permissionring.

## AMONG SUSSEX VILLAGE TOWERS.

## SURREY RINGGRS' VARIED EXPERIENGE

A number of Sussex rurai towers was visited by a party of Surrey ringers from Merstham, Chariwood and Buckland, who joined forces for an outing. As a result they gained a varied experience and sperit a very eujoyable day, the pleasurc of which was crntanced by glorious weather and a drive throngh some very beautiful country. Anticipated clificulties ai Hartfield were quickly dispelled and the ringins on the handy little peal of six greatly plensed the visitors. At Wad hurst, however, they found it rather disconcerting to ring on bells with the circle anfi-clockwise, and as a restit the ringing was not all that coald be desired. Burwash, once the home of Rudyarci Kipling, provided bells even more diffent to bandle. A wery short drangin and thick sallies which bounced off the benms of the ceiling overiead did not help matters, but the handicaps wore more than discounter by the warm welcome offered by the caplain of the local ringers, Mr Douch.
After lunch at the Bear Hotel, the journey was continued to Warbleton, where some excellent ringing was done on soure lovely bells, and then to Hellingly, where tea was partaken of after rimging, Laughton with another good six and Ringmer with iis fine eight brought the ringing programme to 2. close. At the latter place the Vicar is the Rep. A. H. Robinson, formerly Rector of Merstigam, and naturally the ringers received a very warm welcome from him. Ample light refreshments werc awaiting the party on the Vicarege lawn, and the lospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Robinsoal was merti appreciated.

## MALDON RINGERS' EXCURSION

The ringer's of All Saints' Church, Maldon, Tissex, together with their wives and friends, went for their amual onting on Satinday, June 191h. Starting from Matdon at 7.30, they first visited Fiuchingfield, where the first stop was made and the bells were soon going merrily in Stedman, Kent and Bob Major, while the fair gex had a look round the village, which is one of the beauty spots of Esser. At Saffrou Walden the party were mos by Mr. Pitstow and afterwards by the Vicay (the Rev. Hugles), formerly Vicar of Maldon, who gave them a hearty welcome to his churell. After ant enfoyable ring on the bells, a move was made to Cambridge, where luuch was partaken of at the Dorotiy Cafe. This was followed by a ring on the heavy peal of bells at the Roman Catholic Church. After tea at Roystor, the party went on to Sawbridgeworth, where they were met ly some of the lacal ringers and some good ringing was much enjoyed. Home was reached at. 11 p.m.

## PEAL NOTES.

It was appropriabe thet the frrst penl on the newly-augmented ring at Lanfreenfa, Moumouthshire, shuuld be rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to Lieut. Hopton Addans-Williams, of Spencer's Horse, who is now serving in India.
One of the wo new bells to make the octawe was given by his father and mother, itr, and ML's. Ohristopher Addams-Willisms, to mark his coming of age. Jhe other new bell commeroorates the Coronation of King Georgo VI. Tive local singers took part in the peal and it was their irst peal of Triples.
The peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Rishtan, Lanes, on June 23nd: was the 200th peal for the Lancashire Association by L. J. Williams.
peal of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor at Douington, Lincs, on June 19th, was conducted by Mr. Herbert Woods, the 71-yeas-old verger of the chareb.
The peal of Cambridge Surprise Major at Drighlington, Yorks, on $J$ une 26th, was the 50 th accasion the conductor (Mrr. Leslie W. G. Morris) has 'thrised ine' the tenor to a peal.
The centenary of Queen Victoria's accession to the Throme was rmembered at Wath-ou-Dearne, Yorks, by a peal of Treble Boh Minor. It was also a birthday complinent to A. Panther.

Congratulations to Miss O. Dutton, nged 14, who rang lier first peal in Grandsire Triples away from the troble at Fiertford on Jume 26 th By this peal Mr. G. Gray "circled" the tower.
nootier nssociation with Queen Vietoria was the peal ut Little Munden. Herts, to commemorate the first peal on the bells on Queen Fictoria's Dinmond Jubilee, in which the brothers Jawrence. Tang lheir first peal.

While participating in the Hampahire toum, Mr. Prank Bennett recorded lis 1.400 th peal. The peals at St. Aichat's, Highclere, and All Suints', Mileord-on-Sea, were the first peals of Superlative on the hells. Cambridse in peal form was introduced for the firsl; time at St. Michael's, Southanopton, and All Hallows", Whitchurch.

## PRESENTATION TO MR. H. R. COBBIN.

The St. Peter's, Nottingham, ringers met on Jone 22nd to honour reir Ringing Waster, Mr. H. R. Cobbin, who hacl completed 40 years a ringer, und the last 20 yenrs as their leader. The gift was a ver bell inkshund, which bore the inscription, "So H. R. Cobbin, Fscl., Ringing Mastel. Preseated by the zingers of St, Peter's Churcb, witinghim, as a nark of esteem sud mppreviation, and to conwemorate 40 years of faithful service. June 22nd, 1957.'
In the iame of the compary, Mr. J. A. Barratt handed over the it, alluding to the eskeen in which he was held by all, inal to the aue that he liad completed 40 years as a vinger that very day.
Mr. M. Ward (homorary members) said Mr. Cobbin commanded the rspeed of all and tiloy hoped he wouth be spared many years to won(inve in office. He wished to mssure lim of their continued loyalty. Mr. T. Narborourh, Ringing Master at St. Mury's, expressed the best wishes of sto. Murys ringers and conyratulatod Mr. Cobbin on the attaiament of such a remarliable record.

Mr, Cobbin said the gift, wond recall many pleasant and happy asociations with past and present ringers. "I have had the naximam anouth of pleasure out of ringring,' he declared, and especially in His tower.' He greatly appreciated the spirit that prompted the bift. A starl was made for a peal of Stedman Calers, but it came to griff owing to the second rope breaking after ten minutes' ringing. peal of Grandsire was Euccessfully brought round.

## RINGERS WEDDING

The marriage of Mr. Reginald Bray and Miss Vera Cooper, both mumbers of St. Margaret's Glurch bellringers, Uxbridge, toak place ant Jume 6 th. The bridegroom 1ang his last quarter-peal as a benedici wore moming service, those taking part heing $G$. Gitteridge I, $R$. Bray 2, Edini Bedford 3. E. Hancox 4, S. Qhids 5, G. Biake 6. C. Nichols 7, F. Corke (conductor) 8. rhe wedding took place in the afternoon' and after the cergmony the local ringers 'fired" the bells afternool aud alte
and rung towehos.

## LATE NOTICES.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-N.W. District.-A joint meeting will be held at Ranmore on Saturday, July 24 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Will those requiring tea please inform Mr. A. H. Smith, Drakelowe, Howard Road, Great Bookham, by July 21st?-A. K. Smith, F. Woodiss, Hon. Secs.

RINGERS visiting Oxford are cordially invited to St. Martin's and All Saints', High Street ( 8 bells), on Sundays at $10-30$ and $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Practices on Wednesdays at 7.30 p.n. Also to St. Mary the Virgin, High Street ( 6 bells) on Sundays at 7 -I 5 p.m.- Foremen: All Saints', W. S. Judge, 54, Tempnar Road, Summertown, Oxford; St. Mary's, A. C. Hall, Pembroke Street, Cowley Road, Oxford.

## NOTICES.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis trict.-A meeting of this district will be held at Stevington on Saturday, July 10 th. Bells ready from 3 p.m. Tea in Church Room at 5. You will be very welcome.Frank C. Tysoe, 10 , Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The summer meeting will be held at Ash on Saturday, July roth. Bells (8) available from 3. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting. Half fare (maximum 2s.) will be paid to nembers attending this meeting.-13. T. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Summer Festival at Epsom on Saturday, July soth. Bells (10) of St. Martin's from 3 p.m. Ewell fromi 7 to 9 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed by tea.-J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec.

SAIISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Dorchester Branch. - The summer meeting will be held at Wyke Regis on Saturday, July ioth. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Guild office 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. A large gathering expected. Please advise for tea.-C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., 3, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.--The next quarterly meeting will be beld at Staplehurst ( 8 bells) on Saturday, July 1oth. Bells available 2.30. Service at 5. Half fares up to 25. will be paid to members attending this meeting, - A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-A meeting will be helal at Yateley on Saturday, July roth. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meeting follows. - Major J. G. Stitwell, Hon. Sec., Lea Cottage Yateley, Hants.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Stansted on Saturday, July roth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 3 p.m. -H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 69, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborough District. - The next meeting will be held at Woodhouse Eaves on July 1oth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Kent and Oxford T.B. specially requested.-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., 130, Ashburton Road, Hugglescote.

## BATH AND WEILS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

 -Frome and Nidsomer Norton Branch. - A quarteriy meeting will be held at Norton St. Philip on Saturday, July roth. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service 4-30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.-E. H. Nash, Hon. Sec., The Talbot, Mells.SURREY ASSOCIATION (Southern District) AND EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-A joint meeting of the above will be held at Linglield (8 bells) on Saturday, July roth. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, p.m. All ringers are welcome.-W. Claydon and $\mathbb{B}$. Saunders, Hon. Secs.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULED.-Winchester District.-A special meeting will be held at Crawley on Saturday, July 1oth. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m., followed by tea in the Church Hall at 4.30. Bells available at 2.30. Sparsholt bells in the evening.-G. and Miss Noice, Hon. Dis. Secs., 6, Cathedral View, Winchester.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District. Meeting at Hendon on Saturday, July roth. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, 1s. each, at 5.30. Nearest station, Hendon, on Edgware tube. Cheap tickets from all tube stations. Special Method: Double Stedman Slow Course Minor. Practice at St. Giles', Cripplegate (iz bells) on Wednesday, July I4th, 7.30 p.m. Joint Herts and Middlesex meeting at Monken Hadley on July $24^{\text {th }}$. -C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2 I, Vincent Road, E.4. Tel.: Larkswood 1959.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-Leigh, the model village of Kent, with its interesting church, will, on Saturday, July roth, be the meeting place of many ringers. You must come and join them. Tower open 2.30 . Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting.-Alec E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-The annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, July ioth. Bells: St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 p.m. in Wade Street School; to fully paid members gd., to others is. $3^{\text {d. }}$. General meeting to follow. - H. Knight, ${ }^{5}$, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-A meeting will be held at Harston on Saturday, July Ioth, when the Vicar is extending a hearty invitation to all ringers to try the bells restored and augmented to a ring of six by J. Taylor and Co. The bells will be awailable from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 .C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury and District Branch.-Annual meeting at Adderbury on Saturday, July roth. Bells (8). Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Banbury (io), Deddington (6), and by kind permission King's Sutton ( 8 ) on the Peterborough border, are available for ringers attending at Adderbury. -E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Banbury.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-Annual festival at Gorseinon, Saturday, July 1oth. 12-2.30, tower open for ringingr ; 3, service at St. Catherine's; 4, tea; 4-30, business meeting.-T.. T. Havard, 2, Harp Terrace, Brecon.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-South Norfolk Branch.-This branch meets at Kenninghail on Saturday, July roth (not 3 rd as previously arranged). Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at 4.45 p.m. at the Red Lion, opposite the church, followed by business meeting. Also Quidenham ( 8 bells), i mile distant, 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m., and after meeting.-A. G. Harrison, Hon. Branch Sec., 90, Denmark Street, Diss, Norfolk

HARSTON, Nr. Cambridge. - Ringers' Day, Saturday next, July toth. New ring of six by John Taylor and Co.

LADIES GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be held at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturday, July roth. Belis available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4 p.ni., followed by tea and meeting. - Edith K. Fletcher, Hon. Sec. 45 . Walsingham Road, Enfield.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western District.-Meeting at Great Gaddesden, Saturday, July loth. Beils (6) available from 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Methods to suit all comers.-W. Ayre, Leyerstock Green.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -Montlily meeting will be held at Huyton on Saturday, July roth. Befls (6) ready at 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea and meeting $5 \cdot 30$. Ringing after tea until 9 p.m. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Ambleside St. Mary's ( 8 bells) on Saturday, July roth. Bells available at 2.30 . All ringers welcome.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-A quarterly meeting of the Sleaford Branch will be held at Ewerby, near Sleaford, on Saturdiay, July zoth. Bells (ro) of St. Andrew's Church will be open from 2.30 p.m. Tea will be served at The Finch-Hatton Arms. Will all those wishing to have tea please notify Mr. H. S. Hinkins, Elmside, 41, The Drove, Sleaford?

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next mecting will be held at Chorley (St. Mary's R.C.), July roth. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Ouistanding subscriptions are now due.-A. Blogg, Branch Sec., 2, Oak Cottages, Coupe's Fold, Clayton-le-Woods, near Chorley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's Church, Bacup, on Saturday, July roth. Bells available from 6 p.m. All welcome.
SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS -There will be ringing for Sunday evening service at St. Bride's Fleet Street, on July inth and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on July $25^{\circ h}$, commencing at $5 \cdot 30$ p.m. All ringers welcomed. The usual monthly practice at Shore ditch has been cancelled this month only, owing to its proximity to the Bank Holiday week-end.-N. Summer hayes, Hon. Sec., 28, Bean Road, Bexley Heath.
Hertiond county association. - A cons bined practice is arranged for Harpenden on Tuesday July $13^{\text {th }}$, from 8 to 9.30 p.m. -. W. Nash and H. V Frost.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on July 22nd; St. Andrew's on the $5^{\text {th }}$; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 2oth; Southwark Cathedral on the $29^{\text {th }}$ at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - Wiliam T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, $3^{2}$ Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival, 1937, will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July $17{ }^{\text {tin. }}$ Service in Cathedral ri.IJ a.m. Preacher: Bishop G. B. Allen, D.D. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church Hall at 1.30 p.m. Tickets, 25 . each to members, 35 . each to nor-members. All applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance, must reach general secretary not later than Wednesday, July $14^{\text {th }}$, after which date the business will be in the hands of caterers. Further particulars will be given on notices sent to guild towers.-Richard T Hibbert, Gen. Sec., 6g, York Road, Reading, Berks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fyide Branch.-A meeting will be held at Bispham on Saturday, July ifth. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea in school $5 \cdot 30$. Business meeting after.-C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Nailsea on Saturday, July ryth. Bells available 3 p.m. Divine service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 p.n. Wraxall bells also available during the evening, -Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

HERTS ASSOCIATION - Abbots Langley, Saturday, July $17^{\text {th }}$. Tower open from 3.30. Tea at 5.30 . Nearest station I mile. Bus stop near church. Excellent service from all parts.-C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. City 4270 .
CHESTER DIOCESAN fiUILD.-The Annual Festival, Jubilee Service and opening of the augmented peal will be held at Chester Cathedral on Saturday, July ifth. Service at $3 \cdot 30$. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Chester. Tea at 4.30 , price 1 s . 6d. (tickets obtainable from the branch secretaries before July ${ }^{15}$ th) and annual meeting at 5.15. - Rev. M. H. Ridgway, Hon. Sec., Tarvin Vicarage, Chester.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS --The summer meeting will be held at Pinner on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Service ith church at 5 . Tea at $5: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Ringing after tea until $8.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Travelling facilities: Metropolitan, Baker Street, etc., direct to Pinner or Bakerloo and L.M.S. Stations to Harrow, thence by 183 bus to Pinner. llease notify me for tea by 14 th. All ringers welcome. N. Summerhayes, Hon. Sec., 28, Bean Road, Bexley Heath.
JUST A REMINDER.-Book the date for the annual dinner of the Lancashire Association at the County Hali, adjoining the Palace Theatre, Promenade, Blackpool.
LANCASFIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Flixton, on Saturday, July 17 th. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec., 35, The Crescent, Worsley.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Hchester Deanery Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Langport on Saturday, July ${ }^{1} 7 \mathrm{th}$. Service at 4.30. Tea dit 5. Huish Episcopi bells will probably be vailable. Please notify early for tea. - F. Farrant,「artock.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Wiston ( 5 bells) on Sat., July izth. Usual arrangements. Train to Castle Ashby or York's Easy Saloon from Woilaston 3.30 p.m. Names for tea important by Tuesday previous.-A. Bigley, Hon. Branch Sec., 30, Allen Road, Iftlalingboroagh.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. - A meeting will be held at Gt. Starghton on Saturday, July 17 th. Bells available 3. Tea at 5 p.m. Service at 6.30. Please come and help to make this meeting a success. -H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Gt. Staughton, St. Neots.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bridgnorth Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Coalbrookdale on Saturday, July ${ }^{17}$ th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service +30 . Tea at 5 , followed by meeting. Those requiring ica please notify me as soon as possible.-H. G. Thomas, Hildon, Victoria Road, Bridgnorth.

MDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. -A meeting will be held at Harlington on Saturday, July Ifth. Bells (6) from 3.30 and after tea. Tea, 5.15 p.m., in Church Hall. Buses 95 and 98 from Hayes and Hounslow pass the church.-F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswarle District.-A meeting will be held at Old Warden on Saturday, July ifth. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea al 5. All ringers and their friends will be welcome.
good company is requested. Please come and have a ring at one of the prettiest churches in England.-C. I. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division.A meeting will be held at Hedon on Saturday, July izth. The fine peal of 8 (tenor 17 cwt.) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at the Queen's Head Hotel, is. 6d. each. Please notify Mr. R. H. Viger, Sherburn-inElmet. Come to the King of the Holdernesse.-H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leeicester District. - A mid-quarterly meeting will be held at Hallaton ( 6 bells) on July 1 tht . Ringing at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Will all requiring tea please notify Mr. R. Russeli, Hallaton, not later than July 15th?-H. W. Perkins, Dis. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry and Guilsborough Branches.-A special joint meeting will be held at Whilton (6) on Saturday, July ifth. Usual arrangements.-W. C. Moore, Fircroft, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meeting of Southampton district at Lockerlcy on July 17 th. Bells from 2.30. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea 5.15 . Names for tea by July ${ }^{1}$ th.-G. Pullinger, ${ }^{17}$, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Hants.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The anmual meeting will be held at Whittington-inLonsdale on Saturciay, July $\mathrm{m}_{\mathrm{h}} \mathrm{th}$. Bells ready at ${ }^{2}$ p.m. Tea free to all who notify the Rev. J. Hodgkin, The Rectory, Whittington-in-Lonsdale, via Carnforth, before Wednesday, July ${ }^{2} 4^{\text {th. }}$. Tea at $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting in the Rectory at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A hearty invitation is extencled to all members and friends. Subscriptions are due at this meeting.-E. Swain, 29, Beecham Strect, Morecambe.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Axbridge Deanery.-A quarterly meeting will be helk at Blagdon on Saturday, July $17 \mathrm{tI}_{1}$. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Divine service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m7--H Minifie, Hon. Sec., Royston, Uphill, Weston-super-Mare.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The cup contest will be held at Dronfield Church on Safurday, July ${ }^{5} 7^{\text {th }}$. Draw 2.30 p.m. For tea please notily Mr. B. Marples, Green Dragon, Church Street, Dronfiekl. Ringing for all after contest. All welcome, - M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronan's Road, Sheffeld 7.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Southam on Saturday, July $r_{7}$ th. Bells (8). Committee meet 4 p.m. Service at $4 \cdot 45$, followed by tea and business meeting in the Craven Arms Hotel.M. Melville, Exhall, Coventry.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -A mecting of the Grimsby district will be held at Bur-ton-on-Stather on Saturday, July ${ }^{\text {I }}$ th. Bells (6) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 . Tea, 5 p.m., in the Parish Hall at a moderate charge. Now, please advise if you require tea, Mr. J. Bray, Trentwood, Flixborough Road, Burton-on-Stather, Scunthorpe, by the Wednesday previous. It's time well spent, if name you have sent. So come.-H. Mingay, Hon. Dis. Sec., 394, Wellington Street, Grimsby.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. -A meeting will be held at Great Staughton on Saturday, July $17^{\text {th }}$. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service 6.30 p.m. Please come and help to make meeting a success.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.
PETERBOROLGG DIOCESAN GUILD. - Thrapston Branch. - The quarterly meeting will be held at Wadenhoe, near Aldwincle, on Saturday, July 17th. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for those who notify me by July i3th. - W. J. Whitmore, 8oc, High Street, Raunds, Northants.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Southern Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Chiswick, on Saturday, July ryth. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. at Parish Hall, followed by further ringing until $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Nearest station, Turnham Green Underground and straight down Devonshire Road. It's a pleasant spot, close to the river, so let's have a good attendance.-A. P. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 118, Sarsfeld Road, Balham, S.W. 12.
GLOLCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Swindon Branch.-Evening meeting at Sevenhampton on Monday, July 19th. Bells (6) available from $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to 9 p.m.-W. B. Kynastor, Branch Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Meetings for July: Service ringing, Bow, Cheapside, July 25 th, 5.30 p.m. Practices: St. Clement Danes', July 19 th, at 7.30 p.m.; Jambeth, July $27^{\text {th }}$, at 8 p.m.-T. W. Taffender, Hon. Gen. Sec.
THE WILLIAM PYE MEMORIAL. - A memorial peal tablet, recording the 7392 Cambridge Surprise Maximus, will be unveiled and dedicated on Tuesday, July 2oth, at St. Mary-le-Bow Church, Cheapside, at 7.30 p.m. -C. T. Coles and E. J. Butler, Hon. Secs.
HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-Six besl prize contest will be held at Almondbury on Saturday, July 24 th. Entries and applications for teas to be in my hands July 17 th. Entrance fee: 7 s 6d. per band.-Fred Hodgson, 564 , Halifax Road, Hightown, Liversedge.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. George's, Beckenham, on Saturclay, July ${ }^{2} 4^{\text {th1 }}$. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea (by kind invitation of churchivarclens) and business meeting to follow. Tea will be provided only for those notifying me not later than Monday, July tgth. Half fares will he paid to members attending this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., ${ }^{2} 4$, Stanmore Road, Belvedere.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A mecting will be held at Dagenham on Saturday, July ${ }^{2} 4^{\text {th }}$. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Will all those intending to be present, advise me not later than Wednesday, July 2ist? - E. Butler, Dis. Sec., $3 \pm 3$, Mawneys Road, Romford.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The Summer Festival at Soham on Saturday, July 24th. Bells ( E ) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Ely. Tea in Vicarage garden, if fine, price is. each.-Kitty Willers, Gen. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.

SUFFOLK GUILD AND NORWICH ASSOCIA-TION.-Mildenhall and South Norfoik Branches. - A joint meeting will be held at Elveden on Saturday, July ${ }^{2} 4$ th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.nn., near tower. All ringers are cordially invited to visit this beauty spot. -R. C. Sharpe and A. G. Harrison, Joint Branch Secs.
MIDDLESEX AND HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-A joint meeting will be held at Monken Hadley, near Barnet, on Saturday, July 24th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5. Tea, is. each, at 5.30. All ringers welcomed. Please advise either of the undersigned by July 2ist.-C. T. Coles, 2r, Vincent Road, E.4, W. Nash, North Mimnas, Hatfield, Dis. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held on Saturday, july 24 th, at Tunstall. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea, by kind invitation, and business meeting. In fairness to our hosts, please inform me not later than Tuesday, July 2oth.-Stanley J. T. Sheilock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham.
TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.-Diocesan Festival at Truro, Aug. 2nd, 2 to 9 p.m. Bells: Cathedral (ro), Kenwyn (8), Kea (8), St. Erme (6). Service at Cathedral 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 (free to ringers). Reply to Ringing Master, Pengwedhen, Helford, Helston, before July 19th.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-.A souvenir invitation to the 3 ooth dinner on November 6thr has been prepared. Copies of this will be sent in due course, together with an admission ticket, to members who apply with remittances (ros. for members, i2s. 6 d . for non-members) to any of the following:-Messrs. $C$. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T. Cockerill, E. P. Duffield, E. G. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J. S. Havkins, R. T. Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, E. H. Lewis, F. M. Mitchell, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, L. B. Porter, W. Roughton, A. Walker, J. A. Waugh, C. F. Winney, E. A. Young. Members are reminded that seating accommodation at the Cannon Street Hotel is limited to 400 . Willian T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

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Derer M. Garar ... ... 2 Jogn G. Nasi ... .... ... 7
Grorge R. Pye... ... ... 3 Thomas J. Lock ... ... ... 8
-Erig B. Hartiry $\quad . . .$. Edinin A. Barnett .... ... 5 Whlfred G. Wilson ... ...Tenor Composed by C. H. Hatiersley. Conducted by E. C. S. Torner
* First peal on ten bells. BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturdav, Jwly 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Five Minutts, At tee Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN GATERS, 5010 CHANGES; Tenor $88 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in E flat.
-Roydon Davies... ... ....Trebie | Amos W. Clari ... .... ... 6
Cgarles H. Klppin ... ... 2 Wileiam Rawlings ... ... 7
- Miss Gwzndoline Kippin 3 Harry W. Simmons ... ... 8

Roy A. Simmons ... ... 4
Frane E. Mitciell...- .... 5
Composed by G. R. Fardon.

* Trirst peal of Stedman Caters.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE,
THE SOGIETY FOR THE ARGHDEAGONRY OF STATFORD.
On Saturday, July 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Twoty-Sis Minktos.
At ter Collegiate Cherch of St. Petrr,
A PEAL OF BTEDMAN CATERE, 5029 CHANGESI
Tenor $33 \mathrm{cwt}$.21 lb .
Gerorge W. Hugers ... ...Treble 'Frederick G. Handley ... 6 James Georgr ... ... ... 2 Howard Howell ... ... 7 Bert Horton ... ... ... 3 Barnabas G. Key...



* First peal of Stedman Caters and first attempti Fung for the patronal festival and also as a. farewell peal to Bishop Kompthorne on his lenving the See of Lichfielu.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

MILNROW, LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
(Rocbdale Brance.)
On Satwriny, June 26, 1937, in Three Howrs and Ten Minutes,
At the Church or sl. James,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505日 OHANEES; Tenor 18 年 cwt .
-Dennis Hollos... ... ...Treble Vernon Sykes ... ... ... 5
jogn Meadowcroft, jun. 2 Albert Buceley... ... ... 6
Stbpien lloyd Parry ... $\quad$ a Harold Hamer ... ......$\quad 7$
ogden Moores ... ..... .4 it Ivan Kay...
Composed by J. Pritcrard. Conducted by Harold Hamer.

* Firsit peal in the method. Rung in honour of the gift of a dnughter to Mr: and MTs. Harold Hamer, also a birthday compliment to the father of Mr. S. L. Pan'y.

WANTAGE, BERES.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 26, 1937, in Three Howrs and Nineteen Mixutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
Heywood's Transposition of Tbersians' Four-part.
Tenor $22 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E flat.
"Ernest A. Gregory...
Walter F. Jodge Falere ......${ }^{2}$ Cearles J. Gardiner ... 6 Francie E. Taylor ... ... 3 W. Bertram Kynaston ... 7 Neil Allentt ... ... ... 4 q edoward J. White ... ...Toror Conducted by Walter F. Jodge.

* Rirst peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal.


## LEICDSTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOGIATION.
On Satwday, June 26, 1937, in Two Howys and Fifty-Nite Minutes, At xer Cathedral Caurce or St. Martin.
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, SOEG CHANGES;

On the Stelfox Eight.
A. James Harris.......
ciedurbs F. Elmington ...Treble
Sidney O. Cueney $. . . \quad . . .{ }_{3}$
IEnnmita A. Roe … ... ${ }^{4}$
Composed by C. Miodleron.

* 100tif peal of Cambridge.

RUGBY, WARWTCKSHRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Monday, Jwne 28, 1937, int Thee Hours and Twenty-Nine Minwtos,
At tee Catree of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAdOR, 5056 CHANGES; Middleton's.
 Framk W. Pbrarns ... josepa A. Fquion ... ... 3 Eanest Morris ... ... ... 7 Fredrricr H . Dextrer ... 4 L. Bramali... ... ... ....Temor

Conducted by Frank W. Perrens.
WDPFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, June 29, 1937, in Three Hours and One Mintie,
At the Chuzch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 5184 EHANEES; Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Sydney Taylor ... Abieur H, Everitit. Ernest ]. ... ... 2 Harry Bradley ... ... ... 6 Ernest ]. Ronter... Arthor 0. Home ... .... 4 Leslie J. Clark ... ... ...Tehor Composed by Artaor Knigets. Conducted by L. J. Clark. Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to A. O. Himme.

NETHERSEALE, DFRBXSETLT:
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Weduesday, June 30, 1037, in Two Hows and Fifty-Nine Kinutes, At rez Churce of Si. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, $50 \$ 0$ CHANGES,
J. J. Parkrr'e Six-fart, No. 3.

Tenor 12 cwt .
Jobn H. Swinfield ... ...Tyeble Josbpa Bailey ... ... ... 5 Madice Swinfizld ... 2 tGrorge L. Roden...
Josepe W. Cotion ... ... 3 Jambs Grorge .. ... ... 7 - Wieliam F. Woodmard ... 4 † Harry Hart ... ... .... Temoy Conducted by M. Swinfired.

* First peal of Triples 'inside." + Tirst peal. Rung in lonour of the patronal festival.

ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday $/$ luly 7, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGE8; Tenor ${ }^{1} 7 \mathrm{cwt} 9 \mathrm{lb}$.
E. Fred Gobey ... ... ...Treblo
(lliam Thormlby, sen.
Kennbta R. Marin ... ... 2 Roger D. St, Jobn Smiza 6
William Tbornley, jon. 3 Alex Hutcaison... ... ... 7
Ralpa Nabiorooga.... ... 4 Frbdebick A. Salter ..... Temor
Composed by J. A. Trollopb. Conducted by R. D. St. John Smite * First peal of Bob Major.

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fividay. July 2, 1937, in Two Hours and Fiffy-One Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. Padlinds,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MASOR, 5024 OHANOE8; Tenor 123 cwt .

-Alan J. Hopper... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Edwin A. Barmett ... $\quad . . .7$ Artedr S. Richards ... 4 Derbr M. Searp ... ...Temor
Composed by A. Kmighte. Conducted by D. M. Sharp.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Dorek M. Sharp.


## BRAINTREE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION
On Satwrday, July 3, 1937, in T two Hoursand Fifty-Five Minutes,
At tee Cadrea op St. Michael-the-Arcbangel,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, EOES GHANGE: Middleton's.

Tenor ifi c cwt.


## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, ED24 CHANQE8;

 Tenor 12 cwt.- Kenneth W. Mayer ...Treble| Joan Walden ... ... ... 5
-Jogn Freeman ... ... ... 2 Frbderick W. Stokes .... 6
Ropert Ricbardson ... 3 †Jack L. Millaoeese ... ... 7 Cearles MeGuinrss ... 4 Joan A. Frebman .... ....temor Composed by Rev. H. Law James. Conducted by Joan Freeman * First peal in the method. \& First peal of Londen Major. The conductor's first peal of Major and first peal as conductor on eight bells.


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## BALDOOK, HERIS

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, Aiter Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holi's Origimal
-Stanley Gravestock
Edwin G. Bock.
...Troble
EDWIR G. BOCK... ... ... 2
Arihor Dhy ... ... ... 3
$\dagger$ Fercy Tomprins
Con

Roland Newson
Tenor 28 cwt

* Tirst peal on eight bells. + First peal of Triples Arthur Castle, a former member of tho Buldock band.

REDTEHALL, NORFOLK.
TEE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Or Sadurday, Jmly 3. 1037, in Thye Hours and Eleven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TRE日LE BOB MAJOR, 5 ©Ag GHANGEY Teror 24 Cwt in D .

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Georgr W. Howlett ...Treble | Rossbll Ricaes.... ... ... } 5 \\
& \text { Stanley W. Copling ... } 2 \text { Robert D. Gunton ... ... } 6 \\
& \text { Frbderick W. Monnings ... } 3 \text { Cearles W. Loomz ... ... } 7 \\
& \text { Frgderick C. Gunton ... } 4 \text { William J. Flatt .... ...Tenor } \\
& \text { Composed by H. Dasis. Conducted by Charles W. Loome. }
\end{aligned}
$$

STEWKLIE, BUGKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday. 7uly 3, 1937 , in Three Hours and Two Menutes.

## At the Chukch of St. Miceafe,

A PEAL OF GAMERIUGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Midoleton's.
-Cearles W. G. Grirtin Treble Wicliam Hence Ganers ... ... 5 Kathlefn E. Fleiceer ... 2 Tony Price ... ... Dorotay R, Fletcber ... 3 Harry Wingrovi ... ... 7 Rev. C. Eiliot Wigg ... 4 Cecil C. Mayne ... ... ... Tmoy Conducted by C. C. Mayne

* First peal of Major. First peal of Major on the bells. STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFTOLK GUILD
On Tuesday, July 6, 1937, in Three Houts and Fourten Minntes, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Mary,
A PEAL OF GAHBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGE8: Tenor 24 cwt
- William E. Wateen
- Frank Borley Troble Roabry J. Sterd
2 Edwin A. Cracrnerc
Artacr R. Wobdard ... 3 Harry D. Lister ... ... 7
Seglford Sparrow ... ... 4 Artedr Grimwodo .... .... Teno
Composed by C. Midoleton. Conducted by F. D. Listrr.
* First peal of Canbridge Surprise Major. NORWICH.
THE NORWIOH DIOGESAN ASSOCIATION. Cn Wednesday, Joly 7, 1937, in Three Honrs and Twelve Minutes, At tar Chorca or St, Giles-on-tar-Hill,
A PEAL OP BOB MAJOR, 6058 GHANQEEI Tenor 131 cwt.
Miss Gwen Tonnadine ...Tyeble Miss Dorotey Difceay ... 5 - Miss Winifred Ditcaam 2 Clifford Bird ... ... ... Cedric Cerson ......

Composed by J. R. Partceard. Conducted by G. Sayrr.
* Fiust peal "inside.' Rung as a Rlst birthalay compliment to the conductar.

EVERCREECH, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. On Weduesday, July 7, 1937, in Theee Hours and Four Merntes, Ar tbe Chorch of Si. Pater,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thorstans' Fodr-pari.
RAymond Rymer... ... ....
Josepr T. Dyke ...
Ronali G. Bigcx... ... ... 4 |fradricick Fibld ... ....
Canducted by J. T. Dyme.

* Firet peal in the method. + First peal.

PINGEBEGK, MNCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
(Ellor Deanzrigs Brance.)
On Saturday. July 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Twelvo Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 606E BHANOESI Tenor 18 cwt. 9 lb .
Nellie Wigginton .... ...Treble Ricbard Smita $_{6} . .$. Ropert Richardson ... ... 2 Grorge Ladd ... ...... Mrs. R. Rigeardson ... ... 3 Jobn Corry ...... Wililam A. Ricbardson ... 4 Artiur J. Farr ... ... ...Temot

Composed by F. Bennett. Conducted by Ropert Ricgardson.
Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. John G. Ames, Ringing Master of the above branch, and Miss E. B. Stacks, of Pinchbeck. Rung on the weding anniversnry of Mr. and Mrs. R. Richardson and the birthday of the ringer of the fifth.

SHILTON, CO. DURHAM,
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATHON On Saturday, July 3, 1937, in Thyee Hours ardi Ten Ninutos, At the Parise Ceroref of St. Jogn,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, $\quad$ GOAO CHANGES;
Parrer's Twrlve-part.
Tenor i6 cwt. / qr. 8 lb.

Alpred Coates... ... ...Treble Joen F. Pentland ... ... g Josepe West -........
Samogr Bayant $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Roland Parkin ... 3 ....... George W. Pevzrell ... 4 |Robert B. Robinson... ...Thor Conducted by Roland Park.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a compliment to Mr. Thomas Wick, a member of the Slitdon band, who attained his soth birthday on Jume 28th.

BURTON-ON-THENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Jily 7. 1937, in Thres Fotys and Twenty-Two Minntes, At tag Cgorch of St. Haul,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, GO40 CHANGES;

Rev. E. Banres James' Eightern-part.
Tenar 287 cwt.
Eric Fletcher .+* ...* ...Tyeble Jogeph W. Coiton .... ... 5 Madaice Swinfield... ... 2 Frederick G. Fretwell ... 6
 Iobn H. Spinmibld....... 4 George L. Roden .... ...T Thor Conducted by M. Swinfield.

* First peal.

LOUGEBOROUGH.
THE MIDLAND CODNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 8, 7937, in Two Hows and Thiriy Minutes,
Ay the Bell Foundry,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT ROB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEES? Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
-Grofrrey Harrison
...Treble Charleg Alledo...
Ernest Morris...

Eescie Stevens... ... ... 4 Colin Harrison ... ... Tenor
Composed by Gro. Lewis. Conducted by Colin Harrison.

* First peal in the methot.

BUSHEY, HFRTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Thursday, July 8, 1937, in Two Hows and Forty-Fowr Minutes, At the Church of St. Janes,
A PEAL DF SPLICED PLAIN BOB AND DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOE AAJOR, 5024 GHANEES

Tenor 13 cwt .
Francis A. Smita ... ...te ehlo William Barton ... ... g Gilbert E. Drbbnabm ... 2 Edwin Jennings ... ... ... 6 Harold G. Casamore ... 3 George W. Debeneam ... 7 Frederick W. Brinklow... 4 Madrice F. R. Hiberrt ...tenor Composed and Conducted by Wicliam Bartow.
First peal by this association in these two methods spliced and by all the band except the conduetor. Rung to welcome the new Rector of Busluey, the Rev. L. S. R. BeckIey, M.A.

LAMBETH.-At the Churel of St. Mary on June Ist for Londou County Association practioe, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: J.
 Oarter 4, W. Hauly 5, NM. Meyer 6, T. W. Wyatil 7, 中G. Stuckland 8. * First quarter of Stedman. t First quarter-peal.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

NEATH, GLAMORGANSHERE
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, June 26, 1937, in Two Fours and Forty-Six Minutes,

## At the Parish Church of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANQES;

Being two 720's of Oxford Troble Bob, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 lb . in B flat.
*William J. Gear ... ...Ttrehe
 Ernest Stitce ... ... ... 3 Gwyn I. Lewis ... ... ... Thnor Conducted by G. I. Lewwis.

* First peal. + First peal of Minor

BURTON HASTINGS, WARWICESHIRE.
THE WARWICESHIRE GUILD.
On Satrizay, June 26, 1937, in Two Hours and Ihirty-Eight Minuter, At tee Cedreg of St. Botolpe,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 EHANEEB:

Being 12 six-scores of Bob Dotubles, four callings, and 30 six-scores of Grandsire Doubles, 10 callings. Tenor 63 cwt. Tbomas W, Thorpa ... ...Tweble William Teorpe ... ... 3 Josepr E. Taylor ... ... 2 James Upton ... ... ... 4 Josepa H. Beale .......Temor Conducted by Josepe H. Brace.
First peal on these bells since their augnentation to five for the Coronation.

## STAPLETORD, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOQLATION.
On Saturday, Jume 26, 1937, is Two Hobrs and Forb-Eight Mitules,
At tae Church of St. Helen,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 21 extents of Gramdsire (six callinge) and 21 of Plain Bob (foum callings).
*W. Hooli ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad$...Treble $\mid$ W. Teornley, jen. ... ... 4
 Conducted by W. Thornley, sen.

* First peal. First peal of Doubles by all.

TRTSALL, STAFTS
TEE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCEDEACONRY OF STAFTORD On Saturiay, June 26, 1937, in Tto Hours amd Fifty-Eight Minstes, At the Church of Ael Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANOES; Being 42 six-scores, 10 callings.

- Kenneth A. Handegy ...Trewle $\ddagger$ Edward Lindley

| tWilliam S. Key | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Barnabas G. Key |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


Conducted by B. G. Kıч.
First peal and first attempt, $\ddagger$ First peal ${ }^{\text {r }}$ inside. $\ddagger$ First peal. BURSLTM, STATFORDSETRE.
THE NORTE STATTS AND DISTRICT ASSOCLATION. On Saturday, Juare 26, 1937, in Two Hous and Fifty Minutes,

> Ay the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, $\quad$ O40 CHANGES;

Seven different callings. Tenor 12 cwb.

"Cbarles Bainhridge ...Tyebla |Frank Box ... ... ... ... 4 | Alberi j. Hord | ... | ... | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frank Shoker | Andrbw Thompson ... | ... | 5 |

 Conducted by T. Hord.

* First peal. Rung for the Corouation.

TENBURY WDLLS, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Salurday, Juse 26, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,

## At the Ciburce of Sx. Mary, <br> A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANOEI

Biong four 720's of Grandsire, two of Canterbury Pleasure and one of Piaia Dols, 32 callings. Thomas G. Bevan

 Conducted by J. F. Hyext.

BELCHANP ST. PAUL, ESSEX
THE TSSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Swnday, June 27, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirty-Sevem Minutes,
At the Cifurch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, BO40 CHANGES, Tenor 12 cwt .
Ralpa Bird.... ...
... ... Treble Alec M. Genery
... 2 George R. Towngs ... 4 Victor Morley ... .... Composed by Rev. E. Banyes James. Conducted by R. Bird. A birthday compliment to ringers of 3rd and 4th. BOOTLE, LANCS,
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Monday, Jure 28, 1937, in Two Hows and Foriv-Fowy Minntes, Ai Cerist Chirge,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, two eacla of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, oue of Oxfard Single and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt ,
W, Ccrator... ... ... ...Tvebia E. E. Bennett ... ... ... 4 J. Martin ... ... ... ... a James McKeg ... ... ... 5 G. Lunt... ... ... ... ... ${ }^{3}$ Joun McKes... ... ... ....Tanor Conducted by Joen McKrb.
Fung with the bells mafled as a tribute to Mr, D. Loa. First peal on the bells since they were rehung on ball bearinge.

MADELEY, STATFGRDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFPS AND DISTRICT ASSOCLATION.
On Tuesday, Jwhe 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Jinules,
At the Churce of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

G. Ernest Kettle ... ...Tveble Kennetb Tbacker ... ... 4

Fredbrick A. Forster ... 2 Andrew Thompson ... ... 5
Sidney Teompson ... .... 3 Alfred Griffites ... ...t Tenor
Conducted by Andrew Thompson.

* Firat peal. Rurs in Lonour of the Cononation. WALTHAM, LINCS,
TसE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GTILD.
On Wednesdav, Jtue 30, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes, At the Church of Ald. Sainis,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6 GAO CHANGES;
Being one extent oach of the following: Double Caurt, Double Oxford, Single Oaford, St. Clement's, Plain Bob and Cambridge Surprise, and one of combined Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.
-Cgarles W. Taylor ...Tyeble Martin Walerr
Mrs. J. Bray ......
Jack Bray ... ... .... ... 3 | Gborge Dobbs ... .... ... Tehoy Conducled by Jack Bray.
* First peal in eight methods. A birtlday complimert to tho conductor.

OTLEY, SUTTOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
Un Saturday. July 3. 1937, in Two Howes and Forty-Fowy Minates, At tar Churga of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 exch of Double Court, Oxford Siltele Bob, Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprisa, Oxford Troble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Oliver J. Kidby ... ... ...Trable |George Bbnneit ... ... 4
Grorgh Pryke .... ... .... 2 James Bennett ... .... ... 5
William J. G. Brown ... 3 James Bennett, Jon، ... ...Tenor
Conducted by J. Benneit.
HTGHAM, BDCKS.
THE SOGIETY OF ROYAL GUMBERLAND YOUTHE.
Om Saturday, Juiy 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Scuen Minutas, At tee Chorce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, Reverse Ganterbury Pleasure and Oxford Trable Bob.
Georgr J. Brray ... ...Treble Gordon W. Limmbr ... $_{\text {.... }} 4$
-Cyril A. Bqrgess ... ... 2 James D. Taylor...
Joen E. Thylor Conducted by Georga Gilbert... ... ....Tenor

* First penl in more than three plan methods.

OAKLEY, BEDS
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, Jrity 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Three MKinutes,
At the Cetrce of St. Mary
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Forty-two six-seores, 10 callings. Tienor 10 cwt . (approx.). Hrbdert L. Harlow ...Treble Henry W. Gayton ... ... 3

- Jobn Hilson -. ... ... 2 Brian F. Sims ... ... ... 4

Donalo Cockings ... ...Teroy
Conducted by Henry W. Gayton.

* Tirst peal "inside.

WOOLTON HILL, HANTS.
THE WINOHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Jwiy 3. 1937, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.

## At ibe Chorch of St. Тeomas

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob, two 720's of Oxforv Treble Bob and two 720's of Plain Bob, rung alternately. Tenor' 6 管 cwt . Norman Randall ... ...Tyeblá Henry Lawibnson ... ... 4
 Groffrby Fowler ... ... 3 Reginald W. Rex ... ...Temor Conducted by Reginald W. Rex. OAVENDISE, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
Dn Saturday, July 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,
Ay ter Chorce or St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Oonsisting of one 720 of Woodbine, two 720 's each of Oxford and Kent Trebla Bob and Plain Bob, called differently.

| L. Jounson ... ... ...Treble | G. W. Bloomeibld |
| :---: | :---: |
| H. C. Fordeam | A. Catzerwble. |
| W. Goomson... | T. E. Seater |

H. C. Fordeak

Conducted by A. Cattrateril
ASHBOCKING, SOFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLR GUILD.
On Sunday, July 4, 1937, in Two Hows and Forty-Ninc Minutes,
At the Cuerch of all Satists.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANEES:

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise, and two 720's eacla of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt . Jogn H. Arbon ... ... ...Treble James Benmbit ... ... ... 4 Gqorge Pryke ... ... ... 2 Jambs Bennett, jom.... ... 5 Grorge Bennett

Conducted by J. Bennemt
STRETTON, CHESHIRE.
THF OHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday. July 5, 1037, in Two Howrs and Thirfy-Two Mlinates,
At tez Ceurce of St, Matterw.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES:

Seven ertents.
Charles Seaw
Cecil Raddon

... 4

Conducted by A. Crawley.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE
THE LANGASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Wedresday, July 7, 1937, in Two Houys ard Seven Minutes,

## At 20, Aberderen Crescent.

A PEAL OP KENT TREBLE BOB WAJOR, 6024 CHANGEB, Tanor size 17 in B flat.
Alprid Barnbs ... .. ...t-2 Prtbr Laflin ... ... ...5-6

Composed by A. Knigets (No. 377). Conducted by A. F. Balley. Witness-Mrs A. F. Bailey.

* First penl of Treble Boh. Rung as a birthday complimenf to Miss Prances M. Lafin. 100th peal as conductor on handbells.
(Other peal reports ars unavoidably hald over.)
PUBLOW, SOMERSET.-A quarter-peal of Doubles, consisting of Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire, the first in three methods for all the band, was rung on Mny 31 st: R. J. Lawrence I, G. Bantz 2, C. S. Knott 3, F. O. Mogford 4, W. G. Brown (conductor) 5, S. S. Woodbura 6 .


## PEAL NOTES.

## PERSONALITIES AND PERFORMANCES.

The first peal of Major rung at Leicester Cathedral for more than a century took place on June 26th. The occasion was the wedding of Mr. W. E. Rawson, one of the Cathedral banid, and Miss H. Hat The peal of Minor at Nutheld on Saturday was the first on the bells for 13 years.
Hearty congratulations to Mr. G. Fisher, who lhas been a ringer at St. Helen's Churcls, Slapleford, Notts, [or neariy 53 years and at the age of 67 has ruag tuis first peal. Three other members of the conpany were also first pealers, aud the occasion was the first peal of Doubles by the band.
Mr. G. W. Limmer, Burnham's popular captain, participated amid nembers of his own compary, with oue exception, at Hitcham in a birthday peal on July 3rd.
Youthful memories were recalled by Mr. J. Bennett when he rang peals at Otley and Ashbocking (Suffoik) the other week-end. At Ash bocking bo received his introduction to the rudiments of the art of change ringing, and the two peals were arrauged specially for hits converience

Among the last uributes to rirgers recorded this week is the mufiled peal of Minor at Bootle, Lancs, to the memory of the late Mr. 13 Lea, who died about a year ago. This was the first peal on the bells since they were rehung on bail bearings by Messrs. Burnand and Doy who are to be complimented on their worlsmanship.
There were quite a number of 'firsts' connected with the peal a London Surprise Major at Harmstou, Lincolnshire, on July 3rd. The couductor', Mr. John Freemant, rang his first peal of Major and first peal as conductor on eight bells. He is tire 17 -year-old sou of leader of Lincoln Cathedral baud and has already called Stedman Cinques.
Will Madeley, Staffordishire, be the last of the Coronation peals? Their peal was scored ou June $29 t h$.
Owing to the bad 'mo' of the two tenors, a peal of Minor wa abandoned at Tenbury Wells, Worcestershire, and a fresh start made with a peal of Doubles, which proved successful.
Beddington riugers were husting on July 3rd, when a peal of Stedmau Caters was brought round in 2 hours and 55 minutes. This is tho quickest peal of Caters on the bells, the tenor of which weighs $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$
Meeting short for Cinques; a penl of Stedman Caters was rung a the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, Wolverhampton, on July 3 J. Mr. H. Knight geuerousiy stood down
Mr. William J. Platit by a pead on July 3rd completed his circle the tower of Redenhall, NorDoik.
Mr. Joseph Tailes, the well-known Midand Counties ringer, compleced his 250 peals on $\overline{\text { une }} 30$ th witin a peal of Grandsire Triples at Netherseale, Derbyshire.
The peal of Cambridge Major at St. Andrew's, Rugby, on Jume 2811 was the first in the method on the bells.
The interestiug records of the Hertford County Association Lav been added to by a peal of Spliced Plain Bob and Double Norwiul Major zung at Busleg on July 8th.
The consistent efforts and success of the handbell band at Stoch port, Cheshise, is well marked by the fact that on July 7th a peal o Keut Treble Bob Major was called by Mr. Allen F. Bailey and was his one hundredth peal 'in hand 'hs conductor.
The statement that the peal of Superlative at Highclere on June 22 na was the first on the bells is mot courect. On November 22 nd, 1930 , a peal of Superlative was rung at Higholere for the Royal Cumberlaud Yonths conducted Dy Mr. G. Williams. Several correspondents have pointed this out.
Similarly a peal of Superlative had been previously rung at Milford-on-Sea, curiously enough on the Saturday following the first a Highclere.
Tlise first peal on the new bells at Manchester Town Hall was rung by the National Police Guild on July Jra.
Members of the Manchester Police Force are responsible for the official ringing at the Town Fall, and it was only fitting that a band of poliecmen slopuld score the first peal ob the new fwelve. The ringers included a superintendent, an inspector, a sergeant, six P.C.'s, an ex-sergeant and an ex-constable, and Leicester, Birningham and Boltons were represented in the band, as well as Manchester.
Three first peals and two first peals 'inside ' was the splendid achievement in a peal of Grandsire Douhles at Trysall, Staffs. Congratulations to Conductor B. G. Key! The peal was also a birthday compliment to Mr. A. Clarke.
The fivg oidest Wolvey ringers rang the first peal on the bells of Burton Hastings, Warwickshive, on June 26th. The peal was a compliment to Mr. J, P. Toone, of High Cross, grandfather of the canductor (Mr. Joseph H. Beale), aud Eather of Mr. P. Toone, churchwarden of Wolvey.

## A HALE:PEAL

On Tuesday, May 25th, at Guisborough Parish Church, 2,530 Bob Mizor in 1 hour 28 minutes: W. Smith 3, G. Futband 2, J. Drury 3 E. Potter 4, B. Pybus 5, J. Reed (conductor) 6. Rung affer commencing a peal, which mifortunately broke down.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## ANNUAL MEETING AT BATH.

Some seventy memberg and visitors atteuded the annual meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association at Bath on July 3rd. The Guld service was held at St. Mark's Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. Dann), who gave a helpful address. Tea and business meeting followed in the St. Marle's Church House, where the Master, the Rev. W. M. K. Warrea, supported by the Rev. Preb. D. M. Ross, took the chair.
After the routine business had been disposed of, Mr. Jantes Hunt grve an recount of the Central Council meeting, and wade some trenchant remarks in regard to the civenation of "Tho Ringing World ' and to the Towers and Belfries Committee of the Gentral Council.
Arising out of the former matter, various suggestions were brought forward, but, as was aptly remarked at one of those informal discussions which take place near churches after ringing it was a case of preaching to the converted. If only those who do not attend meetings could be persuaded to take the paper, there would be no complaint.
Mr. Prescott (Bath) and Mr. Farley (Stourbridge) contributed to the discussion during the meeting.
In regard to the Towers and Belfries Committee, Mr. Starr (Swainswick) instanced the case of a badly designed frame which had long outlived its usefulness and which had been condemued by four anthorities, being preserved by patchwork. The original estimate liad been [ar exceeded and they still had the badly arranged frame of doublinl timbers.
It was proposed by Mr. Huat that the association print an anuual obituary list, but the motion failed to find suffieient support.
New members, in the persons of Mr. A. P. Caunon, Mr. R. G. Cross日nd Mr. M. Clark, were elected.
The recommendation of the committee that quarterly meetings be lield at Bridgwater, Long Ashton and Crewkerne was adopted.
Elections of officers caused no change, and the Rev. W. M. K. Warrer as Master, Mr. J. T. Dyke as lon, treasurer, and Mr. D. G. Tayloz as hon. anditor were re-electod.
All omnibus vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. W. A. Osborn (Nortin Cadbury) to all who had made the meeting a suceess, viz., the Rev. A. Dann, the Ven. the Archdeacon of Bath, the Rov. G. G. Zickman, Messus. Th. Grant, Selley, T. F. King and W. G. Brown, the organist and the ladies who provided tea. This was carried with tedamation.
Ringing, ranging up to Treble Bob Royal, London Surprise Major and tarious Minor methods, toak place at Bath Abbey, Twerton and St. Mark's.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

VISIT TO THE 'VHLAGE" OT SOLIHULL.
The summer quarterly mecting of St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held at Solihull on Satuiday, July Jrd. This delightful Warwickshire 'village' (with a population of some 19,000), situated about seven miles from Birmingham, although rapidly becoming modernised, still retains many of its old mural aspects. Its fino Norman clurch, now ahmost completely restored, is well worth a visit, while the peal of ten bells aro a pleazure to ring. The bells were raised at 3.30 , but at 4 o'clock a break was made whilst a village couple were married. The ringers entered into the spirit of the event and gave the happy couple a wedding peal as they left the churcil.
Ten was partaken of in the gardeus of Dascombo's Cafe, fund a short business meeting followed, Mr. Conncillor Paddon Smith being in the chair. Apolories for absence were read from the Master, Alderment J. S. Pritchett, who was away in Edinburgh, and Mr. W. O. Dowding-

A letter of apprecistion aud thaulks was read by the secretary from tlie Fioar of Oldbury, acknowledging the donation of f3 5 s . towards the restoration fund of Oldbury Parish Olurch bells. Attention was also called to the cheap editions of Mr. Ernest Morris' works.
The tower elections of Mr. Percy G. Rainey, of $\Delta$ ston, and Mr. O. H Webl, of Coventry, were duly ratified, the former being congratulated on ringing his firsb peal of Grandsire Cinques for the Coronations.
It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Coleshill, on the first Satarday in October. Arranyements for the bi-quarterly meeting were left in the liands of the Ringing Master.

Tho Chairman geve an interesting resume of the procecdings at the Oentral Council meeting at Canterbury, and recommended all ringers to read the full report appearing in "rthe Ringing World.
Mr. W. Griffin, of Walgall, referring to the dedivation of the new peal of bells at the Cathedral and the broadeasting in connection with it, said he would like to congratulate the Guild and the ringers who took part on the excellence of the striking. It was a real pleasure to listen to.
A vote of thanks to Mr. Roland Bragg for making the lacal arrangements concluded the business, and a returm was made to the tower, where further riuging was onjoyed.

## BEGINNING YOUNG.

J. G. Davidsoa, aged eleven, of Mitcham, Surrey, rabe his first quarter-peal on Sunday, July 11th, for evensong. Tlis was I,260 Grandgire Triples: J. G. Davidson 1, W. S. Smith 2, W. H. Joimer 3, H. Tourle 4, R. Charge 5, O. Pothecary (conductor) 6, C. W. R. Grimpood 7, W. Sparkes 8.

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## BELTRY GOSSIP

A Bristol paper last week recorded what it truly describei as a fine feat of ringing at Burrington'-if it had been correct. 'Burrington risgers," it said, 'gave a special quarter-peal Grandshire Donbles at Burriugton Parish Church on Sunday, The peal, conprising 95,040 changes, was rung in 40 minutes.' The black is ours.
Latest to the renks of octogenarian ringers is Mr. Thomas Wiek, of Shildon, Durham, who was admitted to this sclect circle on June 28th. A complimentary peal to him was rung five days later.
Mr. William Dudley has just completed 50 jears' service as a riuger at Pititlewell, Esses, and a peal of Cambridge Surprise in his honour was rung on Saturday. The vele'an took part and lang the treble.
Mr. Kenneth Lewis, who conducted the peal of Minor in 73 methods, rang liss first peal of Grandsire Triples on Saturday. This wilf seem upside down to ringers of the old school.
There is to be a two days' ringing tour by motor in Herts and Essea on July 24 th and 25 th. There are a few racant seats. See notiee columps.

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' TERCENTENARY

To the Editor.
Sir,-May I, blurough your columns, bring to the attention of couvtry members of the Ancient Society of College Youths the suggestion that they should in their several districts arrange for bands to ring at least ons pent for the society durng the current year? The mosi appropriate days for such peals would naturally be November 5ith or 6 th. thongh these dates may not be convenient for such menbers as intend to come to London for the ambual feast.
It would be desirable that notice should be given beforeland of tire reason for peals so arranged through the focal press, the Parish Magazine of otherwise.

Brasted, Kent.
EDWLN H. LEWLS, Master.

## MR. EDWARD WHITBREAD

DEATH OF FORMER RINGER AT ST. ALBANS ABBEY.
We regret th amounce the death of Mr. Edward Whitbread, who passed away at the age of 69 on June 26th at the Royal Bucks Hospital, Ayleslury. Mr. Whitbread will perlaps be best remenbered R8, a prominent figure in Hertfordshire riuging circles in the years pricr to the war.
Ho commenced lis ringing career as a young man at his bixthplace, Hanslope, Bucks, and in 1899 he became \& member of the St. Atbans Cathedral Sociely, of which he was conductor for many years. A member of the Ancient Saciety of Callege Youths since 1900, lis name is to be seen on peal boards in many counties.
Since 1924 Mr . Whitbread lived at Stoke Mandeville, near Aylesbury, where for a time he took an active part in local ringing affairs. In recent yoars lie was contert to keep in touch with things through the modium of "The Ringiug Work, ${ }^{\text {' }}$ but his keen interest remained until the end.
The bells of St. Mary's Church, Stoke Mandeville, were rung halfmuffled by lis friends in the locel band.

## 50 YEARS A RINGER.

PRESENTATION TO VETERAN PRITETHWETL RINGER.
A gold medallion fashioned in the shape of a circlet, enclosing, bell inseribed "The Tissex Association of Change Ringers-The Paris\}t Churels of prittlewell-Presented to Winliam Dudley after 50 years' service, June 28th, 1937,' has been presented to Mr. William Dudley, who has completed 50 years as a change ringer. The presentation was made by the Yicar (Canon E. N. Gowing) in the presence of the ringers and members of the Parochisl Council. After the presentation the bells were fired and Queen's and Tittums were rung
Mr. Dudley was for some years secretary of the tower. He hiss rang 100 perls, 52 of which were rung in his own tower. His list of peals is of interest: Cambridge Royal 1, Oxiord Trcble Bob Royal 1, Kent Treble Bob Royal 7, Granta Royal 1, Oxford ant Kent Royal 1, Stedman Catars 2, Graudsire Caters 5, Bob Royal 4, Cambridge Major 2, Superlative Major 2, Oxford Treble Boh Major 6, Kent Treble Bob Major 21, Bob Major 20, Bob Triples 1, Stedman Triples 3, Grendsire Triples 8, Double Norwich 13, Mmor peals 2, total 100.

## ADMIRATION OF THE EXERCISE.

To the Eaitor.
Sir,-I would very much like to be allowed to entorse all the remarks of your correspondent under the above heading which appeared in your last issue concerning the band who rang the spliced peal of Minor at Fairfield, Buxton. Having had the privilege of ringins in several peals (not spliced) with this wonderfal band. I would edd that their acfivilies are not confined to six-bell ringiug. Thoy are equally as capable on eight, ten or twelve bells; their versatility is really amazing.
It is not my intention here to laud any particular momber of this band, but to extend my hearty appreciation to the lot of them. That they may have 'more power to their elbows' is the wish of

Milton, Staffs.

## 'BUSMAN'S HOLIDAYS.

## SHEFFIELD DATHEDRAL COMPANY'S OUTTNG

On Saturay, June 26 hh , the Shefield Cathedral company, with a few invited friends, had their annual outing when they visited Selby Abbey, Eowdeu and Goole. Travelling by motor-bus, Sclby Abbey was reached at 3 p.m., where the party were met by their old friend, Mr. F. Cryer, and Mr. H. S. Morley, the geainl secretary for the Eastern Division of the Forkshire Association. The bells were raised in peal nud some good touches of Forward Royal and Stedman Caters duly brought round. $A$ s time did net permit of a lengthy stay, the bells were lowered and thanks tendered to Messrs. Cryer and Morley.
On reaching Howden, some ten miles away, the wisitors were met by the secrefary, ML' J. W. Thompson, and several of the local ringerg,


GOOLE PAHISH CHURCH
Who kindly had everything ready. More tonches of Forward aud Stedman were the order ou this lovely peal of eight (tenor 23 cwt.), नud it was with reluctance that the vishtors were compelled to leave them in arder to comply with the prograname. The bells are a beautiful peal and coptainly rank as one of the finest foned and best going in the North. They are a real delight to the ringer with n musical ear. A shart ran of four miles via Boothferry Bridge bronght the party to Goole, whare tea wns enjoyed at Messis. Hociforth's Cafe. Steps were then imnedintely turned to the tower, where an old friend in Mr. Joe Drake aud others ware waitins to receive the wisitors. Here again Forward aud Stedman were iudulged in on the hight peal of aglat for about an hour, when the bella were lowered in peal, everyore lyeing satisfied.
By the kinduess of Mr. Drake, who acted as guide, an eujoyable houl' was spent in looking round the docks nnd shipping before making the rebura journey, whiel was campleted by 11 p.m.
Thus ended a most enjoyable and jacal half-day's outine, nad Warmest thanks are tendered to all the Ficars for the use of their bells and to the ringers concerned for having everything in readiness.
Readers will probably notice that only two methods were rung throughont the trip. These wera not the full repertoire of the company, but specially chosen as the best to hear thic tenors in and ont in short towches for the zingers' own entisfaction, also with a wiew to frood striking, and thus ayoiding that tendency to bat rlothm when a number of more complicated methods are attempted on strauge
beils.
S. F.P.

## BURTON-ON-TRENT DISTRICT'S 'OVERFLOW.

Sa popular has the Burton District anmal ouling hecome that the usual 20 -senter conch was found to be tolally inadequato for the excursion on Saturday, July 10th, and two cars had to be used to convey the overflow.
The first call was Hoar Cross, and hero tho hemy peal was soon ringing ont to a tonch of Boh Minor, Collowed by Kent Treble Bob and some Grandsire Doubles for the learnery, while the rest of the panty looked yound this beantilul chureh.
The joumey was continued via Sudbury and Cubley to Ashbourne, where 40 sat down to tea ab the Comer Gale.
This was followed by an hour's ringing on the Parish Chureln bells. The long dinught of rope (70it.) made them dificult to hanule, nud as a result the ringing was hot aki that could be desimed
The fiual halt wrs made at Rocester, where touches of Grandsire Triples, Doubles and Bob Major were rung on a hand peul of eight. The homeward journey was made via Sudbury and Thutbury, Burfon being reached after a most enjoynble afternoons.
The party wish to thank all incumbents for the use of the bolls, and Mr. Bull (Ashbonrne) and Mr. Bullock (Rocester) for pther arrangements made on their behalf.

## SUNDERLAND RINGERS VISIT NORTH YORKSHIRE,

The quaint uld seaside resort of Whitby, and the beatiful moorlund viltage of Pickering were selected for the ammal outing this year of the lingers of St. Ignatins', Sunderland, and the eltoiee proved to be a very happy olie, resulting in one of the most enjoyable of the sociaty's many outings. So many friends wished to acoompany the parfy titat the Vion's motor-eak hatd to be requisitioned in adilion to the fue 32 -seater saloon bus.
Leaying Sunderland shortly after 8.30, a siop was made at the beatiful village of Ormesby, where MJ. Thomas Metealfe, presidend of the Cleveland Association, joined the excurgionists, and touches of Stedman and Gatubridge were runs an the very fine bells.

A Furtlier stop was made at Gushorough, and then a lovely run over the Forkshue Moors led to Whitby. Dinuer awaited the party, and the romaipder of the afternoan was spent hy the non-riugers in examining both the wacimat and the modern parls of this intiereasing thatle town, while the ringers and a few gtalwatis climbed the 199 steps of the tower of the ancient Parish Clurreh of St. Mary, which has a good peal of ten bells. Stedman Caters was attempted, hut as tho majority had little experience in ten-hell ringing, the reault, at any raie from the ringers' point of view, was not vary satisfactory. A move was next made towards theleming through Ruswarp and Slaights, and up the famous Blue Bank amid lovely moorland scencry.

Arriving at the destination, it was fourd lint the caterers liad had to srange for the use of the Weslevan Schoolroom for tea for tha large party. Fult justice was done to the meal, and a wery happy hour was spent in listening to a message from the late Vicar of St. Ighatius', How Bishop of New Guinea; a checry speech fron Gamon E. Sykes, nnother fmmer Vicat now in retirement at Ripon, and also from Mr'. Harry Blakey, \& member of the Guild who emigrated to Canada with his fanily 25 yenrs ago and is now on a short visit to the old conntry. A cablergam was afterwards scat to the Bishop of New Guiner conveying greetings to hum.

The visitors would have Ihed to spend a much longer time in this lovely village, lut they mad to lenve.for home, win Helmeley and Stokesley, at 7 p.m. and a tired but rery lapppy party arcived in Sumderland shortig after 10.30 p.m.

## PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUIED.

## DAVENT'RY BRANCF OUTING.

Memhers of the Dawentry Branch and lheir friends, together with several ringers from the Guilsborough Branch, enjoyed a pleasant aftermoon's outing on Tume 12th. The first stop was at West Haddon, with a peal of five hells, where they were met and welcomed by the Wicar, the Rev, A. C. Hooper. From there to Welford, where they were joined by the local sectebary, Mr. G. Hollich, nud ofhers, Here Grandsire Triples were ming on a nice peal of eifht with a tenor of $12 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt. The Ficar (the Rev. F. G. Woodhonse) looked in for a shrent time.

At Kibworth Beanchaup a number of the paroclial ringers awaited the wisitors, and joined in touches in whrions methods on fine jing of eight, wilila a tenor apparently far more than ftos recotded weight of $10 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt. At tiea the thanks of the party wera offered to $\mathbf{M r}$. Marlin, who had Fone to much trouble in making the arrankenvents.

After tean hasty return was made to the tower by a few enthusiastic Muiol ringers, but half-way throngh the first tonch the trehle rope broke-possibly a juclgment far hawing overstepped tha time limit, A stop was next made at the old church of Foxton, where the Vicar (the Rev. W. E. Cary) explained some of the interesting features of lis chnuch. The six bells scemed rather overdone with the woight of their ropes. At Maidwell was found an very nice ring of six, and some good tonches of Minor, including Gambridge, nad Danbles were brouglit round. The last call was nt Hazelliench, a tiny willage with a ring of eight bells and ra beantifullv kept eluurchyard. A tized but happy bus load parted company at Dnventry just before 10 p.mp, full of enthusiasm for another outing next Ferr.
(Reports of other Outings will appear in due cubrse)

## A YORKSHIRE RINGING CONTEST

LIVERSEDGE WIN BARNSLEY SHEELD COMPETITION,
There were nine entries for fie annal shifeld contest of the Bacnsley and District Society, held at Cawthome on Saturday, July 10th. The Eolmfirlh; 4 Shelly; 5 Wath; 5 Sandal 'A'; 7 Felkirk; 8 Friesland ; 9 New Mill. Ringing commenced at about 3 o'elock, and Mr. J. R Brearley, of Bolsterstone, and Mr. W. Idle, of Dewsbury, acted as jurges, wibl Mr. C. Robinson, of Cawhorne, as zarker. Later ten was served in the Spencer Arms, a company of about 80 eitting down. Afler the usual routine business Lad been disposed of the judges tave Lheir decision as tollows: Liversedge, 30 failts; Sandal ' $\mathbf{B}_{3}{ }^{\prime} 220$ farits; Folmfirth, 66 Eaults, 20 peralties, rung out; Shelly, 131 failts; Wath, 154 faults, 5 penalties; Sundal ' A, 105 faults, 5 penaltias Felkirk, 165 faults; IThiezand, 53 faults, 10 penalties; New Mill, 81 fauls

Liverselge, Werefore, became the holders of the shieki and winners of six cascs of fruit spoons. Priezland took second prizes, cousisting of six cases of carvers, and New Mill third prizes, comprising siz rose bawls.

The prizes were presented by Nrs. Jarman, of Cawthorne, who also offered on few conforting words to those wha had not been successful.
The usual vote of thanks cumcluded the proceedings.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

## SUCCESSEUL GENERAL MEETING AT BOLSOVER

A quarterly meeting of the Midnad Counties Association was held at Bolsover, Derbyshire, on June 19th, when in the splendidly kept belfry the bells wero kept going to various standard and Surpriso methods by a good company of members and friends from Burton, Derly, Chesterfield, Fückley, Leicester, Loughbaraugin, Not tingham and elsewhere.
The general meeting took place after tea, presidud over by Mr, z. Denison Taylor (president), supported by the Rev. Canon J. E. Paget (Vicar), Mr. W. E. White (treasurer) and Mr. Eruest Morris (general holl. secretary). The president, in his own inirnitable way, gave a Tevicw of the past quarter's peals and othor items of the association's activities. He specially commented on the Goronation peals rung roting in particular the first peal of Stedman Cinques on the newlyjestored and angmented bells of Leicester Cathedral; also the excollent performance of the Wigston Magna band on their spliced peal of Major in seven Surprise methods. He thanked the Vicar for the nse of the bells and for his presence at their meeting, and Mr. Fint for the arrangements made.
The Rey. Cunon Paget, responding, said how pleased he was to Welcome the association to Boleover. He added that all woula be delighted to see their leader, Mr. John Flint, amonest them again restored to lealth after a trying illness, and frosted he would loag remain to keep up interest in the art at Bolsover.

Referring to the Gentral Council meeting at Canterbury, both Mr. H. Swislield and Mr. A. J. Harris said that after the excellent reports in 'The Ringing World, they could add very litile comment. However, both gave very intereshing reviews of various items raised at that meeting-
New mambers, proposed since the last meeting, viu., 18 ringing 3 honorary, 5 rejoins, I IHRe, were daly clected
This nancluded a successful meeting and furbher ringing terminated a good afternoon's enjoyment.
The mext quarterly meeting will bs at Burdage, near Hinckley, in Septembor.

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

SEVEN FTRST PEAL CERTIFICATES PRESENTED.
A meeting of the North Staflordshire Association was held at Draycott on Iuly 3rd. Twenty-nine members and friends were present from Burslem, Brown Edge, Braintree, Cheadle, Draycott, Kingsley, Longton, Norton, Newcastle and Stokeon-Trent
A service was held, which was conducted by the Rev. C. Codliug (Rector of Draycott). At the commencement of the service all pregent stood in sileuce for a minnte in memory of thase who had been killeal in the mine disaster at Newcastle-under-Lyme. Tea was held in the Scloolroom, where a hearty welcome was extended to all by the Roctor.
A vole of thanks was proposed by Mr. G. Steele, of Longton, seconded by My. G. Hall, of Brown Fhege, to the Rector aud ringers for the use of the bells and tho very wam welcome extended to them. Soven first peal certificates were presented to ringers of Draycott, Longton and Burslem by the Rector of Draycott. One new member, Mr. A. Griffiths, of Newcastle, was brought forward for colfirmation, as be Was proposed prior to a peal.
A short veport was read by Mr. J. E. Wliecldon on Coronation peals tung for the association, which mumer ten, and the one rung ats Norton was the earliest peal an record for the association; the starting time was $6.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on Wednesday, May 12tit,

Two of the peals were rung at unaffiliated towers, being Keele and Madeley, and both were rung by the ringerg of Newcastle-under-Lyme.

## GUILDFORD GUILD FESTIVAL. <br> SUMMER GATHERING AT EPSOM

Tho summer Festival of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was held at Epson on Saturday and was attended by nearly sixty cingers repre souting all the disturets of the Guid. The ten bells of St. Martin's the parish charclt-were fully employed during the afternoon and evonng, but the ringing did not reach a consistenty high standurd However, everyone enjoyed a pull and spent a very pleasant time.

The Guild's service was conducted by the curate (the Rev. J MeKitterick) in the absence of the Vicar (Canon Muir), who was awa an holidays, and the singing was led by the choirboys.
Afterwards tea was partikon of in the Church Fonse, the eatering being very efficieutly done by ladies of the congregatiou.
The thanks of the Guild to all concerned were voiced by the loo secetary (M\%. J. S. Goldsnith), who also extended an warm welcom to the visitors, who included Mr. H. H. Fearn, of Birminglam, and Mr. RE. Fike, of London.
Before the riugers returned to the tower they were entertaineri the Misses S. and G. Famman to pianoforte and violin duets; Cobham men rang tumes of handbells, while Stedman Triples hand "was also rung. Later sevaral of the company wisited the ne bouring fower of Ewell.
The back eight of the peal at Epsom are a mixed eipliteenth oentu lat, twa of them by Phelps, 1714, being the oldest. Thomas Janaw of Chelsea, recast the original freble in 1781 and puli on it tha inser Lion, "Musice est mentis medicina' (Musie is medicine for the mind The old eccond, undited, bears the couplet, sllthongh I am small, I will bee heard above them all? Samuel Kniglit recast Lhird and tenor in 1737, Richard Phelps the sevently in 1733, Thomas Swain the sixth in 1769.

STRAWBERRY TEA AT FRENSHAM.
The strawberry and cream teas provided by Mrs. Collingwood Bence president of the Southern Branch of the Ladies* Guild, are well know among ringers. A company of 73 enjoyed her hospitality at a join meeting of the Ladies' Guild and Frombam Branch of the Guitdon Diocesay Guild at Frensham on June 26th. She was heartily thanist for her hospitality by Mr. C. W. Denyer, and, in responding, Mn Bruce invited everyone to come again mext year, when they woul Bruce invited everyone to come agaid
Mrs, Bruce afterwards presided at the 18th anmal meeting for Southern District of the Ladies' Guitd. The Guild welcamed Welton back as a member after a few years absence. Mrs, Brue was manimously re-elected vice-president and again henrtily than for all she liad fone for the Guild. The secretary and committee w all re-elected. It was cecided to hold the next annual meeting conjurction with the most convenient Guildford diocesan distilu meeting.

Elever towers wera represented, viz. : Ash, Seale, Bagshat, Farnhem Aldershot, Bramley (Eants), Grondall, Blacknoor, Cranleigh, Overtos and Frensham

The service in the afternoon was fully choral and was conducter by the Rev. W. E. Palling. The Farnham District also letd a sho: business meeting and elected Mr. E. Orerington, of Frensham, m member. Ringing was supervised by Miss E. F. Mills (hou. secretary o the Ladies' Guild).

## THREE GUILDS MEET

TRTPLE GATHDRING AT NEWARK
The Ladies' Guild Sherwood Fouths and North Notts Associatior combined for the aftronoon of July 3rd and visited the Church St, Mary Magdalene, Newark, where the ten (tenor 33 ewt.) were their disposal from 3 to 4.15 p.m. and again from 6.30 to 8 p.n This fino peal attracted ringers from Anstev (near Leicester), Baribw Boctosford, Collingham, Hourh-on-the-Fill, Eincoln Cathedral, Peter's, Manslield, St. Mary's, Nottingham, Ordsall, Sutton-on-Trent nand the home tower was well represented. Miss I. B. Thompson, join secretary of the Ladies' Gnild (Northern District) acted as Ringing Master, and all had good oppottunity to ring what they wanted Stedman and Grandsire Caters and Tuiples, Bob Rojal, Gambridy Major were all rung, and, for a mixed company, ming well except fo two unfortmate courses of Caters, which were very patchy.
Tea was taken at, 4.15, vates of thanles to the Vicar and home ringers passed and a few conrses rimg on handbelis before the retris to the tower for a course of Grandsire Caters for evensong. Everyolle afteaded evensong in the chapel behind the altar. Canon A. Parkik-
son, in a short address, welconaed the ringers to his ohirch nud spoke highly of the worl they do in others and in that church. He recalles the faithfulness of the ringers of the charch he bad recently left Fast Retford, and also, at Newark, the sight on November 11th, 1918 The proclamation of peace was read and immediately afterwards th rinfers commenced to ring tho bells; before they had been ringing half az hour this church was packed with 3,000 people, although no notice of any service liad been given. He felt that those riugers wert resporsible for that great service, and wished those present succes in their very real part in the church's work.

Afterwarcis ringing continued, as did the aryival of wisitors, ant finally came to a conclusion at 8 o'clock with a well-struck touch of Stedman Triples. This was the frst time for some years that meet ing had been held at Newark, and it proved to loe wery enjoyable It is hoped to pay more frequent risits to this tower in the future.

## BEENHAM BELLS REHUNG

SOME INTERESTING REMLNISCENGES.
Akout 55 ringers attended the public opening of the newly-hung bells at Beenhay, the occasion also being the summer mecting of the Newbury Branch of the Oxford Docesan Guild. The work was carried out by Mesgrs. Gillett and Johnston, and MF. G. F. Johnston was awong those present. Tha towers represeated were Beenham, Wubklebury, Beedou, Chieveley, Hampstead Norris, Newbury, I'matemana, East Ilsley and Compton. In addition, many visitore attented from Croydon, Hillingdon and Willesden, I'wyford, Reading, Oxford, Chearsley, Overton, Abingdon and Bradfield. Short touches in varions methods were rung, including Granksire, Plain Bob, StedIntan, I'reble Bob and Surprise methods.
At the sevvice the address was given by the Deputy Master, the Rev. C. E. Wias, who spoke of Beenham's long association with the Oxiord Guikd, mentioning the aames of Hatlo, the first foreman, and Richardson, whose families have carried on the good work hrough tha years since the tower's afliation to the Oxford Guild in 1886. Though no ringoxs of the name of Hatito remain in the village, the Richardsons are still repregented in the tower by Mr. Ted Richardsom, a regular ringer for Sundey services. Montion was also made of the history of the bells, which in 1800 were destroyed by fire. They were recast by the velebrated Whitechapel firn aud bave been reung once since that diate till the present occasion.
Following the service an inspection of the new bell frame was viked, the bells havirg been lowered for that purpose. Many ringers, uluding several ladies, undertook the long climb up the ladders, and ith Mr. Johnston in charge spent on interesting time among the
Tea was prepared by Mr. and Mrs. W. Hamblin in the Victory Eall he members were the guests of the Vicar and Mr. Cyril Johnston hoir hospitality being preatiy appreciated.
At the business meeung which followed, the branoh chairman (the Rev. W. Kingsley Kefford) presided, supported by the branch hon. scretary (Mr. H. W. Chrtis). The autumn raeeting was fixed for Soptember ath at Bucklebury. Votes of tharke were accorded the iexr and Deputy Master for the service, to Mrs, Howes for her vices at the organ, and to the Viear and Mr. Cfril Johaston for meronsly providing the tea. In responding, the Vicar spoke of the
sin of service to be adopted for ringers' meetings. Ee also spoke
the finamaial aspect of the restorntion work done, pointing ont that
ongh the Newbury Brancl lad so far received no monetary benefit
the transfercace of the Beenham tower from the Bradfield
wheh, pel they had geverously contributed $£ 3$ 3s. towards the appeal. T. Fibhert, general organisfng secretary, recalled memories of hum's early ringing days, expressing the Guild's appreciation of 41 years' loyalty to the Bradfield Deauery Branch. The meeting
ased with thanks to the chaiman for presiding, aud ringing coninsed with thank

## RESTORATION OF HARSTON BELLS.

## NEW COMPANY OF RTNGERS FORMED

very successful mecting of the Ely Branch of the Ely Diocesan nociation was held at Harston on Saturday, July 10th. During the ftervoon and evening about 40 ringers were present to try the bells,
ch have just beea restored and augnented to a ring of six by
sus. J. Tuylor and Co.
of the four old bolls, three lave been incorporated in the new peal.
ha old tenor, a sixteentl century bell by Austen Bracker, bas been
served and is now stording on a pedestal in the tower.
The other three old hells have been recast, a new tenor ahout
cwh. and uwo new trebles having been added. The penl has been hung in m new steel frame aud are now a nice handy and musioal tie ring.
On Saturday the Ficar, the Rev. P. G. Ward, gave a hearty welome to the visiting ringers. He conducted the service, at which quitc unmber of parishoners were present, and afterwards entertained rie ringers to tea.
The bells were first heard on Sunday, July 4 th, the first 720 , Bols Hinor, being rumg for eveling sarvice by C. W. Cook 1, A. E. Austin F. G. Gleaves 3 , W. Winter 4, F. Warrington (eonduotor) 5 , J. W. Waxd 6. For moming service on Sunday, July 11 th, 720 London Surprise was rung by L. Iathbury 1, F. G. Gleaves 2, B. Wayman 3, C. W. Cook 4, F. Warrington (conductor) 5, E. H. Fineli 6.

A local company of ringers is being formed and many recrnits are showing great enthusiasm. It is to be hoped that one result of some years of labour by the Vicar and parishoners may be the establishneent of a good local band.

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## FOR BEGINNERS.

TOUCEES OF GRANDSIRE TRLPLES.
Having got an iusight into the working of the bells in their couraing, the begimer can go on to the bob enlling. He witt prohably have observed that a bob euts out one plain dodging place so that, for exampla, inslead of dodging in 54 (down) in the lead aftor making 3ed's place, a bob causes hin to stop in 7-6 (down) and have a double instend of a single dodge.
If he is celling the bolss by the fixed positions of Wrong ( $7-6$ down), Home ( $6-7 \mathrm{up}$ ), Middle ( 45 up ), Jn (into the lume), Out (ont of the bunt) or 乃efore (3rd's place), he must he prepared for this omission. Wrong will come in the lead after 3rd's; Home in the lead after 54 (down) : Middle in the lead after 7-6 dawn; In, the lead after 6-7 up; but Before comes in the lead after 45 up , because it is the one position that a bob does not affect. The Out cones at auy given number of leads from the time the bell is called In: and obviously no other calt cant bo inserted between an In and an Out,

The time to call the bob is when the breble is 113 3d's place on the way dowir. That may not be ensy to observe, but, if you thave mastered the ropesight of coursing, you will readily see tho bell hanting down immediately in front of the treble. The call is made when that bell begins to lead. As a help you can remember, also, that the catl comes as you arrive in your dodging place, or, if you are goiag into the luut yourself, imanediately you leave the lead.
As a simple beginning yout can bry auy of the following touches:3,5 , 5 or 4 called Middle three times.
3, 5, 7 or 6 called Wrong three times
3, 5, 7 or 4 called Home three times.
7, 6 or 4 called In and Out (acet lead) three times.
2 called Out and In three times.
Here ard 16 different ways of calling a touch of 168.
Tou cnn extend these by calling a single for the tast bob, and then repeating the whole, except in the case of the 2nd Out and In, when the Single should be called at the last Out. This use of singles doubles the lengtis of the touch.

Other touches of 336 can be got by using the calling of the 7th In and Out and the Bth In and Oul in any combination of three courses repented. rthus:-

7thi In and Ont twice, 6th In and Out once, repented.
6th In and Out twice, 7th In and Out once, repeated
For brevity these might be indicated by the fugures 7.7.6 repeated und 6.6 .7 repeated. Other combinations which beginuers cen work ont for thenaselves nre $7.6 .7 ; 6.7 .7 ; 6.7 .6$ and 6.6 .7

Many longer touches ann le made up by the same process, but ringers who work ont their own mush not overlook the risk of repetitiou. It would be good practice to wite olat the lead-ends of the tonches, and these can be produced by the following transposibions: 253746 for a plain lead; 752634 for a bols lead. If no singles are 11sed, the touch is true if none of the lead-ends repent.

## SUCCESSFUL PEAK MEETING.

The Ashover meeting of the Peak District Society, held on June 26th, was extremely successfinl. A very fine afternoan brought alout 30 nembers and friends together, and some good ringing was enjoyed by all on this recently relung peal of eiglit. Everyone voted the 'go' as excallent, and gave Messrs. Taylor, of Loughharangl, credit for another splendid piece work. Towers represented were Derby, Dove, Ashover, Matiock, Darley Dale, Sheffield, with friends from Stoke-on-Trent. Tonches weve rumg in the usual standard metlods and a good contse of Cambridge brouglit round.

## WEDDING BELLS

MARRIAGE OF MR. A. H. HTFGHES, OF BRADFORD.
At Holy Trinity Church, Low Moor, Bradford, on June 19th, the marringe took place of Miss Phyllis l3oyes, younger daughter of Mre. Boyes, of Wresley Place, Low Moor, nud the late Mr. George Boyes, ta Mr. Albert Henry Hughes, son of Mr. bud Mrs. Albert J. Huglies, of Green Larle, Wyike, Bradfowl.

The Vicar of the Foly Thinity Church, which is the Wibser Parish Chureh, officiated and suitable musie was played by the organist of the church.
The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. William Boyes, was attiren in a dress of white ivary satin, an embroidered veil and coronet and carried a bouquet of rad roses. She was attended by her sister, Evelyı, and two younger bridesmaids, the Misses Gladwys and Fredn Miduleton.
Liversedge Parish Church ringere celemrated the cocasion by "furing" the bells and ringing touches of Kent Treble Bobs Major and Donble Norwich Major.

Mr. Albert J. Hughes is well known amongst ringers in North Wales, Yorkslire and the Midlands, whilst his son, Mr. Albett H. Hugles, and Mr. William Boyes are local ringerg.
A quarter-peal of Grandsiro Thiples, from Foit's Ten-Part, was rung at Rotherfield, Snesex in lonour of the wedding of Mr. F. R. Moberlp and Miss P. M. Huddart on Saturday, June 19th: J. Eovell I, F. Hammond 2, R. Mitchell 3, A, F. Lowry 4, F. Hammond 5, E. Bishop, sen. 6, O. Brasier 7, F. H. Licirs 8.

## NOTICES.

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival, 1937, will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July ryth. Service in Cathedral ir.15 a.m. Preacher: Bishop G. B. Allen, D.D. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church Hall at I. 30 p.m. Further particulars will be found on notices sent to guild towers.-Richard T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec., 69, York Road, Reading, Berks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at Bispham on Saturday, July ${ }^{1} 7$ th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea in school 5.30. Business meeting. after.-C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District. - A mid-quarterly meeting will be held at Hailaton ( 6 bells) on july ryth. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service at 4 -30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-H. W. Perkins, Dis. Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-The Annual Festival, Jubilee Service and opening of the augmented peal will be held at Chester Cathedral on Saturday, July 17 th. Service at $3 \cdot 30$. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Chester. Tea at +30 , price is. 6rl., and annual meeting at 5.15.Rev. M. H. Ridgway, Hon. Sec., Tarvin Vicarage, Chester

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -The summer meeting will be held at Pinner on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Service in church at 5 . Tea at 5.30 p.m. Ringing after tea until 8. 45 p.m. Travelling facilities: Metropolitan, Baker Street, etc., direct to Pinner or Bakerloo and L.M.S. Stations to Harrow, thence by 183 bus to Pinner. All ringers welcome. - N. Summerhayes, Hon. Sec., 28 , Bean Road, Bexley Heath.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Flixton, on Saturday, July izth. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec., 35, The Crescent, Worsley.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. -A meeting will be held at Gt. Staughton on Saturday, July inth. Bells available 3. Tea at 5 p.m. Service at 6.30. Please come and help to make this meeting a success. -H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Gt. Staughton, St. Neots.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Mceting of Southampton district at Lockerley on July 17th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 . -G. Pullinger, 17, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Hants.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Southam on Saturday, July $I_{7}^{\text {th }}$. Bells (8). Committee meet 4 p.m. Service at 4.45 , followed by tea and business meeting in the Craven Arms Hotel.M. Melville, Exhall, Coventry.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -llchester Deanery Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Langport on Saturday, July 17th. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Huish Episcopi bells will probably be available. Please notify early for tea. - F. Farrant, Martock

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Nailsea on Saturday, July $1^{7}$ th. Bells available 3 p.m. Divine service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m. Wraxall bells also available during the evening.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.--South and West District. - A meeting will be held at Harlington on Saturday, July 17 th. Bells (6) from 3.30 and after tea. Tea, 5.15 p.m., in Church Hall. Buses 95 and 98 from Hayes and Hounslow pass the church.-F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Old Warden on Sat urday, July i7th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers and their friends will be welcome. good company is requested. Please come and have ring at one of the prettiest churches in England.-C. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division.A meeting will be held at Hedon on Saturday, July 174 The fine peal of 8 (tenor 17 cwt .) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at the Queen's Head Hotel, 6d. each. Come to the King of the Holdernesse.-H Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branc -The annual meeting will be held at WhittingtonLonsdale on Saturday, July 17 th. Bells ready at 2 p . Tea at 4.55 p.m. Meeting in the Rectory at 5 p.m. hearty invitation is extended to all members and friend Subscriptions are due at this meeting.-E. Swain, Beecham Strect, Morecambe.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION -Axbridge Deanery.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Blagdon on Saturday, July ifth. Bells (8) from 2.70 p.m. Divine service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m.-F Minifie, Hon. Sec., Royston, Uphill, Weston-super-Mare

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The Cup contest will be held at Dronficld Church on Saturday, July 17th. Draw 2.30 p.m. For tea please notify Mr B. Marples, Green Dragon, Church Street, Dronfield Ringing for all after contest. All weicome. - M. E Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, 5t. Ronan's Road, Sheffield 7.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch -A meeting of the Grimsby district will be held at Bur-ton-on-Stather on Saturday, July 17 th. Bells (6) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.15. Tea, 5. p.m. in the Parish Hall at a moderate charge.-H. Mingay Hon. Dis. Sec., 394, Wellington Street, Grimsby.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. A meeting will be held at Great Staughton on Satur day, July r 7 th. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service $6.3^{\circ}$ p.m. Please come and help to make meeting a success.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.

ABBOT'S LANGLEY. - Saturday, July i $7^{\text {th. Belis }}$ open 3.30. Tea at the Vicarage, 5.30. Excellent bus service to church. Nearest rail: King's Langley, m mile. -C. H. Horton, Bushey. City 4270 . Herts Association.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Southern Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Chiswick, on Saturday, July rith. Bells (8) available p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. at Parish Hall, followed by further ringing until $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Nearest station, Turnham Green Underground and straight down Devonshire Road. It's a pleasant spot, close to the river, so let's have a good attendance.-A. P. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec., if8, Sarsfeld Road, Balham, S.W. 12.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Southern Division will be held at Maresfield to-morrow (Saturday), July 17 th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., by kind invitation of the Rector. Half rail fare, maximum is. 6d., allowed to resident members.-S. E. Armstrong, Hon. Div. Sec., 7o, Hollingbury Park Avenue, Brighton 6.
HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Northern). Combined practices: Hitchin, Monday, July 1gth, Royston, Tuesday, July zoth; St. Paul's, Walden, Wednesday, July 28 th; Wallington, Thursday, Aug. 5 th. All meetings 7 to 9 p.m. Please cut this out as it will not appear again !-Don Mears, Hon. Sec.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOLITHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Mectings for Fuly: Service ringing, Bow, Cheapside, July 25 th, $5.3^{\circ}$ p.m. Practices : St. Clement Danes', July $\mathrm{I}^{\text {th }}$, at 7.30 Lambeth, July $27^{\text {th }}$, at 8 p.m.-T. W. Taffender, Hon. Gen. Sec.

THE WILLIAM PYE MEMORIAL. - A memorial peal tablet, recording the $739^{2}$ Cambridge Surprise Maximus, will be unveiled and dedicated on Tuesday, July zoth, at St. Mary-le-Bow Church, Cheapside, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, -C. T. Coles and E. J. Butler, Hon. Secs.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held St. Magnus' on July and ; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 2oth; Southwark Cathedral on the 2 gth $^{\text {th }}$ at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division. - A rid-week meeting will be held at Harlow Town on Wednesday, July 2 ist, at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m1. Please send a a card.-S. Clark, Potter Street, Harlow.
SUFFOLK GUILD AND NORWICH ASSOCIA-TION.-Mildenhall and South Norfolk Branches. - A joint meeting will be held at Elveden on Saturday, July $4^{t h}$. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., near tower. All ringers are cordially invited to visit this beauty spot. -R. C. Sharpe and A. G. Harrison, Joint Branch Secs.

ST. MARY'S, PUTNEY.-Two-day motor tour in Herts and Essex, July 24 th and 25 th. A few seats vacant. For particulars please apply at once to Elson, 59, Pursers Cross Road, S.W.6.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Leatherhead District) and SURREY ASSOCIATION (N.W. District). - A joint meeting will be held at Ranmore on Saturday, July 24 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Will those requiring tea please inform Mr. A. H. Smith, Drakelowe, Howard Road, Great Bookham, by July 2 rst?-A. H. Smith, F. Woodiss, Hon. Secs.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Taunton Deanery Branch.-A meeting will be held at Milverton on Saturday, July 24th. Usual arrangements. Those requiring tea, please notify me by Tuesday, July 2oth.-P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. George's, Beckenham, on Saturday, July 24th. Beils available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea (by kind invitation of churchwardens) and business meeting to follow. Tea will be provided only for those notifying me not later than Mon* day, July igth. Half fares will be paid to members attending this meeting.--A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stannore Road, Belvedere.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Dagenham on Saturday, July 24 th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Will all those intending to be present, advise me not later than Wednesday July arst? - E. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3 I3, Mawneys Road, Romford.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The Summer Festival at Soham on Saturday, July z4th. Bells (io) available afternoon and evening. Service $4-15$ p.m. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Ely. Tea in Vicarage garden, if fine, price is. each.-Kitty Willers, Gen. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.
MIDDLESEX AND HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-A joint meeting will be held at Monken Hadley, near Barnet, on Saturday, July 24th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5. Tea, is. each, at 5.30. All ringers welcomed. Please advise cither of the undersigned by July 2 Ist.-C. T. Coles, 2 I, Vincent Road, E.4, W. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfeld, Dis. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 24th, at Tunstall. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea, by kind invitation, and business meeting. In fairness to onr hosts, please inform me not Iater than Tuesday, July zoth.-Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, July 24th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Tea 5 p.m.-l'. Page, Hon. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO. CIATION.-Gloucester Branch.-Next meeting at Norton on Saturday, July 24th. Bells (8) open at 3 p.m3. Usual procedure. Bus leaves Worcester Strect at 2.55 p.m. Will those who require tea notify me by the a sit? - W. H. Harris, Branch Sec., 4, G.W.R. Terrace, Lydney.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton Dis-trict-Quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July 24 th, at Woburn. This fine peal will be available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All welcome.-F. I. Plummer, Hon. Dis. Sec., Romaine, Plantation Road, Jeighton Buzzard.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD will meet members of the Aldershot district of the Guildford Diocesan Guild at Heathfield on Saturday, July 24th. Tower open $30^{\prime}$ clock. All ringers welcome, but tea must be ordered by the 21 st.-C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. -A mecting will be held at Pickering on Saturday, July 34th, at which Cleveland and North Yorkshire members are especially invited to be present. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. R. L. Scarth, r3, Maudon Avenue, Pickering, not later than Thursday, July z2nd. A learty invitation to all.-Edward Hudson, 4, Keldale Terrace, Sharow, Ripon.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION-Chesterfield District.-A meeting will be held at Eckington on Saturclay, July 24th. Will all requiring tea please notify Mr. House Smith, The Yews, Eckington, Sheffield?-]. P. Tarlton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Drighlington on Saturday, July 24 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Please notify Mr. S. Barron, 40, West Street, Drighlington, if tea is required. Business meeting 7 p.m.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Portsmouth District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Curdridge on Saturday, July 24th. Bells ( 8 ) available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea and business meeting. Those requiring tea please notify me by July 22 nd. All ringers weicome.-A. T. Greenwood, 6, Shefficld Road, Portsmouth.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorset Branch.-A meeting will be held at Hawkchurch on Saturday, July 24 th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. Please notify for tea by Tuesday, July 2oth.-C. H. Lathey, Hon. Sec., Middle Street, Bradpole, Bridport.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Cary Deanery Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Henstridge on Saturday, July $24^{\text {thi. Bells }} 3$ p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. Please advise for teas.-W. A. Osborn, Galhampton, Yeovil.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATJON.-Meeting at Moreton Corbet on Saturday, July 24th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. All requiring tea, will they please notity me, not later than Tuesday, July 20 th (certain)?-R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craigmore, Upper Road, Meole Brace, Shrewsbury.
PEAK DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Next meeting Wirksworth, Saturday, July 24 th. Will all members and friends help to make this, our first visit, a success? Those expecting to be present please write me, not later than Tuesday, July zoth, so that suitable arrangements can be made for tea.-H. L. Warburton, Hon. Sec., 72, Causeway Head Road, Dore, near Sheffeld.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. -The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July 24 thi, at Edenham (Billingborough bells not available). Bells (8) availabie afternoon and evening. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting. Will those requiring tea please notify by Wednesday previous Mr. A. Holmes, Edenham, Bourne, Lincs? - C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham, Lines.

CHURCH LAWFORD, RUGBY.-The new ring of 6 bells will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Coventry on Saturday, July 24 th, at 4 p.m. Tea will only be provided for those who notify Mr. J. H. White, 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry, not later than Monday, July igth.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District. - The next district meeting will be held at Peckleton on Saturday, July 24th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service, taken by the Rector, at 4.30 p.m. Tea, is. each, at 5 p.m. The Rector extends a hearty invitation to ringers to aftend this meeting. Names, please, to Mr. E. A. Hall, Peckleton, near Leicester.-Wm. A. Wood, Hon. Sec.
WELFORD. NORTHANTS.-On Saturday, July 24 th, the Lord Bishop of Peterborough will consecrate the extension to the burial ground at 3.30 p.m. Bells available before service from 2.45 p.m. and also after-
wards. Visiting ringers will be heartily welcomed. Tea can be arranged for those who notify me by Wednesday previous. - Geo. A. Hollick, West Street, Welford, Rugby.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-E. Berks and Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Amersham ( 6 bells) on Saturday, July 24th, at 3.30 p.m. Tea, at is. per head, for those who notify me not later than July zoth. Phone: Slough 1260.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.
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I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Oldham Parish Church, St. Mary's (iz bells) on Saturday, Aug. 7 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. A hearty welcome to all ringers and friends to come along and support us.-Stephen Lioyd Parry Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnow, Rochdale Lancs.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi sion.-A meeting will be held at Battle on Saturday, Aug 7th. Tower open 2.30. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea 5 o'clock is. 3 d. per head. Business mecting to follow. Those intending to be present kindly let me know by Wednesday previous to meeting.-A. C. Pankhurst, Hon. Div. Sec., I3, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.

JUST A REMINDER.-Book the date for the annunt dinner of the Lancashire Association, Oct. 3oth, at tly County Hotel, adjoining the Palace Theatre, Promenade, Blackpool.

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Ringing in those days was usually regarded as a pastime, or from a mercenary standpoint albeit the "loaves and fishes' were small. It was the growing desire of those who felt that church bell ringing should stand on a higher plane, that led to the formation of the county and diocesan associations. The movement began from within the ranks of the ringers themselves, and it is to the credit of the 'reformers' of those days that the network of societies, which now covers the country, was establishod. The service which these associations and guilds have rendered to the Church and to the cause of ringing cannot be over-estimated. Much of what they set out to achieve has been accomplished,
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O．Saturday，July 10，1937，in three Hours and I wenty－Three Minutes， At the Parish Cegrce of the Holy Trinity．
A PEAL OF EAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL，5O4U CHANEES； Tenor 19 cwt．
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THE LJANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCDSAN ASSOCIATIOX $n$ Wodnesday，July 14，1937，in Three Howrs and Fifieen Mintes， At the Chugch of St．John－the－Baptist，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS， 5003 CHANQES；
Tenor 27 cwl in $D$ ．
Grorgr Pofarle ．．．．．．Treble John W．Jonzs ．．．．．．．．． 5

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A PEAL OF CAHBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL， 6040 CHANGEs； Tenor 16 1 ewt．
 birthday peal to the ringer of the treble．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BOREHAM, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, July 7, 1937, in Thyee Howy and Five Minutes,
At tefe Church of St, ANDrew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EO40 CHANGES; Heywood's Transposition of Tborstans' Fodr-part. Tengr $13 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
Grorgr Green
.Teble Sydney Taylor... ... ... 5
Edward P. Doffielo ... 2 . Arthor H. Evereti ... 6
Herbert Devenish ... ... 3 Fred Cbalk ... ... .... 7 Harry Warn ... ... ... 4 "Harry Bradley ... ...Tehor Conducted by Edward P. Doppield.
First peal of Stedman. Arranged ss a farewell peal for Mr. Sydney Tuylor, who is shortiy leaving Chelmsford for Horghan.

JOWESTOFT, SLFFOLK
TEE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On 7 his sday, /uly 8. 1937, in Two Howys and Fifly-Spuen Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBEE BOE HAJOR, 5184 CHANEES;

Tenor 13 等 cwt. in E sharp.
Grorge Lebe... ...
...Treble
Arthor G. Ring
Acrrat I Nutnton R. William Barbez ... ... 4 Edmond G. Reti... ... .... ... Tenor Composed by W. Everspield. Conducted by EdmondG. Retr. Firsl peal as collductor. Rumg in honomy of H.R.I. Whe Duchess of Kent on Lhe occasion of her weit to Jowestoft.

SOUNEEND-ON-SEA, ESSEX.
THE TSSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, $/ w$ ly 10,1937 , in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
Ai ife Parish Ceurch, Pritrlewell,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Johnson's Variation of Middleion's.

Conducted by Frank Lapinin,

* Tirst peal of Sitrprise. First neal of Surprisb ns conductor, First peal of Cambridge Major on the bells. Rurg in honour of William Dudley, who has just completed 50 years' service as bellriager at the Parich Ohurch, Prittlewell.

PRESTBUIRY, CHESHIRE.
THF CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
Dm Suturday, July 10, 1937, tw 1 wo Hours and Fifly-Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Mayienw's Twelve-pari, No. 2.
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"Fitst peal in the method.
LONGGTON, STAFIS.
THF NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.
On Sarmiday, July 70, 1937, in Thyce Fowrs and Ten Mintas,
At the Chlifge of St. John-tife-Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
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Temor in cwt.
Matiaew R. Bocklyy
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Harold Rose


## Conducted by Alas D. Steel.

*First peal. First peat as conductor. Arranged and jung with the bells lalf-nulfied as a tulbute to miners, resure-meu and offrials Who lost their lives in the recent disaster at the Brymho Colliery, Cheslerton, Sinfts.

## WORCESTER.

THE WOROESTERSETRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATZON. On Salurday, 7 uly 10, 1937, in Three Howrs and Seventeev Mantes, At tre Ceqrer of St. Jonn,
A PEAL DF HIHTON gURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES :

- Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
- Joserph E. Newman ... ...Treble John Thomas ... ...

Josepr D. Jobnson ... ... 2 Ralpy Harris ... ... 6

| Mrs. J. Thomas... | .. | ... | 3 | Thomas W. Luwis | ... | ... | 7 |
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| Sidney T. Holt | $\ldots$ | ... | 4 | Charles Cams | ... | .. | Tenor |

 * First peal of Surprise. First peal in the method by all except the ringers of 2,3 and 6 and on the bells.

> MAYMIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sutaday, July 10, 1937, in Three Hours and Hifteen Minutes,
At ter Ceqreq or St. Dunstan,
A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, 506 OHANOE
Tenor $21 \frac{1}{\text { b }}$ cwi. in $E$ flat.
Ernest Bishop... ... ...Tyeth Amthor F, Lewry ... ... 5
Arther R. Miees .... ... 2 Albert Relfe ... .... ... 6
Luslie W. Jarvis $\quad . .$.

- Frank H. Ficas ... ... 4 A. Patrick Cannon ... ...Temoy Composed and Conducted by A. P. Cannon.
* 25th peal together.


## TWICKIMNHAM, MDDLESTX.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NOETH SOUTHWARE DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Satwriay, July 10, 1937, in Thyed Howrs and Thees Mintutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6088 CHANGE8; Tenor $18 \frac{1}{6}$ cwt.
Ernest J. King ... ... ...Treble Frank Skevington ... ... 5
 Miss Olive L. Ashbrook ...
Francis D. Bishop
F... ... 4 Thomas W. Taffender $\quad . . .7$ Composed by O. Lang. Conducted by Thomas H. Taffender. WESTBOURNE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Saturday. July 10, 1937. in Three Howrs and Thrae Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRIBE HAJOR, 6988 CHANOES; Tenor io cwt. I qr. 12 lb.
 omposed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Fredk. W. Rogers First peal in a Stirprise method on the bells. WEST TALING, MIDDLESBX.
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On Satuday, July 10, 1937, in Two Hours and Fi/ty-bewen Minutes. At the Crurch of St. Sterien

- PEAL OF GAHBRIDGE BURPRIBE NAJOR, БOEG CHANGEB,

Edward Iankester... ...Troble Allean R, Pink ... ... ... $50 .^{5}$ J. Armiger Trollope $\quad . .12$ Chgil. C. Mayne... 2 ...

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THE MTDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
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John Saddingion ... ... 3
Jambi Frinley...$\quad$...

Jogn P. Fidler ... ... ... 4 Fruderick H. Dexter .... Tenor Conducted by Frederice H. Dextra.

WOODFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Monday, /uly 12, 1937, in Three Howrs and Fo.y Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES; Parerr's Twelve-part.

Tenor il cwt

* Bewley Weaver ... ...Treble tJames Ceale ... ... ... 5 †Ernest W. Pye... ... ... 2 Jorn H. Crampion ... ... 6 Francis W. Corney... ... 3 Charles R. Morss ... ... 7 Stanley F. Whbs ... .... 4 Wilciam Morley ... ...Temar Conducted by Jonn H. Crampion.
* Firel peal and first attempt. + First peal in the method, Rung with the bells halli-muftled as a token of respect for the late Neville Ison, whose funeral took place earlier in the day

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK:
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thuesiay, July 75, 1937, in Three Houts and Thipteen Minutes, At the Abbey Cborce of SS. Mary and Thomaseof-Canterbury, A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB MAJDR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt . in D .
Sydney Fint
...Trebla $\mid$ Cecil V. Ebuerson ... ... 5
Grorge Mayers
Nolan Golden ...

Composed and Conducted by Nolas Golden.
Firstr peal in the mothod iy ail, on the bells and for the association. ABERAVON, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, July 16, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Mintes, At the Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Parrer's Twelve-part.
Tenor 16 cwt.
Trevor M. Roderick...
Algert J. Pitman

| ... | ... Trebla |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | .. | 2 |
| ... | $\ldots$ | 3 |
| $\ldots$ | ... | 4 | $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Harry Boyce } & . . . & \cdots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Ernast Stitce } & \ldots & \cdots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { Howard Howhic } & \cdots & \cdots & 7\end{array}$

Conducted by E. Sisce. ORAYFORD, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCRATION.
On Friday, July 16, 1937, in Two Honrs and Fifty Mintes, At tee Cabrce of St. Padlinos,
A PEAL OF PAIHSHICK COLLEGE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANRES; Tenor 124 crit.
Alan J. Hopper ... ... ...Trebh | Herbart E. Addsley... ... 5
Edwin Barnett ... ... ... 2 Derhk M. Sharp ... ... James Bennett ...... John H. Cheesman ... .... 4 Harry Hoverd ... ... ...Temor Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Condacted by E. A. Barnezt.
Tho first peal in the method (C.C. Collection No. 44). J. Bennett's
50 ih peal on the belle.

## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 17, 1937, in Three Howy and Six Minwles,
At the Catref of St. Botolpe, Bishopsgate,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
Heywood's Transpositidn of Thorstans' Fogr-gart. Temar gota
Jambs E. Davis ... ... ...Tveble James Bennett ... ... ... 5 Grorge R. Pye ... ... ... 2 Teomas G. Bannister ... 6 Cabrles T. Coles ... .... 3 *Charles R. Raine ... ... 7 Jack Daftras ... ........ 4 Edmund Mopnter... Conducted by Clarles T. Coles.

* Furt peal. This pal was arranged for Mr, C. R, Raine, of * First p

GREAT BADDOW FSSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, July 17, 1937, in Three Hours and Thee Manuias
At the Churce of St. Mari,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6088 CHANGEg; Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lL.
Georgr Grern. ... ... ...Tpeble | Harry Bratilay ... ... ... 5
Heresat Devonisb ... .... 2 Henrt Warn ... ... .... 6
Miss Sylvia R. E. Bowyer 3 Frbd Cbalk... ... ... .... 7 Aryedr H. Evereit ... ... 4 Horace J. Manspield ...Tempr Composed by H. Dains.

Conducied by Grorga Grezn. GILMORTON, LEIOTSTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 77. 1937, in Three Honys and Five Minntes. At the Church of Alu. Shinis,
A PEAL DF GA HBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Midoleton's.
Ernest W. Tipler Wicliai Root ....Treble William I, Root Kgnneth A. Ror James Fernley.

Tenor 12 cwt .

Conducted by

* First peal in the method. + First peal of Surnrise Major. Firsli peal in the method as couductor.


## ERiriH, KENT.

THE KTANT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 17, 1937, in Two Gows and Fifty-Fow Mint tes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 8040 CHANGES;
A Variation of J. J. Parker'e Four-part Tenoris cwt. in G.
Herbbry E. Audsley ...T+able Lional J. Collom ... ... 5

John H. Cbeesman ... ... 2 Harry Hoverd... ... ... 6 | Derbe M. Sharf | $\ldots .$. | .. | 3 | Fredericr J. Cullem | ... |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jobn Wheadon | ... | $\ldots$ | .. | 4 | Thomas Mortimer | ... |
| ....Thor |  |  |  |  |  |  | Jobn Wheadon $\begin{gathered}\text { Conducted by Frederica J. Colequ. }\end{gathered}$

* First peal. Rring after the wedding of Mr-. James IT, Sterens ringer at ilis church) to Miss Irche Eva Medhurst. GAINSBOROLGH, LINGOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
(Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, July 17, 1937, in Three Hours and Seven Minntes, At the Churce of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 DHANEES;


## Thorstang' Four-part.

Tenor igcwt.
Miss Phyilis Baker
...T reble

- Miss Ethel Mare日all. ... 2

John Ereiman ... ... ... 3
Fredarich W. Stohrs ... 4
Conducted by Jo
G. Leslir A. Lonn ... ... 5 Jogn Wacden ... ... ... 6 Jogn A. Frebman $\ldots$.... 7 WNozl B, Tharlby ... ...Tehos
an A. Ererman.

* First peal in tid
peal on eight bells.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

POLTIMORE, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GDILD.
On Salurday, July 3, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fordy-Eight Minu'es,
At the Crorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DDUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; fen different callings.
Chcil Brealy ... ... ...Tyeble
Tenor 12 cwb
Cbarte Lilley...
Lgonard Howard ... ... 3 Albert Collzy ... ... ... Tomor

* First peal.

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THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCDSAN ASSOCIATION. On Sathrday, July 3, 1937, in I wo Howry and Fifty-Seven Minutes, Ax tar Cavica of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 CHANQE8;

Being 12 six-scares of Reverse Centerbury Pleasure, 20 of Plain Bob and 10 of Grandsire, with 18 callirgs. T'enor 8 cwt .4 lb . *A. Frank Foot ... ... ...Treble Gilbert Wi Rendell ... 4 Mrs. G. W. Rendell $\quad . . .2^{2}$ Whltar H. Poole $\quad$... Sianley Gupfy ... ... ... 3 Leslie J. Hawkins ... ...Tertor Conducted by G. W. Rendril.
f Piret peal. Rung as a complimenti to Miss Dawson Gamploll on the occasion of her manciage and to Mr. Douglas Ransom, nge of the local band of ringers, for his recent. 21st birtliday; also for the first birthday of the little son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Rendell. RUSIIALL, STAFES.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCEDEACONRY OF STAEFORD. On Monday. July 5. 1937, in Two Honrs and Twenly-Four Hinules, At the Cyoncr of St. Micharl,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5 © 40 CHANGEB;

Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bobs aud 30 of Graudsire.
*Robald Stockall ... ...Tieble $\mid$ Harry V. Pardow ... ... 4 P. George Golder ... Barnarts G. Key ... .... 3 John H. D. Radelifre ...Tenor Conducted by B. G. Kzy.
First peal and first attempt.
GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.
THE HEATFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On I'viday. Jwiy 9, 1937, in Tro Hours wid Forly- Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAE OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Beiug seven extents, four cullings. - William Symonds .... ...Treble Ladurie Wil.ton ... $_{\text {... }}$... 4
 Artbor Symonds ... .... 3 Francis Bsaumont ... .... Conducted by Francis Beadmont.
First pesl. First peal as colaductor.

> -GAMSTON, NOTPS.

PHE NORTE NOTTS ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday. July 10, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Thyee Minwtes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one exieut each of Cambyige Surprise, Double and Single Court, St, Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cw .

Frank Vernon .... ....... Condacted by Clafford A. Vessex.
Twenty-fiftl peal on tha bells.

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\text { BITTESW } 4 L \text { L, LEICESTERSHIRE. }
$$

THE MIDLAND COUNTJES ASSOCIATION.
(Hinckley District.)
Or Saturday. Jwly 10, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minuter, At the Ceurce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5010 CHANGES; Seven extents,

Tenos 8 ewt. 1 qit. 10 lb.
Prank K. Measures ... ...Tyoble John H, Balless
 William A. Wood ... Conducted by Frank K Measures.

* First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Minor as conductor. B ${ }^{2}$ IINGTON, LINOOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUIJ.D. (Eastern Brance.)
On Salurday, July 10. 1937, in Two Hours and Forly-Five Minutes, At ter Church of All Saines.


## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 6040 CHANEES;

Being 720 each of Ipswich, Primrose, Norfolk, Cambridge, Finlt, Bourue and Netherseale.
Miss C. Neal
Miss C. Neal ... ... ...tyelle loan R. Kamp
Tenor 11, cwt. Miss Lois M. Neal.... Arthur Young .......$^{-.} \quad 3$ John R, Yodng ...... Conducted by Jozn R. Yoong.
First peal ju seven Surprise melimods lis all the band.

SEALE, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Un I मesday, JHy JT, 1937, in Two Honys and Forty Minwles.
At the Cegrce of St, Lawrence,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, EO\&O CHANOEE; Tenol $8 \frac{1}{\text { cwt. }}$
*John W. Carter ... ...Trable Charles W. Denyer ... 4
 Conducted by C. W. Drnyer.
First peal in the method. I First peal in the method 'inside.' $\ddagger$ First peal. Rnng as a farewell to the treble ringer, who is leaving the district for Colemen's Hatch, Sissex.

LLANFIHANGEL IRHYDITEON, RADNORSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, July 11. 7937, in Two Hou's ind Thirty-Five Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Micgabl.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLEB, 6048 CHANGE8; Being 21 differently called 240 's. Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{owt}$. Charles R. Sadler ... ...Tyedh | James P. Hyett ...
 AOSTIN Wingate... Conducted by J. P. Hyert.

Fin'st peal ou the bells.
STISTED, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOOIATION
On Sunday, fuly 11, 1937, in Two Fours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of Ale Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extents of Cambridge Surpiise and one extent each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bol, Double Court, St. Clementis aud Plain Bob.
Grorgr R. Townes ... .. Tydul Rrginali G. Simmonds... A.

- Victir Morlay... ... ... 2 Ralpr Bird. Simmonds ... 4
 Tirst Conducted by R, Sockling.
* First peal in six methods 'inside.' +25 h peal. A birtliday compliment to ringer of 3 rd .


## LLANTFECHFA, MONMOUTHSEIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. On Wednesday, July 14, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forly-Seven Minutes, At the Parise Cgurch of All Salnts,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven diferent $720^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$.
Grorge John .... ... ...Trebla $\mid$ Rev. G. J. Richards ..... .4

Conducted by Robert Smita.
This peal was ang on the occasion of the Royal risit to Nuwport.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

BURTON-ON STATIER, LTNCS.
THE LINGOLN DIOOESAN GUILD.
(Northern Brance.)
On Swatay, July 11, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

> At Triniwood,

A PEAL OF GRAMDSIRE CATER\&, 5003 CHANGEAI
Tenor size $14 \frac{1}{2}$ in C sharp.
Mrs. J. Bray ....... ...
 Jace Bray ... ... ... ... 9.10
Composed by A. Knigets (No. 153 ). Conducted by J. Bray.
Mrs. G. W. Fletcher's 300 th peal.

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## PEAL NOTES.

PERFORMANOES AND PERSONALITIES.
There wers great rajoicines in Wales on the occasion of their Majesties' tour of the Princtpality last week. Two peals were ruug in connection with tha visit, One was Grandsire Caters at Cardiff, whicla nob only cefebrabed the Royal visit, but also the King aud Queen's Coronation, in lovour of whicil lather eventa a previous attempt pailed.

The Rev. G. J. Richaraje, Master of the Llandaft and Moumouth Association, was one of the band who took part in a peal of Minor at Llarifrechfa, Mon., on July 14th, when the Kjug and Queen visited Newport, Fony of the ringers had helped earlier to ing the bells at All. सaintas Chureh, Newport, at the coming of their Majesties to the Lurough.

Members of St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham liave sung the firsh peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal in the county of Shropshire, at Coulbrookdale. The Guild has made quite an interesting collection' of 'frsts' jn the past. Some that we can recall are hio first Surprise peal rung out of Eugland (at Bray Ireland), the first Surprise peal in Wales, tho first trus peal of Treble Ten in Ireland, the frst twelve-bell peal in Devon (at Exeter), und the first peal on the sea (crossing from Dublin to Holyhead).

A lialf-muffed memorial peal to the miners who lost theis lives in the pit disaster at Brymbo Colliery, Chesterton, Stafis, has been rung a.t Longton.
ific. James T. Stevens, a member of the band abl St. Jolun the Brptist's Ghurch, Erith, was married on Satnrday to Miss Irene Eva Medhurst and a peal of Stedman Thiples was rung in hanour of the event. The bride and bridegroom kindly entertained the band to tea
after the peal, and toast to their future health and happiness, conpled with gool wishes, was drunk.

Mr. Jolin $W$. Carter, no relation, by the way, to the inventor of the ringing machine, but an enthusiastic member of the Farnham District of the Guildford Diocesan Guila, is leaviug the district. much to the regret of his many fuiends. A farewell peal of Minor (Mr. Carter" first of Treble Bab) was tung at Seaje, to which clarch be has been attached. Mr. Oarter is going to Coleman's Hatch, Sussex. Sussex will gain another riuger by the removal to Horslaam of Mr. Sydney Taylor, who is shortly leaving Chelnaford. On July 7th a Earewell peal of Steriman Triples was rumg at Boreliam, Essex.

At Crayford, Kent, the first peal of Puinswick College Bob Major (No. 44 in the C.C. Collection) was rung on July 16th. There are many interesting plain methods in this collection and we would like to gee moro of tiem rung. By the way, Grayford bas often been the tower for 'first peals, and E. A. Barmett is following in Grandpa's fontstepa in enlling new things.
Whan is beliored to be the first peal in seven Surprise methods in the Enstern Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild rung by branch members was scored at Benington on July 10th. Two laclies took part and it was the first peal in seven Suprise methods by all the brad.

The peal of Kent Treble Bob Major rung at Great Baddow, Essex, on July $17 \mathrm{H} \mathrm{l}_{\text {, Was }}$ wpecially arranged for Miss Sylwia R. E. Bowyer, one of the brilliant yonng lady ringers of St. Mary-le-Tower company, Ipswich.
Messis. Gilleth and Johnston recently overhauled the bells at Lanfihangel Rhydithon, Radnorslite, and added a new treble to make a ring of six. Tlie first peal was rung on them on Sunday, July 11th. The method was Grandsire Dothbles.
The peal of Grandsire Triples yury at $\Delta$ beravon on July 16. Whas arranged for Mr, Howard Howell, who was on tisit to South Wales from Welsall, Staffs. It was also a birthday compliment to Mr. F. F. Stone.

The Norwich Diocesan Assaciation has peals in a great variety of meithorls in its records, but it was mot unfil last week that a peal of Oxford Bol Major was added. It was rumg at Wymondham and was the first peal in the method by all the band.
The peal of Bob Major at Mayfield, Sussex, on July 10th, was rung afler an attempt, lasting 20 minutes, for a peal of Oxford Treble Brib.

## REDEDICATION OF CRICKLADE BELLS.

## ROPRS AMONG THE OEORR STALSS.

Tio bells of St. Sampsols's Chureh, Crieklade, Wilts, have heen recently restored hy Messrs. Taylor and Ca. and were rededicaled by tho Bishop of Bristol on July 5th. The bells, a ' left-handed ${ }^{1}$ ring of five, witl a tenor of ahout 15 cwt, have been rehmg on ball hesrings with all new fittings, and the 4 th, which was badly cracked, has been recast and tine other hells tuned,
The service wus eonducterl by the Vicar (the Rev. S. W. L. Finhards), the lessans being vead by Sir Percy Lamrie. Immediately mfter the Bishop's prayer 'f vededication, the bells were chimed in rounds for a few nimutes, it being impossible to ring owing to the ropes falling anong the choir stalls. After the service the hells were raised in peal, and the opening loum, three courses of Bob Singles ant 120 of Grandsire Donbles, was mung iy C. 5 . Gardner 1, J. J. Berry 2, W. H. Trueman 3, H. W. Bishop 4, W. B. Kynaston (conduetor) 5. Other ringers from Girencester and district afterwards hat a pull, and the general opinion was that the bellhangors had done theis: work in an excellent manner, the hells being rung very casily despite the rery long dranglat of over goft. of rope. Cricklade now possesses an emsy going, ploasing little ving, which were feopened practically free frons debt, only $£ 6$ being requined.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## GRANDSERE IN THREE-LEAD COURSES

Some of the earliest peals of Grandsire Triples were composed un what is known as the threc-lead course plan, that is a plan by which the observation bell comes back to its plain course position cyery third load. Such peals are not uow much in favour, principally ou the ground, we believe, that the observation bell never does the whole of the work included in a plain course.
There are only three positions iu which it can fall, and these are Wrong ( 76 down), Midde ( $4-5 \mathrm{up}$ ) and Before (3rd's place). The observation bell never goes into tha hunt or dodges in 5-4 down or $6-7$ up, and many people, therefore, loak upan such peals as lacking in interest.
Novertheless, his short-course plan provides excellcnt music fol tollehes, for it is possible for instance by this means to get the finll extent of 6-7 together at course-cuds in a touch of ouly 1,008 changes.

Peals on these hines have usually the 6 ih as the observation heli, but the 5th or 3 rd is sometimes used. If you want to keep the 6-7 together throughout your touch you must keep both these bells fixed and you do it by calling a Simgle at the first lead (bringing the 6ils into 4-5 mp and the 7 th to make the long $\left.\mathrm{Jrd}^{\prime} \mathrm{s}\right)$. A three-lead caurse also necespitates a call to bring 6-7 together' belnind-it is that, indeed, which nakes the three-lead course.

It is easy to call from any ball. Note the course-end, call a Single the next lead; have a plain lead wheu the 6th comes Befora (unless your composition, as it may, provides for a Bob), aud call a Boh or Single next lead as required.

When written out the calls may be noted as M. B. W., or $1,2,3$, the figures denotitig the lead of the course. Thus at tanch of 168 can be written in either of the
234567 M W

| 234567 | M | B | W | 234567 | 1 | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 3 | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 345267 | S | - | 345267 | S |  | - |
| 452367 | S | - | 452367 | S | - |  |
| 523467 | S | - | 52347 | S | - |  |
| 234367 | S | - | 234567 | S |  | - |

This touch can be doubled in length by ealling a Single for either of the Bobs, and lengethened again by calling a Single for one of the other Bobs in altermato parts.
You can make up a great variety of touches for yourself, and you can get the 1,008 to which we have referred by using the following :-

| 234567 | 1 | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 435267 | 5 | 5 |
| 352467 | S | - |
| 524367 | $\approx$ | - |
| 423567 | $S$ | $S$ |

Repeat this five times with a Bob for Simgle at the end of the thind and sixth parts.
If you want a 504 witil twelve $6-7$ 's, call the four course three times exretly as sef out.
A very symmetrical five-part peal on this plan was composed hy Thomas Phurstans, of Birminglam, for ever famous for his Four-Part peal of Stedman Triples. It is based on these four-course blocks.
In the first block a Bob at, 2 (the 6 th Before) is oalled. The rest is like the tonoh of 1,008 . It brings up the part-end 723465 , and that is one-fifth of the neal.

## TROWBRIDGE RINGERS' LONG DAY'S TRIP

Tha ringers of the Trowbridge Parish Church, accompanied by a few frionds from Bath, had their annual outing on Jume 20hh. Starling at 7.30 a.m., they proceeded by road to Winchester, where ifhey were mot by the Cathedral ringers, who pointed out many interesting and historical features in the ancient pile. The Trowhridge men lad been grated permission to ring for the morning service, and Stedman Cinques was rung on the very fine peal of twelpe recently installeri. These bells are a revelation of what can bo achieved by the hellfounker with 8 modest weight. They can hest be described in one ward, 'Graild.
The party afterwards proceeded to Portsmouth, staying at Coshan to take lunch. Aul enjoyable hour or two was spent on the sea frout, and then, after tea, they arrived at St. Mary' 9 , Portsea, where Messrs. Greenwood and Rogers were waiting to recoive them. Here touches in various methodis were rung for evening service on an excellent peal of eight. The splenctid ${ }^{2}$ go $^{\circ}$ of the bells and the well-kept belfy were greatly admired by the visitors. The return journey was made via Southampion and Salisbury, Trowbridge being reached at 11.15 p.m. Fiveryone voted the long day a great success, thanks to ilie efficient orgenisation of Sam Hector and his able assistants. Thanks aro also hereby accorded to all who contributed to the comfort of tho party.
T. F.s.

## ROYAL VISIT TO EDINBURGH.

In honour of tho State Entn' $\%$ of ther Majesties the King and Queen into the Scoltish capital on Monday, July 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters was rung at St. Mary's Gathedral by J. Middlemass 1, M. A. K. Simpson 2, H. Chandler (Royal Navy) 3, A. G. Collinson (first grarter-peal of Caters) 4, W. C. S. Heathcote 5, 13. F. Verbon 6, J. $\frac{\text { M }}{}$
9. J. F. B. Pirte 10.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A USERUL l'RACTICE MEETING AT HEDON.
A meeting of the Eastern Disfrict of the Yoqkshire Association was held at Hedon on Saturday, July 17th. The fine peal of eight and the large, cool helfry were much appreciated by evaryone, and some well-struck touches were brought round. The warm and close weather made the fea at the Queen's Head Hotel doubly welcome.
Mr. R. H. Vigor informed the nembers that the next meeting had been arranged for Bridlington on August 14th, and hoped that they would do their best to attend, as it was some time since a meeting was held there. JHe mentioned that though there was a very fiae peak of eight at Bridlington, the bells had been neglected and there would be a good chance of doing some 'missionary' work by endeavouring to get them overlanled and put in order.
The meeting at Hedon was held especially for the practice of methods whid members are muable to obtain locally owing to the great size of the district and the sparsity of towers, and besides the standard methods for the less advanced, many rang their first tonches of Donble Norwich, Little Bols and Oxford Treble Rob. Fingers were present from Hall, Setby, Sutton-on-Hall, Sherbura-in-Elmet, Hemingurougl, Headingley, Hobleck and Barton-upon-Humber.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCEATION

A SIX-BELL MEETING.
The Nortls and East District of the Middesex County Association nud London Diocesan Guild met at Fendon on Saturday, July 10th, and for a six-hell meeting there was quite a good attendance, some 32 aingers putting in all appearance.
At the business megting Mr. A. W. Coles (Master of the association) took the clair in the absence of Mr. G. W. Fletcher (vice-president), who was attending a meeting of the Tadies' Guild at Sheflield!
Five new members were elected, and the arrangements for the next meeting left to the hon. secretary.
The usual votes of thanks were accouded to the Ficar (the Rev. N. R. Boyd) and to Messis. Barmard und Martim and the local ringers or arrangements made.
A mumber of Contral Conncil publications weve on sale, and quite ood business was done.
Members attended divine service at 6 pmo. immediately after the usiness meeting.
Finging, under the guidance of Mr. IT. J. Lock, contimued until
thout 8.30 p.m., with Graudsire and Stedman Doubles, Bob Minor, Kent and Oxford Treble Boh, Cambudue and London Suprise, and the special method for the day, Double Stedman flow Course!

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

gUCOESK[UL MERYING AT NETHERTON
The summer meeting of the Northern Bratheh of the Worcestershire Association was held at Netierton, when ahout 50 menthers were uresent, inchuding Mr. Wibliam short, Master of the assouthole Ranging, which took place in the afternoon and evening, ramged trom rounds to London Surprise Major. The Surprise methorls, however, did not go too well. The bells are a peal of eight. with tenor about 13 owt., recently recast by John Taylor and Co. inon an eanlier peal. They are of excellent tone and "go, which, combined with a wellappointed ringing room, provide ideal ringiner conditions.
The Vicar (the Rev, H. L. Warren) was away on holiday, but the Rev, Frank Carr, curate of Netherlon and a member of tho local band, taok the service and made arrangements [ar an excellent dea in the adjoining schoolnooms.
A collection at tea, for the Belfry Repairs Fund, realised 12s., which result justified the departure from the msual practices of takiug it in charch during the service.

The Rov. Frank Carr presided over the business mecting which followed. The annual meeting of the bratheh will he at Iromegrove in September, subject to permission being granted and the nrrangements for the quarterly peal, to be rung at Nethertom, wera loft in the hands of the Branch Ringing Master (Mr. T. Hemming), the chairnan riving permission on behalf of the Vicar.
Two performing members, Mr. Ton Parsons and M\%. Willian Parsons, of Cradley, were elected ringing members, ath a churchwarden, of Netherton, Mr. Jordan, an honorary member.

The brancls secretary (Mr. J. S. Mason) drew attention to the mannal dinner, which would be held at Worcester on the last Saturday in Scptember. Although it was looking ahead for several months, he wigal mombers to book the date and give their support.
Discussion arose over the question of trevelling, and the branch secretary intimated that he was quite willing to arrange facilities if a sufficient number would guarantee to give their support. He pointred out that arrangements could be made if anll names wore Landed in not later than the September meeting.
The meeting closed with a vote of lhanks to the charman and to all who hat contributed to the success of the occasion. To this the chairman suitably replied and the mambers left to revisit the tower for further ringing.
His many ringing friends will be pleased to hear that Mr. Albert Prestidge, bhe leader of the Netherton ringers, is able to be about once more after his recent illness, and abluongly he is not sufficiondy well to take a really active patt in change dinging, his anteresi has in no way diminishef.

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## BELERY GOSSIP

Will all who inteud visititig the Middesex and Hertfordstive joint meeting on Saturday next kindly note that, owing to illaess at Hadley, tho meeting will be held at Barnet. Perticulars are given in the usual columne.

Canon G. F. Coleridge, in his 80th year, has again accepted office, at the unanimous request of the members, as Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

Recently Canon Coleridge Ind anotion accident nud hurt his already dameged knec. Happily it resporded to treabment and his leg is now better than it bas been at any time since fus first misliap. Getting downstairs is his greatesl trouble.
Now trebles are being added to the ring of eight at Poole to ceiebrate the Goronation, and it has beeu announced that they will be dedicated on September 25th
Reference was made at the Central Council meeting to Leicester belleg the only city outside London with two sings of twelve bells. But Birmingham also has two-St. Martin's and Aston-to say nothing of others in the immedjate vichity of this Midland "Fillage.
We are glad to say that Mr. Oliver Sippetts, of Crawlej, who recently underweat a slight operation in hospital, is home again and making excellent progress towards recovery.
The attention of members of the Ancient Order of Foresters attending the High Court at Ipswich is directed to a notice in another column with regard to ringing at St. Mary-le-Towor Church.

Once a year a bellringers' festival is held at Coalinookdale, Shropshire, when special sermous are pretuched and the offertorios during the day are given to the bellringers' fund. This year's festival is fixed for Sunday next.
A party who wisited Devor last week all a ringing holiday attempted one peal only each day. They rang five peals and lost one.
After ringing three hou's and with only eight courses to go, an attempt on Saturday for the first peal of Stedman Oinques on the new bells at Mancliester Town Hall was stopped in a peremptory manner by Lord Mayor OPDoole in person. We understand that the reason given was that a priest in a neighbouriag Foman Catholie Church was mable to hear confessions, owing to the bells.

## 'CHANGE RINGING WITHOUT BELLS.'

Fo the Aditor.
Denr \$ir,-I enclose an advertisement from the 'Chureli Times which may well put ringerg on thoir guard.
I doubt the veracity of the siatement: 'A single operator can achieve elaborato change ringing without previous knowledge of campanology.' Nevertheless, many of the clergy reading this and not understanding rimging may think-
(a) The instrument a cheap way out;
(b) The instrunsent a thing of superior musical charm io bady lung beils;
(c) The instrument capahin of nchiering change vinging in a perfect way.

It, thorefore, behoves all compunolurists to "pull up theip socks. Melton Mowbray VETENON TAYLOR.
The advertisement referred to describes the instrument as "a caril lon without bells.' It claime as its nerits that it requives hift a few cubic feet of space, it imposes no strain on the fabric and its cost is only a fraction of the expenge entailed by a set of bells.
Tha statement that "a single operabor can achieve elaborate change ringitg without previolls linowledge of campanology' is, howover, obviously absurd.

## LADIES' GUILD.

MEMBERSHIP 'NOW THREE HUNDEED.
The annual general meeting of the Ladies' Guild was held at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturdny. Jnly 10: h. There were 27 menabers present, ropresenting all the diatricts with one axception,
Ringing took place in the afternoon and evening at the Pariah Chureh, and a short service was conducted by the Rectar, Canon Baker. Mrs. Baker presided at the organ.
Tea and the business meeting followed, at which the president, Miss E. Steel, fook the chair. The accounts were presented and showed an excess of income over expenditure of 2dd., and the hon. treasurer pointed out that if subscriptions had all been paid up to date the excess would have been considarably larger.
Miss Steel was re-blected president and Mrs. G. W. Fletcher hon. secretary and treasurer. Mrs. Deal was appointed auditor.

As the membership of the Guild had now reached 300 , it was decided to send a third representative to the Central Conncil, and Miss Steel was unamimously elected.
A lengthy discussion then took pace on the working of the districts with a view to a possible rearmangenent of the areas covered, to ensure that the whole country was adequately served. A scheme was suggested by the hon. searelnry, and it was agroed that details of this schemo be sent to all district gecretaries for further consideration under working conditions. If found salisfactory, the Elight altelation necessary to the rules will he considered at the next annoal meeting, which it was decided should bo lield in London.
The usial votes of thanks were passed to all who had Inelped to make the meeting such it Euceess.

## NEW BELLS AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL.

## DIOCESAN GUILD'S JUBILEE GIFT. <br> Dedication at Festival Service.

Tho jubilee festival of the Chester Diocesan Guild was held in the ancient Cathedral on Saturday, July 17h. The festival gervice took place in the nave, and a large collgregation of ringers, citizens and visitors was present to witness a ceremony which was unique in the lons history of this beautiful House of God.
The office hymn, 'Swing them gently in our towers,' was followed by the 148 th and $150 t h$ Psalms, and the lessons were read by the Dean (the Very Rev. F. S. M. Benneft, D.D.) and Canou A. E. Simpson, B.D. Purcell's delightful anthem, 'Rejoice in the Lord alway;' was sung preyious to an inspiring sermon by the Lord Bishop.
Foliowing the concluding prayers, the hymn, When morning gilds the skies, was begun, and after the fourth verse a pause was made witile the Master of the Guild (Mr. J. W. Miner) presented to the
ringers.' They were Messrs. H. A. Heywood, J. Moryau, A. Shiull, E. Breeze, S. Morton and I. Wood.

Mr. W. Wilcox, another original member, much regretlod his isa bility to be present.
The business meeting followed, with the Master in the chnir. The accounts were adopted. The hon, secretary's repart showed that the membership of the Guild remained practiontly the sumo ats in the provious year, 40 honarary members and 637 ringing members, but pointed out that several towers were still not in union. Peals munbered 77, with 163 members taking part, 18 ringing a peal for the first time. Congratulations were offered to the malti-method Minar band on their outstanding periormances, and tide same band was later congratulated by the meeting on their recent success, in which 73 methods were rung in a peal.
It was resolved liat the first peal on the ten bells at the Cuthedral should be attempted by a bund representing ali butiches of the Guild.


CHESTEA'S ANCIENT CATHEDRAL
Iu the Tower of which two additional bells have lhen placed to celebrate the Diocesnn Guild's jubitec.

Dean ropes attached to the two new trebles. Holding the ropes in he hard, the Dean said that it gave bim great pleasure on behalf of the Gathedral to accept the new bells us a gift from the Diocesan Guild. In monastic times a Dean was a person who had charge of ton men, and is a moderu Dean le was glad to feel that he was now in charge of ten bells.
It was an impressive monent when, as the Denn and the Master walked back from beneath the tower to their seats, the ten bells rang out from abowe. Rounds were rumg for two minutes, beautifully elfective in the stillness of the Cathedral, and as the ringing ceased ihe notes of the great organ taok the place of the bells and the lymn was concluded. The Bishop pronounced the Blessing before tive knee]ing congregation, and the Sevenfold Araen brought to a close a eervice which will remain long in the memory of those who were privileged to be present.
A cheerful gathering 130 strong, sat down to ted im the Refectory, the Lovd Bishop presiding, and a happy diversion was createn whey the Dean was ngked to accept a silver inkstand, suitably inseribed, with the good wishes of the Chester Branch of the Guild and as a taken of deep affention.
The Dean, who retires in a few weeks' tirae, has been chairman of the Chester Bimuch for 17 years, during which time his unfailing cheerfulnegs, sympathy and interest in the worlh of the branch mas endeared him to the Hearts of all fts members. He takes with him to Taunton, in bis native county of Somorset, the good wishes not only of the Chester Branch, but of the whole Guild.
In a charming reply, the Dean said that he could not promise to write to everyone present, but the inkstand, which, would have a place on his study table, would serve to remind him-if any reminder ware needed-of his associations with ringers in Chester.
It is interesting to record that six of the members present were also present at the Refectory on Novenber 12th, 1887, when the Guild was formed following a recolution of the Diocesan Conferenne, 'That it is desirable in form a Diocesan Guild or Association of Comeln Bell-

It was decided to hold a jubilee dinner in Noveratior as hur the foundation date (November 12th) as possible.
Soveral lowers were open for ringing during the evening, but the main attraction nafnrally was the augmented ring at the Calhedral. An excellent splice has been made by Messrs. Menrs and Stainbask, and Mr. A. A. Hughes, representing the firne, was congratuluted or all sikles. The Gathedral, without doubt, now posessses a fine ring of ten bells, and the Guild feels that il has celebrated its jubilee in a manner wortly of the occasion.
The inseriptions of the new bells are:-
Treblo. Think and Thank, Tr. S. M. Bennelt, Dean. Oast to calebrate the jubilee of the Chester Diocesan Guik of Church Beliningers. 1887-1937.
2nd.-Benedictus Benedicat. Gast in the year of the Coromation of H.M. King Gearge VI, 1937. God save the King.

Or Tuesday evening there was a special broadeast of the "bells in the Northerm Tegional programme, wifh at brief and well-planned lalk hy Mr. J. W. Clarke on ringing and bells in gemeral, and Chegter Cafledral bells in particular. The hells formed a badkgronnd to the lalk and were them opened up so that listemens heard tile last lead of a course of Grandsire Caters and rounds and the $Q u e d$ 's change.

## DEATH OF A BEENHAM RINGER

The death oecurred on Monday, Tuly Sth, of Mr. Andrew James Churehill, who for ahout 40 years had been a menber of the old Beenham band of bellingers and un ardent chareluger. He was one who could always be relied mpon to be in attendanae at ail Sunday services, matil about eight years lago, whon his hoalth preventod lim from attending.
The funeral tonk place on Wedrosday, July 7th, after which a half= muffled 720 of Giradsire Doubles was ring by the local hourd.

## STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

PRESENTATION TO CLERICAL EON, SECRETARY
The anmaal meeting of the Society for the Aychdeaconry of Staford was held ab Lichtield on Saturday, July 10th, when upwards of 70 members and friends put in an appearance. The bells of St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) were availatole duriug the afternoon and evening, bit the members were not permitted to ring at the Cathedral this year. A sumptuous tea was prepared in the Wawe Street Hall und was followed by the general meeting, at which the Venerable R . L Judson, Archdeacon of Stafford, presided. Apologies for absence were read from Mr. H. Boswell (retiring Ringing Master), Messrs. T. J Eiton and H. Butler

The committee's report and the accounts were adopted, the latter showing a credit balance of 126135 . 9 d .
The joint hum. secretaries, auditor and committee (under Rule B) were re-elected.
The uames of two members were put upfor Ringing Mastcr-Mcssis. B. Forton and B. G. Key-and ou a show of hauds Mr. Key was lectared elecied.
The following places were selected for mestings to be held during the coming year: Aldridge, Septenther; Coseley, January; Wednesbury, April; and the anmual meeting at, Liclufield fur June. Also bi


REV. C. H. BARKER
Glerical Secretary of the Sopiety. quarterly meetings for practice All Baints', West Bromwicl : Pemlridge and Trysull, notice of which will be printed in 'The Ringing World.'
A siggestion that a memorial to the late Mr. George Fughes, of Wednesbury, in this form of a brass or bell-metal tablet, to be placed in the belfry at Wedneshury, was favourably received, and a commiltee of three (Messrs. A. J. Fubble, A. Hingley and H. Staith, of the Wednesbury band) were olected to proeeed with the project.
To mark the completion of 21 yearg' service as honortry clerical secretary and treasurer to the sobiely, the Rev. C. H. Barker, L.'I'Il., was the recipient of a foun$\mathrm{Minl}_{\mathrm{Mr}}^{\mathrm{p}}, \mathrm{H}$.
Mr, H. Kuight (lay secrovary), fokiag the presentation, spoke of the taluable service Mr. Barker nad sendered to the society during that long period, and asleed him to actept the small gift as a token of esteem in which he was held by the members.
Mr. Barker, in thanking the nembers for their kind thought atud uction, said the work liad heen a labour of love.
Tho President said he, too, would like to thank Mr. Barker for the good work he was doing amongst ringers in the Alchdeaconry. Continuing, lie said he was pleased to see present so many youngsterg, to whom they had to look for the future welfare of the society. He added that ho lad read the book, "The Nine Tailors,' and was very muels struck with it. He suggested that a copy should be added to the kibrsy in every tower

## PRESIDENT OBJEGTS 'I'O 'GRAMOPHONE' BELLS

The President, in conclusion, said he had a strong objection to the use of the loud speaker for gramophone records of bells, aud advised all ringers to take every opportiuniby to check it.
A rote of thanks to the chaimman concluderl the tursiness.
The committee, in their report, said meetings were held during the past year at Lichfeld, Codsall, Tipton and Scolgley. All were moderately attended except the one at Tiptan, where, owing to severe winlyy weather, the attendance was rot as good as might otherwise have been expected. In addition, two bi-quarterly meetings, for practice, were held at Shareshill and Wednesbury, the latter being well attended.
Since the last ammal meeting, four bell restorations had been completed, vix., Coseley, King'白 Bromley, Longdon and Willenlall, with very satisfactory results.
The number of peals rung duriug the year was 27 , as against 37 for the previous year. There was mot much variety in the methods mang, but one peal was worth mentioning, viz., the peal of Stafiovishire Su'prise Major-the first in the method for the society und first in the county of Staford-which gave a lead which the younger members might enulate. A peal of Doubles ring in five methods, at Patslull, was also moteworthy, Only one Coronation poal was accomplished, and thit was one of Stedman Cingues at Walsall ; other attempts were nuade, but were not successful. A peal of Stedman Oaters at Wolverhampion was rung as farewell to Bishop Kempthorne, who had (Coutirued in next column.)

## PAULERSPURY BELLS

## YOUNG RLNGERS' APPEAL FOR ADDITIONAL TREBLE.

 Tro the EditorSin,-In the repori, published some weeks ago, in 'The Ringin! World' of a quarter-peal rang by the Paulerspury band you incorrectly stated, 'E. Smart, conductor, 5, P. Fosier 6.' it sluondd have read, 'E. Smart 5, and P. Poster conducted.' We are all learners in our belfry and it is beyond our scope to ring and conduct mere than one or two 120 's yet.
We have been congratulated by friends on the quarter-peal and also upou tho 6th bell, which, however, we have not yet got. But it luas awakened a desire to byy for a $6 \mathrm{~h} h$, or, rather, a new treble bell, for which a space is prepared in the new steel frame, which was pat in last year at a cost of about fxob.
On' Rector (Rev. F. Kcnworthy- Browne) hes given us permission to starli a fund for this purpose, on condition flal we do mothing to baku money away from other urgent church repairs, such as a new heafing appacatus, renewing beams and lead in the roof of the clapel and also repails to the top of the tower-all very expensive items. Wo have alrendy been promised 88 , and, of course, shonld welcome eny ontside help which wonld ease the burden an the willage people, have done so well in the past and of whom so aluch is expected in the future.
B. L. SMART', Fon. Sec. of the Fund.

## ANOTHER EIGHT FOR DEVON

## NEW TREBEES AT SILVERTON.

St. Mary's Church, Silverton, Devon, now possesses r ling of eight bells, two new trebles laving been dedicated by the Bishop of Eweter on July 9tl.
For many years the church has had a ring of six, anat the ootuve has now been secured throuth the addition of bells commemorafing the late Rev. G. E. F. Molineux and Commander K. E. Poynt Stewart, former parishioners. Tlie bells have been laug in a new frame, and repairs have been carried ont to the tower, the whole scheme costing about $£ 500$.
The clurch was erowded for the blessing ceremony, many forme parishioners being among the congregation. The Bishop was accompanied by the Rev. 1. G. Ketichley (Rector of Fenyock and Rura Dean) as his chaplain, and among the robed clergy present, in addi tion to the Rector (Preb. 7. O. Walters), were the Revs. Ti. V. (Brampford Speke, president of the Guild of Devoushire Ringers), read the lesson, zud F. Carter (Withleigh, chairman of lie Nor Eastern Branch of the Devon Guild). The Bishop nod clergy were accompanied to the ringing chamber by the churehwardens, Messes W. Ackland aud C. Medland, aud the ejght bells were ruug tollowing the blessing.
In his sermon the Bishop said he had been in the diocese long enowry to realise that Devon had the largest mamber of bells and the largest number of bellhingers, and he was sure that Devou people loved theit bells and were ready to give most generously when bliey needed atten tion. Althongh he had not a great knowledge of hells as yet, he judget that at Silverton they had a very beautiful peal.
Going on to remark that bells often uttered messages which conld not be expressed in words, the Bishop said that on Sundays they annomiced tho invitation, 'Come, for all things are now ready, One of the truths which this generation needed lo remember most of all was thal men missed the very good things of life not because they were wicked, but because they were too busy thinking about other things.

This is not a wicked genoration,' said the Bishop. 'Far from it Bub it is a very busy one. There are somany wouderfal things to do, so many wonderful gifts of science-he wireless, motor-cars and cinemas-and the world has become surly an interesting place that there are fewer to-day responding to the appeal of the bells.' Fe hopod the bells would say to those who were always intending to zo to clurch, "Do it now; time is passing.'

After the service the bells were rung by visitors from Exeter, Ply mouth, Sidmouth, Broadclyst, Thorverton, Brampford Speke, Bampton, Brakninch, Rewe, Washfield and Culloupton.
The restoration of the peal, which las futheded the proviston of modern fittings throughout and the supplying of the two new bells, has been carried out by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Lourghorongh. The tenor of the augmented peal weighs 16 cwt .11 lb .

## (Contimued from previous column.)

retired from the See of Lichfeld. Whe conducting of the several peals was shared hy ten members. The peals were : Doubles (two methods) 4, Doubles (five methods) 1, Grandsire Doulbes 2, Grandsire Triples 5, Stedman Triples 1, Stedman Caters 4, Stedman Ginmes 4, Bob Minor 1 Bob Major 1, Kent Treble Boh Minor 2, Keat 'r'veble Rob Royal 1, Staftordshire Surprise Major 1, total 27.
Tudging by the report of the Peals Analysis Committee, there were more twelve-bell peals rang during 1936 by his sociely than for any other in the countiry.

Regret was expressed at the loss, through denth, of the following mempers: The Rev. E. H. Rogers, Vicar of Tamworth; the Rev. A. F. F. Ronghey, of Cambridge; Mr. Alfred Butler, of Tubtenhall: Mri. F Williams, of Tipton; and Mr. George Hughes, of tiodneshary.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD FESTIVAL.

## ALTERATIONS OF RULES.

## Oxford still favoured as Meeting Place.

Once again the members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild have in no uncertain way decened that they desire to hold their amual festival in Oxtord itself. Ncarly every year this practice is challenged, but it is an ong time since fhe meeting has been hend elsewhere. At the nittee that next year Reading should be chosen was defeated, nud unce agaill Oxford carried the day.
The moeting was attended by members from most parts of the diocese, which covers the tbree counties of Oxford, Berks and Bucks, and they tirsb met in Christ Church Cathedral for their festival service, it which the preacher 'was Bishop G. B. Allea, the Archdeacon of
Oxford, whose text was . Make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob, (1'salm 81, y. 1). The text, said the Bishop, described exactly what the bells did, and they did it in accordance with the natural human instinct, consecrated to the service of ciol. Having referred to the e of bells in distant ages, the wreacher reviewed the subject of ringny ns part of divine service. What a difference, he said, bells zaade, not unly to our worship, but to the very life of town and country,
and how painful and poiguant was the contrast in countries where and hew pere no bells. Bells were a true and integral part of English Although the bells of Christ Church were at present out of use, owiug to ropairs, no one in that city could ever forget the solemn and joyful funclions of these ministers of (iod. Wolsey's great bell still lolled nighlily over that Honse and city. Oxford was at city of bells, but not only the city, but the towns and villages of the diocese
wore gladdened and, he hefieved, inspired by this gracious ministry. Pells were something between the silent and the articulate spokesman. They conveyed their message through the ear and their sound was heard where the living voice of the preacher canld not penetrate.
The work of the ringers was an honomable ministry, and in so far as were ninislers of God, consocrated to Him, bellingers should be rumuicants and al! yingers should attend the services for which they rang. As he went about to the country churches he could not noticing where rimgers went when the bells were rung down. He glad to be able to say, as far as his observation went, during his me montils' happy work in the diocese, that as a rule the ringer's the right way, showing that they highly valued their office. time the bells sounded from tower or steeple.throughout the they bore their far-reaching message to the truth of the eternal d and the trulla that the thingrs which are seen are temporal, lut 1 llings which are unseen fre atemal.
collection for the Restoration Fund amoumied to $£ 29 \mathrm{~s}$. 9 d .
STER DEPLORES WEAKTNNG OF BRADITELD BRANCH.
Tlie lmsiness meeting was held in the Clapter House, the Master
anou G. P. Coleridge) presiding over ar gathering of about a hundred, upported by the Deputy Master (the 2 Cev . C. W. Wigg), the हecretary R. T. Hiblert) ank tac hon. treasurer (Mr. A. D. Barker).

The reports of the officers were first adopted. That of the Master fieved to the meeting at Theale, in the Bradfield Deanery Branch, ue outcome of which was the transfer of three lowers to neighbouring lyanches. 'I deeply fleplore this, as it results in the weakering of a branch, small already in towers and membership. The old proerb, "Unity is strength," holds twe, everywhere and at every time Ghild, strong helping the weak should he the rule throughout the Guild. '
The report contimuil : I am glad to how that advice I have given varhous incumbents on bell restoration has in each case been followed witis very satisfactory results. It is a great satisfaction to me that our goneral secretary, Mr. R. T. Hibbert, stin holds office zuld that our fillances are in the very capable hands of Mr. A. D. Barker, elected ut the annual meeting in place of Mr. A. J. Wright, whose long term of offce was ended by failing energies. Judging by the keenness of the General Committee, there is strong hope that the Guitd will continue to prosper.
The Deputy Master, in his repart, said : The year 1936 has been oue stcady progress, both in new methods practiseel and in the conseientious carrying out of routine work; service ringing and the training of beginners. I am convinced that it is noon this latter. part of its work list the Guild must concentrate incereasingly. In an age when the attention of young men and women is so easily distranted from religions duties, any effort made to interest them in a specific piece of work for tho Church is of great value. I have been present at meetings of all the branches during the past jear, including one held at Thame by the South Oxon and Mid-Pueks Branch, which whs of especial interest, as being the first public meeting held by this irnnch for several years. It has been a source of encouragoment to me to notice the good attenuances including a large proportion of the Younger members at these meetings
In the course of his report, the semretary said the Guild made steady Trogress during the year, the number of towers affiliated isereasing by eight. The number of hon. members stood the same, 219. Ringing Members, including non-resident life members, showeti an increase of

The fyyures were: Towers 258 , lon. members 219 , ringing members 2,445. The number of peals rung showed a slight falling off. but cral young ringars rageg first peals, and frst in method, and one

[^28]At a special meeting of the Bradfield Deanery Branch, Lbve lowers made application to go to other branches. Adermaston nud Bcenhma to Newbury Branch, and lurghfield to Reading Byunch. Aftey disaussion the Master regrelfuly gave his permission, hoping it would be to the beuefit of all
The secretary said ho hat made inspeetions and given adtice at Tilehurst, Ufion Nervet and Stoke Poges, and had passed work us well done nt Newton Longueville, Streathey, Tetaworth nud Jasihampstead. At the arnounl nucetings of all the brancles he contad the spirit of brotherthood very much alive, sud atthough the branch secretaries lad their difficulties, they taekled then with an indomitalile spirit and kept things going in a very finc mamer. If nll did their best during 1937 he saw no reasou to be downhearted aboul flae futhre of the Guild.
The hon. treasurer reported that the general funds of the Guild anounted to E 275 2s. 2d., of which $£ 84$ 1s. 7d. was in the Restnration Fund. As no percentage of hon. members' sulscriptions had been Lransterred to the Restoration Fmad since 1929, is recommendation from the General Committee was desirable. Branches failing to sond thair contributions to the hon. treasurer by December 28th would be too late Cor indusion in the entrent year's accounts in fatur

## CANON COLETRTDGE RE-ELECTED MASTERE

C. The Master हaid when he undertook effice, at the lime the hev capable of undertaking the Mastership, he felt he was rettinne else and he was older still now. The services of tha Depuly Master had heen invaluallo and of enormeus help to lim it every possible way When he (the Deputy Moster) was appointed, he was what was called nn "assistant curate' and not lis own master, so he could not very well undertake the duties of Master of the Guild. Now thoy could congratulata Mr. Wigg on having become Vicar of a Buckinghamshire parish and lie was gble to get about as ho wished. If uhe Guilit desired to elect Mr. Wigg as Master he (Canon Coleridge) would he perfectly ready to make way for him.
Mr. T. Troilope proposed that Canon Coleridge should remain as Master for augther year. If, he added, he then wishes to get out, perlaps we will listen to lim (laughter),-Mr. A. D. Barker Eeconded the motion, which was carried with applause.

Canon Coleridga, in acknowledging his clection, said he was wilhing to sever the Guild to the best of his ability, but, as he had told them before, lis paroclial duties often prevented him from attending meetings on a Saturday. He was always at their disprosal if thay wanted his advice or help (applause).
The Rev. O. E. Wigg was unaminonsly re-elected Depnly Master, Mr. A. D. Barker was reappointed hon. treasurer, and Mr. R. T" Fibluert secretary, both of them unamimously
The twelve elected menhers of the committee were re-elented an bloe, vig. Miss $\bar{V}$. Rohinsom, Miss $S$. Davik, Messts. J. Emals, G. Candwell, G. Holifeld, w. Hihbert, sen., G. Martin, R. White, A. D . Cullum, H. Sear, Z. W. Wilkins and W. F. Judge.

On belalf of a commited appointed to ravise the Guild service book, the Master said it was diceded to await the appearanse of the Hereford Diocesma Cuild's new service bnok. That book had recently come into his bands and harl been considered by the conmitrec, who at onee realised hat it did not meet the needs of the Oxford Guild. althongh it contained certain features well worthy of their consideration. The committee, therefove, decided to praceed with a new servise hook on liturgieal lines, embotying parts of the old form nsed lyy the Guili, with thio addition of new prayers, hymms and so forlth. They decided to include a dozen hynus, but the selection gave them ronsiderable difficulty for what ron
suitalle hymus of thers disliked.
After a slorl discussion, in the course of which the suggestion that: a draft of the service shonld be submited to the twanches for cousideration was rejected, the commitiee were enpowered to proceed with the preparition and printing of the service books, Canon Coleridge remarking that any suggestions sent to bim world be collsidered hy the committee.

## ALTERATIONS TO RULIES.

Threa alterations of rules came np for consideration. Fund 3 for Local Branches was altered to rean as follows: "The secretary of the hranch shall collect and forward to the hon, trensurer on or before Denember 2lst, in each year, the subscriptions of the memhers of the branch, vetaining not more than one half for local weeds. He shall also send a statement of tine branch accounts to the lom. hreasurer, and a correct list of members to the general sectetnry, will the proyisional diato of tive anmual meeting of the branch, to enable datos to be arranged to prevent two branch aumual meetings coincirling. The list of dates to be printed in anmal yeport.
The most jmportant effect of this is to ensure that the subscriptions shali be forwarded to He houn. treasirer on or hefore Dermbiner 21st, instexd of on or before the amunal fextival, and the Mnster asked for the co-nperation of the members in this, to assist the officials.
Tine following alteration to Rule 10 stood in the name of Mr. T. Trallope : -
The ammal festival and general menting shall he hold in Inly af Oxford.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION DEFEATED.
OXFORD GUIED ANNUAL JEETING JN OXVORD NEXT YEAR. (Continued from previous pago.)
-An additional ringing meeting shall be held in the eutumn, at sunte othar place to be seleated by the members at the annal festival. Arrargoments for hoth meetings to be left in the hands of the committee. ${ }^{1}$

At the suggestion of the Masfer, Mr. Trollope divided the motion into two parts and moved the first paragraph, which the Rev. St. George Fidwards seconded. Thete was no discussion, sud, on being put to the meeting, tho Master declared it carricd.
When Mr. Trollope moved the second part of the motion, several members raised objection to freating the motion as two independent resolntions, as, it was argucd, one was dependent on the other. Mr.
D. Boreham remarked that it, robbed them of their fight evary year to charge the place of meeling fram Oxford.

The Master agreed to the motion heing treated as a whole, and an manamed discussian turned on whether fhere shonld be an antum meeting.
The Secrelary said if the majority of the members attended as many brand annual meetings as he did, they would realise another Guild meeting was not necessary. If the idea was carried ont, the hard-warted secretary would ndvertise the meeting in "The Ringing Word ' and loave the offecens of the branch in whief it was to be heltil to do the work (langhter)
The vicw was expressed Lhat a Guild meeting was of diferent standing lo a district meeting, and Mr. W. I. Paice (Sonning brancl sceretary suggested they might twy joint branch mectings. What they
wailed to do, he ssid, was to get rid of the feeling, which he thonght some members had, that they were nol welcome at the meetings of ather branches.
The Rev. St. Gearge Edwaids shid every year there was apposition to hotdiug the annual meeting always in Oxford; this motion would mieel lithis ulhection, by proriting Guild meetings in other parts of the Aidcest.
Thero was some conlusion when the voting took place, lut the Master declared the motion lost.
The committec (by a majority of four votes) had recommended thai the mext anmial meeting lie held at Reading, and this was proposed by Mr. A. D. Berker and seconded hy Mr. D. Boreham.
Mr. A. D. Culkm propored Oxford as an anendment, and Mr. W. Hohosert, jun, seoonded. On being put to the meeting Oxford was chosm ly a large majority.

THE RTSTORATION PUND.
The hon treassurer moved that Rule 17 be altered as follows:-
The Restorafion Fund shati be allgmented by (1) a collection taken duribg the service at the numal festival. (2) 25 per cent. of sub-
 (3) Tinterpst on War Loan or such other imvestments as may be beld Mr. Barker'
 in the moijou was what wha actually dome in practice. The motion was carrier unetumously.
The following grants, duplicating the amonts voted from the hanches, were made for bell restoration funds: Tilehurst, f5 $5 s$,
Sloke Poges, 555 s ; Wroxton, 22 2s, or, if a more comprehensive selimme is nndertaken, f5 5s. ; and Beenluam, 8335 .
Mr. R. Post presented a report on the Central Ooumcil meting, at
which he was one of the representatives of the Oxford Guild.
Mr. W. Fibbert, jun, said a detaiked report had already been puthished in 'Tho Ringing Workn,' and lie thought these reports by a manher were a waste of time, At. the suggestion of the Depuly Masfer, Mr. Post's report was talen as read, and he wes thanked for
its premaration.
Mr, Trollope asked if copies of 'The Ringing World ' were availabla if thare weve any members who liad not read the report.
The Mastor said, as he had often remarked, he considered it the hounden duty of every ringer to be a weekly subscriber to "The Ringing World.
Tlie meating confirmed the election of 174 members elected since the hase anmal meeting, and Bishop Allen, Archdeacan of Oxford, who was ${ }^{\text {an }}$ ex-elicio viee-president undor the rules, was also eleoted a member. to atrdit, it was agreed tint if the present anditor resigned the Master and hon, treasurer be amthoriger to appoint an auditor.
Tlu. Master read $n$ letter from the editor of the 'Oxford Times ' offering, with view to inoreasing local interest in the work of the Guild to publish photographs of ringing teams, eitler present or past. The Master said ho was very much gratifieü at receving the letter anrl asked ringess who wished photographs of their teams published to commenicate with the "Oxford Times."

LUNCH IN CHRIST CEURCH HATL.
This tominated the husiness meeting and a large company then look lunch in the magnificenf dining lials of Cluist Clutch. Canon Cnloridge presided, and after the loast of "Clurch and King' had been hnnoured, proposed a compreliensive vote of thanke to all concerned Chime riny's arrangments. He specinlly thanked the Dean and Chapter, the geverning hody of Christ Chureh, the organist and Bistop

Allen. He sain it was a very liberal thing indeed for the goveruing body of Clutist Church to give them the use of that hall. There was not a guild or society in ihe country that would not rather come historic interest. They thanked Bishop Allen most warmely for preaching to them and for the interest he was taking in the Guild. It was with great thankfulness they found Bishop Allen taking the place of Bishop Slyaw. Ganon Coleridge adided linat when he was an umder graduate in 1876 and they used to practise on Christ Church belle, the
helfiry door was ovened for them by a man whom he, even then belfiy door was opened for them by man whom he, even then,
looked upon as old. before the Doan in the canhedral (laughter). He referved to Mr. Francis, who always took the grentest interest in the Guild. MrFrancis was 97 that dny (appleuse). He (the Master) suggested that the secretary should send him a line of congratulation and good wishes (applause).
Bishop Allen responded to the vote of thanks and exteuded a welcome to the Guild on behalf of all his colleagues. Mr. Trancis, said the Bishop, had told him that morning that he was very well inside, but not so good abont the legs ' (augitev), Mr. Prancis still went to charch more often than most people, said the Bishap, and went to the "flicks ${ }^{\text { }}$ three times a wrek (langhter and applause).
Canon Parham proposed 'Suecess to the Oxford Biocesan Guild.'
The Gnita, lee said, showed whate could be done by fellowship ii churels work. What the Guild owed to their chairman only ringers knew; There was not a heliry iu Fagland where the name of Canon Coleriage was not known, and there was no gathering of ringers wher: he woild not be sa honoured gnest (applause). In honouring the Guild they were honouring thcir Master, and they wished him long years of contimanco in his office (applanse).
Canon Coleridge, in reply, seid as long as he could be of help to the Guild he was at. their gervice. He recalled an early festival at Ahingburned up and the Gnild nearly went bankrupt. He hoped the Guid would contiane to flondish and that the healthful state of their fumds would enable them to reduce the price of the dimmer from 2 s .10 ls . $6 d$, (laughter). They had had a happy year in the past and he hoped they wonld all try to do their best in the future both in the interesis of change riuging and of the Clurch. He commensed to the notice of the younger members the recent performance of a peal in 73 3 Iinor methods rung int Cheshive. This was an example to them ail. and to remain coutent merely with ringing Boh Minar.
Mr. W. Coflett taok ihe opportunity of urging an mempers the importance to the Exercise of supporting "The Rimging Worlcl.' they did not do so there mishlt be trave danger of wheir being lel' without a paper He hoped the day was far distant when the prescut
Editor would relinguigh his work, but if he did so the Imercise mighi Editor would relinguigh his work, buth if he did so the lixercise mighal hurying ithe paper, and in considering the cost he asked then to realise that it was equiralent lio only one packet of cigarettes a month. They must agree, lie thought, that riuging, which taok such a giveat blace in their hife and interest, was certainly worth that smonnt of sacrifice,
The way to pay for it was to place a weekly standiug order with their newsagent. They would not then notice the amount whan they paid their weekly bill. He asked them to act before it whs too late.

The Rev. C. E. Wigg satid he had anothe!' suggestion to make. H, did not believe there was a single person in that room who did nat take a copy of the paper weelly, and Mr. Collet.t was "prenchint to the converted. He suggested. therefure, that, each of them, dul.
ing the vear, should see tro it, that someone else boulght a copy oi 'The Ringing world and that when they met in that hall next year lihey shonld have a show of hands to see how many had succeeded (applate).
At the elose of the proceadings in the dining hall, the members dispersed to the many towers in the city, where ringing was enjoyed during the afternoon and evening.

MOONRAKERS VISIT DEVONSHIRE
The Swindon Parigh Church Guild held their anuital outing on Jume 19th. On renelaing Torquay luy excursion train, the company were goon howling alang for Buckfastleigh, where Mr. A. L. Fennett met the party and two short touches were enjoyed on this handy fittle ring. An excellent hunch was served at the Kine's Arms Fotel, and in vote of tharks was passer to Mr . Bennett for his assistance in arranging the outing.

Permission hatd been secured to ring at Buekfast Abbey, and all were lond in their prases of this excellent peal, and sone Stedman Caters wrs rung on the back ten, but only rounds was attempted on the twelve. Messis. Charles and James Lilley joined the party here, also Mr. J. P. Fialler, of Loughimorong. The next call was Ashimrton: reneral disappointment being expressed both as to the tone and 'go'
 bells and no hard worle for sore lands. After saying good-hye to onr Devonshire friends, a retirs was made to Torguay. The retirtu journer was started at 9.15 p.m. anti wis helped along hy a little handloell linging, Swiudon being reached at 12.50 д.m., after a most enjoyable outing. Thanks are exfended to all who hèped towards such a successful day.
w. B. K.

## NOTICES.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Leatherhead District) and SURREY ASSOCIATION (N.W. District). - A joint meeting will be held at Ranmore on Saturday, July 24th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m1.-A. H. Smith, F. Woodiss, Hon. Sees.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. George's, Beckenham, on Saturday, July 24th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea (by kind invitation of churchwardens) and business meeting to follow. Half fares will be paid to members attending this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Dagenham on Saturday, July 24 th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. - E. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313 , Mawneys Road, Romford.
MIDDLESEX AND HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-A joint meeting will be held at Monken Hadley, near Barnet, on Saturday, July 24th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5. Tea, is. each, at $5 \cdot 30$. Ail ringers welconsed.-C. T. Coles, 21, Vincent Road, E.4, IW. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfield, Dis. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION, - Rochester District. -The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July $24^{\text {th }}$, at Tunstall. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea, by kind invitation, and business meeting.-Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton Dis-trict.-Quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July 24 th, at Woburn. This fine peal will be available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All welcome.-F. J. Plummer, Hon. Dis. Sec., Romaine, Plantation Road, Leighton Buzzard.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. -A meeting will be held at Pickering on Saturday, July 24th, at which Cleveland and North Yorkshire members are especially invited to be present. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 . A hearty invitation to all.-Edward Hudson, 4, Keldale Terrace, Sharow, Ripon.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting at Moreton Corbet on Saturday, July 24th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m.-R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., Craigmore, Upper Road, Meole Brace, Shrewsbury.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Brancl. -The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July ${ }^{2} 4^{\text {th, }}$, at Edenham (Billingborough bells not available). Bells (8) available afternoon and evening. Service $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea and business mecting.-C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham, Lincs.

CHURCH I AWFORD, RUGBY.-The new ring of 6 bells will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Coventry on Saturday, July $24^{\text {th }}$, at 4 p.m.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Chesterfield District. - A meeting will be held at Eckington on Saturday, July 24 th. Will all requiring tea please notify Mr. House Smith, The Yews, Eckington, Shellield?-J. P. Tarlton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Portsmouth District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Curdridge on Saturday, July $24^{\circ 11}$. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., hollowed by tea and business meeting. All ringers welconc.-A. T. Greenwood, 6, Sheflicld Road, Portsmouth.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District. - The next district meeting will be held at Peckleton on Saturday, July 24 th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service, taken by the Rector, at 4.30 p.m. Tea, 1s. each, at 5 p.n. The Rector extends a hearty invitation to ringers to attend this meeting. Names, please, to Mr. E. A. Hall, Peckleton, near Leicester.-Wn. A. Wood, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GLILD.-E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Amersliam ( 6 bells) on Saturday, July 2.4 th, at 3.30 p.m. Tea, at rs. per head.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

MIDDLESEX AND HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-A joint meeting will be held at Barnet (5t. John-the-Baptist) on Saturday, July ${ }^{2}$ ith $^{\text {th }}$. Beils from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. Frequent irains from King's Cross (L.N.E.) to High Barnet. All ringers welcomed. "This meeting is in lieu of that arranged for Hadley.-C. ' $\Gamma$. Coles, W. Nash, Hon. Dis. Secs.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton and Petersfield District. - The quarterly meeting fixed provisionally for July 24 th at Froyle, will not take place until the end of August.-C. E. Bassett, Hon. Dis. Sec., 32, Charles Street, Petersfield.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -There will be ringing for evensong on July 25 th at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch. The usual monthly practice has been cancelled owing to its proximity to the Bank Holiday week-end.-N. Summerhayes, Act. Hon. Sec., 28, Bean Road, Bexleyheath.

GREAT YARMOUTH. - The practice night at S . Nicholas" will be Wednesday on and after July 28 th till end of September. Sunday ringing 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Gorleston-on-Sea, Monday, 7.30 p.mı, practice. All visiting ringers welcone.-J. Harwood, Hon. Sec. (St. Nicholas'), 4, Cobden Terrace, Nortlgate Street, Great Yarmouth.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Rural Branch.-The monthly meeting will be hela at Stapleton on Saturday, July 3 st. Bells (6) open from 3 p.m. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and niceting to follow. Please advice for tea. - R. C. Gifford, Branch Sec., Frampton Cotterell, near Bristol.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Western Division will be held at Westbourne on Saturday, Julr 3 rst. Tower open $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, is. each, at 5-15. Falf rail fare, maximum is. 6d., allowed to members.-F. H. Mecten, Hon. Div. Sce., 22, North Sircet, Worthing.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATJON. -Bath Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Keynsiam on Saturday. July 3ist. Bells (8) 3.30. Service 4.70. Tea and meeting 5.15.-Theo Crant, Swainswick, Balt.

HERTFORD COLNTY ASSOCIATION. - St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at Kimpton on Saturday, July 3 ist. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers and friends welcome.-W. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfield, and H. V. Frost, 42 Kimberley Road, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS, High Court at Ipswich.-St. Mary-le-Tower (i2 bells) will be avaiiable for a peal at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on Saturday, July 3 rst. Service ringing on Sunday, Aug. ist, commences at 9 a.m. for 10.30 Matins, also $5 \cdot 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Visitors, wishing to attempt the peal, kindly mention method to G. E. Symonds, 28. Chevallier Street, Ipswich.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - On Sat urday, July 3 rst, a meeting will be held at King's Walden. The bells will be available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements are being made, but please realise that I must know by Wednesday, 28th inst., if you require tea. Buok the date, and don't be late.-Don Mears, Fritton, Moormead Close, Hitchin, Herts.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton and Wigan Branches.-A joint meeting will be held at Westhoughton on Saturday, July 31st. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30 . Meeting 7 P.m.- Peter Crook and Sydney Forshaw, Secs.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Arksey on Saturday, July 3 rst. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Will all those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, July 28th. Ernest Cooper, I, Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey, nr. Doncaster.

DORCHESTER, ST. PETER'S.-Re-opening of the bells, Sunday, August ist. Services ir a.m. and 6.30 p.m. A ring of eight rehung by John Taylor and Co.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held on Bank Holiday, Aug. 2nd, at Rotherham Parish Church. Bells (io) ready at I p.m. For tea, café close by church. All welcome. - M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronans Road, Sheffield 7.

DL'RHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A special meeting will be held at Sunderland on Bank Holiday, Monday, Aug. 2nd. Meet at St. Nichael's, Bishopwearmouth, at 3 p.m. Tea will be served in St. Ignatius Institute, Burlington Road, at 5 p.1m., to those informing Mr. G. S. Taylor, I49, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland, by Friday, July 3oth. Roland Park, Hon. Sec.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Oldham Parish Church, St. Mary's ( 12 bells) on Saturday, Aug. $7^{\text {th }}$. Belis available from 3 p.m, to 9 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. A hearty welcome to all riagers and friends to come along and support us.-Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdale, Lancs.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-IION.-Southern Branch.-The summer meeting will be heed at Norton on Saturday, Aug. $7^{\text {th }}$. The bells, which have recently been overhauled by Taylor and Co., avail-
able from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Numbers for tea br Tuesday previous.-T. E. Newman, The Cross, Hinton-on-the-Green, Evesham.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Battle on Saturday, Aug7th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, 15. 3d. per head. Business meeting to follow. Those intending to be present kindly let me know by Wednesday previous to meeting.-A. C. Pankhurst, Hon. Div. Sec., 13, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branel. -The next meeting will be held at St. James' Church, Accrington, on Saturday, Aug. $7^{\text {th. }}$. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.in. Everybody welcome. - F Hindle, Branch Sec., 58 , Anvil Street, Blackburn.

CLAY CROSS, near Chesterfeld.-The belts will be dedicated by the Archdeacon of Chesterfield on Sunday. Aug. Sth, at 6.30 p.m. A ring of six recast and rehuyg in new framework by John Taylor and Co.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-A souvenir invitation to the 300 th dinner on November 6th has been prepared. Copies of this will be sent in due course, together with an admission ticket, to members who apply with remittances (ros. for members, i2s. 6 d . for non-members) to any of the following:-Messrs. C S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T. Cockerill, E. P. Duffield, E. G. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J. S. Hawkins, R. T Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, E. H. Lewis, F. M. Mitchell, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, L. B. Porter, W. Roughton, A. Walker, J. A. Waugh, C. F. Winney, E. A. Young. Members are reminderi that seating accommodation at the Cannon Street Hotel is limited to 400 -Willian T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.
CHANGE OF ADDRESS. - The address of Mr. W G. Turner is now 9, Holland Road, London, N.W. ro Intending visitors to Llanduduo should communicate with Mr. S. Brown, 24, Queen's Road, Jlanduđuo, for details of ringing at Holy Trinity Church.

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PIONEERS OF SURPRISE RINGING.
A note concerning a peal of London Surprise rung at Royston, Herts, is a reminder of how modern is the general practice of Surprise ringing. In these times the methods of London, Cambridge and Superlative are is everyday use and are rung by lundreds of ringers. Last year the peals in these methods exceeded those of Stedman Triples and were nearly as many as Grandsire Triples-which shows, quite apart from the rest of the Surprise peals, over a hundred in number in more than thirty other methods, how far and how rapidly method ringing has advanced. Our note recalls that Mr. Frederick Dench, whose name was more prominently before the Exercise a generation ago both as a ringer and composer than it is to-day, rang his first "peal of London Surprise in 1895 , as a member of a celebrated band at Crawley, Sussex. Up to that time only twenty-six peals of London Surprise had ever been rung ! And, apart from three early peals, rung up to the year 1870, and regarded almost as freak performances, the bands concerned could be numbered on the fingers of one hand, while even in the whole twenty-five years, to the end of the nineteenth century, during which period Surprise ringing,was being popularised, the conductors of London Surprise peals numbered a bare twenty, while, perhaps, only five of those could really be regarded as frequent conductors of these methods.

Surprise ringing in those days was practically limited to London, Cambridge and Superlative, and the men who rang them not unjustifiably regarded their performances as the 'top of the tree.' It was the band at Burton-mo Trent, of which William Wakley was the leader, that really showed Surprise ringing to be something more than the 'crank' stuff it was often previously, and even afterwards, termed. They laid the foundations of its popularity and demonstrated that competent bands could practise it with success. Oxford Guild ringers, with J. W. Washbrook and the Rev. F. E. Robinson, followed the lead of the Burton men, and soon the society at St. Peter's, Brighton, took up the example set, unti], in the early nineties the interest which Surprise ringing provided over what were known as ' standard ' methods, was beginning to be widely recognised. Nevertheless, peals were by no means 'cheap.' The men who rang them earned their success, and they deserve all the credit which is theirs for raising ringing from the rut of the previous century, and laying the foundation of the aspirations of the majority of ringers to-day. A peal of London, Cambridge or Superlative raises little comment now; but fifty years ago it was a thing to stir the interest of every change ringer with an outlook not con(Oontinued on pase 488.)

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fined by the four walls of his own tower．It is just as well，perhaps，in these times when Surprise ringing has reached a stage undreamt of a generation ago，that ringers should be reminded of the pioneer days and of the men，some，happily，still living，whose enterprise and perseverance brought Surprise ringing within the realm of＂practical politics．

## TEN BELL PEAL．

BECCLES，SUFFOLK．
THE SUPFOLK GUILD．
On Saturday，July 17，1937，in Three Hours and Forty－Fony Minetes， In ter Campanife of tee Chehch of Si．Miceabl，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL，GOAO CHANEES। Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt．in D fiat．
James Spalding．．．．．．．．．Tyebla＂Stanley W．Gall ．．．
Nolan Golder ．．．．．．．．． 2 Godfrey G．Walpole
Miss K．M．Lewis ．．．．．． 3 －Donald A．Long
－Stanley Finn ．．．
Miss D．R．Constance ．．． 5 Charles F．Sayzr ．．．．．．Thor
Arranged by E．K．Gonte．
Conducted by C．F．Saybr．
＊First peal of Treble Ten．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

WORKSOP，NOTTS． THE NORTH NOTYS ASSOCIAMION． On Saturaty，Tuly 17，1937，in Two Houts and Fifty Mintits， At the Priory Church of SS．Mary and Cutribrit， A PEAL OF EAIMSBORDUCH LITTLE BOB MASOR， 5040 CHAHEGS Tenor 12 cwt ．
Arther Molvey ．．．．．．Tyebie｜Kenneib Mayer ．．．
Percy Holmes ．．．．．．．．． 2 Hbrbrat T，Rodif
Frank Veryon ．．．．．．．．． 3 Jack L．Miciboces Harold Denman ．．．．．．． 4 Clifrord A．Vessby ．．．．．． 7 Composed by W．Ayrb．Conducted by C A．Vhesey
＊E5th peal．First peal in the mothod by all the band and the association．

DEBENHAM，SUFFOLK．
THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Saturday，July 17，1037，in Thyee Hours and Ten Winutes， At the Chupch of St．Maby，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 CHANEES；

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\text { Tenor } 2 I \text { cwl. }
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Edwin A．Crackerle ．．．．．Tyeble Sezlford Sparrow ．．．．．． 5 Harby D．Lister ．．．．．． 2 Frank L．Fisber．．．．．．．．． 6 Arthor Grimwood ．．．．．． 3 Grorge A．Fleming ．．．.. .7 Frbderick J．Smity ．．．．．． 4 Wileinm C．Romegy ．．．．．．Teno＊ Composed by C．Midolezos．Conducted by G．A．Flzming WHITWORTH，LANOASHIRE．
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION．
（Rochdale Branch．）
On Sathrday，July 17，19．37，in Thee Hours and Thivteen Minutes， At the Chorce of St．Bartholombw，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 6248 CHANGES Tener 15 cwt ．
Alwyn Taylor ．．．．．．．．．Treble Frank Lawton ．．．．．．．．． $5^{5}$ Wieliam Berry ．．．．．．．．． 2 Harold Hambr ．．．．．．．．． 6 Jobn Meadowcrofi ．．．．．． 3 Jambs H．Bastow ．．．．．． 7 Ogden Moores ．．．．．．．．．a Ivan Kay ．．．．．．．．．．．．Temer Composed and Conducted by Willam Berry．

BANSTEAD，SURREY．
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，July 17，1937，in Three Hours and Eight Minutes． At ree Cudrce of All Saintf．
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NBRWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR，gO24 GMAMCE8। Tenor $25 \mathrm{cwt}$.27 lb ．in E flat．
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WIRKSWORTH, DERBYSE1RE.
THE MIDLAND OOUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
s Wednesday. July 21, 1937, in 7 hree Hours and Five Minutes,
At tee Church of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
J. W. Parker's Five-part, No. 93 . Tenor If $4^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{cwn}$,

Madrice Swineleld ... ...Treble | Sidnay F. Palmer ... ... 5
fogn H. Swinfield ......$\quad 2$ Benjanin Greatorex...
!osepa Baichy $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ James George ... "darles Draper... ... ... 4 Gzorge L. Roden ... ...Temoy Conducted by M. Swisfired.
Thirst peal on the bells since relaanting by John Taylor and Co. ROYSTON, HERULFORDSEIRE.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Thussay, Jwly 22, 1937. in Thre Hows and Twalve Minules. At tee Parish Cherch,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES: Tezor 11 cwt .
 trancis G. Gieaves ... ... 4 Leonard Pisstow ... ...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Fredr. Dence.
Firsl peal of London Surprise on the bells.

> LONGTON, STATFS.

THE NORTH STAF'SS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION,
Un Thuyday. Inlv 22, 1937, in Thyer Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chlirch of St. John-the-Baptist,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

 Vicars'.W. J. Carter


†G. A. Moore ... ... ... 4 W. H. Bloor ... ... ...Tenor
Concucted by A. D. Stere.
"Firsl peal and first athempt. | Pirst peal 'inside.' Rung with the bells half-mufted as a loken of rempect to the lato Eric Holland, ramerest monber of the tower (age 13) and brother of the 3rd ringer.

GURFLEET, LTNCS
THE LINGOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Eastern Brange.)
Jn Saturday, July 24, 1937, in Three Hours and Hifteon Minutes,
At tes Ceurch of St. Lawrencs,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, E120 CHANGES;
Tenor I2 cwt. 9 lb .
Sidney Applegy

Arthor Yodng ... ... ... 3 Wililam E. Clarke... ... 7 Jobn R. Yodng ......
Camposed by Jonn Rebves.

* First peal 16 years of age * Tirst pent of Treble Bob 'inside. Firsb peal of Treble Bob by sll the band except riugers of 6 and 7 . First peal of Treble Bob in the branch ty all branch members. BUCKLEBURY, BERKS.
THE OXTORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
Im Saturday, July 24. 1937, in Three Hours and Siaicen Mimulos,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SPLIGED BOB MAJOR AND KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;
Tenor i 3 cwt, (approx-).
Walter F. Jodge ... ...Tteble Francis E. Tayloz ... ... 5 Stella Davis ... .... ... 2 Geoffrey E. Fowler ... 6 Marie R. Cros $\ldots \ldots$..... Resy M. Hazgli. .... .... 4 Rev, C. Elliot Wigg ...Temor Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Walier F. Jouge.
First peal rung with these two methods spliced.
UTTOXEMER, NILAFPORDSFIKE
THE NORTH STAETE AND DISIRICL ASSOCEATION,
On Satayday, July 24, 1937, in Three Hours and Seventien Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nary,
A PEAL OF STAFFORDSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES ; Tenor 20 cwt

 Thomas Hore ... ... ... 4 John Worte ..
* First peal in the method. J. Warth's $200 t_{1}$ peal. Tho first peal in the metlood by the association within its own territory. REDENHALL, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICE DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
O4 Saturday, July 24, 1937, in Three Howys and Sixteen Minules,
At the Churcti of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NDRWICH COURT BOE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCE8; Tenor 24 cwt. in $D$.

Ernest F. Poppy ... ...Treule "Frederick W. Munninge 5 Leonard E, Last .... ... 2 Willam J. Flatt ... ... | Miss Sylvia R. E. Bowver | 3 | Ernest Whiting | $\ldots .$. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick C . Gonton | 7 |  |  | Frederick C. Gonton ... 4 Charles W. Ldomr... ...Temor Composed by H. W. Wiene. Cona̛ucted by Ernest Whiring. CLESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Ov Saturday. July 2f, 1937, in Three Howrs and Eight Monutes,
Ai the Ceurch of St. Mary-without-the-Walle,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parezr's Twrlve-part,
William Fletcerr ... ...Tyble James Swindley... $\quad .$. Haray Lewis ... ..... $.2^{2}$ Percy Swindeey...... John Haybs ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Harry Pye .......Samorl Jones, jon. ... ... 4 Edwart Prict ... ... ...Tnioy Condacied by Prrcy Swindery.
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A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, EDGO GHANOES;
Being 42 six-scores, 10 callings.
Tenor 74 cwt, in A.
Edward V. Westcoit ...Tveble
Pbier R. Dalb $\quad$ Ambrose H. Hayward.. .4
Rry. J. H. B. Andrews ... 3 Frbderics P. W. Bray ...Temor
Conducted by Ambrose H. Hayward.
First peal ons the bells and first peal by all except the conductor. Ringers of treble, 2nd, 3rd and tenor are members of the Weat Buckland School Guild. Ringers of 4tha and 5th hail from Combe Martin. MATGHING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASEOCIATION.
On Salurday, July 17, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes, At the Parisa Church,
A PEAL DF BOB MINOR, 504D CHANQES:
Seveu extents.
Tenor 10 ewt.
D. Barkaway
D. Jennings ...
H. E. Towneszad

Con.... 3 R. Secxling

TERRINGTON ST. JOHN, NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Sunday, July 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Foyty Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Comprising ant extent each of Camhridze Surprise, Kent Treble Bob Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bolb, St. Clement's, Double Court and Plain Bob. Sydney Flint ... .. ...Treble Cladoz Codsins ... ... ...
 Nolan Golden ... ... ... 3 Cbcil V. Eberrson ... ...Temor

Conducted by Nolan Golden.
GRESSENHALL, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday. July 18, 1937, in Two Honrs and Forty-Five Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven extentis called dificreutly. Tenor 10 cwt .
-Gordon Chambers ... ...Tveble Joun A. Godrrey ... ... 4
Erabsi S. Naylor ... .... $\quad$ z | Fred R. Willby... .... ... 5
-Robert C. Bosning.... ... 3 Ernest V. Blake ... ....Temor

* First peal.

Conducted by E. V. Glarb.
APSLET END, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Monday, July 19, 1937, is Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes, At the Cherca of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE HINOR, 6040 CHANCE8;

Seveu difterent extents.
-Arifor Tomlinson ... ...Treble
Edwin Jemmings ... ... 2

- Horace L. Wartr

Conducted by W

* First peal of Cambriclge Minor:
of Rlackbutn.

Tenor 143 cwt. - William J. Randall ... 4 Madrice F. R. Higebrt ... 5 Walter Ayre ... ... ...Tenor falter Ayrz.
WROKFAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION.
Um 1/hurday, July 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Forly-1 hres Mirutes, Ai tar Cegrce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of seven true extents: (1) Hereward and Double Bab (2) College Bob and London Bob: (3) Wavertree College and Lyiham (t) Childwall and Thelwall: (5) Plain Bob and Oxford Bob; (6) St.

Olement's and Double Oxford; (7) Kent and Oxford Ireble Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ owt. in $G$.

Sydney Flini ... ... ...Treble Cecil V. Ebberson ... ... 4 | Nolan Goldza | ... | ... | ... | 2 | $\underset{\text { Hrbbbrt C. Rzad }}{\text { Gborge }}$... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

 Conducted bv Noean Goldrn.
First peal in 14 methods by all and on the bells. Firse peal in 14 methods contained in seven true extents by the association. A birthdny peal for David Bailey, son of the tenor ringer.

## EARNBY-IN-THB-WILLOWS, NOTTS.

THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Thursay, July 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Jhnutes, At the Ceurch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

One extent each of College, Clildwall, Double Coust, St, Clments, Single Court, Oxford Bob and Llaiu Bob. Tenor 6.1 cwt .
Richard M. Harvey ... ...Treble Thomas Vassby ... ... ... $\ddagger$
Jack Vbssby ... ... ... 2 Frank Vbrion ... ... ... 5

Conducted by Clifford A. Vessex.
First peal in seven pluin methods by all the band.

> WISSEIME, SUFFOLK.
> (Halrswortr District.)

On Thur sday. Inly 22, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifly-Nine Minutes,
Aiter Churce of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANEES;

Consisting of 10 six-scores each of Plain Bob, Old Doubles and Cauterbury, and 12 six-scores of Grandsire. Tenor 10 cwt
-Grorgr Lanes ... ... ...T Table Herbert G. Jillings
Fredrrice C. Lambirt ... 2 -Gordon Wright ... ... 5
C. Jace Gibeon ... ... ... 3 -

Conducted by F. C. Lambert.

* First peal. Rung in hohour of the Coronation of their Majesiies IIng George VI. mid Qupen Elizatielh. Also to celebrate the birth of son for the ringer of the fourth.

GARYESTONE, NORFOLK.
On Saturday, July 24, 1937, in Tuto Houys and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At tee Ceurch of St. Margabet,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5日GO CHANGES:
Two carlings.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.
Henry Toose

Gborge Mayers ... $\quad \ldots \quad . . . \quad$ Conducted by H. Tookr.

* First peal of Minor. I First peal in the method. First peal of Minor as conductor.

DRAYCOTT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFTS AND DISTEICT ASSOCIATION.
Dx Saturday, July 24, 1937, in 7 wo Howrs and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores with ten callings. Temor 14 owt.
Kbnnate Saelley ... ...Treble Joan G. Cariledge .- $^{\text {... }} 4$
Thomas Tayior ... ... ... 2 Andrbw Thompson ... ... 5
 Condacted by Andrbw Tgompson.

## handbell PEAlS.

BUTPTON-ON_STATEER, LINCS.
THE LINCOIN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Branch.)
On Surday, July 18, 1937, is Two Houss and Twonty-F, ve Minutes,
Ait Trentwood,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parker's Twblve-part (7th observation). Tenor size $14 \frac{1}{1}$ in C sharp Mrs. J. Bray $\quad . .4$... ... 1 1-2 $\mid$ Jack Bray ... ... ... ... 8 - 6 Repert Riceardson ... ... 3 3-4 Mrs. R. Ricbardson ... Conducted by J. Bray.
GRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Juiy 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Iwonty-Thyee Minutrs.
In the Old Parish Room,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGESI Parker's Twilve-part.

- F. G. Groombridge .... .... I-2 $\mid$ Derbi M. Searp .... ... 5-6

Thomas Groombridge, jon. 3 -4 $\mid$ Thomas Groombridge, sen. 78 Conducted by Thomas Groombridgr, Jfn.

* First peal in the method with a working bell.


## A DEVON TOUR.

The following five peals wove rung in six attempts under the auspices Lha Guild of Devonsline Ringers.

## TOTNES, DEYON.

THE DEVONSEIRE GUILD.
On Honday, july 12, 1437, in hree Houfs and Eleven Minwtes, At tie Parish Chunch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES; Tenor 28 cwt. in D .

Harry W. Simmons
Cabrles H. Kıpin
Walgar Clayg in
C. Ernest Smith

Composed by C. Midoleton Conducted by F. E. Coleins.
\% Firet Sunprise peal. First' Surpuise nea! as nonductor. First peal

William R Melville
Tgomas G. Myers ...
Darigl D. Cooper ... .... 7
Frrderick E. Collins ...Tendr an the bells since theil restoration by Messrs, Gillett and Johnston.

## PLYMOUTH, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Tucsiay, Jul, 73, 14,37, th chree Hours and Thivty-Five Minutes, At the Pahish Chorce or St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 35 cwt . in C sharp.

Robert Collins ... ... ... lifile| Walebr Claydon ... 6 Mrs. F. W. Hot den ... 2 Frederick E. Collins | Frederick E. Collins |
| :---: |
| - Thomas G. Myers ... |

Thomas G. Myers Mrs. C. H, Kippin Frederics W. Housden. . Ernest Smite Charles H, Kippin $\quad . .$. Composed by F. D = NCH. Conducted by C. H. Kippin.
Shirst attempt for a peat of Surprise Royal. First peal of Surprise Royal in the eounty of Devon and for lie Guidd.

## BUCKFASTLTEIGH, DFYON. <br> THE DEVONSHIRE GUIED.

On Thu siday, Tuly 15, 1537, at I'wo Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Parisfi Ceurch of tee Holy Thinity.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANRES;
Heywuon's Transposition of Teurstans' Fodr-rart. Tenor 10 cwt . in $\mathbf{F}$.
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Robert Collan.......
Conducted by Charles H. Kippin.
Firgt peal of Stedinan on the belts.

## MORETONHAMPSTEAD, DEVON. TEE DEPONSHIRE GUILD On Friduy. July 6, 1937, in Thre Hours,

At rher Parah Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cmb . in $\mathbf{F}$.

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Conducted by D. D. Coorzr.
First Surprise peal. $\dagger 300 \mathrm{bh}$ peal. First Surprise peal on the lefls. Pirst peal in the methad as vonductor.

## KINGSTEIGNTON, DEVON. <br> THE DEVONSHRE GUILD.

On Saturday. July 17, 1937, in 7 hires Hours and Two Minules.
At the Parife Chorch of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOH, 5184 CHANEES; Tenol 16 各 cwt , in F .

Composed by F Desch. Conducted by C. H. Kippin.

* Firse peal in the method. First Sumprise peal on the bells.


## PEAL NOTES.

PERFORMANGES AND PERSONALITJES
Mr. Fred Dench, of Saffron Walden, who began his yinging careen with the Crawley, Sussex, luand in the dhys whon Mr. James Parker was the leading spirit in that towar, conducted a peal of Loodar Surprise at Reyston, Herts, on July 22ni, It is 42 years since ho jang his first peal in the method, ati a time when London Surprise was a limit which very few ringers had reached.

When Mr. Dench rang his first peal of London, fewer thin 30 peals bad been rung in the method, and, of thoge wholad conducted them. only Messre. Joseph Grifiu, George Williams, John Evans and James Parker are among us to-day
A peal of Donble Norwich Major, rung at Redenhall, Norfolk, on July 24th, was arranged to enable Messre. E. F. Poppy and F. W. Munnings to ring a peal togetier. The last time they yus togethey was when they lost a peal of Treble Bob a few changes from the end on the game bells as long ago as the year 1899!

Completing the circle,' which is ringing each bell in a tower to a poal, is a frinly frequent occurence in these days, Mr. Gharles Jooure has now done this at St. Mary Magealenc's Chnrel, Pulham, by ringing the treble to a peal of Kent Treble Bots Mujor on July 2ist, The peal Was iu honour of the 70th birladay of the Rector of Pultinm Market (the Rev. R. H. Stacey).
The first peal on the bells at Garvestono, Nortals, since October 7th. 1909, was rung on July 24th. It was seven 720's of Cambridge Sinretise Minor.

The first peal on the bells at East Buckland, Devon, which were rehung last September, was rung on July 17th. The Rev. J. H. B. Andrews (chaplain) and three of the boys of West Buckind School took part. and it was the first peal by all ascopt the conductor.

After the bells had been restored, a Suheot Guild of ringers was formed at Wesl Buckland, and the bays hiave made excellenf ptogress, as this peal testifies. They ring regularly for Sumblay service at East Buckland
The other two ringers in the peal belong to Combe Martin. Mr. Armbrose Hayward was the condietor, and Mr. Yeo, who also scored his first, learned to ring at Enst Ruckland when there wero but four bells there. Two trebles were added in 1908.
A "Coronation " peal at Wissett, Suffolk, was rung oul july 22nd, When 5,040 in four methods of Doulhes was rung. An atumpt for the peal was made sone weeks ago, but was lost after two and a quartar hours through one of the ringens missing the sally.

Harry Cheesman, of Bunstrad, Survey, tang his first peal of Major on July 17th. He is only 13 years of age and lie rang the troblo to a peal of Double Norwietr-not the easiest thing fra change ringing by any means.
The enterprise of some of the young singerg in Nottinghamsire is a promising feature in the north of the connty. Clifford Vessey and his band lage now scored their frst peal of Gansborough Little Boh, and another compauy, with the same conductor, lave ring their first peal in seven plan Minor nethods

They have rumg other peals of Minor, hut Lhis was the first in which extents of Treble Boh were not rung. Four members of the Vessey fanily took parti in this.

The Gainsborough Little Boh was irnng at Worksop Priory Church and was Frank Vernou's 25th peal. All of them have been rung with Clifiord Vessey.

The first peal by the Norwich Diocesan Assoriation in 14 Minor methodis in seven true extents was rumg at Wroxhmu on Fuly z2nd.
The furst peal of Trehle Boly entirely by members of the Eastern Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild was rumg at Surfleat on July 24th. Sidney Appleby, aged 16, rang lis first peal, five others (irclading the canductory rany their firgt peal of Treble Rob and one his first peal of Treble Bob 'iuside. Rupert was not on the remaning bell. Pizzle: Where was he?

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GYTLD

LEATHERHEAD DTSTRIGT AT NFWDIGATE
Over 30 ringers from Gapel, Cobham, Dorkins. Epsom, Leatherhead, Ockley nud the local band, with, wisitors from Bilingshurst, Cranleigh. Haslemere, Kingston nnd the secretary of the Chertsey Distriet, attended the Lentherhead district meeling at Newdigate. A good variety was introduced into the ringing and tho service was canducted by the Rev. A. Stone.

Toa was served in the Six Bells. At the business meeting the elections previous to preals of J. J. Good, of Ewoll. nnd E. W. Bugden, of Leatherhead, were ratified, and a. sub-semmitree was formed to make arrangements for the summer festival.

The secetary (Mr. A. H. Smitli) moutioned that tho kwo books, 'Bells Thro the Ages 'and 'The History and Art of Change Ringing, were now nvailable in in 7 s . 6d. edition. The nuecting closed with bearty thanks to all who hat helped in making sucle a successful and pleasant. meeting.
Mr. James nad his band gave a few of their lanalhell selections hefore gaing haak to the tawer, whate everwona's requiremeats were sucressfull that an ol'त edition of Standard Methods was available whens "Violet' Treble Bob was asked for, as some of the 'experts, lad to swat that and College Exercise up. Tho bells were finally lowered in pesl at 9 o'clock.

## WINCHEST\&R $\mathbb{Z}$ PORTSMOUTH GUILD.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT PETERSFIELD.

## Satisfactory Financial Position.

A fro summer day favoured the annual gathering of the Whinchester and Pottsmath Diocesan Guild at Petersfueld, and some 70 members and friends attended from Alton, Basiugstoke (All Saints" and St. MichuePb; Bishopstoke, Blackmoor, Buxitou, Deane, Froyle, Gosport, Hawlolop. Kimuswortiy, Narth Stonelam, Newport (T.O.W.), Portsmoulin (Crathertral and st. Hary's), Privett, Petersfield, Steep, Sober ton, Uphan, Wielkan, Winchester and West Meon, There were many wisiting luyers from Brighton, Guildford, London, Sandhurst, Shoreham-by-Sea and Leatherhead.

The Guld service was held in $\$$ \$. Peter's Chureh, conducted by the Vivar (the Rev. E. O. A. Kent), who also geve a very interesting and helpful address. 'f'ea and business meeting followed in the Church Hall, the Fich explessing his pleasure in weleoming the Guild and apologising for not being able to remain during the meeting. The latter was presideal over by the Master (Mr. G. Williams), who gave a warm weltome, on belalf of the Guild, to the matry visitore present.
The anaual report was presented to the members.

## YOLUNTARY SPADEWORK.

The report of the Master and han. general secretary said that a very useful and suceessful year had been emjoyed. From subseripLions painl into the districts, however, there appeared to be a glight decrease in membership- 175 honorary and 698 full, as compared with 180 and 723 rexpectively in 1935 . This suall difference might be due to the fact linat somemembers might not have paid their subseriplions rather than lapsed membership. I definite inerease in the next report was hoped for. The fimancial position of the Guild remained sound, uppon which district secreturies and all contributars were sincerely congratulated.
Whilst no large sums appear ta lave been spent in instruction, continued the report, we should like to point out that this very inporiant sundework is still being undertalsel by quite a number of our mombers 11 a voluntary spirit. We should like to thank them especially for their eflorts to leach beginuers the and of charge ringMg, and trusil they will hear fruit.
Perhaps fool since the Armistice and patace celebrations of 1918 and 1919 have an bells heen used to mark the occasion of atitonal feelings as in 1936. To our ceepest sorrows aur bells rans ont thear muffed notes to mark the passing of our belaved King George V. Then the joyous pealing to hevald the Accession of the new King, aud hefore the close of the year to aculam his successor, our present King, George VI
We hope that more condnotors and members will be found in the columns of the coming year's peals records. We should likd to draw atitention to the fact that still an number of members fail to send in their guatiet-peals aud 720 's to the recorder of peals for publication in the report. Generally spoaking, this shows a truer indication of the standard of ringing amongst the towers, as very often, far mumorous reasohs, peals are sometimes out of the questron.
We regret tic say that a few towers have for various rensons withHawl fron the Guild. Whilst dep-oring these losses and trusting Hat in the near future we may welcome them one move in our ranks, we have on tio other hand to record that new towns have hecome nofliated during the year:
We hex the opporthnity to mangrabulate one of our presidents, Cormerly first Bishop of Portsmouth, on his preferment to our neighbours in the diocese of Salistury, to which Jie sent a very comrteous wknowledrment. We should like to express our warmest welcome and thauks to the piesent Bishop of Portsimonth (Dr. Frank Partridge), who so rearlily consented to fill the wacancy thus cansed.

CROWNING ACHIEVEMENT IN BELL RESTORATION
Numerous reports of hell restorations in the diocese show that our towers are nathing real efforts to restote their bells where necessary. Perlaps the crownivg achievement of all is the complete restoration of the ring of 12 at Winchester Cathedral. A niagnificeut peal now replaces thluti was generally regarded as an indifferent lot, and our sincere thanks and apprecintion ate due to on generous benefactors, shncere thans and hppecmuon aye ane to onf gencrous benefactors, Wo hope that. where appeals are nude for yestoration work our members will not ho lacking in their support.

The hon, treasurer's balance sheet showed receipts of $2505 \mathrm{~s}, 20 \mathrm{~d}$. from tho districts. The expenses were 5384 s . 11d. . leaving a balance in hand of $£ 10318 \mathrm{~s}$. 61 2 d . compared with 89117 s . 7 td. in the previons year. In addition there is a balance of 84714 s . Gd, in the general burposes find, from whioh a graul of 522 2s. was made to Longparish Beil Trind
The districts have an nggrerate balanee in hand of $\mathbf{E 8 7} 16 \mathrm{~s}$. 7ed., compared with $£ 71$ 12s. 7d. in the previous year
The Recorder of Peals (Mr. R. C. H. Connolly), in hes report, said : One cnmol belie the fact that 1936 did not prove so satisfactory a year from the point of view of peal ringing as its predecessor. The inumbers are down in all departments except the number of conductors. Only 32 (45) peals were $2 u n g$ in which 112 (122) ringers participated, and of these 11 (23) scoved their first peal and in addition 24 (21) ascended higher ilse ladder of rehievenent by doing something in
advance of their previous best. 'Mlie figures in brackets derote the corresponding numbers for 1935. The upper Lalf of the table showiny the methods ruag in 1936 daes uot show much change except far peal of Cinques, and the falling in numbers is chiefly at the moro elementary end of the Jist. "Lhis is probably due to the younger ringers (in the sense of years of ringing) attentpting hiblier methods without quite the success they aftained in simpler ones. There is no cloubt that many atempts have failed in more advanced methods but excellent practice may be obtained though the actual peal be lost and, as one great object of peal riuging is improvenent in striking, i is hoped that Sumay service ringing has benefited in quality. There are, however, some bright spots in the glom. The peals at Black moor and Hawkley must have given great satisfaction to both bands H. P. Reed called his first peal before ho was 15 years of age, and the band included one ringer of 13 (first peal) and one "first inside." W hope others will follow suit, and that this is oxly the heginning brilliant careers. At the other and of the scale Mr. Woodley slow that it is never too late to start. Onv Ringing Master has crowne his remarkable career by calling 1,000 peals on tower bells, beins forestalled only by that ringiug mavel, the late Wiliaus Pye. H also collected a star at Chisiclurch where Mr. Preston conducted peal of Grandsire Cingues with mine 'stars ' in the band. The beal were rung in 24 towers and there were 16 conductors.

## OTFICFRS RE-ELTCTED.

The Master, in the absence of the hon, treasurer, congretulated the Guild on its finances and renarked that it was the first time thol the balances in the hands of the districts Find reached over 2300 thanks to the hard work put in by the distriet secretaries
The officers, except for a change of peals recorder, necessitated by the departure of Mr. A. O. H. Connolly to Wadford, were re-electen viz., Mr. G. Willinms, Master; Mr. F. W. Rosers, hoo. sectetary; Re Evar Jones, hon. treasirer. Mr. It. A. Reed was appohted peal Tecorder.
It was unanimously agreed to elect as an additional vice-presiden the Rev. N. C. Woods (Winchester) as an appreciation of his valuable services to the Guild.
New members elected were Messis. J, Forder A. Swatton, E, Barrel (Privett), C. A. Snell (Plashmear), T: Glaspoal, H. Nash (Froyle) an Mr. W. J. Parker, of Sandhurst, a compounding member
July 2nd, 1938.
After the routine business trad heen disposed of, Mr. G. Pullinge gave a crmprehensive report of the recent Central Council meeting emphasising many of the points under discussion which were of pa ticular interest to the Guild. Pho other representatives present con firmed what had been reported to the members.

Grants of five guinens each weve mane towards the restoration a the bells af St. Peter's, Bonrnemouth, Soberton and Bishop's Waltham

Votes of thanks were accorded the incumbents of the variou churohes whose bells were placed at the disposal of the members, also to the organist and catererts.
During the aftemoon and evening ringins took place at Peter feld. Privet, East Meon, Buriton and Steep, the methods ranging from Dorbles to S'pliced surptise Major:

## MIDDLESEX AND HFRTFORD ASSOCIATIONS

JOINT MEETING AT BARNET.
Originally arranged to be Jeld on Sabitiay last at Monken Tiadley a joint meeting of the Middlesex and Hertord Associations took placo at Barnet, by the kindiess af the Rector (the Rev. P. C Dean), is serious illness at the former place prevented ringing for auy lengtl of time.

The attendance was by mo means naything to boast about, albei some 30 ringers attended, including some welcome visitors in Mr . C Raine (Edinburgh), and Messrs. G. Fearn (Birmingham) and M Wiflville (Coventry), who, with a ringing friend, werc on their way to a London twelve-bell tower for a peal attempt.

The two associatious participating were officially represented by Mis G. W. Fletcher (wice-puesident), Mr. A. W. Coles (Master) and M O. T. Coles (han. secretary), Middlesex Association; and Mr. W. Nas (district secretary), Hertford Association.
Tea, served at 5 oclack, was quite an 'easy going' meal. There Fras no official business to transact, lath there was, of course, the very necessary vote of thanks. This was duly proposed nna seconded by the two secretarics, Mr. Coles expressing the gratitude of the company to the Rev. P. C. Dean, Rector of Barnet, for coming to the rescue at short notice when it whs found that ringing could not tako place at Monken Hadley. Mr. Goles also thanked Messrs. Arbin and EIdred for taking the mathor in hand during the previous week-end when the change was found to he necessary.
Congratulations aud good wislues were sent to Mr. J. Sumpter in anticipation of his 86th birthdey (July 26th).

The ringing during the afternoon and evening was under the ahle putiance of Mr. A. W. Golen, qnal included Granतsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob. Double Norwich, Srperlative, Cambridge, London and Spliced Surprise Major (Fonr methods). A feature of the after noon was a touch of Stedman Triples by eight 'Gcorges," conducter hy George Pye. There was mearly a tourh of 'rounds' for MTr George Fletcher, but ouly nearly. Perhaps she will try next timel

## CTMBERLAND YOUTHS AT PINNER.

SMA $L /$ ATTENDANEE AT SUMMER MEETING.
The summer meeting of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youtlis was Held at su. John the Baptist, Pianer, on Saturday, July 17th. Very few 'Touths, atteuded, chiefly, it is supposed, owing to holidays nuf oblie aituractions. The excellent peal of eight (tenor 19 cwt .) were got going somewhere in the region of 4.15 p.m., and Plain Bol, Grandsire and Treble Bob were rung with varyigg success.
The service, unforturately, lad to be cancelled, owing to the fact Hat tha Vicas had to be present at a local ohildren's fete. A halt, for tea was calledi at 5 o'clock, and the small gathering sat down to an excellent repast in the hall of the adjacent Conservative Club. After teal tonches were rung on the beautiful peal of handbells kindly brought along by Mr, O. W. Taylor, of Watford.
A short busiuess meeting was held, Mr. W. Bottrill presiding in the nhseaco of the Master, Mr. George Cross, who was away on holidays. Reference was made to the passing of Mr, G. A. Card, late Lon. sectetary of the society. Letters of sympethy from tho Middlesex Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths were sead, and those present stood in silence for a few moments as a tributo of t'espect.
It was anmonnced that the autumir meeting would be held at st. Gcorgo the Mandyr's Church, Southwark, on a date to be fixed anter. The business concluded with vates of thanks to the Vicar for the nee of the bells, and to Mr. Farding for having made such exeellent arrangements.
After further handbell ringing a return was made to the tower, Where ringing inchaded Trebie Bols, Stedman, Grandsire and Camlyidge Surpise, The meetiug was brought io a close at 8.15 by lowering the bells in peal, the hope being expressed that the aranmn meeting would be atteuded by a. record number of "Youths."

## FIRST QUARTER PEAL ON BITTON BELLS

The first quarter-peal on the bells at Bicton, Glos., since their angmeatation from sis to cight by Messrs. John Taylor at the heginning of the yreal was rung on July IsE. The founders are to be conmended on their excellent wark. The 'splice' is a⿴ nearly perfect as possible and the 'go' all that can be desired. The method rung was Grandaire Triples, and it was specially arranged for Mr. F. Beer, tho leader of the Bitton riugers. It was his frst quarter-panal in the metiod fud on eight bells: Miss Nornh G. Williams I, Miss Nesta Gurdiner 2, Frank Beer 3, Frank Skidmore (conductor) 4. Alfred Magrs 5, Joseph T. Dyke 6, Berfram C. Worsdell 7, John G. Jefferies 8.

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.

STOCKPOLET BRANCH AT POYNYON.
A meeting of the Stockport Brancl of the Glester Diocesan Guild was held at Poynton on Saturday, July 10th, when ahout 35 members and friends were preacht [rom all parts of the brauch and naighbouring branches. The weather was exceedingly bot and this eansed the ringing to be confined to rather shorfer totwes that usual on the receutly relang six bells, but, nevertheless, a variety of methomis was rung before the gervice, which was conducted by tho Vicar (the Rev. K. B. Somerville), who gave the members a hearty welcome to Poynton. In his address ha laid special omphasis on the duties of ringers both within and wilhout the lower.
Tea followed is n nearby cafe where a bubstanial meal was anou disposed of.
The business meeting was held uncer the chairmanslip of Mr. S Hongl, in the unavoidable absence of the turncli chairman. He gaic how much the visits to Poynton were always enjoyed, andi extended Lho congratulations of the branely to the band whicli had just tecentily rung the record Minor peal.

Details of the annual festival, fo he held af, Chester on July 17th, were anmounced, and the meeting was asised to elect, subject to the proposel to be submitted to the Guild general meeting by the Grappenhall Buanch beibg acuepted, a represuntative to take part in the first peal attempt an the ten bells at Chester Cathedral. Mr. A. Barnes was unanimously elected
The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Vicar, wardens, organist, the ladies who served tea and tho local ringers for their efforts on belale of the members.

Theso were replied to by the local secrebary. Mr. G. Turner, who said he was almays pleased to welcome any ringers to Poyiton, us were also his collengues, one of whom was prevented from being with them that diny by sickness.
The meeting deaided to send a message expressing their legrat at his absence and best wishes for his speedy recovery.
A. return was then made to the tower, where the ringing ranged from Bob Minor to Spliced Minor in various methode.

## DEATH OF A DARESBURY RINGER

The death occurred on Werlnestlay, July Zist, of Mr. Joseph Littler at the age of 41 years. He had been a member of the Daresbury tower attached to the Grappenliall Branch of the Chester Diocesars Guild for a number of years, and was an able ringer and conductor. The funcral task place on Satarday, when all the towers of the branch were represented. The local ringers rang a short courso of Bob Minor with the bells fully mutiled



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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Tho distance covered on the South Devon tour was close on a thousand miles, counting the outward and the return journey.
Only one peal of Cambridge Surprise Major hus ever been rung by eight brothers and that was by tie famons Bailey family of Leiston, Suffolk. That paal was rung 15 years ago last Saturday-
The name of Mr. S. Moston was madvertently given as Morton ju the report of the annual meethy of the Chester Diocessn Guild. Mr. Mostan is one of the few survivors who attended the first meeting of the Guild in 1887.
Longton, Staffs, has lost trle youngest member of the tower-Eriu Holland, eraed 13. A half-muffled peal of Grandsire Triples was rumg in his memory on July 2end.

## BROADCASTING.

FALLING OFF IN QUALIIY OF RINGJNG.
To the Editor.
Sir, After the plain and salutary remaris of the president und the strong comments made by others at last year's meeting of the Centra] Council there was a disinct improvemant in the qualily of the ringiug broadcast from warious clurches, but the effect seams most remretifably to have since worn off. Ringing, breadcast an two or three recent Sundays, has been anything but a credit to the Exercise.
Where a local band cannot madertake to ring half-pull changes with faultless accuracy, it is incomparably better to be content with wellstruck rounds-and in some cases further practice is moeded even to do that.

Kington Magua Rectory.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

PROPOSED RESTORATION FUND.
Tho proposed launching of a restoration fund came up for disoussion again at the quarterly meeting of the Wanwiekslife Guild ato Sonthan on July 17th. The Ghairman itho Rev. Oanon O. M. Jones, Rector of Southam) said such a fund would be an excellent idea. Authorities at many churches where the lells were in a bad state, hig continucd, would receive encouragement to proceed with their repair if they were to gat a grant from a body liko the Guild. Ho mentioned instance of rings of bells in his rural deanery which mingt soon be pulin ordes if the Guild were to set the ball rollitg by giving the first gubscription
Several methods of building up such a fund were put forward at the mecting, among them being that a collection be made at tha. quarterly services, or at the lea table; that a certain percentage of the Guild's income should be set aside annually and credited to the fund.
The latter idea was thought to be prefarable, as it gave overyon in the Guild an opportunity of subscribing, whereas collections at the mestings would always come upon the same faithful few who regularl? attended the meetings

A resolution was passed, proposed by Mr. Stone and seconded by Mr. Burt, that the annual meeting be asked to consider tho setting aside of a certain proportion of the Guild's income mnually in onder to build up a restoration fund.
Earlier in the afternoon ringing had taken place on the fine ring of eight bells until 4.45 p.m., and a short service held, conducted by the Rev. Canon O. M. Jones, the Rural Dean.
At the business meeting the following towers were representef Allesiey, Exhall, Bulkington, Nuneaton, Chilvers Coton, Lillingtol Rugby, stratford, Leamington Hastings and members of the laenl band.
Mecting places for the next three months were arranged as followe Augtist, Arley; September, Church Lawford; October, Stratiori-oul Avon.
The following new memhers from Leamington Hastings were elected Mesgrs. F. J. Briscoe, K. Gardener, F. Gurmey, C. Goode and E. Hopkins. The election previous to peal attempts of Messrs. Wjlieni Thorpe and James Upton, of Wolvey, and Mr. ED. H. Johnson, of Stoke, was also ratified.

The bells were again pul to good use, and a welluthended and thoroughly successful meeting came to an end at 8.30 p .ant

## ROUND THE EMPIRE.

## CELEBRATING THE CORONATION DOMINIONS

## Ringing Nexs from Cenada, Australia and Tasmania.

News of ringing in distant parts of the Empire las reached us, ancl will be read with interest by ringers of the homeland.
The Coronation was celebrated with ringing in Vanconver, and Victoria in Canada, in Australia and Tasmania.

On the new ring of bells, with tenor of 34 cwt., recently jnstalled it Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, minging began on Coronation Day at 7.30 am . Pacific Standard time, and was broadcast over the British Broadeasting Corporation, Canadian Brondensting Corporation Network and the American stations, coming on the air immediately : fter the Empire Coromation broadcast. Dlie bells were beard in England for three minutes. The ringiug for the broadcast consisted of rounds, Queen's and the Plain Hunt well struck. The original proramme of terminutes was cut alort on account of the additional time taken by the procession.


## ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, MELBOURNE.

The Bells ( 13 in number) hang in the right-hand tower.
After the pinging the ringers lad breakfast with the Rt. Rev. Bishop Sexton and Mrs. Sexton.
The bells were rung again, starting at 11.45 a.m., and at midday were fired 21 times for the 'Royal Salute,' the ringing fnishing with Grandsire Triples.
In Hobart, 'Tnsmania, the new bolls at St. David's Cathedral were raty prior to a special service at 8 p.m. on Coronetion Dey (corresponding with 10 a.m. in Enagland). Same of Che newly-formed band augmented by ringers front Holy Trinity Churel, and the Rev. A. A. Bemmett (Vicar of St. George's, formarly of Gloucester), took part,
On the previous evening Holy Triaity bells were rung to Doubles und Minor and the bells were also 'fired.' The tower was very fficetively floodlit, with electric light totaling 5,000 candie power. The interiar of the beliny was decorated, the fag presented by Mr : iW. H. Eussell, on the occasion of the Enylish ringers' wisit in 1934, being anchuded. At the close of the ringing Lhe Nafional Anthem was
sung.

On Coronation morning the Uniou Jnek wat Hyiug from the tower nnd the bells were broadcast over the Australian inational network from 9.20 to $10.35 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Tho ringing included six-scares of Grandsire Doubles aud courses of Bol Mincr. The striking was goord and the Hobari ringers are justly proud of their perlormavce.
Holy Trinity ringers also helped to celebrate the birtluduy of the Governor of Tasmania (Sir Ewest Clank), who has shown his interest in the society by various kindly acts. The hells were Fung ont April 13 th in honour of the occasion, nud aftorwards the hoth, secletary (Mr. A. R. Wilson) received a lelter frow the Governor, in which he suid, ' Please convey my wery sincerc thanks to the Holy Trinity bellringers for their most kindly thought in riagiag it penl on my binthday. Our mutual goodwill and regard has been a greab pleasure ta me during my stay in Hobarl.
Special ringing took place at Holy Triuity in connection with the patroual festival of the chareh, which was observed by a week of celebratious from May 23 rd to 30 th.
Some slight overhaul has been given to Holy Trinity beils, and the 7ths has been placed on ball bearings.
In May the Rer. A. A. Bemett visited Melbourne, where he farmer'y resided for a time aud used to ring at St. Paul's Cathedral. The Cathedral Society gava him a specially wirm welcome; and a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters ( 1,260 changes) was runtg in 56 minutes: Miss Frey Shinmin 1, F. Broughton 2, J. Murway 3, WWaghora 4, Rev. A. A. Bannett 5, J. P. Trotter 6, F. J. Ross 7, A. A. Savage 8, J. W. Spencer (conductor' 9, E. B. Nott 10 . It is interesting to note that this hand included all the six Australian ringers who took part in the peal of Grandsire Cinques on Armistice Day, 1934, and that Mr. Bennett was the only Tasmanian resident to take pats in at peal during the English wisit to Hobart.
The King's birtliday was celebraied on Jume ghls in Victoria, Britislu Columbia, by a 'royal salute ' of 21 'shots, fired on the bolls of the Cathedral, followed by Grandsire Triples. The ringing was luroadcast, those taking part being E. W. Tzartl, A. C. Melrish, R. Tane. W. P. Jenme, Com. G. H. Brown T. Guest, R. Carrier, E. Lalte, H Linglam, E. J. Merrett, O. A. Gill sud T. Beckerleg.

On Sunday, June 27th, Beven members of the Vnacouver Guild visilert Fictoria and shared in some excellant ringing. The visitors wero A. C. Limpus, A. King, R Pitman. F. Hivd anti Mus. Hird, W. Snmpson, A. Lomas and W' Watts.

The visitors left Vanconver by the midnight bont, and, seeninglylittlo more than drifting alyross the intervening 83 miles of wator, arrived at 7 a.m.

One conrse of Stedman Triphes, two touches of 168 Girandsive, oulv touch of 476 Grandsire, one of 252 aud amether 266 Grandsire Friplos , conducted by A. Lomas, were rung for morning service. SEveral plair courses of Grandsire Triples were aceomplished by the Victoria kingers, some of whom also took part with the Fancoiver ringery on insid. hells in two of the aboye tonclises.
The visitoss spent part of the morning explorisg the benutiful surroumlings of the citp, and in the afteruon, with several of the Victorin Guila, had tea in Mr. and Mrs. Izard's garden owerlooking the water at Portage Tulet. After tea they rang several tonches on tho hand. bells. It was a fino clear afternoon, and the bells sommerl very beautiful over the water, being henrd nearly a mile awny. They ulso rang for evening service at line Catherral, seoving a course of Stedman Triples and 476 of Grandsiro, amd later thoy rang the congregatiou out of churcha with further touches.

## PETWRBOROUGH DEOCESAN GUTLD.

WFLLINGBOROTGG BRANOF VISITS ISOLATED TOWER.
A quarterly mecting of the Wellingborough Branel of the Poterborough Diocesan Guifa was liekl on Sinturday, July 17!11, at Whistou, quite a smail village and rather dificult to get to, unless by one's own means. The charch is situated on the top of a hill overlooking the Nene Valley and is well worth a visit, $A$ short service was held durine the afternoon, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. I. J. Smale), and the organ was played by his sister. Ringars were present from Higham Ferrers, Irthlingborongh, Wellinghorough, Brayfield, Xardley Hastings, Stanwick, Ecion, Cogenhoe, Eirls Bartoth, Grendon nnd Whiston, and 25 sat down to an excellent tea.
The Rector presided over the busincess meeting which followad. The brameh president (the Rev. A. G. Burghtw) and Lord Northampton werg among those who sent apologies for absence.
Willy was cloosen for the October meeting, and M". A. E. Johnson, of Ecton, was elected a new ringing nacmber.
The brench secretary reminded the members of the Guild's decision to hoki the next, general aunkal meeting at Welling ioorough and hoped ther would do their best to make it a success.
He alsa read the telegram sent to H.M. King Gearge from the last annual mectivg and the reply since received.
Thanks were offered to the Rector for the nee of the Jelle, for conducting the service and arrangiag for the tea, also to the organist and thie ladies who served the ten.-The Rector suritably replied,
The meeting closed with selections of thues and change tiaging on handiuelis by the Iithingborough party aud Mr. Martin, of Higham Ferrers.
There are five bells in the iower of finc tone, and these were kept going dutring the afternoon and evening. Althongh it was the smallest mecting af the branch for some yenrs, nevertheless it wns a wery pleastut one.

\section*{ANOTHER MEMORIAL TO WILLIAM PYE.

## TABLET ERECIET AT FAMOUS CTTY CHURCF

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As announced in "The Ringing World' of Febrinary 12th last, when the balance shaet of the WLLiam Pyo Memorial was published, the committee had decided to use the surplis of 88 in the fund to record ong of the late Mr. Pye's greatest yinging performances, the 7,392 Cambridge Surprise Maximus at St. Mary-le-Bow, with an appropriate footmote, $n$ a furthor memorial to that great ringer
This decision has been given cffect to, und on Tluesday, July 20th, the peal tablet was dedicated in tho preserce of a representative gathering of risgers and friends ${ }_{3}$ moluding three brothers and the son of Willium Pye, dearly all the surviving members of the hand that rang the peal, mid Messrs. Tr. W. Fletclier and J. $A$. Oram (trentsurer) of tile Middlesex Association

Atter the peal board luad been tnveiled by Mr. C. T. Coles, the Reclor (the Rev. S. Gordon Ponsonby) dedicated the recard witl the following prayer: "To the ylory of God, we dedicate this Lablet recondiug the peal of Oumbridge Surprise Maximus rung in the steeple of this chureli, in nemory of William Pye and as an example to those that come after him. In the yame of the Futher and of the Son and of the Joly Ghust. Amel!?
Then followed appropriate
 prayers aznd collects, and an ferred to the work of Mr Pyo and ringers generally, for which they of the Church were grateful. Mr. J. A. Twollope referred to the Memorial Committee's decision to crect this tablet as ane which, he felt sure, wouldi commend itself to ull subscribers to the fund raised last year. He went on to speak of the late Mr. Pye's great abilities as a ringer and conductor, and of his long ringing career, during which his determination enabled him Lo perform many great things, including the ringing of this long peal

Mr. G. W. Fletcher thanked the Rev. S. G. Ponsonby for giving his pormission for the erection of the tablet, and for his services that
vening; and Mr. E. S. Underwood, surveyor, for his great assistance.
The Rector, in reply, expressed his own thanks to the Exercise for thie boatd.
The peal board, which is made of oak, in flated frame with gilded bosses, is written in gold an black enamel backgromid. It records the peal of 7,392 Gambridge Surprise Maximus rung on December 19th, 1925, in 5 hours and 38 minutes, with the following footnote:-

This tablet is erected by the Ringing Exercise to the memory
of the condreler, William Pye, who died on March 86h, 1935
After the service the hets were rung to Grandsire and Stedman Cinques, the ringing ending wibl six leads of Canibridge Surprise Maximas by the eleven survining membors of the peal band, assisted by Mr. F. Rarnett.
The cost, of the tablet was wholly met by the balauce of the memorial furd, which je now entirely disposed of and alosed.
The main memorial to the late Mr. Pye is at St. John the Baptist's Church, Leytonstone, where two treble bells were installed to increase the ring to eight, and a recording tablet placed in the clurch porch.

## DFATH OF MR JAMES BATTERS

VICTE-CAPTATN AND CONDUCTOR AT MERSYHAM
The rillgers of St. Katherine's, Merstlanu, lave sustained a very deep loss in the death of Mr. James Batters at the eariy age of 31 years. The deceased first leartt to haodie a bell on lenving school and the choir, at about 14 yoars of age, and throughout the whole of the intervening 17 years of his life remaned a regular and punctual member of the Merstham band. He had held for a time the office of secretary, but, owing to business reasons, he relinquished this office. He was, however, persuaded to hecome vicecaplain, atl office he well and truly fulfiled until lis untimely death.
Business claims gave him but little opportunity for peal ringing, and he had in fact, only rung a few, but ho was a good ringer and able to ring mactically any method. He early took to conducting and inecrme the 'genial conductor' at his own tower. Very popular with his fellow-1ingers, his smile and kindly nature will be greatly missed by sis follow-ringers.
The interment took place at Merstham on Wednesday, July 7th, when a larta number of villagers as well as ringers were present. Among those who attended were Mr. D. K. C. Birt (Master of the Surrey Asvocintion), Mr. Walter Claydon (secretary, Southern District), Messis. Sanders and Robinson (Rickland), Mr. R. Fuller (Master, Southern District) and all the Mersthrm ringers.
Ameng the many heautiful wreaths was a white floral bell from his fellow-ringes and a wreath from the Surtey Association.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## WEDDING GIIT TO DORCHESIER DISTRICT RINGJNG MASTER

The summer quarterly meeting of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild was leld at Wyke Regis on Jily 10th and was attended by over 100 ringers and friouds. A short but beautiful service was couducted by the Rector, the Rev. E. de B. Thurstou.
The Rector, in his address, spake of the bells of Wyke Regis Church and their particular associations with the parish, Originally, he sait, there were only tour bells, which were la ber removed, supposedy lyy order of the King (but of that there was no proof), and later a peal of seven bells was lung and these in their turn were restovef in 1891. They were not new bells in the strict senge of the word, buts the old metal had been melted down and new matcrial added, and so they had now bells, but made from the old netal.
An excellent tea, served in the Memorial Hall, was provided by the wives and friends of the Wylse Regis ringars and was greatly enjoyerl In the alusence of the chaiman (the Req. A. W. Markby) the Rev R. P. Farrow presided over the business meetivg aud was supported by Mr. ©. K. Jennings (Eecretary), the Rev. E. ©e B. Thurston, the Rev, K. E. Alexander, Capt. G. Wheeler (churchwarden) and tho Re F. Lleweltyn Edwards, general secretary of the Guild. There were also present representatives of the following towers: Abbotsbury Bere Regis, Bradford Peverell, Theleland Newton, Dorehester, Frampton, Proston, Sydling, Upwey, West and East Eulworth, Wool, Wyk Regis, Bournemouth, Lytelett Matravers, Lytahet Minster, Poole Swanage, Wareham, Wimborne, Ferndown, Andover, Bovington Camp Swindon and Thornford. Other distinguisled visitars included Mr C. H. Kippin, of Beddington, assistant secretary of the Surrey Association, Mr, and Mrs. W. R. Melville, Cormerly of Guildford and now of ringers from Surrey.
When it was announced that the next, meeting would not be held at Trampton as previously decided on, the Chairman said, "Frampton is one of those places where they want a Vicar, but cannot afford pay him, alld, of course, even tho clergy lave to live. If there anybody here who knows of a persoll who would be willing to take on the job, Bishop Joscelyne would be very pleased to hear of him It was decided unanimously to hold the meeting instead at Maiden Newton, on the first Saturday in September.
The Ohairman thea extended a warm welcome to the visitors an new members, especially the visitors, remacking that he never attonde more sociable and jolly meetings than in Dorset. Fe mumonneed tha the dedication of the two new loells to make a pral of ten at Poole hung to commemorate the Goronation, would take place on Sxiurdas September 25th
A vate of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells and the Memerial Hall, and the Chairman further thanked the organist (Mrs. Howard), the organ blower (Mr, J. Rose) and the lacal ringers for preparing the meeting.
In responding the Rector expressed his pleasure at the meeting, an ađded: "There is one regret this afternoon, namely, that Mr. Alfred Rose, a nember of Wyke Regis Guild for 40 years and lately ou captain, is no longer w[t] us.' He asked the company to stagd for a few seconds in silent tribute.
The Chairman further expressed thanks to Mr. O. H. Jennings, who was directly responsible for the organisation of the whole maeeting The Evev. F. Ll. Edwards said ne would Iike to associate himself witi this vote of thanks and he paid a high tribute to the work Mr Jennings did on behalf of the Guilg. In reply, Mr, Jenmings said h was always ready and willing to do anything for the dear old Church and in these days when people were so indifferent it was up to every hody to 'do their bit (applause). Mr. Jennings, continuing, saila the meefing was a unique one, for there was to be a presentation in recognition of his work for bellringing in Dorset to their Ringiner Master, Mr. E. T. Paul Field, who was to loe married in a fortnight' time. The pift was a peal of bandhells in the key of O . He hoper every time this peal was bronght out for practice, or ringing a peal $t$ would bring back happy memories of times spent among hellringer in Dorset, and particularly the Dorchester Branch, hy Mr, Fiehd and his bride.
Tha Rev. Llewellyn Edwards, in making the presentation, said Mr Field had always been a very valuable officer to the Guild. He was marrying a Dorset woman who whs herself a ringer, and was to settic down and live in Dorset. Mr. Field was a pupil of Mr. William Shut: -who he was glad to see present-and had aften given help and instrmction to other members and to other guilds (applanse).
The Chairman foined in the congratulations to Mr. Pifeld aud wished him and his bride every bappiness.
Mr. Fiold, whose fiancee was atso present, in reply, said thet he was very grateful to the Guild for giving him such a beantiful present. and nssured them that it would always remain one of his most treasured possessions.
Afterwards a trio of Poole-ringers, conducted by the chairman. demonstrated the beantiful tone of the handbells, and a course of Grandsire Triples was also rung on them.
The meeting concluded with a resolution to hold a by-meting at Filton. Fverybody ngreed they had spent a very pleasnnt afternoon. In the evening the wpke hells worked overtime and could bs heard imbil a late hour. Methods rimg ranged from rounds to Cambridge Major.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

CALLING THE BELL ROUND TN GRANDSRE TRIPLES
While on the subject of caling touches of Grandsire Triples, jt will not be out of place to give the beginer a few hints on the way to call the bells round. Perhaps, when ringing, something gaes wroug; there may be a 'change course,' or it may be that some error is mede is the calling of the pre-selected touch. If it is meroly something rang for prectice, there is no harm int the conductor going on and bringing the bells yound, even if it turns out afterwards that the truch was false.
It is of no use to go on calling bobs or singles haphazard ta do this, the bells might never come home, but with a. little knowledge of low to proceed it can always be done withiu a reasonable leugth. A first, essentiul qualification for the boh caller is to be nble to read "the conrsing order of the bells. In a recent article we dwelt upon this part of the conductar's training, und we wilh nesume that the necessary powers of observation have been acquired.
The simplest way to call the bells ronnd in Grandsire Triples is first o got $6-7$ into their proper coursing order, if they ave not already there.
Get one or oilaer into the lunt as quickly as possible, and then, if it is the 7 th, call the 6th Before; if it is the 6 th, malse the call the lead after the 7 th comes Before. This will put them together in the right order.
If it lavpuens that there is ouly one bell conrsing betwien 6 and 7 ou can bring them together, and sometimes more quickly, by simply alling the 7 th Before, thus sending the intervening Gell into the liunt. The next bell to concern yourself with is the 5th. It 6 and 7 are oursing, there are only four positions which the 5th can occupy; one its right place-coursing the 7th. Another is in the linnt. If the Sth is is in the hunt you put it in proper coursing ovier hehind 6 nd 7 by calling the 7th 'Before with a donble'-a term which means alling the 7 th Before and a hob at the next lead
A thired position in which the 5 th may be found is immediately in ront of the 6th: that is, 5,6 nud 7 are coursing in that order. The can be phated behina the 7th by ealling the 6th Before and then保 7 Refore, the 5 th being in the hunt veetween the two bols.
The only other position is when there is one other bell coursing ween 7 and 5. You zet rid of the intervening bell (into the humt calling the sth Before
When your havo got 5-6-7 into position, the bells may be in the uin course. If they are not, make a call to bring 5-6-7 Home, that be the lend after the 6th comes Before. Use either a Bob or le ns reqnired. If this call brings the 4th out of the hunt (in words, if the 4th went into the hunt at the previous call), use
$\qquad$ or Single. whichever will bring the 2nd into the Hunt. If 3 ormes ont of the Funt 4 must be brought in; if 2 oomes out, 3 must e braught in. If 2 goes in ronnds are produced; if 4 goos in rolluds got by anolher boh Home; if 3 goes in call the sth Before with
Sometimes it is quicker to bring the bells round at the handstroke cad of the treble, particularly if $7-6-4$ are coursing in that prder, or vea, merely, if 6 is after 7. Yon then treat the 4 th as if it were the 5 th, nnd $3-2-5$ to correspond wilh 2-3-4 respectively. Do not, howver, overlook the fact that if you hring the hells romed with a Siggle your touch is inevitably false, for you have reversed the first lead.
In this matter of calling the bells round, a little preliminary study
ilih pencil mand paper is well worth while. Put down a few leadonds at ranlom and apply the rules which are set ont nhove. It will not only enable yon to see how they work, but will also probably reveat how from certain combinations there may be quicker cuts to ounds.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## BISHOP OF TLE WITH THE RINGERS

The summer festival of Ely Diocestu Association was held at Solinm on Saturday. The Vicar, the Rev. P. F. Boughey, conducted service and the Rev. J. Cook read the lesson. An inspiring address was giveu the Bishop of Ely, who spoke of the importance of corporate worip. He sonnded a note of encouragement in saying we need not mel dismayed by times of anhappiness in our own lives, for God is sure answer in some way our prayers for help. The evil in the world ound shonk not discourage, beoause it will be finally overcome, and Tesns shall reigu.
A generous tea was provided lyy Mrs. Bongley and helpers in the Church Hall. A short business meeting followed, and it whas a very great honour to have the president, the Rt. Itev. Bishop Heywood, in the chair:
It is hoped to hold the 1938 summer festival nt Wishect.
$X$ hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. R. Copeman for his handsome gift of the hook, 'Legends o' the bells,' by Ernest Morris. The Rev. P. T. Boughey was elected an honorary nuember of the ussociation. The Rev. J. Cook and Messre. B. E. Cavey, C. F. Cavey, 5. Edwards, V. Jolinson, L. Long, R. Falmer and F. Plick were lected rirging members, and Mr. Wright, of Mildemanl, a nonesident lifo nuember.
Proccedings concluded with votes of thauks to the Lard Bishop, the $\overline{\text { verar }}$ and to the ladies who prepared tea.
The Vicarnge gardens were thrown open to the wisitors by the kinduess of the Rev, and Mrs. Boughey.

## SHEFFIELD SOCIETY'S SIX-BELL CONTEST.

BOTSOVER WIT FOR THIRD SUCCESSIYE YEAR.
The six-bell ringing contest for the Sheflield aud Districh Seciely's silver cup took place at Dronlicld Chureh on Saturday, July 17th. The bells, a splendid ring, recently relung, are nil that can be desired for such an event.
The cup was won by the Bolsover Parish Ghurelt company, this being their third successive sthievemerr in holding the culp, which is competed for ammally.
The judges (Messys, George Lewis and S. F. Palmer) presented a most interesting and instructive report on thic wontesti. Tho errors of each baud were pointed out. with an explanation why and how the fixults mounted up against the competitors.
The Vicar of Dronfeld arrived just fas tea was over and gave the society a very herrity welcome. Ho also conducted a short service in the choir stalls.
Ringing was cuntinued until 9 p.rn., the tower being open to sll Iter the contest. Lvery one departed with the satisfachion of having spent the day well.

## TYNEMOUTH BELLS.

## SOHEME FOR RESTORATION

The parishoners of Chist Chmolh, North Shiclde, the Parish Chumeh of Tynemouth, are making an eflort to gat their bells tumed and rehnag. Saturday, July 10th, was observed as a 'gift dny,' when the elergy sat at the church door to reveivo contribulions. Collecting envelopes had heen previously distributed. The bells were rung at varions times, in which the Whiticy Tay ringers assisted, and also at few touches on liandbells.
The result of the appeal was that 237 envelopes were retarned containing an aggrepate of $£ 73$, which brought the fund up to $n$ total of $£ 103$. The appeal is for £40d. This is a large sum for the purish to raise, buta great effort is being made to get it, and assistance from any ringer friends would he gratefully appreciated. Contributions may be sent either to the Vicar (Canon ( Mimer) or the captatin of the ringers, Mr. T. E. Scott, 74, Hollywell Road, North Shields.
The condition of the bells, whicls are a peal of ten, lins been a cansa of trouble rikd anxicty for some years. Six ai Hom were cast at the Whiteclapel Fombry in 1769 . In 1874 two were added to completo the octave, and in 1879 two obhers were humg lo make the ten. Mavily been cast in three instalments they are not accurately me thme, and now they are heavily corroded, which redutes their resonance. To make the rimg perfectly satisfactory it is necesary to dismantio the ten bells and seud them to a foumdry to be clented ly sand-blast process and correct their motes and harmoric tones; it new clapper staples and elappers; provide yew headstocks for the ten bells; and rehang the bells with new steel gudgeons and self-nligning ball bearings fitted in dust-pront housiugs. The timbers of the hell frame sppeat' to bo sound and no work in respect of the frame or its supports is necessary.
In their sppeal for the sum of $£ 400$ the Fiear and clurchwardens say: 'Clirist Church bells have been rinting for' 166 years. We feel it is our duty to ensure their continuanco and at the same time improve their tone. We have a band of ringers who ure devoted to the old English art of change ringing, and we believg that the music of the bells is appreciated by ereryone who hears it.'

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

## INVTRATION FROM BARNSLTEY SOCYETY

The July meeting of the Leeds and District Society was braught forward a week in order in allow those ringers to atteud who will be affected by the Jeeds holidnys, which start to-morrow.
Ringing, slishitly delayed at the outset owiug to a fumeral, contimued from ${ }^{3} .30$ until 9 p.m., except for the breaks when tea sind the meeting intervened. The latter was held in the tower. Mr. H. Davison (vice-president) whs in the chair, and members were prosent from Armley, Batley, Burley, Birstal, Bradford Cothedral, Brighonse, Felkirk, Eeadingley (St. Michrel's and St. Chad's), Tdle, Holbeck, Leeds Parish Church, Rothwell and the local company, also friends from Aston-under-Lync, Rotherhatan nud Ulvorston,
One new member was elected, Mr. V. Bairstow, of Denliome.
The nsual vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens and local company was proposed by Mr. I. W. G. Morris nund seconded by Mr. A. Arminge. -Miss Mary Stitson replied for the Drighlington ringers.

The next meeting is due to be held at Shipley on Satirtay, Augusf 28th, bat an invitation to hold a joint meeting with the Barnsley and District Society at Forbury ons August 14th was received. After disenssion it was decifod that ming to the holidass and elort notice ti would not be possible to hold $\pi$ joint meeting of that date, but hope was expressed that as many of the Leeds meralers who could get to Horbury on that date world do so.
Mothods rung during the day were Plnin Bob Major, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich Court Bol Major, Superlative, Stedman Triples, College Exercise, Cambridge aud Oxford Minor.

## A VILLAGE CALAMITY

ATPRLBUEED TO ST. MARGARET'S, WESTMINSTIER, RINGERE. St. Margaret's Society, Westminster, visited Kent and Sussex for their ahmal obting. Leaviug Keunington Glurch just after 8 o'clock, at conple of hours of beantiful trayel through Kentish lanes at their thest brought them to St. Mary's Church, Lenham. Stedman Triples and Cambridge Surprise wore sucessfully accomplished, and it would lave beel beatar for the Donble Norwicly if ' non-intervention' had mevailed. In the middic of it a faryier in the village burst into the belfry in a freczied state and shouted to the vingers, in an almost incolicrent voice, to stop 'pulling the bells, becanse his horse had stumbled and refused to get up. The Double Norwich was, however, finished in spite of such a village calamity.
Afterwards tho jonrney was contimued to Wye. Here upon a very nice peal tha first touch of Spliced Surprise Major of the day was attempled, but at the uinth and last lead it weat whero so many more have gone before. A touch of Grandsire Triples was mung for the representative of the local company, who afterwards joined the party at dimuer and welcomed the visitors to Wye ou behalf of the Vary

At Ashford the ringing was curtailed owing to a funeral, and a ourse each of Treble Bob and Superlative were all that conld be managed git this very heautifind church. Over the bowler, in Sussex, the ringers reachea Salehurst in time to sing before tea. London Surprise and Gtandsire friples were rung on this lovely peal. After a very excellent tea thoroughly enjoyed, the journey was contimued to Feirwarp. Fero upar a new and wery handy little peal a course of Bristol was rung as the opening touch, followed by Stedman Triples. Two yonths oif the local company who came to welcome the party said Chey conld not lomt tho trebie to Grandsire, so the day's ringing conchuted with some call chnnges widil whith the Fairwarp vingers wero very pleased. This wrs a rather umusual method for the Westminster band. $A$ couple of stops on the way hone and Kennington was reached about $10.30 \mathrm{pm} . \mathrm{m}$. with repeated thanks to Mr. W. .F. Hewitt for all his excellent arrangements

## LYME REGIS RINGERS' TRIP.

## A LONG DAY JN WIETS AND SOMEESET.

Lymo Redis ringers made Trowbidge lineir objective for their anmal niting on Sntarday, July 10th. A $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. statt bronght them to Blandford by 9.15, where they found a well-lighted ringing elamber athd a grand rilg of eight, all recenthy relang and taned, Some wellst ruck Gratasimennd Stedman Triples and Kent Major were thoroughly enjoyen, ringing fimisling with a rood fall in peal. The organst
boepr in litile tea parlour licre, and showed the visitors a mnigue apple tree in his anrdeu, the trink heing quite hollow, while the branches aro laden with fruit. From Mandfard the rand took the exenrionists wis maty alarming corners into Shaftesbury, eventually broardening out over fine Wiltshire Down conntry, which provided some splendid panornmic wiews. Nearing Wostbury linee magpies took flght from a fence-poetic precursors of a wediling-and, sure enough, the wedding was met on the appraach to Westbury Church! Here the visitors wero welcomed by the Vicar, the Rev. R. C. Turner, and some of the leal band. Henvy metal lind in he encountered, but grood going bells, nnd a tonch of Boh Mrajor w"is somemhat indiferently struck. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, however, went along quite respectably
Trowhridge was reached a little late, but luncheon was none the leas nceephable. After a leisurely meal. Messus. S. Hector and C. Rajson weltomed the party nt the tower, with its graceful, lofty spire. It is recorded that handbells have been ring liere by ringers sitting all the weathercock! Ringing was limited owing to illuess near the clurch. While it is true to say that Grandsire and Stedmar Caters were attempted, it, would be better to speak of the Kent Major and Stedman Triples. An hour or so was felt for shopping and nfter of the road wrs taten agrin to Berkington. Here a Joug dranght of ropus interfererl sadly with the 'rise, but, once h1p, the hells responded well to Grandsive and Shedman Triples, though wandering sallies poovided ocmsional acrobatics. From there, through Frome, a very, pleasant rum hroight tios ringers to Stourtion, one of the show, places of Wiltshire. Sonse hours conld well have been spent here exploriug the lovely park and gardens of which the visitors had to be content with onls a corner, but thal of real beanty. The Iittle ehurch nestling under a hill had a nice ring of six, which by some mistake had been left half-muftled. $A$ s in parish party from Weymonth was waiting to hold a service ringing was cut down to a short tonch each of Kent Minor and Stedman Donbles.
Fhe final tawer of the day was Templeconibe, reached panctually to programme. Here Mr. Stuckey and another member of the Iocal hamd welcomed the ringers, the Rector, Preb. Windsor, arriving
fikto later. The good going ring of six were kept on the move for some time in Boh Minor, Kent, Cambridge and London. Thence, after some delay for such refreslment as conld be found at that hour of the evening. the car made stcadily homewards, landing the perty in Lymy at 10.40 n.m.

The thanks of all are given to the incumpente who granted, in every case, most willing permission lo ring : also to all wio either left everything in readiness for the partpy or met them in the towers. With hoppy and intevesting day wats spent.

## AMONG EAST SUFFOLK TOWERS

 A SIX-BELL EXCURSION.The rimgers attached to St. Mathew's Church, Ipswich, Had their Grst outing on Saturday, July 10th. It took the form of an afternoon and evening tour by coach to some East Suffolk fowers. They were joined by the five lady members. Travelling via Bronswell and Iyke and over several miles of heathlands, the first stop was at Tunstall (6), where they were met by the Rectar and his wife, who were interested, as they had not met lady ringers before. Leaving here a short run broughit the party to Blaxhalf (6). The bells here hang left-landed and cansed some tronble at first to the less experienced. The next stop was at the fine old church at Aldeburwh (6). Here the ladies took part in some Cambridge Sturprise and other Treble Boh methods. Tea was well gerved at the Last Sufolk Hotel. After looking ronnd the town and a walk on the sea frout, a move was made to Lille Glemham (5), a clureh difficutt to find. It stands in a fine park and is only reached after same rough riding. However, after a ring and a group photo had been taken by one of the party, the homeward jonriney was begna, On the way a stop for a short ring was mad at Wickham Market (6), and the last stop was at Pettistree (6), where owing to late arrival, it was necessary to search the church for lamp. Here a good course of Cambridge Surprise bronghi the ringing for the day to a close. A run of 12 miles brought the band home by 10.30 after a most suceessful trip. Durilg the day the band, assisted by the ladies, rang Oxford, Fent, Plain Bab, Cambridge and Ipswied Surprise. They wish to thank all whomet them or had the bells ready for them.

TOLD IN VERSE.

## 5T. ANDREW'S, HOLBORN, RINGERS' OUTING.

On Saturday, July the 3 ra-a warm and sumny day-
To Readint Town from Paddington we made our early way Some thirty in the party-and all of us were males-
We very soon had started, and were speeding o'er the rails. Some members of the Guild we missed, no Norton and no Hughe But they had reasons good, the invitation to refuse.
Our leader was J. Hawkins, who his father bronglt along, And many more too many to he named in this my sont. But our photographer was there, his young son by his side, And cancora, which, throngh the kiay, le diligently plied. Arrived at Reading, there we found our coach and took our place And drove along the county roads ab quite a gente pace. To Londoners it was a treat to note each conntry scenc:
The trim and flowery gardens, had the fields and ledgerows gree At times the trees which bordered the roads down which we passed Their spreading brauches, [ul] of leaf, a welcome sladow cast: Haymakers, Jare, were seen at work; there, fuit pickers as well, But it would take too long of all the pleasunt sights to tell. Cows many-mostity black nud white-and chickens by the score Beehives in cottage gardens, or a chidd beside the door.
At last we stoj-Great Milton-we get down and leave tofe conch, And to the Parist Clurch, close hy, we one and all approach. While some go up to ring the bells, the others saunter round, And view the church and vilage, while the chimes melodions soumb Then on again to Woodstook, a most pleasant conntry town, Where Blemhein Park and palace tell of Marjborougla's renown. 'Twas here we lunched at the hotel-the sign before the door Showed "Benr" and dog at deadly grips-sucls sights were seen of yore The sun was hot, the wind was fresh, nod clouds of dust did greel. Those of has who, to see the place, lud wandered down the street. Thete was a "ring" here, too, and then, with all aboard, The coach drove on to Gloucestershire, and dropped 119 at Fairford Here, as before, the ringers rang, lut not in helfry hid,
Rut, standing on the chnith's floor thefr skilful bask they did! And many stood to watch them, while the others walked about To see tha famous windows, English work without an roubt. There, drawn and higlily colenred, one traced the fall of man, Onr Saviour's birth and death, and how Redemption it began, There was the Resmmection, the stone just rolled nway,
The Lord's refirm to beaven, and the fature judgment day 1 The time passed all too quickly, for there was so much to see, And we were due at Wantage, where we planned to have our tea. But, first, to work, some climbed the tower, and rang round after rounci,
And passers-by stayed on their wry to hear that cheerful sound. The Red and White Refreshment Room neanwhile set ont its best, And those who mang required more cupe of tea than sill the rest! But 'ere the meal was ended, and the jommey back begun, A pleasant littie ceremony waited to be done.
shorb address was read aloud, expressing their regret That they nust lose their Rector soan, thangh he was with them yet Their feelings there they showed in song familiar, and meanwinie Their president had hid his face-but looked up with a smile, To take their gift-a case of pipes-and, as if not enough, A tin of chaice tobacco, too, was given him to puff!
The compnny applatded as, his thanks the Rector monke,
But one thing more remained before their homeward why they talse A cordial vote of thanks to him who lad arranged the treat. (Our secretary's organising powers there's yery few ean beat.) Now wasn't that a hirthday to be stored in memory? A happy day for all who went-bust most fre
F. G. B.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

SOUTE NORFOLK BRANCH.
A very sucoessful meeting of the South Norfolk Branch took place at Kenuinghall on Saturday, July Ioth. The Rev. W. M. Harper Mitchell, Rector of Quidenhan, tonducted the service and gave an excellent address.
diterwibds over 30 members and [riends attended the tea and mitcting. Mr. W. L. Dullield presided, supported by Mr. A. L. Colenan (vice-president), Mr. Ir. Nolan Golden (general secretary and (reasurer), Mr. A. G. Harrison (branch secretary) and members from Alburgh, Diss, Garboldisham, Palgrave, Pulham, Redenhall, Saxlingham, Shelfanger and Winfarthing. Other branches were represented by members from Buxtol, Dersingham, Norwiel and Nortly Walsham, while Suffoik towers represanted were Dobenham, Stoke Ash, Redgrave aud Newmarket. Mr. F. Harry, of Cambridue, was also present.
Ronads for begiuners aud methods up to Cambridge and Superlative Surprise were rutus at both Kenninglan and Quidenham.
It was decided to hold the next meeting at Bergh Aption on October 9th. The melinods chosen for practive on that occasion are Lotdon Surprise amd Oxford Bob Minor:

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## SOUTHERN DISTRICT VISIT OHISWICK

Fior tine first bime since 1922 , the London County Association on Salurday, July I7th, visited Chiswick. It was hoped, especially as it was a fine afternoon, to get a better attendance than usual, but the 20 members and friends who did avail themselves of the opportunity haratglily cujoyed themselres. A short service was condicted by lie curute, the Rev. Fellowes-Brown, and an excellent tea was served the Parish Harl.
The business meating followed, with Mr. H. Mance in the chair.
Hi'. E. R. Bownan, of Hammersmith, was eleeted a member, aud
ingston proposed for the next mecting, on September 18th, subject

A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vical the Rev. R. Rich) for his kinduess in granting permission for the use of bells, to the curate for conducting the service, to Mr. N. Manning lis valuable assistance iu abataning the necessary sanction to ring, I to the caterers for lie tea.
Tler the business meeting, haudbell enthusiasts demonstrated how ring steximan mriples. Other members roturned to the tomer and ot the bells going mutil 8.10 p.m., when they were lowered in peal. Lethods runs during the day included Grandsire and Stedmen ples, Double Norwich, Canbridge, Superlative and a good course of ndon Surprise Major. Mambers and friends attended from Bames, iswick, Chelsea, Hammersmith, Isleworth Streathan, Twickemham, Kpusington, Bishopsgate, and welcone visitors inctuded Mr.
. H. Fentr, of Eing's Norton, Bramingham (back from a holiday in (is) and tho popular Northern District secretary, Mr. J. G. A. Prior.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## A PROMISING YOUNG MEMBER.

The South-Fastern Division of the Essex Association had a rery cessful meeling of Goldhanger on July 3 rd , when 35 members ant iends were prosent from Great Badidow, Boreham, Broomfeld, lalmsfowd, Golduanger, Maldon, Springfield, Great Tocham, Litule Talbam, Wridile, Blackmore, Newmarkot, Suwston and Swindon. several of the party took advantage of travelling by the coach which 1 been booked for the purpose, and enjoyed a run throngly the hitiry on a perfect summer day.
Ringing in the afternoon was followed by the association's form of viee. The Rector of Goldhanger (the Rev, R. Gordon Roe) welained the ringers and grve a very interesting and helpful address.
"he simging of the hymins and psalms was led by the organist nud
hir, the lesson being read by the hon. secretary.
very welcome and enjoyable tea was partaken of at the Chequers,
rd this was followed by a slarit and pleasant business meetiog.
The Iector was elected an honorary member with the hope that he onld soon be eligible as a ringing member, and Mr. J. South, of
haldeshumt D'Arcy, was elected a ringing member. One ollaer ringiug
nember was elected, F. Alan Sharirack, of Springfield. who on the Sudat week previous had rung his first 720 of Boh Minor for his welfth birthing. A remark was made that if he continued as lae was foing he would make a better ringer that his father, who is divisional (an. secretary.
It was proposed to hold the rext meeting at Great Waltham (where the peal of eight bells have recently been relung by Messrs. I'aylor mud Co.) on the last Saturday in August, if Dlais date shotal be onvenient.
A vote of thanks to the Rector, the organist and choir and Irr. D. D. Brekinghem was propased by the Divisional Master, Mr. F. anasfield, and, iu reply, the Rector reiterated his welcome and said they were prod to have the associntion at Gofdinnuer. He greatly appreciated them electing hin an hon. memher. He apolonised for the ahsence of the Vicar of Tolleslumet D'Arey the Rex. W J. Sullivan who was unable to be present owing to a church fete being held in his rareuen. Mr. Buckingham also replied.

After handball inging mid ringing at the tower, a general move was mbde to Tolleshant D'Atov and Thollesbury, where the bells were avalable for the overing, ringing at the latter place continuing until ahout $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., when another enjayable mathering came to a close.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Western Division will be held at Westbourne on Sat-
 at 5.15 . Half rail fare, maximum is. 6d., allowed to members.-F. H. Meeten, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, North Street, Worthing.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Bath Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Keynsham on Saturday, July 3ist. Bells (8) 3.30. Serwice $4 \cdot 3 \mathrm{3}$. Tea and meeting $5 \cdot 15$.-Theo Grant, Swainswick, Bath.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at Kimpton on Saturday, July 3 ist. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangenents will be made. All ringers and friends welcome.-W. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfield, and H. V. Frost, 4, Kimberley Road, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - On Sal. urday, July 3 rst, a meeting will be held at King's Walden. The bells will be available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Book the date, and don't be late.-Don Mears, Fitton, Moormead Close, Hitchin, Herts.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Botton and Wigan Branches-A joint meeting will be held at Westhoughton on Saturday, July zrst. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30 . Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook and Sydney Forshaw, Secs.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Arksey on Saturday, July 3 rst. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m.-Ernest Cooper, i, Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey, inf. Doncaster.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY. .- The next quarterly meeting of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society will be held at St. Mark's Church, Glodwick, Oldlaam, on July 3ist at 3 p.m.-C. Wilson, Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Nortls Bucks Branch. - A ringing practice will be held at Newport Pagnell. Bells (8) availadle from 5.30 p.m. on Saturday, July 3 rst. All ringers welcome. - Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., ra, Albert Street, Bletchley.

DORCHESTER, ST. PETER'S.-Re-opening of the bells, Sunday, August ist. Services il a.m. and $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A ring of eight rehung by John Taylor and Co.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held on Bank Holiday, Aug. 2nd, at Rotherham Parish Church. Belis (io) ready at I p.m. For tea, café close by church. All welcome. - M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronans Road, Sheffeld 7.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A special meeting will be held at Sunderland on Bank Holiday, Monday, Aug. 2nd. Meet at St. Michael's, Bishopwearmouth, at 3 p.m. Tea will be served in St. Ignatius Institute, Burlington Road, at 5
p.m., to those informing Mr. G. S. Taylor, 149, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland, by Friday, July 3oth. Roland Park, Hon. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Giles', Cripplegate, on Aug. 3 rd, St. Magnus' on the $5^{1 / h}$ and $1 g^{t h}$, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the $12 \mathrm{th}, * \mathrm{St}$. Paul's Cathedral on the ${ }^{17} \mathrm{th}$, Southwark Cathedral on the a6th, St. Mary-le-Bow on the 3 ist. *Business meeting afterwards. - William 'T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. Combined practices during August: Winchester Cathediral (i2 bells), Wednesday, Aug. $4^{\text {th, }}$, at 7 p.m.; Holy Rood, Southampton (S bells), Fridays, Aug. 13 th, zoth and 27 th, at 7.30 p.n. All ringers welcome. - $G$. Willians, Master, 1, Chestnut Avenue, Eastleigh.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Oldham Parish Church, St. Mary's (i2 bells) on Saturday, Aug. 7th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting at 7 p.m. A hearty welcome to all ringers and friends to come along and support us.-Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdale, Lancs.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-The summer mecting will be held at Norton on Saturday, Aug. $7^{\text {th }}$. The bells, which have recently been overhauled by Taylor and Co, available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by Tuesday previous.-T. E. Newnan, The Cross, Hinton-on-the-Green, Evesham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. James' Church, Accrington, on Saturday, Aug. 7 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome. - F. Hindle, Branch Sec., $5^{8}$, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

CHESTER DTOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch. A mecting of the Wirral branch will be held at Christ Church, Port Sunlight, on Saturday, Aug. 7th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting after-wards.-Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. .-Bridgwater Branch. - The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Enmore on Saturday, Aug. 7 th. Bells availalule 2.30. Service 4. Tea 5. Please let me know not later than Tuesday how many will require tea fron your tower.-C. Evans, Hon. Sec., r7, Wellington Road, Bridgwater.

SAIISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -Tlse monthly meeting will be held at Rowde on Saturday, Aug. $7^{\text {th }}$. Bells (6) from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. All ringing friends welcome.-W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Melksham.

IINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -Quarterly meeting Saturday, Aug. 7th, Walesby (8 belis). Names for tea not later titan Wednesday, Aug. $4^{\text {th, }}$, to K. W. Mayer, Hon. Sec., 3I, Vine Street, Lincoln.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -The branch will meet at Upwell on Saturday, Aus. $7^{\text {th. }}$. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Alt ringers welcome.W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

CLAY CROSS, near Chesterfield.-The bells will be dedicated by the Archdeacon of Chesterfield on Sunday, Aug. 8th, at 6.30 p.m. A ring of six recast and rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burtog District.-The next meeting will be held at Repton on Saturday, Aug. ${ }^{1} 4^{\text {th }}$. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. It is most essential that those intending to be present for tea should notify me by Wednesday, Aug. Ith. Ringers and friends welcome-J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Corldenham on Aug. ${ }^{4 t h}$. Ringing on tower bells (8) afternoon and evening. Tea in Rectory garden, $4 \cdot 30$, at gd. each.-Harold G. Herbert, Sec., 61, Acton Lane, Sudbury.
MIDDLEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-Norti and East District.A meeting will be held at St. Mary's Church, Willesden; on Saturday, Aug. 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, in the Church Hall, at $5 \cdot 30$, is each. Please advise me by Aug. inth. All ringers welcomed. Special method: Edmonton Bob Major.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4. Tel. Larkswood, 1959.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at $S$ George's, Mossley, Saturday, Aug. 2ist. Bells ready o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow Rev. J. F. Southworth, B.D., will officiate and extends hearty welcome to the Bolton branch. Names to be sent to H. Pickles, 1 i, Seel Terrace, Leas Road, Mossle not later than Aug. Ith.-J. I. R Riclyard, Branch Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.souvenir invitation to the 300 h dinner on November 6 th has been prepared. Copies of this will be sent in due course, together with an admission ticket, to menber who apply with remittances (ios. for members, i2s. 6d for non-members) to any of the following :-Messrs. C S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T Cockerill, E. P. Duffield, E. G. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J. S. Hawkins, R. IT Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, E. H. Lewis, F. M. Mitchell, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, L. B. Porter, W. Roughton, A. Walker, J. A. Waugh. C. F. Winney, E. A. Young. Members are reminded that seating accommodation at tie Cannon Street Hotei is limited to 400.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

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## SUBSTITUTES FOR BELLS.

In these days we are constantly hearing of sulsstitutu:s for church beils and the latest instrument to come on the market is a very ingenius apparatus. It is claimed that the effect of a peal of bells of any weight or note can be produced, and, in extolling the virtues of the new invention, an assertion has been made-utterly absurcl, of course - that a single operator can achieve claborate change ringing without previous knowledge of cannpanology. More than sixty ycars ago another substitute for bells was seriously advocated, and it was suggesters that their manufacture would form a new branch of industry. The substitute in that case was stcel bars, which ' produce a very pure, distinct and particularly melodious sound, with many other advantages over church bells of moderate size. ${ }^{5}$ The clams of steel bars were put forward by a serious journal, 'The Choir,' but we know of no case where the experiment was tried. As instruments of tone and tune, however, the steel bells produced from a factory in Shefield about that time were dismal failures, as the few examples now felt to us prove.

Threats to the bell industry are thus no new thing, but modern methods and propaganda often have far reachinge results. There is a growing tendency to use mechanical aids, and there are a number of churches where gramophone bell rccords and amplifiers are already in use. The electronic instrument, which has now been introduced, is not a mere contrivance for reproduction of records, but can be operated in the same way that a carillon call be played. We do not think, however, that there is any real danger of church bells being ousted from their place, either in the purpose which they serve, or in the position they occupy in the sentinents of the majority of the English public. There may be, indeed, something to be said for the contention, put forward at the mecting of the Central Council, that amplified records, which reprocluct: good change ringing on well-known peals of bells, are to be preferred to the monotonous clang of a single bell. Operated with skill, also, the pulsic woukd probably rather hear the new musical instrument than the tingtang of some of those unmelodious things which pass for bells, but the drawlack to artificial devices is that they are a temptation to church builders to be content with something cheap, and to put permanently out of consideration any ifica of completing their work with a noble tower and a peal of bells, with which it was the delight of our forcfathers to crown their efforts in church building. As ringers it should be our duty to infuence, as far as possible, the provision of proper rings of bells in news churches and to prevent the spread of the idea, that modern inventions are any real substitute for bells and (Continued on page 514.)

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still less a substitute for the fine old art of change ringing. 'Canned' bells may have their uses, but there is, we hope, little real danger of them taking the place of the products of our Englishl fountries as long as the love of bells continues in this country and ringers can be found to man the ropes and ply their centuries' old cratt.

## 'A HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.'

By J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE
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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

SURTLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINGOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturdry, Iuly 31, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes. At the Churce of St. Laurence,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN GINQUES, 5005 GHANEES; Tenor 12 cwt g lb .

Alberi Walker.. ...Trable: Mrs. Jack Bray .. John S. Goldsmite.. .4 ... 2 Ernest C. S. Turnen Grorge R. Pye ... .... ... 3 Gborge Ebirn Cearles T. Colers ... ... 4 | Grorge F. Swann ... Rupert Ricgardson ... ... 5 Frank E. Haynes... Joun Holman ... ... ... 6 Jack Bray ... ... ... ... Temar Composed by A. Knigars (No. 37). Conducted by Cens, T. Coces
This composition is now tung for the first fime. Runs in leonow: of the birth of Eileen Mary Hurle, grand daghter of the conductor, and as a birtiday compliment to the baty's mother. Mr. T. Folman's 300613 peal.

## SAFFRON WALDEN, HSSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCTATION.
On Monday, August 2, 7937, in Three Hours and Fovly-One Minutes,
At tee Cgurce of St. Mary-ter-Virgin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES; Temor 24 cwt.

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LYMIEGE, KENH.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, July 25, 1937, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
At the Cedrce of SS. Mary and Eadeurga,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 040 CHANGES;
Holy's Original.
Tenor 18 cwt .
Walter J. Prebrle ... ...Troble Frederick Leason ... ... 5 Gordon Webs ... ... ... 2 Benjamin Baker... ... ... 5 Williah Bibnell, sen. ... 3 Lodis Head ... ... ... ... $\quad .{ }^{7} 7$ ALec Webs ... ... ... ... 4 Robert Webs ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Lodis Head.
Finng in honour of Mr. Albert Tanton on completing 60 years as sexton of this chureh, and as is birthday peal for the treble ringer, who is aged 70.

## DARESBURY, OHESHIRR.

THE OHESTER DIOCPSAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, July 27, 1937, in Three Hours and Seventecn Minutes, At the Churcer of All Saints,

## A PEAL DF BOB HASOR, 5040 GHANGES;

C.C.C. No. 88.

Tenor I5 cwt.
Robegt B Horse ... .... Trevi jogn E. Blaby .... ... ... 5

Harold Wgrral ... ... 4 Cecil Raddon ...
Conducted by J. E. Bibsr.

* Firsti peal. Rumg hali-mulned as a token of respect to the late Iosepla Little, a highly respected rtember of tive Daresbiry tower. GOEEMAN'S HATCH, SUSSEX.
THE EAST GRTNSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Wednesday, $J$ uly 28, 1937, in Two Howrs atd Fifty-Two Minutes, At the Cedrch of the Holy Thisity,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor i土 $\frac{7}{2}$ cwt, in $G$.

 Mrs, C. H. Kippin ... ... 4 Cenrles H, Kippin ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by Cyarzes H. Kippin.
First peal of Cambridge Major. This peal replaces the false one inng at INenbridge ot April 3rd by the same bard. GLAYBROOK, LETCTSTERSHIRE.
TEE MIDEAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, July 28, 1937, in These Hours, At the Crurch of St. Peter,


## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 0040 CHANEES;

Wasberook's Vartatinn of Thursians' Four-Part. Tenor 14 cwt .
 William A. Wood ... ... 3 Frank K. Mgaseres ... ... 7 Jobs A. Timson ... ... .... 4 Fred Pbrry ... ... ... ...tertoy Conducted by Frank K. Measdres.
First peal of Steduan as condnctor.
HELMENGHAN, SUFTOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Wednesday, July 28, 5937, in Three Howrs and Five Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINSHERE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor 192 cwt.
Jogn I- Arbon ... ... ...Tyeble |Grorge Bennbtt ... ... 5 Lesceb G. Brett...... George Pryke ... ... ... 3 T. Wilelam Last ... ... 7 George Whiting ... .... 4 Lbslie C. Wighiman.... ...Temor Composed by G. Lindorf.
First peal rung in tho method (Lindof's 2 No. 70).

GRUNDISLURGH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Thursday, fuby 29, 1937, in Two Honrs and Forty-Five Minules, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Tenor 10 ewt.Cearles W. Parker... ...Treble Gborge Bennett ... ... 5
*Oliver J. Kidey ... .... 2 Pracy K. Parker...
Jamis Bennett, jdn. ... 3 Williah J. G. Brown .... 7

Composed by H. Horbard. Conducted by Wiclimm I. G. Brown. * First peal on cight hells. First peal in the method on the bells, for the Guild and by all the banci. A fazowell peal to the Rop. F:, Sutton on his retirement.

GRAYFORD, KENTH.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOLATION.
On Fyiday, Jnly 30, 1937, in Twa Fonvs and Forty-Eight Minutes,
At ter Chorch of St. Padindos,
A PEAL OF DARTFORB LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANEG8;
Tenor 123 cwt.

- Ernest H, Oxengam ...Tteble Herbert E. Aodsley ...

Jobn H. Cerrsman ...


- James Bennett ... .. ... 3 *Edwin A. Barnett ...
*Artedr S. Riceards ... 4 *Harry Hoverd... ... ...Tomor
Composed by J. A. Trollope. Conducted by E, A. Barnett.
* First peal in the method.

> WROTHAM, KERN.
'HE KEN' COUN'TY ASSOOLATION.
On Saturday, July 31. 1037, in Three Hours and Tive Minutes,
*-At the Cedrca or Si, George,

## A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twecve-part (7th observation).
Телог zo cwl.
Lutger J. Honess ... ...Tyeble Jobn Medegrst ... ... ... 5

-Albrat Hibbin ...
 Conducted by W. Wenean.

* First peal on cight bells. Frums in honour of the wedding of M1, Roberi G. Rayfield, of the local band, and Miss Victoria Louise Fori. SPALDLNG, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOGESAN GUILD
On Saturday, Jwly 37, 1937, in Three Hours and Ter Jinnues,
At the Chorch of SS, Mary and Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Hzywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Foor-part. Tenor 16 cmb .


| George Ladd $\ldots . . . .$. | 2 | Sidney Proctor ... | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William G. Tborpe | $\ldots$ | 3 | John G. Ames | $\ldots$ | ... |

 Conducted by Sidney Procior,

* First peal of Stedman, Rung as a 7lst birthdny compliment to Mr. G. Ladd.

THROWLEY, KFNTI,
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Augest 1, 1937, in Three Fours and Fiflen Minutes, Ai the Ceurch of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES; Tlemor 11 cwt.
Alfred H, Polling ... ...Treble Walter H. Dobbie ... ... 5 Arthor S. Boar ... .... ... $a$ Stanley B, Dobbie ... ... Doris G. Dobbie ... ... .... 3 Ciarencr H. Dobbie... .... 7 Ernest J. Dobeie .... ... 4 Harry Parkes ... ... ...Tenoy
Composed by G. Conyard Conducted by Alpied H. Polling.
Rang in honour of the wedding uf Mr. F. Wallace and Miss H.E. Wood, only daughter of Mr, and Mrs, W. J. Wood, which took place on the previous day at Queenborough.

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A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE 8URPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHAHCE8; Tenor 9 cwt .2 qr . I lb.


* First penl of Major. + First penl of Surpriso.

FOLKESTONE, KFANT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 2, 1937, in Three Hoxys and Eighteen Minutes,
At fer Cebrce of SS. Mary and Eanswyte,
A PEAL OF STE日MAN TRIPLES, B040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Transposition of Teurstans' Four-part. Tenor 25 cwt . in $\mathbf{E}$.
Alfred H. Polling ... ...Tyebie | Walter H. Dobeie ... ... 5
Doris G. Dobbis... ... ... 2 Horace Wbitbeead ... .... 6 Charles R. Millway ... 3 Clarbnce H. Dobbie ... ... 7 Ernest J. Dobbie ... ... 4 Stanley B. Dobbig ... ...Temor Conducted by alpred H. Polling.
Arrunged and ruly as a Folkestone Coronation peal. This was the 100th peal ruly together by Eruest and Stanley Dobbie

> FAREFAM, HANSS.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULD.
On Monday, A wgust 2, 1937, is Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Chelfch of SS. Peter and Pall,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDQE 8URPRISE MAJOR, 6050 DHANQEA, Trenor 14 cmt .
-Ernest W. Whitgman
...Trebbe
Gborger Williams ...
... 2
Frbdericr A. Borneit ... 3
William Linter, jun. ... 4
Composed by C. Midiceton.
Frank Bemnett
Andraw J. Corrigat...
... 5

First peal of Surprise.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

BISHOPSTEIGNTON, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUJLD.
On Wednesday, Jniy 21, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Johe-the-Baptist,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES; Forly-two six-seores, teu different calliugs.

Tenor 10 ewt . Cbarlis R. Lilley ... ...Tyeble Lbonard Mensley ... ... 4 leonard Howard $\quad . .$. James E. Ljlley ... ... ... 3 †Frederick A. Munday ...Tetra Conducted by Cbarles R. Lifley.

* First peal of Doubles. t First peal. Messrs. Munday are From Basingstoke.


## STEEP, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
tw Thursiday. July 22, 7937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Behat 12 six-soores each of Canterbury Pleasure sund Plain Bob, with fonr different calings, end 18 six-scores of Grandsive, with six difierent callings.

Tenor 10 cwt .

| -Albert E. Warren ... | ...Tveble | Miss aling Robertson | ... | 3 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mrs. Grace M. Hent | ... | 2 | Willam Higgins | ... | ... |
| 4 |  |  |  |  |  |

Charles E. Bassett ... ...Tenar
Conducted by Cbarles E. Basseit.
First peul. All are local ringers except the conductor.

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THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOOTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Sunday, July 25, 1937, in Two Honrs and Forty-Six Minutes.

At fag Cedder of St. Loge,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
William Amey ... ... ...Tyeble |Artrer Watts ... ... ... a
-Harry Gauntletit ... ... 2 William Rgad ... ...
Cgristopebr Day ... ... 3 Agtydr Norris ... ... ...Tehor Conducted by William Read.

* First peal. Ringers of 2 aud 4 are members of the local band. HOLMER, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCRSAN GUILD.
On Monday, July 26, 1937, in Two Honys and Fifty Minntes, At tee Cerrce of St. Barteolomew,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEEF:
Sever 720's called differently. Teuor 11 ewt.
Cbarles H. Tompkins ...Treble Waltrr S. Evans ... ... 4
Joseph W, Downes ...
- Austin Wingatr - ... 3 ernegi F. Salmons ... ...Tenor Conducted by Ernest F. Salmons.
*2irst peal of Minor at first athempt. The quarterly peal for the Hereford District of the Griki, and thats it holtour of the visil of II.M. Queen Mary to Hereford.

BRERETON-CUMSWHEHWICK, GHESHIRE.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Satkyday, July 31, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minuts,
At tee Cherch of Si, Oswald,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES. 6040 GHANEES:
Consisting of six extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Simon's, April Day aul Plain Bol, cighil of St. Dulustan's and of Grandsire.

Tenor 12 rwd

- Haray Tbelwell ... ...Tyeble Frbderic H. Crawley ... 3

Grorge H. Crawley ... 2 'Harry Parker.
Albert Crawley... ... ...Tenor
Conducled by A. Crawley.

* First peal of Doubles in six methods. First neal in six methencts on the bells. Rung in honour of the tercentenary of the society Lord Brereton, one of life founders of the society, was buried at: this church.

HENLOW, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday. July 31, 7937, in Two Houss and Fifly Minules,
At the Chuich of St. Mart,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 50\& CHANGES, Tenor 14t cwt.
Herbert L. Harlow ... ...Tyebla Pbrcy Tomprins
Stanley Gravestock ... 2 Erane Waringeton...
Jobn Cgurce ... ... ... 3 "Lbwis H. Bywatrrs.... .... Temp
Composed by Rev. E. B. Jambs. Conducted by L. F. Bywaters.

* Fiftieth peal. First peal of Surpuise on the bells.


## HANDBELL PEAL.

LONDON.
the st. Mary abbot's gulld, kengington.
On Friday, July 30, 1937, in Two Fiokrs and Four Minkits,
At tee Ceurce of St. Mary Abbott, Kgnsington,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8:
Holt's Origital.

 Canducted by W. E. Jodo.

## SILVER WEDDING CELEBRATED.

BLIND RINGER TAKES PART,
On Thursiay, July 2sth, : quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples whs rung at Foly Crinity Chutrelk Lfardudna, in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. Nicholls, of Stoarbridge, Worcesterslive: S. Brown 1, J. Fliut 2, A. Bray 3, A. F. Pegler (conductor) 4 . F. V. Niulholls 5, W. H. Lawrence 6, SS. Edwards 7, T. Lowe 8 .

Mr. G. Bromiey, who las been totally bliurl from birth, tang the Gult to 504 Grandsire Triples, conducled by W. II. Lawtence.

## PEAL NOTES.

## MEN AND EVENTS.

The first peal on the bells at the village of Stecp, Hampshire, in which local ringers have tuken part, was rung on July 22ud. It was a peal of Dorbles rung as a hirthday compliment to My. James Kuight in reaching the age of 70 years. Nr. Knight has heen a Sunday service risger at Steep for 50 years.
At the age of 82 years, Mr. Abber Tanton still rings for Sunday service at Lyminge, Keat. hanour of his hnving completed 60 years us sexton at the Parish Church, n peal of Grandivire Triples was rung
1 Snndyy, July 25 th. It was alse a birthday peal for Mr. Walter J. Prebble, who reached the uge of 70, and rang the treble. The ringers wish to thank Mrs. Webl) for her hospitality after the peal.
The Suffolk Guild have added nuther new Sumprise method to their oug list of first performances. Mr. Gabriel lindoft's No. 70 has been amed Missmere.
To oblain a Hew peal of Cambridse Surprise Major is a distinction for any composer, and Mr. O. H. Kippin has conducted a peal confosed by limself to replace one lung four wonths ago which arterwards tirned out to be false. It is believed to lao the first poal of Cambridge Major with the sixth six courges at home.
A peal of Grandsire Triples was rumr at Wrotham. Kent, ons Sintirdayt in honour of the wedding of Mr. R. G. Rayfield and Miss V. L. Fond. The bridegroom is one of the local ringers and after the peal he citertained the baud to a meat tea.
The 7ist birthday of Mr. George Ladd, of Pinchbeck, the genial hon. sectetary of the Eilloe Deaneries Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, was suitably celebrated by a peal of Stedman Triples at Spalding on Saturday.
In the reighbouring parish of Sinflect another peal of celebration ons being tutig at the same time on the lightest ring of twelve in the conntry. There was a 'gathering of the cluns, and 5,005 Stedman Chaptes came round in honour of the binth of the conductor's third sumddaughter.
It was John Hotman's 30 Hth peal and his first for exactly a year. Fhe Sheffeld veteran has rung his peals in 99 towers in 23 counties. Falf the band who rang at Sinfleet on Saturday mang in another ueal of Stedman Cingues on Monday at Saffron Walden, Essex, this ine in honour of one of the oldest singers, the 77 h birthday of Mr . Trmest Pitstow, ane of the celebrated family, of which the late Mr. Nathan Fitstow was such a distirguished member'.
The peal of Kenl: Thelalo Boh MLajor rung at Surfeet on duly 24 hr was not the first by all Eastern Branch members of the Lincoln Guiki, as. one was Jung at Sibsey on November 28th, 1929.
Old-fashoned Bob Triples is a forture among the peats of Inst week. Lung as a farewell to the Vicar of Grumdigburgh, Suffolic, on his retifement, it was the first peal of Bob Triples by all the baud and by the Sufollt Guild. It will probably be the last for a goonl long time.
The Trothers Enest and Stanley Dobbie rang their looth peal together on Monday when they took par't in Folkestone's Coronations peal. The band received a hearty welcome from the Rector aud local ringers.

## HAPPY MEMORIES FROM OUTINGS.

## To the Bditor.

Ihew Sir, -It has been my pleasure for the past eight or niue jears arrange for our lyaud the auntal and other outings, and visiting be comties of Herts, Beds, Bucks, Berlis and Essex.
I am very plensed to say that everywhero the lacal ringens and ector's too have given me help in making arrangements and at great welcome to ant band, with a cheery "Come aud see us again" when अe have left theil towex.
If our country fricuds knew how much we onjoyed these excursions no the wide oper spaces they would know how mueh we have appreiated their efforts to make our tour's a success.
To them all we say "Thank you' and hope wo shall sce them again some time. In the meantime, if anyone wondd like to sisit me when prossing this way I am sure they wilf be welcome, alikough Jm sory we canhot offer the wide open spages.
Finchley, London, N.z.
A. P. WARREN

## CLIFTON RINGERS' FIRST 720.

At Backwell, Somerset, ol June ' $\ddagger 7 \mathrm{ilh}, 720$ Bob Minor by Hedley Crregory 1, Miss I. Hastie 2, Williani Bonner 3, Bedley Gregory, jun, 4, Wilprea Webh 5, stephen II. Wood (conductor) 3 . Tirst 720 by ringers ${ }^{\text {of }} I_{3} 3,4$ and 5 . The above are all Sunday service rinuers at Clifton Parish Chureh, Bristol.

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## FOR BEGINNERS.

## " ARE :BLJE BOB IS NOT RUALLY DIPFICULT'

It is not really a very dificuld step from Plain to Treble Bulu, hut, when mastered, it opeus up a mucds wider suone for the ringer's talents. When plain hambug, the ringer takes his boll regularly from place to place, os step at a time. Alter leading he motes iuto and's, ham into 3rd's, next into 4th's, and so on, whell lae gets behind all the rest of the bells. He turns about by laving a whole pull behind, and then comes dowa step by step, just as he went up, until he reaches the lead, where le has $x$ whole pull, which really is only tho means of turning round to lunt in the opposite directiou, jush ns was his whole pull helind.
If the ringer has gone any step beyond ringing the treble in a plain hont, he will know what dodging is. It is one stop huck it some place, which breaks up the regularity of the forward march.
Treble Bob cunsists of a series of backward steps fhroughout the lead. It is, in fact, a dodging hunti. It is based on a dodge iu every dodgiag position; that is $1-2,3-4,5-6$, ele., and the treble keeps to this dodging path. The other bells cannot keep shictly to $\pi$, or ho progress could be made in the production of changes, but in the simpler Treble Bob methods they lieep fairly closely fo it
The work of the treble in !lreble Boli consists of thres steps forwarl and one back, allowing, of course. for the turning round in front and behind. The treble starts by mating one blow in 2ud's place, and steppiag back at the next blow to lead a half-pull, at backstroke. Then it hunts forware three places, buinging it into th's, and giteps back one juto Srd's (at bnelestroke). Then forward again thiee phaces and back one inta 5th's (at backstroke). It you are ringing Minor the whole pull behind comes next, and lhan, corrasponding with tile blow in 2nd's on ble fromt, one blow in 5un's and a step back into 6th's (at backstroke) ; forward three places to 3ra's, and a step back into 4 th's (ab buckstroke), forward three places to lead, and as step back into 2nd's (at backstroke) alld then the whole pull at lead.
You will lave noticed tlatithe step back is always at backstroke. Tt may lelp you. If you are not quite sure of your position, yon know for certain that the next prill, if it is a landstroles, cannot he a backward step.
For a young band whe nre alt just tackling Treble Bobs for the first time it is not bad prediminary practice for all tho betls to carry ont a dodging hunt on these lines. There will be repetilion of clanger, but it will help the ringers to gedz used to it cantinuols dodsing linat and also to piek outt the dodyring planes.
Kent Treble Bob is probally the easiest of aff Treble Bolb methods to ping. In each lead one bell yemains in fromt, alterwately leading and making 2nd's place (a whole pill in each) except when dodring with the treble. This is called the 'Slow' morli and results in there being $n o$ dodging in 1-2, except with the trelne; while, when the treble is in $1-2$ place-mating is substituted for dodying in $3-4$, the bells going up making 3 rd's (a whole pull) and 4th's (a whole pull) and those coming down 4 in's and 3rd's. These places hogin at backstroke.
There are some simple rules to gutide you to this place-nakine. When you leave the Slow work, by dodging in $1-2$ with the treble, make 3rd's and 4th's phaces going ont: make similar places the next lead, immediately arter passing the treble in $2-3$.
When you pass the treble in $4-5$ make 4 th's and 3 rd's places on the way down: make smilar places the mex lead, after you lave dodged in $5-6$ with the treble.
When the places are completed and you go down to lead, you pill find yourself with the treble on the front. Dodge with the treble and begin the Slow work, which, as mentioned abowe, consists of a whole pull at lead and a whole pull in 2nd's alternately, undil the treble comes back again.
There is no other dadging on the fromb, hul; with the exceplions in 3.4, while the treble is in $1-2$, every bell dodges in evory dodgyng place, whatever the number of bella employed, he it 6, 8, 10 or 12.
We sugsest that begiuners slould endeavout to comstrut a lead on two of the method.

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These ligures show youl how to start, Fou repeal the worle of the second section until the treble has completed its dodge in 4-3 on the wey down, and then mut in a section corresponding to the first: That completed, make buts place when the treble leade and it shanti give you 142635 at the new' lead head ' that is the rew in' the second lead corresponding to rourds in the first. Just iry it !

## SAILORS' SERVICE

The special serrice held in Soukhanton Docks for the Merchant Navy and Fishing Flects on Shunday, July 18Eh, was preeeded by ringjng at St. Mary's Church, a aurter-peal of Camłridge Surprise Major ( 1,344 changes) being rung by 0 . N. Gurtis 1 , L. Knatt 2, J. W. Faithfull 3, George Williams (condnctor) 4, A. A. Corrigan 5, R. Brown 6, F. Reed 7, ㅁ. Reed 8. First utempt for ringers of 1 and 2 .

## SOUTH DEVON TOUR

## A WEEK FULL OF INTETEST AND ENTOYMEN'I.

On Saturday, July loth, at party of 16 ritugers and wives left home $y$ rad for a week's ringiag tour in Soutli Devon. These included, fipurt from tha peal rimgers, Mr. and Mrs, O. Parks and Mr. C. Dean, Croydon, Mre. R. Collins (Sevehonks) and itrs. W. Melville (Winchester)

The main ohject being to see as mitest ur the country ate possible in the short time arailable, peal attenpis wore restricted to one each day, commencing on Monday
豆cadquarters were at ₹ewton Abbott, and ringing for Sunazy morning service took place at St. Leonard's tower, where the visitors were warmly welcomed hy Mr. Ctris. Walker and others. The church was demolished in 1836, leaving only the tower, from which until recently curfew was lung every evening. Stedman and Cambridge were sucuessfully lirought round on the interesting light jing of eight. A gtroll up the road brought the party to Wolbororgh, where they listered to rounds and call changes rumer iu the perfect Devonshire stole by the local conpany. Sunday evening eaw ithe tourists at Paignton, where they rant Louches of Cambridge, Stedman and Grandsire for service at the Parjish Church. A visit to the picturesque fishing village of Brixhann concluded the day, which, althongh showery, had proved very enjoyable.
On Monday murning the first peal atlempt was successfully coninded. This was Cambridge Major on the fine riog of eight at Totnes, one of the hand being Mr. I., Myers, of Plymouth. The church is interesting for its unusual stone sereen, thought to be the finest in Devon. A damp morming gnve place to a fine afternoon, when the party drave to the charming village of Berry Pomeroy, and rang there a course of Superlative aud touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples. The remainder of the day was spent on Goodrington sands.
On Tuesday the company set out for the stately Church of Plympton Sit. Mary, where a courge of Gambridge and touches of London, Stedman and Grandsire were rung on the noble peal of eight. Plymouth was the next slop, and at Charles Cturch, which has an excellent light ring of ten, Grandsire Caters and Canloridge Royal were rung, Wr. Myors ringing his first course in the latter method preparatory to struting for a peal of it in the evening. A delightful afternoon in beautiful weather was spent on the Hoe, where the party watched with great interest the movemenls of seaplanes and other craft in the Sound. After a false slart, the peal of Cambridge Royal at St. Andrew's was successful, and Mr. Nryers is to be congratulated on his splendid performance.

THE ONLY PEAL FALURE
The next flay an early start was made for a peal of London Surprise Major af Tigliweek, a mile from headquarters, but this unfortunately anme to grief and the bells were then set going to a course of Bristol and touches of Steduan and Grandsire. This atitempt proved to be tho only failure amons the peals. In the ffteryoon a visit was paid to Eingsteignton, which stands al the heginning of the beatiful Teiga valley, and here the party rany courses of Cambridge and London and touches of Stednan and Bob Major on the musical octave. A strenuous game of football on the sands at Dawlish followed, and the day ended with a drive round same of the surrounding country before turning in to headquarters.
On Thursday the tourists journeyed to Buck[astleigls, home of Mr. Anbrey Bennett, who rang in the successful peal of Stedman Triples in lis home tower and to whom they wore indebted for the privilege f ringing at Buckfast Abbey. Here the ladjes were at first refused admision to the belfry, but after some clelny consent was given. lkinging on these grand bells eonsisted of Grandsire Gingues, Stedman Caters (in which wo ringers on holiday from Basingstore took part) and Bristol Major on the back eight. After admiring the $A$ bbey, with ils wonderful golden altar, and purchasing souvenirs from the monks, the party lumbled and then drove to Widecombe-in-the-Moor, scene uf the famous fair. Nothing could be more beautiful than this little village, with its lofty church rising from a cluster of tiry cottages and the wide sweep of Dartmoor beyond. The nice peal of six werc set going to Cambridge and Kent Minor and Grandsire Doubles. Then umo a drive through the jocomparable beauty of the moor to Princetown, so called in honour of the Prince of Wales, afterwards George TV.; because jit forms part of the estates of the Duehy of Cornmall. Tea at Princefown was followed by the loag drive bome to Newton Abbott.
On Fridny morming a peal of Cambridge Major (in which Mr. O . Walleer rang the treble) was scored at Moretonlampstead, and after lunch the party went on to Bovey Tracey, where they met Dr-. Taylor, of Sevenoaks, who, although the real instigator of the tour, was urable to join in it. He lad just returned from Sweden and was then on his way tu Coruwall. After stepping to call a touch of Stedmen, he siid "Au revoir" to the party, who concluded the ringiug with a course of London and a tanch of frandsire on this well-going peal of cight. The church screen, a very fine and arante piece of worlmanhip, was duly admired by the wisitors. The next stop was Teignmonth, where the time was occupied cilher hy bathing or enjoying a motor bont trip along the coast. Later in the evening came a drive to the old-world village of Stoke-in-Teignhead, en route for Newton abbett
The last ray of the tour startied well by a peal of Londou Major being scored at Kingsteignton. Mr. Walker, who was to have rung (Continued in next colimn.)

## DEATH OF A RAUNDS RINGER

FOTGMER STEEPLEKEEPER AT ST. PETJR'S GHUROH
The death occurred an Monday, July 191 h , of Mr. Horde Copperwheat, who, for about 40 years, had been a member of $\ddagger$ li St. Peter's Society, Raunds. Deceased had been towerkecper considerable number of years, and under his care the bells and bejf were always in sood condition. Ho was not a great peal ringer, buit had rung about 20 peals in most of the standard methods from Plan Bob to Superlative Surprise Major.
A man of very quiet disposition, he regularly attended brannh meetings up to about two years ago, when he ceased ringing altogether. He also gave up the position of towerkeepel at the same time, son, Mr. W. Copperwheat, taking over the duties. Deceased hat Hever told auycne why ha had reshoned, but when it was leamed, an few weeks before his death, bliat he was suffering from cancer, was realised that it musb have beeu though ill-health.
The funeral took phace on Thursday, July 22nd, aftor which touches were rung half-mufled by the local band and G. H. Roberts, Ringstead. Deceased, who was 57 years of age, leaves a widow, three sons and three daughters in bercavement.

## SUMMER MEETING IN DEVON.

 ENTHUSIASTIC SGHOOLBOYS.A summer meetivg (the first of its kind) of the North Devon Brancli of tho Guild of Devonshire Ringers was beld at East Buckland and proved very successful, ITwelve of the probationers of the West Buckiand School Guild, who ring at East- Buckland, were preseut, and the two other towers in the bramel, Combe Martin and Ilfracombe, were well represented. Visitors, includiag the president of the Guild (the Rev. E. V. Cox) and the wreasurer (Mr. T. G. Bartlett.), cam from Milverton, Calverleigh, Bampton, Brampford Speke, Upton Pyne Exeter and Ide, making a total attendanco of 42.
Ringing began at 2.30 and contirued in the four standard methots until evensong at 4.30. After tea mauy of the company triod the now ring of six in the neigthouring chnrel at Charles.
One most notable feature of the mceting was the eagerness of the nore experienced ringers to helps the hoys of the School Guild, took pert in Grandsire, Stexlman and Kent Treble Bob, Ringing both towers ceased at 7.30 , for the boys had to be back in selnool, a many of the visitors lad 30 ol' 40 miles to go home.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## DEVIZES 13RANGE FOLDS SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT

 MELKSFAMThe half-yearly meting of Devizes Branch of the Salisbury Guild wht held at Melksham on July 3rd. The bells, an excellent ring of eight Traylor and Co., were mude guod use of throughout the afternoon and evening. Tho service was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. Canon T. H Sangster), whose address was greatly appreciated. The organ being out of commission, Mr. A. T. Weeks accompruied the singing with the ptan Tea, which had been prepared by lady members of the hranch, was held in the Parish hroom and 40 sat down. The Vicar, who ts au lion member of the Guild, having to leave early for another engagement offered the members a hearty welcome.
Mr. E. F. White presided at the meeting which followed. He men tioncd ringers who wero present from ontside the Guild aroa from Cirencester, Overton, Hanis, and Chippenham, and hoped bhey woult have a happy time.
Mr. K. D. Davis, of Blagdou, was elected a life ringing member the Guild.
Rowde was decided upon for the next meeting, with Upavon (pro visionally) for September and Westbury for the quarterly mecting October.
Votes of thanks were passed to those who had contributed to the success of the meeting, Mr. Garrett (Overton, Fants) thanked all the excellent welcome the visitors had received, and this was endoter by Mr. F'. J. Levvis, of Cirencester.
Ringing was then continted, methods being rung up to Cambridgr Surprise Major. The following towers were represented; Bishop's Cun nings, Bratton, Ohippenham, Cirencester, Devizes (St. Jolna's aud si Marys), Bradford (Holy Trinity), Market Lavingtor, Melksham, Norll Bradiley, Rowde, Sowthbroom, Trowbridge, Overton, Frome, Westbary and Warminster. Altogether about 56 members attended at the tower for ringing, and the meeting proved a most successful and enjoynin. one.

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the treble to this peal, was prevented by business from doing so. In the afternoon the party split up, some going to Slapton Siands fol bathing and others to Salcombe, where they prid a visit to the Ferzogin Cecile, the famons windjammer that went ashore last year and is now to be broken up.
On Sutuday an early start was mado for bome, after a week packed full of interest and enjoyment, no small part of which was due to lowal gentlemen who welcomed and helped the visitors at the variaus stopping places. Mr. F. F. Collins, who is fully conversant with this part of the country and arranged all the ringing and excursions, must he heartily congratulated on tho success which has crowned his efforts.
I. J. 胃.

## LADIES' GUILD.

CENTRAL DISRRICE TELECT OFFICERS.
The amalal meeting of the Central District was held at St. Giles-in-lise-Fielde, Londan, about 35 people attending. Little ringing took phace during the afteruoou uwing to the hent, and tea was welcomed al. the early hour of 4.30 at the Express Dairy.
A busincss meeting afterwards took place, Mrs. It. Deal presiding. Soval new members were elected, viz, Miss Hooker and Mrs. Tauner, both of Thowley, Kent; Miss B. Colgate, Miss D. Corke, Mrs. R. Collins, Miss M. Crouch and Miss O. Matthews, all of Sevenoaks, Kent.
the following officers were re-elected: Vice-president, Mrs. R. Deal; fon. secretary, Mrs. G. E. Cross; assistant hon. secretary, Miss K. Bradiord.
The commituee was chosers as follows: Mns. A. D. Barker, Mrs. C. H. Kippen, Mrs. F. M. Mitchell (re-elected) and Mrs. Massey, elected to fill the vacancy left by Miss IS. Bradford becoming assistant secretary. It. was announed that the arrangements had been made fer a meetiug to be held at Greal Baddow, Essex, on September 4th, following Ite suggestion made at the Beddington meeting. Isleworth was proposed as the place of the November meeting, the date to the the İbli. Mrs. Fletelher' (general hon. secretary) drow the attention of members to the expeuses incurred through the umber of notices sent out during the past year to members, and it was decided that only those members who specially reguested it should have the uotices sent to them.
Mrs. Fietcher shid that up to the present applications for alrout 40 tickets for the silver jubilee dinuer had been made. Early application was desirable by those who did not want to be disanpointed.
After a vote of thanks had been accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells aud to Mr. R. Genre for making all the necessary arrangements, a move was made to the belfry by all but the Dinler Committee, but great disappointment was felt when, ou arrival, a request came through to the verger thab no further rimging should take place, as there was serious illmess in the vicinity of the church.

PROGRTSS OF NORTHERN BISTRIGT.
thl the officers and commitlee of the Nothern District frave been -elected as before, and one new momber, Miss Mary Richardsom, of St. Mary's Noctinglzam, was elected.
'The searetaries' reports and accounts were read and passed and plansure expressed at the progress made by the district aluring the past year in spite of the dificulties that had to be contended with.
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## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CaNTERBURY DIGRTJCI MEEPING.
Ithe summer aneeting of the Gentertury Distriet of the Kent County Association wus held at ash ous Saturday, Tuly 10th, when 30 members attended, representing Canterbury (four towers), Wickhambreanx, Eythorne, Dover, Ospringe, ßoughton, together with the lacal kad.
Ringing during tho nftermoon was followed by the assaciation's form of service, conducted by the Rev. W. Mabon (curnte).
Tea in a nearly hostelry was presided over by the Rev. Mahun, but as he was prevented from taking the chair at the slabsequent business meeting his place was filled by Mr. II. Whitehead (Bovar').

Two new members were elected, aud Quex Park was chosen as the wenue for the next meeting, the provisional date heing fixed for Augurt 28th.

Aftev landbellg in the garden a relnou was mude to the tower and further riaging took place until $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .$, rounds, Grandsire and Stedman Triples Bob Major and Kent Tuchle Bols being rung-
The thanks of the mombers were expressed to the Viear of Asls (tho Rev. C. MeGraw) For the hece of cha bells, to the Rev. W. Malan for conducting tho service and lis address, to Mr. W. E. Pitmant for his services ati the organ, and to Ms. W. C. E. Goldnp far making the local ravaugements.

## A FIVE-METHOD QUARTER PEAL.

At Watford, Horts, on Simuday, Jily 11th, lor evening service at ine Parish Church, \& guaxter-pat of Spticen Surprise najor in live methods, vis., Superlative, Cambridge. Bristol, London and Waiford (1,280 changes): W. Norris 1, W. (i. Paul 2, A. W. Dix 3, 1T, I. Long 4, S. H. Hoare 5, R. G. Bell 6, G. E. Howchin 7, 1. G. Cashmore (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in live methods an the bells. II wns ming by the local baud.

## (Continued from previous column.)

Sleven new members lad been elected during the past yoar, practically a new member each month, so that it was felt the district was progressing and was ellcouraged to go forward.
Eleven members were present at the meeting, leld at st. Mary's, Notingham, and apologies for abseuce, owing to, distance, were received from four, while three were prevented from altendance throngin sickuess. Mrs. Kelly (joint secredary) had to stay at home at the last minute through the illaess of her fusband. The members expressed regret and wished att a speedy vecovery.
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## BELERY GOSSIP.

A useful collection of touches of Stedman Caters and Cinques, compiled from varions sonres by Mr. W. A. Cave, has just been printed and will be welcomed by conductors on ten and twelve bells. Mr. Cave will gend a capy fiee on reveipt of a stamped addressed elvelope, forwavlect to him at 29, Victoria Street, Bristol. His kindness will be appreciated.
Ithe rieal rimg at Garvestom (not Garvestone) on Satmrday, July $24 t h$, was rimg ander the auspices of the Norwich Diocesan Associntion, a fuet which was motited from the particulars sent to us regarding the performance.
A colrespondent asks what is the best thing bo use on tendey handis, to keep them from blisterifg when ringing. Perlaps some of ouk peaders, who have suffered in this way, can offer suggestions.

## STEEL BARS FOR BELLS.

A ミUBSTATUTE SUGGTSTTED STXTY YEATRS AQO
At a tima when efforts are being made in different paris of the conntry to raise peals of chareh bells, a suggestion on the subject in "The Ghoir' is opportme. Dr. Ferdinand Ralsles, of Malvern Honse, South Gacknoy, writes surgesting the use of steel bars as an substilute far cast bells. They are, he says intronlaced in the United States and Germany with great success, and would form a now bianch of iudustry shond the manufachare of them be taken up in this country. There je not only a large area for them ju England, but a great demaud may be expected from the flourishing colonies of Onnadn Austrajia, Mew Zealand and India as soon ns they are known in those regions. The following ontlines will explain their partinular merite, combined with cheapness of production: Steel hars produce a very pure, distinet and particularly melodious sonnd, with many other great advantages over churla belly of moderate size. The powey of a elear and sonorans sound can tse obtained equally well, if nob saperior, to that cast fron bell-metal or steel. Their weight will ba light in comparison to the present ponderous productions. They will not burden the steeple so much, and cansequentiy, will give move scope for architectural design, and have the merit of far sounding. Their wiuding and lianging up will not le so difficult, dangerous and expensive. filiey ale not liable to crack, as is often the oecurrence with belts, and, therefore, adapted for use in any climato. By $\&$ simpla and mechanical contrivance they are more oasily seb in motion. Tha cost, compared with manufactured cast bells, is so trivial that small churches and chapels, and especially mission stations abroad, will lie curbled to secture a peal, Three or four steel bars, forming a peal whose weight would not exceed Ioolh., could be manufactured for sll or s18, whereas only three cast bells of the same power would at least amount to 850 or EBO .
This paragraph appearen in 'Churcle Bells' of July 12th, 1873, and to it was attached the following comment: We inserd the above. which has been hindly sent ta us as a cutting from some nowspaper, for the amusement and instruction of our readers. If the only object be to make a neise for calling people to church, or for occasions of rejoicing, no dioubt steel bars would Answer well enougl; so would a lot of old frying pans but neither one nor the other would be bell-; therefore it is ranity to talk of such substitutes.

## A MEETING AT SCARBOROUGH.

## To the Editor

Sir,-I had a most interesting experience recently whilet on my lrolidays at Scarloorongh. At the barding house where I was sfaying the visitors are accommodated at various small tables in the diang room, and atioy first meal on Saturday evening, my wife aud y were introdnced lo cur table companious, a lady and gentleman from Bletulley aud two other yoning people from the North. We talked, as people do, of everything uniter the sin, and so ended Saturday.
Sumday morning came, with breakfast at 9 o'elock. I kept my eye on the time, as I intended to be in the Parisfl Churcla belfry at 9.45 A.m.

I noticed that the gentleman from Bletchley also seemed to rush breakfast and that he left the house before me, presumably for a sharp walk along the front.

Imagive nyy supprise whell, on entering the belfry, the first man I sow was my table companion, just about to take off his coat for a. ring-Mr. Sears, of Bletchley, well known in ringing circles, hut until thon known to me by name only. I don't know which of ws was the more surprised when we faced each other in the belfy.
Needless to say, we had many interesting talks during the holiday, and they were not all about the weather.
R. D. LANGTORD

## WEDDING BELLS

A quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung at St. James' Chureh, Devizes, on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. R. T. Kemp and Miss R. L. Gannou ou July 28th: R, W. Bridges 1, A. T. Wreeks 2, J. S. Weeks (conntuctor) 3, T, Weeks 4, G. Winter 5, D. Gleveritey 6 . All are Smaday service ringers at this church with the excention of the ringer of the 5 th.

## A YORKSHIRE RINGING COMPETITION

FREIZEEAND COMPANY WIN HAL1FAX ASSOCTATIONS *IX-BELL CONTEST'
Tho annual meeting and six-bell cantest was heid at Almondbury on sinturdig. Seven teans had entered the competition to ring 600 ubanges will a plain contre for practice. The draw for the older of ringing was as follows: 1 Tholmfirlh, 2 Sandul, 3 Freizelamd, 4 Isiverfodge, 5 Melhiam, 6 New Mill, 7 Shelley. All the teams rang Oxford ッ"eph Mellian, who rang Kent.


THE FRIEZELAND RINGERS, WINNERS OF THE GONTEST to right: Fred Gartside, Leslie Dawson, Harry Nutt, Wilfred Bemett, Jolui F. Fieldirg, Joseph Beanett.

Tea was served in the Paromial 耳all, to which nhout 50 sat down,
aud fiter listening to some further excellent ringing, all ingaiu ad journmed to the Parochial Hall for the meeting.
The balance sheet for $1936-7$ was presented and adopted, and il was floded to hold the nesi committec meeting it Shelier un Seplember 181 h .

The officers were re-elected for the ensuing year
After tie usual vote of thanks to the clergy, chmelhwardens atht lon. 1 riugers, the julge (Mr. H. تH. Smilh) manounced lis decision as follaws:-
Halminth; 17 fanits, 5 peurlty, total 22.
Emndal: 107 faults, total 107.
Pirizeland: 11 faults, 5 penalty, total 16.
tiversedge, 20 faults, 5 penalty, total 20.
Mtellham: 45 fants, lotal 45.
Tew Mill: 52 [aults, 5 penalty, total 57.
helley: 137 frults, total 137.
Foizeland company were, thercfore, declared wimers and each rizere received a clock. Halmfirth ringers, who were second, each
crived a pain of 'Nall Gwyu' candlesticks.
The following new members were elected: Mr. R. Armitage, Mr. S. manchester and Miss M. Byrom. Miss Byrom is believed to the lle litet lady mexulyer of the Fralifar Association,

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

## PORTSMODTH DISIRICT

fuarterly meeling of the Portsmouth District whe helu at Gurdidge on Saturday, inuly 24th, members attending fiom AversLoke, Hishop's Waltham, Cirdridge, North Stonelam, Hedre Eud, Portsmanily (Cal hedral and St. Mary's), Swammore and Wictham.
The Guila service was conducted by the Viear of Curdridme (the Rev. A. F. Starey). An excellent tea was served in the Reading Room, after which the Master of the association (Mr. G. Williams) presided over the business meeting in the absence of the vicar.
Messrs. E. F. Fancook and R. Burnett, of the Cathedral and st. Marres ${ }^{\prime}$, Portsmonth, respectively, were elected members of the Guild. The election of Mr. E. J. Charmar, prior to a peal attenpt, was also confirmed.
Bishop's Waltham and Hambledon were botin proposed for the next meeting, the former being selected, the date la he October 16th.
The Chairmen proposed a vole of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for afficiating at lie service. Votes of thaths were also acoorder to the organist (Mr. H. V. Harris) and the lady who provided the excellent tea
The sum of $12 s$. Gd, was collected for the Soberton' Bell Fund, and the members retimmed to the tower for further vinging, which vanged from Grandsire and Stedman Triples to London and Bristol Surprise Major.

## ANOTHER RING OF SIX FOR WARWICKSHIRE

NEW BELLS ADDED A' CHUROH JAWTEORD
The Church of St. Pelier, Church Lawford, Whuwickshire, until recently possessed ouly four bells. By the gunerosily of at lriend al the Rector, theso have been rehung in a new iren frame wiln all new fitings, the old treblo recasi and two new trebles added, making a. very musical ring of six in the key of 13 flat, with at benor of 7 cwt 3 [2. 5 ll.
 Coventry, who was accoapaniad by tho Rev. W. If Iricked. (Rector), tho Rey. T. N. R. Preutioe, Yicha of Newhold-on-Avon, and Canom Asliton. Ithe dedication look plate in the tower, hand, fallowing tho blessing, the bells were rung lyy six wembers of the Warwickslin'e Guild and also ugain immedialely ufter the gervice. 'Iea was then partaken of at, the Parish Room, a hountifnl spread hatimg heen generonsly provided by the ladies of the Chareh Councit, to whon the bost thanths of the vingers are due.
A largo namber of ringers were presenti, ineluding M5. R. F. Deal, of London, and the methods mung duriug the evening ramgod trom Guadsire Doubles to Londou Surprise Minor.

On the following day for morning service, 720 of Bob Minor was 14ns: W. Vann 1, 13. Beebee 2, C. Rayson 3, J. B. Feutoll 4, C. H Wahb 5, J. H. White (condtctor) 6.
The restoration has been carried onl by Messis. Traylor und Co, of Loughborongh, and is another excellent example of their work. Mr J. P. Fidiol repuesented the firm,

## COLLEGE YOUTHS' TERCENTENARY

## SOCFETY'S INTERESTING MPMENTO

Over 303 lickets for the tercentenary dinmer of tho Ancient Snciety of College Yonths on November 6th next have been bespoken. As the company is limited by the avainble accommodation to 400, those who wish to be prescnt and have not already applied for tickets should do so at once.
A souvenir of the event is heing issued ly the saciefy to all those who purchase tickets. It is a collotype reproduction of the original ornate invitation issued by the socicty to flleir grests in the early aighleentl century. Bow, Sl. Bride's and St. Saviont's (now Sionthwark Oathedral) churches are ilhustrated upon it.
The only alterition made has been Lo adapt the original wording to the present occasion, and the souvenf forms a very interesting memento of the auspicious avent.
Only two copies of the original invitation are knewn to exist, oue in the British Muselna and the oblier in the Guitalialt Lithary, London. Lord Broreton, one of the jounders of the College Yondis and frst Master, died nud was buried ai Brereton in Cheshire. Last Saturday in horour of the tercentenary a peal of Donhles was runt there by Cheshire members of the soereby invongls the kinduess of the Rector (Ganon H. FI. Tiths), who generously provided te[reshments for tho rimgerg after the peal.

## RINGING AND CRICKET AT TUNSTALL <br> \section*{ENWOYABLE KENT WHETING}

The members of the Roehester Distriet of the Kent, Comm Association, as usual for the summer meotiag, arranged a visit to the conntry and a very successinl gathering took placo at I'unstall on Suturday, Juty 24th. Representatives were present from Norllifleet Finindslury, Rochester, Hoo, Clıatham, Gillinghan, Rainhan, Bubhing, Queenborough and Sittiagbourne, together with visitors from the Cauterbiry district and the local company in fall force.

A ericket match was arranged in conjunction with the ringing and this timned out to be a very 'Spicy nfair, albongl the "Lnck appenred to be atainst the trome side. The arrival of the districtu secretary to strengithen the batting of the home term mas anxiously awaited, but when the time came, as a chip basket was not available for protection, the seeretary deemed it wise not to rely on pads only and refused to be slaughtered. The smoking of pipes on such oceasions should le debarred, and it is rumonred that a further subcanmittee is foreshadowed to deal will (lis point with yerrard to the association's jules. t , is aleo considered that the local ericket enptain shonk be roprimanded ly his helfy caphuin for allowing fihe visilors to hat first and so hamdicaps the hame side owing to the quick growth of the grass.
Tho association's Guild service was contuded by the Rector, the Rev. A. A. Midwinter, an honoraty wemher of lize association, and the collection for the Bencrolent Fund of the association anomuted to £1.
The ringers with their wives and friends after the gervice adjomed to the Parish Hall, where they wore right royally entertained to tea by the generosity of the Rcelor, Mr. Churchwarden Wills, also an honoracy menber, being present to support the Rector and entonmage the ringers. A very special assortment of 'cherrins from heaven' arrived, es is usual, at Tunstall.
The business meeting was quile formal, tho only inprovian itens being tive venus of the ammal district meeting, which it was deciled to hold at Rochester
Fery hearty votes of thanks were passed to the Rector for taking the service and for his kimd gelverosity, ta Mr. Wills for his support, Mrs. Spica for her help at ilhe organ, nad all the ladies wha so gracionsly waitex upon the ringers.

## RINGERS TOUR THE COUNTRYSIDE MANY EXCLRSIONS DESCRIBED.

Excursions in these clays lake ringers farther and farlher aficht, and on these 'busmen's holidays' the countryside is scoured for likely and unlikely places to ring. A large number of outings have taken place in recent weeks and here are a few reports sent in to us by correspontents who have participated in the trips.

## CONTRASTS IN ESSEX.

how kilvedon ringers wire received
"'hur vingers of St. Mary's Chutch, Kelvedon, inad a thoroughify enjoyahle half-day's onting on Satindiay, July 17hli. Fithe first cali, was nt Nayland, and then on to Stoke-by-Naylaud. After ringing fhis heary peal will soze success, the company adjourned to the local Conmable country to Higlinm and stratford Sit. Mary. A sitccessful day'y singing was brought to a close at the picturesque little churels at langliam.
Thonehes wore rung on all the peals mentioned, and the thathes of the company are extender to the incumbents of the chntenes conrerned, and to those gentlemen who were kind cnongls to meet whe isitars at the chareles and whe helped to make the trip so sitceesflul.
The onting was in no way mared by the ulta modern young housuwife, who burst into one of the churelies, hatless and stockingless, atrd informed the connpany that they had iswkeued her baby, that she couldn't hear the wireless for the bells and she was really very tired of bellringers. Rather was the ontiug made more enjoyalile by the lady who met the company as they emerged from the same church, and who was really delighted that the bells had been rung ly it visiting company- there certainly are extremes numang the wonenfolk, even in rural Esses, but luckily for bellingers the later type prevails.

## DISS RINGERS IN THE 'SHIRES' AGIAN.

## A 221 MLES' 'TRIP

Leaving Diss at 6.30 n.m. on Saturdar, July 174 , in ideal weather, the St. Mary the Virgin Sociely set ont for their' anmual outiog. It Cambridge Mr. Tam Chenery (well kaown in the Diss Distriet) joined the party and was of great assistance as guide for the rest of the day,
 Fensler was wniting to welcome the party, whoo after ringing on the dells of the Parish Clurch, went to 'Tom's' hotel, the Prince of Wales, anfl partook of an excellent, lunch. The uext call was at the Church of the Foly Sepulchre, Northampton. On the homeward jonzthey the ren-hell tower of St. Peul's Church, Bedford, was visited, aud tonches of Stedman ana Grandsire Caters and Kent Treble Bob Royel wero rinig. After tea in Bedferd, the party made for Cambridge and rang tanmies of Stedmma Caters on the hack ten at Great St. Mary's Clurch. A sotial hour wus then spont at the Ringers' College, where good-bye was said to Tom Chenery. At Bury St. Kamunds, at 11 p.m., 'Sam' smett fish and chips and demanded that the bus slould be stopped. After a good supper 'Sam' returned to his back seat, whers he had been guarding certain 'luggage' during the day. Diss was reached at midnight after a journey of 221 miles in $17 \frac{1}{2}$ hours. The ringers would the, through The Ringing Worla,' is thank ill incimbents ror the use of the bells and the rimgers who aesisted them, especially
Mr. Tom Clipuery.

## NORTH WEALD RINGERS GROW AMBITIOUS.

## AND GO ON A RINGING TOUR.

The St Andrew's North Weald, Guild had their first ringing tour on Thly 10uh. Hitherto they lave hasl a seaside onting with littile or in ringing. It should be explainerd that the Guild is young as yet and only struggling with method ringing, but, having mastered Gruudsire Doubles, Boh Doubles and Bob Minor, they grew nabitious. The towers of Belford, Damluridge and Euntingdon were chosen for the excursion, and the selection of suitable six-bell towers and other Fletnils of the toul were sellled after consultation with Miss Kitty Wilters. The Guild are very gratefin for her advice. As a conveqilence a yery enjoyable and interesting tour was arranged, i.e., Si. Bonedict's, Cambridge, ind Trumpington, Elston, reached at 10.30 am ., has ansy nice old ohurch and tower. The bells went well, and John Bunyan himself did not matuage his hell better than those whu zarg it. Eyneslury came next, huit of this place a sad tale is to be told. Tluere is a fine church aud tower, hut the bells are very awkwnd. Three rupes are elose together in the doorway, anil they run tho wrong way round! This caught the bops guessing and only Grandsire Doubles was rung successfully, Very little time was spent here. The ringers retreated in haste and made 1 heir way to Hemmingford Grey, where everytining went well. Swavesey was reached just an hour behind schedule. but here the Guild woult have liked to stay the rest of the day. A lovely church with lovely thells. The three 120's Grandsire Doubles and Dioh Doubles and 360 Tabs, Minor were perfect. At Histon a fete in the gromads adjoining The church curtailed the ringing, but the two handbeil ringers of the
party weat into the gromads and gave a few tunes. Then came Camhuidge and St. Benedict's. All were anxions to visit Stedman's churci, but whetier' it was nerves, because the church was half full with sightseers, or becalse it lad been impressed upon them that heret must be goad ringing, no one knows, hat, alas! the only 720 (Bot. Minor) arrenged for the day failed, A touch of 120 was, however, brought round.
A stay of 3 . hours was made in Cambridge, where a splendid meat ten was erjoyed. The lust tuwer, at 7.40 p.m., was Trumpiugton, where Miss Willews was presuat to meet the visitors, but the riugers did not show to advantage. By this time they were tired. The party reached home at 11 p.m., having thoronghly erjoyed themselves.

## ANOTHER BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY. <br> AN ADVENTURE AT PERSHORE.

On Satirday aftermoon, July 17th, thie ringers of St. Ambrose's Bristol, and Mangotsfield combined for their anmual outiag, when thes made an excursion into Worceatershire. They journeyed by train to Cheltenham, where two luxurious motor-conelnes were waiting to convey them to Eveglam (via Clceve Eitl, Winchcomb and Broadway). The view from the Cotswold Hills en route was geaty anmiren.
On arrival at Evesham the party were met by Mr. Jack Thomas and his wife, and all thoronghly enjoyed ten at the Avon Hotel. Ring ing was indulged in at the leil tower, Grandsire and Stedman Gatribeing thoronghly enjoyed, aud there was also round ringing for tin leamers.
Saying 'good-bye' to Evesham at 7.15 p.m. the party went anl to Pershore, where at the Abbey they climbed up to the ringing chamh whicl is a square cage, supported on arghed timbers and surrounded by iron railings and wire notting, about 100\%t. above the west end of the nave. It is approacined by an ordinary stairway at the ent of the souti transept, thence over the top of the transept into galleries which surround the inside of the tower. These are connecled by short stairweys, and one has to confine oneself into as small a space as possible to get round the gallezies. From here tile ringi eage is reached by a small spiral metal stairway, and you say "thin yout ' when you set thare. Ringing here is a 'a man's job, ${ }^{\text {T }}$, but Lidies were not to lye deternewl.
One of the party on coming down lost hifmelf in one of the gal leries, which lie kept going round, failitug to find we exit door eauscd much amusement to the remainder of the party to lear calling out repeatedy, 'Mather', where are you p' menning, of course his wife, who was in the other gallery.
The retnru to Cheltenian was made in time to rateln $a$ train an 10.20 p.m. Supper was served on the train aud Mangotsfield reached about 11.30 p.m. A motor-coach awaited the St. Anbluost party at Mangotsfield to complete the jontuey, and everyone was pul down at their own lomes by midnigint after a very cujoyable liulf day's outing. said to be "the best yet.' Thasks ave accorded to iocumbents. for the use of their bells and the local ringers for lavy
everything in readiness. Special thanks are due to the L. M. nind everytling in radiness. Special thanks are due to the L.M. And
Railyay Co . for the excellent facilities aforded to the party. F. \&

## A LONG DAY FROM GREAT TEY.

A beautiful day favoured the ringers of St. Baraboas Chury Great Tey, Essex, when they had their annual outing on July 14 t The Vicar and two churchwardens nccompanied them. The per numbering 32 , left the villagy at. 7.30 a.m., their first hald beng St, Mary's, Woodford, where they were met by Mr. Marss. The stop was at Cluist Clurch. Faling, where they were received by J. A. Trollope, and afterwards they went to St. Margaret's, Uxbrid: where they wert mat iy Miss Bedford. At each place they elijor some very nice ringiag. After lunch they visited Windsor Cast and riso rang at St. John's Chureh, where they wero met by Smith. On tire way home they called at St. Andrew's, Horncha but had to leave ont SL. Margaret's, Barking, as time would permit stopping, nuch to the risappointment of the ringers. Hornchurch they were met hy Mr. Dale. Home was reached at p.m. after a most enjoyable day. The ringing included Grandsi Triples, Bob Major and Oxford nid Kent Treble Bob Misjor. ringers, through 'The Ringing World,' thank all steeplekeepers those in charge, whose kindness greatly added to the day's enjoyment

## AN OUTING IN SUSSEX.

Christ Church, Southgate, band visiten Sussex for their annual outing. Leaving aboat 8 a.m. and travelling by coach, they went first to Ouclfilli, where, at Holy Trinity Church, they rang Stedman Triples, London Surprise and Spliced Tondon, Buistol, Cambridge and Sasperlative The journey was contimued to St. Nicholas', Brighton, whare they were met hy Mr. T. Bennett and their old friend Mr. W. Piekworth. Steriman Triples and Caters and Canbridge Surpuise Royal werb rung on this good paing peal of ten.

After dinner the rest of the afterioon was spent by various memhers in and on the sea. At 4.30 they rejoined ine coach and travelled through Lewes and Uekfield to Fairwarp, where they had tea, nucl. on the new peal of heils, rang some excellent Stedman Triples, Cumhridge Surprise and Spliced Surprise, also a course of Grandsire Triples with one of the local hand on the treble. A wery protty vitc through Ashdown Forest and on through Godstone and the Caterham Talley eventually brought tive party hack (a Soutligate about in 45 , after a most enjoyable day.
S. W.

## INTERESTING CHURCHES．

WANSTEAD RINGERS IN KENT AND SOSSEX
A tour in Eent and Sussex on Saturday，July 10th，constituted the onting of the Wanstead ingers，augmented by ringing friends from Woodiord，Leytonstone，Hornchurchi and Wibnam，and they visited some of the most interesting pul＇s of these two counties．
The first balt was made at Oharing，a charming and compact village situated on the chatky slope of the North Downs．The parby was uel at the Church of SS．Jeter and Paul by the veteran ringer，Mr， （iood，and touclres of Cambridge Surprise，Kent and Oxford Tivebie Iob were rung on a tuneful six，tenor 13 倠 owt．The present church， dating back to the 13th century，stands on the ground given by King Eibselred to St．Augustine，who，tradition has it，erected a mission church on lhe site．Much of the interior of the original 13th century building was destroyed by fire in Angust， 1590 ，through，it is said，whe aceless act of a local farmer，whose shot at a pigeon perched on the oof fired the belfry timbers，causing an outburst during the wirght． the original bells melted away，and until 1878 only oue bell，recast rom the molten metal，stamoned the people to worship．The win－ dows，several of which depiet biblical incidents in shilful colouring， eveal in Form fine plantagenet workmanship．A wooden，sundial a hove tho sotili porch bears the following ingcriptiolt：＇Life＇s but a fladow，Redeem the Thime．Tempus fugit．＇
Just before noon Hythe was reached and a happy 45 minutes was spent in the Parish Church of St．Leonard．Here Mr＇，Fright wetcomed he ringers，and well－struck touches of Kent，Double Norwich and ＇lain Bob Major were rung on a splendid peal of eight，tenor 19 cwt． l＇ke outstanding feature of a very interesting edifice is the maguificent fothic chancel，raised high above the nave level，giving it a cathedral－ like appearance．rhe parvise over the 13 th centhry sonth porch gerved
sthe Council Chamber up to 1794 ．The ancient church registers， dnting back to 1566 ，are kept in an ancient iron chest，said to have ween taken from one of the Spanish A manda vessels．The crypt cou－ ains a great mumber of human thigh bones and skulis，remains of nhabitants who lived between 1200 and 1450 A．D．
run across Ronmey Marsh brought the ringers to St．Nicholas＇， W Romney，where Mr．Humphrey greeted the party．Touches of Kent，Stedman and Double Norwich were rung on a well－sounding Eight，tentor 18 ent．，which grace a very inderesting late Noman hwer divided into five distinct stages of architecture，sumbounted will four turrets between which may be geen the lase of a one－time pive．Hore excellent work is seen in the nave pillay＇s，whilst the spacious chancel belongs to the lath century．Squints are in the walls Which separate the side chapels from the high altar：A large monument，＂The Stuppeny Tomb，＇in the south chapel，is associated with local goverument，for it was the place where the Mayor and ouncilors of the old Cinque Port held their elections and meetings． A WOODEN BELFRE．
Lumeh was well served at Pope＇s Hotel overlooking the gea．Then allowed a visit to St．Allgastine＇s，Brookland，a most attractive hureh built in the 13 th cencury，famous for its wooden belfry de－ aclaed from the church．Various legends are tokl of this strange rection，octagonal in shape，resembling a mighty extinguisher，divided into three sections．Much to the joy of the vilagers the bells were mot going and with the aid of candles a course of Bob Doubles was ulg．The 3rd bell was cast by Hemry Jordial（1442－1468），the obhers ing the work of Jolin Hodson， 1685 ．
flattle was the next objective and was reached vir Rye and Hastings． icturesque sceues were plentiful，with the South Downs making a harming backrround．Messrs．W．Franks and f．Sinder srave a genial elcome to the party at St．Mary＇s，where touches of Double Norwich， tudman and Plain Bob were rurg on a tuneful eight，tenor 2 豕 cwt ． No little skill was meded to keep the tenor going！Time was too imited to view the many interesting features of a beautiful building ith fine Norman and Eerly English work，especially the Norman font． The last stoppiny place was Oliddingly，reaehed after an intensive rrvey of sitiposts．A refreshing vea it the Six Bells was thorourlily mrvey of sidtposts．A refreshing wea，at the Six Bells was horoughay of non－ringers and ringers respectively，thanked Mr．J．Grampion for organising－such a delightful tout．Messrs．W．Butler（Witham）and F：Smilh（Leytonstone）expressed their gratitude at having been in chnded in the party．Owing to th critical condition of the proprietor， the hells of the church close by were not rung．The Rector，the Rev． F．Overs，kindly conducted the party round the elurch，one that duos not hear a name．Much of the work dates baek to the $13 t 1$ f and 14th centuries．An imposing alabaster monument， 18 ft ．by 12 ft ， stands to the memory of Sir John Jefferay，Chaneellor to Queen Fizubeth．Two chairs of Charles II．＇s reign stand near the ultar． The 15th century tower has a stone spire 150ft．high，one of four such pires in the county．
At eight o＇clock tlie homeward jommey began via Tunbridge Wells ath Sevenoaks．All will hold dear the memories of surl a joyous day！Sincere thanks are offered to the incumbents for the use of the bells and to the ringers who extended such genial welcomes to the party．

## WEDDING BELLS AT STOCKPORT

At St．George＇s Church，Stackport，on Saturday，June 5th，for the Wedding of Mr．J．J．Battersby＇s daughter，a quartar－peal of Grandsire Triples：C．Maris 1，G．L．Burgess 2，F．Twigg 3，E．Jackson 4，H． Meakin 5，A．F．Bailey 6，H．Asinton（conductory 7，P．Lafin 8.

## A VISIT TO LONDON TOWERS

BRAINTREE RINGERS TRY GITY BELLS
On July $10 t h$ members of St．Michael＇s Guild，Brabliee，with a few friends，beld their annum onting and made az trip to Loudon．The journey binough the fine seanery of lepping Forest brought the purty to the first stop，Loughton，where Mr．Rama had made the arraver－ ments，then on to Chigwell Row，which，at the last moment，througlz 1．Te courtesy of Canon Thomson，was substitulied for Woadford，wher the Vicar liad suftered a greab bereavement．The next stop was at Leytonstone to ring on the William 1？ye semoria！bells，and Mr．E．W． Pyo welcomed tho visilu＇s．A Ater luncle they went an to St．James＂， Cherkenwell，where Mr．A．W．Coles and Mr．J．Bonnett were waitimg， and afterwards to Sb．Andrew＇s，Holborn，where Mr．J．Hawkins hin？ everything in reacinesg and Mr＇．Pothecary also welcomed the prity． Ths tower won here．At St，Lawrence Jewry，Mr．A．A．Hughes welcomed the Guild，and Mr．G．Debenham，with Mr．W．Wartin，from the county of broad acres，joined in the ringing．After tea．Sti．Mary＇s， Lambeth，was visiled，Mr．Fardy being in charge，and a good day＂s ringing was concluded with courses of Boh Major，Gambridge，Super－ Iative．Bristol and London．After an hour＇s mu in the city the party left about 9 o＇clock and reached Braintree about midnighli．
The Guild take this opportunity of flamkiug tha respoctive incum－ bents for the use of their＇bells mud also the friends wentioned and others who assisted in an enjoyrable aud successiful outing．

## IRTHLINGBOROUGH RINGERS＇EXCURSION

## RIFPR TRIP INCLUDED JN＇TOUT

Irblingborough wingets and their triends are ouce more very in－ rlebted to theik brolher ringers and the elorgy for a very successiul onting，held on July 10th，when four good peals of bells were sampled and glorious scenery enjoyed．Bicester＇was firsb wisited，and Mr．＇T＇． Clifton conducted the parly to the ringing chamber of the time Parisst Church．After enjoying some good ringing，move was made fo Henley－on－Themes，via Oxford．Luncheon was partaken of at the Armistice Cafe，and afterwards Mr．W．Appleby niet the patwy．After looking round the church，a lovely view of the Thannes was oblained from the tower．The fine peal of bells（tenor approximately 21 ewi． were sel going to Superlative，Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bol． Dhe tit－bit of the day was tike joumey by river steamer from Henley to Great Marlow．P＇le trees and riverside gardens wele ati their best，atd rimgers are recommended to make a note of this for some future ouling．The use of Mariow belle could not be obtaines！？ but tea was eujoyed at the Bridge Restamant．Taking to the roal again，a short pide brought whe party to High Wycombe，just in time to get the bells up azd ring one conse of Stecman Iriples for six o＇clock serpice．Ater service ジstednan Caters were rung with the help of Mr．R．Coles and mombers of the local band．JTie tenor is about 31 cwt，and the music of the ten bells was very much enjoyed by all．
On resuming the journey，the British Film Studios were passed， and a wiew of some＂Incian＇Euenes，atc．，showed how easily the public are deluded by the pictnres nude．laickmansworth was the last calt for ringilg，and the visitors were mot loy Mr．F．W．Tlliott，Stedman Caters，Siperlative and rounds wore rung，after which the bells were lowered in peal．The ringers wish to thanle all those friends who kindly helped in any way to make the day so very enjoyablo．A，B．

## A DAY IN WORCESTERSHIRE．

## VISTR PO＇THF TMWEETIS AND TENS．

The ringers of St．Lancence＇s，Reading，had their＇brasman＇s holiday＂in Worectersiniro．Necting at the fower at 6.30 a．m． good rim was made to Evesham，where the fine ten were ruir for m short hour：＂then to Pershore Abbey，where one or two of the band thought the ficor unsafe and suffered from somethiur like malde－mer． All Snints＇，Worcester，where more Stedman Caters were rumg，blought dimer time，and a good meal was nnell enjoyed．Then the fine peal of 12 at the Cathedral was sampled，Grandsire Cinques tud Steduan being brought home．Kidderminster twelvo was tho next item，und the weight and＇go＇suited the visitors very nicely，for＂it was very like ringing at home．Bromsgrove，with its old peal of ten nud ald－ world slreets，was much enjoyed，as was also a good tea．A 20 miles run to Banbury took the party back into their own diocose．and tha fine little ten theno were muen enjoyen by all，Stedman Caterg and Bob Roynt going well．A social hour with the Banlury friends brought starting time，ind Reeding was safely reached at 10.30 p．s．，everyone havine had most happy dey．Will all those who did so much in making arrangements and who met and welcomad the visitors at all the places accept the heartfolt thanks of the st．Jaurence＇s riugers？

R．T．T．

## LAVENHAM RINGERS IN ESSEX．

The Lavenhan Society held their mmual outing on Saturday，Iuly 24 th ，when，bravellint by motar－coach，they visitee the following churches：St，Antrew＇s，Halstead；St．Audrew＇s，Eurls Colme；St． Peter＇s，Colchester；All Saints＇，Feering：St．Pelel－ad－Vinculn，Cog－ geshali；and St．Parnabas＇，Grent Tey．Lunchoou was sarved at the Oherry Tree $\quad$ bun．Brightingtea，nad this was followed by tumes ant changes on the handbeils．
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(Contitued from page 523.
'He chief toast was 'Arthur Symonds, the G.O.M. of the society, who suitably responded.
Nethods tung during the dny were ciraudsire, Stedman, Plain Bob itunble Norwich, Kent and Oxtord I'reble Bob, Cambudge and SuperIaive Surprise. The ringers wish to thank the incumbents of the various chnreles, the friends who ntel them, and atl wha helped to make the outing a big success.

## IN NORTH NORTHUMBERLAND.

## लENHAM TRNGERS TREK

Holiday induences were latgely respousibe for the ringers of Ss Wanes and Basil, Fenham, Norbhumbertand, deserting thet own rhareh and nccezting the inxitation of the Vicar of Embleton to ring For services at his church on Sumday, Iuly llth. Reaching this smafl ненside vilage shortly after 9.30 an.m., the five vingers, who travelled lyy c:ar, were met by Mr. D. Reay, who was camping nearby.
Soon the light, ? peal of six (il cwt.) were re-echoing through the vilhore, and several visitors were templed into the beffry to investigate the nursteries of change ringing and the ringers themselves tinting into grease spots. In this way a touch of 960 changes of Minor, consisting of 240 Cambridge Siliprise: 360 Kent Treble Bols and 360 IPain Boib was bronght round.
The afternoon saw a further trek nortb to Bamhnigh, where permission to ring the fine peal of eight (14 cot.) was given. Double Court, Kent Treble Bols and Platy Bob were the methods ruyg iu this lucautifutis kept belfig.
Tu the evening a retirn was nuade to Rmberton, and courges of Double Courb, Dunble Boh, Kent Trehle Bob and Plain Bob were fomy for evening service.
Then tlie long drive back was taken, but, only, with mucli regret, after such a perfect day. The Vicar of Embiteton's most enthonsiastic invitation to wetmu is not likely to go begging. Those taking part in fir duy's ringing were ' ${ }^{\prime}$. W. Crowe, N. Pairman, C. E. Lawson, d. Fenachi. D. Reay and K. Arthitr.

## BOYNE HILL RINGERS' OUTING.

## BABY GARS ROAD DIAGRAMS.

Tho Boyne Hill fingers, accompanied by a few furends, held their annal outing in Ferlfordshire, Ricknansworth was the first
enll, where good use was nade of the spleudin ring of ten bells by

Taylors, af Loughborough, Next they made for Fertford, stopping en route for a wayside picuic lunch. At Hertford they were met h one of the local baad, gad after a look round the beautiful chureh the bells were set going to Stedman Caters Double Norwich, Stedmau and Grandsire Triples. The bells are a lovely rimes of ten by Mears and Stainbank, and havo needed no adjustment siuce they were placed in the tower about 35 years ago-a year or so after the elurch. was rebuilt followiug a digastrons fire. Sone of the hell metal which was recovered from the debris was used in making these lovely bells, the tellor of which is about 25 cwt .
The return journey, was made via Watford, whero ant excelfent hea was aerved at the King's Head Hotel. The party lheu visited the tower, where there is a very musical jing of eight iy Gillett and Joluston. of Croydon. Here the visitars were joined by some of the 'locals,' and methods from Grandsire Triplas to Cambidge surpríe Major were spletdidy struck. Tho tenor bell in this lower is about 24 cut. in the key of E flut.
The al fresco supper, the songs and the handbells enjoyed at a half way house, opposite a villige smiliby which really does stand under spreading elhestut tree, was a good finish to a very enjoyable kay Maidenhead was reacheu at 10,30 after a rather axcitiug rum from Slongl: belind a cheeky 'baby' ear, whose front 'legs ' were eitise bandy or crossed. Probably the occupiers had been (or were going) to the 'dogs.' The angram made by that oar world make some our standard methorls laok like straight lines.
The ringing and the avrangements throughout the day were of the highest standard, and those who made up the party will look for ward to next year's outing with all the leenness they possess. T. J. F.

## ST. MARY ABBOT'S GUILD IN SUSSEX.

St Maty Abbot's Guild (Keusington) held their anmual outing an Saturday, July 24th. The party of 30 included Messrs. A. B. Bennet and W. H. Hollier. Tisits wero made to East Grinstead, Coleman Hatch and Turler's Hill, Sussex. The Vicar of St. Mary Ablrot's, Preb. A. E. Smith, met the part-g at East Grinstead and look tea with the Guid. After the tea a short touch of Stedman Gaters was rumg the handbells. The bells of the three churches visited were rung a rariety of methods, inclnding Steclman, Double Norwich, Cambridy and Londou Surprise. At Turner's Hill the party were med by Kr 0 . Sippetis, to whom the Guild is indebted for: making the arrangements, for what was unanimonsly ngreed to have been a very enjoy able outing.

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SERVICE RENGING IN BANBTRY BRANOH.
The anlual meeting of the Banbury Brauch of the Oxford Guitd was held at Adderbury, about 50 being prescat. Riuging commenced at 2.30 1. II., after which service was held, conducted by the president, of the lirmeln, the Rev. A. L. E. Wisliams, Vicar of Banbury and Raral Dean. Tho sermon was preached by the Rev, C. E. Wigg, Depity Master of the Guild.

The business mesting followed the tea. In his report, the hath. sectetary (Mr. E. Pearson) referred to the faet that several homorary mombers had not paid their subscriptions, and what he had, therefore, only been able to forward 5518 . to the general Ereasurer. The sintement of acconnts showed a balance of E 25 in hand. The secretazy also regretted that service ribging and practice was not so well majutained in same towers and sppealed for support.
Mr. L. J. Malings, commenting on this, said he was glad Mr. perrson had not shirked the guestion. One way suggested to cunteract this falliug off mas to have plenty of recruits bat he belin wed this was only partly true. It was not altogether quantity but quality biat was wanted. He urged ringers to hold out the higlx idenis of fellowship and service in the tower, bravels or guild, to young ringers, since he beljeved youth was ready to follow ideals if they wete high enough.
The officers were all re-clected for the coming year, with the chairman as trustee (a new post). There were bwo honorary members and two ringing members elected.

Swaleliffe was chosen as the place of the next meeting, the date ing left to the secretary.
Mr. R. T. Hibbert, general secretary of the Guild, and He Rev. E. Wigg cantributed 'the usual few words' expected of them at hese annual meetings, and held out encouragement towards contimed 10 gress.
Following a comprehensive vote of thanks, ringing was resumed at Adderbury, while others went on to King's Sutton and Deddington. Eleven branch towers were represented, and there were a large mun1. of visitors, including one who arrived on a cycle from Tewkesbury 6.30 p.m., Left King's Suthon tower at haff-past eight to mend a heture and commence the jontrey back hona! One felt this was object lesson in keenness which might be iaken to heart by all - feel their inability to attend whea a meeting is helal at the ofther c of their brauch's distriet. Other visitors were present from Gventry, Exhall, Twyford, Oxford, Abingdon, Leicester and Cimmor.

## DROITWICH SURPRISE MAJOR.



This method is No. 72 in Mr. Lindof's collection.

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## NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Oldham Parish Church, St. Mary's ( 12 beils) on Saturday, Aug. 7 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. A hearty welcome to all ringers and friends to come along and support us.-Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Minnrow, Rochdale, Lancs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. James' Church, Accrington, on Saturday, Aug. $7^{\text {th }}$. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome. - Fr. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackiburn.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch. A meeting of the Wirral branch will be held at Christ Church, Port Sunlight, on Saturday, Aug. ${ }^{\text {th }}$. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30 p.m. Meeting after-wards.-Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUTILD.-Northern Branch. -Quarterly meeting Saturday, Aug. 7th, Walesby (s bells). - K. W. Mayer, Hon. Sec., 31, Vine Streel, Lincoln.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -The branch will meet at Upwell on Saturday, Aug. $7^{\text {th }}$. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome.W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. Jolm, Wisbech.

CLAY CROSS, near Chesterfield. The bells will be dedicaterl by the Archdeacon of Chesterfield on Sunday, Aug. Sth, at 6.30 p.m. A ring of six recast and rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CLMBERIAND YOUTHS. -Ringing for evening service on Sunday, Aug. Sth, at 5.15 p.m., at St. Olaves, Hart Street, E.C.3. On Surday, Aus. 22 nd , at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, at 5.15 p.im. The usual monthly practice will take place at Shoredith on Thursclay; Aug. 26th, at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.- C. H. Cross, Master.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton and Peterfickl District. -There will be an evening meeting for practice, at Blackmoor on Weduesday, Aug. with. Bells (6) available from 6 to 9 p.m:C. E. Bassett, Hon. Dis. Sec., 32, Charles Strcet, Tetersfiekl.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the Igth. St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 12th, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 17th, Southwark Cathedral on the 26 th, St. Mary-le-Bow on the 3 1st. *Business meeting afterwards.-Wm. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frod ingham, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Claplam, S.W.4.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. Combined practices during August: Holy Rooif, Southampton (8 bells), Friclays, Aug. 13th, $20 t h$ and 27 h , at $7 \cdot 30$ p.m. All ringers welcome.-G. Williams, Master, I, Chestnut Aventte, Eastleigh.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.-The next meeting will be held at Repton on Saturday, Aug. 14th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.in. It is most essential that those intending to be present for tea should notify me by Wednesday, Aug. 1 ith. Ringers and friends welcome.-J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Coddenham on Aug. 14th. Ringing on tower bells (8) afterroon and evening. Tea in Rectory garden, 4.30 , at gd. cach.-Harold G. Herbert, Scc., 6i, Acton Lane, Suctbury.

MIDDLEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.A mecting will be held at St. Mary's Church, Willesden, on Saturday, Aug. i4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, in the Church Hall, at $5 \cdot 30$, is each. Please advise me by Aug. Ith. All ringers welcomed. Special method: Edmonton Bob Major.-C. T. Coles, Hor. Sec., 2 I , Vincent Road, E.4. Tel. Larkswood, 1959.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bradfict Deanery Branch will hokd summer meeting at Bradfield on Saturday, Aug. 14th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, and tea at 5 (gd.). Ringing during the evening. Please notify T. W. Palmer, Hon. Sec., 128 , Halls Road, Tilchurst.
barnsley and district society.-The next meeting will be heid at Horbury on Saturday, Aug. i4th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Tea ai 5 p.m., is. each. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. H. Pickles, 9, Co-operative Street, Horbury, near Wakecfield, by Aug. 1 tht? Ossett bells (ro) are also available, 3 p.m. in $4.33^{\circ}$ p.m. and 6.45 p.m. to 9 p.m. A hearty welcome to all. -Daniel Smiitl, Hon. Sec.
YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.A meeting will be held at Bridlington on Saturday, Aug. ${ }_{14}$ th. The fine heavy peal of 8 (tenor 26 cwt .) will be available at 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will thiose intending to come please notify Mr. R. H. Vigor, Slierburn-in-Elmet?-H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Roxton on Saturday, Aug. rith. Bells at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers and their friends will he welcome. Please come and let us have a good meeting.-C. J. Ball, Hon. Dis. Sec., 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy
EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.The next meeting will be held at Buxted (St. Margaret's, in Buxted Park) on Saturday, Aug. 14 th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea, free, 5 p.m. Everybody welcome, but
please notify for tea, if possible.-W. Saunders, 18 , New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Swindon Branch. -Monthly meeting at Latton and Cricklade on Saturday, Aug. F4th. Both five bell towers. Latton available 3.30 to $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cricklade $6108 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Teat at Cricklade about 5.15. Please acivise if possible. On railway and Bristol bus route.-W. B. Kynaston, 3 , Dumbarton Terrace, Victoria Road, Swindon, Wils.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIACION.-A joint meeting the Preston and Fylde Branches will be held at Preston Parish Church on Aug. 2ist. Bells (io) available from 3 p.m.-A. Blogg and C. Sharples, Branclı Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. -The next quarterly mecting will be held at St. George's, Mossley, Saturday, Aug. 2ist. Bells ready $o^{\prime}$ clock. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow Rev. J. F. Southworth, B.D., will officiate and extends a hearty welcome to the Bolton branch. Names to be sent to H. Pickles, it, Seel Terrace, Leas Road, Mossley not later than Aug. inth.-J. H. Ridyard, Branch See.

A JOINT MEETING of the Guildford and Oxford Diocesan Gitulds and the Midtlesex and Surrey Associations will be held at Staines, Egham and Wraysbury on Saturday, Aug. 281 h. Fuli particulars later. - F Groodfellow, Hon. Sec., Middlesex County Associalion (S. and W. District).

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-A souvenir invitation to the 3 oath dinner on November 6t] has been prepared. Copies of this will be sent in clue course, together with an admission ticket, to members who apply with remittances (ros. for members, 125 . $6 d$. for non-members) to any of the following :-Messrs. C. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T. Cockerill, E. P. Duffeld, E. G. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J. S. Hawkins, R. T. Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, E H. Lewis, F. M. Mitchell, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, L. B. Porter, W. Roughton, A. Walker, J. A. Waugh, C. F. Winney, E. A. Young Members are reminded that seating accommodation at the Cannon Street Hotel is limited to 400 .-Willian T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

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We know that many ringers are averse to anything in the nature of competition in ringing. Their opposition has grown out of the abuses of prize ringing in the bad old days,' but we are not certain that contests between bands for the credit of doing the best ringing migit not be one of the ways by which the general standard of ringing could be raised. The spirit in which ringing is carried out nowadays is totally different to that prevailing when prize ringing was a 'sporting' event, and we cannot but think that properly organised ringing competitions could be run without any lack of reverence for the buildings in which they much necessarily take place and with every prospect of improving the standard of the ringing of those who take part. Such contests are already run in a few centres and the interest whicli they engender among the competitors and the practice which they involve lead to some fine performances, which are, of course, reflected in the service ringing. To be of general use, however, the competitions would have to be graded, and some classes might have to consist purely of round ringing. For the more expert there would be method ringing, but, whatever the class, the inducement to improve would be stimulated. In Yorkshire, Brecon, Devon and elsewhere where such competitions now
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THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIOTS ASSOCIATION On Suturday, Aucust 7, 1937, in Three Hours and Thivty-Two , linnds At the Ceorce of St. Maky and Agl Saints, A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, B016 CHANEES; Tenor 24 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb .
Robert Matthews Wiletam Short ... ... .... Treble Sidney T, Holy ... ... .. Jora Bass ... ... Keite Salter ... Robert G. Knowess
rasst Morris. Condmeted By Sidnay T. Hol
Fitsteren of Bob Maximus on the bells and by all the band ringers of treine, 2nd and 4th.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.
THE ANOIENT SOCIETY OF COLIEGE YOUTES.
On Sucra y. Tuly 31, 7937, in Three Hours and Twenty-Scuen Minut.
At the Church of St. Cifment Danes, Sthand,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 6040 OHANGES Tenor 24 cwt .
Wilfred Williams ... ...Treble |C. Ernest Simita...
Charifs W. Roberts .... 2 William H. Pasmore....
Jack M. Cripps ... ... ... 3 |Frederick W. Rogrrs
Kenneta Snelling ... .... 4 Ricgard F. Deal ...
Henry G. Miers .. ... ... 5 Herbert Langdon
Composed by F. Dance. Conducted by Fredk. W, Rogrus
Rung in honour of the marriage of $\mathrm{Mr}^{\text {. Jolbu }} \mathrm{W}$. Y. Hesse aud Mis D. W. James, which took place al this chureh the same day.

CREWE, CEESHIRE.
THE CEESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saticyday, /uly 37, 1937, in three Hours and Twilve Miautes, At Cerisi Cegreg,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 20 owt.
-Grorge F. Ejge
Robert Sprrring
$\ldots \quad . . .2$ James H. Riding George Packer... Harry F. Holding ... Composed by J. Carter. Conducted by Richard D. Langford.
先 First peal. + First peal of Bob Roynt. First peal as courluctor in the method. A birthday peal for Mr. Percy Swindley.

## NLWWHTRY, BERKS

THE OXTORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Alugus 2, 1937, in 1 hree Horrs and Situen Mimules. At taz Caurch of St. Nigolas,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor $2 \mathrm{I} \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.


Composed by Gabrizl Lindorf. Conducled by Frank Bbanett. First peat of stecluman Caters on the bells.

FEDDINGTON SURREX.
THE SUREEY ASSOCIATION.
OH Salwrday, Augist 7, 1937, in Three Howy and Thee Muntes, At the Church of St. Mary,

* PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5000 CHANEESa Tenor 18 cwt i qr. zo lb. in E flat.
Frank Jennings ... ... ... Treble William H. Heweit... ... 6
Harry Hoskins ... ... .... 2 |Frank E. Darby ... ... ... 7
Mas. Ceas. H. Kiprin ... 3 | Grorge W. Sterre ... ... 8
Frgarick W. Housden ... 4 Frgdericr E. Collins ... 9
Tйomas G. Bannester ... 5 | Charles H. Kippin ... ...Tetray
Composed by J. A. Borford. Conducted by Frank E. Darby.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

GREASLEY, NOTTS.
I'HE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, July 10, 1937, is Two Hours and Flfy-Four Minntes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5日5B OHANGE8; Tenor 143 cwt .

| rederick A. Shlier | Trewle | İennetat R. Marin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Roger D. St. ${ }^{\text {J. Smitr }}$ |  | Wilciam Teornley |
| Tom Storer | 3 | Racpe Narborodgb |
| E. Fred Gobey |  | Norman Cbaddock ... ...Tenor |
| Composed by ${ }^{\text {f }}$, H . | ER. | Conducted by N. Chadd |

## LONDON

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND NORTH SOUTEWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satwiday, July 24. 1937, in Tyo Hours and Fifty- Three Minutes,
Ai ter Churce of St, Lronard, Streateam, S.W A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 EHANGEE; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Ernest E. Bise ... ... ...Tieble "Edwin L. Miles ... ... 5 Thomas H. Tafernder ... 2 Thomas W. Tapfender ... 6 James W. Chapman ... ... 3 Peletp A. Carby ... ... 7 Ernest J. King ... .... ... 4 Edward D. Smith ... ...Temor Composed by T. Day. Conducted by Thomas W. Tapgender. First peal of Treble Bob 'iuside.'

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CRAWIEY, SESSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Surday, Augest 1,1937 , in Ihrea Hows and One Minute, At teie Crifec of St. John-The-Baptist,
A PEAL OF SPLIGEI LONDON, BRISTOL, EAMBRIDCE, AND SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MANOR, 5120 GHANEES;

1enor I 3 y cwt.
Nel.gon Elctoti... .... ....
Frank E. Darby ... $\ldots . . . . . .{ }^{2} \quad 3 \quad$ Wicliam T. Bebson.... Frrderick W. Rogers ... 4 Wicqred Williams ... ...Tenot Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Wilfred Wicliams,
This peal contains 2,240 London, 1,728 Bristol, 576 each of Cambridge and Superlativo will 116 changes of method.

EAJDLCOI', HONMOUTHSHIRE.
TEE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUIED.
On Monday, August 2. 1937, in Two Houss and Fifiy-Sroen Minut/s,
At the Chdreh of St. Mazy tfe-Virgin,
A PEAL DF GRANGSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parker's Twelvr-pari. Tenor racwl,
Charles L. Sadier ... ...Tyobla Alfred T. Poditon ... ... . 5
H. Ernest Cox ... ... ... 2 Jamgs P. Hyett ... ... ... 6

William H. Symonds ... 3 William Peston... ..... .7
William T. Posion ... ... 4 Jobn J. Wabe 4 ...

## Conducted by W. Poston

KTNG'S SUTTON, NORTHAMTTONSFRE.
IHE PETERBOROUGE DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Augult 2, 1937, in Two Howy and Fifty-Nime Minutes,
At ier Cedrce of SS. Petrr and Padr,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE RORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, bOqD CHANCE8; C.C.C. No. 45

Tenor $I_{4} \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $G$.
Harbert C. Edwards ...Tyebla Eanest C. Lambert ... ... 5
Frank J. Green ... ... ... 2 Jobi A. Grien ... ... ... 6
Wicliam G. Whitbeead ... 3 Tbomas E. Robehts ... ... 7
A. Nonnbley Wood ... ... 4 Albrrt J. Green... ... ...temot Composed by Sir A. D. Heywood. Conducted by A J. Green.

PDLIAM, NORFOLK.
TEE NORWIOH DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION.
On Monday. August 2, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Mimults,
At the Chorch of St, Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF bOUELE NORWICH COURT BOE MAJ日R, 5088 CHANEES; Tenor 14 c cht.

William J. Flatt ... ...Tyeble Frederick W. Monnings 5 | Starley W. Copling | ... | 2 | Frbdrrick C. Genton | ... | 6 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cgarlas Barrr... | ... | $\ldots$ | 3 | Cearlas W. Loome | ... | ... | 7 | Barnabas G. Key ... ... 4 Ernest Whiting... ... ...Tenor Composed by James Honi. Conducted by Ernest Weiting.

*First peal in the method.
LOWESTOFT, SUTPOIK.
THE NORWICE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Angwst 2, 1937, in Two Howrsand Fifty-Nine Minutes. At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6088 CHANCE8;
Tenor $13 \frac{3}{4}$ cwl. in E sharp.
Miss Duratav Constance Tyeble William C. Portar ... ... 5 Grorgr Ler... ... ... ... 2 Ricgard W, R, Coatrs ... R. William Barber ... ... 3 Albert J. L. Nadnton ... 7 Godpriy G. Walpole ... 4 Francis W. Nadnton... ...Temor Composed by Yore Green. Conducted by Erancis W. Natnion.

4LBERGH, NORFOLE.
THE NORWIOH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Ox Monday, A ugusi $Z$, 1937, in Two Hows ard Fifty-Six Mimutes,
At tee Church of All Saints,
A FEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, B024 GHANGESI Tenor $9 \mathrm{c} w \mathrm{f}$. 3 qr .12 lb.
Charlbs W, Loome ... ...Treble $\mid$ Stanley W, Copling... .... 5 Ermest Whiting ... ... 2 Fredzricr W. Mannings... 6 Frederick C. Gohton ... 3 William J. Flati ... ... 7 -Barnabas G. Key ... ... 4 Walter Barrett ... ...Tenor Composed by A. Kengers. Couducted by Cuarles W. Loome.

NORWICH.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,
On Monday, August 2, 1937. in Three Howrs and Thirty-Six Minutes, At the Churce of St. Peter, Mancrofy.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, bess CHANGEM Tenor 37 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb . in C.
Gzorge Mayers... ... ...Tyelle Cecil V. Ebrerson .. ... 5 Albert G. Warnes ... ... 2 Nolan Golden ... ... ... 6 Wallace W. Cousins ... 3 Claddr Codeins... ... .... 7 Jobn A. Godfrey ... ... 4 Tony Price ... ... ... ...Tenar

Composed by A. Knigets. Conducted by Nolan Golaen. MARSLIAM, NORFOLK
ГHE NORWICE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Augest 3, 7937, ith 7 wo How's and Fifty-Six Minutes, At the Churcei of All Saints,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, E184 CHANGEg; Tenor 7 cut. 3 qr. 5 lb. in $B$.
 Henry W. Gavion ... ... 3 George Mayers ... ... ... 7 Hangury F. Carter ... ... 4 Bertie J. Howchin ... ... Thtoy Composed and Conducted by Noran Golden.

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On 7ueskay, Aughat 3, 1937, in Two Hours und Forty-Eight Minules,
At tee Ceurce of St. Paulinos,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EO40 HHANGES;

Teurstans Four-part.
Roland Park
... ... ...TTrable
Jamas Bewneti ... ... ... 2 Francis E. DAwE ... ... 5

Herezri E. Addslev... ... 4 Ernest H. Oxbnham ... ...temor Condacted by John J. L. Gilserz.
First peal in the melhon as condnctor. A hinthtay compliment to Mr. E. H. Orenham.

URJON-ON SETVERN, WORCFSTERSHIRE.
THF, MORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCLATION
Un Tusiday, August 3, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fiffy-Six Hinutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOE TRIPLES, 6040 OHANGES;
J. J. Parker's Six-part, No. 6.

Ernest Wilson... ... .... 2 Reginald Woodyati ...
Edward Madid ... ... 3 Cearles Camm ... ...

- Victor G. H. Hrmos ... 4 Taomas W. Lewis .... ....Tenor Conducted by Cearles Camm.
* First peal in the method.

CODSALE, STAFTS.
THE SOGIETY FOR THE ARGEDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Weduesday, August 4. 1937, in Two Hous and Fifty-Sewen Minutes, At tar Cegren of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:
Parkgr's Twelye-parit (7th observation),
 Condpeted by H. Smite.

* First peal away from tenor. t First peal on eight bells. ESCRIGK, YORKGHIRE.
THE TORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Augut 7, 1937, in Thrae Hours and Ten Minutec, At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES!


## Tenor $13 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F .

Rorert H. Vigor
... ...Tveble Fred Trary
Edward Bradley ... ... 2 Danirl Smith... Horace S Morley... Frank Atkinson ... ... ... 4 Hardld Crant ... ... ... ... Composed by G. Liwis. Conducted by Harold Cuanz.
First peal of Onford hy all except ringers of 3 ra and 6th. Pirst peal in the method on the belts.

## STOWMARKET, SUFTOLK.

THE SUFTOLK GUELD.
On Saixuday, August 7, 1937, in Three Hours and fifteen Minutes, At tee Ceurce of SS. Peter and Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANOES; Tenor 24 cwt .
Whlibr Sparrow ... ...Tyeble Harry D. Lister
James Chinery ... ... ... 2 Artbit E. Baleam
Sbelford Sparrow ..... .3 3 Horage W. Foulger ... ... 6
Ghorgr W. Abliti ... ... 4 ArihurGrimwood ... ...T轎ar
Composed by Gabriel Lindofy. Conducted by Harry D. Lister.
Birthday complimeut to Mr. S. Sparrow, secrefary of the loch hatrid
HFNCKLET, LEICESTERSHTRE.
THE MIDEAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Hinckley Disirict.)
On Saturday, August 7, 1937, in Three Hours ane Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twrlye-fart.
Tenor 22 h cwt
Natanniel W. Lucas ...Tveble Pergival A. Aldhami..
William A. Wood ...
Cyril H. Isom $\quad . .$.
Conducted by Erask K. Measores.

* Wirst peal and first attangt. A 70th birthday complimeat
G. Thompson.

ROMSEF, HAMPSFURE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMODTH DIOCESAN GUTLT On Snturday, August 7, 1937, in Three Honrs and Twenty-Ctse Minutes

At mbg Abgey Cgurch of SS. Mary and Etbelflgda,
A PEAL OF DOURLE MORWICH COURT BOR MAJOR, 5040 CHAMCE
Tenor 24 cwt 8 lb . in D.

- Leonard IKnott ... ...I reble Reginald W. Rex
*Harold P. Reed ... ... 2 Frederick S. Bayley
Ggorge Wil liams ... ... 3 Frederick W. Bdraett
Frederick Barnezt
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by G. Wizhiams
* First peal of Double Notwicls.


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

THRUMPTON, NOTTINGHAM.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Satuyday, July 17, 1937, in Ttoo Howy and Forty-Five Minutw,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGEB;
Being 12 six-scores of Plaiu Fiob and 30 of Gramdsire. Tenor 10
Harold Maligy... ... ...T「eble | Charles Towers
William Dakin ... .... ... 2 Sidney Adams
John W. Booth ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by J. W. Eoore.

* First peal. Rung after the weddithg of Mr. R. Din Cane and Mi
E. Bridge. Believed to the the first peal on the bells. HOLBROOK, SUTHOLE. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Morday, Angust 2, 1937, in Two Howrs and Thirly-Three Minutes, At the Cendrea of All Saints,


## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5 ITO CHANQES:

Being two T20's each of Oxford aud Kent Treble Bob and tluree Plain Bob with different callings.

Tenor 8 ewt.
*Ronald W. Steward ...Treble!
Edward E. Davey ... Harry J. Millati ... ... 4
 Conducted by Urban W. Wildmey.

* First peal.


## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.-On July 3lst, after a peal attempt had fniled, a quarter-peal of London Surprise Majer: H. Wingrove $1, \mathbb{P}^{\text {P }}$. Nowton (first quarter-peal in the method) 2, Miss D. Fiecher 3 , $\mathbb{R}$ Bisers 4, W. H. Fussell 5, C. C. Mayne 6, G. Martjn (conductor) 7, W. Hentey 8.
CAMBRIDGE.-On Sunday, Juy 4 th, for morning service, a quarter neal of Both Major (1,260 changes) : F. Shorter 1, S. Goodwin 2, T Cbinery 3, R. Knights 4, P. 'Taylor 5, ©. Snith 6 , R. Lathbury 7 J. Quinuey (first quatter-peal as conductor) 8.

## HODNET, SHROPSHIRL

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Monday, August 2, 1937, in Three Howy and Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Luke,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
One extent each of Oxford Bob and Oxiord Treble Bob, two of Kend Plreble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 24 lb . Thomas Lbrci ... ... ...Treble | Whliam J. Cebster ... ... 4 Walter Lyceit ......$\quad$... 2 Frederick Pricr...... Thomas Price ... ... .... $\quad$ y Artider Pretchard ... ...Tenor Conducted by Artagr Pritceard.
First peal in four methods by all the band.
OLD BASFORD, NOTETS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCLARION.
Un Mordxy, August 2, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-One Minntrs,
At the Cedrce of St. Leongerrios.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 OHANGES;
One exlent each of Cambridge Surprise, Sandal and London Scholars' Flansme Treble Bob, Donble and Single Court Oxiord Bab and Plain Bol. Tenor 15 cwt . Miss Kate Bercunali ...Tyeble Frank Vernon Miss Grace Borcenall ... 2 Richard M. Harvey... ... 5 Harold Denman... ... ... 3 Clifford A. Vessey ... ... 7 emoy Conducted by Clizford A. Vessey.

## BROCKWORTH, GLOS.

THE GLOUOESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, August 2, 1937, is Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At ter Ceurch of Si. Grorge,

## A PEAL OF DOUBEES, 5040 CHANEES;

It ing 10 stix-scores of Graadsire and 32 six-scores of stat, Dunstan's led diferontly.
Melviles Jordan
... ... 7 yeble Ernest J. Mattaens enor 15 cwl . … 4
 Conducted by Tom wofrali.
SHIPDHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesday, August 4, 1937, in Two Hours atd Fifty Minutes,
At tee Caurch of Ale Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
mprising two extents of Oxford Trelle Eoh, two exterLs Kend Treble Is and three extents Plain Boh. Tenor 12 cwt.
GG. Ceambers
E. S. Naylor
... ... ...Treble

$\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots . . & \ldots & 4 \\ \ldots . . & \ldots & 5 \\ \ldots . & \ldots . & 7 \text { cro }\end{array}$
Conducted by Artagr J. E. Smalls.
First peal in three methods. Firsi peal in three methods as conlurior. First peal in uree methods on the bells.

## BLRKENHEAD. CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCPSAN GUILD
On Wedn sday, August 4, 1037, in Troo Hours and Forly Minutes,
At the Churca of St. Mart,
4. PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, sD40 CHANGES; Tenor 11 cwt .
Dooglas Wayson. jen. ...Tveble Jambs Blair ... ... ... 4
 Composed by Rey. E. Bankes Jambs. Conducted by F. Varty. * First peal of Surprise Minor. Jitust peal of Surprise as conductor.
ST. IPPOELITTS, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Wedresday, Augwsh 4, 1937, in Two Hokrs and Hify-Thre Minutes,
At the Church of St. Hippolytus,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, SOAD CHANGES:
Being seven extonts each cailed differently. Teyor I2 cwt .
Wieliam Svmonds ... ...Treble ©Edgar Wintars

… $\cdot . .4$ | Lewis H. Biwatbas... | ... | 2 | Percy Tomprins | $\ldots$. | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Albert Symonds... | .. | ... | 3 | Francis S. Beadmont | $\ldots$. |  | Conducted by Francis S. Beadmont.

* First penl at firet attempt. Rung on the occasion of II.M. the Queen's lirthday.

TEMPSFORD, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Fyiday, August 6, 1937, ix Two Hours and Fifly-Two Minates, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE BINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Seven T20's.

Tenor 9/2 cwt .
*Hoge Harding ... ... ...Tveble -C. Edward Jbffrigs ... 4 C. Herry Harding ... ... 2 •Reginald Hodghton ... 5 Frances G. Glgaves......${ }_{3}$ Frank Warrington... ... Tenoy

Conducted by Frank Warringion.

* First peal of London.


## COPDOCK, SUFFTOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Friday, August 6, 1937, in Two Houys and Fo ty-Four Minutes.
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Two 720's eath of Oxford and Kent Trelule Bala and ihree of Plain Bob, witit different callingss. Tevor 10 cwt
Ronald W. Sizward ...Tyebla Charles A. Andrzws ... ... 4
Sylvia R. E. Bowyer $\ldots . .2$ Gborge A. Flbming ... Jayes W. Jennings ... ... 3 Urban W, Wildney $\quad . .$. Conducted by Urban W. Wildngy.

SAHAM TONEY, NORFOLK.
THE NORWIOH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fyiday, August 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutos,
Ait ter Church of Sis. Gborge.
A PEAL OF HINOR, 6O4D CHANGES;
Being 720 ench of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Double Oxford,
St. Clement's, Oxtord Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Jofn A. Godprey ... ...Treble Wallace Cousins ... ... 4
George Mayers ... ... ... 2 Claude Codsins ... ... ... 5
William Bockbngam... ... э Tony Price ... ... ... ...Tehor
Conducted by Tony Price.
First pcal on the bells.
MARCI, CAMBS.
THE REY DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION
On Sathraly, August 7, 1937, in Two Howrs amd Fifty-Six Minutes,
Ai ter Churce of St. Wendreda,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Donble Oxford,
St. Clement's, Oxford Bol, Oxtord Treble Bab and Plain Bols.
Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. int E.
John A. Godragy ... ...Treble Wallace Cousins ... ... 4

Conducted by Tony Price.
First peal on the bells since retuning and velanging by john Taylor and Co .

## HANDBELL PEAL.

LINCOLN.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Northern Brancr.)
On Wednesday, August 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Eighten Minhtes, At 95, Sincil Bank,

## A PEAL OF ROB MINOR, EO4D CHANGES;

## Being sevell differeat 720 s.

Tenor size 15 inl . - Micbael Fribman
-.i-2! †Jobn A. Frebman...
-..3-4
JJobn Erbeman ... ... ...5-6
Conducted by Jobn Frbeman. Witness-J. Walden.

* First peal. + First peal 'in liand.' First peal as conductor on six bells.

SOUTHGATE. - On Tuestay, June 29th, at, Christ Church, 1,263 Stedman Caters in 63 mimates: $\$$. Wade 1, J. G. Nash 2, Mrs. E. H. Kiug 3, W. J. Bowden 4, E. H. King 5, J. Armstrany (eonductor) B $_{2}$ N. A. Tomliuson 7, H. Miller 8, J. Miller 9, A. G. Crane 10. Rung Nith the bells half-muffed as a jast token of respect to the Rev. C. F. Peploe, Vicar of Southgate, who was interved in Sonthigate Cemetery in the afterroom.

## PEAL NOTES.

LNTHRHSTMG POINTS CONORRNING MANF FFRFORMANCES. A hand of College Yontlis on July 3lat rang a peal of Cambriage Surprise Royal al St, Clement Dnues, London, in honour of the wedding of $31 \mathrm{r}^{*}$. John w. V. Husse (son of Major J. H. B. Resse, of Haslemerc, it Surrey, a populiur member of the socicty and Master of tho Guidford Diocesan (Guild) and Miss Doris Winifred James, which took place at St. Clement's earlier in the day
Several of those who took pari in this peal had further successes on lie two following days. On Sunday, Angust 1st, they rang a peal of Spliced Surprise Major in Four thethods at Crawley, Sussex, and on Mandiny a zeal of Gambriklge Surprise Royal at Newbry, Berks.

An interesting family liandbell peal was ruyg at Lincoln on August 4th, when Mr, John A. Freeman and his two sous rang seven different 720 's of Boh Ninar. One som, John, ealled the peal from 34, and iuncther, Michaol, who whs at week inder 12 yearg old, raug his first penl. It was the first peal 'in liand for the other two
Atter meeting shost for a peal of Double Norwich Major at Ola Baffort, Notts, a peal in seven Minor methods was rung by members of the North Notts Association. It was Farold Benman's fiftieth preal with the Djeses K. and G. Burchall, twin sisters, who have never rung a peal Hpart
Mr. Phomes E. Sohe has called peals on all numbers from Doubles to Maximus, cbmpletiug this achievement with a peal of Treble Twelve at Cnuterbury Catiedral on Augrast, Bank Holiday. Arthur Kniflits' compositiou No. 80 was rung for the first time.

A peal of Bob Minor rung at Holmer, Herefordshire, on July 266 b , was in honour of the visit of Queen Mary to Hereford. It was also the quarterty peal far the Hereford District of the Gurild and rung by at band of Suntay service ringers it Folmer Chturch. In addition, it was an farewell tu Arthur J. Gaugh, a member of the band, who is taking up residence at Goodrich.
Mr. J. A. Burford's round 5,000 of Canbridge Surprise Royal was rung at Beddington on Saturday, the first time this mamber has been runts in the method in Surrey
For 49 jeara Mr. George 'Thompson las beev a ringer at St. Mary's Chrrel, Hinckley, Jeicesterslin'e, find in honour of his 70th birthday a peal of Grandtire Triples, in which he took part, was rumg on Satur day.

The ten bells at Christ Church, Crewe, hrve come into the peal nows agait. It seems a long time simee the previous peal was rung there. TONY'S ' DOUBLE,'
Mr. Tony wrice (one of the fightweights) tmoned in St. Peter Mancroft tenor, nearly a 3 cwt. bell, to Kent Treble Bob Major on August Tank IIoliday
The bels at Siahan Toney, Norfolk, lave recently been rehung by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswicls, and last Triday the first peal was rung on them, coluducted, appropriately enough, by Mr. "Tony' Price.
By retuming, the bells of St. Wentreda's Church, March, Cambs. have been turred juto a glorious six by Messris. Jolm Taylor and Co The benor is $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E and the whole ring has been rehung. The first peal on the restored bells was rung on Saturday in seven methods The pievious peal on them was Binb Minor, yung in 1819
He peal of Sterlman Caters (the first on the bells) at St. Mary's, Somehamptort on August 4 ik, and the peal of Double Norwich Major at Ronsey Abbey on Saturday, were arranged for Mr, R. W. Rex, who was on holiday in tlie district:
The Wicken (Notthants) ringers and their friends, who rang a peal of Donble Norwich at King's Sutton on Angust Bank Foliday, will be glad if any of onr resders will inform them of any peals which may lave been rumg at this charch. A peal board in the tower records two peals runs in 1799 and 1802.
The Worcestershire mea are not wasting their opportunities with ilse twelve bells at Kidderminster. They are introducing variety into the peals there, fund have now rung the first of Boh Maximus on the hells. Incidentrly it, was the first peal of "Plain Twelve" by tell of the band, ou!y those old 'way' horses, Bill Short and Joln Bass, Having rung a veal of Boh Maximus before, althougly most of them Tave rung Cambriage Maximas. Rob Maximus provides hetter music than some of the methods that liave been runt on twelve bells.
A bnof meetins short for a peal in seven Minar methods at Copdock, Suffolk, ou Fiday, "roped in" Mr. C. A. Andrews at short notice and rung a ponl in three methods instead. They projosed Mr. Andrews as on member of the Sulfolk Guild before starting.
As n birthany compliment to feorge and Alan Andrews and Urban Wildney, a peal in seven mothod , the first in this mumber loy five of tive hand, was rung at Thorington, Jeseex, on Saturday
The peal of Owford Treble Boh at Marsham. Norfolk, on Angust 3rd, was arranged for Mr. Fonry W. Gayton, of Harrold. Beds
The first peri on the bells since 1928 and the first in three methodr was rung at shipdham, Norfols, on August 4fh. It was conducted 1wy Mr. A. J. E. Smalls, who was on holiday in his Dative parish. He wishes to thank the Rev. $\mathbb{C}$. H. V. Evr for the use of tle bells, and the band. especially Mr. J. A. Godfrey, for making the arrangements.
Our comment last weck on the peal of Bob Triples at Grumdisburgh, fince first it the method an Etre bells and by the Suffolk Guild. that ${ }^{\text {it }}$ would probably he the last for a goon long time;' lins led Mr. Cecil Tipe to ask what we really mean by the remark.
(Continued in nett column.)

## A HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.'

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## SHROPSHIRE ASSOCLATION'S 'GARDEN PARTY

The Shropshire Association meeting at Moveton Corbet on July 24 th rescubled a garden party as much as a ringing niecting. Orer 60 vingers, together willa a nunber of ladies, enjoyed the haspinality of the association treasurer, the Rey. $\overline{\text { Fb}}$. C. Pigott. In the intervals of taking a turn in the diminutive belfiry tlie 'guests ' played hawls, deck tennis, otc., in the benutiful vicmage gardens which adjoin the church. Anoulg those present were ringers from Chester, Wem, Wellington, Bervington, Clive, Shrewsbury, Coalbrookdale, Malins Lee Hodnet, Montford, Great' Ness and Staudon, Milston and Norton (Staffs)
The searetary found it impossihle to hold a business meeting, but all united in the service, conducted by the Reetor, at which the Rev. T. N. Orowther-Green (Mulins Lee) addressed the congregation.

A touch of Grandsire Triples and a course of Caters on Mr. William Saunders' laandbells were much appreciated, especielly by the ledies. The mathods rung included London, Tpswich, Wells and Cambxidge Surprise Minor, as well as the standard six-bell methods.

## (Continued fram previous calumn.)

3t means just what it says, that it will probably he a good long time before another peal of Bob Triytes is rung for the Buffols Guild. Bob Triples is not the best or the most popular of methods, nud, except as a curiosity, no one erel rings it now. All of which ringers well know. It was just these facts that made us surmise lhat it will, perhaps, be some lime before nnother peal of it is rung for the Guild, but, after this, some band will probrbly ring another fir Suffolk on purpose to prove that we are wrong.

## MARRIAGE OF MISS DOROTHY SAUNDERS

MUCH RINGING IN HONOUR OF COAEBROORDALE BRIDE The weddiug took place at St. Chad's Roman Catholic Cathedra], Hiruingiam, on Saturday, July 31st, of Miss Dorathy Sannders, only clild of Mr. and Mrs. William Saunders, of Coalbrookdale, and Mr. James loseph Salley, yonngest sons of the late Comailor and Mrs. Robert Salley, of Newcastle-on-Tyue. The ceremosy was performed lyy the Rev. Father Joseph Boland.
the bride is well known to many riuging frieuds. 'Doss ' has always been a good critic when bands of 'rlythm wreckerss' have visitea Conlbrookdale, where her [ather is the popular leader of the ringers.
A great compliment was paid to her on the occasion of her wedding Ly ringers of St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham. Special permission had been granted by the Rev. Father Cazon Ataskell (priest in charge of the Cathedral) for the bells to be rung, and it is interesting to note that among those who took part were Mr. James George (aged 83), Mr. John Jagger (aned 76), also Walter Latgo and Alfred S. Bayley, Conlbrookdale, with Mu. Goorge E. Tearn and severul other members of St. Martin's.
Afterwards the ringers gathered at the Beelive Hotel. It was here that the bride and bridegroom and the bride's parents and several other friends looked in to thank them, ouly to fine that 'William' had dared to come without his famous handbells. Good wishes were cxpressed to the happy couple.
In the afternoon the bride and bridegroom left Snow Hill Station an route to SE. Aune's-on-Sea, where the houeymoon is being speut. Their new home will be at Sheldolk, near Birmingham.
On Monday, August 2nd, a few Birmingham and distriet and Shropshive friends met at Coalbrookdale, where a peal of Grandsire Caters had been turanged as a further weddiug compliment. The holiday made it very difficult to get a band together, with the result that a peal of Bob Major was surgested, but after an hour's goad ringing something Jhappened which made tho conductor call 'Stand.' It was at pity, for it would have beent his 3506 bh peal.
After refreshments and handbells at headquarters a move was made in St. Michael's, Madeley. The party arrived just in time for a wedAing. Grandsire and Stedmau Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Minor were very well rang. The whitors then went on to Shifnal for tea, after which Mr. Percy Baker (local captain) arrived and gave the party a very hearty welcome. The grand old eight by Pack nid Chapman were rung to Grandsire and Stedman Griples, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major. A fine than down wilh the isual $1,2,3$ and Conlbrookdele Queen's made a g:od finish. The usurl social lour, 'spent at Shifual with Billy's handbells. completed a very happy day.

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CHICHESTER.-On Sunday, Tune 271, for morming service at the Gathedral, a guarter-peal of Grandsive Triples: II. Gtovold 1, W Falconer 2, T. A. Doick 3, J. T. Newimglon 4, F. J. Tuekor (composer and conductory 5, C. Marelall 6, J. In. Blake 7, A. Carvei 8. This quarter-peal, with the 5 th at home every three leads, contrins twelve 6-7's. It was arranged for Mr. J. T. Newington, of Spalding, Lincs.

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## BELERY GOSSIP

A party of holiday tingers, several of Uem actively connected will the Central Conncil, spent last week in Somerset. $A$ rumonr bas reached us that they were 'pinched 'fol exceeding the speed linit in a built-up arce, or some equally serious offence. That may be tho explanation of the fact that, at the time of writing, we have hata nothing officially of the ringing resultis of their tour.
One peal they rang, however, was at Wedmore, where the bells were recently lestored by Messis. Mears and Stainbank. Mrs. G. W Ficteher rang the 30 ewt. tenor, which, we believe, is the featiest bell yet qung to a peal by a lady.
A bachelors' partu, with a limited number of benedicts to chapervio them, begin a week's peal ringing in Gluncestershire, Wiltshire, Oxtordshire and Worcestershre on September 4th. They travel together Ly motor-coach. Is this to preqeat any slipping away when other attrat tious call?
In the following week another party are to tour Cheshire and North Wales.
There were 152 changes of method in the peal of Minor in 20 melhous Inlig at Jamby-in-the-Willows, Noils, for the North Notts Association, on June 5wh.
The number of clanges in the peal of Cambridge Surprise (cum posed by Mr. C. H. Kippin), murg at Colenan's Hatch ou July 281n, was 5,088 aud not 5,056 as published.
At Bounn, Cambs, on Thursday, Angust 5th, an attempt for a peal of London Surprise Major came to grief in the Sth course, but good practice resulted. If the peal had been successful it would have been the firgt ever by all residents in lily diocese. The band whs Miss Shorter, Miss K. Willers, A. E. Austin, G. W. Gook, E. G. Hihbins. F. G. Gleaves, Tr. T. Denilis and F. Warrington.

A halfpenny stamp only meed be aflixed to the andressed envelopu sent to Mr. W. A. Cave, 29, Victoria Street, Bristol, 1, by applicals for his booklet of Lougres of Stedman Caters and Ginques.
There were twa errors in the names given beneath the picture of the Friezeland yingers in our last issue. The fourth from the left was Alfred and not Wilfred Bennetit, and on the extreme right was Josent Burgess and not Bennett.
Frederick G. Cole rang the $4 t 1$ in the peal of Superlative at Sherfinh Fnglisb, Hants, on July 31et.

THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' TERCENTENARY
FARLY MASTER'S TOMB TO BE RESTORED.
One Lord Mayol of London was also Master of the College Yonths duritg his year of office. This was Sir Heury Tulse, who died in 1689 aud was buried at Bt . Dyonis-Backelsurch, in the City of London. He was Master in 1684.
The stone which garked lis vault is one which, with others, was preserved when the Church of St. Dyonis-Bachehnrch whs demolished in 1878. It lies on the north side of the old burial gronme, which is off Lime Street in the City, and it reads as uader:-

In a Tault Under-neath
this Stone Lyyes Turied the Bady
of Sir HENRY IUULSE, who Departed
this life the 3lst day of
August, 1699.
It. is proposed to touch up the inscriphion where visilye and recut it where losi. Below this inscriplion is a considerable space; in the lower portion it is proposed to add :-

SIR HENRY TULSE was a Benefactor of
the Ghurels of St. DYONIS BACKCHURCH,
formerly adjoining. He was alsa
Grocer, Alderman and Lord Mayou of This City.
This Slone was restored by
THE ANCTIN'I SOCJETY OF COLLFGE YOUTHS, Angusi 31st, 1937, during the 300th
yeal of the Society's Foumdation, as a
Memorial to the above who was Master
during the year of hivs Mayoralty in I684.
The unveiling is provisionally fixed for the afternoon of Augnst 31st (the anuiversary of his death) ahout 4 p.ma, and it is hoped there will be a good muster of members of tho society. Any members who may he visiting London on that day will be specially welcome.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SIXTFEN TOWERS REPRESENTED AT DISTRICT MEETING
A very pleasant meeting of tho Wisbech Branch was held at Opwell on Saturday, no fewer than 16 towers being represented. The ringing included Double Normich, Cambridge and London Surprise. Among the visitors were Mr. G. Mayers, of Norwich, Mr. A. F. Anstin, of Newmarket, and Mr, Tony Price, of Feltham, Middesex
The general secretary (Miss K. Willerst presided at the business menting, which Mr. G. Mayers was elected a notr-resident life member of the association.
The secrelary (Mr. W. W. Cousins) extended a welcome to the risitors, and Mr. Tony Price (who is a native of the district), in reply, said how pleased he was to be present and to find the braneh in sum a flonrishing coudition.
The next meeting is to he held at Denver.

## LONDON RINGER HONOURED

MIPERIAL SFRVICE MEDAL FOR MR. TI. H. JAFFENDER
Recipient of the King's Coronation Medal last May, Mr. Thomas Taffender, ane of London's best kuown ringers, has jusl beon decorated with the medal of the Imperial Siervice Order, on his retirenent from Ule Postal Service. Reaching the age of 00 on July 25th. M1. 'Inffender tolinquislzed his dulies on the previous day, when it peal in lonour of the occasion was inng at Streatham.
H: 'Caffender entered the Postal Service neatly 47 years ago ane for 41 years has heen an established Civil Servant. Since 1isilig to the superwsing grades, his promotion in recent years lus been very tapid. Ha enjoyed the complete confidence of Ho Deportment and has hold appointments as officer in chatue of some of tha largest poanal areas in Lontions.
Many specches lave ben made and much regret expuessed at his deparinue and the loss of his sarvices to the departmenti. Reference has also been made as to Mr. Taffender"s youlinfint appeurance, and even to enst suspicion on the vallaily of his birth certilicate. His reply has hem that the yanthfuhess is due to his actirity in campanology
At the recent Cororation uf King George, Mr. Taftouder was hongmred by the King by Leiry docorated wills the anomation Medal. At his reirn:ment, [or his mevitorions


MR. T. H. TAFFENDER services in the Post Office, he aceived further recoguition, and Fis Majesty has deconated him with We medal of the Imperina Service Order. The Postmaster- Cientral algo has sont him a personally sigued emblem expressing his appreciaion of his faithful scrvice to the State for mearly 67 years.
On Suuday, Jily 25ih, at St. Giles, Gamberweil, for erening serwice, quarter-peal of Stednan Caters was rung to celebrate the 60th anm ersary of Mr. T. F. Tafenders birth. It was rumb br W. D. Trainger 1 , Miss 13 . N. Mills 2, B. R. Harris 3, 1 , H. T"aftonder (con(luctor') 4, A. S. Bichards 5, T. W. Traffender 6, F. D. Bishop 7, N. W. Hanuing 8, L. J. King 9, F. Hopgood (hutst quarter-peal on Len Lells) 10.
Mr. Talfonder has long been one of tha most active ringers in Lonlon, and throughont a mreer extending over 45 years his interest in he art has never flagged. He began his ringing towarts the end of 1892 at the Church of St. George the Martyl, Southwarts, aud corsinaed al little lnter at Holy Trinity. Newington. Hu joined the Lutient Saciety of College Fouths in Decentier, J893, and zang lis irst peal with them the same month. He was olented Master in the ear 1911. Prior to that he was appointed an oflicial member of the St. Pral's Cathedrat Compray, and is still one of the band.
As a member of the old St. James' Society, Mr. Taffender took a pading part in widening its sphere of activity and in thanging its anme lo the London Connty Associntion. This was carried out dung his sceretaryship and for many yenes now M1. "Taffender las filled he office of Master. Under his guidance the assoniation has achieved much suecess. His sun, Mr. T. Wilfred Taftender, is now the houn. ecretary.
It is umecessary lere to refer to ML. Taffender's achiewements in the belfry He is ameng the foremost conductors and lsas taken part in many notable peals, atmong them the forst Surprise peal (Superlative) in the city of London in 1901, the lirst peal on the hells of the Imperial Institule, ruug for the Coronation of King Edward Vix., the 7,104 Double Norwich Majov at. Sonth Wigston, Leicestershire, 11 go4, ind in the fathers' and sous' pea] of Sledman Cingues al. Shoveitch in 1928.
But Mr. 'Taffender's rintimg activities have by no mestis nember in panls. He has always shared energetieally in Sumday serviee ringing. and, in addition to his duties at. St. Panl's Cathedrat, has orginised had leeped to matintain Sunduy ringing in a number of churches. Tn the feisute which, we hope, long lies hefore birn, lie will doubtless outinue to devote his ellergies to this useful end.

## THE LATE MR. J. BATTERS.

## Ta the Editor

Sir,-The ringerg of SS. Peler and Paul's Clumeln, Rromley, Kent, would like to express, through the colnmis of 'The Ringing World, their rery deep sympathy wilh the relatives and also with the Nerst ham ringers in the loss they have sustained by the deatil of Mr'. James Batters. Whenever he was in the neightornood of Bromley Mr. lBatter's was e very welcome, enthusiastic and useful ringer
P. SPICE.

## TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD

## NFW MEMBFRSHIP BADGE ISSUlGD

Che numual festival of Traso Diocesth Guid was held at 'lrumo un Angust Bahk Holiday, when the bells of the Cathedral (10), Ken (G), Kenwyn (8) und st. Erme (6) were nsed. Romds, call changes, Grandsite Doubles, Triples and Caters, Stediman Triples, Bob Major, Royai and Kent F'reble Bob were rung
Among those present were Di. Symons (presidenl), Miss Symona, 1, i.-Col. C. F. Jerran (Ringing Master), B. Dunsfan (breasurer), W Sleman (Ringing Master of the Oathedral Lower), tive Rev. Tr. $\mathrm{P}^{2}$. Gilbert (secretary of the Hif-Cornwall Association), ringers from the Cuthedral, Bridgerule, Callington, Calstock, Cury, Gwemmap, Kea, Mnnatara, Pormazabuloe, sit. Antiony-in-Memense, Towndmatk, Zeenor aud visitors from Barking, Coventry, Louglabough, London, Oxford and Plymontl.
The new Guild membership hadge was issued and the ringets atitended evensang in the Catiedral, at which simple chnones and the hyimu, 'O worstip the King, were stmg. 'The service was condneterl by Canon sedywick, the subtean, and the Jev. W. H. R. Trewhella, secretary of the Guild.
It lis address, the Ganon, having weleomed the ringery to thit Mother Charch of the Diocese, sait that while an the Cantinent Thells were merely chashed and changed, in linghted the balls were rumg to prodice masic, und in tho Dictionary of Music many pages were devoted to the science of English bellringing;
Tea, provided by members of the Gallsedral company of ringers, rollowed tho service, and riuging in the four towerg continued until about $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{mz}$.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## IWENTY-TWO NEW MTMBERS ELECTED AT DISTRICT MEETHNG

The Sonthern Branch of the Worcestersline Association held a musl enjoymble meeting ab Norton on Saturaty, Angust 71 h . The servine was conducted by the Viesu' (the Res. 'T'. Lioyd), zund the collertion, in aid of the Belfry Fepair Fmat, gmonuted io 17 s .
Tho ringers were afterwards the fuests of the Viear, aum aboul 45 members, visitors and friends sat down to den on the Vicarage lawn.
The business meeting whinh followed was also held in the open air. Twentrotwo new members, ten from filford-nil-Aqon, six from Hampton and six from Norton, were elented. This number constitales it record for the Southern Branch.
Mr. J. W. Feadif, Branch Master, conveyed a kind invitution from the Rev. R. R. Brown to hold the next meeting at Willersey. THis will probably take place the thind Suturdiay in Ochober
The general secretary reminded those meseut of the ammond dimer to bo beld at. Warcester on the last Saturday in Sertember, and asked for mames to be sent to the brancin secretary so ibat a gonveyance cond be ordered if numbers warranterl
Tha proceedings terminated with a vote of thandes to all who hand contributed to the suceess of the meeting, proposed liy Mr: J. Hemming nud narried with applause.
The thembers afterwerds rethrned to the tower for further tinging, which rasged fion rommes to Cumbridge Minur.

## RINGERS WED AT FOLKINGHAM.

MR. J. H. BOTHAM AND WISS FLRANCISS HEMPHREY. In the preseme of many friends anm relations, the wedding took
 M. Botlram, only son of Mr, and Mrs, W. J. Botham, of Willesdem, and Miss Trances Humphaey, eldesb danghter of the Jate Mr. T. Ftmphrey and Mrs. Elyyllis Humphrey, of Kensington, London. Both the bride and her mother starled their ringing eiteer ati Foltagghan, It was also in this tower that the first, peal was accomplished in which mol her and dangliter took part. Ift her early 'Leens the furide took parb in several peals at Simprise Minor and Major.
The marriage ceremony was perfornicd Dy the Rector (the Rev. [P. F. Heath, R.D.) and was fully choral. Tho bide wore a dress of white silk clogne, and her lovely old embroidered veil was lept in place by a halo headlvess of orange blossom. Shas was givert in marriage by lier consir, Mr. Geozge Mason, and attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Pat Eumphrey (sister) and Miss A. Bostleman, who wore dresses of manve flowered crepe-de-thtio and carriod banguets of manve swoet peas. The duties of bost matr were cartied outi by Mr. T. McNaliy.

After the ceremony, as the bridal partiy left the church, the belk were 'fired followed by a 720 of Oxford Troble Boh.
The reeeption was held at the Filage Fall, alsont 50 guests, inclading many zingers, altending. The brite was presented with a anibably inseribed silver bell inkstamel by Mr. O. T. I. Bradley on belanf of her many ringing friends in Sonth Lincolnghire. Among the many presents received hy the bride was a canteen of eatlery in an oak case from the Sti. Mary Abhot's Guikt, Kensinglotn of which she rud lier motiner are members

As the happy comple left for their homemmon the bells were ngain ringing, rud lasit Saturday a peal in honowr of the event was rung. "The fiture address of Mr. and M's. Pobihaon will be 3, Bush Hill Road, Kenton, Mindlesex.

## RINGING EXCURSIONS

## WELSH RINGERS TRIP THROUGH FOUR COUNTIES

'The Tatgarth Church bellringery held their' seventh annual outing on Angnst Bank Foliday, August Znd, the venue being Worcester. Leav ing home at 8 a.m, and travelling down the Wye valley via Leominster, the first stop was made atstoke Prior, Herefordshire, where is a very handy ring of five bells, which hang in a steel frame. Some of the youmger ringers found them a little diflicult to handle, but some sixseores of Grandsire were rang and the bells lowered in peal. Whitbumrue, just over the Worcestershire border, was next visited, and here the parly wers met by the Yicar (the Rev. Stinmer), who gave them a vory hearty wrolcome. The bells are a good ring of six with a very nice tone and "go.' Aiber same six-scobes and a vote of thanks, passed to tho Vicar for the use of the bells and for his welcome, the party moved of through beautiful countary to Clifton-on-''eme, which was reached at 12.30 . They anrived while a wedding was in progress and were able to ring a "wedding peal." A vole of thanks mas accorded to the Vicar aud a move made to Martley, where ulhe parly were met by the Thev. J. M. Hastings, who is a well-known Worcestershire ringer: A heardy welcome was extended to the visitors, who were rery pleased to be able to ring on the oldest origiual peal of six bells in Sholand. The Vicar explainect that all the bells were cast clese to the clurch in 1673, each bell bearing linat date. The exculsionists finally reached Worcester at 3.15 p.m. where the parly broke up to look romd the city, bul most made for the Cathedral, where a long time was spent inspecting tho benutiful editice. Some made the long climil up the tower. Leming Worcester at 9.15 p.m., home was-anfely reached about midnighto after a long buts pleasani day. D. Fi. B.

## HALF DAY IN EAST KENT

YOUTHS WITH NO OOMPLAINMS.
Willeshorongh and District Youths ged off on their seventh amual half-day run on July 17th. At Eythome the locals were there to ment the party, hut the Yoaths were lookiug for the oiher one. After ringing on the lible peal of five bells, they went on to Northboume, with its beantiful charch and good bells. Fhe way up to the ringing chamber, lowever, caused ane of the ringers to do some pretty hard thinking before making the attempt. He was mot to be beaten, however', and, althongh tha last one up, lad his veward for the strugglefor struggle it was and no doubt about it

Great Mongelam, the next call, provided a better ascent with something to 'plant 'en on.' Another nice little six was sel going. One rope looked a bit queer, but this was soon pirt right and an eujoyable hour was spent. Then away to the Parish Hall, Upper Deal, for tea, This proved a lovoly 'touch.' No matter whether tull work front, or back places, in or out, it was bequtifully styuck. Nexb. across the road to St, Leonard's Chureh, up the roundabont, amother honr of yood ringing and away to Wingham. All too soon came the time for departure, and howe was reached fifter another enjoyable run round of 70 miles, in beantiful weather through lovely country. With five towers, I2 noeliods attempted and nine coming home, there were no complaints.

The Youkhs, throurgh He medium of 'The Ringing Worled, wish to thank the incumbentis for the use of the bells, the towerkeepers and local ringers for meeting thom, to Mr, and Mrs. Verrier and lady fricnds for their splendid arrangements for tea, not forgetting the lititle maid with dustipan and brush.
E.S.R.

## TWO DAYS IN HERTS AND ESSEX

PUTINEY JINGERS EXCURSION.
st, Mary's, Putrey, ringers spent a couple of days on thein amual onting. They startied at 8.15 a.m. on Saturday, July 24 th, travelling in a small coach. The wecord of the excursion is told in the following story : Bowling through Middlesex, we picked up twa 'cads' on the way. 'Hullo, cads,' said we, nice worle to be punctual. Without mishap and only one error we resched Broxbourne at 9.30 , the first call. A welcome from the Yiear and a local ringer, and a pice peal, of about a ton, was soou giving tongue to Stednan and Bob Major, I'hese bells were nurg appreciated, and some were lowh to leave, bnt the new 'O.S.,' like the 'old 'm,' must pusis us on to the next tower, soon reached, to wit Hoddesdon, where hang a Warner eight of about 12 cwt. Justice was done here for a while, the young lady in oharge finding opportunity to ring her first tonches of Grandsure vriples. Speaking of 'firsts,' Mis. 'I'wickenham here enjoyed her first pull (on tho stars). There beles now time in hand before hanch, Mr. E., well known at Feston, took ans on a mystert tonn, objective Hullsdon, but there was 'noting doing.' We'd passed the Vicarage wo miles baek, ser at 'place' was found where the unwise 'chaps ${ }^{\text {P }}$ cleared Mr. and Mrs. Boniface out of all catables. Sowe others had brouslit "Pie.' Branghing was the next stop, a bit late on account of the mystery tour, and here was foumd a good eight of very old slyle, about 19 cwt . and going well. Passing through Little Hadham, we soon reached Bishop's Stortford, where we were met by the Vicar with a hearty welcome. Tho wxiter noticed a preat cirange here since his last visit (breathe it nott\} 37 years ago. There is a very nice ring of ten, aboit
$16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwh., which some years ago were xeconditioned by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and on which Stedman and Graudsire Oaters were accomplished of our own bat.
"Twas now nearing late aftemoon, so Felstead was aimed at. Here another Wariker peal in a church dating from 1149 A.D. was much appreciated, as was the tea which followed nearby. Witham was the next objective, and here we were met by several of the local band and with their loelp were able to 'knock off a couple of conrses of Double Norwich in elnking style; also sone novel Bola Minor on handbells at the instigation of the late $0 . S$.

Headquarters at Chelmsford was reached in good time for a look round, and then supper' and bed. The usual 'late bird' arrived about midnight, and was duly consoled witiz supper and bottle complete.
Aiter breakfast next noming, we made our way to Great Baddow. where there was a weleome by the Vicar and Dr. Speucer Phillips Splendid sew wice ringing was done on a fine peal of eight, inelndity Double Norwich with local help. The O.S. gave leave of absence fil tealime (bar dimuer), and we feld we were free men once again. After tea we were 'on the dat' at Writtle for service ringing. we werg meb and welcomed, Found good bells aud satisfactinn. Lator grool byes wert said, and we were definitely on the homeward trek. Bur 'ah! we stop at Loughtou to ring out,' says Mir. O.S., and so we" clid right merrily, being welcomed by the Vicar and a looal lady and gentleman ringer. Sliadows were falline on Epping Forest ms we lefl. and reached Puiney safely qti abiont 10.30 p .un., laving dropped the "cads" en route.
We should like to thank all who met and welcomed us and the clergy who kindly gave permission to ving, also Mr. Elson, who so wel organised the trip. During the tour condncting was shated by Messe
Fllinghan, Elson, Malins, Cassell, Wicks and

## A JAUNT IN BUCKS AND HERTS. TOO MANY " DIGTATORS.

The Heston, Middlesex, ringers had thein second outing tilis yery August 7th, when they had a shart Saturday afternoon jaunt motor-coach.
The first call was at \$toke Mandeville (Bucks) and 6ft. ringers blistered hands in rimging the seand on account of a very low ga However, four methods were rang, induding Oxford Bob Irriples wi oul the diagram.
A move was then made to the Woolpach, where an 'al fresco' ter
enjoyed and group photograplis taken
Out of Bucks into Herts, the ringers arrived at Northelurch, there is a recent Taylor augmentation to eiglat. Faur melhods wer rung, pleasing featare being a touch of Oxford Treble Bob Majo Then on to Hemel Hempstead, where the party was med by the veteran Mr. Golding and heavier belis fonnd. Oxford Treble Bob also went very well here as the last touch.
The methods rung were frandsire, Stedman, Oxford Bols Triples Plain Bob, Donble Norwich and Oxfard Treble Bobs but some of touches of Stedman were failures, owing to the bob-ealler not being it conductor in the strict sense, and when "dictators' disagree tranhle enstes. Perlaps it: was due to the excessive heat of the afteruoon?
The president of the Tower Grabbers Union was an honoured (ank roisy) guest, and he was able to announce to all and sumdry that Hemel Hempstead was his 600th tower. He drauk to his awn health in 'grape fruit." Arrangements for the afternom and evening wert in the capable hands of Ne. E. R. Gludman.

## A SUSSEX EXCURSION.

On Saturday, July 17th, the Twineham (Sussex) conpany with their wives and friends had their ammal outing. Travelling by motor-conch in lovely weather, the party went through Burgess Hirl, Ditchling and Lewes to Alfriston, where an hour was enjoyed riuging on the bella of Sb. Andrew's Churdi. After wea at the Tudor bley went on to Pevensey, where more ringing was done on the laels of the Parish Church. A long drive home ended a most enjoyable aud ideal halfday's outing to the strains of 'Old Tather Bowles' bus keeps rolling rolling on. Warmest thanks are tendered to the respective Ficar for the ase of their bells and to the ringers concerned for lavilug everything in readiness.

## CYCLING TRIP TO SUFFOLK.

As a result of an overnight cycling expedition to Suffolk from Wroodforch, Essex, two quarter-peals were pung. The firstat St. Mary's. Woodbridge, for 10 a.m. service on Sundey. August lst, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples : B. Weavel 1. A. S. Woodard 2, F. G. Woodrufte 3. William A. Woode 4, W. W. Corney 5, F. L. Fisher (oonduchor') 6, C. J. Trotman 7, R. Malster 8. For evensong qt St. Mrargavet's, Leiston, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1, 264 changes): B. Weaver 1 , Mrs. J. E. Bailey 2, F. S. Failey $3_{1}$ C. Whiting \&, T. G. Rumsey 5: Weaver and Corney wish to thath the ringers in hoth towers for making this a memorable Sunday for them. The former returned hone the same niglit.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## OBSERVINGG COURSING ORDER.

Every young zinger is a potential conductor, but not all reach the stage of competency in his direetion, nor even try to do so. Mavy ringers are content to go on just 'ringing' and leaving 'calling' to others. Whether or not bley desire to assume cesponsibilities he conductors, however, we think every ringer should kuow something about coulucting even if only becanse it helps to give him a closer insight into method ringing.
'Lo slick to one's own job and mind one's business is as meritorious in ringing as in other walks of life, but there are times when some knowledge and a little interest in the olher matn's job comes in very useful. It helps a ringer to keep himself right when trouble occurs uad may help him to help others.
The man who lanows how to conduch a toūcls or peal must of necessily know more about the method than the mazi who just does his ringing by rule of thumb. For instance, the man who only knows where fo dodge in Bob Minor by the place lie passes the troble or ly recollecting where he dodged last time is not as safe a ringer ns the man who, in addition, knows the coursinf order of the bells and how a bob is going to affect them, but these are thinge which every conductor studies if he is wortliy of the name.
Even if a young vinger has tho immediate prospect of beconiog the bols caller in his tawer, he should lose no opportanity of watching what is happening among the other bells while he is rineing, as soon as he can begin to think of something else besides finding lis way through the method. Abovo all, there is no renson why be should not stridy these things on paper, at home, for this is the one road to success in the tower.

In the simpler methods the crux of successful conducting is in the alility to watoh the coursing order of the bells and to bo wble to anticipate the changes of coursimg order which will be mado by the bobs.

Despite dodging aud place-making, the bells in these simple nuethods keep to a fixed cycle until they ar'e disturloed by a bols (or siogle). Coursing order is, generally speaking, the order in which the belis come to lead, or follow each other out behind. It also keeps them to a regular succession in the 'work' of the metlod, and if the conductor knows the consing order, he not only can tell the bells when to lead, or the ovder in which they should come away from behind, lub by the position of one or more he can tell a ringer who has grone iray exactly what piece of work lie has to do next, and thus set him fairly quickly on lis feet again-unless the delinquent happens to be one of those unfortunate ringers who, when they get out, have not the capaciby to get right again without infinite trouble.
A knowledge of coursing order is, therefore, a first estential Cor those Who wish to study anything more than the merest elementary phase of ringing. Indeed, the power to observe and memorise the order in which bella are coursing is the greatest aid to huatilg. If jou know the coursing order, there is no need to look about to find the nexd bell to strike over', with the possibility of missim it altogether; the ritger knows exactly which betl to look for.
fluphose it is Plain Bols we are ringing. Let us look at the coursing onder first from the troble, when all the working bells come up without, interruption. As you hunt out Jon have them in the order 2.4.6.5.3, aid you take them back in precisely the same order. Then, when Fon lead, the last bell the treble struck over makes 2nd's place and tukes the treble from lead. In hunting out and back mext time, therefore, you put the last first and keep the others in the same order 3.2.4.6.5. In the next lead this order becomes 5.3.2.4.6 nud so on until the end of the course or a bob is called.

A bols in Bob Minor causes 4 th's place instead of End's to be made, and consequentiy the bell coursing in front of the treble and the one belind it continue in that order and a different bell is displeced.
As we have seen, the coursing order in the first lead is 2.4.6.5.3, and, in the second without a bob, 3.2.4.6.5. If, however, a hob is called, it is not the last bell that you meet first but the same bell ans in the prepious lead. The bell met next to lask tarris round in 4bh's place and comes in and jou have a coursing order of 2.5.4.6.3 instead of 3.2.4.6.5.
It secms a litblo more complicated in explanation than it really is in practice, and with careful application the youns ringer will know as quickly which bells to look for after a bob has been called as he will after a plain lead.
If he is ringing an insido bell, he has to take tho treble into accoumb in the conising order, and he will find that what happens is that the five working bells retain their order and that the treble moves throngh them one place each lead. Thus (suppose he is ringing the Znd) he first leads aud then he meets the bells 4.6.5.3.1, find after I comes his own bell in the cycle, glving an actual coursing order of 4.6.5.3.1.2.
The 2nd's place made by 3 transposes the hells in the mext lead to 4.6.5.1.3.2, and in the next to 4.6.1.5.3.2, and so on, the treble moving one place at a time, the others keoping their coursing arder except for this disturbence. If a bob is called, there is a wider transposition and instend of 4.6.5.3.1.2 yroul get 4.6.3.1.2.5
It is worth while gring to a little pains lo ninderstand this. Get a pencil and paper and write out two or three leads of Bols Minor and note the order in which the bells come up behind and come to lead. Then write ont thee leads in whinh hobs are made and observe in nheae how the comsing order is changed. It will emable you fograsp much more clearly when yous go into the betfry.

## FIRST LADY TO RING 300 PEALS

MRS. G. W. FLETCHER'S RECORD.
Mrs. G. W. Flebcher is the finst lady to reach a total of 300 peals, and her perfomances, from their great wariety as well as their high standard, furm an extremely interesting recond. No fewer than 77 of the peals were on handiselis atad she conducted 110 .
The following is the list:-
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Tower bell dicted
Cambridge Surprise Waximus
Spliced Cambridge and Suporative s."Maximus Littlo Bob Maximus
Kont fireble Bob Maximuts
Cauterbury Pleasure Maximas
Spliced Plain and Litite Bob Maximas
Stedman Cinques
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Grandsire Cinqtes
Cambridge Sucp
Double Norwich Court Bob IRoval
Spliced Yorkshire, Pudsoy and Cambridge S . Royni
Kent, Treble Bob Royal
Bub Royal
Little Boly Roya!
Spliced Bob Royal and Grandsire Caters
Spliced Stedman and Grnadsive Caters
Stedman Caters
Grandsive Catiers
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Bristol Surprise Major
Cambitge Sirprise Major
New Cambridge Sulprise Mnjon
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Norfolk Surprise Major
Gloucester Surprise Major
New Gloncester Surprise Major
Cumberland Delight Major
Donble Norwich Conrt Bob Major
Kent Treble Bob Major
Bob Major
Cauterbury Pleasure Major
Liblle Bob Major
Double Bob Majol
Stedman Triples
Grandsire Triples
Minol' (7 metliods)
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* 1 peal of Stedman and 3 Grandsire on handients.


## WEDDING BELLS.

In honohr of the wedding of MIr. F. Whittatior and Miss 13. Tanea, a quarter-penl of Doubles ( 1,280 changes) in eleven mothorls was rung at Evershot, Dorset, on Thursdny, August 5th. IThe mathots were one extent each of Place Boh, Chase, New Donljes, St. Dunctan"s, St. Barcholomew, Reading, St. Simonds, Stedman Slow Course, Reverse Ganterbury and Plain Boly and 60 clanges of Grandsire: iNes, F. IS. W. Bishop 1, Iू. Smith 2, FI. D. W. Bishop (conduchor) 3, Mrs, F. Smith 4, A. G. Chubb 5. W. Ruttley 6. This was also a compliment to W. Ruitley on his 65th birthdry.
For the wedding of the fiev. J. K. Mitehelson, Vicar of Stwensall, Yorkshire. and Miss R. A. Foster, of Pontlands, Great Bnddow, Essex, on July 1st, at Great Baddow, a curatcr-peal of Kend Frehle Boh Majou was rung by G. Green 1, F. Devenisli 2, E. Clark 3. S. Everett 4, H. Carter 5, Q. Pennack 6, K. Pemack 7, P. Green (conanctor) 8 . The wedding ceremony wns conducter by the Arehbishop of Tork, assisted by the Rev. R. H. Holmes, Vicar of Greal Haddow. Later, as the bride ard bridegroont left the parish, 504 Grandsite Triples was rung, conducted by G. Green.
At St. Mary's, Chatham, for a wetding, a quarter-penl of Grandsiro Triples: F. Belsev 1, D. T. litls 2, F Southrade 3, H. Springate 4, C. Belsey 5, W. Walker (conductor) 6, G. Norris 7, G. Lawrence 8.

## TWIN BROTHERS CELERRATE BIRTHDAY

At the Parisl1 Church, Swafliam, Norfollt, on Sunday, June 27th, beforo evening service, a quarter-penl of Boh $\operatorname{Hnjor}$ (1,264 elanges) was rung as a birtladay compliment to the twin bothers $A$. and , Hourhton: S. Flint 1, W. Buckenham 2, A. Foughton 3. W. Houghton 4. J. Buckenham 5, H. Tuttle 6. E. Barker 7, L. Fonghion (eondiuctor) 8 .

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

## A bank hotiday meeting

Bank Holiday meectings of the Durlani and Newcastle Diocesan Association had not been hehf for some years until the practice was reyived last week at sunderland, when it seemed to be the unanimous opinion of those present that this should be ata gunual finction.
The meeting place was. St. Michael's, Bighopwearmouth, where several tonches of Grandsirc and Stedman Triples and Kent and Double Norwich Major were rung. Unfortunately, the ringers were anly 15 in number, so were unaile to make up a band for Holy Trimity Church.
Tho Vicar (the Rev. G. F. Marslail) and also the president of the association (Councillor Authur Payle, of Gateshend) joined the sathering at tea at St. Igmatins' Iustilute. The Rectors of St. Michacl's and Holy Trinily and the Yicar of St. Ignatius' Churcis were thanked for the use of their bells, and thanks were accorded also to the ladies who hat provided the wea.
An invitation had bcen received from the Rector of South Church, Bishon Aucklad, to bold a meeting there, on the occusion of the unveiling of a Corountion peal boarl, and it was slecided to accept this offer, the arrangements being left in the hands of the secretary.
further tinging on the bells of St. Ignatins' brought a very pleasant aud helpfit meeting to a close.

## RINGING TOUR IN LINCOLNSHIRE

PEAL ATTEMPTS AT 16 TOWERS.
A peal ringing tour in Lincomshire, organised by Mr. Frank Bemuett, of Briglton, begins todny. An ambilions programue has been planned, which covers 26 attempts in all, with two 12 , three 10 and eleven eight bell towers at the visitors' disposal. The party is made up of well-known ringers, and their headquatters will bo at Spalding, where the first peal attempit is to bo made this evering. The other towers in the tour are:-

Saturday: Ewerby (10) and Heckington (8).
Sunday: Pinchbeck (8).
Monday: Wisbech (10) and Lolag Sutton (8).
Tuesday: Hollieach (8) and Fulney (8).
Wednesday: Wulesty (8) aud Jincolu (12).
Thursday: Swincshead (8) and Boston (10).
Friday: Caythorpe (8) and Edenham (8).
Saturday: Sutterton (8) and Surfleet (12).

## JOINT MEETING IN SURREY.

In spite of the storny-looking clouds, the weather behaved itself and kept fine for the allumal joint mecting of the Leatherhead District of the Guildford Diocesan Grild and the North-Westeru Branch of the Surrey Association at Ranmore Connnon on Saturlay, July 24th. The threatening skies, however; had an effect on the attendance. Among the first arrivals were those who had been touring the mides of Devon, alkt the inolls were kept, going nutil 5 ocelock, when the ringers' short service was conducted by the Rector (the Rey. W. R. Crichton). Aiter welcoming the ringers to Ranmore once again, he gave a short applicable adiliess on "Humble ye yourselves to serve olle another.'
In spite of only 27 sitting down to tea when nearly 40 were cxpected. there was not much left on the tables when everyone had finished.
$\Delta s$ usual there was no real business to transact, fuat it was fitting that those present should observe a few momeuts' silpence on the death of Col. TT. F. Parkiuson, of Bansiend, a member of both societies and of the College Youthis. He was donor of the bells at Holy Trinity, Wandsworth, aud was also responsibio for several improvements at Banstead since his association with that tower.
Mr. F. G. Woodiss (Survey district, secretary) mentioned that the srext meeting was at Fgham and Staines on August 28th, and, as it was a joint meeting of four essociations, he hoped to see lis district well represented there.
After a hearty vote of thanks had been passed to the Rector, the organist and Mr. Dobinson for their part in making the mesting possible, and to Mr. A. E. Supith (Leatherhead districti secretary) for making the nccessary arrangements, the lolls were once again made full use of under the mastership of Mr. Dan Cooper in a variety of methods until they were finally lowered in peal at 9 o'clock.

## FIRST QUARTER PEALS

FilliLig $D O N$ - On June 24h, at St. John the Baptist's, Hillingclon, for the patronal festival service, $n$ quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters ( 1,259 changes) : Miss ( Tilhetfoul 1. W. W. Goodrellow (eonductorl 2. E. Firtley 3. A. R. G. Twinu 4, G. H. Cutteridge 5, J. J. Prati, 6, F, G. Boldwin 7, R. W, Darvil1 8, F. Corke 9, C. A. Over 10. First quarter-peal of Caters by Miss Thetford (Ivey) and Eric Hartley (Willesden).

## A 'FIRST' IN SHROPSHIRE.

The first quarter-peal of Canbricige Surprise Major by a resident Shropshive band was ruag at Wellingion on June 24th: G. L. Hewith 1. T. Price 2, R. W. Chesters 3, F. Prive 4, W. J. Chester 5, A. M. Hicknan 6. A. Pritelhard (conductor') 7. W. Weatherby B. Firsi guarter-peal of Cambridge Minor on the bells and hy ringers of 1 and 7 .

MR. J. M. BAILEY'S INTERESTING RECORD.
OVER EIGFTY PEALS RUNG BY BROTHERS.
When Mif. J. N. Hailey, of Leiston, rang his 400th pesi in celebrafion of his son's wedding; he completed a list which js in miny wayg remarkible, wot least from ite foct that so many of his werformances
were rung enfirely by lie and his brothers.


* Inchuding 7,008 in hand. t Indudiug 11,040, $\ddagger$ Including one ob each by eight brotluers.

All the handbell peals and 218 of the tower-bell preals were runrs al Leiston, Suftolk, and only one, the 400th, away froma Easf Anglia, Insluded in the peals of London and Bristol were the firs in line methad by all, iu both cases rung at st. Margaret's, Leiston, Sulfolk Wir. Bailey wang 50 consecutive Surprise peals on Leiston bells and has "circled" the tower in each of flae "standari" Sinrarise jaethods Ho took part in the first of each of the following Surprise Major methods: Suffolk, Dublin, Rochester, Camdeu, Essex, Waveuey aut Edial)urgh.

### 5.088 CAMBRIDGE MAJOR.

BY G. H. KIPPLN.


Pung at Coleman's Fatoh on July 28th, 1937, conducted by the composer, and believed to be the first; with the Gth six courses at lome.

## NOTICES.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burtor District.-The next meeting will be held at Repton on Saturday, Aug. $54^{\text {th }}$. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Ringers and friends welcome.-J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Coddenham on Aug. ith. Ringing on tower bells (8) afterboon and evening. Tea in Rectory garden, $4.3^{\circ}$, at 9 d . each.-Harold G. Herbert, Sec., 61, Acton Lane, Sudbury.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.A meeting will be held at St. Mary's Church, Willesden, on Saturday, Aug. i4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Eervice at 5 p.m. Tea, in the Church Hall at 5.30 p.m., is. each. All ringers welcomed. rpecial method: Edmonton Bob Major. - C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21 , Vincent Road, E.4. Tel. Larkswood, 1959.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bradfield Deanery Branch will hold summer mecting at Bradfield on Saturclay, Augr. isth. Ringing from 3 p.1m. Service at 4.30 , and tea at 5 (gd.). Ringing during the evening. Please notify T. W. Palmer, Hon. Sec., 128 , Halls Road, Tilehurst.
BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Horbury on Saturday, Aug. 34th. Bells (8) ready $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., is. each. Ossett bells (so) are also available, 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and 6.45 p.m, to 9 p.m. A bearty welcome to all.-Daniel Smith, tion. Sec.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.meeting will be beld at Bridlington on Saturday, Aug. 14til. The fine heavy peal of 8 (tenor 26 cwt .) will be wailable at 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will those intending to come please notify Mr. R. H. Vigor, Sherburn-in-Elmet?-H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Roxton on Saturday, Aug. 14th. Bells at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers and their friends will be welcome. Please come and let us have a good meeting.-C. J. Ball, Hon. Dis. Sec., 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.
EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. The next meeting will be lield at Buxted (St. Margaret's, in Buxted Park) on Saturday, Aug. 14th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea, free, 5 p.m. Everybody welcome, but please notify for tea, if possibie.-B. Saunders, 18, Now Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.
Gloucester and bristol association. Swindon Branch.-Monthly meeting at Latton and Cricklade on Saturday, Aug. 14th. Both five bell towers. Latton available 3.30 to 5 p.m. Cricklade 6 to 8 p.m. Tea at Cricklade about 5.15. Please advise if possible. On railway and Bristol bus route.-W. B. Kynaston, 3, Dumbarton Terrace, Victoria Road, Swindon, Wilts.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on the $17^{\text {th, }}$, Southwark Cathedral on the 26 th , St. Mary-le-Bow on the 31 st. *Business meeting afterwards.-Wm. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A combined practice is arranged at North Mimms on Thursday, August igth, at 7.30 p.in.-W. Nasli and H. V. Frost.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CiATION.-Bristol City Branch.-A joint meeting of this Branch, in conjunction with the Chew Deanery, Bath \& Wells will be held at Clevedon Parish Church, Somerset, on Saturday, Aug. 21 st . Bells (8) at 3 pm . Service 4 -30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who advise Mr. H. W. Knight, Woolmers, Cleve, Somerset, or myself not later than Tuesday, August ${ }^{2} 7$ th. -W. H. Thomas, 45 Clyde Road, Bristol, 6 .

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Dorchester Branch.-A meeting will be held at Hilton on Saturday, August 21st. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Kindiy notify for tea by ryth instant. A hearty welcome given to this delightful countryside adjoining Milton Abbey.-C. H. Jennings, 3, Surnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Chippenham Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Grittleton on Saturday, August 2 Ist. Belis from 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea after. By kind permission of Sir Audiey D. Neeld, the gardens will be open to the ringers. Visitors welcome. Please notify early.-F, W. Merrett, Branch Fion. Sec., 38 Downing Street, Chippenham, Wilts.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION--Jurisdiction of Glaston Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at STREET on Saturday, August 2 1st. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service 4, tea and meeting to follow.-F. D. RICKARDS, 3, GREAI STANHOPE STREET, BATH.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Broughton on Saturday, August 2156. Bells (8) available from 3 F.m. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me by Wednesday, August 18th? All visitors welcome - Andrew Thompson, 37. Broad Street, Newcastle, Staffs.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch.A meeting will be held at Stanground on Saturday, August 2 ist. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A montbly meeting will be held on Saturday, August 215t, at Arley. Bells (6) available during afternoon and evening. Tea 5 p.m. at 1/- Midland Red buses run direct from Coventry and Nuneator. - Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Secretary, Exhall, Coventry.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A joint meeting of the Preston and Fyide Branches will be held at Preston Parish Church on Aug. ${ }^{2}$ ist. Bells (io) available from 3 p.m.-A. Blogg and C. Sharples, Branch Secs.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hereford District. - A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Badenham on Saturday, August 2 Ist. Bells (6) available 3 to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please uotify me not later than August ryth.-L. H. Stickley, District Secretary, The Green, Fownhope, Hereford.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch. District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Milford-on-Sea on Saturday, August $215 t$. Beils (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 on the Vicarage lawn.-G, Preston, 42, Waterloo Place, Christchurch.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION. -A ringing meeting will be held at South Normanton on Saturday, August ast. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please notify me how many require tea by Thursday, Alggust igth. -J. WV. England, 49. The Common, South Normanton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Wigan and Liverpool Branches.-A joint meeting will be held at Rainford on Saturday, August 2 ist. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 (6d. eaci), for which please notify Mr. P. Shaw, 36 Church Road, Rainford, nr. St. Helens.-S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborotgh District. - The next meeting will be held at Uingston-on-Soar on August aIst, Bells (6) a vailable from 3 p.m. Please notify Mr. Dakin, Kingstou.on-Soar, nr. Derby, for tea by August 18 th latest.-H. (1. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Gloucester Branch.-Next meeting will be beld at Elmore on Saturday, August 2Ist (usual procedure). Bus from Commercial Road 2.45 p.m. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me not later than August $1^{17 \text { th } ?-W . ~ H . ~ H a r r i s, ~ B r a n c h ~ H o n . ~ S e c ., ~ 4, ~ G . W . R . ~}$ Terrace, Lydney Dock, Lydney.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Rural Branch.-A monthly meeting will be held at Westerleigh on Sat., August 21st. Bells (6) open from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea to follow, members being the guests of the Vicar. Please advise for tea R. C. Gifford, Frampton Cotterell, nr. Bristol.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. George's, Mossley, Saturday, Aug. 2ist. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. Rev. J. F. Southworth, B.D., will officiate and extends a hearty welcome to the Bolton branch. - J. H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Blackburn Cathedral on Saturday, August 28th. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30. Members and non-members cordially in-vited.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil St., Blackburn.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Quex Park on Saturday, August 28th. Bells (12) available from 3 p.m. A picnic tea has been arranged, and will be provided free to members who send in their manes to Mr. Harrison Smith, The Green, Wickhambrealix, near Canterbury, not later than Wednesday, August 25 th. Permission has been obtained whereby members will be shown over the Museum, at 4.30 Please note, only one entrance to the sower, by the farm gate, and thence by the tradesmen's road.-B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastera Division.The next meeting will be held Great Waltham on Saturday, August 28th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 , tea and business meeting after. Will all those requiring tea please let me know by Wednesday, August 25 th, certain?-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7 Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ketter ing Branch.-The Branch Outing will be held on Saturday. August 28th. Start from Kettering at 1.45 p.m. pronpt, arriving at Liecester for tea. Please notify me by Satur day, August 2 ist, at latest. Members of other branches welcome.-H. Baxter, 256, Windmill Avenue, Kettering.

A JOINT MEETING of the Guildford Diocesan Guild (Chertsey Dist.), the Mitdlesex County Association (S. \& W. District), the Oxford Diocesan Gutild (E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch) and the Surrey Assoc tion (N.W. District) will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, Saturday, August 28 th. Service at $4-45$, preacher, Rev. C. Tranter, Vicar of Egham. Tea at 5.15 in Church Hal price 9 d , each. Names for tea to district secretaries or Mr. G. Walmsley, I $_{3}$, Commercial Road, Staines, not later than Tuesday, August 24th. Ringing arrangements Peter's, Staines, 3.30 to $4.45,5.30$ to 7.30 ; St. Mary Staines, 7.30 to 9 ; Egham, 3 to $4.15,7$ to 8.30 ; Wray bury, 3 to 4.15 . All ringers and friends welcome. Distri Hon. Secs. :- F. E. Hawthorne (Guildford Guild), A. Barker (Oxfork Guild), F. G. Woodiss (Surrey Assoc tion), and F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iv Heath, Bucks (Middlesex Association).

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Buxted bel not being available, the next meeting of the Souther Division will be held at Ringmer on Saturday. Sept. I8th Tower open 3 pm . Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.m., pric I/.-S. E. Amstrong. Div. Hon. Secretary, 70 , Hollins bury Park Avenue, Brighton, 6.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCI TION. -Preliminary Notice.- The annual dinner will b held in Worcester or Saturday, September 25 th. You ar assured of an enjoyable evening. Full details later Tickets are now available and may be obtained fror: branch officers, dinner committee, or :-J. D. Johnsol Gen. Sec., Sedgeberrow, Evesham.

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## THE PLAIN METHODS.

It is strange how sometimes a fippant remark may lead to a serious argument. A fortnight ago we published the report of the first peal of Bob Triples rung by the Suffolk Guild and, in pointing this out among 'Peal Notes,' casually and rather lightly suggested that it would probably be the last for a long time. We were promptly challenged to explain and, having, in response, suggested that Bob Triples is not the best or the most popular of methods, now find that there is still left at least one champion of this somewhat despised member of the Plain Bob family. Let it be at once admitted that if a band can put it to any useful purpose-and even if they can't-there is nothing to prevent them ringing a peal of it if they so desire. And the Central Council will recognise it, although deprecating its performance. The metiod may be all that our correspondent clams for it-a helpful step from Minor to Major-but that does not make our statement that it is not the best or the most popular of methods, any less true. None of the backstroke leads of the treble is a Triples change; there are four blows behind every time the treble leads. These are blemishes sufficient to justify discouragement of the use of the method, and they are so well recognised that few people ever desire to ring it. As well ring Grandsire Minor-it serves an equally good purpose to take the beginner from Doubles to Triples; but nobody does from the point of view of progress.

If, as our correspondent says, the step from Grandsire to Stedman is too much, there are other and more interesting things which can be rung instead of Bob Triples. Indeed, we could wish that many bands, who practise Grandsire entirely, would turn thejr attention to some of those methods published by the Central Council in their 'Collection of Triples Methods.' This book has been prepared specially for such ringers and provides them with material which should add to their interest in ringing as well as their competency in the art. There are several good methods which would be found quite easy for a Grandsire band of average ability and one of the most surprising things is that there is not more variety introduced into Triples ringing. Last year there were i63 peals of Grandsire Triples rung, but only 16 in other plain methods. Oxford Bob seems to be gaining a little ground, for nine of the sixteen were in that method-but out of the total there were only two peals of Plain Bob. Variety in pure Triples methods is, of course, much more limited than in Major or even Minor, but the best use is certainly not made of such scope as there is. The same complaint can be made of the practice of plain Major (Continued on page 546.)

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TWENTY TOWERS VISITED.
The following peals were rung duving a week's holiday at Wrington. Four other attempts were made which proved unsuccesflul. In all, 20 towers, mostly with six bells, were visited, and as a great many were rung from the ground floor, Gunon Coleridge was able to join in a good den of the ringilg. At Worle he rang the treble to 720 Bob Mivor. At Binerar the party were entertained to tea by the Rev. W. M. K Warven, Master of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, and Mrs. Warren, and to them, and the varions incumbents who gave permission for the use of their bells, the party tender their grateful thanks,

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THE BATH AND WELTS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, July 31, 1937, in Thee Hours and Ten Minwtes,

At the Church of Ale Saints,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, 50 G GHANEEB;

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Tenor $\mathrm{r}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. Jozn H. B. Hesse
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A PEAL OF ETEDNAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Thorstans' Foor-part.
Tenor 30 cwt 5 lb .
Christopger R. Wacker ...Trebie Albert A. Hogaes ... ... 5 Hbrbert Kniget ... ... 2 Josape T, Dyke ... ... ... john H. B. Hesse ... ... 3 Grorge W. Fletcegr ... 7 Stepeen H. Wood ... ... 4 Edith K. Febicher ... ....Tenor Conducted by Hzrbert Kniget.
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Or Saturday, August 7, 7937, in Three Fowrs atd Seventecn-anda- Half Minutes,
At the Church of St. Catherine,
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At tae Cadrca of St．Leonard，Shorbditce，
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CINQUES， 5007 OHANGES； Tenor 283 cwt．
Jobn W．Cornford ．．．．．．Treble｜Waltbr Sear ．．．．．．．．． Join S．Goldsmith ．．．．．． 2 Ernest W．Furbank．．．．．． 8 Harry Sear ．．．．．．．．＊ 3 Edward D．Smity ．．．．．． 9 Leslie H．Thrift ．．．．．． 4 Wileiam T，Bottrile ．．． 10 Grorge W．Steere ．．．．．． 5 Cecil J．Matthews ．．．．．．II Thomas Newman ．．．．．． 6 Thomas G．Bevan ．．．．．．Temor Composed by C．H．Hartersley．Conducted by Thomas Nrwhan ＊First peal of Stedman and on 12 bells．A silver wedding compli－ ment to Mr．T．G．Bevan，

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（St．Mary－le－Towbr Socitity．）
On Salurday，Augut 14，1937，in Thre Hows and Fifty Minutes， At tre Ceurch of St．Mary－le－Tower，
A PEAL DF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS， 5280 CHANCES； Tenor $3^{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
William J．G，Brown
．．．Treble Frederick J，Smiza ．． Sylvia R．E．Bowyer ．．． 2 ＊Alfred L．Simmonds ．．． 8 Mrs．G．H．Cross ．．．．．． 3 Grorge H．Cross ．．．．．． 9 Cbarles J．Sedglby ．．．．．． 4 Jobn W．Ward ．．．．．．．．．． 10 Frederick Dence ．．．．．． 5 ｜fGrorge E．Symonds．．．．．．II Fonald H．Bollen ．．．．．． 6 Edward P．Doffield ．．．Tenor Composed by Jozn Carter．Conducted by Cearles J．Srdgley，
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Bro．Ernest I．Aelaway，Arts and Crafts Lodge， 4 I34．．． $\square$ Bro，Frederick G．Lbaker，Si，Keypa Lodge， 1833 3 Bro，Frank W．Pgrrans，Arts and Crafts Lodge， 4134 ．．． Bro．A．F．Martin Stgwart，St．Cuthberga Lodge $622 .$. Bro．Edwin Barnett，Gavelkind Lodge， 42 亿6 ．．．
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Nozan Golden ．．．．．．.. .3 Wheter H．Freeman ．．． 8
Frangis G．Gleavzs．．．．．． 4 Crcil V，Ebberson ．．．．．． 9
Artqur G．Bation ．．．．．． 5 Cladde Cousins ．．．．．．Tenoy Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden．
＊First peal on ten bells．+ First peal of Royal．
CARDIFF－On July 1st，at St．John＇s Church，a quarter－peal of Grundsire Caters（1，259 changes）：W．L．Prosser（Gist quarter of Caters）1，G．Talbot 2，E．Coles 3，E．Hunt 4，J．Davies 5，J．W． Jones 6，Ed．Ooles（first quarter of Caters inside＇）7，J．Philips （conductor）B，A．W．Heati 9，S．R．Barker 10．A birthday compli－ ment to the ringer of the treble．

GREAT YARMOUTH．
THE NORFIOE DIOOESAN ASGOGIATION．
On Suluyday，Auguse 14，1937，in Three Hours and Thirty Minutos， Ai mas Chorca of St，Nigbolas，
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL，5000 CHANGES；
Tenor 30 cwt ．I qr． 2 Ilb ．in C ．
R．William Barber ．．．．．．Tyeble Albert G．Warnes ．．．．．． 6
Gborgr Mayzrs ．．．． 2 William I．Clover

Nolan Golden ．．．．．．．．． 4 Cbarles E，Loveit ．．．．．．． 9
Artitir G，King ．．．．．．．．．． 5 Henry Tooke ．．．．．．．．．Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden．
A birtliday compliment to the Rev．Camon R．Aubrey Aitken，Viear of Great Yarmonth，and a vice－president of the assaciation．

## BRIGHTON，SUSSEX．

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，August 74，1937，in Three Hows and Twaty－Two Minutes， At the Churce of St．Peter，
A PEAL DF GAHBRIDAE SURPRISE ROYAL，5040 GHANCES； Tenor $25^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
Wilfred Williams
．．．Treble

Edward J．Cearman．．．．．． 2
Kennete Snelling ．．．．．．． 3
Jagr M．Cripps ．．＊．．．．．． 4
Frederick Page．．．...
Frgorrjcr S．Baylzy．．．．．． 6 Frank I．Hairs ．．．．．．．．． 7 John Dearlove ．．．．．．．．． 8 Fredraick W，Rogers ．．． 9 Composed by Willam Pyr．Conducted by Fredk．W．Rogers．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

## LONDON

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCTATION $\triangle N D$ NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUJLD．
On Thursday，August 5，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty－Four Minutes， At the Ceurce of St．Mary－taf－Virgin，Leyion，E．，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5088 EHANGE日！ Tenor 8 cwt, a qr，II lb ．


J．J．L．Gilbert is from Sheffield and A．Thompson from Noweastle， Stalls．

## IOKLETON，GAMBS，

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Satwrday，Augut 7，1937，in Three Hours and Fourtoct Mintwes，
At ter Cabreh of Si．Mary Magdalene，
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR，5OOS CHANEE8； Tenor rg cwt．
 Charlbs W．Cook．．．．
Composed by H，Dasns．

Conducted by Ernbst G．Hibbins，
＊First peal on eight bells．

> GREAT BEEDWORTH, GHESEIRE.
> TEE OHESTER DIOCDSAN GUHD.

On Saturday，August 7，1937，in Thyea Fours and Seventeen Mitules， Ai tee Cburce of St．Mary and All Salniss，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJDR， 6184 EHANQES； Heywood＇s Variation of Middieton＇s．

Tenor $23 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．


Conducted by Joun Worth．
＊First peal of Surprise．Pirst peal of Surprise on the bells．

[^31]WHALLET, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, A ughst 7, 7937, in Three Hours and Ten Minhtos, At the Church of St. Mazy,
A PEAL OF OAMBRIDGE SURPRI8E MAJOR, 5024 OHANOE8; Tenor 22t owt.
 Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by T. B. Worsley.

CEURCHKIRK, LAACASHIRE.
the Lancashtae association.
On Wednesday, August 71, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church or or, Jahes,
a peal of douile morwich court mor major, 5024 chancesi Tenor 14 cwt .
Ladrencr J. Williams ...Treble |'Lestie L. Williams .. g *Herbert Holden ... ... 2 Ricaard Baldergione ... 6 Rev. C. Carbw Cox ... ... 3 Arthit Tomlinson ... ... 7

- Eric Brunton ... ... ... 4 | Roland Parz ... ... ...Teror

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by A. Tomlinson.

* First peal in the method. The Rev. C. Carew Cor's 100th pead. MONES KIRBY, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, August 17, 1937, in Thveo Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Egith,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, GOKO CHANQES; Wasebroor's Variation of Tedrstans' Foor-Part. Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in D.
"Leonard H. Whitreead Treble $\mid$ William A. Wood '... .t. 5 Waltgr P. Weitebead ... 2 Pgrcival A. Oldeam... ... 6 Eragest W. Tipler ... ... 3 Franx K. Measdres ... Jobe A. Timsor ... ... ... 4 Frbd Perry ... ... ... ....Temoy Conducted by W. F. Whirserad. bovey tracey, devon. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Wednesday, Augest 11, 1937, in Three Howrs and Seven Minzies, At the Chorch of Sx. Thomas-a-Beckit
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5098 CHANGESI Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Adrey L. Benneti...
..Tyeble G Harry Mybrs
Miss Florrie Wyban .... a Thobas G. Myers Henry C. Collybr ... ... 4 Oliver Sipprtts ... ... .... Temor Composed by Henry Dains. Conducted by Oliver Sippetre. * First peal in the method.

LONDON
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOOIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Thursday, August 12, 1937, in Theee Hours and Thyee Mixntes,
At teg Cedrcb of St. Georgethe-Mariyr, Sodibware,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, EOE CHANGES; Tenor 15 owt.
Ernbst J. Botler ... ... 「obbie| William Botirill ... ... 5 Gedrger. Pye ... ... ... 3 -Albert j. Pitman ... .... 6 Cbarlas T. Colbs ... ... 3 Grorge W. Stefre ... ... 7 Jambs Bbaneti ... ... ... 4 | James H. Riding ... ... Tenar Composed by C. Minderion. Conducted by Grorge R. Pye. * First Surprise peal away from the ireble. OKTEHAMPTON, DEVON. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, August 14, 1937, in Thrar Hours and Ten Minstos At the Churce of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holt's Ten-part.

W. H. R. Smale ... ...

R. W. Birfin $\quad . .$.
J. E. Lilley......

Coaducted by C. R, Lilley.
First pasil on the bells.

## ERITH, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 14, 1937. in Thee Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St, Jonn-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF WHEATLEY 8URPRISE MAJUR, 5056 CHAMGE8; Tenor 15 cwt. in G.
 Dbrbr M. Sbarp... ... ... 3 Frbdericr J. Collom ... 7 Harry Hoskins ... ... ... 4 Harry Parkes ... ... ...Tcmay Composed by A. G. Driver. Conducted by Frederice J. Collda The first peal in the methor, which is by E. W. Tipler.

## NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CAESEIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 14. 1937, in 7 hree Fowss,
Aiter Cedrch of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF BRIBTOL SURPRIBE MAJOR, 5088 OHANEEE; Tenor 14 cwt .3 gr .2 ll .

- Rev. Frank Bonner ...Treble Walter W. Wolstencrofi 5

Thomas B. Worsley ... 2 William Ebrnley ... ... 6

 Composed and Conducted by Thomas 13. Worsley.

* First perl in the metliod. First peal in the metbod as conductor. A birthday compliment to Miss Ethel Fernley.


## great waltham, essex. <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Satuvday, Axgust 14, 1937, ix Three Haxys and Twinty Minutes, At fee Chorce of SS. Mary and Lawrence.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, BO40 CHANGES;
Parkea's Twelve-part.
Tenor 26 cwt
Frbrbert Devonish ... ...Troble |†Leonard G. Day ... ... 5
Reginald C. Tbrify...$z^{2}$ Horace J. Mansfielo.. .6
-Artbur H. Everbtt ... 3 Grorgb Grabn ... ... ... 7 tEdgar C. Boyce ... ... 4 | Grorge Day ... ... ...Thoy Conducted by Grorge Green.

* First peal of Grandsire. + First peal. First peal on the balls sinco they were rehung.

GIMOITON, LEICRSTERSHLRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Aupuit 15, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Cburgh of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF ATEDHAN TRIPLES, 5OAO CHANGES; Wasbarooz's Variation gy Tburstans' Four-fart. Tenor 12 cwt .

Walter P. Whitrbgad ...Treble Cecil E. Carr ... ... ... 5
William. A, Wod ... ... 2 Percival A. Aldbam ... -Cyril ison ......
 Conducted by E. W. Tipler.

* First peal of Stedman Triples. First peal in the method as conductor.


## SIX Bell PEALS.

RAYNE, ESSEX.
THF ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, August 7, 1937, in Two Hours and Forly-Fivs Minhtes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF WINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one extent of Woodbine Treble Bob, two each of Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Boh, and one each of Double Court and Plain Bob.
Riceard Portway
Dohald jennings

| $\ldots . . .$. | Treble | Ralph Bird ... ... |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 2 | Dodglas Jannings |
| .... | 3 | Ronald Sogrling |  |

Tenor: 7 cwt. Conducted by Ronald Suceling.
First peri in five methods by all except the conductor, and first in more than one method on the belle.
STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.-On July 19th, at St. George's Church, 1,392 Bob Major: C . Harris 1, R. B. Tapp (longest length on en 'inside' bell) 2, F. Twigg 3, I. G. Burgess 4, E. A. Jackson 5, P. Lafin 6, H. Ashton 7, A. F. Bailey (conductor) 8.

THORINGTON，ESSEX．
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Saturday，August 7．1937，in Two Howrs and Fifty－Four Mimules，

## At fer Choref of St，Mary Magdalene．

A PEAL OF MINOR， 5050 CHANGES：
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise，Kent Trable Bab，Oxford Treble Bob，Plain Bob，Sth．Clement＇s，Double Court and Oxford Bob． Temor 9 cwt．
George A．Botion ．．．．．．Treble $\mid$ Urban W，Wildney ．．．．．． 4 Grorge E．Jennings ．．．．．．．． 2 Alan R．Andrews ．．．．．．． 5 George A，Andrews ．．．．．． 3 ｜EdwardE．Davey ．．．．．．Temoy Conducted by Alan $R$ ．Andrews．
Tirst peal in seven metlods by all except the ringer of the 3 rd ．

## OLD WARDEN，BEDS．

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Augusi 7，1937，in Two Hours and Fiffy－Eight Minutes，
At yer Cherch of St．Leonard，
A PEAL OF MINOR，5040 BHANQEB！
Boing 720 each of College Exercise，Cambridge Surprise，Oxford，Kent and Woodbine Treble Bob，Oxford Bob aud Plain Bob．
Jogn Pressland．．．．．．．．．Tyebie Edmond Wagstaff ．．．．．． 4
 Arteler Dileky ．．．．．．．．．． 3 Percy Tompkins ．．．．．．．．．Temor Conducted by L．H．Bywaters．

FOLEINGEAM，LINOS．
THE LTNCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD． （Soutbrrn Brance．）
On Satwrday，Augus！7，7937，in Two Hours and Fifty－Five Minwtos， At tee Cborch of St．Andrew，

## A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 GHANGES；

Boing one extent each of Double Oxford，Dauble Court，Plain Bob， Oxford Treblo Bob，Kent Treble Bob，Single Court and Oxford Bob． Tenor 13 cwt （approx．）．
TJeonard W．Wilson Jobn E．Allen ．．．．．．．．． $2{ }^{\prime}$ Cotebert T．H．Bradley 5 Jamas H．Mosson ．．．．．． 3 Cearles Wilkinson ．．．．．．Tenor Condacted by C．T．H，Bradery．
Fhrst peal in seven methods．Rung in honour of the wedding of John H．Botham Rnd Miss Frances Humplrey，which took place the previous Saturday at Folkinglam．

STISTED，ESSEX．
THE ESSEX ASSOCEATION．
On Sunday，Augwt 8，7937，in Two Hours and Forty－One Minutes， At the Church of All Saints，

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR，EO4O GHANGEBI

Seron exteats called differently．


Conducted by Kalpa Eird．

## SANDAL，WA而EFIELD．

THE TORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
（Barnsley anc Distaict Society．）
On Sunday，August 8，1937，in Three Howrs and Fowthen Minutes， At the Churca of Sx．Helen，
A PEAL DF TREBLE BOB MINOR， 5280 BHANGES；
Being 720 each of New London，Duke of York，London Seholars Pleasure，Kingston，Sandal Exercise，Keut，Oxford，and 240 of Oxford， Eingston，London Scholars＇Pleasure and Sandal Exeroise Spliced． Tenor 13 cwt．

 C．E．Nhtherwood ．．．．．．． 3 G．Coit．．．．．．．．．．．．．．Tenor ＊First peal and first attempt．Rung for evening service，and as a 21 st birtbday compliment to the treble ringer．

BILLINGBOIROUGH，LINCS．－At St．Andrew＇s Clureh on Sunday， August 8th， 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung as a compliment to Mr．H．Coaten，on Lis 65 th birthday．Mr．Coaten is an active member of the Billinghorough mompany：G．Cremsy 1，J．E．Allen 2，A．E． Chilton 3，L．Wilson 4，F．Carford 5，G．S．Collishaw（conductor） 6.

GREAT FINBOROUGE，SUFFOLE
On Monday，August 9，1937，in Two Fours and Fiffy－T wo Minntos， At the Parish Church，

## A PEAL OF MINOR，GO40 CHANEEB；

Consisting of 720 Cambridge Surprise，two 720＇s Oxford ITreble Bobs， one of Kout Treble Bob，two of St．Clement＇s and one of Plain Bob． T．W．Cracknell ．．．．．．Trebig｜F．Borley ．．．．．．．．．．．．． 4
 Conducted by A．R．Woodard．
Rumg as a compliment to Mr．F．Raper on tho occasion of his marriage to Miss Dorothy Bird，of Bradfield St．George．

## BIGBY，LINCS．

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GULLD． （Nortaern Branch．）
On Wedmesday，Augwit 17，1937，in Two Hours and Twenty－Eight Mimutes， At tee Ceurca of All Smints，

## A PEAL OF MINOR，GOLO CHANGES।

Being one extent each of Gambridge Sincprise，Double and Single Court， Donble Oxford，St．Clement＇s，Plain Bob and one of combined Oxford and Kert Treble Bob．

Juds
LD Morwood
$\ldots$ ．．．．Trable
anest Britiain
Grorga E．Frirn

|  | $\ldots . .$. | Yeble | Harocd Judd |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Conducted by Jack Bray．
＊First peal in efght methods．
MADRESFIELD，WORCESTERSHIRE．
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIGIS ASSOCIATION．
（Western Brance．）
On Weñesday，Augusi 11，1937，iм Tto Hows and Fifty－Four Minules，
At the Church of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF MINOR，EO4O CHANEEB；
Being 720 each of Cambritige Surprise，Oxford and Kent Treble Bob，
Double Oxford，College Single，OxFord Bob aud Plain Boh．
Cenor 14 cyt．
Roberi G．Knowles ．．．．．．Treble Tgohas W．Lawis ．．．．．． 4
Frank Lawrance ．．．．．． 2 Reginald Woddyatt．．．．．． 5 Stoney T．Holt ．．．．．．．．． 3 Charces Camm ．．．．＊＊．．．Tenor Condected by Sidney T．Hoct．
Specially ring in honour of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr． nnd $\mathrm{Mrrs}$. ．G．Knowles，who were married et this church，Augugt 11th， 1887.

## BARNBY－IN－THE－WILLOWS，NOTIS．

THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOOLATION．
On Thursday，August 12，1937，in Two Honpsand Thirty－Sis Minutes， At t日e Cadrch of All Salnts，

## A PEAL OF MINOR，E日GO CHANGES；

Being seven extents：（1）Thelwail and Childwnil；（2）Double Oxford and St．Clement＇s；（3）Double nad Single Court ；（4）Oxford and Kent Treble Bob；（5）London Scholars＇Pleasure and Kingston Treble Bob；
（6）Capel and Sandal Treble Bob；（7）Oxford Bob and Ptain Bob． Tencr 6t owt．

 Conducted by Clifford A．Vessey．
＊First peal on six bells．First peai in 14 methens＂inside＂by all except ringers of 4 and tenor．The conductor＇s 50 th peal．

WILLESBOROUGH，KENT．
THE EENT CODNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Aughst 14，7937．in Three Howrs and Hive Minutes， At the Church of St．MaEy，
A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 GHANOEB；
Being one extent broh of Oxford nid Eent Treble Bob，Double Oxford， Dauble Court，St．Clemert＇s and twe of Plain Bob．Teror 12 cwt ．

 Conducted by Edward S．Rocr．
First peal in six mefhods by all the bnnd．Itung lialf－mufled as a token of respect to the late Mrs．Garner，headmistress of the dafants School for 32 yearg．

GREAT YELDHAM, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 14, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Misules, At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

One extent each of Cambridgo Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, St. Olement's and Plain Bob.

Tencr 7 crt. in A.
Ralpa Bitd.
Bernard W. Pettitt..
....

- Reginald G. Sibmonds ... 4
Alzc M. Genery

| .... | 2 | Albirt Cattbrwg |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ... | 3 | Romald Sockling |

4
Conducted by R. Bird.

* 25tri peal


## SCOTTOW, NORFOLK

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOGLATTON

On Sathyday, August 14, 1937, it Two Hours and Foriy-Six Minmies,
At the Church of All. Sainis,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 0040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Kent Troble Bob aud five of Plain Bob, called differentiy.


## COWDEN, KENP.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sathrday, A ugkst 14, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
Ai ter Ceurch of Si. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being 700 of Oxford Treble Bob, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, and four of Plain Bob, all with different callings. Tenor 81 cyw. in A. Ftank H. Hicrs

## ...Treble

 Wisium A kizeensio2 Aathor F. Lewry William A Kitceenside $\quad$ William D. Asedown Arthor S. Ricrards ... 3 A. Patrick Cannon ... ...Temor Conducted by A. P. Canron.

* 50th peal.


## KIDSGROVE, STATFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFIS AND DISTRICT ASSOOLATION
On Sathyday, A Hegul 14, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Sever Minules,
At ter Cetreg of St. Tbomas,
A PEAL OF THEBLE BOB MINOR, $\operatorname{to40}$ GHANGES;
Being 720 each of Ipswich, Cambridge, Durlam and York Surprise, Duke of York, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Artera W. Hall ... ...Tyede Jobn G. Cartlidge ... ...
 Wileiam Carnwell … $\quad . . .{ }^{5}$ enar Conducted by T. Hoso.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

MOLD, FLINTSHIRE.
THE NORTH WALES ASSOCLATION.
On Sunday, August 15, 1937, in Two Fours and Twelve Minutes,
In the Brlfry of Si. Mary's Churce, A PEAL OF BOB MINDR, 6040 GHANGE8;
Seven extents.
Tenor size 15 in 0 .
E. P. Evans ... ... .... ... i-2| J. S. Metcalye ... ... ... 3 3-4

Fred Hartman ... ... ... 5-6
Conducted by Frbd Hartman.
Witnesses-J. H. Jones and W. McGibbon.
The first handbell peal by all, and the first ever rung for the association. The conductor's 25 til peal.

## A DOUBLE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

On Thesday, August 10th, at Biliesdon, Leicestershire, a quarter-peal of Minor (Oaford and Plain'Bob) wes rung by J. Noiton 1, E. Russell 2 . H. Fanlkner 3, J. G. Geary 4, A. N.Gear'y 5, Ernest Morris (conductor) 6. It was specially arranged to mark the goth birthiay of the treble riugor, who retires from the Post Office with over 47 years' service, also for the 21st birthdey of Miss Margaret L. Morris, daugliter of the conductor. Misa Morris rang the treble to 3 EO Grandsire Doulles prior to the quarter-penl.

## PEAL NOTES.

## INTERESTIVG DETAILS

A Freemasons" peal of Stedman Caters was rung at Wimborne Minster, on Saturday week, as a welcome to the vew Bishop of Salisbung, Dr. Neville Lovett, who was recently transferred from the See of Portsmouth. A previous aitempt far the peal came to grief.
The report of a peal of Grandsire Doubles at Weaton, Bath, has been sent without the date.
While on holiday in Lancaslire, the Rev. C. C. Cox, Vicar of Lyme Tegis, Dorset, rang two peals. The first, which was arranged for him, was Cambridge Surprise rung at Whalley, and the second Double Norwith at Chuxchkirk, which was his one lundredth peal.

The weight of the tenor at March, Cambs, on which the first peal since their restoration in 1929 was rung on August 7th, is 15 cwt 2 qr . 18 lh , in E . In the peal report sent us it was given at $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., but tio correction arrived too late to be made last week.

A peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, rung at Bovey Tracey on August 11th, was arrauged for Miss T. Wyman and Mr. Oliver Sippetts, who were spendine a holiday in 'glorious Devon.'
All odd 240 changes in four spliced methods was added at the end of seven 720's rung at Sandal, Yorkshire, on Sunday, August 8th. It, of course, connts as a peal of 5,280 , but if a band ringing Doubles added nn odd touch in the same way, the oddment would not countunder the receat moling of the Central Council.
Pour riugers taking part in a peat for the Northin Notts Association on Anerst 12th at Barnby-in-tne-Willows rang theif first peal in 14 methods.
A peal in six methods of Minor was rung with tise bells helf-muffed at Willeshoreugh, Kent, on Saturday, as a token of respect to a much esteemed parishioner, Mrs. Garner, headmistress of the infant school of the viliage for 32 years and a member of the Parochial Church Conncil. It was the first peal in six methods by all the band and believed to be the first in the district by an entirely local company.
Mr. Leslie Thrift, of Chadwell Heath, rang his first peal of Stecman on Saturday. It was Cinques! Not often does a ringer begin his peals of Stedman on this number'. The peat was rung by the Cumberland Youthe at Shoreditch, facl afterwards congratulations were ex tended to Mr. Tom Bevan, senior steward of the society, upon his silver wedding, which he celebrated on Alugist 11 th.
In March two trebles were added by Messrs. Gillett and Jolnston to complete the octave at All Suints' Church, Okehampton, Devor The first peal on the bells was rung on Saturday.
Wheatley Surprise, of which the first peal was rung at Erith on Saturday, is another methorl by Mr. E. W. Tipler and the composition is by Mr. A. G. Driver. The band wish to couple with the peal the name of Mr. F. A. BarDett, who was in the two previous attempts. Mr. D. M. Sharp filled his place.
This is the third Surprise method rung to a peal for the firgt time at St. John the Baptist's Church, viz., Erith, Lessness and Wheatleg. The peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus rung at Ipswich on August 14 th was a birthday complincnt to the mother of the ringer of the 11th. As Mr. Symonds lias beer ringing nearly 51 years, one car almost guess the age of his mother, although she is younger than the veberan Robert H. Brundle.
It was Mr. Symonds one hundredth peal in the tower. These peals include some notible first performances.
The first handbell peal by the North Wales Association was zung on Sumflay, seven 720's of Bob Minor heing rung at Mold, Flintshive. Wait also the first landbell peal in Wales?
Mr. E. W. Tipler, of Lutterworth, who has produced many new Sincprise methode, in ringing his first peal of Stedman Triples as con ductor, "completed the circla' at Gilmorton Church, Letcestershire on Sunday.
Mr: Robert Matthews, who took part in the peal of Bob Maximus at Kidderminster, recorded last week, had prevously rung a peal in the melhod. His name should lave been included in our note with those of Messis. Shorf and Bass as the only ones in tho band who had previously rung a peal of 'Plain Pwelve,'

Five towers were represented in the buad who rang a peal of Sted man Triples at Monks Kirby, Warwickshire, on August 11th. The ringers of treble and 2 were from Leicester, of 3,4 and tenor from Lutherworth, 5 from Croft, 6 from Hinckley, 7 from Burbage.

## WORCESTERSHIRE RINGER'S GOLDEN WEDDING.

The rolden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Knowles has been cele brated by a peal at Madresficla, at the church where they wele married ort August 11tli, 1887, and whers Mr. Knowles bas been is ringer since 1881.

Mr. Knowles was for several veavs hon, secretary of the Western Branch of the Worcestershire Association and, later, Master. He has also been a representative of the associstion on the Central Council.

Mr. Koawles liss spent much time in instructing beginners and holp ing striggling bands, and has done much towards raising the standard of ringing in the district.
Congratulations and good wislies have been extended by many friends to Mr. and Mrs. Knowles, who lost two sons in the Great War, and have four daughters and two grandehildren tiving.

## 5,000 TREBLE BOB ROYAL

A COMPOSITION WITH SPEOLAL FEATURES FROM OVERSEAS. Remarkable Coincidence.
Mr. Carnelius Charge, formerly of the Metropalitan Police, who has for some years been residing in Auckland, New Zealand, has sent the following composition of 5,000 of Treble Bob Royal. In forwarding it, Le asked if a peal with the same qualities has been published bofore, viz., the 6th its extent at home, all combinations of $4-5-6$ in 5-6, the $2 n d$ and 3 rd never in 6th's, the 2nd only one collse-eud in 5th's, and an even 5,000 , without a bob affecting the position of the foul back bells.

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| 52436 |  | 1 | 2 |
| 36245 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
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| 26435 |  | 2 |  |
| 62534 | 2 |  | 2 |
| 35264 |  | 2 | 2 |
| 32654 |  | 1 | 2 |
| 23456 | 2 |  | 2 |

These figures reached us a fortnight amo. Last Monday identically tire same composition was sent to is by Mr. Nolan Goiden, who had salso produced it and called it at Wisbech on August 12th. Fe, of courge, innew notibing about the existence of the figures by Mi. Charge. It is interesting to compare his description with that given above.
*The first peal of Treble Ten rung in the minimum number of changes containing all combinations of 4-5-6 in 5-6 and the 6 th the extent home, with the end one course only in fifh's and calls only at MI. W. and E., is the way Mr. Golden describes it.

## CLOCK HAMMER STOPS PEAL.

An attempt for a peal of Grandsire Triples at SS. Mary and Cuthlett's Church, Chester-le Sitrcet, on August 11 th, came to an end after an hour and a half's ringing through the clock hammer coming in contact with the tenor. The ringers were J. E. Scott 1, T. F. Preston 2, Kiss M. A. P. Bertie 3, S. Patterson 4, A. Cook 5, W. Sheraton 6, K. Arthur (condrector) 7, J. Scott 8.

## NEW BAND'S PROGRESS.

Poar members of the recenily-formed band at All Saints' Guurch, Jivehington, rang their first 518 Grandsire 'riples on August 11th:
 5. F. Reoves 6, \#. \#incksley 7, F. Fimis 8. * Longest touch.

## ADAY IN HANTS.

## THME TABLE GETS OUT OF HAND.

On a recent Saturday, the rimgers of Leatherhead Parish Church, Surrey, with friends from Aghtead, Ewell and Cohham, to the number of 15 , made an enjoyable motor-coach tour into Hampshise. Av early start ennbled the first place of call, East Mean, to be veathed seon after 9.30. Fera touches of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major and a course of Gambridge Surprise were rung. Then on to North Stoneham, where they met their old friund Mr. George Williams, who was waiting to welcome them. At a second attempt tonch of Grandsire Caters was brought round on this merry little riug of teu. Although the front bells are of little weight, it was found they were no playthings, but had to be rung. Next a short tonch of Grandsire Triples and, to finish, a caurse of London Surprise, with George and one of his "bays " standing in. St. Mary's, Southampton, was next visited, atd Graudsire Triples and Caters and three leads of Treble Ton worn rung on this grand peal. Binner, the next item, was, as msual, brought round without any false starts, but after this the time table got aut of haud a bit. Some of the party went on a wild goose chase and fonnd an "Aviary"; at least that was their explanation when they left for Hursley nearly half an hour late. On arrival they found a uice xing of bells already up. A touch exch of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples and a half-consse of Cambridge were enjoyed before going on to Twyford still belind echedula time. Hers they wero met by a one time Ashtead ringer, Mu. Efarry Wilkinson, After a touch each of Oxford Bab Triples and Double Norwich, it was decided to move on and try and make np lerway. However, on reaching Alresford they were still 30 minutes adrift. Mr. Newnham, an old Leatherhead ringer of 40 jears ago, was waiting patiently for the visitors. This was the first tower of the day where the bells were down, and it gave an opportunity of raising the back six in peal. A touch each of Grandgire and Stedman I'riples, Plain Bob, Kent and Double Norwich Mnjor Fere brought round and the back six lowered in peal. A meat tea and a chat with Mr. Newnlam ocoupied the next haur, after which the party left for their last port of call the Jolly Farmer at Pultenham. Here legs were stretched (and pulled) and elbows exercised in the usual ringers' manner for 40 mimutes or so while the engine cooled. Theu as tho shades of aight were falliug fast (yes, wery fast), the last 16 miles were safely accomplished and Leatherhead was reached soon after 10 p.m. after a happy and successful day. Ihough the medium of "Tlie Thinging Warld' the ringers wish to express their thanles to the parious elergy and ringing friouds who lielped to make this possible.
A. H. W.

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## BELERY GOSSIP.

Every tinger should secure a copy of Mr. J. A. Trollope's new book,
'A History of the Gollege Youths, which 'The Ringing World will publisli towerds the end of next month. Subseribers who apply for copies, with remittance, before September 18th can obtain them at 4s. each, with 6d. extra for packing and postage. After that date the price will be 5 s. and postage. Therefore, order at once.
Owing to unexpected difficulties, the date (31st inst.) provisionally fixed for the unveiling of the Sir Henry Tulse tombstone has had to be postponed until the College Foutlos Festival, November 6Eh, of which dus notice will be given.
An interesting photograph of the six brothers White, of Appleton, appeared in the ' Evening Standard' on Saturday, but the uuthor of the story which accompanied it went badly astray. The articte was headed, "Six bothers lang bells for 12 hours, This and some of the other statements must be rather embarrassing to the modest balld of Appleton brothers. As a matter of fact, only Dick and Hary were in the record pal of Stedman Caters in 1922.
Tho neeting of the Enits branch of the Ely Diocesen Associations at Stanground to-morrow has been cancelled.

## A BADGE FOR IDENTIFICATION.

## To the Editor.

Sir, -Witll regard to, the 'mecting at Scarborough,' I have often thought it would be an advantage to ringers in their travels if the Central Council issued a small oficial badge, preferably in the shape of a bell, to be worn in the buttonhole, and, therefore, easily recognisable by a brother ringer, although I was greatly surprised to read that two ringers were in each other's company for a whole evening and during the courge of their conversation the subject of bells antil ringitg did not crop up.
H. D. HARRIS

## THE SOMERSET TOUR

## A DISCLAIMER.

'Twas not that we were speeding within a built-up part,
'Twas wrong to say our brakes were weak, for wo tried them at the start.
Our number plates were also clean, and cars quite spick and spau, For, being most particular, we clean whene'er we can
"Tis true our names were taken, and what nanes they weve, by jove! 'Twas Jack, and Frank, and, let mo see-who was the other cove? Methinks it was a Pilni Star, her uame may not be guessed,
But you can see her on the films, if you take a jaunt up West. "Twas early in the morming, so we reanly felt quite fine,
But having halted at the "Halt, we failed to toe the 'line."
Tho policeman said: Your guide was good, ho stopped where all good
divivers should.
'Tis true we argued with the "Cops, but whatever good wos that,
Their minds were definitely made up to have us on the mat.
'And so to Court,' they said, 'you go,' whicl brought a smile from leader Joe.
For Court was fixed to be in Wells-a chance for peal upon those bells. We passed the luat to raise the fine for jumping o'er that nice(?) white fire.
But e'er we'd raised the thirty bob, the 'beak' refused to take the job. Our copy books were sent sti'aight back, 'You're warned!' they said, So thet is that.

GWEKF.

## DEATH OF A HILLINGDON RINGER.

The death occured on Monday, August 2nd, of Mr. J. H. Lucas, who had been a member of St. Andrew's tower, Hillingdon West, Middlesex, for nearly 14 years. He regularly attended Sunday service ringing and brancin meetings until about two years ago, when he gave up through illuess. He was not a great peal ringer, buk lad rung 38 in the standard methods.
The funcral took place on Friday, August 6 th, and in the evening a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled: A. Bray 1, P. Jones 2, E. Haucox 3, S. Childs 4, F. Bolton 5, F. Corke (couductor) 6, R. Carter 7, G. Nicholls 8.
Deceased, who was 57 years of age, leaves a widow and two sons in bereavement. Mr. Lucas' peals were: Minor in 3 methods 2, in 2 methods 1, Grandsire Donbles 1 , Grandsire Triples 8, Grandsire Caters 2, Bob Minor 3, Bob Major 2, Kent Treble Bob Minor 1, Kent Treble Bob Major 1, Stedman Triples 15, Oxford Bob Triples 2, total 38.

## COMPLIMENT TO BELL DONORS

In honour of Mr. J. and Mrs. A. Hatt, donors of the bells at Tetsworth Church, on the occasion of their visit to the parish on August 13th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles by the Sunday service ringers: J. Stone $1_{3}$ R. Lindars 2, A. Peasley 3, J. Hedges 4, W. Gibbard (couductor) 5, F. Smiti 6. First quarter-peal by all except the conductor and his first quarter-peal as conductor.

## LONDON BELLS BEFORE THE GREAT FIRE

## HOW THEIR NUNBERS INCREASED

By J. Armiger 'Trollope.
One of my tasks in writing my 'History ' was to find out, if I could, how many ringing peals there were in London before the Great Fire of 1666, and especially how many bells there were at St . Michael, Paternoster Royal, and St. Martin-in-the-Vintry, where, we are told, the College Youths first practised.
It is usually assumed that the only sources of information are Stow's 'Survey of London' 'and its various continuations, and such of the parish accounts as have survived, none of which tells us very much. But Mr. C. T. Flower, the secretary of the Public Record Office, very kincly made some investigations for me among State papers and afterwards put me in the way of making others myself. As a result I have found out that there were in London in olden times very many more bells than 5 usually supposed.
In 1552 and 1553 inventories were made of the goods, ornaments and bells of all the parish churches throughout England and Wales. Many of these inventories still exist, those for some countics (Norfolk and Surrey, for example) being practically complete. In London at the time there were 105 parish churches and there are inventories for 95 . But nine of them are mutilated and tell us nothing about the bells.
In the remaining 86 churches there were two rings of six, 34 of five, 25 of four and 21 of three. All of them lad, in addition, a saunce or sanctus bell. St. Margaret, Pattens, is the only one that possessed a single bell, and that was because the steeple was being rebuilt when it was stopped by a dreadful fire which destroyed many of the houses in the parish and caused the death of nine persons. All Hallows, Lombard Street, had but two (one of them a saunce bell). A parishioner had bought the bells of the dissolved priory of St. John-at-Clerkenwell for the steeple, but he died and his son and heir refused to complete the gift. St. Pancras, Soper Lane, also had but two. but that was a tiny church.
In addition, there were rings of five at St. Paul's Cathedral and the Conventual Church of St. Martin-leGrand. Soon after ${ }^{5} 553$, however, both these rings were destroyed. St. Martin's was broken up and sold, and St. Paul's perished by fire in 156 I. The five at St. Anne and St. Agnes were also clestroyed by fire. But all the rest were not only preserved and well looked after between ${ }^{1552}$ and 1666 , but in many instances were augmented. All Hallows, Staining, four in $155^{2}$, were made five: St. Andrew, Holborn, were increased in ${ }_{1} 578$ from four to eight: St. Alohage, London Wall, from three to six; St. Andrew, Undersliaft, from four to six; St. Botolph, Aldersgate, from three to five; St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, from three to six; St. Christopher, Stocks, from five to six; St. Giles, Cripplegate, from five to six; St. Mary-le-Bow, from five to ten; St. Michael, Cornhill, from six to eight; St. Olave, Hart Street. from four to six; and All Hallows, London Wall, from four to six.

Probably there were other rings which were augmented, for a man left money for the thells of All Hallows, Bread Street, to be rung on certain occasions, and they were only four in $155^{2}$. All Hallows, Barking, too, for which there is no invertory, were made six in 1659 , and

St. Bartholomew by the Exchange, of which the inventory is defective, were five at the end of the $16 \mathrm{th}_{3}$ century.

At St. Martin-in-the-Vintry there were ' V bells of on accord and a lesser bell.' Neither the inventory nor any parish accounts of St. Michael, Paternoster Royal, survive, and we shall never know what bells were there before the fire, but judging by comparison with other churches of a like importance, we may say that probably it had a ring of five.
The inventories for the Westminster churches have not survived, but we know from other sources that in the early 17 th century St. Martin-in-the-Fields had five bells, the Abbey six, and St. Margaret's six. At St. Saviour's, Southwark, there was a beavy ring of six in ${ }^{1552}$, increased to eight in the $\mathrm{r}_{j}^{\text {th }}$ century; St. Olave's hat five ; and Lambeth had five. St. Giles-in-the-Fields had three in 1552 and six in 1635 .
All these bells were hung for ringing and were rung regularly, even the little threes in what were scarcely more than turrets.
The old societies rang on three and four bells as well as on fives and sixes, and we know from extant rules that it was their custon to go about from belfry to belfry, as fancy or convenience dictated; so that they had pretty nearly a hundred towers within walking distance to chose from.
The College Youths, in this respect, were not different from other societies. They were not specially connected with any one City church, and there is not a scrap of evidence to show that they hacl anything to do with any church on College Hill, even if there was a ringing peal there. In any case, the oft-quoted statement of Shipway that they rang Stedman's Principle at a church on College Hill cannot be true. The Principle was not composed until shortly before $167 \%$ and all the bells at St. Nichael, Paternoster Royal, and St. Martin-in-thc-Vintry perished in the fire of 1666.

## BOB TRIPLES.

## Ta the Edifot.

Dear Sir, - Thaxe read your reply to my letter re flie peal of Bofy Triples at Gimulisbutrgh, and I am sery to note your remarks are again very yagıe.

Apparentily Yon do not consider Boln Triples serves a part in "the advancement of the art of change ringing, and that is where we disagree.
I am well nware that Boh Triples is greatly alespined, experinily in this part of the conntry, and it is manly due ta this fact that I frol inclined to give an opinion in frvonr of the methot. Bob Triples is rarely, if aver, practised in this nistrict, which may explain to $a$ eermin extent the difficulty one exneriences in finding of tower where a luand can ring anything of her than Grandsive.

Do not misumdersfand me. Grandsize is a pood old-fnshioned and simple method, and ountains greater musical qualities than Bols Triples. But what a great percentage of our ringing friends who never advance further than Grandsire. the method they were first tallght! Pou, yonrealf. have deplored thet fact only recently, and lane more or jess considerod the problem innsolved. A puzale is macie to he solved hy the application of a little thonght and rearranging, and that is wheres Bob Triples comes in.

I strongly anaintain that if hegimers are fisst of all tamplatio Plain Boh method on fons or five bells, they will in a surprisingly short time master Boh Major. The point I arm endeavonring to make understandahse is that Bob Triples is a valunble stepping stame in tho elementary comse of a Foung ringer and should be encouraged. In other words, the stages from Plain Bob four on five bells to Boh Major and then to Treble Bob is much more simple than placing a beginner, with only rounds experience, to an 'inside' bell in Firandsire Triples, ultimately expecting him to conquer Stedman Triples as the next method.
The stepping stage is too great and oniv a fow reanh it, and the tower is left with a band of a few insiders to Grindsire and the remninder tenormen, neither of whom has a further desire for advancement.
Staines, Middeger.

## COMPETITIVE RINGING

## ITS DRAWBaCKS AND A POSSIBle Way OUT

## To the Editor

Dear Sir, With regard to your leader of August 13th, putting on one side the Church as distinct from the secular side of campetitive ringing, there is a good deal in what you say, but there are some points which never are considered except amongst those who live in a competitive country and sce them daily,
'Ille first result of competitive riugiug is undoubtedly to improve the standard of the method rung, be it rounds or anyting else. It is a questian as to whether this improvement (very temporary as will be seen) is worth the expenge.
The second result, simultaneous with the first, is, in my experience, a complete selfishness on the part of a few riugers, resilting in loss of all progress aud a fimal break up of the bana. It stands to reason that, if you are going co bave a competition, you must practise for that competition and that alone, if you are to do any good. The result is thats six or eight ringers, accordiug to the number of bells, constituts themselves 'the ringers, par excelince,' take up the whole of the practice time and discourage others Erom joining. If there are any obher ringers they soon get disgruntled and leave and no one takes their place. One of the regulars dies or leapes the district, and the remainder, being used to pertect ringing, will not readily ring with a new man, who bas to be tauglit from whe beginning, or evers with ons of the band not in the elique, and the band brenks up.
I can show jou dozens of such cases in a Round Riuging Country, and it appears at least possible that the same would happen in change ringing.
As to progress, the same applies. If fou are to hare any chance of a first place in the emmpetition, yon liave no time for the practice of new methode. The prize ringing towers, which realy count, in a Round Ringing Country do not ever practise call changes.

Finally, such competitions discournge conductors and encourge the one conductor tower. It is possible that a very thorough orgamisation, by giving points for the uumber of conductors, number of ringers, and ehanging ringers around on different bells (most important of all), may get rid of these disadvantages. But they must be considered before any action is taken.
Crmek ringers may be inclined not to theat the ahove very seriously; but it is not the cracks who will he takitg part. For the rest I would wanl them that the path of the competitive ringer is far from being a smooth one.
Now one word as to the church side. Competition will never and should never receive any encourngement from the Ghuroh. If soma such scheme as you outhine should, therefore, ever materialise, I wonld most strongly urge something which would have the same effeet without the stigma of competition
Such a scheme has been devised by a ringing association which is now atfiliatorl to its diocesan guild. The finging is jueged as is 'prize rincing, but no marks are issued. First, second and tiritrd elass certificates aro jssued according to a standard in the bants of the judges, and as ringing improves so these standends become higher. The whole of the entries or none maj, therefore, receive a first class.
It has provel very successful and it 15 hoped that advance in method ringing may ho obtained later by having difecent classes. If this comes about jk will have achieved a great object in combining all ingerg into one brotherlood. But two thangs remain to be seen:-
(1) Whether it conld survire an ultimate change of leadership,
(2) Whelher the good of the show will trinmph over the natural selfishess of the average ringer (I class myself in this, so no one zeed be hurtly
The ahove scheme is, I think, a good one when the proposal is to combine, in one associntion, the competilive and non-competitive inger, but $I$ an firmly convinced that where it is merely a case of improving striking within an associntion (inoportant as this is), any form of test shonid be avoided liks the devit.
C.F.J.

## TENDER HANDS

## WHAT IS TEE BEST REMIEDY?

The jnquiry of a correspondent whose tender hands suffer when he indulges in ringtur has brought the following suggestions, which may be usefyl to other of our readers who "blister.
Mr. W. B. Kynaston (Bwindon) says he finds surgical spirit (bought from the chemist's) a good preventive; also a reeredial agent,
A wasl leather 'end for the rope is advacated by Mr. F. D. Hartis (Wobura). He says : I think your correspondent will find that by far the most effective way to prevent blistering of the fingers is to obtain a phece of wasli leafher', about 10 to 12 inches long avd 2 inches or so wide, and make it inta a tulae by meaty stitehing the sides tagether the whole leagth so that it will slip over the tail end, which then forms a miniature sally. Two small holes should be made at either end, sufficient to pass a piece of biread throngh, so that it can be tied to the rope to prevent slipping. Ho can, of course, carry it about with him in his pocket wherever he goes to riag, as it only takes a few minutes to adjust.
Mrs. E. (a ringer writes: Re the courespondent who akk what is the best fhing to use on tender hanis to keep buem from blistering when ringing, I suggest that lie (or she) tries doing a few months of honsework, at the end of which his lands will probably be nicely hardened.

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By J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE

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## DEATH OF MR. H FOLKARD.

## RTNGER AT EALING TOR 35 YEARS.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Harry Folkard, which took place on Thursday, August 5th, at the age of 68 years. The deceased was a Suffit man, born and leant to ring at Framlinghan, but for the last 35 years had Jived at Ealing and rang at Christ Church and St, Stephen's, Ealing, and with, the Collage Youths.
The funeral, on the 13 the $114 s t$, at Eallug Cemefery, was attended by Mr. P. E. Clark (representing Christ Chureh and St. Stephen's), Mr. E. Harris Mr. J. A. Trollope (representing the Middesex Association), Mir. E.J. Walsam and Mr. C. F. Wimey (represenfing the College Youths). 隹 muffed peal was rung at Chist Ghurel in the evening

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Eastern Division of the Sussex County Association was leld at Batile on Saturduy, August Tht over 30 members attending from Brighton (Sb. Nicholas'), Eastbourne (St. Mary's, St. Saviour's and Christ Chemely, Mayfield, Uckfiela, Heathfield, Brede, Hawhhurst (Kent), Sutton (Surrey), as well as Mr. Haig of Etchinglam, and members of the Battle company. A slort service was held, atnd Mr. W. D. Smith presided at the tea and business meting which followed.
The election of the following life members wrs confirmed: Negsrs. Emest Bishop and Stanley Litheridge, of Hawkhurgt, and A. P. Ganron, of Londonr. Messis. Jahin Downing and Jack Pennells, of Hastings, were elected members.
A Tote of thanks was proposed by the divisional secretary (Mr. A. O. Panklurst) to the Dean far the use of the bells, and to Mr. Sinden for making arrangemonts for the meeting.
The members then returned to the tower, and, in spite of the hot weather, the bells were liept going until 8 o'clock.

## GLORIOUS DEVON.

## Hartland's wowdrous ohurch

On Saturday, August 7th, the ringers of the Thorverton band held their annual outing. The party made its first hatt at Okehampton, where the new peal by Gillett and Jolnnston responded to tonches of Triples. The only 'grouse' was the ascent of the loug path to the chureb.
Tha rin to Great Torringtou was parbiciarly admired by the Indies of the party, and the views of Dxmoor away north and the receding mospect of the Tors of Dartmoor provided something to think about. Who could not admire the deep vale of the Torridge as it half encircles Groat Torrington?
The little market town, midst its commons on the hill, has a fine chureh (deslioyed by gunpowder in 1545 and rebuilt in 1653) and spira, while its bells gave plensure in every way. After singing the party had luncleon in the 17th century inu in the square. of course, ho baskets were mell packed. The journey was continned by way of Torridge valley to Biderond and Haviland. Hastland Point, where the grey seas glitter and the sharp tides shift,' was the limit of tha tour. Time, however, prevented bue party fromr reaching the Puint


ST. NEGTAN'S CHURCH, HARTLAND, With the tallest tower in Devon.

Hartland has a wondrous churcht, much as it was in the late 14th ontury, wheo its builders set up a glorious rood screen and erected tailest tower in the county of Devon. They preserved a beatifully ed Norman font, and in the parvice over the north doorway may cen many relics of histome Harton. The tower is 126ft. high and Fandmark for ships entering the Bideford Bay. But Haxtoli bells, dist by the firm of Taylor. when located at Buckland Brewer in 1826, riouited a man's job. They rum 'trather way, the tenor is a ton and they go hard. Their tones reminded the ringers of the waves noming by the Bar. But the fresh breezes direct from the Atiautic, Whe panorama of the Bay even to Baggy Point, and tho distant prospect Dartmoor, gave something to be remembered.
The road runs high from Harton to Bideford, and the Leigls and rreurilles of the past went that way to Stowe down in Cornwall. A diversion throngh Abbotsham gave the ringers a near view of Westvard Ho. They glimpsed the Pebble Ridge and the white flecks of the erested waves lapping the boulders; they thonght of Kipling and Stalky and Co., nor did they forget 'Ayacauora' aud 'Amyas cirgh' in Kingsley's "Westward Ho!'
Bideford was reached by $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., and when it is stated that the tide Wis up, there is convincing evideuce of the glory of 'the little white own on the Torvidge.' And Biclefond bells (a Taylor peal, 1929) were fplendid in every way and led to expressious such as ' I'd like to ring (Continued in next column.)

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION WELCOME TO CELEBRATED COMPOSER

The storm mirght have completely washed out a meeting of the North and East District of the Midelesex Caunty Association aud London Diogesin Guild, held ab Witlesden on Sathixhay last. That it did not do so was to the eredit of the ringera who attended, who were repaid for their enthusiasm by enjoying some good ringing in good company, and participating in a good ten

It was regretted that the absence on holiday of the Vicar (Rev. G. H. Perry) prevented the usual servico being held, although this gave a littile more time for a chat after tea and come handbell ringing
At the business meeting 3ill. G. W, Fletcher (vice-president) took the chair. The prowisional elections to membership of three ringers
werg confimed, monst these being Mr. Abert J. Pitnan, of Port Talbot, who was present at the meetins. Mr. C. T. Coles (hon, secretary) said that Mr. Pitmen was provisionally elected in that tower on the previaus Tuesday. It was fiting that he should become a member of this association at Willesden, which was the tower at which the first of his many woncerful peals of Spliced Surprise Major was rung, one in ten meilods, and which was followed by seperal others it different numbers of methods. Mr. Coles added that although Mr Pitman was disappointed at losing his peal at Willesden, he was gha to say that one attempted at St. Gcorge's, Soublhwark, on Thursdry was successful, and Mr. Pitman rang his first Surprige peal
Mr. Pimman acknowledged bis election by thanking Mr, F. C. Turner nud Mr. Coles for arranging ringing for him, end expressed his pleasure at spending such an enjoyable holiday amongst Middlescx ringers.

Finchley was chosen for the next meoting on September 18th, if available, the special method to be London Bob, No. 6 in the O.C collection of Plain Minor mefthods.
Mr. J. A. Trollope called attention to the notice in "The Ringing World ' advertising the book to be issued next month, 'A History of the College Youths.' This, he said, was being pubtished by Mr. Goldsmith, who was undertaking all financial risk in comnection with it. Of course, he, Mr. Trollope, was hoping that the book would sell well, he did not deny that, but he was aso very anxious that Mr. Goldsmith should not incur financial loss, and he, therefore, asked everybody presont to send in their orders early, and to push the sales of the book to their numost. It was not necessary to be a member of t.1e College Youths to be interested - the book was mole that a sonvenir-it was a serioug ablempt to write up a history of change ringing, of people who were just as much the atcestors of all of us as they were of the members of one society.
Mr. Fleteher urged early purchase, saying 'Do it now!'
The hon. secretary reminded members that 'to-day, August 14th, the birthday of that great ringer, William Pye, and he asked all present to show respect to his memory by standing in silence for a few moments.-This was accordingly done.

The Chairmala proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for allowing the meeting to be held, and added that Mr. Perry had expressed his regrets at lis absence on holiday.

Thanks ware also accorded to Mr. H. Kilby, also on holiday. and Mr 'I. T. Leek for arrangmg the meeting, and to Miss K. M. Bradiord Miss Wright and members of the Guild of St. Satherine for preparing an onjoyable tea.
Centual Coumej publieations went very well, and the holl. secretary almost sald ont his stock.

An attempt for Edmonton But on handbells was *only mearly successful, and Donble Norwich was rumg insteac.

In the tower most of the staudard methods from Grandsire to Lundon Surprise were rung, and two or thee touches of Edmonton Bob the special method for the meeting, were suecessfully braught ronnd.

## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS.

T.ONDON, - On Suhde, Aumst 8th, for cromg service at the Church of the Immanuel, Streatham, S.W , a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Miss O. L. $\Delta$ shisook 1, T. H. Taffender 2, E. J. Kiry (condhetor 3, E. L. Miles $4, P, A$. Corby (first quarter-peal in the nethod) 5, A. P. Cannon 6, F. E. Darby 7, F. Hopgood 8.

WILLESDEN.-At the Church of St. Mary on Mondey, August 9th a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss 1र. M Bradford 1, C. E. Lankester 2, G. M. Kilby 3, W. G. Turner (arst quarter-peal in the method) 4, J. F. Riding 5, E. B. Fartiey 6, H Kilby 7, T. J. Lock (conductor) 8 .
(Continued from previous colamn.)
Apeal here. Rhaging done, Friendships provided an excellent ten soa sony (qrancson) Rinler appeared rather collcerned shont his half-ewown. But he cof it all right and thorourhly enjoped himself amongst the boats, white the party found diversion in the shipping achivities near the ancient long bridge.
The relurn journey through Banstaple and the Taw Valley will be remembered even in duil November. The waters above the Bideford Bar were as peaceful an a lake as the great red sum dipped aver the ocean beyond. All were indebted to Mr. Ridler and his fientenants, Messrs. Cory, Miliond, treasurer, and Pook, timekeeper. He calls him self 'Marshal,' perhaps it's his joke. Mr: Ricller has, for something Eitre lalf a century, trained young hands in the art of abange ringing Fe is over eighty and it seems wonderful to say that he took part in most of the touches rung during the day. Fut his moto is 'Doing what we onglit, we desire $n o$ praise.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

COURSLNG ORDFR IN KENT TREBLE BOB.
The coursing order of the hells in Treble Bols can be followed with as much ease as that of Plain Bob. The essential difference is that tha bell in the 'Slow' work (described a fortnight ago) is taken out of the coursing for the timo being. In Kent Treble Bob the treble meets the hells in the order 2.4.6.5.3, as it does at the beginning of Plain Bob, but instead of hutting back through them in the sime order, 2, hayime to remain in the slow, is missing, and in zetracing its steps the treble meets the bolls in tho order 4.6.5.3 and then picks up 2 on the front. Next time, 4 goes in Slow and the order out is 4.6.5.3.2 and back 6.5.3.2.4
if you are ringing one of the working belle you maiutain the same cycle of coursing, but substitute the ireble for whicherer bell is in the Slow. Thus in the first lead of the plain course the cycle js 1.4.5.5.3 (2 heing in the Slow), in the next lead 2.1.6.5.3 (4 being in the Slow), in the next 2.4.I.5.3 ( 6 being in the Slow), and so ous. Or, beginning always with the treble, 1.4.6.5.3: 1.6.5.3.2; 1.5.3.2.4, ete.
When a boh is called, tho hell immediately in front of the treble makes the boh' and is turned in its coursing order so that it follows immediately ufter the treble. Thms if the bells are coursing 1.4.6.5.3 (l, etc.) in the first lead and a bols is called, the coursing order hecomes 1.3.6.5.2 in the mext lead, anal then 1.6.5.2.4 if a plain lead follows, or 1.2.6.5. 4 if there is another bob
If wou are ringing on more bells than six, the coursing order follows the same riles. When yon ring the method on eight you merely put 8.7 every time between 6 and 5 ; and if you go to ten you put 8.0.9.7 in that owler hetween 6 and 5.
A knowledge of coursing is, of course, essential to the suecessiul conductor. 甜e must not only, be able to 'rend' it from the bells themsclues, as lue goes alour, hut fre must he able to anticipate it; that is to say he should know before he calls a bob exactly what clange will take place in the sequence of the bells.
Suppose he is calling Treble Boh Minor. He knows that the hob will hnve no effect on the bells yoing fnto and coming out of the 'Slow' work, that one bell is going to make 4th's and return to lead; while the others stop for the extra double dodging.
The three beils round the treble transpose their places thus: The one belind the treble gees inta the Slow; the one from the Slow takes its place in front of the treble; while the one that lad preFionsly heen immediately in front of the treble, having mede the bob, hecomes the one immediately behind it. While this was goirg on, the rost of the lsells had been delayed and they fall into position belind the bell that made the hoh in the same order as before the cafl, whether it be two bells in Minor, the four in Major, and so on to the higher numbers
The ahility to see this con'sing order enahles the foung conductor tes call his tonches or peals from bells other than the ohservation bells; Fe can. for instance, tell wher to call the bobs at 'In' or ' Out ; when the tellou is the obserwation, althongh he way be minging any of the others. He can. in fact, call the observation bell into any postion required, by noting its position in the coursing order, and he will be able, with experience, to know where every bell should be each lead
We do not pretend that what we have said will onable the beginner to 'reaf, the bells riflit off at once. We have only endeavonred to show him what to look for when he is ringing, to help lim develop his powers of ohservation. Fe must, apply it when he is in the tower and make a study of it on paper at home

## COMING-OF-AGE CELEBRATED.

For morning service on Sunday, August 8th, the local band at East Ilsley, Berks, met early and rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples to celebrate the coming-of-age of Miss Flsie Risien: W, Hibbert, sen, 1, Elsie Risien 2, Marjorie Pielत̈ 3, R. Warwick 4, Mrs. E. Sneller 5, E. Sneller 6, C. J. Hibbert (conductor') 7, F. Carter 8.
It was intended to ring another quarter-peal in the erening, but the Rector was called away on urgent husimess and evensong cancelled, so three of the 31sley people visited Reading and rang 503 Grandsire Caters for service at St. Lanrence's: Marjorie Field $1_{1}$ Mrs. O. J. Watts 2, $\mathrm{R}_{\text {. }}$ T. Hibbert (condnctor) 3 , W. Hibbert, sen. 4, C. J. Hibbert 5. H. Swith 6, E. Humfrey 7, C. Pallen 8, C, J. Whtts g, G. White 10. The ringers of both towers wish Miss Risien many more happy and prosperous years and more good peals. The tonch at Reading was Miss M. Ficld's first experience an ten belle.

## FORMER RINGER AND CHURCHWARDEN

## DEATH OF COLSTON BASSETT VETEPAN

We jegret to record the deatl, at the age of 79 yenrs, of Mr. John Smallwood Faulks, of Colston Bassett, Notts, who was a ringer for nearly half a century. He began bis ringing at the old chureh and was one of the band who first rang at the present church, which was erected 40 yeats ago. He was also churchwarden fot some years.

Athongh he lad ceased to take an active part in tinging he never lost interest and was always glad to help and encourge young ringere
On Sumday, August 8th, prior to a memorial service, a quarter-perl of Grandsire Doubles, with 6.4 .8 covering, was ritg with bells balf mufled by: T. Greaves 1, G. W. Greasey (conductor) 2, G. Payne 3 , G. Spencer 4, F. Richards 5, A. Buyce 6, \#1, Wagstall 7, J. Spencer $\mathbf{g}^{\prime}$

## SPLICED SURPRISE IN FULL COURSES.

## THE PEAL JN SEVEN METHODS.

A peal in seven Surprise methods was rung, it will be remembered, at Wigston Magna on May 12th.
All courges were rung with a lead each of Wigston, Leicestershire, Louglaborough, Grafiord, Huntingdon, Bagnor and Buckingham in that order. At the Bob Before in each part two consecutive leads of Crayford werg rung.

The composition was a 5,024 , shortened from $5,472 \mathrm{by} \mathrm{Mr}$. A. G. Driver.

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23456 \text { W. B. M. R. }
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| 42635 |  |  | - |
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| 46325 |  |  | - |
| 34625 |  |  | - |
| 34256 | - | $\times$ |  |
| 23645 | - |  |  |

Twice repeatod. Shortened to 5,024 by omitting three bobs F From * in the first part.
The methods Lougliborough and Bognor, both by J. S. Carter, of Wigston, bave not proviously been published, and are as follows:-

| Lougliborough. |  | Bognor. |  |
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| 21354768 | 25346718 | 21354769 | 23456718 |
| 12537486 | 52437681 | 12537486 | 24357681 |
| 21357846 | 54236718 | 21357846 | 42536718 |
| 23158764 | 45326178 | 23157864 | 24356178 |
| 32517846 | 43521687 | 23157486 | 32546178 |
| 25157486 | 34256178 | 32517846 | 23451687 |
| 32514768 | 32451887 | 32514768 | 32451687 |
| 23541786 | 23415678 | 23542766 | 23415678 |
| 25347168 | 38146587 | 23457158 | 32146587 |
| 52431786 | 32146587 | 32541786 | 23416857 |
| 54237188 | 32148875 | 35247168 | 32148675 |
| 45327618 | 31246857 | 53427618 | 31246857 |
| 43526781 | 13426587 | 35246781 | 13426587 |
| 34257618 | 31245678 | 32547618 | 31245878 |
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| 23547681 | 13527486 | 32547681 | 13527485 |
| Bob | 57486 | Bob | 57486 |

## DEATH OF MR. HERBERT W. NEEDHAM. <br> AN ORIGINAL MEMBER OF THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

It is with deepest regret we report the deabh of Herbert Whit Needham, formerly of Leicestev, which oceurred on Weduesda August 4th, at his son's residence at Coalville. Deceased, who was years of age, had a stroke some years ago, since when he had reti from actual ringing, and, leaving Leicester, lived with his other sou at Lulterworth. Nr. Neediam was horn at Barwell, but at an early agn went to Leicester, where he took up ringing before the adyent of tho Midland Connlies Association.
He was present at the first meeting held in St. Margaret's Sehools on January 13 th, 1883 , when the witle of the association was olanged from the Derby and District Association to the Midland Connties Association, and his name as a peal ringer appears under No, 17 the societies' performances at St. Saviour's, Leicester, Jume 5ih, 1883
Later Mr. Needham migrated to Full, rand rang lrequently will members of the Yorkshire Association in many towers of the distriet. Ther he returned to the Midiands and was in Nottingham for anmben of years. Eventually rethrning to Leicester, he attached himself St. Martin's company, and although nover a prolifie j?ea! rinқer, comld always be relied on at practices and for Sumday service ringing. When St. Martin's (now the Cathedral) campany essayed and rang many different Surprise Royal peals, 'old Herbert' was a source nf great help when any vacancies acourred at practices-and he filled thoso vacant places well and truly!

He was laid to rest in Litterworth Charchyard on Saturday August 7th. Besides the family mourners, mostr of Leicester Gathedral Foniety followed the cortege, as well as Mr. Ernest Morris (general hon. secretary, M.C.A.), Messrs. A. J. Haris and H. Perkims (elairman and local secretary, M.C.A.), Mr. J. H. Swinfeld (Burton), MI. J. B. Fenton (Rugby). Mr. R. Barrow (Belgrave) and othels. A wreath from the Catherlral Society bore the inscription:-

No more the distant temor sounds,
His life's full peal goes into rounds."
A course of Grandsire Caters was rumg over the grave by P. L Harrison 1-2, S. Cotton 3-4, F. J. Poole 5-6. E. Molyis 7-8. F. E. Wilson 9-10. Immediately afterwards a miffled neal of Stedman Triples was attempted at Lutterworth Parish Clurch, but unfortumately lost after ringing 2 bours.

## NOTICES.

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.--Jurisdiction of Glaston Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at STREET on Saturday, August arst. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service 4 , tea and meeting to follow.-F. D. RICKARDS, 3, GREAT STANHOPE STREET, BATH.
WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A montbly meeting will be held on Saturday, August 2ist, at Arley. Bells (6) available during afternoon and evening. Tea 5 p.m. at rf. Midland Red buses run direct from Coventry and Numeaton. - Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon, Secretary, Exhall, Coventry.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A joint meeting of the Preston and Fylde Branches will be held at Preston Parish Church on Aug. 2 Ist. Bells (ro) available from 3 p.m.-A. Blogg and C. Sharples, Branch Secs.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hereford District. - A quartenly meeting of the district will be held at Bodenham on Saturday, August 2 Ist. Bells (6) available 3 to 8.30 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m7.-L. H. Stickley, Dis. Sec., The Green, Fownhope, Hereford.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Milford-on-Sea on Saturday, August 2ist, Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 on the Vicarage Tawn.-G. Preston, 42, Waterloo Place, Christchurch.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Wigan and Liverpool Branches.-A joint meeting will be held at Rainford on Saturcay, August 2 ist. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 ( 6 d . each), for which please notify Mr. P. Shaw, 36 Church Road, Rainford, h: St. Helens.-S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

IANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. 'leorge's, Mossley, Saturday, Aug. 21st. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Service $4 \cdot 3$. Tea and meeting to follow. Rev. J. F. Southworth, B.D., will officiate and extends a isearty welcome to the Bolton branch. - J. H. Ridyerd, Branch Sec.

PEAK DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Next meeting, Baslow and Edensor ( 6 bell towers), Saturday, Aug. 2 ist. No arrangements are being made for tea, as there is plenty of convenience for all members and friends who turn up.-H. L. Warburton, Hon. Sec.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch.The meeting at Stanground on Saturday, August 2 rst, is cancelled.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Lough-
borough District. - The aext meeting will be held at Kingston-on-Soar on August 21st, Bells (6) available from 3 p.m.-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on the 26 th, St. Mary-le-Bow on the $3^{15 t}$ - Wm. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District. - A meeting will be held at Quex Park on Saturday, August 28th. Bells (12) a vailable from 3 p.m. A picnic tea has been arranged, and will be provided free to members who send in their names to Mr. Harrison Smith, The Green, Wickhambreaux, near Canterbury, not later than Wednesday, August 25th. Permission has been obtained whereby members will be shown over the Museum, at $4 \cdot 30$ Please note, only one entrance to the tower, by the farm gate, and thence by the tradesmen's road.-B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division.The next meeting will bebeld at Great Waltham on Saturday, August 28 th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 , tea and business meeting after. The Calhedral bells will be available during the evening. Will all those requiring tea please let me know by Wedaesday, August 25th, certain?-H. W. Stadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.

A JOINT MEETING of the Guildford Diocesan Guild (Chertsey Dist.), the Middlesex County Association (S. \& W. District), the Oxford Diocesan Guild (E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch) and the Surrey Association (N.W. District) will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, August 28 th. Service at 445 , preacher, Rev. A. C. Tranter, Vicar of Egham. Tea at $5 . \mathrm{I}_{5}$ in Church Hall, price gd. each. Names for tea to district secretaries or Mr. Gr. Walmsley, I3, Commercial Road, Staines, not later than Tuesday, August 24th. Ringing arrangements: St. Peter's, Staines, 3.30 to $4.45,6.30$ to 7.30 ; St. Mary's, Staines, 7.30 to 9 ; Egham, 3 to 4.15, 7 to 8.30; Wraysbury, 3 to 4.15. All ringers and friends welcome. District Hon. Secs. :- F. E. Hawthorne (Guildford Guild), A. D. Barker (Oxford Guild), F. G. Woodiss (Surrey Association), and F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks (Middlesex Association).

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch. Will ringers please note that the next meeting of the Crewe Branch will be held at Wrenbury ( 6 bells) on Aug. 28 th, and not on the 2 Ist, as stated on the list on meeting cards? All those who intend to be present will greatly assist if they will send word on or before the ${ }^{3} 4^{\text {th }}$ inst. -- Rich. D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec., 1 I 8 , Ruskin Road, Crewe.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A mecting will be held at Burwash on Saturday, Aug. 28th. Tower open 3 o'clock. All ringers welcome.-C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings. regarding any make of Tomer Clook.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Blackburn Cathedral on Saturday, August 28 th. Bells (Io) available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30. Members and non-members cordially in-vited.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil St., Blackbarn.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, Aug. 28 th. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Tea can be arranged near the church. A good attendance is hoped for at this meeting. Everybody welcome.-E. Cooper, Hon. Sec.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-A ringing practice will be held at Great Linford ( 6 bells), on Saturclay, Aug. 28th, 5 p.m. All ringers will be made weicome.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.
J.EEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Shipley on Saturday, Aug. 28th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea can be obtained near the church. Business meeting in the tower at 7 p.m. -H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Leeds 12.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhal! Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Frodsham on Saturday, Aug. 28th, at 3 p.m. Kindly advise me if requiring tea, not later than the 25 th. -John E. Ashcroft, P.O., Grappenhall.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Brancls. The rext meeting will be held at Newchurch, near Warrington, on Saturcay, Aug, a8th. Bells available $2.3^{\circ}$ p.m. Business meeting 6.30 p.m.-Peter Crook, How. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hincley District.-Next meeting at Broughton Astley (5 bells) on Wake Saturday, Aug. 28th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 for those who notify Mr. Bird, Station Road, Broughton Astley. It will help the caterers if cards are sent as early as possible.-Wm. A. Wood, Dis. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch. - A meeting will be held at Chatteris, Cambs, on Saturday, Aug. 28 th. Beils (6) ready 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Short service if arranged. Please notify Mr. A. J. Abrams, East Park Street, Chatteris, for tea.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Mill Road, Over, Cambridge.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. - A meeting will be held at Toddington on Saturday, Aug. 28 th, from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Come if you can, you'll be welcome.-F. J. Plummer, Romaine, Plantation Road, Leighton Buzzard.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Welton (5) on Saturday, Aug. 28th. Usual arrangements. - W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION:-North-West Division.-A mid-week meeting will be held at Hatfield Broad Oak on Wednesday, Sept. Ist, at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. - S. Clark, Potter Street, Hazlow.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. Southern District. The next quarterly meeting will be held at. Sketty on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells (8) available $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., with tea and business meeting to follow. Numbers for tea by Tuesday, Aug. 3 rst, certain. All ringers welcome.-E. Stitch, 2I, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

DEVON GUILD.-Exeter Branch.-Meeting at Duns ford, Sept. $4^{\text {th3 }}$. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15. Motor coach leaves Paul St. Park 2.30 p.m., visiting Bridford before tea, Christow after tea; fare 2 s .6 d . for members, visitors 45. Bands and visitors please notify by Aug. 28th; not later.-W. H. Howc, Hon. Sec., 8, Courtenay Ruad, Exeter.

LADIES' GLIILD.-Central District.-The next meeting will be held at Great Baddow, Essex, on Saturday, September 4 th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will all those requir. ing tea please notify ne not later than Wednesday, Sept. ist? Gentlemen cordially invited.--M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec., 9, Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND SUFFOLK GLIILD.-A joint meeting of the East Notfoik Branch and Sulfolk Guild will be held at Bungay on Sat urday, Sept. 4th. Bells from 3 p.m. Bungay (8), Ditchingham (6). Tea af 5.15. Will members please take note, to send names, or numbers for tea to $H$. Barcell, 23, Slaithe Road, Bungay? Correspondence to E. Goate, Smallgate, Beccles, or J. Harwood, 4, Cobden Terrace, Northgate Street, Great Yarmouth.

BISHOP'S WALTHAM, HANTS.-Dedication of the bells by the Archdeacon of Portsmouth on Wednesday, Sept. 8th, at 6.30 p.m. Ring of 6 tuned and peal aug mented to 8 by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Nort ampton Branch.-A quarterly mecting will be held St. Peter's, Northampton, on Saturday, Sept. Usual arrangements. Please notify for tea not later than Tuesday previous. - J. C. Dean, Hon. Sec., i6, St. Peter's Street, Northampton.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE. - The Annual Conmemoration Dinner to Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held the Leeds and County Conservative Club, South Parade, Leeds, on Saturday, Oct, gth. Tickets 4s. each, and early application for same should be made to Mr . F. $G$. Sherwood, 8, Vesper Walk, Leeds 5.

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Peal boards and peal books have handed down to us for over two hundred years details of many of the notable performances which have marked the evolution and progress of the art of change ringing, and from time to time much of this material has been presented to the pullic in various forms. We know a considerable amount about what laas been done, but what we have not known, or known only to a very limited degree, is anything about the men of bygone tines who took part in these performances. Their names have been left to us but little else that could help us to know something: of the manner of these ringers, of one, two or three centuries ago. Only deep research, and a careful analytical examination of such material thus made available could hope to provide this generation with any knowledge of the personalities which dominated the Exercise in those distant times; and by a combination of the gifts. of patience and an 'infinite capacity for taking pains,' Mr. Troilope has succeeded in giving us, in this ? History of the College Youths,' a peep at the characters of the men to whom the art of ringing owed so much in it:s early days. We believe the thing which will strike the: reader of this book more than anything else is its revelation of the personalities, as shown by their recorderi actions, of the men who played a leading part in London ringing circles, particularly in the eighteenth century. Their achievements and their disagreements are brough into focus and the history is written in a manner that will mainain the reader's interest from begiming to end. It is not in any way a rehash of previously accepted beliefs, but an entirely new review of ail the known facts -many of them recently brought to light by Mr. Trollope from the recesses of the British Museum and the Public
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Tenor $37 \mathrm{cwt} 3 \mathrm{qr}, 15 \mathrm{lb}$. in C .
Gborge Maytrs ... ...Trebie! Nolan golden ... ...
Jobn G. W. Harwcod ... 2 Albert G. Warnes...
Charles E. Loveit ... ... 3 - Artbor J. E. Smalls ... 8
Arthut G. King ... ... 4 R. William Barber... ... 9
Ernest G. Shorting ... 5 Cliggord Bird ... ... ... 7 mor
Composed and Conducted by Nolan Goldesn.

* First peal of Grapdsixe Gaters. A bithatity compliment to Mr J. G. W. Harwood.


## ISLTWWORTH, MIDDLESFX.

THE MDDLESTX GOUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sahryday, Argust 27, 1937, in Three Hours and Fiffeen Minktes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGE8; Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

J. Armigrr Trollope ...Tyeble| William R. Madgwick ... 6 | Frank E. Darby ... | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Charles H. | ... |



Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducled by Alan R. Pink.

* First peal of Cambinge Royal. First peal uf Cambridge Roynd as conductor.

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A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5065 CHANGES! Tenor $17 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Ceipgord Skidmorr ... ...Trehe Tbomas Hemming ... ... . 6 H. James Turner ......$\quad 2$ fVigior G. H. Hemds ... 7 Sidnay T. Holt ......$\quad 3$ Charles Camm... ... .... $\begin{gathered}\text { ì }\end{gathered}$ *Norman J. Goodman ... 4 Willam B. Cartwriget 9 -Tbomas W. Lewis ... ... 5 TEdward W, Blake ... ...Temor Composed by F. W. Perrens. Conducted by Wm. B. Cabtwrighi * First peal in the method and on ten bells. $\dagger$ Firsi peal on ten bells. $\ddagger$ First peal. Rung as a compliment to Mr. N. A. S. Dunn (aor of the Rev. Canon Dunh, Yicar of King's Norton) on his marriage to Miss Dorolly Alice Storr, of Sarn, Montgomeryshire, which took place on Auclist 17th.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS. <br> NETHERTON, WORUESTERSERTRE.

IHF WORCESTHRSETRE AND DISTBICTS ASSOCIATTON. On Saturday, August 14, 19.37, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, As the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES; Midderion's.

Tenor 12 ${ }^{3} \mathrm{cwl}$.
William Short... ... ...Tyeble Alpred Davirs ... ... ... 5
-Jobn S. Mason ......
Jobn Bass ......
Robsri Matithews .......
Conducted by Tbomas Hemmimg.

* Tirst peal of Camhridge. First peal in the method as conductor. The quarterly peal for the Northern Branch.

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On Salarday，August 14，1937，in Thres Hours art Ebt ht Minutes， At the Churce of St．Mari，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR，EO88 CHANGES！ Tenor 214 cwt．
－Rigeard Portway ．．．．．．Treble｜Ggorge Sadnders ．．．．．． 5 －Ricgard Ropbr ．．．．．．．．． 2 Josbpa C．Jennings ．．．．．． 6
 Gborge Scelboter ．．．．．． 4 H．Waltrr Smita ．．．．．．．Tenor Composed by W．Harrison．Conducted by H．Waltzr Smita． ＊First peal of Major．I First porl of Major＂部ide．＂$\ddagger$ First peal Kent Major． WYMONDHAM，NORTOLK． THE NORWICH DIOGESAN ASSOCIATION． On Morday，August 16，7937，in Three Hours and Twanty－Six Minutes At the Cedrch of SS．Mary and Thomas－df－Canterbery， A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， 6056 CHANGE8； Tenor 25 cwt． 1 qr． 25 lb ．in D ．
 Mrs．Grorge H．Cross ．．． 2 Henry Toone ．．．．．．．．． 6 †Peilip W．J．Fryer ．．． Grorge Mayers ．．．．．． 4 Grorge H．Cross ．．．．．．Temoy Composed by C Midoleton．
＊Hilst pent of Surprise Major． 1 First peal in the method．Rung in Jonour of the coming of age of Miss Mariun Jarvis，daughter of the Vicar of Wymondham and Mrs．Jarvis．

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On Monddy，August 16，1937，in Thyee Howy and Sowen Minutes， Aiter Cedrce of St．Loke，
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5184 CHANGES； Tenor 15 cwt I qu． 8 lb ．
Edwin A．Barnbit ．．．．．．Tredle｜John E．Lyddiard ．．．．．． 5 Ahther S．Riclards ．．．．．． 2 James Bbanett ．．．．．．．．． 6 Miss Hilda Oaksuett ．．． 3 Edmond Mounter ．．．．．． 7 William G．Grace ．．．．．．+ Jack Dafters ．．．．．．．．．Temar Composed by Artaur Kniguts（zti）．Conducted by f．Bennaty． Spevially rusg as a compliment to Mr．A．Rurdom，secretary of the local lande who was marrieel tho previous Salurday．Also rung for dr．F．Motnter on the 38 Lh anuiversary of his wedding day． LOWESTOFT＇，SEFFOLK．
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A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB HAJOR， 6024 CHANOEBI Tenor i 3 量 cwt．
Artbur G．King ．．．．．．Tyeble $\left.\right|^{*}$ Godrrey C．Walpole ．．． 5 －Edivim R．Goate ．．．．．． 2 －Albzte E．Coleman．．．．．． 6 －R．William Barber $\quad$ ．．． 3 －C．Frbderick Saybr．．．$\quad$ ．．． 7 Edmend C．Kett ．．．．．． 4 FRiceard W．R．Coates ．．．Temor
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Tenor $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
William G．Coziett．．．．．．Treble
Rogir D．St．Jobn Smite 2
Marie R．Cross ．．．．．．．． 3
Francts E．Taylor ．．．
R．Gordon Cross
5 Fredirick Whita Frederick A．H．Wilkine Walter F．Judgr ．．．．．．Thor Conducted by Franeis E．Taylor．
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## Grorge Maybrs

．．．Treble
Miss Dorotry L．Ditcham 2
Casla William Clover．．．．．．．．． 6
－Caarles E．Loviti ．．．．．． 3 Clippord A．Vessey ．．．
－Ricgard M．Harvey ．．． 4 Henry Tooxe ．．．．．．．．．Tehoy
Composed by A Knigets．
Conducted by H ．Tooke．
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On Friday，August 20，1937，is T two Howrs and Forty－Three Minutes， At the Churce of St．Padlinos，
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES，50GO CHANGE8；
Washbrook＇s Variation of Thorstang＇Fodr－Part．
Tenor 123 cwt．

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－Alan J．Hopper．．．．．．．．． 3 Harry Hoverd ．．．．．．．．．． 7
Jambs Benneit ．．．．．．．．． 4 Ernbst H．Oxbneam ．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Harry Hoverd．
＊First peal in the method．
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On Saturday，$A$ ugust 27，1937，in Threo Howrs and Six Mmutes， At the Chirge of All Saints，
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRIBE MAJOR，EO24 CHANGE8；
Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．

 Composed by Rev．H．Law James．Conducted by W，Williams． FATRWARP，SUSEEX．
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A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 506 CHANQES；
Tenor 15 cwt ． 2 qr．in $F$ sharp．
Leslid W．Jarvis ．．．．．．Tieble Arthor F．Lewry ．．．．．． 5 Ernest Biseop ．．．．．．．．． 2 Frederick Miles ．．．．．．． 6 Ricgard D．Divall ．．．．．． 3 William A．Kitcebnside ．．． 7 Wilfrid Booty ．．．．．．．．． 4 A．Patricx Cannon ．．．．．．Tenor Composed by F．Benneit．Conducted by A．P．Cannon． BOCKING，ESSEX．
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On Saturday，fitgust 21，1937，in Three Hours and．Six Minutes， At the Deanery Cherch of Sr．Mary－tbe－Virgin， A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5056 OHANQEB； Tenor 183 cwt．

 | －Normar h．Gringam | ... | 2 | Dodglas Jgnnings ．．． | ... | 6 |  |
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| Donald Jinmings | ... | .. | 3 | Abtber H．Eyerett | .. | 7 |

 Composed by J．Pritćbard，Conducted by Romald Seceling，
＊First peal．F Firsli peal of Major．First peal of Major as cont duetor．

NETHERSEALE, DFRBYSHIRE,
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Augu:127. 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Mirstes, At the Church of St. Perer,

## A PEAL, OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, b040 GHANGE8;

Heywood's No. I.
Tenor 12 cwt .
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## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

NEWLAND, GLOUCESTERSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Jn Saturday, August 14, 1937, 12 Two Hours and Etfy-Eight Minutes,
At the Cburch of St. Mary-tae-Virgin.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN DOUBLES, 5040 GHANEES
Tell eallings.
Tenor 17 cwt.
Menry E. Cox ...
... ... 7 redle
Albert E. Aostin
-Jobn J. Webb ...
. ... 2 William Pocton Conducted by W. Posron.

* 100th peal.

BACKFORD, GHESFIRE.
THE CEESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Satuyday, Augnst 14, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirby-Seven Minutes
Ai tee Chorch of St. O-wald,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, EO4O CHANEES:

Deing tivo extents cach of Cambridge Surpwise and Oxford Treble Bob and one each of Kent Treble Bols, Oxford Bob aud Plain Bob. Tenor 9 ewt.(approx.)
Willam E. Fletchber ...Tyole | Percy Swindley...

*Fred Hartman ... ... 3 |Frank Varty ... ... .... ...

## Conducted by F. Varsy.

* First peal in five methods.

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On Sunday, August 15, 1937, in Two Houys and Fifly Minutes,
At tee Caurca of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 EHANEES!

Being 10 six-scores of firandsire and 32 of SLE. Dunstan's, all enlled differeutly.

Tenor 15 cwt.
Melviler Jordan ... ...Tpedid Ernesi]. Matterws... ... 4
Prrcy Newland... ... ... 2 Tom Worrall ... ...
Harry Worrale... ... .... 3 | Charles Hodgbs.... ... .... Tehor Conducted by Ernest Matterws.
I wedding peal for Mr. Chasles Fodges, who was married recently. TUDDFNHAM, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLE GUILD.
On Wininesday, August 78, 1937, in Two Hows and Forty-Nine Minules At tee Caurch of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Consistirg of Lwo 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three of Phain Bob, with cliferent callings.
Ronald W. Steward... ...Treble James W. Jennjngs ... ... 4
Percy K. Parker ... ... 2 Gzorge A. Fleming ... ... 5 Olver J. Kidby ... .... .... 3 Sylvia R, E. Bowyer .... Temor Conducted by Syivia R. E. Bowyer.
Miss Bowrer's first abtenalu to conducl a peal. BARNJY-LN-THE-WILLOWS, NOTTS.
IHE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION AND THE LINGOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, August 19, 1937, in Two Howr and Thivly Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF MINOR, GO40 CHANGES;
Heing ane cxtent each uf Cambridge Surprise, Court Bob, St. Clementis, Oxford Trehle Boh, Kents Treble Bob, Oxford Boh and Plain Bob.
Jack Vessey ... ... ..- ...Tieble Mes Dorotgy Yessey
Thomas Vissiny ...
 Conducted by Franz Vernon.
First peal as conductor and first attermpt.
HYTHORNE, EENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Friday. Argust 20, 7937, in Two Houts and Forty-Two Minvics, At tre Chorch of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
42 extents, ten wallings.
Tenor 10 cwt.
*James Hugers ... ... ....Treble Charles Torner ... ... 3

- Willis Brooks ...... E. Thomas Ellender ...Tenoy Conducted by Cgarles Turner.
* First peal. Rtung for the silver wedting of Captain nud Mrs. Bralow, of EvLiomie House.

LYONSHALL, HEREFORDSFLRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursiay, August 19, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fi/hy-Thren Minufts, At the Parish Churce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANEES; Ten calliugs.
Harry T Ceamer lellor 12 ewt.
 Leslie Evans ... ..... $.3^{3}$ Erank Sandford... ... ...Temer Conducted by Trevor Jonrs.

* First peal 'inside. ${ }^{\text {' }}$


## ELSTOW, BEDS

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fyiday, August 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Manutes, At the Church of St. Helena,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of London Seholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Londou aud Canbridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Trebio Bob. Thenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.

Cbarles W. Clarks $\quad . .{ }^{2} \quad 2 \quad$ William Stapleton ...
C. Henry Harding ... ... 3 Sydney Fosebit ... ... ... 7 enop

Conducted by William Staplbion.

* Tirst peal of Minor.

DISLEY, OHESHIRE.
THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satavday, August 21, 1937, in Three Hobrs anä Forty-Fomy Mitutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SPLIGED TREBLE BOB MINOR. 5040 ehanges ;
leing seven extents in 19 methods, viz.: (1) Ockloy, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise and Norbury Treble Bob; (2) Nowdigate and Old Uxford Delight; (3) Coilege Bob IV., Willesden and Marple Delight ${ }_{j}$ (4) Clarlwoot and Neasden Deligit; (5) St, Albans, Wragby and Itraintroe Delight; (6) Capel and Sandal Treble Bob; (7) Saadal,

Landon Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 8 空 cuvt.

- Rey. Frank Bonner ...Tyeble| Albert T. Bancroft ... 4 Jobn Wortb ... ... ... 2 C. Kenneta Lewis -~ ... 5 Josepe Whettaker ... ... 3 James A. Milner ... ...Temoy Conducted by J. A. Milener.
* First peal in 19 methods. First peal in 19 mothods as conductor. 'L'wenty-ope changes of method.

CHIPSTABLE, SOMERSEI.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Denstrar Dranery Brance.)
On Salurday, August 21, 1937, in Two Hours and Fiftb-Five Minutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, GO40 CHANGES; Ten calings.
Edgar Qdicke
Alebert Todx
Joan Sommerbayes
 Conducted by E . Qoickz.

* First panl of Doubles. Tirist peal as conductor. WEEKLEX, NORTHANTS,
THE PEIERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satarday, Alugust 21, 1937, in Two Howy and Fifty Minutes,

> Ai tag Cherce of St. Mary-tee-Virgin,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES:
lscing 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Single Oxford and Plam Bob. Tenor 8 cwt .10 Ib .


## FIRST SERVICE 720

What is believed to be the first 720 on the bells for a service at tine larish Ohurch, Hampreston, Dorset, was rung for evening service on Sunday, August 19th, namely, an extent of Bob Minor: Rev. C. A. Phillips 1, T. Frampton 2, E. 13. Frampton 3, A. E. Hoare 4, W. C. Sinter 5,'P. Tocock (conduetor) 6. The ciurch dates back to the 13th ecntury.

## LINCOLNSHIRE TOUR.

The following peals were ruag for the Lincoln Diocesan Guild:SPALDING, LINCS.
On Friday, August 13, 1937, in Thvee Houys and Fi/leen Minutes, At tge Cherch of SS. Mary and Nicholas,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRIBE MAJOR, 505日 CHANGES, Middeeton's.

Tenor :5 cwt.
Jambs H. Safparrd ... ...Tyeble
William H Fossell
Gzorge R Newton
Gzorge kilewion ...
Grorge Williams ... ... 4 harry Wingrove ... ... 7
Conducted by Rev. C. E. Wigg.

## EWERBY, LINCS.

On Satheday, A14gist 14, 1937, in Three Hours and Thenty-Five winhes, At the Chuech of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGE


HECKINGTON, LINCS.
On Saturday, Axgust 14, 1937, in Three Hows and Fifteen Minutes,

## At tee Cedrce of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE GURPRISE MAJOR, 8088 CHANGES

## Tenor 192 cwt.

 Composed and Conducted by Frank Bennett.
First penl in the mothod, in the county and by the essociation.
nis:
PINCHBECK, LINOS.
On Sunday, August 15, 1937, in Thre Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 50 EG CHANOES; Tenor 18 cwt .
William H. Fussell
..Tyeble William Hinley
Rtpert Richardson ... ... 2 Harry Wingrove .... ... 5 Rev, C. E. Wigg ..... .3 Grorge Martin ... 3 ..... $.7^{7}$ Gabrigl Lindoff ... .... 4 James C. E. Simpson ... ...Temor
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.
Conducted by Gegrge Martin. Mr. W. H. Fussell's 1,100 h peal.

LONG SUTTON, LINCS.
On Monday, August 16, 1937, is Thrse Houys and Thivten Minutes, At tee Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt.
James H. Saeperad

Gborge Williams ... ... 2 William Henley ?......
 Composed by Gabribl Lindore. Conducted by Grorge R. Pye. First penl in the method on the bolls.

FULNEY, LINES.
On Tuesday, Argust 17, 1937, in Thyed Hours and Four Minutes, At tae Cuurce of St. Padl,

## A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES!

Midnleton's.
Ghorge Williaus
Jambs H. Sebpherd
Gabrici. Sbepherd ......${ }^{2}$
Georicl Lindopf ... ... 3
Grorge R. Newton

Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Conducted by Gborger. Newton.

WALESBY, LDNGS.
On Wedresday, August 78, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Winwtes, At the Church of Aly Saints,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, छ088 CHANCES; Teror 12 cm .
Jades H. Sgepgerd ... ...Treble Fbank Bennett ... ... ... 5
George R. Pye ... ... ... 2 Gedrge Martin ... ... ... 6
George R. Newton ... ... 3 George Wilejams ... ... 7 William H. Fossel.l... ... 4 James C. E. Simpson ... ...Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by George Williams,
LINCOLN, LINCS.
On Wednatay, August 18, 1937, in Three Hows ard Thindy-Seven-aud-山 Half Minutes,
At St. Hugh's Tower,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, GD18 GHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt.


SWINESHEAD, LINOS.
On Thutrsday, Augnst 79, 1937, in Three Houvs and Tiventy Minutes, At the Churce of St. Matr,
A PEAL DF LONDON SURPRISE MANOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt .
James H. Sabfherd ... ...Treble Trank Bennett.
Gborgr R. Pyb ... ... ... 2 Harry Wingrove
Grorge Williams ... ... 3 Grorgy Martin
Ggorge R, Newion ... 4 Rev. C E Wigg
Composed by F. Desch. Conducted by George Marin.
Firsl peal of Loment ent the bells.
I3OSTON, LINCS.
On Thurvagy, August 19, 1937, in Ihree Howrs and Nimetean Minntes, At the ChUrch of St. Botolph
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 GHANEES, Tenor al cwt. i q̌. Io 1 b .
James H. Saeperrd
...Troble |
William H. Fusseel
Geqrge Martin...
Gabribl Lindoph
George R. Ngwidn
Composed by J. Reeves.


Firsl peal af lieble Ten on the bell. e bells.
CAYTEIORHE, LINCS.
On l'siday, Aughsl 20, 1937, in Threo Hows
At the Churce df Si. Vincent,

## A PEAL LINGOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHAHCES;

 Tenol $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.Willtam H. Fussell ...iveble Franig Bgnnett .... ... 5
-James C. E. Simpson
2 REv.C.E Wige Rev. C. E. Wigg
Wiliam Henley

Harry Wingrove $\quad . .$.
Composed by Rev. H. Law Jamgs. Conducted by H. Wingrove.

* First peal in the melhod. First peal in the method in the counly and by the assoetation.

EDENBAM, LINCS,
On Friday, Angust 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
At ter Chorcb oy Sx. Micgabl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJGR, 5024 OHANGES;
Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb .


Composed and Conducied by Frank Bensejz.

* Pirst peal ir the method. First peal in the method in the county and by the associttion.

SUTTENTON, LINCS.
On Satkrday, -ingus! 2I, 1937, in Thee Hows and Twelve Mitutes,
At ter Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUELE HORWICH GBURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHAMOES; Tenor 16 cwt.

Whiliam H. Fossella
$\cdots 3$ William Henley .... .... 7 Frane Bennett ... $\operatorname{l..}$... ${ }^{4}$ James C. E. Simpson .... ...Temor
Composed by J. Silee. Canducted by Jamra C. E. Simpson. First peal of Double Norwich on the bells. SURFLEET, LINCS.
On Suturdy, August 21, 7937, in Thres Houys and Twnty-Five Minutes, At the Churce of St. Lawrince,

## A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5037 CHANEES;

 Tenor 12 cwt.Gabriel Limboff ... ...Treble| Rupret Ricgardson
Grorge R. Pye......

George R. Newion... ...
-Frank Benneti... $\operatorname{lic}^{-.} 5$
Wieztam H. Fussrle ... 6 -Harry Wingrove ... ...Temop
Composed and Conoucted by Gabrizl Lisidopr.

* First peal of Graudsirc Cinques. First of Grantsire Ginques on the bells.


## BOB TRIPLES.

## Fa the Editor.

Sir, I musl disagree with you over Job Triples, and sumport my friend, Mr, C. W, Pipe, His phraso about so manj lowers ringing nothing but Grandsive lias the matiter in n nutsleell. Guandsire 'Iriples may be a "good old-fashioned meilood," but it is an absolutely ' blind alley' method, and leads nowhere in its extension. liver'y Major mothod las dodging in even places, Grandsire atud Stedunt oded places (as everyoue knows), and therefore to a comparative beginet of only average ability tho different dorlging place in Plair Boli wil semm a sirange stepping stone from hrandsire. Long before your lioh Triples comment I was of the opinion that if ringers were truglti on Hob Triples or (better still) Bob Major they would pwogress mueth quicker in methot ringing as Plain Bob is the basis of all even-bell ringing.
It is only a well-worn camention that Grandsire is the standard thro of erergone, and presumed to be the easjest. Eersonally, at the risk of appearing revolutionary, I shonld like to see Grandsire the a timely fleath as a begimerts method. The attorntive is Boh Triples or Bob 3ajor or Minor, but not Oxford Bob. That laze exactly the same defects as Grandsire, viz, odiliplace dodging.
A. P. BANNON.

Hallam.

## A MEANG JO AN TRND.

Sir,My first peal rung here in Feloruary, 1893, was in the abmpe method. Since thab ime I havo taken part in 444 peals, but still retaian a kind of saeaking affection for that particular oue, dae, un doubt, Io its hoing my lirst ever. In flose days it was a menns to an end, as the more advanced methods fallowed in due course, and I think, perhaps, that is what Mr. Pipe really intends to convey

## Stownarket.

W. C. RUMSEY

## THE GRUNDISßURCH PEAL.

Sir, Your leading anticle, Mr, Fipe's letter and the remarlzs in 'Notes to peals' are vers highly intoresting, but how many of the rank and file of vingers, also vomposers, know lhat this particular peal of Plifin Bob Triples rung at Grumdishurgh is obtained withoni the use of singles? This seems rematkable, as it is impossible in the methads of Grandsire and Sledman Triples, as well as 720 Plain Rah Minar, lo get the exterit without singles.

GFORGE E. SYMONDS,
St. Mary-le-Tower Society.
[Perlaps we need hardly remind Mr: Symonds that there is tha equivalent of a firandsire or Stednana Singla in avary lead of liol Tripies.-7T., "R.W.']

## MEMORIAL RINGING.

Tho tho memory of the Jate Bishon of Middleton (Dr. Cecil Wilsoti), who expired suddenly, alone, at his residence close to the church during the wek, half-muffed towhes wera rung at Clirist Cluwh, West Didsbury, on Sunday, for morming service, 640 Kent Treble Bob Major: H. Jones 1, T. Jones 2, N. Heaps 3. I. Brickell 4, (i. Newton 5, E. Murgatroyd 6, A. Frost 7, R. Davies (conductor: 8. For evening servise, 504 Granksive "ryples: G. Whitelegg 1, A. Frast (conductor) 2, T. Jones 3, H. Brickell 4, N. Heaps 5, E. Murgatioyd 6, H. Jones 7, F. Lapham 8.

## PEAL NOTES.

THE LINCOLNSHIXE TOUR.
A Hine-thav 'week' in Lincolnshife rosulted in fourteen peals being rutg in sixteen attempts, which is remarkahy "good roing "especially as Emong the successes only Cambridge and Joudon Major weve rung more tlan once, nat that ozl of the twelve risiting tingens no fower than nime slatere in the conduct the

Yorksine, Lincolnsare aud Norfolk Surprise Major were tung for the licsf time in the county, and these, with London, Cambridge, Superlative aud Bristol, made up a tally of seven different Surpmse Major methods. In addilion, Double Norwich Major, Treble Bob and Cambridge Royal, and Stedman and Grandsire Cingues were rumg-
The Grandsire Cinques at Surfect provided a batch of 'stars: but of those who had proviously rung a peal in the mothod, Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Richardson and Mr'. George Martin had gained their' 'decoration ${ }^{\text {' }}$ iu far-off Melbourne.

This was the conduding penl of the highly successful toatr pud, torether will the peal at Sulferton in the norning, celebrated Mr. fichordson's birthday. After tho Surteet peal, all ble party wero the guests of Mr. nad Mus. Richardson at dinmor.
The only two peals lost wore Yorkshire Royal, after an lrour, ati Wislechl; and Lineolnsinive at Holheach, after three hours of spleadid ringing, Mar.figst and only trip was so unexpeoted that it pat paid, to an allempt in which not a work had hean spoken except for the calling of tive bobs.
MLr. W. H. Fussell, at 76, is still 'going stronge. He not only took phel im nino preals on the tour, but reached his 1,100 th with the peal a 5 Pinchbeck.

N1. George Martin rang his 500th during the week.
The peal at Suiterton was the first on the bells since they were whung.
The peal of London Surprise Major at Willey, Surrey, on Saturday, was rung on the birtheday of the conductor, Mr. Wilfred Williams, who has now called it peal in tite methon from every bell.
The first peal of Treble Bob composed by Mr. Arthur Knights, of Chesterfield, one of the mosti prolific and versatile of composers, was ompleted on Fehruary 15til, 1882 . It is lis Na. 21I, and was rung at Hoomiey Common, Kent, on sugust 16ih. The peal was specinlly rung ay a compliment to Mr. A. Puxdan, secretaip of the local band, whe was marrien on the previons Saturday. It was also the 38th :aniversary of the weddimg of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Monater. Mr. Mounter took part in the peal.

By ritging foe temor to a peal of Oxford Trethe Bob Major, at St. Margaret's Clureh, Jowestof, on Argust 18ib. Mr. Riehard Coates "completed tine circle' of the tower,
Miss Bylwin Bowyer, one of tho talented yonng laclies who riug at St. Mary-le-Kower Church, 3pswich, rang her firs penl as condnctor on August 18th, whens she rang the feaur and anlled in preal of Minor fn tiaree methods at Tuldenham, Suffolk. Sle is the first lady to con-


Mr. Churlos Cuman bang his 500th peal un Santurday at King's Norlon, Birminghans, where a peal of Stedruan Caters was zung in honour of the marriage of the Viear's son.
l'he 'coming of age' of Wiss Marion Jarvis, datagter of the Yica of Wymondharm, Nortolk, was celebrated lys a poal rurg at the I'arish Church on August 16tin.
Mr. Frederick white, of Chabrook, Kent, is a unive of Oxford. A peal of Cambridge Surpuge wis rung al St. E'hbo's Churels, on August 19th, whicls band been specially uranged io matale lim to wing a peal in his mative cily.
Mr. l'at Ganon, who makes a hobby of 'eollecting' Inwers silfor for peals or quarter-peals, on Saturday langerd' his 70ul paal lower-and he has not been long aloout it either.
P.O. H. T. Glamaller, who spends mosl of his lime at sea with the Navy, has 'completed the circle' in peala on this hells mi his "home" lower-Tyonshall, Heralordshime At the sime fime his wife reag Fher first penl 'inside."
Mr. FI. J. Tucker, foumerly of Kishop' a Slortinged, and now nit Chichester, relebrated his 79th dirllday on Saturday by ealling il peal of Bob Major at the Cathedral campanile.
Mr. Thuker called one af his own compositions. Simplicity wint musical qualities have marked Mr. Tucker's enmpositions, whelh wero ohtamed im the days hefore peals were produced hy mathomatienl Sormula.

Mr. Howarrl Howeli, at Netherseate on Sulurday, rang his fitst. peal of Stednan Triples, mul thas completed peals in the mothot on all numbers. 1 m must be almost, if not quite, umexampled for in ringer io ring peals of Sterman Doubles, Catmand Gintites beforn ringing Stedman triples.

A peal was rung at the Dennery Chureh of SL, Jnry-tha-Virgin, Bocking, Essex, on Saturday, to commemonte the 401月 anturersury of the Dean of Bocking into Foly Ordmes. It was also a birthday compliment to Norman Grinham, who rang his lisst peal.

Very low incmbents except heads of Cathedrala inve Hte title of Death. Porking is ane, Watile, in Sussox, is anofler.

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## HANDBELLS

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Parties of eight or mora may traval at rectuced fares to Blaokpool for the amual dimer of the Lancashire Association at the County Hotel, Biackpool, on October 30th. Wnguiries at any L.M.S. booking office.
A one-time ringer at St . John's, Blachpool, and a member of the Cambridge University Guild, Mr. C. N. Sharples, of the Intia Givil Sorvice, ouly surviving son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Sharples, of Blackpool, was married on Saturday, August 14th, at the Church of Our Lady, St. Johu's Wood, to Miss Joan Gilbert, eldest daughter of the lato Mr. Charles Edward Gilbert, O.I.E., chief couservator of lorests, Borabay Presidency, and Mrs, Gilbert.
The hon. librarias of the Central Council would be glad not to receive further orders for C.C. publications until September 11th.
The next meeting of the Northern Branch, Worcestershire AssociaLion, will not be held at Bromserove as originally arranged. Repaiss to the fabric of the church make riuging there out of the question. Further information will be given later in the notice columns.
Last Sundey was the anniversary of the ringing of Holl's Original for the first time, conducted by one of the ringers in the peal.
It was recorded thus in the 'Norwich Mercury': 'On Saturday, August 22nd, 1752, was rurg at St, Michael's Cosiany a Complete 5,040 of Mr. Holt's Tripples in 3 hours, without Changos alike or a licll out af course. It being the first time ever performed by Eight men only so Intricato it was thought no man could ring a bell and call the Bobs. It has been rang in London and Stonham Aspal with prompts but was rang by these men without a prompt.'
William Dixon was the conductor of this peal, and be repeated his feat-for feat it was-at St. Giles' Church, Norwich, on October 2Znd in the same year.
The peal of Cambridge Surprice Major, rung on August 7th for the Chester Diocesan Guild, was rung at Great Budworth, and not Beedworth, as published.
Mr. Charles Hodges, of Hardwick, Glos, rang the tenor to his own wodding pesi.
A peal of Grandsine Caters at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwicl ${ }_{2}$, ou August 17th, was a birtaday compliment to Mr. J. G. W. Harwood, hon. secretary of the East Norfolk Branch of the Norwich Diocesau Association.

The peal at Great Finborough, on August 9tb, was conducted by Shelford Spurrow, not A. R. Woodard. It was rung on the occasios of the narriage of Mr. F. Roper, not F. Raper.

## COMPETITIVE RINGING

## Ta the Editar.

Sir, - My atfention has boen called to a point in my letter last week which might be misunderstood. I referred to the difficulties of eny change of policy in a guild or association and, to jilustrate, remarked that I knew of a most successful case, but. 'it remains to bo seen whether it would survive a change of leadership.
In this I was speaking generally, with little thought of the association I had in mind, and certainly no thought that any change would be advantageous. I most sincerely hope that the leaders of That association may live for ever and continue to run it. My intention was a final warning that, in any chamge of policy, after the enthusiasts lad worked it all out and got it going, until it had time to set, it might quite easily be entirely wrecked by a change of leadership cansed by death, removal from the district or resignation.
C. I. J.

## A YORKSHIRE CHALLENGE.

Dear Sir,-Your correspondent C. Ir. J., in his letter in your Iast issue, gives some hard knocks and bitter pills for some of our association ringers to swallow. His exposition on the failure of good hunds to hold together is common to all bands. The poet says there is no flock, however well teaded, but one dead lamb is there. This pity 'tis true. As president of the Barnsley and Dislriet Associnion, let me say we own a shicld which cost fi3. This is competed for annually. Prizes for domentic use are given, in addition, to the winners. The church does not give these prizes, yot there has never been closer association with the church and clergy of to-day. Tha path of the competitive ringer may not be easy, but it is worth tho gallant attempts duly made and often rewerded.
Our members demanded these rewards, and never is there dissatisfaction. Fair play is a British 'jewel, and ringers are straightforward, even to bluntriess.

I would suggest that G. F. J. bring a band into Yorkshire and enter a contest without roward, and a band worthy of their steel would meet them. It would denr some of the cobwebs out of the eyes of C. F. J.

Titrusley.

# THE BELLS OF ST. MICHAEL'S, CORNHILL HOW A REJECTED TENOR GOT TO THE ABBEY. 

## By $j$. Armiger Trollope.

The bells of St. Michael's, Cornhill, are one of the famous rings of London. In this article Mr. J. Armiger Trollope tells us of their early history, and explains how a bell, cast for St. Michael's, came to be the tenor of the peal at Westminster Abbey.
[n 142 I a new steeple was erected and in it was hung a 'fair ring of five bells,' which, according to custom, were dedicated to various saints. The tenor was called St. Michael; the fourth, the Lady bell; the third, the


THE FINE TOWER OF ST. MICHAEL'S, CORNHILL, as it appears to-day from the top of an adjacent building.
[Plioto by Mr. F. ©. Dewe.
Trinity bell. This ring evidently was tuned (as were many medieval rings) to the minor scale and about $143^{\circ}$ John Whitewell, Isabel, his wife, and William $\mathbb{R} u$ s added a tenor to make a ring of six in the major scale. Who cast the tenor we do not know, but she weighed somewhat over 30 cwt . and was a noble bell, the pride and treasure of the parish. She was named Rus, after her donor, who was an alderman and a great benefactor to the church.

In the inventory of 1552 , among the 'goodes remaynyug' in the church were 'vj greate belles and ij litle
belles.' In the churchwardens' accounts there are references to these latter. In 1457 two shillings and fourpence was paid for 'two bawdricks for the two little bells,' and in 1460 'elevenpence for two ropes for the small finall bells.' One was the Sacring bell or, as it is termed in one place, the houseling beil, housel being an old English name for the Eucharist. It is also referred to as 'the little bell that ringeth alore the Sacrament.' This bell was hung inside the church. The other was the Saunce or Sanctus bell.

In nearly all London churches the Sanctus bell was in the steeple with the ringing peal, bul at St. Michael's it is probable that it hung in a cot above the chancel. 'l'lie Sacring bell disappeared during the spoliation at the time of the Reformation; the Sanclus bell remained, but it got broken, and in $15^{8} 5$ the vestry decided that 'ye broken Sauncebell shalbe solde and that anewe rome shalbe byllded ftor ye flagotts in ye churcheyarde.

Whoever made the frame and hung the sio bells did his work well and for nearly one hundred and sixty years Rus was rung single-handed, not only for curfew and knells but also in peal. At the time it was usual to put threc or four or even more ment to a bell of that weight.

In 1567 one of the bells was broken and Kobert Doddes was employed to recast it. Mr. H. B. Walters has suggested that Doddes was the predecessor of Robert Mot and the first in the long line of Whitechapel belfounders.

In 1585 the treble was broken and recast and two years later the parish suffered a disaster, for Rus, the noble tenor bell, was cracked. A founder named Laurence Wright was employed; but, whether through misfortune or incompetence, his work was badly done, and when the bell was hung it gave great dissatisfaction and generally ' was not liked of ' in the parish.

The churchwardens secm to have been undecided as to whether they should accept the bell and pay for it, and the matter was referred to the vestry. In the end it was agreed to pay Wright 8.317 s . for new metal supplied, and 6965 . 9 d . for the recasting. 'That was as much as 'his due is to be accounted justly '; but the parish nade the sum up to the round f.I " Dut of benevolence,' and promised 'to consider of him better if the bell hold and be better liked of than it is now.' Wright had a simitar trouble at Hillingdon, and there the parisha refused to pay at all.

As time went on the bell was not ' better liked of.' The parish was proud of its bells and the new tenor spoilt the ring, and so in the following yeat, "uppon further advice of the parishioners,' the vesiry agreed that 'our bell Rus shall be new cast.' The work was entrusted to Robert Mot, who was making a name as the leading London bellfounder and establishing the reputation of the famous Whitechapel foundry.

On the 8 th of November the bell was taken to Mot's house and there weighed and two days later an agreement was signed for the recasting. When the new boll was ready the churchwardens and other leading men of the parish went to Whitechapel to view it and they took with them a musician to sound the boll. Everything seems to have been done this time to ensure that the new bell should be in tune. The 'waites of the City" "took pains to take the note of our bells and to go to Mr. Motts to take the note of the new bell then cast,' for which they received cighteenpence, and a shilling was paid to a company of other musicians to take a further note of the same bell.
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## A MYSTERY SOLVED.

(Coutinued from previous page.)
It rather looks as if the parish refused to accept the lirst leell cast by Mot, for it was inspected on the first of December, 1588 , and it was not until the twenty-sccond of the following Junc that "Mr. Mott was paid §i7 $^{17}$ s. Jor the new tenor bell called Rus which was last cast weighing 33 cwt. 42 lbs. ' and not until the twenty-fith of July that the trial was made in the steeple, when the ringers received three shillings and fourpence.

Neanwhile, the frame and fittings of the bells had become decayed and worn out. Grone were the days when six men coukl ring the bells in peal. It now required four or five at a time to 'overhaul ' Rus and the ringing shook the tower so much that it was found it might endanger the steeple.

So a John Brissendon was employed to rehang the bells andi he unclertook to do it so that eight, hine, or ten men at the most could ting them. 'It was well liked that such amendment should be ' and a committee was appointed to deal with the matter.

In 1598 Rus was again broken. The vestry had lately spent a lot of money on the bells and when a motion was macie lor the new casting it was elecided ' to rest awhife ancl use it as it is until we see forther occasion.' Hut a broken Rus was a disgrace to the parish and so at a vestry holden and of February, 5599 , it was agreed that Mr. Mott should have for the casting of the bell £i8,
hangst and set up and taken down all at his charges.'
When the new bell was hung in the tower with the others it proved a failure and on the first of November if was agreed that "it shall be notified by the churchwardens to Mr: Mote that the bell is not according to his agreement meither in weight nor goodness and therefore they will have a bell in the place thereof or else have lise bond.' Mot had to submit and undertook to supply a new bell, and on the $2 g t h$ of August the vestry decided that he should hang it up in the tower, but if it elid not agree with the rest of the bells to the liking of the parish then he should have forty shillings to cover the cost of taking it down, and should go on casting until he dicl produce a bell that satisfied the parish. His bill came to Euz 1s. ad.,' and we are content to make it up $\mathcal{E} 13$ by reason he casted it so often.

But that is not the end of the story. Mot, at the time, was doing work for Westminster Abbey. He cast the present fifth in 5998 and the next year he took the rejected Rus and made her the tenor of the Abbey ring. No doulst the Dean and Chapter were less critical and more easily satisfied than St. Michael's parish. But she was a bad bell. Latghton heard her in 1734 and says she was 'dull and melancholy,' and four vears later Iester and Phelps were cmployed to recast her. The original inscription copied more or less from that on the first Rus was reproduced on the new bell.
It is usually said that when and why a bell cast for St. Michael's grot into the Abbey tower ' is an tansolved nysstery '; but the matter is quite clear. 'The inscription on the present bell says that it was new cast in July, ${ }^{1599}$, and in April, $573^{8}$. The St. Michael's vestry agreed to give Wat the order for the bell in February, 1599 , and on the following November he was notified that they refused to accept the bell.

The present tenor at Westminster was never at St. Michacl's. As stated above, it was cast in 7738.

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## ORDER AT ONCE

## BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

## RINEING AT HORBURY AND OSSETT.

A meeting was held at Horbury on Sunirday, August 14 th, when the hells were rung in the afternoon aand after tea in the varinus methods of Minor and Major, and also Grandsire Triples. Ten wh served in the Yicar's classroom, about 20 sitting down.

Mr. A. Panther (vice-president) presided over the husiness mecting, al. whith the following towers were represented: Adwick-le-Stree Barnsley, Tiarlshenton, Folkirk, Rolherham, Sandal, Wath and d local company. It gave the mervibers great pleasure to see soure tho Leeds nad Districi ringers with them.
Alter the usual business, thanks wero aevorded on the molion Hbe ohairman, seconded by Mr. W. Moxon, to the Vicar and cluter wardens and the local company for all the itrangements made. Mr. Maxon also moved nate of thanks to the Vicar, churdiwn dens and local company of Ossett for the use of the new peal ul tor bells.
Some of the ringers occupied themselves witly the handbells, whils: the obliels went to Oszett and some returned to the tower to ensure ringing at both places. Ringing continned until about 9 p.m., when the halls arere lowered, and a very good meeling was brougiat t close.

## COMPOSITIONS OF ROYAL.

## To the Edicor.

Sit,-Referving to the 5,000 R'reble [Job lioya] composed by Messirs. C. Cluarge and N. Golden, ptublished in your issue of August eoth it is stated that the second is never in sixth's place and only one in fifth's." What bas the sccond done to he subjected to such humilistions?

Dining the last eentury tive writer was discussing witls a wellknown linger the thafavour in which fle foor second lad fallen wilh composers. The said, 'Why don't conposers compile peals leaving the second out?
The second in ten bells is the same notie as the gtlo, but an oetave lightier, so 2-10 dodging behist would be a musical combination, mad a chmuge from 9-10.
In Bungay stecple there is a footnote on a board recording a peal of Boh Major to the effect that the sixth was kept from home tili the last course. TIndoubledly that peal was bettar struck than those which are rung (?) jast for the sake of getting them.

Epswigh.
G. E. SYMONDS.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## APPLYING COUTRSING ORDER TO CALLING.

There are two advantages in a thorough, knowledge of coursing order. One is that it enables the conductor, with more certainty, to kiow if the bells are right and, if there is an ervor, to correct it. Tho oller is, it helps him materially if he wishes to call a tauch or peal from one of the "working' bells, and that is a thing which trary conductor should try to do. To ring an 'obsonvation, or lixed, bell, is uselut, particulawly in the carly stages of conducting, because it simplifies the lask, but it is a mistake never to atfempt to call from anolber bell, and, in our opinion, the sooner the young conductor thies to do this the botiter. He may make mistakes at the outset, bat we lerrin by and mistakes, and if his tower companions ere enger for his prorress they will encourage him and not complain whea tonelies go wrong.

Conrsing erder, if elosely followed, helps the begimer to call his holbs in the right place. We saw, in a previous axticle, how, in Bob Majol', one luct in eachs Iead moves from in front of the troble, to a pusition inmediately helina it; that is, from coursiay before the reble to conasing after it. Thus the hels in front of the treble get one place nenrer to it, and those behind get one place further away ach lead.
As you watch the tenor in its relation to the treble in Bols Major ou cin call your bols wibh certainty where they are required.
Tho beli that courses after the treble is going lo dodge in $4-\overline{3}$ (down) it no bob is called, the bell hehind that will dodge in 6-5 (fiown), whethor there is abob or not; the next bell will dodge in $8-7$ (down), whl the nexi iu $7-8$ (up), and so on.
hols 'Middle is cniled when the tenor dodiges in $6-5$ (down), a 'Hame' when it dodges $\mathfrak{I t}$ 8-7 (down), a bob 'Wrong' when it dorlges in 7-8 (wn).

Therefore, if you want to call a bols Middle you do so in the lead which the fenor is coursing next but one after the treble; a bob Homo comes in the next lead when the tenor lias two bells between it and the treljle; and a bob Wrong when there are three bells be-- There shouk be no difficulty atout seeing this, because the bob caller will have watched the gradually widening gap in the othsing onder bebwoen the treble and tenor, but even if he has had ( mental lapse lee should be able quickly to pick up the position rgitn
to the exact noment when the both should he called, that again be fotermined by watching the eoursing. The proper place is at Ho hauthtroke lond of the bell coursing in front of the treble sand tha is the posilios of the tenor when you have to call a bob 'Before.',马here aro, of convse, other guides to calling from a 'working' ol. It is often easy to know where the next bob comes from youn wa position. As atimple example, if you are the 6th's place bell, know perfectly weli that if a Home is to be called you will he in Middle, $n$ 6-5 (down, or, if a Wrong, yotl will he iu the Home posilion, of 8-7 (down). If you are fiftists place hell, and thas coursfle 7 th, a midrlle brings you to $7-8$ (up) (tionging behind with, the It, a Home to $5-6$ (up), and a Wrong causes you to make the bob. Then, too, if you are one of the hells concemed in the bob, either haning in or out. or making 4 th"s you can easily fix your position at hae next boh. There is a cycle, which we will call it (In), 0 (Oub), R (make tise Bob). If you liave bols exactly a course apart and the It brings you to either of the places, the second will be ealled hen you are at the next of these positions in the eycle; thas $I$ and $\mathrm{O}_{3}$ 0 and $B$, or $B$ and $I$.
it when you have calls at Iess than a course apart that you have lie eareful, und it is here that a close watch on coursing order helps. Hero, however, are one or two hints. Remember that at a Wrong e 5th's place beil makes the bob. If the Wrang is followed by a didic, the same bell makes the boh $n$ t, ench of the two calls, and his hell, hefore the bob, is coursing next but one in front of the hlye.
I'loe bells concerned at a Wrong at 5.3.2, and at a Middle 2.4.6. The "rong gives you a new 5th's place bell and Middle a hew 6th's place cll, but a Home affects neither of them.
The oondazetor shrould know the 5th and 6th's place bells of his weh or peal, and be can then mako cerfain of calling Jis Wrongs nd Mindiles in the right courses.
When lie lias to clange the 5 lhis place holl he watches the new bell ntil it rins But at it Fome. A bob Wrong (at the next lead) will sen putt lhis hell into Eth's place.
When he has to change the 6th's place bell he waits tutil the new ell he wants rung In at a Home, and calls the Middle in the suceoedHy course, when this bell will make the Job.
Then he has to change both the 5th and the 6th's place bells, he calls the Wrong as already mentioned, and the bell he thus takes way from 5 th's will come into 6th's place by making the bob Middle. Very good practice is to write ont tie lead-ends of a touch and xamime the positions of the bells at the hobs. Ary one with bobs en ell of the three positions will do. Fop example, w M $\mathrm{F}_{1}$ and $\boldsymbol{F}$, twice repeated. Not very musical, perltaps, but if will serve the purrose and not prove too laborious, because in the conrses with only the Ithe course end will be sufficient, as it is the only lead with a bob

## WHAT OTHERS THINK.

## COMMENTS OF A CHESTTR NEWSPAPER.

Complatints of the autivities of ringers often appear in tho public Press. Here is what the "Observol", achester paper, liad to say with regard to chureli hells last Satutchy iu some editorial notes. Our readers wfll agreo that it admirably sumas up the feelings of ringers, allhough, as fav as we know, it is from the pen of a writer unconnected wilt the Exercise.

In these days of radio tine-signals and chenp watches, church bells may be regarted by those whose standards are murely utilitarian as muite unecossary. Occasionelly lettere appear in the Press from irate corresponclents, who complain that they have been wakened too soon from their Sunday menning sleep by the too-insistent clanour of church bells summoning the faithful to an early service. Sometimes such camplaints may he justifiod, for admittedy there are cturch bells and church bells. Few people wotld deny that the single, ant often far from tumefrl, beils of some moderis clurches are, if rung too frequently and at imseasonable hours, more likaly fo induce ill lemper I lan devotion on the part of residents in the immediate vicinity. It is not, however, of suth inhamonious "tinklers: that most of his think when church bells are mentioned, but rather of those peals of hells whinch still sound lron the towars of so many of our conntry and eily elnurehes. Even such peals, if not properly Fong and property zung, can remind us all too forcibly of Shakespeare's pluase about "sweet bellis jangled, out of tumo aud harsh," but such enses are tare in these days when churehes pride themsetves on the possession of a good peal, and a band of anthasiastic ringers, who hato really mastered the art of change ringing.

Even if they themselves alisreward the summons to worship broalcast from the chanch bowar, to many pouplo there would be something laoking in that indefinabte "atnosphere" which, in these rays of harry nite noise, sfill chatracterises Sunday in the Einglish countryside, were otur church balls to be silenced and "liquitated" as mere luxuries. But "t the musie of those willage bells ${ }^{\text {s }}$ is, indeed, one of those concomitnats of the English scene which we home-staying folk lake for granted.'

## DEATH OF OLD MARKET DEEPING RINGER

It is with much regred, we record the 'passing on' of $\mathbf{3} \mathrm{H}$ ". Wallaw Day, of Market Depping. The decened was nover a prominent, pea! ringer, but for over 25 years was conneded with St. Guthlac's belfry. where he was a regalur Shuduy service ringer: Fo was also a member of the ehoir. He lad heen in faling health for some years, and his death took place on August 18th, at the age of 58 yenrs.
The funcral look place on Satarlay ufternoun at Market Depeping, and was conducted fyy the Rector, the Tiev. F. L. Pigotb. The decensed leaves it widow and broller' (Mr. Forace M. Day) to mouru his deatly.

In the evening the bells were rung half-muffled as a Inst token of respel, and 720 of Splicm Candoa mad Wells was rumg by W. Oldnaty I, 3. Treoman 2, F. M. Day 3, C. T, H. Bradley 4, A. E, Scott 5, J. O. Latudon 6.

## LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR. 5,088 BY FTEDFRLCK DFNCH.



Rung at Roysten, Ferts, ou July 22nd, conducted by its composer.

## EYNESBURY BELLS

## To the Filitor.

Dear Sir-Wiilh regard to the recent wur of the North Weald ringers, whilst we have the greatest respect for this band of begimere, and hope they will not be discouraged, we camot help expressing the hopo that an altogetlier wrong impression of the state of Eynesbury huils will not be given to readers of the report in "The Ringing World.' Although the 'go' may leave much to bo desired, we ring tour or five methorls regularly on Sundays. It is felt by us wlat it is a poor retura for hospitality to make an offensive noise by raising the bells two at in time, give an exhibition of poor ringing, and then go itway blaming tho 'go' of the bells. The anti-clockwisc arrangement of the ropes will give this band no trouble when they have had more practico. There are many worse towers to ring in than Eynesbury, unfortunately.
S. J. PECK

Fynesbury, St, Neots, Eunts.

## LEEDS RINGERS MARRIED MLMBERS OF BRAMLEY BAND

r"he bells were rung at St. Peter's Chutch, Bramley, Leeds, on Suturday, August 2lst, for the wedding of Mr. John Marsin and Miss Gonstance M. Wade, both of whom are ringers at this church.

T'lie bride, who was given iu marriage by her fathar, wora a pale pink satin gown, with a hale headdress and veil to matcln, and carried a houpuet of pink and yellow roses. The bridesnaids were MEsses Kathleen and Brenda Marsh (sistars of the bridegroom). The former wore a pink and green flowered chiffon gown, and the latter pule pink taffeta. Both carried bouquets of sweet peas. The best mus was Mr. Lawrie Wade (brother of the Dride).
Rounds and "Queen's' were rung on the bells for Half an hour hefore the wedding, and as the happy couple left the church the hells were fized," and then rounds and touches of Oxford Treblo Bob wore rung.
Before morning service on Sumday, Augusł 22nd, 720 Oxford Treble loh was rung: N. Greaves 1, T. Greaves (conductor) 2, D. Margaret Roby 3, F. Jackson 4, E. Redslaw 5, S. Helliwell 6.

## SUFFOLK RINGERS' DAY IN LONDON.

When Stowmarket ringers held \&heir anual outing, ihey apent the alay in London. At Livernool Street they were met by Mr. J. Euston and Mrs, Davies, who accompanied them flnoughout the day to the sarious churches. At $S t$. Dunstan's, Stepney, ringing was indulged in till 11.45. The party had luneh at the London Tavern and went on to St. Olave's, Hurt Street, and afterwards to St. Margaret's, Weslminster, where they were met by Mr. T. Sparrow, a former Stowmarket ringer, and Mr. R. Sanders, who joined tho company for the rest of the day. Ringing at St. Andrew's, Hoborm, was fol lowed by tea, at whicls they were joinet by Mr. J. E. Davies. Then 1.hey risited St. Botolph's Church, and finally St. Leonard's, Shorelitath. Jुhanks are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Davies, Messrs. Euston, R. Sanders nad T. Sparyow, nud to all churcha authoritics and steeplekeepers for the use of the ratious peals of bells.

## A DISTRICT SECRETARY'S DEPARTURE

## NEWGASTLE RINGER GOING TO EDINBURGII

SS. James and Rasil Guith, Fenham, Neweastle-on-Tyne, are unfortunate in losing the gervices of their hon. secretary and conductor, Mr. K. Arthur, who is taking up an appointment in Edinburgh. By his aleparture, too, Lhe Northern Distriet of the Durlam and Newr:asille Association are losing theil secretarg.

Ou Sunday, August $22 n d$, as a farewell compliment, 720 Gambridge Surprise Minor and 120 Oxford Treble Boh were rung: J. Roach 1 , 19. F. Lawson 2, D. Reay 3, K. Arthur (conductor) 4, 'I, W, Crowe 5, 1'. Wislart 6, R, Grosby 8
Two faremell peals were unfortumately lost, one of Stedman Triples at Fienham on the 13 tb , and one of Minor at Lancliester on the 2lst. The best wishes of the Fenham ringers are extended to Mr. Arthur in Ins hew ephere.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

DAR'ITFORD, KENT.-For evensong, at Holy Trinity Chureh, on August 28nd, a quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,264 changes): B. Weaver 1, J. ㅍ. Cheeseman 2, Mrs. J. E. Bailey 3, N. Surmmerluayes 4, F. W. Corney 5, J. Wheadon 6, H. Hoverd 7. J. E. Bailey (conductor')
CHIPPING NORTON.-At the Parish Chuteln, on Sumday, August ath for morning gervice, a quarter-peal of Granisire Triples: $C$ Taplin 1, A. S. Newman 2, F. Perry 3, H. Hoverd 4. W. Green 5, J, H. Jarvis 6, R. Jarvis (conductor) 7, $A$. G. Newman 8.
BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.-On Sunday, Aurust 1st, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Wingrove $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{M}} \mathrm{R}$. Smith 2, Miss K. E. Fletcher 3, Miss D. R. Fletcher 4. J. Blackmore 5, IT. Wingrove 6, J. Harrison (conductor) 7, W. H. Fleteler 8. Rung is a bithday compliment to Miss M. Wingrove.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Quex Park on Saturday, August 28 th. Bells (I2) available from 3 p.m. Permission has been obtained whereby members will be shown over the Museum, at 4.30 . Please note, only one entrance to the tower, by the farm gate, and thence 1 the tradcsmen's road. - B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis, Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division.-The next meeting will be held at Great Waltham on Satur day, August 28th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service $4 \cdot 30$, tea and business meeting after. The Cathedral bells will be available during the evening.-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfeld, Chelmsford.
A JOINT MEETING of the Guildford Diocesat Guild (Chertsey Dist.), the Middlesex County Associetion (S. \& W. District), the Oxford Diocesan Guild (E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch) and the Surrey Associa tion (N.W. District) will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, di Saturday, August 28th. Service at 445, preacher, Rev. C. Tranter, Vicar of Egham. Tea at 5.I 5 in Church Hal price gd. each. Ringing arrangements: St. Peter', Staines, 3.30 to $4.45,6.30$ to 7.30 ; St. Mary Staines, 7.30 to 9 ; Egham, 3 to 4.15,7 to 8.30; Wray bury, 3 to 4.15. All ringers and friends welcome. Distri Hon. Secs. :- F. E. Hawthorne (Guildford Guild), A. 1 Barker (Oxford Guild), F. G. Woodiss (Surrey Associa tion), and F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road. Heath, Bucls (Middlesex Association).

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Brancl
-Tbe next meeting will be held at Blackburn Cathedra on Saturday, August 28th. Bells (ro) available 3 F. Meeting 6.30. Members and non-memhers cordially vited.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil St., Blackburn

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Th next meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, Aus. 28th. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Tea can be arranger near the church. A good attendance is hoped for at thi meeting. Everybody weicome.-E. Cooper, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckle District.-Next meeting at Broughton Astley ( 5 bells) on Wake Saturday, Aug. 28th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 for those who notify Mr. Bird, Station Road, Broughton Astley. It will heip the caterers cards are sent as early as possible.-Wm. A. Wood, Dis. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch A meeting will be held at Chatteris, Cambs, or Saturday, Aug. 28th. Bells (6) ready 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Short service if arranged. Please notify Mr. A. J. Abrams, East Park Street, Chatteris, for tea-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Mill Road, Over, Cambridge.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, near Warrington, on Saturday, Aug. 28th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Business meeting 6.30 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.
romney MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A mecting will be held at Lenham to-morrow (Saturday), Aug. 28th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.-P. Pagc, Hon. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. Mectings for practice will be held at *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 3 rist, St. Magnus' on Sept. and, r6th and $30 t h, S t$. Andrew's on the gth, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 14th, Southwark Cathedral on the 23 rd, at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Scc., Frolingrham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
HERTS ASSOCIATION.-A combined practice is arranged at the Cathedral, St. Albans, on Tuesday, Aug. rst, at $7.45-\mathrm{W}$. Nash and H. V. Frost, Hon. Secs.
JSSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-West Division.-A nid-week meeting will be held at Hatfield Broad Oak on Wednesday, Sept. rst, at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. - S. Clark, Potter Street, Harlow.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GLILD. outhern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be ld at Sketty on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {thh }}$. Bells (8) availble 3 p.rn. Service 4.30 p.m., with tea and business ceting to follow. Numbers for tea by Tuesday, Aug. ist, certain. All ringers welcome.-E. Stiteh, 2 I, Camm rim Place, Port Talbot, Glam.
DEVON GUILD.-Exeter Branch.-Meeting at Duns-
d, Sept. $4^{\text {th. S. Service 4-45. Tea 5.I5. Motor coach }}$
aves Paul St. Park 2.30 p.m., visiting Bridford before
, Cliristow after tea; fare 2s. 6cl. for members, visitors Bands and visitors please notify by Aug. 28 th; not -W. H. Howe, Hon. Sec., 8, Courtenay Road,
xetcr.
i.ADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-.The next meet-
w will be held at Great Baddow, Essex, on Saturday, ptember $4^{\text {th. }}$. Bells available 3 p.m. Service p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will all those requirgig tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, Sept. Gentlemen cordially invited.-M. L. Cross, Hon. 9, Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.
SFEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The
it mecting will be held at Bolsover Parish Church (8 ells) on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th }}$. For tea, please notify J. Saxton, The Bungalow, Moorficld Lanc, Botsover. All welcome. - M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronans Road, Shefficld -
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GYILD. - Dorchester Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Sydling, on Saturday, Sept. 4 th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. Cattistock and Maiden Newton belts available during the evening, Kitally notify early for tea.-C. H. Jemings, Hon. Sec., Sumyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND SUIFFOLIK GUILD.-A joint meeting of the East Norfols Branch and Suffolic Guild will be held at Bungay on Saturday, Sept. $4^{t h}$. Bells from 3 p.m. Bungay (8), Ditchingham (6). Tea at 5.15. Will members please take note, to send names, or numbers for tea to H . Barrell, 23, Staithe Road, Bungay? Correspondence to E. K. Goate, Smallgate, Beccles, or J. Harwood, 4, Cobden Terrace, Northgate Street, Great Yarmouth.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUIJD.-A meeting of the Wirral branch will be held at. St. Mary's, Liscard, on Saturday, Sept. 4 th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards. A gool attendance is requested.-Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branct.-The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's Church, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, Sept $4 \%$. Towre open for ringing at 5.30 . A meeting during the evening in the tower. Please do your best to attend. If you cannot, then persuade your friends.-J. Porter, 11 , Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Burs.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farmam Dis. tricl. - The next district meeting will be held at Bagshon on Saturday, Sept. the $^{\text {th }}$ Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Parish Hall. Please notify for tea by Wednesday, Sept. ist. All welcome. C. W. Denyor, Hon. Sec., 120, Ash Road, Aldershot, Hants.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Wisbech Branch.-Next meeting at Denver on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th. }}$. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 . Pleasu try to be present-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. Johm, Wisbech.

YORKSHlRE ASSOCIATION,-Western Division.The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Patil's, Drighlington, on Saturclay, Sept. 4th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. Tea in the Schools at $5 \cdot 30$, followed by business meeting. "Those requiring tea must advise Mr": S. H. Barron, 40, West Strect, Drighlington, not later than Tuesclay, the 3ist. All.welcome. Frank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Owslesbury on Saturday, Scpt. 4 th. Service in the Parish Church at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea at 5 p.m. in the Village Hall. Bells available at 2.30 . Twyford bells also in the evening. Please let us know il you are coming. Bus leaves Winchester Broadway 3.50 . -Gr. and Miss Noice, Hon. Dis. Secs., 6, Cathedral View. Winchester.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN TrliLD.-Devizes Brancli. -The monthly meeting will be lield at Upavon (six bells) on Saturclay, Sept. $4^{\text {th. }}$. Ringing 3 p.mı. Service at 4.30. Tea 5. Meeting to follow. Please advise me carly how many witl attend the tea. - W. C. West, Branch Fion. Sec., Semington Road, Melksham.

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IETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsborough Branch.-A quarterly mecting will be held at Weltord ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Sept. th. Usual arrangements. Please notify hon. secretary not later than Thesday next of those requiring tea.-Geo. A. Hollick, Hon. Branch Sec., West Strect, Welford, Rugby.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Mecting at Wen, Saturday, Sept. 4 th. Beils (8) 3 p.m . Those requiring lea must notify me by Tuesday, Aug. 3ist.-R. R. Pole, Cragmore, Lipper Road, Mcole Brace, Shrewsbury.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIA-'IION.-A special meeting will be held at Clay Cross on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th }}$. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Serwice 4.30. Tea provided at 5 p.m. to those who notify me by Wednesday previous.-I. W. England, 49, The Common, South Normanton.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCJETY.-A ringing meeting will be held at Barnsley on Saturday, Scpt. 4th. Bells (8) ready 2.30 p.m. Tea, is. each, 5 p.m. This is specially arranged to make a presentation to our president and former secretary for fong and active servicc. Please, therefore, make it a record mecting. A very hearty welcome to all. For tea, please notify me by Scpl. and.-Daniel Smith, Hon. Sce., Rock Cottages, Shalton, near Barnsley.

OKFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.A meeting of the above branch will be held at Bucklebury on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th. Bells ( }}$ (8) available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., at Gd, each. All ringers welcons. Intending visitors please notify the Rev. E. M. Jhorp, Bucklebury Vicarage, Reading, Berks, not later than Wednesday, Sept. Ist, for tea.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN (rUILD.-Bishop's Wathan.-The dedication of the bells by the Archdeacon of Portsmouth will take place on Wednestlay, Sept. 8th, at 6.30 p.m. Tea al 5 p.m. on the Rectory Lawn, by kind inyitation of the Rector (Rev. N. H. Stubbs) and Mrs. Stubbs. All requiring tea please inform Mr. W. Knight, Hoe Road, Bishop's Waltham, Hants, by Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th. All ringers welcome. - }}$ A. T. Greenwood, Hon. Dis. Sec.

B1SHOP'S WALTHAM, HANTS.-Dedication of the bells by the Archdeacon of Portsmouth on Wednesclay, Sept. Sth, at 6.30 p.n7. Ring of 6 tuned and peal augmented to $S$ by Jolin Taylor and Co., E.oughborough.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GLill.D.-Guildiotd Dis1.rict meeting at West Clandon on Saturday, Sept. it th. Betls from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Please send me numbers for tea by Sept. gth.-Gi. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon.

MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.-Next meeting will be held at Appleby Magna on Saturday, Sept. ith. Pleasc look up Double Court. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Tca at $4-45$ p.m., followed by meeting. Kindly advise me if requiring tea not later than Sept. 8th. All ringers welcome.-J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sce., Overseale.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-North- Jast Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Cadeleigh on Saturday, Sept. Inth. Bells 2.30. Service 4 -30. Tea 5. Will those intending to be present please notily me by Monday, Sept. 6t1? -R. Harris, Hon. Sec., Park, Silverton, near Exeter.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION (Manchester Branch) and LADIES' GUIL.D (Northern District). - A joint meeting is to be held at St. Peter's, Ashton-underLyne, on Saturday, Sept. Itth. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow: Tea, is each. All ringers cordially invited. Those requiring te please notify Mrs. W. W. Wolstencrolt, 103, Victoria Strect, Ashton-under-Lyne, not later than Sept. 8th. Mrs. L. D. Kelly, Hon. Dis. Sec., Ladies' Guitd; J. H. Ridyard, Manchester Branch, Lancashire Association.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis trict.-A joint ringing meeting, with the East Grinstead and District Guild, will be held at Tunbridge Wells on Saturday, Sept. inth. Please come and holp make this meeting a success. Tower open 2.30 p.m. There is a ten minute bus service to St. Peter's Church from Cet tral Station or Opera House. Route No. 82. Illeast notily me for tea by Tucsclay; Scpt. 7 th. - Alec Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, South borough.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting the Western Division will be held at Kirdford on Satu clay, Sept. ith. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.r: Tea $5 \cdot 30$, is. per head. Half rail fare, maximum is. $60^{\circ}$ to nembers.-F. H. Mecten, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, Nor Street, Worthing.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE. - The Annual Con memoration Dinner to Jasper Whitfied Snowdon an past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held a the Leeds and County Conservative Club, South Parade Leeds, on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Tickets 4s. each, ant early application for same should be made to Mr. F. G Sherwood, 8, Vesper Walk, Leeds 5 .

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## WHAT WE RING.

There is a good deal in the contention that ringers' natural instinct for good methods decides what they ring. In the very early days of the art, when practice was confined largely, if not exclusively, to five and six bells, the men of those days produced quite a number of primitive methods, but it was only a few that survived the test of: time. In the same way the eighteenth century saw many methods, particularly on six and eight bells, brought to light, but the Exercise accepted for general use only a very few of them. Whatever its other merits may le, Bob Triples for example, is not a sood method, and although it is one of the oldest and best known, it hats only seldom been rung, not simply because it has, in a sense, been discredited by the pundits, but because ringers themselves realise its imperfections. Grandsire and Stedman have survived the test of centuries and still command the attention of ringers everywhere, not merely by long usage, but on their merits as true Triples.

On the other hand, one cannot ignore the fact that use and tradition do count for a good deal in what we ring. Particularly is this so in regard to Major and ringing in the higher numbers. It takes a long time for a new method to gain anything in the shape of popularity, Bobs Major, Doulsle Norwich Major, Kent and Oxford 'Treble Bob have had their popularity hardly touched by the many more interesting methods of their respective classes. Similarly in the Surprise category, with all the vast and varied selection that is now avalable, the old methods Superlative Cambridge and London are still easily a first choice, despite the fact that Surprise ringing las come into vogue only comparatively recontly, and that there are many better methods. Bristol and Yorkshire, which are two among them, are slowly gaining' a place in the sun,' but of the athers some are rung once or twice and afterwards neglected; the rest remain undisturloed and largely unwanted. Individual bands have clone something to bring new methots to light, but they do so only for the novelty of it and seldom with the idea of popularising anything, however grood it may be. Indeed, it is noticeable that the bands who make a practice of ringing a variety of fresh methods seem to avoid everything which another company may lave rung. It is, in fact, the idea of ringing ' the first in the method ' that appeals to them, rather than ringing something that should be really worth while, especially if it may previously have been rung by others. What is desirable is that more good methods of every varicty should be more widely rung. [t is, of course, as well that we have certain ' standard' methods which are in use everywhere. It
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## TEN BELL PEALS.

APPLETON, BERKS. THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Friday, August 20. 1937, in Tivo Howfs and Fifty-Five Minutes At tae Cgurce of St. Lawrenge,

## A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE OATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

F. Stedman White ... ...Treble |Amiedr H. White ... ... 6

Henry C. Witite ... ... 4 Riceard White ... ... ... 9
Frederick Mbesengra ... 5 Fred White... ... ... .... ... hor Composed by G. Holifield, sen. Conducted by G. Hoeffeld, jon.

* Firsu peal away from treble. Tenoman's 100th peal in the tower and on the same bell. Rumg as a Coronation peal, also to accom modate the ringer of the 7 th, from Cranbrook, Kent.

STONHAM ASPAL, SUTFOLK.
THE SUTFOLE GUILD.
On Saturday, August 28, 1937, in Three Hours and Twend-Five Minutes, At the Cegreg of Sy. Lambert,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBEE BDB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 2 दf cwt.

Shrlford Sparrow ... ...Tyebla William C. Romsty ... 6 | William J. Groom | ... | ... | 2 | ©Aribtr R. Woodard | ... |
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|  | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| Edwin A. Crackntll | $\ldots$. | 3 | William J. Botion ... | ... | 8 | Ernest F. Poppy.......$\quad 4 \quad 4 \quad$ Artair Grimwood... |ames Betts $\quad . . . \quad . .$. Camas Ben Harry D. Lister ... ...Tenor Composed by A, Knights (No. 36). Conducted by Harry D, Lister

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Grorge E. Fearn ... ...Treble James Gborge ... ... ... 6 Albert Walker ... ......$\quad 2 \quad$ Henry H. Fearn...$\quad$... 7 Ernast T. Allaway ......
Frank E. Haynes ... ... 4 A. Paddon Smith ... ... 9 Tgomas Miller ... ... ... 5 Azbrit E. Norman ... ...The Composed by Jonn Carter. Conducted by Georgr E. Framn.
First peal on the bells since they were recast by Messrs. Gilletu and Johnston. First peal of Caters as conductor. Puug as a farewell to the Right Rev. Bishop Hamilton Baynes, who is retiring from the position of Provost of the Cathedral.

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, - ${ }^{1}$ ugnst 27, 1937. in Thee Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BDB HAJOR, 3024 GHANRESi Tenor 10 ext.
R. William Barber ... ...Tyeble| William J. Lee ... ... ... 5 Edwin R. Goate ... ... 2 Arther G. King ... ... ... 6 Joun G. W. Harwood ... 3 Jobn A. Godrrey ... ... 7 C. Frederick Sayer ... ... 4 Henry Took... ... ... ...Temoy Composed by N. J. Pisstow. Conducted by E. R. Goate First peal on the bells after their recent augmentation to eight by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

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THE NORWICII DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION.
In Thursday, August 26, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Ome Minutes, At the Churce of SS. Peter and Pall,
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, 5058 DHANGES; Tenar 15 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb . in E .
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A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANRES; Holis Ten-part. Tenor I6 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Norman A. Oner
Mervyn Pacmor ... ...Trebie
Meavyn G. Palmer ... ... 3
Cocil C Waint Ernhsi J. Monday ... ... 6

Conducted by Cbarles E. Bassett.
First peal.

## GRAVESEND, KENT.

THE YENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Saturay, Augnst 28, 1937, in Thres Howfs and One Minute, Azthe Chorch of St. George,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDQE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES;

Midderton's.

Torand A. Constant ...Trbble Fredrrick J. Collom .... 5

| Edwin A. Barneti | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Grobberi E. Audsleby |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Grorge J. Botcher | ... | .. | 7 |  |  |

Jogk Wagadon ......
Conducted by Herbert E. Addsley.
Fung as a 78 th birthday compliment to Mr. E. Fadlow, the steepiekepper.

NORTH MIMMS, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, A ugus 28, 1937, in Two Howes aud Fifty-Seven Minntes, At the Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR; 6 GE CHANEE8; Temor 13 cwt.
Grorge A. Spracer ... ...Treble Horace E. C. Goodenodge 5 James H. Ridimg ... .... 2 William R. Madgwice ... 6 Ggorge R. Pye ... ... .... 3 Maurice F. R. Hibbrri ... 7 John G. Nash ... ... Composed by C. Midnleton. Conducted by Harold V. Frosy. Pirst peal of Surprise as conductor. PORISMOUTH, HAMPEHIRE.
THE WINGHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCDSAN GUILD. On Sudurday, Aught 28, 1937, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

At the Chorcb of St. Mary, Portsea,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE BURPRISE MAJOR, $518 \nsubseteq$ GHAHCES ;
Tenor 17 cwt 7 lb .
Keita Hart... ... ... ...Tyeble James To
Josiay D. Harris ... ... 2 Frederick S Bayley ${ }^{*}$..." 5
Kinneta Snelling....
 Composed by C. W. Roberts. Couducted by Fredx. W. Rogras.

REPTON, DERBYSHITE.
THE MIDLAND CODNTIDS ASSOCLATION.
On Satuyday, Angwst 28, 1937, in Three Howrs and Five Minules, Ax mes Ceurch of Sx. Wystan,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR, EOEG EHANEES; Tener 18 ent.
-Jack Bailey ....... ...Trobie William P. Deane ... ... 5

-Josery W. Cotron ..... .1

- Horace Over .... ... ... 4 Redvars F. Elmingion ...temor Composed by J. Cox. Conducted by Redvers E. Elxingion.

> * First peal of Kent Majar. First peal of Major on the bells. MAPSHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWIOE DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Angust 28, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minntes, AT the Chirce of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5Osa BHANGE8: Tenor 73 cwt.

- Roeert G. Catcepole ...Treble | Eric Durrant ...
Herbert C. Read ... .an 2 Gborge Bailey ... ... ** 5
Miss E. J. C. Angwin.. .3
Arthor S. Roberts..... .4 Williab C. Doffield 4 ...temer Compored by H. Hobbard. Conducted by Wm. C. Defriezd.
* First peal on eight belts.


## IP黄WIGE

THEN SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, August 28, 1937, in Thru Hows and One Minuld. At the Churcei of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANEES; Tenor Ibta cwt.
Wileiam P. Garrety ...Tyeble George E. Symonds
Sylvia R. E. Bowyer
Wicliam J. G. Brown
Keith Weitiele ...
Composed by A. KNigbis.

| $\ldots$ | 2 | Cbgil. Aldoos $\therefore$... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ldots$ | 3 | Urean W, Wildery |


| 5 |
| :--- |

Con ...Tenoy

* First peal of Kent Major and attempt to call a peal on eight bells.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOOIAIION AND THE
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 21. 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutos, Ay the Chorca of Sr. Wilfred,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one extent each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Fingle Court, Cambridge Surprise, 署t. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Plain \#ob. Tenor $13 \mathrm{cwt}$.1 qr . 13 lb .
Miss Grace Burchnall ...Treble IKennete W. Mayer ...

| Miss Katherine Bercbahal 2 | Ffank Vbrnoh |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss Dorotby Vessey ... 3 | Jack L. Milleod |

$\begin{array}{lll} & \cdots & 4 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 5\end{array}$
Miss Dorotby Vessey ... 3 Jack L. Milebodse .... .... Conducted by Jack L. Milleouse.

GREAT EASTON, FGSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Sunday, Augut 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Fordy-One Minwles, At tee Chorch of Sr. John,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and one of Plain Bob. Ther 12 cwt .

Georgr Schluetzr
Joskpa Jennings... $\ldots$...... 3 Whlter Ayre ... ...
Conducted by Walter Ayre.
PIPECUM-L IDE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monaly, August 23, 1937. in Two Howrs and Fifly-Fitu Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being seven extents each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt .
 Ausian T. Wingatr … 3 Ernest F. Salmons .... .... Tenor Conducted by E, F. Samons.

* First peal of Minor.

SCOTHOW, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
un Monduv. August 23, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Dne Minutes,
At the Church of All Sainis,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Deing three 720's of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob. Grorge Bele

- Miss Jean Brll

| $\ldots .$. Treblo | Miss Jessir Angwin |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots .$. | 2 |$| \begin{array}{cc}\text { Arther S. Roberts }\end{array}$ $\qquad$

 Conducted by William C. Madier.

* First peal in two methods.

BURTON-ONSTATHER, IINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Brancb.)
On Monday, August 23, 1937, in Two Honrs and Forty-Seven Minutes,

## Ar the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6940 CHANGES;

Being one extent of St. Clement's and two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob

Frgd Lacry ... ... ...Treble
Jack Bray ...

- Pailip Barnes

Frbd Jerpiey

han jbpariy ... ... ... 4 | Harald Jodd |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernast Britiain | ... | .... 5 |
| 5 |  |  | jack Bray.

## * First neal nnd first attempt.

## BOOTLE, LANGASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Safurday, Augusi 28, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Four Minutes,

## Ax Christ Cedrca,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

720 each of Hereward Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford Boh, Kent and Osford Treble Boi, Cambridge and Beverley Surprise. Tenor 12 uwt. in 4. -Tgomas Horridge ... ...Treble Jobn McKee Jamzs Martin ...... Gborge Lunt ... ... ... 3 Erngst F . Bensett ... ...Tenor

## Conducted by G. R. Newion.

* First poal on eix bells. First peal in seven methods on the bells. NEW MILL, YORKSHIRE.
THE FORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIFTY.
On Saturday, Akgrst 28, 1937, in Thuce Howrs and Two Minutes,


## At Cerist Ceurch

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being 720 each of London, Canterbury, York, Wells, Newcastle, Durham and Cambridge.
 Conducted by A. Panther.
First Sirprise peal on the bells and first for the Yerkshine Associntion. Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Potter, also for the binthenay of the wife of the and ringer.

## DARLINGTON.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Saturday, August 28, 1937, เn Two Hours and Twenty-Six Minstes,

At the Church of the Holy Trintty,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANOES;
Being 720 erch of Surfeet, Beverley, Cambridge, York, Durban, Wells and Toncion Surprise.
Robrry Jefy Jares T. Titt Ricgard Busby


## SEPT. I8th!

 ${ }_{\text {See }}^{\text {See }} 586$
## PEAL, NOTES.

SIDELIGER'S ON PTRFORMANCFS.
The first peal on the new bells at Bimmarinm Cathedral was run! on Saturday. A pail had zot lyen ring there since diggust 22 not, 1903, a perfod of 34 years.
It is remarkable that in suchs s long interval only one oithat batul Thomas Reynolis, has passed away. Linee of them, Messys. Allwwy, Paddon Smith ard Altjert Walker, took part in the first peal on tha new bells on Sirturday.
The first peal rung at Petersfield. Hants, by an entirely local bani for 32 years was acconplished on Aughst 26ih. None of the ringers, with the exception of the conduetor, had ever stood in a peal in the: is own tower previously. The peal was rung as a farewell to Mr. C. S. West (tower secretary), who is to be married sloutly and will then live at Midhurst, Sussex.
Mr. Harold F. Frost, who, at the age of 20, rang Cambridge Maximus as his first Smprise peul, rang his first peal of Cambridg, Major, and conducted it, on Saturduy at North Minums. Mr. Frost is ane of the secretaries of the St. Albans District of the Herts Association.
A peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was rung at Gravesend, Kens on Saturday, as a compliment to Mr . H. Hadlow, the veteren steopl keeper, on reaching his 78th birtuday.

No fewer than eight Whites took part in a peal of Grandsice Calevs at Appleton (which produced most of the "family') on August 20th. One of the geveral Fredericks in the peal was of Cranbrook, Kent, whe rest were Appleton ringers. Althongh pather late in the day, the patal was rang as a Coronation peal for Appleton.
Mr. Fred White rang the tenor to the peal. It was his one hundredth peal in the tower and on the same bell! Fe rang it to the 21,363 Stedman Caters on April 22nd, 1922-the record length by any onk set of men-in 12 hours 25 minutes. He and the lenor must know each other well.
A peal of 5,056 Rob Major was rung at Swalfham, Noriolk, on August $66 \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{t}}$ in 2 hours 51 minutes. 1t was the slmottest time in which a true peal has been comploted on the bells, the tenor of which is just under 16 cup. The composition by the conductor, Mr. Nolan Golden, was rung for the first time. It, contains the $746{ }^{\circ}{ }^{\prime} \mathrm{s}_{\text {, }}$ the bil the course-end extent home and all the 6-5's and 6-4's.
Four first peals of Kent Treble Bob Major was the fine achievenvens in the peal at Repton, Derbyshire, and credic is due to the batd Which hails from seven towers. The aingers were: Treblo from Span don, 2 and 3 from Overseale, 4 from Hugglescote, 5 from Nortan-ia the-Moors, 6 from Wolverlianpton, 7 from Walsall and 8 from Anstey
The bells at Gorlestan, Sufolk, have recently been angmented io eight fand the first peal on the octave was ring on August 2lst. Mi J. A. Godfrey, who toak part, also rang in the first peal on the ring of six, in the : ar 1901.
Two ringers at Burton-on-Stather, Lincs, Philip Barnes and Fies Jeffery, rang their first peal on August 231 . It was Minor in three metbods-and a good perfornance, considering it was their firs attempt for a peal.
The Yorkshire Association's first, peal of Surprise Minor was tump at New Mill on Saturday in honomr of the golden wedding of Mr. atal Mrs. O. D. Potter, of Brinsley. The peal was also a Barnsley Society peal, for Mr: Potter is president of this organisation.
The birth of a graudsou to Mr. Li. F. Poppy, of Stolse Ash, Suffolk, was celebrated on Saturday with a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal al Stonham Aspel, in which Grandya took part. The composition,
Arthur Knights, was rung for the first time.
Miss Sylwia Bowyer, of Tpswich, who, as recorded last week, rany her first peal as condnctor (Minor in three methods) has now talleil a peal of Kent Treble Boh Major at the first attempt and from a working bell. Sle is the only ludy, up to the present, to call a peal far the Suffolk Guild.

## ESSEX RINGER'S GOLDEN WEDDING. <br> PRESENTATION AT MALDEN.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Futson, of Malden, Essex, have just celebrated theit golden wedding. They wert married at Heybridge Church on Angust 20th, 1887, and in honour of their jubilee a quarter-peal of Grandire Friples was rung at All Saints' Chureh, Malden, on E'riday week, Mr. Hutson ringing the treble. Mr. Hutson is 'father ' of the Malden rimpers and lias been a member of the Essex Association for 56 ycar',

The quarter-peal was rung hy R. Hutson 1 , Miss $A$. E. Waldoct 2 , W. F. Chalk 3 , A. Souih 4, S. Erster 5, F. Lewis 6, H. J. Marsfieli (conductor') 7, E. Richardson 8 .
Afterwards Mr. Hutson tereived the hearly congratulations of his belfry colleagues and the Vicit (Canon Seymour), who, on belialf of the ringers. presented Mr. Hutson with a walking stick and wallet and Mrs. Hutsou with an umbrella.

Mr. Eutson, who whs taken by surprise, thanked the ringers for their kinduess and afterwards entertained them to refreshments at His residence, where handloell ringing and a chat over old times passed a very pleasank evening.

On Sunday, Augrist 29th, for eversong, 720 Boh Minor was rung hy E. Richardson 1, R. Hntson 2, A. Mansfield 3, A. Hubble (first 7201 4 , A. South 5, H. J. Mansfield (conductor) 6.

## FOR BEGINNERS．

FROM GRANDSIRE TO PLATN BOJ
Whe eutroversy which las arisen in＇IJe Ringing World over Bol Priples has centred ronnd the question of the＂tility of this method us in＇stepping stome＇from Minor to Major．Me are not among those 4．Hu thimk that Triples of any kiud is necessary as a stepping stone hutwern the two even－bell groups，any more than Grandsice ol Sted una Major is necessny to tie practice of those who want to go from Grandsire on Stedman tripies to Gaters．This，lowever，is not the plite for as to air our views on tho eonhoversy，but wo wht to make it an oppartmaty to fry and show begimers who are ringing Cimadsiro how they can stey easity to $\mathrm{H}_{\text {fain }}$ Sob as a means of going inn to those＂illimitable realms ${ }^{5}$ that lie before those who practise even－ luchl meibods．

It mat be helpful，perlaps，if wo look for a monent at the dif ferences in construction between the twa methods；it may simplify things a hit．
The principle in Plain Boh is one lunt bell（the breble）with a bell nuking 2nd＇s when this bell leads，and the others dodging in pairs hehind them ；that is in 3－4，5－6，efc．
Grandsire has two hunt bells（the treble and another）witla a bel making 3rd＇s，when these two nre leading，and the others dodging if prairs bolime them；that is in 4－5，6－7，efe．

Whether you leam to ring Bob Doubles or Grandsire Doubles in a tiwe－bell tower you are tayght to Iead off the last bell of the preceding elange；so that in going on to Minor leading from the last bell presents no difficulties．
If yon hare learned to rins Doubles in a gix－bell tower，where the tenor has always been covoring，you have got to acquire the skill to lund of the lasil hell when your ritg Minor－whether your efforts have previonsly been devoted to Bob or Gl＇andsire Doubles．

A little careful ipnetice will enathlo you to da his．Fou probably lanow alrendy that there should be a slight extra pause，or space between the last bell in the backstrolie change and the bell leading in fle next handstroke change．That is particularls necessary in even－ leell ringing；olherwise there is nothing whatever to marls the＂beat， Hthl he rizging goes on like a batrel orgat
You have fius of all to uso your eyes to piek out the last of the ropes fulling at backstroke，and then hold your bell for a bift longet hofore pulling oft at hand．The exact period，of conse，depends upon ，he size of the bell you are ringing，and to judge this yoll must use ons retars．
The difficulty which sonte ringers geen to find in gotig from an en－bell to all odd－bell melhad is in the dodging places．If they have always rung Grapdsive and desire to turn over ta Plain Bob they find that the habit of dodgiug in $4-5$ makes it difficult to change
ver to dodging in $3-4$ or $5-6$ ，lint there is no reat alsiacle to quickly
oquaring the मew contition．
A dodge，as we have often explained in these arlicles，is a step bachward．Count yourself an to the farthest point of the dodging position，5th＇s or 7th＇s，for 4－5，or 6－7 11p in Grandsine；4th＇s or 6in＇s ini 8th＇s for 3－4， $5-6$ or $7-8$ in Elain Bub，then take one strep back belore gaing on 刀口ain，Whether it is Graudsire or Plain Bols，every hlow in an ewen place，2ad，4th，bil or 8 th ，going up is at haud－ slake，fud every blow in an adid．place，3rd， 51 l or 7 h ，is at back－ Conversely，coming down，ovory cemp place is backstroke al every afd place is handstroke．
If yon have been ringiag Grandsime，you have probably learned by this time tlate the step back in your dodge is afoceys at hondstrolte． ［II llain Bob the step badk is always at haekatroke．A kaowledte of this is helpful in fixing your dodging place．
both methods the dodges follow in sequence， $5-4,7-6,6-7,4-5$ in tirnorsire： $43,6-5,8-7,7-8,5-6,3-4$ in Bob Majar，but Plain Boh is simpler in the bob making tiran Giandsire，inasmuch as a call only affects three of the working bells，instead of all but one．Whereas in Cinndsire a bob involves donble dodging above 3 ra＇s place，the bells above 4th＇s in Plain Bob contimue an unbroken course of single dotming．
The real secret of going from one metlod to the other is ro coumt your places and remember that the dodging step back in Grandsire is at handstroke and the dodging step back in Plain Bob is at back－ sti＇rake．

## BACHELORS RINGING TOUR

## THE WEEL＇S PROGRAMME．

The bachelots＇party，suitaly claperoned，staritheir peal rinuing tour to－morrow．Their heaiquarters will be at Bourton－on－the whater， huf，they begin their ringiag in Oxford．Their programme is as follows：－
Saturday，September 4th：Magdalen College，Oxford（10 bells）．
Sunday，September 5th ：Banbury（10）．
Mouday，September 6LI：Grent Tew（8）and Adderbury（8）．
THesday，September 7th：Swindon（10）and Bampton．
Wednesiay，September 8thl：Northleach and Burford．
Tharreday，September 9th：Appieton（10）aud All Saints＂，Oxford． Friday，Bejstembor Ioth ：Sfow－an－the－Wold and Chipping Noston． Saturday，Septenber 11bı：Bourton and Kingham．

## WHY FRANCIS IS GIVING UP

## To the Editor

Dear Sir，－Two of three yarri ago，wien I was ath sulhoul，I was persuaded by a friend of mine to leart tinging，theatas les suid that ringens were all intellectual men with brans．I did so，and tuw I find Llat most of then helieve
（a）That the more a bell is＇tucked up＇the quicker it swings
（b）That if you stand on a hox to ring a then，you get a hatter pull than if you stand on the floos
（c）That a tenor quick at Lathertroke is easier lu ring than atenor slow at backstroke．
（d）That a boll wilf a big wheel and a lat of tope swingè slower that one with a small whech．
（e）That Cambridge Sitrprise Royal is more masical Wan Treble Bob Royal
（f）That if yous cust the slow work out of＇lreble Boh Major yats will improve the music．
（g）That it matders a－．．，when you mate a cup of tea，whethes you put the milk and sugar nato the enp hefore the then or not． 1 like to associate with intelligent people，and so I am giving ringing．

## PRACTICE MEETING IN THE HEART OF DORSET

## SALISBURY GUILD＇S SUCCISSFUL GAPHERIN

In ideal sammer weather the Dorchester Branch of the Snlisbury Dincesan Guild held a very sucecssful meeting for practice ab Filton on Saturday，Angust 2lst．The bells were kept going in valions metiods from 3 oflack uadil 5 ，when nembers and friends adjon＇ned to the Vicarage lawns，where an alfresco tea was awating thena，the beantiful cacroundings，ineludiug Milton Abbey Park，adding to the enjoyment of the gatioring．Atter a chat aver the tea cups，a henrty rote of thanks was passed to the Viear（the Rer．H．A．Caty）for permitting the use of the bells，his garvens and lawns，and to Mrs． Fiander for preparing the tea．Tniortunatoly，tho Vicar was absent as he was taking the chombys for all outhrg．
Those members of the fuild who required at change from the rimging chamber indulged in handbell ringmg（the Vicar supplying lwo actaves），croquet，swings，ete．Buth lise more ardent ones yefurmed to the tower and continned some good practice matil late in the even－ ing，the Ringing Master（Mr．P．Field），assisted by the North Dorset Branch Ringing Master（Mr．W．Shute），doing some excollent spade－ work．
Between 30 and 40 members and friends were present，repregenting the 「ollowiny lowers：Bradford Puverell，Preston，Upwey，Hazellury Bryan，Hampreston，Bovington，Lydlinch，Poole，Ihanpishan，Shotou， Staplehill，West Parley，Stoke Wake，Wyle Regis and there wera webome visitore from Reading．Tho folluwing methods were fung： Grandsice Raverse Canterbury Plcusure Stedman，Stedman Slaw Course，Plaiu Bob，St．Simon＇s Doubles，Pain Rob，Reverse Canier－ bury Fleasure，Oxfari treble Bab，Keut treble Bob and Oxford Boh Minor．All the visitors agreed they lad speni a very linppy time in the heart of Dorset＇far from the madding erowd．＇

## DEATH OF MR．F．G WILSON，BASINGSTOKE．

## NEARLY FIFTY FEARS A RINGER

We deeply regret to record whe deabla of Mr．Frederick Gearge Wilson，of Basingstake．Although not in the best of lealth，Mr Wilsun was at work as usual intil two days before his deatil，which took place on Thureday，Augusl 26th．He was 64 yurars of age．

Mr．Wilson had not been able to ring during the past theee years， but previously lie lad ben a most remtar Sunday service ringer ab St．Michmel＇s Chutch Basiogstolse．He Jand rumg many peals with the Iate Mr．Henry White，for the old Winchester Diovesan Guikl， but in later years ho had devoted his timo to tanching of hers lo ying． Altagether Mr．Wilson＇s ringing eftecr had extended over a period of nearly 50 years．
The foneral，which took place ad Basingstoke on Saturday afternoon， was attended by Mr．George Williams（Master＇）and many othen menbers of the Winchester and Portsmonth Diacesan Gnild．The bells were ruac half－multed before and after the funeral service．

Tlie deceased leaves a widow，son and daughter to monim lis death．

## LOUGHBOROUGH AND BOGNOR SURPRISE．

## MISPRINTS． <br> To the Edtior

Dear Sir，－May I point out thut in your issue of Angist 20 th there we errors in the two molhods，Laughborougln and Boguor．
In Lourhborougll the seotion with the treble clodging in $3-4$ down shonld read ：－
and in Bognor tho sections
with tarelplo in 3－4 up 23158764

## 23415678 <br> 32146587 <br> 23416857 32148675

and 5－6 down 24356178
23451687
32546178
32451687

Wigston．
K．A．ROF．

## THE LINCOLNSHIRE TOUR.

## SOME NOTES ON CHURCHES AND BELLS The Story of an Interesting Weak.

On a plot of rising ground I hear the far of Curfew sound Ovor some wide watered shote, swinging slow with sulten roar. Muxwell.
By tho time this account of the Bennelt toul of 1937 eppears in print most of my readers will have 'weighed up' the peal callmas and summed up the week's work as reported in the last issue of "The Ringing Wond.' To begin, the organiser in his letter of invitation nodegtly referred to his 'pretty stiff programme,' adding that he had confidences in the band, which eventually scored 14 peals in their list of 16 towets and completed them without mishap to man, bell or fittings.
A capable Master of the Guild had knowingly planned the daily route, encouraged by the respective clergy and foremen of belfries, who heartily welcomed the tourists ut the various parishes. The team of 12 men were the eame as un the Newcastle tour of last year. With three motor-cars at their disposal, they were able to travel in comfert and with punctuality

The Cross Keys, Spalding, was headquarters-an historic old property, helonging to the Duke of Buckinglam and cating from 1460 . Here the tourists were received by Mr. and Mrs. R. Richardson on their arrival-six by train and six by car-in time to take tea and get ready for their first peal attompt ou Friday, August 13th.

The Parish Church of Spalding, dedicated to SS. Mary aud Nicolas, is well portrayed in a small guide look by J. P. Hostins, B.A., of Lomulon. One's first impression on entering the nor'th coor is 'she's as long as she's broad ' with live aisles, it was buift by the Benedictine Priory, which exisied at Spalding from its foundation in 1051 to its surrender to the Commissioners of Henry VIII. in 1540. Forthanately many of the Priory records are extant and from them something of the history of the church is leamet.

Prur simon de Hauteharge (1228 to 1251) is recorded to lave begun to lnild the patishoners anew chnreh within the precincts of the monastery. This buildiug was finished by his successor (Prior 1251 to 1274) and seems to have been known as St, Mary Stock. Prior Wiliam de Littleport (1274-1293) decided to transfer and rebuild the charch, and the dimeusions of this building are almost exactly those of the present strteture: The Cole MSS. in the British DFuseum give particulars of agreements about buiding, etc., aud amougst them, Land was to loe givell by the Priory for the enlargement of the cemetery aud twa bells of the price of $£ 20$ sterling, whine were not to be rung when the monks were in their dormilary, except for fire, foad or other great fisaster.

EEARING TOWERS.
The tower and spire, over 150ft. high, leaning distinctly towards ille north-east, began to subside very seriously in the midele of the seventecuth century. The ceuse of this was probably the digging of vaults inside the church by the morth wall of the tower. Extensive crachs appeared in the enst and nortly faces of the tower, the latter going up right into the spire and being large enoughi for a boy to squeeze throngli in many parts. To support the tower the western arch of the arcade was walled up in 1664, and the eastern arch of the tower in 1683, wat nothing was cone to ble vaults that had undermincd it and the lower grew more and more unsafe with the passing of the Jears, so tlat the erchitect who examined it in 1865 exclaimed, Whiy ic does not fall 5 don't know.'
Al. the west end of the church is a small sanctus boll of great interest, bearing the letters I.N.R.I. and the date 1501. This is mohably the only pre-Reformation bell not recast in existence for many miles around. It was bought in 1840 by a former Vicar from the Fown Crier of the nearby village of Whaplode.
T'he bells were more than once the cause of digputes between the Priory of Spalding and the parishioners. The Priory agreed to provide two belis at the buitding of the church about 1284. The Prior ap poated to the King (Eenry IV.), the parishianers cubmitited an address in French, then the dispute was referred to the Bishop of Lincaln A.3. 1401, but his decision unfortunately does not seem to be known. North tells us the old ring of six bells were made up by a new treble fadded aud the tenor recast by Dobson, of Dowaliam, in 1801. Also Wjllian Carter, bellrimger, was paid for his year's stipend in 1519 VIIIs. IIIJd, nud, for ringing when the tempest was, IId.
7t. will interest members of the Ladies' Guild to hear of the widow of the sextor of Spalding, who cartied on his dutieg in the early part of the 19th century. She was also a washerwoman engaged ai a clergynan's house with others. She used to leave her tub to ring the bell. On one occasion one of her companions wrapped a white sheet around her and followed the sexton to the soulth porch standing up on the bench there. As the olid woman was locking the door the ghost started moaning, thinking to frighten her, but the ald lady quickly drew the huge key franz the lock and rushed at the figure with the exclamation. "Be ye live or dead, here's a go at yer," and nearly sicw the wotld-he ghost.

The parish registers of Spalding begiu in 1538. They are complete and in excelleat condition. The present Vicat is the Rev. Canon
B. G. Nicholas, R.D., one of the 17 Spalding hon. members of the Elloe Deanery Branch of the Lincoln Guild. On the conchusion of the peal he sent a kind message of congratulation saying how mueh lo had enjoyed listening to the risging.

The visitors were met at the church by Messrs. Kuight, Ladd, Firr Ames and others, and took a brief glance at the tablets on the belfiry walls, which record among other things that Churchwarden Jarwis celebrated his 100tb birtheday on May 29th last year and that Richned Mackman was verger 1876 to 1923, had clurge of the tower and for 50 years was a member of the association.
The present ring of eight bells was cast from old bells in 1926 and rehung by Taylors in new irou frame and fittings; each bell is deali-


## SPALDING'S SPIRE

cated to a different saint, the 7th being known as Gabriel. I'se following was written by the Ficar, Jenuary, 1936, and gives sonu idea of the district to those who have not ' done' the county. 'South Lincolnshire las been disparagingly written of as a land of " fens and fogs and flats"; since it las been my privilege to live and labout there I laave found it to be the land of the prosaic potato: of the golden corn; of the daffodil and the tulip in countless varieties and colours; the lund of splendid sungets and glorious churches unsurpassed by any in the Kingdom.' Fe might have added also the first to possess in ring of bells in all Engtand, namely, at Croytand a tow miles away.

## EWERBY'S GRAORTUL RINGING *ROOM.

Ewerby, visited on Salurday, was the home of the late pred Holden, whose first peal I conducted at Staines before he jeined the Royal Navy. Alas! he now rests beside the chancel, but has left a fine family of boys to 'carly ons.

Onr team arrived at the Chum of St. Andyew at 9.30 , and some time was spent in putting things right 'up above.' The Revtur kindly gave us a welcone in the singing room, which is convenienaly on the ground floor level and a vely handsome feature at the west end of the nave with graceful arehes on three sides open to the charch and a groined eeiling. The carved lexagonal font formed a centrcpiece as the temm surronnded it for Cambridge Royal.

The chareh is built entirely of stone, of handsome proportions, especially the tower and spire, and the cunning way in which tho roony spiral stairs up to the bells are constructed, in the sonth-west anagle, is an object lesson to modern arelitects. The north aisle las a paving stone which serves to remind us of the disastrous period in the history of the Church of Eugland, and here is the inscription 'Fore lyeth interved the lody of pious and learned Mr. Siwester, gent, who faithfinly and diligently seryed the Vicarage of this pariali (Coutiauad on mext pare.)

## STONE ROPE STRETCHER

## Continued from previous phe

for above 50 years, djed March, 1730 , aged 81 years. He gave the sum of 55 a year to the said Vicaz fol evel supposing lue do reside upor the same Vicarage.
Another interesting tombstone is that of George Wiliam, Eacl of Winchelsex, at the esst of the chancel. who died in 1858. He was alsu a practical bellrimger and gave the front six bells to make up the peral of ten with the fous old ones. The Earl left a fund to give the tingere an annual Christmas supper and El per man as a Christmas bas, and be penarally, while in residence, took part in such festivities. The old tenor js dater 1616, nud is 47 jnches in diameter. In 1566 the shumbiwardans reported that two liandbels, wincir balouged to this church in Queen Mary's time, lad been sold to onc Cuthbert, a pewterer of Lincala.
Fhwerby men lave scored a peal of Caters on the bells condacted by Fred Holden, but of recent gears if has been impogsible to fud and train ten men to man the bels resularly. Work and popination are declining here, as in many other agricultaral eentres throughout Encland.
f large mack of stone, with two stont inon ring linnales, stinds nery the font. It is now used to stretch the beliropes, but I believe jt formad, at one time, part of the market eross in front of the chuychyard, and was used to tether cattle and the horses of the farmers abtending sinday service. "Cwo o'clack lumef at the Fiatom Arms was served by liostess Mildred Porter, and twelve siguatures were wded to ler petition for permission for Simday opeaing.
fachington, which was visited in the afternoon, las a ring of six bells thati were increased to eight iu 1880 by two new bells-treble and tonor-atst by Mears and Stainbank. The old tenor, supplied by Warner azd Son, 1859, is now the 7th. Matsy a dispute and wagel lavo taken place in the villuge with regard to the ligure on fhe Gth; in reference to Wiliam Taylor's gift of metal to this bell becauge 'he loved ringimg so well.' They mre a flae ring of bells, with a good bulfur, the lightr circle of ropes, araurath and sommal all being sujbable for practising advanced methods. The walls of the belfry are carved ir mash places witlo the mames and initials of old riogers dating from 1977. We were met by di. 'T. F. Clark, wlo did dity for'us as kwer warden. His connection witi $5 t$. Andrew's belfry las Iasted bearly half a century. Oux cars were parked opposite the palice gration, near the tower, where the officer in eharge oxpressed gladmess 1 rum departure, as the offae books werg in arrear. I referred him to Inspector Poale, of Leicester, nnd mentioned we had added a mew nonflrod ta the county lisit and colebrated the birthay of a famoug Louden riugor, the late Willian PYe.
(To be continued.)

## ROUND BERKSHIRE TOWERS

A 'IIME THB7E THA'L' WORLED.
Whe rimgets of Si. Mary's, Rodhourne Cheney, together with a few collearues fram other Swindan bowers, held their antual outing ou Saturday, Aurust 2lsb, accompaniod by the Vicay (the Rev. S. J. Allisont. A time table had been worked out, which, contrary to bln general custom, was strictly adlicred to duriug the coutse of fho lour. Permission had been granted to risit bilf a dozon Berkshing towers. After ino "galhering of the clans' from various points, ful early start was made aud the party wete soon spebdig away over we open dowas into the Lambourin Vnlley, where the first enll was made at Great Shefiord. This is a "kefthanded" penl af six, and trouble was encoantered by sevelal of the novices before tije 'Hang' of blings came " liglit." To the old "uns it l held no terrorg, and good touches of Stednan, Grandsire and Minor were quag. Incidentally the wrjter was initiafed into the art in this tower many years ago.

Fromi here the excursionists passed on throngls the whole length of the deljghtiut Lambourn Valley until Chieveley was reached. f'here guother peal of six was enuountered, furd, althougis hurg in an ofd wood frame, wis found to he in ercelleat going order. This soon put the visitors juto a luappy mood and several well-struck touchus were called. Apart from ringing, this tower is worthy of note, possessing same rory intiquated steps lo ascend into tho bell chamber. Tha dive wrs rontinued througu the pinc woods of Hermitage to Hampstead Narris, where the bells wate tound already raised for antiou, and proved to be almost perfect both fou landing ard for sonnd. Some good rimging resulted,
Thea was partaken of at Compton, where the risitors were mot liy representatives of the local Inand. Ringing at the shurch followed. The towel appealed very much to some of tho party. Others, however, developeri "dart-brgatelleitis" and fated to turn up at the belfy until the departure time. East Ilsley was next visited and the party wexe accompanied by some of tint Compton bind. The ring of eighe was found to be a lovely going light perl, which, espeoially in the ald 'wns, were a treat to ring. A中 no time welo ropes gollg a-hegring. Sorne of the begh winging of the day was carried otht herc. At Wantage, the last tower, the metnl of this peal of eightit proved a bit too cumbersome for the mujarity of the party, but tonclies of Stodman and Grandsire were nus. Durint a short spell for fight refreshments, fonches of Stedman, Grandsise, etc., logether with a few tumes by the 'musical stars' of the party, Wel'e zung on the landbells and broeghte a delightfil dry to a close. The ringets wish to tluank the various incmubents amm towerkeepers fow the Hag of thm bells and arrangements thal were made, the whale cumbinitg into $n$ very pleasant and interesting onting

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All those who have reserved tickets for the Lading kuild jubilee dinner should 1 edeem their weservations at once. Nía lickel, kays th notice ic another column, can be reserved after September $251 \%$.
After the joint meeting of four associations at Slaines on Saturday, ringing took place at, St. Mary's Church, where a band of 'experts; rang a course of Bob Triples as a special complinent. 10 Mr . Oecil Pipe, of Staines.
A day in Oxfordshire for young ringers is being amanged for sutur- day, Septeuber 11th, loaving Maidonhead Station by motorroach at. $9.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Lunch, tea and farc, 7s. inclusive. Theve aro a lew wacant seats, fo: which application should be made by septemfer 7th to Mr. T. J. Fowler, Cookliaw, Berks.

St. Peter's Cburch, Dorchester, is quitc near Lhe Dorsel County Prison, The Rector, who is chaiman of the Dorelester Branch of Litit Sulisburg Guild, is also prison chaplain, aud on a receut visit to the 'house of comrections ' a prisoner told him how much he eujoyed listeniug to the bells, but that he would "like to Hear then ring in "Queen's" mara.'
At the last two practices, arranged for visitors to that park of Dorset, Queen's have been rung for a few minutes in the liope that the nearby listener enjoyed the ringing

As a result of the distribution of the booklet of tonches of Stedman Caters and Cinques, My. W. A. Gave has beell asked for touches of Grandsire Caters. He has prepared a small collection of musical tonches and will send themz to any who require them on receipt of a stamped (lalfpenny) addressed returil envelope.
In the peal ot Chichester on Augnst 21st the ingers of the 7th and tenor were Raymond Wool, junr, aud Frederjek W. Burnetic respectively.

## AUSTRALIAN LADY RINGERS.

NEARLY FOR'Y SCFOOLGIRJS LEARNING ON HANDBELLE
Miss Joan H. Kynastoan, who went out from England abont two years ago to a teaching appointment at Frengham School, Mitfagong, New Sorth Wales, has been doing eome splendid work among the pupils, which, we may hope, will lenefit, the art of rixgiug in Australis in the fisture.

Alchough there are no chureh bells available, change ringing is targht on handbells, and Miss Kynaston has now got nearly 40 keen ringers in the school, ranging from seven years ofd to the senior girls, There is also one learner amoug the staff who, it is hoped, will he able to carry on when Miss Kymaston returus to England at the ead of the year.
This month one of her ringing pupils, Miss Joyce Layton, arives in England, and will be in residence at the Physical Training College. Bedford. She hopes to get a practical acquainlinee with clarelh hed ringing during her stay, and wa are sure slie will be heartily welcumed by Bedford riwgers.

## BOB TRIPLES.

## To the Editor

Sir,-May I reply to the advocate of Bols Triples, Mr. A. P. Cannon What methods are rums in peals conceros me not at all, but when ho"talks of teaching beginners Bob Triples instead of Grandsire he enmoaches on Sunday service ringing, of which I am afraid he knows very little. There are ringers, I am afraid, who never pass bevond covering and others who get as far as plain hunting and then stop, hut they are of much more use to a tower with their regular attend ance than the expert change ringers whose attendances on Surdat arc few and far bebween. With two treble ringers and one tenommin, the Rlain Bob band wonld be tied to Bob Minor with two covers, instead of courses of Grandsire Triples. With six inside, one treble and one tenor they would ring Bab Triples. To ring Boh Major requires seven inside and one treble, and unless this number were in the tower no masio would ever be heard from their bells.

May I also point out that Grandsire is not a 'blind alley nuethou? leading nowhere." There is a book of Triples methods published hy the Central Council leading from Grandsire. I also fail to follow Mr Gannon's zeasaning that a ringer who finds a diffentwy in grasping Bob Major after ringing Grandsire Triples could very easily learn the higher major methods if first tanghb Bob Triples, Be could, at least ring Grandsire Major and discourse the same sweet music as the Bob Triple ringer. I think Mr. Cannon will find that the 'blind alley" Grandsire, with its 'defects, will long continue as the standard fare.
C. A. LEvETT.

Hastings

## WEDDING BELLS

At Ccalbrookdale, Salop, on Sunday, August 22nd, in bonour of the wedding of Miss Iwy Doreen Thwards and Dr. Oyril Stansfeld-Parker, a quartar-peal of Grandsire Caters ( 1,259 changes) : $F$. Jones 1, E. D. Poole (first quarter-peal of Caters 'iuside ') 2. W. S. Crawford 3, R. Evans 4, A. S. Bayley 5. W. Lago 6, E. V. Rodenhurst 7. W. Ssumders 8, A. Pritelyard (first quatter-peni of Caters as conductor) 9 , F. Ejil 10. The hride is the danghter of tise managing director of the Caalbrookdale Irou Co., Ltct.

## FOUR ASSOCIATIONS MEET ON THAMES-SIDE

## HARGE GATHERING AI' SIALNES.

## The Value of Co-operation

Tonn societies joined forces in a meeting on Thames-side na Satirday. At the invitation of the South and West District of the Middlesex Association, the Kast Fecks and south Hucks Brameh of the Oxford Gnild, the Chertsey District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild and Ghe Farth-West Dishint of the Surrey Aesociabon wisited Staines, and a wathering of between 80 and 100 ringers and linends was the result, 'The monning had not been too promising but the sum broke though the plonds in the afternoon and the visitors found Sl. Peter's Church, the centre of nctivities, in a charming setting ou the river bauk.
In addition to St. Peter's, the bells of St. Mary's, Stainet, were open, were also those of Felam, on the Surrey side, and Wrassbury, just oper the Bucks border. All these are eight-bell towers and full ise was rade of dhems, Sc. Peter's, as was, perlaps, not to be wondered aty being specially crowded.
service was held here, conducted by the Vicar, Dr. Flecker, and at mew ringers' hymu, 'Ruislip Bells, was used for the list time. Mr. I. A. Drellope (vice-president of the Middesex Association) read the lesson.

The Rev. A. G. Tranter, Ficar of Egham, gave a forceful address, in the course of which he spoke of the conflieting voices in the world if la-day. The invention of radio had, hee said, filied the itir with poices to which uen could listen if they would. But there were other pices. The woice of the bells was calfing men to God, if they woukd hat listen, and lie asked ringers to remember when viney were ringing, ${ }^{5}$ hether for Sunday service or practice, that they were sending out a message - a suessage of compol't in the everlasting love of God, a message to men to prepare for the coming King.

Commenting on the uncerlainty of life the preacher incidentally remurked that one of the most important things a man should do s to make lis will. 'Why;' he sadd, 'I have got the bymus pieked for my fumeral, buf, hie added, that does not meaty that I an oing to die yed.

After service, tea was served into St. Peter's Hall, but there were unny mare present than had notified that ihey were coming, with the result that the caterers wero liard put to it to provide for the nts of the larie gathering. Mr. J. A. Trellope presided and three Guerdit sechetaries wele present (Midalesex, Oxford and Guildford) in indition to the four districh secretaries ath ringers from nearly 40 ifferent towns. Specially weleome visitars were Mr. C. J. Sedgeley,
[ St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, and the fev. R. H. Gilding (eurate at t. Peter's).

Tle Chairman extended a cordial weleome to the visiting nssociaThat, he sajd, was somelling more than mercly a pleasant gathoring; it was the outwerd and wisible sign of the anity and good fllowshig that existed amoug ringers, which was no of the finest hnnmeteristics of the Exercise to-day. Towers and aesociatons alike mantited fron the spivit of co-operation, but this spirit of co-operation had not always existed among riugers. In days gone by old societie ine the College Youtis and Cumberleuds not only did not funteraise, a member of one could not be a member of the other. In the case
these two societies this latiter rule existed to-day, and it came lont, as explainet in the Cumberlands rule book, in order to promole frieudly rivalry. It was a survival of old traditions which sised two centuries age, when every society kopt itself to itself. Whs only since the territoriat associations came into existence that hati, spirit was really broken down, and it was largely because it ad henn invenen down that the Exercise had progressed in the last half-century as much as it lad done. He was castiug tro aspersions fhose old socicies, whioh looked back with pride on their past. incming owed a debt to them for what they had preserved. They had erved this bradition, but in these days it was au anachronism ind. he thought, might well be honoured in the breach. Wherever sev went throughout the country a arall who was a dinger was welmed in any lueffyy, and that was a thing which riagers had a right he proud of. That was the spirit which bronght about aneetings that kind, and for that reason ho was flad to see such a large and presentative gathoring present that day
Mr. J. S. Gidsmith (Guildford Guild), Mr. A. D. Barker (Oxford Guild and Mr. D. Cooper (Surrey Association) acknowledged the elcome given 10 the visilors fand spoke of the streeess of the gathering. A vote of thanks to ble Vicar of St. Poler's was proposed by the mairman and achaowledreathy the Rev. R. H. Giading, and Mr. F. W. Goodfellow (Middtesex district secretary) moved a vofe of thanks to the preacher, the organist and the caterers.

## GREAT STAUGHTON'S OLDEST RINGER

## DEATH OF MR, G. JTRANIKLIN.

Grat Stanghton band las lost jts oldest member with the passing of Mr. Gearge Firanklin, who died in hospital on August 24tl after an operations, at the age of 67 years. Mr. Franklin haad rung only one peal, but he was a regular sarvice ringer and Sunday after Sunday would be as lis post botls morring and evening.
The funcral, which was choral, look place on Saturday, and immediately aftetwards \& quarter-peal of Grandsite Donhles was rung with hells half-muffled by R. Slyatton 1, N. Smith 2, J. Swith 3, F. J. アitker 4, F. W. Lrack 5, F. Reeve 6.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

## - WELCOME TO SHIPLEY

The monbhly meeting of tho Leads and Distrith Society was lula at the Shipley Parish Church on Saturday. Owing to the holiday sonsou beint in full swing, aud the fact thet ithe opening grame of the foot ball season were taking place in such ghorious weaher, the atitendanco Was below expectations. About bwe dazen members were presm from hronley, Furley, Headingley (Sl. Chad's and St. Nichinel's), Holbeck, Idie, Rothwell, Sherburn, Drighlington and the focai com pany, as well as a visitor from Kirkby Stephen. The bells were keqd ringing from 3 o'clock until finally they were lowered about $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
'I'lie bisiuess meeting was beld in the tower, and in the rbsence of the president and vice-presidents, Mr. Г. J. Jolmson (a former wesident) occupicd the chair. A vote of thanks to the Fionr, wastons and the local company for their welcome was proposed by Mr. W. Jaukson, and supported by ML. F. Rayment, who cougratulated ble Shpley company on the splendid progress which they were making. Atter a number of very lean years, and yarre of hard work, they were it last reaping the benefits of their labours, and he hoped tho progress would eot tinue.
The Glaiman, in putting this vote to the meeting, dwell reminiscently upon several of the early Shipley ringers.
Tho Rev. T. Perrett, in meplying, said trow pleased he was to welenme the sociels to Shipley and hoped they wonld conve again in the vean future, when he bimgelf anticipatod being able to take a more ahife part in the proecedings. He always felt that ringers lat swof a grip on one anotior, a grip of carmadeship-just like the grip one had an one's 'sally,"
Mr. Einesl Simpson also spoke for the local company and expressed is pleasure at the meting.
A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Johnson for presiding.
erenc Charman said he could not ciose the mecting wilnout a he first secretary of the Leeds and District Suciefy "rhe hato Neediam moved away frobi Leeds about 40 yenrs ago, but he dirl at great deal of pioneor work for the sociaty in its early dajs.
The next meeting is due to be held at Holbeck on September 2511 but au announcement will bo made in the Press in dae courso.
After the meeting, the Vicar took part in the ringing bofore leaving to coufinue his obher duties. The meihods rung dmyng tho day ranged from Grandsire Triples to Gantoridge and Superlative Surprise

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. CHATTERIS RINGERS' EXAMPLE.

A meeting of the Cenlmal Dranelt was held ab Clateteris on Saturday August 28th. There was a good athendance of visitors and bramul members. The general semetary of the nssocinlion (Miss K. Wjllers) was also present. Ringing commenced at mboul 2.30 p.m., Mr. A. . . Abrams leing in charge, the Ringing Master arriviug after tea.

It is worthy of note that nearly all the Chatiteris ringers, atteuded this meeting, which gives one food for thonght, ss, when going to ofher towers, the leader of the company is often the only lacal ringet present. If bands would fotlow Clatteris ringors' oxample, more Sin day service ringing would be donc.
The Guild service was held in charch at 6 p.in., coltducted by ithe Vicar

It is hoped to hold the mext meeting at Haddonham if permission is obtained.
 meeting proved fi happy ont.

## IN PLEASANT SURREY BY-WAYS

Some 16 nembers of the Somning Deanery Branch of the Oxford Diocesna Guild, with wives and fricuds, chjoyed m afterneors's ontug on Saturday in the neighbounhood of Woking, Surmoy. Choblam was the first tower visited, and MEr. A. Coleman had everything in reaviness. A delightful surprise was the visit to the belfry of Mess's Goldsmith, Hazelden, Corbett and Grover (of the Guildford Diocesan Guild), who were en route for Eglan to attend $n$ joinl meeting: journey of two miles brought the party to Horsell, with its perpendicular ladider leading to the curious ringing chamber, but very handy ring of six. Tleen inte Woking for ten at the Sinmay Restaturant and a look round the busy litite town hefore ringing on the good going eight at old Woking, li,he belfry hallowed by the memory of that friend of ringers, the late Admiral T. P. Wolker. A pleasant run as the daylight faded bronght the party to Pirbright, with its
interesting dhurch in a peaceful spot, whero lie the remains of the great African explerev, F. M. Stanley. The nioo going musical ring of six bells in the tower were well used until $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
After crossing tha Berksline border on the homeward journey, passenger's were gradually set down and 'good nights' slonted matil the last reached home about 11 p.m.a ell tired but well content. Thanks are accoraded to the four iummbelsts, their steeplekeepers and all who assisted to bring success and anjogment, including Mr. J. S. Goldsmith. whose help wha invatuable. Tho standard methods werc rang in all the churches, and, in addition, at the six-bell towers, London nud Cambridge Surprise.

## ALL HALLOWS', LOMBARD STREET.

S.P.A.B. AND DEMOLITION OF FAMOUS LONDON OHURCH. The G0th annual report of the Society for the Protection of Ancient suildings again forms an interesting record of the work carried out by the society in many directions during the year. Numerous ehureh restorations have beeu exceuted wilh the collaboration of the society, but the matter, reported on at some length, which will interest ringers unest, is Ihat relating to the deanolition of All Hallows' Chureh, London.
At Hallows ${ }^{3}$ has a ring of ten bells, and London ringing arganisations have directed the attention of the authorities to preservisg the peal intact and ereating it in some other church where there is a tower which will enable the bells to be rung
The S.P.A.B. report, as will be seen below, touches upon important malters relating to Docesan Advisory Baurds, who, given the additional powers proposed, may exercise still greater restraint in matters relating to bell restorations, although their jurisdiction, of course touches practically overything connected with the fabric and the fur uishing of the church.

The report on All Hollows' Church says:-
'l'he decision to remove this church is a great disappointment to the society and to all those who linve worked for its retention. That sech a decision could be taken without reference to the Jondon Diocesan Advisory Commitioe or to the Central Council for the Preservation of Churches, reveals an extruordinary state of afiairs

When the late Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Davidson, secured the exemption of elurches from the Ancient Monuments Acti in 1913 he eriainly gave 10 pledge that every singie church, early or late in date, should be preserved. No bniding-owning zuthority could do Ihat, not even the Offee of Works. But he did promise that the Churel would set up efficienb machinery to deal with questions of this kind. What Jias lappened is not that the particular machinery has moken clown in this case, luat that All Hallows' bas managed to escape it.
It is an amazing thing, but it is actually the fact, that, while it is and fras [ar long been practically impossible to pull down a piece of ans ancient alareh to add a vestry or an organ chamber in the Victorish mamuer, or cemen to carry out an old-fashioned 'restaration, it renlly is possible to destroy a whole church! Such appareatly is the state of the law.

## FO CONTROL BETORE CONSECRATION

We understand that there is a strangely parallel situation in regard to new clurches. It is not possible to place filtings or monuments in existing churches without the closest serntiny, hut prior ta consecration there is no conirol over what nay be placed in a new church. There is urgent ued for some alteration in the la
Ifal there is no doubt that very real dificuthes are arising in consequence of the shifting of the population and the traffic problems of urbon areas. Certain recent schemes show that the municipalities ate likely at any time to wish to destroy valuable buildings in central arcas. How fnr State Control could protect some of them nowadeys is a diffeult problem. A Government department would certainly have to halance various interests against one another, and it might well be that without greal expenditure of maney and elaborate protective town plamming, some loss would be inevitable in overcrowded areas. The Society for the Prolection of Ancient Buildings may congratrate itself that in the case of All Fallows' it has dome all that could be done, and that the agitation has shown the public that buidd ings of a certain degree of importance cannot be fouched without an utict
It is also satisfactory to mote the cbange of opinion that has come over the country in regard to renaissance art. Notwithstanding the destruction of All Fallows', the balnnce of opinion in favour of the mportanee of preserwing renaissance work is more with the Church futhoritias than with the State. Phe Royal Commission on Histarionl Monumends in their reports ignare everything from a few years after the date of All Hallows. One may seaveh most of their reports in vain for notice of anything of the later years of Wren or the work of Inis followers, while most of the Diacesan Advisory Committees are slow to tolerale interference with min eighteenth-century work of real ristinction. The irony of the situation is that while a church like All Hallows' is to be pulled rown, the London diocesan authorities liave heen encouraging the expenditure of vast sums of money in repairing the other eity churches, and on this lines approved by this society.
What sems to be requirea is some new lepislation by the Churel Assembly to secure that cases like that of All Hallows should come hefore the Alvisory Committee at the very begiming of any scheme The serious thing is that there may be other cases in the future. We must ndrait that according to the most reliable information, none of the other city chumelies in Londou are in any danger. New uses are lheing foutud for some of them: most are now well used on weak-days. The scheme for puling down mineteen is certainly in tining of the phst. It is rather in some of the provincial towns that the danger lies, e.E., Sheftield, York, Norwicli and Worcester. In none of these cases, as far as we know, has the Advisory Committee been consulted, though the destruction of walnable churclies is contemplated as a consequence of urben depopulation
There is another mather which requives ventilation. In London, notwithstanding the $A$ II Mnllows scandaI, the Advisory Committee is a (Continned in next column.)

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## CULPABLE NEGLECT ALLEGED

(Coutjuued from previous column.)
vory weighty borly, doing excellent work. But in some parts of thu country it does seem possible to say that there has bean culpable neglect in fulfilling the pledge that the Archbishop gave the nation in 1913. For the Advisory Committee system is either not working a all or else working very badly. Take the diocese of Hereford fa example, or that of Derby, or of Durham. We do not know who their secretaries are, or what they are doing. And it still seems pos sible for an ignorant incumbent or parochial church council to hold up their wark by sheer defiance. In the city of London the Church o St. Olave, Have Street, lias the unenviable distinction of possessin the dirtiest monuments. In the same church the advice of the emanen architects responsible for recent repairs was ignored by the parish on points of grent importance. We could quote other simila cases. Though less spectacular, these are matters of grave concern, because, unlike All Hallows', they are within the sphere of responsibility of the new protective system.
It is only fair to say that legislation is now pending before the Churels Assembly in whieh it is intended to stiffen up procedure before the Consistory Courts, and to strengthen the lhands of the Advisory Committees and the Central Faculties Council. But the un happy experience of All Hallows', Lombard Strebt, shows that thet is not. everything, as it is difficult to see how it will affect those unwanted churches in depopulated urban areas.

The All Hallows' ease hes shown the value that is attached to the city churches and to the wark of the English renaissance. It is poor compensation for the loss af the churels, but it is something to be able to recall the fact that, whereas in Victorian cases of destruction of eiby churches little care was taken of their contents, in this oase the greatest care will be exercised even to reproducing in the new sub urban church which will succeed All Hallows" the conditions of the east and west euds, so as to contain the woodwork in surroundings suth as it was intended to fill.
It is clear that there are elements in the Church which still do not take titeir responsibilities seriously enough where arbistic and architeotural considerations are concerned. Unless new legislation is carried through and made to apply more widely, and unless local dis loyalty to their own syrtem can be stopped, the Church authorities are quite likely to encounter a renewal of the agitation for tho takin ovor of buildings by the Stata. The Advisory Committee system has certainly made far-reaching changes in the last tmenty years, not lenst by its insistance on the value of remaissance work, but events are showing that it las not gone far enough, ned that its net must ho rade closer and stronger.

## QUEX PARK

## A RECORD PICNIC MEETTNG

I by-meeting of the Canterbury District of the Keat County Association, held et Quex Park on Saturday, August 28ih, broke all yecords for attendance at ang similar meeting of the district. Memhers and friends, numbering 80 , were present, and 16 towers were represented.
The afternoon's ringing was broken off at 4.30 , for those present to be shown over the Natural History Museum of Cal. Powell-Cotton alvached to the Mausion. They were tuken raund by the Curator, Mr. Peufold, who explained the many exbibits to them. The exhibition is innique in the fact that all the specimens, with the exception of three, were shot by one man. The posing of the animals in their natural surroundings gave rise to many expressions of delight by those who were fortunate to be present.

A picnic tea in the park followed. This was provided through the generosity of Mr. Harrison Smith and Mr. Jack Walter, and, needless to say, was enjoyed to the full , by all. Thanks to these gentlemen and to Miss H. Smitl? for her 'home mades' were expressed in no moan measure. The weather proved fine, and members were able to choose which 'chair' they liked, the most comfortable posture proving to be the 'back to back' position.
Birchinglon tower, with seven members, was re-elected, and notice was given that the annual district meeting would be held in Canterbury on October 9th,
A vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. Powell-Cotton for the use of the bells, for allowing the members to pichic, aud for the opportunity of being able to look over the museum.
During the ringing the back ten of the ring of twelve were rung
a hand composed entirely of ladies, the Wiekhanibreaur 'belles ' ving their first pull on ten.
Darts proved to be very popular during the afternoon and evening, iree forming a good substitute for the more usual background.
The bells at Birchington Church were open during the evening,
any liaring a pull there before leaving for home.
Thie gathering proved one of the loppiest meetings at which the has been present.

## THE 'OLD 'UNS' HAVE AN OUTING. AGE TELLS ITS TALE.

Loughton fingers, most of whom are getting on in years, withs iends and three other old ringers from Woodford and West Hant hat their ammal outing on Saturday, August 21st, when they visited lissex and Suffolk towers. Finchingneld, first on the list, was reached sout 9 a.m. The bells were set goins to Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major, and call changes for the grobationers. A nice rim through wriading roads then brought the party to Woodbridge, where further inuches were brought round. The steps up to this ringing room were more tlan one old aud respected ringer of Loughton conld manage. e had to be content with listening to the bells and expressizug lis cat disappointment at not being able to have a pull. Dinner was erved at the White Forse Hotel, Leiston, and ringing afterwards ok place at the Parish Church, mare famous among ringers by the formances of the Bailey brothers. This tower pleased the old wattiors in the party, for they were able to ascend with ease. Touches -re brought round in various methods, iwo of the local ringers joinig in. The jouracy was theu continued to Halstead, where Miss H. nowden and her brother met the party. Tea was awaiting the party the Lads' Drill Hall, and after the meal thanks were accorded to the ganisers and a move was then made to the tower, where touches of randsire, Stedman, Kent and Bob Major were brought round. Lolggton was eventually reached about 9.30 after another most enjoyole day. The jingers wish to thank all incumbents and tower masters - Cheir kind help and permission for use of bells, and especially Miss Suowilen for ler willing assistauce.

## COMPOSITIONS OF ROYAL

## To the Editor

Dear Sir,-1 read wititinterest, in the current issue of 'The Ringing Worlc,' Mr. G. E. Symonds' letter under the above heading. He therein declares that the second las been 'subjected to suels humiliations.'
Some time ago, I worked cut a 5,080 of Treble Bob Royal, in which the second comes into its own, by being at home at every course-end. Surcly in a peal of this sort ihe second plays an important part.

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I do not wish to make any claime for the originality of these figures, is it is more than likely they have been discovered over and over again, although I have not seen them.
4, Gaynesford Road, Carshalton.

## RINGING ON CARD INDEX SYSTEM.

HOW IT FAILED.
Salehrst, Sedlescombe, Brede, Rye, Winclelsea, Hagtings, BexLill, Brighting and Burwasli were visited by members and friends of St. Peter's Society, Tuubridge Wolls, on August lank Holidny. It is rather a funuy business going out with the St. Peter's ringers, Live ringing being done on a kind of card index system. Eacli ringer has his or her card (provided with a smell hole in which to place a piece of string to hang round the neck), on which is printed the number of the bell the performer will take in a certain band. It is it fing idea; you don't have ringers rushing to ring bells they wouldn'ti dare touch at home; in fact, there is no rush at all until the ond of tine day, when everybody begias to find out how to read the cards and looks at, instead of sititisg on, them. Everything started in a very orderly way. The fine schedule was worked out to tho mimute hanat on time stiarting, bang on time at Salehurst; Stedman, Bob Mijor, Oxford Bols Triples, Double Norwich and Kent, 14 ringers taking pric, and the card index puthing the party 15 minutes late in getting avoy.
Six masical bells at Setlescombe were rung to Grandsire Doubles, Bob Minor, Kent aud Cambridge. Then to Brede, where is a heaubient church, contaiving many objects of interest, among them being ans culs eradle, said to have beon that of Dean Swift, suthor of ' Culiver's Travels, "A Tale of a Tub,' otc. Guite a nice six at Brede, which were got going after juggling with the cavds, to the above mentioned methods. After a little light refreshment, the party set off for Ryc, No ringing at Rye, but luncheon. The orderliness began to vauish, some of the lighter-minded no donbt had visions of preqions outings. Of course, the captain of the band was tho last to got his first course, and quite a young Ladd was first to geb all the courses. And whers it was discovered that it was possible to get something to urink besides water, there was no end of a row, because the captain had filled the glasses with wator. However, the young Ladd sitting close to one uf the windows speedily disposed of the water, and everything gettlexi down again, witli littile outbreaks of mirbi oceasionally, no donlat dite. to something a Man said who used to live at Tenterden.
After luweh, a course of Triples on the handbeils, and of to visit the historical old chuteh, with its profusion of different periods of building, stained windows and the peonliar pendulum of tile clork, which swings over the heads of the visitors as they enter through the doorway an the base of the tower. Mermaid Street, with its cobbles and quaint old timbered houses, provided the way to tho "elarn," which some of the less edncated of the party would eall the motorcoach. The joumep to Eastings was made in rather a quieter mood; whether this was the effect of the lunch or the fact that the perfect time schedule had side-slipped to the frome of about three-quartors of an hour, it would be hard to say. A stop was mode ad Winchelsen to renew acquaintance with the wonderful old chmeh. Here again the time of departure got "hooked up." Yau see, the man whe used to live at Tenterden is something like the sailor who had wives in every port. He has friende in every port. However, the party didn't hare to wait more than half an hour for him, and arrived at $A 11$ Saints' Hastings, just in time to stop Mr. Levett from going loome lo liea. A fine peal here, but a little noisy. Off went the card inder to Grandsire, Oxford Bob and Stedman Triples, Kent and Superative Surprise, The mon-ringers, who had been consuming great quatities of inccream and crossing the Atlantic on the boating pool, were picked up on the front, and the party set off to Bexlill. Owing to the fact that geveral of thon linew Bexinit very well, the 'shara' went quite a long way past the chnroh and the place for tea, aind they liad to nsk a policeman where it was.
it is alwars a job to get postoards of the varions churches on Brak Holiday, but the captrin (he's a hit of a "smarl: Alec' sort of fellow" found a shop where they seld quite rood photoraphs of the dumb for one penny each. Fe bought about a dozen, got late for ten. had to lhury throaghe the first part to be in time for a cream bum or two. He then collected for the waitressef, collected pemmies for the posteards, got it uixed up and, well, the waitresses didn't do so bad[y. Bub that isn't the end of the story. Owing to their 'pmetuality: ' the verger at Bexhill thonglit they had heen tipped into the sea or hlown up, and, having something else to do besides wait abouk all niglat for at band of rinsers who seemed to think time was nolhing, went off with the koy, and the party didn"t ying at the place they had posterrds of aftor nll. So they wemb on to Brightling, ennd indexes came oult, everybody knew just which hell to grab, including the lady who mude a mistake in the number and rant the tenor at Hastings (Brightling tenor is quite light, fool. But disappointiment awaited them, 'They were met by Mr, G. Pong and informed that owing to a death nearby there conld be no ringing. Burwash was on the route, and off they went in the hopes of obtaining the use of the bells there. However, it being rather late in the day, other diversions were tried by variats high lirlits af the party, and found to be very successful. Sn home to Tunbridge Welis after a very enjoyable day.
A. E. J.

## HALF-PEAL AS A FAREWELL.

 farewell to Mr. E. Liadley, who is leaving Wombonve to talee ip teaching duties in Kenva, Africa, a lanf-peal of Grandsite Jripus (2,520 changes) : E. Lindley 1, L. Key 2. H. Howell 3, N. Leach 4. K. Pardoe 5, A. Collins 6, B. Koy (conductor) 7, A. Clarke 8. The origrinal intention was a peal, but it was called round at half-way owing to the bad 'ga' of the lyells.

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LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-The next meeting will be held at Great Badclow, Essex, on Saturday, September $4^{\text {th }}$. Bells available 3 p.nn. Service $4 \cdot 30$ p.1n. Tea 5 p. 111 . Gentlemen cordially invited.-M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec., Beverley Road, Bariehurst, Kent.

SHEPFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Bolsover Parish Church (s bells) on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th }}$. For tea, please notify Mr. J. Saxton, The Bungalow, Moorfield Lane, Bolsover. All welcome.--M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13 , St. Ronans Road. Sheffield 7.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND SUFFOLK GUILD.-A joint meeting of the East Norfolk Branch and Suffolk Guild will be held at Bungay on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th. }}$. Belis from 3 p.m. Bungay ( 8 ), Ditchingham (6). Tea at 5.15. Will members please take note, to send names, or numbers for tea to H. Barrell, 23, Staithe Road, Bungay? Correspondence to E. R. Goate, Smallgate, Beccles, or J. Harwood, 4, Cobden Terrace, Northgate Street, Great Yarmouth.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's Church, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, Sept 4th. Tower open for ringing at $5 \cdot 30$. A meeting during the evening in the tower. Please do your best to attend. If you cannot, then persuade your friends.-J. Porter, 31 , Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnhan Dis-trict.-The next district meeting will be held at Bagshot on Saturclay, Sept. $4^{\text {th. }}$ Bells ( 8 ) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Parish Hall. All wel-come-C. W. Denyer, Hon. Scc., r2o, Aslı Road, Aldersloot, Hants.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION..-Western Division.The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Drighilington, on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. Tea in the Schools at $5 \cdot 30$, followed by business meeting. All welcone.-Frank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Owsiebury on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th }}$. Service in the Parish Church at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea at 5 p.m. in the Village Hall. Bells available at 2.30 . Twyford bells also in the evening. Please let us know if you are coming. Bus leaves Winchester Broadway 3.50 . G. and Miss Noice, Hon. Dis. Secs., 6, Cathedral View, Winchester.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at the six-bell towers at St. Albans on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {ths. }}$. St. Michael's available from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. St. Stephen's after tea.-W. Nash, N. Mimms, Hatfield, and H. V. Frost, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Wisbech Branch.-Next meeting at Denver on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th. . Bells }}(6)$ at 3 p.m. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5 . Please try to be present.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.
SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting at Wem, Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {thl. Bells (8) } 3 \text { p.m. - R. R. Pole, }}$ Craigmore, Upper Road, Meole Brace, Shrewsbury.
BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-A ringing meeting will be held at Barnsley on Saturday, Sepl. 4th. Bells (8) ready 2.30 p.m. Tea, is. each, 5 p.m. This is specially arranged to make a presentation to our president and former secretary for long and active service. Please, therefore, make it a record meeting. very hearty welcome to all.-Daniel Smith, Hon. Sec. Rock Cottages, Shafton, near Barnsley.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.
A meeting of the above branch will be held at Bucklebury on Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th. Bells ( }}$ ( $)$ available at 3 p.ni. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., at 6 d . each. All ringers wel-come.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw Newbury, Berks.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Southern District.-A meeting will be held at Hurworth on Saturday, Sept. 4 th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. All ringers heartily welcome.-R. Jefi, Dis. Sec., 29, Reid Street, Darlington.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bishop's Waltham.-The dedication of the bells by the Archdeacon of Portsmouth will take place on Wed nesday, Sept. 8 th, at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on the Rectory Lawn, by kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. N H. Stubbs) and Mrs. Stubbs. Ail requiring tea pleasn inform Mr. W. Knight, Hoe Road, Bishop's Waltham, Hants, by Saturday, Sept. $4^{\text {th. }}$ All ringers welcome. A. T. Greenwood, Hon. Dis. Sec.

BISHOP'S WALTHAM, HANTS.-Dedication of the bells by the Archdeacon of Portsmoutly on Wednesday Sept. 8th, at 6.30 p.m. Ring of 6 tuned and peal augmented to 8 by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Maynus' Sept. 16til and 3 oth, St. Andrew's on the gth, *St. Paul's Cathedrall on the 14 th, Southwark Cathedral on the z3rd, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting afterwards. William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Froclingham, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District meeting at West Clandon on Saturday, Sept. isth. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Please send me numbers for tea by Sept. gth.-G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-North-East Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Cadeleigh on Saturday, Sept. IIth. Bells 2.30 . Service 4.3 . Tea 5. Will those intending to be present please notify me by Monday, Sept. 6th?-R. Harris, Hon. Sec., Park, Silverton, near Exeter.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.A meeting will be held at Ruislip on Sept. It Dith. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. and after tea. Service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the George Hotel. Joint meeting and social at Hillingdon on Oct. I6th.- $\bar{F}$. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District-Next mecting will be held at Appleby Magna on Saturday, Sept. inth. Plcase look up Double Court. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Tea at 4.45 p.m., followed by mecting. Kindly advise me if requiring tea not later than Sept. 8th. All ringers welcome.-J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION (Manchester Branch) and LADIES' GUILD (Northern District). - A joint meeting is to be held at St. Peter's, Ashton-underI,yne, on Saturday, Sept. Ith. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Tea, is. eaci. All ringers cordially invited. Those requiring tea please notify Mrs. W. W. Wolstencroft, 103 , Victoria Suret, Ashton-under-Lyne, not later than Sept. 8th.Mrs. E. D. Kelly, Hon. Dis. Sec., Ladies' Guild; J. H. Ridyard, Manchester Branch, Lancashire Association.

KEN'I COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-
ict.-A joint ringing meeting, with the East Grinstead District Guild, will be held at Tunbridge Wells on Saturday, Sept. Isth. Please come and help make this meeting a success. Tower open 2.30 p.m. There is a ten minute bus service to St. Peter's Church from Central Station or Opera House. Route No. 82. Please notily me for tea by Tuesday, Sept. $7^{\text {th. }}$ - Alec E. Rivhardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

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te Western Division will be held at Kirdford on SaturSept. inth. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m.
lea $5-30$, is. per head. Half rail fare, maximum is. 6 d , nembers.-F. H. Meeten, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, North ect, Worthing.
ADIES' GUILD.-Northamptonshire District. - A
eeting will be held at Lichborough, near Towcester, on urlay, Sept. Inth. Service $4 \cdot 15$. Numbers for tea previous Tuesday. - S. Thursfield, Hon. Sec., CranRectory, Kettering
ONFORD DIOCESAN (iLILD. - North Bucks anch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Stewtrley bells), on Saturday, Sept. נith. Service 3.30 p.m., ames for tea in good time, and good attendance will be elcomed.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, ietchley.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. indon Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Malmesbury on turclay, Sept. intin. Bells (5) available 3 p.in. Tea p.m. On bus ronte and G.W.R.-W. B. Kynaston, Dumbarton Terrace, Victoria Road, Swindon, Wilts.
EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A nint meeting of the Kent County Association (Tonbridge District) and the East Grinstead Guild at St. Peter's, Tunbridge Wells, on Saturday, Sept. Irth. Bells (8) Hrom 2.30 p.m. For tea, please notify Mr. A. E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough, Kent (or the undersigued) not later than Sept. -th. All are welcome. - B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

SOCIETY EOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF: FORD.-A mecting for practice will be held at All Saints* Church, West Bromwich, on Saturday, Sept. Ith, from 3 p.m. All are welcome.-H. Knight, 15, Rugloy Street, Wolverhampton.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District. - Meeting at St. John's, Leicester, on Sept. Itth. Bells available 2.30. For tea, please notify Mrs. Hardy, 3, Winchester Avenue, Leicester, by Sepi. ght. Gentemen invited.1. B. Thompson, $5^{2}$, Lace Street, Nottingham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and LakL District Branch. - A practice meeting will be heid al Liverston on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells (6) available: 2.30. Anyone interested in groing to the annual dinner please attend. - N. M. Newby, Brewery Mounl, Ulverston.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GITLD.-North Dorset Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Sturminster Newton on Saturday, Sept. 1 ith. Bells 3 p.m. Guild office 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., tollowed by business. A hearty invitation to all.-J. Ralph, g, Orchard Road, Gillinglam.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Arlesey on Saturday, Sept. wht. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . Alt ringers welcome. Please come. Let us have a good meeting.-C. J. Ball, 25 , Tempsford Road, Sandy, Berls.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - BedFord Di trict.-A meeting of this district will be held at Stagsden on Saturday, Sept. Ith. Bells (6) ready from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. You will be very welcome.-Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec., ro, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The nex meeting will be held at Kirkthorpe, near Wakefield, on Saturday, Sept. inth. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Sept. 8th. A hearty welcome to all. - Danicl Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shallon, near Barnsley,

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Distriet.-The September meeting will be held at Flamstead on Sept. isth. Usual arrangement. Those requiring tea must notify me by the Thursday previous. A hearty welcome to all, for anything from Rounds tu Spliced Minor (Plain and Surprise).-W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD. - Aylesbeare Deanery Branch. - The next mecting will be held at Withycombe Raleigh on Saturday, Sept. I8th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow 5 p.nn. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Monday, Sept. I $3^{\text {th. }}$ - R. Brook, Hon. Sec., 3, Greatwood Terrace, Topsham.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divim sion.-A meeting will be held at Heathfield on Saturday, Sept. 18. Tower open 2.30. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea 5 o'clock (15. 3cl. per head). Will those intending to be present kindly let me know by Wednesday previous to meeting?-A. C. Pankhurst, Hon. Div. Sec., 13, Bradforl Street, Eastbourne.

MIDDIESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.--North and East Dis-friet.-A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Finchley, on Salurday, Sept. 18 th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, is. each, at 5.30. Special method, London Bob Minor, No. 6, C.C. Coll. Plain Methods. All members and friends welcomed. Nearest station, Finchley, Church End. Cheap day tickets from King's Cross (L. and N.E.). There will be a twelve-bell practice at St. (iiles' Church, Cripplegate, on Wednesday, Sept. 22and, from 7 - 30 to 9 p.m.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21 , Vincent Road, E.4.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-North Norlolk Branch.-A meeting will be held at Marsham (bells 8), on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.mi. Tea 5 p.m. Will members please send names, or numbers for tea, to H . Tooke, The bizard, Wymondham, Nortolk? Bus leaves Norwich at 2.15 .

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - A mecting will be held at Witham on Saturday, Sept. :8th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. 'Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present. please notify me by Wednesday, the isth? - F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

GIOOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Cheltenlaam Branch. - A meeting will be held at Chipping Campden on Saturday, Sept. ISth. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. Tea 5 o'clock. Service 6.30. Will those who require tea please let me know not later than the $14 t h$ inst. ? - Walter Yeend, Branch Hon. Scc., Millfick, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the association will be held at Kirkburton, near Huddersfied, on Saturday, Sept. I8th, when the belis (8) will be available from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. A meeting of the General Committee will be hed at 4.15 . Tua (is. 601.) at 5 p.mn. for all who notify Mrs. F. Carter, George Strect, Kirkburton, by Sept. Isth. Nominations for the seneral secretaryship should be handed in at this meeting. The undersigned will NOT be available for reelection: J. E. Cawser, Cragdon House, Ashton Lane, Braithwell, near Rotherham.

FBBW VALE, CHRIST CHLRCH.-The new ring of eight bells, by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Monmouth on Sunday, Sept. 19th, at 3.15 p.m1. The service will be broadicast.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.- The sixth annual dinner will be held at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Tything, Worcester, on Saturday, Sept. 25 th, at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. prompt. Bells available: All Saints' (ro) and St. John's (8), 4 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Tickets (3s. cach) may be obtained up to Tuesclay, Sept. 2 st , from branch officers, members of the Dinner Committce, or J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Cheltenham Road, Solgeberrow, Evesham.

RICKMANSWORTH ( 10 belts), Saturday, Sept. $25^{\text {th }}$. Herts Association meeting. - C. H. Horton, Bushey. City 4270 .

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly meeting on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, at Burbage, nr. Hinckley. Bells (8) open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting 4. Tea 5 , followed by general meeting. Names for tea (rs. per head) must be sent not later than Sept. 29th to Mr. G. Dudley, 47, Sketchley Roaf, Burbage, Hinckley.- Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE. - The Annual Commemoration Dinner to Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held at the Leeds and County Conservative Club, South Parade, Leeds, on Saturday, Oct. gth. Tickets 4 s . each, and early application for same should be made to Mr. F. G. Sherwood, S, Vesper Wa!k, Leeds 5 .
I.ADIES' CUILD. - Jubilee Dinner.-To be held at Anclerton's Hotel, Flect Street, on Saturday, Oct. 23 rd. Will alt who have reserved tickets kindly forward cash (6s.) for same at the earliest possible date, as no ticket can be reserved after Sept. 25tl? ?-Edith K. Fletcher, 45 , Walsingham Road, Enfield.

JUST A REMINDOER.-Book the date for the annual dinner of the Lancashire Association, Oct. 3oth, at the County Hotel, adjoining the Palace Theatre, Promenade, Blackpool.

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Very little of the spirit of rivalry exists between ringing associations nowadays, and it is all to the good that it should be so. All associations are working for the same objects and while there is, in some cases, an overlapping of areas, a spirit of mutual understanding and forbearance makes it possible for the societies to promote their own welfare without friction with their neighbours. Among the larger organisations which ruib shoulders where diocesan and county status happen to spread partly over the same areas there is, almost everywhere, a noticeably, friendly feeling prevailing, while even the existence of district socicties within the sphere of operations of larger territorial organisations provides evidence, not merely of toleration, but of a genuine spirit of goodwill. The explanation, of course, is to be found in the good sense of the ringers themselves, exhibited often in the fact that they enjoy a dual membership, and thus have a personal interest in both the major and the minor associations.
There is, however, an interesting exception to the interchange of membership in the rules which forbid a ringer to be a member of both the two old London societies-the College Youths and the Cumberlands-at the same time. This is a relic of the days when the two organisations were jealous rivals and when bell ringing was practised for a totally different reason to that which characterises it to-day. The changed order of things makes this now a totally unnecessary prohibition, but those who set higl store on tradition, even when tradition restricts adaptation to modern conceptions of usefulness, would not, we believe, lightly alter the established custom. There is, however, no place in the Exercise for prejudices of past centuries, and those who maintain them are only standing in the light of progress. As a matter of fact there are comparatively few ringers whe see any advantage in the mutual barrier between these two old London sacieties, which in the early days of ringing did so much for the advancement of the art. It is not merely in the matter of peal ringing that one sees the futility of the arrangement ; it has its influence in other directions, and there are many members of both, especially in the provinces, where, after all, lie the greatest numerical strength of the societies in these days, who would like to see an end put to this survival of an age when ringing was purely a sport and bands were in as keen rivalry as clubs in many brauches of sport now are. It may be that fingers who actually live in London have no desire for dual membership, but often visitors from the provinces would be prepared and, indect, would esteem it a privilege, to join both socicties, if only for the opportunity of (Continyed on, page 594.)

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THE SOGIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. in Saturday, Saptember 4, 1937, in Three Hours and Fifly-Six Minktes, At the Cedree of St. Matiegw,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 6040 CHANGES;

- Edgar T. Smith Tenor $z 6 \mathrm{cwt}$. in D .

| Herbert Kniget | ... | ... | Trebdis | Thomas Hill | .... | $\cdots$ | ... | 7 |
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- Howard Howell

Wieliabe Fisfbr

- Barnabas G. Key
igilebri Harding
... ... Io
†Cbristopaer Waleater... 5 †Bert Horion ... ... ... in
-Josepe W. Pemberion
Thomas I. Elion .... ...Temor
Composed by J. Reeves.
Condected by Temas J. Elyon.
* First peal of Maximus. First peal of Kent Maximus. Finst. peal of Maximns as conductor, and first peal of Kent Maximus on the bells.


## TEN BELL PEALS. BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOGESAN ASSOCIATMON On Saturday, Septomber 4, 1937, it Three Hours and Forty-Five Mlinutes, Aithe Ceqrch of St. Mary, Redeliffe,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES: Teno: $50 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{qr} .21 \mathrm{lb}$.
Caristopaer Woolley ...Treble *Stepekn H. Wood ..

- Norab G. Williams ... 2 William A. Cave .

Riceard Clarif...
Rogrr D. St. J. Smith ... 4 † Romald G. Beck..-
J. Erami Smallwood ... 5 Josbpa T. Dyke ... ... ...Tengr

Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by J. T. Dyke.

* First peal of Surprise Royal. † First peal of Surprise Royal
'inside.' S. H. Wood's 100th peal.
DALTON-IN-FURNESS, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Furness and Lakr District Branch.)
On Saturday, Seplentber 4, 1937, in Thre Hours and Twenty-Two Minutt
At the Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt .
*Ggorga Slack ... ... ...Trebí Micgabl G. Wheat ... ... 6
- Jobn Bagnall ... .... ... 2 tFriderick H. Crawley ... 7

James E. Bitles ..... .3 Wigliam Langeornk ... 8
Riceard T. Holding ... $\ddagger$ Thomas Meicalfe ... ... 9
Nicbolas M. Newby...$\quad 5$ talbsry Craweyy ... ...Tengr
Composed by E. Jexims. Conducted by Alsurt Crawley.

* First peal an ten bells. F First peal of Bob Royal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WOOLWIOH.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Alugut 28, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifty-Sven Minwts, At tee Churce of St. Mary Magdalere,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5066 CHANGES; Тепог 13 cwt .
Ernest h, Oxpmbabi ... ...Treble Joun E. Lydniard ... ... 5 Derer M. Starpe ... ... 2 William G. Graci ... ... Geopprby V. Murfey ... 3 Jack Dafters ... ... ... 7 Waltrr F. Tyler ... ... 4 Bertif W. Aldridge ... ...Tamor Composed by J. A. Trolcopz. Conducted by B. W. Aldridge.
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. R. G. and Mrs. Bradiliaw, who are leaving the parish for Mertont.
CHIOEFSTER. On Suuday, September 5ild, at the Cethedral Campanile for morving service, a quarter-peal of Graudgire Triples: H. Stoveld 1, W. Filconer 2, F. S. Wilson 3, T. A. Doick 4, H. J. Tucker (conductor) 5, G. Marghall 6, W. E. Ticehurst 7, A. Cavrer 8. Arwaged for M.: F. S. Wilsor, West Lavington, Mirlunst, It is 30 wears since he last ring at this tower.

BOLTON, LANGASHIRE.
THE LANOASHTRE ASSOCIATION.
On Salurday, August 28, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minhtes,
At tar Parish Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANQES;

 Tenor $15 \frac{1}{1}$ cFt.Tromas B. Worstey Rev. Frank Bonner Iabes Fariliy ... Tbomas Wallwork ...
Composed by T. B. Worsley. rung is Boltor.

HOLVENDEN, KENT.
THE KENT GOUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Akguss 28, 1937, in Three Howrs and Eight Mintites.
At the Ceurce of St. Mary-teg-Virgan,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, B0AO CHANGES: Parkrr's Tweeve-part (zad observation).

Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Stanley Etheridge .... ...Tyeble William Wenban Arceigald Stevenson ... 2 Ernist Bishop ... ... .... 6
 Harry Baker ... ... .... 4 Alfrbd Biackman ... ...Tenoy Conducted by A. Stevenson
Lung as a birtuday compliment to the grandson of the conductor (aged 2 ycars) tuld also to the ringer of the ireble.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHTRE.
THT WORCESTERSFIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCLATION. On Wednesday. September 1. 1937. in Three Honys and Ore dintute, As the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 50D8 CHANGES;

## Tenor 13 cwt . 3 lb .


 Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by Danigl T. Matein. SEOREHAN-BY-SEA, SUSSEX.
T표E SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 1, 1937, in Thre Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE HAJOF, 6088 CHANGES; Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{1} \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{cwt}$.
ifjward J. Cgarman ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Frederigk Page ...


Composed by F. Breneit. Conducted by O. Sippetrs.

## CRA YFORD, KENT

THE KHNT COUNTY ASSOGLATION.
On Friday, Sobtaber 3, 1937, in Two Houts and Forty-Five Minutes, At the Cedrch of St. Padlinus,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, G040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Transposition of Thurstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 12 $\frac{3}{3}$ cwt.
 Conducted by H. E, Aodsley. BUNBURY, OHESEIRE.
THF OHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. Un Saturday, September 4, 1937, in Three Hours and Sit Minutes, At the Chorce of St. Bonifage,
A PEAL, OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGEAI Tenor 14 cwi. 3 gr. Iolb.

| Wicliam Sadiders | Treble | Edward V. Rodengurst... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William E. Fleticeer | 2 | Samtel Jonas, jon. ... ... 6 |
| Aribur Prince ... | . 3 | *Harry Pye... ... ... ... 7 |
| Janes Swindeey | 4 | Percy Swindety ... ...Tenor |
| Composed by James M | organ. iuside, | Conducted by P. Swindmey. |

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THE MIDDLESEX COUN'CY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saluyday, September 4, 1937, in Thyed Hours and Five Minxtes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF EDMOHTON BOB MAJOR, SO2 $\mathrm{CHANRES;}$ Tenor 18 g cwt.
Frank Conley ... ... ...Tyeble Joun S. Goldsaite ... ...
Grorge M. Kilby ... ... 2 Ernest C. S. Turner ...
J. Armigrr Trollopa $\quad . .4 \quad 3$ Alan R, Pink ......

Grorge R. Pye ... ... ... 4 Jambs H. Riding ... ... .... Temor Conducted by Ernest $C$. Torner.
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On Saturday, September 4,7937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minntes, At the Cherce of St. Nicbolas.

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 BHANOE8:

 Tenor 11 cmot .- William Maddock ... ...Tteble Edward Cafncz... ... ... 5
†Jamse Robinson ... ... 2 Joen Robinson ... ... ... 6
-Thomas Robinson $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Jamrs Gardner ...... Herbert Lodkin ... ... 4 Jobn W. Gardnzr ... ...Temor
Composed by J. R. Pritcbard. Conducled by J. W. Gardnzr.
* First peal of Major. H First peal of Major' 'inside,' First peal as conduetor.

WOBURN, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 4, 1937, ix Three Hours and Spuenteen Minules, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES; Tenor 24 cwt . I qr. I6 lb. in D.
Ernest Herbrrt... ... ...Iqeble Williab Welling ... ... 5
Alberi E. Austin ... .... 2 William Henley ... .... 6 George Martin ... ... ... $3 \quad$ Cbcil C. Mayne...... Artidr E. Sharman ... ... 4 Tony Pricr.... ... .... ...Temoy

Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by George Martin. BRADING, ISLE OF WIGET.
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## A PEAL OF BOB MASOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

 Tenor $10 \frac{\mathrm{~cm}}{\mathrm{ct}}$.Cbarlbs H, Sarparrd ...Tyably $\mid$ William A, Oldeigld
Fridrrick W. Stbup ... 2 Albert R. Ward ... .... 6
Franer Taylor ...... $\operatorname{lin}^{-. .} 3$ Lawrenge P. Cook ... ... 7 "E. Frbdericr Hancoce ... 4 Farderick W. Borneiti ...Temoy Composed by J. S. Wilde. Conducted by Frgek, W. Bornez'r.

* Firsb peal.

SALLE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DTOOESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Sunday, Stptenber 5, 7987 , in Thyot Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Churce of SS. Peter and Pall,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR, 5120 GHANGES;

## Tenor t 8 cwt in E .

Sydney Flint . ...Trebie
Ack N. A.Pomphrey ... 2
Mre. Hanbury F. Carter 3
Hanbory F. Carter... ... 4
Wallace W. Cousins

I Colan Golden ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Nolan Golden

* Tirst peal of Treble Thols 'inside.' GRUNDISBURGH, SUTTFOLK.

THE SDFTOLK GUILD.
On Sunday, Sothmer 5, 1937. in Two Howrs and Cilfy Minutes,
AI the Cadren of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Holi's Original.
Tenor io cwt.
Frederick I Smite
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$\ldots 2$ Wjlliab A. Woods ....... 6
A. Stanley Woodard ... 3 Gborge A. Fleming ... ... 7

Wilejab J. G. Brown ... 4 Egbert Malster ... ...Temor Conducted by Frank L, Fisber.
Rung in honowr of the birth of a grandson to Frederick Crapnell, captain of the local band.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

WESTON, BASH
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Salurday, Augusi 7, 1937, เn Two Hours and Fo ty-T Irree intinules,
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-lwo six-sedures with ten calliugs.
Tenor 14 2 cwt
R, Brewre ... ... ... ...Treble
A. E. Baverstock ... ... 2 S. S. Wodotern ....
G. Cros

Conducted by S. S. Woodburn.
Thng for the silver wedding antiversary of G. Cross, sen.
BARTOW-ON-EUNBER, JINCS.
TEE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Norigers Branch.)
On Silurday, August 28, 1937, in Thyes Howy and Eight Minuter, At the Ciyurcei of the Holy Teinixy,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob aud three of Plain Boh.
 Arteor W. Hoodless ... 3 Waltar M. Goddard .... ...temor Conducted by W. M. Goddard.

* First peal of Minor in three methods. t First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor in three methods on the bells.

MADLDEN, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHERE ASSOCLATION.
On Wedn:sday, September 1. 7937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Nine Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being 720 each of Canluridge Surprise, College Exercise, Oxford, Kent and Woodbine Trebic Bob, Oxford Bob and Plan Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr .

Edmond Wagstapf ... ... 3 Herbert Sherman ... ...Tinoy Conducted by L. H. Bywaterg.

* First peal. Rhme as a compliment to Mr. Charles Sharp, who retired from the affices of verger and sexton the previous day, after 37 years at this church.


## LAMBERHURST, KENT

TER SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Seturday, September 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Fi/by-Fow Minutos,
At tar Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kenti Treble Bob and Oxford Bob, and tilree 720's of Plain Bob.
 Lhslie W. Jarvis
Framk H. Hicrs..

Wileifai A, Ki
hlert Relfe.
Conducted by Albert Rrlfe.
First peal in live methorls by inl except the condector. A birthdry peal for Mrs. IEicks.

## BARKING, SUTFOLK.

THE SUFTOLK GULD
On Saturday, Seplemberd, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Eight Minules, At tar Chirch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MIMOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Belog 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Bob Minor, and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.
Arther Grimwod ... ...Treble | Edwin A. Cracknele ... ... 4


## SEPT. I8th! ${ }^{\text {See }}$ page 602

# OMBERSLEY, "WORCESTERSEIRE. <br> THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DLSTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Western Branch.) <br> On Sunday, Soptember 5, 1937, in Thrae Hours and Fivo Minutes, 

 At tee Church of St. Andrew,A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLE 504 CHANGE8: Being 42 extents, with 10 callings.

Tenor 20 cut
*Frederica Eluck ... ...Tyeble | †Alrert H. Cabseire *Joun Biodnt ... ... ... 2 Gborge E. Large ...


## Conducted by Grorge E. Large.

* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. First. peal on the bells since their reliagging and tuning by Taylor and Co. last year. Excepting the conductor, all the above are local ringers.


## PEAL NOTES.

A NTE PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR,
The firgt peal of Bristol Sirprise in Bolton, Lanes, was mang on August 28th at St. Peter's Church. The composition, by Mr. T. B.
Worsley, was rung for the first time Here ale the Cisur Worsley, was rung for the first time. Reve are the figures:-
23456 M B WH

| 32654 | 2 | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 36524 | 1 | 2 |
| 2 |  |  |
| 54263 | 2 | 2 |
| 23645 | 2 | 2 |


| 23645 | M | B | W |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2645 | 1 | -2 | 2 |
| 23564 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 25634 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 32546 | 2 | 2 | 2 |


| 32546 | M | B | W | F |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 35426 | 1 | - | 2 | 2 |
| 24536 |  | 2 | 2 |  |
| 32465 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  |
| 34625 | 1 | - | 2 | 2 |
| 23456 | 2 |  | 2 | 2 |

In this form it is a 5,056 , but ith can be reduced to 5,024 by using the alterate calling in the tenth course.
There were some veterus in the peal of Boh Major at Netherton on September 1st, conducted by Mr. D. 'I'. Matkin, James George, whin is nearly 84, was, we are told, in great form both on the tenor and afterwards. Mr. Samuel Hughes, who is over 70, stepped into $n$ z ad the last moment, and made bis first peal attempt for three years
It is a pleasure, too, to notice the rehum to peal ringing of Mt Mathin. It is over \& year since he made a peal attempt, owing to an attack of sciatica. We hope his recovery is permanent.
A farewell peal to the Rev. R. G. and Mrs. Bradshaw, who going to Mertion, was rung at Woolwich on Alugast 28th.
Fdmonton Bob, a plain Major method in the C.C. Collection, not often rung, and, if recollection serves us, the peal atr ' Twick ham on Saturday was only the second in the method, the first having been rung at Willesden in 1924.

The tenor at Rolvenden, Kent, was rung to a peal of Grandsir Triples on Saturday by Mr. Alfred Blackmans, who is over 70 year of age.
A Sussex Association peai was rung at Lamberhurst Kent, on Satur day, and in it five of the six ringers scored their finst peal in five Minor methods. The anly one of the band who had rung five methods in a peal before was Mr. Albert Relfe, the conductor.
After 37 yeats as verger and sexton at Manden, Beds, Mr. Charles Sharp retired on August 31st. The next day a peal of Minor was rumg by members of the Badfordshire Association as a complimont to him,
A peal in the Islo of Wight is not a very frequent ocaurrence, but one was rung on Satuday at Brading as a birthday compliment to Mis. Abert R. Ward.

A peal of Camabridge Surprise Royal was rulg at St. Mary Redelife, Bristol, on Satarday. The terior is 503 cmt .
By rimging the seventh to a peal of stedmau Tiples at Crayford, Derck M. Sharp has now 'circled' the tower. This is always an interesting performance, but not a diffeul one at Crayford, where, we should imagine, more peals are now being ring than at any other church.
Two first peals, a first of Major 'inside' and a first as conductor, all at the first attempt; marked the peal of Boh Major at Halewroch, rung as a 64 th birthdry compliment to Mr. Edward Caunce, one of Lancashire's stalwarts.
The first peal of Kent Treble Boly Maximus on the bells at Walsall was rung on Saturday, when no fewer than ten distinctions wera enrmed. There were six first peals of Maximus, three first peals of Treble Twelve aud the frrst peal of Maximus by Mr. T. J. Flton as conductor.
Mr. G. E. Large, Having been instrumental in getting the Ombersley Uand to join the Worcestershire Association and having sunce taken \& personal jaterest in their progress, has been rewarded by getting five af tho band through a peal of Grandsire Doubles. Three rang their first peal and one his first peal of Doubles (his only other peal boing a peal of Minor on the trehle). Useful spadework this.
The peal of Kent rung at Bunbury an Saturday was Mr E. V. Rodenhurrobs 350 h peal. It was aleo his 50th peal of Kent Trehle Bol, Major. His performances in this method include peals of $7,488,9,344$. 10,400 (the longest peal rung in Wales) and 17,280 (the Kent record).
The peal of Gamhridge Royal rung nt Ewerby diving the Tincalnshire tour contained 5,000 nlianges, and not 5,040 as reporled.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

NXTPNTS OF TREBLE BOB.
correspondent, who snys he las just, learut to call Treble Bob Hinor and would like to attempt a peal, nsks us to give lim seven 720 's, as le is ithable to obtain a copy of tho 'Collection of Minor Netdiods' published by the Central Council.
This 'Collection' is at present out of print, but a revised edition will, it is hoped, be on the market ere long.
There are a number of extents of Oxford and Kent Treble Bots Whot, tha calling of which keeps the "tenors the right way when-
er they come behind together, and these are always to be preferred do those which bring them up the wrong way, that is 6-5 at backstruke instead of 5-6.
'fhere are two useful 'standard' callings which keep the tenors right, and those who begin to call Treble Bob on six beils should make those part of their 'slock-in-trade.' One extent is got by calling the temor In and Out, in one course, and In, in the next, allernately for the six courses. You can bo sure of the course in whicit ouly one hob has to be called, because the 5 thl will make the holy and thus come back to its normal position after the Gth.

Fte olher 'standard' extent is obtained by calling the 5th, Out, in whe course, and In and Out, in the next, alternately for the six courses. A zuide to the course in which only one boh is called-in this chate the omission is the lun and not the Out-is when the 5 th has lwen coursing the 6 th before the bob is called.

If may seem innecessary even to suggest that guides are necessary hin such a thing as this, but the wise conductor always keeps his eye open for "lamcimarks" when studying his composition. It saves many a slip wher memory-as it las a babit of sometimes doing-lapses it moment. 'Therefore, get into the habit of 'tabbing ' your hides from the start,
Other extents cannot be memorised quite so simply as these "standard ' 720 's, They are 'one part' extents and really necessitate lealing ath the positions into which either or other bell is cailed. But if seven ' different' 720 's are desired there is no need to memorise
other' extents beyond the bwo standard' callings. In each of ese the frats ends 42356 and 34256 crop up at regular intervals of vourses, with, of conrse, 23456 at the end.
ww 42356 and 34256 must oceur somewhere in the one part 720 s, that if you take an extent of this lind, you can make it serve the purpose of three by begiming the calling of the two additional ones froms the 42356 and the 34256 .
In the followiug these leads intn up plain. We give the bobbed lends and show the other two between lines:-
P.L. 34256 2345
P.L
23456


Fon can start the calling of either of these from 23456, 42356, or 3256 -they are equally true, and, as tho changes come up in a diferent order, they aro different extents.
Thus by learning the calling of two 720 's, and marking your 'part ands, when 5-6 are together behind, yon provide yourself with six different extents. Any other one-part can be treated in the same way.

## A 4 CWT. TENOR.

lZingers from Newlury, Thatcham, Beedon, Chieveley, Compton, Kingselere, East Msley, Peasenore and Woolton Hill, with Mr. D. Cooper, of Groydon, aard Mr. T. Lock, of Willesden, had a lalf-day tripp on Saturtay, August 21st, and the first place at which they called whs Telsworth, where, having been greeted by the Vicer and Mr. Giblund, they ramg on a new light peal of six, the tevor of whioh is unly 4 cow Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minor were rung before poing on to Haddenliam to tea. Mr. D. Chapman welcomed the party, and the bells, a peal of eight (tenor 193 cwt.), were soon nEterwards going to Grandsire and Stedman lriples and Bob Major. Thame was reached at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{mm}$., and the aight bells (tenor 13 cwtb.) were runt for ay hour in: Grandsire and Steniman Triples and Bob Major. Nowbury was reached via Oxford at 10.45 after a pleasant ruti over the Downs and a very enjoyable
trip.

## RINGERS IMPROVISE SERVICE

GULLDFORD GUITD GYFRCOMT ABSENCE OF CLETRCY
As no choryman was available to conduct the service ab ithe aneel ing of the Faznhum Distcict of the Guildford Diocesan Guila on Saturday at Jiagshob, hymus and psains, announced by tho district secretary (Mr. C. W. Denyer) and led by the organ, Were sung, and the lesson read by Mus. M. Wellow, ane uf the kagahot ringers.
A company mumbering 35 sat down to a epletdid tea generously provided by Mt. J. Gorbett (Baysliot), hou. treasurer of the Guidd. A special wote of thanks was accordect Mry. Corbett ou the call of the secretary, secondex by Miss W. Manficld (Ash).
The District Ringing Master (Mr. R. Hasted) presided over the business, at which Miss H . Pascoe, of Aldershot, was elected a momber aud welcomed.
Mr. R. Whitington (Ctanleisth) suressed the faportance of ringers murchasint 'The Ringing World' each weck, and said it would be a serious thing for the Exerase if for sny reason tho papar should cease being published. He thought it was a matter for the Comtral Gouncil to discuss.-Mr. Nye and the sectelary also spolto on (llis matiter.

## MID-WEEK MEETINGS SUGGDSTED.

Another matter brought forward hy Nir. Whittingtou was the loolding of Iínging meetings on Wedhesday afternoons. It was thought that a cumber of ringers were unable to nttend on Saturdays, lint could do so if meetius were arranged for Wednesdays. It was sug gested waf the Farulam and Guildford Distucts should combine some convenient tower for a Wednesday uneeting.
A lively discussion followed, and it was flamily decided that the seeretary write to all district towers enquiring the number of ringers able to attend on Wednesdays; to write to the Gnildford District hon. secretary ou the matter, and also put the mather on the agenda for the next Execntive Committee meeling, with a view to a recolntion being made to the ammal general meeting.

Votes of thanks were atcorded the organist, local ringers midd caterers, and appreciative reparks paid Mrs. Welton and others woncermed with the conducting of the service.
Towers represented at the mecting inchded Aldershot, Ash, Seale
 Westminster, Uckfield, Yorktown, FLaslemere and Guildford.
Ringing took place during the afteraoon and eveuing in the stantard methorls, and thoge presents spent a very pleasant time.

## RINGER DIES FROM WASP STINGS

ATTACKED WHILE ATYEMETHNG DO DFSITROX NEST.
Whilst attemptiug to destroy a wasps nest on bhe furn at whicht he was owployed at High Falstow, Kent, on 「nemtit, August Ky, Mr. Lawrence Hales was altacked ly the swanm and severbly stumg behind the ear. He was, at the time, close to lris home, which he managed to reach, but within about 20 minutes had succumbed to heart failure.

Mr. Hales had been a member of and instructor to the Hoo, Sit Werberg, band of tingers gor about three years and applicd himsell with grear difigence, conpled with distinct cretid, to this very uphtll task of teaching a completely mew band. \#le was also a very enthusiastic member of the Rochester Distried of the Kent Association, very seldom missing any of the periodical meelings and alao brinering along other members of his bnind
The interment took place at High Halstow on Saturday, August 7 th , 'I'he Rectar (the Rev. T. W. Longfidy , officiated ant those presenl included Lhe Fiem of Hoo (the Rev. L. J. Walters), his warkmatus from the finm, members of the Hog band of ringers, anrl Meesrs. Alten and Belsey, representing the Kent Gounty Ascocintion. Ampugst the floral thibutes was a wreatli from the Hoo riugels and also one from the Rochester District.
After the funemal, Hoo bells were rung half-inufled and a 720 of Boh Minor was successfully accomplished by the following members of the association: F. Booman, A. Bloxhem, W. Easter, F. Belsey, I. Springate, E. A. G. Allen (cunductor).

The sympathy of the whole of the Excreise will be cxtended to the bercaved family. The association can jll afford to lose men of Mr. Hales' calibue.

## CHESHIRE AND NORTH WALES TOUR.

To-monrow another peal ringing tour sfarts, organiged by julr, C. 'I' Coles. It is in Cheshure and North Wales:
Saburday, September 11th: Handbridge, Chester (8)
Sunday, September 12th: Pulford, Cheshine (8).
Monday, September Izth: Eccieston (8), Cmistleton (8)
Tuesday, September 14th: Nortliop (8), Wrexlanm, Norlh Wales (10).

Thursday, September 16th: Machynilleth (8), Llaubadan'n ( 8 )
Friday, September I7tl: Pormadoc (8), Bangor (8).
Saturday, September 18th: Llamadno (8), Rlyy (8).
CHELSEA.-At the Clunch of St. Luke Far evening service on Sumday, August 29Eh, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Cabers: L. Brown 1. W. Essery 2, E. E. Bish 3, F. Howson 4, A. Newman 5, G. Mayers 6. E. A. Reeve 7, T. Wellbourne 8, H. Mance (eonductor) 9, A. Willinms 10. First quarter-peal of Caters hy ringers of $1,3,8$ and 10 .

## THE LINCOLNSHIRE TOUR.

(Gontinued from page 583.
SUNDAY AT SURFTEDT AND PINCHBECK.
Gosberton Church is very high,
Surfleet Church is all awry,
Pinchbeck Church is in a hole, And Spalding Church is big with foal

Local Doggerel.
the monning service on Sunday ab St. Lawrence's, Surfleet, was atended by the visitors en bloe, after riuging Cambridge Maximus and stodinan Cinques more or less with success! We received a werm welcome from the Vicar, the Rev. G. H. Clark, and heard a homely sermon with due attention. An old tablet over the stair door-the belfry floor is several feet below the mave awisg to tower subsidencerecoris: :Thege bells were new hung in the year of our Lord 1809. The Rev. Sam Elsdalo, office minister; Henty Smith; Wur. Buxter, chnrelawardens." Although not an ordained minister, he must have made a favenrable ingpression upon the inliabitants of Surfleet, beranse 1 found bis manc upan another stone behind the organ with the lieading, 'Wany are the friends of tive rich,' wlich states le was


ST. MARY'S CHURCH, PINCHBECK,
a friend of the poor aud died asped 83 years. There is a Eradition that on the marriame of Wilfim Bird and Ana Rose in October, 1801, a wedfling reat was Tung here by a team of females. North tells us the third bell of the old ring of live was cracked. All was in a very dirty state and the liells seldom used. They were variously dated frow 1607 to 1694 . From five to ten these bells were augnented by the Rev. Law James-incumacub for 34 years-and other important worls carried ont in tha church, near which he now rests from his labours. Incidentally abont 50 years ago $I$ helped him to ring his first peal at Stroud. The Diocesan Guild anded the trebles in 1933 in fnemoriam " from ringing friends and members, and they are now clamel tu be the lightest twelve-bell peal in the Kingdom. Some of our men found they wanted expert 'tickling.'
At Gly Ginth hot luncheon was served ut 12.20, fourteen siting vound the jorial hoard to test the eftoiency of the spraiued wrist of the carrer: Ee got throngh his duly as lsost, wilh Mrs. Rtchardson's hiclp, hat some of the givests-if they stajed in Surfleet-would soon emmate his 'Slim Girth."
Jondon Surprise at 1.30 p.m. at St. Mary's, Pimelibeck, was aferfed by some of the Surflect "triffe, and a third' go,' or helping, was calted hefore settling down to the real method. Duritg the rimping the duld mad rough wenther secmed to be leaving us; for the vemander of the wreko it was ofy enjoyalnt.

An altar tomb near the chancel, with richly earved pavels, to Sir Thomas de Pinchbeck, 1500, a fine roof with shields and carved oak angels ste features of the church. On the porch wall is a panel in memory of John Healey, who died 1850, and 27 children buried uear, with seven children surviving him. Mr. George Ladd, captain and churchwarden, in the absence of the Vicar, who was on holiday, wel comed us, and was as pleased as myself with the success of the peal.
Thers is a fine ringing foom similar to Hechingtou but far moro up to it. This tower leans to the south-west, but not so much as Surfeet The belfry walls disclose that Mathew Laxton Inng a peal of Doubles on the old five bells in 1816. He and his lamily wele vergers here fo 124 years. The old bells had no cannons. They were cast by Tobie Norris at various dates from 1624. Trine tenor was 48 inches dianeter. Now there is a good going octave, upon which some 14 peals havo been achieved since their restoration. Here is a local smith's belfry candlestick of four arms, similar to that at Surfleet, preserved with the old weather cock and rane when the tower was stiwck by light ning in 1893. Amongst the church records is the willage crapenter's account, in verse, dated 1769 :-

Oil for little and great bell,
T"other three went very well
Es. d.
To eating and drinking at the Bell,
010
For ringing Chicistmas in so well
0126
To a new pulpilb, ark the wood,
As parson Townslreud said it should 5 5 0
Returning to Surfeet, service ringing consisted of Grandsire Cinques and Double Norwich Major. After tea a rest, a smoke, a Iuok $a$ Sundey's newspapers and some to a litite tenuis finished the day: programme before the Gross Keys, Spalding, locked up for the night

## I love ye chimes of Motherland, <br> With all this soul of mine, <br> And hless the Lord that I am sprung Of good old linglish line! <br> W. H. Weiss.

To Wisbech. We left the Cross Keys on Moaday morming at 9 o'clock upon a bright and promising day, ruming our cers on les roads that have $1 t 0$ bounday, hedgerow or fence, only the deep fon land dykes, which afford extensive views of the broad acres for miles and lie open to the North. Sea breezes. Along Whese roads I saw hes and there quite half a dozen gleeples each peeping up above a chump old trees surrounding the church. The whole landscape is bute places, only a farmhouse now and then, with a few coltages for th labourers. These steeples, in the mornjng distance, seemed to offer u an invitation; to ask if we were about to pay them a visit $\rho$ Amorsa our list of $16^{\circ}$ there was found the 'Eincolnshire steeple' at 11 of '! churches we paid our respects to, and the week's tour could not h extended. At tell of our towers the belfry was on a level with the church, and with a small car one could dive straght into the ringins room, easy soing for men who have passed the allotted 'span.' Thl above verse was selected because I had never visited my nother native town, so it was a double pleasare to me to ring mpan the oi church bells she had often listened to ahout a century ago.

## A NOTABLE CHURCH

SS. Peter and Panl's Ohurch holds a prominent place amongit the notable churches of East Anglia by reason of its large dimensions ann: extraordinary plan. Begmning with a Norman buildiny of smadl aud obscnre origin (some say in the year of 'four ones,' 1Ill), it has twioe been onlarged. Increasing wealth of East Coast woollon tradc and a flourishing port on the River Nene created a prosperona market noted for its numerous rich religious gitilds.

Controversy arose as to how the various periods of arohitecture luw ceme confused in the construction of the church, which were elucidated by Sir G. Scott I., and the Vicar, Howson, who afterwards becama Dean of Chester. The plan of Wisbech Chureln comprises the follow ing elements: Nortl gave with norild afsle, and long nolth chancr, 6ft. wider than the nave; gouth gave with south aisle, and a shord south chancel with a large sacristy beyand it on the east; south porchi west turret and north-west tower
During Fenry VII.'s reign further important alterations inci additions were made, the former beng necessitated by a partial collapse of the west tower. In 1406 thers were ten chantry chaplains sorving at Wisbech. There is a large brass, 1401, to the memory of Thomat Brankstone, Constable of Wislech Castle.

Muel of wy informmetion is taken fron a booklet of the chureh by P. T. Jones, B.A., in which he also tells us that the present clock was erected is 1866 at a cost of $£ 400$ by James Danim as a gift to the towt of Wisbech. The belfry of the tower contains a peal of ten fire toned bells cast in 1823 by Dobson, of Downham Market, tenor 2I cwt. 2 gr'. 15 lb . The most ancient of the old bells was founded in 1566 1thl a nothor gave its uses in Lalin, translatied

I praise the true God. I smmmon the people to pryyer.
I gather the clergy together. I maurn over the dead.
I drive fway pestilence. I add grace to festivitios.'
My readers will probably agree that such a valuable insbument. ouglit to have been proserverl after centuries of six-fold derotion without the "Jingen" (it. maty as well have heen a lump of leat.
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## LONG SUTTON'S WONDERFUL SPIRE.

(Contizued from previous page.)
Our party survey'ed the church and admited ia very fine ringing gomm, easy of access, over the north porch with a useful trap door ventilator in the floor between the two tenor boxes. It has four large windows and old beans across the ceiling which give an impressive air of the l7th century rpartrents. The tower louvres are fitted with slutters, that save complaints from the professional and business people crowding in the nerrow strests around the church. A rare ikon is to be seen, brought from Russta and presented by Mr. Bray.

Mr. Freeman, with the keys, did yeoman service to secure our tean a good start, but only one hour of Yorkshire Royal could be accomplished. If I ask the popular paestion, "Wbere's Greorgep" I tell mo tales out of school-there weve four of them in the attempt. We were pleased to learn that Golden Nolan lad paid a successful visit here far a peal the week before, and we found the bells going well, having been rchung by Mears and Stainbank in 1934. The present Wicar, the Rev. H. K. Stallard, is mastering bellringing.
Rather more than two years aso these belis were rededicated by the Rural Dean, wheu an address was given by the late Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake, Rector of Walsoken. The restoration was practically the last undertaking he promoted before mecting with that tragic accident in the gronnds of lis home that robbed the Exercise of a valuable minister, ringer and librarian.
We rested at the ringers' house, The Griffin, and left at low tide after Iunch without seeing the museum, with its valaable collection, lately increased by the generosity of Mr. J. J. Kirk, of Maidenhead, who is a native of Wisbech.

Auriving at St. Mary's, Long Sutton, soon after 3, it was nearly 4 o'clock before the Bristol Major began. We were kindly received by the Rector (the Rev. H. Gorse, late of Warringtorl), the captain (Mr. T. Smitli) aud Messrs. Hammond and Barrate. The old six bells here were founded by Henricus Penn, of Peterborough, in 1716 . The tenor, $39 \mathrm{~d} i \mathrm{ta}$. in diameter, was cracked when ringing for the funeral of the Rev. R. Leigh Bennett in November, 1885, the last of three Vicars of that name who covered the century 1784-1886. It was recast as a jubileo bell for Queen Victoria in 1887.
In the belfry is a small mintature model of the old bell (made with metal from it) and presented to the chtucl by Mr. James, of Lewellyn and James, Bristol, and lias the original inscription reproduced. Wessis. Taylor and Co. mode a good job of the two additional trebles, recasting the old six (tenor 15 cwt .) and rehanging the peal in 1935.
Like many of the stecples in Lincolnshire, this spire bas suffered from stoms and was struck by lightuing in 1934. The old weather cock now rests in the belfry. The church is buit of stone containing some good work of all the slyles of ecclesiastical architecture-Nor-
man, Early English, Decorated, Early and Late Perpenclicaliaz, and consists of a chancel, clerestoried nave of seven bays and ajsles, north and south porches, a south-west tower, with angle buttresses, rising in the thimd storey jnto octagonal turrets, crowned with tall pinnaeles and a lofty octagonal timber spire, sleathed in lead, 162it. high, was added to the church about the time of King John. This trower and spire constitute one of the most remarkable desigus of the larly English or Lancet period in the kingdom. From it Boston 'Stump,' 15 miles away, can be seen, and it is tho only one which has survived fire and decay. There are but three similar spires in England, and of these St. Mary's is the best example. As recently as 1820 it was proposed to pull down the spire and replace jt, willh a stone one; fortuately tho scheme never came into action. Many years previous to this the four arches of the tower were opel. Ithey were built up to strengthen the steaple.
From the Register of Castle Acre Priory, it appary that about 1120 Robert de Haye grave a piece of land to the Prioly for the purpose of erecting a cluuch at Sutton. The eecond step in its history occurs about 1180, when Wiliam, san of Erneis, caused anew chureh to be erected.
Three generations of the Winter family lave been organists ansl choirmasters at the church, serving for 125 years. A large fat slome near the chancel has only three words upon it, "Alas! Poor Bailey." He was the doctar of the towa, who, while visiting a country patient, was foully murdered on a lonely road ab night througle an error of identiffcation.
Our party 'baited, at the White Horse, although no wind, no water or petrol was required, and we left for Spalding at 7.40. Quefy, what was the bait?
W. H. F .

> (To be coutinued.)

## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS.

HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.-At All Enints Church on Tuesday, August 24th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Miss M. I. Goodship (first quarier-peal) 1, Miss E. K. Fulton 2, Miss F. Olayton 3 , C. Dyke 4, H. G. Hurt 5, G. R. Goodship (conductor' 6. H. O. Homes (first cuarter-peal of Stedman) 7, F. J. Wilcox 8. All local Eiunday service ringers with the exception of O . Dyke, who wings at the neighbouring tower of Stanmore. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Goodship, daughter of the conductor.
LAVENEAM.-On Sunday, August 9Zad, for mornine gervice, a gtarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (1,264 ehanges) : F. A. Turner 1, W. R. J. Poulson 2, W. Jarvis 3 , S. H. Symonds 4, F. Boreliann 5; L. Pouleon 6, L. Pryke 7, M. T. Symonds (firsi guarlerpeal iv the method as conductor) 8 .

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

News from the froat, in Oxfordshire: The first three peals of the Bachelors" tour have been Tung-at Magdalen Colloge, Oxford; Banbury, and Great T'ew, white Adderbury also laoked like turninu up 'trumps.' When onr dispateli left, London had been going wetí ior $2 \frac{1}{2}$ hours.
The meeting of the Flackley District of tite Midand Gounties Asso ciation at Claybrook on September 18th has been cancelled.
The customary peal attempt on his birthdiy was denied to Mr R. 'T, Woodley, known familiarly as 'Young' Woodley, on his 'F8L birthday on August 291h. Fior some years past-six in succession-|n: has suitably celebrated the cyent wibh a peal, but this year he wha indisposed. Although he uad recovered sulticiently to accompany the Lowestoft ringers on their outing on September 2nd, a peal on August 2911 was impossible.

We regret to record the deatin at Cuckfield, Sussex, on Septembor 1st, of Mr. William Watts, frmerly of Stansted, Essex, at the 日ge of 72 years.

## SPALDING BELLS

## OUTCOME OF THE FOURIPENTH CENTURY DISPUPL

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-Mr. Fussell, in tris article on the Lincolnshire tour, retery to the dispute between the Priony of Spalding and the parishioners, and sajs the conclusion is not known. I think I can tell him.

The matter was referred to Rame, and in the Papal archives is u copy of a licence, issued by Pope Boniface IX., by which the parishioners are permitted to ring, whenever they please, the bells iu the Chapel of SL. Thomes, which the Prior and Convent had converted, st no small expense, into a parish church, notwithatamding the ascrement made at the time of its building that the parishioner ghould not ring tho bells while the Convent was in donmitory, excen for certain solemm feasts and at divers occasions.
But the mouks strongly objected to laving their sleep at night disturbed by hellringing. They uppeated agaiust this licence and got it revoked (July 2ud, 1401). The Pope ordered that in future, at might, after the ringing of tire Priory bell wont to be rung pro ignitegio (i.e., the curfew) until in the monning it is rumg for prime the bells camot and shall not without evident necessity be rung in the sarue clureh.

The Prior and Convent were directed to build a new elurch for tha parish ato $z^{2}$ distance from the Priory and across the water (i,e., tha River Welland'). The parish had to erect its own bell tower, but "the Priery shall five the parishioners two bells price 820 . (This was 1401, not about 1284 as statod by Mr. Thssell). The parishionerg shall not ring in their church at such fimes as the Convent is reposing in dormitory, except on Christmas Day and aight, or for fre, flood or other grave misfortune.'
I lave notes of one or two othor similar disputes.
I do not quite know what to make of this all night ringing. I was strougly objected to by the monastevies as a nuisance, and lateby the Reformers, and was forbidden by royal injunction in 1547 al superstitious. It was done by laymer. Martin Bucer, a fampus German and theologian living at Cambridge, wrote about * A. custom still kept up by superstitious men and fookisla boys that carry the ringers beer and ale to drink, and that it is against reason to ring all the day time and all the night, too, whan they plense.'
I think we bave here the barinnings of our ringing Exercise
J. ARMIGTR TROLLOPE
P.S.-Mr. Fussell should not attribnte Millon's well-known lines from 'Il Penseroso' to Minwell.

## THE LATE CANON E C. CORFE.

FOUNDER OF TRURO GATHEDRAL GOMPANY.
Hie milly friends in Trura leard with deep regret of the denth ot August 28th at Pulborough, Suseex, of Canon E. C. Corfe, M. A. Ha was 85 years of age.
Canon Corfe was Precentor of Truro Cathedral from 1904 to 1930 and was mainly instrumeutal in tho [ormation of the Truro Cathedral company of ringers in 1910. During the 20 years prior to his retirement he was the representative of the company on the Dean and Chaptier and matched the progress of the company with keen interest. In 1929, after his completion of 25 years as Precentor, a peal of Gravisire Caters was rung at Truro Cathedral in his homour. He was well linown and belored by many Truronians, and his death will be greatly felt by all.
On Tuesday evening, Augusb 31st, quarter-peal of Grandsice Triples was ruag balf-mufleci at the Cathedral as a tribute of respecl. The ringers were A. Treganowan (first quarter-peal) i, W. H. Southeard 2, C. E. Lanxon (conductor) 3 , W, E. Minors 4, H. Willims 5, Ref. W. E. R. Trewhelh 6, W. T. sleeman 7, t. Treloar 8.

## A CHANGE OVER.

A 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor was raug at Waltham St. Lawrence for evensong on Sunday. Half-way through the ringer of the third was changed, to give all present the opporbinity of a pull : W. Peatkon (first 720) 1, A. Pearson (first 720 "inside ') 2 , J. Cooper, sen., and $W^{\prime}$. Mortimer 3, Y. Darrill 4. J. Darvill 5, T. Tilley (first 780 as conEuctor) 6.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## WESTERN DIYISION RINGING MASI'ER ELEETED.

The Western Division of the Yorkshire Association hela a very uccergfth meeting at Drightirgton on Saturday, September 4th, when about 60 memhers attendel from a wide area. This fine old church has contritaited more peals for the Yorkshire Association than any other tower. The ringing on Saturday was intermpled for a shor't timo by fo wedding which was taking place in the church, and as the happy pair left the ringer's suitnbly honouted tho event by a nicely arrneged tonch of Queen's and Stedmen Triples, jubermixed with fining.
splendid tea was served in the schoals, at which about 45 menners sat down, and this was followed by the business meeting, presided over lyg the vice-president (Mr. P. J. Johnson) and supported by the sseciation"s president, Canou Marshall.
The Chairman intimated that the main business of tho meeting was He npmointment of a Ringing Master, as this ofliec was still vacant. On the proposition of Mr. T. Kendal, seconded by Mr. W. J. H. Ash, Mr. T. W. Strangeway of Rotiwelf, was nominated. Mr. Stranemay ronsented to accept office, and the Chairmarr, in welcoming him to Lhe position, seid his patience would no doubt be sordy tried, but as he was a manried man be mas sure that it wonld be equal to the task (lazughter).
Canon Marslaall proposed a hearby vote of wanks to the Vicar and wardens for kindly granding the use of the bells and for the welcome which they had accorded to the association. This was seconded by Mr. Sherwood and carried sul the usual cordial manner.
rote of thanks to the local company for providing tea, and also the ladies and belpers for so ably assigting, was proposed by Mr ofthouse. who said the arrangements were admirable and well derving of the lighest praise. Ithis was seconded by Mr. Gill and apporlied by Mr: J. W. T. Holgate.
Lr. Jack Stiteon replied for the local company end expressed his alcasme at welcoming the association to Drighington. As it was years siace the last yisit, he hoped they would not lave to wait loug before the nssociation eane again to the tower.
Five new members were elected, viz.; Louis Hollas, Philip Murdoch
Edward Íanson, of Elland ; Roy Mann, of Halifax, and Jach earer, of Rippouden.
The Clairman rominded the membere of the annual Snowdon Dincer, which is to be held at Leeds on October gth, and hoped that many as possible world attend. He assured them that a good ogranme had been arramged, and he was able to say that adequate
afresments would be available at reasonable prices. He also reminded the members that the association's financial year closes thjes month aud that all outstandinq subscriptions should be paid before hell.
After the meeting winging continued in a large variety of methods om Plain Bob to Cambiidge and Superlative Surpise until after
o'clock.
The following towers were represented : Armiley, Batley, Bramey Braforí Cathedral, Boiton (Bradford), Birstaß, Burley, Drighlington, Denlolvie, Elland, Guiseley, HoIbeck, Huaslet, Hendingley iSt. Clad's ald St. Wichael's', Idle, Keighlej, Licdley, Leeds Parish Church Pudsey, Rothwell, Ripponden, Shipley and Newcastle.
It is hoped to acrange the next meating at Earlsheaton on Decem er lith, bit an amouncement will be made in due course.

## DEATH OF MR. JOHN TUKE, SHEFFIELD.

## A NARROW ESCAPE RECALLED.

The St. Harie's Compary, Norfolk Row, Sheffeld, regret to announce toss of one of their members in the persen of Mr. John Tuke, who asged awny on September Ist at the age of 86 Jears. Mri. Tuke asged awny on Spptember ist at the fage of g6 Jears. mis Tuke nout 45 yearg ago, being one of the first company.
He lafer became a member of the Police Force and had to give up 8 ringing ambilions for some time.
n the course of his duties he was shabbed in the meck, Ђut forarately secovered, \#is assailant was sentenced to a long term of mpisonment and was lucky to escaps a more serious charge, for Mr
'uke's jugular vein was missed by only half an inch.
After serwing some years in the force he returned to his emplayAent as a bricklayer, during which he had a fall from a scaffold hiels resilted in serious spinal injuries. From thes he mever reovered and had gradually got more infirm with edvanoing years. became a member of the belfiy at St. Marie's when the comwas re-formed after the Armistice, and was m member of the orksinire Asseciation and the Shefield and District Socicty. Mr. Fulke had two peals to bis eredit, but his greatest contribution to ingiag was his most punctual and regrar attendanee as a service inge was interred on Snturcay at Wralkley Cemetery in the presence a large gathering of relatives, iriends and ringers. A course of riandsine Tiples was zung at the graveside by four of his colleagues, ne the muffled bells of St Marie's werg rung during the evening. The large number of beauliful wreaths sent was a proof of the
mpect, in which the deoeased was held.
Fe leaves a widow, son and two datughters to mourn his passing.

## COMPETITIVE RINGING.

## EXPERIENCES IN DEVON

To the Editor.
Dear Sild, I have just aome tack from my holiday to liud tistee copies of "The Ringing World" waiting for me, and, much its I had looked forward to resding them, I had no iden that 1 shonld lind anything so welcame as your leading article, "Improve the shaudard of Ringing, As my friends know, I am a keen advocate of competibious as a means to this end, and your arficle sets out nul minnswerable case ju their favour.
In far too many towers a poor striker is ravely reproved, unless he makes a serics of really vicious blows, and scores of ringers have never been tratned to listen to their own bell (l have often wondered what possible enjoyntent a poor striker can derive fromt ringing). The contrast between this state of affairs and that in distriets where competitions are held is remarkable
I may, perlaps, here mention that this summer I had the pleasure of introducing to call-change ringing in North Devon it welt-known College Youth, who has helped to make history for tha Ancient Soolety, and whose dislike of poor striking is as keen as yont own. Apart trom the lack of open leads, which sounded strangely to his ears, he was delighted with what he found: the almost mechanical accuracy of the shriking, the instant yeproof by the captaius of tha band of line slightest irregularity, and the gemeral aif of kemness which filled the belfry. Fe hinself rang the fenor to a "poal, and he tells me that be will always be proud of the complimond. paid him aftervards by tho Iocal captain, who was guite unawate ol his vigitor's reputation. On liss way home from his holiday he fell in with a touring band and rang a conrse of Surprise Najor will them. He could not help comparing the guality of the strikiug with that which he had experienced in the depths of 'Stongy' Devon. There is no need for we to say which way the verciet went.
That competitions are largely respansible for the keenmess with which Devon ctill-change ringers listen la their striking eanmot be doubted. I wish that youk corrospondent, C. F. T., liad lien wilh mot at the Barnstaple Deanery Peskisal, held at Abheringlou a Cow wecks ago. Several of the competing bauds brought their incumhents wilh them, sad tha value of competilions was stressed lyy the Vicat of the parish in his address. The vory friendiest atmosphere preventen throughout the day, and no one was heard to cauestion the judges' verdit. When this had been delivered, the local band, who were
debarred by rule from competing, entered the belfry sund gave int exhibilion of their skill, which a few weeks proviously had won for them the six-bell shield in a competition open to tho whole wume C. F. J. will be interested to learu that they have atianned this eminence, not by discouraging the youtl of the village-a very small one from learniug to ring. There are no less than 17 members of tha band, every one of whom is givers lis turn on pantice night. Nor is Atherington unique in this respeet. Two and sometimes thren hands from one tower frequently enter for these compelitions.

I sincerely hope that your article will stimulate the iaterest it deserves. I am convinced that if once the idea took practical sliape it would spread with rapid popularity and lesult iu a great, improvement in striking generally.
E. J. TAYIOR

Torquay.
A HOPELESS CASE.
Dear Sir,- 'C. F. J.' does not say what competitive connlyy he ives in, but he makes me sigh, for his is a hopeless case. I fund more stigma in his articlo than I have lound in or rround any competition I have taken part in and I am sure that any oller conpetitor will think the same. Fis letter makes me wonder if he has heard a really good and inspired ring. I would tho lim, bofore he writes another article condemning competition uinging and its effects nfterwards (and not temprary), to come within the area of Huddersfield Association guld visit a few towers. I ams sure he will he given tho feeling that we do really care for each other and that mo selfishness is created.
I nepeat to 'O. F. J.' and all ringers for a befter anderstanding with each other and of the bells.

JOSFPH BURGESS.
Greenfield, near Oldham.

## NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK RINGERS MEET.

A joint meating of the Tiastern Branch of the Norwicll Dincesan Association and the Suffolk Guild was held at IHungay and Ditohingham, adjoining parishes on the border line of the two associafions' Lervitory, on Saturday. Early in the afternoon the recently restored peal of six at Ditchingham and the eight at Bumgay were fet goinf, and ringiog continued at both towers in most of the standard mellods until late in the evening, except for an interval for tea.

A gathering of about 30 members sal down to an enjoyablo mend at Bungay, where the Vicar (the Rev. W. F. Harper) paid a slort Fisit and welcomed the ringers.
The thanks of the ringers are tendered to both incmonents for their permission to ring at their respective towers, to Mr. H. Barrell, of Gungay, for having the bells in readiness and for arramging flie tea, and to Mr. C. Woods for having everybling rendy at Difchingham.

## BOB TRIPLES

## PLALN BOB AND GRANDSIRE THE SAME METHOD <br> To the Editor

Sir, When one lugins to teach change ringing, the first step is the six 'tho changes on three bells. First on paper, then on handbeils fud then on tower bells-by themselves, and then with at covering bell or bells.
'The 'eight' on four bells follows, and the "picture,' seen by the begianer, is compared, row by row, with that seen on the "six.
The 'four and twenty' on four bells follows, and until the hegioner as mastered this thorougly-hunting, place-making and doolginghe should not be allowed to go further Moreover, he will aleo learn o strike his bell well. Ite shanld be tauglt striking while laming the 'six,' but lie probably will not lee able to strike well till lie has onastered the ' follr and fwenty.
His next step will be the plain conrse of Grandsire Donbles, and he hould motice that this is exactly the same piece of ringing as the four and twenty, excepl that there are two bells in the linnt insteat of ane. The conrsing orter and the order of 'duty ${ }^{1}$ of correaponding liells, will be the same: the "pieture" (or 'ropesight') of correspondIng rows in each will the the same; and if he can 'strike' the one wall he will be able to 'strike' the ather equally. Alt througll Grandsive Doubles be will look on the treble and the bell in the lant as one indivisible entity, which cannol be separated till a call is made.
The step from thes to Plain (nstally called Plain Bub) Minor wil now be seen to be the same as from tho Six to the Four and Twenty.
 bants, and the mothot is mow callen Grandsire Triples; because the name is changed it aloes not wow menn that the metlood is changed.
It ouflat not to be necassary to have any intemediate mothod hetween this and Plain Major. If Plain Triples be ring, it should only be a course or so, for the sake of practice, and never for a peat. It should be made clear to hegimars that this is only a variation, not a new meftod, and not a variation to he enconraged.

What is to be emphasised is that all these are one and the game method.
[!fford Rectory, Suffolk.

## PLAIN HOB MORE BENEFICIAL TO BEGINRERS

Sir, Ny thanks to the boyn who rang the course of Bols Triples at St. Marg's, Staines, on Angusi 28th. I was amused when I read of the performance, and regret I was not present to hear blose wicked four blows coming up nt every leadend. I hope they anjoyed it.
In any case, it was somothing fresh to those who had mever heard it hefore, and, ats my friends were 'experts,' theil' strilting must have been perfecti, and it is likely the listeners may have thought; the music not so very awful as it has been made out to be.
Buts I dicl rot intend the saldject to go so fur as il already lus. I have never' said Tob 'triples is superbor in Grandsive. Nor have I stated it shauld be sulatituled for Grandsire in service ringing.
There are always those who will drhbarkthy miseonstrue a fellow's meabing and callse monecessary argument aud waste of space in columms that conld be used to better advautage.
my lumble way I said 1 thought it more beareficial to a learner to hegin change finming by being tiaght Plain Bob first.
Let it not bo thought I wish to 'ram. Bob Triples down anyone's flroat. 1 merely support the method on account of its construction eing on the Plain Bob principle.
To be quite candid. I (like a few more) prefer to hear the tenor ' in That's all.

## CRANDSTRE A ' CONVENTION.

Dear Sir,-I was intereslecl to read Mr. C. A. Levett's reply to my letter. He will donbtless agree with me when I say that the purpose of church bolls is principally a Sunday one, but if he will agree with me when I say that Sunday serrice ringing should also be made as interesting as possible, theu I will explain why I advocate Plain Bob tather than Grandsire.
If wo are groing to make ringing as interesting as possible, the sooner a ringer is staread on oven Lell methods the soover will he become interested. Once a beginner has mastered Plain Bob, it is not a very big step to Trehle Bob, Double Norwich and the Surpuise methods. but I think I should be cobvect in saying bant to jurup from Grandsire to Treble Bob would be rather difticult. What, then, is the intermediate step? Olymonsly onr old friend Plain Bob on six, seven or cight bells. Why, therefore, should a hearner waste a consitlerable time learning Grandsire nud Stedman when he can go straight to plain Bob, the patl to those "illimitable realms, to use your words in tho last issute of "The Ringing World.
I think I catl prove Lhat, generally speaking, those who commence on an even-bell method the bettor strikevs mat quicker to pick ur advanced mothods than thoso who stant with the conventional Grandsire. I have visited orer 30 counties for ziaging, and the three best counties for striking, in wy opinion, are Youkshire, Norfolk and Suftolk, and in Urese connties even-bell ringing is usually the standard fare.

I said previously fint I thonght Grandsire a blind alley medtod. I still do, thongh Mr. Levett mertions the Central Council hook on Triple methods. The majority of these are merely Minor methods (Continued in next column.)

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## MARRIAGE OF MR. M. A. NORTHOVER,

A WELL-KNOWN SURREY IRINGER.
Mr. Maurjeo A. Northover, a. well-known member of the Association and treasurer of the Reigate Society, was marrie Reigate Parish Churel on Wednesday of last week to Miss Glady Mary Frost, only danghter of Mr. and Mrs. Cliarles Frost, of Reiga

Mis. Northover is a member of a family long conneater? with busine civeles in Fingate and has taken ath active part in the publi social life of the town, as well as in mumerous organisations essovi with line Parish Ghurch. The hapmy event, lherefore, nroused wath local interest.
Tho bride, who was given in biarriage by her father, was attento by three bridesmaids, aud Mr. Douglas A. Northover was best The Rev. O. G. McDowell Morgan, Vicar of Billesden, Leicestersh and formerly curate at Reigate Parish Church, at very odd friend the bride and bridegroom, efficiated at the service, which was fir choral und ineluded the hymn, 'Love dirine, and Parry's atatien 'Jerusalem.
Tha bells rang merrily in honour of the occasion, and after ceremony a reception, attended by a largo number of guests laed at Hillbrow.

## BOB TRIPLES

(Continued from previous column.)
with a bell in the hant added and are mach better rung as methods. When one is zuvg it is msually simply to claim 'firsf the welhod'-Lhey hever lecome popular.
Anyway, my whole argument can he pul in a simgle sentencewasto time learning odd bell methods, whon, hefore any adva even bell method can be rung, Plain Boh must be learat? Why start witl Plain Bob right away? The exisfing convention takigg a turning off a main road and regaining the road two mi latel. In ringing language it is generally wo yerrs liater that beginner finds himself on the path to suceess. Balham.
A. P. GANNON

## SMEPPING STONE TO CHAOS.

Dear Sir-Enving had a few colts thongla my hands at varion times, may I be permitted one little barls in the "odd-cum-even tree I think mast instructors will support me when $I$ say that the co cluef trouble is not himbing up, but getting down to leat again after the whola pul' behind. This being so, I lave had a fair measure success in this problem by emphasising the work from belzind eating the buden of cotnting by waking the bells in pairs (cuite arthodox as counting in whole pulls). Tlus-Grandsire Triples down, dodge with your first bell ; $4-5$ down, pass one pair and do with the next: Bob Major, $7-8$ down, as 6-7 in Grandsire, $5-6$ dowu 45 in Grandsire, $3-4$ down pass two pairs, ete. So perhaps Grand does lead us somewhere after ath, whereas to try and instil inta mind of $x$ calt the anorthodox action of siriking one bell for luel before lae siarls on his himt proper is going to Tead him "1p the garden '- 5 - 6 down after 7 th's place is about as helpful as tenching him to dodge $2-3 \mathrm{np}$, and, besides, it 'isn't doare.' Ting Bob Thiptes by all means, for a chnnge, for" a few" stars, or evon for a lark. bit for heaven's sake keep the colt (ab least undil he las found his fent of the stepping stone-to chaos.
Clayford.

## FRANCIS 'COMES A CROPPER.

HATHEMATIGIAN DISPOSES OF SOME OF HIS ARGUNENTS. To the Editor.
Dear Sil, -In the last issice of "The Riugiug World ' is a letter' by one liancis Becon, in which a number of points are raised yelative to the knowledge or lack of same on the phitt of certain menhers of ilhe Exercise with whom your correspondent is acquainted. It is, however, nuforthate that the writer ot the letter does not fhllow in ilio footsteps of his more famuus decensed nameanke and searell 1 rore iiligenatly after trath, as not all the points which he treats are the fallacies which lee apparently believes them to be. Thus if we take ulien in order
I quite agree with him when he says that most ringers monld say hat tho move a thell is tucked up the faster it will swing, but most would, mentally at any rate, qualify the statement so as not to inelude the case when the bell is so far tucked up as to be balanced in nuy position, when its molion will obviously be sluggish in the extreme. lo go further and say when this slowing down will begin to occur is,
grant, leyond the powers of the majozity of tha Exercise, not, however. on the grounds of lack of brains or of intelligence, but calely as a resitt of a lack of a sufficiency of mathematical trainiug which can occur from ot veriety of canses, few of which reflect on the person affected. The fact that the majority would say that a bell does swing wore rapidly when tucked up is, indeed, a proof that the werage ringer is not without intellectual powers, as the effect of tucking a bell up is that slated in the majority of cases aud the sorrelation of observations iu this manner is trae science
Withoul going into the matier deeply jt will be sufficient to say that the time taken for a bell to swing cau be represented by an eguation of the form-

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T=C \sqrt{\frac{h^{2}+k^{2}}{h}}
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Where $C$ is a constant for any given set of couditions; including size of wheel, stremgth of pull, atugle thoough which pull is effected (i.e., lengtin of pull), and antle through which the bell is swinging.
It is the distance of the centre of gravity from a lime joining the centres of the gudgeons.
$k$ is the radius of cyration of the lyell about a liue through its ceutre of gravity parallel with the line joining tlie gudgeons.
hit time will have a mivimum value whell $\left(k^{2}+1 \iota^{2} / / h\right.$ is a minimunt whel

## $\frac{d}{d h}\left[h+\frac{k=}{h^{2}}\right]=0$

forming the differentiation, we get

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1-k^{5} h^{3}=0
$$

- that thove is a minimum value of the timo when $k=h$. Now the
 lang so that $k$ is less than $h_{1}$, any decrease in $\mathrm{l}_{1}$ leads to a decrease in the time of swing. Therefore, Francis seems to havo been ofjecting to triutit.
:1 the second case with regard to the purpose of using a bos for ringing a tenor ol obler heavy bell, I have nevar heard anyone suggest h hat binero is any difference with regard to the pulling of the bell, utit there is a reason why one should be nsed, which I think is quite cherally recoginsed, and it might pay Mr. Bacon to ascertain it.
With rearard to the third point, it seems to be merely commonsense which he is altacking, muless he is oue of those talented ringers who an set his bell at both strokes when finging and still strike his bell properly.
When lag atacks the Exerciso with respect to the time a bell takes 10 swing when equipped with different suzed wheels he again 'comes cropper as the following aygument will show.
As before, the time of swing is given by equation (1), so that, if we investigale the varjous points of diference which occur in the two eases, wa can sny with certainty what will happen on clanging the ize of the wheel.
Assume first of all that no difference oceurs with regard to the pull ul the bell, eithen as to weight or distribution over the sugle through whels the bell has swoung, then, as increasing the diameter of the wheel canmot alter tho value of h owing to the minuor sjometry of the whedg, we have


## $T=A k$

Inere $A$ is a new constand involving $C$ and h.
Hence the time will be divectly proportional to $k$, and as tho momont of inertia of a lavge wheel is greater than that of as small wheel, then $k$, for the system bell tlarge wheel, is greater than that of the system bell + small wheel, and the times of swmg are, therefore, whe stlme ratio.
With regard to the assumption that has been made with regard to the distribution of pull, it can readily be demonstrated that the effect of any flifference is in the same direction. Thus a man ringing his bell properly makes a steady pull from the extent of his easy yeanil 10 somewhere in the neighboninood of his waist. Let this pull be $\bar{X}$ pounds weight and the distance throngh which the pull is made Ge $y$ fect, then the work done is $X_{y}$ foot pomis. In the case of a bell witf a wheel s feet in diameter this work is impressed on the system
while the bell moves through aus angle of yls radians, whereas if the wheel is as feet in dinmeter the aligle will be only $y$ fas radinus, so that in this case the bell will be accelorated to si greater extent iu the early part of its swing with a conresponding decrease in the tione of this perth of its swimg
Points (e) and ( $f$ ) of his letter are malters of opimion, and, as Mt. Bacon does not indicate the mothod of cutting out the slow in Troble Bob Major to which ha refers, it is impossible to discuss it.
With "egard to the last point of his lebter, Fradcis again has mude an unfortunate choice of an example, as there is a difierence in the two ways of making tea as may be fhown expeximentally. 'Hu purpose of puttirg milk in tea is ustally said to be to remove the 'trannin,' but, whafever the truth of this statemont, the fact remains that prior to the addition of the milk the lea is clear, but innmediately on the addition of the milk it goes cloudy, owing to the presence of smatl globules of fat and small partictes of solid matter derived from the "tannin' and the various constituents of the milk. Now, if the ten was the same if prepared by the two methods we should expect to have equal mumbers of these sumpended partich in a given volume of the tea; whereas it is an experimental fact that the numbers ave not the same, so it is possible that some people an detect tho difference by means of taste, which, after all, is only enother experimental method. Again F. B. aflet having left echool a few more years, might find linnself linked to another for life whe would probably insise on him putting in the wilk first, merely for the gake of prescrving her 马est china, and he woult fond then that he coutd not give np matrimony to nssociate with the intelligentsia, which might oass lim to say the word ho does not appear to linve the moral conrage to write-

## G. WILERED SLACK, B.SG., Ph.ll.

The University, Leeds.
P.S.-I wouder if it woudd be nonsidered impertinent if out malied how fast F. B. prorressed with his ringing and suggest that hefore he casts the mrintle of a ringer from him that le does sometlaing recujing a little intelligence, it littlo work and a listle originality and wowd sumgest that ho tried compositng a peal of Stenman Triples, say, all cxact two part with only two singles.

## TOO DEFASTATLNG TO PASS UNCHALLTNGED.

Dear Sir, -Wribigg in this week's Ringing Word, Mr. Fronets Bacon states filab he is giving up ringing because ho likes to assoumbe with intelligent people, and gives a mumber of reasons, from whith, I presume, he draws his conelasion - that ringars are not intelincuts people. This is rather a devastating eribicism far as ringers to alow to pass umehallenged. Looking through tive reasous givel lyy Mr. Bacon, I fail to see in them-such, no doubt, is my luok of jubinlim gence-any indication of ringers' allegex shorbage of brains!
Take one instance only-reason (b), "J'lut if yout sinnd an a hox io ring at tanor, you get a better pill than if you stand on the Hor." Perheps Mr. Bacon will enlighten me in what way this disploys a lack of julelligence on the part of the ringer. The reason, I have always thonght, that one stands on a box to ring a tenor is becanse the laryar wheel employed necessarily takes up the rope higher as the hell swings and consequently the average singer wonld not be nble to reach the rope it backstrake if lae stood on the foor. What that has got to do withl a lack of intolligence, I atterly fail to understand!
I will not analyse any of the other reatsons given by Mk'. Bacon, ns none of them will "hold water.'

The real rensou Mr. Bacon is giving hip ringing is most putathy becanse he arigimally approadied the art in the wrong frame of mind, and has now ceased to find any interost in it. Ot is it, perbaps, ilint his intelligence is suol that he is able lo grasp 'Spliced Surptise' at a glance, fand, therefore, finds ringing too ensy to ongare his attanr tion to ite full enprecity?

ROGLR W. DANJFLS.

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## LIVERPOOL RINGERS EXCURSION.

## WREXHAM AND CHESTMR CATHEDRA

A most enjoyable trip was nudertaken by the Sl: Nicholas", Liverpool, ringers ou their anmal outing. The party of 12 left Birkendend suan aifter noon for Wrexhana. where ther were net by Mexars. Catherall and Jones. Tonehos of Stemman nud Girndmiro Catera :und a course of Cambrige Major were enjoyed on this lime peal of licils, which hang in a magnificent tower, Jiglatly described as one of law thories of Wales. From there has was haleet to Holl, where was found a nice peal of six. Several mothods were mag bere prior ta walking ta Faydon on the Finglish side of the River Dee. Messts. Richards avd Wee had made arrangemerts for the witit to this tower, and the tomelyes on tinis yery pleasant peal of eighb were much enjoyed. It was a mntter for regret that the party had to leara for Chester immediately after tea owing to the infrequent bus services, for farndon is a partienarly atractire viliate, the riverside ndding to its fasoination. Nr. T. Swindley met the wisitors on their gilival in Chester, where hney were priviloged to ring on the Gabliedral helle recently angmented to ten. Several tonches were Fung, in which Messus, Swiadley aud Harris took part, The visitors wero plensed to meet Mr. J. Elint, of Bolsover, who thoy were glad to see lind recovered from a reccut injury. They wore plased also to lave flac company of Mr. J. C. J. Simpson to the station, and regretted he har been wable to accompany them to the varjous towers The Liverpool men are much ittdehted to the chngy and local ringers at ench place visited for meeting them and making the half-day sa very pleasuruthe.

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GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-North-East Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Cadeleigh on Saturday, Sept. inth. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. - R. Harris, Hon. Sec., l'ark, Silverton, near Exeter.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.A meeting will be held at Ruislip on Sept. rith. Ringing from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and after tea. Service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at the George Hotel. Quarterly business meeting after tea, Joint meeting and social at Hillingdon on Oct. IGtl. - F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heati, Bucks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION (Manchester Branch) and LADIES' GUILD (Northern District). - A joint meeting is to be held at St. Peter's, Ashton-underLyoe, on Saturday, Sept. Ith. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. Tea, is. cach. All ringers cordially invited.-Mrs. E. D. Kelly, I-hon. Dis. Sec., Ladies' Gtidl; J. H. Ridyard, Manchester Branch, Lancashire Association.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.- A joint ringing mecting, with the East Girinstead and District Guild, will be held at Tunbridge Wells on Saturday, Sept. rith. Please come and help make this meeting a success. Tower open 2.30 p.m. There is a fen minute bus service to St. Peter's Church from Central Station or Opera House. Route No. 82.-Alec. E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUll.D. - North Bucks Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Stewkley ( 8 bellis), on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Service 3.30 p.m., Names for tea in good time, and good attendance will be welcomed.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A joint meeting of the Kent County Association (Tonbridge District) and the East Grinstead Guild at St. Peter's, Tunbridge Wells, on Saturday, Sept, ifth. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. All are welcome-B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. - A practice meeting will be held at Ulverston on Saturday, Sept. ith. Bells (6) available 2.30. Anyone interested in going to the annual dinner please attend. - N. M. Newby, Brewery Mount, Ilverston.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Arlesey on Saturday, Sept. ifth. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. Please come. Let us have a good meeting.-C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy, Beds.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District. - Neeting at
St. John's, Leicester, on Sept. inth. Bells available 2.30. Gentlemen invited. - I. B. Thompson, 52, Lace Street, Nottingham.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District meeting at West Clandon on Saturday, Sept. IIth. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30.-G. I.. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting of this district will be held at Stagselen on Saturday, Sept. Ith. Bells (6) ready from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. You will be very welcome.-Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec., ro, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, South Shore, on Saturday, Sept. irth. Bells ready at 3 p.rm. Business meeting $5 \cdot 30$. Ringing visitors welcomed.-C. Sharples, Branch Sec.

SOCIETY OI* ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOLTHS. - There will be ringing for Sunday service at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on Sept. 12 th, commencing at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-N. Summerbayes, 28. Bear Road, Bexley Heath.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Sept. 16th and 3oth, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 14 th, Southwark Cathedral on the 23 rd, at 7.30 p.m. "Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4

DEVONSHIRE GUILD. - Aylesbeare Deaner Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Withycombo Raleigh on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Belis (8) available p.m. Service 4.30 p.n. Tea and meeting to follow p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me not latei than Monday, Scpt. I3th. - R. Brook, Hon. Sec., Greatwood Terrace, Topsham.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Div sion.-A meeting will be held at Heathfield on Saturdar Sept. 18th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea o'clock (is. 3 . per head). Will those intending to b present kindly let me know by Wednesday previous to meeting?-A. C. Pankhurst, Hon. Div. Sec., r3, Brachford Street, Eastbourne.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-North Norfolk Branch.-A meeting will be held at Marshanr (bells 8), on Saturday, Sept. 18th: Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will members please send names, or numbers for tea, to $H$. Tooke, The Lizard, Wymondham, Norfolk? Bus leaves Norwich at 2.15.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Cheltenlam Branch.-A meeting will be held at Chipping Campden on Saturday, Sept. 18 th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. Tea 5 o'clock. Service 6.30. Will those who require tea please let me know not later than the r4th inst.? - Walter Yeend, Branch Hon. Sec., Millfield, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Christchurch, Hants. - On Saturday, Sept. I 8 th, a practice meeting will be held at Christchurch, when the dedication and unveiling of two peal boards will take place. Bells (12) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea at the King's Arms Hotel at 5 o'clock. Those requiring tea please inform me by Sept. 16th.-G. Preston, 42, Waterloo Place, Christchurch.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND IONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Finchley, on Saturday, Sept. i8th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at

Tea, is. each, at 5-30. Special method, London Bob Minor, No. 6, C.C. Colt. Plain Methods. All members and friends welcomed. Nearest station, Finchley, Church End. Cheap day tickets from King's Cross (I, and N.E.). There will be a twelve-bell practice at St. Giles' Church, Cripplegate, on Wednesday, Sept. 22nd, from $7.3^{\circ}$ to 9 p.m.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2 I, Vincent Road, E.-4.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western District.-The September meeting will be held at Flamstead on Sept. 18 th. Usual arrangements. Those requiring tea must notify me by the Thursday previous. A hearty welcome to all, for anything from Rounds to Spliced Minor (Plain and Surprise).-W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Witham on Saturday, Sept. $18 t h$. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present please notify me by Wednesday, the isth? - F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the association will be held at Kirkburton, near Hudsersfield, on Saturday, Sept. s 8th, when the bells (8) will be available from 2 p.in, to 9 p.m. A meeting of the Treneral Committee will be held at 4.15 . Tea (1s. 6d.) at 5 p.in. for all who notify Mrs. F. Carter, George Street, Kirkburton, by Sept. ${ }^{15}$ th. Nominations for the reneral secretaryship should be handed in at this meeting. The undersigned will NOT be available for relection: J. E. Cawser, Cragdon House, Ashton Lane, Braithwell, near Rotherham.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The meeting at Claybrook on Sept. 28th has been cancelled. Next district meeting will be held in October: Details later.-Wm. A. Wood, Dis. Sec.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The annuaj Erawford Cup Contest will be held at Sutton-on-Trent (8) on Sept. r8th, at 3 p.m. Ringing for non-competitors and visitors after tea. All welcome.-R. Towler, 69, Ordsall Road, Retford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Berks Branch.-Autumn meeting will be held at Long Wittenham on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Service $3 \cdot 30$ p.m. Tea at 4.30 . Please notify by the 5 th.-A. E. Lock, 35, East St. Helen Street, Abingdon, Berks.

GUJJDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District. - The next meeting will be held at Cobham on Saturday, Sept. I8th. Service 5 o'clock, with tea in the Church Roon after. Will those requiring tea please send a p.c. to Mr. W. James, 18, Freelands Road, Cobham, by the $16 t h ?-A . H$. Smith, Hon. Sec., Drakelowe, Howard Road, Great Bookhan.

LONDON COLNTY ASSOCIATION. - Sonthern District.-The next mecting will be held at Sit. Paul's, Bath Road, Hounslow, on Sautrday, Sept. isth. Belts (8) available at 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5.30 p. 11 . It is mportant that 1 should have names for tea by Wednesday, Sept. i5tlt, so please drop me a p.c.-A. li. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 118 , Sarsfeld Road, Ballam, S.W.i2.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GLELLD.-Gainsborough Dis-trict.-A mecting will be held at Willingham on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells ready early. Service $4 . i 5$ p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at a moderate charge, to all who inform Mr. C. Hooton, Stedman House, Willinghan, Gainsborouglh, by the Wednesday previous.- J. Bray, Hon. Branch Sec,
NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND DISTRICI ASSOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. Special invitation to the Burton district ringers. Will those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. E. Roberts, 46, Ashbourne Road, Uttoxeter, Staffs, not later than Sept. I5th?Andrew Thompson, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan and I'reston Branches.-A foint meeting will be held at Standisls on Saturday, Sept: 8th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea (9d. each), for which please notity Mr. E. Birctialt, 163, Preston Road, Standish, near Migan. - S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38 , Poolstock, Wigan.

BATH AND WEILS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch. - Clapton-in-Gordano is our next meeting place on Saturday, Sept, i8th. Please come along and be ready to start at 5 o'clock. The bells will be ready and waiting.-Percy $G$. Yeo, Long Ashton. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rocindale Branch. -Next meeting will be held at Milrurow on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells available from 3 p.m. A hearty invitation to all ringers and friends.-Stephen Lloyd l'arry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James, Milnrow, Rochdale.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.-A meeting will be held at Sawbridgeworth on Sept. 18th. The bells will be open daring the afternoon and evening. Service will be followed by ta and business. May I hope for a good attendance of both old and new friends?-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden, Herts.

THE OAKS-IN-CHARNWOOD.-Appealing name? Yes. Well, come round and lant out the M.C.A. Loughborough District neeting on Sept. 18th, 3 p.m. The change will stuppise you; coutting allowed; now double up; no dodging out. Tea a minor (?) detail at St. Joseph's Café.-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., Hugglescote.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOI, DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Cirencester Branch.--The next meeting will be held at Northleach on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells (8) open 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Short service at 6 p.m. P'lease send card for tea to Mr. J. C. Acock, Mill End, Northleach, Cheltenham.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A meting of the Southern Division will be held at Ringmer on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tca (price is.) 5 p.m. Names for tea by the previous Wednesday, please. Half rail fare, maximum is. 6d., allowed to members.-S. E. Armstrong, Hon. Div. Sec., 70, Hollingbury Park Avenue, Brighton 6.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborough District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Gilmorton on Saturday, September 18 th. Ringing commences at 3 E.m. Tea at 5 , followed by meeting. Those requiring tea please notify me by i6th inst.-H. W. Perkins, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53 , Landseer Road, Leicester.

EEY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch.A meeting will be held at Buckden on Saturday, Sept. I8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. - H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.
gloucester and bristol diocesan asso-CIATION.-Tewlsesbury branch.-Meeting at Chaceley on Sat., Sept. 18th, Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service $1.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business meeting to follow. Intending visitors please notify by Wed., Sept. I 5 th.-A. G. Pulley, Dumb'edon, nr. Evesham.

EBBW VALE, CHRIST CHURCH.-The new ring of eight bells, by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Monmouth on Sunday, Sept. igtil, at $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The service will be broadcast.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-T1ON.-The sixth annual dinner will be held at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Tything, Worcester, on Saturday, Sept. $25^{\text {th }}$, at 6 p.m. prompt. Bells available: All Saints' (ro) and St. John's ( 8 ), + p.m. to 5.30 p.m. TTickets (3s. cach) may be obtained up to Tuesday, Sept. 215t. from branch officers, members of the Dinner Committee, or J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Cheltenham Road, Sedgeberrow, Evesham.

TO CATER for your ringing pleasure. Rickmansworth on Saturday, Sept. ${ }_{2}$ th. Herts Association meeting. Tower open from 3.30 . Tea at $5.45-\mathrm{C}$. H. Horton, Bushey. City 427 o.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOLTH GULLD.
Basingstoke District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Upton Grey on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available from 2.30 . Service 4 p.m. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All requiring tea please notify by Sept. 21 st to Mr. F. E. Brasing$10 \mathrm{n}, 3$, Compton Place, Upton Gray,-J. Gr, Stilwell, Hon. Dis. Sec.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-St. James', Poole.-Dedication of two new trebles in commemoration of Coronation year by the Very Rev. the Dean of Salisbury, on Saturday, Sept. ${ }_{5} 5^{\text {till }}$, at 3.30 p.nn. Tea in the Guilchall at 5 . Special services on Sunday, 26th, at in and 6.30 . Ringing from 10.15 and $5-45$ -

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -The quarterly moceting will be held jointly with the Doncaster and District Society at Conisborongh on Saturlay, Sept. 25 th. Beils ( 8 ) available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.1m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., at gd. each. Please notify Mr. S. Harrison, i1, Church Strect, Conisborough, by Friclay, the 24 th, for tea.-F. Clark and E. Cooper, Hon. Secs.
SLIRREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be heid at Kingswood on Saturday, Sept. ${ }^{2} 51 \mathrm{~h}$. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5
p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Pleasesend me numbers for tea not later than Tuesday, Sepi. 21st. All ringers welcome. - W. Clayton, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Ashfori Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Willesborough on Saturday, Sept. 25th (Ashford bells not available, owing to illness). Bells ready 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting 5-15. Please send numbers for tea by Sept. 2 ist.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., ino, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Quarter ly meeting on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, at Burbage, nr. Hinckley. Bells (8) open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting 4. Tea 5, followed by general meeting. Names for tea (is. per head) must be sent not later than Sept. 2gth to Mr. G. Dudley, 47, Sketchley Roaf, Burbage, Hinckley. - Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Sireet, Leicester.
LADIES' GUILD. - Jubilee Dinner.-To be held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, on Saturday, Oct. 2 zrd. Will all who have reserved tickets kindly forward cash (6s.) for same at the earliest possible date, as no ticket can be reserved after Sept. 25 th ? - Edith K. Fletcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield.

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The reasons, of course, are not far to seek, In those great lands the men are widely scattered; the towers are; for the most part, still more widely separated, and nowhere, except perhaps in and around Sydney, N.S.W., and Boston, U.S.A., is there any group of towers within practicable reach of each other. What isolated bands there are have to be dependent entirely upon their own unaided efforts, and it is not surprising that their interest and enthusiasm evaporates in time, and an effort, courageously made, flickers out, for want of help and encouragement.

In a letter elsewhere in this issue the question of what can be done to stimulate and assist these lone companics is discussed by one who has had real experience of the adverse conditions under which they carry on. Mr. A. E. F. Trotman has seen the difficulties which conlront those who are seeking to establish change ringing in Western Canadia, and he asks what can be done by ringers in this country to help. Visits such as that paid to Australia three yeats ago serve to raise local enthusiasm, but the effect lacks real permanency. Moreover, such organised visits cannot be made with the frequency necessary to keep the interest alive; distance, time and expense are all too great. And jet it ought to be possible to devise some means of keeping in touch and carrying on instructional work greater than exists at present. The pioncer work, such as was done by Mr. [. J. Attwater at Kent School, Connecticut, and is now being put in in a ladies' school in New South Wales by Miss Kynaston, cannot be overrated. It is the most practical means of spreading knowledge and interest and, although these pupils may eventualty settle in places (Contimed on page 610.)

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where they are unable to continue practice, one never knows what seeds may be planted and eventually bear fruit. But if our correspondent's letter leads to some further thought being given to the matter, particularly by members of the Central Council and by the leaders of the Exercise in every association, some practical result may emerge for helping those who, overseas, are endeavouring to lieep the flag liying.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

PONTDFRACT, YORKSFIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thuysday, September 2, 1937, is Thrae Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
At the Chirce of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 GHANGEA; Tenor 48 cwt . in E .
Joen H. Lenton ... ...Tyeble Albert G.Strangward ... 6
Arthur Walker ... .... 2 Ronald H. Dove ...

- Frederick Newion ... ... -3 Tbomas Holdbr ... ... 8

Harry C. Walters ... ... 4 †Robrrt H. Vigor ... ... 9
*Harry Newton... ... ... 5 A, Patrick Cannon ... ... Temor
Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by A. P. Cannon.

* First peal of Royal. † First peal on ten bells.

CARDIIF, SOUTH WALIES.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCJSAN ASSOGIATION. On Thursday. Septenber 9, 1937, in Three Hours \& Twenty-Three Minules At the Church of St. Tohn-tee-Baptist,
A PEAL OF ERANDSIRE GATERS. SOOB GHAHEESI Tenor 27 cwt . in D .

* Howard L. Morgan ...Treoble| Robert E. Coles ... ... 6

Eraist Stitce ... ......${ }^{2}$ Alfred W. Heata ... ... 7
tRev. Ivor J. Ricgards ... 3 John Phillips ... ... .... 8
George Talbot... ... ... 4 Ricbard F. Deal ... .... 9 John W. Jonrs... ... ... 5 Shymotr R. Barker... ...Tamor Composed by H. G. Miers. Conducted by Jonn Peieirs. * First peal. + First. peal of Crandsire Caters. $\ddagger$ First peal ol Grandisire Caters "inside.

BEDDINGTON, SURREF.
THE SURREY ASSOCLATION.
On Salwrday, Sepiomber 17, 1937, in Three Hows and Ten Minutes, At tee Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 6000 CHANEES;
Teaor 18䨌 cwt. in E flat.
Roydon Davies ... ... ...Treble Dodley Boxton ... ... 6
Frederick E. Collins ... 3 †Frank E. Mitebitle... ... 7
Miss Gwendoline Kippin... 3 Tbomas G. Bhneister ... 8
Mrs. F. W. Howsden ... 4 Walter Claydon ... Rideard I. Foller ... ... 5 Daniel D. Cooper ... ...Tengy Composed by G. H. Crose. Conducted by Daniri D. Cooper. First peal in the method. † First peal of Royal. First peal ol Royal as conductor.

## FASLEMERE, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturdav, Septonber 11, 1937. in Three Hours and Twendy-Tiwo Minules At ter Ceorch of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 6800 CHANCEA; Tenor 13 cwt .6 lb . in F. sharp.
-Barry D. Elliott ... ...iveble Jobn H. B. Hesse ... ... 6 Alpard H. Pulling... ... 2 |Colin A. Hopper ...... - Dorts G. Dobbie .... ... 3 . Walter H. Dobbie ... ... 8 Williak J. Robinson ... 4 * Clarence H, Dubbia … 9 fErnegt J. Aylifye ... ... 5 Stanley B. Dobbie ... ...Thay Composed by G. Lindoff Conducted by A. H. Pazlag. * Pirst peal of Royal. I First peal of Royal in the methor. * Thist. peal in the method and first on ter bells. The conductor's 1,150 th penl.
BLJTCELFY.-On August 21st, after an unsuccessfal attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples, a quarter-peal in the same methad: J. Marks 1, H. Sear 2, A. N. Wood 3, W. J. Chester 4, Rev. J. E. F. Tredennick (Girst quarter-peal in the method) 5, H. V. Sear 6, A. J. Gireen (couductor) 7, E. W. Smitl 8.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

MARSDEN，TOTKSHIRE．
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，August 28，1937，in Three Hours and Twenty－Three Minutes， At the Cetrge of St．Bartholomew，

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR， 6088 CHANOEB；

 Tenor $26 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．in D$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Franr Popplewhll ... ... } 3 \text { Frank Rhodes ... } \\
& \text { Ronald H. Dove ... ... } 4 \text { A, Fatrick Canson ... ...Temor } \\
& \text { Composed by D. Woods. Conducted by R. H. Vigor. } \\
& \text { * First peal of Major. + First peal of Kent. } \\
& \text { NORTHOP, FLINTSHIRE. } \\
& \text { THE NORTH WALES ASSOOIATION. } \\
& \text { On Saturday, August28, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minwtes, } \\
& \text { At the Church of St. Peter, }
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A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 GHANGESi

Holx＇s Original．
Grorge Williams
唯 NS ．．．．．．． 2 William J．Robrris ．．． Lewis J．Evans

Teror $\operatorname{II}$ 童 Cwt
Thomas R．Griffites … 5 Jogn A．Randles －．．． Arteror Prince ．．．．．．．．． 7 Artedr Tilston ．．．．．．．．．Tempa Conducted by Artadr Pringe．
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## A PEAE OF BOB MAJOR， 5024 CHANGES：

 Tenor $5 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt．Geoffray Harrison ．．．．．．Tyebic Charles Allsop．．．．．．．．． 5
gen Grondy
G．Ronald Edwards．．．
Lesle Stevens ．．．．．．．．． 4
Composed by Geo．Lewis．

Rabpi Narborotug
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Rakpe Narborotge } & \cdots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { Ariedr Davis } & \ldots . & \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$
Colin Harrison ．．．．．．．．．Temor
Conducted by Colin Harrison． HUGHENDEN，BOOKS．
THE OXIMORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
（East Berks and Sotth Bucrs Brance．）
On Saturday，September 4，1937，in Thyer Hous and Two Mirutes， At the Ceurch of St．Migearl and All Angels，
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORNIEH GOURT BOE MAJOR，SOXO CHANCES； Tenor 124 awt．
－Edward Timpgon ．．．．．．Treble $\dagger$ Miss Kath．Eg，Fleiceer James W．Wilkins ．．．．．．．． 2 ．Percy Newton ．．．．．．．．． Miss Dorotay Fletgere 3 Roland Biggs ．．． Erederick G．Biggs．．．．．． 4 Haray Wingrove ．．．．．．Tenor Composed by J．W．Washbrook．Conducted by Harry Wingrove
Prirgt peal of Donble Nowwicla ant first rthempt．I 1001 h peal． Rhur in loonotu of lihe wedding of M！＇Artlant Newton，a menber of tho local baud，and Miss May Burrows．

## SALISBUTRY．

THE SALISBURY DIOOESAN GDILD．
On Suturday，September 4，1937，in Three Hours and Saven Mintes，
At fer Cedrge of St．Martin，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，504 CHANGES； Parker＇s Twelve－fart（7th observation）．
＊Reginali Lowe ．．．．．．Tieble William Sgute．．．．．．．．． 5 ＊Lronard F．Harris．．．．．． 2 †Frank A．Phen ．．．．．．．．． 5 †Dennis Brock ．．．．．．...$\quad 3 \quad$ Frame W．Romaing ．．．$\quad$ ．．． 7 Leonard Harris ．．．．．．＂ 4 ＂Jack Mossell ．．．．．．．．．Tयmoy Conducted by Frame W．Romane．
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On Monday，September 6，1937，is Three Hours and Sixten Minutes， AI the Churce of All Saints，
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 6088 CHANGE8। Tenor rad cwt．
Joum H，Lenton ．．
$\qquad$ ．．．Tpobla Harry Newton
Hagry C．Waliprs $\qquad$ artagr Albrrt J．Strangward ．．． 6
TbOMA Holl．．．． 3 Cbarles Brown ．．．
 Composed by T．Lackwood．Conducted by Joan H．Lentow． Ruag with bells fully muflied as a token of respect to the Irle Mr． T．J．Sides，Mayor of l＇ontefract，who was interred the same dny． He had been Mayor seven times since 1918.

IひRTPORD，KENT
THE EENT COUNTY ASSOGIATION．
On Monday，September 6，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty Minntes，
At the Church of tee Holy Trinity，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES；
Parker＇s Twelve－part（6th observation）． Tenor 18 是 cwt．in E flat．
Jobn Wheadom ．．． ＊．．$+\cdots T>a b l e$
Joze H．Ceresman
OR\＆C Cersman ．．．．．． 2 NOESE．BaILEY ．．．．．．
Derre M．Saarp．．．．．．．．． 3 Harry Hovmerbayes ．．．＊ 6
Hrrbert E，Acdsley ．．． 4 Robert Malstrr $\quad . .$.
Conducted by Norman Semserbaybs．
First peal as conductor：
LOUGHBOROUGH，LELCESTERSHIRE．
THE MIDLAND COUNITES ASSOCIATION．
On Tuesday，September 7，1937，in Two Howsand Thiviy－Thyo Mintiles， At tee Bell Foundry Campanile，

## A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5024 CHANOEs；

Tenor 6 cwt． 2 qr．I3 lb ．in B ．
Geoffrey Harrison ．＋＊．．．Tyalle G．Ronald Edwardes ．．． 5
Colin Harrison ．．．．．．． 2 Frederick A．Salter ．．－．．． 6
Jobn P．Fidler ．．．．．．．．． 3 Ralpe Nargoroggh ．．．．．． 7
Jobi Saddingion ．．．．．．． 4 A．Patrigk Cannon ．．．．．．Teror
Composed by A．Knigers．Conducted by A．P．Canmon． ROBIN HOOD＇S BAF，YOIKSHIRE． THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Wedtusday，Septamber 8，1937，in Three Hours and Seven Minutes， At ter Cefrce of St．Stepeqm，Fylingsdale，
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANEES； Hgywood＇s Traneposition of Thurstans＇Fodr－gart， Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2}$ cotb．
George F．Albxander ．．．Trulle Harry Short ．．．．．．．．．
Thomas H．Taffender ．．． 2 －Gzarge B．M．Dean ．．． 6
Alerat V．Coates ．．．．．． 3 Ronald H．Dove ．．．．．． 7
Tgomas W．Taffendra ．．．． 4 Arteur Weist ．．．．．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Teomas W．Taffender．
＊Tirst atteupt for a peal．
ERITH，KINT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Wednesday，September 8，1937，in Three Howss and Etght Hinutes． At the Church ar St．John－tee－Baftist，

## A PEAL OF CAM TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5120 EHANBES；

Tenor 15 cmt ．
James Bennete ．．．．．．．．．Treble｜Derer M．Siarp ．．．．．．． 5
Jagn H．Cebesman ．．．.. .12 Edwin A．Barnert ．．． 2 ．．．
Jobn Whradon ．．．...$\quad$ ．．． 3 Phary Hovird．．．．．．．．． 7
－Harry Hosmins ．．．．．．．．． 4 Abyhor S．Richardsin ．．Temor
Composed by S．Marse．Conducted by E．A．Barnett．
＊First peal of Cam．

EASTBOLRNE, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, Seflember 8. 1937, in Three Hotrs and Styen ofisutes, Ay Carist Caurce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

## Parken's Twreve-fart

Frederick H. Dallaway ...Treble Haroed S. Hobden ... ... 2 Joan E. Lyddiard ... ... 3 Harold G. F. Reynolds ... 4

Tenor $8 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt.
-Ronald W. J. Panrhorst 5 Cbarles A. Savage... ... 6 Edward W. Bray ... ... 7 Lodis W. Fableener ...Temar Conducted by Cbaries A. Savage.

* First peal. First attempt as conductor. SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.
THE NORTH NOTVS ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, September 9, 1937, in Three Fowrs and Eight Minutes, At the Church of All Saints, A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 50OS CHANCES; Tenor 12 crt .
Miss Kate. Bercanall Tyeble $\mid$ Tgomas Vessey ... ... .... 5 - Miss Dorotay Vessey ... 2 Richard M. Harvey ... ... 6 Frank Vrinon ... ... ... 3 Ernest A. Midwinter ... 7
Miss Grace Burcanall... 4 Clifford A. Vessey ... ...Tenoy
Composed by W. Harrison.
Conducted by C. A. Vessey.
* Firgt peal of Major. Ruug to celebrate bibe wedding of Mr. R. Forshan and Miss Gayrow.

> UFFORD, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, September 17, 1937, in Three Hours
At ehe Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 13筑 cm .
Grorge A. Fileming ... ...Tyeble "William A. Woods.... ... 5 Fredrrick J. Smite ... ... 2 Ernest Sydngy Balley ... Cgarles J. Sedgley ... ... 3 James A. Balley ... Sylvia R. E. Bowyer ... 4 Aldhrman Ling... ... ...Tenor Composed by C. Middertan. Conaucted by Ceas. J. Sedgrey. * First pan in the method 'inside.' First peal on the bells since their zeatoration.

EAST HACBOURNE BERKS. THE OXTORD DIOCESAN GDHD.
On Salurday, Seftubler 11, 1937, in There Hours and Three Jinules, At tae Parese Ceqrch or St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THERSTANs' Fodr-part.
Gborgr Williams .. ...Treble Reginald W. Rex ... ... 5
Walter Y. Webe...

- Beriram L. J. Brown JонN Nobes
.... ... 4
Conducted by Alpred H. Webb.
* First peal. it Tirst peal of Stedman. First peal as conductor in Hise method. Pung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. W. A, Goodenough and Mr. V. P. A. G. Scardifiel.

CHESHUNX, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Sattrday, Septonbet 71, 1937, in Threc Howy and One Minute, At the Church of St. Marf,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, GO40 CHANEES; Heywodd's Transposizion of Thursians' Four-part. Tenar 16 cwt .
 Mrs. Edita K. Fleicaer 2 Josrpe Ladley ... .... ... 6 -Migs Consiance Dition... 3 George W, Fletcegr $\quad . \quad 7$ Grorge Gray

Conducted by Mrs. E. K. Feetcaer.

* Pirst peal of Stedman.


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

NORTAREPPS, NORTOLK.
THE NORWLCE DIOCESAN $A S S O G I A T I O N$.
On Twesday, Angust 31, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes, Ay tee Chorgh of St. Marys

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGE8;

Consisting of 42 extents with 14 variationg of calling, 30 of Graudsite and 12 of bob.

Tellor $11 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
-Mrs. Hanbury F. Carter Treble "Hangury F. Cartgr $\quad . .3$
†Miss E. Jessir C. Angwin 2 tArtitur S. Robrets ... ... 4 Nolan Golden ... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Nolan Goldin.

* First peal of Doubles. t First peal of Doubles in two methods. First peal on the bells.

TRESULL, STAFFE.
THE SOGIETY FOR THE ARGHDEACONRY OF STAFPORD. On Monday, Septembey 6, 1937, in Tra Hows and Fifty-Nine Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Liob.

Tenor 11 cwl.
Thomas G. Martin ... ... Treble $\mid$ Christopaer Wallater ... 4
Harold Smite ... ... ... 2 Barnabas G. Kby ... ... $\quad$ j Albert D. Colins ... ... 3 | Howard Howell ... ... I enor Conducted by B. G. Key.
First peal in three Minor methods for all except the ringer of the 4th. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. T. Bemuet and Miss J. Nock, who were married at Irysull the previous Saturday.

WONSTON, HANTS.
THE WLNOHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Twesday, Septenber 7, 1937, in Two Howrs and Thirty-Seven Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trintty,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different 720's.
Tellor 9 ewt. ill A.
William R. Melville ...Treble |tGgorge Smite ... .... ... 4 †Reginald Dolzon $\quad . .$. Conducted by Chas. H. Kippin.

* Tirgt peal of Minor 'inside.' + First peal.

FELKIRK, NEAR BARNSLEY, YORKS. THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Barnsley and Disirigi Snciety.)
On Tuesday, September 7, 1937, is Two Hours and Fitly-Two Minutes, At the Churci of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF SPLIRED TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGE8;

Being seven extents: (1) Claxiwood and Neasden Delight; (2) St. Albaus and Wragby Delight; (3) Callege Excreise and Ockley; (4) Duke of Norfolk and Norbury ; (5) Capel and Sandal; (6) Loudon' Scholars' Pleasure and Kinggton; (7) Oxford and Keut. Tenor 10 cwt.
*Roland Hile ... ... ...Treble | Harold Caant ... ... ... 4 - Wilfrbi Libele ... ... 2 Aribita Gile ... ... ... 5 forn Thomas Whrte ... 3 | Daniel Smita ... ... ...Temor Conducted by D. Smiri.

* First peal in 14 methods. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. C. D. Potter, of Barnsley, who entered his 80tli year on September 2ad.


## HANDBELL PEAL.

STOGKPORT, GHESATRE.
THE OHESTER DIOOASAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Septomber 9, 1937, in Two Hows and Two Minutes,
At 2o, Aberdeen Crescent,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEES। Teuor gize 17 in B fiat.
 Allen F. Bailey $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3-4$ Harry Astion ... Composed by A. Knigets (No. 368). Couducted by A. F. Balley.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. H. Ashton and Miss J. Stevens on the occasion of their marriage at St. George's Church, Stockport, on August 21 st.

NORTH MIMMS, HERTS.-On Sunday, August 29th, for evening service, 1,260 Stedman Triples: F. Nash 1, T. Lock 2, H. Gurrell 3 , Miss K. M. Bradford 4, W. Nash 5, C. Nash 6, A. W. Coles (conductor) 7, W. Tyler 8. Arranged for the ringers of the 2nd and 4th.

## THE COTSWOLD TOUR．

## OXFORD．

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUKD．
On Salurday，Septanber 4，1937，in Three Hows and Twenty－Two Minutes， At Magdaern Colirge，
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL，5040 CHANEES； Tenor 20 cw ．in E ．
Frederick S．Bayley．．．．．．Tyeble $\mid$ Oliver Sippetts ．．．．．．．．．． 6
Kenagib Snelcing ．．．．．．． 2 William T．Beeson ．．．．．． 7
Walter F，Judge... Jack M．Cripps ．．．．．．．．． 4 Frederick W．Rogers ．．． 9 Francis E．Taylor ．．．．．． 5 Wilfred Williams ．．．．．．Teno＊ Composed by W．Pye．Conducted by Wilpred Williabe． Pirst peal of Sunprise Royill on the bells．

BANBURY，OXON，
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Sunday，September 5，1937，in Thru Hours and Thirty－T wo Minntes，
At the Chorch of Sx．Mary－the－Virgin，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL，GO4O CHANGESI
Tenor If cwt．I qr． 9 lb ，in E ．
Frgderick W．Rogers ．．．Treble｜Waltbr F．Jepge ．．．．．． 6
Frederici S．Bayley ．．． 2 Nelson Elliott ．．．．．．．．． 7
George Popnell ．．．．．．． 3 Fredtrick Page．．．．．．．．． 8
C．Ernest Smity ．．．．．． 4 William T．Bebson ．．．．．． 9
Kenneit Sneliling ．．．．．． 5 Olivaz Sippaits ．．．．．．．．．Tenar
Composed by Rzv．H．Law Jambs．Conducted by Oliver Sippetts GREAT TEW，OXON．
THE ANOTENY SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTES
On Monday，September 6，1937，in Three Hours and Iwomb－One Minutes，
At the Church of St．Michael
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR， 5088 CHANGES； Tenor 22 cwt．I口 ib ．in D ．
George Popnell．．．．．．．7 fable｜Frederick S．Bayley．．．．．． 5
 FEnneth Snelling ．．．．．． 4 Wilfrid Williams ．．．．．．Tenor Composed by J．W．Parkrr，Conducted by Frbdr．W．Rogrrs． First peal of Bristol on the bells．

ADDERBURY，OXON． THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Monday，Septembar 6，1937，in Thyea Hours dred Trunty winutes，
At tee Cutreh of St，Mary，
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE HAJOR，505日 CHANOES； Tenor 24 cwt I 4 lb ，in D ．
Wilfrid Wicliams ．．．．．．Tyedle Frbdrbigk Page．．．．．．．．． 5
Keitr Hart．．．．．．．．．．．． 2 Jace M．Cripgs ．．．．．．．．． 6
Nelson Elligti ．．．．．． 3 William T．Breson ．．...$\quad 7$ Kenmeth Snelling ．．．．．． 4 Oliver Sipperts ．．．．．．．．．Tenor

Composed by Frank Benneti．Conducted by Oliver Sipretrs．
First peal of houdon on the bells．
SWINDON，WILIS．
TEE GLOUCESNER AND BKISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIAT星ON．
Ca Tresday，Septentor 7，1937，in Three Hours and Twenty－Fiuc Jinutes， At Cerist Cherce，
A PEAL GF SPLICED YORKSHIRE AND CAMBRIDRE SURPRISE ROYAL， 5040 CHANGES
Tenor z2 cwt． 9 Ib，in E flat．
Kejth Hart．．．．．．．．．．．．Treble Nelson Ebliott ．．．．．．．．． 6
Jagr M．Cripps ．．．．．．．．． 2 Fredericy S．Bayley ．．． 7
Fradzrice W．Rogere ．．． 3 Wieliam T．Beeson ．．．．．． 8
Kinneth Sneling ．．．．．． 4 Oliver Sippeits．．．．．．．．． 9
C．Ernest Smith ．．．．．．． 5 Wilfred Wulliams ．．．．．．Temof
Cornpased by G．Lindorf．Conducterl by Wilfard Williams．
First peal of Spliced Surprise in the connty and by the association． This peal contains 2，800 Yoiksline and 2,240 Cambridge，the former being rung to the Wrong and the latter from the Wrong to the Home．

NORTHLEACH，GLOS．
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRIS＇IOL DIOCRSAN ASSOCLATION．
On Wedmesday，Stptenber 8，1937，in 7 hree Hours and Thirteen Minneas， At the Church of SS．Peter and Paul，
A PEAL DF SPLIGED LONDON，BRISTOL，GAMBRIDGE，AND gUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 EHANGES；

Tenor $\mathrm{I} 8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c} w \mathrm{t}$ ，in E．
Nelson Elliott ．．．．．．．＋．Treble Erederick W．Rogrrs ．．． 3
Kennetid Snelling ．．．．．． 2 C．Ershst Smite ．．．．．． 6
Jack M．Cripps $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . ~ 3 \quad$ William T．Begson ．．．．
Wilfred Wieliams ．．．．．． 4 Olifer Sippetis ．．．．．．．．．．．Tenor
Composed by A．J．Pirkan．Condueted by Wilfred Williams，
First peal of Spliced Surpriso in the county and of Spliced Surprise Major by the association．This peal contains 2，432 London，1，088 Bristol and 768 each of Superlative and Cumbridge，with 104 changes of method．

APPLETON，BERKS．
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Thursday，Septenter 9，1937，in Three Hours and Elever Minutes． At ter Chorch of St．Latrence，

## A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE BURPRISE ROYAL，5040 CHANGES；

Tenor $I_{4} \frac{9}{6}$ cwt．in E．
Keita Hart．．．．．．．．．．．． 7 veble Nel．son Elliotr ．．．．．． $6^{6}$
C．Ernest Smith ．．．．．． 2 Frederick S．Bayley ．．． 7
ELfnneth Snelling ．．．．．． 3 Frbderick W．Rogras ．．． 8
Jacr M．Criprs ．．．．．．．．． 4 William T．Birson ．．．．．． 9 Oliver Sippetts ．．．．．．．．． 5 ．．．Wilfrbd Williams ．．．．．． 5 ．．．Tenoy

Composed by G，Lindorg．Conducted by Frbbk．W．Rogres．
First peal of Surprise Royal on the bells；first penl of Yorkshire Royal in the county and by the Guild．

## OXPORD．

THE OXTORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Thu＊sday，Septomber 9，1037，in Two Hours and Fifty－One Minubes，
At tre Ceqree of St，Martin and All Saints，
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR， 6088 GHANGES； Tenor 7 cwt． 3 qr．to lb，in $A$ flat．
Frederick S．Bayley ．．．Typble｜Froderick Page．．．．．．．．．． 5
Waltra F．Judgr ．．．．．． 2 Jaca M．Cripps ．．．．．．．．．． 6
Kbnietr Sarlling ．－．．． 3 Freparick W．Rogers ．．． 7 Nblson Elliott ．．．．．． 4 Wilfrgd Williams ．．．．．．Tenor Composed J．W．Wasbaroox．Conducled by Wilfred Williame． First peal of Loudon on the bells．

STOW－ON－THE－WOLD，GLOE
THE GLOUOFSTPR AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION， On Friday，Septeniber 10，7937，in Jhyee Horrs awd Thirty－Four Minutes， AI tee Canrge of St．Efwhrd，
A PEAL OF ERISTOL SURPRISE MASOR，508B CHANRES； Tenor zo cwt．in D．
Frederick Page ．．．．．．．．．Tyeble Jack M．Cripps ．．．．．．．．． 5 Keith Hart ．．．．．．．．．．．． 2 William T．Bebson ．．．．．． 6 C．Ermest Smite．．．．．．．．． 3 Frederick W．Rogers $\quad . . .7$ Kenhete Snelling ．．．．．．． 4 Wilpred Williams ．．．．．．．Tehay

Composed by A．Knigers．Conducted by Wiepred Wieliams． First peal of Surprise on the bells．

CEIPPING NORTON，OXON．
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Friday．Septenber 70，1937，in Three Hours and Ten Minutes， At tee Cherch of St．Mary－t日e－Virgin，
A PEAL OF YORKBHIRE SURPRISE WAJOR， 5088 CHARCES； Tenor $I_{4}$ cwt．in $F$ ．

 Kenmete Snelcing ．．．．．． 4 C．Ernest Smith．．．．．．．．．Tenor Composed by A．Craven．Conducted by Fredr．W．Rogers， Pirst pal of Yorkshire on the bells．
（Continued on mext page．）

## THE LINCOLNSHIRE TOUR. <br> (Contimued from page 590.

## A HOLBEACH PUZZLE.

Holbeacl athd Fulney towers, not fir away, were our venue for 'Thesday. The two steeplekecpers were faillifully waiting io receive the party at the respectjve whurches. Holbeach has a very handsome church, dedicated to AlI Saints, with an exceedingly line battlemented tower with inset tall spire. A framed pancel tells us the electric lighting was in memoriam George Lamb, 48 years organist at this chureh. Another frame gives the list of approximate dates of aie several parts of the bijking: Nave and aisles 1340 , clancel 1355 , ulerestory 1380 , tower and spire 1380 , tumet of north porch 1526. The tower and spire was yestored in 1932 .
Looking frum the chancel down tho nave to the west, the general view of the interior is equal to that of the reverse direction, A hold, lofty arch open to the nawe; is ground floor rinying room; three immense windows (that to the west thed with stained ghass); a bold stone groined ceiling with the ropes falling in a circle m the centre of the roon with their colaured sablies, altogetlier form a unigue picture.
Whilst we were ringiug people came to look round the charcla, for getting the spring latoh on the norlh door, which closed wich a land hang as each wisitur left. "Go, Lincoln,' was called at 9.57 a.m. by The boid belfry clock. Al one o'clock the conductor had the misforLune to call oul 'Set 'em up!' Ilow he bells wenty into a 'heap' uiter safe ringing for so long is in Holbeach puzzle.
The bells, musical and in excellent onder, wre a pleasure to tamdle and listen to. North describes them as a fime ring of balls in perfect lime. In his day the inscriptions tald of a rimg of eirght, cast in 1770 by Joseph Envre (wilh two of the cid bells of 1648 retuined). The ynor is in E flat and 451 in. diameter. In 1776 the clock atud chimes fere installed, and amangst nine items played on ilie bells, "Ladies of London' anal "Lady Chatham's dig "are meationed.

Owing to the Vicar being on holiday, the local captain, Mr. F. Lightning, and Mr. F. W. Benmett, met us, and offerod condolence at ons* sad loss, hat did not remind ins that' sweet ate the uses of adversity. INTLIRESTING BELLS AT FULNEY.
St. Paul's, Pulney, the church of the flowers, was fcund to be a modem building, the foundation stone laid in 1877, with vicarage, gchools and entowment similer to All Saints', Maidenhead. It stands prominent beside the main road, upon a sector of the connty somewhat above the usual level of the fen areas, and it is noted for the fertility of its soil. In season many acres of brightly coloured blooms fram bulb cultivation are atriking feature of the landscape. In this lelfry J. G. Ames learme to ring, and it was the favonmite of the late Law James. Here we were met by the Ren. J. E. Callister (Vioar) and Mr. A. Firr, and the peal of Crabridge duly ecored. These bells aro interestiner from the fact that they were cast at Shephand Eane, Irixton, London, hy the firm of T. C. Lewis and Co. and hung in substantial cest-irou cradles. They were presented by Miss Charlotte Charinton, the fonndress of the dunch, who gave the site, hurlt the chureh and sclools and endowed it.

All reperted at headquaters at an earlier hour than usual and compared notes-Rupert Riclarklson with 260 miles added to his 'taxi after driving his daughter to ber oirl gnide camp in Forkshire.

The visit to Lincoln on Wednestay provided a big day, with 50 miles to travel via Sleaford and Walesby. On this route we had an agreeable change of scenery, with hedgerows and big cimber at the roadside, and, as we climbed the hills, beatitul wiews of the district with the distant Cathednal crowning its falleys.
All Saints', Walesby, is a bime-worn mellow old chareh, upon an eminence, which necessitated empty cars for the last quarter-mile. The whole place is reminiscent of West Wycombe, or the Welsit charches by Brecon. The buildiag consists of a western towel, Have and chancel in line, north and south aisles and a south porch. During repairg in 1931 examination revealed the amcient stairs to the rood loft, which were replaced in 1933 , in lien of the remmants of the original of 1566 , that liad been buint, portions being useत to repair the church benches. The solated prosition of All Saints probably saved its destruction, as proposed when erecting a new church in the rapidly growing under part of the parish.

## THE COTSWOLD TOUR

(Coutinued froz previous page.) BOURTON-ON-THE-WATGR, GLOS.
THE GLOUOESTER AND BRISTOL DIOOTSAN ASSOGATION. On Satmiay, Scptember 11, 1937, in Threa Hours and 7 hree Mintes, ${ }^{\text {B }}$ At zhe Cberch on St. Lawrenge,
h PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES Temor $I_{4}$ cwt. in $F$.
Keite Hart... ... .... ... 「reble |Frederick S. Bayley ... 5
Wilfred Williams
Nelson Efliott
Jack M. Cripps
 Firet peal of Major on the bells

The three aucient bells of 1553 did duty at the new church for about 20 years. Phey form a useful little octuve to-day, after additions, and restored filtings, by Mcars and Stainhank in 1935.
In the absence of Rector Arnold, we were met by the Rev. A. S Farding, the promoter of the bell yestoration, who also took a rope with us, and Mr. J. Freeman, of Lincoln. After a good peal of sinperlative juajor, during which the conductor must lave renallec North Stonefam we left AII Saints' erouching ryon ite mount as if to defy the Northz Sea storms and the unkind eftorts of time and nembind.

LINCOLN CATHEDRAL.
And when evening sliadows soften Churchyard-cross, and tower, and aisle; These shal! blend their vesper summons With the dry's departing smile.'

At Ashlton-under-Lyhe, 1871.
We pulled up at 3 o'elock on the worih side of whe Cathednat, scarcely realising the gradient of the winding roads up throngl, the older parts of the city surrounding the venerable pile. A nearer view of this maguifieent building impressed one with its lugge proportions: its monster central tower, its wonderfil westhfronb and the rentarkably good material preservation of the whole structure. This Cathedral stands pre-eminent among the many cathedral churclaes of Great Britain, besides being one of the most ancient. Ruskin said that ib was worth two of any others and flat it was ant and out lite most precious piece of architocture in the British Isles.
We went "down' to lameheon at Boots' establishment wia ike Exchequer Gafe, down Steephill, which cars never use, past tho hatse of Aaron the Jew, gaid to be the richest man in England in the reigu: of Henry JI., and another belonging to a Jewess, Balasel of Wallingford, who was hanged in 1200 for abosing the King's coin. Dowit, down until my knees went over a bit, into the High Sureet that connects with Ermine Way, a Roman thoronglifare. The Newport Gata, and part of the town wall, is the oldest Thomat arch in Britain, built some time before A.D. 45 , the walls of the city enclosing some 40 acres an the crown of the hill.
Under the guidance of brother Lindoff (a resident here 40 years ago) the half-dozen tourfsts not ringing in the moring were able to explore many nole historical feratures.

At 4 p.m. we werc all united egain at the wost front, listening to two deep-toned bells tolling for evensong, joined by Mr. Breeman (tower warlen) and others, and kindly shown the way in, througl the Ringers' Clapel, up the south-west 'Hugh ' tower to the handsome linging room.

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## A MODEL RESTORATION.

There followed the usual prelimina'y moceedinms, und when ull was ready 'Go, Stedraan, was called. Yery little was said afterwards until 'This is all' by the conductar', when a most evjoyable performatuce became a thimg of the past and with no errorg to regret.
faike Ipswich tower, if yau cannot ring well at St. Hugh's there must Ju somelling below first-class standard at the rope's end, beexuse eirele, draught, light and sound give testimolly to a first-class piece of worknanship.
This restorabion scleme constitutes a model for other chureh Ruburities Lo learn and profit by. Beltionmder, architect and enringer Anve al! combined to secure perfection, Fts recent completion has been so fulty reported in "The Ninsing world that further refareace to it now is unnectssary, except to add that the "Lewis panelling " in the riuging ulamber will be an everlasting tribute to the science of its inventor.
As out team were leaving the room an activo dozen of strapping young men of the Cathedral company congrabulated us and kindly alfered to lower the bells in pral. As listeners outside this was a real treat to us all. Ar excellant fall, the nich notes of the bells echoing acrass the green foreeourt, with ftill mown jreping over the ancient Louses opposite, roused personal [eelings and emotions not casily rescribed in cold print.

Yo anofenb ringerg' house, The Black Boy, near the Hugh tower, has heen converted inta a privale residence. It has been the sebme of mandy a Christmas and Naw 耳eaw's gathering and patronised by past mingers whose names ale in black letters on the tower walls today. It ouce passessed a 'Jack,' or black leather jug, which for centuries digtilled swect sustenance, but is now an object of veneration in the Gity MLusemm. However, another ancient hostelry, the Black Horse, housed us unti, 10 o'clock, whea our pariy left to enjoy a moonlightit frive back to \$palding

Datk grow the winclows, and quench'd is fle fire;
Sound Iades into gilence, all footsteps retire.
Na voice in the chambers, no sound in the hatl!
Sleep and oblivion reign over all.'
(To be continued.)

## FOREMAN RINGER MARRIED

Iu lonont of the wedding of Mr. F. Honcy, foreman of the loen hatu, a quarter-peal of Grandsitc Doubles ( 1,260 ehanges) whs bung ut Sunnir gwell, Beuks, on Saturday, September 4th: R. White I, F. Clinkard 2, J. Nobes (conductor') 3, C. Befteridge 4, W. Cudd 5, 山. Wilks 6.

THE LATE MR. WILLIAM WATTS.
CLOSE OF A LONG RINGING CAREIER.
Mr. Willian Wates, wor, as already bricfly mentioned in ond columas, passed away at the age of 72 years on September lst, began his zinging career aboult 50 years ago in the Eastern Counties, and was for long a ringer at Stansted, Essex. He radg many peals for the Essex and Norwich Diocesan Associations,
Ho augrated to Sussox in 1918 and joined the band at Lindield. He went to Lower Beeding in 1923, and alter reliring in 1936 lived at Guckfield, where he died. He was an ever-red dy holper in any distriet int which he resided, and in the mid-Sussex area will be greatly missed.
He was an excelleut rithger and eonductor and had ealled 104 of his 228 peals; in fact, he had valled peals in all the methods he had rumg axcept Bob Royat, Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Court Boh Triples. In some methods, among them London and Bristol Surprise, he had called fill ho had rung. Appended is lis list of peala, us far as they can be ascertaimed.

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New Cumberland Surfurise Major
Superlative Surprise Major
Cumbridge Surprise Major
Double Norwich Major
Stedntan Caters
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## BELERY GOSSIP.

His friends will regret to hear that Mr. W. D. Smith was suddenly taken ill while in Eastbouma on Saturday. He was removed to his bome in Polegate, where latest reports indicate, we are pleased to say, satisfactory progress.

Mr. Smith is one of the oidest menbers of the College Fouths. Ho was Master first in 1891 and again in 1903 and 1904, He was for years connected with the ringing at \#ackney.

Congratulations will be extended by the Exercise to Aldermula J. S. Pritehett, Master of St. Martin's Guild, and Mrs. Pritchett, of Hill Top, King's Norton, on the celebration of their goldeu weacing day on Tuesday.

There is to be a meeting of tho Warwickshire Guild ato Lawford, near Rugby, to-morrow, and a quarterly meeting at Stratford-onAydn on Oetober 16th.
The Durham and Nawcastle Diocesall Association celebrates its diamond jubilee this year, and particulars of the antangements for the annual meeting and dinner on 太Goptember 25th will be found is our notice columis.
Mr. E. Barnett, of Crayfard, writes: Your remarks in 'Peal Notes about 'circling a tower' has reminded me of Mr. J. IR. Sharman of Cogenhoe, Northants, whose record in this, I should imngine, is uniguc. At Easter, in the years 1901-2-4-5, he visited Quex Park, Birchingtor, rang 12 peals in 12 attempts, and each on a diferent bell.

## MELAOURNE CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.

CHANGE OF HON. SECRETARY.
Mr. A. A. Savage has resigned the Jon. secretaryship of the St. Paul's Cathedral Society, Melbourme, Aastralia, which he has filled sinee 1925. Mr. Savaure, who leamed to ring at Tnrvey, Beds, first migratad to Australia in 1912, served in the Great War, and returned to Australia in 1919, but it was not until 1924 that he joined the Cathedral Society. He has done splendid work as secretary and his resignotiou is much segretted.

He is succeeded in the ofice by Mr. J. Roper, one of the younger members of the society.

Recently the suciety has received an jnflux of 'reccuits,' Lour young men and one young lady laving joined. It is hoped that this acquisition of strength will ensure the maintenance of ringing at the Cathedral

## OLD BELL METHODS HELP BEGINNERS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -Mr. Cannon may have visited over 30 counties for ringing, but it is evident, from the conclusions be draws, he has never been to Birminghana. Whell fe does came to "grab" a few towers round that district, he will be able to hear striking equalled by very few bands. And, sir, may I point out to him that in that home of Stedman, most of the ringing is done int odd bell methods.
In my humble opinton, good striking can only be obtained when the bells lead correctly, and low can the beginger do this when the bell he has to lead off is constaztly changing?

Exhall, Coventry.
Malcolm melville.

## BOB TRIPLES.

'IHE BIGGEST WORTY.

## 7o the ELitar

Sir,-It is mat my intention, nor do I wish to waste valuable space in -The Tinging World ' by entering into a lengtiyy correspondence witl Mr. A. P. Cannaa. The letters by Messrs. H. Dirake, O. W. Pipe and T. Groombridge ghould effectively sileace him (if that is pogsible). Ho has failed to grasp the meaning of my letter. I will asy again that if a band is not strong enough for Major, stick to Triples. The Triples methods, he gays, are merely Minor with a bell in the hant added. That may be, but the fact remains they are Treples. By taking Bob Minor and adding a hunt bell we"get Grandsire Triples. The so-called Bob Triples are not Tripies at all. I call it Plain Bols spoilt.
If ever Mr. A. P. Cannon takes up Sumday ringing he will find his biggest worry is not how best to get a learner on to Surprise, but hov to keop his bells ringing at all. G. A. LEVETT.

Hastings.

## FRANCIS BACON REPLIES.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, My thanks to Dr. Slack. His equations are better than crossword puzzles. But why should he recommend me to try to compose a peal of Stedman Triplos in two oxact parts with only two singlesp Surely any person of average intelligence can see at a glance that that is impossible. It cannot be that Dr. Slack does not see it.
Mr. Daniel's reason for using a box when ringing a tenor is delightful. Personally. I lave usially foum that the hest thing to do when one cannot react on bell at hackstroke is to lengthen the rope.

FRANCIS BACON.

## RINGING IN DISTANT LANDS.

## AN APPLEL FOR HELT TOR THE ART OVERSEAS

## To the Editor

sir,-Your article in 'The Riuging World' of September 3ud on Australian Lady Ringers' and the excellent work being done among them by Miss Joan H. Kynaston is a timely one, nnd rases important questions for the ringer whis is irterested nz "Empire ringing.' Quite recently, also, we have read of the dedications of new peals at Victoria, British Columbia, and at Hobart, Trasmania, and of the traming of hoys at botil places to ring them.
What is to happen to these new and isolated companies of singers? Are they to be left to their own fate in their struggle for existence, ate they going to receive active encouragement nud support from their' richly cuduwed brothers in the 'old country'? The task of kneping the bells rung in this conntry is hard enough, especially in some country districts. Bat it is infinitely harder in a dominion lower. It usually depeards an the goodwill of the few 'immogrant' rimgers who bappen to be in the neighbourhood. The training of untwe sons aud daughters usually ends in complete failure, partly herause of the Iack of tradition and the 'pull ' of counter-aftractions, hut ehifefly because of a dearth of fresh towers and ringers with whom the keen youngster can assuciata. His early enthusiasm soon fags, nid there is no peal ringing to act as an incentive to highor effort. 14. would seem that the least we can do is to ensure visiting ringers on the Dominions a hearty welcome and pleaty of instructive pracThe impression made by her visit on Miss Joyce Lhyton, for instance-the lucky girl from Mittagong-will do much to encourage discourage her less fortuante friends in Australia.
But cannot something more be done in the course of time? Gould regular visits be organised on the lives of that excellent 1934 tour ringers to Australia. The British Columbia ringers are eagerly king forward to sucla a visit. And could not the visits le in both ections, because a visit to thes country by Dominion ringers would of more real value to those ringers than vice versa? Or are hanges of visits the sole prerogative of test mateh cricketers and rroy footballers?
Another suggestion one could make is that disused peals like that the Charch of St. Peter-in-the-Fiagt at Oxford might be sent to a or town in the Empire. I could name many such in Ganada which uld be only too glad to have them. There must be numbers of er ways, too, by which we can lead of helping hand to these nggling bands of yingers. But the purpose of this letter is merely point to the need for lrelp.
his year, at the time of the Coronation, we witnessed Dominion ops taking over the 'guard, at Buckingham Palace, each conrent for a week. Is it too much to hope that at the next Coronathe bells of Westminster Abbey will be rung by representatives Dominion ringers?
A. E. F. TROTMAN.
ong Bredy, Dorset.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

## BARTON CAPTAIN'S LONG SERVICE.

meeting of tho Grimsby District was held at Barton-on-Humber Saturday, September llth. The lovely peal of eight at St. Peter's urch was kept going during the afternoon and eveaing by ringers om Uleeby, Grimsby, Burton-on-Stather, Scunthorpe, Barrow-onumber and the local members. Mr. and Mrs. J. Brothwell, of eeton, and Mr . Chamberlain, of Kull, were also among those present. the service was conducted by the Rev. Goulding (curate). The dress was a very homely talk.
After service the members adjourned to the Assembly Rooms, where excellent tea was awaiting them. Twentry-five sat down, ineluding he Vicar, Ganon W. E. Farah, R.D., the Rev. and Mrs. Goulding nd Dr. F. P. IS. Birtwhistle (an honorary member). The Vicar in absence of the president of the district, presided over the meating. Mr. E. Britfain proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for e 1350 of the bells, to the curate for conducting the service and for addiess, to the caterers for an excellent tea, and to all those who made the arrangements.-This was secouded by Mr. J. Bray and ried.
In reply, the Vicar said it, was always a pleasure to welcome ringers Barton. Bells were made to be rung, he said, and they were rung Barton, He was greatly indebted tor the Barton band and to Mr. W. Hoodless for his untiring interest in the bells, as captain of band during his (the Vicar's) 28 years in the parish. Canon Farah welcomed the Vicar of Ulceby (the Rev. R. Marsden).

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## BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

## VALUABLE SLRYICES RECOGNISED.

The long senvice rendered to the famsley and Distriet society by its president (Mr, C. D. lºliter) aud a former secretary (Mr. A. Panther) have been marked by presentabions to these two gentlenen in recoguition of their ungrudging work for the society for many years.
Each has been the recipient of a walnut-cased chock wilh Westmiuster chimes and suitably inseribed, and the presentation took flate at a happy gathering at Barnsley an Soptember dth, when about 40 members were prosent, and the following towers were represented Adwick, Arksey, Almondbury, Bolsterstone, Cawithome, Wastwood, Earlsheaton, Frelkirk, Friealand, Horbury, Hoylandswaine, Handsworth, Metham, Rotherhan, Sthada, Shelly, Wath, Worlley and the local company
Ringing commenced about 3 p.m., and laler a service was hold, conducted by the Vicar, Catun Wilkmson.

The presentations were made after to in the new Parisl Room. The Vicar (Canou Wilkinson), who presided, said it was the lirat tine he had had the opportunity of mecting the ringers, aud lie was very pleased to be preseat on such a menorable occasion. He gave the society a cordial welcome and hoped it would not be long bofore they came again

Mr. Ricketts spoke of the early days of the Barisley Socioty and uf the good work that had been done both by ML. Potter sthal Mr. Panther. Mr. Potter was one of the founders of the society, and Mr Panther was secretary and treasurer for a long period.

Mr. Brearley supported these remarks and praised the good work done by the society in improving the ringing in the district, hot $\mathrm{l}_{1}$ in methods and striking. He had done a lot of judging in the society's shield contests, and it was very worthy of note liow this complition lad improved the ringing.
Mrs. Wilkinson, with \& few happy words, then presented tho elocks, first to Mr. Potter and then to Mr. Panther; both of whom suitably acknowledged the gifts and the honour thus done them. Mr. Hoxon moved the usual vote of thanks to all who dad mado this mecting such a lappy gathering, and this was endorsed by all.
A social evening followed al the Royal Hotel, with handuells and other items, while some returned to the tower to ring various touches of Minor and Major
The meeting was one of tho happiest events in the history of the Barmsley and District Society.
A peal in 14 methods of Treble Bob Minor was rung at Felkimiz on September 7thin honour of Mr. Potter's 79th birthday, which oucurved on September End.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
ENTERI'AINED AT SYDLING
The Doichester Brancls was again favoured with glorions weativer for the quarterly meeting at Syding-a village nestling between the hills and still unspoilt-on Saturday, Scpternuer 4 bh. Coming as it did within a fortaight of the practice meeting at Lition, the athend ance of members and friends was very gratitying
The bells, 8 fine mellow peal of five, tenor approximately 191 cut. were wailable from 3 p.m. The party in the touriog coach were there on time and round the local band in the tower with everythily in readiness. Practice with mixed bands was continued until the service, conducted by the Rev. A. S. Brymat (Rector of [fpwey). The Vicar (the Rev. J. Wynu Wernick) srave an sxcelicut and helpful address The gervice was cheral and very bright. Afterwards all adjourned to the Vicarage lewns, where, as a fortnight previously, du alfresco 'Dorset tea was awniting them. The members aud friends, numbering 47, were the guests of the Vicar and local ringers. Necdless to say, out in the lovely sunshine and amid such surtotndings, this was greatly enjoyed.
The busiuess was cut to an minmum. In the absence of the charman (tho Rev. A. W. Markby), the vice-olatirman (the Rev. R. P. Frryow) took the chair. Two now menbers woro elected
The usual vote of thanks was proposed by the chairman and seconded by tho Rew. A. F. Godley (Vicar of Bradford Peverell). The Ficar was particularly thanked for his great kindness in allowing tho members the use of his gardeas and lawns dining the whole afternoon and evening.
In supporting the vote of thanks, the Rev. A. S. Bryant paid a greate tribute to tho excellent work the Vicar had done, and said at the end of this montl he would complete 60 yenss in the ministry of the Church. A thankegiving would be beld at Sydling to commomoreto this.
The lady ringers of Sydling, who had done their part so well, were not forgotter in the speeches.-The Vicar, replying, thanked them alt. Fe said it was always a pleasure to welcome tho Guild.

The members ngain returned to tho tower, whene minder the guidance of the Ringing Master one or two wero piloted through their first 120. Some went on to Cattistock and had a short touch on the eight bells hung for ringing, after which the visitors heard the carillon, which consists of 35 bells, play two well-known tupes. A short balt was also made to ring on the handy peal of six at Maiten Newton,
Thus onded another happy gathering, at which the following towers were represented: Bradioril Peverell, East Lulworth, Hazelbury Bryan, Preston, Straton, Stoke Wake, Sydling, Wyke Regj- and a welcome visitor from North Cadbury.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

 TROLOSED WEDN゙ESDAY MEETINGS.The meeting of the Guildford Distrite of the Gaildford Diocesurn fitila ut West Clandon on Suturday athracted gearly thilty yugers, and some grood pratime was pul in in the "standard' methods on the
 evening. The hon. secrelary had received manes of 16 who had said they would be preseut ab tea; comrageously he ordered lea for 30 and, as things turmed oit, made a very good guess, clespite the fact that sume of the 16 diti not put in an appearance.

In the absence of the Ficar, the Guild service was taken by the Rev. L. Slatey, Fitar of the atjoining parish ol Merrow, who has himself begum ringing and trok part in sone rounds lefore service.

He also presirled at dile husimess meeting when two new nembers were clepted, including Mr, A. I. Carrigan, until retently of Narth Sitoneham, who hite now eome to reside at Wokine
The mombere distugsed the auestion of holding ormational mectings on Wednesdays. The mater had been before the Fandan District the previons week, ant was introdnced to the Guildford District by Mr. R. Whittington.
Mr. R. Gordon Cross, who was present, said iu ane of the branches of the Oxford Guild in which he was interested, Wednesday meetings wero instituted and proveil successful the first year, but afterwurds hhey were attended chielly by those who were also presett at Saturday meetings.
It was pointed ont that the object of the meetinge would le specialy to encourage tio attendance of those who were gt present unable to altend Saturday meetings, and it, was thought that stems might be taken to ascertain how many members there were in the distriet who were tilms situated and who wonld attend Wodnestay meetings if they ware arrallged.
The subject is to come before the weat mecting of the Executive Conmmilted
A vote of hanaks 10 the liector of West Clandon, to Whe Rev. Is starey and to the organist was passed on the motion of the general hom, secreliary (Mr. J. S. Goldsmith), and ackrowledged by the Rector of Merrow.
THe bells of West Clandon are a good ring of eirht, wery moisy in the ringing chamber' and several of them "ond slizuck," but they go well. Tho trebles were added about five years ugo, almash minely by the efforts of the West Ciandon ringers, but lihere has been no neal rung on the octave yot-Lhe first ' Lecal' peal being still awaited. la 1913 the old ring of six perished in a fire that destroyed the contents of the tower. Thomas Eester liad vast the peal in 1714, but 3, 4 and 5 hid been recast in 1875 by Mears and Stambank.
in tho secoud inventory of the reign of King Edwnul YI. there were liree bells in the steeple, of $r$, $i i i j$, $i \mathrm{ij}$ owt., with a eannce bell.
This second inventory was baken liecanse of the disappearanco from many elsurches of the goods enumerated in the earlier catalogue, some lasving been sold for legitimate purpuses, others purloined.
There doos not seem to be any record, in Surroy at eny rate, of bulls being stolen, but in West Surry the clurches seem to have sulfered from an epidenic of thefls of mara porbable goads. At West Clandon the second inventory records, "The rest of the fiomer inventerye stollen and robbyd by theves, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ and there is a simitar endorsement in the case of a dozen or nore adjacent parishes.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

SUCCESEMI MEPTING ATEGRAT WADTIAM.
The meetiny of the Antulih-finstern Division at Grent Wathan moved o be very cingoyalie, about 50 ringem from 21 Lowers boing present. In the absence of the Visur (1.he Rov. IR. 1 ". Burnett), the service was conductod by the Rev. Fgerton Ward, Fient of Pinisclite, Lathes, Who gave a very inspiring budress. The simging was accompanied by
the organist and the lesson read hy the Divisonal Master (M?. If. the organist
T'eat was served in the Villate Clith, after which the businesg meeting was presided ower ly ihe Divisional Master.
The eleation of W Dawtein, of Boreham, previous to a peal was confirmed, ant it was decided to hold the next meeting at Reltendon on Sttintay October: 9th.
To atvoid the clashing of dates for the divisional anmas meebings it was propused thint the Sonth-Fastem Division lold theirs on Satarday, November' 27th, at Writile.
The thanks of the meeting was tendetert by Mr. W. Challe to the Vicar for allowing the use of the bells, to the Rev, Egertou Ward for conducting the service and for his adduess, atitu Mr. Day and the locel hand for having overything in readiness.
The following towerg were reprosented: Great Baddow, Burehnm, Broomfieh, Chedmaford, Danbury, Ford End, Fryevinu, Goldnanger, Maldon, Springicld, Great Watham and writile, and visitors from Pobbing, Newmurket, WondEod, Fornclumb, Melbonme, Greab Pardfied, LevLon, Elelmey and St. Lawrence Tewry.
PULFORD.-On Mrnuay, September 6bh, at, St. Mar's Chureh, arter a penl atfompt, lat failed, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (from Hold's Onfinal): Arthur 12rince (eanductor) 1. Rev. Arthar Minns 2. Tarry Lewis 3 , Georga Williams 4, Thomas R. Grimths 5 , Willian T. Futclete 6, John W. Test 7, Arthur Tilston 8.

## PEAL NOTES.

## THE CORSWOLD TOUL.

Eleven peals were rumg ond of fourtem attempted on the ton of the Cotswold country whinh concluded last Saturday
The suctesses included two peals of Cambridge Surprise Eoyal, fone of Forkshive Royal and one of these two methorg spliced; two mans of Bristal Surprise Major, two of Lonlon and one earh of Yorksfire, Camhridge and Spliced surprise Major in four methods. The thee peats lost were Spliced Suprise, Gambridge and Superlative. A rood week, with a very Royal tonch about it.
 Golden (1aw loon, seoretary of the Norwhe Diacesen Asaciation and where he is the leader of the lacal band. After loug effort mar. Inobley succeeded in getting the bells, a ring of five, restored this year, Messry. Taylor and Co. completing the woth in May
The first pen on the bells was rung on Augnst 31st, condutitul by Mr. Nolan Golden, und Mr. and Mrs. Hanbury Cartel taok part. Jt was their first peal of Doubles and the first peal of Doublos methods by Miss E. J. G. Angwia and Ms. A. S. Roloerts, of Liuro Cornwall. The ringers wish tw assochate Mr, Cyril Pooley's mane with the peal.
It seens strange to notice that Mr. Dnn Cooper, who hat Laken purt in so wany peals, panticularly at Beddington, where all son'ts of Surpriso peals on ten bedls have been rung has jusi called his birst
peal of Royal-ar peal of rreble Ten. But Dan, the leader of the band ait Croydon Parish Clarch, from which we lave henrd shed excellent broadeasts, is like that. He plefers to kecp in the hadeground.
A handbell peal of Kent Treblo Bob was yumg at, Storld purb gu September 9th as a complimens to a mewly-maried couple. Hr. H,
Ashton add Miss J. Stevens. The bridegroom rung tho temors to the peal.
Mr. George Williams, Master of the Winchester and Porlsinuth Diocesan Guiki, took part in a peal of Sledman Triples at East Hagboume, Berks, on Saturday, It was rutg as a birthaty complimont to Mrs. W. A. Goodenamgh (whase hasband yang the tenori) and Mr. V. P. A. G. Scardifield, uephew ot Mr. Williams.

Victor Scardifeld learned to ving at St. Feter's, Brithtom, many years ago, when living with his uncle and annt, but, entering the jommalistic profession, his opporlunities for following the art dieappeared. His interest in ringing, howerer, contimes.

The first peal on the bells at Uffom, Suffolk, where the Rev. Ferbert Drake is Rector, was mury on Saturday.
Cam Treble Bob, which is one of the meknods by the Rev. E. B. Tames for cutting the tenors out of the " slow, is not of tean yug, lyut a peal was scorod at Exith on Septemier 8th, with five of the hand ringing their first in the method.
Miss Constanee Ditton, who rang her first peal of Stedman 'lyiples on Satinday at Choshmet, Herts, is only 15 yentr of age.
A peal of Graudsire I'riples at Clirist Church, Eastbourme, al september 8th, was rung in celeluration of the birelh of a dangliter in Mr. Harold S. Hobden. It was conducted lsy Mr. C. A. Savage, ab was successiul in his first peal attempt as conductor.

The first peal in the city ai Salinbury was rung on Septemb 1887, ad ct Martin's Church, and to commemorate the jubile ${ }^{2}$ peal was rung in the same tower an September Atle last. The first peal was in lonour of Queen's Victorin's Jubilee, that rung a fortaight ago whs a Corourtion peal for King George WI.
The firgt peal was Holt's Ten-Part. and those who took part wero F. D. Attams, tha Rew. F. T. O. Felmore, W. E, TVMeman Clememis. J. R. Jerran, T. Blackbourn (conductor), W. W, (tiford and C. Gaisford.
A honrd in the ainging rom commemorntos tha perl, and,
tion to the usual details, bears the hames of Johin Wordsworla, Eishop of Sarum ; Felk Griffin, Mayor of Salisbury; C. N. WYlde, Rebtrer and A. Tucker and W. T. Weblb, churchwardeps.

Miss Kathleen E. Metcher scored her ane hundredtl penl ous haptember 4lh, when slle took part in a peal of Doulit Norwioll at Hughenden. The ladies, whose peals run into three figures, ate now growing mumerons.
The ubiquitous Mr. Put Gnmon has just had a holiday in Toulsshie A. Massden he 'turmed in' his filtieth diffevent tenor to at peat, naed at Pondefyact rang his fortieth peal as condnctor, spread ower 39 towers. On the way back he rang a peal at the Bell Foutndist Langhborongh. As he rang the lemor at looth the last-mmed planes we suppose lis total of temors "turneri in ' is now 52.
The peal of Bol Major at Langhboronth Bel] Foundig an Scplember 2nd was arranged for Mr. Arthur Davis, of Bournemouths

Thu peal of Grandsive Trizles, rumg at Darlford, Kent, ou Seulemher 6iln, was arranged for Mr. R, Malster, of Woodbridge, Sultoth, who was spending a holidiay in the distriet.

A wedding peal at Trysill, Stalfs, was tho lirst in thee Minor methods by five ont of tha six ringers.
PTNNFR. MIDDLISEX. On Weinesday. Septemher ]at, al St Jrhe the Bapyigt's Chuwch, 1,020 Grandsirte Doubles (longesi tonch hy ringers of 1, 2 and 3): Lionel Royall 1, Sydney Smidn 2, F. Arfint Traybrooke 3 , Charlie Tood (acted 80) 4, Tom Colling (conalistor) 5 Tommy Humplureys (aryeai 73) 6.

## LANCASHIRE INTEREST IN LADIES' GUILD GROWING MEMRERSHIP.

The jolly sound of Ashton's lovely peal of eight at St. Peter's Clanelh greeted members of the Ladies cuid on their artival for their quatterly meeting. After an all-round istroduclion in the belfry a good hour's mized ringing was enjoyed before service, at which Canon A. Foolt, of Bolton (president of the lancashire Association), and the Rer. F. Bonner', of SE. Mary's Ghurch, Stockport, officiated.
After the service a lunried departhre was made to the tearooms, biting cold winci minking speed a nevessity, Mrs. Wolstencroft re ceived the company, having prepared, with helpers, a delightfully rigizal tea, to which a large gathering sat down.
Later Canon A. Seott put into words what the ladies and visitors had already fell-a very warm weleome to Ashtom. The Cunou thavked Mrs. Wolstencroft and helpers, also Mr. Ridyurel and nill those who had worked so hard to make such u good meeting. -The smerelary of the Ladies' Guild thanked Canon Seatt and his seconder for their welcome.
th the meeting six new members were elected to the Guild, fonr rom Bolton and one each ftom Stockport ank Ashton.
Owing to the gently increasing interest in this distrist, an invita(ion to hold the ammial meeting at Bolton was necepted and provisionally fixed for June 18tls, 1938.
fter returang to the tower, the ladies 'mamed 'the hells for while. Then Mr. Hulne, who stated that he had been a ringer for the last ex yeare and had seen a lew changes since he first learned to hunde a bell, tolid of things that had happened in the old days nuxl Ihnilled his listeners elso with the seconnt of the introduction of lafies to the Ashiton belfry to lill the gaps left hy nen during the war. Ius his own words, when the hells beeded ringitug the Laneashire ginls cre the " loays "to do it.
He went on to tell how they had rdvameed since then and hoped that they wonld keen ons striding aliead. He wan pleased to see in the helli'y the oldest lady ringer 311 Eaglanit, fo jolly grood ringer at 65, also Mr. Harrison, the ofdest ringer of Asliton, who is now 85 .
Time sped all too quickly and those with lorg jourmeys had to make ilhir departures, the writer to make $\Omega$ lorg rine over the wilk, windarpt Deringlite moors lys Kinder Scout, nctompanied by a his lond of folly Yorkslire foll and the plensant, menory of wet another succeastul meeting.

## MEETING AJT LEICESTER.

Saturday was a busy diay lor Loticester. All trains mall luses lor that cily were packed and visitors seemed to pour in from all parts. We may as well admit ab once that the chief attruction was the football match between Leicester and Arsemal.
Conapared with their gate, the meoling af the Ladies' Guild, Nurthern Branelh, was a very smnll affir, but the memhers were nobe the less enthusiastic. The venue was the Clureh of St. Jolan the Divine, and visitore were pleased to meet there sivch old ringing frionds as Mr. William Willson, Mr. W. E. Whito, Mr, George Ladd nud members and fricinds from Anstey, Collingllam, Duffietd, Lincolu, Tuadon, Nottingham and tho local riugers.
The hells are a very nice peal, wery suitable for ladies to handle. Tuforiutuately, owing to illuess near the church, they were only a wailhlise unlil 4.30 , but good use was mate of them until that time, when adjournment for tea was made.
After this the ringers betrok themselves 10 St Margareb's, these cils being placed at thair disposal for the evening thronght the finutess of the Vicar and Mr. Ennest Morris, F.R.Hist.S., who met them t the ellurch and gave thean a very hearty welcome.
Here some nuaibed themselves of the rilve opportunity of ringing
12 bells, and a good course of Graudsire Cinques was ruig with wo fallins taking payt. Tlis wns followed hy warions tonches of Citers, Major and romel ringivg for learners. to finish up, an contso Grandsive Triples was rung un the heaviest peal of laadbells in xistenre, a lady ringing $1-2$.
Sincere thatiks are tenderad to the Vichrs for the use of the belle,
Mr. Clark. Mr. E. Marris and wspeciuly Mrs. Harey, who lnd coniderable difienly in finding a spot for lea, owing to the large unmber if visitors to the city.

## CENTRAL DTSTRICT EEECTS SEVFN NEW MEMBERS

 A very onjoyabie nud pleasant meting of the Central District of he Tadieg' Guitik was held at Great, Badfow, Tssex, on Septenber 4th, when ringing commenced soon after 3 p.m. A service was conducted Y Lha Vicar (ihe Rev. Holmes), assisterl ly Mr. Gray at the organ. ionomiful ten was providerf in the Chareh Hall by members of the locnl Tradies' Institute and thovonglily enjoyen by all present.After tra, the Viear snid how glad he wns that the Guilil lind visited his charch for their mieeting. anil he was pleased to know that Mr. H. Lewis, the president of the Central Council, hatl also hanoured them with his presence.
Mr. Lewis thanked the Vicar for his wolcome ande said that was the first indies' meetiug he had luecu ablo to attend.
Tho company were deliglted with the handlell ringing, provided ly Mrs. Tleteher, Mr. G. W. Fiekher. Mr. Lewis and Mr. G. Gross. A short business meeting followed, Mrs. T. Davis presiding.
Seven new members were elected, viz. : Miss Linn and Miss Frnch
i' Great Daddow, Miss Wraldock, of Maldon, Essex, and Miss M.
(Continued in next column.)

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## HOW MEIHODN AIRE YARIED

The peal of Fimonton Boll Major recorded lasti week is anom hur reminder that there are sumerans easy methods which riugers pluin Bol ought to make a practice of ringing, by way of variety. In these days there is no need for mannation, for quite a muntier of plain mellods (all of which can be fonnd in the Ceatral Connel's Collection' published at Is. Gd.) cnat be learned with conplatatively little effort.
For instance, this Edmonton Boh has ho fewer than seven relutives, the whole family being deseended irons the same method, and if you cun master one member of it , it needs only a litulo shudy and anplication to ring the rest.
If you ring Eob Mujor, you know that, when the treble leads and a bell makes 2nd's plnce over it, will the ollane bells alove dodge in pairs. ln Reverse Bob, instead of making Znd's over the ireble when it leads, you make 7th's mater the treable when it lies a whole zull belinat; and the dodring which yon get in Rols Major when the trehir leads, yuaz have, instear, in Reverse Bol when the treble is belinht. When yon reverse a methed you just sulstituta work fron behind for work from the front, and vice versa. And that is what halpehs in the production of mathy mothods.
Numerons plaita melthods have an the basis of their construstion phaces "made acroas lile irelale.' that is to say the bell hating (up or down) in frond of the treble stops to mate a whole pull in some phace, steps back andes the treble, and, matking mother whole fan
 on that side of the "prace: farthest from the treble. Thius, if the plances mutde arc 41 h's and 5 rd's as the treble goes un, the bells in $5-6$ and 7-8 dodge when 4th's is mede, and the bells in 1-2 dodge when perhap y .
Perhaps you will see it hetter from this:
 if there are places in 3-4 when lhe Lreble goes aph there wre pheds in $3-4$ alsor when it comes down. And thut is just what Shinway" Court consists of (ll is Va. 4 in the Collection.)
lls warintions can he extonded hy adding 2adts at the treble leat, or 7th's when it is belhind, or boilh. In actual rinuring yon ged al different. method, hecanse those places in 2nd's ou 7th's afd extra dodging t. ihe work. But you ean jealise the relationship butwean fhem all
Now if you reverse Shipway's Coutb, that is, move the places iroun 3-4 io 5-6, or, in afler wordis, do from the hack what was done in Shipway froni the front and vice versa, you have a method linown
 botio, so that you neltially linve eightumethods of this type ju thait simplest form.
Then, at couse, you can join them logether and have doulilo wethods, by making places both in 3-4 whe 5-6 and you met anot hev rroup of Four, of which Donble Norwich corresponds to Shipway, sud is varied by the acidition of 2nd's or 7th's or both.
Shipway's Coust would make at simple methme for a Roly Mujor mon-
 ont whe figires lead by lead. In the first lead mako 41 his anul 3rd

 4-3. This will produce 15738264 as $\pi$ lead head. Mitle surte of this first and the other sis leads should follow withoud traullo, if tho construmbiou is closely followed.

The platemating thels in the semmi lead will bo 7 and 8: is lher thind lend 6 and 4 , in the formith lead 2 num 3 , int tho 5 lh leati 5 and 7 , in the sixith lend 8 nald 6 atrd in the last leard 4 ind 2.
When you have writhen oul your seven leads, draw a montinnusus line froni lop to bottom aver ondo of the fignes, say 2 or 8 , and ynu will have a diamati which your call use, nob only to ring Shinwiy
 with the nller methods. By the way, keen your figures in renthay colmmas and yot too dobe togel leat. The itwantage of this yout wall find wherly yon wanl to use them again presentily.

## (Continued from previous calmmu.)

Delves, Miss G. Jemings, Miss B. Reeve and Miss M. Sinker, fill ol Ipswich, Suffolk.
It was announced that the next meeting would be feld at lalewnith on Saturday, November 13 th.
Tho placo proposed for the mecting in January was St. George's-in-the-Borcugl, landon.
A vote of thanks was accorded to the Rov. Molmes for the use of the bells and for conducling the service, to tho organist for his services, to the ladies for providing tea, amd also to Mr. George Green, who so kindly made all the neenssary arrangememb. Fintier riuging aftorwards took place.

## NOTICES.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-North Norfolk Branch.-A meeting will be held at Marsham (bells 8), on Saturday, Sept. i8th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Wilk menvers please send names, or numbers for tea, to $H$. Tooke, The Lizard, Wymondham, Norfolk? Bus leaves Norwich at 2.15.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Christchurch, Hants. - On Saturday, Sept. 18th, a practice meeting will be held at Christchurch, when the dedication and unveiling of two peal boards will take place. Bells (12) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea at the King's Arms Hotel at 5 o'clock.-G. Preston, 42 , Waterloo Place, Christchurch.

MHDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. North and East Dis-trict-A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Finchiey, on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, 15. each, at $5 \cdot 30$. Special method, London Bob Minor, No. 6, C.C. Coll. Plain Methods. All members and friends welcomed. Nearest station, Finchley, Church End. Cheap day tickets from King's Cross (L. and N.E.). There will be a twelve-bell practice at St, Ciles' Church, Cripplegate, on Wednesday, Sept. 22nd, from 7.30 to 9 p.m.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21 , Vincent Road, E. 4 .

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Witham on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. - F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting ol the association will be held at Kirkburton, near Huddersfield, on Saturday, Sept. i8th, wher the bells (8) will be available from 2 p.m. to' 9 p.m. A meeting of the (ieneral Committee will be held at 4.I5. Tea (is. 6d.) at 5 p.m. Nominations for the general secretaryship should be handed in at this meeting. The undersigned will NOT be available for re-election: J. E. Cawser, Cragdon House, Ashton Lane, Braithwell, near Rotherhety.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The annual Crawford Cup Contest will be held at Sutton-on-Trent (8) on Sept. T8th, at 3 p.m. Ringing for non-competitors and visitors after tea. All welcome.-R. Towler, 69, Ordsall Road, Relford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Berks Branch.-Autumn rneeting will be held at Long Wittenham on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea at 4.30.-A. E. Lock, 35, East St. Helen Street, Abing, lon, Berks.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Southern District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Bath Road, Hounslow, on Saturday, Sept. i8th. Bells (8) available at 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5.30 p.m. Bells (8) of St. Leonard's, Heston, available from 7 to 9 p.m.-A. P. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec., in8, Sarsfeld Road, Balhan, S.W.iz.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.-A meeting will be held at Sawbridgeworth on Sept. 18th. The bells will be open during the afternoon ancl evening. Service will be followed by tea and business. May I hope for a good attendance of both old and uew friends?-W. F. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden, Herts.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan and Preston Branches.-A joint meeting will be held at Standish on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea (gd. each), for which please notify Mr. E. Birchall, 163 . Preston Road, Standish, near Wigan. - S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-The next meeting will be held at Cobham on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Service 5 o'clock, with tea in the Church Room after.-A. H. Smith, Hon. Sec., Drakelowe, Howard Road, Great Bookham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -Next meeting will be held at Milnrow on Saturday, Sept. I8th. Bells available from 3 p.m. A hearty invitation to all ringers and friencis. - Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James, Milnrow, Rochdale.

THE OAKS-IN-CHARNWOOD.-Appaling name? Yes. Well, come round and hunt out the M.C.A. Loughborough District meeting on Sept. I8th, 3 p.m. The change will surprise you; courting allowed; now double up; no dodging out. Tea a minor (?) detail at St. Joseph's Café.-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., Hugglescote.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting o the Southern Division will be held at Ringmer on Satur day, Sept. 18th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m Tea (1s.) 5 p.m. Half rail fare, maximum is. 6d. allowed to members.-S. E. Armstrong, Hon. Diy. Sec. 70, Hollingbury Park Avenue, Brighton 6.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Leicester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held Gilmorton on Saturday, September 18tb. Ringing commences at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 , followed by meeting -H. W. Perkins, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Landseer Road Leicester.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. A meeting will be held at Buckden on Saturday, Sept i8th Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. - H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A monthly meeting will be held at Church Lawford, near Rugby, to-morrow, Sept. 18th. Bells (6), recently augmented, available. Tea at the White Lion Inn. Please note October I6th, when a quarterly meeting will be held at Stratford-on-Avon.-M. Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., Exhall, Coventry
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorset Branch.-A mecting will be held at Litton Cheney on Saturday, Sept. 18 th . Belis (6) available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. All are welcome. -C. H. Lathey, Middle Street, Bradpole, Bridport.

EBBW VALE, CHRIST CHURCH.-The new ring of eight bells, by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Monmouth on Sunday, Sept. 1gth, at 3.I5 p.m. The service will be broadcast:

## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

Mectings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Sept. 3oth, Southwark Cathedral on the 23rd, at 7.30 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodinghan1, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-St. James',
Poole.-Dedication of two new trebles in commemoration of Coronation year by the Very Rev. the Dean of Salisbury, on Saturday, Sept. 25th, all 3.30 p.m. Tea in the Guildhall at 5. Special services on Sunday, 26th, at it and 6.30. Ringing from 10.15 and 5.45 .

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The sixth annual dinner will be held at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Tything, Worcester, on Saturday, Sept. ${ }^{25}$ th, at 6 p.m. prompt. Bells available: All Saints ${ }^{3}$ ( 10 ) and St. John's (8), 4 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Tickets (3s. each) may be obtained up to Tuesday, Sept. zist, from branch officers, members of the Dinner Committee, or J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Cheltenlram Road, Sedgeberrow, Evesham.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. Basingstoke District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Upton Grey on Saturday, Sept. $25^{\text {th }}$. Bells available from 2.30 . Service 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All requiring tea please notify by Sept. 2 ist to Mr. F. E. Brasington, 3 , Compton Place, Upton Gray.-J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Dis, Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -The quarterly meeting will be held jointly with the Doncaster and District Society at Conisborough on Saturday, Sept. ${ }_{5}$ th. Bells ( 8 ) available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., at gd. each. Please notify Mr.

Harrison, ir, Church Street, Conisborough, by Friday, the 24 th, for tea.-F. Clark and E. Cooper, Hon. Secs.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Kingswood on Saturday, Sept. ${ }^{2} 5$ th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Please send me numbers for tea not later than Tuesday, Sept. ist. All ringers welcome. - W. Clayton, Hon. Dis. c., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks \& South ucks Branch.-The next practice has been arranged at Cokham ( 6 beils) on Saturday, bept. 25 th, at $3 \cdot 30$ p.m. ea at 1/- per head for those who notify me not later than pt. 2ist.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough. KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Ashford Dis-ict.-The annual meeting will be held at Willesborough Saturday, Sept. $25^{\text {th }}$ (Ashford bells not available, ing to illness). Bells ready 2.30. Service $4 \cdot 3$. Tea d business meeting $5 \cdot 15$. Please send numbers for tea Sept. 21st.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., 110 , Canterbury oad, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The annual meetg will be held at the Church of the Saviour, Bolton, on urday, Sept. $25^{\text {th }}$. Seven eight-bell towers will be pen from 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Crook, 203, Devonshire Road, Smithills, Bolton, before the 22nd. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Hulme.-W. H. Shuker id A. Tomiinson, Hon. Secs.
DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The quarterly neeting will be held at Enville, near Stourbridge, on aturday, Sept. ${ }^{2} 5$ th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Serice in church at $4 \cdot 30$. Business meeting afterwards. Bus service from Stourbridge bus station direct to Tinville.-Herbert Sheppard, 49, Hellier Street, Dudley.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A practice mecting of the Northern Division will be held at Lindfield on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Tower open 3 p.m. Serwice 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. by lind invitation. All welcome, but nanies for tea by previous Wednesday. No rail fares.-O. Sippetts, io, Albany Road, Crawley.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 25th, Rickmansworth. Beils open from 3.30. Tea at $5 \cdot 45$. Excellent train and coach service from all parts. - C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. City 427 o . (Herts Association.)

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Central Bucks Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, Sept. 25 th. Bells (6) available from 2.45 p.tin. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. AII ringers welcome. - F. Gibbard, Hon. Sec., 30, Horn Street, Winslow, Bucks.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-South Forest Branch, - Next meeting will be held at Tidenham on Saturday, Sept. $2^{2}$ th. Bells (6) open 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. in Church Room. Business meeting alterwards. All ringers who require tea must let me known by Wednesday, Sept. 22nd.-Oliver Thomas, Branch Hon. Sec., ir, Victoria Road, Lydney, Glos.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE,-By permission of the Rev. Dr. W. Irwin, Saturday, Sept. $25^{\text {this. Bells ( } 10 \text { ) }}$ available 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.--Bristol Rural Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Thornbury on Saturday, Sept. 25 th. Bells (6) open from 3 p.in. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and meeting to follow. Please advise for tea.-R. C. Giftord, Branch Sec., Frampton Cotterell, Bristol.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A special neeting will be held at Staverton (5), Saturday, Sept. $2^{\text {th }}$. Usual arrangements. - W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

PEAK DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Next meeting, Dore, Saturday, Sept. 25 th. Will all expecting to be present, please let me know by Thursday, Sept. ${ }^{2}$ rrd, so that suitable arrangements can be made? -H. L. Warburton, $7^{2,}$ Causeway Head Road, Dore, near Sheffield.
HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Hastings on Saturday, Sept. 25th. St. Clement's tower open 3 o'clock. Ail Saints' bells available after tea. All ringers welcome.-C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch. - The quarterly meeting will be held at Holbeach on Saturday, Sept. ${ }^{2} 5^{\text {th }}$. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea $4.1^{15}$ p.m. Business meeting afterwards. Will those intending to be present: kindly let me know by Sept. 21 st? - Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Holbeck (St. Matthew's) on Saturday, Sept. $2^{5}$ th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting in the tower $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. - H. Lofthouse. Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Lceds, 12.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Epping Upland on Saturday, Sept. ${ }^{2}$ th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 6g, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at I.ymm, Cheshire, on Saturday, Sept. 25 th , at 3 p.m. It is nucessary that those requiring tea advise me not later than the ${ }_{2}{ }^{2}$ rd. -John E. Ashcroft, Post Office, Girappenhall.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The 6oth annual meeting will be held in Durhan on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Cathedral bells available from 1 to $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and after service to $5.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service in conjunction with the Cathedral Evensong at 3 p.rn., with address by the Ven. the Archdeacon of Auckland (the Ven. Leslie Owen). Committee meeting
in Cathedral Choir Vestry immediately after service. Dinner and annual meeting in the Three Tuns Hotel at 6 p.m. This is the Diamond Jubilec year of the association. Will members endeavour to make the meeting an outsranding success? Acceptances for dinner to reach me not later than the morning of Wednesday, the and inst.?-Roland Park, Hon. Sec., 23, Oaklands Terrace,

## Darlington

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Long Melford ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Tea at Lion Hotel 5 p.m.-Harold G. Herbert, Hon. Sec., 6r, Acton Lane, Sudbury.
DEVONSHIRE GU11,D.-The Clyst St. George beils, which have been rehung by John Taylor and Co., will be rededicated by the Lord Bishop of Exeter on Thursclay, Scpt. 3oth, at 7 p.m. All ringers invited.-R. Brook, Honl Sec.

COURTEENHALL, NORTHANPTON.-The bells will be rededicated by the Bishop of Peterborough on Striday, Scpt. 26 th, at 3 p.m.-a ring of five, tuned and rehund by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly meeting on Saturday, Oct. 2ndl, at Burbage, rr. Hinckley. Piells (8) open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting 4. Tea 5, followed by general meeting. Names for tea (is. per hend) must be sent not later than Sept. 2gth to Mr. G. Dudley, 47, Sketchley Roaf, Burbage, Hiockley.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24 , Coventry Street, Lieicester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. The next meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome.-F. Hitidle, Branch Sec., $5^{8}$, Ansil Street, Blackburn.
1.INCOLN DIOCESAN GUII.D.-Northern Branch. - The half-yearly meeting will be held at Metheringhant on Saturday, Oct. and. Bells (8) ready early. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5 p.mp, at a moderate charge to those whe inform Mr. F. W. Stokes, Blankney, Lincoln, by the Wednesday previous.-J. Bray, Hon. Sec.

FLIE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ety Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Cambridge on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells: St. Benet's, available from 3 p.m., Great St. Mary's from 6 to 8 p.m. Service at St. Benel's 4.30 p.m., followed by annual district meeting. Please make own arrangenients for tea. May I ask members to make an effort to attend both serwice and meeting, as the Vicar of St. Benedict's is anxious to meet members of the association?-C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge
FSSEX, HERTFORD AND MIDDIESEX ASSOCIATIONS with LADIES' GUILD.-A joint meeting of the above associations will be held at Leytonstone (St. John's) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Toa to follow. Will all those intending to be present and requiring tea advise E. J. Butler, 3i3, Mawney's Road, Romford, by Wednesday, Sept. 3oth, without fail?-E. J. Bulter, IT. H. Lawrence, C. Coles, E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Secs.

LEZANT, LAUNCESTON, CORNWALL.-Rededi cation service by the Lord Bishop of Traro on Saturday Oct. 2 nd, at 3 p.m.-a ring of six, tuned ankl relung by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Distričt, The quarterly meeting will be held at Campsall on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea at the Old Bell Inn at 4 -30 p.su., 1s. 3 d . per head. Those requiring same must advise Mr. H. Bradley, Station Gatehouse, Norton, near Doncaster, by Tuesday, Sepl. ${ }^{28}$ Sth.-H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Ebor Street, Sclby

OAFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bicester Branch.The half-yearly mecting will be held (D.v.) on Saturday Oct. and, at Stratton Audley. Tower open 3 p.m. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by short business meeting. Ambrosden, Bicester and Launton belis also available at times which will be announced at meeting Those requiring tea please notify F . Sharpe, I.auntor, Bicester, Oxfordshire.
ST. NARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Quarterly meetin: will be held at the Parish Church, Coleshinl, near Birn ingham, on Saturdlay, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available 3.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 . Business meeting follow. Please notify regarding tea not later than We nestay, 2gth inst.-T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Ne ton Road, Sparkhith, Birmingham II
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF FORD-Quarterly meeting will be held at Penn on Sat urday, Oct. and. Bells from 3 o'clock. Short servic at 5.45 , with an address by the Rev. Edgar Hartill, M.A. R.D., Vicar. Tea (Is.) in the Parish Hall at 5 . Please send word not later than Tuesday, Sept. $28 i^{\prime}$ Reports ready for distribution.-H. Knight, 15, Rugb Street, Wolverhampton.
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## HANDICAPS OF BEGINNERS.

The subject of the best way to instruct beginners must always be an important one, and the recent discussion on the advantages of Plain Bob over Grandsire, as the first method to teach, has led Mr. Stephen Wood to traverse the ground fairly exhaustively in an article, in this issue, which may well be read with close attention. Many of the points which he makes have been urged previously in our columns, especially in the articles for beginners (which have often been equally useful as hints to instructors), but they cannot be too frequently stated. With all of Mr. Wood's deductions there is unlikely to be universal agreement, but experienced ringers will admit the truth of many of his statements.

There is no question that indifterent ringers are often made by the reluctance of instructors to correct early faults, either through fear of offending the sensitive beginner or, as sometimes, happens, through his own incompetence as a teacher. Too frequently, also, in the anxiety to encourage the pupil and maintain his interest the beginner is pushed much too soon into an attempt to ring changes. There is no exaggeration in the statement that some men lave learned to ring Surprise Methods before they have learned to handle a bell properly. These are the two main causes of bad striking and should be guarded against by those who are responsible for training young ringers. The hand, the ear and the eye all need to be instructed, and of these probably the ear is the most neglected. In good ringing it is the rhythm that counts, and one indifferent striker can mar the efforts of all the rest of the band. Good handling comes first and, before the young ringer goes on to the stage when rope sight becomes imperative, the ear should be trained so that he may be able to distinguish his own bell among the rest. While admitting that there are some ringers who, from various causes, are never likely to be good strikers, much bad ringing could be avoided if there were less anxiety to push beginners so quickly into change ringing.
Another serious handicap to beginners is that instructors are themselves sometimes indifferent ringers. They very willingly give up their time to teaching others, and are to be commended for the spirit which they thus display, but it is not infrequently the case that they themselves do not handle their ropes properly and are poor strikers. They probably are not aware of it, but they pass on their own defects to their pupils and the young ringer is trained in a school of bad striking without knowing that there is anything better. The ringing chamber is not a barrack square, but there are many places where the advent of a 'sergeant-major' is badly needed. Unfortunately, for (Continued on page 626.)

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improved ringing, cardid criticism is not always taken very lindly by the not-too-average ringer, and, as there are no visible honours to be gained by submitting to the kind of treatment which, for instance, rowing men quite well understand, there is a tendency to resentment which frequently leads to resignation when plain speaking is inclulged in. This brings us back to our earlier statement that many indifferent ringers are made by the reluctance of instractors to correct early faults, but, if, assuming they are competent enough to recognise these errors, they would be firmer in the beginning, the way would be open for a more effective training throughout the tuition of the pupil, who, when he reached even a fairly advanced stage, would take instruction in the spirit in which it is intended.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

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THE ST. MARTIN'S GUMD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Tuesday, September 14, 1037, in Three Honrsand Thivty-Thyee Minules, Ai ter Cadrce of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, GDOE CHANGES; Tenor 37 cwt .
Framk W. Perrans ... ...Trebla William J. Davidson
Grorge E. Fearn ... ... 2 Frank E. Haynes ... ... $\quad 8$
Henry H. Fearn ... ... 3 Joen S. Mason
Danizl T. Matkin...
Sidney 0 . Hosmay ... 5 ... 10
Sidney O'C Holloway ... 5 William H. Barger ... ... II William C. Dowding ... 5 Frank E. Pervin... ... ...Teho
Composed by J. W. Paregr. Conducted by W. H. Bargrr,
A golden wedding compliment to the Master (Alderman J. S Pritcliett) aud Mrs. Pritchett. D. IT. Matkin's $100 \mathrm{th}^{\prime}$ peal.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

SODTHEND-ON-SEA, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOGIATION.
On Saturday, Soptember 18, 1937, in Three Houss and Twenty-One Minutes At tee Parisa Cegrce of St. Mary-xhe-Virgin, Pritilewelf, A PEAL OF BOE ROYAL, 5040 CHANEEE: Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Artedr S. Rigeards ... ...Tyeble Edwin A. Barnett ... ... 6 Hznry T. Wilson... Robert C. Heazel ... ... 3 Albert E. W. Norte. James Bzaneti ... ... ... 4 E. ERNESt W. Forbank ... ... 9
 Composed by H. J. Tucker. Conducted by J. Ernnert.
ㅍirst peal of Bob Royal as conductor. BEDDINGTON, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Wainesday, September 15. 1937, in Thyee Hours and Fony Mirutes, At tee Chugch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, EOSOCHANGES; Tonor 181 cwt in E flet.
Mrs. F. W. Hodsden... ...Treble Edward G. Talbot ... ... $6^{6}$ Miss Gwzndoline Kippin ... 2 James E. Coopre... Cearles Potercary ... ... 3 Waltrr Claydon ... Harry Hoskins ...... Mas. C. H. Klppin $\quad \ldots \quad . . .5 \mid$ Composed by York Grebn. Conducted by Caas, H. Kippin.
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On Monday, Saptember 6. 1937, in Three Hours and Ten Minules,
At fer Churce of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF CANBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, EOSO CHANGES;

Jobnson's Variation.
Ceristopaer W. Woalley Tyebie
Roger D. St. J. Smith ... 2
Rev. E. Bankes James ... 3
Rry. B. F. Sbeppard... ... 4 Josmpa T. Dyke ...

Conducted by Caristopher W. Woolegy.
bOCRING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION,
On Saturday, Saptamber 11, 1937, in Threo Hours and Five Minutes, At tee Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor $18{ }^{3} \mathrm{cww}$.

| Samerl Warne | ...Trebls | H. Walter Smith |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Albert Wifpen ... | ... 2 | Ronald Suckling |  |  |  |
| na Claydon | … 3 | Lewis W. Wifeen |  |  |  | Bernard H. Petyitt... .... 4 Josbpe Jennings .... ....temar Composed by C. H. Kippis. Conducted by L. W. Wiffen. WIMBORNE ST. GILES, DORSET.

THE SALTSBURY DIOCRSAN GUKLD.
On Saluraay, September 11, 1937, in Thres Hours and Eight Minutes, At tar Cherca of St. Gilbs,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5888 OHANEES; Tenor $17 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

 | Mrs. J. Tgomas ... | ... | ... | 3 | Peilip H. Tocock | ... | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \%illiam G. Yodng |  |  |  |  |  |  | Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by Fredericr G. Cole. * Thiret poal of Major. ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSFIIE.

THE MIDLAND COUN'TES ASSOOLATION
Saturday, September 11, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 12 cwt .
f. Hemry Bartram ... ...Treble |†Sidney Cabngy ... ....- .5 Harold J. Poole ... ... 2 Harry Brougaton ... ... 6 Rrdvers F. Elikington ... 3 Fridericr W. Milner ... 7 Shirley Berton ... ... 4 Fredrrick H. Dexter ...Temor
Composed by J. S. Wilder Conducted by H. J. Poolz.

* 150th peal. H First peal in the method. First poal in the method on the belle.

WOODBRTDGE, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, Sepiember 17, 1937, in Three Howrs and Seventeen Minutes, At the Chuzch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDQE BURPRIBE MAJDR, 605 CHANBES

## Middleton's.

Joan H. Abbon
an ... ... ...Trebis
(..

Albibi E. Whiting ... ... 3 James Bennett, jun.... ... 7
George tybiting .... ... 4 T. Wililiam Last .... ...temor Conducted by T. W. Lass.
The 200th peal G. Pryke and G. Bemnett have rung together. RIPPONDEN, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, Seplomber 11, 1937, in Thre Hours and Eight Minutes, At tee Cegref of St, Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5248 GHANEESI Tenor 10: ewt.
Groffrey Gre ... ... ...Tteble Jobn Mhadowcroft ... ... 5

Jack Fisari ... ... ... ... 3 Ivan Kay
William Hargrbaves ... 4 Frank Reoders .... ... .... Temor
Composed by A. Knigers. Conducted by H. H. Smire.
This composition (No. 244) is now rung for the first time.

HARWICH, IESSIX.
the essex association.
On Saturday, September 11, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
At jeg Chorce of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, 5058 OHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt.
Edward E. Davey ... ...Tyehre| Ubhan W. Wildney

- Harry J. Milliti ... ... 2 †Ernest H. Schrfr ... ... 6

Cearles A. Andrews $\quad . . .3$
George Waterman ... ... 4 Alan R. Andrbws ... ...Temor
Composed by J: R. Prixchard, Conducted by A. R. Andrbws.

* First peal of Major. + First peal in the method. First peal of Bob Major as conductor. WARBURTON, OHFSHIRE.
THE CRESTET DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, September 11, 1937, in Three Hours ard Ten Minutes, At tee Church of St. Werburgh,
A PEAL OF LOMDON BURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor (probably) 22 cwt . in E flat.
Legtrar L. Gray .... ...Treblo James a. Milner
Arnold Bromion ... .... 2 | Wilfred Stavenson ... ... 5
-Frank Varty ... ... ... 3 Jobn Wortb... ... ...
Grorge R. Newton... ... 4 Jambe C. E. Simpson... ...Tenoy
Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.
* First penl of London.

> HARMSTON, LINCS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GCILD.
(Northern Brance.)
On Monday, September 13, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutos, At tee Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MANOR, BO4O CHANGES ;

 Tenar 12 cmt .
†Raymond F. Shith ... ...

- Jobn Frebman ...

Jack L. Millinodse ... ... ${ }^{7}$ Conducted by C. A. Veesey.
 Major.

GAINSHOROUGH LINCS
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GDILD AND THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCLATION.
On Tuesday, Septenber 14, 19,37, in Three Howrs atd Two Minules,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5094 CHANDES, Tenor 19] cwt.
*ack L. Micleboose ... ...Treble $\mid$ Frank Vgrnon ... ... ... 5
*Miss Dorothy Vessby ... 2 "Kbnnetb W. Maybr ... 6

- Miss Eitigl Marsball ... 3 INorl B. Tedrlby ... ... 7 -G. Leslib Lenn...$\quad$... 4 Clifrord A. Vessey ....Temar
Composed by A. Knigers. Conducted by C. A. Vessry.
* First peal in the method. F First peal of Major. Rung as a farewell poal to the conductor, who is leaving the district.

> NORTEIFLEET, KENT

TEE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wedresday, September 15, 1937, in Ttwo Hous and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolpit,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, BO2 4 CHANGES: Tenor 16t cwt.
Jobn E. Lyddiard ... ...Treble John H. Cbegsman ... ... 5

- arthtr Derling ... ... 2 Harby Hoskins ... ... ... 6 Jambe Bennbit ... ... Derer M. Searp ... ... 4 Edmond Modnter ... ...Tehay Composed by A. Knigats (No. 80). Conducted by J. Bennetr. * Firat peal of Treble Bob.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOGATION. On Weduestay, September 75, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.

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A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGESI
Parkea's Twelve-part.
Tenor is cwt.

Edwin M. Smite.

Frbderick Hannington ... 3 Alfred W. Heath ... ... 7
Albert J. Pitman ... ... 4 Alfbed W. Wriget ... ...Tenor
Conducled by Cuarlrs H. Perry.
Rung in honour of the birth of a son and heir to Mr. E. T. Bailey.

WRAYSBURY, BUCES
THE OXRORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thusday, September 16. 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eigh Minutes, At the Church of St. Andeew,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 50 0 OHANGES!



Wilciam Wrlling ... ... 5
Frane Coree ... ... ... 6
William Henley ... ... 7
Grorge H, Gottrridge ... 3
William H. Fessell ... 4
Composed by J. J. Parker.

* William H, Branis... ...Teroy Coaducted by L. Sticwecl. * First peal in the method. Rang on Mr. W. II. Fussell's 76tla birthday.

LAWTON, CHESHTRE.
THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GUHD.
On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Three Hows and Two Minntes, At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE HAJOR, 5088 CHANGEB; Tenor 8立 cwt.

- Walter Longman ... ...Trable | William Fbrnley ... ... 5 Rry. Frank Bonner... ... 2 Jambs A. Miliner .... *** 6 C. Kenneth Lewis ... ... 3 Lionel Clodge ... ... ... 7 James Fernley ... ... 4 John Worth... ... ... ... Temor Composed by A. Knigers. Conducted by J. Worth, * First peal in the method. First peal in the method an the bells. Rung in honour of the wedding, earlier in the day, of Mr. G. Biddulph, a member of the local band.

CLAINES, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCRSTERSHIRE AND DISTRICIS ASSOCLATION. (Western Brange.)
On Salurday. September 18, 7937, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Eight Mintres,
At the Church of St. Johe-the-Baptist,

## A PEAE OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 EHANGES;

J. J. Parker's Six-part, No. I 3 .

Tenor $I_{4}$ cwt.
Aribor G. Thomas ... ...Tyeble Artebr R. Moseley ... ... 5

* Cearles R. Smith ... ... 2 Jobn H. Colley... ... ... 6 Ernest Wilson... ..... .13 Grorgh E. Large 3 ..... .7 Reginald Woodyaty ... 4 Whlter H. Raxter ... ...Tehoy Conducted by Grorge E. Large.
* First peal in the method.


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

CLOWN, DERBYSHIRE.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, September 11, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fivi Mimutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL DF MINOF, 5040 CHANGES;
Being three 720 s of Plain Bob and two each of Oxford and Kent Trebla Bob.
"John Norris
-Jor Reader
Charlas W. Metcale ... 3 Hzrbert T. Rooke ... ... Tamor
Conducted by F. Fcint.

* First peal in three methods. + First poal of Minor. MARIAM, NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Soplember JT, 1937, in Two Hanes and Forty-Two Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Trinity


## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being 720 each of Norwich and Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Single Oxford and Piain Bob. Tenon 12 cwt. in G.
Frbd Wigmore ... ... ....Tyeble Wallage Cogsins ... ... 4 Jobn A. Gadrrey ... .... 2 Ceatde Cogeins... ... ... 5
Wieliab Bdecingeabif.. .3 3 Tony Price ... Condncted by Tony Price.

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SELLACK, FERETORDSHJRE,
THE HERPFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sustay, Soptensbey 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Foyly-Four Mimetos,
At the Ceurch of Sx. Tgseliachus

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 EHANEES

Being five 120's of Plain Bob and Grandsire, ten 120's of Ganterbury
Pleasure, fye 240 's of Pitman's and six 240 's of Morvis', 24 callings. Tenor 8 cwt .
Charles L. Sadlzr ... ...Troble Erngsi F. Salbons ... ... $3^{\text {. }}$
William H. Symonds .... 2 James P. Hyeit ... ... ... 4 Joan J. WRba .... ... ...Tomar

Conducted by J. P. Hyert.
First peal on the bells in three methods. The conductor's 225 th peal WISTASTON, CHESHIRI.
THE CHESTMR DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, September 36, 1937, in Two Ffours and Thirty-Five Minutes, Ay the Chorch of Si. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Bob amd one of Plain Bob. Tenor 6 owt. 6 lb .
"Herberi Sution . . ...Treble| Harry Thblwell ... ... \&
 Harold G. Smita ... ... 3 Aleert Crawley ... ...Timay Conducted by A. Crawley.

* First peal in tirree melihods.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD TOUR.
The following four peels were dung during the Cambridge University Guild's tour in Somerset.

## WRAXALL, SOMERSET.

THLE CAMBRIDGF UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Tuesday, September 7, 1937, in Three Hows and Thye Minules At the Church of Ale Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

 Tenor $23^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.R. D. St. J. Smita (Selwyn) Ireble E. M. Atkins (St. Cafh's) Rev. H. G. Benson (King's) 2 Rev. E, Benson (St. Cath's) Rev. B. F. Seeppard (Trin) 3 C. W. Woolley (Selwyn) ... 7 Rev. E. Bankes James (Caius) 4 S. H. Woom (Magdalen) ...Temo Composed and Conducted by S. H. Woon. BRISTOL.
THE OAMBRIDGE UNIFERSITY GUILD. Om Wednesday, September 8, 1937, in Three Hours, At tee Chorch of St. Ambrose,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE HAJOR, $505 日 C H M N E E S$
Johnson's Varjation.
Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
E. M. Ateins (St. Cath's) Treble C. W. Woolley (Selwyn)... 5 S. H. Woon (Magdalen) ... 2 Rev. E, Banars James (Caiasjo Rev. B. F. Sheppard (Trin) 3 R. D. St. J. Smite (Selwyn) 7 Rev. E. Benson (St. Cath's) 4 Rey. A. Tedrzow (Selwyd) Tonop Conducted by C. W. Woolezy.

BITTON, GLOS
THE GAMBRIDGE UNIVERSIRY GCILD.
On Thursday, September 9, 1937, in The ee Hows and Ten Minutes, At the Cburch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6040 CHANEES:

Tenot 18 cwb
S. H. Wood (Magdalen) Treble| Rev. E. Bewson (St. Cath's) 5 Rev. H. G. Benson (King's) 2 E. M. Axmins (St. Cath's) 3 "Rev. A. C. Blyte (Belwyn) 4 Composed by E. M, ATk!ns. Rev. E. Baners James (Cains) 6 R. D. St. J. Smite (Selwyn) 7

Condncted by S. H. Wood.

- peal on towar bells. First peal on the bells since their recent rebanging and augmentation to eight. WRINGTOM, SOMERSET
THE GAMBRIDGQ UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Friday, Septombsr 70, 7937, is Two Hours and Thirty-Sewen Minutes,
At ter Golden Lion Hozre,


## A PEAL OF BDE MAJOR, EA4O CHANEES;

On handbells.
Temor size 15 in 0.
M. B. Shaw (Peterhouse) ... I-2 $\mid$ S. H. Wood (Magdalen) ... 5-6 Rev. H. G. Benson (King's) 3-4 D. F. C. Hawhins (Clare) ... 7 -8 Camposed by E, M, Atkine, Conducted by S. H. Wood.

## CHESHIRE AND NORTH WALES TOUR

The riuging tour in the Chester District and in North Wrates, which took place last week, was a success both for peal ringing and For sightseeing.
Elever peals were pung out of thinteen altempts, nine of the party shariag in the conducting. Somo hundreds of miles were covered and some of tho linest beauty spots in Wales visited.
A brief accaum of the tour will be given in a later issue.

## OHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUJLD.
On Suturday, Septewber 17, 1937, in Three Hours and Nine Minttes,
At the Ceurch of St. Mary-withoat-the-Whlls,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SUBPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHARCES; Tenor 20 cwt .
Mrs. R. Ricbardson ... ...Treble Cearles T. Coles ... ... 5
Leseir C. Wigetman ... 2 Ernest C. S. Turngr ...
Erank Bennetit... ... ... 3 Lestie W. G. Morris ... 7
Grorge R. Pye ... .... .... $\ddagger$ *Rderrt Ricgardson... ....Tenoy Composed by A. Kingets. Conducted by Cearles T. Coles.

* 650tl peal.

PULFORD, OHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOOLSAN GUILD.
On Sunday, September 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, Ai tee Cberce of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRI8E MAJOR, 5056 GHANGE: Tenor $g \mathrm{cwt}^{2} 3$ qr. Io lb .
James H Shepgerd Trable
...Treble Gabribe Tindore
... 2 Cgarles T. Coles ... ... 6
Grorge R, Pye ... ... ... 3 William J. G. Brown ... 7
Frane Benneit ... ... ... 4 Rtperi Richardson ... ...Tenor Composed by C. Mindleion. Conducted by Fanem Benneit. ECCLTSTON, CEESHIRE.
THE GHESTER DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Monday, September 13, 1937, in Three Fiours and Nineteen Mixules, At the Cerere of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, EO8B GHANRES; Tenor 264 cwt .
 GHRTSTLETON, CHESHIRE.
THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GUIED.
Un Monday, Stplember 73, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes, At the Church of st. 3 Ahes,
A PEAL OF 8UPERLATIYE 8URPRI8E MAJOR, $\operatorname{~GOEG~CHANCES;~}$ Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cift.
Charles T. Colere ... ...Tyeble Grorge R. Pye ... ... ... 5 Gabriel Lindoff ... Lasele C, Wigutman .... 3 Rev. C. Elliot Wigg ... 7 Mes. R. Ricgardsam ... ... 4 Ropert Rigeardson ... ... Tenoy

Composed by A. Kvigers. Conducted by Gronge R. Pye.
NORTHOP, FLINTSHIRE.
THE NORTH WALES ASSOCTATION.
On Tuesday, Seplender 14, 1937, is Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF YORKBHIRE SURPRIRE MANOR, BOS6 CHANEES; Tenor iz cwt.
Roperz Riceardson
...Tyeble Grorge R. Pye ... .
$\ldots 2$ William J. G. Brown ... 3 Erabsi C. S. Tpraer... .... 7
 Composed by C. W. Roberis. Conducted by Frank Brnnetr. First pead in the metlod in the county and by the assaciation.
GROYDON, SERREY-On Sunday, Scptember 5th, at the Parisin Church of St, John the Baptist, for evening gervice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 cinages): D. Cooper 1, I. E. Darby 2, H. G. Pratt $3, G$. H. Fiumphries 4, D. Buxton 5, A. W. Clark 6, J. Rumble 7, F. E. Miteleli 8, R. Davies (longest length of Caters es conducter) 9, Tr. IV. Colling 10 .

WREXHAM, DENBIGFSHIRE
THE NORTH WALES ASSOCLATEON,
On Tueday, Stplemier 14, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten ilfandes, At the Cegren of St. Giles,
A PEAE OF STEDMAH CATERS, 5017 CHANGEEI

Tenor 25 cwt.
Rev. C. Elliot Wigg
...Treble
Mrs. R. Ricgardson ...
Charles T. Coles ...
Gabriel Lindofy ....... 3
William J. G. Brown ... 5
Composed by G. Lindoff.
A birthday compliment to Messis A birthday comp

BARMOUTH, MERTONETFSHIRE.
THE NORTH WALIS ASSOCIADION,
On Wedmeday, Septonber 75, 1937, in three Howss and Fourten Mimutes,
At the Chorch of St. John-ter-Divine.
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR 6058 CHANGES; Tenor 22 cwt .
Mrs, R. Ricgardson ... ...Tyeble Lescir C. Wigatman -- 5 Ernest C. S. Turner ... 2 Rev. C.Elilot Wiag ... 6 Frane Benneti ........... 3 Lesile W. G. Morris .... 7 William J. G. Brown ... 4 Ruperi Richardson ... ...Teror Composed by C. Middezton. Conducted by R. Richardson. MACHYNLLEL'H, MONTGOMERYSHIRE.
THE NORI'H WALES ASSOCLATION.
On Thurriay, September 16, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL GF BRISTOE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGEG; Tenor 8, 步 cwt.

| James H. Surperrd ... ...Tred | Frank Benneit |
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| Gabriel Lindoff .... ... 2 | WilliamJ. G. Brown ... 6 |
| Cabrles T, Coles | Ernest C. S. Turner ... 7 |
| Grorge R. Pye | Leslije C. Wigetman... ...Tenor |
| Composed by G. Lindozf. | Corducted by L. C. Wigutman, |

First peal in the method in the connty.
LLANBADARN FAWR, CARDIGANSIGIRE,
THE NORTTH WALISS ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Septenter 16, 1937, in Three Hours and Nime Minutes, At teg Certre of St. Padarm,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE 8URPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. (approx.).
Rev. C. Elliot Wigg ...Ttedua William J. G. Brown ... 5

 Composed and Conducted by Gabrier Lindory.

BAMGOR, CARNARTONSHIRE.
THE NORTI WALES ASSOCLATION
On Friday, Septomber 17, 1937, in Two Fows and Fifty-Sewen Mintutes, At the Church of St. David,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 13/1 cwt.
Arigur E. Phglar ... ...Tyeble Franr Bennett ..

George R. Pye...... Cearles T. Coles ... ... 4 R Ropert Riceardson ... ....Thot Composed by T. B. Worseey.

Conducted by F. Banneit.

THANDUDNO, OARWARFONSHTRE.
On Sahurday, September 18, 1937, in Three Hours,
At the Chuach of the Hocy Trinity,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 GHANGE8;

## Tenor Ist cwt.

 | Roperi Ricgardison | ... | 3 | Erngit C. S. Turner | ... 7 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Erank Bennety | ... | ... | 4 | Lgsili W. G. Morris | ...Teror | Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by E. C. S. Turner.

* 1,800 th peal. First Suiprise peal on the bells.
(Other peal raportis are unavoldably held ever.)


## THE COTSWOLD TOUR.

## A HAPPY AND SUCOTSSTUU NEEK

Tho 'Bachelors' sixth annual riuging tour began on Saturday, Soptember $4 t^{\prime}$, the district selectefi being amongst the Catswold hills, mainly in the countics of Oxford and Gloucesser. A full programme of 14 peal attempts had been arranged by Mr. Wiffed Wiliams. There were 12 in the party, of whon eight are bachelore, and the lieadquarters for the week was at the Old New Im, Bourton-on-tho Water, Glos.


## THE FINE TOWER OF MAGDALEN COLLEGE, OXFORD

A conch, complete with driver, was hired for the week, and, starting from Brifhton, collected various members of the party on the route, at Crawley, Guildford and Reading.

A run though very pleasant scenery in the Thames Vailey brought the party to Oxforel in good time for the first peal attempt, scheduled to start at 3 p.m. Magdalen Collage has a fune square, lofty tower and is the first tower seen on entering the city, on the right of the rond immedintely after crossing the River Charwood. Messis. W. F. Judge and F. E. Taylor, of Oxford, who ware in the band, were waiting and had the bells up in readiuess. Erentually a start was made for Cambridge Royal and an excellent peal was rung in 3 hours and 21 minutes. It was the first Surprise peal on the belis, a pleasant, tuneful peal with tenor 20 cwt. in $E$, but very seldom rung. The tourists greatly appreciated the privilege of beng allowed to ring a peal there.

After a linte tea and a wait to pick up the two remaining members of the party, who rrived at Oxford by train, a move was made nu the 30 -mile run to headquarters at Bourton-on-the-Water, where our host for the weck, Mr. Horris, extended a bearty welcome.
Some interest was aroused as to our misaion in conuing to Bourton, as the organiser', Mr. J. M. Cripps, had only mentioned thal "a purty of $12^{\prime}$ would requite accommodation for a week. It was surmised that we were cricketers, until someone " let the cat out of the bag,' then all sorts of questions liad to bo answered. They could not inigime a party going around the countryside ringing bells for a week's holiday,
Before ringing for service on Sunday moluing we had a walk avound the lovely liulle village, certainly very peacefial in the moruing sunshine, until numbers of couches arrived to disturb the quiet of the place. Bourton is well known locally as a "beauty spot'; we were told quite coufdently that it is the most beautiful rillage in the country.
The River Wiudrush ambles alongside the main street and is crosset iII Lualf a dozen places by vory low pointed stone bridges, giving the place quite a Fenetian aspect. With the numorous stone cottages with their stone roofs, the effeut was very pleasing aud we were quite ready to endorse what we had been told.

VIELAGE BLACKSMITH JONNS IN,
Mr. Bermard Phatips, the local blacksmith, is the captain of the Bourton ringers, and, when we finally ran him to earth in his allotment, he was only too eager to unlock the belfry door and let us have an hour's service ringing. The Church of St. Lawrence hus a peal of eight, with tenor 14 cw , in 5 , fais in tove and quality. The original six were casto by Rudhalls, of Gloucester, and in 1913 the two brebles were added by Mears and Slaivbank.

Mr. Phillips took part, to his yreat pleasure as expressed by him, in the first touch, Stedman Triples, then, with another local man, Mr. O. Pratley, in a touch of Bob Major. A course of Superlative and a touch of Spliced Surprise, well struck, completed the ringing.
The second peal of the tour was diue to begin at Banbury, oxon, at 2.30. We arrived ingood time, to be welcomed by Mr. H. Impey (captain) and other local ringers. Banbury Church is of tinusnal design, giving one the impression of being a museum rather than in church. It is built of the local yellow Forton stone and has a circulay domo and tower over the entrance porch. In 1930 the old peal of eight were recast and augmented to ten by Taylors, and there is now a splendid peal, with tenor 17 cwt . 1.19 ch . In E. The bells were set soing to Cambridge Royal, and a well-siruck peal was successful in 3 hours 32 minutes. It was W. T. Beeson's 300 th peal. With thte help of the lacal ringors the hells werc lowered in peal prior to tho service, and later the tonishs returned to Bourton well pleased with having rung ilie first two peals.

On Mouday morning an carly start from headquarters was necessary to cover the 25 miles to Great Tew Oxon, but the coach covered the ground caickly via Stow-on-the-Wold and Chipping Norton, sad we arrived according to schadule. The Church of St, Michael i situated in glorious surroundings in a park, formerly the property of Lord Falmouth, hat now owned by the Misses Bolton. The bells are a really beantifur peal of eiphlit, witli tenor 22 cwt . 10 lb . in D , the gifi of Anthony Keck in 1709. They were relnugg in a steel frame by Mears and Stainbank in 1925 . A veally well-struck peal of Bristol Surprise was brourlit round in 3 hours and 31 minutes, and, on these fine bells. the mothod was ideal. Being their tercentenary year, it was deoided to credit the peal to the College Youths.

## A MAGNJITCENT ORURGE.

After lunch at the Falkland Aums and an eutertaining hour with the landord, Mr. Davies, the six-mile mu was made to Adderbury, Oxon, to be met, by Mr. Parrott, the sexton, who was very ansious that we should rien his wonderful church before commencing to ring. Dedjeated to St. Mary, the building is magnificent, of almost cathedral like proportions, sumounted by a tall spire. Auriving at 3 p.m., we were greeted by a thue on the carillon, Hard tines come again mo more.' A different air is played each day, at intervals of thres hours.

We were shown a brass tablet in the floor of the church, bearing the date Feloruary $30 t h 1508$, and a wonderful stone chancel built by William of Wykeham, Bishop of Winchester, in the 14 th century and restored in the 19th century. Trausepta, nave and tower are all $131 /$ century, and the vestry las a fine bay window, reputed to be the only one of its kind in the country. The origimal peal of six bells were recast in 1789 into a peal of cight by Jobn Briant, of Hertford, and the whole peal were rehung by Taylors in 1928, tle present tenor being 24 cwt. 14 lb , in D. We liad heen told that we should have our work cut out to ring a peal, and certainly the task was not an casy ane However, the bells were set geing to London Susprise, and an excellen peal was completed in 3 bours and 20 miuntes, the first peal of London on the bells.

On Cuesdny morning the organiser luad the party up early for the 30 -mile run dne eouth, via Burford and Lechtade, to our only tower in Wiltshire, Swindon. Arriving at 9.30 , we were greeted by Mr C. J. Gardiner, who hnd everytling in readiness. The church is a local landmark and is gituated in the older part of Swindon on high ground to the sonth-east of the town. Christ Church has a fine ensygoing peal, reast and augmented from eight to ter by Taylors in 1924. Coming into a new diacese it was necessary to olect quite a number of tiee baud to membership of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.

FIRST FAILURE OF THE TOUR.
(Continued from previous page.)
Eronturally a start was made Hor Spliced Cambridge and Yorkinire Surprise Royal, the methods beigy changed at the wrong and Home and a really well-structs peal was brought round in 3 bours and 25 minutes, the first Spliced Surprise peal to be rung for the association After the peal Messrs. Gardiner, Palmer and Kynasion, of the lacal bund, werc watting to couduct us to an excellent. lunch at a place which, wo undersfand, is much frequented by riagers.

Bamptorl, Oxor, 18 miles away was on the programme for the afteraons. The Chureth of St. Mary the Virgin is very old and of large dinensions. It las a tall, pointed spire, the belfry, being ceutina and enclosed, las artificial light. There are eight bells, with tenor 26 owt. in D, rathor a heavy turaing peal. Severnl ropes had first to to takell up on the wheela, but eventually a start was made for Cambridge Surprise Major, After ringing well for half an hour, however, "gtand" had to be called in the fourth course owing to inposition of one of the band, and our sixth ettempt of the week beceme the first failure, it being too late to start again.
After tea at Witney, famous for its blankets, the coach was directed
Oxford, where the party joined with the thousands who were morrymaking at St. Giles Fair. This is held annually on two days in Septamber and occupies the wholo of one of Oxford's main streets for lealf a mile-a sight weli worth seeing.
Herring the six bells being rung up in peal at the Carfax fower, by the crons-rosds at Oxford's centre, some of the party proceeded there, to be greeted by Mr. F. E. Tayloy and etluer local ringers, and we had at few touches with then. The bells are rung only oceasionally, one of the occasions being for this anmual fair. It was, indeed, very hate when our coach was headed on the 30 -mile run to Bourton. Let it not be told at what time we arrived, but our organiser managed to gat us in all right, without (we hope) disturbing any of the other ruests at the Old New Inn.

## (To be continued.)

## A TOWER BUT NO CHURCH

A quatiterly meeting of the Swindon Brathech of the Gloucester ank Bristol Diocesan Ascocia tion was held at Melmesbury on Sept. 11th. The towar and spire, which contain five belle, are all that remain of the Church of St. Paul, which was demolished many years ago, the lells boing rung for services in Malmesbury Abbey,
A fair humber of visitors and members attended and some of the lacal men were put through their first 120.
At the business meeting the places for the next three meetings were provisiounly arranged as St. Mark's, Swindon, Stratton St. Margaret and Chist Glurch, Swiddon.

## CORNWALL GAINS ANOTHER OCTAVE

## A NEW RING OT ETGHT AT LANSALLOS

The disurict of Looe, south-west of Liskeard, Cornwall, has had ite rings of bells enriched by the provision of at complete new ring of eight a Lansallos, mbout two miles from Polperro pin the south coast.
'Lan Salus' means the place of deliverance. The ancient Purisil Church is dedicated to Sti. Ildjerna aud has an embattled western tower of three stages, built in tho 15 th century. Until recently there was only one ancient bell. This has now been placed inside the south door of the church. It is inseribed 'Smneta Margareta ara pro mohis' in Gothic lattering. There are also three shislds, two with coats of aruts, while the third is considered to be the stop used by John Bird. The bell fa, therefore, thought to be of 15 Lb cantury date.
In May, 1936, the Rector (the Rev. N. A. Rivers-Tippett) issued ala appeal for funds for as ring of bells. The task at first seemed too rreat, but the money came. A generous gift from the Barron Bell Trust gave great encouragement to the whole sclieme, which, now completed, has cost approximately $£ 800$. The tenor of the new ring is 101 crst., and the casting and hanging has been done hy Messers. John Taylor and Co., Loughborough. Two mew floors have beem erected in the tower.
The whole of the work was dedicated on Saturday last by the Bishop of Travo (the Rov. J. W. Kankin, D.D.). Unfortuately the Rector was unable to be present at the service through illuess.

The Bishop, in, his address, seid he liad just had a few words with the Rector, who was indeed disappointed at not being able to he present, but, he added, he will be distening to the bells from his bedroom, and 1 am surs they will put new life and joy into his hoart.

The service was conducted by fhe Rep. R. de C. Marley (Rector of Laareath). Canon W. H. Rigy (Vicar of Launceston) was also presant, and his band of ringers from St. Mary's, Launceston, opened the bells. Many other Cornish ringers were present alsa.

## FOUR-SCORE YEARS

PENDEEBURY YETERAN'S BIRTHDAY
Wr. Thomas Lingard has been a ringer at Christ Church, Pendjelnuy, Lancs, for 64 years. On Saturday he celebrated his $801 . \mathrm{h}$ birthday, and the event was suitably honoured. A loug toncl of Grandsire Triples ( 3,220 changas) was conducted Ly Mr. Eingard, and when the bells came round they were fired' 80 times, ilt. Lingard was the recipient of congratulations and good wishes from the band: Frank Sliarples 1, Thomas Lintard 2, Fred Green 3, Norman Tomplins 4 Albert Wallwork 5, Jmones Kershaw 6, Alfred Thomas 7, Rernard Smith 8 .
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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. Robert Brundle, of Ipswich, bas just celebrated his 86 th birth day, and a peal in honour of the event Was rung at Stowmarket on Saturday.
There aro four nominations for the office of vice-presideat of the Lameashire Association, end the election takes place at the annuat meeting to-morrow: The Rev. J. A. Briggs (Liverpool), Mr. E. R. Martin (Preston), Mr. J. Rudyard (Soutlapart) and Mr. C. Sharples (Blackpool). Mr. C. Crosthwaite nnd Mr. T. Wilson have been nominated for the office of ringing secretary
A number of alteratious to rules, elriefy in relation to the constitution and election of the committee, are ta be cansidered at the meeting.
Tho Durham and Nowcastle Diocesan Association celebrates itis diamond jubilee ta-morrow.
The report of a peal at Colne Engaine has been sent without the name of the conductor
Mr. Leslie W. G. Morris, of Holbeck, Leeds, was last Saturday elected reneral secretary of the Yorkshire Association in succession to Mr. J. E. Cawser, who bas regigned owing to inereased business engagements.
We are glad to be able to report that Mr. W. D. Smith, of East bourne, one of the oldest College Youths, has made excellent recovery from the ilness which sudidenly overtook hirm a fortnight ago. Mr. Smith is in his 80 th year.

## RINGING FROM A BOX.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir -It may intorest Mr. Bacou to know that it is not quito as silly as he seems to think to stand on a box whelr ringing a heavy bell, because a heavy bell menus a large wheel; a large wheel means long length of rope below the sally; a long length of rope below the sally means (umless the ringer gtands on a box) a lot of slack rope round the feet when the bell is set at handstroke. Furdher, it the rope should be af all stiff, the sally fends to jump when the rope hits the floor; and this is also largely overcome by using a box.
I think ang heavy-bell ringer (which I certainly do not profess to be) will agree that it is more comfortable to ring a big bell from a box than from the floor. R. D. St. JOHN SMITH.
Heanor

## BOB TRIPLES. <br> To the Edtor.

Dear Sir,-I suppose I ought to feel properly squashed and remain silenb after reading Mir. C. A. Levelt's reply to my lettor. Unfor tunately, his uncalled for remarks have no effect on me! I merely foel soity for him, because he, like so many otherwise very pleassnit ringers, is unable to argue withont entering iato personalities. That line of argument nsutilly shows that the writer does not understand his subject properly.
Mr. Lerett is so full of his Sunday service gospel that it is he who cannot grasp the meaning of our argument. The question I raised, supporting Mr. Pipe's first letter, was-Which is it best to leara first Grandsire or Plain Bob? And, if the latter, then Bob Triples is n useful member of the melinod. I have already enumerated my reasons in support of Plain Bob, but Mr. Levett is so eager for the channe to attack me personally that he simply camot follow them. It is, thorefore, no use continuing the argument.
Before finatly closing, however, I must answer his reference to my Sunday service ringing. Tho remark in his last paragraph is deliberately misleading, and should be withdrawn. I have been a Sunday service ringer siace I left school in 1930. Wherever I have been living I have always attended the nearest tower at least once a Sundiry, when I bavo been at lome. And for the other Sunday service, when at home, I have always assisted somewhere. On many occasions I have made up the number for the cight bells at Mr. Leveti's church at Fastinge, when staying there. I would add that I have always had a pleasant welcome and enjoyed myself. I expect. I shall be in the neighbourhood again soon, and shall look forward to pinging somo well-struck Bob-no, Graxdsirc Triples, of course!
A. PATRICE GANNON.

Balham
P.S.-Mr. Mclvilie is quite correct! I have not yet been to Bimmiug ham, but I am looking forward to a visit soon.

## THE SECOND IN TREBLE BOB.

To the Editor
Dear Sir,-I note with pleasure Mr. T. Je. Darby's figures of a peal of Treble Bob Royal in your issue of the 3ed inst, with the 2 nd at home every course-end.
I constructed a similar 5,040. Treble Bob Maximus, as below. Like Mr. Darby, I do not claim originality.

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| 24536 | 2 | 2 | 1 |  |
| 25348 |  | 1 | 2 | G. E. SYMONDS. |
| 23456 |  | 1 | 2 |  |

## THE INSTRUCTION OF BEGINNERS.

 METHODS
## By Sumpiza H. Wood

I do not wish to join in any controversy as to whethey or not Bob Triples is worth rimging, but I an intarested in the recent correspondence in "The Ringing World' beause it has touched the fringes of a subject of wider interest and far greater importance, nancly, which is the best method an which to start beginners?
Mr. Pipe may or may not be right in saying that Bob Triples is a useful stepping-stone fram Grandsite Triples to Bob Major; and Mr. Grunon may or may not be correct in bis aseertion that the averuge ringer, brought up on Grandsire, finds difficulty in mastolinu the difierent dodging places of Bob Major (thougli personally I should have thought that a man brought up on Bob Major wonld find an exactly similar difficulty when ite first tackles Grandsure).
But the matter goes far deeper than that; and if we can find a convincing answer to tize question of which is the best nethod for a herinner to learn first, we shail, in the process, have answered the subsidiary question of why it is that so many riugers who start on Grandsire never master anything else.
I think it will be miversally admitted that, at the present time as in the past, the majority of rimgers start their change ringing career on Grandsire Thiples; jet I have no hesitation in eaying that the wisest instructors aro those-still unfortunately the few-who start tineir pupils ou even-bell ringing. I will go further and say that a great deal of the thoroughy Jas change ringing which is still heard up and down the countiry, and accepted with tolerance if not compilecence, is directly traceable to the traditional practice of learning Whe odd-bell methods first.

## MISTAKEN RELUCTANCE TO POINT OUT FAUJTS.

Now I do not expect this statement to meet at once with universal agreement, and I should not be so bold as to make it if I were not prepared to substanlinte itt in the chapter and verse. Before doing so, however, I mirdit add that next to this the nost imporlant contributory factor is a well-mennt but mistaken reluctance on the part of the good cingers to point ont the bad ones' faults and endeavour to contect them. It would be a thousand times better for the commuaity and kinder in the long run to the individual, to tell him fraight that he is a thandering bad ringer, provided, of course, that this oaturally not very welcome information feaccompanied by useful dvice which will lelp him to eradiente his fanlts and improve his tandard of rimging. For I am convinced inat tho majorily of bad ringers-and there are plenty of them-have no idea how bad they

It is not their fauft; the blame must be laid at the door of the structors who allow them to ring badly without criticism ar comment. We will gestme that a beriminer lias reached the staga when he is ready for his first lesson in change ringing ithis should usean (though an afrail that in many cases it does not) that he has complete control ower his bell and can ring it perfectly in Rounds. The first thing that his instructor las to teach him is to Plain Hunt-first in theory and then in practice: It is a good idea before actually puttintr hius into clanges to lel hing get some experience of how much he has got to hold up or cut down in order to clange his position by the pace; this can best be done by means of a few call-changes and by making him dodge with the bell next him (first one way and then lis other) Nearly all instructors tasch the sume method of Eunting Tp-namely, by striking after whe bell that strikes after you in the evieus change until you get up behind, thus introducing him to 'lopesight,' i.e., the ability to pick out the various bells with his cyes, On no acconit allow him to learn oft a string of pumbers and strike the hells in this erder through thick and thin (even at the beginning). This kind of begimer (the parrot type) is easily recognised, because the first time the bell he expects to find in a certain position is not there be tends to set his bell in and wait for him-and nething so completely destroys the 'beat, as this. Teach him, rather', to hold up a little bit at each stroke and gradually learn to piek out the arder in which the other bells pass him on their way down, theus instilling him with a sense of rhythm and the determination to stick his place no matter who else goes wrong.
Difierent instructors favoulv different methods of teaching bunting own; my own preference is for making time follow his course-bell, not hothering too much at first about the actual bells ho is strilifing over (though this must come later), beanuse in this way the begiuner himbeduced as early as possibie to the absolute necessity of trainiug listen to his own bell aurl the one he is coursing and leam to judge correctly the interwal between them.
When lie call Plain Hint reasontbly well the next step has to be decided upon; and this is, perhaps, the most important moment in a man's whole ringing career, because on the selection of the next step kepends to a great extent what kind of a ringer he is likely to make. So many instructors at this stage immediately rush their pupil on to an inside hell and teach htm a method-probahly Grandsire Triplesand by this one action put him well on the way to hecoming nt thoroughly bad ringer, beause there are two points of the greatest importance which it is absolstely necessary for him to Iearn and thoroughly master as early as possible, and if he does not learn them at this stage it quite often happens that he never does so at atl.

These two points are GOOD STRIKING aud PROPER LEADING, and it is in thege two points that the essential difference between starting on odd and even-bell ringing lies. By good striking is memnt putting your bell exactly into, say, 4th's place, as opposed to being satisfied with rourghy half-way between 3rd's and Gth's. And by proper leading is meant striking your bell exasetly in 1st's place, wide at handstroke and close at backstroke-the correct ' widts' at hand strok being obtained by leaving suftieient interval after the ond of the last change for one exira (imaginary) bell-as opposed to striking ronghly at the berinning of the change and learing the others to follow as best they may.
Now it is uot possible to lay down hard and fast rules for teaching good striking. Some ringers luve an inherent gense of rlyythm which caabies them to nuderstand exactly what is required; these will know at once whether they are striking correctly or wot, and with them it is just a matter of practice. Others, howover, are not so forbanate and have to be tald whether they are striking too wide or too close, Nearly always it is becmuse they camot pick onl the sound of their own bell amongst the rest; this is a common differstry in the early stages, but in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred it can be overeome with a little patience and determination, provided the pupil las two reusonably good ear's.

## STAR'L ON A SMALL NUMBER OF BELLS.

Various useful ways of helpiug hims will oceur to any instructor with a dittle imagination, perthaps tho most olvious being to start him on a very small number of bells, say fous, and gradualiy work up to the higher numbers. But it is Ele bounden duty of every instructoy to tell his pupil when he is striking bady-and to go on telling him. know that the reason why so muny ringers will not do this is tho well-meant one of not wishing to discourage a beginmer or hurt his feclings; but what are one man's feclings against the nerves of the rest of the band and all the listeners (willing aud unwilling) autsids? And how often does the well-menaning inglructor pause to jealise that by refraining from teling his pupil his faults (and he need not he told unkindly) ho is depriviug hin of tall the future eajoymenti which he would otherwise obtain from lis ringing and aiding and abetting him to become a thorough nuisance both to his fellow-ringers and the general public
There is, however, one defnite rule about striking whicl overy beginner can and should be faught; if ho lias is sense of rhythm and good ears ho may soon find it out for himself, but if not it should be explained to hime at the earliest possible opportunity. This is that heavier bells have a longer period of swiug tian lighter bells; conscquently when following a heavy bell it is necessary to shrike widn over him than when following in light ane, and vice versa. This fact, self-evident though it may seem to those who know, is one whin not so very obvious to a complete beymane '; remember that he cant
never discover it in ringing rounds, and when be first starts clinnge ringing lag will find plenty of other things to oceupy his mind to the fuli; and sa, if it is not explained to him, it may be years before he discovers it-iarticularly if he is started on Qrandstre Friples.

## ESSENTIAL DIFTPRENCES.

This is the first of the two essential differates between Triphes and Major that I am leading up to. True it is only \& difference of degrec; if you aru ringing the trebie to Iniples you have got to strike wider over tho 7th man over the 2nd, but not so very much; and if you do not mako the necessary allownace it may not be very noticoalute on a light peal. But when you como to Majol and the tenor is furned into wie changes the differeree in weight is probably half as much again, and even on a light peal the gap that must be allowed when striking over the tenor becomes definitely noticeablo. This, mueh mole than the different dodging placos, is one of the main difficulties which a man brought up on Tiples has to contend with when he first tries to ring Majot. If, on the otler hand, he is struted ou Major, and las this point properly explained to him, he will have un immediate opportunity of observing how ${ }^{2} t$ works out im pructice and learning to allow for it. And when The has nastered this he has leannt something of real valne, somnthing, moreover, wlitich he could not have learut so thoroughly on Triples; the Triples may may have been told about it and understand it in theory, but be daes not get the same opporturity to put it into practice.
Tho other main point of differchco between odd and even-bell ringing is in the Leadiag. If a man starts an Triples he will probably be taught to 'lead off the tener'; this may answer reasonably well as long as le sticks to Triples, but when ho gets on to Major he will him to lead from; he will, in Enct, have to start all over again nud learm to lead property-i.e., with his ears. It is better, therefore, to start him on Major and let hin learn to lead properly from the first
Now it may be argned that, even admitting the points I have hried to make (indeed, because of them), it is better to start a man on Major. On the face of it, this argnment is reasonable enough, but my experieuce laas been that in acturl fact it is uneound, far this reason; most beginners think that, when they have learnt to ring one method reasomably well, all they have to do to ring other methods is to learn the different "works. If the one method they can ring is Bob Kajor this may be true, but it is not neegserily true; it depends on how well they have mastered the ren elementary principes of their art-f.e., good striking and proper Ieading, on which depend the
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## BAD HABITS IN RINGING

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thythm or 'beat,' which is the first essential of al poon cloange ringing. And I have shown above that if yout start on Triples you do not get the same opportunities of learming these thitgs thoroughly, which in my opinion is the reason wiy so many Grandsire Triple ringers never master them at all.
It is a truism that iu every walk of life it is easier to fall into bad habits than to get out of tham when once actuived. This is, perlaps, especially truc in rimging; once let a man get info bad habits such as wrong handing of his rope or lazy leadigg or slipshod striking, and it may take years to cure Jim of them. Therefore, it is worth while going to a little extra trouble to ensure his cetting a thorough grounding in these essential points while lio is learming his first method; and in my opinion even-bell ringing affords the best opportunities for this, for the reasobs given above.
It will be appreciated that, allhough I have referred almost excluatvely to Triples and Major, exretly the same arguments apply to Doubles and Minor. In fact, the average berinuer will do better to make his first attempt at change rinking oll six bels-with Bob Minor as the method. Wilh only six bells to worly about he will find it easier to pick them ont individually with his eyes and his ears, and furthermore the wider gap between each bell-in addition to belping still further with this picking out process-will recessitnto his maving the position of his bell a greater amount between each change, thus teachivg him beftor bell control. But when he lias mastered Bob Minor, get him on as soon as possible to Bob Major, and let him come back to Triples later
To sum up, therefore, if you are an instructor with a prospoctive pupil and you are wondering whether to start him on odd or even-bell ringing, gou have got to look ahead and decide what is your ultimate ohject. If you aro only concermed with getting him up to the stage of ruging one method reasonably well in the shortest possible time, then by all means start him on Grundsire Triples (or Doubles). But do not be upset if in 20 years' time he can still ming nothing else ! If, on the other hand, you take the wider wiew and are really interested in your pupit's futuro career; if you are anxions to give him the best nossilule grounding in the essential principle of change ringing, so that lyy the time le ann ring one method he is properly equpped to so nhead and conquer fresh fields in the mote complieated ones, then start him on Bob Major (or Minory). It may take a little longer in the early stages, but it will be wortly it in the long jun; for if be is worth teauhing at all, the fime will come when he will be grateful to jou for your wisdom and foresinht. And when, in later jears, you call "That's all' to a peal of Dauble Norwich or Cambridge Royal, in which he has struck his ball perfectly thvoughout and set a perfect beat at the lead, you will liave your reward.

## HANDBELLS OVER BARHAM'S GRAVE

## FVENOAKS RIMGERS' TRTBUTR

On \$aturday, September 18th, the loand of the Parish Church, Sevenoaks, had theiv ammual ringing day. The party, made up to 25 by friends from neishbonring towers, left at 9 a.m. for the Weald of Kent. At Lecols several members liad their first pull on ten bells, courses of Stedman and Grandsire Caters being brought round, tut Treble Ten came to grief. Hefore leaving, a course of Boh Major was ring on handluels over the grave of that wouderful old ringer, James Barham, who, with the Leeds Yonths, scored the first peal on the bells of Severioaks (1770). And so to Headcorn, where some good touches in various methods were biouglat round, the party being joined by Mr. E. H. Lewis, who, unfottumately, could not be with them earlier. Several of the local band met them at High Halden, a most interestint church with shingle spire. Fere the six-bell ringers came into their own. successfully splicing st. Clement's, Oxford, Plain and Little Bob. Another short lum brought them to Tenterden, where the grand peal (tenor 30 cut, was made good use of, although some menbers fonnd the majestic pace and 'left-handed' circle a little disconcerting. Just across tile road a true ringers' tea awaited the party and delayed their arrival at Benenden by half an hour. The bells were set goisp to Double Norwich, etc., and all too soon a move was made for Goudhurst, the last tower of the day, where 'heavy going expected, but the bells had been recently relung and were kept going from rounds to Cambridee. Fome was safely reached at 10.30 p.m. after a very eujoyable day. Thanks are due to the steeplekeepers who had evergthing in readiness, to the incumbents for the uso of their bells, and to Mr. F. W. Houzden, who acted as Ringing Master for the day.

## INTERESTING PERFORMANCE AT PENGE

On Mouday evening at St. John's Ohurch, Pelrge, as a farewell to the Rev. A. M. and Mrs. Stibbs, a quarter-peal, consisting of ten and a hale differently called six-scores of Grandsire Douthles, was unng E. J. Barrett 1, P. A. Corby (conduetor) 2, D. G. Brown 3, N. T. Hext 4, J. E. Pullin 5, R. W. Darvill 6. Longest length by ringers of $1,3,4$ and 5 and first quarter-peal of Doubles by ringers of 2 and 6. All but the tenorman, who is from Hillingrdon, Eing regularly at St. John's. This is the fongest iength on the hells since they were put in ringing order about four years ago, and probably the first quarter'peal since 1913.
Mr. and Mrs. Stibbs are to take up residence at Southeate, where Mr. Stibbs is to become a tutor at Oakhill Theological College.

## PEAL NOTES.

## MR. G. R, PYE'S 1, gOOh PEAL.

The peals which were rung on the tour in Cheshive and North Wales last wek are recorded elsewhere. Eleven were scored in thirtean atfempts.
The last of the series, Superlative Surprise, rung at Llandudno was Mr. Bob Pye's 1,800tla peal. Only lis brother, the late Mr. Williani Pye, a'ang more than this number.
Honour was paid to Alderman J. S. Pritehett, Master of St. Martin's Guild, Birminglbam, un trinesday, September 14th, ou which day lie and Mrs. Prithett celebrated their 'golden wedding.' A peal of Stedman Cinques was rung at St. Martin's Ghurch by members of the Guild the first line snch a complment has been paid to a Birmingham citizen.
It is interesting to noto that the peal was called by an old member of the society, Mr. William H. Barber, of Newcastle, who used to ring in Bitminglam-well, we hardly like to say how many yearg tgo. Mr. W. H. Fussell, young as ever, reached his 76th birthday on September 15th and celebrated it with a peal of Oxford Bob Triples at Wrayshay

The district round Gaingborough is losing an enthnsiastic ringer by the removal elsewhere of Mr. Clifford Vessey, who has put in some
excellent wark in North Lines and Nolts. A farewel] peal was ruus on September 14th.

Bedainton and wallingten have received a clarter of incorporation, and Beddington bells played their part in celebrating the anspicious event. A peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal was ruug ou the mornintry of September 15th.
Mr. Jim Bennett, now rapidy reaching his one thousandth peal, rang his first peal of Bob Royal as conductor last Saturday Prittlewel
It is not often that two peals of Oxford Bob Triples are rung in a week, but, in addition to the one at Wraysbury on Thursday, mother was runte at Claines, Worcestershire, on Saturday.
In honotur of the wedding of Mr. G. Biddulph, of Lawton, Gheshine on Saturday, a peal of Bristol Surprise Majol was yung later in the da By ringing in the peel of Bristol Surprise Mrajor on Saturda September Ilth, Mr. R. H. Bartwam, of Melton Mowbray, has taker part in 'the first in the meliod' of all peals zung or the cight bells at Ashoy Folville. This was his 1506h peal.
Two Suffolk Gearges, George Pryke and George Beunett, have מow rumg 200 peals together. 'they campleted the double century as Woodbridge on September 11th.

Dining the Cambridge Universiby Guikl's recent week in Somerset, the Rev. E. Bankes James reached his jubilee as a ringer, September 6th, 1887, being the foundation date of the St. Michael's Jnniors, Gloucester, of which he and his brother were distinguished memhers. The Rev. Bankes James had the satisfaction of celebrating the occasion with four peals on succossive days, one with the Bath and Wells Association and three with the Cambridge Guild.

Three members of the Cambridge University \& Guild, who had just finished their "week " in Somerset, fud five Bath and Wells Assaciation ringers, met on a recent Saturday morning for Stedrann Triple at a church not fin from Bristol. After half an hour's excelleat riaging e loud kooking on the door started, and as this persisted the hand camo to the conclusion that the Vicar wished to stop the ringing on account of illness or other reasonable cause, and the condireto therefore reluctantily called 'Stand.'

The unlocking of the door reveated the Vicar, who explained that he had "just come up to see how the ringers were gebting on," and added that " when they went an with their peal he would like to came in and watch for a few minutes. "The situation was explained to himi ns tactfully as prossible, and ho left his belfry richer by the cmowledge that, althongh ringers are always pleased to see the dergy in their belfries, the middle of a peal of Stedmau Triples is not the most appropriats tine for sucli visits!

## RINGERS' PROGRESS AT SHERBURN-IN-ELMET'

## THREE THRST QUARTER-REALS ON THE BELLS.

The hand at Sherburn-in-Etinet are to be congratulated on the excellent progress they have made during the last $2 \frac{1}{2}$ years, largely through the enthusiasm of Mr. R. H. Vigor, late of Bromfey, Kent, who has been living in the village. With the assistance of Mr. A. P. Camnon, who was on holiday with Mr. Vigor, the followillg quarterpeals were rung recently, each being the first in the method on the bells: On Sinday, August 29th, 1,264 Bob Major: *W. Haspley 1, \#H. Bradley 2, A. P . Canmou (conductor) 3, Miss D. M. Fiwley 4, +Mrs. Fe. Bradley, 5, Mrs. S. Render 6, tE. Bradley 7, R. H. Yigov 8 $\dagger$ Mrs. S. Remder 1, †Miss D. M. Hawley 2, $\dagger$ E. Bradley 3, R. E. Vigor 4, +Mrs. E. Bradley 5, †T. Terry 6, †W. Terry 7, A, P. Cannon (conductor) 8. * First guarter-peal. + First quarter-peal in the method. On Sunday, September 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: *H Bradley 1, Miss D. M. Hawley 2, Mrs. E. Bradley 3, R. H. Tigor 4. A. P. Cannon 5, *Mrs. S. Render 6, E. Bradley (first quarter-peal as conductor and frst attempt) 7 , 天W. Hawley 8. * First quarter-peal of Triples.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

HOW A TRINGERS' HYMN CAME TO BE WRITTEN
The South and West District of the Middlesex County Association aud London Diocesan Guild held a very enjoyable meeting at Ruislip an Saturciay, September 1lth. A fine sunny day, although tempered by a keen wind, helped to attract an attendance of 35 . The ringing was of a very good standard for a meatiug, and Mr. George Kilby had a buey time in his cepacieg as actiug Ringing Master. Rounds and various methods, including Surprise Major, vere rums.
The usual service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Canon E. Cornwall Jones, assisted by the Rev. K. H. Jocelyn. The district vicepresident (Mr. J. A. Trollope) read the lesson. The new hymu for pringers, 'Ruislip Bells,' was sung, the music of which was composed by the local organist, Mr. A. W. Owen, who was at the organ.
A visit to the George Hotel, opposite to the charch, was made for tea, with the Vicar, curate aud organist all present. At the subsequent meeting the lion. secretary anmounced details of the forthcoming joint meeting with the Lachies and Oxford Diocesan Guilds at Sti. St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, Octoler 15th. A feature of the social would be a handball (balloon) contest. Teams of seven aside from any tower were iavited to enter forthwith. Fe trusted there wonld be less bloodshed thun on previous occasious!
It was provisionally arranged to visit Twickenlann on November 13th and Feltham on December 1it th. The ammal supper was fixed to be held nt Eeston on Saturday, Jannary 22nd, while the district annual meeting would be at the same place, probably on February 5th.
Mr. Prollope, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicar, stressed the proint that ripgers weyo rather apt to talse for granted the lospitality offered ta them on visits to towers for peals, meetings, etc. He ibought that, on the whole, the clergy were very generous their treatment of ringers. Continuing, Mr. Trollope said le wond ke to talee the opportunity of congratulating Mr. Owen on the new hymn, which Jiad heen apuly entitited : Ruislip Bells. The speaker had studied Englishl literature Iairly extensively and he thought the ords a good deal above the usual. The tune was also attractive and yood.

Mr. Owen replied on behalf of the Yicar and himself, and said he had moticed that two hymns containing references to bells pealing were sung frequently at ringers' meewings, although not writien specinily for that purpose. They were "Wheu morning gilds the skies" 'Hark hark, my soul.' He mentioned the matier to a business colleague (Mr. James Beuson), who was also a very fine poet, aud engested they might collaborate in producing something for ringers. So dny he produced the four verses and in each was included a bellingers' prayer. Fe, MIr. Owen, was strack by the beauky of them, of when he had produced the mnsic for them, obtained the Vicar's rmission to call the hymn 'Ruislip Bells.' Ho added that all oceeds of sales of the hymn sleets ( 1 d . each) went towards the sintenauce of the Parish Clurch.
Defore and after business some change ringing on Mr. C. W. Taylor's ne handluells took place. The welcome extended by the clergy, laymen and ringers (especially Mr. Tom Colinis) was unch approciated.

## DEATH OF MR. R. T CLARK

## A POPUEATR DOVER RTNGPR

His many friends will hear with sorrow of the death of Mr. R. Thos. lark, of Dover, at the age of 47 years. After undergoing two operaons at the Royal Victoria Hospital. Dover, decensed rallied for a ime, but his strenglly gradually ebled and he passed away on Triday, eptember 10th. 'Tom,' as he wns popularly kuown, was ever ready discuss ringing with a smile. Fo was always foremost to assist in nging for any service nt the church, his advice to learners was ooked upon as a most valuable help coming from one who had made
bkudy of ringing for many years. He was a member of the Kent
ssociation and also the Bnth and Wells Association.
He was laid to rest on Wednesday, Scptember 15th, when among hose present at the cliurch were the Mayor and Mayoress of Dover. The numerous beautiful floral tributes spoke of the esteem in which lie was held. The following were sent from the ringing societies with which deceased bad heen conneeted: The ringers of St. Mary's Church, Tipsbbury; Fome Brancl, Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Clange Ringers; St. James' belfry, Dover: St. Mary's, bellíngers, Dover. Following the service at the graveside, a course of Grandsire Triples was wing on handbells by Messis. HI. Whiteliead, H. J. Sannders, C . Turner and L. Lcach, concluding with the riugers' final salute
In the evening a quarter-penl of Graudsire Triples was rung halfmuffed at St. Mary's Church by a band representing the Kent Association: G. Eagles 1, S. A. Wells 2, W. Terry (Deal) 3, F. A. Rye (Walner) 4. W. Kitchen (Folkestone) 5, IF. J. Saunders 6, C. Tumer (conductor) 7, $\dot{H}$. Whithelead 8 .

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.-On Sunday, September 12th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: C. Diplock 1, W. Sten ning 2, H. Riehardson 3, G. Mamblridge 4, A. Backshall 5, G. Lucas 8, - Dearlove (conductor) 7, J. Woolgar 8.

HANBORY. -On Sunday, August 29th, for service at St. Mary the Virgin's Clurch, a quarter-peal of Stediman Triples: $\mathbb{R}$. Lewis 1 , $W$. Powel 2. J. Checketts 3, J. Woolyatt 4, R. Rowe 5, A. Hill (conductor) 6, W. Lewis 7, G. Colley 8.

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## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUIED

NEWBURY BRANGE MEETING AT BUCKLEBURF.
The auturnin meeting of the Newbury Branch of the Oxford Diocesau Guild was held at Sit. Mary's Church, Bucklobury, on Septomber 4th, when about 40 membors altended, including visitors from Ablugdon, Kingsclere, Bramley, Overton, Reading and streatley. The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. H. Thorp), who also gave an address. Mr. Sidney Lodye, of St. Laurence's lower, Reading, played the cirgan.

Tea was provided in the Victoly Hall by Mrs. N. J. Blunden, and was followed by the businoss meeting. Thie chaimmu of the branch (the Rev. W. Kinssley Kefford) presided, supported by bie general secretary (Mr. R. T. Hibberd) and Mr. H. W. Curtis (hon. branch sccretarw).
The next meeting was fixed for Fnmborongh on Saturday, October 2nd.

A vote of thanks to the Rev. E. M. Thorp for his address und velcome, to Mr. Lodge for playiag the organ, Ral to Mrs, Blunden for providing the tea, was proposed by the chulrman and carried with applanse.
Varions methou's, including Cambridge Surprise and Double Norwich, were rung during the afternoon and evening.

## DIAMOND WEDDING.

Al; Miltou-ncxt-Gravesend, Kent, on September 15t.l, n quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung in honour of the diamond wedding of Mr., End Mrs. E. A. Sandford, residents of the parish, which titey celebrated that day: C. R. Goodhurn 1, Mrs. F. M. Mitchell 2, H. Argent 3, F. A. Mitchell 4, 3. Burles 5, G. Morrad 6, F. M. Mitchelj (conductor) $7, F$. Seabright 8 .
Among the many munificent, acts of Mr. and Mrs. Sandford in the town was the gif of a new bell to the church when the peal was augmented to cight ir 1830 in memory of their son, who whs killed in the Great War
In compruy with their fellow-townspeople the ringers sent heartiest congratulations.

## NOTICES.

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## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

TERCENTENARY DINNER: FINAL NOTICE.
Four hundred tickets have now been allatted. If any more members wish to attend, they should apply at once, so that the committee may reserve for them any tickets which may be returned.

Detailed arrangements for the day will be published about a fortnight before the date.

## WILLAM T. COCKERILL.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-St. James', Poole.-Dedication of two new trebles in commernoration of Coronation year by the Very Rev. the Dean of Salisbury, on Saturday, Sept. 25 th, at $3 \cdot 30$ p.m. Tea in the Guildhall at 5. Special services on Sunday, 26 th, at in and 6.30. Ringing from 10.15 and 5.45 .

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. Basingstoke District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Upton Grey on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Dis. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -The quarterly meeting wili be held jointly with the Doncaster and District Society at Conisborough on Saturday, Sept. 25 th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.nn. Tea at 5.30 p.m., at 9 d. each. Please notify Mr. S. Harrison, 1 I , Church Street, Conisborough, by Friday, the $24^{\text {th, }}$, for tea.-F. Clark and E. Cooper, Hon. Secs.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Kingswood on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. All ringers welcome.-W. Clayton, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks \& South Bucks Branch. -The next practice has been arranged at Cookham ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Sept. 25 th, at 3.30 p.m. Tea at is. per head.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at the Church of the Saviour, Bolton, on Saturday, Sept. 25 th. Seven eight-bell towers will be open from 3 p.m. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Hulme. -W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.

RICKSMANSWORTH (Herts Association).- io bells. Meeting on Saturday, Sept. 25 th. Bells open from 3-30. Tea at 5 -45- Usual business meeting after. Ringing till 8.15. Excellent train or coach service from all parts.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Ashford Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Willesborough on Saturday, Sept. $25^{\text {th }}$ (Ashford bells not available, owing to illness). Bells ready 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting 5.15.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., ino, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A practice meeting of the Northern Division will be held at Lindficld on Saturday, Sept. 25 th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.M. by kind invitation. No rail fares.-O. Sippetts, Io, Albany Road, Crawley.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch. - The quarterly meeting will be held at Holbeach on Saturday, Sept. 25 th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.15 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. - Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Epping Upland on Saturday, Sept. $2^{\text {th }}$. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4:30. Tea at 5 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 69, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The 6 oth annual meeting will be held in Durham on Saturday, Sept. 25 th. Cathedral bells available from I to $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and after service to $5.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service in conjunction with the Cathedral Evensong at 3 p.m., with address by the Ven. the Archdeacon of Auckland (the Ven. Leslie Owen). Committee meeting in Cathedral Choir Vestry immediately after service. Dinner and annual meeting in the Three Tuns Hotel at 6 p.m. This is the Diamond Jubilee year of the association. Will members endeavour to make the meeting an outstanding success?-Roland Park, Hon. Sec., 23, Oaklands Terrace, Darlington.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Long Melford (8 belis) on Saturday, Sept. 25 th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Tea at Lion Hotel 5 p.m.-Harold G Herbert, Hon. Sec., 6I, Acton Lane, Sudbury.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Bridgnorth Branch. - The next meeting will take place to-morrow (Saturday), Sept. $25^{\text {th }}$, at Chelmarsh. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 , followed by meeting. Those requiring tea please notify me as soon as possible.-H. G. Thomas, Hildon, Victoria Road, Bridgnorth.

COURTEENHALL, NORTHAMPTON.-The bells will be rededicated by the Bishop of Peterborough on Sunday, Sept. 26 th, at 3 p.m.-a ring of five, tuned and rehung by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - There will be ringing for service at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on Sept. 26th, commencing at 5.30 p.m. Usual monthly practice at Shoreditch on Thursday, zoth, at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. - N. Summerhayes, Assistant Hon. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division. - A mid-week meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford on Wednesday, Sept. 29th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 6g, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Cambridge on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells: St. Benet's, available from 3 p.m., Great St. Mary's from 6.30 to 730 . Service at St. Benet's 4.30 p.m., followed by annual district meeting. Please make own arrangements for tea. May I ask members to make an effort to attend both service and meeting, as the Vicar of St. Benedict's is anxious to meet members of the association?-C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -The half-yearly meeting will be held at Metheringham on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) ready early. Service $4 . \mathrm{I} 5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, 5 p.m., at a moderate charge to those who inform Mr. F. W. Stokes, Blankney, Lincoln, by the Wednesday previous.-J. Bray, Hon. Sec.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly meeting on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, at Burbage, nז. Hinckley. Bells (8) open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting 4. Tea 5, followed by general meeting. Names for tea (is. per head) nusst be sent not later than Sept. 29th to Mr. G. Dudley, 47, Sketchley Road, Burbage, Hinckley. - Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells ( 8 ) available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.1n. Everybody welcome.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., $5^{8,}$ Anvil Street, Blackburn.

ESSEX, HERTFORD AND MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATIONS with LADIES' GUILD.-A joint meeting of the above associations will be held at Leytonstone (St. John's) on Saturday, Oct. and. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea to follow. Will all those intending to be present and requiring tea advise E. J. Butler,
$3^{1} 3$, Mawney's Road, Romford, by Wednesday, Sept. 3oth, without fail?-E. J. Butler, W. H. Lawrence, C.

Coles, E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Secs.
LEZANT, LAUNCESTON, CORNWALL-Rededication service by the Lord Bishop of Truro on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, at 3 p.m.-a ring of six, tuned and rehung by John Tayior and Co, Loughborough.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.
The quarterly meeting wili be held at Campsall on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Beils (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea at the Oid Bell Inn at 4.30 p.m., Is. 3 d. per head. Those requiring same must advise Mr. H. Bradley, Station Gatehouse, Norton, near Doncaster, by Tuesday, Sept. ${ }^{28 \text { th. -H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Ebor Street, }}$ Selby.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bicester Branch.The half-yearly meeting will be held (D.v.) on Saturday, Oct. znd, at Stratton Audley. Tower open 3 p.m. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by short business meeting. Ambrosden, Bicester and Launton beils also available at times which will be announced at meeting. Those requiring tea please notify F. Sharpe, Launton, Bicester, Oxfordshire.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. - The next practice meeting will be held at Foly Trinity Church, Kendal, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (ro) available at 2.30 .p.m.-N. M. Newby, Branch Sec., Brewery Mount, Uiverston.
LIANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The next meeting will be held at Penarth on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting follows. The Rector is providing tea for those who notify me not later than Sept. ${ }^{28 t h}$.-J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Alteryn View, Newport, Mon.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIA-TION.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bridgwater on Saturday, Oct. 2ad. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15.-J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Coleshill, near Birmingham, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available at 3.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 . Business meeting to Eollow. Please notify regarding tea not later than Wednesday, $2^{\text {th }}$ inst.-T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136 , Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham if.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Penn on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells from 3 o'clock. Short service at 4.45, with an address by the Rev. Edgar Hartill, M.A., R.D., Vicar. Tea (rs.) in the Parish Hall at 5.30. Please send word not later than Tuesday, Sept. asth. Reports ready for distribution.-H. Knight, I5, Rughy Street, Wolverhampton.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Ormesby on Saturday, Oct. 3nd. Bells 8 (tenor 18 cwt .). Tea will be provided at the Bungalow Café at 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Thursday, Sept. 3 oth. United buses, No. 63 or 65 , service from Middlesbrough, half-hourly service. - J. Reed, Hon. Sec., 67, Hedley Street, Guisborough, Yorks.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Wortley Church (bells 8) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. For tea please notify Mr. William Wooler, Sheffield Road, Wortley, near Sheffield.-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., I3, St. Ronans Road, Shefficld 7.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.A meeting of the above branch will be held at Farnborough on Saturday, Oct. znd. Bells (5) available at 3 $o^{\prime}$ clock. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at 6d. each. All ringers welcome. Intending visitors please notify the Rev. H. L. Puxley, Farnborough Rectory, near Wantage, Berks, by Wednesday, Sept. 3oth, for tea. - H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.- Devizes Branch. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Westbury ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Ringing 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea 5. Meeting to follow. Advise me carly how many will attend the tea- - W. C. West, Branch Hon. Sec., Semington Road, Melksham.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. Kettering Branch-A quarterly meeting will be held at Orlingbury ( 5 bells) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Usual arrangements. Please notify me if you require tea.-H. Baxter, 256, Windmill Avenue, Kettering.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch. The next meeting of the Crewe Branch will be held at Acton (6 bells) on Saturday, Oct. and. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Will all those who intend to be present kindly let me have a card on or before Sept. 3oth?-Rich. D. Langford, Hon. Branclı Sec., it8, Ruskin Road, Crewe.

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ST. PAUL'S, WALDEN.-The next meeting of the Northern District: of the Hertford County Association will be held at St. Paul's, Walden, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. The bells will be available at 3 p.m. Major Guy M. Kindersley has kindly offered tea to those who notify Mr. East, 3, Hill View, Whitwell, Hitchin, on or before
 chaps !-Don Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-.-Reading Branch.The autumn meeting will be held at Tilehurst on Saturday, Oct. and. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea, at is. per head, at 5 p.m., at the Rectory. Service at 6 p.m. Buses from Reading Stations. All ringers welcome. Number for tea by Sept. $2 g^{t h}$, please. -E. G. Foster, Hon. Branch Sec., 401 , London Raad, Reading.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting of the West Norfolk Branch will be held at St. Margaret's, King's Lynn, on Saturday, Oct. and.-W. I. Eidred, Branch Sec., 4, Wellington Street, King's Lymn.

PETERBOROUGF DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsborough Branch. - A special meeting will be held at West Haddon on Salurday, Oct. and. Usual arrangements. Please notily hon. secretary not later than Tuesday next of those requiring tea.-Geo. A. Hallick, Hon Branch Sec., West Street, Welford, Rugby.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS. ASSOCIA-TION.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Crich on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Betls available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Please send number requiring tea to Mr. W. Piggin, near Church, Crich, by Thursday, Sept. 3oth.-J. W. England, Hon. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District. - The next meeting will be held at Lambeth Parish Church on Saturday, Oct. gth. Bells available from 3.15 p.m. Tea 5.30 . Service $7 \cdot 30$. All ringers and friends welcome. Will all those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Oct. 6th?-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton, Surrey.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone District. - The annual district meeting will be hetd at All Saints', Maidstone ( t bells) on Saturđay, Oct. gth. Details later.-A. Waddington, Hon. Sec.

YORKSFIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annual Snowdon Commemoration Dinner, in memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon (founder and first president) and past officers of the association, will be held at the Leeds and County Conservative Club, South Parade, Leeds, on Saturday, Oct. 9th, at 6 p.m. Tickets, 45 . each, may be had on application to Mr. F. G. Sherwood, 8, Vesper Walk, Kirkstall, Leeds 5, or reservation of same not later than Oct. 7 th. Bells available during the afternoon: Parish Church (I2), St. Michael's, Headingley (8), St. Chad's, Far Headingley (8).

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - A meeting of the SouthEastern Division will be held at Rettendon on Saturday, Oct. gth. Bells available $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting after. Will all those who require tea please let me know by Wednesday, Oct. 6th, certain? -H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Preston St. Mark's, on Saturday, Oct. gth. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea arranged for all those who notify the Rev. J. Maddoch, St. Mark's Vicarage, Preston, not later than Oct. 7th.A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Canterbury on Saturday, Oct. gth. The following bells will be available: St. Stephen's (8), St. Alphege's (6) and St. Dunstan's (6) from 3 p.m. and after meeting, Cathedral (12) after meeting only. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting in St. Dunstan's Parish Hall. Please send your names to reach me, not later than Wednesday, Oct. 6th. - B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec., 20 , Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-South Norfolk Branch. - The last general meeting of this branch for 1937 will be held on new ground, on Saturday, Oct. 9 th, at Bergh Apton. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at the George and Dragon, Thurton. Also Brooke bells, one mile distant. Special methods: Oxford Bob Minor and London Surprise Minor. Names for tea by Oct. $5^{\text {th }}$, please. - A. G. Harrison, Hon. Sec., 90 , Denmark Street, Diss, Norfolk

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The Tonbridge District annual meeting to be held at Tonbridge will take place on Saturday, Oct. 3oth, and not on Oct. 2nd. De tails later.-A. E. Richardson, Dis. Sec.

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The ringers of Lydiard Millicent, Wiltshire, accompanied by a. few Fricuds, held their aumual outing on Saturday, September 18th, the clert of the westher looked with favour upon them. A start made at 7 n.m., the first call being Wheatley, where the Vicar mes the party and some Grandsire Doubles was ring, despite the very bud arrangements in the ringing loom, where the clock case, etc., is an inpediment. $\Delta$ ston Clinton was then visited and some ringing entjoyed on this good going ring of six. Here again the Vicar was attendance. A lialt was made at Ivinghoe Beacon to emable the more energetio members of the party to do a litlle monntaineering and the view obtained was ample compensation for the energy expenderd. The real oljeetive, Whipsinde Zoo, was reached at 12.30 , and the afternoon was spent in making acquaintancesh ip with animals and birds of all sorts ard sizes. The journoy home was begun soon after tea and a call was made at Dinton, where more Doubles were rung. A halt was made at Thame, where the autumn fair was in progress and it is reported that three well-known Swiudon ringers were seeu riding on the hobby-horses. After the fearsome beasts of Whipsinde they wanted a change, something nice alrd tame! Home was reached safely at midnight after an enjoyable day, and thanks are extended to all who helpea make it enjoyable.
W. B. K.

## WEDDING BELLS.

At St, Mary Magdalen's Chureh, Holloway, on Sunday, September 5th, for evening service, a quaster-peal of Bol Major: R. Clarge 1, A. Turner 2, F. Barker 3, H. Feanks 4, R. Newman 5, G. Giarge 6. A. Dargell 7, J. G. Nasir B. This was in honour of the wedding of Miss E. Dixon nnd Mr. F. Akers, which took place at Unity Church on the previous day. As there aro no bells at the chureh, yandbells were rung at the reception, after the wedding.

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## BELLS OUSTED BY GRAMOPHONE.

Recently we have been hearing of churches being equipped with amplifiers to 'broadcast' bells from a gramophone record when their towers have not been equipped with the genuine article. In place of the often discordant note of a single bell, with its irritating monotony, there is something to be said for such an installation, at any rate temporarily. There can, however, be little excuse for using mechanical substitutes in churches where a ring of bells is already in existence. Yet this is what appears to be happening at the celebrated Church of All Hallows, Tower Hill. The Vicar is the respected founder of Toc H, the Rev. 'Tubby ' Clayton, and it is reported that a gramophone has been introduced to take the place of the bells, because the latter are unsafe. Such an action will be deeply deplored by all ringers. All Hallows' has a peal of eight, and if they have been allowed to get into a dilapidated condition, as so many other London bells have been, the fault lies first with the church authorities, whose responsibility it is to see that they are maintained in good order. The provision of a gramophine, which the authorities no doubt regard as a cheap way out, is, in our view, a deplorable means of escaping a liability to the church and a trust which lias come down to them to be handed on to the future. We shall probably be fold that there are no funds to carry out the necessary work to the bells. This is so often the excuse, yet time and again we hear of the bright example of poor parishes shouldering successfully the task of restoring or renewing their bells. Ebbw Vale, in the distressed area of South Wales, is an instance which we record this very week. We wonder if any real effort has been made to obtain the money for the work at All Hallows'. We can hardly imagine failure for such an appeal in connection with a church so justly famous as the home of Toc H .

But, having said this much, let us not be blind to the fact that one of the reasons why the bells have got into an unsafe condition is from lack of any interest in them by a regular band of ringers. Where there is a company of ringers the bells are naturally better cared for, and the defects brought to the notice of the authorities. It may be that long neglect has resulted in the present dilapidations. There are other London churches where the belis are similarly falling into decrepitude. Quite a number of peals of bells have dropped out of use from absence of interest on the part of ringers, even for occasional visits. London has far more bells than there are ringers to ring them, but it is a great pity that something cannot be done by the societies which cover the area to act jointly in getting a review of the whole position, with a view to a comprehensive reorganisation. It might save other bells (Continued on page 642.)

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## THE RINGER'S BADGE,


from becoming so derelict that gramophones will be substituted and our fine old art still further ousted from the capital of the Empire. It could be done if there were a better spirit of co-operation among ringers in the Metropolis.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

WALAALL, STATFORDSHTRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Thuysäy, September 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Thivry-Nine Minutes At tee Churce oe St. Matturw.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, bQ1日 GHANGEB; Tenor 26 cwt . 8 lb . in D.
James S. Eastwood .. ...Trebly Edgar T. Smite Ceristopber Waliater ... 2 Artbur T. Detion George W. Hegras ... ... 3 Aobrey M. Pickiring George E. Oljver ... ... 4 Howard Howell ... ... 9 Barnabas G. Key ... ... 5 Thomas J, El.ton ... ... 11 Harry T. Higgins ... ... 6 William A. Walkzr ... .... Temdy Composed by J. Carter. Conducted by Thomas J. Egion.
Riung for the patronal and harvest festivale. LONDON.
THE LONDON OOUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCDSAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Seplember 25, 1937, in Threa Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At ife Caterdral Cedrce of St. Saviour, Soutbwarf,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES: Tenor 50 cwt .
Fredrrick G. Symonds ...Tyeble Robert C. Hyazel ...
Tbobas H. Taffender ... 2 •Pbilip A. Corby
Ernest J. King **
Jobn H. Chersman ... ... 4 Edward D, Smith
Thomas W, Taffender ... 5 Frank E, Darby
Raymong G. Cousins... 6
Composed by Heeves. Con
ducted by Taomas W. TAFEENDER
tempt for peal on 12 bells. A birthday compliment to the

## TEN BELL PEALS.

SELBY, YORKSHIRE. THF YORESHIRE ASSOGIATION.
On Thurday, Seftember 16, 1937, in Thre Hous \& Thitiy-Seven Minft.s
Aiter Abbey Cuurce of SS. Mary and Germanus,
A PEAL OF ETEDMAN GATERE, 5030 CHANEESI Tenor 25 cwt 2 qr .20 lb .
Grorge F. Williams... ...Treble Horacg S. Morlgy ...
Thomas H. Tafrender ... 2 Sidney F. Palmer ...
Joun H. Lenton ......
Teomas W. Taffender ... 4 John W Horson
 Compo 5 Arthor Armitage .... .... 5 Teno

* First peal on ten bells

NORTH SIONEEAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULD On Seturday, September 25, 1937, in Three Hours and Ninetern Dfinutes,

At the Churce of St. Nigolas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGEB; Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lb .
George Willaas ... ...Tyeble Reginald W. Rex ... ... 6

- Leonard Knoti...

Frgderick S. Bayley ... 3 Owen H. Giles ......
George Puxlinger ... ... 4 William T. Tucrer ... .... 9
 Composed by J. Rezves. Condacted by George Winliams.

* Tirst peal of Royal. Tirst peal. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mies Noralh Kathleen Dumper to Mr. Govdon Leslie Green, solemused at tho above church previous to the peal. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr'. E. Dumper, a member of tho local band.

[^38]OREWE，OHESHIRE<br>THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD<br>On Saturday，September 25，1937，in Thee Hous and Twelve Minutes， At Cbrist Cedrch，<br>G PEAL DF STEDMAN BATERE， 9079 CHANGESI Tenor 20 cwt ．<br>Robert Sperring ．．．．．．Tyeble｜Harry Oygrton ．．．．．． 6 James H．Riding ．．．．．． 2 Riceard D．Langeord ．．． 7 Frad Hartman．．．．．．...$\quad 3$ Samoel Jones．jon．．．．．．． 8 Harry F．Holding ．．．．．． 4 Percy Swindeey ．．．．．． 9 George A．Packez ．．．．．． 5 揣 5 R．Price ．．．．．．．．．Temor Composed by C．W．Robrats．Conducted by J．H．Riding． ＊First peal in the method．＋First peal．S．Jones＇200th peal．

## EIGHT BLLL PEALS

CLENT，WOROESTERSEIRE．
THE WOROESTERSETRE AND DISTRIGRS ASSOCLATION． On FFednesiay，Scptember 15，1937，in Ttwo Houts and Fifty－Eight Minutes At ter Caorch df St．Lromard，

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，6OAO GHANGES；

Heywond＇s Transposition of Thdrstans＇Fodr－part．
Tenor II cwt．I8 lb．in F．sharp．
William H．Barbzr．．．．．．Tyeble Sidnzy O＇C．Holloway ．．． $50^{5}$ William J．Dayidson ．．． 2 Danirl T．Maykin ．．．．．． 6 William Short ．．．．．．．．． 3 Jabes George ．．．．．．．．． 7 William C．Dowding ．．．． 4 Ernest G．Feetceerr．．．．．．Temoy Conducted by W．J．Davidson．
Rurg as a compliment to Alderman J．S．Pritchett，a vice－president of the association，and Mrs．Pritchett，on the celebration of their golden wecding．

HILGAY，NORFOLK
THE ELE DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION
On Friday，Sepiember 17，1937．in Thee Hours and Fowy Minutes，
At the Church of All Sainis，
H PEAL OF DOUBLE NORHICH GOURT BOB MAJOR，5O40 CHANCE8； Ienor 17 cwt． Aebert E．Austin.... Whlliam Buckenham ．．． 3 Artitr G．Bason ．．．．．． 7 Francis G．Gleavgs ．．． 4 Frank Warrington ．．．．．．Timgy Composed and Conducted by Frank Warrington．
First peal in the method．First peal of Double Norwich on the balls．

HANDSWORTH，YORESHIRE． THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
（Saeffield and Digtrict Society．）
Om Saturday，Septembsy 18，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty－One Minutes， At the Church of St，Mary，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MASOR， 6056 GHANGES：
Tenor 12 cwt in F sharp
Artber Knights ．．．．．．Tyeble Jobn J．L．Gilberi ．．．．．．． 5 Frrdrrice Cardwell ．．． 2 Harold Caant ．．．．．． －Joen E．Turlry ．．．．．． 3 Daniel Smita ．．． Artgor Panterr ．．．．．． 4 Norman Ceaddock ．．．．．．temay Composed and Coaducted by Artegr Knigets．
＊First peal in the method．This composition（No，259）is now rung for the first time．

EALING，MIDDLESEX．
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOOESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，Septerterer 18，1937，in Thyee Hours ank Eight Minutes， Az tee Ceqgen of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF GOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR，bOBB CHANGEB； Temor 2月罢 ewt．
Jobn W．Enston ．．．．．．Treble｜William H．Coles ．．．．．． 5 Pbyllis Homparey ．．．．．． 2 Frank Corke ．．． Frances Boteam $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Cecil W．Pipe... Jobn H．Botham ．．．．．． 4 Aban R．Pink ．．．．．．．．．Tunor Composed by Cyril E．Lanxon．Conducted by Alan R．Pine．
＊First peal＂inside＂in the method．The composition，rung for the first time，has only 4，5 end 6 in Sth＇s．Ruteg to celebrate the birth of a son to Cecil W．Pipe．

BEACONSFMEED，BUOKS
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，Srptomber 18，1937，in Three Hours and Ten Minutes， At the Parise Churcer，

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE GURPRISE MAJOR， 6024 CHANGEB；

> Tenor zIf cwt.

Prrcy Nrwion ．．．．．．．．．．T Treble Jesse Harrison．．．．．．．．． 5
George Marita ．．．．．． 2 †William Welling ．．．
Kathlegn E．Fegtcger．．． 3 Harry Wingrovi ．．．．．． 7

Composed by W．H．Inglesant．Conducted by William Welling
＊First peal in the method．$\dagger$ 400th peal．
DPTON－ON－SEVERN，WORCESTERSHIRE．
THE WORGESTHRSHIRE AND DISTRIGIS ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，September 18，1937，in Three Houys and Two Minutes，
Ai the Church of SS．Peter and Paul，
A PEAL OF GAHBRIDGE SURPRISE HAJOR， 5024 CHANGES； Tenor 17 cwt．
Robert G．Knowles ．．．．．．Troble Sidney T．Holt ．．．．．．．．．．＊ 5
William Short ．．．．．．．．． 2 Wileiam B．Cartwriget ．．． 6
Willam J．Davidion ．．． 3 Thomas W．Lewis ．＋．．．． 7
William H．Barger ．．．．．．a｜Cgarles Camm ．．．．．．．．．Ther
Composed by J．W．Parker．Conducted by Sidney T，Holt．

## STOWMARKET，SUFTOLE．

THEE SUFFOLK GULLD．
On Sulurday，September 18，1937，in Three Howrs and Secenteen Minutes，
At the Cedrce of SS．Peter and Mary，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPR18E MAJOR， $605 日$ CHANGES Tonor 24 cmt．
Gborge W．Ablity ．．．．．．Treble｜Charles J．Sedgley ．．．．．． 5
Aftacr R．Woodard．．．．．． 2 Eqwin A．Crackarll ．．． 6
Mise Syl．via R．E．Bowyer 3 Arthor Grimwood $\quad$ ．．． ．．． 7
Grorgz A．Flemming ．．． 4 Harry D．Listzr ．．．．．．Tetroy
Componed by C．Midoleron．Conducted by Chas．J．Sedgley．
Rung as a compliment to Mr．R．Brandle，of Ipswich，ou his Both birthday．

SWANAGE，DORGET．
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GDILD．
On Saturday．Septembey 18，1937，in Three Flours and Eleven Minutes，
At the Church of St．Mary－the－Virgin，
A PEAL OF GOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR，E1B4 CHANREO
Tenor 22 cwt I gr． 9 ib ．
Wilitam C．Serte ．．．．．．Treble Loots J．Loceyer ．．．．．． 5
＂Mre．J．Thomas ．．．．．．． 2 Harry Smale ．．．．．．．．． 6
 Composed by H．Dains．
＊First peal in the method．
BLEWBDRY，BERES．
THE OXFORD DIOOESAN GUILD．
On Sathrday，Seprowbey 18，1937，in Three Hours and Seven Mimmtes， At the Church of St．Michael，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGE8；
Hzywood＇s Transposition of Thurstans＇Four－part．
Tenor 20 cwt ．
－Cearles E．Gregory ．．．Treble｜Waltzr F．jodge ．．．．．． 6
Margaret E．Reymolds．．． 2 Richard A．Post ．．．．．． 7

 Conducted by F．E．TAylor．
＊First peal in the method．
DARLEY DALE，DERBYSHTRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTTES ASSOCIATION．
On Monday，Splember 20，5937，im Thro Hours ard Fiwe Minufes， At the Chureh of St．Helen，
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 GHANEES；

## Parker＇s One－part．

Ernest Patison Ther if cwt．
Bernard Allsop $\quad . .$.
Harold E．Aestin ．．．．．． 3 Grorger H．Paulson ．．． Jobn Adstin ．．．．．．．．． 4 Hbrbert E．Taycor ．．．．．．Tanot Conducted by Jobn AUSTiN，

[^39]BRENCHLEY, EENT
TEE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Wodnesday, Siplember 22. 1937, in Three Honers and Three Mimutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Holt's Original

Tenor 18 cwt .
Mrs, T. Finner...
Williak Gorringe ... ... 2

3 Lotere 1 Honess
Harry Barer ... ... ... 4 William H. Dartnbll ...Tenoy Conducted by Thomas E. Sonr
BARTON-ON-HUMBERR, LINCS.
THE LINCOLA DIOCESAN GULD
(Nortbern Branch.)
On Wednesday. Seplember 22, 1937, in Three Hours, At the Chuich of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OP BOB MANOR, GOEE CHANOES;

Tenor 10 cwt 1 ctr 2 lb .
Jack Bray
Martin Warter ...
...Tvethe
abrin Walxgr... ... ... $\quad$-Frbd Jbffrry ... ... ... 6
Arthdr W. Hoodless.. .3 James Chapman...
Fred Lacey ... ... ... ... 4 Harold Eastoe ... ...Tenor
Compose $\mathrm{I}_{\text {by }}$ I. R, Pritchard. Conducted by H. Eastob.

* First peal of Major. First peal as conductor.

GREAT TORRINGTON, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUIED.
On Wednesday, Seplombey 22, 1937, in Two Horirs and Fifity-Five Minutes, At the Parish Church
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANQES;
holx's Ten-part.
Tenor í cwt.
Cearles Sangwin
Wirlan ... ...Treble
H, Fnta 2

William J. Shears
... ${ }^{7}$
Conducted by Thomas G. Myrrs.
MEASHAM, EEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MTDLAND COUNTITS ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Soptember 22, 1937, in Two Hours © Forty. Eight Minutes At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES

Parkra's Twblvb-part (7th observation)
Tenor io cwt.
Jobn H. Swinpirld ... ...Treble Grorge L. Roden ... ... 5
Josbpe Balley ... ... ... 2 Sidhey O'C. Holloway ... 6
Daniel T. Matrin ... ... 3 Jambs Grorge ... ... ... 7
Charles Draper ... ... 4 -Grorge Ridgeway ... ...Temor Conducted by Daniel T. Maikin.

* First penl of Grandsire Triples. Arranged and rung for the hatvest festival.


## HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTS.

THT HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Thursday, Septenter 23, 1937, in Three Howrs and / hree Minutes, At the Church of St, Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5ALO CHANAEI!

 Tenor ig 量 cwt .
Walter Ayrg
Arranged and Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal and first attempt.

CRAYFORD, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOIATION.
On Friday, beptember 24, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
At ter Cererce of St. Padlenes,
A PEAL OF PULFORD BOE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES
Tenor 12 12 cwt .
Eqnesi H. Oxenham ... ...Tyedle I Herbert E. Audsley

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |


Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by E. A. Barnert.
First peal ir the method (O.C. Collection Na. 40). E. A. Barnett's 250 th peal.

## ALDENHAM, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION
On Sativday. September 25, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minules,
At the Chuych of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF EALING surprise major, 5056 Ghamtes; Tenor 15 cmt .
Jobn E. Rootrs ... ... ... lyeble Strperen $^{\text {H. Hoare }}$... ... s
Henry Hoegetts ... ... 2 Madrice F. R. Hibbert ... 6
Francis Kirk ... ... ... 3 Harold G. Casbmore ... 7
Cbristopaer W. Woolley 4 Walter Ayre ... ... ...Tmoy
Composed and Conducted by H. G Casbmore.
The first peal in the method on the bells, by all the band and by the assaciation, and rung at the first attempt. Rung on the eve of the harvest festival.

HALSTEAD, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, September 25, 1937, in Threa Howrs and Eliven Misutes, At the Chugch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{1} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Claude Showdzn
Tyeble Basil Redgweli
-Miss Hilda Snowden

- Ronald Seckling ...

Frank Claydon...
Composed by A. Knigats


Basil Rbdgweli ..
Reginald Martin ... 5 Riginald Martin ... ...

Composed by A. Knigurs. Albert Wiferen ... ..." ${ }^{7}$ Conducted by L. W. WifFBN. balf-muffled as a mark of rod. Miss Snowden's fiftieth peal. Rubs churchworker in Haletead.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

COLNE ENGALNE, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Sturday, Augus 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Ome Minutes, At tar Cadrci df St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6940 CHANGES;
An extent ench of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxfora, Double Court
St. Olement's, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{14}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in $G$.
Gborge R. Townes ... ...Tyebie | Alan R. Andrews
Dogglas Jbnings ... 2 Ralpa Bindens Alec M. Genery ... ... 3 Ronald Sockling $\quad . .$. Conducted by R. Sucrling.

* First peal in seven methods.

FONTWELL MAGNA, DORSET
THE SALISBORY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, Septenber 11, 1937, in Three Hours and Seven Minuter, At the Cadrce or St. Andrrw,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Joan S. Smith ... ... ... 7 veble William C. Shete
Edward C. Cbant ... ... 2 W. Jambs Jacrson William G. Dambe $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Harold A. Woolridge ...Teno

Conducted by W. C. Serte. BIDDENHAM, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of st. James,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent
Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Herbert Frossel.l. ... ...Tteble Reginald West ... ... 4 Cbarles W. Clares ... ... 2 -Charles Baocerti ... ... 5


Conducted by Pearl Inskip.

* First peal in seven methods. Arranged and rung on the anniversary of the Vicar's induction to the parish.
HARSTON, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Seplember 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes. At ter Cherge of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE BURPRISE MINOR, bOAO CHANGESI Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Percy Webb
Erancis G. Gleaves ...Treble $\mid$ Frank Warrington ... ... 4
 Conducted by C. W. Coor.

First peal on the bells.

## CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Sepiember 18, 1937, in Two Hoursand Thiriy-Five Minntes,
At ter Cedrce oy St. Miceabl and All Angels
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, SOAD CHANOES; Being seven different extouts.

Temor 6y cwt
Frank Bailess
Treble
Georgr A. Cearlton
$\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$
John A. Timson ...
$\cdots \quad \cdots 4$ John H. Bailess .... ... 3 Frank K. Measures .... ................

## Conducted by Frank K. Measores

* First peal in the method 'inside.'

OAPENHURST, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Septewber 18, 1937, in Two Howrs and Folty-Five Minutes, At the Cedrga of ter Holy Trinizy,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 GHANEE ;

Being seven exterts.
William E. Fleichrar

| ...Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| -4 | 2 | -Fred Hartman ... $. . . \quad-4 . \quad 2$ Lester L, Gray

Conducled by F. Varty.
First peal of London Surprise Minor by all the band and by the Guild.

## WARIULETON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Surday, Seplember 19, 1937, in Two flours and Fifiy Minetes, At the Chugch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Forty-twa six-scores, ten cailings. Frane H. Hicas... ... ...Treble Leseib W. Jarvis .... ... 2 WHERED Booxe... Bert Standen Tenor 10 cwt . in $G$. 3

Tenor 11 ewt. 3 gr .15 lb . in G
Frank Varty
$\qquad$ $\cdots \quad . . .4$
$8 \times 1$.
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> Conducted by W. A. Kitcersmide.

Arranged to euablo B. Shanden and F. Bakor to ring their first peal. WORMLNGFORD, EASEX. THE ESSFX ASSOCTATION.
On Sunday, September 19, 1937, in Two Howy and Foyty-Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES: Seven different extents.
James F. Edwards ..
.. ...Treble
gegager R. Townes ... ... 2
Reginald G. Siamonds ... 3 Ronald Sdckling ...
Conducted by R. Bird.

* First peal of Surprise. + First peal of Surprise 'inside.' First peal of Surprise on the bells.


## HTNTLESEAM, SUFTOLK <br> THE SUPFOLE GUILD.

On Monday, September 20, 1937, in Tiw Hours and Thiy 5 -Sevon Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 50AO CHANEES;

Being 720 each of Plain Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Canbridge Surprise.

- Ronald W. Sifuard ...Treble Miss Sylyia R. E. Bowyer 4 Alan R. Andrbws ... ... 2 Edgar Rivers ... ... Janes W. Jennings... ... 3 Urean W. Wildeey ... ... T mat Conducted by Edgar Rivers.
* First peal in eeven methods.

> THSTON, GHESHIRE.

FHE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Seplembar 20, 1937, in Two Honers aud Forty-Five Ninutes, At the Ceurch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, GO4O CHANGES;

Being three extents of Oxford Biob and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt
 -Albert E. Ricgards .... 3 J... James Morgan ... .... ... Tenor Concucted by James Morgan.

* First peal. + 50th peal. Rung on the eve of st. Matthew's Dry. (Other paal reporta aro unevoidably hald avar)


## PEAL NOTES.

## MANY CEEEBRATIGNS.

At larton-on-Humber the looal ringers gave up their practive on September 22nd to enable a band to ring a peal on the evo of tho havest lestival. Their kinduess was much appreciated.

In this peal, which was Bob Major, Mr. Harry Eastoe scored his first as conductor, aud he and Mr. Jach Bray "completed the circle" in the tower.
The first peal on the bells of Great 'Corwington, Devon, since their yestoration by Messrs. Taylor and Co., in 1931, was rung on Sepiember 22 ud .

Mr. Edgai* Rivers conducted a peal in sevell Minor methods nt Hiatlesham, Suffolk, on Scptember 20H. It was here that he raug bis first penl nearly 40 years ago, namely, in 1898.

A peal of Minor was ruug at Biddegham, Beds, on September 18th, in honour of the anniversary of the Vicar's induction to the prash,
In honou' of the wedding of Miss Norah Kathleen Dumper to Mr. Gordor Leslic Green at North Stoneham, Hunds, on Saturday, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Foyal was rung on the light ring at St, Nicholas' Clrureh. Tlae bride is the youngest daugiter of Mr'. E. Dumper, one of the local band at North stonelam.

A peal in another method from the Central Council's CollectionPulford Bob Major-lias been rung for tho first time, at Orayford on September 24th, aud was conducted by Diwin A. Barmett, who, at 18 yeurs of age, has scored his 250 th preal.

Mise Filda slnowden rang hor Giftieth peal aud her fivst of Bristol Surprise Major on Saturday, when at Halshead, Essex, the bolls were Fung lalf-nuffled for the death of Mr. Wall, a prominent churelhworker.
Miss Hilda Wintie, who rang the treble to a peal of Minor at Mitston Cheshire, on September 20th, is deserving of congratulations upon a faultess performance, althougly she had not rumg Minor until fow days before the peal.

Artanged for Mrs. T. Fenner (tee Miss C. Hoverd), of Matfield, the peal of Grandeire Triples at Breachley, Kent, on September 22 nd , was lung in hononr of the birth of a daughter to Mrand Mrs. I. (i. Powell, of Hawliurst, and as a 7lst birthday compliment io Mre. Dartneli, mother of the ringer of the tevor.

The pend of Ealing Surprise, tine first in the method by all the bund and the Herts Association, rung at Aldentham on Saturday, was the 25tll peal ticgether by Nessus. J. J. Rootes and M. F. R. Hubluert,
Two men wore required to ding the Lean to the peal of Stomman Triples at Blowbury, Berks, on September 18th. It was the first in that method on the bells siace 1906 , when the late Rev. F. F. Robinsan conducted one after the dedication of the two trebles. The band then comprised the Rer. G. F. Coleridge, W. H. Mussell, F. W. Hopgood, E. Humfrey, Rev. C. W. O. Jenky, W. Newell, Rev. F. E. Robinson and R . White.
Three generations of the Paulson family were represented in the band that rang a peal of Grandsire Triples at Darley Dale, Derloyshire, on September ooth. It was rumnged as $u$ farewell to Eprest Paulson, who has entered Chester College as a student jn the tenching profession, and for Mr. John Austin, of gloncester, who was visiting tine diatrict. It also celebrated the birth of a son to Mr, pred Mrs, G. H. Prulson.

The first peal of London Surprise Minor by the Chester Diocesin Guild was rumg on September 18th ali Capenlurst. It was alse flio lirst by all the band, and ane of tho ringers, Fred Enrtman, had thever rung a tonch in the method before.
Mr. William Buckenham has now ring each bell at Hilgay, Norfolk, to a peal, completing the circle last Fuday by finging the 3ud to his first peal of Double Norwich.
The first peal on the bells at Harston, Canabs, rund on Sopt. 18th, was a birthday compliment to MLi. Percy Webb, of Ickleton.

A peal of Double Norwich with 4,5 ond 6 only in 6th's whs rung at Ealing on Sept. 18th, conducted by Alan f. Pink. The sperinl interest in tho couposition is that it was prodnced loy a young Contrishman, Gyri] Lamani, who is probably the first ringer of Cornwall to compose a peal.
Cyril Jauxan, who is a representative of the Truro Diocesnu Guild on the Central Council, has producet scveral compositions and is ar Foung ringer of great promise, who is handicapped by the jsolation of Carnish ehange ringing.
Mr. Willian Wclling, of Old Winisor, rang his four hundredtl? peal on Sepl. 18th, when he called a peal of Supertative nt Beaconsfield.

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## THE COTSWOLD TOUR

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The first tower on Wednesdey was Norlhleach, Glos., only six miles from headquarters and situated on the main Oxford to Cheltenham road. Tho Church of SS. Peter and Paul is very large and has a square lower 100 ft , high. As itt was necessary to wait, owing to a slort service, some of the party made the long climb to the top of the tower, where a wonderfal view was olatained. it is recorded in the church that the sinuinces were left ou as a spire was intended, but, it was never iuilt. Six of the bells bear the date 1700 and the name of the founder, Corr, of Aldbouthe. The peal were rehung in Hew fittings and frame and two trebles udded by Kears and Stainbank ill 1897. The tenor is 18 d cwt. in LE. Ms. R. W. Daniclls, of Cheltenham, cams over to hate in short pull with the non-pealers before the peal commenced.

The bells are rather quiet in the ringing chamber, in fact it was quite difficult to hear one or two of then, and the draught of rope is long. A fine peal of Splited London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Najor was rung in 3 hours and 13 minutes, the first of 'Spliced' on the bells and of Spliced Surprise Major by the association. The Vicar met the ringers after the peal and expressed great pleasure with the ringing
After lumel, an eirhicmile journey took the party to Burford in Oxfordshire. The aseistant puiest, the Rev. Lancelot Audrewes, welcomed us on behalf of Canon Emeries, who has leeld the living for 30 years and is shortly rebiriag. The Church of St. Joha the Baptist has associations with Gromwell, nind it is vecorded that quite a number of delinquents were locked in the church for refusing to fight. The church dates from alout 1170 and shows traces of many alterations and different styles throngh the centuries. Three or four different roof levels can be seen and the tall spire is a landmark for miles.

The bells are rather a mired lot. The tenor is 19 cwt. in E and pre-Reformation, but we thonglit them very musical and appropriately Superlative was the method chosen. Tho ropes hans anti-clockwise. Some excellent pinging was heard, but the peal 'went west' after lat hours. Outside the tower the band were met by Kris. Thomas Bond, a local bellfounder, who has recasi nud rehung quite n mumber of bells in the weighbourhood.

Applaton, in Berkshire, was visited ou Thurgday morning. Our arrival was a little aften schedule, but Mr. Richard White was waiting and had everything in readiness. Most of the hand had not previously visitod this vilage, and there were many exclamations of stiprise at the smalliness of the tower. It did not seem possible that there could be room for a peal of ten bells. Hawever, Appleton is very fawous for peal ringing, and on the walls of the ringing chamber peal tablets record almost every concelvable length of Caters, from a mere 5,000 to the record length of 21,363 Stedman Caters anng on April 22nd, 1922, conducted by Herbert Latgion, aud in which Mr. R. White mag the 9th.
However, we had not come to brenk any records as to lengtl, and a start was made for Yorkshire Royal, which was suceesshully completed in 3 hours and 11 minutes, the first peal of Surprise Roynal on the bells and of Yorkshire Royal by the Oxford Guita. The belfry is only about 8 ft , squave, but everg bell is heard perfectly in the ringing chamber and the striking was excellent. There was one hiteh about a course fram home, when the 8th rape slipped, but fortunately rogained the wheel at the mext stroke. Mr. White was aistside to ofter congratulations, as also were the Holifields, senior and junior: A welcome wisitor was Mr. George Williams, of ふouthampton, who called in on his way to friends in the district, and be heard the Jast hour of the peal.
All the week up to this point perfect weather, with glorions sunshine, fad been cxperiencen, but it raiced hard on the short six-mile journey into Oxford. The Chureh of St. Mnrtin add All Saints which we visiled is situsted in the High street, but, being early closing day, no annoyance wns cansed by ringing. The elurch and tower were designed by Wreu and are wery like so many seen in London. ralis is peal of London Surprise, conpleted in 2 hours 51 minutes, whioh brought our total of successes $11 p$ to eight. It was the first peal of London on the bells and F. S. Bayley's 300th peal. The bells are a liglit, handy peal, easy to ring, with tenor 7 cwt .3 qr .10 lb . in A flat. The old six were relring amd augmented to eight by Mears and Stainbank in 1927. It was a long run home to Bourton, but good time was made.

On Friday morning we had ind LoNG DRAGGHT 31t miles run, practically all uphill, to Stow-on-the-Wold, Glos., situnted over Booft. above sea Ievel and the highest point on the Cotswolds, with wonderful panoramic wiews. The Lower captain, Mr. F. Davis, was waiting to weleome us. The bolls are a heavy peal with long draught of zope. The thixd and sixth hear the date 1606, and the peal were augnented fron six to eight and rehune by Taylor and Co. in 1897, the tenor being 30 cwt . in D . It was decided to attempt Bristol and this method certaniy sounded wooderful on these grand bells. The peal was successful in 3 hours 34 minutes and excellent ringing was hent. This was the first peal of Surprise in the tower, the only previous penl of Major being one of Bob Major rung in 1930. After lunch we had an eight-mike run on high ground to Chipping Norton, in Oxon, where the Church of St. Mary the Firgin is siturted
in the lower part of this ancient town and has a square tower wilh a very nice peal of eight bells, tenor 14 cwt . in $F$, all cast originally by Rudhall, of Gloncester, in 1826. In 1907 they were recast by Mear and Stainbank aud rehung by Webb and Benneti, of Kidlington, Oxon. The ropes are a good circle and the bells of pleasant tone. Yorkshire Majou weut well and a fins peal was brought round in 3 hours 10 minutes, the first in the method on the bells.
Saturday morning's attompli was at Bourton-on-the-Watar, less than a quarter of a mile from headquarters, 50 , for the frest time in the week, it was not necessary to get the coach out, and Peter had a rest. Same diffoulty was experienced with the go of the 6th, but a little extm grease somewhat remedied matters und a start was mude for Gambriege Major. This was a false start, however, but ou testarting at excellent peal was rung in 3 hours 3 minutes. Those wore not in the peal spent part of the morning in flre villege smithiy wabhing Wr. Bernard Phillips demonstate his art. However, I an afraid that very little work was done, listening to ringing eertainly does interferg with work, but Mr. Phillips was glad to hear lis bolls rung so well.
On Saturday aftemion we were due at Kinglam, Oxom, about eisht miles from Bourton, reached via Stow-on-the-Wold. Fere we fount a very pleasant and handy ring of eight, widh tenor 12 cwt 1 qix. 14 ll in G. We were told that a local genteman, Mr. C. B. Yonag (since deceased), bore the cosk of rehanging the bolls about 15 years ago A forture of the church is the stone pews. Spliged Surprise Major in four methods was attempted and went like clockwork for lat hows when it weut 'up in the air,' and the subsequent inquest failed solve the reason satisfactorily. However, this was only the third pea lost during the week, and we were all mote than satisfied with 11 peals rume out of 14 attempts.

It still being early, a move was made to Cheltenham, 20 miles away a lovely run, mostiy on very high ground, over the Cotswolds. party spent the evening in various ways, and before leaving for quarters arrangements were made to ring at the Parish Chutch the next mornms.

VISIT TO CHELTENHAM.
Punctually at 10 a.m. on Sunday we arrived at. St. Mary's to find the local band ringing the bells up in peal, and it was a very go handle and with a good civele. Stedman Cinques met with fair suceess but a course of Cambridge Rryal and a tonch of Stedman Caterg w perfectly struck. The local captain, Mr. W. Dyer, had extendent hearty welcome, which was greally appreciated.
Back ta Bouton for laneh, packine and settling bip, and the par regretfully departed from this ielightiful little wilage, where the had recsived the best attention and been very comfortable. Dur the week we had covered lumdreds of miles on and aromid Cotswold hills, and the conyenience of having our own coach driver canmot be too well emplasised, for it enabled us to get aboub very quichly, with no waiting for buses or trains, and no long wetks from stations.
Permission had been obtained to have a putl on the eiglt bells he Merton Callege, Oxford, on Sunday aftemoon, and the party greatl appreciated the privilege, for these bells are seldom allowed to b rung inessis, W, F.dudge, H. Miles,
Post and other members of the Oxford Society were awaiting us we quickly made the long elimb to the peculiar ringing chamber, 28ft. square, the ringing floor comprising a balcolly around the wall of the tower mind open in the centre to the church below-it is quite long drap. 'The ropes hang twa on each side of the tower' and the circle seems enomous. The belle are heavy golly, temor about 31 cwi iu D. Howover, Stedman Triples and Cambridge Major wero ruy until it became time to lower in peal.
Ringing for evening service was performed at the Church of St Laurence, Reading, which has a fine peal of 12 with tenor 23 cwt .20 Jb in D. They wave relung and augmented to 12 by Mears and Stainbaul in 1929. Mr. R. T. Hibbert and other local ringers extended a hearty weleome, and Cambridge Royal and Stedman Cinquas were well struck,
After an carly departure from Reading, the parby began to break up, as the coach arrived at various home towns, after a very pleasant and happy week spent together, good ringing, many social hours and many new ringing friends made.

The whole party expressed their appreciation to Mr. W. Willians, who arranged the tour, and a special vote of thanks was given to Mr W. F. Judge of Oxford, who rendered great help. His local knowledge and assistance in secnuing towers was invaluable. Thanks were also accorded to the official organiser, Mr. J. M. Cripps, who fixed up the accommodation and had charge of the conch and carried out his duties right well. Special thanks aro also due to the various incumbents and local ringers at all the churches at which we raug, for we had a cordial welcome at all places wisited.
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## A NEW PEAL IN SOUTH WALES.

How EBBW VALE GAVE THANKS TOR RETURNING PROSPERITY.
A new peal of bells at Ebbw Vale, South Wales, has been given in thanks for returning prosperity, brouglit about by the pending restart of the blast furnaces and, later, the resumption of the steel works.
The dedication of the bells was performed by the Bishop of Monmoutl on Sunday afternoon, September 191h, and so great was the congregation that the church was fuil half an hour before the service, which vas relayed to another large gathering in the adjoining church hall.
In the course of the specially arranged service the Bishop and clergy, with the churchwardens, proceeded to the space beneath the fower and thore the dedication trok place, a course of Stedman triples beng ting immediately the ceremoly had been performed by $a$ band representing the Liandaff and Monmonth Diocesnn Ascociation. The ringers were J. W. Jones 1 , $F$. Atwell 2, Q. H. Perry 3, G. Popnell 4, G. Talbot 5, W. Page E, J. Phillips 7, W. Eeath é.
The Bishop, in his addleas, recalled the periad of sadness and distress, caused by memployment, through which the district had passed, and spole of the happy change that had now como about. Once again, lie said, the pulse of industrial and commercial life was beating steadily, and for these great benefits they offered thanks and praise.

The bells hung in this tower,' he continued, 'will be to yon a perpetual reminder of the passing away of adversity. To the hearts and consciences of those to come they will be a reminder of God in all the facts and clances of this mortal life.

In times of great joy and grest soriow these bells will not be silent. Sunday by Sunday they will make themselves heard fin and wide, calling men to come together. "Remember God "-that is what the bells will say. Aud this shall be the message of the bells to Ebluw Vale.'
After the address the Halleluia Chorns was sung, and the insptring service terminated with the Benedietion.

MILL WORKERS GIVE A BELL.
After the service touches of Stedman and Grandsive Triples were ung by visiting ringers.
One of the new bells was installed in houour of the Bishop. The
icar's warden, Mr. A. S. Huxley, who alone raised $£ 750$ of the $£ 1,400$ collected by public and private subseription to pay for the peal, prorided one bell in memory of his family. A third is in memory of a former chureliwarden, Mr. J. Llewellyn Prole.
(Continued in uext columin.)

## TREBLE BOB MAJOR IN B FLAT

VICAR'S STORY AT LONDON COUNTY AS\&OCIAIION MEETDNG
A very eujoyable and pleasant meeting of the Southern District of the Lolldon County Association was held on Sabutday wook at Sit. Paul'e, Honnslow. A fine duy brought an early good attendance, and proceedings commenced with a touch of Stedman Triples. Sswaral ather methods followed. Tea was server in the Parish Hill, 'llae District Master (MAr. A. Mance) took the chair at the business meeting which followed. Mr. F. Miller, of Laling, was elected a momber. The place of next meeting brought a suggestion for [uthey and Fuliam, if permission can be obtained, the date being November 20th.

Towards the end of the meeting, the Vicar, the Rev. J. M. BytonJones, paid e surprise visit, aud extended a hearty welcome to the association. Ho inquired if it was possible to ring 'a Treble Bob Major in B flat, and then told an amusing talo of a talk with at visiting Archdeacon, who inquired of the Vicar whether his bells were rung on Sundays. The Ficar, with a wink of his eye, Lold the Archdeacon that when they were all present he thought the ringers could manage the above method! And the Archdeacon was rery well ploasea!
Before leaving, the Vicar was tbanked by Mr. Mance far his kinduess in granting permission for the use of the bells. Grateful thanks wero also extended to Mr. Gssh, the local towerkeeper, for his hearty welcome and excellent preparations for tea, in conjunction with his wife and helpers.

The members afterwards went over to Feston, where the bells wore available through the kindness of the Vicar and local ringers, to whom many thanks were given.

Methods rung during the day included Grandsire, Stedman and Oxford Bob Triples, Plain Bob, 'I'reble Bob, Double Norwich and two courses of Gambridge. Twenty-five members and friends attendet from Bishopsgate, Chelsea, Chiswick, Ealing, Hillivgdon, Feston, Hounslow, Isleworth, Kensington, Beckenham, Barnes, Pinner, Ruislip, Slough, Sb. Lawrence Jewry, Sumbury, Twickenham, Westrainster, and a welcome visitor was the Rev. A, G. G. Thurlow, of Wokingham.

## (Continued from previous column.)

The name of Sir William Firth, chairman of Riehard Thomas and Co., Ltd., is appropriately identified with another bell, for he gave the fund a send-off with a handsome contribution.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

A gathering of 75 members attenfed the Diamond Jubilee Festival of the Durliam and Newchstle Diocesan Absaciation at Durham on Saturday, when, according to vule, Mr. Arthur Pavne, O.B.E., reliaquished the office of president. Mr. Murray D. Oubridge, of Gosforth, was eleated to the office. A report of the proceedings will appear in our next jasue.

The association's Sunday service ringing scheme was topped atain Jast year by Whitley Bay in the 810 and 12 bell section, North Shields being a close secoud. Holy Trinity, Darlington, headed the six-bell section.
Tha Dust Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Association was founded in October, 1887. The jubilee is to be celebrated on Saturday, October 23 ra , at Alfreton, Derbyshire, and it is inleresting to note that the preachar at the service is to be the Rev. J. D. Nodder; one of the founder members.

The hon. secretary of the Ceutral Branch of the Ely Diocesan Association appals to members to make every effort to support the meebing at Haddenham on Oetsiuer 96in. The Vicar, like his pirdecessor, is ready to help forward tite ringers' cause, and it is the duty of the members to try and strengthen lias ready assistame. Particulars of the meeting are in our notice columms.

A bayd who visited Islewirth, Middlesex, on SaEurday, for a peal of Stedman Gaters mot two short. After wafting ihree-guarters of an hour in vain for the absentees, they started for Cambridge Major, rang 2 bours 35 minates-and then the tenor rope broke!
The now peal of eight bells at libbw Vale will be avalable for all ringevs from 2 p.m. on Saturday, Octaber $9 t h$.
A cormespondent asks to be allowed through ' The Ringing Worlu to thank ' Dr.' J. P. Fidler for the tonie, and dizections. The patienti is now progressing favourably, but a further supply of the touic is required to complete the eure. We understend tho tonic is 'canned, and sit would the patient be if he took it in too large quantities.
Readers who contemplate restocking their gardens should write 13 Messrs. D. Stewart and Son, Lutd, Ferndown Nurseries, near Winsborme, Dorset, for the firm's catalogue. See advertisement.
We regret that piessure on our epace compels us to hold over number of interesting reports, but these will appear in due course.

## TWO-PART PEALS OF STEDMAN TRIPLES

 'ASTRONOMIGAL' NUMBER POSSIBLE.Mr. G. Wilfred Slavk, B.Se., Ph.D., gends us the fgures of a peal of Stedman Triples in two equal parts, with one single only in each part. We regret that space will not permit us to publish the peal is detail. It is made up mostly of hobs in sels of two and six, hut therre are occasional sets of four, and in ten places in each half one boly only. The single is in the first six in each half and the pali-pent end is 2314765 . There are 598 bobs and two singles, witli 240 plais sixes.

Mr. Slack says itt is ono of a type of peal which Francis Becan says is impossible of attaimment. I offer no apology for the large number of calls which are an the peal, but I would like to point oui that they can be reduced to some extent.

- The peal would probably be a delight to Mr. Trollope and the other variation lovers, as it is easy to show that there are at lease 278,942,752,079 other two-part peals with the same properties as that enclesed and which are simple variations of $i t$, whilst, if the symmetry of the peal is not a vital factor, then we find that the total number of peals which are mere vaviations of the above is not less than the almost atronomical number of 194,525,048,269,007,814,559.'


## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

STANDING CODMMTTEE'S RESOLOTIONS.
A well-attended meeting of the North Norfoll Branch was held at Marsham on Septeraber 18th, when the four branches were repreeented, members supportiug the gathering from Aylsham, Buxton, Dersinghan, Fakenham, Garboldisham, Halvergate, Hethersetú, North Walslam, Norwich, Reedham, Saxlingham, Scothow, Wroxham, Wymondiam and Yarmouti, while Miss K. Willers, secretary of the Ely Diocesan Association, was a welcome visitor.
THe Rev. H. S. Sharpe, Rector of Marsham, conducted the service and joined the assembly at tea at 'Ringers' Cafe.

At the business meetirg which followed it was decided to hold the next meeting at Hethersett on November 27th.
A number of belfry electious were ratifen, viz., Miss S. R. E. Bowyer and Messrs. H. W. Gayton, B. G. Key, R. M. Harvey anti C. A. Vessey, while Mr. H. J. Boyce, formerly of Lowestoft, twas made a life member on his removal to London.

Mr. H. Tooke (hon. secretary) said the Rov. Mr. Boorman would bo glad to meet any ringer on October Gth, when an informal meeting would take place at Garveston.
The Rev. H. S. Sitarpe was thanked for his cordia] welcome and participation in the meeting.
The Standing Committee of the association then met and a number of regolutions were discusged. It wat resolved to adopt a badge; to meet in the varions branches instead of in Norwinh as formerly, and to reimburse in certain cases half the rail or bus fares of tho members attending the meetings of the Standing Committee.
A varied selection of methods was rung during the afternoon and evening to satisfy the tastes of novice and 'expert' alike.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION <br> THE ELSEE MEMORIAL SCHEME. <br> Stained Glass Window to be Provided,

The aumual mecting of the Lancasinire Association was held at Bolton on Saturday. The bells in seven towers were placed at the disposnl of the members and made good use of. Service was lield in The Suviour's Church at 4.30, the Jate start being due to the Lord Bishop of Hulme, who was the preacler, being unable to arrive sooner. Even so, he had left a church full of girl guides to someone else's care. He gave an encouraging address on 'Help.' Tea was served in tho schools to 68 members and friends-now large for a railway cenvie like Bolton, but each branch sent a contingent. The busiucss uleeting was presided over by the Rev. A. Scott, supported by the Rev. of Baxendrle (Vicar) and the fficials and most of the ommittee.
The committee's report was read by Mr. W. H. Shuker (hon. secretary).
The balance slreet, presented by the honorary ineasurer (My. C. I. Davies), lowed membership subscriptoons mountivg to $£ 70$ 3s., hons life members \& fl le, now-resident life members 52 14s. 6ad, alfiliation fees $£ 10$ Other items brought the total receipts to $89214 s$. The expenditure was 71 19s. 3d., and the balance hnud £129 7s. The anditors ${ }^{3}$ reports were also fisfantory.
The voting for the officers as returned by Mr. Dovenwas returned by Mr. Davenslackpool) was elected wiceesident for two years.
Mr. T. Wilson was elected 3 ringing secretary and Cossrs. Banmes and Wikin-re-elected auditors, all a term of two years.
The alterations of rules,
lgested $b y$ the corrmittee,
He discussed. Two were
erred back to the committee, two ware passed and one dropped net necessary.
Pigan was chosen as the meeting place for the nexti anmuat meeting the lagt Saturday in September; 1938, after a vote on three bricts.
firee new members were elected
ffer a report from the committee on the Canon Elece Memorial, was found the association could not see its way to go on with the ger schemes. It was, therefore, decided to provide a stained glass
ndow over the nemorial which the parish have erected in St.
Forge's Church to the late president.
The President proposed a vote of thanks to the Bishop, the Vicar The Savionres Cluych, the onganist, choir and the ringers, also to Vicars and ringers of the ather churches and to the ladies who ed the tea.
special vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. H. Devenport, the Feding vice-president, for the way in which he carried out the work which was laid on to him by the death of Camon Elsee, umtil the appointment of a new president.
Mr. Sliarples, who lias been electen vice-president, lias beeu for many yearg hon. secretary of the Fylde Branch of the association. He joined the association in 1895.

## 75 YEARS A CHORISTER

## BURNHAM VETERAN FONOURED.

On Thursday September 23rd, Mr. 'Charlie* Wnlker completed his 75 thy your in the choir at Bumham, Bucks, and was piesented by the parishioners with a silver hunter wateb (suitably inscribed) and the balance of 55 in cash. In honour of the ocension the St. Peter's Society reng their first quarter-peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major: *M. A. Blamey $I$, $\mathcal{S}$. W. Limmer 2, *P. A. Blaney 3 , ${ }^{*} \mathrm{~B}$. O'Nei] 4, * . A. Burges 5, \#J. D. Taylor 6, *J. E. Taylor \%, G. H. Limmer 8. First in the method.
On Sunday for evensong on the 40 th anniversary of the dedication of the twa trebles, a local quarter-veal of Bob Major: P. A. Blamey 1 , C. A. Burgess 2, M. A. Blamey 3, Miss S. M. S. Blamey (firsf quarterpeal of Major) 4, B. O'Neill 5, G. W. Limmer (first Major as conductor) 6, J. E. Taylor 7, G. Gilbert B.

## TEACHING BEGINNERS. <br> WHAT IS THE BEST METHOD? <br> Lettars to the Editor.

Sir,-Mr. Wood scems to huve an aversion to Grandsive Triples, very much iko Mr. Trollope has to Stedman. Wise instructors do not need to be told by Mr. Wood or anyone else how to teacls beginners, for their experience often dates back long before Mr. Wood handled a bell, It is beyoud quegtion that Grandsire is tho best method to teacl? beginners, and it is far in advance of any, both for pupil and teacher. Thero is far better ringing done throughouth the country with Grandsile than any method ono cares to name. Even if it und cau only ring Grandsire well it is far better than much of the thixd rate banging about in other methods one hears in many places.

Mr. Wood says jou learn to lead with your ears. Is that all? Wise instructors can tell him something more is required to obtain the perfed lead. Probably Mr. Wood's theory in this direction is the cause of much indifferent striking, more of ien in Major methods than in Triples, owing to not having learat the true art of correct leading in all its stages. If you canot obtain good lend from the tenor, how can yon expect to get is from moving bells in $7-8$.

Wuch of Mr. Wood's article is like his peal of Bob Major, composed many years aggo. Noboty now thinks of composing in such a method, for ell the best has been attained in this direction. Mr. Wood is in w minority over this question, and when lis experience is greater he will realise that Grandsire is a method that has interested; and will continue to interest, far more ringers than he imagines.
W. SHEPHERD.

## OLD AND SUCOESSFUL INSTRUCTORS FAVOURED

 GRANDSIRE.Dear Sir,-During my 59 yearg' close expericnce of change ringing all over the Britibli Isles, tine old question as to the most suitable method ta infroduce to a Dew ringer has constantly cropped up, and I would like to guote the united opinions of three of the most success. ful instructors I over remember-Jasmes Petbit, Mathinew $A$. Wood and John M. Hayes. It was simply this: 'Speaking of methods, Gandsire is the mother of them all, and takes the rust off atl the others '!
I also know that one of the best known instructors in the North of England sharef this opinion wholeheartedly, and that was none other Whan tha late Thomas Hattersley, of Sheffeld. Other sucecssftil men were George Wanklin, of Gloncester, Josiah Wathen, of Tewkesbury, Freeman Ball, of Chester, and James R. Haworth, of Lordon, all of whons started beginners with the Grandsire method. One great feature of this teaching was the fach that every pupil nust first of all be blorongh master of his bell aud strike call changes perfcotly before being allowed to take part in any method ringing.
If also, have tanght a good many beginners in my younger days, and, if my opinion counts for anything at all, it certainly goes in the same direction, inasmmeh as it, is most essential that a good " lead' must he abserved, and that is best learnt from the 'tenor behind 'preferably Grandsire, althongh my favourite method of all is Stedman.
It would also be well if more people were to ring properly at firs and follow the golden rule of "Audi. Vide, Tace' (eyes and ears open and mouth closed) before trying to thrust their tew idens down other people's throads! Eeaven forbid that others in the 'risiug generation' will advooate starting learners in the discoudant jangling of the unamsical 'Surprise' methods! I have zaticed whb much regret that the staudard of ringing in some towers that were fromous for striking examples of good ringing in days gone by are now hopolessly inforior, compared with what formerly obtained. F. J. DAWE.

## OTHER WAYS OF TEACHING

Dear Sir,-In reply to Mr. S. H. Wood's article in last week's Ringing World,' I would Jike to malze the following comments:1. Wearly oll instructors teach the same mothod of hunting up; namely, by striking after the boll that strikes after jou in the previous change.' This I do mot adtempe to teach, it being, in my opinion a time-wasting practice. Take the Triple methods recently under tiscussion, I would first teach the pupil how to make second's place, as in Bob Triples, and third's place, as in Grandsire Triplos, and how to return to lead. Then how many bells are to be passed before striking the treble and hunt bell and the onder to strike thase same bells to returu to lead, and when and how to make the dodge, sund so each leach. The same principle applics to Bob Major. The pupil to record it on paper and learar it before attempting to ring jt 2. Learning to strike evenly ovar other bells which cannot be done in ringing rounds: I Fecommend the beginners to ring Rounds, Queen's, Tittums and Whitcington and not to let any oue begimer ring the same belf more than once during each practice.
3. 'Learning to lead.' This cau be done while No. 2 is in progress, by the more advanced pupil taking the treble and teaching him to lead, first by rope-sight, then by ear, in the latter case by his turning away from the tenor, and before any change ringing is attempted. 4. I consider the best method to begim a band with is Stedman Triples, as every position known in ringing is therein contained. It is a different matter when a hand is one short where they ring Grandsire or Bob Triples.

Batil.

## MORE LETTERS ABOUT TEACHING

## A BEGINNER*S EXPERIENGE

Denr Sit- I Jique read with nutch interest the controversy in "The Ringing World ' on odd or even-bell methous for teaching beginners In support of Stephen H. Wood's article, which favours eveu-bell methods, I give my diary entries from the time of commeneing change ringing : Mastered plain course of Bob Minor in three weeks, NovemJer Sud 10 17th, 1936; raty 720 Plain Bob Minor, Janmary $17 \mathrm{tlk}_{2,1} 1937$; rang 720 Oxford Bob Minor, falatary 31st, 1937: vang 720 Kent Treble Boh Minor, Felmuary 9th, 1937: marg 720 Oxford Treble Bols Minor Fobruary 23rd, 1937 ; rant 720 Canbridge Surprise Minow, April 6th, 1937; conducted 720's in the followiug methads: 720 Oxfurd Bob Angust 8th, 1037; 720 Kent Troble Bob Minor, August 22nd, 1937 720 Oxford Bob, August 22nd, 1937. Since starting chauge ringing hitve wang 22720 's in this method. Sefton.

## AN OPPORTUNITY IN LONDON

Donr Sir, May 1, int this linal reply to Mr. A. P. Cannon, hank him for his iuformation as to his Sunduy activities. I was well aware that ine dit appear at varians limes in divers places as the spirit moved him, but even this I do not think places bim in a position to criticise or lightily condemar the methods employed by a goad umber if not the majority, of those who instruct beginners. His remark atbout nyy "Sunday service mospel. he answers himself in his letter published in 'The Ringing World ' of September 10th.

If he would cease his wanderings, get fogether a band of youngster and set going oue of the peals in London at present silent, 1 , for one, woald listen to his advice on teaching with due respect, and, who knows, wa might even think him worthy of st touch of Bob Triples as a welcome on lis next visil to Fastings.
He might eyen try to emulatio the feat of that old 'war horse, of Batlie, Mr. W. Franks, who has thmed, in evident disgust, from the present-day youth and flled his tower with young ladies

Hastings
A. LEVETT.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION <br> ORDSALL WIN CUP CONTEST

The North Notts Association met at Sation-on-Thent on Saturday, Seplember 18th, to compete fur the teath time for the Crawlord Siver Cup. Althongh many ingers were present, only three teams entered the contest, Braby-in-the-Willows, Warsop and Ordsall. Ordsall, being drawn to ring first, rang 360 Kent Treble Bob Minor at a moderato speed and with closed leads. Next came Barnby. Bob Minor and open leads at a rathor quicker pace secmed to have won the cup for them. Warsop, compoting for the first time, also wang Bob Minor with open leads. There was no further ringing before tea, which was served in tho Parish Hall; the excitement as to the result of the competition spoileri mo one's appetite.
flle meetiur afterwards was cut down as much as possible, so that an early daturn could be made to the tower. The Rev. R. F. Wilkinsorn, acting as chairman, mentioved the regreb he felt at the death of the Ticar of Edwinstowe (the Rev. F. C. Day Lewis), who had kindly eutertained the ringers to tea when the bells were recently rectedicated. Those present stood in silence for a few moments as a token of respect.

Mr. Wilkinson welcomed Mrs. Rowsell once again to the competition mecting. Her father, Mr. Crawford, had long been interested in the association, and interest was still majataincd oy Mrs. Rowsell

The result of the contest was then announced as follows:-

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\begin{array}{ll}
1 \text { Ordsall. } & 197 \text { faults } \\
2 \text { Barnby, } & 202 \text { faults } \\
3 \text { Warsop, } & 307 \text { faults }
\end{array}
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Mrs. Rowsel] presented the cup to Mr. J. Furst, captain and conductor of the Ordsall band, and said that slo was pleased to be present once arain to liand the tropliy to the best team of the day. Ninging in North Nots alwayg hexi and always would interest her.
The Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, replying on behalf of the Ordsall team, said that while he was pleased the cup had gone again to his tower be and Ordsall ringers would always be pleased to see it go to another tean. Interest was still aliwe in this competition, but it would be better if the cutp was won by difiereat teams each year. He was pleased to see a team from Warsop, where there were only four bolls and he hoped this young band would be enconraged to compete again.

Tho judges, Mi. J. Moss, of Bolsover, and Mr. W. Allwood, of Chesterlield, gave no criticism of the ringing. 'We are all friends and want to remain friends ' was their only remark
Three new members were elected, Messrs. K. Mayer, P. Holmes and C. W. Metcalfc, all non-resident members

After this menting the enlire company went up for a pull, those wha had competed laving first preference. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Littla Bob, Double Norwich, Cambridge Surprise and Original Major wece all rung during the evening, with rounds on cight for the learners. At 8.30 the bells werc rung down, everyone having thoronghly enjoyed the meeting.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## MR. LESLIE MORRTS ELECTED SECRETARY

The Septomber general meeting of the Yorkshive Association wns hed at Kirkburlon, near Huddersfeld, on Saturday, September 18th, when members werc present from Sheffield, Ecclesfield, Far Fead ingloy, Cawthorne, Wath-on-Dearne, Rotherhan, Armley, Leeds, Longwood, Lindley, Ripponden, Shipley, York, Selby, Rothwell, Brad Ford, Pudsey, Sherburu-in-Elmet, Almondbury, Batley, Sution-un-Hull, Headingley and the local coinpany.
The bells, a nice peal of eight, tenot ISt $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt., by J. Taylor and Co. were raised soon alter 2 p.w. and kept gring in short totthes until 5 owlock, when, in the Schoolroom, an axcelleai tea was thorowghly enjoyed by the 60 members and iriends present. The presideat (Canon C. C. Marshall) took the chair at the busimess meeting which followed. He was suppoited by Mr, George Lewis (vice-president) and Mr. S. F. Palmer (ion. irensarer). An apology was received from the general secretary, MI. J. E. Citwer, yerretting his inability to attend,
The presidenc proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the Vical of Kirkburton (the Rev. A. Sephton) for allowing the use of the bells and his consent to hold the meeting there. He (the president) explained that owing to the vast territory of the association it hed not been possible to pay a wisit to that part of the county for sonas considerable time, but it gave him and the officers great pleasure to be again amongst Lheir Kirkburton and district friends.

The Rev. A. Sephton suitably replied and geve the association a very warm welcome.
A vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. T. Rapment aud seconded by Mr. R. H. Vigor, to the loenl company for their help in saaking the meeting so successfiul, was pleasantiy acknowledged by Mr. H. Arnitage.

Six new memberg were elected.
A notice of motion having lueen previonsly given, 起r, George Rabinson, Leeds, proposed that a free tea le provided by the associn tion at the annual meeting at a cost of not more than 87 .-After disnussion it was defeated on a whov of hauds.
A further motion by Mr. Rabinson authorising certain expenditure in comection with the vext Ceurral Council meeting, to be held at Leeds next year, was recomucuded to be dealf with at the naunul meeting in Jannary.
Great regret was expressed at the resignetion of the general secre tary, Mr. J. E. Cawser, who did not seek re-election at the close of his term of office. As his increalsed business engrgements prevented him from regularly attonding the variows meetings, lie considered that someone else slbould be appointed who could do so

One momination for the rachncy was received, Mr. Leslio W. © Morris, of Hobbeck, Leeds, being duly proposed and elected to thin position.

The President drew attention to the associntion's fortheoming dinner to be held at Leeds on October 9th, when lie hoped to eee as many nembers present as possible.
Further riuging was indulged in until 9 p.m., which brought most enjoyable gathering to a cloge.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

## HOLBECK RJNGELS OVERCOME DIFTICULTIES

The September meeting was lyeld on Saturday last at St. Mathew's Holbeck. The ettendance in the afternoon was small, but this ceuse no surprise, as the Holbeck meetiug was the fourth ringing meeting in this area in five successive Saturdays. A wedding prevented fingi from commencing at the ustral time, and the bells were zaised peal aboul 3.30 p.m. Some good practice was put in before tre Afterwards the aftendance was all that could be desired and mom than the fower could hold all at ouce. Ringers were present from Armley, Batley, Birstwith, Burley, Bradford Cathedral, Drighlington. Headingley (St. Miohtel's and St. Chades), Elland, Idle, Leeds Parish Church, Pudsey, Rothwell, Sherbury and the local company
Tlee business meeting was held in the tower, the prestent being in the chair.
Four new members ware clected, viz., Messrs. W. H. Johnson, of Sir. Michael's, Headingley, A. Cryer and H. Jones, of Holbeck, and A. Cole, of Hunslet.
The vote of thanks to the Vical', chutchwardens aud the local company was proposed hy Mr. F. Rayment, who remarked that he wis pleased the local ringers were "sticking to it," as he knew they had had a very rongl time.

The Rev. G. R. Norton, is reply, said that the tower had had a bad time and the company lad been in danger of cracking up, but ho hoped they had now got over hae difficulties. They had promise of expert help and would be gratefinl for any other assistance but thoil practice night.
It was then pointed out that the Beginnerg' colum in "The Ringirg World " would prove helpful if the lacal ringers would take a copy or two of the paper.

The next meeting is due to be ineld at Fast Ardsley on Saturday Ociober 30th.

GUILDFORD.-At S. Nicolas' Church for evensong on September 26th for the harvest festival, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: S. Radford $1_{1}$ E. Etheridge 2, W. Breeze $3, W$. Cope 4, G. Tomsett 5, F. Radford 6, S. Elton (conductor) 7, R. Radford 8 .

## THE LINCOLNSHIRE TOUR.

## (Coutimed from page 6I5.)

On Thursday we were Iavoured for the day by the company of Mr Einry Chapman, of Keystone. Ehe came early and left late, and revived Manchester memories at intervals. Those of the team not ringing at Swineshead in the morning spent a half-day at Sulleet for lamoh and a look over the Glyn Garth establishment, where modern mnchinery sterilised bulbs and graded tomatoes. The frailty of nankind was exhibited by Bill Henley, who bipped aver a burrow lond of the fruit at ' handstroke.
Our better half team were successful with London Surprise Major at St. Mary's, Swinesbead, but as I did not go to this tower' I have no notes to give except that the old ring of eight, 1794, wibh tenor $46 i n$. diameter, were cast by T. Osborne, of Downham, and remanned intact for just on a century, the 4 th being recast in 1883 by Taylor and Co. Previous to 1794 there were four bells, as mentioned in the Harleian MSS.

## BOSTON'S FAMOUS TOWER

The clans assembled at Bostan Stump at 4 o'clock and were met by Mi. F. Dewey, who led us to the stair aloov and told us to 'take it gentiy' ; blate were culy 365 steps to backle. Fortunately, a beavy ship's cable winds round the newel, afording some assistance to wind and linb. Up, up, hp you go, and when you reach the ringing room, down you sit. "The old builders wisely put wo staircases, one in each of the piers adjoining the nave, to facilitate building. To-day the
anceus tourjsta who wish to view the Fen Country bave to go up ue aud down the oher. We got of into Cambridge Royal about o'clock, but soon gave up the mehod. Such a wide circle of ropes cquired eyes of many facets; the higrl dome in the centre of the ringing room hid the lower part of several ringers (especially the conductor), end the ringing became slow enough for Sextuples. This tiempt made guod practice for the Kent Royal that followed in roper ter-bell compass.
Here is another expert restoration by Taylon's, a new fron frame, uree old lells recast, two new brebles added, all of which was duly ported in 'The Ringing Warld' at the time.
We rested for inl hour al the Peacock Hotel which faces the Square, 'so markel place of Boston, and from its wiudows Nathaniel Fawhorve (the American writer), Duke of Edinburgh and the Tichborne laimaut and others have in the pasi gazed out won the busy centare this ancient towa.

## HOW THE 'STGMP' WAS REPAIRED.

There are one or bwo matters of interest to bellringers, relating to Botolpli's Church aud tho county, which I ought to mention.
Shate the year 1415 Dr. Fleming, a famous Rector of Boston, afterturds Bishop of Lincoln, enlarged the chancel and began the erection the lower. This great pile was not part of the original buildinge, lich is considered to be the finest in England and the highest in Enrope. The stone vaulting (floor to apex) is la7ft. high and there Te many clurch towers that could ba stowed inside it. The consulting hitect, Sir Gilhert Scott, was afraid the weight would be too muh h the swaring of the bells in their massive oak fanme in 1853 , hoh led to the carillou beimg installed.
In 1927 Camon Hutchinson (Vicar) Found the cracks in the roof aud "war so obvionsly needed attention that aghin a scheme of restora-
on was nudertaken, when Sir Charles Nicholson was called in. It is reorded that Jolm Cotton, a noted Puritan Vicav, sailed, with many f lis friends, for Boston, Massachusetts, in 1633; and how the resients there in the year 1930 came to the rescue of ofd Boston by ollecting upwards of 55,000 dollars within three weeks, for the repair of this lower and rehanging the bells, as a wercentenary gesture, is well known. On the base of the tower are registered the levels of reat floods of the past. Counts history records the lavoe caused by mudation, all suficient to give Jcan Ingelow a theme for her long poem, "High tide on the Lincolnshire const." Mr. Alex. Young raised the gitestion of the 'Brides of Enderby' in a recent issue of 'The Ringing World, which has been cleared up years ago in North's Bells of the County' (page 328)
The Boston Bell Comnittee of 1867 sclected as oue of the 28 tunes to be played upon the 44 bells of Van Aerschodt's carilion an air of that title, but it stevor existed and the authoress of the words refused to compose one for the committee. I rabler believe the lady had some association wibl Enderby Mavis (one of three parishes of Enderthy), where there are three belis. It is up to the Boston men to discover more about this writer.
During our tour my thoughts frequently turued on the ' Nine Tailors, ${ }^{\circ}$ the fascinating ringing nove by Dorotby L. Sayers. I expected to see Mr. Redhead's beauliful tower looming up at one of our villages and our team knocking off a touch on her octave! The pea! of 'reble boh Major in her book is called incorvectly; it will bo foumd in Showdon's, pp. 22 and 121 , as composed loy James Wilde, of Hyde, Gheshire, the fathor of our Dunedin frieud, J. S. Wilde. Fenchurch St. Fibul, by Mr. Redhead, has several featires resenbling Boston tower if the lantern on top were onitted and the wiudows of the two upper storeys were trausposed. Of course, Ind Wimsey would not be an abbreviation of Winclielsea, a noble ringer of the county
(To be continued.)

## NOTICES.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

## TERCENTENARY DINNER: FINAL NOTICE.

Four hundred tickets have now been allotted. If any moremembers wish to attend, they should apply at once, so that the committee may reserve for them any tickets which may be returned.

Detailed arrangements for the day will be published about a fortnight before the date.

## WILLIAM T. COCKERILL.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly meeting on Saturday, Oct. and, at Burbage, nr. Hinckley. Bells (8) open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting 4. Tea 5, followed by general meeting.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.
The next meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday,
Oct. 2nd. Bells ( 8 ) available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

ESSEX, HERTFORD AND MIDDLESEX ASSO. CIATIONS with LADIES' GUILD.-A joint meeting of the above associations will be held at Leytonstone (St. John's) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Belis (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow.-E. J. Butler, W. H. Lawrence, C. T. Coles, E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Secs.

LEZANT, LAUNCESTON, CORNWALL.-Rededication service by the Lord Bishop of Truro on Saturday, Oct. and, at 3 p.m.-a ring of six, tuned and rehung by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District. The quarterly meeting will be held at Campsall on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea at the Oid Bell Im at 4.30 p.m., 1s. 3d. per head.-H.S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec., $\overline{5}$, Ebor Street, Selby.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.- Bicester Branch.-The half-yearly meeting will be held (D.v.) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, at Stratton Audley. Tower open 3 p.mı. Serwice 4 p.m. Tea $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by short business meeting. Ambrosden, Bicester and Launton bells, also available at times which will be announced at meeting. Those requiring tea please notify F . Sharpe, Launton, Bicester, Oxfordshire.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIA-TION.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bridgwater on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15.-J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton. ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Coleshitl, near Birmingham, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available at 3.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 . Business meeting to follow.-T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkbill, Birningham 11.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-The next practice meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Kendal, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (io) available at 2.30 p.m.-N. M. Newby, Branch Sec., Brewery Mount, Ulverston.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.A meeting of the above branch will be held at Farnborough on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (5) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. at 6d. each. All ringers welcome.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Penarth on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Service at $4+30$. Tea and business meeting follows. - J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Alteryn View, Newport, Mon.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Ormesby on Saturday, Oct. and. Belis 8 (tenor 18 cwt.). Tea will be provided at the Bungalow Café at 5 p.m. United buses, No. 63 Qr 65, service from Middlesbrough, halfhourly service.-J. Reed, Hon. Sec., 67, Hedley Street, Guishorough, Yorks.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Wortley Church (bells 8) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. For tea please notify Mr. William Wooler, Sheffield Road, Wortley, near Sheffield.-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., r3, St. Ronans Road, Sheffield 7.

ST. PAUL'S, WALDEN.-The next meeting of the Northern District of the Hertford County Association will be held at St. Paul's, Walden, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. The bells will be available at 3 p.m.-Don Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch.The autumn meeting will be held at Tilehurst on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea, at 1 s . per head, at 5 p.m., at the Rectory. Service at 6 p.m. Buses from Reading Stations. All ringers welcome.-E. G. Foster, Hon. Branch Sec., 401, London Road, Reading.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The quarterly meeting of the West Norfolk Branch will be held at St. Margaret's, King's Lynn, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd.-W. J. Eldred, Branch Sec., 4, Wellington Street, King's Lymn.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-A ringing practice will be held on Saturday, October 2nd, at Hanslope. Bells (6) available from 5 p.m. All ringers welcone.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.The next meeting will be held at Crossens on Saturday, October 2nd. Bells available from 3 p.m.-S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Service ringing, St. Clement Danes', Strand, October 3rd, 10 a.m. Practices, October 11th, at 6.30 p.m., followed by quarterly meeting at 8.15 p.m., and October 25th, at 7.30 , at St. Clement Danes', also St. Mary's, Lambeth, November 2nd, at 8 p.m.-T. W. Taffender, Hon. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). A dinner committee meeting will be held at the Coffee Pot on October. 5 th, at 7.30 p.m. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Andrew's, Holborn, on October '7th ( $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.) ; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 12th; St. Magnus' on the 14th and 28th; Southwark Cathedral on the 21st; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 26th, at '7.30 p.m. * Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec. Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A mid-week meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford on Wednesday, October 6th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 69, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.

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YORISSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annual Snowdon Commemoration Dinner, in memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon (founder and first president) and past officers of the association, will be held at the Leeds and County Conservative Club, South Parade, Leeds, on Saturday, Oct. 9th, at 6 p.m. Tickets, 45. each, may be had on application to Mr. F. G. Sherwood, 8, Vesper Walk, Kirkstali, Leeds 5, or reservation of same not later than Oct. 7 th. Bells available during the afternoon: Parish Church (12), St. Michael's, Headingley (8), St. Chad's, Far Headingley (8).

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - A meeting of the SouthEastern Division will be held at Rettendon on Saturday,
 and business meeting after. Will all those who require tea please let me know by Wednesday, Oct. 6th, certain? -H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lanc; Springfield, Chelmsford.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND DISTRICT AS-SOCIATION.-A mecting will be held at Tunstall on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Will those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. W. Thompson, 29, Furlong Road, Tunstall, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs, not later than October 6th?-Andrew Thompson, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Canterbury on Saturday, Oct. gth. The following bells will he available: St. Stephen's (8), St. Alphege's (6) and St. Dunstan's (6) from 3 p.m. and after meeting. Cathedral ( 12 ) after meeting only. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting in St. Durstan's Parish Hall. Please send your names to reach me, not later than Wednesday, Oct. 6th. - B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec., 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Preston St. Mark's, on Saturday, Oct. gth. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea arranged for all those who notify the Rev. J. Maddoch, St. Mark's Vicarage, Preston, not later than Oct. 7 th.-A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-South Norfolk Branch. - The last general meeting of this branch for 1937 will be held on new ground, on Saturday, Oct. 9th, at Bergh Apton. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at the George and Dragon, Thurton. Also Brooke bells, one mile distant. Special methods: Oxford Bob Minor and London Surprise Minor. Names for tea by Oct. 5 th, please. - A. G. Harrison, Hon. Sec., 90, Denmark Street, Diss, Norfolk.

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION.-The half-yearly meeting will be held at St. James', Underwood Road, Paisley, on Saturday, October 9 th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m1. Tea at 5 p.m., by kind invitation of the St. James' Society.-Charles R. Raine, 21, Grosvenor Crescent, Edinburgh.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.--The next meeting will, subject to the bells being available, be held at Elston, near Newark, on Saturday, October 9th. Ringing on the 3 to 9 p.m. Please notify me for tea. -R . Towler, 19, Ordsali Road, Retford.
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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Frome and Midsomer Norton Branch. - A quarterly meetgg will be held at Beckington on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting p.m.-E. H. Nash, Hon. Sec., The Taibot, Mells. GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. windon Branch.-Monthly meeting at St. Mark's, Swindon, on Saturday, October 9th. Eight bells. Usual ar-angements.-W. B. Kyaaston, 3, Dumbarton Terrace, ictoria Road, Swindon, Wilts.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. The branch will meet at Terrington St. John on Saturday, October 9 th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. We should hike you to be present.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H. Branch.The autumn meeting will be held at Hinton Waldrist on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (9) available at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Those requiring tea please notify not later than Thursday, October 7th.-R. Gilling, Hon. Sec., Fernham, Faringdon.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Ilchester Deanery Branch.-The next meeting will be held at East Coker on Saturday, October 9th. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.-F. Farrant, Martock.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Hartfield on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome. Please notify for tea, if pos-sible.-B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chester Branch. The quarterly meeting will be held at Tarvin on Saturday, October 9th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please notify regarding tea not hater than Thursday, October 7th.-J. W. Clarke, Wayside, Circular Drive, Chester.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern Branch.The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Benington on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at Parish Hall at 5 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. Will all intending to be present for tea please let me know by Tuesday, October 5th ?-W. E. Clarke, Hon. Sec., Park House, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston, Lincs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be at Desford on Saturday, October 9th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Usual short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea, 1s. each, at 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, October 7th, please, to W. A. Wood, Fosseway, Croft, near Leicester.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Wilby on Saturday, October 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business to follow. Kindly send cards for tea arrangements to A. Bigley, Branch Sec., 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough, Northants

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch. -A meeting will be held at Haddenham, Cambs, on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., free, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. K. G. Sandberg).-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Over, Cambs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Morecambe on Saturday, October 9th. Bells ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend this meeting, as they will also be ahle to view the illuminations after the ringing.-E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION. - Northern Division.-A meeting will be held at West Grinstead (six bells) on Saturday, October 9th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting to Follow. Numbers for tea by Wednesday previous to meeting.-O. Sippetts, 10, Allany Road, Crawley.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Bridgwater Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Cossington on Saturday, October 9th. Bells availabie 2.30. Service 4. Tea 5. All are welcome. Those requiring tea please let me know not later than Tuesday. C. Evans, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Bridgwater.

IETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ounte District Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Elton, Saturday, October Oth. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 1s. each, $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those who wish to have tea, please write by October Bth.-Rev. L. S. Clark, Polebrooke Rectory, Peterborough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstonc Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be lield at All Saints', Maidstone ( 10 bells), on Saturday, October 9 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea in the Old Palace at 5.45 , followed by the annual business meeting. The association will provide tea for those members who send me their names before the Wednesday previous. A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec., Malthouse Farm, Egerton, Kent

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting wili be held at Biggleswade on Saturday, October 9th. Belis (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . All ringers will be welcome. The secretary hopes to be present. All ringers wishing to see him, please come.-C. J. Ball, 25, Temps[ord Road, Sandy,

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas' Church, Newchurch, on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells available from $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please do your best to attend. The success of the meeting depends on you.- J. Porter, Hon. Sec., 11, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. James', West Derby, on Saturday, October 16 th . Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. For tea, please notify Mr. H. Hancock, 60, Sandstone Road, Stoneycroft. -H. Grundy, Brancis Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Eastern Division. A meeting will be held at Great Bronley on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells available at 2.30 . Service 4.15 p.m. Will all those intending to be present please notify me as soon as possible? -F. R. Sparling, Hon. Sec., Station Hotel, Wivenhoe.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-The branch annual meeting will be held at St. John's, Worcester, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Short service 4.15. Tea (at a small charge) in the Parish Hall, 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting and election of officers. Please send word by Tuesday, October 12th.-G. E. Large, Branch Sec., Hawford, Worcester.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The jubilee festival will be held on Saturday, October 23rd, at Alfreton. Ringing from 2.30 to 4.30 . Service in church, address by Rev. J. B. Nodder (founder member of association). High tea at 6 o'clock in the Parish Church Mission Hall, Mansfield Road. Tickets, 2s. gents, 1s. 6d. ladies. Applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance, must reach me by Monday, October 18th.-J. W. England, 49, The Common, Soutil Normanton.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.-A joint meeting of the Ladies' Guild, the Middiesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (S. and W. District), and the Oxford Diocesan Guild (East Berks and South Bucks Branch) will be held at St. John's Church on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells (10) from 3.15 and after tea. St. Andrew's, Uxbridge (8), from 3 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.45. Tea, in St. John's Hall, at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , 1s. each. Social evening (refreshments) in the Hall from 7.30 p.m. All ringers and Criends welcomed, but will you endeavour to notify for tea, please. Note: Hillingdon (Swakeleys) station is unsuitable; book to Uxbridge. -Mrs. E. K. Fletcher, 45 , Walsingham Road, Enfield; F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks; and A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough, Hon. Secs. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Brancir. -The next practice meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Prestwich, on Saturday, October 16th. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Nembers and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec., 35, The Crescent, Worsley.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.--Lewisham Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at St . Mary's, Lewisham, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Further details next week. Please ensure that your tower is adequately represented.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere, Kent.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Northern Branch. -The annual meeting of the branch will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, October 16 th . Bells available at 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Please send names for tea by Wednesday previous.-J. S. Mason, Branch Sec., [9, Broadwell Road, Oldbury, near Birmingham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District.-By the Find invitation of Canon H. E. Fitzherbert, M.A., R.D., the autumn meeting of the above district will be held at St. Peter's, Netherseale, on Saturclay, October 16 th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who notify me by Wednesday, October 13th. Ail ringers and friends welcome.-]. W Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATYON. On Saturday, Septenbey 25, 1937, in 1 hree Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANEE8; Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr .12 lb.
Ernest Whiting... ... ... 3 velle Charles W. Loomz ... ... 5 George W. Howlett ... 2 Frederica W. Munnings... 6 Frederick C. Gonton ... 3 Rossell Riches ... Sianley W. Copling ... 4 Walter Barrett ... ...Temor Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by Ernesr Waiting.

WRITTLE, ESSEX. THE CSSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturfay, Septanher 25, 1937, in Theee Hows and Tor Mirntos, At the Churce of All Salhts,
 Tenor 18 cwt .
Grorge Gregs
...T yeble Artior H. Everitt
Miss Amy E, Waldock
T'Homas Lincoln... .. Phrcy Grern ... ... ... 4 Horacr J. Manafirco ....Thor Composed by I. Platt. Conducted by Horace J. Marspield. Firgt peal is the method as conductor.

WARNHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SDSSEX COUNTY ASSOOLATION.
On Saturday. Soptentar 25, 1937, in Thre Hours and Twalve Minutas, At the Churce of St. Margaret,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 508: OHANEEB;
Tenor If cwt. 2 qr . II Ib, in F


Composed by J. Parerer. Conducted by A. H. Poleing. he Rev, F. L. Farebrobler) and Mrs. Farebrother on the 25tk anniEsary of their wedding day, and to the coudnctor ond Mrs. Pulling 1 the 35 rd anniversary of their marniage. It was also a birthdoy on for W. Charman and T. Adams.

ST. IVES, HUNTSS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Salurday, Septomber 25, 1937, in Three Hours and 7 hree Mimutes, At the Church of All Saints,
P. PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 5088 GHANGE84 Tenor iz cwt. 4 lb .
Fi, Jacr Parish ... . Aher Warilagton. ... 2 Frank W. Lacr ... ... ... 6 Etilis Clarke .... ... ... 3 Herbert Fields...... inmcis G. Gleaves ... ... 4 Cladde Cousins ... ... ... Tenoy Composed by W. Harrison. Conducted by Frank Warringion. a birthday peal to the conductor's wife.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), OHESHIRE. TLEE OHISSTYR DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathray, Septevsber 25, 7937, in Two Hours and Fifiy Minutes,
At the Cgurce of St. Teomas,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE HAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 14 ewt. 3 qr. 21 lb .
fames Fernlery . hats A. Milner ..... 2 Walter W. Wolstencrofi rev. Framk Bonngr ... 3 Lionrl Clough ... ... ... 7 William Fernley ... ... 4 John Wortb...... Composed by Rev. H. Law James. Conducted by John Worth. First peal in the method.

> WYMONDHAM, NORTOLE.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION.
On Sunday, September 26, 1937, in Thre Howrs and Fifteen Mirwtes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE HAJOR, 5056 CHANEER; Middleton's.
imokias E. Sreiget
Eric G. Branett Whliam Clover Kossble W. Corgon.

Tenor 254 cwt.

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Conducted by

Henry Toore .... ... Leslie C. Wigetman... T. William Last -.* an 7 Lighlie G. Bretin...

MAREET DRAYTON, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SEROPSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Sunday. September 26, 1937, in Thee Hows and Nine Minutes,
At tie Church of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANEES; Tenor 171 cwt.
William J. Chester... ...Tveble Acan M Hickman .... ... 5
Thomas Prica ... ... ... 2 Elward V. Rodenedosi ... 6
Frederick Price... ... ... 3 Arthor Pritchard ... ... 7
Reginald W. Cerster ... 4 William Weatherby ..Temaz

## Composed by J. Teorpr. Conducted by Ariadr Pritchard

 Rung hs a furewell to the Vienr, the Rev. Dr, Dowell Kee. T'he condtactor's 50th peal.WARWELL, LEICESTERSHIREE.
THE MIDLAND COUNIIES ASSOGIATION,
Or Monday. Seplembar 27, 1937, in 7 wo Hours and Forty-Seven Misuta. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 0040 CHANGES; Washerook's Variation of Thorstans' Fodr-Part. Teror 55 cwt II lb .

| C. Richard Belton ... | ...Tveble | William A. Yo.id ... | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfrbd Ballard | ... | $\ldots$ | 2 | Waltar P. Whitehead ... | 6 |


| Alfred Ballard | ... | ... | 2 | Waltre P. Whitehead ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest Morris... | .. | .. | 3 | FrankK. Measorgs |  |

-Jobn H. Barless ... ... 4 †Thomas C. Bicron ... ... Tenor Conducted by Frank K. Measures.

* First peal in tho metbod. + First peal and first athempt. LOWER BIMTNGTON, GHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD
On Tuesday, September 28, 1937, in Three Hours and Tavo Minmes,
At tae Cerach op St. Andrew,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 6024 CHANEEB; Tenor 9 cwb .
Albert Gorringe ... ...Treble Tbomas Th. Gilmodr... ... 5
Edwin Brerze ... ... ... 2 James Mbldrdi ... ... .... 6
Grorge R. Newton ... ... 3 James Martin ... ... ... 7 Thomas W. Hammond ... 4 Edward Cadece ... ... ...Teror Composed by A. Knigets. Conducted by G. R. Newion. Rung in honour of the presentation of the Charter of Incorporation to Bebington by Sir W. Bromley Devonport, Lord Lieutenant ai Chesifre.

LOWESTOFT, SUPFOLK.
THE NORWIOH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, September 30, 1937. in Thyee Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505 DHANGES; Tenor $13^{3} \mathrm{C}$ Cwt. in F sharp.
William Baldry ... ...Trebie Algert E. Coleman ... ... 5
 Ricgard W. R. Coates ...
tAmagor W. Brad
A... Composed by H. J. Tocker. Conducted by Francis W. Naunton

* First peal. | Prirst peal of Major. REDENHALL, NORFOLK.
THE NORWIOH DIOCBSAN ASSOCIACLON.
On Thur sday. September 30, 1937, in Three Houss and Fiftem Minutes,
At ter Cherce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE HAJOR, 5152 CHANCES?
Maddleton's.
Tenor 24 Cwt. in D

Nolan Golden ... ... ...Tyehe|Chcil V. Ebbbrson ... ... 5 William Flatt ... .... ... 2 Fredefick C. Gonton | Stanlry W. Copling | ... | 3 | Cearles W Loome ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Erngst Whiting | ... | ... | 4 | Frbdarick Sragar | .. |
| ....Tenor |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by Nolan Goldzn.

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UCKFELD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
O* Saturday, October 2, 1937, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
Ai fez Cedrch of the Holy Cross,
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 12 cwt .
Jambs A. Hart ...


Leslie W. Jarvis
$\cdots$

frank H. Hicks .. J. Sbever | Artbid F. Lewry | $\ldots$ | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frbd Miles | $\ldots$ | ... | . | $\ldots$ | Composed by W. J. Sexirr.

Conducted by Alberi Relfe. Rung on the eve of the harvest festival. A birthday peal for Miss E. V. Jarvis, daughter of the ringer of the third.

LINTON, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Oizober 2, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Chdrch of St. Nicbolas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, EOEB GHANGE8; Tenor 15 cwt .
Harry Bakbr ... ... ...ireble Grorge Kenward ... ... 5 Coties H Some
William Wenban.. .1
Tom Sajnders ... ... ... 4 Lother J. Hongss ... ... Temor Composed by A. Knigurs. Conducted by Thomas E. Sone. The composition, No. 374, is rung for the firat time.

UFFORD, SUPFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GULD.
On Satarday, October 2, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Thyee Minutes, At tele Chorge of Si. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATTVE SURPRISE MAJUR, 5056 CHANGE8; Tenor 14 cwt .

 Composed by G. Lindofr. Conducted by L. C. Wighiman.

* First peal of Treble Boly. HUSBORNE CRAWIEX, BTDS. THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, October 2, 1937, in Three Houys and Fivs Minvtes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, GOEQ CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt . gr . 12 lb . in D .

 William Welling ... ... 4 Tony Price ... ... ...Temor Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by William Welling. * First peal of Surprise Major.

LYME REGIS, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 2, 1937, in Two Hours ard Fifty-Nine Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Micharl-the-Arcangegl,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, E040 CHANGE8;
Pitstow's Transposimion of Tudrstans' Fotr-fart.
Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.
Grorge H. Whatrmore ...Trebie Henry G. Kzrley ... ... 5
Cearles H. Jennings ... a A. F. Martim Stevari ... 6

 Conducted by Frank Bennett.
Rumg for the patroual festival.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOULATION.
On Suryday, October 2, 1937, in Thye Howys azd Five Minutes, At the Cgorce of St. Mary Magdalgne,
A PEAL OF 8UPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCE8; Tenor 13 cwt I qr. 22 lb.


MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, October 2, 1937, in 7wo Howrs and Forty-Five Minutes,
At the Parish Churce,
A PEAL OF STEDMAH TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thorstans' Four-part.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Thos. Groombridge, sen. Tyeble

Pbrgy E. Clarkz.. .1 ... 3 Gilbert R. Goodshif ... 7
Fredrrick A. Mitchell ... 4 Frederick M. Mitchell ...Tenof Conducted by Thomas Groombridge.
Arranged and rung as a tercententary peal for the society and as a birthday compliment to Mrs. H. T. Powell, wife of the Rector of Milton, and tho ringer of the tenor. The zingers of the trebie, 2,3 and tenor are past masters of the society.

## CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 2, 1937, in Thyee Howys,
Ay tar Cherch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
Pitstow's Transposimion on Tedrestans' Fodr-fart. Tenor 123 cwt.


| Tbamas E. Denybr | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Clargnce H. Dobbig | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C. Ernzst Smita | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | George Arrowsmith | $\ldots$ |
| ....thay |  |  |  |  |  | Conducted by Alfred H. Polling.

* Trist peal. Rung on the 35th anniversayy of A. H. Puiling's first peal as conductor.

SILVERDALIE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICF ASSOCIATION.
On Satnvday, October 2, 1937, in Tto Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
At mez Cerrce of St. Loke.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAHGES;
Holits Ten-part.
-Len Davies ... ... ...Tyeble E
Edward Sterli ... ... ... j

Fredrrice A. Forstra ... 4 Stoney Thompson ... ...Tenot
Conducted by Cbables H. Page.

* First peal. Rung in honaur of the enthronement of Dr. Edwaxl S. Woods as Bishop of Lichfeld.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Saturday, October 2, 1937, in Twa Hours and Fifty-Six 1 inates, Ar the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Transfosition of Thdrstans' Fudr-part. Tenor 13 cwt 3 lb .


 Conducted by Alfred Davies.

* First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birtidday compliment to Mrs. Breakwell and Mr. H. Hadley on the e0th birdhay of ench.

KINGISTON, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday. Ottober 2, 1937, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, At the Church of st. Jhaes,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWIGH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $28 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

 | Mrs, J. Thomas | .. | ... | ..- | 2 | Harry Smale | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jobn Thomas | $\ldots$. | ... | 3 | William E. Cgeater | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |  |  |

 Composed by H. W. Wirde. Conducted by F. G. Cole.

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## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

PAVENHAM, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Suptember 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL DF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Buing 12 six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire, 10 pallings. Tenor 8 cwt in A .
Enmest Aspor Grorgr Seja


Donald L. Cockings ... ...Tcray Conducted by D. L. Cochings.

* First peal in two methods. Rurs as a farewell to the Vicar, tuc Rev. W. Higgins, who is Ieaving the parish for Irelend.

COPPULL, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASETRE ASSOOLATION.
Shu Saturday, September 25, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty- One Minvies, At ine Chorch of St. John,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Seven extents.
 James Nawdrsley ... ... 2 Eric W. Yates ... ... ... 5 Alan Carpenter ... ... 3 Joshra H. Ridyard ... ...Temor Conducted by Josrpa H. Ridyard.
Finst peal. Rung on the 25tll annivergary of tha church.

## KEMPSTON, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSEIRE ASSOCIATION.
(1) Saturday. Scptenday 25, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Ceurce of All Sainys,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 ench of Cambridge Surprise, College Twercise, Kent, Oxford and Woodbine Ereble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tendr 18\% cwt.
Cgarles W. Clarke... ...Tieble Jobn Churce ... ... ... 4
Frrbert L. Harlow... ... 2 Francis Beadmont ... ... 5
Edmond Wagstafre ......
Conducted by L. H. Bywaters. MORTON, LINCOLNSEIRE.
PHE LINCOLN DIOCIESAN GUILD
On Sadtrday, September 25, 1937, in Thyee Hon's
At the Churcif of St. John-the-Baptists

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 50se DHANGES;

Beng seven 720's, wiz. : (I) Norfolk and Primrose: (2) London and Wells; (3) York and Duhbun; (4) Hall; (5) Gambridge and Primrose; (6) Ipsurich; (7) Bomme.

John T. Pollard -.. ...Treble | Horace M. Day ... ... ... 4
William Oldman ... ... 2 Aeheri E. Scott ... ... 5
William H. Waldron $\cdots{ }^{-. .} 3$ Tbemas L. Baingridge ....Tmor Conducted by H. M Day.

* First peal in ten Suaprise methods.

KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.
EAST DTEBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSEIRE ASSOCLATION. Om Saturday, Seplember 25, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minwtes,

At thg Churcu of St. Wilerid.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tweuty-one extents of Grandsire amd 21 of Plain Bob, 14 callings. Teuor 10 cwt .
T. Georgr Brerdon ... ...Tyeble John Whitrburst ... ... 3

Ronald Armsirong ... ... 2 | Tob Clarke ...... Jону L. Sboozer ... ......Tend Conducted by T. Clarke.
First peal by all excepts condactor.
GREAT BROMLEY, FSSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Septomber 25, 1937, in Three Howrs,
At tae Parish Chorca of St. Georgr,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Joing two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxiord Treble Bob nad ilmee of Plain Bol, with different callings.

Teror 15 cwt . in J.
Alan R. Andraws ... ...Treble | Harry J. Mileatt ... ... 4 Georib A. Andrews... .... 2 George Watgruan ... ... 5 Gzorgr A. Butron .... ... 3 | Vigtor E. Keraidge ... ... Tcnor Conducted by Alan R. Andrew!.

SPRINGFIELD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Friday, Sthtombry 24, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL DF MINOR, GO\&O CHANCES;

Being two 720's ach of Cambridge Surprige, Oxford and Kent Troble Bob end one of Woodbino Treble Bob. Temor 10 cwt in $G$.
Jofn Myhill ... ... ...Trebla Oliver J. Longley ... ... $^{4} 4$


- Henry W. Shadrack ... 3 Edward Kemp ... ... ...Temoy Conducted by Edward Kemp.
* Wirst penl in Cour methods and first peal of Treble Boh Minor "iuside." A birthday coupliment, to the ringers of the treble, 3nd and 4 th, and rung also for the wedding annivergary of FI. W. Shadrack.


## LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Septanber 25, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Botoleh,

## A PEAL OF BINOR, 5040 CHANQE8;

Beine seven extents, viz.: Double Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treblo Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Bob, Double Oxford nut Plain Bob.
Miss Dorotay Tessey ...Trable Frank Vernon ... ... ... 4 - Kenneth W. Mayer ...a 2 Grophrey M. Maybr... .... 5 †Jogn Frrrman ... ... ... 3 Jack L. Meleeodse ........... Temor Conducted by John Frezman.

* 25th peal. + First peal in seven methods and first peal of Minor as conductor on tower bells. Ruly to celebrate the weddin宫 of Mr, C. E. Smith dind Miss G. I. Ratoliffe; slso of Mr. H. F. Packer and Miss M. Holmes.


## SILKSTONE, FORKSHIRE.

TEE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Barnsley and District Snctrity.)
On Saturday, Septembey 25, 1937, in Three Hours,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BDB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 723 changes of ach of Cambidme Surprise, Primioso Surprise, Oxford, Loudan Scholars' Plensure, Collega Exarcise, Kingston and Kent Treble Bol.
Roland Hini. ... ... ...Treble|Ernest Brookes
Aribur Pantagr $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Abtagr Gill $\quad . .$.
Clifrord Robinson ... .... 3 Danibl Smita... Conducted by D. Smitr.
Ilung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Fred Eveson and Miss Lucy Ciant, which took place at Felkirk on tho same day.

WATLINGTON, NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(Wisegce Branch.)
On Saturday, September 25, 1937, in Two Hows and Forty-Four Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5P40 CHANGES:
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Bob. St. Clement's, Oxford
Treble 13ob, Kent Treble Bob and two 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. $2 \mathrm{qr}, 2 \mathrm{lb}$.
Joben Buckeneam
 Alfred E. Bacon Victor Bowen $\cdots \cdot . . . \quad 2$ ARIEOR Bason. ... 5 Conducted by W. Bockengam. CUCENEY, NOTTS.

## THE NORTH NOTMS ASSOCLATION

On Saturday, September 25, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Five Minules, At tar Chorge of St. Mary,

## A PEAL DF HINDR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford nuld Kent Theble Bob and three of Plain Bob,

Tecor $10 \%$ cw'.
Frederick Flint

Joe Reader $\quad . .$. Conducted by H. T. Hooke.

* First peal of Minor "inside.'

SWINDON, WILTS.-On Sunday, September 26th, at Christ Churci, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples [1,260 changea) in 47 minates W. W. T. Daniell 1, A. Lawrence 2, R . G. Townsend 3, S. Palmer 4. G. W. Townsend 5, H. W. L. Wells 6, W. B. Kyaaston (conduetor) 7, A. E. W. Snith 8 . A birthday compliment to the tenorman.

STISTED，ESSEX．
TEE ESSEX ASSOCIATION．
On Smaday，September 26，1937，in Two Hours and Fifty－Theer Mintos， At the Church of All Saints，
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR，EO40 CHANOEA；
Seven difterent 720＇s．

Conducted by R．Sockling．
＊First peal．
OTLEX，SUFFOLK．
THE SUFTOLK GUILD．
On Monday，Saplember 27，1937，in $T$ wo Howrs ntmal Forty－Eight Minates，
At rez Cedrce of St．Mary，

## A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 GHANGES；

Being 720 each of Double Court，Plain Bob，Double Oxford，Oxford Bob，Cambridge Surprise，Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob． Tenor 10 cwt ．
Ronald W．Steward ．．．．．Treble Urban W．Wildney ．．．．．． 4
Gborge Pryke ．．．．．．
$\begin{array}{ll}. . . & 2\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\text { James Benneiti，jon } & . . . & . . . & 5 \\ \text { Alan R．Andrews } & . . & . . . T \text { temor }\end{array}$
Couducted by Alan R．Andrews．

## SANDY，BEDS．

THE BEDPORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION
On Morday．Septenther 27．1937，in Two Honys and Fifty－Eight Minutes，
At the Cearce of St．Switagn，

## A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 GHANGES；

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise，College Exercise，Kent，Oxford fand Woodbine＇lreble Bob，Oxford Bob and 1＇lain Bob．Tenor 13 委 cwt． Lewis H．Bywaters ．．．
Reginald Hodghton．．
．．．Treble
$\ldots . .2$
C．Eqward Jefrries
C．Henry Harding ．．．．．．． 3 Herbert Sherman ．．．．．．．． 5 Senor

## Conducted by L．H．Bywatrers

BURGHCLERE，EANTS
THE WINCHFSTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD Lw Monday，S＇ptcmber 27，1937，in Two Hours ard Fifty－Fivs Minntes，

## At the Cubrge of ihe Ascension

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLE8， 5040 GHANGEB；

Being 42 gix－scores， 10 callings，
Harry E．Balaam ．．．．．． 2
3 HENRY LAWREWSOM ．．．．．． 5
Conducted by Henry Lawarneon．
＊Tinst peal．First pal as conductor．Ruyg in bonour of Canon
敢．S．Medicott， 1 or 22 years Rector of the parish，on his retirement．
OLD WARDEN，BEDS．
THE BEDTORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Wednesday，Sepiember 29，1937，in Two Horys \＆Forty－Eight Jinutes
At the Cherch of St．Leonard，

## A PEAL OF HINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being an exticit bach of College Exercise，Gambridge Surprise，Wood－ bine，Oxford and Kent Treble Bob，Oxford Bob aud Plain Bob． C．Henry Harding ．．．．．．Trabla Edmond Wagstaffe Reginald J．Hoggeton ．．． 2 Lewis H．Bywaters Herbert Sgerman ．．．．．． 3 C．Edwhrd Jepfribs ．．．．．．．．．． 5

## Conducted by C．E．Jeffriss．

## HANDBELL PEAL． <br> STOCKPORT，OHESHIRE．

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION．
Thusday，Septenber 30，1937，in Two Hours and Twenty－Two Minutat， At 20．Aberdern Crescent，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL， 6000 日HANQES； Tener size 17 in $B$ flat．

## PEAL NOTES．

The g1st birthday of Mrs．Hayden，wife of Mr．George Faydeu，was celebrated by a meal of Stedmara Caters at All Saints Clmuch，West Ham，on October 2nd．ML．Hayden，himself 77 years old，rang the tre引le．Ho is sexton aud steeplekeeper at West Ham．

Mr．T．E．Sone and Mr．W．Wenban，twa well－known Trent riugers， rang their 75th peal together at Linton on October Zud．
The bisturlay of the Rector of St．Clement Danes，London，wus celebrated by the Ancient Sociely of Colleare Youths with a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal on September 29th on the helis made famous in the muisory rhyme．The Rev．W．Pentington Rickford annually holds an＇Oranges and Lemons，Serwice．
Mr．Alfred Palling，of Guildford，rang his first peal as conductor an October 2nd，1902．He celebrated the 35th amriversary by calinn lis favourite transposition of the＇Tour－Part＇at Chiddingfold．＇Pulnur＇s Surprise＇we heve heard it called，but the Surprise is ouly when the peal isn＇t successfully brouglts home．
A peal of Stedman Triples was rung at Lyme Regis for the patround festival of the Church of St．Michael the Archangel．Ihe band re－ gretted that the Vicar，the Rev．C．Carew Cos，was unable to take part owing to his being engaged at the Bishop＇s Conferenco at Sherborne．

Mr．George A．Andrews hes how rung each of the six bells in the tower ab Great Browley，Essex，to a peal．He completed the circle＂ on Septenuler 25th．
The peal of Stedman Cinques rung in the Bull Ring，Birminglam， to celebrate Alderman and Mrs．Pritchett＇s golden wedding was tha one hundredtla peal torether of the bwo Newcastle men，Bill Barber and W．J．Drvidson．
The nggregate age of the band who rang the peal on September $28 t h$ in celebration of the presentation of the Charter of Incorporation to Bebingtan，Cheshire，was exactly 500 years．Hats off to the veterans！

Holt＇s Ten－Part peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at Silverdale， Stalls，on October 2nd，in honour of the enthronement of Dr．E．S． Woods as Bishop of Lichfield．Dr．Woods was formerly simuthaneously Bishop，$A$ rchdeacon and Viear of Croydon，and was responsible for recasting the bells of the Parish Church into a ring of twelve．
We recorded last weak that the Ficar of Founalow had aslied a meeting of the London Cownly Association whether Treble Bob Major in $B$ flat was possible．Well，this week a record has been sent us of au peal of Tent Treble Bob Rnyal in $B$ fat．B fat was，of conrse，the key note of the handbells used．The penl celebrated the binthray of James W．Washbrook（how familiar that name sounds to the old una who knew his fathert）．Incidentally it happened to be the one hundredtl handbell peal that Alfisd Barnes and Alien F．Bailey have rung togetber．

Four past Masters of the Ancient Society of College Youtlis took part in a tercentenary celebration peal of Stedman Triples nt Milton－ Jext－Gravesend on Octoher 2nd．They were Messrs．T．Groonibridge， sen．，J．S．Hawhirs，P．E．Clarke and F．M．Mitchell．
It was also rumg as a birthday compliment to Mr．F．M．Mitclell， and the band afterwards adjoumed to the＇GIue Pot＇whero Mrs． Mitchell extendea fher usual hospitality．

One of the Fisitors armiven home＇hefore＇midnight with the －dessert＇for his midday meal on Monday safely stowed away．We hear hig companions could not lose lim．They had to follony tho ＇ecent．＇
For the wedding on Septamber 25th of Mr．Tred Eveson and Niss Lncy Chant，sister of Mr．H，Chant，a ringer at Felkirk，where the marriege was salemised，a peal in seven Treble Bob Minor methools was rung at Silkstone，near Barnsley．
$A_{5}$ \＆farewell to the Rev．Dr．Dowell Lee（Vicar），who is leaving Market Drayton，Shropshire，a peal was rung at the Parish Glimedi on Sunday，September 26th．It was also a birthday compliment to Thomas Price．

On the retirement of anoliler incumbent，the Rev．Canon R．S． Medlicott，for 22 ycars Rector of Burghelare，Hants，a favewell peal of Grandsiro Doubles was rung on September 27th．In this the Rer． F．S．H．Marle，secretary of the Andover District of the Wincluesfer and Portsmoutil Guidd，rang the treble to his first peal．
There were same quick changes in Hunts on Snturday week．A peal arranged at $S t$ ．Neots was changed to $S t$ ．Ives almost at the last minute，owing to illuess near tho former church．Mr．T．G．Gleaves took a rope at a noment＇s notice to frll mo unexpected sap，antivo minutes before the start Kent Treble Bob was asked for and the conductor had to produce a peal ont of the proverbial liat．
Mr ．Frank Warringtols is the first to ring a peal on all the hells at St．Iveg．The tlanks of the hand are extended to Messrs，Nohle and F．Pratt，who obtained the permission to ring and had the bells in readiness when the band arriven．
A peal of Kerst Treble Bob at Wamham，Sussex，ou Saturday， melebrated several anmiversaries，principally the silver wedding of the Ficar and hik wife，the Rev．TF．D，and Mrs．Farehrother．The $3 \mathrm{Br}^{2}$ amniversay of the weddiag day of Mr．and Mrs．A．H．Pulling（AlFred called the pealy was alse celelirated，ant it was，in addition，a hirth－ day compliment to Wafter Charman，the Warnhan veieran，and Thomas Adams．

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## MPORTANGE ON BELL GONTROL

In the last two weeks thero has been a good deal said by normpondents upou how and what to teach begitmers. Begnuers then elves have probably read these letters witl interest, W'e do not propose to discuss what has been written; whether the first method hould be Plain Bob or Grandsire. The essential thing, to our mind, That before he gaes very lar in his change ringing career the beimmer should learn to xing bath. Given a ringer of average intelligence and an instrmetor who knows his johs it does nob seem to us ad started on Grandsire, Lhan he would to ring Grandsire after buring started an Plan Bob. But, whatever the explanation, it is a act that where there is a young band, as distinct from a single individual lenrning with a more or less proficient company, better ringing is obtained when thare is a tenor behind to keep a bent and give the other belis a leading point. And the public reed consideraion even when we would make excuses for a now band.
That leads us to the point that in many cases berinters are mot llowed to gain sufficient bell control before being pushed into change inging. Bell control is not merely being able to eateli the sally aud eep the bell up; it means being able to put it in its place this time, next time and all the time. Onily constant practice will do this, and and changes are a valuable step in enabling the begimen to gange the spacing over the big and small bells. Until he can place his bell with precision in call chauges he canat be expected to do so whel e is moving his position at every half-pull.
It is here that the ears must be brouryit into use; and the first thep in this clirection is most easily achieved if the luelis are few and the pace noto too quick. rihe slower beat will enable the beginner we ensily to piek ont the sound of his own boll and will emphasise he had blows. The number of betls can be increased aid the pace tickened when the learmer has proved his ability at the frst stage. This type of practice may be tame for the older laads, but patience 1. this juncture may make all the diference between turing out an conrate or a slovenly striker. If he has never been taught better, he annot be expected to do more than put his bell "somewhere" amone he rest; if the is taken along by simple stages and properly coaclied cull develop an ear' and accuracy.
This is not to say that he shonld not be started in the theory of ange ringing: The sooner he is given some elcmentary instruction paper the hetter; it will help to maintain his interest througly ho inay he termed the 'drudgery' period-that is the stage beeerl the time when he can pall a bell, and thinds he knows all chat it, and the time when he can strike a bell accurately and knows ren he doesn't.
Most instructors, we are afrajd, do too little in the way of teaching heory. Sometimes, even, it consists of only a verbal explanation and dinger of one hand making unintelligible signs in the palm of the ther. And from this the pupil is put on the end of a rope and guifed' through a course, so that at the end lie is, if auything, wre confused tilan when he stated.
Eike Columbus, as desoribod by an American, when he set ont lie id rot know wher he was going ; when he got there he didn't know here he was, and when he returned he didu't know where he'd been. Fietr instuctor should give his beginner paper and pencil work, ad, if he is mable to draw up some plan aud explanation for himlf, lie shonld obttin one of the several good elementary text books nrailable, and go through it with his pupil. It is far better to this than just hand the book to the begimer' and say, "Read that: may be sufficient for some apt learners, but quicker progress is arle when the instructor supplements the written word with verbal sistance.

## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS.

CHFTON, BRISTOL-On Sunday, September 4Gb, at the Paxish hurch for mornins service, 1,280 Bol Major: R. D. St. J. Smith $1_{1}$ T7. Woolley 2, Mrs. Bowles 3, Rev. E. Bankes James 4, W. Bonner F. W. S. Gregary 6. W. Webb 7. S. H. Wood 8. First quarter-peal Major by ringers of $3,5,6$ and 7 .
HALEWOOD, EANOASHIRE. On Monday, September 13th, a inter-peal of Stedman Triplas: James Robinson 1, Jolm Robimson 2 Robinson 3, G. Hesketh (fist quarter-peal of Stedman as conouctor) F. Lucikin 5, J. W. Gardner 6. W. Robinsorn 7, A. Maddock (first arter-[peal) 8.

## PEAL NOTES

(Continued from previous column.)
A peal of Minor at Coppull, Lancaslire, on Saturday, was mang in honour of the 25th amniversary of St. Joln's Clurch. It was the rai peal on the bells in which five local men bave talken part. peal of Minor at Springfield, Essex, on September 24th, celebrated the birthdays of half the rimgers and the wedding anniversary of one of them.
peal of Minor on Seplember 25th at Cuckney, Natts, was rang as a iarewell to Frederick Fint, who is leaving the district,

At another Notinghamshive clurch. Kinkloy-in-Ashiteld, a peal of Giraudsire and Rob Doubles was murs on Sept. $25 t h$, the first peal by
all excopte the conductor.

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSIIY GUILD

## STRENUOUS AND SUCCESSMUL WFIG IN SOMERSEI".

This year the Gambridge Universiby Guild's anmual ringing week was held in Somerset, the headquaters being bat woll-known establishment, the Golden Lion Hotel, Wrington. Arrangemants were in the capable haids of Mr. Steplien $F$. Wood, who had prepared un excallent programme in this delightful ringing district. It was very unforthuate that more members could nol make the opportunity to be present, as the parly only just mumbered a peal baud, two members of which were on the sick lish for mosb of the time. Those who were unable to come through jllaess and business or lamily tiea ineluded six Surprise ringers, and even one or two of these would have made a great difference. The Guild was, however, mast pieased to have with then in addition four members who were making their first toury nnd these obtained much useful practice in the olemencary stages of change ringing.
Following the Guild's usual practice, one peal was attempted each day, the rest of the time being given wy to rinsing for short periods at two or thres other towers. Of the four tower-bell peals attempted, three were successful, while a Landbell peal on the last evening ennbled all who had been pregent for more than one day to score at least one penl.
The party assembled at various thmes during the week-end, and five, who arriverl eatly alrowg on Monday, werc joined ly members of the Bathand Wells Diocesan Association in a peal of Cambridge nt Ohewton Mendip in the evening
Two members of the peal band dia not mrrive until lunch time on the Taesday, so the norning was siven up to some intensive Brb Mitho and Major praclice for the bugiuners al Backwell (6), Nailsea (6) and Clevedon (8). A good peal of Boh Major was ring at Wraxall in tho aftemoon; and later in the evening menluers of the Guild had the pleasure of ringing on the ten ab Wrington with Major J. II. B Hesse and some of the local band.

## REINFGRCEMENT ARRIVES.

On Wedcesday the party was reiuforeed for the day by the shrival of a reverend gentleman fresh from a protracted tan in Italy, who was visiting Bristol for the purpose of buying a typewriter. It is to bo hoped that this machine will earble him to keep up to dite with his list of the towers at which the has rung, as considerable adilitions were made during the day. In the morning a peal of Cambirlyo was successful on the excellent light eight at St. Ambrose's, Bristal, durins which the two invalids of the party were jopefully watening cach other for signs of collapse. Botli, however, stucls it nolyly aud the peal duly came wound
The afternoon's programme was a strenubus one, no less than mino of the numerous towers in the heart of Bristol being wisited hetween 3 and 8 o'clock. This was made possible by the williur heln of a number of Bristol ringers, who went ahead nud rased the bella, and special thanks are due to them for their tindmess as well as to the authorities who gave permission for their bells to be rung and the steeplekcepers who met and welcomed tho party. In tho evening a cinema show was given at the Golden Lion, one of the films including stots of several poll-known ringers who had been on another "week" at Wrington a manth previnusly.

On Thursday the peal band sustained a severe loss when kie Rev, B. F. Sheppard, who had been suffering from a bacly shramed hand, consulted a doctor, who forhade him to ring egain during the week. dll eredit is dan to him for the way he rang in two peals to avoid letting the band down, and for carrying on untid it was quite obvious that he could not possibly continue. In the moruing a peal of Bols Major (instoad of Donblo Norwich, as planned) wes rung at Biton, a fine eight which have been, recently augnented, uned and relnng. In this the president geored his first peal on cight in the tower whd his first tower-bell peal simce before the war. Later in tho day the Guild rang at Marshfield (8) and Swainswick, where a umique frame was inspected with interest-the six bells being hung in three tiers-and finished by ringing oll the magnificent heavy eight at Chew Magan. In tho evening an atienpta was wade for a liandbell peal, which came to a sudden erad after half an hour.
Friday started with Carporate Commurion at Wington at 7.30 , ath after breal fast tracks were made for Barrow Gurney, where some time was spent rebanging the bells prior lo starting for the peal! Tufortunately, however, this work proved to be 11 vair, as one of the band had to give up after Grandsire Eriples had been in progress for two hours. Later in the day the party drove across the Mendips vin Burvington Combe and Cheddar Gorge and rang on the line eight at Wedmore. Visits were paid to Wookey Fole Caves and Wells Cathedral, and the week finished with ringing at Binegan. In tiae eveling
four members sat down with great determination and rang a Jandhell peal, which came round shoftly before midnight.

The party dispersed after breakfast on Saturday after a week which, though strenuous-owing to shortness of numbers there was practically none of the usual sitting ont and listening-lakd been most pleasant and enjoyable.

## WEDDING BELIS

At St. Mary's Church, Maldon, Dssex, on Sunday, September 26tl, for harvest festival and on ocension of the wedding of Mr . S. C. Card, one of the Iocal ringers, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: P. Raven 1, Miss A. E. Waldock 2, F. White 3, H. J. Msnsfield 4. IE. Bird (conductor) 5, D. A. Hand 6.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION DINNER

## ENJOYABLE FESTIVITIES.

The general hon. secretary and the Dimaer Committee of the Worcestershire and Districts Association are to be congratulated on the cplendid arrangements fley made for a highly suceeseful sixth annual dimen, hela on Saturday, Septombey 25th, at the Sarecen's Head Hotel, Worcester. Eighty members and visitors eat down to an oxcelleat meal, after ringing at All Saints' (10) and St. Joln's (8) during the aftermotn.
Mr. J. R. Newman presided, and among those present were the Rov. E. G. Benson (Hereford Guild), the Rev. H. B. S. Fowler, Mr. W. Short (Master of the association), Messrs. J. D. Johmson (general lon. secretary), W. F. Johnson (treasurar), 玉. E. Barber and S. T.
Holt (auditors), R. G. Knowles and J. Hemming (freemen), T. HemHolt (auditorr), R. G. Knowles and J. Hemming (freemen), T. Hem-
miner, O. Camm and J. W. Heath (Branch Ringing Masters), J. S. Meson, G. Z. Large and J. E. Newman (branch secretaries), O. H. Woodberry (Central Council), W. Ranford and J. Bass (committee), H. H. Fearn and C. Webh (St. Martn's Guila, Birminghem), G. Lewis (Yorkehire Association) and Mre. Lewis, Mr. C. A. Binyou, Mrs, J. R. Newman, Miss F. Johosou, Miss C. Henth and ofhers.

Apologies were received from tha Dean of Worcester, the Revs. W. Buchanan Dunlop, J. F. Hastiugs and G. W. Webl (clerical semetary, who, unforumately, had not recovered fram his recent illness), Mr. E. P. Thomas (vice-president), Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas (London), Messrs. L. W. G. Morris (Leeds), J. Pigott, ete.

After the toast of the King lian' been bonaured, 'Churchand Stato ' was proposed by Mr. C. A. Binyon (Badsey, Evesham), who said that everything that made life worlh liviug cane from two institutions, Ghurch and State. It was a splendid thing for the State to be jufluenced by the Chargh, but it was very often the wrong way round when the Chrirch was influenced by the State, Concluding, Mr. Binyou said, "The Ohurch needs nore freedow. She should wot be the play-
thing of any one party. It is her duty boldly to rebuke the tice of thing of ang ore party. It is
high and low, rich and poor.'

## A CHURCH SOCLETY

The Rev. E. G. Benson (Burghill, Hereford), who responded, srid he bad had close touch with the Worcestershive Assaciation when at Towkesbury, and recognised it as a church society. The Church, he said, neant not only hishops, deans, archdeacons and priests, but the whale body of Christian men and women, and we should be proud of existence long before there was a Stabe in this country, and the best relationship botween ancient Christinn society and the modern State Was when wo contd be loyal members of both. 'One of the clauses of Magne Charta," added Mr. Benson, "says that the Church shall to irea, but it is not alwars, the case, very seriously, sometimes, not the case. "there piay be dificullies in the future about this freedoun,' Concludirg, the speaker said, The ringivg of bells does somehow bring Church and Stata tagether, as, for instanice, at the Coronation this year, when we were symbalically shown the minon of the two.'
The next ioast, "The Worcestershive Association,' was proposed by the Cliairuan. The association, lo said, liad fulfilled its purposes and was contimuing to make progress. He was pleased to say this dinuer Newman said he would like to couple the names of three members Newnan said he would like to conple tho names of three members cently celebrated his golden wedding. He was sure they all wished many more yearg of happiness to Mr. and Mrs. Pritolett. The second namo was that of Mr. T. G. Knowles, who also hat recently celebrated his golden wedding. Boh Knowles fooks a picture of health athd lant got into his second wind at over 70 years of age. I aur sure we
all wisla Mr. and Mrs. Knowles many wore happy jears together.' all wish Mr. and Mrs. Knowles many uore happy Jears together.'
The third persou to be coupled with this toast was Mr. W. Short, The third person to be coupled with this toast was Mr. W. Short,
Master of the assechation. 'Wr congratulate him,' said the speaker, "upon being the firght Worcestershire ringer to ring 900 peals.

CHAIRMAN'S SFRVICES TO THE ASSOCIATION
After the toast had been enthusiantically druuk, Mr. W. B. Cart. wright (Selly Onk) responded, remarking that they wete all grateful to Mr. Newman for the nice things he had said. They all linew what their chairman had done for the association. It was true to say that during the zo years Mr. Nownan had beer general secretary tho association had advanced in all directions to what it is today, and, he added, "we will certainly do our best to keep the old flag fyying." A course of Grandsire Caters was then rung by W. Short 1-2 J. D.
Johnson $3-4$, Rev. E. G. Benson $5-6$, J. Bass $7-8$, and G. H. Woodberry John
Proposing ${ }^{\text {G- Kindrerl Associntions, }}$ ' Mr. G. E. Large Wostern Branch secvelary) sald it was always a pleasant duty to welcome friends from neighbouring associations, They had with them that night representatives from the St. Martin's Guild, the Hereford Guild, the Forkshire Association and the Dudley and District Guild. Fe trusted that as hosts the association were doing their thity well enough to make their visitors want to come noain another year. Althormh they hard mo Jepresentative there from the Ancient Society of College Yontils, they had present many who were members of that great society, and lis fefit they conld not let the occasion pass withouth expressing their admiration for the nuique position which that society held to-day. In six weeks time they would be celebratityg their tercentenary by a great gathering in Loudon. In conelusion, Mr. Large

## THE LINCOLNSHIRE TOUR.

(Conoluded from page 651.)
Again they sound and mearer still,
Our anxious loourts with transports fill;
Hark! Hark! the strain that sweetly tells
of home and frieuds, those distant bells!
ikichards.
The two towars for Friday wexa Caythorpe and Edenham; a prety drive in lavely weather and moro "distant spires." "The Eormer elatroh,
dedicated to St. Fincent, lans a tall, closely crockebted spire. Donesdny unentions two churches here before the present one, but of these no trace remains.
There were Thectors from 1821, the earliest recorded Benedict Simon Melbourne, 1419. The present Rector Sherriefi is approaching 80 yeats of age, and is soon retiring. Ho kindly assented to our visit to the church-strictly limited to 3 hours 20 minutes-and spared his honsekeeper, Mrs. Simmons, to Lelp Mrs. Waller at the Red Lion witla our excellent dinner at 2 p.m. Wo had another Lincoln Surprise at the inn, the diameter of the joint disappearing under the skilful hasds of Carver Shepherd, who temded his flock liberally. It was al revelation to fiud how well a conntry village could provide for 14 hangry people at Ench short notied.
A good deal of ropaix work has been done here (in 1842 and 1896) to frane and fittings, etc. When the old bells were restored in 1744 sereral were retained with new ones by the Whitechapel Foundry (tenor 12 cwt.). The octave was marle in 1759 by the generesity of Wilkam Wilson, but no trace or fany record of the name or family can be discopered locally. In 1913 Messra. Taylor and Co. made a y'estaration, recasting the first four belfs. with new iron frame complete By $\Omega$ curious coincidence the oldest bell is dated Thke the Red Lion
Inn, 1639 . Forty yens ago tho Rer. E. Lewis was Viear and raised Inn 1639 . Forty years
£108 for the bells find.

## INTERESTDNG CHURCI AT EDZNHAM.

Edenhan has a battemented tower with four corner pinnacles, no spire. The church stands on an eminence and effectively spreadz the sounds of these fine bells across the sparsely populated parish. Effigies of two monks of Edenham, carved in stone, are recumbent in the tower porch. An altar tomb, standing for years in the chureh yand, is now in the charch, Tatict 1307 . There is a brass, circa 1509. formerly iu a stone frame, on the tower face, probably of St. Thon a-Becket. A very large eircular font of quaint design and sone cypress trees in the yard are inberesting features. The chanch crowded with fine onred marblo statuary; that to Lord Willought de Eresby has the 'storied urm" in centre and seven "animated binsls in arched form on a slate background. With regard to the bells, Messrs. Taylor, who scem lo have been very active in Lincolnshive, carried ont restoration in 1931 , recasting two trebles and the tenor The old hall frame, made in 1807 , is stall in use.
The peal began at 4.30 , aud J lad the pleasure of listening to three Mr. glail to bollyatulate us upop the excellent ringing minger, was yery for the county was thus rumer on the same bells on which the late Rev. H. Jaw James rang his last touch of Stedman. Of the old bells there were three bollfomdere, The tenor, by Thomas Norvis 1636 , was repated to be made with metal from a former beli buouglat from the meighbouring Abber of Yallo Dei, $\ddagger$ Grimsthorpe Park. Whilst having a cup of tea with Mr. Holmes, who las rung 120
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## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION DINNER

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pleared for mutual co-operation on the big seale in order to nelneve the aims of every association, mud ended with the words, Take cal of the asseciations and the art will take care of itself.'
The Rev. F. B. S. Fowler, responding, said he was a minger from his little toe to the top of his head. When he came to Elmoley Cast they for three yeats rasig for Ascension Day as soon as the firs sam rays broke across the sky. He was certain that it was bells that played such a biu part in keeping up the Church's festivals: it wa belle, too, that helped to keep up the Sablath, and they shoukd
 and i hope you will luave learnd something from "that old fool, Fowler.

A full and varied musien prosramme was interspersed betwonn the tonsts. The Rev. F. B. S. Fowlex contributed some of his special brand of sougs and yarns, Miss C. HEath gave two piano-accordion solos and a pianoforte solo, and Mr. G. J. Hemming was in great form with a number of sougs. Fumorons songs were given by Mr A. L. Garbey, athd Mess's. V. T. Cullis and G. Vrorster, as ladips in sketich entitied "On the paral, brought fortin much laughter. Woliaston handbell band phyed a mumber of tures whirlt were
thorouglay enjoyed. At 9.55 p.m. the company sane Auld Lang Syne, and finally the National Anthen bromght to a close amother lappy gathering. Amin the general anth for triains and huse Goutbyes were suid-some, 'See youl af the Easter mecting' -otheis, 'Sec you at Kiddeminster nexb Saturday --while stilf a few enlors. 'Cheerio, see yout in the moming.'

## THE FINALE AT SURFLEET

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I had a glance at his grandfather's notebook of 1851, which states the bells were relung in December, 1852, by William Pitts, of Edenj1ana, and opened January 12th, 1853 . A new set of handbells for the society was purchased in 1859 and sold to the Vicar in 1872. The old gentleman's writing was very noat and exact. He had evidently taken some six-bell methods out of the Clavis. He felt the lass of his son at an early age, consoling himself by carrying his young grandson up to the belfry on practice nights. Holmes and Hollis, the Grandsire composer, rang many peals together.
Mr. Bradiag, of Folkingham, came to meet us and hear the ringing. At its conclusion, the old inn, the Prive Bells, provided a rest and we left at 7 p.to. for Spalding 15 miles away.
For onr last alay we left the Cross Keys at 9 o'clock and got going in Double Norwich at Sutterton by 10 o'clock. This craciform church, in late Norman style arelitecture, has a central ringing room just below the bells and is very, very noisy, like many of the Hampshire ringing rooms. It is a large apartment, about 22ft, square, dark and ill-ventilated, the only lightitan ajr coming from the only door from off the transept roof. There is, however, a good circle of ropes and dranght, and the bells are til good soing order, recent work carried out by Taylors, who recast the 6th and 7th in 1920. Originally six by Penn in 1720, the trebles were added in 1797. Jolun Cabonm, a noted belthanger and donor of the trembe, died in 1813; and the donor of the 2nd, Vicar in 1792, was afterwards consecrated Bishop of Fildare. On conchading the peal the Vicar came to give us a welcome and a compliment. We all signed his visitors' book and lie had read "A Great Adventure.*
At lunch at The Angel, Sutterton. we recovered our norma? hearing again and the couductor cleared his throal. Having a naturally deep voice, we got on all right with his 'bobs,' but kept a sharp look out at the 'singles' for a diagram waved by his arm like an 'S.'
Tlie grand finale of the tour was at Surflect in the afternoon. An attempt for a peal of Grandsire Cimques began at $2.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. We had to cross the river with its miniature Sydney Harbour briklge - a stream that once nearly saw the end of Frank Hairs and we recrossed it successfully, thents to Gabriel's musical brains and lungs. I lave only faken part in two of such peals during the past 40 years-rung many milos apart - and in these two peals 17 of my mates have been "starred. Like the leaning Lowet of Pisa, we Ieft St. Lawrence's stecple to hang over far perhaps another three or four centuries; but the old sundial on the south side looks a bit 'squify.' for they buitt it true vertically so as not to rob old "Tempus' of his honesty. Had the late Vicar of Surfect never joined the Cambridge Univergity Guild it is doubtful if 12 bells would ever have somided from its tower. I must not onit, to mention that we crossed the road-a few pards
separate the Lower aud inn-to duink the healh of the Master of the Lincoln Diocesan G1sild on his birthday and ilnal: of the youngetb member of the Rayal family, Princess Margaret Rose-"May their shadows never grow less!

At Glyn Garth elianer was served at 7 oclocle, the old unthomany table being extended to suit the tittums extent in the home position. It was a greal parting about 11 p.m., after sceing the Rupert Oinematagraph, through the smoke, nud the farewell handshakes, in hearty appreciation of ail the hospitality shown by Mr. and Mrs. Richamdson. Jn and aromid London there are many ringers who hava heppy recollections of sunfeet, inchading onr Eritor. The Encolu air is so bracing that most ringers meet with an 'adventure' by car or rail when they come anongst the Fens. Host menhers of the Ladies' Guik are well domesticaled, judying by the number who hava Eajd, 'I will,' but how Mrs. Richarcson manged to knock off a peal of Cinghe between the busy preparations for lier guests is $\pi$ surfeet woncer.
w. H. F.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting was held at pemarth on snturdap, October 2nd, when about 50 members attended. The bells, a mew light peal of eight by Taylor, were kept going during the afternoon and evening except daring the service, tea and busincss meeting. The sorvice, fully choral, was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. G. P. Symonds), assisted by his curate. No sermon was preached, but a few words of hearty welcome were offered by the Rector. He said th was a great pleasure to him to see that a service in the church was a feature of the meeting, and lie would not hesitate to fell his friends and parishioners that practically every usmber attended.

Tea was very kindly prowided by the jingers, their wives and friends, who also waited at the tea tables.
The business meeting was presided over by the Rector, supported by the Master (the Rev. Ivor $\bar{J}$, Richards)
Insiructors ${ }^{3}$ roports were received, progress belug reported from ath Cowhridge and Elow Vale.
Augmentations and restal'alions reports were reeeized, the hon. secretary mentioning that the now peal at Ebbw Vale was rung by assaciation menhers at the dedication service, each member represeating a different tower affliated to the association in botl diaceses. دHr. John, of LangravFe, repotied that he thought aext year would see the completion of the getave in his bower.
The next Moumouthahire meeting is to he helel at Blatiavon, and the following Glanoorgan meeting at Baglan
Mr. O. Addams Williams, a keen supporter of the cluych, bells amf ringing, was umanimously elected on honorary life member.
The Master (the Rev. Ivor T. Richards) proposed a vote of thanles to the Rector nud to ait the churchworkers who lad helped to make such an ellpoyable and pleasant meeting. The Rector responded.

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Among the distinguished grests who lave promised to attend the tercontenary dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths on Novomber 6th are the Lord Mayor of Lowdon, the Lord Bishop of Loudon, the Duke of Argyll and the Earl of Sliaftesbury.
All the tickets for the dinuer have beon disposed of and further applications will be useless.
'A History of the Collage Youlhs' (by J. Armiger Trollope) is now on sale. It can be obtained direct from 'The Ringing World,' Lower Pyrford Road, Woking, price 5 s . 6d. post free.

Mucla regret will be felt that the Rev, H. S. T. Richardson has been seriously ill. He is making slow recovery at the residence of bis brother-in-law, Mr. E. H. Lewis, at Brasted, Kent. Mr. Richardson is Vicar of St. Nicholas', Hereford, and has done much good worb in the cause of ringing, which he entered with enthusiasm in bis Cambridge Uuiversity days.
Mr. Charles W. Clarke, of Bediord, now a qeteran in the Exercisc, is still to be numbered anong the conductors. He called a pead in seven Minar methods on Outober 2nd. He conducted the first peal in Bedfordshirg over 50 years ago, and although he does not ring as many live thousands mow as he used to do, he has an immense wotal to his credit. He has not kept a record, but it is thonght that his peals must number over a thousand.

## CORONATION BELLS DEDICATED.

POOLE'S PEAL INCREASED TO TENT.
'Two new trebles have been isstulled af St. James' Church, Poole, to commemorate the Coronation of King Goorge VI., and were dedicated by the Dear of Salisbiny, the Very Rev. E. L. Henderson, D.D., oun Saturday, September 25ih. In spite af inclemeni weather, a congregation of nearly 500 was present, the Mayor and Corporation and other oivic heads aitending.
Immedtately after the lesson a well-struck course of Grandsire Triples was rumg on laadbelis by four members of the local band, When Collowed the liymn, 'Angel voices ever singing,' during which a procession, iucluding the Dean, the Rector, the Nayor and SLerif, preceded by macebearers, moved to the porch, where the two new ropes were suspended.
The Mayor handed the ropes to the Dean and requested him to dedicate the two rew bells 'to the glory of God, for the use of the church and to commemonate the Coronation of King Qeorge VI.'
After the dedicatory prayers a few well-struck rounds were rung by nembers of the local band, all of whom learned to ring in the tower, and five of whom are choristers, one churchwarden, ove vestry clerk and one sidesman.

The Dean gave a very appropriate addeess based on the text, "Wiat ye not that I must be in my Father's house.' During the interval between the service and tea un opening touch of Stedman Caters was rung, giving all present an opportunity to hear the ten at their best. Nearly 200 sat down to tea in tho Guildhall, where the Rector expressed lis pleasure at the way in whicli the people of Poole and old parishioners from all over the country and even abroad had responded to the appeal.
The Mayor said the people of Poole, whatever their demomination, loved to hear their bells.

The Mayoress also paid a compliment to the bells and belluingers of Bigland, and remarked that the bells of Poole could be heard to advantage at any point in the harbour or in the channel outside. Nothing was more beautifu, she said, than to hear the bells of England pealing across the hills and ualleys.
Mr. I. Davis, secretary and churchwarden, gave a brief resume of how the money had been collected, expressing his gratitude to Mr. F. Townsend, Ringing Master, for the great amount of help he had given in organising and collediug. He then asked the Rector to hand a cheque in Eull discharge of their acconnt to Mr. A. A. Fughes, of Messrb. Mears and Stambank, thanking him for the splendid way in which the work had been carried out.
The bellfounders have certainly vompleted their work admirably, not merely adding two trebles, but transforming a good eight into an excellent ien. Everyone agreed that the bells are a splendid splice, and it is interesting to note that seven of the old eight are maiden bells cast in 1821 by William Dobson, of Downham Market.
The founders were represented by Mr. A. A. Eughes, Mr. A. R MacDonald and Mr. J. Themas, who did the iustallation. Among others present were Mr. F. W. Rogers (bon. secretary of the Wirohester and Portsmouth Dionesan Guild), Mr. W. A. Cave (Bristol), Mr. Whitehead (Dover) and Mr. W. Wilson. One other entlusiast cycled from Portsmouth, a distance of 60 miles each way, in drizzling rain. About 50 ringers in all attended fron Bouraemouth (St. Johu's and St. Peter's), Cliristchurch, Wyke Regis, Lytchett Minster, Lytchett Matravers, Ringwoad, Wareham, Swanage and other towers, and ringing continued until 9 p.m., the melhods rung being Gragdsiro and Sterman Daters, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Royal.

## AUSTRALIAN TOURISTS' REUNION. <br> PRESIDENT OF HOBART ASSOCIATION ENTERTAINED.

## Cifts For St. David's Cathedral

Three ycars aro, at this time, a litille band of ringers were on their way from the hotherland to Australia, to take part in the Melbourne coulenary celchrations and to wisit the scathered churches of the Commonwealth whero peals of bells exist. Each year since the party have heen able to gather for a reunion, and when they met for tho purpose last Saturday in London they lad the privilese of entertaining the Ven. Archicacon Blackwood, of Hobart, Tasmania, Mrs. Blackwood and Miss M. E. Blackwood, who came over for the Coronation and are eturning to their distant home a fortnight hence. It was a special pleasure to have them as grests, for the Archdeacon, as president of the Holy Trinity Bellringers' Association of Hobart, was, with Mr. Ray Wilson (the hon. searetary), behind the plaming of the wonderful Inspitality provided for the tourists when they were in Tasmunia, And it was as members of the Holy Trinity Association that the part.y bela tinis year's reunion.
They first of all met at St. George's Church, Sonthwark, for a peal of Stedman Tuiples, through the kindness of tho Rechor, and of Mr. W. Botirill, who made the arrangements for them. Dufortulately the penl was lost through a trip, which lad to a change course, but ather ringing took place afterwards and concluded with a quarter-peal of Stedman in honour of and to welcome the Arohdeacon, who arrived at the church while the bells were ringing. Mr. Bottrill stayed throughunt the afternoon and ins attentions weve very much appreciated.

Later the party gathered at the Howard Hotel, Norfolk Street, . G., for dimer, and were joined by other gutests. The company, presided over by the Rev. E. Bankes James, ineladed the Fen. Archdeason Blackwood, Mrs. Blackwood, Miss Blackwood, Mr. E. H. Lewis prebident of the Gentral Council), Mrs. A. A. Hughes, Miss. O. Peake
and the following members of the party who, with the chairman, made the journey to Anstralia: Mr. Rupert Richardson, Mrs. Richardson nud Miss Enid Richardson (Surtleet, Lincs), Mr. W. H. Fussell (Slough, Bucks), Mr. R. Masde (Pudsey, Yorks), Mr. W, Liuter (Farehan, Hants), Mr. C. Sharples (Blackpool, Lancs), Mr. G. Martin (Maidenhead, Berlss), Mr. J. Hardcastie (Bradfoxd, Yorks), and Mr. J. S. Coldsmilh (Woking, Surrey). Mrs. Sharples was, unfortunately, prerented from being present. Before dinner began, Miss Enid Richardurn handed to Mrs. Blackwood a bouquet of chrysanthemums, brought by Mr. Fussell, and a cable of greeting and good wishes was dispatched the members of the association in Hobart. After the meal the gyal toast was honoured, and a cordial welcome was offered to the Hests.

## WELCOME TO GUDSTS.

The Chaimman recalled the warm welcome given everywhere in nistralis to the ringing tourists on their visit, but nowhere, he said, id they receive a more cordial welcome than in Hobart. Be rememhered how, when their train frrived at the railway station, their frieuds rushed to greet them and handed them fres passes granted by The authorities to enable them to use the trams. Then they carried them off in motor-cars (laughter). Throughout their stay they were onised and everything was done to add to their enjoyment.
They were only soo pleased that evening, he continned, to welcome their midst in tins country the Arclideacon, Mrs. and Miss Blackood (applanse). It wes a great trent to lave them there as their nests, for they (the ringers) would never forget the kindnesses they ceived on their visit to Hobart (applatse).
The Chairman also welcomed Mr. Lewis as president of the Central Council, whom ha knew as a fellow-member of Cambridge University Guild Iong before he succeeded to his present official position. They niso welcomed Mrs. Hughes, a representative of the oldest firm in the whole of the city of London, Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, which had sant belin to every part of the world and cast the bells of Holy Triuity Hurch, Hobart, on which some of those present rang two peals while lhey were in Tasmania.
MT. J. S. Gaddmith, who supported the chairman's welcome, reminded those present that that was their third reuvion, and on each atiog they had had the privilege of eutertaining giests from overaeas. On the first occasion they had with them Mr. Malcolm Taylor,
hi Hobart. Last year the Rev. R. and Mrs. Sherwood.were their eesls. Althongh they had just returned to settle in England, they ere at Melbourne during the ringers' visit, and Mr. Sherwoud was the link with the Cathedral Chapter. This year they were delighted a have with them the Auchdeacon, Mrs. zud Miss Blackwood, whose resence recalled again the wonderful hospitality and lavish entertainment glowered on them ju Tasmania and for which their indebtedness to the Archdencon nuld Mr. Wilson particularly could never be adequately repaifu. Mr. Goldsmith reminded the company of the parochial, civic and ecclesiastical welonmes which were extended to thent, the reception by the Governor (Sir F. Clarke), the exarsions to the beanty spots of the island and of the no less enjoyable but more intimate frolics at the homes of some of the ringers. Each of their party, le said, wou?d have liked to slow their visitors personal hospifality, but the strenuous activities of their time in England made this impossible, so the ringers asked them to accept this collective
gesture of their delight at Javing tien among them. When they returned tre T'asmania, he asked them to convey thoir watmest greetings to their fellow-members in Hoburt and their good wishes in the uphild struggle they were haviug in mastering the art of change ringirg.

A RELIC OF TINTERN ABBEY
Nr. W. F. Fussell, in supplementing the welcome, also t'efersed to the magnificent reception giren to thg Enghish fingers in Thsthutit He said there was one incident which shack him pareicalary, and that was that the Goveruor ol Themania took the trouble to have the bell on tho rouf of Governicent Honse brought down, so that they
 hall aud he manayed to sound it and adil one mure to his list of interesting bells.
From the Governor, the Dean and Chapter of the Cathenata, the Rector of Holy Trinity and the Foly Trinity Association they received nothing but kiudness-indeed, their visit was one grand mareli, hu
made him long to go baek, but he was afraid, at his time of life, he made him long bo go back, but he was afraid, at his time of life, he must not look forward to
Mr. Fussell reminded the company tiol Hobart was situated in the caurty of Buckingham. He did nat huow how it cande by hat name, but as he was borr in the county of Buckingham, England, he foll the Kindness they experienced there le was asking the Aroludencor to take back to St. Drvid's Cathedral a volume dealing with the history, tha founders and the inscriplions of the bells of Duckinghamshire, Englatad. If the book were placed in the Claples Lalrary it might prove very useful for reference and assist tho anthorities in Tasmania at any time they were going to consider puting up belts. Only 50 copies of this book, publighed in 1887, were printed, and it was, he thouglat, one of the best works on church bells ever whitten,
He hoped the Archdeacou would carry it bacla with him with ine beat wishes of the English ringers. He had also brought with bim another little gift for the Cathedral in the hope that it would be heasured there. It was an original tile from Thatern Abley, Monmonhbhire. The first service in the Abbey was held in 1268 , and the tile was ane of the paving pieces laid in the sanctuary. He suw it dug wn when workmen were cleaning the ground ronid the foundations. In St. Daria's Cathedral, Hobart, there wero olliel pieces from famans English ecclestastical huilditgs, and be boped this tile mighty find a place among them (applase).

They were mot again as a luppy family, cantimsed Mr. Thussell, glad to welcome thefr Tasmanian guests. They wore also pleased io have with them $n$ 'bell fonndress, whose foundry supplied the bells to Holy Trinity Chureh. Also they welcomed Mr. Lewis, who hat served the art in many ways. Nof only was be presidend of the Central Conncil, but his work had sayed many towers and belfries from being closed through structural diffenities. If they had a man like Mr. Lewis in Australia and Tammania, il might lead to the restarntion and augmentation of tha bells in many churehes.
The tomst of 'Ouy Guests' was drunk with musical honours

## STIMULUS OF THE PIMGRIMAGE.

The Axchdencon replied. Everywhere they had gone in the 'homeland,' he said, they had received the warmest welcome. They hath lad a wonderful time, but beat of all was the condinlify of the welcome that nifht from their old ringing frienda who mude the pilgrimage in 1854. They approciaked to bhe full the extreme kindness of the thougint that wns bebind that reunion, It was one ol the greatest joys they had had in their trip to England to meet the old faces, and the young faces, that had grected them that night. They remembered the pleasant time they had when the ringers visited Hobart and the stimulus that was given to the local rityerg. They had not got as far as five thousand chunges jet, but they were unaing progress and foped to achieve il some day: The ringing at Holy Trinity had mach improved as a result of the visit. Another ditect result of the visit was that their splondid Cathedral, which was now complete with its new tower, lat eiglat bells that could be rung, that conld be turned upside down (haghter), as well as five that could be "rung a litile bit " (laughber). He beliaved that the eight ringing bells were due entirely to their wisit.
The Archdeacon added that ha was very pleased to meel Mrs. Hughes, who was connected with the ancient firm that catt the bells fer Hobrit 90 years ago. He loped Mrs. Huglies would confince her firm thab what they needed was a bell foundry in Australia. They were still 88 per cent, Britislı stock there and he hoped they wonld always remain a "white Australia." What they wanted was not farmers- they could already produce more thnu cnough from the land for their heeds-but industrialists who wond set no factories and bring out Gheir men and the families. Ho thought they would never go ahead with bells in Anstralia until they got a befl fonndry ont there, with, bebind it, the krowledge nate skill of craftsmen from home. At present there were high duties on bells inported into Anstralia and bhat made them very expensive adjuncts to the Claroh.
The Archdeacon spoke of the bells, which, he said, were so characteristic of England, and which he laad henrd in so many places dinthys his traveis He referred also to the splendid service which ringers wers rendering to the Church and to tho spirit of freenasoury whichz existed between them. Fe had that day received a letter from Mr. Malcolm Taylor, who was at present in Glasfow, and regretterl he could not join them. Who wrote of the way in which he had been (Continued in next column.)

## COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S ADVICE

(Continued from previous column.)
received by the vingers in England. They gave him a wouderfut welcome and particularly th kent he lud nuade many fiends.
Buthringerg, added the Archdeacols, were doing at great work for fiod and Fis Church. Thoy were holping to keep alive the sanse of God and relirion in the comblry to-day when there was a tendency to back away from it. In conclusion, he expressed the hope that anoliner visit of ringers would be paid to Australia and that it would not be muny yenrs before they in Tasmania would have the pleasure atal privitege of receiving them again.

Mr. E. H, Lewis expressed his gratitude at having been asked to join the 'family party.' He had heard a lot about fhe trip to Anstralia which hind mude lam feel eavious. Fe would liave liked to make the jourvey, but that was guite inpossible. He thought it was a very uood thing that the wisit was made. It must have stimulated ringing on the other side of the world. It would be a very good thing if similar visits cauld be mado to other distant places, such as Vancouve! or South Afrioa. Fe had lang had a wish to go over to America lo see something of the bells out tivere and to see if they could not stimulate ringing in the States. Receutly in 'The Ringing World " there was an article on this question of ringing in the outposts of the Empire and some opinions were expressed as to how huging might be enconvaged. But there was one thing he did not sce menshoned, fand, if ever a tour were mudertaken again, he hoped all effort would be made to give ringers an insight into hamdbell ringing. One of the diliculties was to kecp a band of riugers together. I.t was very rishentening, when they had cight ringers, for one ar two to drop out, and they hed tu start again right from the beginning. It might- take al year or two to buide up the band again. To maintain interest, there was nothing like handbell ringing, and if there were only three left they could still provide themselves with an infinite tumount of interest and amusement with the luadbells.
Continuing, Mr. Jewis said he felt he had some connection with the Holy Trinity Association, for, at Claristmas for the last two yans, he had received a curd from the ringers there and he npprectated it very much incied. It was rery nice to feet that they were in close totel with the ringers of this country (applause).
Mr. Goldimith annomecd letters of regret for zbsence from the Rev: R. Sherwood and Ganon Caleridge, and said ho had recently received a letter convayhag greetings from-Mr. Arthur Savage, of St. Pasi's Gatluedral Socioty, Melbourme.
After the speeches, the proceedings beonme quite jnformal, giving those present the opporlmity of mixing freely. Mrs. F.ughes, with Mirs. Poake at the piano, delighted the company with selestions or landbells, which all, and particularly the overseas visitors, greatiy appreciated. She played a mumber of pieces with that grace and allariu which has become so well known nmang ringers and which is now giving pleasure to vist audiences through a film in which Mrs. ILiglies performs on her bells.

During the evening Grandsire Cators and touches of Bob Major were rung on the handraells that made the jourmey to Australia with the tonrists and which were used during a service in Eoly Trinity Olmrch, Hobart. 'The evening would not lave been complete withant in repetition of the "turn' by Messrs. Fussel! and Martin, who, "four-iu-hnud, lad delighted many an audience ju dustralia and on the sens as wel.
Greak interest was taken in the copy of the first "Thinimalogia' (1667), whiclz Mr. Lewis bronght for inspection. It is the best preserveri of the only three copies now known. Altogether the party spent a rery happy evening, whioh drew to a close all too soon.

## ESSEX AND SUFFOLK TOWERS VISITED

Dagenham mingers spent their anmual outing in visiting towers Essex and snffolis. They left at 8.15 a.nn. and called first. at. Sp. Panl s, Backing where everything was in readiness to start ringing on the fine peal of eight. Grandsire 'lriples and Bob Major were rung. and the youngest member, John Day. made his debut in the realms of eight-beil ritging with a very creditable performance, ringing the Weble to a toneh of Grandsire Triples. A vun thongla the Genitiful conntry on the horders of Essex and Suffolk brought the party to Lavenlanim at mitday. Some visited the historical places of this oldword lown, others climbed the great heipht of the magnificent charrh wower, which is a landmark for mony miles round.

After lund the wisitors rang on the celebrated bells-ane of the most glorions peals in England-tonches of Grandsire ayd Stedman Triples, Bob Majou and Kent Treble Bob. Leaving Lavenham with regrel, thes went on to Clare, reached by an hour's periect ride lhroush beantiful country, and, ceverything being found in readiness, fouches were rang on this mrand ring of bells (tenos 28 cwt .). After tea the journey wan continuerl to Castle Hedingiam. Here, there being no local ringers, the risitars had a cordial reception from the Vicar, and further good ringing, including Oxford Treble Bob, took place. After lowering the luths a ruu of 40 miles brought the party hack to Dagenlam, after a most enjopable excursion. The arrangements were made by Mr. James Bullock, ou behalf of the local secreLary, ant the Dagenham men desire to express their thanks to the eletgy and ringing masters at the varions towers visited.

## WHEATHAMPSTEAD BELLS RECAST.

A WOODEN TRAME INSTALLED.
The bells of Whathanpastead Parish Church, Ferts, have been recast and rehurg by Messrs, J. Taylor and Co., Lutuliborough. The original ring of six was cast ly H . Whelps in 1717 , bitt the back five were recast in 1885 by Messrs. Warner and Sons. When, a year or so ego, upplication was made to tho Consistory Couxt to permit recasting the bells and relanging them in an iron frame on steel givders, the Ghancellor of the Diocese (Mr: Kenneth Macmorran) deelared that his whole nature rose up against the proposal to put sumb a frame in the belfry, and he said he was simply amazed that the Parochia! Church Comeil wanted to do it.
As reanlt the Bells Restoration Committee decided to have fresh plans prepared for a wooden frame and supports. Although this inthe find and the work has been oarrjed out.

The new frame, the bells und the fittings are an excellent cxamble of the work for whiel the lim of Messers. John Thytor is fameus The treble bell bears the inseriptian: Thomas Crouch trent
benefactor towards these six leels. R. Pluelps Fectit 1717.' benefactor towards these six hells. R. Phelps Fectt 1717.'
In the recasting the fonders reprodiced the following
intelligible inscription which ajpeared on the fallowing almost in THae Carnpance Quinque Cadito Metallo in Sex Dilatabanti Munerihus Diversomm Collectis Studio et Opera Riceardi Orouch Generosi.'

The tenor bell, which weighs $14 \mathrm{cwt}, 22 \mathrm{lb}$, bears the following inscription:

Richare Phelps made me 1717. Edward Wrake, D.D., Rectu Richard Gronch Geut, Thomas Street, Churchwardens. This ring wa partly recast and rehung A.D. 1885. Owen W. Davys, M. ${ }^{\text {A., Recter }}$ John Nast, Joln Ransome, Churchwardens.'
On the opposite side of the waist is the following: "This peal six bells was reeast July 23 rd, 1937. A. M. BairdSmikh, Rector
T. M. Oampbell, G. Norbury, Ohurehwardens.?

The bells were dedicated on Suraday moining, September 19th, the Bishop of Bedford. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. M Baird-Smith

The Bishop, in his address, spoke of tire summons of clumel hells and the growing apatly hownids chirch-going. In some ontspokn sentences the Bishop addressed thoss who were present for the specia occasion. "If everybody treated the clazth as you are in the habil of treating itb' he said, 'whal wonld happen to it?' The easiest, wa to deatroy a church was to do nothing ahaut it; just let it be. A increasing mumber of people were letting it be. One of the things that showed they appreciated their privileges was that they used them There was the chanch in their inidst; and he remineled them tha every privilege carried with its responsibilities
After the services the bells ware $\quad$ ung to Grandsine Doubles by the local band: W. Fulds (forman). F. Ivory, C. Buadley, F. G. Edminds W. Bygrave, F. Kelvey and S. Thormton.

The Bella Committee have presented a trable bell, suitably inscritued a replica of one in the towur and enst from the same metal, to M Leslie Carter, whose services as architect have proved of such valn They have also piven to Mr. W. T. Housden, the hon. seeretary inscribed silwer eigarette case in aratitude for the invaluable worl hit has done.

## MESSINGKEYS.

FAIRFORD RJNGMRS OVERGOME DIFTMCULPTES.
The ringers of St. Mary's, Farford, with it few friends, held tho alumal outing ous Siturday, September 4th. Startiug at $7.50 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$ lovely vide brought thea to Harwell at. 9 a,m., and the nice pe eight was soon going to some good ringing. At Blewbury, the stop, the charch was open, but the lower key cauld not be The head ringer's house, the clerk's and the clock winder's were in wain, so a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on lundbells the churchyard. Since the visit the ringers have heard from the w that he had given permission to a lady artist to go on the bowe baint a picture. The lady had lacked the tower door inside and was busy painting her picture while the ringers waited. She urach regrel locking the door.
Rast Hagbonme was next visited hy the ringers, who were ment Mr. Webb. He had got, a key nud some nice ringing tools plar this peal of eight. At whllingford, where tunch was talien, the ringel with the key was lost, but the Fibar soon found anothe be Ringing wes chrtafled lere owing to a wedding, but no one gromblect for the tellor did not go well. The jarmey was resumed fo Benson where tivere is a niee peal of efrht, goine the 'opposite ' way, whic
iook at little getting used to but some roud ringing was cujover look a little getting used os, but some good ringing was elljoynd fine old building, with a nice-toned peal of eight. Ahingdon w reached at scheduled line, but, awing to serious ithress aear Helen's Church, rimping an the peal of tea was not possible, so Yisitors went to St. Nicolas" Church, containing a ring of six-quit
ladies' meal-which they enjoycd verr ranch indead. After sispper handbell ringing at the King's Head and Bear, the party started home at 10 pam, and arrived at Fairford at 11 ofolock, tired lout happ. The me hods rung were Shemman. Grandsire and Canterlan Donbles, Double Contb, Oxford Bob and Kent 'Preble Boh Minos Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Kont and Oxiona Treble Boln amt Plain Bob Major.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION,

DIAMOND JUBIEEE GATEERING AT DUTHAM
The diamond jubilee festival of the Durham and Neweastla Diocesan Association was held in Durham on Saturday, September 25th. It was hppropriate that the festival should be held in this city in view of the fact that when the association wns founded in 1877, prior to the formation of the Diocese of Noweastle, it was called the " Durbam Diocessn Association of Ringers.
Favoured with fo fine day, \& gatbering of 75 membors, representing 24 towers, assembled in the ancient cily. The [estival service was held in coujunction with the Cathedral evensong, and the music and singing of the far-famed choir was an inspiration to those whose good lortune it was to be present. The address was delivered by the Avel deacon of Auckland (the Ven. Leslie Owen), whe took for his text the words 'Remembrancers of Clurist." The Archdeacon pointed out how the work of ringers was in no small measure respousible for the spreading of the Gospel, and how much their work was appreciated by the Ghurch
The diuner, followed by the annual meeting, took place in the Three Tuns Fotel, and was presided over by the president (Councillor Athur Payne, O.B.E., J.P.), supported by tho Areltdeacon of Auckland, Canon Stephenson (Gatesliead), Mr. R. Park (lon, secretary) ML. W. N. Park (hon. treasurer), Mr. C. L. Rontledge (hon, editoria secretary), Mr. W. Story, J.P., and Mr. Jolin Anderson (past presidents).
In a message of walcome to the Archaleucon, the Iresident said how greatly the association appreciated his presence, as well as the very appropriate adduess given in the Cathedral. He extended the thanks of the members to the Archdeacon and to all the authorities of ilhe Cathedral who had co-operated in assuring the success of the service.
Tho Archdeacon respouded and apologised for the absence of the Dean of Durlam (Dr. Alington), who was uaforbunately indisposed. He went on to reiterate how the Charch appresiated the work of ringers, and said le nated with pleasurb the presence of many young vingers. He further stated that the sound of the bells always recalled hippy memokies, becanse it was to the sound of the bells of a CatheIral that, on the happiest day of his life, he walked for the firs tinne wibt his wife on his arm.

The secretary's anmual report was presented and adopted. This stated that the year had mot been too successful, especially in regard to the meetings, which were very meagrely ationded, and it was to lie hoped that the members would endeavour to ensure the suecess of the meetings to be held during the coming year.
The secretary pointed out that in past years the association had made ringing history, and urged the members to assimilate the truths contanined in the artiele entitled 'This means you,' published in 'The Tinging World, and reprinted in the associntion's last report by kind puermission of the Editol.
The treasurer's report showed a bulance in hand of 276 10s. 10 d .
The Sunday service ringing scheme mantained the level of the thyec preceding years. Whitley Bay topped the 8,70 and 12 bell section for the second successive year with $n$ score of 1,386 points, with North Slields a close secand, liaving jecorded 1.322 points. Holy Trinity, Dariington, again led the six-bell section with 1,543 points, an increase of 300 on last year, Benfieldside being second, having scored 988 points, 200 more than last year.

The peal leport, compiled by Mr. Routledge, stated that the number of peals rang during tho year was 23 , a decrease of five on last jear. Fourteen of last year's peals, however, were rung by the touring hant, so nctually the aumber of peala rung showed an increase of nine. 'There was not a monopoly in this direction, as a good number of ringers fook part, the conducting was eventy distributed, and the peals were rumo in about 56 per cent. of the towers in urion
In accovdance with rule, Mr. Payne relinquished the presidency at this meeting, and Mr. Murray D. Oubridge, of Gosforth, was manimously elected to this office. Mr. Oubridge asked the members to suoport him in his efforts, and said that he would endeavour to uphold the traditions of the association.

The hon. secretary, hou. treasurer, hon. editorial secretary and bon. anditor were re-elected en hloc, as were the Peal Referees Committee (Messrs. W. F. Barber, J, W. Parker, J. E. Keen and W. J. Davidson) A SURVIV1NG ORIGINAL MEMPLR.
The passing of three menbers during the yenn was noted with regret-tho Rev. IT. A. Mackenzie, Vicar of Benfeldside, an honorary member since 1925; Mr. W. Brown of Chester-le-Street, a member since 1884 and one of the fonders of the Weduesday Guild, and Mr T. Clark, of Darlington, anember since 1898 and a former vice president. To those fert behind the assoctation tendered their deepert sympailiy.
The members heard with plensure that Mr. Wilinm Newton, of Stockton-on-Tees, the sole surviving original meaber of the association, had reached his 81st birthday, and Mr. T. Wick, of Shildon, his 80th birthatay. Amidst applause, "Many happy returas" were wished these old friends.

Mr. W. Story proposer a vole of thanks to the retiring afficers, for whom Mr. C. h. Routledge responded. Mr. Story also addressed a welcome to Canou Stephenson, M.A. (Rector of Gateshend). a stanmeh supporfer of the rasociation, and the Canon lesponded in lus own inmitable style
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## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## EASTERN DISTRICT WELCOMED TO CAMPSALJ.

The quarlerly meeting of the Eastern District of the Forksinire Association was iteld at Campsall on October 2nd, a perfect antuman day, and was attended by ringers from Arksev, Beverley Minster Runghallis, Conisborougli, Doncaster, Itemingbaongh, Hessle, Huil, Kirk Ella, Pondefract, Selby, Sherburn-in-Elmeb aud Lite local company.

Twenty-seven sat down to au excellent tea st the Old Hells Inn. At the business meeting, over which the Vicar (the Rev. W. Abel Tamer) presided, and hetd in the Church Fall, one new momber, Mr, Clarles Ellerington, of Beverley Miaster, was elected.

Howden was suggested as the next placo of neebing.
A wote of coudolence with the relatives of Mi. C. P. Bradley, of Beverley Minster company, an old member of the association, who passed away after brief liness, was recolded, the mombers present standing as a mark of respect to the memoty of the decensed.

In replying to a vote of hanks for the use of the bells and for presiding over the meeting, the Vicar weleomed the members to Campsall. Fe sati the bells were at their dispoarl at any time fun a meeting, and he hoped to see the nssociation ab his church ngain in the near future.
A voto of thanks to tho local company was also passed.
Apologies for absence were received from Mr. A. B. Cook, of llull, Mr. A. E. West, of Sutton-an-Hull, and Mr, G. Halksworth, of Doncaster.

The motions rane included Grandsire and Stedmun Triples nam Plain Bobs, Isitile Bols, St, Clement's, Double Nomwich, Fent nud Oxford Treble Boh Major', the bells being leeptr going till 8.30 p.un. when a very pleasant meeting teminated.

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During the evening Mr. A. Gallimore, of Durlman Calbertmal choir, rendered songs to the great enjoyment of the meeting. his own compositions regaving the activities of certain members hur 'The Surprise Ringer' hringing the house down.
The meetings for the ensuing vear were nrranged to be held in the following places: Special, Bishop Auckland (at the jnvitation of the Vieary: pre-Lent, Whitloy Rny: pre-Whitsum, Daslington; summer, simserlaud; fumal, Newcastle.

## CHESHIRE A A D NORTH WALES TOUR <br> INJPRESTING HAPPENINGS IN A WEEK OF TRAVEL.

ater the emgoyable tour in Northem Ireland undertaken last year by Mr. C. T. Cales and his phrly, il sewned only natural that North Wales ghond be visited in 1937, and, after a few inquiries as to the fossibilities of peal riaging had been made, this district was chosen. Tro shart with, at long week-end in Chester was decided upon, to be folduwe by a ran weshwad to Barmonth, thence to Aberystwyth, and finally to Landudno and Rhyl. The fowers in the Chester cilstrict whe fixurd up through the ugency of Mr. R. suerring, whilst Mr. W. Gathrall atade bimself yegponsible for these in the area of the North Wales Assoctation


## THE FINE TOWER OF WREXHAM GHURGH

Toadmanters for the first three days was the Washugton Fotel, Chuster, a very comfortalile and centra] place, where every consideratiou was shown. By luncr time on Satuday, September Iith, most of 1.he party lad arrived, according to schedule, and at three o'clock met Mr. J. Swindley at St. Mnry's-without-the-Walls for the first peal. Fere there is a masical octave hy Mears and Stainbank, 1887, a Quecn Vintoria jubilee peal, the tellar weighing a few pounds undar a toriA mood [ual of Superlative turned out to he Rupert's 650 th peal, and at Mighl. the tewn was illuminated in lis honour !
The evening's entertuinment includer the first performanee (this year) of their fanous disappearing trick by 'The 'Two Leslies,' assisted by 'The Gay Lindy.' 'this performance was repented on many oneagions durins the following week, and never on any occasion failed to gain applanse, even if the applause was ouly an expression of relief at thelv reappearance when hope had almost been abandoned.
The programme for Susday included a visil to the Cathedral, where touches of Stedman Giters and Cambridge Royal were rung; witlst in the afteruoon a peal of Cambridge Major was rung at Pulfard, nfter $\begin{gathered}\text { wery cordial welcome had bean received from the }\end{gathered}$ Reverr, the Rev. P. G Lowndes.
thutortuately the afternoon and evening furned out very wet, and the illuminations (and ather attractions) in the town weye visibed only uy i few. During the evening i somewhat mysterious felephone message was received, which appeaved to come from a lady enjoying the zame of Birdwhistle, who was inquiring after a certain bachelor menaler of the party with a wiew to a meeting. The hachelor in question, on hearing of the messuge, panplly intinated that he World wot. go out again that evening for anytordy, and at once put 011 lis slippers as prool uf his determanation. It was strongly susperter that the ouco famous Kate lad tumed up again
On Monday, Seplember 23th, the programme included visits to Hecleston and Christleton. At the former place, with a band strengthened by the joclusion of Mr. J. C. E. Simpson, a good peal of Jondon was rung in 3 hours and 19 minutes. Mr. G. Jones, the tewerkecper, was courtegy itself, and did not forget to point out the memorial lablet to the late Henry W. Wilde, which is fired on the intier wall of the chinch at the base of the tower in which he did so mucil good work. The bells are a very fine eight by Taylor, with a tenor waipling 26 ewt.
At Chisistieten the party was joined by the Res. C. E. Wigg, and welcomed by Mr. Griffiths. Here Superlative was rumg in nine minutes minder three hours on bells recast at Lourbhorough in 1928 and now hatuging in lall bearings. After the peal the conpany, logether with
friends from Chester, was entertained to tea by Mr. II. A. Heywood, cousim of the late Sir A. P. Heywood, and also met the Reciar, the Rev. A. A. Guest-Williams. Mr. Heywood was interested to hear that some of the visitors had known the late Sir Arthus

At Northop, Flintshire, the mext morning, the Rov. C. Moslyn Davies (Rector') getebed tho party, and on a musical octave from Whatechipel the first peal of Forkshire Surprise Majer by the North Wales Association was rung. Lumeh at the Chester headquartels was a prelude to a good-bye to that picturesque town and to the long run romd Wrles. Wrexlian, yeachet about 4.30 p.m., was found to bo gaily decorated, and even the botel proplo were in a state of yreat excilement. l'inst thoughts, howerer, turned out to be very wide of the mark-ilie truth being that a carnival was ta be held in the town inext day, whilst a wedding reception was takigg place at the lotel. A party of riugers was, therelore, of no account at all!

Tlie noble tower of St. Giles', Wrexham, contrins a fine peal of ten by Rudhall, which were zelumg in 1907 by Mears and Stainbank, and tho tenor asain later by Taylows. Mr. W. Jones (steaplekeeper and MIr. W. Cathrall (hon. secretary, North Wales Associetion) met the party in inte tower, and after the usual rope adjustments, ete., Ind been completed, a rery good penl of Stedman Caters was rung in 3 hours and 10 minutes.
Wednesday, September 15th, was the first of the really busy days, espechaly for the three car drivers, Messis. R. R. Pye and R. Richatid soll and the Rev. O. E. Wiste As over 60 miles had to be fravelled and two peals rung, an early departure [rom Wrexham was imperative. Rupert was therefore appointed O.C. transport for the rest of the week, with an exhortation that it wis his duty to see llat rumming times were adtrered to, add on no oucasion could it be said that le Eaited in his job.

## A NARTOW ESCAPE.

Llaugollen was renched by 8.30 a.m., and by 9 oneloek Loudon was heing well struek on a pery fine toned peal by Taylor, 1887. Alas! by 10.30 all wats over-bine preal attempl was only att altempt. No time was lost, however, in vails regrets; it was decided ihat Barmonth, 50 miles wyay, stand be reached as early as possible. One car party uearly did not reach that town at all, for Rupert, on the way out of Liangollen, was almost run info by a car doing a litkle bit of red light shooting at high speed. Forthately, Rupert himself Was going slowly utd was atsle to pull up sharply, but only abauti a Furd separated his car party from a wasty bump, and perlaphs nove peris for that week, to say the least of it,
Travellint past Bula Lake, through Dolgelly and over the picturesque road to Barmouth, with many needless 30 -mile limit signs on hills and doubles beuds, the latter town was reauhed by 3 o'clock. Here the towerlseeper meb the visitors, and a good peal of Cambridge wat rung in about 34 hours. Some of those resting had an entertaint ing tall with the Rector, Ganom R. Enghes Wiliams, during the promress of this peal, and could wish most sincerely that there were many move clergy with such an interest in bells as he proved to lave.
Next day anowher early start was necessar'j, Machynlleth being 26 miles away, through some very diffenlt country. At this church there is a mixed ring of eight, some by Barwell, und on these bells the first peal of Bristol im the county of Montgoucry was rung. Llanbadarin, near Aberystwyth, was the next objective, and at St. Padran's Church a peal of Superlative was completed, Six of the bells are Rendhali and two by Warner; all were rehurg on ball bearings b Mears and Stainbank about 15 years ago. They go very well, bat are bung in the niddle of a huqe tower with three small windows on eye level, consequently a good lirht is diffoult, especially will the sun shining through oue window. The Rector, the Rey. D. James Jones, met the rilgers after the peal, and gave ar special welcome to the lady member of the liand, and to Gabriel Lindoff, whom he remembered from a meeting about cight years ago.

During the prostess of this peal a bachelor, a real lady's man, escorted the two non-ringing lady members of the party on a trip to Devil's Bridge. We wonder what Miss Birdulhistle will say?
Portmudoc, 60 miles away, was reached by 10.45 next monning niter
a run througly some very fine country, with the Cader Idris at first in front, then to the left and fanly, stifl towering, far in the rear. How diffeult it is to get away from such a piant! Another alitemptr for London was made at Portmadoc, on a light Warner netave, but this came to grief, curiously enough, in the same cour'se as at Lhatsolleat.
Every cloud has a silver lining, howevar, and the failure gave a little more time for the difficult journey to Bangor, 30 miles further oll. Pard of this journey was made through splendin mountainons country, wilh Smowion asway to the right, whilst further on a glimpee of Caerinarvon Castle was obtajised.
Bangor was reached by 3.50 , and here Mr. Wigg had to make his departure. laving received an urgent messuge which cansed his returb to his parish. The rest of the party very much regretted his poing. and wished him a safe won an his long journey gouth. At St. David's Clurch, Mr. A. E. Pegler had all ready, and a peal of Gambridge Major was risng in just mader 3 hours, on a ring of eight from Whitechapel in 1888 . This pena was Jim Shepherd's 400th. Mr. Pegler assisted by ringing the treble, and lelped to release the two Leslies and the Gay Lady for a really long disappearing act. Indeed, they disappeared all the way to Beanmaris, where they appear to have
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## A BLIND RINGER.

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 made a vain attempt to obtain permission to ring a peal! This cffort, howeves well infentioned, nearly lost flsem theil dinner, which bad ulmost disappeared when they made a somewhat belated refurn.'the Raidway Hotel at Bangor contains some relics of the past, one
which is said to be Queen Anne's bed. Some amusement was ansed by pupert brying to get into this bed (Queen Anne is deari, of conrsel', rand much mitice was given him as to the best way to gef in, and when in, to stay there. We understand that later ou he
netually did get in-indeed, he must have dona, for next morning he sild thut he luad wo sleep all night, the bed was as old as Queen Anne. The frmons tenor measurer was requisitioned to measure the ben, which turned out to be fft. across, with four thick comer uprights about a foot sfuare. It was just as well, too, for if the heavy top haki fallen in there would not have been much left of anybody malemeath, even of Rupert.
Shaturday, September 18th, the last day of the tour, bronght tie party to Llandudno, where, at Foly Trinity Clurch, Superlative was tung on a finc peal of eight from Joughborough in 1893. This was the linst Surprise peal on the bells, and Bob Pye's $1,800 \mathrm{th}$. These hells wore given by Herbert aud Catharine Kceliug and now hand memarial to the donors.
Previons to the penl being slatited, a touch of Grandsire Triples was tung, by request, with Mr. G. Bromley, a blind ringer, an the sixtl!. It was interesting to notice his keenness and enthusiasm and the way in which lue has conquered a great plysical handicap. He hould become quito a good ringer. He remaiued in the church, or tha vicinity of the Lower, for the whale of the peal, listening to musie of the dells. From a conversation with him it transpired hat his greatest difficulty is striking his bell properly when the other ils are not being rung wibh a good beat. It was quite evident from isevation, however, that lifs hearing is so acuto that his striking ould not spoil any ringing done by a band of good strikers.
After the peal the Fisitors, together with Mr. A. E. Peglar and Wh: Browis (tho towerkeeper), were entertained to lunch by the Rector (Canon Rowlands) and the churchwardens, Messrs. A. M. Davics and R. Royle.
Tlie last fixture of the tour had to be abandoned. Rllyl was the Thie ast fixture of the tour had to be nbandoned. Rliyl was the uterl, but very regretfully it was decided that it was too far away. Fight of the band, however, went to Bodelwyddan, near Elyyl, where the firmous narlble chnreh, and obtained permission for a short A. very musical peal was found, tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. . by Mears and inhank, the treble, fourih and tenor 1860, the others 1872 . StedTriples and Double Norwich were the methods rung, and a local nger entered the tower and said enthusiastically, "That's what I ringins.' With this the tour ended. Seven counties were visited, en peals rung out of thirteen attempts, whilst nine members of the nd shared in the conducting, eight proving successfu?
'The thanks of the whole pariy are due to Mr, Robert Sperring and James Swindley for arrungements made in Chester and distriel; - Mr. W. Catluall for so much trouble taken in fixing up peals in a strict where very few towers with bells are to be found; to the clergy and towerkeepers for their permission and assistance; ad to thege kind futends who grave hospitality at Cliristleton and inndudno. The three anr drivers, too, deserve most sincere thanhs the hard work put in. To drive anything from 50 to 100 miles, nd perhaps stand in two peals, is no bad day's work for any man. nat lrivers do mot see the best of the scenery, especially when a bend the road has to be negotiated about every 100 yards. So here's the drivers!

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

meeting of the North Staftordshire Association was held at Itoxeter ou Satnrday, September 18th. Forty-five members and iends were present from 16 towers, namely, Appleby Magna, Asliby-Je-la-Zouel, Barslem, Burton-on-Trent, Gheadle, Derky, Exhall, Leek, .omgtou, Neweastle, Norton, Overseale, Uttoxeter, Stone, Stoke-onrent and Tunstull.
service was held conducted by the Rev. W. E. Charlton (Wicar Uttoxeter). The Vicar extended a warm welcome to all present nd referred to the loss of MLr. R. G. Lewis since the last meetimg it Utloxeter, Mr. R. G. Lewis was not only a good ringer, but a very wod churchman and had been greatly missed.
roto of thamks was accorded to the Vicar and ingers for the se of the bells.
Mr. J. W. Cotton, hon. secrelary of whe Burton-on-Trent Distriot tho Midland Comaties Association, expressed the pleasure of the isitors at being present.
Foul new members were elected, viz., F. G. Parker, L. A. Smart, F. L. Oliver and $F$. Oliver, all of Dtiozeter.
"Lauches in the following methods were rung during the afternoon and evening: Grandsire and Siedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Norwich Major, Leek and Cambridge Surprise Major.

Mr. A. D. Steel took over the offcial duty of Ringing Master for eight-bell towers, for the first time, and discharged the office very successfully

## A RECORD OF FIFTY YEARS' SERVICE

PEAL BOARDS UNVEILED AT CHRLSHCHURCH jTRIORY. Tlwo inleresting peal boards were umweled at the Privery Clarrett, Clnistehureh, on september 18th. Oue tecorded the penl of Bab Maximus, mung by the local buad on April 14th, 1937, the first hy the Winchester and Portsmoulth Guitd, in homon? the jubitee of Mr. George Prestun, a vinger for 50 years at this chnreh. The other board recorded a peal of Grardsiro Cingues, its wach sax ringers rumg theit First peal on twelve belis.
Many visiting ringers atbended the ecremony, and among finse present were the Vicher of Ciatistchureh (Camon Gay, R.D., C. $\left.{ }^{\circ}\right)_{+}$, the Mayor and Mayoress of Cheistelnmeh (Alderman and Mrs. D. Cimtont), Mr. George Williams (Master of the Guild), Mr. F. W. Rogers (genernt secretary of the Guidi), Mr. W. Andrews (cnptain of the Winchester baud), Mr. George Preston (who is secretary of the Clavistelurels District of the Guild and ceptain of the local band), Mi. A. 'lroke and Mr. Wulter Theler (churchwardens).
The dedication was prefaced by a shurt service, couducted by Canon Gay, including prayers and liyms suitablo to the oceasion.
The tablet recording the attamment of the lomal band, covered by a Union Jack, was muveiled by the Mayoress, and tho obther, flrnped ly St. George's cross, was ceremonially clisclosed by Miss B. Stewarl, of Trendown, the daughter of Mr. Martin Stewart, the douor of the tablet, who took part in the peul. After the ceremony the memurials wero dedicated by Canon Ga
Duving the ringing which fellowed the urneiling, the rope of the bel! which Mr. Prestan was rinsing brole below the sally, and in endeavouring to prevent the loose end doing any damage he sustained a heavy fall, fortmately with no worse results tilna a slight shating.
Following tea at the King's Amms Hotel, Mr. l'reseon thanker the Ficar and churchwardens for presanting the hoatd recording the peal of Bob Maximms, amg to commemorate his 50 years as a inger ut the Priory Church.
During that time, he said, I have seen many clianges, hut 1 can bonestly say I do not for one moment refret the time 1 have apent in the tower; in fact, I am prond of being a ringer at the Priory during my 50 years' service there $I$ have made many friends from all parts of Great Britair

I do regret, however, the fact that our young churchmen do not show more eagerness to learn the art of cumpmalogy, so as to chry ons the good work as the old ones rlie out ; if they would only come forward I should be ouly too plensed to welcome and leach (fien all I know concerning ringing. Although these young people are so Ely in coming forward, when the time comes that I lanve to lenve the
tower, I think it may safely be sald that I shafl leave it much better tilan I fourd it."

CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. PRES'ION.
Mr. Preston extended his thanks to the Mayor and Mayoress for visiting the ringing chamber to mnvail the tablet, and to Mr. Shewart, of Ferudown, for presenting the borvi recording the peal of Grandsire Cinques, and to Miss Stewart, who had come to myeil it. ITe liacl Cinques, and to Miss Stewart, who lad come to unveil it.
Mr. Preston thanked Canon Gay for the trust and contidence which he always showed in the ringers, for his readiness at all times to granu him the use of the bells, and for dediating the two peal boards. He also extended his thanks to Mr. D. Llewellyn far assistance rendered witl repairs to the bells. Fiually he thanked the Priory ringers fine their loyally to him at all times, for without their co-operation, fo snid, he could net have done what he had.
Canon Gay referred with admisation to the work which had made the records possible, and satd fint much of the eathusiasim for bellringing in the diocese was due to $\mathrm{Mr}^{\text {r }}$. Preston, who lad instructed fo many people in the art.
The Mayor of Christcharch spoke of the pleasure which it had given the Mayoress and himself to be present, and he exiended to lis old friend, Mr. George Preston, his heartiest congratulations on the conapletion of 50 years' ringing in the Priory towtr. There was to doulst his fellow-ringers appreciated his leatership to the full aud that the officials of the church ralued his worl. He hed no doubt, also, that, the people of the Bolough of Christchurch would like to be associated will the congratulations.
Me. Marbin Stewart said Je always thoroughly enjoyed visiting the Priory, because the Christehurch ringers had a way of diffinsing inappiness to all.
In presenting oue of the tablets, he was only contributing is emull quota to a tower, the walls of which wero alroady becoming too small to hold the many memorials of past reeords. The Priory tower was the eentre of bellringing in this district, mad that was largely due to the great work of Mr. George Preston. It might be thoughit that a review of past years and records made them feel old. This whs not so.
One enjoys a kind of perpetual youth in bellinging:' he declared. Mr. George Williams (Master of the Guild) told his audicnee that he had rung in the Priory tower before many of them had been horn. It was in 1888 that he had come to Christelurel to ring the firsl peal on the bells.
Mr. F. W. Rogers (general gecretary of the Guild) congratulated the local ringers for the work they wero doing in twelve-bell ringing: As a memher of the Priory bellringers, Mr. F. A. Sparshott salid that they fully sppreciated the fine instruction and traininer they received from Mr. Preston, and they considered it a privilege to ring with him. It had been their greatest pleasure to give him loyal support.

## NOTICES.

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## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. <br> TERCENTENARY DINNER.

All seats for the dinner on November 6th are now booked up, and no further applications can be received.

Detailed arrangements for the day will be published about a fortnight before the date.

William T. COCLERILL, Hon. Sec.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). - Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 1211 ; St. Magnus' on the 14 tl ? and 28 th ; Southwark Cathedral on the 21st; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 26th (nomination night), at 7.30 p.m. * Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District. - The next meeting will be held at Lambeth Parish Church on Saturday, Oct. gth. Bells available from 3.15 p.m. Tea 5.30 . Service 7.30 . All ringers and friends welcome.-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton, Surrey.
YORISSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annual Snowdor Commemoration Dinner, in menory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon (founder and first president) and past officers of the association, will be held at the Leeds and County Conservative Club, South Parade, Leeds, on Saturlay, October 9 th, at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Bells availalle during the afternoon: Parish Church (12), St. Michael's, Headingley (8), St. Clad's, Far Headingiey (8).

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - A meeting of the SouthEastern Division will be held at Rettendon on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting after.-H. W. Shadrach, Hon. Dir. See., 7, Upper Arbour I.ane, Springfield, Chelmsford.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Canterbury on Saturday, Oct. gth. The following bells will he available: St. Stephen's (8), St. Alphege's (6) and St. Dunstan's (6) from 3 p.m. and after meeting. Cathedral (in) after meeting only. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting in St. Dunstan's Parish Hall. -13. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec., 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Preston St. Mark's, on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (6) awailable from 3 p.m. -A. Blogg, Branch Sec.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Frome and Midsomer Norton Branch.--A quarterly meeting will be held at Beckington on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.r. Scrvice 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.-E. H. Nash, Hon. Sec., The Tatbot, Meils.

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION.-The hall-yearly meet ing will be held at St. James', Underwood Road, Paisley, on Saturday, October 9th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., by lind invitation of the St. James' Society.-Charles R. Raine, 21, Grosvenor Crescent, Edinburgh.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next mecting will be held at Elston, near Newark, on Saturday, October 9 h . Ringing on the six, 3 to 9 p.m. Please notily me for tea.-R. Towler, 69, Ordsall-Road, Retford.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -The branch will meet at Terrington St. John on Saturday, October 9 th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. We should like you to be present.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H. Branch The autumn meeting will be held at Hinton Waldrist on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (9) available at 2.30. Service at 4.30.-R. Gilling; Hon. Sec., Fernham, Faringdon.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Ilchester Deanery Branch.-The next meeting will be held at East Coker on Saturday, October 9th. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.-F. Farrant, Martock.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Hartfield on Saturday, October 9th. Belis (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welconie. Please notify for tea, if pos-sible.-B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern Branch.The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Benington on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at Parish Hall at 5 p.m Business meeting alterwards.-W. E. Clarke, Hon. Sec Park House, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston, Lincs.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be at Desford on Satur day, October 9th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Usual short scr vice at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, 1s. each, at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .-\mathrm{W}$. A Wood, Fosseway, Croft, near Leicester.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held av Wilby on Saturday, October 9 th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business to follow. Kindly send cards for tea arrangements to A. Bigley, Branch Sec., 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough, Northants.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch. -A meeting wiil be held at Haddenham, Cambs, on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., free, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. K. G. Sandberg).-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Over, Cambs.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Brancl. -The next meeting will be held at Morecambe on Saturday, October 9th. Bells ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend this meeting, as they will also be able to view the illuminations after the ringing.-E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Strect, Morecambe.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meeting of Southampton District at Netley Abbey on October 9th. Bells from 2.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Southamplon (St. Mary's) hells after tea.-G. Pullinger, 17, Stoke Park Road, Bishop stoke, Hants.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division.-A meeting will be held at West Grinstead (six bells) on Saturday, October 9 th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.-O. Sippetts, 10, Albany Road, Crawley.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Alt Saints', Maidstone ( 10 bells), on Saturday, October 9 th. Beils available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea in the Old Patace at 5.45 , followed by the annual business meeting. -A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec., Malthouse Farm, Egerton, Kent.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Biggleswade on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . All ringers will be welcome. The secretary hopes to be present. All ringers wishing to see him, please come.-C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

NOTTINGHAM GOOSE FAIR. - St. Peter's tower ( 10 belis) open Saturday, October 9 th, 5 to 8 p.m. Hearty welcome to all visiting ringers.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.-The first meeting of term will be on Tuesday, October 12th, at 8.30 p.rn. in the Bursar's Room, Keble College. Any ringer coming up will be welcome. Special attention is given to the teaching of beginners. Any particulars will be given by the secretary, the Rev. W. C. Barrett, St. Thomas' Convent.

DLTRHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Wednesday Afternoon Guild.-The next meeting will be held at St. George's, Jesmond, New-castle-upon-Tyne, on Wednesday, October 13th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Please send number for tea as soon as possible.-Margaret A. P. Bertie, Hon. Sec., 17, Ridley Avenue, Chester-le-Street, Co. Durham. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas' Church, Newchurch, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available from $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please do your best to attend. The success of the meeting depends on you.-J. Porter, Hon. Sec., 1, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch. - The branch annual meeting will be held at St. John's, Worcester, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Short service 4.15 . Tea (at a small charge) in the Parish Hall, 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting and election of officers. Please send word by Tuesday, October 12th.-G. E. Large, Branch Sec., Hawlord, Worcester.

IANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -Next meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew's, Whitworth, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available from 3 to 9 p.m. Business meeting 7 p.m., when the subject of creating a Branch Ringing Master will be discussed. Will you please come along and make this meeting a success.--Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpoo! Brancl. -The next meeting will be held at St. James', West Derby, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.nn. For tea, please notify Mr. H. Hancock, 60, Sandstone Road, Stoneycroft. -H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Eastern Division.A meeting will be held at Great Bronley on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells available at 2.30 . Service 4.15 p.n3. Will all those intending to be present please notify me as soon as possible? -F. R. Sparling, Hon. Sec, Station Hotel, Wivenhoe.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at: Yatton on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Divine service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, with business meeting to foltow. All ringers wel-come-Percy G. Yeo, Hon, Local Sec., Long Asliton.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Chesterfeld District will be held at Clay Cross on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells available 4 p.m. This peal has just been recast. All are welcome.-J. P. 'Tar'ton, Dis. Hon. Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wiral Branch.A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Wallasey, on Saturday, October 16th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards. A good altendance is requested.-Harry S. Broclifebank, Hon. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL GUIED (Chippenham Branch) will held their October meeting at Coleme on Saturday, October 16th. Eight bells, good going, at 3 o'clock. Service 4.45. Tea after service. Will visitors requiring tea please notify early ?-F. W. Merrct, Branch Hon. Sec., 38, Downing Street, The Woodlands, Chippenham, Wilts.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Lewisham, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells avaitable at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea, hy litnd invitation of the Vicar, and business meeting at 5 p.m. Intending visitors desiring tea must notify me not later than Tuesday, October 12th. Please ensure that your tower is adequately represented.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere, Kent.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-East Devon Branch.-The autumn meeting will be held at Payhembury on Saturday, October 16 th . Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, the Schoolroom, 5 , followed by a short mecting. All ringers welcome.John H. Godfrey, Silver Streef, Ottery St. Mary.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Monk Bretton on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells ready at 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Those requiring teas please notify Mr. J. Fitzgerald, 22, Cross Street, Monk Bretton, near Barnsley. A hearty welcome to all. - Daniel Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shafton.

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HERTFORDSHIRE AND BEDFORDSHIRE AS-SOCIATIONS.-A joint meeting will be held at Leighton Buzzard on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (10) will be available from 2.30 p.m. A short service will be held at 4 p.m. followed by tea at $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The peal of eight at Linslade will also be available. Numbers for tea, etc, to Walter Ayre, Leverstock Green, or F. J. Pluamer, Itantation Road, Leighton Buzzard.

WARWICKSHIRE GUII.D.-A guarterly meeting will be held at Stralford-on-Avon on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells (8) availałle for short periods from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and after meeting. Committee meet 4 p.m., at No. 8 , Trinity Street. Tea in the Riverside Cafe at 4.30 . Service, with address, in Holy Trinity Church at 5.30 , followed by general business meeting in the tower. Future mectings at Stratford will depend on your attendance at this meeting.- Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - North Norfolk Branch.-An informal meeting will be held at Liarveston on October 16t\% (not 9th). Bells from 2.30. Onc mile from Thuxton Station. All are welcome.-H. Tooke, Branch Sec., The Lizard, Wymondham, Norfolk.

IETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Rutland Branch.- The next meeting will be held at Wing, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (5) available at 3 p.m. Please notify for tea.-S. H. Towell, Hon. Sec., 17, King's Road, Dalkham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting of this district will be held at Little Staughion on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (5) ready lrom 3 p.m. Tea at 5 by invitation of the Vicar. You will he very welcome. Just drop me a card.-Frank C. Tysoe, 10, lirange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GLILD.-Portsmouth District.-A quarteriy meeting will be heid at Bishop's Waltham on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., in the Church Hall, followed by business meeting. All requiring tea please inform me by Wednesclay, October 13th. Ail ringers welcome.-A. T. Greenwood, 6, Sheffield Road, Portsmouth.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern District. The next meeting is arranged for Saturday, October 16 th , at St. Mary's, Leyton (8). Bells available 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged for those who advise me by Thursday, the 14th.-James G. A. Prior, Hoa. Sec., 31, Limerston Street, Chelsea, S.W. 10.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. - The next practice meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Prestwich, on Saturday, October 16th. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-Joseplt H. Ridyard, Branch Sec., 35, The Crescent, Worsley.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Northern Branch.-The annual meeting of the branch will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.15 P.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Please send names for tea by Wednesday previous,-I. S. Mason, Branch Sec., 19, Broadwell Road, Oldbury, near Birm-

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.-A joint meeting of the Ladies' Guild, the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (S. and W. District), and the Oxlord Diocesan Guild (East Berks and South Bucks Branch) will be held at St. John's Church on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells (10) from 3.15 and after tea. St. Andrew's, Uxbridge (8), from 3 to 4.30 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea, in St. John's Hall, at 5.15 p.m., 1s. each. Social evening (refreshments) in the Hall from 7.30 p.m. All ringers and friends welcomed, but will you endeavour to notify for tea, please. Note: Hillingdon (Swakeleys) station is unsuitable; book to Uxbridge. -Mrs. E. K. Fletcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield; F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks; and A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough, Hon. Secs.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD. -The next meeting will be held at Hothfieid on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Tea 5 p.m.-P. Page, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burtion District.-By the kind invitation of Canon H. E. Fitzherbert, M.A., R.D., the autumn meeting of the above district will be held at St. Peter's, Netherseale, on Saturday, October 16 th . Beils (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Service 5.30 , to be conducted by Canon FitzHerbert and Rev. R.F. Wilkinson, of Ordsall. Tea will be provided for those who notify me by Wednesday, October 13 th. All ringers and friends welcome.-]. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The jubilee festival will be held on Saturday, October 23rd, at Alfreton. Ringing from 2.30 to 4.30 . Service in church, address by Rev. R. E. Birtwistle (an old member of the association). High tea at $60^{\prime}$ clock in the Parish Church Mission Hall, Mansfield Road. Tickets, 2s. gents, is. 6d. ladies. Applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance, must reach me by Monday, October 18th.-J. W. England, 49, The Common, South Normanton.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-South Forest Branch.-Next meeting will be held at St. Briavel's, on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells (8) open 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., Church Room. Ringers who require tea must let me know by Wednesday, October 20th.-Oliver Thomas, Branch Hon. Sec.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Willersey on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells (6), which have recently been rehung, available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Numbers for tea by Tuesday previous to J. E. Newman, Hinton, Evesham.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. The next meeting will be held at the Sacred Heart Church (R.C.), Talbot Road, on Saturday, October 23rd. Ringing on the eight bells from 4 to 6 p.m. only. Business meeting to follow.-C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 35, Berwick Road, Blackpool, S.S.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The sixth annual dinner will take place on Saturday, October 30 th, at the County Hotel, Promenade, Blackpool, at 6 p.m. prompt. Please purchase your tickets early.

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## STEDMAN.

Among the many links which couple the Ancient Sociely of Collcge Youths with the distant past and the foundations of change ringing are Stedman-the man and the method. Stedman, the man, was not only a momber of the Society but the holder of office and, in one year, its Master. He held the society in high esteem, as indicated by the fact that when he published ' 'Tintinnalogia,' the first of all printed books on the art of change ringing, he dedicated it to the "Noble Society of Colledge-Y:ouths," and later, when 'Campanalogia' made its appearance, it was to his 'honoured and most esteemed friends, the members of the Society of Colledge Youths,' that he dedicated it. The College Youths were among the first, if not the first, to put Stedman, the method, into practice. From the society's early association with it, we can almost say that it is the College Youths' method, although, of course, it has never been in any sense their monopoly.

This week a suggestion is made in our columns that one way of marking the tercentenary of the society would lee to re-adapt the 'start ' of Stedman and to make rounds the last row of a ' six' instead of the fourth, as it now is, always in Doubles and Triples and usually in Caters and Cinques. That strange start of the method, although taken for granted, has aroused the curiosity of many thinkers, but no one is able to say precisely why it was adopted by the inventor. The Rev. C. D. P. Davies, in the first chapter of Snowdon's 'Stedman,' suggests that the reason for it was to make the first three rows identical with those in Grandsire Doubles. Be that as it may, the method, as Stedman left it with us, begins in this curious fashion. But Stedman would still be Stedman if it were begun from some other place in the 'six,' and there are frequent instances of this in peals of Caters and Cinques. To secure certain properties in composition or a particular number of changes, composers have taken all sorts of liberties, the most common one being to start with a full 'slow' six, which means going off with 2143, etc., instead of 21354 , etc. This 'tampering' with Stedman has never led to any protest, and, indeed, there is nothing to be said against it, except that it is not Stedman's way of beginning, although we must remember that Stedman produced it as a five-bell method pure and simple. But, having arlonitted that the method on nine and eleven bells may be begun with a full six, instead of with the last two changes of a six, there is no reason why the same 'going off ' should not be used on five and seven bells-except tradition and the fact that in Doubles and Triples there is nothing to be gained by it. On the higher numbers the alteration can be made to serve a purpose, on five (Continued on page 678.)

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and seven bells, when peals are rung, there is no question of special lengths; the extent has to be completed, and there is no inducement to start otherwise than as Stedman began. Moreover, in matters concerning ringing, tradition is hard to kill, and about the last people to kilf it would be the College Youths, in whose ranks tradition is cherished more than anywhere in the Exereise.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BUOKFAST, DEYONSHRE.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Sathyday, Oatober 9, 1937, in Theve Hours and Forty-Seven Mixules, Aithe Eenedictink Abeey Ceurce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CINQUES, EO18 GHANGES;
Tenor $4 \mathrm{Icwt} \mathrm{qq},. 3 \mathrm{lb}$, in C .
Jogn S. Goldsmita ... ...Treble Ropbrt Richardson ... ... 7 Albert Whiker... ... .... 2 William A. Cave ... ... 8 Camrlas T. Colrs ... .... 3 Frank E. Peevin... ... ... 9 Erank W. Perrens ... ... 4 A. Paddon Smite ... ... 10 Gegrgr R. Pyb ... ... ... 5 Edward P. Doffield ... II George F. Swann .... ... 6 James H. Shepaerd ... ... 7 enor Composed by Jofn Carier. Conducted by Albert Walzer.

Fits peal on the new bolls.

## CROYDON, SURREY

THE SURRET ASSOGATION
On Saturiay, Octoder 9, 1937, in Three Hours and Fifly-Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Toen-tee-Baptist,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5088 CHANGES Tenor $3^{6} \mathrm{cwt} 3$ q. I8 1b, in C sharp.
William H. Hewrit ...Tyeble "Dodley Boxton
Cbarles H. Kippin ..... $.2^{2}$ "Grorfer H. Homparies
Roydon Davibs ... ... $\cdot .$.

- Herberi J. Skelt ...... Themas G. Bannistbr ... 5 Frederick E. Collins *James E. Cooper ... ... $\quad$ a Composed by F. E. Darby. Conducted by D. D. Cooprb * First peal of Maximus. First peal of Maximus as conduetn This preal was rung as a welcome to the Rev. W. L. Anderson, ht. who was iuducted as Vienr of Croydan the previone Wedueshay.

IPSWICR.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
[St. Mary-le-Tower Society.
On Sainyday, October 9, 1937, in Three Hours and Fifly-Three Minutes
Axter Churge of St. Mary-Le-Tower.
A PEAL dF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 changes;
Tenor 32 cwt .
Williah Tillett ... ...Trebie - David Vincent
Svivia R. E. Bowyrr ... 2 George A. Fleming
Cbarlbs J. Sedeley..... .3 Frbegrick J. Tilleit Wileiam P. Garrati ..... .4 Williak J. G. Brown Harry R. Roprr... ... ... 5 Georgr E. Symonds harold E. Symondes ... ... Joben F. Tillatit.
Arranged by G. E. Symonds.
Conducted by W. J. G. Be. Ten

* First tonch of Cambridge Maximus. Rulig on the 7oth bittlidn of Frederick J. Tifleth and as a bit Lhdyy compliment to Mr. Rohert Bronfle, who is 86 .


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

DURGESS HILI, SESSIXX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 29, 1937, in Two Hours \& Fiffy E ght Mintet At the Chorce of Sr. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGEB; Tenor $14 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cw}$.
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LDTTERWORTH, LTICESTETSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, October 2, 1937, in Three Fours, At tee Wycliffe Cebreg of Si. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, BOGO CHANGES;

Dbeter's Variation of Tadrstans' Fogr-Parz. Tenor $44^{3} \mathrm{~cm}$ m . Harold G. Jenney ... ...Tyeble |Roger W. Daniels ... ... 5 -F. Joan Woodrozd ... ... 2 Erbderick H. Demter ... 6 Khangti A. Roe...$\quad$... 3 Ernest W. Tipler $\quad$... R, Frgderick Rog ... ... 4 Frbd Pirry ... ... ... ...Tenar Conducted by F, H. Dextra.

* First peal and first attempt. Rung on the eve of harvest festival. SLAUGFAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNIX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Oatober 2, 1037, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF ERANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
A Variation of Parmer'e Twrlyb-part, Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2}$ cwl. Rrginald V. Jogesson ...Tyeble *Edward J. Cearman ... 5 Cbgil Nice ... ... ... 2 -Frederices Godsmark ... 6 Albert E. laker ... ... 3 Oliver Sippetts Ifinnetr Snelling ... ... 4 +Cearlbs A. Wood ... ...temor Conducted by O. Sippetts.
* First peal of Grandsire ' insicic.' + Frist peal. CRAWLZY, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Octobey 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Kouy Minutes, Af the Church of St. John-the-Bhetist,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, EO24 CHANGES; Tenor $13^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Oliver Stppetts ... ... ...Treble Nblson Ellicit ... ... ... 5
Raymond Overy ... ... ... 2 Kenneth Snelling ... ... 6
Edfard ]. Cbarman ..... .13 William T. Berson ...
引лск M. Cripps ... ... ... 4 C. Ernest Smita ... ...Tomar Composed by C. W. Robrrts. Conducted by C Ernest Smetr. First peal of Surprise Major ans conductor.

DISS, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On 5unday, Oftober 3, 1937, in Three Hows and Twelve Minutes,
At the Cebrge of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF NEN GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenot 23 cwt . 2 qr . 26 lb . is D.
Alabrt G. Harrison... ...Tyuble Ernrst Weiting ... ... 5 Nolan Golden ... ... ... 2 Charlis W. Loome ... ... 6 William Clover $\quad . .$. Eric G. Branett ….. .4 Frederick Seagrr .... ...Temor Composed by N. J. Pitszow. Conducted by N. Golden. First penl of New Caubridge on the bells.

## LONDON

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, October 4, 1937, in Three Hours ard Eleten Minutes,
At tee Churca of St. Botolpa, Bishopegate,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt .
Jayes E. Davis ... ... ...trebie james Bennett ... ... ... 5 Ggorge R. Pye.... ... ... 2 Edwin F. Pike ... ... ... 6 Bernard H. Swinson ... 3 Ernest Brett .... .... ... 7 Harry Hoskins... ... ... 4 Thomas G. Bannistra ...Temor Composed by C. Midileton. Conducted by G. R. Pye. 2001/ peal.

MLIS PLATTNG, MCANCHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, October 5, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minktes, At tar Cberch of St. joan,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6058 CHANEES; Tenor 12 cwt.
Josepa Hazl

William Brammer.... Herbert McKinnale... .... 4 Norman Hbaps ....... Composed by J. R. Pritcgard. Conducted by N. Heaps. * First peal of Beb Mujor. $A$ birthelay compliment to Miss E. Gmacr, of liverpool.

ALDERSHOR', HANTS
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tusday Oetober 5, 1937, in Three Howys and Three Minutes, At fer Caurce of St. Michabl-the-Arcbangri,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505 G GHANGES;
Tener $8 \frac{1}{4}$ ewt.
-Miss Edna Sodetey ...Tyeble Percival Etdridge ... ... 5

Will H. Viggers ... ... 3 Reginald J. Wibitford ... 7 †Ernbst Gowrr ... ... ... 4 Cbarles W. Denyer ...Temor Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by C. W. Denygr.

* First peal and first atterapt. 4 THisst penl of Bob Mujor. Fisst peal of Bob Major as conductor. Kung as a farcwell to E. Gower, who is leaving the district for Worley, Essex. At are members of the local company.

TURNER'S HULL, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wedneidey, Otoberv G, 1937, in Two Houts and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
At tae Cborch of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGE Tenor 14 ext.
James A. Lakrer ...Treble Reginald V. Josnson Miss Florrib Wyman Raymond Overy. ... Composed by A. Kmigats. $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Kiennetb Shblling } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 5 \\ \text { Albert E. Lakbr } & \text {.. } & \text {... } & 6\end{array}$
Nelson Ellioti ... ... ...Tomor Conducted by O. Sippetts,

PFNSNETY: STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Weduesday, October 6, 1937. in Three Houys,

At tee Chirch of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 50Bs CHANGES; Tenor to cwt . $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{lb}$.
Shmibl Hegers .. ... ...Treble | William C. Dowding ... 5 Alfred Rowliy ... ... ... 2 "Sidege O'C. Holloway Danigl T. Matkin ..... .3 Jambs H. Shbpeerd ... .. 7 William Short ... ... ... 4 | James Gborge ... ... ...Tenoy Composed by W. Hazrison. Conducted by Danibe t. Matrin. * First peal of Treble Bolr 'inside ' nt first attempt.

## NOTTINGEAM

THE MIDLAND COUNTITS ASSOCIATION AND THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTMS
On Thersday, Octobsr 7, 1937, in Thee Howrs and Eight Minkles, At tar Chirch or St. Mary-the-Virgen,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, b040 CHANGES;
Dexter's Variation or Thersians' Four-Part. Tenor 36 cw.
-Ronald F. Saltbr ... ...Trebie | Ralph Narborodgh ... ... 5 Grorge E. Fostri ... ... $\quad$ a J. Frederice Milmbr ... 5 Frank Bradiey... ... $-\cdots \quad 3$ †Fredrrick A. Salter $\quad . . .7$ J. Aeqred Barratt ... ... 4 Waryer Nicbols ... ...Temor Conducted by J. F. Malarer.

* First peal of Sitedmal. it I50tli peal.

NORTH STONEFAM, HAMPSHIRE
THE WINGHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thursday, Octobey 7, 1937, in Three Honvs and Five Minules,
At tez Cedreb of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPAISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 9 cwt .26 lb .
Leslig Tramexa ... ... ...Treble Fraki Branett ... ... ... 5
Joen W. Faitbegel ... ... 2 ... William R. Mzlyileb Frederick S. bayley $\quad . .$. Grorge Williahs ... ... 4 Alan R, Pins ... ... ...Tenoy

Composed by G. Lindofz.

Conducted by Frane Bennett.

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THE ANOIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Fyiday, Otober 8, 1937. in Two Hours and Forty-T two Minutes, At the Chtrce of St. Paolinds,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 DHANGE8;

 Ernest H. Okgnead ... Tyebie Derek M, Syarp... Frederick M. Mitchell 2 Harry Hoskine ... ... ... 6 - Frederich G. Greombridge 3 Thos. Groombridge, sen. 7 Jorn H. Cabesman ... 4 Tgos. Groombridge, jus, Tenof Composed by A. Knageis. Conducted by T. Groombriggr. jon. Bob Major on tower bells. Rung as a birth- F First peal of Treble day compliment on the eve of the 70th anniversary of Thomas Groombridge, sen.CHISLEHURST, KENT.
THE KFNT COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, Oclober 9, 1937, in Thru Houys and Fifteen Minntes, At tee Chorce of tre Anndnciation,
A PEAL OF CAMERIDEE BURPRIBE UAJOR, G日E日 OHANEEB,

Middleton's

Wilfred Willia Wilfred Williams ... ... 5 Thos. Groombridge, jun.... 2 Ernbst Brbyt ... ... .... 6 Harry Hoskins ... ... ... 3 Acfrad B. Peck ... ... ... 7 Hehberi Lhagdon ....... 4 Tgos, Groombridge, sen....Temor Conducted by Thos. Groombridgr, san.
The first peal in the methot on the hells. Rung as a special compliment to the conductor on his $70 t h$ birthday. PINNETG, MDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Salurday, Oiober 9, 1937, in Tro Hours and Fifiy-Three Minutes, At the Churce of St. John-the-Baptist,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIPE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGE8;

Parkra's Twzlve-fart.
ABTEORI HPDING


"Jobn W. Pargeow ... ... 4 William Sebley ... ...Tenor
Conducted.by E. Jennings.

* Firgt peal in the method.

> BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Oelober 9, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forly-Nine Minuies, Ar the Church or St. James,
A PEAL OF WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANEES;
Tenar 23 cwt.
-Henry Hongetts ... ...TYeble |Madrige F. R. Hibebrt...
Walter G. Patl ... ... 2 *Frederick W, Brinklow
Sthpaen H. Hoare ... .... 3 "Francis Kirk ... ... ... 7
-Christophar W. Woolezy 4 Harold G. Casemore ...Temor
Composed and Conducted by H, G. Casbmore.

* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells. CHURCH, LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Salurday, October 9, 1937, in Thrte Honys and Fivs Minutes, At the Church of et, James,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, GO40 CHANCES; Tenor 144 cwt .
Jabigs Parr... ... .... ...Triole | Leesite L. Williams ... 5


Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by L.J. Williams.
* Thirst peal in the method. All are regalar Sumlay service ringera at this church.


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EYNSFORD, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 9, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,
At ter Cerger of Sx. Martin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGE8; Wasbbroox's Variation gy Trorsians' Fodr-pari. Tenor 12 cwt , in $G$.
 Edwin A. Baraett ... ... 2 Haray Hoyerd ... ... ... 6 Jogn Weradon ... ... ... 3 Herbrri E. Addsley... ... 7 Allison Pgrdom... ... ... 4 Edmend Modnter ... .... ... Conducted by H. E. Audsley.
A birthday peal for E. A. Barnett. J. Wheadon's 300th peal for the association.

ORMLSKIRK, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANOASHLRE ASSOCIATION.
On Satuday, October 9. 1937, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minules,
At tee Church of SS. Peteg and Pall,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 DHANEES;
Tenor 25 cwt 3 qr .25 lb.
William E. Fletceer ...Treble
Iames Marst ... ... ... 2

Martin Harris ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$
James Swindley ... .... ... 4 Josepa Ridyard ... ... 7
Composed by A. Knigets, Conducted by Percy Swindley.

* First peal of Major aud rirst attempt. A birthday compliment: to Me. James Marsh.


## HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLE.

 THE SUFFOLK GUFLD.On Saturday, October 9, 7937, in Three Howy and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Maky,
A PEAL OF BRI8TOE 8URPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANEE8 Tenor 192 cwt.
George Bennett ... ...Trable| Fredraick ]. Smith ...
George Whiting ... ... 2 James M. Bhiley

| James Benneti, jun.... | $\ldots$ | 3 | T. Wieliam Last | ... | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest S. Bailey | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 4 | Lbslie C. Wightman | $\ldots$...timo |  |

Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by L. C. Wigatann
OSWALDTWLSTED, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANGASETRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Ostober 9, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Five Minutes,
Ay tag Cedrch of the Immantel,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, BO8s GHANEEB;
William Riley ... ... ...Treble Isaac Wballey ... ... ... 5
Jahas Sbaw ... ... ... ... 2 Robert Pareinson ... ...
Frahk Seaw... ... ... .... 3 James Hodldsworte ... ... 7
Alpred T. Holldsworte 4 Cbarles Szarples ... ...Tenor
Composed by J. W. Goodall. Conducted by J. Hooldsworia.
Rung to celebrate the centenary of We church,
WORSLEY, LANOASTETRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOGIATION.
On Satwiday, October 9, 1937, in Three Hours and Nine Minates, At tae Cerrge of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGE8; Tenor 24 cwt.
Joseph H. Ridyard ...
..Treble
Jobn Booik ... ... ....


-James Blacrburn ... ... 4 James Grounds .... ... .... ... Tenor
Composed by J. R. Pritcaard

* First peal of Major.

WARFIELD, BERKS
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Satnrayy, October 9, 1937, in Thres Howrs and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Mrchael-the-Archangei,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb.
William H. Fossell
Mes K. E. Fletcher

Rav. R. F. R. Romin
Composed by F. Bennezt.
Conducted by Harry Wingrove.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

CULWORTH, NORTHANTS.
T\#E PETERBOROTGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
OH Wedresday, September 29, 1937, sw Two Hours and Fifly-Eight Minutes At ter Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES: Being forty-twa 120's, ten callings. l'enor 16 cwt . in F.
-Frank Hation ... ... ...itable |Alpred Baseley .... ... 3 -Frederick Grebn .... ... 2 Harry Gibbard.... ... .... 4 Supt. Frrdr, R. Williams Temoy Conducted by H. Gibiard.

- First peal. First peal on the bells. Rumg as a farewell to Canon Hill, for 39 years Rector of Gulworth.

> SHILTON, WARWICKSIIRE.

THE WA只WICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, October 2, 1937. in Two Honrsand Tventy-Fue Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Builag onu extient of Oxford Treble Bob and three extents each of Keal Treble Boh and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt, *Roy-D. Hayne ... ... ...Trebie | Dodglas F. Ellender ... 4 Edward H. Jognson ... 2 Cearles Freqman ... ... 5 William T. Cox ... ... 3 Frane E. Pervin ... ...Tenor Conducled by F. E. Pravin,

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in Ihree methods. Rume on the eve of the harvest festival, also as 8 wedding peal for Miss Lily Sprigg and
Mr. Willinm Malabon, whose marriage took place earifer in the day at Stoke Church, Coventry. AMPTHILI, BLDS.
THE BEDFORDSEIRE ASSOOLATION.
On Saturday, October 2, 1937, in Thra Howys,
At tre Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 EHANGES;
Heing 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent
Treble Bob, Denble Court. Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Ierbrri L. Hanlow... . Tyeble Reginald J. Hodgbion ... 4
Henry Harding ... ... 2 Charles W. Clarke...
EdWard jbyFribs ... $\cdot . .$.
Conducted by Charles W. Clarke.


## LILLINGTON, DORSET.

THE SALISDURY DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Gutobey 2, 1937, in 1 wo Houys and Fifly-Four Minules,
At tes Ceurce of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5B40 GHANGES;

Ioing three extents (each called differently) of Union, Place Bob, Chase, St. Dunstan's, Stedman, SL. Vedast, New Doubles, St. Bratholomew's, Reading, Stedman \$low Connse, St. Simon's, Plain

Bob, Reverse Canterbury and Graudsire, with 42 callings. Tenor 9 gwt.
Madrice Batten ... ...Treble |Harold C. R. Vine ... ... 3
Hobert Smite ... ... ... 2 H. Dennis W. Bisedop ... 4 Artadr G. Chunb .... ...Tenor Conducted by H. D. W. Bishop.
[irgt peal in 14 methods for all and for the Guild. All are members the Evorshot (West Dorset) Guild.

## ALDFORD, OFESEIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satwyday. Clober 2, 1937, in 7hree Howrs and Chree Minules, At the Church of St. John-The-Bapist,

## A PEAL OF BOB NINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Seven extents, fire different callings.
Tenor 12 ewt,
Thomas Snell ... ... ....Treble Wicliam E. Fletceer ... 4 Fred Hartman ...... John Teomas ... ... ... 3 Percy Swindley ... ...Tehor Conducted by Pracy Swindiey. 7. Firgt peal. + First peal of Minor.

ASSINGTON, SLFFOLK
TEE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(St. Andrew's Guird, Emrls Colne.)
Pis Sainrday, Oatober 2, 1937, it Two Hours and Fifly Minntes,
At the Churcif of St. Edmund,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Being oug extent each of Camlwidge Surprise, Fent 'Treble Boib Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxiord, Donble Corrt, St, Clemeat's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11速 oft. (approx.)
'Harry Carter ... ... ...Treble Alrc M. Genery ... ... 4
Albert L. Dixby ... ... 2 Frank Claydon ... ... ... 5 Reginald G. Simmonds ... 3 Ralph Bird ... ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by R. Bird.

* First peal in seven methods.

LANCHESTER, CO. DURHAM.
THE DUREAM AND NEWGASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Salurday, October 2, 1937, in Teto Hours and Forty Minules, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Consisting of an extent eact of Double Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Single Oxford, St. Olement's Rob, Oxford and Keat Treble Bob suil Plain Bob.
Thomas W. Dodd ... ...Tyeble |Raginald H. Hewity ... 4 Jorn A. Brown ...
Stepgen Trompsoy
H... 2 Kgnnery antbur
... ... 3 William J, Davioson .... 5
Conducted by K. Aribpr.
Believed to be the first peal on the bells.
CLIFFORD, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, Othobey 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Fify-Four Minutcs,
At tae Church of St, Mary
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being ten 120's of Canterbury Pleasure, 18 six-scores of Grandaire, two of Pitman's and five of Morris' 240 's of Grandsire, 21 calings. Tenor 12t cwt.
Joserg T. Morris ... ...Treble James P. Hyett ... ... ... 4
*Frederick J. Watkins ... 2 James T. Randle … *." 5 Albert E. Jones ... ... 3 Arthdr Inseal ... ... ...Thtrop Conducted by $A$. E. Jones.

* First peal ir two methode. First peni as conductor in two methods. Rung for the harvest festival service.

WILIINGFAM, CAMBS.
THE ELY DIOOESAN ASSOCTATION
On Friday, October 8, 1937, im Two Hotys and Thirty-Nime Minules, Ay fre Cegrge of St. Mary and All Saimis,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being thres 720's of Cambridge Surprige, two ench of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.
E. Jack Parise
 Frascie G. Gleaves ... ... 3 Frank Warrington ... ...Tener Conducted by Frank Warrington.
Hing as a farewell peal to Canon A. C. Fair, who is retiring from Willinglann Rectory.

## ELLESBOROUGF, BUOKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Salurday, Ochobe 9, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifiy Minules,

## At the Ceurce of SS. Pbtrr and Pauz.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Sepen different 720's. Trellor 9 cwt

- Ronald Wodlmer ... ...Trehle Harry C. Jones ... ... 4

| †EdWard Timpson |
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| Roland Biggs .... |
| Ro.... | Roland Biggs ... ... .... 3 Precy Newion .... ... .... Tenor

- Conducted by Percr Nawin.
* First attempt ior a peal. + Tist peal of Minor. $\ddagger$ First peal of Minor away from the treble. First peal of Minor as canductor. Rung for the harvest festival.
BIDIORD-ON-AVON, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCTATION. (Soutbern Brance.)
On Saturday, Outober 9, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Lawrence,


## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Ten callings. Arthor T, Shorey ... ...Tyeble J. Whllah Heati ... Erbderick Kinchin … ...e 2 Josbpa E. Nbwanan .... ... 5 Erank Topflay ... ... ... 3 Leonard A. Baskett ... ...Tenor Condacted by J. W. Hgatb. <br> Believed to the the first peal on the hells. Arranged for ringerg of treble and tenor, who are members of the local band. <br> > GRSTINGTHORPE, ISSEX. <br> <br> GRSTINGTHORPE, ISSEX. <br> <br> GRSTINGTHORPE, ISSEX. <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION. <br> On Saturday. October 9, 1937, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, At tee Cacrca of St. Mary. <br> A PEAL OF MINOR, EO4O CHANGES;

Beiug an exteat each of Cambridge Siniprise, Double Oxford, Double Court, St. Clement's, Plain, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Boh. Tenor 16 cwt. in F .

## ...Treble

- Victor Morley
Treble Aeec M. Genery


## Condacted by R. Bird.

* First peal in seven methote 'inside.'


## brede, sussex

THE SUSSEX COUNTX ASSOCIATION.
(Hastiags and District Goild.)
On Saturday, Oftader D. 1937, in Tewo Hauys and Fifty-Fite Minutes, At tee Cefrch of St. George,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

## Sceven extents called differently.

 | Arcaibald Strvenson | ... | 2 | William Gorringe | .. | ... | 5 |
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| Ion |  |  |  |  |  |  | Jobn a. Downing Conducted by James G. Powell

## Conducted by J. G. Fowrle.

; First peal of Minor. Rung in lonour of the wedding of Miss Joan Kingdon (a ringer at the above claych) and Mr. R. McCall.
( 0 ther peal reports are unnvoidably hold ovir.)

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## PEAL NOTES.

## SOME STATESTICS FROM BUCKFHST.

A peal by the beal company at Alreershot was rung on October 5th as a farewell to wne of their members. There is always regret at the loss of a ringer from it tower, as thoy are generally liand to deplace But Aldershot will not bufer so hadly as some companies. dt one of their recent puactices, when no fewer than 11 members of tho band were absent for ybrious reasons, holidays included, no lewer that 20 members of all ages and hath sexes were present and tho methods rung went as ligh as Drible Norwich!
The peal of Minor at Shilton, Warwickshire, on October 2nd, a 'double parpose' performance. Rung on the eve of the lazveris festival, it was also a wealding peal for Miss Lily Sprigy and Mr. Willian Malabon, whose marriage took phace earlier in the day Stoke Clautel, Coventry, The bridegroom has been a ringer at Shilton since 1925 , when the bells were installed.
'Ihe peal of Gambridge Surprise Maximus rung at Ipswich on Ocl 9 th was first arranged on Sept. 18th, Mr. R. H. Jrumde's 86ils birthday, but tad to the postponed, as he met with a bicycle accident Ausust, from which happily he has now practically recoveref, It was runcy as birthday compliment to him, also on Mr. Fs. Tillett's 70 h bithday. Mr. Tillet rany the tenor to Treble Maximets on his hirthdity in the year 1888, and is aljll " going strong It is believed that Miss 3ylvia Bowyer has set up a Indy's record lo one year on fower hells, this being her 25th peal this year-
In connection with tine peal at Banelifast Abley the following statietf may be interasting:-

Number af bells employed ... ... ... ... ... 12
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Number of vingers ensoged
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Total miles travelled, approximately $\qquad$
Total years of ringing experience
Nifmber of piuts of draught bass consuated

* Unascertainable.

The peal wrs rung on the tirthathy of Mr. Fird Walket; minglun, son of the conductar. Seveval other members of the pur afso seemed to be celebrating a birthday.
The marringe of Miss loan Kingrlan, of Brede, Sussex, and fomer of Wokiug, to Mr. R. MeCall was velebmaded by a peal uE Boh Min on the hells of Brete Parisis Churel on October 9lin, and the excellence of the ringilus brotight compliments from local residents. Mits Kiagdon and her sister, before removiny to Brede, rnig at Warpl don Parish Church, Surrey.
A peal of Bob Major, rung on the back eight at St. Mark's Churel Worsley, Luthes, on Octobar 9til, was Mi. J. H. Ridyard's mi hundredin peai for the Lancuslire $A$ ssociation, The ringers, included two from Standish and two Hom Coppull, were aflerwan hospitably entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Yates, to whoul the bith wish to extend their best thanks.
The band at Evershot, West. Dorset, rang the first peal in 14 methoil (Deubles) For the Salisbury Diocesan Guid outhe five bells at Lillin ton, Dorsetr, on October 2nd. This is a distinetly meritorions per formance. Three extents of each of the methods were rang, and was, of course, the first peal in 14 methads by all the hand.
During a visit to his mative Noufolk, Mr. Fred Seager, of Keighloy Yorks, and formerly of libenlam, rang limee peals, al Redeuliai Pulham and Diss, the New Cambridge ti the Inst-mamed tower bein; his one hemdretith peal for the Norwich Diocesan Association.
The peal ret Lanchester, Co. Durhan, on Oclober 2nd, is believe to be the first ou the bellg, which havo been in the towar for owe 50 years. They were rehnig by, Munsrs, Mears and Stainhank cavy in this year. The penl was specially arranged for the conductor, Mr Kemneth Areher, white liome on leave.

Believelf to be the first peal in even methods on the bells at 5 . Edmund's Churel, Assington, Suffolk, seven 720 's wero rung on Satarday, October 2nd, by members of the St. Andrew's Guild, Farls Colne.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD

PRESENTATION TO RECTOR OF GHURCH LAWFORD.
The Scputemher meeting was held at, Church Lawford an Saturday, September 18 t 1 h , and in spthe of tle wet weather, was well atlended. The beatiful litfle ring of six (tenor 8 cwt.), recently rehung and augmented by the fampus Loughborongh firm, were raised abont 3 o'clock, and various methods of Minos and Doubles rang until teat time.

The Rector and about 30 members, incheding wives and friends, sis down to tea, after which the Ringing Master thanked the Rector on behalf of the Guild for his kind invitation to Lawford and asked hinz to accept a framed card, wailten by Mr. C. HL. Webd, recording the first 720 of Minor rung on the belis.
After tea the lower was again visited, and louches in various Minor methods up in london Surprise were 17ng until 7.45 , the beils then being lowered in peal.
A social hour was spent at the White Lion, selections of handbell tunes being rendered by Mr. Wehth, his son nud danghter, and Mr. J. B. Feriton. The Rector and maveliwardens wero presentand an enjuyable eveling was spent.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

PRESENTATION TO FORMER BRANCH SECRETARY
The half-yearly meeting of the Northern Brameh, held at Melheringlum on Saturday, October Gnd, was well abtended, belween 50 and $60^{\circ}$ members being present, represeating 13 towers spread over the four disfriets of the brach, and now-resident menbers from Batuby-in-the-Willows, Notts and Treeton, Rotherham. The light rilly of ejghit were kept going during the afternoon and ovening to a variety of mehhods. The service was condueted by the Vical" (the Rev. C. W. Smith), whe, prior to an inferesting address, geve the membors a heirty welcome. Mr. T. Gullingworth presided at the organ.
Tea was provided in the Church Room followed by the business meeting presided over by the president of the branch, the Ven. Archteacon Parry. The fomal business was quickly disposed of, Lpworth being chosen for the noxt ladif-yeariy meeting.
An interesting event was the preseutation to Mr , F. $\$$. W. Sutler, late lon. secretary, of a wallet containing sll subscribed by the members of the brancla.

The President, in making the preseatation, spoke of the very effient way Mr. Butler had carried out the daties during his 14 yeart in affice and referred 如difficulties existing when he look over, which were ably straightened out by him.
ML. J. A. Freeman, Brancl Ringing Master, and Mr. F. W. Stokes, Guild general secretary, also spoke of the conscientious work done by Mr. Butler.
A Iotter from Mr. Rupert Richardson, Guild Master, was read, paying tribute to Mr. Butler"s valumble sevvices and expressing a wish that they would have him with them at their meetings for many years to come.
Mr. Butler, who was very warmy applanded, thanked the members and said loe did not feel loe deserved any reward for what had beer to him a 'labour of love.'
Tates of thauks to the Ficar of Mebheringham for all loe had done, to the president for presiding, and to all who had in any way contuihuted to its success, lrought aw enjoyable meeting to a close.

## A TWELVE-YEAR-OLD RINGER.

Denis Scott, aged 12, of Darley Dale, Derbyshire, rang his first arter-peal ul the firs attempt when he pilated the treble thronyh 1,260 of Oxford Bob Triples on Sunday, October 3rd, for the harvest lestival marning serrice at Sitt. Helen's Church. All the havd were local rimgers: Denis Scott 1. Robert Allsop 2, H. E. Taylor 3, H. W. (ivegory 4, B. Allsop 5, Ron thlsop 6, G. FI. Paulson (conduetor) 7. ax. Bentou 8.

## VARIETY AT COOKHAM

WAPPY OXEORD GUILD MEETING.
The Lasf Berlis and Soutli Butks Brancla of the Oxford Diocesum Gaild held a monthly meeting at Cowkhan on September 25th. To a visitor the gathering seemed to typily the real spirit for which ringing guilds wers created. The good fellowship hewween the yonng ringers and the 'old lands' sed the wheels of progress rolling.

Variety is the spice of life, so they say, and it certainly proved so at Cookham, for evoryone callen for his fivourite method, und rany it ( 44,005 of them), and though 6,5's at backstroke do not appenl to all, things ended happily.
Tea, thab important item, was well and truly served by mine host of the Royal Jxchange, The mumberg were pleased to welcome Unclo Joe Hawkins. They get to Fook for him at these country places, hut on this oconsion forgot to mquine what he had done with his fellowhikers.

A slkort interval of handbeli ringing with the help of Mr. .). Irmes udded move pariely, and on the return to the tower the bells were half muffled in respect for the momory of a local choirman.

The next meeling is suggested for Fughenden on October 30th. '1'his is a chance for biose hikers who appreciate the glories of the atituma in the Chiltern beech woods.

## ESSEX ASSOCLATION

A very pleasant meeting of the North-Western Divigion of the Essex Association was held at Epping Upland on the eve of the havest [estival. The Ficar (the Rev. Rubie) offieiated at the ecrvice and also anconpanied the singing. Afterwards he conducted those present round the fine old church and pointed out its interesting and historical features.
Tea was generously provided by the Misses Marters in the gavden room adjoining the churchyard. It was a pity there wore so fes to shave the hospilality, althcugli perhaps the weather was partly to blame.
The District Master presided aver the usual business meeting, at the commencement of which tribute was paid to two old dietrict membere w ho had passed away, viz., Walter Hobbs, of Harlow, and Jolu I liorz of Stansted.
It whs decided to hold the next meeting at hendens Anuo on the first Saturday in November.
A vote of thanles was actorded to the Vicar for the nse of line bells, and to the Misses Martsrs for phoviding such a hountiful tea.
The towers represented werg Bishon's Stortford, Jarlow, Eavlew Comman, Kawbridgeworth, Roydon, Walthamstow, Loughtou, Berley, Hertford, Sawston and the local company.
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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

We understand that Mr. W. T. Cockerill is retiring this year \&rono the offee of hon. secretary of the Aucieut Seciety of College Youther which he bas filled so ably for nearly fifty years.
So great is the demand for tickets for the Lencashire Association's dinuer at Blackpool on October 30th that it has been found necessury to trausfer it to the Imperial Hydro, Nonth Promenade.
[t is hoped that the talenterl handbell band from Watford will be at Hillingdon on Snturday and ring during the social which is to be Held in connection with the joint meeting of the Middesex Associntion and Oxford and Ladies' Guilds.
Regrular practices will be resumed at the Church of St. George the Kartyr, Southwark, from 8 ti $9.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, on Wediesdays, from October $204 \mathrm{~J}_{3}$.

We regret that owing to pressure on our space we have had to hold over our usual article for begianers, as well ss several reports of meetings and outings.

## THE START OF STEDMAN. SUGGESTED OHANGE.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir, -May I humbly suggest thab one way of marking the 300th anniversary of the Ancient Society of Collego Yonths would be to make a change in the stoart of Stedman.
I suggest that the first row after rounds should be the first row of an six' from now onwards, instead of the fifth row as it is at present. It would be very interesting to know the views of members of the Exercise on this point.
H. MILBS (Oxford University Society).

## NEGLECTED ' WIFE SEEKS ENLIGHTENMENT,

To the Editor.
Sir-My busband is one of those who negleets his wife on Saturday aftermoons (and at ather times as well) for peal ringing. He said, when I asked him recently whether all this peal ringing was necessary to improve the standard of riuging for Sunclay service, that it was.
I then asked him, if that were the sole reason, why do some of tha most enthusiastic peal ringers mever ring for serwice? Why do ringers have long faces when they lose a pealp-my husband an example-as it would be immaterial if it were done to improve the Sunday ringing. But he wordr not give me an intelligent, answer:
Is it not true that the amassing of a large number of peals by individuals is really self-glorification, or is it conceit? Can someone enlighten me?
' RINGER'S WIFT.'

## THE 'PEAL' OF LIFE.

RINGENG PARSON'S ANALOGY.
A meeting of the Stookport Branch of the Chester Diocesau Guilat was held at Marple on Octoler 2nd. The day was a fine autumin one, and the bells, cast in 1731 by Rudhall, were sending their cadench over the surrounding dales very soon after three o'clock, touches iss several methods being rung prior to tho service. The Guild form whs used, as usual, and was conducted by the Rev. G. E. Bottomig (curate). Tlie lesson was read and a sliort walk given by the Rev. F. Bonner, a ringing member of the branch. Ho took as his texts Numbers x., 10. He likeued life to a peal and pointed out that the co-operation and comradeship to be found in the belfry could be well extended to atl walks of life. The individuality of each person was as necessary as were the different notes of a peal of bells, and just like a peal of bells, if all co-operated together, life could be quite as harmonions as the music which goes forth from our towers. Another point lae made was that whilst we are ready to submit our wills to an earthly conducion for three hours or so, how many of us are willing to submit ourselves to the greatest conductor of all, so thaf He mey order our lives, Who alone can correct the trips wo make in life and keep us in our true course?
Tea wes served in the Parish Hall, and 61 members and friends cnjoyed an excellent meal. The usual business meeting followed, under the chairmanghip of the Rev. G. E. Bottomloy, supported by tho branels cheirman, Mr. W. Wolstencroft.

The Chairman welcomed the branch to Marple on behalf of the Vicar, who was unforturately mable to be presenta, as he was attending the induction of the new Dean of Chester. He limself had only been in tha parish a few days and had had no experience of ringers ${ }^{n}$ meetings, but lie hoped the members would make themselpes welcome and that be would mect them all on many occasions.
The secretsry gave a short report of the proceedings at the annual festival for the benefit of those members who were uluable to attend
Three new members, all fram St. Peter's, Ashton, were eleched.
Yoles of tharks were extended to the Vicar and wardens for pelmission to hold the meeting, to the Rev. G. E. Bottomley for his services, to the organist, the ladies who prepared the tea, and also to the Rev. F. Bonner for the excelleat address.

This concluded the business of the meeting, and the memberg then adjonmed to the tower for further riuging -unlil a lato hour, the methods ranging from Oumbridge Surprise to Graudgire Doubles.

## SIXTY-FIVE YEARS MARRIED

## RINGER'S CONGRATULATIONS FROM KING AND QUEEN.

## Calebration at Newent

The whole Lxercise will join un congratulating Mr, and Mus. Joseph Williams, of Newent, Glos., upon celebrating the 65th anniversary ol their wedding. They were married at St. Mary's Church, Chelfenluam, on Ochober 8th, 1872 , Bud have a fanily of four: oue son and three daughters. Both Mr. and Mrs. Witliams are 84 years of age and are in the best of health.
Mr. Williams served 32 years in the Gloucestershire Police Force and is still affectionalely known to many friends as "the Sergeant."
[n 1891, Mr. Williams weut to Newent in clarge of the Newent Petty Sessional Division, where he remained for 12 years up till his otirement
At the last Police Conrt he abLended before lis retirement he was presented by the chainman of the Bench witl a testimonial and a purse of 550 which had been fubseribed by the towaspeople of Newent.
After his relirement from the Police Force he was appainterl school a district, and remained in this post for 19 years.
One exciting incident in his police career is worth recalling. Tı 1387, while Mr. Willianss was a sergeant in (ilouester, information was received that a dangerous ganl-iveaker had taken the keys from a warder Brecon Prison and escaped.
This noforiots character made his way to Gloucester; and, while posiug us Capl. King alld holding a service was axested by Mr. Williams after a severe struggle.
King had previonaly escaped from sureral prisons in the Norlh, and when he was brought before the Beuch he had to be handetfed. Mr. Willians was complimentred and awanded 2 for hrving courageously made the arrest.
Mr. Williams, who has rung nearly two hundred peals, has also been a member of the choir at Newent for nearly 45 years.

GLD RENGING FRIENDS JOIN IN.
Last Friday's great event was celebrated with enthusiasm. Iu addjtion to a fanily gathering many of 'the Sergeant's ' ringing friends vere present. The bells of the Parish Church, a peal of six, which fad not beell rung since Easter, owing to their condition, had nevertheless to work overtime on this oceasion. The intention was to ring ${ }^{2}$ peal of Minor, but the 'go' was too much like donkey work for the full peal, aud 720 's were therefore rung, as well as Grandsire and Slednam Doubles. Six of the 'old boys' who did most of the ringiug Were J. Austin, Hed 74; Jolu Clark, 74 ; J. W. Jones, 72 ; J. Devies, 70 ; S. Romans, 68 ; and O . Sedler; 61 ; the total age of the six boing luas 419 years.
Telerrams of congratulations, including one from the King and Gueen at Balmoral, ponred in during the day. There were so many lint the siock of the special forms at the Post Offico was exhausted. The gitests numbered 40 , including the former Vicar of Nepent, llye Rev. A. T. Lovendes, now Vicar of Compton Abrale, and the Rev. N. E. Hope, Yienr of Chedworth, the latter taking part in the ringing in the aftemoon.
the afternonn reception a reproduction of the original wedding cake was cut and the health of both proposed. The general rejoicing, which inchoded the use of the handbells in change ringing and tang minging, was kept ur until a very late hour, several of the party not reaching home until the small hours. Mention. must, of course, be mado of the fact that the usual course of Thiples, four in hand and sitting hack to back, was rung by J. Austim and "the Scrgeant."
The ringers who took part will have happy recollections of the day and hope to repeat it on the cceasion of the 70th anniversary.

## DEATH OF A GILLINGHAM RINGER

On Satimday, October 2nd, Mr. Edwin Friond, the secretary of the Gillinglam (Kent) band of ringers, died somewhat suddenly. Although le had been indisposed for geveral weeks, he had only been absent from work for just over a week.
'Erdy' had been a member of the Gillingham band of ringers for about 33 yerre, as well as a nember of the choir for 40 years. He will always be remembered by those with whom he came in contach for lis quict and very friendly manner.
On Thursdiny evening. October 7th, a quarter-penl of Qrandsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled by Messrs. Fone, Easter, Poulter, Allen. Shellock, Walker, Norris aud Farmer, and on the Sunday following, for the evoring service, witl the bells lablf-miffled, touches of Grandsire Triples were tung hy Miss Fooks, Mensrs. Easter', Figgess, Poulter, Hone, Harris, Shelluck and Cuhit.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED ENTRANCE FTEE FOR NEW MFMBERS
The last meating of the yuar of the West Norfolk Brauch of the Norwich Diocestar Association took place at King's Lyin on Sithurday, October 2nd, when ropresentatives wero present from Dersinglan, Fakeahan, Grywood, Gressenlarli, Swaflianm and the local band. Other members of the association wbre present from Finchian, Norwich and Wymondiam. Touches of Stedman "ryiples, hob Major", Treble Bob Major and Donble Norwich Major, Bob and treble Bob Royal were rung during the afternon and ovening at St. Margarel's Lower.
At the Jusiness meeting Mr. H. R. Feyloc (claiman of the brameh was supported by Mr. W. J. Eldred (branch secretary), Mr. Nolan Golden (general secretary and treasurer), and Messis. R. W. Cooke and 5. A. Godifrey (members of the committee).
It was decided to hold the annual meeting for the election of officers ou Jnmuary 1st, 1938, at Fakenhans.
Mr. N. Golden refered to the decision to inelude a record of ant the ringing doue on Coronation $D_{\text {ay }}$ in the repart of the current Jear, and the decision of the Standing Committee to adopt a fudge,
It was resolved that new member's on election should pay an entrance fee to cover the cost of a eerbifinte and a bidge in addition to the current yerr's subscription.
Mr. C. S. Tuthill (Fakenham) remarked on the fact that the flourishing town of King's Lynn had two rings of bells in need of atitention and thought something might be done to remely this unsatisfectory stata of affairs.
Thanks were accorded the curate-im-charge, the Rev. E. H. Lister, who combneted a service, and Mr. Hill for his services at the orgam.

## SOUTH NORFOLK BRANCH SUPPORT

Meeting at Bergh Apton on Suturday, October 9th, the South Norfolk Branch endorsed the proposal for an entrance fee for new menters. Over 30 members took part in the ringing af Plain Boh, Kent, and Oxford Treble Job, Oxford Bob, Double Court, Cambridge and London Sinprise on the six bells and also at the neighbonring church of Brooke.
A sorvice was conducted by the Rector, the Rew. A. St. J. Fenrd.
After tea ab Thurton George and Dragon, bile business meetinur took place. In the absence of the hranch chairman, Mr. W. L. Duffeld, Mr. A. L. Coleman was voted to the chair. Ho was bupported hy Mr. A. G. Harrison (hranch secretary), Mr. N. Golden (general secretary and treasurer), Messre, E. G. Bemneti, C. T. More and J. Whiting (members of the committee) and representatives from Diss, Pullam, Redenhall, Saxlingham and Winfarthing. Other branches were represented by members from Ralvergate, Norwich, Norton Subcourse, Reediam, Wroxhana ind WTmondhan
Mr. N. Golden spoke with regard to the proposal to include a lisi of all ringing done in the diecese on Coronation Day in the chrrent year's report, and appealed to all tower masters or secretaries to send in tetails of the performances that day at lherr respective towers. So far, be said, the response had been very poor.
Details of the badge to be adopted wera then given by Mr. Golden, who explained his dasign.
In support of the West Noffolle Branclu's resolntion witly regard in an entrance fee, jt was ananjmonsly resolved 'that in the opinion of this meeting new members on election should pay an entrance fee to cover the cost of a certificate and badge, in addition to the current year's subscription.'
The anmal meeting for the election of offeers was fixed for Janury 15th at Diss.
The Rev. A. St. J. Heard was elected an honornry member, and the belfy election of Mr. T. W. Acicock, of Towestoft, was ratified.
The Rev. A. St. J. Beard was thanked for his services, and Miss M. T. Hepluru for ofliciating at the organ. Mr. I. C. Boggis, leader of the local band, which, incidentally, turned tip in full force, gave much help in making the arrangements for the meeting.

## STEDMAN'S BELLS <br> MORE USE NEEDED.

The anmal meeting of tho Ely District of the Ely Diacesan Association was held at Cambuidge on Saturday, October 2nd, when thera was a good attendance of memberg from the district and ather branches, an oncouraging sign being the atendance of anmber of young ringers from some of the newly-formed bands in the district,
Ringing commenced at St. Bene'b's Church ab about 3 p.m., getvice also being held there, couducted by the Vicar (the Rev. N. Davey), who also took the chaiv at the meeting which followed in be vestry. In welcoming the ringers, the Vicar of St. Bere't's said he was prond to be connected with a church whieli held such a migue place in the history of ringing.
At the meeting the district secretary and commitlee were re-elected for the ensuing year.
After tea further use was made of the bells. Great St. Mary's bells were also rvailable during the evening
The interion of St. Bene't's has heen rodecortat and restored during the inctumbency of the phesent Ficat, while us to the bells, despite varions chmours that have appencod at tiones, no coniphants were heard at this meeting. Althongly the writer makes no claim lo ray knowledge of blie subjed, life opinion is lital the bells only want to be made move use of

## ST MARTIN'S GULLD.

NEW VENUE FOR JOHNSON DINNER.
Ideal weather favoured the members of St. Martin's Guild when finey held thefl autumu quarterly meetiog ou Saturday, 2nd inst., at lle anciend Waswickshite village of Coleshill. The Parish Church stamds at the top of a hill, athd $f$ te tower and spire are a well-known landmark for miles around. Good use was made of the bellis both before service and again in the evening after the business meeting, the methods rune ranging from Grandire 'lriples to Cambridge Major, The Guild's special service was conducted by the Vicar, who also gave a very interesting and helpfinl address.

Betweer 40 and 50 sat down to tea, which was andimbly served lyy ladies sonmecter wilh the church.

The husiness meeting followed, at which the Master, Alderman J. S. Tritehett, presidet. He thatiked the Guild for the honour they had dume him in ringing a peal of Stedman Cingues on the occasion of the celebration of his golden wedding day. Such an honour had never before hem paid to a Birmingham cilizev, and it wotld be many a lonit day hefore another world be similarly honoured. To know what he had the esteem of his fellow-ringers, gheh an esteem as pronpted them to devote an evening to attempting a peal in his honour, was most gratifying to lim. He was particnlarly gratefal to Mi: W. H. Barher for havinor conducted the peal: he had rans with hin many fimes, the first occasion heing when he (IMr. Buther') was 14 years of age.
It was decided to hold the Henry Johoson Commenoration Dinner as usual neat year. The hon. secretary reported, however, that it would he impossible to lold this at the Tmperial Fotel as in former years, as it was definitely closing at the end of this year. The choice of a suitable room was very limited, but he had succeeded in securing The White Horse Restaurant No. 1 room for Saturday, March 5ih, 1938, and he felt sitre the propriptars would put on a good dimer. This aryangements was confirmed
The next dinner being the 50th, Mr. G. T. Swam proposed that tise Master, Alderman J. S. Pritchett, shotld preside. This was seconded by Mr. A. Walker and supported by Mu. Paddon Smith. Although the Master pointed out that he was getting old and his health might not permit him to attend, the resolution, on being put to the meeting, was carried umanimously
The Master expressed lis thentes for the honour confermed on him and promised to do his hest not to let then down.
The tower election of Mr. J. W. Davidson, of Newcastle-on-T'yne, as a life member was duly ratified.
The mext meeting being the ammal, it was resolved to hold this at headquarters as isual. The bi-guarterly meeting was lised fov Northfeld on Saturday, Novenber $13 t h$.
A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for his address in chmoh, to the organist who accompanied the service, and to the ladies who served tea, concluded the business.

## NOISE' OF CHURCH BELLS

## FSSFR V1UARS VIEWS

The Northern Division of the Essex Association had a very eujoyable meating adi Withan on Saturday, September 18th, when 52 ringers and friends, representing 21 towers, took advantage of the ideal afternoon. The hells were going soon after 2 o'olook, first for a weddiug and then the meeting and continned with the exception of a break for service and tea until 9 p.m. Service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. B. E. Payne). In bis address he welcomed the ringers and said they gave one of the most useful services to the church.
'Tor muny years,' ho continued, 'I had to endure a noisy one bell elanging, similar to a school bell. Fow different to listen to a good peal of bells.

Some complain about the noise of the bells when steps are being taken to abate ather excessive noises, but as long as J. an at Witham and you ring out your message on a Sunduy, I am going to alhow that noise to continue and very much so. It will be a very sad day for this cotutry when bells are rung mo more.

Tea, at the Clurch Hotise, was presided over ly the Vicar. The district secretary (Mr. F. Ridgwell) said the charge made for the tea was very small and would hot nearly cover the cost. They had to thank Miss Ayre and nthers who had made contributions towards the tea, and also the ladies who had rimdly prepared it,

BENEVOLENT TUND SUGGESTED.
At the business meeting the District Master (Mr. A. Saunders) presided. The Vicar was umanmousiy elected tu hon. member amid applause.

The annual meeting for the division is to be held at Bockiug eardy in November
A hearty vole of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells and his inspiring address, also to the lady orgatnist for her services.

The Vicar, in reply, said he was very much surpriged and delighted to be elected an hon, menuber
MF. J. Chalk suggested as Benevolent Fund for the association, and after his explanation it was agreed to raise the question at all district annual meefings, so that opinjons could then lee brought forward at the annual usecting of the associstion mext year.
During the aftermoon and evening touches in various methods up to and induding London Surprise Major were rung.

## DEATH OF OLD RAUNDS RINGER IN U.S.A

ONE OT 'IHE PATHEIS • OT THE PETERROROUGH GUWD. Many of the older ringers, and particularly those of Nothamptonshire and Bedfordshire, will learu wilh regree of tino death of irr. Fired Gilbett at Kalamyoo, Mich., U.EA.A., at the age of 71 years. Ho died on September zoth in hospital after a short illness.

Boty at Raumds, Northants, he early began his ringing career there on the then six bells, and was one of the foundation members of the Ramnds Ringily Society, when it was formed at Whitsum, 1883. He lang in the frrst peal of the socieby, one of seven methods, on septemiser $26 \mathrm{th}, 1883$, the hand heing Geovge Kirk 1, Fred Gilbert (ago 17) 2, W. J. Gilbert 3, W. Hall (age 19) 4, J. Wilmot 5, Henry Stublis (enductoy) 6.
The Rannds Ringing Society hater became the Raunds, Wellinghorough and District Socieby, then the Central Northants Association and finally the Peterborbugh Diocesan Guild.

A ringer and conductor of no mean ability, Mra', Gilbert ratg almost a hundred peals, and, on his leaping bhe conntry, was presented with a gold medal by che Centi'al Northants Association, which, at that time, presented them to members who had scored 100 peals for the association. Aithongli Mr. Gibhert's total fell just slon't of this mumber, lie was awarded the medal on his departure in recognition of his services.
His last peal was one of Eob Major on handbells in Peterborough Cathedral shortly hetore leaving the country

Younger bother of the late Willian J. Gilliert, he martied the ouly daughter of the late Georgo Kirk, and thus became the brother in-law of Mr. Frank Kirk, of Raunds, and noncle of Mr. Francis Kirk, of St. Albanc.
A shoemaker by trade, he emigrated to America in 1911, and except for a short visit in 1915, never returned to England, but Whronghout the whole of this period he closely followed the ringing activities throughs 'The Ringing World, and nothing deliglated him more thats to see the uames of bis relabives or riuring friends of byyone days appearing in this paper. Throughont last summer he was daily looking forward to lawing one of the gramophone records of the spliced handbell ringing, and news has been received that it arrived abont a month liefore his fatal illness.
He leaves a widow and ane son, his other som loving been killed in the wat

## GATHERING OF THE CLANS AT LEYTONSTONE

ESSEX, HERTS AND MIDDLESIEX, ASSOGIATIONS AND LADIT GUILD.
The anmal grathering arvanged jointly between the Essex, Herls and $\operatorname{ld}$ iddlesex Associations and the Ladies' Guild was held at Jom's Church, Leytonstone, on Saturday, October End. Many monj berg, representing all Coln of the societies, attended including Mil. E. Batler (district seorefary) and Mr. A. Pritor (District Mastery), Fsses Association ; Mrr. W. H. Lawrence (distriet sectetary), Herts Associa tion; Mr. A. W. Coles (Master), Mr. C. T. Coles (joint lon, secretary $\mathrm{M}^{+}$. $G$. W. Fleteler (vice-president) and Mr. T. J. Lock (Districh Master), Hitadlesex Association; and MI'e. E. K. Fletcher (geneval secretary) and Mrs. R. F. Deal (vice-president), of the Ladies Guild. The ringing before service was in lhe bands of Ir'. A. W. Coles and many touches in all sortg of methons were rung.

The service was attended by sowe 60 ringers. The service was ruthducted by the Rer. E. W. Rowbotiam, of Sto. John's, and an interwst ing address was given by the Rev. Guy Warwick, Vicar of st. Luku's. Leytonstone.
Tea, prepared by miss Hiller, daurgter of the late Mr. Willian Mitler, was served iv the Church Hall. Wilh over 60 sitting down, after less than half that mumber had sent in their names, it was surprising that the was enoligh food to go round, bat eventually everybody was satisfled-at least, it appeared so. If there were myy
otherwise, the blame belongs to those who did not send in their names!

There mes ro business meeting, but Mr. E. J. Butier proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar, Canon Brown (who was unfortunately provented from attendingh, for the nse of the belle; to the preacher and curate for their services; and to Miss Miller and friends for preparing tea.
"This was supported by Mr. ©. H. Coles, Mr. W. H. Lawrence and Mrs. R. F. Deal, on behalf of the members of their respective soeieties. and carried with applause.
Mr. Coles took occasion to vemind those present that the wo trebles at St. Jom's were recently placed in the tower by the Exercise ass an memorinl to that great ringer, Willian Pye, for 25 years Master of the Middlesex Association, St. Join's, Leytomstone, was thus a mostr appropriate place for a meeting of that description, and it was sincerely hoped that many more would le beld.
Afterwards there was further ringing, under the gatidace of Ms. Alfed Prifor, and, whilst there werc several touches, inchading one of Splieed Surpxige, by mixed hands or bands composed of mere men, aut excellently struck course of Cambridge Surpribe Major was rung by eight members of the Ladies' Guild -just to show that they are by eight members of the Ladies Guid -just

## BUCKFAST ABBEY.

## FIRST PEAL ON THE NEW BELIS

Ln a beantiful setting in the upper part of the Dart Yalley in Devorshire stands Buckfast thbey, the home of a commanity of Benedictine monks. Centuries ago the Order oecupied a monastery Here, lout at the dissolution in 1539 , the building was dismantled and the accupants driver from the sountry. The Albey completely disappeared from the face of the land.

Nearly 350 years later, in 1882, anotley commanity of the same Ordel "eoceupied the site, starter excavating the nmeieat foundations, and upon ili, by their own hands, lave raised a magnificent new lutilding. Following the gromad plas of the former structure, it reproduces the transitional style of the Norman and Early English period, is $240 f \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{i}}$, from west to cast and 62 ft . In width across the mave aud aisles. A massive central tower, the last part of the clurch to be completed, flominutes the building, the erowning glony of which are the bells, which were placed there in 1936.
In 1910 a peal of twelve bells, with two semi-tones, cast by Warner and Son, were solemmy blessed nuter the sladow of the ametent $A$ bbotis Tower (the colibity relic of former nagaificent buildings). They were 1he generous gift of the late Sir Robert Harvet, of Dundridge, neat Totaes, as a memorial to his fecersed wife, the late Lady Alida Ifurvey, and in few duys after the ceremony were hoisted to the top of the Abhat's 'lower, where they remained for ten years. Eventually they found their way to the uneenipleted central tower of the Abbey Chureh. They were hurg by Aggett aud Sons, of Chagford, find on Chistmas Fre, 1920, were chimed for tho first time in their hew ahode.


BUCKFAST ABBEY.
The tower is not ynt quite finished.
Before the tower was completed the old ring lung on the fioor of what is now the ringing chamber, and were rung from a narrow stone gullery 51 fl . From the foor of the Abbey. In October, 1930, the late Willam Pye took a band there and scored a peal of Stedman Cinques unter these diffieult ringing conditious.
Following the solemon consecration of the Abbey Chureh in 1932 by a Cardinal Eegate, it was decided that the tower must be finished, ant the Builder Brothers, who had already laboused incessuntly for 25 3eare, tobumed their work. A large bourdon bell was promised then Ats reward, and this oceasioned the reensting of the old bells. This was maried out by Meests. J. Taylor and Co. at their Lougliborough fonudry and magnifeently liave they completed their task. The gizint bourdon weighs 7 tons 9 cwt . 18 Ib , and strikes the lower F . It was the gift of Miss Hilda de Traftord in memory of her sisler, Lady Mildred Bellew. who died on Decmber 29th, 1934, and is named Easemina

The old bells with a wenov of 28 cuti. have been transformed itto a noble peal with a tenor of 41 ewt, 1 qr. 3 lts, in $G_{7}$ and these are lang ou one level round their big brother. The two semi-tones prowide a variety of 'peals,' including thre major eights.
The new beils, which bear the ummes and inseriptions of the eld Fing, werg blessed acconding to He oflicial rites of tho Charel, an March 25th, 1936 . So much for the history of tho modern hells of the Abbey

## ONE OF THE PRIZES.

A peal an Buckfast Ablacy bells may well bo comatad one of the prizes of a ringer's career, and that hand who lush Salurday zamga peal of Stedman Cinques on them vabuod their opportunity and satucess by this measure. The "offeina "record of the peal will lye found in its appropriate column, but in wiow of the wide atea from which the company was drawn, it may be mod unmeresting foredera to give a list of the ringers and the places from which they came: it is Goldsmith (Waking, Surrey), A. Walker (Birminghany, C. T. Coles (Wallhamstow, Essex), F. W Pervers (Cuventry) G. It. PYe TRom ford, Essex), G. F. Swan (Birminghan), R. Richardson (Surfuel Tines), W. A. Cave (Bristol). F. J. 1Perbi (Coventry), A. B' Smifit (Birmjogham), E. P. Dufliela (Colehester; Essex), J. H. Sheplown (Swindon, Wilis). Six of this bend toof part in the peal of 1930.

The majority assentbled in Fixeter on Fruday erening, and complebed Whe jouney to IBnckiast on Sunnay moming, hating firt renewen acquaintance with the interior of Exeter's grand ald Callaedral, witl its maboken roof of fan vanting from wose to east, a fealure which the of the party duly impressed upon all nuld sundry

Arriving at Bueltfast, ble compuny were welcomed lyy Ar. Anhey Bemmett, who had teen instrumbatial in getting permission for the peal atitempt, ind were joined by Mr. T? Laser, hou. secretary of the Devon- Guild. Three Iadies were also of the party-Mrs. Wallier, Wrs Coles and Mrs. Richardson.

Aitogether the fingers spent five hours in tho Abhey towor, I'lo first lour was occmied in raising the hells (the Erant eight beint pulted np in peal), adjusiing ropen und waiting for the terntination of a service. The ringing ihamber fis sitl in ationtinished sate, hub Lie foise of the bells just owerinead has hates admitably modulated by the provision of a sombledeatening ceiling. at present the walls are in their rough state, and thene is no stass in tine window apenings, but somo of these are hoatrled mp to vegist the nowe of the hella When the chamher is complied lla condilians in the tower shoult be perfect with regard to sommal. The cirule is not at patinubintls rood one, as the necessity for hanging the 14 bells round the bourctoin fas resulted in 2, $3,4,5$ and 6 lieing heng in a strajght tine. TVo cleventh on the other side of the big chamber looks isolated, and the tenor is rutg from a platform that stretehes ecross one side of thr ringing room.

However, the small diffenltios thus mresented did not provent an excellent peal being rung in 3 hours 47 mindedes, flae only maxiely to the conductor, eansed by a slow start, being whelher the peal wonld be finished by the stipulatod time, $6.50 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Fe, lowever, speeded up his ieam by just suflicient acceleration to bring tho bells round with three mimutes to spare.
Some of the monks were the first to congratulate the ringers upou their success and fine ringing, and each momber of the band was presented with a souvenir in the shape of a cham beariug the innge of St. Benedict.

Later on round the dinner table, Mr. Albert Falser thanken Mr, Benmalt for all the trouble he had taken in making arrargemants, and asked him also to convey tho warmest thank of the visitots to tho Father Abbot for permission to ring mat to other memhers of thr Community for the welcome extended.

Then the party gave themselves uls to celebrating the event by in musical' evening in which handbels mayed a part. Ahout 1 a.m. one of the company courteously said to the hostess, "I hope we ar not keeping you up."
The visitors-except two who hat vanished immediately after the peal in order to get home the same nigh--dispersed on their wirious long joumeys next morning, not only gratifind with their success, bui also happy in the reunion of old friends which it had bronght aboul

The bells of the Abbey are rung hy the monks for the principal services on Sundays. Usually cight are used, but sometimes They have nat yet got as fay as pint ble twolve in peal. There arn some 16 or 18 Tahhers and Brothers wiso can handlo a hell, but 1.1 m "calt' changes which thoy produce are lung from $\pi$ stand, on whinh numbers are interchanged by anotier Brother, who rings a emall handbell, when the ringers have to start upon the uow change.

## FIRST QUARTFR-PEALE.

EOBBING, KENT.-At St. Barthalomew's Churph on Septemher 204h heforb morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor in hanomb of the histh of a danghter in Mr. G. Rose, who is a local ringer: Wakelam 1. Ron Betsen 2, J. Glover 3. Reg Belsom 4. T. Inall 5. T. W. May (conductor) 6. First quarter-pen by the first four jimgers aum first lanal auarter-peal since before the war.

TROWRRIDGE, WILTS.-At St. Jemes" Chureln on Sindry, Ontolev 3rd, for harvest festival morning service, 1.281 Stednan Cinques S. J. Fector 1, C. F. Andrew (conductor) 2, T. Amor 3, J. Prancis 4. ©. Bntuher 5, FR. Newlon 6. W. Baxter 7. E. $1^{3}$ arker 8, G. IT Harding 9, C. Raison 10, N. V. Ambews 11, "S. Francis 12. Firsl quarter-peal of Cinques.

## Long Service.

WORFMIE HONOURED BE MLSSRS. JOYCE AND CO.
Tho world's oldest clockmakers,' Messiss. J. B. Joyce and Co., of Whithuren, Silag, whathe been marying on business for the lasi 300 years, are happy in possession of atall whose senion members huve spent their workinf difatine with the firm. The skill, experience and fechnical knowledge thus accumulated goes into alf the work of Hie fretory and have helprd to make the prodstets of J. B. Joyce and Co. world famous.

The finm have established the huppy practice of presenting souvenirg of long service to those who reach their jubilee, and recently two members of tho staff received gifts on gnabfying wilh 50 years loyal service. They were Mr. George E. Beddow and Mr. John Gresu. The former chose a "crandmother' clack and the latter a gold watch. Both timepieces were suitably inseribed and were presented by Mr. Artlur Mayhew, chairman of directors.

Among ollzer employes with long service are Messus. A. V. G. Ladds (manuger), 39 years; Jumes Thelwell, over 40 yeara; Hugh Langford, 35 years; Tom Briscoe, 33 years; Willana Millingtm, 32 years; Norman Juyce, 31 years: Cedrie Rathon, 20 rears: and Tames Beddow, son of Mr. George Heddow, 19 gens.

Among the foreign orders received just recently by Mescres. J. 13. Joyce and Co, is one for a Eolm-dial ilhminnted clock, with Westminater chines and five bells weirbiny 30 cwl , for the Municipaliby of Ahamedahari, India, and another lor a tolly-dial tower clock for Whe Dr. Gabone Memorial, ali Belize, British Honduras, Contral Anmerien.

## A COLLEGE YOUTH'S BIRTHDAY.

## HR. TORE GROOMBRIDGTE ES 70.

Whe 70th birthday of Mr. Tom Groombridge, sell, has been celebrated by two peals, one at Crayford on the eve of the anuiversary, in whinh his two sons took phrt with him, nud the other on the bew ring of bells at the Church of the Anmunciation, Chislelnurst, on "the day,
'The peal ath Crayford was rung for the College Touths, of which Mr: Groomlaridge las been a member for 40 years or more, and of which he is a Prast Master. Mr. F. M. Miteheli, who also took part, is another Past Master, and Mi. F. H. Oxealian a former steward. It is believed to be 50 years since the lase Elallege Youtha' peal was rung in this tower

The peal of Cambrige Sumater al Chishburst, where Mr. Groom britge has been instractiug a new band, was rung under tle auspices of bolh the Kent Association and the College Youths and was conriuched by 7 . Fr . Groumbridge.

Afler the peal the ringers were med by Mr. E. A. Young and two of filne loeal band and taken by father Tom to the 'Albany Comer Hause, "where they were all entertained by Mrs. Groombridge, sen., to ar very uice tea, to which ample justice was done. Handbell ringing was indulged in, and great interest was shown in the display of prizes won by Tom, when a trifle younger and no mean atblete. Sincere Llinkes weye necorded to Mrs. Groombridge, sen., for her kindly binonght, and to Mrs. Groombriduse, jun., for her share in contributing In an enjoyable evening. The proverbind hati noue the less sincere wish of 'many happy returus, was conpled with the promise that (L.V) the ringers wonld feturn in 1942 for a repeat' performance. It is interesting to note that three generations of the Groonimidge family are active memhers of the Ancient Sociely of College Yonthe.

## KENT RINGERS VISIT CROYDON.

Iturstall, Sittingbotma and Queemborough ringers united in all wuling on September 4its and were favouret wilih perfect weather. The party were picked up at intervals on the early stages of the journey, matil tho concl was finally filled at Maidstone with a parly of 32, while the oid Riley came alont in the rear wibh an overfow of Spice. Sevenoalis was first risited, hut, unforthnately no ringing wag possible owing to the bereavementi of one of the chanch offecials, whase sos had met witio a fatal air crnslı. Nevertheless, a pleasant hour was spent. Some made the ascenb to the top of the tower to enjoy the view; the: elrarel was inspected and the model tidiness of tive churchyad indmired. At 10 a.m. the party were off again to Croydon, where they paid a visit to Messers. Gillett and Johnston's fonndry They were welcomed $\mathrm{h}_{\mathrm{y}} \mathrm{Mr}$. Stevehsols, who contucted them over the ractory and explained the many interesting works in progress. Mr. Spice, on bebatf of hie party, thanked Messrs. Qilletf and Johnston and Mr. Stevenson. Ringiug at. St, John's Clumels followed. Some sontrds wete mung on this fine twelve and afterwards Stedmen Caters. After linch ringing took place at St Peters Ghurch, where the wisitors wem met by one of their old friends, Mr. David Wright, and olfiers of Wo local compary, who nssisted in ringiny some of Mr. Lon Head's fancy tonches of stedman Caters and some Plan fare. A very pleasant jun throngl lovely geenery brought the party to the pieAn'esque villare of Shoreham, where the light peal of eight was made yood use of in a variety of medhodis. Tear and $n$ "social" at Ye Olde George followed, and then handbells on the green bronght the willagers to their Ahorsteps to Iisten. At Wrotham another good 'ring' on a musical peal whs anjoyed. Tunstall was sadely reached at 9.45 , after a most enjoyable day, with everyone satisfied with the arrangements turtie ly Mr. W. Spice.

## NOTICES.

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## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION..-.Rossendale Branch

-The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas' Church, Newchurch, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available from $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please do your best to attend. The success of the meeting depends on you.-J. Porter, Hon. Sec. 1i, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -Next meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew's, Whitworth, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available from 3 to 9 p.m. Business meeting 7 p.m., when the subject of creating a Branch Ringing Master will be discussed. Will you please come along and make this meeting a success.-Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The next meeting will be heid at St. James', West Derby, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. For tea, please notify Mr. H. Hancock, 60, Sandstone Road, Stoneycroft.-H Grundy, Branch Scc.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North Easterı Division.A meeting will be held at Great Bromley on Saturday October 16th. Bells available at 2.30 . Service $4-15$ p.m Will all those intending to be present please notify me as soon as possible?-F. R. Sparling, Hon. Sec., Station Hotel, Wivenhoe.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

 -Chew Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will bo held at Yatton on Saturday, October 16th. Bells avail able 3 o'clock. Divine service 4.30 p.m. Tea at o'clock, with business meeting to follow. All ringers wel-come.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.Bath and wells diocesan association -Jarisdiction of Glaston Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Croscombe on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.-F. D. Rickards, 3, Great Stanhope Street, Bath.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis-trict.-The annual district mecting will be held at St. Mary's, Lewisham, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar, and business meeting at 5 p.m. Please ensure that your tower is adequately represented. -A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere, Kent.

HERTFORDSHIRE AND BEDFORDSHIRE AS-SOCIATIONS.-A joint meeting will be held at Leighton Buzzard on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (10) will be available from 2.30 p.m. A short service will be held at 4 p.m., followed by tea at $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The peal of eight at Linslade will also be available. Numbers for tea, etc., to Walter Ayre, Leverstock Green, or F. J. Plunmer, Plantation Road, Leighton Buzzard.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Chesterfield District will be held at Clay Cross on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available 4 p.m. This peal has just been recast. All are welcome.-J. P. Tarlton, Dis. Hon. Sec.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-East Devon Branch.--The autumn meeting will be held at Payhembury on Saturday, October 16th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, the Schoolroom, 5 , followed by a short meeting. All ringers welcome.John H. Godfrey, Silver Street, Ottery St. Mary.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Stratford-on-Avon on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (8) available for short periods from 3 p.m. and after meeting. Committee meet 4 p.m., at No. 8 , Trinity Street. Tea in the Riverside Cafe at 4.30. Service, with address, in Holy Trinity Church at 5.30 , followed by general business meeting in the tower. Future neeetings at .Stratford will depend on your attendance at this meeting.-Malcoln Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - North Norfolk Branch.-An informal meeting will be held at Garveston on October 16th (not 9th). Bells from 2.30. One mile from Thuxton Station. All are welcome. - H . Tooke, Branch Sec., The Lizard, Wymondham, Norfolk.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting of this district will be held at Little Staughton on Saturday, October 16 th . Bells (5) ready from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 by invitation of the Vicar. You will be very welcome. Just drop me a card.-Frank C. Tysoe, 10, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bishop's Waltham on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., in the Church Hall, followed by busjhess meeting. All ringers welcome.-A. T. Greenwood, 6, Sheffield Road, Portsmouth.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch.
The next practice meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Prestwich, on Saturday, October 16th. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec., 35, The Crescent, Worsley.

IOONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-The next meeting will be held to-morrow, Ocober 16 th, at St. Mary's, Leyton. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Janes G. A. Prior, Hon. Sec., 31, Limerston Street, Chelsea, S.W. 10.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District.-By the kind invitation of Canon H. E. Fitzherbert, M.A., R.D., the autumn meeting of the above district will be held at St. Peter's, Netherseale, on Saturday, October 16 th. Bells ( 8 ) available at 2.30 p.m. Service 5.30, to be conducted by Canon FitzHerbert and Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, of Ordsall. All ringers and friends welcome.-J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Northern Branch.-The annual mecting of the branch will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting.- $]$. S. Mason, Branch Sec., 19 , Broadwell Road, Oldbury, near Birmingham.

HILIINGDON, MIDDLESEX.-A joint meeting ol the Ladies' Guild, the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (S. and W. District), and the Oxford Diocesan Guild (East Berks and South Bucks Branch) will be held at St. John's Church on Saturday, October 16th. Belis (10) from 3.15 and after tea. St. Andrew's, Uxbridge (8), from 3 to 4.30 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea, in St. John's Hall, at 5.15 p.m., 1s. each. Social evening (refreshments) in the Hall from 7.30 p.m. All ringers and friends welcomed, but will you endeavout to notify for tea, please. Note: Hillingdon (5wakeleys) station is unsuitable; book to Uxbridge. Mrs. E. K. Fletcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield; F. W. Goodrellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks; and A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough, Hon. Secs.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held al St. Magnus' on the 28th; Southwark Cathedral on the 21st; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 26th (nomination night), at '7.30. * Busipess meeting afterwards.-Willian ?' Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4 .

THE LADIES' GUILD. Arrangements for the Jubilee Dinner, Saturday, October 23rd. The bells of St. Clement Danes' Church, Strand, wili be available from 2.30-4 p.m. Special service for Guild members and friends at the same church at 4 p.m. Reception at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, from $5.30-6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Dinner will commence at 6 o'clock precisely, and all ticket holders are asked to be in their places by this time. On Sunday, October 24th, Corporate Communion will be celelorated at the Church of St. Lawrence Jewry, London, E.C., at 9.25 a.m. All visitors staying in London are corclially invited to attend.-E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Sec., 45, Walsingham Road, Enfiela.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The jubilee festival will be held on Saturday, October 23rd, at Alfreton. Ringing from 2.30 to 4.30 . Service in church, address by Rev. R. E. Birtwistle (an old memher of the association). High tea at 6 o'clock in the Parish Church Mission Hall, Mansfield Road. Tickets, 2 s. gents, 1 s .6 d . ladies. Applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance, must reach me by Monday, October 18th.-J. W. England, 49, The Common, Souts Normanton.

PEAK DISTRICK SOCIETY.-The October meetiny will be Jeld on Saturday, the 23rd, at Old Brampton, near Chesterfield. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Those hoping to be present, please drop me a card by Wednesday, October 20th.-H. L. Warburton, 72, Causeway Head Roarl, Dore, near Stheffield.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Weedon ( 6 bells), on Saturday, October 23rd. Usual arrangements. -W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

MIDLAND COUNIIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborough District.-The next meeting will be held at Hugglescote on October 23rd. Good bus service from all parts to Coalville, and then every few minutes from Marlborough Square. Big belfry; please fill it. For tea, postcard to H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., Hugglescote.

CRESFORD, NORTH WALES.-Re-opening of bells, Saturday, October 23rd. Bells available 2.30. Service 3.30. Tea, Is., 4.30. Notiry requiring tea by Thursday. - (ieorge Williams, The Sexton, Gresford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Burntey, on Saturday, October 23rcl. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Members and non-members cordially invited.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvi] Street, Blackburn.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bambury and District Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Swalclifte on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and short business mecting. For tea, please let me know.-E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Banbury.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN.ASSOCIATION. -Cary Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be hedd at Charlton Mackerell on Saturday, October 23 rcl . Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting following. Please advise for tea.-W. A. Osborn, Galhampton, Ycowil, Somerset.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GLIILD.-Crewe Branch.The next meeting of the nbove branch will be held at Nantwich on Saturday, Octoher 23rd. Bells (8) from 3 o'clock. Will all those who intend to be present please remember to send a card by the 20th inst.?-Richard D. Langford, Hon. Sec., 118, Ruskin Road, Crewe.

EITY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch.A meeting will be held at Somersham on Saturday, October 23 rd . Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Gt. Staughton, St. Neots.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN.-Bath Branch.A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Bathwick, on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15.-Theo. Grant, Hon. Sec., Swainswick, Bath.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. The next meeting will be held at the Sacred Heart Church (R.C.), Talbot Road, on Saturday, October 23rd. Ringing on the eight bells from 4 to 6 p.m. only. Business meeting to follow.-C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 35, Berwick Road, Blackpool, S.S.

OURHAM AND NEWCASTIE DIOCESAN ASSO-ClATION.-A special meeting will be held at Bishop Auckland on Saturday, October 23rd, by invitation of the Vicar, when a peal board will be unveiled. Bells available from 2 p.m. Requirements for tea to reach me not later than Wednestay morning, the 20th inst.-Roland L'ark, Hon. Sec., 23, Oaklands Terrace, Darlington.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at Horwich on Saturday, October 23rd, instead of October 30th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 o'clock.-l'cter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Willersey on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells (6), which have recently been rehung, available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Numbers for tea by Tuesday previous to J. E. Newman, Hinton, Evesham.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUIED.-Thrapston Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Twywell on Saturday, October 2ß̉d. Bells (5) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m1. Handbells also available. -W. J. Whitmore, 80 c , High Street, Raunds, Northants. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Annual dinner at Blackpool on Saturday, October 30th. Owing to the large demand for tickets the County Hotel cannot find the necessary accommodation. The dinner will therefore be held at The Imperial Hydro, North Promenade, Blackpool (a penny tram fare from Talbot Square). Tickets 4 s . each. A special room is being reserved for ticket holders from 5 p.m. onwards.-C. Sharples, 35, Berwick Road, Blackpool.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Isle of Wight District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Carisbrooke on Saturday, October 30 th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m., at the Eight Bells Hotel, followed by business meeting. All requiring tea please notify by October 28 th -H. P. James, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Portland Street, New port, Isle of Wight.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-Annual meeting, Tonbridge, Saturday, October 30th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea at the Carl ton Cafe, High Street, 5.15. It is your duty to see that your tower is represented. Hall fares up to 2s. will bu allowed members. Please notify me for tea by Wednes day, October 27 th .-Alec. E. Richardson, Laurel Cot tage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

LADIES' GUILD AND GUILDFORD DIOCESA GUILD.-Joint meeting at Aldershot on Saturday, Octo ber 30th. Book the date !-(Miss) H. Mills and C. W Denyer, Hon. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester Dis trict.--The annual districl meeting will be held at Rochester Cathedral on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Tower open a 3 p.m. Evensong at 4 p.m. Tea, at the City Cafe, at 5 p.m., only for those who notify the secretary. Businest meeting aftervards for the election of district oflicers etc., and members are particularly urged to attend. -Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 162 , Barnsole Road, Gillingham, Kent.

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## THE LADIES' GUILD JUBILEE.

To-morrow the Ladies' Guild celebrates its silver jubilee, and the good wishes and congratulations of the Exercise will go out to the members upon this auspicious event. When the ladies set up their organisation in 1912 there were doubts among many ringers, not so much whether the numbers justified the action, as whether they could make their operations effective, in view of the fact that they were few and far between. In those days ladies had only just began to penetrate into the belfry, and they were, it was thought, already catered for in the existing territorial and diocesan associations. But the ladies had courage as well as faith, and they have proved that their optimism was justified. In these twenty-five years their numbers have grown nearly tenfold, and they have made for themselves an established place in the organisation of the Exercise.

It may be as well to recall the declared object of the Guild when it was founded, for it is an inclication of the serious purpose which the ladies set before themselves: 'To encourage ringing among church workers as a spititual, mental and physical exercise; to assist, when and where necessary, their brethren in the att of ringing; and to bring into a closer relationslip all women and girl ringers in the kingdom.' Despite the handicap of a comparatively sparse membership spread over the whole country, the link formed by the Guild has certainly drawn the ladies into closer association and enabled them to cooperate as a body with other organisations. No one can deny the valuable services which ladies have rendered in many towers, not only in the wat period but since, and those-and there are still a few-who are inclined to resent the presence of ladies in the beifry, are probably those who have not had the difficulty of keeping the bells going for service through depletion of man power. There are cases where the introduction of ladies has saved bands from virtual extinction and, even if the recruiting of this new material has not been due to the Guild, its existence must be an infuence with many ladies when they contemplate entering the art. That there is a Ladjes' Guild is one proof that bellringing is an occupation which they can becomingly take up.

The confinual growth of the Guild is evidence of its vitaliky, but no organisation of this kind can fourish without a great deal of unselfish labour on the part of the enthusiasts. Ever since the Guild was founded, Mrs. G. W. Fletcher has been the hon. secretary. Hers was the leading spirit in its formation; and she has served it not only with loyalty, but with skill and sticcess throughout the twenty-five years. Others, in varying capacities and (Continued on page 694.)

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

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On Saturday, October 16, 1937, it Thyee Fowrs and Fifty-Two Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Patl.
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## TEN BELL PEAL.

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THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Satutday, October 76, 1937, in Thyes Howrs and Thivly-Ttwo Minutes At the Phaish Cerrgh of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF HEW CAMGRIDCE $8 U R P R I G E$ ROYAL, 5040 CHAMCES Tenor $30 \frac{\pi}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Jofn Grundy ... ... ...Treble ! lJ. Fredrrick Milner Joun Holman ... .... ... 2 §Frederice H. Dexigr .. 7 -Stdnay Carney ... .... ... 3 |Alac Hotchinson ... ... 8 $\dagger$ trard W. Hill .... ........ 4 Harry Brodghton ......${ }^{9}$ †Rzevbre F. Elkington ... 5 tColin Harrison .. ... ...Terc Composed by Wiliram Eye. Conducted by Colin Harrison, * First peal of Royal. $\dagger$ First peal of New Gambridge. $\ddagger 200$ t peal for Midand Counties Assaciation. $\$ 200$ th peal of Surprise.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WICKEN, NORTHAMPTONSEIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, Ochober 9, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minetes, At thr Ceoreb of St. Jobn-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor is cwt, iqr, 20 lb .
Harry G. Ridgway ... ...Tpable Ralpa Eoddy
A NenNerey Wood... 2 Wicelam
(.. 6
*Herbert C. Edwards ... 3 Ernhst C. Lampert ... ... 7 Thomas E. Roberts .. ... 4 Albert J. Grben... ... ... Tamoy Composed by G. Lindope.

Conducted by A. J. Grben.

* First peal in the method.

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, LTNCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOGESAN GUILD.
(Northrrn Branca.)
On Saturday, Oetober 9, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minntes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL 日F DOUBLE MORWICH COURT GOB RAJBR, 518A CHANEES; Tenor zo cwt. \& qr. 2 lb .

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Whale McGuiness ... ... 3
Composed by Artiur Craven.

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Ernest Brittain ... ... 7
Jack Bray ... ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Jack Bray.

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## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGESI

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## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Therstang' Fodr-part.
Tenor 9 cwt in A .
William Townsend... ...Tyeble ; Tbomas Boreham ... ... 5 Mark Hicks ... ... ... 2 Gborgr H. Walters ... ... 6 -William Onkhy ... ... 3 Jobn F. Ballingrr ..... .7 Cbarles y. Martin ... 4 Rzaben Hrmming ... ...Tetor Conducted by J. F. Ballinger,
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HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, October 11, 1937. in Thres Howys and Two Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Remigios,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BGE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor io cwt. x qr. 12 lb . in G.
「bomas e. Spbigat ... ... 3 Henry Tooke ... Pulltp W. J. Frybr ... ... 4 William J. Clover ... ...Temoy Composed by Henry Dains. Conducted by Williar E. Bason. FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Monday, Octobey 11. 1937, in Three Howrs and Fourteen Minutes, At tee Chuech of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor 16 cwt .


DARTFORD, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
Un Monduy. 'clobey 11, 1937, in Two Hours and Frfty-Nine Minstes, At the Church of the Holy Thinity,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, $\operatorname{botg}$ CHAMGE8; Tenor $18 \frac{1}{\mathrm{~s}} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Mrs. James E. Bailey
.Tyeble Harry Hoverd $\qquad$
$\qquad$

 Composej by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by Geo. J. Botcurr

* First Surprise peal. First peal in the meihod as conductor. CLAYERLEY, SHROPSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Tuesday, Ocfober 12, 1937, in 7 heree Hours.
At tre Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Parkzr's Twblve-part.
'Ladrercr W. Frangis ...Tveble Ernrst A. Drbw
… ... 5
Cyril Ceambers ... ... 3 Fredekick |. Minton ... ... 7
Josept Marsb ... ... ... 4 Thomas Davibs ... ... ...T Tenor

Conducted by Cbas. H. Woodberry.

* First peal. Specially arrauged and rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Gordon Cliftord Goodson, $n$ member of the local band, and Migs Rosamond Mary Swift, of Claverley, who were married at this church on September 29 tin.

HARBORNE, BTRMINGHAM.
THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Nortbern Branch.)
On Wednesday, Otobev 13, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifty-Two Minutes, At the Churce of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MASOR, 5088 CHANGE8, Tenor rol cwt. in G.
James H. Sheperad... ...Treble। Jogy S. Mason ... ... ... 5
Danifl T. Matrin ... ... 2 Sidney O'C. Holloway ... 6
Norman J.Goodman... ... 3 Wieliam Dowding
William Sbort ... ... ... 4 James George ... ... ....Tenor
Composed by A. Czaven, Conducted by Daniel T. Markin.

* First peal of Kent Treble Bobs. Rung on the occasion of the visit of H.R.H. the Duke of Kent to Birmingham.

HYTfE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Om Sahirday, October 16, 1937, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Churce of St. Lhonard,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6184 CHANGE8; Tenor 20 cwt .


 Composed by A. Knigets (No. 127). Conducted by Tbomas E. Sons HEAVITRFE, JXEIER.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHERE RINGERS.
On Saturday. October 16, 1937, in 7 hree Hours and Twenty-Four-and-aHalf Minutes.

## At the Cherch of Si Miceael and All Angrls,

a PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, soos GHANGE8; Tenor 26 cwt .
Joun H. B. Hesse ... ...Treble Ernest J. Taylor ... ... 5 Kennety Ford ... ... ... 2 -Chaistopazt R. Walmbr 6 Frrnerick Targett ... ... 3 Ronald G. Beck ... ... 7 Firank Skidmare ... ... ... 4 Josbpa T. Dyke... ... ...Tenoy Composed by J. Cartrr (zoz C.C. Collection).

Conducted by J. T. Dyke.

* 50th peal.

BORERAM，HSSEX
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS． On Saturday，October 16，1937，in 7 hyee Hours and Twelve Minules， At tee Chunch of St．Andeew，
A PEAL OF CAMERIDGE SURPRISE HAJOR， 5152 EHANGES Middieton＇s．


Grorge H．Crobs ．．．．．． 4 Robert C．Hbazel ．．．．．．Tenor
Conducted by George H．Cross．
First peal in the method．

> STONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFTP AND DISTRICE ASSOCIATION． On Saturday，October 16．1937，in Ihreo Hours and Four Minutes，

At tee Cedrca of Sr．Michael．
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 6040 CHANEES；
Heywood＇s Transposition of Thurstans＇Four－part． Tenor 12 cwt．
Teomas C．Templeman
．Te + ble
－Harry Hodson ．．．．．．．．．$a$
Andrew Thompson
Ahtader Rowley ．．．．．． George A．Packer... Cenaleg H．Pagr ．．．．．． 4 Willis Bqckley ．．．．．．Tehor Conducted by Albert Crawley．
＊First peal in the method．First peal of Stedman on the bells． GILLINGKAM，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Jctober 16，1937，in 1 wo Hours und Fifty－Five Mitutes，
At fee Chirca of St．Mary Magdalene，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES；
Heywood＇s Transposition of Teurstans＇Fodr－part． Tenor $11 \frac{1}{\text { d }}$ cwt．
Mos，V．A．Jarrett，R．E．Treble

－Francis J．Ceeal ．．．．．．． 3 William A，J．Kniget 3 ．．．．
Frank Brlshy ．．．.. .4 ．．．． 4 Cbarles E，J．Norris ．．．．Tenoy Conducted by Wm．A．J．Ksigh工．
＊First peal of Stedman．Fivst peal as conductor． BURTON LATIMER，NORTHANTS．
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOOESAN GUILD．
（Im Saturday，October 16，1937，in $T$ wo Howy ard Fifly－Nine Minutes，
At tee Cedrce of St．Mary－the－Virgin，
A PEAL OF DOURLE MORWICH COURT EOE WAJOR，GO24 GHANEE8， Tenor 104 cwt ．
－Harold Tobner ．．．．．．Treble｜Brrnard J．Saddingion ．．． 5 Marteias Hobbs ．．．．．． 2 Ernest E．Whitmore ．．． 6 Artiof Bigby ．．．．．．．．． 3 Borley P．Morris ．＊．．．． 7 Charles W．Bird ．．．．．．． 4 William J．Whitmore ．．．Tenor Composed by F．A．Holden．Conducted by W．J．Waitmore． ＊First peal． MOTTRAM－1N－LONGDENDALE，GHFSEIRE． THE CRESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
Un Saturday，Datober 16，1937，in Twa Hows and Fifiy－Six Minulas，
At tee Cadrch of St．Michael and All Angees，
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE HAJOR， 5024 CHANGES； Teacr $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
William Fernley ．．．．．．Tyeble Walter W．Wolstbncrort s James Fernley．．．... Rev．Franr Bonner ．．． 3 Lionel Clodge ．．．．．．．．．． 7 －Jobn I．L．Galbbrt ．．．．．． 4 John Worif．．．．．．．．．．．．．Temor Composed by J．S．Wilde． Conducted by Jonn Worta．
＊First peal in the method．First neal in the method on the bells． Rung in honour of Mr．and Mrs．Wolstencroft，of Ashton－under－Lyne， who werc the recimients of long service medals（for Sunday School and parochial charch work）at the Cabhedral，Manchester，the same day．

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ABEILAVON，GLAMORGANSEIRE．
TEE SWANSEA AND BRECON DTOCESAN GUILD．
On Stuprday，October 10，1937，in Three Hows and Five Atinutes，
AT the Church of St．Mart，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR， 6088 CHANGE8！ Tenar 16 cwt ．
－Trevor M．Roderice
Jobn E．Beoxina
Edward Phillips ．．．．．． 2 George Pupnell ．．．.. .6
Ernebt Sxitce．．．...
Composed by J．W．Lines．Conducted by G．I．Liwis．
＊First peal of Major and first alifempt．t First peal of Kent Treble Bob Major．Birst peal of Kent Treble Bob Major as conductor

BOTTESFORD，LEICESTERSHIRE． THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，Dotober 16，1937．in Thyes Hours and Eighteen Minutes， At the Churgh of St．Mari，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，B040 CHANGES； Tedrstans＇Fotr－part．
Ernest Bartram ．．．．．．Tyeble
William G．Tborpr．．．．．． 2
Sidney Proctor ．．．．．．．．． 6
 Frank Dewzy ．．．．．．．．．． 4 Arthor W．Ward ．．．．．．Tbmur

Conducted by Sidney Proctor．
First peal of Stedman．

## SIX Bell Peals．

POYNTON，CHESHIRE．
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Suturiday．Ootober 9，1937，in Thiee Hours，
At the Chirgh of St．Geofge，
A PEAL OF gPLIGED TREBLE BOB MINOR， 5040 GHANRES；
Being seven extents in 17 methods，viz．（1）Ockley and Norbuy Treble Bob；（2）Duke of Norfolk and College Exercise Treble Bob （3）Old Oxford aud College Bob IV．Delight；（4）Newdigate Willesken Delight；（5）Chariwood and Wraghy Delight；（6）Neasd nud SL．Albans Delight；（7）Capel，Sandal，London Scholars＇Pleasur Kingston and Oxford Treblo Bob．Tenor 13 cwt 2 qr .17 lb ．in F shat
Arther Higbrrt ．．．．．．Tyeble Albert T．Bancroft
－Rev．Frank Bonner ．． 2 †Ehic Eleison ．．．．．．．． 5
C．Kenneit Lewis ．．．$\quad . . .3$ 3
Conducted by C．K．Lewis．
＊First peal in 17 methods away from treble．＋Pirst peal in
mettrods．First peal on the bells．Forty－two changes of method．
BOSLEY，OHESHERE．
THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，October 9 1937，in Two Hours and Forty－Two Mirutes，
Aitige Ceurch of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR， 5040 EHANCES；
Fiz．： 720 each of Wragby，Nesstlen，St．Albans，Sandal，Londor Scholars＇Pleasure，Kingston and Oxford Treble Bob． Tenor 5 cwt 22 lb.
Miss E．M．K．Fethers ．．．Trebie Alan Brown
Ioen Woria
．．．T Treble
 Tbomas Taylor ．．．．．．．．．．． 3 ．．． 3 Josepu Wbittarer $\quad . .$.

Conducted by Josepe Weittaker．
First peal as conductor and first attempt．
WHIOKHAM，CO．DURHAM，
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION． On Saturday．October 9，1937，in 7 heree Howys，

At the Church of St．Mart，
A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 EHANGES；
Being seven extents in ten methods：（1）Plain Bab，Double Bob and Hereward；（2）Cambridge Surprise；（3）Double Oxford；（4）Doublo Courl；（5）St．Dlement＇s；（ 5 ）Oxford Bob；（7）Oxford and Kent Treble Bob．

Tenor 8 crit．
Aday Dras Reginald H．Hewiti … 2 Wtergen Tbompson ．．．．．． 5 Conducted by W．J．Davidson．
First peal in len methods by all the band．Fiftieth peal as con－ ductor．
HOLMER, HERENORDSHIRE
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
n Saturday, Netobey 9, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty- Ime Minutes, At the Partsh Chlerch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Forty-two six-scores, ten different callinge. Tenor 11 cwt . *Percy H. Minton ... ...T Tedele Charles H. Tominins ... 4 Grorge T. Cousins ... ... 2 Ernest F. Salmons ... 5 William H. Symonds .... 3 -Lebele L. Quarthrmain ...Tenoy Conducted by Ernest F. Salmons.

* First peal. Quarterly peal for the Hereford District of the Guild. STAGSDEN, BLDS.
THL: BEDTORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 9, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Two Minutes, At the Chdrch of St. Lronard,


## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Boing 720 each of College Exercise, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr .18 lb . in $G$.
Brian F. Sims ... ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Hrary W. Gaytan ... $\cos ^{4} 4$ Laronard Wileiams ... ... 2 Reginald West... Donald L. Cocrings... ... 3 Prarl Imshif ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Prarl Inskip. GLASTON, RUTLAND.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
Or Monday, October 71, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minufes,

## At the Ceurce of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

In five methods, being two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, 720 each of St. Clement's Bob, Single Oxford Bob and PIain Bob.
Joslar Morris
 J. Groffrey Grary .... ... 3 Ernist Morris ... ... ...Tenoy

Finst peal of Minor on the bells, whith were angmented to six for the Coronation.
SPROUGETON, SUFFOLE.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Monday, 'ctober 11, 1937, in Two Hons and Forty-Two Minutes, Aithe Chorce of All Saints, A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANEES;
Seven extents cacls called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.
-Stanley Joanson ... .. Tyeble |Sylvia R. E. Bowyer, P.G. 4 †Ronald W. Strward $\quad . . .12$ \#James W. Jennings ... ... 3 Alan R. Andrews ... ...Tenor Conducted by Alan $R$. Asdrews.

* First peal, + First peal 'inside.' $\ddagger$ Tirst peal of Boh Minor. WIOKWAR, GLOS.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Qn Twestay, October 12, 1937. in Two Hours and Fifty-Thres Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,


## A PEAL OF WINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.
Eorace Benson ... ... ...Treble "Walter Smith ... ... ... 4 Leslif Francombe $\quad . .$. Horace Robinson ... ... 3 D Donald Marse ... ... ... 7 enor Conducted by Donald Marsh.
First peal. Thrst peal on the bels. First peal in more than one mothor for all except the ringer of the 3rd.

RUSEALE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOGIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Thursday, Oclober 14, 1937, in Two Howrs and Thity-Eigh Minties,

## At the Ceurch of St. Micbagl,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Being an extent each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Cambriege Sinprise, Oxford Treble Fob and Kemi Treble Bob.
Grorge Wh. Hugers ... ...Treble $\mid$ Barnabas G. Key ... ... a
James S. Easiwood... Ricgard C. Ingram ... ... 3 Thomas J. Elton... .... ...Tenor Conducted by Thomas J, Elton.
First peal in seven methods by all except the ringer of the 3 rd. First peal in more than one rethod by the condnctor.

NORTON, WORGPSTERSHIRE.
THE WORODSTERSHIRE AND DISTAICTS ASSOCIATION. (Soctarrn Branch.)
On Saurday, Oatober 16, 1937, 'n 7 hyee Hours.
At the Chtrch of St. Ecgwin,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Beinh 12 extents of phein Bub und 30 of Grandsire, with 10 different callimge.
Jamas Hemming ... ...Tyeble William Hogers ... ... 4
-Ggorge Baylis ... .... ... 2 Albert Haghes... Righard Stbperns ... ... 3 Jobal Beasley ... ... ...Temor Conducted by J. Hemming.

* First peal. Quarterly peal for the branch.

THORNHAM, SUFFOJK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sahurday, October 16. 1937, in 7 wo Howrsad Forty-Five Minutes,
Ax the Churce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three extents of Plain Bob and two each of Fent and Oxford. Tenor 9 cwt.
Ernest F. Pofpy
Algert Chilvers

Conducted by E, F. Poppy.
GOATHURST, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Tatnton Deanery Branch.)
Un Sahurday, Ociober 15 1937, in Two Hours and Hifty-Five Minules,
At ine Ceqrce of St. Edward
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Cousisting of throe extents of Oxfovd and [our of Kent, each called
differently. aifferently.
..Tfebla William G Gige
ALfRED J Wyaz
Pbrgy Mrifon

| ... | $\ldots$ Trebla | William G. Gigg |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ... | 2 | Jack Roy |

... ... 3 S. George Coles .... ...Tener
Conducted by James Hont.
First peal on the bells. The peal coutained 70 bobs. HITOHAM, BUCKS.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
(St. Peter's Society, Burnham, Bocks.)
On Suturday, Otober 16, 7937, in Two Hours and Farty-7hree Minules,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Beimg 720 each of Reverso College, St, Grement's, OxIovd Treblo Bob, Reverse Canterlury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, Kent Treble Job and Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 ewt. 11 Jts in $G$.




* First peal of Minor awny fiom the treble Giret peal in seven methods by all except the conductor, and first seven-method peal by the St. Peter's Society. Arranged and rung as a welcome bome from Scotland to Col. Jionel F. Hanbury, C.M.G., V.D. (donor of the bells), and Mrs. Hanjury.


## HANDBELL PEAL.

HINTON-ON-TEE-GREEN, WORUESTERSHIRE,
TFE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICIS ASSOCLATION. On Saturday. October 16, 1937, in Tru Honrs and Thirty-Fivo Minter,

At ther Residenge of Mrs, F. J. Johnson,
A PEAL OF GRAMDSIRE TRIPLES, E04』 GHANGES:
Groves" Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor size 12 jil.

 Conducted by Josepa D. Jonnson.
(Othar pasi reporte are unguoidably held evar.)
STANSTED, JSSEX. - On Sunday, Scplember $26 t h$, for harvest festival at St. Mar's Church, quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F . Tharly $I_{3}$ F. Watts 2, A. Prioy (Leptonstone) 3, W. Prior 4, G. Jordan 5, I. Cavill (conduetar) 6, T. Jordan 7, F. Morton 8.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

FROM CALL CHANGES TO HALF-PULL RINGING
Wo referred in our last articho to the great importance of gaining bell control before a begituer proceeds to half-pull ringing.
When thene are one or bo learners who are practising with ac competent band, the iime spent in reaching this stage ought not to be unduly long. 'l'he dilliculties arise when a young band are endeavonring to teach themselves. They will need patience and refulay practice and slsould seek any help they can gef from neighbouring ringers.

When they are able to strike rounds and call changes well, they can go on to half-pull rimying, but should not attempt to do so before they can strike accurately. The better they can 'strike' the easier they will fint it to ring changes, because nothing confuses a herinner more, when he is endenvouring to find his next to strike over, than two other ropes coming down together.
There will be very fow readers of these notes who do not understand what 'eall changes' are, but in case there are auy such, wo would explain that these are changes 'called' by the conductor. Usually he changes the positious of one pair of bells at a time by telling them ench which bell to pull over next, and when this has been done they go on ringing in the same order until the next alteration is made.

What happens to one pair of bells at intorvals in call changes happens to ns many pairs as possible at every pull when "change ringise ' is done, but while in the former the ringer may have ecveral whole pulls after one bell and thus, if he has ears, the opportunity of improving his accuracy before lie is moved again, in changes he has got to find the exact position for his bell at each pull on the rope, and, in addition, ingtead of being told which bell to pull over, he has got to find it for himself
Here is one way in which a young band cau approach change ringing, after havint Jearned to manage thair bells euccessfully in call changes. Instead of advancing all at once to half-pulls, they can change with the next bell at every whole pull, trying it at first by returnjog, at each alternate whole pull, to the previans position, Thus suppose they are ringing rounds on six hells, they can have alternate whole pulls (that is handstroke and hackstroke), in the order 214365 and 123456.
They can do this for a time until, at each handstroke, the change is cleanly made all ronnd. This accomplished, they can then do the same thing by making the change at backstroke and completing the whole pall nt handstroke.
This will give them experience in making the clange both ways af the rope.

From this stame the next should consist of whole pull ringing while clianging with the next bell opposite to the one that the previous change was made with, so that if, in the first, $1-2,3-4$ and $5-6$ respectively change, producing 214365 , in the next $1-4$ and $3-6$ change producing 241635 . At the following whole pull all three pairs will change, that is 2-4, 1-6, 3-5, and following this twa pairs 4-1 and 6-3. If this is contimued systematically the bells will come back into rounds in twelve changes. If the buginner can work these out on paper for himself, changing three pairs and two paits alternately, he will gee what liappens.

One advantage of beginning by ringing this in whole pulls is that it gives the learner more time to get his new position and piek out the next hell he has got fo change with. He will learn that when he has to put an additional bell between himself and the lead he must hold up a litite longer-a fraction of a second-because more bells have to strike round before his comes in; while, as he gets nearer the lead, he hes to pall in a little quicker to maintain the beat, becatise there is one less bell to strike before his own.
In going from the lead upward le will probably have no difficulty in finding the bell he will strike after at the next change, because it is following him in this one. But coming back to lead it is not so easy to see the next bell he will skrike over, because it is, in a sense, liddea by two others which are striking in between. If, however, he ean see the total number of bells in front of him, in other words, see that lie is pulling after five or four others for whatever the number may he), and if le then ignores the one he is striking over fund pulls in a trifle quicker to place hinself over the last of the otliers which lavo heen below, lie will have found the belf he wants. If he has not been quite nceurate at the first blow, he can further correct his position at the next before having to move again. That is the adpantage of beginning by ringing these simple clianges in whole pulle.
When this can be done, so that the movemeut is not only understood by the ringer, but the ringing jtself is good, then the young band can take the firat step in half-pull ringing by putting this method into practice in the proper way, and changing position at botli handstroke and hackatroke.
It is a good thing not always to ring the same bell at these practices, but to take a difterent one at different times. It gets one uged to making allowance in the striking for bells of different sizes. There is more 'space' required in striking a small bell over a large one than in striking a large one over a small one, assuming that they are all correotly clappered. But sometimes a bell inay not be evenly clappered, and then it is that the beginner must most particularly use his ents.

## PEAL NOTES.

## PEOPLE AND PERFORMANCES

The ring of six at Glaston, Ruthad, were augmented in honour of the Coromation, and the first peal-one of Grandsire Doubles-was rung by the local compauy. On October 11th the first of Minor was rang on then, and the band wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. King for their hospitality afterwards.

The bells at Glaston are ring from the foor of the church and the ringers stankl bebween the nave and chancel (as is also the case at Somerby, Leicestershire). Glaston tower, with its short Etone spire, is very quaiat and originally juad a small saucer bell for the clock hanging from the south light of the epire outside. This bell now adorns the Rector's lawn, reversed as a flower pot! The clock was dated 1739. Eyre, of Kettering, made bells of this shape, and this is, therefore, also the probable date of the bell. It was too dark after the peal for the conductor ( Mr . Emest Morris) to note any inscription
The peal at St. Mary's, Nottingham, recorded in our last issue, Mr. Romald Salter's first peal of Stedman and at birthday complimen to his mother, Mrs. F. A. Salter, and to Mr. George E. Foster was also Mr. F. A. Salter's 150 h peal and they all received the hearty congratulations of the band.

Fent Treble Bob Maximus las now been added to the methodis rung on the new twelve at Coydon, and in it six of the local men rato their first peal of Maximus. 'lhe peal, recorded last week, was a wel como to the new Viear, who succeeds the Bishop of Liuhfieta in th incumbancy. Croydon, surrouaded by tha Diocese of Southwart is an isolated part of the Dincese of Canterbury.
Police_Supt. F. R. Williams, of Manchester, president of the National Guild of Police Ringets, took part on September $29 t h$ in a pea Graudsire Doubles at Culwarth, Northants, Iung as a farewell to thr
Rev. Canon Hill, for 39 years Rector of the parish. It was tha frse Rev. Canon Hill, for 39 years Rector of the parish. It was the first
peal on the five bells awd the fist peal by three of the band. The real on the five bells atud the first
cletails appeared in our last issue.
The bells of Poynton, Cheshire, were installed in 1887, but it was not until Saturday, October gth, that the first peal was rung them. They lape recently been rehung by Messrs. Taylor and The peal was Spliced Treble Bob Minor in 17 methods.
The Rev. Fruak Bonner took part in the peal. On the preceding Saturday be preached to the Stockport Buanch of the Guild, and h homaly address consisted of an analogy between a peal and life
The first peal on the bells at Wickwar, Glos., was rung on Oct. 12 it in three methods of Minor. For five of the six ringers it was the fir peal in more than one method, while two of the band rang thei;
On the occasion of the visit of the Duke of Kent to Birmangan on October 13th a peal of Kent Trehle Bob Major was rang at Hal borue. The Duke's visit was in connection with the sixth anmul conference of the Hospital Cuntributory Scheme.
Invidentally it may be mentioned that Mr. James George, who wil be 84 next month, rang the tellor. Well, boys will be boys!

The Sunday service ringers at St. James' Church, Church, Lance scored a peal of Double Nowwicil on October 9th, when two of tha band rang their first peal in the method. Eric Brunton, one of the rest of the band, is ouly 15 yeare of age. The peal was recorded las weets

A peal of Cambridge Surprise and Treble Tob Minor at Willinghams Cambs, on October 8th, was rung as a farewell to the Rector, Callor A. Hair. The peal dotzils appeared in our last issue. After the peal Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Glenves entortained the ringers. Mr. Gieave and the conductor, Mr. F. Wirrington, have ramg 125 peals togethe

Mr. Gordon Cifford Goodson, a member of the band at Claverley Shropshire, was married on Sjeptember 29th to Miss Rosamond Mat Switt, of Claverle.f. On October 12ts a wedding peal of Grandsirt Triples was rung for them.
A peal of Loncion Surprise Major, Yung at Framsden, Suffolk, o October 11th, was arranged for Mr. David Yincent, of Altrimehau Cheshire, and was Mr- L. C. Wightman's 400 th peal
In honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. Leonard Williams, Stngsden, a peal of Minor in seven methods was rung on October 9tb

Wlat is the meaning of the mystic letters, 'P.Gr.,' after the nam of Miss Sylyia Bowyer, in the report of a peal of Minor at Sproughton Surely they do not mean "Poal Gruhlier'1 Miss Bowyer has run more than 25 peals this Jear, vanging from Minor to Maximus.
A birthday compliment to Mr. W. Townsend, Riaging Master Lecklampton, Cheitenham, the peal of Stedman Titples jung at tha church ou October 9th was also in honour of the 65th wedding ann versary of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Williams, of Newent. We referve to this ouspicious event in our last issue.

Mr. W. Oakey, who rang lis first peal of Triples, in this perfo ance at Leckhampton, is leader of the ringers at Badgeworth, Glas
The tenorman in the peal at Alsager, Cheshire, on October gth stond in at almest a moment's notice, and the rest of the band extend their thanks to him.
Mr. Fred Doxter, one of Leicester's most popalar ringers, rane his two hundredth peal of Surprise when he took part in a peal of New Cambridge Royal at Louginlotongh Parish Church on Saturday
This peal was also Mr. 17. F. Elkington's two hundreath for the Midand Counties Associrtion. Such a double 'double' needed double celebration.
(Cantinued on next page.)

## WHAT HAPPENED TO THE UMPIRE?

## (Continued from previous page.)

A handibell peal of Grandsire Tripies at Hinton-on-the-Green, Worcestershire, on October 16th, was specially arranged for Mr. F. S. Wilson, of West Esvington, Sussex, who formerly resided at Ludlow. The other three members of the batd were Mr. J. D. Johnen and two of his Eisters. Mr. Jolin Thomas was the ollicial umpire of the peal, but he was only prosent during the first and lant four-parts of Parker's twelve-part. He was missing during the rest of the performance, and investigation into his movements during this interval traced him to various garages and eventually to a football match at least thvee miles away. Joln must hawe even better ears than we suspected to hear the bells at 仿at distauce.
A peal of Double Norwich Major was rung at Burton Latimer on October 16 h as a welcome to the Rector (the Rev. R. W. Sharpley. It was also a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Saddington, whose son took part in the peal.
All the ringers, except the canductor, in the peal of Plain Bob and Grandsire Dotibles at Norton, Worcestarshire, on October 16th, were membors of the local baud, two of them ringing their first peal. It was the first peal on the bells sinco they were rehung by Messis, Taylor and Co.
The peal of Kent Treble Bab at Hythe, Kent, on October 16th, when Mr. T. E. Sone oalled another of Mr. Arthur' Kuights' compositions (No. 327) for the first time, was the conductor's 275 th peal. Of this tatal te has called 190.
The peal of Superlative at Wicken on October gth was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr . Ralph Foddy. The compositiou, by $G$. Lindoff, is published in the Peterborough Diacesan Guild's report for 1832, peal No. 474.
The first peal of Major on the bells at Sowton, Devon, was rung on Saturday, October Guh. It was arranged to enable Mr. W. H. Howe to ring a peal at his rative place and as a welcome to Mr. Clifford Vessey, who has gone from Nolts to reside in Devon.

## ANSTEY BOYS' PERFORMANCE

On Sundry, October 17th, for evensong at St, Mary's Church, Anstey, Eeicestershire, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung : Jack E' Adams 1. F. Terry Smith 2, Mary L. Disney 3, George E. Bowler 4, R. S. William Sinith 5, Alban Disney 6, Redvers F. Khkingtou (conHuctor) 7, Eilean H. Cuffin 8. It was the first quarter-peal by ringers of 1,2 and 4 . who are aged 15,13 and 14 respectively and shartad to handle a bell only nine and a half months apo. This is beljeved to be the first quarter-peal ever ramg on the bells by an entirely local band.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

OANTERBURY DISTRICT'S INCREASE OF MEMBERSHPP
The anmual meetivg of the Canterbury District of the Kent County association was helid at, St. Dunstan's, Ganterbury, on Ochober 9tl.

Ringing took place at the three local towers, St. Stephea's, St. Alphera and St. Dunstan's, in the afternoon, and the nssociation's service beld in St. Dunstau's, conlucted by the Vicar (tho Rev. A. E. Millery, the lesson being read by Mr. E. Trendell.
Tea, provided by the association, was served in the larish Hall, we 83 membert present being presided over by the Vicar.
Owing to $n$ long stamding promise made by the Yicar, he was prevented from staying to the meeking but befove lie left he was heartily thanked for the use of the bells, for couducting the servito aud for all the help he lad given in making the day a success.
Mr. E. Trendell was voted to the chair. The secretary's report and balance sheet were read and adopted. The report showed an increase of 41 menbers over the previous year, the total of lyonorary and practising members in the distnict reaching the total of 291. The number of tower's in union had increased from 26 to 30 , tha total receipts in the district amounted to $£ 32$ 10s. 6a. and a balance was shawn of 22545
The district secretary (Mr. B. J. Lued) was re-elected, as wore the district representatives, Messrs. F. G. Brett and H. Whitelead. The former was also re-elected Ringing Master.
Faversham was chosen as the venue for the district's spring meeting St. Peter's, Thanet, for the summer meeting, attd Wickhaubreasux for the next by-meeting.

Votes of thanks were passed to the organist and to the lavies who had so splemdidy looked after the wants of all duriry the tea.

## RINGERS' WIVES.

To the Editor.
Dear Sit'-Iu reply ta 'fingen's Wife,' I, too, an aneglected wife, with regard to peal ringing, but I am very pleased to bhink that my husband is interested in such a splendid lobby. When he is ringing I can always be sure he is in good company, for where can be lound a more friendly atmosphere than in the ringing chamber.
Recently i entertained a party of ringers who had come some distance to ring a peal, bud after several atiempts had to own they were defeated. Were there auy long faces? Not so, one couldn't have wished to be in the company of a happier party, and all were determined to have another try. They even went so far as to say there wouldn't be half so much pleasure in ringing if they won every peal. That's the spirit for "ringers."

HAPPILY MARRJED TO A RINGER.'

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

## INSTRUCTING BEGINNERS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-When I wrote the article on the above subject in you issue of Sept. 24th I expected (as I said at the time) that a numbel of peoplie wauld disagree wilh my views. From the letters which appeared in the following issue, I gather that amourst these are numbered Mr. W. Shepherd and Mr. Fi. E. Dawo. But is ikeve really any need for them to be quite so rude about it? Have wo come to such a pass that no one who is too young to have rung peals at evory cathedral in the country is to be allowed to express his views in your columis, without being accused of "theusting his ideas down other people's throats " $\rho$
We are often reminded of the difficulty these days in persuading the joungor generation to become interested in bellinging, sind it is sometimes said in reply that when they do take up the ant they do not receive much encouragement from the older hands. This may only be true in certain isolated cases, but the tome of the two Ietters mentioned above is certainly not calculated to encourage the 'yonng practitioner'।
And as for this argument-if such it cra be calfed-hat Grandsire atast be the best method to teach first, becrase certuin instructors used to do so 50 years aso, this sounds to me suspiciously like the old ery, 'It must be right because grandfather did it,' which, to say the leasb of it, is never very convincing. The point is, did these men select Gravdsire as the first method to teach after careful thought as to the possible merits of other methods, or was it because it never ocerrred to them to start their pupils on anything else?
It would geem that Messrs. Shepherd's and Dawe's vision has boen go blinded with rage at the audaciby of one of my tender years daring to express an opinion not shared by them, that they havo been able to read into my article cortain passages which somelow or other failed to appear in my copy. Where, for instance, doos Mr. Dawe find the sanfence in which I atvacate starting learnerg in the discordant fangliug of tho unmusical Surprise methods"? And perliaps Mr Shepherd would point ont where I showed my avergion to Grandsire Triples as a nacthod. What I did say was that I had not found it so good as Bob Major or Minor for giving a beginuen a real gronnding ir the essential elements of good change ringing and I gave my reasons for forming this opinion in some detail and after considerable whaght. Mr. Shepherd, on the other hand, is contellt to state baldly that ${ }^{\text {i }}$ it is beyond question that Grandsire is the best method, elc., but I notice that he does not aftempt to substantiate this bald statement with a single concrete argument; in fact, I have scanned botil his lettes and Mr. Dawe's in vain [ob one word of coustructive criticism on the slightest attempt to refute any of the arguments I put forward.
Mr. Shepliercl then takes me to task for saying that good leading Is olntaned with the ears, and le asks, "Is this all?' The answer is in the affrmative, and I believe that most rood strikers will agree with me ewen if Mr. Shepherd doesn't.
I am more interested in Mr. Arthar Prince's letter, because he does at least cliscuss the subject of my arlicle and not its writer. But one or two of his statements seem to all for some comment as follows:(1) 'Most instructors teach the same method of hunting up, etc., Mr. Prince, I gather, is one of the exceptions, considering this a waste of time. But what is his a!ternative method? If I maderstand lim correctly, Le first teaches his pupils to make 2nd's and 3rd's places and then tolls them where to pass the trehle and when and how to clodge. But he does not tell us how he expects his pupils to carry out these iustructions before they have learut to plain hunt!
(2) 'Luarning to strike evenly over the other bells.' The point I was trying to make here was the necessity for finding out by practical obscrvation how much gap has to be left when striking over the heavier bells, harticularly the tenor. Mr. Prince says you learn this by ringing Rounds, Queen's, Tithoms and Whittinglon's. Perknps lae (3) Lens which hell strikes over the tenor in any one of these changes,
(3) 'Learning to lead.' Mr. Prince advocates doing this winile No. 2 is in progress, by the most advanced pupil taking the treble. But. is this guite fair to the others, who (presumalily less advanced) are learning to ring Rounds and Queon's on the other bells? I should have thouglat that to give them the lest chance it would he wiser to put your most competent man-possibly the ilsstructor himself-on the treble Furthermore, leading on the lreble in Ronnds is not quite the same thing as leading in changes.
(4) Finally Mr. Prince makes the somewhat curions gtatement that Stedman contains every pasition Fomown in ringing.' Stedman, like Graudsire. is an excellent method, lut I have yet to disconer where to contains dadging in $3-4$ or $5-6$ ar striking the tenor in ary position, all of which Mr. Prince will surely agree occur in quite a few other methods.
This subject of instruction is, fis $I$ feel sure atl your readers will agree, one of rital inportance; and it seems to me that an exchange of views and results of personal experience-be it long or short-by practsing instructors may well prove helpful to those most concerned, fud prodico somothing of real walue to the Excreise; and possibly, as We are discussing whether the odd or even bell methods are the best to teach first, the evidence of those who have tried both ways will carry mosib weiglat. But whatever our views may be, do for Heaven's sake, let us have more concrete avgument and fewer vague generalitics about 50 years ago, more constructive criticism and less personal abuse. Bristol.

STPPEEN H. WOOD

## AN ADVOCATE OF EVEN-BELL METHODS FIRST

Denn Siw, It was with great interest that I read 3 our article on "Handicaps for Beginuen's in your issue of the 2Ath ult., and ulso MLT. S. H. Wood's excellent article. May I add it should give may obior rimgers canso for some hard thinking? I myseli have had during the past 44 yearg, $\pi$ fairly varied experimee of boginners and can, binerefore, claim to be able to express some gininion on tho subject. I cordially ayree with Mr. Wood thab it is far better to teach beginners oven nethod ringing first, for the simple reason the beginen has not always to lead alter the same bell, thad when the beginuer bas mastered leading off all the bells in tura it must be casicr to have always to lead of the tenor afterwards, althongh it may sound paradoxical. Eowever, I maintain and always have done that those whe learm oren wethod ringing first and odd method ringing after-
wards moke tho best strikers, and that is, or shonld be, the objective wards moke th
of all ringers.
I an sorely tenpted to think that tho sentence in vour article thal the hund, the ear and the eye are all needed, but that the ear' is most neglected, is true, and pity "bis 'lis trine. However, Lo a ecrtain extent I suppose we mnist grin and bear it.
There is also the poind you mention that instructors themselves ar sometimes bad or iudifferent strikers. That, too, is perfectly true. can give ons instance. Some years ago at certain rimel was engrged by a Vienm in my districl to bend a company on six bells, tenor ahout $7 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt., bells in good condition and plenty of opportmily to concl a batd. But as the rev. gentleman fimself was never a first rate hanaler and the instructor was one of the slovenliest handlers 1 ever met, nothing over eame of it, smply because it was a case of an squate peg iu a round hole. Furthes comment is needless.

## STEDMAN RFCOMMENDED

Sir,-I have Jatd a good slare of teaching begimuers. Stedman is
the best method. Leadiug 'whong' is as simple to tha novice ns Leading 'right' and the slow work is mastered easier than donble dodging. Old Grandsire ringers do double dodring ensier thi
novices, but eanmot manage the slow work fuy better, if as well showing pupils how to strike handbells, they should be exor cised in leading, dodging and place-makiug; then plain hunting ly commencing on fout bely sud continuiut on the successive mumhers up to as far as is procticabie (leading is thus easily acquited whether from the tenor or nobl. It should be thone progressively-ane change al a time-repoated if necossary until the striking-afier bell is observednot remembered. Coursing down can be shawn after memorisilurp the zuming-out has been mastered. If anyone camot leam this way bliey never will Learn.
Then Stedman! Attempt only a six at a time, then recummence and thus progress by the successive sixes until the whole coutse is necomplished and a good fonmation lnid for all methods.

I have had leaners who could ring on landuchs three methods, viz. Stednan, Grandsize and Treble Bob, before they could properly hande the tower bells.
H. D.

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> \section*{YOUTH WANTED AT MTETTNGS}

A mecting of the North Stafordshire Associnlion was feld at Tanstal on Saturday week. Forty mombors and friends were present foom Burslem, Biddulph, Brown Edge, Cheadle, Draycott, Kidggrovo, Kingsley, Lawlon, Leek, Longlon, Wacelesfield, Norton, Nowoastle Stoke-on-Trent, Tunstall and Wistaston.
Ted was partaken of in the Cliurch Institute, where a hearty welcome was extended by the Rev. S. F. Linsley (Vicar). The Vinfr of Tunstall hes started to ring, and it was encouraging to hean a. noman talk alouts Doubles and Triples, knowing that lie iknows what lie is talking ataut.
A vote af thanks was proposed by Mr. T. Furd to the Vicar and yhurers for the use of the bells. Mr. E. Steele, who seconded, said Turstal bought back memories of the days when Mr. If. Johnson was secrehary of the associaliny. Fo was not only a good secretary, but a great help to young ringer
Congratulations were extended by the association to Mr. W. Rigby of Lrawton, who recently celebrated his golden wedding. Mr. W. Rigby sutably replied. He was a ringer at Tunstall many yoars ago
Mr. A. D. Steel, Ritging inaster for the eighthelt towers, thenked the memhers for the great co-aperation given lon him at Ultoxeter, and oxpressed his desire for better meethros, holl in attendance and in the standard of ringing. More of the youth wore invited to atbend the meetings and the practice mectings to be held on week-nights.
The secretary also liopes Mr. A. D. Steel will have better support at the practices aryanget for Surplise ringing.
The rext meeting will be leld at Burslem on November 13th and not the 6th as previously arrangen.

After tea the ringers, at tho invitation of the Ficar, attended evenseng.

HITCHIN, HERTS.-For barvest festival, q quarter-peal af Double Norwich Major: *W. E. Symonds 1, D. C. Mears 2, W. J. Honghtant 3, "E. W. Winters 4, A. E. Symonia 5, G. V. Hare 6, T. Custle 7, I. Fidlev (condactor) 8 . * Pirst quarter-peal in the method.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. <br> FUNDS CENTRALISED.

A quarterly meeting of the Midand Counties Association was held ol Saturday, October 2nd, at Burbage, near Fincklay, and, whether taken as a social, business or ringing gathering, was a great success. Although Burbage is somewhat 'off the beaten track,' a goodly company assembled and kept the eight bells going to various methods, and for a meeting the ringing was 工emarkably good and well struck.
The commiltee met in the Parish Room, and, arising from their business, the hon. treasurer reported that all invested furds and bank balanco had been centralised and now rested in one bans at Nottingbam instead of being scaftered as hitherto.

A short service was held in church, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. Fr. D. H. Pughe, who gave an inspiring address and an instructive talk on the church's history, ete. A retiring collection was made and 175. gd. given to the Assaciation Bell Repair Fund. About 60 members and friends afterwards sat down to tea. They were from Burton, Derloy, Loughborongh, Leicester, Hinckley and Nottingham districts, and a party from Ithlingborough, which included old friencis in Messis. A. Trler, W. Perkins and others, was also welcomed.

The general meeting was presidea over by Mr. E. Denison 'i'aylor (president), supported by the Reclor, Mr, W. E. White (ham. treasurer) and M1. Enmest Morvis (hon, secretary),
The President gave a review of the past quarter's peals, which he stated made a very good record, no less than 34 having been rung, hut none above Major and none on handbells. He referred to the associntion's loss by the death of an ariginal member, Mr. Herbert W. Needlam, whose obituary notice had recently appeared in 'The Ringing World.' The President thanked the Reclor for permission to come to Hurbage and for his splendid service ifs church; also the local bend for making this gathering sucls a success. -The Rector replied in a witty speech.
New mernbers proposed since the last quarterly meeting, viz, 23 ringing, twa rejoins, four life, were dnly elected.
Repton and wronld probably be January 15 th meeting was fixed for Repton and ronld probably be January 15 th, 1938.
Local sectotaries were asked to prepare a short accound of their dishrict activities for huclusion in the next ammal report, slating unmber of meetings lede, whether attendance had been good, new members elected, Sunday service ringing and any other items of interest.
This concluded the business and furtier ringing took place.

## BURTON DISTRRICL SUCCESSTUL GATEERING,

A very plessant meeting of the Burton District of the Midand Counties Association was held at St. Peter's Church, Netherseale, on the eve of the Sunday lharvest festival.
The Rector (Canon $\mathbf{H}$. T. FitzHerbert) conducted a slort service, the lesson being read by the Rev. W. R. L. Jones, curate of Seales. An interesting adiress was given by the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, Rectov of Ordsall, North Notts, in the course of which he spoke of the encouragement which should be given by ofder ringers to beginners and reminded them of the high standard of striking which shauld be maintained for Sunday service ringing.
Tea was generously provided by ihe Rector of Seales in the Fillage Hall and was admarably served by the ladies connected to the Churei Gouncil.

The Rector 7 resided over the business meeting which followed and read an apology froms Mr. W. W. Worthington, $\bar{J}$. P., chairman of the district and patron of the living of Seales, who, he regretted to say, was indisposed.
One honorary and ane ringing member were elected, and the next maeting fixed for Newhall on November 6th.

Mr. J. H. Swinfeld proposed thanks to the Rector for his hospitality and for the use of the bells. This was seconded by the Rev. R. Fi
Wilkinson, who said he was delighted to be amongst old friends of Wilkinson, who said he was delighted to be amongst old friends of
the Burton aud Derby Districts once again. He referred to the beantiful peals of bells within the Burfon District, especially mentioning the two peals of eirght in the parish of Seales and referring to the restoration of the church and bells at Nethersenle.

The motion laving been carried with applanse, Canon FitzHerbert replied thanking the ladies who had mrepared the tea and also those who had assisted in raising the $£ 1,100$ necessary for the restoration schenie. He espepially mentioned the magnificent grant from the Bell Repair Find of the Mid]and Counties Association.

Handbell ringing then added variety to the proceedings, and on the return to the tower the bells wore rung to various methods until the honr of curfew.
The towers represented were Burton St. Paul's, Ashby, Appleby,
Measham. Overseale, Winshill, Newhall, Ticknall, Ibstacl, Rothcrlam, Derby Cathedral, Derby St. Audrew's, Walsall, Wolverhanıpton and the local company.

## RINGERS' BIRTHDAYS.

At Amersham, Bucks, on Satirday, October 2nd, after a peal Rttempt had failed, ${ }^{20}$ of Cambridge Supprise Minor: R. Smith 1 ,
Miss D. R. Fletcher $\mathbf{E}_{2}$ Miss K. E. Fletcher J, J. Harison 4, w. Miss D. R. Fletcher 2, Miss K. E. Fletcher 3, J. Harrison 4, W.
Edwards 5. H. Wingrove (conductor) 6. This was arranged as a birthEdwards 5. H. Wingrove (comductor) 6. This was arranged as a birth21st birthday compliment to Mr. R. Snith.

## A JOINT SOCIAL GATHERING.

## FUN AND FROLIC AT HLLLINGDON

Fin waxed fast aud furious at the anmual social beld at Hillingen on Seturday by the Middlesex Association, the Oxford Guald and the Ladies' Guild, The event attracted ringerg aud their friends from a wide area and altogether nearly a humdred wero present from ove 30 towers.
The proceerings Gegan in the afternoon with ringing ali St. John's (Hillingdon) and St. Andrew's (Uxbridge) Churches, and a congreag Lion numbering somewhere about seventy assembled in the former church for the customary service. They waited in vain for the arriva of a clergyman, and were mennwhile regated with organ music by Mr. A. W. Owen, arganist of Ruislip. After a quarter of an hou or so, the amouncement was made that the service would be abendoned and the onngregation fled out. No sooner had they dispersen than the eurabe (the Rev. B. Barron) arrived. There luad been a misunderstanding with regard to the time.
Tea was served in St. John's Hall, Mr'. J. A. Trollope (vice-president of the Middleser Association) presiding supportied by the Rev. B Barron, Mrs. R. F. Deal (vice-president of the Ladies' Guildy, Mr Q. T. Coles and M.I. T. W. Goodfellow (joint hon. secretaries of the Middleser Association), Mr. A. D. Barker (hon. secretary of the Eas Berks and Soutls Bucks Branch of the Oxtord Guid), Mrs. Barker Mrs. Coles, etc. The tea was served by Mrs. Goodfellow and Iedy fxionds.
Atterwards on behalf of the Fiear (the Rev. A. M. Beshford), the Rev. B. Barron welcomed the ringers to Hillirgdon and apologised for the misunderstanding with regard to the service.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LADIES

The Chairmas, in congratulating the Ladies Guild upon their silve jubilea, welcomed them and the Oxford Guild to the Widalesex Asso ciation's tower. He said he remembered the time when there were no lady ringers and when a tower-bell peal was first rung by a lady she was regarded by some people almost as a freak (laughter). Slie was, however, nat a freak, but a pioneer (hear, hear)- Ringers wero nraid in those days that if ladies came into the towers the standar of ringing would go down dreadfully, but he did not think it hat gone down very much as a result. Some of the ladies were very goon rimgers indeed. In the Middlesex $\Delta$ ssociation they wele very pleased to have the ladies nnong them, and they offered the Ladies' Guild their congratulations (applause).

Mrs. Deal, who replied, thanked Mr. Trollope for his good wishes Fears ago, she said, there were mixed feelings when a lady ringel went into a tower, but nowadays the ladies were absolutely certain of a kind welcome from most societies. The Ladies" Guild was de lighted to take part again in that joint meeting, and she was sure that the congratulations that had been offered would be mucl appreciaterl.
Mr. A. D. Bather supported Mr. Trollope in the congretulations to the ladies and expressed the pleasure of his branch in being abie to take part in that joint gathering.
Mr. Coles proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicars of Hillingdon and Urbridge for the use of the bells, to the Rev. B. Barror for his attendance, to Mr. A. W, Owen for coming from Ruislip to play the organ, to the local ringers, especially Mr. Pratt (enptain) and Mr Smith (steeplekeeper'), of St. Iohn's, and Mr. F. Corke, St. Andrew's also to the ladies, and partionarly $\$$ Irs. Goodfellow, for prepating the tea.-This was carried by acclamation.

Albhough the tower bells were rung again after tea, there were rumber of gossips, handbell exponents and stage managers who re mained in the hall and made it look untidy. Eventually all the part seassembled to find a programme drawn up to last until about 10.30 but after Il o'clock the company whs still clamouring for more! The official programme was launchad shortly after 7.30 with a sing-song led by the Stoke handbell specialists under Mr. A. D. Barler. Later on this trio played more tunes, with all the variations deas to the hearts of tume ringers.
A course of Bob Major was rung on a set of very large haudbells. These bells, we were informed, were last rung in 1919 when the late Witliam PYe visited Hillirgtion for a peal to mark the peace celebrations.
Several sketches caused much amusement, especially the 'Opera tion ' (a silhouette, with sound and speech effects!) and the 'Secretarybloke ' Who had to wait for his wife (most umsual, we believel)- A violin selo skilfulty executed complefed the individual items.
Farious games caused much hilarity to players and ontookers alike The 'peal grabbers' had a high old time. A competition, arranged by Mrs. Barker, requined contesbants to draw a slip, bearing the name of a method, from a large pan, and find the correspoliding slip, pinned up somewhere in the room. The voumg and the not-soyouns started dasling about the hall in search of peals, and the winder was eventirally found to have "grabbed" vine.
The famons handball competition was contested in 10 flippant manner. Spectators saw the 'tough guys' 'sock' into one another in earnest, and ench match produced its casualties! Eighth teams elltered the contest from Conkham, Ealing, Hillingdon (two teams) Ruislip, Stoke Poges aud Uxloridge, together with a team of the Tower Snatchers Union (N.U.T.S.). Shortly before Il, Hillingdon 'A' and Uxbridge fought; ont the final, with the latter fairly easy victors
Mrs. Goodfehow thoughtfully provided refreshments during the evening and earned the thanks that were accorded to her.

## NETHERTON LEADER'S RETIREMENT

## LONG PAMILY CONNECTION WITH THE BELLS.

Mr. Albert Prestide has recently resigzed the leadership of the ingers at Sti. Andrew's Church, Netherton, an office which he has held for 20 years. Fe has had to give up ringing on account of rheumatism in the hands.
Mr. Prestidge Has been ringing at Netherton for 37 years and is the second generation of his family bo be connected wilh Netherton bells. His father, Joseph James Prestidge, and his uncle, Samuel, had learned to ring of. West Haddon, Northampton, and in 1870 , six years after they came to Netherton, six bells were given to the Parisli Ghurch. They at onco formed a band and Samucl became first leader of the belfiy. Fis brother afterwards succeeded to the leadership and held for some years until his death in 1917.
He had taught his two sons, Walter and Albert, and on his aleath the latter becane leader. For years Mr. Albert Prestidge strove to have the old bells reast and rehung and eventarly this was dono in 1935.

Two sons and two neplews now carry on the family tradibions. Mr. Prestidge was always chiefly concerned in maintaining service ringing at the chunch, but he has rumg 28 peale as follows: Bob Triples 1, Boli Majar 9 (onducted 2), Grandsire Thiples 5, Grandsire Gaters I. Treble Bol Major 8, Stedman Triples 3, Erin Triples 1.
Mr. Alfied Davies, of 19, Crescent Rond, Netherton, Dudley, has mow been appointed leader of the Netherton band, and applicatious for inging, ete., slould be sent to him for confrimation by the Vicar,

## HUGHENDEN'S OLDEST RINGER.

## DEATH OT MR. HARRY STRATFORD

By the lamented death of Mr . Fury Stratford, Huglenden has sen deprived of its oldest and one of ils most yespecter ringers. He was 78 yeat's of age.
Ever of a genial disposition, Mr. Stiratford was a most regular attendant both at services and practice while bis heath permitted. Althongh he had rather more than 60 peals to his credit, he was never au eathusiastic pral ringer, putting service rillging first. He took part in 1894 in the first peal of London Surprise for the Oxford Guild, in which the late Rev. F. E. Robinson also rang, the first peal of Superlative for the Guild, mul ane of the only wo peals of 'Allianee ever rung, Crawley ringing the other one on the prewious evening.
Sterman was his favourite methot, and nothing pieased him more han a well-struck guarter-peal.
In addition to his ringing abilities, he was a member of the church choir for a great many gears, and secretary of the Ghurch Helpars' Society from its inception down to his death. In fact, any project for the welfare of his beloved church had his wholehearted support, und a foumer Vicar declared that "Harr'y was worth two curates."

Iarge aud representative cougregation attended the funerel to pay their last respect to an estemed parishroner. The service was pinly choral, and a course of Grandsire Triples was rung over the grave, be tower bells afterwards being rung half-maffled. A well-struck quarter-peal of Stedman was rnog on the Sunday following by his fellow-members with the bells half-muffled as a tribute to a devoted flavcliman.
He will be greaty missed at Hughenden. A hackneyed expressiou, perhaps, but certainly true of Harry Stratiford.

## DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD

MONTHLY PRACTICES TO BT HELD
A quarterly meeting of the Dudley and Diştrict Guild was held at Enville, near Striurbridge, on Saturday, September 25th, in bearififul weather and with the countiry seeming to be at jts best. Ringiug began about three o'clock and later a gervice was leld, at which the Rev. W. F. O'N. Tisher (Rector) officiated and gave an interesting address. Mrs. Fisber kindly presided at the organ.
The Rector kindly placed his study at the disposal of the members tor the business meeting. The Rector presided and gave the Guild a hearty welcome to Enville.
It was propesed that the quarterly peal be attempted at Enville, the arrangements being lefl in the hands of the Ringing Mnster, the Rector kindly giving his consent to the attempt.
It was decided to hold the next meeting at OHd Fill, subject to the usual permission being obtained. Failing Old Hill it was left to the secretary to make other arrangements.
The guestion of holding a practico night for the Guild and others who might care to attend came in for a lengthy discussion. It was eventually proposed to lold a practice at St. 'Thomas' Church, Dudley ( 10 bells) on the firsi Monday evening in the month. It is boped that many members will avail themselves of this arrangement so that the practices may bo made successful.
Mr. S. J. Hughes proposed and Mr. §. H. Cox seconded a hearty rote of thanks to the Rector of Enville for his kiudness and to Mrs. Fibher for the musical part of the service.-The Recter briefly replied on behalf of his wife and himself and said that he hoped to have the pleasure of welcoming the Guild again.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## METMTNG AT RTTTENDON

Although there was not a large muster at the South-Eastern Division meeting at Rettendon on Ochober Gih, those who atteaded had an wery pleasant and anjoyable time. Ringing bean at 3 p. m .
Service was comducted by the Rector (the Rev. W. R. Norment, the hymis were accompanied by Miss Meeson, and the lesson was reed by the hon. seeretary (Mr. H. W. Shadrack)
Toa was served in the Parisin Full, 20 sibiting down, presided over by the Rector:
It was mnnounced at the busivess meeting which followed that the unual divisional meeting would be held at Writtle on November 87 hh .
The Rector said that le fnd his ringers were very pleased to welcome the association and hoped they would enjoy their visit and the ringing.
Mr. H. W. Shadrack thanked the Rector for allowing the moeting to be held and also for his interesting address.
A vote of thanks to Miss Meeson, to the organ blower and to Mr. Jay and the local band was proposed lyy Mr. J. D. Buckiugham und carried witl applause,
After handbell ringing a rebirn was mede to the dower, where ringing coutimed in a variety of methodg, with rounds for two beginners who were present, until 9 g'clock.
The following towers were represented: Great Baddow Broomfield, Chelmsford, Fyyerning, Goldhanger, Maldon, Rettendon and Spingfield, also visitors from lriEtlewell.

## RECTOR TO THE RESCDE.

On Saturday, October 16th, a meeting of the North- Eitstern Division of the Essex Association was, held at Great Bromley, when abont 30 members (including five lady lingers) attended from Tendring, Mistley, Dedham, Weeley aud St. Matibew's, Ipswich. Among other towers represented were Harwich, Colchester, Thorrington, St. Osyth's and Ipswicls. After a short service, conducted by lle ftector, it was found that tea was uot obtainable ato the usual place, so the Rector very kindly came to the rescue by inviting all to tea at the Rectory. Afterwards some retmined to the tower for mole vilging, while others went over to Little Bromley to ring on the four belle there, an thusian experience for the Surprise ringels. These bells were relung in 1898 and mothing bas heen done since. They had not been rung for many years until recently, when some ropes were oblained from a neighlouring tower and fun exthusiastic member from Mistley hnd spent some time in niling and making them ready. Quite a good timo Was spent here, ifter whichs ell feturned to Great. Brombey agail, where, during the day, some good ringing tools place in methods vanging from Stedman Doubles to Cambriage Surprise Minor.
On the way home some of the ringers were able to hayo it pull on the fine eirht at St. Peter's, Dolehester; which wele boing rung by an outing party.

At the meeting, after some dischssion, it was klecided to boln tho annual meeting agnin at Colchester in December.
Thanks are due to the gentleman who kindly lent this car and took those without cycles to Lithle Bromley, althougli 3 te is not now able to ring.

## TWO ASSOCIATIONS MEET

## HERTS AND BEDS RTNGERS AT JFIGHTON BUZZARD.

Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire ringers held a combimed megting on Saturday at All Sxints' Church, Leighton Buzzard. The fine peal of ten were set going to Stedman Caterg soon after 3 p.m., and riar ing was continued until 4 o'clock, when a short service was hek, conducted by the Vicar (tho Rev. A. I'. Stephens), who, in his address, spoke of the history of bells and described the important part ringers alay in the Church'e life. He thanked all ringers for the services they so freely gave for the extension of Clurist's Kingdom.
After service the whole party (very appropriately) ndjourner to the Golden Bell, where they enjoyed a very excellont ten. The Vicar welcomed the ringers from over the border.
Handbells were demonstrafed by the experts, spliced Litite and Plain Boh Major being splendidly struck. The pat'ty then returned to the tower, while a few want to Linslade to dry the light peal of eight. Ont their return, witir the help of Mr . Reutsen Sauders and othars, a grand course of Gambridge Royal was suecessfully completed, and a con'se of London Major was well struck. Methads from Grandsive Triples to Little Bob Royal were also in the programme, aud a very successful mecting was brought to close about o p.m. It is loped this may he one of a series of joint meetings of the two nssociations, and ringers in Bedfordshire look forward to a visit to \#ertfordshire.

## FIRST QUARTWR-PEALS.

CRATNES, WORGTESTERSHITEE. - On Sunday, October 10th, for evening service, 1,260 Stedman Triples (Thurstans'): E. Wison (first quarter of Stedman) 1, A. O. Lewis 2, J. Woodyatt 3. G. E. Large (condtctor) 4, D. R. Sayers 5, R. W. Snyers 6, R. Woodyatt. 7, G. Colley 8. Arranged for A. O. Lewis, of Bromsgrove.
FRODSHAM, CHESHIRT,-At St. Lawrence's Church on Oetoher 13th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Oswald Claybrook 1, William Bibby 2, Noralı M. Bibby 3, Gyri Valentine 4, Fuancıs Bibby 5 , George H. Raudes 6, Johy E. Bibly (conduetor) 7, Thowas Lightioot. 8. Pirst quarter-peal of Stedman Triples on the betls by a lacal baud.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION AT LAMBETH

MASTER WELCOMED BACK.
Members of the Suriey Association who adtended the North-Western District meeting at Lambelh ou Saturday week had the preasure of seeing their Master, Mr. D. Kemeth G. Birt, back in his aceustomed place at the head of the table after his long illuess, and took the opporbunty of expressing their gratifioation. Mr. Birt, in opulniug the meeting, thanked them for their kind expressions of sympathy and welcome and said how lappy he was to be back with them once more. Coming over Lambeth Bridge this afternoon,' lie said, "I could not help feeling bow beautiful Lambelh bells sounded and what a happy contrast they provided to the tumoil of the present day and all the 4 we see going on around us, reminding us as they do of higher and Hobler thinge

Of all the minor arts,* he added, "I think we way regard the art of bellringing as the greatest and most wortly of encouragement, for we can rever really know what people feel or what help we are giving when we ring our bells. In these days of stress and strain I believe that heip to be very rery real.'
Mr. Birt said ho had been asked to convey to the meeting apologies for navoidable absence from their assistant meneral secretary, Mr. C. H. Kippin, and their District Master, Mr. D. Cooper, and others who were busily engaged in ringing a pall of welcome to the new Vigar of Croydon. He also extended a hearty welcome to their wisitors, amongst whom were the Sisuth and West District Mastrer of tine Middleser Assaciation, Mr. Fimest G. S. Tumer, and the Guildford District secretary of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, Mr. G. L. Grover; Mr, J. Herbert (Twickenham), Mr. O. I. Ashbrook (Isleworthi, Mr' E. B. Harlley (Whlesden), and Mr. F. H. Hicks and Wri. C. Brasicr (Rotherfield, Sussex).
Theo new mombers were elected-Mr. ㄱ. C. Cressy and Mr. Franeig P. Gato, of Imanuuel Church, Streabhan, and Mr. Johal R. Davisons of Mitcham Parisla Church.
There being no further business, a vote of thanks was accorted to the Viear for the use of the bells, to Mr. W. Hardy for having everything in y'cadiness in the tower and arranging the meeting, and to the ladies for the catering.
A return to the tower was then made, where ringing continued until 7.30 p.m., when evensong was said. Further ringing wook puace from 8 o'clock to 8.30 F.m. when another happy meeting terminated. The total attendance was 43 , representing anost of the towers in the district.

## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS

HAWKFUTST, SUSSEX. For harvest festival on October 3rd, 1,280 clanges of Mob Major: F. Chapman 1. G. Maskell 2, A. Kemp (first quarter-peal) 3, A. Stevensou 4, L. Jarvis 5, A. Goidsmith 6, W. Gorringe 7, S. G. Powell $B$.
HOTJLOW $\bar{Y}$.-For moming service on October 17th al St, Mary Magdalen's Church, a quatter-peal of Grundsire Triples: R. Charge 1, R. Newmari 2, F. 2, Boyce, Lowestof (first charter-peal) 3, H. Franks 4, G, Charge 5, A. Tumer (conductor) 6, E. W. Pye 7, A. Jolunson 8.

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The following towers will be open from 12.30 p.117. to 3 p.m. :-

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$3.00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Unveiling of tablet on the tombstone of Sir Henry Tulse, Lord Mayor and Maste in the year 1684, in the churchyard of $S$ Dionys, Backchurch, Lime Street, E.C.
3.30 p.m. Three courses of Stedman Cinques, rung at St. Paul's Cathedral by the mem bers of the St. Paul's Cathectral Band.
4.00 p.m. Service in St. Paul's Cathedral. Seat will be reserved under the Dome for members and their friends and relations. members of the general public will be we! come. There will be a special hymn and anthem, and a course of Stedman Triples on handbells. Preacher: The Venerably The Archdeacon of London. There will be a collection for the A.S.C.Y. Benerolent Fund and St. Paul's Cathedral.
5.15 p.m At the Cannon Street Hotel, the Master will receive the members and guests for dinner at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. (The reception room will be suitably furnished.)

THE LADIES' GUILD.-Arrangements for the Jubilee Dinner, Saturday, October 23rd. The bells of St. Clement Danes' Church, Strand, will be available from 2.30-4 p.m. Special service for Guild members and friends at the same church-at 4 p.m. Reception at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, from $5.30-6 \mathrm{p}-\mathrm{m}$. Dinner will commence at 6 o'clock precisely, and ali ticket holders are asked to be in their places by this time. On Sunday, October 24th, Corporate Communion will be celebrated ai the Church of St. Lawrence Jewry, London, E.C. $9.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. All visitors staying in London are cordially invited to attend.-E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Sec., 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborough District.-The next meeting will be held at Hugglescote on October 23rd. Good bus service from all parts to Coalville, and then every few minutes from Mariborough Square. Big belfry ; please fill it. For tea, postcard to H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., Hugglescote.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Members and non-members cordially invited.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury and District Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be beld at Swalcliffe on Saturday, October 23rd. Beils (6) available from 2.30. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and short business meeting. For tea, please let me know.-E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Banlury.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Cary Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Charlton Mackerell on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting following. Please advise for tea.-W. A. Osborn, Galhampton, Yeovil, Somerset.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-.--Iunts Branch.A meeting will be held at Somersham on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Gt. Staughton, St. Neots.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN.-Bath Branch.A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Bathwick, on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells (8) 3 p.rn. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15.-Theo. Grant, Hon. Sec., Swainswick, Bath.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. The next meeting will be held at the Sacred Heart Church (R.C.), Talbot Road, on Saturday, October 23rd. Ringing on the eight bells from 4 to 6 p.m. only. Business meeting to follow.-C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 35, Berwick Road, Blackpool, S.S.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A special meeting will be held at Bishop Auckland on Saturday, October 23rd, by invitation of the Vicar, when a peal board will be unveiled. Bells available from 2 p.ri.-Roland Park, Hon. Sec., 23, Oaklands Terrace, Darlington.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton •Branch.The next meeting will be held at Horwich on Saturday; October 23rd, instead of October 30th. Beils from 2.30 p.m. Meeting ' 7 o'clock.- Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -There will be ringing for service at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on Sunday, October 23rd, commencing at 5.30 p.m. Usual monthly practice on Thursday, October $28 t h$, commencing 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. $N$. Summerhayes, Acting Hon. Sec., 28, Bear Road, Bexleyheath.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 28th; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 26 th (nomination night), at '7.30. *Business meeting after-wards.-Willian T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodinghan 32. Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch. -A meeting will be held at March, Cambs, on Saturday, October 30th. Bells (six) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service, if arranged. Please inform Mr. H. W. Giddings, 2a, Church Street, March, Cambs, numbers for tea. I beg members to make effort to attend.-F. Warrington, Cox End Lane, Over, Cambs.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Taunton Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting wil! be held at Truli on Saturday, October 30tin. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea, etc., in the Club. Will those requiring tea please fifform me by the previous Tuesday?-P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Annual dinner at Blackpool on Saturday, October 30th. Owing to the large demand for tickets the County Hotel cannot find the necessary accommodation. The dinner will therefore be held at The Imperial Hydro, North Promenade, Blackpool (a penny tram fare from Talbot Square). Tickets 4 s . each. A special room is being reserved for ticket holders from 5 p.m. onwards. -C. Sharples, 35, Berwick Road, Blackpool.

SATLRDAY, OCTOBER 30th.-Herts meeting at Oxhey. Bells (8) open from 3.30. Tea at 5.30. Excellent train and coach service.-C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. City 4270.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Isle of Wight District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Carisbrooke on Saturday, October 30 th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m., at the Eight Bells Hotel, followed by business meeting. All requiring tea please notify by October 28th. -H. P. James, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Portland Street, Newport, Isle of Wight.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.--Tonbridge Dis* trict-Annual meeting, Tonbridge, Saturday, October 30th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea at the Carlton Cafe, High Street, 5.15. It is your duty to see that your tower is represented. Half fares up to 2s. will be allowed members. Please notify me for tea by Wednesday, October 27th.-Alec. E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

LADIES' GUILD AND GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.- Joint meeting at Aldershot on Saturciay, October 30th. Book the date !-(Miss) H. $\boldsymbol{T}$. Millis and C. W. Denyer, Hon. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Rochester Cathedral on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Tower oper at 3 p.m. Evensong at 4 p.m. Tea, at the City Cafe, at 5 p.m., only for those who notify the secretary. Business meeting afterwards for the election of district officers, etc., and members are particularly urged to attend. - Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham, Kent.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Battle on Saturday, October 30th. Tower open 3 o'clock. All ringers are welcome.-C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting of the Gloucester Branch will be held on Saturday, October 30th, at Witcombe. Bells open at 3 p.m. (Special bus from Worcester Street, 2.45 p.m.) Tea free. Kindly notify me for tea not later than October 27th.-W. H. Harris, Hon. Branch Sec., 4, G.W.R. Terrace, Lydney Dock, Lydney.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Hughenden ( 8 bells) on Saturday, October 30th, at 5.15 p.m. Tea at Lyons', High Wycombe, 4 p.m. No names this time.-A. D. Baker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Wroxeter (b bells) on Saturday, October 30 th . Bells available 3 p.m. Business alter tea. For tea, please advise W. A. Farmer, 6, Mayfield Terrace, Mountfields, Slirewsbury.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GLild.-Alton and Petersficld District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bramshott on Saturday, October 30th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea in Parish Room 5.15, followed by business meeting. All requiring tea, please let me know by Wednesday, October 27th.-C. E. Bassett, Hon. Dis. Sec., 32, Charles Street, Petersfield.
BARKWAY, NORTH HERTS ASSOCIATION.These eight are still capable of producing everything from Rounds to Loncion-it's the ringers 'at the bottom 'that are reguired. So book the date, Saturday, October 30 th . Belis ready 3 p.sn. Mr. C. Bysouth, High Street, Barkway, is kindly arranging a tea, to be prepared at the Wheatsheaf, so I thisk-we ought to let him know the number, don't you?-Don Mears, Hon. Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Axbridge Deancry-A quarterly meeting will be held at Winscombe on Saturday, October 30th. Bells (8) from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Divine service 4.30 . Tea and meeting $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. -H. Minifie, Hon. Sec., Royston, Uphill, Weston-superMare.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Bentley on Saturday, October 30 th (Alclwick bells not available). Bells ready at 3 p.m. Tea provided for those who let me know by Wednesday, the 27th, all the proceeds to go to the bell fund. Make this meeting a success.-Ernest Cooper, 1, Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey, Doncaster.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Rippingale on Saturday, October 30th. Bells (6) available during afternoon and evening. Service 4.30 , followed by tea in the School, which will be free, kindly provided by the Rippingale ringers, for those who notify Mr. S. Laxton, Rippingale, Bourne, by Wednesday previous. Business meeting after tea.-C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham, Lincs.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Rural Branch.-The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, October 30th, at Pucklechurch and Abson. Bells (6) open from 3 to 4.45 at Abson. Service 5 at Pucklechurch. Tea and business to follow. Further ringing at Pucklechurch until 9 p.m. Please advise for tea.-R. C. Gifford, Branch Sec., Frampton Cotterill, near Bristol.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at East Ardsley on Saturday, October 30 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea can be obtained near the church. Business meeting in the tower 7 p.m.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road; Leeds, 12.
WENDRON, NEAR HELSTON, CORNWALL.The dedication of the bells will take place on Sunday, October 31st, at 6 p.m., by the Archdeacon of Cornwallfive bells restored in new oak bell frame and augmented to a ring of six by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

SOUTH BRENT, DEVON.-The bells will be rededicated on Wednesday, November 3rd, at 3 p.m.-a ring of six, tuned and rehung in new bell frame by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Wendon on Saturday, November 6th. Bells available from 3 p.ma. Service at 4.30. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 69, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A meeting will be beld at Brede on Saturday, Noveniber 6th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, 1s. per head. Will members intending to be present kindly let ne know Wednesday previous to meet-ing.-A. C. Pankhurst, Hon. Div. Sec., 13, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division.-The annual meeting of this division will be held at Bocking on Saturday, November 6th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30 , to be followed by tea and business meeting. Will those intending to be present oblige by letting me know not later than Wednesday, the 3rd.-F. Ridgwell, Dis. Scc., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.
bISHAMPTON, NEAR PERSHORE, WORCS.The bells will be re-dedicated by the Bishop of Worcester on Sunday, November 7th, at 6.30 p.m.-a ring of six, tuned and rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUTLD.-The jubilee dinner and concert will be held at the Staflord Hotel, City Road, Chester, on Saturday, November 20th. Dinner at 6 p.m. prompt. Tickets 2s. 6d. each. Application for tickets (enclosing remittance) to H. Parker, 3, London Road Davenham, Cheshire, or the branch secretaries, befori November 13th.

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MARRIOTT.-On October 12th, 1937, Emily Jane, the beloved wife of Ernest Marriott, Wymondham, near Oakham, aged 57 years.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL TOUCHES

LONDON-For evening service at St. Olave's, Fart Street, City, on October 17th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples from Thurstans': G Parsons 1, Miss M. Prockson 2, J. Bennett (conductor) 3, G. R. Pye 4, W. P. Mndgwick 5, O. T. Coles 6, E. C. S. Turner 7, म. Willson, jun. 8. Rung for the har vest festival.

HASLEMERE, SURREY.-On Sumday, October 3rd, for morning service at the Parish Ohurch, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes): D. Hayes I, E. J. Ayliffe 2, B. D. Elliott 3, Mrs. F. Bowder 4. J. MoDermotb, R.N. 5, H. Sinithers 6, F. Bowden (conductor) 7 R. Hayes 8. Rung for the harvest festival and the fourteentin anm versary of the opening of the bells.

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## FALSE PEALS.

Last week two peals of Stedman Cinques were withdrawn because false compositions had been rung; this weck a false peal of Bob Major is similarly withdrawn. Within the last two years conductors have had to cancel quite a large number of peals, because they have used figures which have subsequently been found defective. It is always a matter of regret when performances of this kind are discovered to be worthless, because, in many instances, there have been involved not only the energies of the ringers in the actual ringing, but much organisation and travel. In both the Lincoln and the Surfleet peals many of the band had come from considerable distances, and this makes the disappointment all the greater. In both these peals, and in the one at Eastwood, which is withdrawn to-day, the compositions were by men of high standing among composers, and Mr. Arthur Knights, skilled and experienced as he is in the production of peals, admits, in a letter in another colunn, that a lapse of memory allowed him to step into a trap which was quite familiar to him.

The work of men of outstanding reputation is so seldom at fault that conductors rely implicitly upon their productions, but the risk is there, and these recent happenings go to show once more that the most reliable authors atre, after all, only fuman, and that there is nothing in peal compositions in which truth can be taken for granted without independent test. It is the eminence of the name which lulls one into a sense of security, for experienced concluctors generally take steps to check up the figures of the lesser lights before they call their compositions. But one wonders how many false peais really have been rung and have passed unnoticed.

There are those who think that the discovery of false peals some time after the performance should not invalidate the record, but with this view we camnot agree. [t would at once undermine the whole spirit of peal ringing, which, from the very beginning, has been based upon the strict truth of what is rung. To find out years afterwards, as in the case of the long peal of Stedman Cinques at Southwark, that the composition is false, does not detract from the credit of the ringers in putting up a fine ringing achievement, but such a performance cannot rank as a true peal. Neither, in our view, would it be righlt, when a false peal has been discovered, not to disclose the fact, particularly when the figures of the composition have been published. One of the main purposes of frankly withdrawing false peals is to prevent others ringing them again afterwards, aithough once the figures have been in print there can be no certainty that someone may not (Continued oll page 710.)

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subsequently get hold of them，not knowing of the false－ ness，and repeat the performance．There is always that risk．It is quite possible，too，that many false composi－ thons have been rung，and handed on to others，which no one but the composers and those who have called them have seen，and everyone concerned is still in blissful ig－ norance that there is anything wrong with them．We do not for a moment intend to cast a general slur on unpub－ lished compositions，but when，as we have seen，men of reputation sometimes fail，it behoves all those who call peals by fesser－known composers to take every reasonable precaution to ascertain first of all that the figures are true．

## TEN BELL PEALS．

## CROYTNN．SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCLATION．
On Satuday，October 16．1937．in Three Hours and Thivty－Two Minutes， at the Church of St．Peter，
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL， 5040 CHANGES；

No． 3 ression．
Harry W．Slamons ．．．．．Trehe Mrs．Cbarles H Kippin．．． 2 Frank E．Darby ．．．．．． 3 －William H．Hewett ．．． 4 Thomas G．Bannister ．．． 5 Composed by F，E．Darby
＊First peal of London Royai．

Tenor 304 cwt in D ．
－Freiderica E．Colcins ．．． 6 Edward G．Talbot ．．．．．． 7 Tony R．Price ．．． Daniel D．Cgoprr ．．．．．． 9 Cenrles H．Kipfin ．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Cens．H．Kippin． Firsb peal in tie methed on the bells LONDON
THE ANGIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS． Or Monday，October 18，1937，in Three Hours and Thirly－Five Minutes，

At ter Caurch of St，Clement Danes，Strand，
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL， 5000 GHANGES； Tenor 24 crit．
Herbrat Langdon ．．．．．．Tyehb । Willir Rodgbton Edwin H．Lewis ．．． ．． 2 JHENBy G Miles ．．．．．．． 6 ．．． 2 Albert A．Hugbes... William G．Wetrebead ．．． 4 Grorge W．Dbbeneam ．．． 9 Harry Hoskins ．．．．．．．．． 5 Rjceard F．Deal．．．．．．．．．Tenoy Composed by Rev．H．S．T．Rigrardson，Condacted by E．H．Lews Kung as a birtbday compliment to Mrs．Peanington－Bickford．It was also the birthday of the ringers of the 6th and fenor．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

NORWICF．
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Tuasday Olober 12，1937．in Three Hours and Forty－Two Minutes， At tee Chorge of St．Peter，Mancrofy，
A PEAL DF DOUBLE NORWIEH GOURT BDB MAJOR， 5008 CHANEES； Tenor 37 cwt .3 qr ．Is ib ．in C．
ARtbur J．E．Smalls．．．．．．Troble＂Edmund G．Keti ．．．．．． 5 George Mayers．．．．．．．．． 2 Bertie J．Howchin ．．．．．． Arthor G．King ．．．．．．．．． 3 Gborge Bailey．．．．．．．．． 7 Nolan Goldrn ．．．．．．．．． 4 Rrv．C．Elliot Wigg ．．．Tmoy Composed and Condncted by Nolan Golden．
＊Tirst peal of Double Norwich． SFONEY STANTON，LETCNSHERSHIR THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION． （Hinckley District．）
On Saturalay，October 16，1937，in Three Howrs At the Churce of St．Michael，
A PEAL OF GRANDAIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES； Panken＇s Twelve－part．

Tenor xacwt．
Maker to St．Paul＂e Cathedral，Westranster Abbey，Imperial Jnsti－ tute，Centerbury，Edinburgh，St．Albang，Lincoln，Durham，Peter－ borough，Melbourne（Australia），Rochester，Dublin，St．Patrick＇m， Mancheater，Durban and Worcester Cathedrals，atc．，eto．

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＊First．peal on eight bells and first attempt．＋First peal in the method＇inside．＇

HILGAF, NORTOLK
THE ELT DIOOESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Ottabey 16, 1937, in Three Hows and Seven Minutes,
At tee Churca of All Saints,
A PEAE OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 GHAHGES; Tenar 17 cwt. in F
William Bockeneam
... Treble Albert E. Agsin
Sidney Brown ... ...
... 2 Cladde Cousin

- Whelace W. Cousins ... 3 Crcil Y. Ebrerson ... ... 7

Nolan Goldza ... ... ... 4 | Artadr G. Bason ... ...Temar
Composed and Conducted by Noean Golden.

* First peal in the method. Glaudo Gousins' one hundredth peal. MOULTON, NORTHAMPTONSETRE.
THE PEIERBOROTGE DIOCDSAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Octobey 16,1937 , in Three Hours ard Fivs Minutes At the Ceurce of SS. Peter and Pave,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5O40 CHANGE8; Pitsiow's Transposition of Tgurstans' Fodr-part.
Harry Sear... ... ... ...Tyeble |"Harry V. Sear... ... ... 5 Thomas Law ... ... ... 2 Grorge Valexntine ... ... 6 Peilif Jones ... ... ... 3 Tom Tebeiti ... ... ... 7 Gzorgb Erbeman ... ... 4 Jobepr C. Dran... ... ...Tinoy Conducted by Tom Terbitit.
* Birat peal of Stredman Triples. Rung as a farewell peal to the Wicar (the Rev. J. M. Turner)

STOWMARKEF, SURFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GDILD.
On Saturday. Octobu 76. 1937, in Thye: Honys and Fourtecm Mimutes, At tee Cgurch of SS. Peter and Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH GOURT DOB MAJOR, 5024 GHAMPES;

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\text { Temor } 24 \text { cwt. }
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STOW BARDOLPH, NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Surflay, October 17, 1937, in T wo Howrs ard Fifty-Five Mirntes, At the Chorch of ter Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 5056 EHANOESI Tenor so cwt. I qr. 13 ib. in G.
 hered Bacon ... ... ... 3 Cicil V. Ebbetson ... ... 7 Nilliam Bockenham... ... 4 Cladde Cousins ... ... ...Tenor Composed and Condacted by Nolan Goldin.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.
THW ESSEX ASSOCLATION
On Monday, Ottober 18, 1937, in Three Hours and Ono Minute, At tre Caterdral,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 GHANOEB;
Tenor gy cwt.
Herbert Devenish ... ...Tetebld Reginald C. Thrift .... ... 5
Harry Allen ... ... ... 2 Dennis A. S. Symonds ... 6 Ricgard C. Clare ... ... 3 Henry W. Seadrace... ... 7 Jobn Wood ... ... ... ... 4 Lensliz J. Clark ... ... Composed by F. Robinson, Conducted by L. J. Clare. Thag to celehrato the birth of a son to the Jord Lieutenant of Essex, Col. Whitmore.

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## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 EHANEE意:

Parker's Twelve-part.
Georfrey Harrison ... ...Tyoble
Joen Saddingion ....
John P. Fidler ... ... ... 3
Fred W. Salter..

Tenor 6t cwl.
G. Ronald Edwards ... i. 5

Charleg Allsop... ... ... 6
Ralph Narborodge ... ... 7
Guildpord Onslow ... ...Temor
Conducted by Cearles Allsop,
ALBURGE, NORFOLE.
THE NORWIOH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, October 19, 1937, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minules At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANQES;
Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr, I2 lb.
Grorge W. Howlett ...T ecble Fred W. Monnings ... ... 5
Capt. A. Joenstone, R.N. 2 Rusself Riches... ... ... 6
Charles W. Looke... ... 3 Robert Gonton ... ... ... 7
Frederick Gunion ... ... 4 Walter Barrett +.* ...Temar
Composed by F. Robinson. Conducted by Georgr W. Howlett.

* First peal.

WORSLEY, LANOASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOGLATION.
On Weduesday, Ocfober 20, 1937, in Three Hours, At the Cherce of St, Mark,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANPES;
Vicars'. Six-part.
Tenor 24 cwt.
Harry Allred, sen. ... ...Treble | Birley Walseaw ... ... 5
Caarles Ridyard ... ... 2 Josbpa H. RidYard ...
Benjamin Welsby ... ... 3 Jabes K. Wblsby ... ... 7
Percy H. Darbyselre ... 4 Robert Allred ... ... ...Thior Conducted by Joserf H. Ridyard.

GRAYFORD, KENT.
THEE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fyiday, October 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minwles, At tee Caurch of St. Padlinos,

## A PEAL OF HEREWARD BOB HAJOR, GOB6 CHARLES;

 Tenor 12 z cwt.- Edwin Barnett ... ...Tredle Herbert E. Aodsley ... 5

- Artidr S. Richards ... 3 "Edwin A. Barmbit ... ... 7

Thomas Groombridge, ses. 4 -Harry Hoverd ... ... ...Tomop Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by E. A. Barnetr.

* First peal in the method. J. F. Checsman's 150th peel on the betis.

HALEWOOD, LANCASHITE.
「EHE LANCASHIRE ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, Ottober 23, 1937, in Two Hours ard Forty-Eight Mmutes, At tee Chorce of St. Nicgolas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EO40 CHANEE8;
Carier's Odd-bob, No, $2 . \quad$ Tenor If cwt.
Thomas W. Hammond ...Tyeble Herbert Lodin $\quad$... $\quad .$. Georgr R. Newton ..... .12 Thomas Robinson ... ... 3 Prrcival W. Cave .... ... 7 Edwin C. Birebtt ... ... 4 Edward Cadnce ... ... ...Tonor Couducted by Percival W. Cayr, GORTON, MANCHESFER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Onobey 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Fiffy-Nine Minules,
At the Unitarian Church, Broorfield.
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, E040 EHANEEB?
Hrywond's Transposition of Therstans' Fobr-part. Tenor 13t owt.
Alpred Barnes ... ... ...Tyeble Alibn F. Balley .... ... $^{5}$ Petrar Laflin ... .... ... 2 EnWard F. Mawby William Brammer $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Thomas B. Worsley ..... .7 Wilelam H. Sagkbr ... ... 4 Cbarers Ollibr... ... ...Temot Conducted by T. B. Worscey.
Rung to celebrato the completion of 50 jears' ringing by Mr, W. H. Shuker andiwas his 150th peal.

FRESSINGFELD, NORFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOGLATION On Satiryday, Obtober 25, 1937, in Three Howrs, At the Cherce of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF KENT TRE日LE BOB MAJOR, $50 B 8$ CHANGEB; Tenor 17 owt.
George W. Howlett
...Treble Frederica W. Mennirgs... 5
Roberi Ricers
Frederick C. Gunton Sitanley W. Copling... Composed by D. Pranticr. Conducted by Charles W. Loome. HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, October 23, 1937, is Three Hours, At tee Ceurch of St. Remigide,
A PEAL OF gUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6088 CHANGE8; Tenor io cwt. I qr. 12 lb . in G.


FARNEAM, SURREY.
THE GDILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Ow Sallyday, October 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minules,
At ree Cafrg or St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE HAJGR, 5088 CHANGEE ; Tenor 84 cet.
-Ernest J. Ayziffe ... ...Tyeble Frederick S. Bayley ... 5 Jack M. Cripps ... ... ... 2 Frederick W. Rogers ... Kennett Snglling ......$\quad 3$ Olivzr Sippetis ...... William T. Beeson... ... 4 C, Erabst Smite... ... ...T brap $^{\text {. }}$ Compased by A. Craven. Conducted by C. Ernest Smize.

* First Surprise peal. First peal in the method on the belle and by the Guild. First peal in the method as conductor.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESEIRE.
THE OHFSTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Ottober 23, 1937, in I wo Hours and Fifty-Seven Mixutes, At the Cherch of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE5;
Hgywood's Transposition of Tburstans' Four-part. Tenor $I_{4} \mathrm{cwt}, 3 \mathrm{qr}$.2 Ilb .
 Conducted by Joun Worte. DEBENEAM, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GOILD.
On Saturday, October 23. 1937, in Three Hours axd Fifteen Minutes, At the Chugce or St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR 5 SO24 CHANGE8; Tegor 21壁 cwt.
Ernest F. Poppy... ... ..Tyeble "Sidney W. Arbon ... ... 5 Bert Chilygrs ... ... ... 2 Harry Moss ... ... ... 6
 William J. Groom ... ... 4 William C. Romsey ...Temor Composed by A. Knigets. Conducted by William C. Romsey.

* Tirat peal on eirht bells.


## CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Oetoder 23, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifly-Five Mintes, At tee Cedrce of St. Mary-witein-the-Walls,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parber's Twrlye-part.
Tenor 14 cwh .
Robrrt Sprrejng ... ...Treble James Morgan ... ... ... 5 Gborge F. Sprrrisg ... .... 2 J. William Clarze ...... Ronald G. Jones ... ... 3 Artgur Nbwell... ... ... 7 Alberi E. Ricuards ... ... 4 Edward Price ... .... ... Tenor Conducted by Robert Sprrring.
Mr. R. Sperring's 550 th peal.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minxtes,
At the Cgurce of St. Olave, Hart Street, City
A PEAL OF BRIBTOL 8URPRISE WAJOR, 6088 CHANGE8; Tenor 11 ewt.
Gborgr A. Parson
..Tybbie Ernest C. S. Turner
Johe S. Goldsmita ... ... 2 Willam R. Madgwick.. .8
Charles T. Coless ... ... 3 Ruprrt Ricbardson ...... Georger. Pye ... ... ... 4 James C. E. Simpson ... ...T Thor Composed by A. Knigars. Conducted by Canrles T. Coles. Rung in honour of the Silver Jubilee of the Ladies' Guild.

## MERE, WILTS.

PHE ANOIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
On Saturday, Notober 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Sevan Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Michabl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF BOB HANOR, GOOS CHANGE8; Tenor 22 cwt .
Edward G. L. Coward ...Tpelbe Friderick A. Targett ... $g$ Fredzrick A. Coward ... 2 Edwatd G. Rowe ... ... Kbaneti Ford ... $. . . \quad . . .3$ Ronald G. Brgk ... $\quad .$. Edwin H. Nasb ... Arranged and Conducted by J. T. Dyкe. ERITH, KENT. THE EENT COUNTY ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, October 23, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Seven Minntes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF BTEDHAN TRIPLES, bOAD CHANEES; Washbrodr's Variation ga Tgurstans' Foor-part. Tenor 15 cwt . in G .
Hbrbert E. Audsley ...Treble Joun Weradon.
Harry Hoseins ... ... ... 2 Harry Parebs ... ... ... 5 Harry Hoverd.... Frederick J. Coledm ... 4 Thomas Mortimer ... ...Tenos BNain Confucted by Frbderick J. Collum,

- CHAGFORD, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GDILD.
On Saturday, Oetober 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes.
At the Parish Ceurch of St. Miceael,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANQES:
Holit's Ten-tart.
Tenor 20 cwt .

- Clifford A. Vbssby

Rey. Reys James


*G.E. Wocdley...... Conducted by C. R. Lilley.

* First peal in Triples. First peal on the bells.


## GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.

- On Saturday, October 23, 7937, in Three Hours and Four Minates, at the Chuych of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGEB Tenor $I_{4} \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$, in G .
Pergy Grern ... ... ...Tyeble Fremarigk Ridgewrll ... 5
 Horace J. Mansfiald .... 3 Lewis W. Wipern ... ... 7 Frank Claydon ... ... ... 4 "Albbrz Wiffen... ... ...Temoy
Composed by C. Mideleton, Conducted by Percy Green.
* 25 th peal of Cambridge. Especially arranged and rupg as a sompliment to George Green, of his completing 50 years as a ringer at this church.


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## MORTHAMPTON

THE PETERBOROUGE DIOCESAN GUILD.
Ow Saturday, Ocfober 23, 1937, is Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8; Pisstow's Transposition of Thurstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 121 cwt.
T. TEBR日
. ... ... ...Tpeble W. R. Parker
G. Frebman ... ... ... ... 2 P. Jones $\quad . .$.
 J. C. Dean ... ... ... ... 4 A. Monk ... ... ... ...Teror Conducted by T. Tebeori.
A birthday compliment to the ringers of the 4th and 5tli, T. Law's 100th peal.

WTROTHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Satkrday, October 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
Ax xee Ceurce of St. George,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 OHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt.

Groprrey V. Murpiy ... 4 Philif A. Corey ... .... ... Tenoy
Composed by A. Knigets (No. 327). Conducted by Thomas E. Sone

* First peal on eight tower bells. A seventh birtbday compliment to Audrey Sone, daughter of the couductor.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

WHTTCHURGH, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Wednesday, Oetubey 13, 1937, is Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At tee Cherce of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 15 cwt ,
Whalter L. Prosser ... ... I rebie |Jogn W. Jones ... ... ... 4

- Howard L. Morgas... ... 2 George Talhot ...

Robert Smith ... .... ... 3 John Pbillips ... ... ... Thoy Conducted by Jorn Peillipe.

* First poel of Minar. Pirst peal of Minor as conductor.

ARESEY, YORES.
THE YORKSHTRE ASSOCIATION. (Doncaster and District Snciety.).
On Saturday, October 16, 1937, in Two Hours ard Fifty Minhtes, At the Churce of Aul Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANQEB;

Being tlree 7001s of Oxford Treble Bob and two each of Kent Treble Boband Plain Bob.
Grorge Clark ... ... ...Treble Harry Goodale ... ... .... 4
William Fay.... -Howard Scoty ... ... ... 3 | Ernast Cooprr ... ... ... Tenoy Conducted by E. Coopra.

* First peal. A birthday corapliment to Ma. G. Clark.

CHOLSEY, BTRESFIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Oetober 76, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifiy-Five Minufes,
At tae Chorce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being twenty 120's, six of Pitman's and five of Mortis' 240's ( 21 callings).

 Conducted by Joen Nobs.

EAST ANSTEY, NORTH DEVON,
THE BATE AND WELLS DIOGESAN ASSOGLATION.
(Ddnster DHanery Brange.)
Dw Saturday, Otober 16, 7937, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minuts, At the Pabish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Forby-bw? extents,
Hgary Porceasz ... ...Tveblo *Cegil Bellow ... ... ... 4

- William Grorge Watrs 2 Ceadde Tark ... Alaert Tout ... ... .... 3 Victor N. Burrow ... ....Tenor Conducted by A. Tout.
* First attempt for a peal. Pirst peal on the bells.

BARNBY-TN-THE-WLLLOWS, NOTTS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOGATION AND
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Safurday, Octobor 16, 1937, in Two Hourr and Thirly-Seuen Minmis,
At the Church of All Salnes,
A PEAL OF HINOR, $\operatorname{EO40}$ CHANGES;
Being ane extent each of Thelwall, Childwall, Double Oxford, Singlo Conit, St. Olement's, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor Bta cwt. Frank W. Vernon ... ...T rebld Jack C. Vessey ... ... ... 4 - Kenneth W. Mayer Miss Dorotgy Vessey .... 3 Thonas Vessey ... .... .... Tenor Conducted by Jack L. Miclhoese.

* First peal in seven plain methods. First peal in seven methods as coaductor. Rung for the harvest biankegiving.


## MORETON CORBET, SHROPGHTRE.

THE SHROPSFIRE ASSOCIATION.
Un Stonday, Cctober 77, 1937, in Two Fours and Fifly-Sevent Minules, At tae Chorce of St. Barxholomew, A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANQES;
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Bol and Plan Bob, and two each of Oxford Trebie Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Tezor 91 cwt.
Walter Lycett ... ... ...Tyehl | EDWard V. Rodengerst ... 4
 Conducted by Artaror Pritcaard.
Firgh peal in five methods on the bells and by all the band except the ringer of the 4th. Rung as a farewell to tho Rev. E. C. Pirot (treasurer of the association), who is retiring after 25 years as Rector of this parish.

## KEDINGTON, SUFTOLK,

THE SUEFOLK GUILD.
On Sunday, Oetober 17, 1937, in Twh Hours and Forty-Eight Mimuta, At tee Chorce of SS. Peter and Pade,
A PEAL OF MINOR, SO4O CHANEES;
Being one 720 of Woodbine Troble Bob and two 720 s each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford ripeble Bob and Plain Bob. Tear 13 cwt . Georgr N. Tves ... ... ... Treble |Aribur P. Ballard ... Ralpa Bird ... .... .... ... 2 Albert Catterwrll ... ... 5 Bernard W. Peititt ... 3 |Ronald Secering ... ... Tenor Conducted by R, Sockling.
First peal on the bells.
WALEINGTON, MERTS.
THE HERTFORD OOUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Sankrday, Oetober 76, 1937, in Two Hours and Farty-One Minutas, At the Ceoreg of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6B40 OHANEES;
Seven different 720's.

- William Collins ... ...Treble Artbor Difley

Jorn Chbrck...
Condacted by R. T. Nrwman.
* First peal of Minor. $\ddagger$ First peal and attempt.


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## DISLEY, OHESHIRE,

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD
Un Monday, crobey 18, 1937, in I wo Hours and Chit5y-I hyee Minutes, Ax tae Caurch of St. Mary

## A PEAL OF gPLIEED TREBLE BOB MINDR, 5040 CHANGES

Being seven extents in 23 methods, viz. : (1) Norbury, Morning Star Treble Bob axd Disley Delight; (2) Ockley, Duke of Norfolk and College Exercise Treble Bob; (3) Marple, Taxal and Willesden Delight; (4) Old Oxford, College Bab IV. and Newdigate Delight; (5) Braintree, Humber and Wragby Dulight; (6) Neasden, St. Albans aud Charlwood Delight; (7) Oxford, Capel, Sandal, London Scholars' Pleasure and Kingston Treble Bob.
|ames Fernley ... ... ...Tyebla tAlbert T, Bancrofy ... 4
 Condacted by C.K. Lewis.
Seventr-two changes of method. * Firgt peal in 23 methods. Rung fully mufled as a fnst toker of respect and esteem for Mr. H. Hayfhorne a valued member of the local band and of the Guild.

## TUDDENHAM, SUFFOLK

## THE SUFFOLK GULLD.

On Monday, Otober 13,1937, in Two Howrs and Foviy-Nine Mintes, At tee Ceurch of Si. Mariin,

## A PEAL OF MINDR, 5040 CHANEESI

Consisting of 720 of Cambriage Sunprise, and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Ronag.d W. Steward... ...Tytble Alan R. Andrews
William J. G. Brown ... 2 Grorge A. Fleming Urban W. Wildney ... .... 3 Sylvia R, E. Bowyar cenor $8 \mathrm{cwt}^{2}$

3 Sylvia R, E. Bow
Ficst peal in four methods as conductor.

## HAMPTON-IN-ARDEN, WARWICKSHIRE <br> ST. EDBURGEA'S SOCIETY, YADDLEY

On Saturday, Otober 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Thyce Minutes, At the Phrish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten different callings. Tenor 12 cmt .
Conrad Pejlligs ... ...Treble George H. Taylore... Alebrt T. Scrivifns $\qquad$
Joun Lindow 2 William C. Reodes Conducted by George H. Taylor. $\begin{array}{ll}\cdots & 4 \\ \cdots & 5\end{array}$

* First peal, and a local ringer.


## BEGKEEY, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 23, 1937, in Two Howrs and Foity-Six Minutes,
At tee Cherch of All Shats,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 CHANOE8;
Being 720 each of Oxford ancl Kent Treble Bob, Lwo 720's of Oxford Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob.

## -Ggorgr Bezany <br> .Treble Arther F. Lewry <br> dibsti Rblfb ...... <br> Leseig W. Jarvis $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ William A. Kitceenside ...Tenot

Conducted by Alsert Relfe.

* First peal. A birthday peal for the ringers of the 3rd and tenor.


## LYMINSTER SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 23, 1937, in Two Hotrs andFooty-Eigh Minutes,
Ai the Churce of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF GRANDBIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANOEB;
Forty-two six-seores, ter different callings. Tenor 9 cwt 3 gr . I6 lb.
-Leseie Smita
Harry Howt
Jobs Netley

| $\ldots .$. | ... | ...$T y e b l e$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 |

Groffrey Lee
Ernest Treagus $\quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad . . . .4$ Conducted by Ernest Treagos.

* First peal. + Pirst peal "inside." Pirst peal as conductor.

OYERSEALE, DFRBYSHIRF-At St Mathew's Church on Sunday. October 10th, for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples for matins: W. Boswoth 1, W, E. Clayfleld 2, H. C. Adams 3 , E. Carter (first "inside') 4, (7. W. Clayfield (conductor) 5, W. Brooker 6, J. W. Caiton 7, H. Gurson 8.

DIDSBURY, LANCASHIRE. - On Sunday, September 26th, for harvest festival at Cluist Charch, 1,428 Grandsire Triples: F. Jones 1, T. Tones 2, F. Davies 3, A. Prost 4, G. Newton 5, E. Murgatroyd 6, N. Heaps (conductor) 7, F . Lapham 8.

## PEAL NOTES.

LNAERESTLNG POINTS RROM PERFORMANCES
Members of the Surrey Association, conducted by Mr. C. H. Kippiu, added to their fine list of peals of Roynl hy ringing another of Loudhat Surprise (No. $3^{\text {'version }}$, at St. Peter's Chnucl, Croydon, oy Oct. 16th. Messrs. Bill Hewiti and Fred Collins sconed their first peal in the method.

With reference to the handbell peal rulig at Finton-on-the-Green on October 16th aud published in our |ast issue, it is interesting to mote that in 1915 Mr. F. S. Wison rang handbell peals of Grandsire Triples and Caters respectively witl) the late MI, F. .). Jolnson (fabher of the lalented fanily of rimgers) and with the late Miss Ellea M. Johnson, the eldest daghater, so that Mr. Wilson has now rung handbell peals with no less than five members of the Jolnson family.
At Lyminster, Sussex, on Saburday, the first peal was rung on the bells since they were retuned and relung by Messrs. Mears and Stafmbank.

Mr. T. Law, of Northmplon, Nang his one handredth peal on Saturday, and Mr. John H. Cluesman, of Greenbithe, his 150 th peal on Crayford bells on liriday.
The peal of Grandsire Doubles at Hampton-in-Arden, Warwickshire, rung by members of St. Edburgha's Society, Yardley, Birmingbam, was in celebration of the weclding of Mr. Rolnnd Edwards, at membel of the society, and to mark the relanging of the bells by Messrs. John Taylor and Co.
A peal of Grandsire Triples was Iuug on the back eight at Worsley. Lance, on October 20th, as a 'coming of age' compliment to Mr', J. K. Welsby. It was also the birthday of Mr. H. Allred, sen., and the wedding anniversary of $\mathbf{M r}$. $\mathbf{R}$. Allred. All of them received the congratulations of the rest of the bend.
The conducfor, Mr. J. H. Ridyard, has now rung every bell in the tower to a peal, and this was the quickest peal on the bells. It was rumg in exactly three hours; the tenor is 24 cwt.

Mr. William B. Duncan has now added Hethersett to the list of towers where he has "completed the circle.
October 2lst was the 26th anniversary of the first peal rung hy eiglyt brothers the Baileys, of Leiston, Suffolk. That peal was Allen F.'s first, aca be celebrated it on Thurgday week by calling a peal of Stedman Caters on haudbells at Stockport.

The Bailey brothers made history by the number of family peals they rang.
Odd-bob peals of Sterman Triples are a rave occurrence now that Maurice Swinfield and the Midland Connties' Wednesday band have ceased operations, but Mr. P. W. Cave called Carter's No. 2 at Halewood, Lanes, on Saturday.
Mr. W. H. Shuleer, hon. secrehary of the Laneashire Association, has just completed 50 years of ringing, and ou Saturday celebrated it by ringing his 150th peal.
In this peal of Stedman Triples, rung at Gorton, Manchester, Messrs. Alfred Barnes and Charles Ollier also took part, and both these have pat in over 50 years' serviee. It was the oue bundredth peal together by Messus P. Laflin and A. E. Bajley

Sheila Gralham has begur to receive bintheay compliments early. To celebrate her first birthday, a peal was rung at Nor'bury (Haze) Grove), Chesluire, on the twelfth anniversary of the restoration of the bells.
The tenor at Kedington, Suffolk, was recast and the rest of the bells rehung in $a$ mow frame and fitings by Mr. R. White, of Apple. ton. The first peal was rung on them on Octolyer 17th

Mr. Sidney W. Arbon rang his first peal on eight bells on Saturday It, was Kent Treble Bob Major at Debenham, aud previous to the peal he lad not ruvg as much as a plain course in the method in the fower.
Mr. Bert Chutwers, who took part in the peal, and on the previous Saturday rang in a peal of Minor at Thornlam, Suffolk, has only olte arm. Despite this handicap, he can strike a bell really well.

Mr. Robert Sperring of Chester, rang bis 550th peal on Saturday when be called a peal of Grandsire Triples. He chose this method as his first peal, rung at Holt, Denbigbshire, in 1901, was Grandsime Doubles.
(Continued on mext page.)

## handbell Peal.

STOOKPORT, CHESEIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GDILD.
On Thursday, Oetaber 21, 1937, in Two Hours and Thity Minutcs,
At 20, Abgrdeen Crascent,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGE8;
Tellor size 15 in C .


## a peal of major at st peter mancroft

## (Continued from previous page.)

'Illie Rev. C. E. Wigg rang the Lenor at St, Peter Mancroft, Norwich, tu a peal of Donble Norwich Major on October 12th. It is not oftea, in these days, that this bell is inned in to Major. Sle weighs nearly 38 uwt.

Members of the Middesex Associatiou rang a peal of Bristol Surprise at. St. Olave's, Hart Street, London, on Snturday, in honour of the silver jubilee of the Ladjes' Guild. Afterwarde the three married men men of the party went on to the ainuer lield by the ladies in celebraLion of the evont, but it was nated that the five bachelors made their esonpe from the city as quickly as possible. Thare were rimours that Kate would be present at the digner.

The veal of Cambridge Surprise Major at Great Baddow on Oetober 23 was ruyg as a compliment io Mr. George Green on lis completion of 50 years as a ringer at that church. The peal was conducted by his son. The band was afterwards kindy entertained by wr. and Mrs. Greten.
George Green is a keen and talented ringer, and his jovial manner gnd his kind and generons disposition has won for fim a large circle of friends, whe wah him many more years of contimued nctivity in the Exarcise.
On the light eight at Chelnsford Cathedral, a poal of Kent Treble Bol Mnjor was rung on Detoher 18th in honour of the birth of anon to Col. Whitmove, Lord Lientemant of the County of Essex.

A peal comprising 23 melhods in seven 780 's was rulg fully muffied ut Disley, Cheshise, on Ochober 18th, as a last token of respect end esteem for Mr. H. Haytiom, in walned member of the load band and of the Chester Dhocesan Guild.

Miss Sylvin Bowyer rans the tenor ( 8 cwt,) to peal of Minor at Tudrlenham, Sufolit, on Ootoher 18th, nul soored her first peal in four methods as conductor.
Mr: O. F. Carr on October 16tlu 'completed the circle' at Stoney 51 antion with a penl of Grandsire Triples, to which he rang the 7th. The peal was fung on the eve of the harvest festival.

The pal of Stedman Triples at Frith on Satirday was rung after meetiug short for Bristol Sarprise, Mr. T. Mortimer kindly slajning 1 at the last mument and ringing the tenor.
The first peal on the hells of Chagford, Devon, recast by Taylor in 1914. was yung on Saturday, and was the first preal for the Devol Guitd liy the Rev, Rhys Janos, the vice-pyesident.

Clagfoyd was the home lown of W. Agsetto who did a lot of bellhaaritag in the West in the pasf generation. He was the inventor of the self-aligning bearing for bells. Thongli hung on wood by him, with luis patenf bearings, before the war, Clagford bells go remarliahly well.
F. W. Fernon and $T_{\text {. Fessey completed the circle of the tower at }}$ Burub-in-the-Willows, Natis, when they took part in a peal in seven methods of Minor on Octohor, I6id.
'Ho Rev. E. C. Pigot, who is hon. treasirer of the Shropshire Asso ciation, is retiring from the incumbency of Moreton Corbet after 25 vear's as Rector. Members of the qssocintion rang a farewelj peal of Minot an Sunday, October 17th. Miv. Pigot bas always taken the greatest interest in ringirg and rimgers.

A penl of Kent Treble Bob Najor at Stow Bardolplis, Norfolk, on Sumary, October 17th, was Mr. William Guckenham's fiftieth for the Fily Dionesan Assaciation.

A band from the Dinster Deanery of the Bath and Wells Diopesan Association wang the fitst pral on the bells atb Jast Anstey, North Devon, on Octolier 16th. The ringels onme from Chipstable, Bampton, Milverton and Wiveliscombe.

The ringer of the 3 rod in the peal of Donhle Norwich at Burton Intimer on October 16 Wh was Authur Birley and Hat Digby as printed.

## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS

YATELP
FANJS.-Fou llve harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Gratdsire Triples: W. G. Bumeh 1, S. Buach 2, E. Hearman (first guarlen-peal "meide ${ }^{3}$ ) 3 . $\mathbb{C}$. Tundi 4 , $G$. Kutier (eonductor) 5 , A. Goodalt 6. S. T. Rintelt 7, Over 8. Ase 504 Stedman Tuples with A. Hearmon 3 and $A$. E. Fenrmon $g$, conducled by $G$. Thitler.

BROMLIEP. KFNT.-At Ss. Peter and Panl's Churel on Sunday. Otoher 3 rd, for liarvest festival morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsiro Triples: R.F. Glarsher 1, C. Monnter 2, P. J. Spice 3. F. F. Pitman 4, J. Fimery (conductor) 5, G. Tuxley $5, ~ \Lambda$. James 7 R. Willinms 9. First quarter-meal by the treble and lenor men.

FITGIIN. - At St. Mary's Churcli on October Zutl, quarter-peal of SLedman Triples: W. E. Symouds 1, F. Else 2, E. V. Hare 3, J. Hare 4, G. Walfe 5, L. Finler (comductar) 6, T. Castle 7, A. E. Symonds 8. Pirst quarter-peat in the method by the treble ringer, who is only 14 years of rape.

RELARAVE, LEIGESTER.-At St. Peter's Church for harvest festival on Thineday. September 30th, a quarter-peal of Gravdsire Triples : A. Willimms 1, R. Swann 2, H. Martin 3. G. Walker 4, G. Tilison 5, S. Havison 6, R. Barrow (conductor) 7, H. Woolaston (Erst quarter-peal) 8.

BROMLEY. K FNT.-At Ss. Peter and Panl's Church for morning harwest fesival service, atumber-7eal of Grandsive Triples: B. Glnysher (firsi guarter-pal) 1, E, Mannter 2 . P. Spice 3. T. T. Pinnan 4. I. Eruery (conductor) 5, G. Huxley 6, A. James 7, R. Williams (first quarter-jpeal) 8. All are loenl Sunday ervice ringerg.

## TEACHING BEGINNERS.

## REPLIES TO WR. S. H. WOOD

## To the Editar

Dear Sir,-Briefly, my replies to Mr. Wood's letter are:-

1. 'Method of lunting up, etc.' Returning to the lead after the making of 2nd place or 3rd place, the teaching of 'lnnting up' is incorporated in the work which follows, be bub iajor or Grandrite Triples.
2. No 2 is still my plan to "learn to strike evenly over other bells, as stated in my letter published in "Th'ho Ringing World" on Oct. Ist. 3. Learning to lead. For uy parti, I should not be satislied until each pupil had passed the instruction test of 'learuing to lead ' hy faking the treble, and I should not prolong the instruction by ringing the treble myself. mhe subject is "leaming to lead
3. 'Stedman' is the parent of Surprise methods, and, I claim, can lue taught a bared more easily than Grandsire.
The one thing which inspired Mr. Wuod to write lais first article in 'Tho Ringing World ' was to Lry to find out, ' whicls is the best nethet on which to start berinners, and at the amoment I cannot agree that a Major method is best. And why do anything to defract [rom the splendid sticles published eech week in "The Ringing World" for begimners?
May I refer Mr. Wood to April $25 t h, 1925$, and ask, was it encouraging and beneficial to greater efforts?

## Bath.

ARTHUR PRINGE.

## GRANDFATHERS WERE NOT ALWAFS WRONG

Sir-Beanse one happens to disarare with Mt' S. H. Wood and simply gave a few plain facts, in reply to his distorted nrgumends, he says he is subjected to rudeness and personal abuse, Mr. Wood dislikes being told straight, aud in the fewesi worde, that his article is neither new nor original, and, like a goot many other writers in various spheres, drags in the grandfather phrase. Onr graudfathers were not always wrong, and we owe much to them for their lard work, enterprise and splendid examples, especisally with rearard to good strikiug.
My vision is not blinded with rage, and becarase I do not choose to write page after page trying ta raise arguments, he. Wood says there is no constructive critjcism. When Mi: Wood puts forth a reasonable argument, I sliall be pleased to deal with the subject in a fuller manner. Having stated that ho leads only with lris ears and nothing more, I need not camment furtion.
Mr. Wood wants to know where le states his aversion to Grandsire Triples. My answer is, on pages 633 and 634 of 'The Ringing World.' I still say that Grandsine is the best melihod to teach beginnerg and it has been proved beyond question in many, ways, if Mr. Wood will only take tho trouble to find out. There is no argument about it whatsoever. I would refer Mr. Wood to page G63 of "The Ringing World,' which will give him some ideu of the correct method Io lemel beginners, and if he requires further information il can be obtained without much trouble. It is not for me to tell him how to get his proofs.
In conchiolin, I may say that, havingr reviewed both letters which are cimmed to be rude and ahusive, I fail to trace anything of enme in either of them, and when devoid of reasonathle aryment it is easy to slate that those who tieagree Hre capable of such measures.

## BOYS' QUICK GRASP OF STEDMAN

Dear Sis', I have read Mr. Stephen Wood's two letwers on this important subject with considerable juterest. Mr. Wood srys he would like to hear results of personal experience in this mather, and in think that an expericnce we have lad ab our tower at Anstey, Lejcestershira, during the last ten montins may intereat him. Judging by this ex perience I should sey that, providing you have the right iwstructor and pupits of average intelligence, Stedman is the best metiod to start. a beginael with.
Last Guristmas holidays our Ringing Master, Mr. Redvers $F$. Elkington, who is well known in Midinnd ringing circles, started to teach three lads, who are scholars at the Boys whgeston Grammar School, Leicester, aud were then aged 12h, 14 and $14 \frac{1}{2}$ respectively. On Sunday, October 17th, these three rang in a good quartet-peal of Stedman Triples.
Their method of instruction was roughly as follows: First of all plenty of practice with the 'elapper-stays ' on to get them thoroughly masler of their bells; then romnds and 'calt changes, followed by 'plam hunting' commencing on four bells. While they were in the - plain hunving ${ }^{2}$ stage, Mr. Elkington taok pains to explain the Stedman nathod very thoroughly to these three Inds, so that when they came to rime it later on they found little diliculty with it.
M1. Wood's point about even-bell ringing for beginners is an interesting one. These three lenmers were given a certain amount of "plain hunting" on six bells, and after having the Kent Treble Bob method explained to thera they quickly mastered the Minor and were soon able to ring Kent Treble Bob Major-in fact, wwo of therr lad bad まuck recently as they rang very nearly to the and of a quarterpeal of Kent for the weekday harvest foctival service, a "trip" unforturately putting 'paid' to it about a conrse from home. We do not possess anv landbells, and all the instruction, therefore, hat to bo done on the tower befts:

Anstey.

## SNOWDEN MEMORIAL DINNER.

## RECORD GATHERING AT LEEDS.

The snnual dinner in commemoration of past ofticers of the Yorkshire Association was held at tho Leeds and Conty Conserwative Cub Gu Seturduy, October gih. This was a new venue. Whether the ehange had anything to do with the size of the gathariag it is impossible to say, but the fact remains thate a record number of 160 sat down to the excellent repast provided, at total which left the previous recoru hed by Shefficld far behind. A further gratifying feature was Lhat out this occasion by fir the grater percentago of those preseat were resident members of the Yorkshive Association, so that the usual plea of the president for a greater loyalty to thein own association was unnecessary, as indeed it shonld be.

Amongst those who sat down under the presideucy of Cazon C. C. Marshal! were the Right Rev. P. F. D. de Labilliere (Bishop Suffagan of Knaxesborough), the Rev. W. Thompson Elliot (Vicar of Leeds), the Rev. E. J. Lindley (Vicar of Burley), the Rev. 0.0 . Ellison and the Rev. J. H. Z. Andrews, Messrs. White and West (churchwardens of St. Chad's, Headingley), and Sohofield (churchwarden of St. Michael and All Angels, Headingley), Extra-territarial participants inclurled Mr . and Mrs. G. W. Fletcher (representing the Central Conncil and the Ladies' Guild respentively), Mr. and Mrs, W. H. Shuker (Lancashire Association), Mr. R. Perk (secretary of Hhe Durlian and Newcastle Association), Mr. N. Park (treasurex of the Durinan and Newcastle Associationy, Mrs. Park, Mr. J. O. Pollard and Mr. J. Reed (presidont and secretary respectively of the Cleveland and North Torkshire Association), and Mr. G. W. Park, of Darlington.

After the diuner, Councillor E. E. Bullus proposed the toast of "The Church and Statie.' In a shorts ann pointed clisconrse, Councillor Bullus suggested that, althougll to some disestaibish1mantarianjem night scem the anly solntion to the reconciliation of the Churcl and State on certain points, such os lad heen raised by the new Divorce Act, in which Elie Church had been placed in ann nnomalous position, he himself thanght, on the contrary, this was at time when there should be a closer uity, ana he appealed for suppoit to the Archbishop's recall to yeligion as un answer to the problems nlising from modere conditions of life.

Canon W. Thampson Elliat responded to the torst. He patid tribute to those, swem as the president, who bad done mach to raise and mainfain the status of ringing and ringers, and referred to the animue position that bells occupied in the paroclial life of
Engtand. Indulging in reminiscences, lie said lie rememhered when a proposal to


ASPER W. SNOWDON.
Boltr 1844. Died 1885. rohang a peal of bells, in which he was interested, was opposed on the gronnds that there was ne canonical authority for more than three hells in a church and no authority whatsoever for bells to be used for recreative parposes. He was able to say, however, that the peal of hells was restored and no attention was paid to the remarks of the objector to the enterprise.
Rerretting that even to-day there are two classes of ringers, the one poing to service after ringing and the other going to drink beer, he hoped thal. (whilst again he had no canonical anthority for saying this) riagers would come to regard themselves as being members of a minor order of chatch ministers. He conchuded hy wishtug the association and the ringers themselves success in the work they were doing. A conree of Grandsire Cators was then rung by Messrs. S. F. Palmer 1-2, G. Lewis 3-4. P. J. Jolutson 5-6, W. Barton $7-8$ and J. Ambler 9-10. Canon C. Marshall then read it telegram which had been recejved fram Mrs, and Miss Suowdary, of Cartmel: "Best possible wishes to this cyenjing's meeting, und next called upan Mr. P. J. Johnson to propose the Loast of the evening, 'Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and Past Officers of the Yorkshire Association.'

NOTABLE PAST OFTICERS.
Mr: Johnson said that he considered it a signal honour to be able to propose on tosst to those early members of the association and whilst lie had no personal knowledse of Jasper Snowdon, he had been assaciated with many who knew him intimately as a true son of the Church. Yorkshire and the Yorkshire Association were proud of him who did more than any other single man to further fine cause of chnnge riaging by his witings. His brother. William Snowdon, he (Mr. Johngon) knew well, and he considered that his ability was
insufficiently recognised, as he devoted himself wholeheartedly to the propagation of his brother's writings bliroughout tho Exercise.
Other officers known to mathy iacluded C. H. Hadtersley, of Sheffeid, a arandeot of a former ringer of that town-Wiliam Booth. A composer of great merit, Clarles Hattersley had left belind in Sheffield belfry a large manuscript collection, as well as numerons books, whith was highly treasured by the Sheffield ringers. Referring to Charles Jackson, of Hull, the speaker recalled that lie was a good story teller who was prepared to go peal ringing at any timo and every tine William Whittaker, of Leeds, and $G$. Bolland, of T'ong, were mets tioned for their excellent strikiug as well as for other virtues, before the speaker passed on to that well-known ringer and conductor, the late Mr. James Cotterell, who was treasurer of the association for many years, and a man of great ability, who commanded the respect of all who met him.

Mr. H. Lofthouse, secretary of the Leeds and District Society, wolcomed the visitors aud proposed tho toast to them. The toast, whicl was further supported by the president and replied to by tho Bislop of Knaresborourh and Alderman Bretherick.

## CAMPANOLOGISTS' A HORRID TERM.

The Bishop said that he did not think that he was altogethen amongst strangers as, whilst lie was not a ringer, he was, what was probably the mext best thing, one who has tifed, but, after dangling at the end of a rope and then measuring his length, considered that ringing was not bis pocation (laughter). He would, however, rase two contentious questions, one from the point of wiew of an anti noise association, 'Do bells make a noise or a melodious sonnd?' He wauld suggest that the auswer to this question would depend mainly on the conscience of the person who was listening to the balls.
The second was whether the use of that horrid hybrid term, "Campanologists,' should be continued, as it savoured too much of the irew-Fangled terminology beloved of Americans, and recalled that he was taking to a chauffeur who land returicd from Salt Lake City, where he said that he bad been driving for a "mortition." He suggested, therefore, that this term was umworthy of the ringers of church bells, which had been ascribed with the power of driving away devils as long ago as 1552 -work which, he said, they could still do by working on the conscience of the hearer. 'May England,' he conf ctuded, "long continue to be known as the ringing isle.
In proposing the toast of the "Continued Prosperity of the Yorkshire Association,' Mr. W. Braton poinled out that this was an in portant toast, as it was a madter which concerned all the nembers of the association. Fe recounterl brielly the gradual growth of ringer's' societies from the early days of the art, and asked the members fo note that now, as then, the welfare of the society deprended upon the individual members and not upon the officers of the association, and that by obeying the rules of the society in such small items as paying their subscriptions promptly, they could facilitate the easy running of that body, whilist they would help themselves by attending meetirgs which were arranged for them.
Mr: G. W. Fetcher, in a short speech, deew abtention to the fact that the long overdue visit of the Central Council to Jueeds would take place next year, which would give Leeds an opportunity to show what it conld do. He was sure that Leeds people would not lef the Yorkshire $A$ ssociation down.
A course of Double Norwich Conre Bob Major then followed on haudbolls by W. Ambler, P. J. Jolmson, W. Bartan and J. Ambler. A vote of thanks to the chairman was poposed by Mr. E. White, who congratulated him on his suceessful juggling with the programme, -After the reply by Canon Marshall, in whtheh he promised the Centra Council a Yorkshire welcome. the company slowly disperged,
Mr. Nag the evening songs were rendered by Mr. J. Allerton and Mr. Naylor.

MIr. F. G. Sherwood is to be heartily conrratulated upon the ex cellent arraugements which he made for the ringing previous to the dimer and for the finner itself. Fo proved himself an able secretary for the occasion

## HALIFAX ASSOCIATIONS SIX-BELL CONTEST.

## LTVERSEDGE WIN

The quarterly meating and six-bell contest of the Halifax and District Association was held at Elland on October 16th. The contest consisted of 600 changes, with a plain course for practice, and the three teams that antered rang in the following order: Liversedge (who rang College Exarcise), New Mill (Oxford), Meltham (Oxford)

Tea was served in the Parochial Hall, to which about 30 visitors sat down, and after the competing teams had rung the meeting was held in the school.
The President (Mr. Earnshaw) moverl that the best thanks he accorded to the Yicar, churolwardens and local company at Elland for entertaining the association flat aftornoon.
In the absence of the Vient, the rurate (the Rev. F. R. Arnott replied. The judge, Mr. W. Tdle, gave his decision as follows: Liver sedqe. 98 faults: New Mill, 156 faults, rang oust; Meltham, 180 faults, 5 penalty, total 185 . Liversedge were, therefore, declared winners, and the Rev. F. R. Amptib presented the cup to the Liversedge conductor, Mr. F. Hoduson.

The next meeting is due to be helri nt New Mill on Marels 19th, and it was proposed that Kirlcheator be approached will at view to holding the contest there on April $23 \mathrm{rd}, 1938$.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCEATION.

LEWISHAM DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.
The amual meeting of Lewisham District was held at St. Mary's, Lewisham, on October 16th. Ringing was enjoyed by some 50 members during the afterupon and evening.

The association's service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. O. R. Cotter), and afterwards the mambers were entertained to tea in St . Mary's Hali by the Ticar, who presided, supported by bis churchwaxden, Mr. J. A. Musto.
At the meeting the charman and Mr. J. A. Musto extended a warm and renerous welcome to the visitors.
The secretary's report and bainnce sluee were read and adopted. It was suggested that such report be printed, liectograplied, or otherwise duplicated, in order that members mterested might obtain copies for future reference.

The election of one member previous to e peal was ratified.
Eitham was chosen for the next meeting, to be held, if possible, on Saturday, January 29th
The district secretary (Mr. A. G. Hill) and the Ringing Master (Mr. T. Groombridge, sen) were re-elected. The gelection of district representatives on the wanagement Committee led to the re-election of Mr. F. J. Cullum and the appointment of Mr. W. Snsith to surceed Mr. J. Wheadon.

Yoles of thanks were passed to the officers for their past services, the secretary being instructed to convey this expression of appreciation to Mr. Wheadon, who was unavoidably absent

Mr. F. M. Mitchell (the general gecretary) was invited by the chairman to addrass the meeting, and did so wisely, shortly and well, voicing tire general satisfaction felt in observing a good proportion of younger ringers among those attending.

A cordial voter of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his generous lrospitality, for conducting the service and presiding at tine business meeting, to the Vicar and churchwarden jointly for their welcome to Lewisham, to the organist and the caterers for their willing help, and to Mr. H. Warmett (steeplekeeper) and Mr. O. F. Walker (secrebary, St. Mary's ringers) for making such smooth working arrangements.-The Chairman replied, and further ringing on the tower bells terminated proceedings.

## FAREWELL TO A VICAR

At the Parish Church, Winhinghem, Cambs, on Sunday, October 10th, before evensong, as a firlewell to Canoun $A, C$. Hair, q quarter-peal (1300 changes, Bankes James') of Cambridge Surprise Minor: D. Mdams 1. C. Robinson 2, F. Warrimgou 3, A. W. P. Ginn 4, F. G. Gleares $5, ~ R$. Thoday 6 .

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

MEMBERS ENTTERTAINED AT GA1\&VESTON.
An informal meeting of the North Norfolk Brancla was held at Garveston on October 16th and was woll attended by representatives from all four branches: Attleborough, Dersiagham, East Dereham, Fakenham, Gressenball, Halvergate, Reciham, Salaun-Toney, Wymoudham and the local band. At a slort service held in the afternoon the Rector (the Rev. R. O. Boorman) dedicated an illaminated record of a peal of Cambride Sirplisa Minor, rung on July 24th, 1937. Afterwards the members present were entertained to tea th the Bectory.
The branch secretary, Mr. H. Tooke, thauked the Rev. and Mrs. Boorman for entertaining them and for the use of the bells. Mr . R. W. Cooko secouded, and, in reply, the Rector welcomed ull present to Garveston. He srid he was plcused to allow the bells to be runtr on guch an occasion, and he paid a tribute to Mr. T. Spight, of Wymondian, for his work in preparing the peal record.

The lacal company have arranged a practice night on Thursdays fortnightly from Octoher 8Ist, and will welcome any ringer who would care to afterd.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

 A VICAR'S 'IHANKS TO MEMBERS.A quarterly meeting of the Portsmoutir District wns held at Bishop's Waltham on Saturday, October 16th, when members atteuted from Alrestord, Bishop's Waltham, Bishopstoke, Curiridgo, Coleman's Hatch, Fareham, Gosport, Liss, North Stoneham, Petersfield, Portsmouth (Cathedral aud St. Marys), Soulhampton, Soberton, Swanmore, Winchester and Wickliam. The recently augmented peal was well in demand during the afternoon. The Guild service was condueted by the Fian (the Rev. N. F. Stubbs). Tea was sarved in the Church Hall, after whicl the busimess meeting was presided over by the district chairman (the Rev. E. B. James)
Mı. W. H. Hoyhoe (Wickhem) was elected a ringing meraber of the Guid, and Hapant was selected for the next guarterly meeting, to be held in April, 1938.

The Viear thanked the members of the Guild for their generosity and kind donations towards the cost of the two naw bells recently added to the ring of sic.
Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, Clurch Hall and officinting at the service, Thanks were also extended the organist and the ladies who kindly cotered for tea. The members aforwerds returned to the tower for further ringing.

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The eiglit bells of the Church of the Sacrea Heart (R.C.), Talbot Road, Blackpool, will be at liberty for ringing from 4 p.m. to 5.30 on Saturday next on the occasion of the Lancastire Association's annual dinner.
Lady's Surprise is tha latest thing in ringing. It was depicted on Mrs. Fletcher's face whell a handbag was presented to hey at the Ladies' Guild dinner on Saturday and sle discovered its contents.

The members of the Ladies ${ }^{3}$ Guild who ettended the silver jubiles festival on Salurday came from no fewar than 18 counties. Five of the foundation members attended, and the youngest member present (in point of age) was Miss Eaid Richardson, who is 13.
Mr. 'Jim ' Bennett, of Lewisham, underwent an operation in St. Bartholomew's Hospital on Tuesday. His many friends will wish him a speedy recovery. Ere is in the 'Percival Pott' Ward of the hospital.

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS

MR. A. B. PECK TO SUCGEED MR. W. T. COCKERILL AS HON. SECRETARY.
At a meeting of the Ancient Society of Golege Fouths at their beadquarters on Tuesday evermp the officers for the eusuing year wers nomineted.
There will be only one change, Mr. W. T. Goekerill, who is givizg. up the secretaryship after 46 years' $\quad$ ervice, wilt be succeeded by Mr. Altred B. Peck, who has been a member of the St. Paul's Cathedral compaly for many years,
The other officers ware renominated, viz.: Master, Mr. E. H. Lewis hon. freasurer, Mr. A. A. Hughes; senior stowand, Mr. L. B. Porler ; junior steward, Mr. J. Wangh; brustees, Messrs, C. F. Winney and H. R. Newton.

## BEQUEST TO BELLRINGERS.

£10 EAGH FOR MCMBERS OF BANSTEAD BAND.
Lt,-Col. Thomas Frauk Parkinsoln, of De Burgh Park, Bansteadi Surrey, barrister of the Middle Temple, wha died a slart time ago, left fll , 737 (net personalty $£ 11,259$ )
He was a ringer at Bavstead Parisl Church and a member of tho Guidford Diocesan Guild and the Surrey Ascociation.

In his will he left gIO to each of the bellingers at. Banstend Church who have rung on at least 40 Sundays in the yenr endiag with his death, and 215 extra to the captain at the date of his death of the band of hellringers.
He bequeathed his residence and offects to Alice Newman, his housekeeper for 36 yesus. He also left her $£ 100$ and an annuity of $£ 208$, and a life interesil ill the residue of his estate subsequent to the life interest of his brother and sister.

## ANOTHER FALSE COMPOSITION.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir, As I have just learned that the peal of Bob Major which I called at St. Stephen $\mathrm{s}_{\text {, Eastwood, Rotherham, on June 15th, } 1937, ~}^{\text {, }}$ and which was subsequently published in 'The Ringing World,' is false, I beg to withdraw it. I shonld like to take this opportunity of apologising to the ringers who took part in the peal, which was a 5,216 by Arthur Craven, with tenors parted 24 courses, giving 4-888 and 64-8 course ends.

NORMAN OHADDOCK
Rotherhaz. $\qquad$
A FORGOTTEN "TRAP.
Dear Sir,-I sincerely regret that the two peals of 5,005 Stedmans Cinques have been fornd to be false. I knew of thig 'trap' many years ago, but had quite forgotten it, as I had never previously used it. I wish to apologise to Mr. ©. T. Coles and all who took part in the peals. It was a complete lapse of memory. I have now corrected both peals.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS.
Chesterfield.

## SUFFOLK TOWN WITH THREE PEALS.

SUDBURY'S GOOD FORIUNE.
Sudbury. Suffolk, with a population of only seven thousand, has three peals of eight bells, all in good ringing order. It must be the only town of this size in the country so well equipped.

The bells of All Saints' Church havo recendy been rehung on new bearings snd the tenor provided with a new iron headstock. The work was formally dedicated on Sunday, Octoter 17th, by the Bishop of Dunwich. The Bishop wras conducted by the Vicar, the churchwardens and Mr. H. G. Herbert, hon. Eecretary of the Suffolk Guild, to the west end of the church, where he recited the dedicatory prayers and, handing a rope to the Vicar, committed the restored bells to his charge.

The hells were mung in the opening tonch by S. Gridley 1, T. Chinery 2, H. G. Felton 3, W. Lee 4, A. A. Fiteh 5, L. Johmson 6, 5. Howell 7, D. H. Eliott. 8.

## LADIES' GUILD SILVER JUBILEE.

## SUCCESSFUL CELEBRATION IN LONDON. <br> Presentation to the Hon. Secretary.

The Ladies' Guild celebrated the silver jubilee of their organisation at an enthusiastic and representative gathering in London on Saturday. Founded on Oetober 66th, 1912, the membership has grown 11 tho 25 years from 40 to over 300 , and more than 70 of them were present to join in the festivities. They came from all parts of the country, and in the afternoon took part in ringing at St. Clement Danes Church. They then attended gervice, at which the lesson was read by the president (Miss E. Streel, of Bedford), and an address given by the Rev. W. L. Bell (curate). Miss G. Church, a member of the Guild, was at the organ.
Afterwards a dinner was held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleel Street, attended by a company of about 130. Miss Steel presided and was stipparted by Miss Dovotlyy L. Sayers, Mrs. G. W. Pletcher (hon. secretary), Mr. E. H. Leuris (president of the Central Council and Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths), Mrs. Lewis, and Canon G. F. Coleridme (Master of tho Oxford Diocesan Guild). Those also present included the following vice-presidents: Miss L. K. Bowling (Northera District), Mrs. Bruce (Southern District), Mrs. J. Bray (Lincoln District), Mrs. R. D. Doal (Gentral District), Mrs. BonIton Northants District); djstrict secretaries, Mrs, R. Richardson (Lincoln District), Miss S. Thursfield (Northants). Mrs. G. H. Cross Ceutral), Miss N. G. Williams (Westert), Miss E. F. Mills (Southern) Miss K. M. Bradford (assistant secretary, Central). The company also inalhded Mi. F. M. Mitchell (lion. secretary, Kent Connty Association) and Mrs. Mitchell, MI. C. T. Coles (hon. secretare, Midilesex Associrtion) and Mrs. Coles, Mr. R Richardson Master of the Lincoln Guild) and Miss Enid Richardson, Mr. A. D. Barker (hon, treasurer, Oxford Guild) and MTs. Barker, Mr. A. A Hinghes (how treasurer of the College Fouths) and Mus. Hugles, Mr, and Mrs. Grood hip and hiss $G$. Goodship Misses E. K. Friton, F-Clay Lom and M. Hartle (Harrow field), Wisses M. end D. Lidbettel (Isleworth), Mry. and Mrs. F. W. Perrens (Coventry), Mrs. A. Beamish (Numentor) Misses M. Godderidge (Folke
 lone), Rudley (Broxbonme) G. Chumeh (Wrlthme Cross), Mr, and Mrs. F. W. Housden (Tumbridge Wellet, Mr. and Mrs, R. Gollins, Miss D. Collins (Sevenoaks), Mr. and Mrs. O. Parks (Croydon), Mr', ald Mrs. J. E. Davis (London), Misses I. Robertsen. II. W. Bill and A. Cushion (Norwich), Mr. and Miss :. Snowdon (Halstead), Mrs. Pillotson, Mrs. Osborne (Loughton), Miss K. M. Shepherd (East; Grinstead), Misses K. and D. Fletehe (Beacongficid), Miss E. Enight (Bedford), Mrs, A. Cliapman (Walthamstowi, Miss E. N. Beleher (Ditchling), Mrs. L. Hardy, Miss N. Baker (Teicaster), Ms. and Mrs. C. MicGuiness, Mrs. A. McGuiness, Mrs. Neal (Lincoln), Mrs. I. East (East Collingham), Mr, and Mrs. J. Parker, Mr, and Mrs. J. Thomes, Misses O. Pittock, N. Scopes and E. Colling (Finfield), Mr, and Mrs. H. Knight (Wrington), Misses M. Gardinev and A. Brown and Mrs. Shicimore (Bristol), Mrs. Norton (Kingston Sevmonr), Miss Thrnlanl (Edmonlon), Nrs, O. Cotterell (Leeds), Mr. und Mrs. E. M. Atkins, Misses B. Hart, Yale and Jacques (Kilburn), Mirs. Humphrey, Mrs. P. Humphrey, Miss P. Humplirey, Mr. qnd Mrs. J. Botham, Miss B. Mills and Miss L. Keeley (London), Miss K. Avenall (TPorplesdon), Mr. and Mrs. W. Massey ant Mr. G. Massey (Clatgate), Mrs. C. Matthews (Southfields), Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Elson (Putney), Mr. and Mrs. X. Bagworth (Dulhan), Mr. and Mrs. R. Remjings (Beckenlam), Mr. and Mrs. C. Wilgon and Miss B. Rouglton (Isham), Messrs, G. W. Fteteher (han. secretary, Central Counci]), T. A. Trollope (vice-president, Middlesex Association), A. l3. Sharman (hon. secretary, Bedfordshire Association), G. H. Cross (Master, Royal Cumberland Fouths), J. S. Goldsmith (lion. secretary, Guildforid Dicesan Guild), A. H. Ward (Derby), R, F. Desl, O. W. Roberts, W. Williams and T. J. Eock (Londan), J. Bray and G. Feirn (Burton-onStalilaer), G. Hart (Harrow Weald), F. E. Colins (Croydon), R. Curzon and H. Tooke (Norwich), ete.
A Fter au excellent meal, the loyal toast was hononred on the call of the president.
Miss Sypin Tlursfield proposed the toast of "The Church, which, she suid, was vilally connected with the work of tha Guild. If they were to ask what point in their connection with the Chureh was most vitat, she would say, the fact that their worle and this Exercise with
they so greaty onjoyed was privileged to talea ploce within the churehus and catisedrals. That day they were celebrating their silver jubilee. They had not got tho nutiquity which obler rimgiug enilds and socteties enjoyed, but could thoy imagine what migut possibly havo happened if women had started ringing, say, a hundred or more years ago? She thought it mirato easily lavo jeopardised hneir dannees for evor; thay might have been looked upon with such alam and coucern that they would never afterwards have stood much chanoe. lusterd, today, they had an esbiablished position and were not only recognised, but welcomed by the Church. That was due, she thoughit, very argely to the clergy. She came from one of the smallest distrituts of the Ladies' Guild, but from her experjence she could say that what they met with, from the chureb offeibls, was nat just a balance of avernge friendliness, but a definite lecegnition of the full valwe of tieir work. They had many friends among the elergy and that night they groathy welcomed Canon Coleridge, who had been a staunch supporter of the Guild ever since it started (applanse). Ringing parsons were one of the greatest assots they had got, but second to them glie put the nouringing parsons, whose interest, she thought, was lavgely due to the words which the ringing parsons put in for the ladies. The support which they got from the clergy was a whing they should realise and value. She hoped it might long continue and grow from year to yean, (applase)

## HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF.

Canon Coleridge reminded the company bhint the 'Clurchi ' referred as mach to then as to himself. He lield ofite in one position in the Clurels, they held it in another and did an enormous anount of good, Fo looked back to the days when it was a very tare thing to find a lady in the belfry, but on those rave occasions when lye was now
able to ring he was always delighted when he could geti a lady near nbie to ming he was always delighted when he could get an lady near
him (langter). When he alled to mind bie many woikderful things which had been done by ladies in the beltries, he could not; but he very definite in expressing his warn flanlis and the thanks of atl connocted with the Glaurch for the wonder [ui worlk they lad done, were domp and would do in tho future for the Chareh. Soon aftel he listle thought then that it would develop is it had done. With such a healtiny looking lot of ladies in frout of him he did not think thlore was mach doubt they would attract whe young men to the belfry (langhter), and mary of them would no doubi find their true partner in life.

Continuing, Canon Coleridge said he had just read that delighiful litclo book brought out by Mr. 'Prollope-'A History of the College
Youths.' He adrised everyone to ret a copy sund read it, becanse it showed them how very different the Exerciso was merly $\$ 00$ years ago to what it is at tha preseat day. Catran Coleridge reaci a short extract from the book in reforence to the occasion when the Collere
 naturally desired to commemorate it, and it was recorded that at monts afterwerds they repaired to The Meece and partook of 'a very haul some dinner in commemorabion of that monamled performance and were accomparied by mathy worthy genllemen who doltrght in the Exercise.' 'Does not history repent itself' ${ }^{2}$ ' added Canon Caleridge. He did not know exactly what 'a very handsome dinner was, but la saw many handsome faces round him that nirht. It was ecpualy thine
that many worthy genllemen who delight in the Excrise wore present. on that oceasion, and it gave them the greatest possible pleasure to be thero (applatise).

Contining, Canon Coleritigo attributed many of the changes of recont years to the adminable example set by the lady singers. Thuy came to the front in the war time and filled lhe gaps and had kept on with a perseverance that was wonderfal. To iltustrate flag changos, the spenker quoted extracts from tho dinyy of a village tailar who wus also a singer at Thorverton, Devon, when be (Canon Coleridge) learned to ring there as a boy. It recorden, [or' instunce, in 1831, that 'this day Rev. Dr. Coleridge took the benefits and gave tire riogers f3, and a month after, 'Rex, Dr, Coleridge road hiseeff is today and gave the ringers a sovereign.' When his dangher was married bley received two sovercigns, and when the daughter gave birth to her first child he gavo the liagers o nound. On one occasion when a local yeoman farmer was narried he gave the rimgors 82 ia $\pi$, oney, threc rounds of beef (rounds of beef in those days were about 30 lb . ench) and 100 mallons of beer (langhter)
Canon Coleridge conchded hy thanking the ladies for the foast and said he trusted they would all go on to do the very best they could for the Church by every means in thair power.

## FOUNDATION OF GUILD REGALEFD.

Mr. J. S Goldsmith submited the toast of "The Ladies' rusild.' ITe conmatulated the Guild on reaching its silver fubilee and said that it gnvo him special pleasure to propose the toast because lie took part in the formation of the Guild 25 years ano. Je was not onty present wher whe Guild was formed, but was privileged to talse the clail ot the innngural meeting. To that extont he was dresponsible for bringing it into the world. He dit not lnow whether they would eall lim the father of the Guid ar tho family physiona, but in watever the whole Exacoise had dolle, the growth of the Guild through the

## LADIES TRIUMPH OVER DIFFICULTIES.

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intervening years. Ee zecalled the discussion which took place at ilie first meebing as to whellice it shond be ealled the Ladjes' of the Women's Guild, and said he thought they had closen righly. But ite anty case the members were ladies by their conduct and uxumple in tho boliry, and women in fhe best sense of the term, by the way in whicll they were ready to fullil the duties laid upon thea by their adopted callpag and their readimess lo share on equal terms with the men the discipline which change ringing imposed.

He conld look hack, he said, to the days when ladies were unknown in the belfry as ringers, and he rementered the mild sensation which was eaused when Miss Alice White, as she then was, rang in the first peal on tower bella in which a lady lad taken part. Her performance Was greatly aduired, but it was generally felt to be just a passing incident. No one at that time imagined that the ladies would take up the art as seriously as they have done and in such numbers. But mary a chnreh lad reason to be grateful to tho ladies for the part thay played in helping to kcep the bells going duving the war period athd in mot a few cases since. The formation of the Guild in 1912 set the seal on their position in the Exercise. Ladies had been received in urost helfries with open arms, and the other essociations, with one (latugher). While sharing in the interests of other assaciations they had shown their independence by running their own Guild, whose activities wero bounded only by the seas and their aspirations by the honvens. And looking back over the last 25 Jears one wondered at the success which the Guild luad attained, in face of the diffentities which had roufronted it from the very stait-a serttered membership and the diffeulfy of maintaiuiug touch with each other. The formation of districts had helped parly to solve the problem, but not wholly, and thase wha knew somelhing of the organisation of ringiug associations marvelled at the way the Indies kept the Guild together under very diflicult conditions. They admired them for the tenncity with which they stuck to the task and hoped that in the coming year's they would reap the reward of still larger membership ana wider jufluence (applanse).
Proceeding, Mr. Goldsmith "disillusioned, the ladies who held the iclea that women lad ouly in comparatively recent years taken up ringing, and exused much amusement by ounting from some hitherto momblished (and manthenticated) pages of the dipary of Samuel Pepys, who fornd some ladies ringing at St. Olave's in 1670 and afterwards ancepted their invitation to a dinner.
In conchasion Mr. Goldsmith referred to the work which had beers done on belialf of the Ladies' Guild by a suecession of presidents and district oflicers, and to the devoted labours of Mrs. Fletcher. Slae, he srid, was one of the prime movers in founding the Gurild, ghe liad been Hanomary secretny and theasurer throughout the whole 25 years, and hat disnhryed the duties with increasing zeal and success; in fact she had largely made the Guid what it was to-flay. In asking them to drink to tho continued suceess and prosperity of tle Ladies 'Guid. he asked them also to drink to the heath of Mrs. Fletelher, theil guide, mildosopher, sacretary and friend

LADIES FIRST PEAL AND WHAT CAME OF II
Tise toast was enthusiastically homoured, and Mrs. Fletcher was cordially receited when she replied. She said that 25 years secmed quite a slont tinae compared witla the life of some of the societies iu warious parts of the counliy, ospecially the old society in London, which this yenr was celebrating its there mandredth anniversary, but Wheu they formed the Ladies Guild in 1912 it did not seem possibie that it would se grow that thes would be nble to have a meeting of
that description 25 years affer. Wilh them that night they had five of the original memberg of the Guild and five who took part in the first ladies' peal at Cubitt Town on July 20th, 1912. The others, she was giad to say, were all alive and would have been present, but were prevented by ill-health. Mrs. Fleteher recalled that they struggled for five hours to ring that peal. They started in the afternoon, on a very lot day. They failed, and fried agaiv and failed. Then some wise
woman suggested they should have a cup of tea. So they had their cup of tea and then started again, and after three hours they accom plished their peal (applause). They were all very tired and the blisters on some people's hands would have frightened some men (langhter). She rid not think she had ever secn blisters like it, On the way back to Londou someone sumested they should form a Guild. They advertised in "the Ringing World " rund had forly applications for membermater country. They held their mandinal mpeting at St. filles-in-the-Field in Octoler and started on ther way. Some of the mombers who were there on that day hat Pnssed awny, among them Miss Matgery Sampson and Miss Pigot of Smethwick. In iddilion, from those who joined at the time, they find lost Mrs. George Williams, the first lady over to ring a peal on Handhells, and Miss Nellie Johnson, of Evesham. They were fonr of the original members. Thes fonm it rery difficutt in those early days, Mrs. Fletcher contimed, becanse there were not enough memhers in the comntry to form dislricts, There was just one here and there. So they did their hest and lad meeting occasionally which were mot always very weil supported. Then came the Great War, but just
before that they had enough memhers to be eligible for election to the Central Conncil. They were very dubious as to whether they would he admitted, put they had a velt good friend in the president it that lime, Sil Arthur Fieywaod, who, besides lelping them with a
bin donation at the start of the Guild, did his utmost to get them rdmitted to the Council. In 1914 at the meeting at Winchester they were admitted to the Council, and there was ouly one man who raised his band against them (langhter). They sent one representative, but when their mombership ormw sufficiently they seat two, and this year they had suffient members to enable them next year to send three representatives (applause), During the war, contimited Mrs. Tietcher, many ladies started in the belfry and kept the bells going while the men were away, but after the war a mumber dropped out and the membership of the Guild fell a little. Afterwards they hegan to grow atrain, and they formed the districts one by one. The work which the district secretaries put in was really wonderful, for they had many disappointments and got precions littie support in some parts. But gradusily the Guild had spread and they hoped in time they would be able to have every part of the country in some district or other. Gontinuing Mrs. Fletcher said that the Guild had rumg 15 peals since the one rung at Cntbitt Town. They rang one peal of Grandsire Triples in 1915, and mother in 1918; a peal of Bol Minor in 1982; Stednatu Triples in 1924 and again in Ige5; Stedman Caters in 1926; Boh Major and Cambridge Surprise in 1928; Bob Major in 1929; Minol in thvee methods and Cambridge Surprise in 1930; Kent Treble Bob Major in 1931: Bob Major in 1932: Superlative Surprise in 1935: aud Stedmall Triples in 1936. Considering lheir difforlties, she did not think they had done bedly in regatd to peals (applange). In conchision, Mrs. Fleteher expressed appreciation of all that lad been said whout the Guild, and hoped that that wanderful gathering wonld make them atl determined to do more for the Guild in future.

## GDFIS TO THE FON. STCRETARY

The Presideut said Mrs. Filetiler had told them a little about the work that had been done for the fuild. The members wanted to show some slight appreciation of what she lad pat into it. nod she asked her to accept their gift with their hest wishes. She hoped, when they held their 50th anniversary dinner, that M's. Fletchet wond still be their secretary and that they would see prosent in 25 years ${ }^{3}$ time all the faces that lad gathered there that: evening (lawghter aurl applause).
Mise Steele then handed to Mrs. Fletcher a very nice buther handbag, which, when opened by the tecipiont, was found to contan a pearl necklace, witb diamoind clasp, and a landsome gald wristlet wateh inscribed with a monorram and the date.
Mrs. Fletcher, who received the gift amid lond applange, was taken completely by surprise, and thanked the members from the bottom of her heart

THE HELP OF KINDRED SOCTFTLES.
Miss Kallileen Bowling gave the torst of "Kindred Societies, to wham she said the Lradies' Guild owed a tremendous debt of gratitude. Among the societies represented were the Ancient Society of College Youths, the Royal Cumberland Youths, the Middleses, Kent, Midand wickshire and Guildford Guilds aud the National Police Guild. They welcomed them very warmly and were glad to see 60 many friends joining in the ladies jubilae celebralion. They were specially honomed, she said, in having with them Mr. Lewis, both in his capacity as president of the Ceutral Conmeil and Master of the College Youths, to whom, through him, they would like to excend warmest Thgratilations upor their tercentenary aha best wishes for the future deal Ladies their brother ringers, more than they, perhaps, sometime realised. In the first place, they taught them to ring and certainly made it possible for them to hold suecessful distriet meotings. The ladies were so scattered that it would bo glmost impossible for them to hold district meetings with purely their own members, and the gentlemen were always an enormous telp in the ringing. There had been, said Miss Bowling, n good deal withen and said fram time to time about whether the presence of ladies was desirabie in the belfy or not. There wrere all sorts of opinions on the subject, but from her own experience she could say that ladies always met, with real friendiness in the beffry. They were most gratefit for all the help they had receiped from lindred sacieties through the 25 yerrs of their existence (applause)
Mr. E. H. Lewis, in reply, thanked Miss Bowling for her congratulatians to the Aucient Saciety which he represented Ehat night, and said lee would duly convey them to the members. The varions associations appreciated the help which the ladies anve at their meetings, said Mr. Lewis, find he went on to refer to some of the performances whiel they had put up. He recalled two particularly in which their sectetary was mancernet. In one year before the war, when they used, after the Central Council meeting in Jondon, to hold a social at the Westminster Hotel, Miss D. K. Parker rang the trehles to a courge
of Boh Roval on bindbelly, and Sir Arthur Hewwood snid he had of Boh Roval on handbells, and Sir Arthur Beywood sad he had other merformance was by the same talented lady tecently when shm rang the 30 cint. tenor at Wedmore to a peal of Stedman Trizales and nfterwards was ancious to turn it in to a course of Poly Major, hut the seven men in front had had enough (laughter and applanse). In
conchision, Mr. Lewis hoped the friendship between the Ladies' Guild and the other somiaties would long contirue.

Mrs. F. M. Mitchell submitted 'The Visitars,' wham she weleomed rem heartig. She was partionary pleased to see present her oing
rienge, whas amon the earliest of ber ringing
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## AUTHORESS OF 'THE NINE TALLORS.

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recollections. There was only one whoma she kuew better, and that was the late Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn. They would probably be sur prised to know that ' Kate' had honoured them with her presence, Enidently gle thought there was safety in mumbers (laughter). And Francis Bacon, too, was there and appeared to be happy among the ladies (langhtar). They were highly hononred in having with them the nobed authoress, Miss Dorothy Sayers (applause), who in her book, - The Nine Tailors,' had enlightemed many yeaders wan the art of chnne ringing. it was worderful how she toiled over figures until she was able to pricli out Grandsire and Treble Bab without any previons knowledge of ringing. Members of the ringing fraternity might well lake example frow her by using more pencil and paper (langhter and applause). They were also pleased, suid Mrs. Mitchell, to wel come another nuthor, Mr. Trollope, who in his book on the bistory of the College Youths had shown them again how painstaking he was in what lie did for the leneft of the Exercise (applanse)

## KINDNERSES FROM BELLRINGERS.

Miss Sayers, in responding to the toast, said she felt most amarrassed, for she must bave been chosen to reply because she was the most ignorant person in the assembly in regard to ringing. She only came info the bellringing world on the principle, as it were, of being amoug those who rush in where angels fear to tread (lauglatery. When she first quite rashly undertoak a book on belijinging, she knew thsolutely nothing about it, hut one thing she had learned since writing that book was that what she had always heard, about the great kindness and frimadiness in the bellinging world, was certainly a very ell-fommed tradition, for she had received an extraordinary amount indness from belluingers, since writing 'The Nine Trilors.' In that book she made the bells of Fenchurcla St. Panl kill a man who was left tied up in the belfig. She did not usually get kind invitations to dinner, for: example, from the Incorporated Society of Poisoners or the Ancient Socieby of Footpads and Higlwaymen (langhter). Robbers :ud gamsiers did mot ask lrer to 'go for d ride "with them, mor did the murderers ever let lier into their secrets (langliter), but the bellngers had heen most. kind to hev and offered to take her into wieir owers and show her the bells ringing. She was not sume whether it Was with sinister intention that they took lier iuto a bell elamber to
alind as near as possible to bhe hells. It was true it was only for qout nine seconds, instead of nine haurs (langhter). Miss Sayers thanked her hostesses for a very deliglatful entertainment: the dimer had been 'handsome' in evary sense of the trord (laurliter'). A good al had been sait about the entries of ladies into bellringing, but she felt sure that in apite of the admirable extracts from Mr. Peprs' ffacy, which suggested that it might have been considered in the prost unsexing,' slae conld not believe that it was so, for looking at their programme she fonnd that the handbell ringing and the songs all lealt with the tender emotion of love (tanghter). Miss Sayers added that she hoped the Ladies' Guild and all the other guilds of ringers ould go on and prosper, that there wonld he more bells dedicated nud mare people tinging nad making a merry noise in the church. She never undergtood why the devil shontd lave all the best tunes and the loudest noises. He certainly hed a great many of them and she hs only too glad there was still one great noise which ther were plowed to make to the glory of God and their own enjoyment, in rite of the people who preferred the noise of petral engines and the ring of munleasant instruments (applanse).
HOW TADTES WERE ELECTED TO CENTRRAL COUNCIL
Mr. J. A. Trollope, whose manie war also coupled with the toast, fanked the Ladies' Guite on hehalf of the men for allowing them spend such a very cujoyable evening. Being a bacheint, be tarally only saw the hest side of ladies (laughter). Fis recollection, continmed, went back to the very first lady ringer (except those ferred to in Mr. Paprs' dinry). She was the danglitar of a Norfolk ergyman. After her came one or two athers, and then presently liey began to hear about a young Indy, a dauglter of Jim Parker, nging Loudon Surprise and calling from an inside bell. In those ars London Surprize was only tung by the tip-lop, exclnsire bands, ond it didn't seem right to some ringers that a gin should be doing that they couldn't do. So they got over it by saying they did not helieve she could do it (langhter'). Some of the old ones began to hake their heads and wonder what was going to happen when ladies ook up ringing. They snid there would be a great lowering of the tandird of ringiug and men would be pushed out of the fowers (rumgter), When it was gaid that these ginls were going to form a Trind of their own, and aftervards when it was said they were going In apply for membership of the Central Conncil, some of the older papple-they were all dead now-said that whs going a bit too far (laurliter'. What they expected the Council to so was to say: 'Oh, yes, we shall be very pleased indeed to have you, bint the time is not quite ripe (langlitery. Come back in ten years: in the menntime, just rin amay and play ' (lnutghter). He knew quite a dozen menthers of the Conncil whe had made up their minds to haye no fruck with the ladies, but they all roted for then at the finish, except one man (fanghter). Fte was a bachelar and they would be glad to linow he suffered afterwards for his frults. Fe was married now (langliter') Alt the things the nessimists prophesied had not come to pass. Certrinly the standard of riaging had not gone down. If the ladies wanted to lnow if there were any good ringers among them, they (Contilume in mest colmmo.'

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## MISS SAYERS ELECTED AN HONORARY MEMBER

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should first look in the looking glass; and when in the tower look at each other, nud wheu they had done that they shonld look at Mrs. Fletcher. They wonld not find anywhere among ringers anyone whose knowledge of practical ringing was better than hers or one whoge opinfons on things appertainiag to vinging was bettor worth laviug (applansa). There had been one or two references that night to a person named Kate, and it had been hintod that ho mirhi know something about her. He conld assure thens he knew no more alout her than they did. He had certanly nover met her mat newer expected Lo. In fact, lie did not believe there was such it person. If there ever had been, he believed she was one of those hright spirits who had been sent down to this earth to cheer up mankind, and, having dome her jols, had disappenred (langhter).
The remaining toast was 'The Press,' proposed hy Wrs, Ricluardsoln, who referved in terms of apprecialion to the services rendered to the Exercise by 'The Ringing World.' Withont it, she suld, ringerg in one part of the country would not know what was lieing fone in ather parts and much of the interest would be lost. For that reason alone they should support 'The Ringing World' in far sreater degree. The Editor had shown his interest in the Ladies' Guild, and the Tarlies' Guid, in rebmm, shonld support the paper and act as missionaries in the districts in which they livert. 'The Ringing World ' linked un ringers not anly in this comntry, lut thronghont the Empire. Withont the paper ringers would be ati a loss, and she asked the members of the Ladies' Guild to do their share in getting others to support it.
The tonst was acknowledged by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith.
The President announced, anid applanse, that Miss Satyers lana joined the Guild as ath honorary member.
Miss Sayers, in acknowledging the election, said slie felt most unworthy of the homonr and thonght she must go and read 'Troyte ' all over again (laugliter and applause)

Fhe speeches were interspersed with some delightfin handiael! solos hy Mrs. A. A. Hughes and mome charming songs by Miss Enid Collius. Mrs. Bray. Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Pletcher and Mrs. Riclaridson vang al tanch of Grandsire Triples, and Messis, Trollope, Lewis, Cross and Richardson rang a short tonch of 'Oxford and Kent' Treble Bobs.
The happy proceedings formally therminated with "Auld Lsumg Sye. but were contimed informally afterwards to a late honr. The gather iug achieved gread success and everyone responsible deserved the heanty commendations passed t1pon their efforts, especially the Fon, secrehary (Mrs. Fletcher) and the nenteers of the Dinser Committer Mrs. Deal, Mrs. Cross and Miss Bradford.

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## FORMER RINGER'S MUNIFICENT GIFT.

DEDICATION OF NEW HOWER AND BELLS AT STOULTON, WORCESTERSHIRE
Only turely does one hear of a lowey heing reluilt in order to fulfil its primitry function, and when such a seleme is made possible through the generusity of a former ringer, the subject becomes of double interegt. Yot this has happened at the wilnge of Stonlton, mear Pershore, sut by the dedication of the new tower and bells by the Lord Bishop of Worester at the evening service on Sunday, October 17th, 3et another las been added to the chain of six-bell towers surrounding Whe Bredon Fill.

Sibuaterl an an eminence a few yards from the main WorcesterLondon poad, the picturesque, old, ivy-clad tower bad been sowething of a landmark, fut the juy liad done its work too well, for, penelrating in places right tirough the walls, it lad caused irreparable danrge. Becoming ansafe for the ringing of the five bells it contained, these had been silent for the past 15 years.

These facts coming to the knowledge of Mr. Bruce Kingsford, of Cheltenham, the sou of a fromer Ficar of Stoulton and himself an old Worcestershire ringer, he made the magnificent offer of financing the building of a new tower, the recasting and relianging of the bells with the addition of a treble.
The new tower is built of Calswohd stone, similar to the main part ul the chureh, and follows the ald desigu except that it is sliguty higher and poskessed of more substantial buttresses. In the east arch and divadion the tower from the main body of the church is a handsome oak screcu, which finishes about $3 f$. above the ringing ehamber Honr, the ringers thits thing in full view from the chatch. This screen fears the following inscription:-

In 1935 the tower of this church was rebuit and the bells were
recast and one rdded by Hamilon Bruce Kingsford, in memory
of lijs Rathet, Hamilton Kingsford, M.A., Oxon., priest in charge of this parish, 1867-1912.
Tho bells, with a tenor of 7 cwt , lave been lung in a new cast iron frame. 'They ato mow at tulefal peal, all of solid tone and speaking out in a manner hardly to be anticipated from their weight. Even with everything lending itself to the perfece job, they reflect tine grentest credit on the fonnders, Mcssrs. Mears and Stainbank.

## DONOR TAKES ] ART IN RINGING

A huge conrregation assembled for the dedication selvice, every available space being ubijised for extra seating, even to the yestries and the porch. Basing his address on II. Corintlians v. 17, "Therefore, if any man be in Clirist, lie is a now creafure; old dings are passed awry; behold all things are become new, the Bishop said they could draw two lessons from their yecast peal of bells. He could not say the sime of the tower becase the old one had gone too frr, but of the hulls live were not new, but were the old taplal, semonded, recast and retuned. Applying this to human natire, the Bishop said, - We are created as we are for a purpose. God takes us excetly es we are and remoulds, recreates us. Allow this creative epirit in your hearts and you are like to a peal of bells-riving out sweet sounds in complete harmouy with all around. Secondly,' he continued, 'tonight this churel is ernmmed-it is not always so. Those beautiful bells you have just heard send forth a message-calling, calling, calling. Woutd they consistentil responi to that call, first as individuals, then as n. proish and as a diocese, and so fulial the words of onv Lord, Ye shall be my witness "?"
Jomediately after tho wotds of dedication had been pronounced, the bells were rumg in rounds by a representative band of the Woreestershire Associntinn: S. T. Holt $1_{1}$ Mrs. J. Thomns 2 , W. Short 3, J. D. Iohnson 4, T. W. Juewis 5, C. Camm 6. Later a large gathering of ringers kept the bells going until nearly 9 p.m., an intereating touch being 120 Sterman Doubles, to which the donor rang the tenor. Two olhers of lhe band (Messis. W. Short and R. G. Khowles) rang with him some 40 years ngo. The fonnders were representod by Mrr, A. A. Fughes and Mr. J. Thomas (who carried out the worl in the tower).

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Associntion was
 of the lovely peal of bells aut had a very pleasatend made good nse of the lovely peal of bells nurl had a very pleasant time.
Tea was provided at the Bungalow Cafe, presided over by the presideat, Mr. J. C. Pollasd, The only business was to pass a vote of thanks to the Fiens and churcheradens for the arse of the bells.
The Ficar visited the lower later in the evenmg and expressed regret that he was not able to be present at tea, tout welcoment the associalion to Ormeshy and wislied that they would come morn frequently.
Ringing continned uniil 8 p.m., the methods rung being Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Rob Minor add Major. Double Norwicly and Superlative Surprise Major. Ringers attenden from Middeshongh, Stockton, Shelton, Saltburn, Guisborough, Leeds, Darlington and Ormesby.

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON GUILD.

A very happy and successful meetibg of the Wednesduy Afternuons Guild of the Durham and Newcastie Diocesan Assaciatiou was hefl at SE. George's Church, Jesmond, Newenstle-on-Tyne, on October 13th. Tea was generously provided by the Vicar the Rer. J. W. Woodhouse), after which a short meeting took place. A vote of thanks was accorded to the Ficar for the use of the bells, nud to the ladies for prepuring the tea.
It was decided to hold the next mecting at St. Mary's, Gateshend, on Decemiser 1st.
Towers wers represented fron North Shields, South Shields, Houghtos-le-Spring, Gateshead, Cliester-lestret and from Ali Sainls', St. George's and St. Nicholas' Gathedral, of Newcastle-tipourTyne.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY.

## NFW BISHOP OT LICHEIELD BECOMES PATRON.

The atumm meeting of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford took place at St. Bartholonew's Church, Peun, in beantjful weather, when abont 60 members aud lady friends took advantage of a the into the country. The bells were raised at 3 o'clock and were kept going in a variety of methods, includigg Loudon Surprise. A shork. service was conducted by the Rev. N. D. Fourdriner, and an address given by the Vicar, the fev. Edgar Hartill, M.A., R.D. Mx. Brewster afficiated at the organ.
A capital tea, laid in the Farish Fall, was kindly provided by Mr A. C. Twentyman. The Vicar presided.

A letter was received from the new Bishop of Lichlicid signify his pheasure in becoming patron of the society, and accomparied the hope of his meeţing the members on some future occasion,
The next quarterly meeting is to be held at Coscley in January
A meeting for practice is to take place at Penkridge, of which due notice will be fiven in "The Riaging World.
A vote of thanks to the Vicar for his address and the use of the bells, etc., to Mrs. A. C. Twentyman for providing the tea, and all who had assisted in making provision for the comfort and happiness of the visitors, was moved by the Rev, C. H. Barker, L.Th., gird carried with applause.

## A DAY ROUND OXFORD

CRAYFORD RINGTERS' EXCURSION.
The third amual outing of the Orayford zingers took place on Sunday, October 3rd. The ringers, nud friends from West Wickhant Chislehurst, Dartford and Beckenham, made the jommey by coach to Oxford. The bus left Crayford Church at the early hour of 7 a.m. And pieked up varions members of the party enl route. In spite of protest of the driver, who considered that here was one too anu in the velicle, the three-hour journey to Oxford was much enjoyed by all the parts.

Oxford was looking her best it the moning sull when the parig arrived about $10 \mathrm{am} . \mathrm{Mr}$. R. A. Post was patioutly waitisg nt thi car park ba lead the wayr to All Sinints' Church, where they were mel by Mr. Walter Judge. The fenor here weighs only just over 7 cwt., ant the bells are a really musical and easily bandicd peal. Keat mrebli Bob. Grandsire and a course of Cambriage went well, the last named only being completed in time to set the bells up at backstroke befor the morning service.
Coffee and biscuits were followed by a visit to the beautiful Chrisi Church Cathedral. The driver, havirg recovered from his tith gricvance, joined in the sightseeing tour, and alterwards at Stewart's Testanrant 23 enjoyed a yery good lumel.

Some of the party remained sightseeing in Oxford while others madk the jowney to the delighthid village of Appleton, where they were me: by Mr. Richard White and other 'Iong-pealers.' Stedman and Grandsire Caters. Treble Bob Royal and a convse of Cambridge on Lhe back ciglt formed the fare herc. 'I'he visitors secued to linve some difliculty with striking these bells, and, perlaps, the less saici about our per formance tere the betier. All were interested in the tablets recording the long peale, and in the photos of the bands, which they were given permission to view in the Thatohed Tnvern.
Returning to Oxford by another route, the Grayforlites were Inoly to "grab" anather tower. The Ficar of Cumnor, Berks, was kinc enongly to allow them to ving there for lialf an liour. Those are A rather heavy six of 193 cwt., and very musical. Treble Boh, Plain Bol, Grandsire and the inevitable Cambridgo wore rung. After tea the oxiond a move was made to St. Giles' where MIT. W. Bonmett and
obler members of the local band grected the visitors. Stedman, Camhridge, Grandsire and Plain Bob were rung on this very ancielt, huf ansical peal, tenor 14 cwt. At 7.15 p.m. a visit was paid to the Ghurch of St. Mary the Virgin, witl its maguificent peal of six bells, tenor 27 cwt . The bells were first raised in peal, then Kcut Treble Bolu and a few romds were rung, and a fiting climax to a very enjoyable day was reached by a perfect course of Cambridge Minar, to whinh "Tubby' turued in the tenor. The gells were afterwards lowered in peal, sounding out with a tonching majesty across the ancient city wliere all hnd Epent sucle a happy day. A happy party arrived home about $11,30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and wish to convey their thates to all inctubents and towerkeepers, those whose names are here mentioned snd those whose names are zot, and most of all to Mr. R. A. Post, who gnve up lis whole day to entertaining the excursionists.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## WISTERN 1PHNCE ORTCERS SUCCESSFUL WORE

 Fourbeen towers were represented when the Westeru Branch of the Woucestershire and Districts Association held its anmual meeting at St. John's, Worcester, on Saturday, October 16th, and thougl the aitendauce was below expectations, the 34 members present formed an enthusiastic company. The Church of St. John the Baptist contalug a very pleasant ring of eight belts, bung on ball bearings, the tenor weighing 15 w cwt. These were made good use of from 3 ocelock until 4.15. when a sliort service, with address, was held, couducted by the Vicul', the Rev. C. P. Powell. Tea was served in the Parish Hall, where the business mecting was afterwards held.The Vicar presided, and supporting him were Messis. J. R. Newman and R. G. Knowles (vice-presidents), E. E. Barber and S. T. Holt (guditors), C. Camm (Branch Ringing Master), G. E. Large (hon. (gutitors), C . Camm (Branch Rangor (Gentral Committee) aud W. Secretary (Ringing Master, St. Jolmis). Apologies were read from Major M. F. S. Jewell (hom, member) and Mr. J. D. Johnson (geueral hon. secretary).
Abl the offeeng were re-elected and had many "bouquets ' handed to then. The Branch Ringing Master was camplimented on the way to looked after the ringiug a meetings. 'Chiarlie. Camm has held that office for many years and there seems to bo no desire for a change on the part of members. In another 20 years or so he will perhaps have qualificd for a grandmother clock, but he, being a modern ergion of Hercules, will donltitess require one of the graudfather ariety.
Messis. E. E. Barher and R. G. Knowles paid tribute to the work the hon. secretary, congratatating him upon the flourishing condion of the branch.
The Chairman eansed much amusenent hy saying: 'This esfeemed entlenan, the hon. secretary, has so mach correspondence to attend that he has to-day moved into a larger house.
Mr. G. E. Large, in reply, thanked the speakers for the nice things rey had said about him. As he had then confidence, lhe would be leased to hold the secretaryship of the branch another year.

- 1Fill ' Ranford was warmly thanked for his services ns representave to the Central Committee, but the chairman's efforts to get him speak failed, for 'Thatren' 'took refuge bohind an imaginary cold! if was reported that the quarterly peal attempted at Longdon had faled, Mr. W. Lewis was delegated to arrange the quarterly peal to e rung at St. John's. The secretary sail he had recived a strong vitation for the branch to hold its next meeting at Ripple, and there cto also invitations from Ombersley. This latter place was chosen $f$ ter same discassion, on accomit of its being nearer to the majority towers in the branch in the event of bad weather. Ripple was aced on the minutes as the first choice for the summer meetiog.
Three new members were elected and one re-elected.
Mr. J. R. Newman in propesing a vote of thanks to the Rev, $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{T}$ owell, said it mave him extra pleasure to do so, because he had had ntimnte comections with St. John's all his life. He asked the chairhan to accept their sincere thanks for giving up so much of his time ant afternoon and evening.
To this the Fieat replied, saying it had given him pleasuve to do That he fad done. They were. ho knew, anxious to get back to the ower hefore the customary service at seven o'clock, after whinh they ould ring on tintil the police stropped them!
Methods rung diuring the day ranged from Oxford Bob Triples to anibridge Surprise. One or two of the experts were "floored' when mewber of the Doddertill band asked for Darlast:on Bob TriplesWTat's that?' and 'How does it go?' might have beer (but wasn't) nswered by 'This is where you get off!


## A GAINSBOROUGH BRIDE.

TAKTS PART IN FER WEDDING RINGING
The wedeing took plate at Gainghorongh Parish Church on Satur , Oetober 9th, of Mr. Eric Grey and Miss Fthel Marshall, hoth of ainsborourly
Canon Witworth, vice-president of the Northem Braneh of the incoln Diocesan Guild, officiated, and the ceremony was witnessed by large number of friends and relations, iucludiug about a dozen inmers.
The bride is a wery popular ringer in the district and is thember of the Gainshourorg band. She las rung rbout 25 peals for the Cimeoln Diocesan Grild, the North Notts Association and the Jadies' Guild. A few years ago she was one of the hand of lady ringers who thas an peal of Bob Major at Handsworth, Yorka, nud in Fanuaty of this year she was one of the band of larlies who made an mosuccessful obtempt of Double Normich in the same towor.
A peal hari been suggested in honour of the event, hut as there were athers present besides tho peal band, and in order that the bride nould ring on her own wedding day, the idos ras fobandoned and the aftermaon was spent in ringing touches in rarions methods.
The couple received mumerous presents, and on behalf of the Gainsborough and districet ringers Mr. F. S. W. Butler, in a few well-chosen remarks, presented them with two cases of spoans and forks. He said how much the services of the bride had been appreciated as a ringer and wished the happy couple every success and liappiness in the inture.
The lioneymoon was spent in Boston, and Mry. and Mrs. Grey's home s now in Gainshorough,

## SUGGESTED CHANGE FOR STEDMAN, GRANDSIRE, ETC

## To the Editor

Dear Sit, - [ quife agree with IIr. H. Miles that a change in the start of Stedmats slould be made hiss year, for the reasou that ho rives and afso because there would be no dudge at the start if tho first row after rounds was the first row of a 'six.

1 have always thought it a campanological ervor that methods like Stedman, Grandsine, Oxford and Fent Treble Bob and Forward should stare with $\&$ dodge; it is as houglt we were unwilling to leave rounda and pass oll to changes.
In my humble opiniov, the dodgo would sound better at the end of a Iead, plain course or tolncli instead of at the beginning. Probubly tie reason why the Plain Bob methot has such musical charm is becanse all the bells do a platin humb for as long as possible and also because the dodge comes at the end of a lead, when the treble is leading, therefore we ought to take the Plain Boh mgthod as outh crilerion.
In its present form, the dodging ocours in Graudsire when the bell in the hunt is leading. In my apinion, Grandsire would bo improved if the dadging occurred when the treble is leading. In order to achieve this, the bell in the hant would have to lead inmediately before the troble leads alway, and the bell what the bell in the hut turne from lead would have to make 3rd's place. The bell in the hunt in the plain course would be the 3 rd and nole the End. Starting Stedman with the first row of a quick "six "would ralke the ge off similar to this new start in Grandsire.

Turning to the even-bell methods, I would have a Plain Bab go off for Oxford, and nearly the samo for Kent and Fowward, except for the placs-making in 3-4.

## LADY RINGER MARRIED

A pretty wedding of interest to ringers took place on Snturday, Octoler Gth, at St. George's Chureh, Brede, when Miss Joan Kingdon, secretary of the Brede beliry, was married to Mr. Rutin Home Mc.Can, solicitor, of Bexhill.
The bride, in her mother's wedding gown of heavy ivory satin, was attended by a page, in Kits of the McBeth wartan, and three briclesmaids wearing dresses of shot gold taffetn, caryying bouquets of golden brown chrysanthemums and dahlias mamed 'Joan Kington' after the bride.
Guides farmed a gutard of honout and the bells were ring before and after the service by members of the tower, and later a peal of Bob Minor by nembers of the Sussex Comty Association and Fastings District Guild was rung as recorded last week.
Miss Kingdon, with hev sisiter, learned to ring ab Worplesdon, Surrey, before removing to Brede ahout three years ago.

## A MONMOUTHSHIRE TOUR.

On Saburday, Soptember 25th, a band of Monmoullistire ringers visited several towers in the neighthourhond of Raglan, Thegare (5 bells), Penrhos ( 4 bells), Llanarth ( 6 bells) aud Usic ( 8 bells). The party wers given a very hearty reception at Penrhos, where tea was provided for them, by the Ficar and his wife. Tho band, under tho leacership of the Rew. I. J. Richards, Master of the Jalandafi and Monmouth Diocesan Associntipn, were Miss G. M. Smith, Mesars. W. Powell, R. Smith, S. Bamford, G. John, of Jhanfrechfa, J. W. Jones, L. Bainham, of Alj Saints', Newport, A. Witlianis, Llanabiby, and G. Popnell, Bedwelty. Thanks are due to the Vicars and fower keepers of the tower's visited.

## BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

To the Editor
Sir,-Abont two years ago Mr. G. W. Roherte, of London, sent me a jeal of Bristol Sinprise with one lead short of the full extent of 4, 5 and $6 \mathrm{in} 6 \operatorname{th}^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ in 13 canses, asking me if I could improve upon it. I sent the two following peals as my best contribution. In Folnt issice of September 10th you publisls a very good neal by Mr. T. B. Worslef on the same lines. Incidentally all these peals have one lead missing.
Saffon Walden.

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## A RARE MEETING PLACE

WARYICKSHIRE GUIJD AT STRAIFORD-ON-AYON
hingug meelings ati Strationd-on-Avon are, of necessity, few and far belween, ouly four having ween held there during the last 30 years. However, despite the fact that stratford is right on the edge of the county, such meetings have always been found to be well attended and at the neeliag leld there on October 16ul by the Warwickshire Guild the attendance was above the uverage for quarterly meetings. Ringers akended from all parts of Warwichshire, towers represented including Bulkington, Keresley, Stoke, Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton, Leamington Eastings, Lillingtou, Erdington, Allesley, Exhall, Warwick, and menubers of tho local band. Welcome Fisitors included the Rev, E, s, and Mrs. Powell, of Staverton, Mr. E. Pearcon, of the Oxfori Guild, and athers from Banbury and Mickleton.

Before the business meeting the Rector, the Rev. Ganon W. G Mrlville, who has recently celebrated his jubilee in the priesthood arcended the tower and fir a short speecli welcomed the Guild and expressed the wish that they wonld 'come again.

At the husiness meating Mr, T. W. Perrens was chnirman, Meeting places were distussed and werc arranged as follows: November at Polesworth, December at Berkswell, and the Jannary quarterity meeting at Cliilvers Coton.
The following new menbers were elected: Messts. R. C. Chapman, R. Walker, S. Oumhton and S. J. Onghton. A wery welcome 'new member was Mr. J. F. Simpson. He whs a member of the Stoke Govendry, band from 1919 until 2925, when he went to reside jn Oxfordshive. Ha has now returned to live at Warwick.

Touches in warious methode from rounds and Bob Triples to Surprise were rung on the bells duriug the afticrncon and evening.

## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS A BELLRINGER

 PRTSENTATION AT TRURO.At Turo Cathedral on Tuesday, October 19th, a quarter-peal of Grandaire Triples was rung to commemorate the completion by Mr. W. H. Southenred of 25 years as a member of the Truro Cathedral company.
WIr, Southeard is the only remaining menher of tha oriafoal band formed in 1912. He whs Master of the company from 1924 to 1932, and has been Vice-Master and treasurer for the last two years.
Affer the quater-peal he was presented with a suitably engrared silvar bell indestand by the "members of the company as a token of apprecintion of his serwices.
The riugers in the quarter-peal were Miss M. Penrose 1, W. H Southeard 2, Mis E. J. ©. Angwin 3, W. E. Minors 4, H. Williams 5, W. H. Sleenan 6, C. E. Laumon (oonductor) 7, J. 'Trelony 8 .

## HALF=PEALS.

On Monday, September 20th, at the Parish Clurch of St. Oynwyd, I, langynyyd, members of the Lhaudaff and Monmouth Diocezan Associatiou rang a half-peal of Grandsire Doubles ( 2,520 changes) in 1 hour 35 minutes: E. Stitch (conductor) 1, T. H. Roderick 2. J. Hule 3, Iror Bassett, 4. John Rylance 5, J. David 6. It was the first attempt and longest length by ringers of $3,4,5$ and 6 , who are local men, aud was rang as a Earewell to the Rev. J. J. Thomas, curate-in-charge, who is lonving the parish, and whose departure will be a very great loss to the Grild and the clurch in geveral. The balf-peal was also rung for the wedding of Mr. O. Bowser, a ringing member af the Guild, whose marrigge took place earlier in the day.
At Wallasey, Cheshire, on Thursday, September 23rd, a half-peal of Minor, consisting of 720 cach of Gambridge Surpise, Kevt Treble Bob and Phin Bob, and 360 Oxford Bob, was rung by J. Ledshant (longest lenglh) 1, L. L. Gary 2, F. Varty 3, A. Howard 4, H. Rogers 5, T. Rovers (conductor) 6. A welcome to the Rev. F. G. A. Willis, the first assictant enrate St. Nicholas' Church has ever had.
As a farewell to Canon A. G. G. Ross, who is leaving Swiodon after 45 years' ministration, a peal of Stedman Triples (Thurstans' FourParit) was attempted at St. Mark's, Swindon, on Saturday, September $25 t h$, but awing to a riuger's indisposition the bells were allowed to rum home at half-way: C. J. Gardiner 1, W. W. T. Danjell 2, S. Palmer 3, C. J. Hathaway 4. W. H. Trueman 5 , N. Allaatt 6. W. B. Ramer 3, C. J. Hathaway 4, W. H. T

## MRS. PENNINGTON BICKFORD'S BIRTHDAY.

Gn Sunday evening, October 17th, for evening service at St. Andrew's Church, Holborn, as a birthday compliment to Mis. L. Penningtors Bickford, wife of the Rector of St. Clement Danes, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: John R. Wilson (first gunrter-peal on eight bells) 1, J. S. Fawhins 2, R. W. Green 3, H. C. Atford 4, W. H. Seabrook 5, A. C. Darmell (conductor) 6, T. G. Binnister 7, C. H. Vitler 8.

On Monday, October 18th, a peal of Rob Royal was rung at St. Clement Danes as a compliment to Mys. Pennington Bickford.

## GOLDEN WEDDING BELLS

Ab St. Peter's Oburch, Hersham. Surrey, on Friday, Detoher 22nd, to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. nal Mrs. Painter, of Hersbam, ת quatterepeal of Grandsite Triples was ring: F. Oakley 1, W. Simmonds 2, J. Gill 3, J. Loveridge 4, G. Cartis 5, H. Colcambe 6, F. Dodson (conductor) 7, W. Mille 8. The bells were then fired ' and lowered in peal. All the baid belong to the local company.

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## the ancient society of college youths. TERCENTENARY CELEBRATION, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6th, 1937.

The following towers will be open from $12.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to 3 p.m. -

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$3.00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Unveiling of tablet on the tombstone Sir Henry Tulse, Lord Mayor and Maste: in the year 1684, in the churchyard of St Dionys, Backchurch, Lime Street, E.C.
$3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Three courses of Stedman Cinques, to be rung at St. Paul's Cathedral by the memhers of the St. Paul's Cathedral Band. 4.00 p.m. Service in St. Paul's Cathedral. Seat will be reserved under the Dome for members and their friends and relations. All members of the general public will be wel come. There will be a special hymn and anthem, and a course of Stednan Triples on handbells. Preacher: The Venerable The Archdeacon of London. There will be a collection for the A.S.C.Y. Benevolen Fund and St. Paul's Cathedral.
5.15 p.m At the Cannon Street Hotel, the Master will receive the members and guests for dinner at 6 p.m. (The reception room will be suitably furnished.)

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Annual dinner a Blackpool on Saturday, October 30th. Owing to the large demand for tickets the County Hotel cannot find the necessary accommodation. The dinner will therefore bo held at The Imperial Hydro, North Promenade, Blackpool (a penny tram fare from Talbot Square). Tickets 4 s . each. A special room is being reserved for ticket holders from 5 p.m. onwards.-C. Sharples, 35, Berwick Road Blackpool.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch -A meeting will be held at March, Cambs, on Saturday October 30th. Beils (six) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service, if arranged. Please inform Mr. H. W. Giddings, 2a, Church Street, March, Cambs, numbers for tea. I beg members to make effort to attend.-F. Warrington, Cox End Lane, Over, Cambs.
LADIES' GUILD AND GUII.DFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Joint meeting at Aldershot on Saturday, October 30th. Beils 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Parish Hall, 5. Meetings after.--(Miss) H. F. Mills and C. W Denyer, Hon. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-Annual meeting, Tonbridge, Saturday, October 30th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea at the Carlton Cafe, High Street, 5.15. It is your duty to see that your tower is represented. Half fares up to 2 s . Will be allowed nembers.-Alec. E. Richardson, Laurel Cottage, Victoria Road, Southborough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester District. - The annual district meeting will be held at Rochester Cathedral on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Evensong at 4 p.m. Tea, at the City Cafe, at 5 p.m., only for those who notify the secretary. Business meeting afterwards for the election of district officers, etc., and members are particularly urged to attend. -Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham, Kent.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Hughenden ( 8 bells) on Saturday, October 30th, at 5.15 p.m. Tea at Lyons', High Wycombe, 4 p.m. No names this time.-A. D. Baker, Cambridge, Wexhan, Slough.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Wroxeter ( 6 bells) on Saturday, October 30th. Bells available 3 p.m. Business after tea. For tea, please advise W. A. Farmer, 6, Mayfield Terrace, Mountfields, Shrewsbury.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton and Petersfield District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bramshott on Saturday, October 30th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea in Parish Room 5.15 , followed by business meeting.-C. E. Bassett, Hon. Dis. Sec., 32, Charles Street, Petersfieid.

BARKWAY, NORTH HERTS ASSOCIATION.These eight arestill capable of producing everything from Rounds to London-it's the ringers "at the bottom that are required. So book the date, Saturday, October 30th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Mr. C. Bysouth, High Street, Barkway, is kindly arranging a tea, to be prepared at the Wheatsheaf, so I think we ought to let him know the number, don't you?-Don Mears, Hon. Sec.

BATH AND WELIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Axbridge Deanery. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Winscombe on Saturday, October 30th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Divine service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m. -H. Minifie, Hon. Sec., Royston, Uphill, Weston-superMare.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Rippingale on Saturday, October 30th. Bells (6) available during afternoon and evening. Service 4.30, followed by tea in the School. Business meeting after tea.-C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham, Lincs.

OXHEY.-Saturday, October 30th. Bells open from 3.30. Tea, 5.30, at Cottage Cafe, High Street. Business after. Excellent train and bus service from all parts. Herts Association.-C. H. Horton, Bushey. City 4270.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICI SOCIETY,-The next meeting will be held at Bentley on Saturday, October 30 th (Aldwick bells not available). Bells ready at 3 p.m. Make this meeting a success.-Ernest Cooper, 1, Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey, Doncaster.

WENDRON, NEAR HELSTON, CORNWALL. The dedication of the bells will take place on Sunday, October 31st, at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., by the Archdeacon of Cornwallfive bells restored in new oak bell frame and augmented to a ring of six by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.
SOUTH BRENT, DEVON.-The bells will be rededicated on Wednesday, November 3rd, at 3 p.m.-a ring of six, tuned and rehung in new bell frame by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Mcetings for practice will be held at St. Andrew's, I-lolbora, on November 4th ( 8 p.m.) ; *St. Paul's Gathedral on the 9th (election night) ; St. Nagnus' on the 11til and 25th; $\because S t$. Nary-le-Bow on the 23 rd; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 30 th, at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-Willian T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Claphan, S.W.4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Wendon on Saturday, November 6th. Beils available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 60, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A meeting will be beld at Brede on Saturday, November 6th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, is. per head. Will members intending to be present kindly let me know Wednesday previous to meet-ing.-A. C. Pankhurst, Hon. Div. Sec., 13, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division.-The annual meeting of this division will be held at Bocking on Saturday, November 6th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30 , to be followed by tea and business meeting Will those intending to be present oblige by letting me know not later than Wednesclay, the 3rd.-F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Guilsborougf Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Ravensthorpe ( 5 bells) on Saturday, November 6th. Usual arrangements. Please notify hon. secretary not later than Tuesday previous of those requiring tea.-Geo. A. Hollick, Hon. Branch Sec., West Street, Welford, Rugby.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Bedford Dis-trict.-A special meeting of this district will be held at Bedford on Saturday, November 6th. The bells of St. Paul's Church ( 10 ), will be available from 2.30. Short service at 4.15 . Tea at 5 . You will be very welcome.Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec., 10, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch,The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's Church, Ormskirk, on Saturday, November 6th. Bells availabie from 3 p.m.-S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Thurlaston on Saturday, November 6th. Bells ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Mr. G. Wright, sen., will arrange tea for anyone sending him a card addressed Enderby Road, Thurlaston.-W. A. Wood, Dis. Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Clifton on Saturday, November 6 th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome. Please come, as you will help to make the necting a success.-C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hereford Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting of the district will be heid at Lugwardine on Saturday, November bth. Bells (8) available 3 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5.5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., 6 d . each to those notilying me not later than November 2nd. -R. H. Stickley, Dis. Sec., The Green, Fownhope, Hereford.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-A meeting of the Lincoln District will be held on Saturday, November 6th, at Timberland ( 6 bells, subject to the tower being available). Tea at moderate charge to those who inform me by Tuesday, November 2nd.-K. W. Mayer, Dis. Sec., 31, Vinc Street, Lincoln.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Staveley Parish Church on Saturday, November 6th. For tea, please notify Mr. A. E. Parsons, 42, Circular Road, Staveley, near Chesterfield. All welcone.-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronans Road, Sheffield, 7.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District.-A practice meeting will be held at Cartmel Priory on Saturday, November. Bells (6) available at 2.30 p.m.-N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Burton Latimer ( 8 bells) on Saturday, November 6th. Usual arrangements. Please notily me if you require tea.-H. Baxter, 256, Windmill Avenue, Kettering.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.-A ringing practice will be held at Calverton ( 6 bells) on Saturday, November 6th, from 5 p.m. All ringers will be weicome.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District.-The next meeting will be held at Newhall on Saturday, November 6th. Short service 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.r., followed by meeting. Will those who intend being present kindly inform me by Wednesday, November 3rd? All are welcome.-J. W. Cotton, Overseale, Burton-onTrent.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Potterne on Saturday, November 6th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, with short meeting to follow, 5 o'clock. For tea, please advise W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Melksham.

BISHAMPTON, NEAR PERSHORE, WORCS.The bells will be re-dedicated by the Bishop of Worces-
ter on Sunday, November 7th, at 6.30 p.m.-a ring of six, tuned and rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Samlesbury on Saturday, November 13 th . Bells ( 8 ) available from 3 p.m.A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch, Newport Pagnell Deancry.-A meeting at Lathbury on Saturday, November 13th. 2.30 ring up. Servcie 4. Tea 4.45.-J. F. Amies.
ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY. - The next quarterly meeting of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society will be held at St. George's Church, Mossley, near Manchester, on Novenber 13th, Ringing from 3 p.m.-Carus Wilsort, Sec.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.The district annual meeting will be held at Woodford on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea to follow. Will all those intending to be present advise me not later than Werlnesday, Noveniber 10th, certain?-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Mawney's Road, Romford.
LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-The next meeting will be held at All Saints', Isleworth, Middlesex, on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea to follow in the Church Hall at 9d. per head, to all who notify me by Tuesday, November 9 th. Gentlemen cordially invited.-M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec., 9 Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.

LANCASHIRE.-Rochdale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Walsden on Saturday, November 13th. Bells available from 3 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A hearty invitation is extended to all ringers and friends to come along and support us.-Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

GLILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District. What have you done for the Guild this year? If the answer is ' Nothing ' or 'Not much,' make amends by attending the district meeting at Shalford on Saturday, November 13th. Bells at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 p.m. Don't trouble to send your name for tea. I am in form at guessing. (If you see the joke, let me know by November 9th).-G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-The jubilee dinner and concert will be held at the Stafford Hotel, City Road, Chester, on Saturday, November 201h. Dinner at 6 p.m. prompt. Tickets 2s. 6c. each. Application for tickets (enclosing remittance) to H. Parker, 3, Loodon Road, Davenham, Cheshire, or the branch secretaries, before November 13th.

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## COLLEGE YOUTHS' TERCENTENARY.

To-day is the tercentenary of the Ancient Society of College Youths, which was founded on the fifth of Novenber, 1637. Three hundred years of unbroken existence is a wonderful and honourable record for any organisation, and the ringing Exercise is proud of the venerable society which has achieved this great distinction. The good wishes and sincere congratulations of ringers everywhere will go out to the society on this historic occasion, and the celebrations which take place in London to-morrow have, of course, a special interest and significance.

Among ancient guilds, the anmual 'feast' was the great event of the year. In the College Youths this social feature has been maintained for more than two and a half centuries, even if not from the very beginnings of the society, and this year's gathering promises to be by far the biggest in all the long line of similar festivities. In addition there are to be two other events of interest, ane the service in St. Paul's Cathedral, which confers a special honour on the society, whose members have always been responsible for the service ringing there since the present bells were installed nearly sixty years ago, and the other a tribute to the Master of 1685, Sir Henry Tulse, who was Lord Mayor of London in the same year that he was at the head of the College Youths.

The history of the society, as Mr. J. A. Trollope so well remarks in his recently published work, is an epitome of the history of the ringing Exercise. Its foundations go back to the very beginnings of the art of change ringing, and it is the one defnite connecting link which we have with those far-off days. Through all the changing and shifting fortunes of the centuries, the College Youths have gone on, not always, of course, without internal diffeculties and dissensions of their own, but unbroken in continuity, thus forming, as it were, a core round which the Exercise has grown and developed.

It has played in its time a vital part in the maintenance of the art, and the veneration in which it is held to-day is due to its share in the development of change ringing in the past as well as to the antiquity of the roots. If in these days of territorial organisations, other forces are moulding the Exercise, it does not detract from the admiration which is felt for the position which .he old society has filled through all the generations that have come and gone since Lord Brercton was elected the first Master, but a little fuller recognition of these forces in some quarters would expand rather than lessen the influence of the society in the future, and certainly its dignity would suffer no loss.
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## TWFLVF ELL PEAL.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Saturday, Ootober 301937 in 7 hyed Hows and Fifty-Ore Montes,

At the Cithemral. Chorch of St Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 6007 CHANGES; Tenor 37 cwt 2 qr . I6 lo. in D flat.

 Joserf E, R. Keen ... ... 4 Adam Deas.... .... ... ... 10 Joan Anderson... .... ... 5 William H. Barger .... 1 II Rolan $i$ Park ... ... ... 6 | Richard Thompson ... ... $\mathrm{T}_{\text {anor }}$ Composed by C. W. Rngarts. Conducied by W. J. Davidson.

* First peal on twelve bells. This peal was rung to cormemovate the diamond jubilee of the association.


## TEN BELL PEAL.

HASLEMERT, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Oetober 30, 1937, in Three Howrs and I wenty-Fory Minutes, At tye Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF OTEDMAN CATERS 5091 CHANGE日I
Tenor 33 cwt 6 lb . in F sharp.
Joen H. B. Hesser ... ...Tyeble Madrici Smitaer ... ... 6 Alyred H. Polling ... ... 2 Stafford H. Green ... ... 7 Thomas E. Denser ... ... 3 Artbor J. Bartlett ... ... 8 E. Leonard Taylor ... ... 4 Clarence H. Dobbie... ... 9 Erabst J Aylipeb .... ... 5 Ricuard Haybs ... ... ...tamor

Composed by E. Brnnatr. Conducted by A. H. Pulling.
Araused on this date as a congratitatory peal for the Ladies' Guidd on their silver jubilee the week previous, and to the College Youtha on their tercentenary the week after.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

 LONDONTHE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATLON AND NORTH
SOUTFWARK DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, Oetobir 23. 1937, in 7 hree Hours and Ten Minutes,
At tee Chorch of St. Nicholas, Chiswick,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, 6088 CHANREI; Tenor 14 cwt.
Ernest J. King ... ... ...Tyeble Francis D. Bishop ... ... 5
Thomas H. Taprbader ... 2 Ernest A. Rebve ... ... 6
Thomas W. Tafpender ... 3 Norman V. Manning... ... 7 Miss Olivi L. Asharook ... 4 Arterr Hardy ... ... ... Tenoy Composed by T. B. Worseey. Conducted by Thomas W. Taffender WOOLWICF, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, Otlober 23, 1937, in Two Hows and Fifly-Nine Minules, At thz Churce of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANOES;

 Composed by !. Barker. Conducted by W, F, Tyzer.
Ruag as a birthday compliment to Mr. G. R. Simmonds, of Lewislam.

EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(East Grinstrad and District Guild.) On Saturday, Oerober 23, 1937. in Three Hours and Elezen Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF gTEDMAN TRIPLES, bOsO CHANEE8;
Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Variation of Thurstans' Teror 23 先 cwt
 -Gborge F Tizzard ... ... 2 Gborge Lambirt ... ... 6 - Hbrbert D. Whytb... ... 3 Ernest J: Ladd ... ... ... 7 Righard D. Divall....... 4 Sidney W. Chrsson ... ...Temor Coaducted by Frane Benneit.

* First peal of Stedman. Rung to commemorate the 50th year of ringing at the above chureh by Joseph Wrea.

EAST MARTKAM, NOTTS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Oatober 23. 1937, in 7 hree Howrs and Fowr Minktes, Az the Cberch of St. John,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 6162 CHANGEs; Tenor 12 cwt.
Artacr Mulvey... ... ...Tyeble Miss Grace Borgenall ... 5
Mess Dorothy Vessey ... 2 Frederick Hoopzr ... ... 6 Kgnnith W. Mayer ... ... 3 Frank W. Vernon .. ... 7 Miss Kateerine Burcenall 4 Jack L. Millhouse ... ...Temoy Composed by Joun Carizr. Conducted by lack L. Milleouse.
First attempt for Double Norwich ly all except the ringers of 4 and
First peal of Major as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells.

SHERBURN-IN-ELMET, YORISS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sathrday, Uetober 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGE:

Tenor 15 cwt ( approx.) in F sharp.
 Horac S. Morley ... 3 Robert H. Vigor ... ... 7 $\dagger$ William Trbry $\quad . . . . . . \quad 4 \mid$ †Edward Bradlby .... ...Temor Composed by J. R. Pritceard. Conducted by E. Bradley.

* Tirst peal. " First peal of Bob Major. First peat of Bola Majov on the bells. The ringers of $1,2,5,7$ and 8 are members of the local iand.

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TEE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At tre Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, $\operatorname{fog}$ CHANGES;

 Tenor 15 cwt .Alan R. Andrews Trable Euward E. Davey William J. Nevard ... .... ${ }^{1}$ Cenrlps A. Andrews -.. 3 Matrice J. Ling...${ }_{6}^{5}$ 3 Horace A. Wrigri … ... 7 Miss Violet Frost ... ... 4 Urban W, Wildney ... ....Temor Composed by J. R. Pritcaard. Conducted by Urban W, Wildney * First peal of Major. First peal of Major ns conductor. OSWALDTWISTILE LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sundav, October 24, 1937, in 3 wo Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,
At tee Chorce of Immanoze,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB MAJDR, 5040 CHANEES; Tedor 1 t $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $G$

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At tae Cedrce of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NDRWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANEES; Tenor 20 cwt.
Rossele G. Spears ... ...Trebic Edwin F. Pier ... ... ... 5
Harry Hoskins ... ... ... 2 Ernast Breti $\quad . .$.
Bernard H. Swinson... ... 3 Johs W. Eusion ... ... 7
Grorgr R. Pyr ... ... ... 4 Jambs E. Davis ... ... ... Tenor
Composed by F. Holdzn. Conducted by Jamrs E. Davis.
SODTHPORT: LANCASHIRE.
THE LANGASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tusday Otober 26, 1937. in Twa Horrs and Forty-Six Minuts,
At Christ Chorce,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, GO40 GHANEES;
Hhywopd's Transrosition of Thurstans' Four-part. Tenor 10 cwt.
Tbomas W, Hammond ...Treble "Ernest T. Bbnnett...
Jogn Brown... ... ... .... 2 Grorge R. Nrwxon ... ...
Sydney Forsbaw $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Pbrcival W. Cave... Thoabas B. Worsley ... ... 4 Wtlelam Digrenson... .... Tenor

Conducted by Percival W. Cavr.

* First peal of Stedman Triples. Rumg as a Coronadion peal

WATMORD, HFRTS.
THE ANOIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTES.
On Tussday, Otiober 20, 1937, in Three Hours and Nine Minntes, At tee Chcrich of St. Mary,
A PEaL OF SPLICED LONDON, ERISTOL, CAMBRIDCE, AND SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAAOR, B120 GHANGES; Tenor $24 \frac{2}{3} \mathrm{cw}$.
Charles N. Leman ..Treble Steperan H. Hoare
Wattar G. Pade ... .... 2 Richard G. Bell
Arthit W. Dix ... ... ... 3 Georgr E. Howchin ... ... $\quad 6$
Ceristoperr W. Woolley 4 Harold G. Casgmore ...Tenor
Composed by A. I. Pitman. Conducted by H. G. Casemore.
The peal cousisted of 2,240 Jondon, 1,728 Tristol and 576 encI Cambrides aut Superlative, with 116 changes of method. Rung to commemorate the tercentenary of the society.

ABERDARE. GLAMORGAN今HIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCLSAN ASSOCTATION.
On Thursday, October 28, 1937. in Thee Hours ami Eight Minntes,
At tee Ceurcg of St. Elvan,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, BOaO GHANEES;
Heywood's Tansposizion of Terrsiaks' Fotr-part. Tenor 16 cwt .25 lb .

Grorge Talbot ... ... ... 3 Albert J. Pitman ... .. 7 Atgred W. Hehta ... ... 4 Bgat Sbezdon ... ... .... Tenay Conducted by Aceert J. Pitman.
First peat of Stedman out the bells. A birthday compliment to Mrs. Johir Philijus, of Cardiff.

## OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASEIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fiyidav, October 29, 1937, in Three Howrs and Nind Minutes, Aitar Chorch of St. Teomas, Moprside,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Parken's Twelve-part.
Tenor $18 \mathrm{cwt}$.8 lb .
Frank Lawton
Ogdan Moores
Josepa Dgden JAMESLEBS.......

Treble Aribor Taylor Vrenon Syres Ivan IGay 5 Conducted by Vermon Symes.
Rung it honour of tho ECth birthedg of MFr. Herhert Batlow, a ringer at St. Mark's Church, Glodwick.
BOURN ENOUTH-At St. John's on Sundmy; October 3rd, for harvest Eestival, a guarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. Bloom 1, Mrs. F. I. Marshallsay \&, O. Roberts $3_{3}$ A. V. Davis (oonductor) 4, C. Forfitt 5, H. Benmett 6, H. Mikinell 7, F. Lougman 8.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX. THE LADIES' GUILD.
On Saturday, Ottober 30, 1937, in Thyee Houys aned Thyre Minutes,
At the Ceurch of St. Mary Magealene,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT DEE MAJQR, EOQA CMAMCEB; Temor 12 cwt.
Ellen E. Hardcastle ...T reble Edith K. Fletceier ... ... 5

- IvyR. Housdrn ... ... 2 Marjorie L. Cross ... ... 6

Elsie M. Bagworib ... 3 Francus Botbam... ... ... 7
Evblyn Sthel ... ... ... 4 Hilda 3. Snowden ... ...Tenor
Composed by C. W. Roberts, Conducted by Edita K. Fletcrer

* First peal in the method. Pirst peal in the method for the Guild. Rung in houanr of the silver jubile of the Guild.

UFFORD, SDFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLE GUILD.
On Sathrday, October 30, 1937 in 1 hyez Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Churce of St, Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 GHANCES; Tenor 13 cwt. I gr. 8 lb . in F .


Leslir C. Wigetman... ... 4 Leslie G. Brbit... ... ... Tenar Composed by J. W. Washarook. Conducted by L. G. Brest.
Fisst peal of London in the tower,
NUNEATON, WARWTCKSHIRE.
THE WARWTOKSFIIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, October 30, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes, At ter Ceurce of St. Nichdlas,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDEE BURPRISE MAJOR, 605 GHANEES, Jobason's Variation of Middleton's

Tenor $I_{4} \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Prrcy Stonk ... ... .... $/$ veblo josbpa B. Fenion ... ... 5 Frank W. Pergens ... ... 2 Ernest Stong .... .... .... 6 Josbpe H. W. White ... 3 Faamik E. Pervin a.. *a 7 Thomas W. Chapman... ... 4 Frbderick H. Dexter ...Tenor Conducted by Frank W, Perrens,
Rum as a birthday complinent to Ernost Stone, tilis peal heing his 100th for the Warwickshite Guid.

PORTSMOUTE, HAMPSHIRE.
THE ANCTENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YODTHS.
On Saturday, October 30, 1937, in 7 hree Howy and Eleven Minutes. At tre Chirch of St. Mary, Portsea.
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE HAJOR, 5088 GHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt. 7 lb .

 Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by Frider. W. Kogers. Arrauged and rung as a tercentenary peal for the society. GRDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
IHE ST. MARTIN'S GUTLD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Salurday, Oefobey 30, 1937, in Two Howrsamd Fifiy-Five Hinutes, At fhe Chbrch de St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Transposition of Thorstans' Four-part. Tenor 15t cwt.
Georgr F. Swann … ...Trebie Fhed Phice... .... ... ... 5
 Williah C. Reodes ..... .1 Latimer C. Williams ... 4 "Jogn Gilson ... ... ...Teror

* Conducted by Fred Pricer.

Prist peal. First peal as conductor, Arranged and rumg to celebrate the coming of age of Mr . Norman S . Power, eldest son of the Rev. W. S. Power, Vicar of Eudington.

## EDGBASTON, BIRMINGHAM.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTES.
On Satuday, Octotay 30, 1037, in Two Hours und Farty-Five Minutes,
At ige Parish Cafhce of St, Bartbolomew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Haywood's Transposition of Tudrstans' Focr-part. Tenar 10 cwt .
George E. Fearn ... ... 2 yeble
Tromas H. Rebves...
-Joun S. Mason .... ...' Alburi E. Norman ... ... 4 James Gborge ... ... .... 7 Conducted by Frank E. Hayms.

* First penI of Stedman Triples. First peal of Stedman Triples as conductor. Specially arranged and rang in honour of the tercentenary of the Ancient Society by members resident in or near Birmingham.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

FLITTON, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, clober 15 1437, in Two Hours and Foriy Minutes, At the Church of St. Jogn-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF MINOA, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one extent of Woodbine, two of Oxford Treble Bob and two each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Ronald Suarf ... .... ...TVable *A.adraw C. Sinfield ..t* 4

| C. Edward Jepfries ... | ... | 2 | C. Henry Harding... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Reginald J. Hodgeion | .. | 3 | Charles W. Clarer | ...$T e n o r$ | Conducted by C H. Harding.

"First peal in more than one method "inside." HENLOW, BEDS.
THE BEDTORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sathrday, Otoder 23, 1937, in 7 wo Howrs and E'orty-Eight Minkts, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of Woodbine, Cnmbridge, Oxford and Eent Treble Bob, Double Court, Onford Bob and Plain Bob.
Lawis H. Bywaters ... ...Treble | Herbert Sebrian ... ... 4
 Edmund Wagsiapre... .... 3 Franciv S. Beadmoni ....................... Conducted by F. S. Beabmont. BUTTERWICK, IJINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUHLD.
(Eastern Branct.)
On Sathrday, Otobsy 23, 1937, in 7 wo Hours ard Forty-Five Minutes, Ar the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL DF TREBLE ROB MINDR, 5OAB CHANEES:
Oug extent each of Sandal, WilFesclen, College Bob IV., Old Oxford,
Bourne Surpuise, Cambridge Surprige and Oxford Treble Bob. Teyor 10 cwt.
John R Kemp ... ... ...Treble John R. Yodng ... ... ... 4
Heney jogn .. ...
 Conducted by A. E. Flatters.
First peal of Minor as conductor, also first extent of first five methods:

WOLVEY, WARWICKSHIRE, THE WARWICKSHIRE GULLD.
On Salurday, Natobey 23, 1937, in 1 wo Hours and Forby-Seben Minules, At the Chirch of St. John-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF BOB NINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different 700's.
Tenor 12 ewt.
Jobn E. S. Moreiton.
... $\#$ Trebis
james Draycotif...
Conducted by Josepe H. Beacz.

## TOWER CLOCKS <br> Weight Driven or Electric by the

 WORLO'S OLDEST MAKERS Eitabinkad 1890.
## WHITCHURCH, SALOP

Wh heve oxperts visiting all parts of the Britich lobe and shall be-pleased to cerry out restoration or flya repertio redarding any nate of Tawar Clotk.

GREAT GADDESDEN, EERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASBOCIATION.
On Salurday. Ocrober 23. 1937, in Two Hours and Fo-ty-Six Minutes,
At the Chusch of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
One extent ench of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, St. Olement's, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
act Tenor 10 cwt .
Waltgr Ayrr ... ... ... 7 reble Adgdstin V. Good
-Herbert Gates ... ... 2 Frangis Tompins
Framels Kiar $-\ldots$....
Conducted by Horace L. Waitr.

* First peal in aeven methods 'inside, Pirst peal as conductar. LEVERINGTON, CAMBS
TEE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Otober 23, 1937, wwo Hours and Forty Five Minutes,


## At ter Cefrct of St. Leonafd,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, EO4D CHANCE8:

Being 720 of $5 E_{0}$ Clement's and two $720^{\circ}$ s euch of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Trable Bob and Plain Bob.
Rilfa Narbonoduh ... ...Treble Lewis Bose ... .... ... ... 4 Ggorge Mason ... ... ... 2 Fred Wigmors ... Walkacg Cousins .... ... 3 | Claude Cousins ... Conducted by Frpd Wigmore. CLIFTON REYNES, BUCKS.
THE BEDFORDSEIRE ASSOCLATION
On Swiday, October 24, 1937, in I wo Hours and Forly Minutes,
At ter Chercr of St Mary-tee-Virgin.

## A PEAL DF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Seven extents each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt. in $A$ flat.

 Conducted by D. L. Cockings.

* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor. REDGRAVE, SUFTOLK. THE SUFTOLK GUILD.
Un Sunday, "elobey 24, 1937, ir Two Houys and Fifty-Tws 步inutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,


## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise and two 720 s each of Kent Freble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.
David Whiting ...
... 3 reble Artater Cook -.. $-\cdots 4$
Whater Elsgy .... ... ... 3 Charles V, Orves .... .... 5
Fredericir Roper .... .... 3 Eric G. Bennett .... ...Temor
Conducted by E. G. Bennett. HOLBROOK, SUTFOLK. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, October 25, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty Mintutes, At the Chuech of All Sajnts,
A PEAL OF BOE MINOR, GOAO CHANGES;
Seper callings.
Tenor 8 cwt.


* First peal.


## DUNHOLME, LINGS. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Northern Brance.)

On Friday, October 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Thivty-Six Minwtes,
Ax tee Church of St. Chad,

## A PEAL OF 8 PLICED HINDR, 5040 EHANGEB

Being seven extents in 21 methods: (1) Donble Oxford, Loudon Bob, 'Cleewall and Iytham; (2) St, Clement's, College, Childwall and Waver'tree; (3) Plain Bob, Double Bob, Reverse Bob, Fulbeck and Canterbury Plensure; 4) Single Oaford and Single Court; (5) Capel and Sandal Treble Bob; (6) London Scholars Pleasuro and Fingston Trehle Rob; (7) Oxford and Kent Treble Bob

 Conducted by ci. E. Feirn.
First peal in 21 methods by all the band. There were 136 clanages of method.
(Othar pasi raparta ard unavaldably hold over.)

## PEAL, NOTES.

COLLEGE YOUTES' GOMMEMORATION PEALS.
To celebrate the tercentenary of the College Youths, a peal in fout Spliced Surprise methods was rung ab Watford on October 26 th.
A tercentenary commemoration peal of Brishol Surprise Major was rung for the Ancient Society of College Youths at Portsmontin on Satirday. Would not London have been mare approprinte?

A peal of Stedman Triples at Edgbaston on Saturday was rung by Birmingham and district members of the Ancient Society.
A Lancashire band of Colloge Youths were unfortumate to lose a prat of Stedman Triples at Bolton ulf Friday, after an hour and a bulf's splendid ringing.
A peal of Stedman Catwors nt Haslemere on Outober 3own was r congratulatory peal to the Ladies' Guild on their silper jubilee, and to the Callege Youtlis on their tercentenary.
The ladies added another eveut to the celebration of the sifver jubilee of their Guild, when, on Saturday, they rang a peal of Doublo Norwich Major at Harlow Common, on at ring of liells with temar of 12 cwt . Qur readers will note that the unmes in the 'official' record appear without any 'prefx,' bub for tho information of those who do not otherwise know we may say that the married outnumber the unmarried by three to one.
A report of a peal at Benfeldside, Go. Durham, has been gent with out the name of the conductor:
A belated 'Coronation' perl wers rum at Sonthport, Lancrshire, on October 26th. The band ret short on the ove of Coronation Day and lad not since been able to make the attempt. Mr. J. Ridyara was in the origimal company, but was unfortunetely prevented by indisposition from taking part last week in the pera of Stcriman Triples that was Fung. The fhanlas of the band are tendered to Mr William Dickenson for his generous hospitality after the peal.

The fist peal of Stredman ryiples on the bolls of Aberdare, Glamorganshire, was zung on Ochober $28 t h$ as a birthday peal to Mrs. Jolin Philips, of Cardiff. Mr. Philips was unfortunalely umable to tako part in the peal.

Another band in Lincolnshire seens to be building up its maltimethod performances. On October 29th, at Dumholme, they went on to 21 Minor methods in a peal of seven 720 's. It invalved 136 elianges of method.
Mr. Ernest Stome, of Nunenton, mang his one luudredth peal for the Warwickshire Guild on October 30th.

The first peal of Loncion Surprise on the hells at Ufford. Suftolk, on October 30the was a birthdar compliment to Mrs. A. Wightman, Mr. Leslie C. Wightman's molher
Five members af the local band took part in a peal ab Sheribum-inElmet, Forks, on Oetoher 23rd; two of them, imeluding one lady, rang their first peal and two others their first peal of Bob Major, inclucling the conductor.
Six ringers at Fast Marlinm, Notts, 7ang their first peal of Double Norvicl Major at the first attempt on October 23 rd .

Mr. Joln Pemmell, standing in at a moment's notice at Holbrooks, Suffolk, on October 25th, rang his first peal, which consisted of geven 720's of Bob Minor
Messrs. Edward Davey and TVrban Wildney rang their 25th peal together when they took part in.a peal of Bob Major at Great Holland, Essex. on October 23rd. It was Mr. Wilduey's first peal of Major as condnetor.
A peal in seven different Minor methods at Butterwick, Lincs, on October 231d, Mr. Albert Fh. Flatters rang his first peal of Minoz as conductor and his first 720's of live of the methods.

Mr. Joseph Wuen, of East Grinstead, Sussex, las completed 50 years of ringing at the Parish Church, and celcbrated the jubilee by daking part in his first peal of Stedman Triples on October 23 rd and af the same time "completing the circle' on the bells.

## FIRST FOR FORTY YEARS.

The first quarter-peal of Major for 40 years on the leavy ring of eight at St. Lawrence Jewry, London, was rung by the St, Lawrence Jewry Gaild on October 31st, for evening service, in 50 minutes: G. A. Pareons 1, G. W. Fogden 2, F. Carmey 3, F. C. Shorter (first as conductor) 4, R. Alten (first quarter of Bols Major) 5, G. F. D. Pratt 6, E. Murrell (first quarter of Bob Major) 7, A. A. Hugles 8.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

## VISIT TO EAST ARDSLET

The October meeting of the Leeds and District Sociely was held at Fast Ardsley on Satirnday last. Ringimg took place from 3.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. except for the breaks for tea, tuad the business meeling, which was held in the tower. The president was chairman and members were preseat, from Armley, Batley, Birstall, Bradford Gathedral, Burley, Drighlington, Holbeck, Headingley, (St. Chad's and St, Michael's), Idle, Leeds Parisłh Church, Rolhwell, Sherburm, Shipley and the local compary, also Mr. J. Rothwell, of Rotherliam, and the Rev. Andrews, of Leeds.
A vote of thanles wns accorded to the Vicar, churcliwardens and the loeal company, and the date and place of the next meeting were fixed for November 27th at Birstall.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## A SIMPLE LESGON IN CHANGE RINGING.

When you begiu change ringing the fewer bells you use at the stait, the tabier, olsvionsly, will it be to observe and understand what you are doing. For that leason some instructors prefer to start their young ringers on four bells only and others on five.
For the sake of the public it is often best to confine the four-bell practice to baudbells, if they are available, for this necessarily slow pirmiag which chagges on foul bells involves is not always appreciated. Nevertheless, clanges on four lulls anly are a valuable means of starting a heginner, because, uuless he is very dense, an explanation with paper and peucil, coupled with the practical demonstration, should quickly enable him lo grasp what is reguired of hum fnd to see something of the principles of change minging.

In tho previous article of this series (page 698), dealing with progress from call changes to half-pull ringing, we showed how plaiu lunting was effected; namely, how, wibla six bells, by changing first all three pairs and then the two middle pairs successively, a course ' of twelve charges was produced, which brouglat the bells back to rounds.

On any nimber of bells this method of pracedure will produce twice as many changes as there are halls employed. So that if you reduce your change ringing at the start to practice on four bells, your yourse will be eight changes. But having thus rumg a courso' until you can definitely see your way up and down-starting from the lead, first over one, then over two and nert over three bells until you are 'balind,' and then over three bells, over two bells and over one bell respectively until it is agaia your tum to lead-you will guickly want to so on to ring the rest of the 24 changes of which fonr bells are eapable.
To do this, each time the treble leads, the bell which led before its und then imraediately strikes over the trehle, lias another blow in 2nd's, making a'whole pili " over the wreble and then leads ogain. That is called making 2nd's place and it canses the other Lwo bells to make g "dodge'; that is, instead of continuing their course, after passing one another, they step back a place before golng on.

If, for instence, at the end of the hunting course no end's place is made you will have the hells striking in order in each clange as shown in $A$, but if 2utis place is made you get a new sucession of rows as shown in $B$

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In $B$, the 2 nd is said to dodge in $4-3$ (sometimes described as $3-4$ down) nud the 4th fo 3-4 (otherwise 3-4 up). The one is a/ber a whole pull behind, the other before the whole pail hehind.
Tlis work daes not interfere with the "plain lunting' of the treble, and it is cyclipal for the other three bells. Each makes 2nd's, and dodges in $4-3$ and 34 in turn, but Ehey begin the cycle at different places. It cones in this otder after leading:-
2nd bell

| First lead | dodge $4-3$ | dodge 3-4 | 2nd's place |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Second lend | dodge 3-4 | 2nd's place | dodge 4 -3 |
| Third lead | 2ad's placa | dodge $4-3$ | dodge $3-4$ |

Remmber when dodging ovar another bell you mast 'hold up' a little, and when dodging under you mast cill down just a little. Unless you do, you will break the yhythm. Your ears cen tell you wheliner you are too close or too wide. Use them.

## TTAOHTNG BEGINN1:RS

A letter frem Mr. F. E. Dawe in reply to Mr. Steplien Wood is mavoidalily held over until next week.

## ANOTHER OCTAVE FOR LANCASHIRE

TREBLES DEDICATED AT POULTON.
Two new brohle bells lave been adder to the six at Poulton-le-Fylde, Lanenshire, and they were dedicated by the Bishop of Blackburn as they stood iu the chancel on Sunday. Ever since 1911 ithere have been two pils provided for them, and the bells have now been given by an anonymous domor.

They weigh $3 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt. and $3{ }^{3}$ ewt respectively and are inscribed :-
Ponce. To commemorate the reigu of King George $F$. and Quen Mn
'Goorwith. To commemorate the Corollation of King George FI. and Queeu Elizabelh:"
The old six came from the foundry of Abel Rudhall in 1741 and wete restoted and hung in oframe for eight in 1911. The new bells huve hees cast at the Whitechapel Foundry.

## FTR ST QUARTER-PEALS.

KILBURN, LONDON.-At St. Augistine"s Church ou Thurgday, Octoher 7bit, 1,264 Bob Major: A. Bone 1, Mrs. R. Pacey 2, Miss B. Hart 3, S. Pacey 4, Rev. H. G. Benson 5, Rev. B. F. Sheppard 6. C. D. Nichots 7 , E. M. Athins (conductar) 8. First quarter-peal of Mnjor lyy ringers of $1,2,3$ and 4 . Rung for the dedieation festival of the chareh.

## HALESOWEN'S INTERESTING BELLS.

## WORK OF AN OLD EDGBASTON FOUNDER

A successful meeting of the Northeru Branels of the Worcesterglaire Association was held at Falesowen, when over 50 ringers and friends were pregent.
Halesowen Parish Church is dedicatod to St. John the Baplist and constructed ju successive styles of architeotare, the tower boiug commenced nhout 1380 and completed in 1440 . The bells are particularly inLaresting, and $F$, W. Hackwood, local historian, gives the following details in his hook, 'Oldbury and round about.

Tho bells of Halesowen the at misical set of eight in the key of E jusily admired for their clearmess of tone. Six of these were placed on the steeple in the year 1707 and not improbably the old bels were recast at the same time. Some half-century after this a gentleman numed Skittletou on a visit from London, while admiring the sweetness of the tone in the bells, at the same time lamented that they were not a perfcot octeve find generously offered to rectify the fault by presenting the first and second bells. The offer was accepted and on the arnival of the new bells they were welcomed by a public demonstration. At first they were fixed in a frame over the other bells, but this arrangement. being fonnd incomvenient, they were afterwards fixet in a range, which was ingenjously effected by raising the carriages of the two largest bells.

The trebles were cast hy Lester and Pack, of London, in 1753, and the athers by Joseph Smith, of Fedgbaston, in 1707. Joseph Smith lived opposite the Swan Jun, at Edybaston, and his name appears on many bells in the Midaurls whioh were east in the envly 18t] century some of them, however, being no credit to his memory: The sixtl was subsequently recast by Rabert Wells, of Aldbourne, in 1778, and thereby hangs a tale.
It was an old enstom on Shrove Thesday immediately the hour of eleven in the morning had struck for the ringerg to strike the bells with hammers as well as ringing them. On one occasion the 6th was cracked and remaiged so until a woman named Susanyah Box indicted the churchwardens for having a eracked bell. They had it recast with their own names upon it in 1778.
The tenor is in the ragioll of $16-17$ cwt., and lias as number of William III. coins cast on it. It is iuscribed as follows:When the sound of bells doth pieree the ear, Come to church God's word to liear. My mouruful voice doth warning give, That bere men cannot always live.

## The 5th is inseribed:-

Be it known to all that doth me see,
That Joseply Smill in Edgbaston made all we.'
There were evidently bells in Hulesowen as early as 1518, since the accounts for that year record the payment of 5 marks to a bell founder of Nottingham.
At the gathering of the Worcestershire Association the Rector (the Rev. J. T. Davies) condacted a service and gave a very lielpfil adtress. Afterwards the association was entertained to tea by tho Iocal ringers, and a collection taker for the Belfry Repairs Fund which realised 178.20 .
A business meeting followed, presided over by the Rector, supported by Mr. William Short (Association Ringing Master), Mr. Thomas Hemming (Brancl Ringiner Muster) and Mr. J. S. Mason (branch secretary).
The next meeting was arralaged to take place in January at Stomrbridge, and tion ariagements for the quarielly peal, to be attempted at Falesowen, were left in the hands of the Ringing Master.
The Branch Ringing Master expressed a wish to retire, and ha Johar Lloyr?, of Brierley Fill, was elected in his place.
The branch secrefary, Mr. J. S. Mason, and the Central Committof representative, Mr. Jolan Bass, were le-elected for another year.
The secretary-Iead a letter from Mr. Hector Bird, an honorary member, resigning from the assomintion, he having left the county His resignation left a vadncy for an honorary member on the Central Commitfee. and to overcome this Mr. W. B. Cartariglat, of Selly Onk Was elected an honorary member, his name being recommended hy tho branclh to fill the vacancy caused.

The Rector of Halesowon was elected an honorary member, and Messis. C. Tintern, of Wolliston, J. Knot and C. Skipton, of Wordsley as performing members. The theltry elections of Mr. W. J. Davidson, of Newcastle-on-Tyme, and Hir. T. J. Hinton, of Claverley, were duly ratified.
A vote of thanks to the bhairman and the local ringers was cantied with applanse, and Mr. W. H. Webb, replying, invited the association to come to Halesowen a little more often to ring peals.
Upon returning to the tower the ringing ranged from rounds to London and Bristol Surpuigo Major

## LANCASHIRE VETERAN'S DEATH.

We refret to record the death of Mr. Josepla Wood, of Friezand Grecnfeld, near Oldham, who passed away on October $25 t h$. He had refrhed the adranced age of eiglity and had been a ringer for 64 yenrs.
He mang in a 720 of Oxford Trehle Bob on his birthday, and only a fortnight before his death wnlked two miles and rang a 504 for morning sorvice.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

JOINT MEETING WITH LADIES AT ALDERSHOT.
The Farmham District of the Guildiord Diocesan Guild was joined by the Southern District of the Eadies' Guild ab a meeting at Aldershot on Saturday, October 30 th . There was a large gathering of ringers and friends from various parts of the Guild, inchding Bagshat, YorkLown, Worplesdon, Guildford, Portsea, Clandon, Ghertsey, Ash, Old Woking. Farnham, Egham, Bentley, Hawhcy and the local tower During the aftornon and again in the evening the bells were rung to touches in the standard methods, with rounds for learacrs.

A fully choral service was conducted by the thev. J. B. Rowsell (Vicar of Aldershot), who gave an inspiring rddress on the work of the ringerg for the church and how the bels play an important part in the life of our country.

A splendid tea lad bean prepared in the Parish Fall by lady ringers of the Aldershot tower, and between 80 and 90 persons enjoyed the meal.

Mr. E. Gower expressed a welcome to the Vicar to the Guild meetings, it being the first meeting at Aldershot since Mr. Rowsell's induction as Vicar. Mr. Gower also thanked the Vicar for conducting the service. A suitable reply was made by Mr. Rowsell, who apologised for having to leave to take another service.

Mr . W. A. Dollinore (an honovary member) was in the chaje for the business.
The retiring officers were remominated for 1938, viz., Mr. R. Hasted (Ringing Master), Mr. O. W. Denyer (hon. secretary), Mr. P. Eidridge (auditor), Mr. W. A. Dollimove (hom. representative), and Messus. T. Upshall and F. Nye (ringing representatives on the Executive Committee).
The meeting stood in silence to the memory of an hon. member (Mr. E. J. Hickox, Mus.Bac., of Bapshot), who had passed away since the last meeting. The action of the secretary in sending a wreath for the funeral was confirmed.
Mr. G. L. Grover (Guildford District secretary) congutulated the Farnlani band on their ringing broadeast. It was gratifying to know that the only tower in the Guildford Guild to have had their bells broadcast had not let the Guild down, said Mr. Grover.
It was anmoned by the secretary that all tower captains had not yet replied regarding the number of ringers able to attend Weanesday a.fternoon meetings, so no decision could yet be reached.

Hearty thanks were extended to the organsl and clooir, and a special vote of thanks accordad the lady caterers.
The Ladies' Guild then held their bisiness meeting, at which Mrs. Brace (vice-president) presided and 16 ladies were present, Miss F. Pascoc, of Aldershot, was elected a member, and it was proposed to hold the next meeting, if possible, at Slialford, in February, 1938.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

ARCHDEACON'S APPEAL TO CLERGY
A special mecting of the association was held at the Parish Clurch, Biehop Auckland, on Saturday, October 23rd, on the invitation of tho Vicar and Raral Dean (Canon A. B. Parry-Evans). Only 22 wero present, but au enjoyable time was spent by all.
Following the afternoon's ringiug, a service was condincted by the Ficar, and at adjournment made for tea. The president (Mr. M. D. Oubridge, of Gosforth) thanked the Vicar for his hospitaliby, and Canou Parcy-Tvans, in his reply, welcomed the assochan to his tower. Fe regretted the apparent lack of ringers, and suggested that the associations and existing bands of ringors appeal through The Ringing Would 'and even the daly Press for members to come forward and attend couscientionsly to Sunday servico ringing. In tauching upon the present-dny opportmities for Sunday excursions, ele., the Canon said that he did zot condemn these, realising their value in broadening the mind and giving a means of escape from the daly task. He did, however, appenl for chusch worls to come first. God's purpose, he said, was for people to have liberty, but Ho did ask blem to put Him first, and it was here that bhe ringers could help in their devotion to duty
The tower was again visited, and after introductory renarks, the Canon called upon the Arelideacon of Auckland (the Ven. Lestie Owen) to muveil a peal board, recording it peal of Grandsire Priples rung to commemorale the Coronation. After the unveiling, the Archadeacon expressed his pleasure at being once nove amongst riugers, and, addressing the clergy presentiz hoped they would support the ringers in their efforts. The country, he snid, hed passed throtsgh a difficult time and he hoped all would pray for the success of the present reign.
Mr. Qubridge thanked the Archeacon for his remarks and assured him of the co-operation of riugers, and Mr, R. L. Patterson cited, as an instance, that during the weel a mission Jad been held in Sunderland and the vingers in that town had combined to lave the hells runt for service each evening during the week.

Two courses of Stedoan Triples wero cung for the benefit of the Archdencon, and the rewander of the evening was devoted to further ringing, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent, Plain Bobs and Double Norwich Major being accomplished.
Two new members were elected at the meeting, and the following towers were represented: Gosforth, Darlington (Holy Trinity and St. Guthberd's), Shildon, Staindrop, Sunderiand (St. Ignatius'), Newastle Cathedral. Durham Gathedral, Heighington, Kirkby Stephen and the local band.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Now is the time to read Mr. J. A. Trollope's interesting new book, 'The College Youths.' The tercenterary of the, society makes its appearance extremely opportune, and ringers who would like to krow all abouk the bistory of this venerable ringing fraternity slould not fail to read it.
Canon G. F. Coleridge, Vicar of Growthorne, Berks, and Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, will be 80 years of age uext Weclnesday. Ringers everywhere will unite in congratulations and good wishes to the most popular man in the Exercise.
A change of venue for the jubilee diumer of the Chester Diocesan Guild an November 20 th has been made. The dinner will be served at Clemences', Market Place, Chester.
After niue Years as secrefary of the Rochester District of the Kene County Association, Mr. S. J. T. Shellock has retired, and Mr. G. H. Spice has been elected to tha office. A further report of the meeting beld last Saturday at Rochester will apperr in our next issue.
The unvetling of a peal board memorial to the tate Mr. J. D. Dewett, formerly Master of the Surrey Association, is to take place at Mitcham Parish Church an November 27tib on the eceasion of a meeting of the North-Western Digtrict.

We are glad to say that Mr. Jim Bennett is making rapid recovery from the operation performed on him in St. Bartholomew's Hospital and hopes to be oul at the end of this weel. He thanks the matry friende who have written to him.
The ring of eight bells recently jastalled at Clrist Church, Ebisw Vale, by John Trylor and Co.. were rung in thanksyiving on Friday, October 29 th , when shortly after 10 p.m. the first blast furnace of Richard Thomas and Co.'s new plant was "blown in."

As the many processen to put the giant into commission proceeded, the belts sonnded throush the valley to rounds and "Queeo's, the newly-formed band not yet being able to do any actial change ringing. The event was a momentous one in the history of the town.

## FALSE PEALS.

## To the Editar.

Sir,-In your leading article on the above you use the following plarases: (1) 'One wonders how many false peals really have been rumg and liave passed unnoticed '; and (2) 'The whole spirit of peal ring ing. . . has been based upon the strict truth of what is ruag. ${ }^{\text {a }}$
Could one ever come across two more contradictory and yet, under present conditions, perfectily true statementa.

At preseat peals mecd not be true; the conductor only has to think they are-and the majority of conductors to-day have no real knowledge of proving a peal.
Nathing could better illustrate the haphazard consisteutly inconsistency of the Ceniral Council than its present attitude to peals and their compositions: They must be true, and yet anyone can string together the necessary bobs, or bobs and singles, to produce the required lensth, and, provided there is no visible repetition, it may be sung and rering and counted as a peal.
There would appear to bo two solutions: (1) The publication of the figures of all peals. (2) The formation of a peal proving commiteo to whom figures should be submitted for proof before being allowed.
Both these would entail a certain amount of expense-(1) for printinm, and (2) for 'search' fees; but composers slonild be willing to pay this in order to avoid subsequent disappointment by luaving peals withdrewn when someone finds the error.
I had intended raising this matier at the last Central Oouncil meeting at Canterbury-as I stated in a former letter to you-but was umavoidably absent. The matter will be raised at Leeds by myself if no one else puts forward a motion, but I hope that this inaportant matter will not be left to an unknown member of the Conncil. It would be better if someone whose name is a 'helfry' wowl in ringing circles would make the move. $\qquad$ J. K. ARMSTRONG.

## WESTBURY TOWER REDEDICATED.

## 35,000 NEW SHINGLES ON SPIRE.

On Suaday last, October 31st, the 13 th century tower and spire of the Parish Church of SS. Peter and PauI, Westhury-on-Severn, was reopened and dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Gloucester (the Riglth Rev. Dr. A. C. Headlam). The spire has been completely rettored. The old shingles have been stripped off and new shingles to the pumhar of 35,000 have been placed on it, The entire scheme of repair has cost 21,000 and the money has been raised apart from about 890
After a shortened form of evensong, the chair, followed by the Ficar (the Rev. B. V. Borrouglis, M.A.), led the Lord Bishop out of the chirch to the detached bell tower.

In the course of the impressive ceremony at the tower the church wardens presented the key of the tower to the Lord Bishop, and his lordsitip, after throwing open the doors, deđicated afresh the belis and spirc to the glory of God and for the calling of the faithful to worship

After prayers the pingers rang 120 Grandsire Doubles to inform the worshippers inside the church (it was pouring with rain at the time) that the dedication had taken place.
The ringers were Aubrey Vernall 1, A. Burlingham 2, Maurico Watkins 3. E. Gleed 4, A. Gibson (conductor) 5, Victar Gibson 6 .

## GRESFORD BELLS REOPENED. <br> ONE OT THE 'SEVHN WONDERS, OF WAL玉S

Gresford bells have the reputation of being "one of tho ecven wouders of Wales, and have been under restaration. They were reopened on Saturday, October 23 m . The wenther, being rather unkjud, pravented many ringers from attendiug, but a good minster, including riugers from Cheshire, Staffordshire and North Wales, took the opportunity of having a pull oo the bells. The towers represented were Wrexham, Ruabon, Mold, Chester, Frodsham, Handbridge, Wallasey, Wiatrastion and Crewe.


GRESFORD PARISH CHURCH.
Ringing commenced at 2.30 , and at a service in chareh, at which the Rev. Bowen officiated, an andiress was given by the Vicar (the Rev. W. Edwyn Jones), who expressed great pleasure in seeing so many ringers present
Tea was provided in the Church House, presided over by the Vicar, who was thanked by Mr. Bilbby on behalf of the visitors for inviting them to come and try the bells. It was, he said, always a pleasnre to come to Gresford. During the evening the belle were again in great demand for both call changes and method ringing.
Gongratulations hy all present were showered on Gresford bellringets on the gaod 'job' that liad been done, and it was regretted that Mr. Jack Reeves, of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, was hot there to heer how delirinted all were with the excellent 'go' of the bells. Ringing ended about 8.30. Time fed too quickly, and everyone roted that even if the wenther was wet, a most enjoyable time had been spent.

## ANSTON BAND'S RECORD

RINGERS LONG SERVICE TO THE CHURCE
A remarkable record of service to the Church is provided by the ringers of Anston, near Sheffeld. Of seven men who formed the sixbell band 30 years ago, six are living and five are still ringing. They are: Henry Stenton, 50 years; Francis Stenton, his son, 35 years; William PIatts, 43 years; Chatles Fowler, 60 years; Samuel Smith, 50 years; Hewhert Turner, 45 years; Robert Smith, 50 years.

Their total length of service is 333 years. Mr. Samuel Smith, the oldest member of the party, dfed last Easter Day at the age of 85 , and Mr. Robert snith, 69 years old, gave up ringing about eight years aro for physical reasons. The other five are still riagers at the church. Mr. Charles Fowler, who is aged 77, is the conductor.
Four members of the party are also old members of the clooir. They are Mr. Henry Stenton (aged 79), 50 years a chorister; Mr. Robert Smiff (mged 69), 45 years; Mr. Herbort Turner (aged 60), 50 yenrs; and Mr. Francig Stenton (aged 48), 40 years; a total of 185 years for the four men.

The ringers are members of the North Notts Association, the Yorlechire Association and the Sheffeld and District Society.

## LONG SERVICE AT SEDBERGH.

At Sedbergh, on October 31st, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major ( 1,280 changes) : R. Atkinson 1, Miss N. Harrison 2. E. Pennington 3. J. Smith 4. T. Sisson 5, J. W. Peanington 6, H. Haresilape $\overline{\mathrm{i}}$. G. F. Woadhouse (conduotor) 8. Rnig to celebrate the completion of 40 yoars" service on the part of the ringers of $1,3,5$ and 8 . Total aorvice of the band 273 years and average age 57 yours.

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' TERCENTENARY.

TO-MORROW'S CELERRATION IN LONDON Laurel Wreaths in Memory of Famous Men.
Three hundred years ago to-day the Socisty of Collage Youths was founded in London, und Lard Brereton was elected the first Master. To-morrow the Callege Youths of 1937 will celebrate the tercentenary.
Ringers from all parts of the combly are coming to London for the fustival, the chiel features of which, in addition to the dimen' at: tho Canmon Street Hotel, will be the service at St. Panl's Cathedral, preceded by the unveiling of the restored memorial, at St. Diouys Church, to Sir Henry Tulse, Lord Mayor of Londou and Master of the College Youths in 1684.
This latter ceremony is to lake place at 3 o'clock, and the service at St. Paul's at 4 p.m. "This will be the usual evensong, but a speciul hymn anti antlzem are to be sung, a course of Stedman Triples will be rung on handbells, and an address tiven by the Ven. Arohdeacon of Loudon. Sents will bo reserved under the Dome for members and friends, and the collection will be for the society's Benevolent Fund and st. Paul's Cathedral.
The ringing for this servica will begin at 3.30 and be carried out by the St. Prul's Cathedral baud. St. Paul's beffry will not be apeu for visitors before the service.

The Master (Mr. E. H. Lewis) will receive the members and gnests at Cammon Street Hotel at 5.15 p.m., and dinner, at which a compary of nearly 420 is expected, will be served at six o'elock.
In view of the farge number to be received, members ate usired to he at the Cannon Street Hotel in good time.
Between 12.30 and 3 p.m. the bells of various city churches will be open for ringimg.

To-day laturel wreatlas are being placed by the socicty in Brereton Church, Cheshire, in memory of Jord Brerctou, who is buried there; in St. Bride's, Fleet Street, in mamory of Benjamin Aunable, whose grave is near the tower; and in St. Benedict's Church, Cambridge, in memory of Fabian Stedmaz,
The inscriptions on the wreaths were as follows:-
From the Ancient Society of College Youths, in grateful memory of William, Lord Brereton, wha Connded the Society on Stitu November 1637 , and was the first Master.
From the Ancient Society of Collego Youths, founded 5th November, 1537, in gratefit memory of Fabian Stedmun, who was Master of the Sociaty in 1682.
From tho Ancient Society of College Youths, founded 5tla Novemher, 1637, in gratefil. memory of Benjamin Anmable, who was a member of the Society from 1722 to 1756 and Master in 1746. On erch inscriptinn is the date 5th November, 1937.
The Editor of The Ringing World ' will be glapi if Past Mitsters who have not received a personal invitation to be meluried in a photographic group will kindly be present at St. Diouys' Church at 2.40 p.nn. on Satirday.

On Sunday moring therc will be ringing at. St. Mary-le-Bow Chenpside, as 10 o'clock, and at St. Clement Danes, Strame, at 10.30 . Afterwards members and their friends are invited to meet the Master at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street

Next week's issue of 'The Ringing World' will be aspecial 'Tercentenary' number, and will contain a full report of Saturday's proceedings.

In counection with the coming tercentenary celebrations, cight members of the society resideat in the Bromley, Kend, district met at SS, Peter and Paul's, Bromley, on October 28tis, and rang a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: T. Groombridge, sen. I, A. Purdam 2, W. J. Rawlings 3, M. F. Oakshett 4, J. Lyddiard 5, S. J. Hımphrey 6, 1. Emer; (conductor') T, E. A. Fonmg 8.

After the ringing Mr. Young kindly entertained the luand, and the toasb, "The Ancient Society,' proposed hy him, was dily honournd. Thanles to Mr. Young far his hospifality wers expressed by Mr Purdom.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Alton and Petersfield Districtivas lield at Bramshotit on Saturday, Octoher 30th. Those present included the Rev. E. A. Berrisford (Rector of Bramshott), bise Rev. F. G. Eyles (distriat chairman) the Rev. C. Minton-Seuhouse (district viecchairman) nad ringing members from Bramshot, Blackmoor. Pelersfield and Steep, with two unattached meabers, a total of 20 . Tho bells were kept going during the aftemen and evening from rounds to Bob Minor.
The Guild's service was conducted by the Rector of Bramshott. Tea was provided in the Church Room, the catering being carried out by Mrs. Borrisford and lady helpers.
A short business meeting followed, at which two new ringing mernbers were elected, viz., Mr. L. Marsh and Mr. A. Hutley, both of Pete *sficlel

The ustal votes of thanks were accorded, and the chaitman specially thauked the Rector of Bramshott, himself a keer tinger, for all his preparation and the warm welcome he gave the meeting.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL DINNER.

## Bff (iATHERING AT BLACKPOOL <br> Presentation to Retiring Ringing Secretary.

The popularity of the finmal dinner organised by tho Lancashire Associrtion was atain demonstrated on Saturday. The event has been moved from place to place in the contity, and this year the venue chosen was Blackpool, which, despite the fact that the "seasou' was over and the 'illuminations at an end, drew one of the largest gatherings of the series, which now extends to half a dozen. Members and friends eame by troin, car and conch from every bramch of the association, Liverpoal Branch contributioy [5, Bolton Branch 48 and others in lesser numberg. Owing to the event claching with the Blackpool Musical Teatival, which hook place at the Winter Garden near sit, John's Parisiz Chureh, only one ring of bells was apailable in the afternoon, namely, that at Lhe Romasi Catiolic Clureh of the Sacced Fieart, and they were well utilised by numerous hands.

Dinmer was seywed at the Imperial Hydro Hotel to a company numbering 250, genially presided over Ly the Rev. A. Scoti, who last year eucceded the late Canon H. J. Zisre as president. Among those who attended were the Mayor of Blackpon, the Vicar of St, John's, Blackpool (the Rev, W. Yates), the Rev. W, S. Mellor (Rumal Dean and
Vicar of Poultoy), Canoul C. C. Marshall (president of the Yorkshine Association), Mr. C. Slanples (vice-president of the Lanctslize Associa (ions) and Mrs. Sharples, Mr. W. H. Shuker (hon, secretaty) and Mrs, Shuker Mr C I Davies (hon treasmrer), Mrs and Mise Davies, Conncilior W. Diekitem (Boltom), Mr. and Mrs. P. Crook (Bolton), Mr. and Mrs. S. Pamer (sheffeld), Mr, and Mrs. M. Wilson (Sheffield) Mrs. Cotterell and Mr. P. T. Johnson (Leedş), Mr. T. Maude (Pudsey) Mr. J. Hardesstle (Brad[ord), Mr. W. Holding (Orewe), Mr. S. Briges (Rotherham), Mr. J. S. Coldsmith (Lom, secretary, Guildford Diocesan Guild), Etc .

After dimuer the company honoured the loyal toast, given by the president to ${ }^{\text {"Fis Majesty }}$ the Kinc -Duke of Lapcaster.

MAYOR'S WELCOME.
The Mayor of likackpool geve the association a cotdial welcome to the town. Tt was the first time they had held the ammal dinner there, he sild, and ho hoped it was the first of many such visits. Fis Worship had some amnsing staries to tell, and conchnded by cxpressing the hope that from thal grihering they sould gain inspiration to calry on the good work they were doing.
The President thanked the Mavor for his weleone and said they were hanoured to linve his Worthip among them.
Tha President sad they had witio them that night, an ald friend, Who had for long years served the association well and truly as a member and latar, for 14 years, laflleld one of the imporlant offices; he referterl to Mr. Athur Towinson. Stome time aso Mr. Tomlinson wrote to him nfering his resignation from the post of ringmg sechetary. Fe was taking over a newsagent's business in Blackpool, which he knew wolld occupy most of his time, and he felt, after very much
consideration, bound fo offer lis resignation. Althourt, dent) would linve liked to ask Mr, Tomlinson to reconsider his deasion, he linew lee would find his time fully occupied by his new business. Therefore, he (the president) felt that in fairness to Mr . Tompineon he conld not ask him to alter lis decision, and he felt compelled, with deep and sincere regret, to accept the resigation. He (the speaker) knew he was voicing the opinion of everyone present who hat any connection with the association that it wonld not be fitting to allow such a good friend io leave uffice, althongh they were mot losing him from the association, without some tangible expression of their respect for him. They haf, therefote, subseribed for a very handsome gold watch, which he was going to ask Mr. Tomlinson to receive as a token their affection and their appreniation. The watch was inseribed: Prosemfed ta Anthar Tonlinson by the Lancashire Association of Change Ringers as a token of affection and appreciation of his loyal and unselfish services as ringing secretary.
Mr. Tamlinson received the filt amid loud applanse. He expressed his deop thanks and snid he did not expect nnything for the services he had rendered. The time during which he had heen doing the work for the association had laean the happiest 14 yenrs of his life (applause). A SUCCESSTRUL ASSOCIATION.
Mr. J. S. Goldsmith submitted the toast of "Prosperity to the Lamashite $A$ ssociation,' and nongratulated then imon the manvificent gathering assembled that night. Fe reminded the mombers that theirs was one of the oldest of the territorial associations and that the ringing organisations of the South looked up to and admived the success whinh they had amheved. Since the days when the association was fonmed and when thew felf it necessnry to mention in their olydects that the association was fonnded becanse the rants of ringers have been sometimes of necessity fillet up by those who have brought scantal upon the profession,' times had changed very considerably. The work of the nssociation and of men like their late presinent. Cnnon Elsee, hed altered rill that. The Lancashire Association had had the loynlty ant support of same splendid stalwaris. and he had discovered that their list of members innluded at least 50 who jained the association over 45 vears ngo. Such a record of experience was bonnd to be of great help to their new president, who. he honedi, had a long nertod of iseful and suecessful work before him. He also hoped that theres was no lack of vouth coming on to take the place of the old hands, when, as it inevitably must, the time eame for them to
pass on. He hoped they would give the associatiou every support and reminded them that they conld expect to get notling out of it muless hhey themselves first put sometling into it. In couclusion, Mr. Goldsmith referred to the splendid work done for the association by Mr. Shuker, Mr. Tomlinson, Mr. Sharples and the other offects, and wished tho association every success in the future.
The Rev. W. S. Mellor, who replied, said the association was engaged in a great work for God and the Clarch, a service which took up much of their time, in addilion to the time they had spent in attaining proficiency iu an arto which reģuired a great amont of slaill and stamina. He thanked the ringers for their services, in the name of the Oluwch, Fe also thanked Mr. Goldsmith, not olly for his speech hut for the very valuable services which he rendered to change ringers througls "The Ringiug World.' Tho speaker went on to refer bo the ocremony which was io take place in his own church at Poulton on the following day, when two new bells were to be dedicated by the Bishop of Blackbin. There luad been a frame for them ever since 1911. and wot the bells find been given by ayn anommons donor one to commemorate the reisn of King George $\bar{\nabla}$. and Quean Mary and the other the Coronation of King George Vi. and Queen Elizabeth. It was a splendid thing, he said, that they had good Christinn men who wonld come and help the Church in this way.

The Lancaslive Association, las added, appreciatied the lind words and good wishes that lad been expressed. Thele was a great amouvt of work to he done in the belfries, and he knew the assaciadion would do its best to see it completed (applause).

VALUE OF SOCIA, GATHPRINGS
Mr. G. R. Newton summitted the toust of 'On1" Guests,' and in doing EO spoke of the value of the social side of such meetings. Tefore the wat. he sadd, there were any two gatherings of that kind, one in Loudon and the other in Birmingham. Now there were quite a number held in varions parts of the cauntry. The incresse, he thought, was
die to the preat fratermal spirit that pervaded the Exercisc. He had Gean a ringer long enongh to know that there was a far move friendly spirit prewailing amolng rimters aud between the waiolus societies mow than there was thirty or forty years ago. That was all to the good and dinners such as that were lepping towards that end. He hoped there would be more of them, far they did a great deal of good, and the develomment of the social side was often as important as the work in the belfry. Mr. Newton went on to welcome the visitors, especially the president of the Yorkshire Association (Camon Marslath), whom be congratulated upon havjurg the opportumity next Whitsuntide of welcoming the Central Commil to Jeeds
The Rev. W. Yates fist jcplied and sad how deliphted he was to linow that the assebiation hat honoured Mr. Charles Sharples by electing him wice-president. Mr. Shaples was captain of the belfry at his (the speakers) elutch all he kar known him all his tife. The honour conferred on linn mas vert well deserved (applanse)

Mr. Fates went on to say that he linew very little about bellringing except the fact Lhat bells in Filackpool weve very unpopular (laughter), especially when the Minsical Festiral was being held, as it was that weck (anghter). It was a singular thing, he contiuued, that they should have bells at the coming in of life and at the some out, and he wandered what life wonld be withont then. He thonctat the world would be a duller mace. In eonclision Mr. Yates expressed appreciation of the splendide work ringers were doing
Canon Mayshall. whe was cordially received, also respondec. He said he had long wanted to attend the Lancashire Association dinner first becmse of his great affection for their late president, Canon Elsee all scconaly henalle fo felt ho hat certain columentions wit Lancashire. But it was as *resident of the sister association that he was theve that nirint to offer them fraternal greetings and to express the hope that the very covdial relationship which had atways existed between tha two ascociations mighti contime under their new president as they did under fhe old president (applanse). It had always been a great pleasure to feel that these two great comaty associations could work site by side for the adyancement of the great art which they mractised, and loe hoped the same cordial feeling would long continue. He congratulated the Lancashire Association on that wonderfil gatherang, for it pote their. Fonlshine dimer in the shade in regard to numbers. He emphasised what the proposer had said with regaid to the valne of stmela gatherings. The friendship among ringers was an extraordinarily fine thing. A rincer, whether he was a good rincer o a had ringer, would find a welcome in any belfy and there existect anong ringers a friendship which he did not think they wonld find in any other class or community. He had been struck with it in his own cannty and was glad of it. Ringing also took one to all parts of the country, and he had leamed fay more about it than lae wonld otherwise have done. Tt had helned to convince him that Yorkshire was the bes county in Fingland (langhter and applanse). But in pursuit of ringiny it was also an education to ath to all the benutiful chumehes. Thete was nothing beside yinging which took them gEont in that way nat it was one of the things they shonld he thankful for (applanse).
Mr. P. Crook proposed 'The Ringing Press' and spake of the serviees rendered to the Exercise by "The Ringing World." Fe asked all those oresent to go back to their towers and endeavont to increase the circulation. He was very proud to gay that lie load taken the paper fiom the very first number, and he was very pleased last year when the list was puhlished, to see how many others had done likewise

Mr. J. S. Goldsmith acknowledged the toast, and remarked that the future of the paper depended upon the zingers themselyes.

## NO LACK OF YOUNG MEN

Councilior Dickinson, in commendatory terms, proposed the health of the Chairman, who, in his reply, mentioned that anong those who had sent apologies were the Bishop of Blackburn, the Bishop of Lancaster and the Provost of Blackburn. Mention had been made, he said, of the fact that that association was among the first of the territorial societies formed and that they had still mumy stalwarts left in their ranks. Fe wonld like to tell them that one of the original fonnders of bibe associntion in 1876 , Mr. W. G. Manm, of Eiverpool, was still alive, althongh he was in considerable ill-liealth. They could he sure his heart was with them that night aud they wert glad to remember him on that occasion (applause). Auather old friend of the Lancashire Association was Archdeacon Fowson, of Liverpool, who was naw living in retirement at rubuey. In their namo he had sent him a telegram of good wishes. He was an old and valued friend of the associntion (applause).
Continuing, the Presjdent said that going about among the towers of Lancashire and attending the meetings lie felt thare would be no scrious lack of young men to follow in the steps of the older ones when they passed on. As far as he could see, those young men were keen and interested in ringing and in the work of the associalion, and that, he felt, was what they wanted to foster and eucourage as much as they conld. He knew that when he leaned to ring he mush have cansed endless anxiety and trouble to those responsible for teaching him. Let them remember, when they fele impatient, that they had all had to learn at some time, aud, therefore, they must be pationt with the younz ringers of to-day. Mnch of the future of that association and of rincing depended on the care, education and patience of the oldier peoplo with the peneration that is coming on.
The President referred with plaasure to the presence of Mr. Gold smith and said they were prond of the valuable work he was doing. They were also delighted to have Canon Marslall with them. Proceeding, he said he felt a considerable amount of responsibility was thrust upon him when they elected him president of that assaciation. It was no light task to endeavon to Eollow in the steps of Canos Elsee, who, far over 40 years, served them loyally and well and who had the affairs of the association at his firger tips. He load found it difficult to pick up the threads of the work his predecessor load done during Hint long period and he conld assure them the office was no sinceure. He was prond and pleased to take on to the full all the worla involved and he devoted considerable time to it, but the association coutd never prosper as it did without the lopal and enthusiastic work of the other officers. To Mr. Tomlinson they had expressed from tieir hearts what they felt with regard to his servieos. He had read in "The Ringing World 'that Mr. Shuker had just rung a peal in commeoration of his 50 years' ringing and it was his 150th pea]. They congratulated Mr. Sluker on that record and wished him many more happy years of ringiug and service to the association (applanse). To their vicepresident, Mr. Sharples, they owed a very special debt of gratitude for the able way in which he had arrangea that dinner. He congratulated Mr. Sharples and offered him their sincere thauks. The President added that, he wanted to thank all the members Eor the collabovation aud help which they had given to each other and to him in furthering the work of ringing in Lancaslive. He wanted them to know that lie was at the service of the association, and anything in which he conld serve ringers and further ringing in Lancashire he would be most pleased to do (applause)

During the evening handthell selections were given by Mr. J. Booth and Miss Booth, of Wigan, whose skilful rendering of parious pieces greatly relighted the ruflience. Vocal items were contributed by the Galentad Meistersingers (Miss Peggy Thompson, Mies Gladys Buy, Mr. Ton Browu and Mr . J. B. Tomlinson), who, in addition to some mopular gluatets, motividually rendered songs whinh were much chjoved. Mr. J. S. Warlurton was at the piano, and at the close the loved. My is. S. Warburton was at thes were thanked by ine president.
The large party spent a vervenjoyable evening, and Mr. C. Sbarples, who was solely zespousible for the arrangements, is leartily to be congratulated upon the success althained.

## A CORRECTION.

## To the Eutitor.

Dear Sir, -I owe my humble apologies to Mrs. Hairs for having in specech at the dinner of the Ladies ${ }^{3}$ Guild attributed to Mrs. Fletcher the perfect ringing of a course of Bob Royal at the Westminsler Palace Hotel in 1912.
Miss E. L. Bennett was the lady who received the well-merited tribute from $\mathrm{Sir}^{-}$Arthur Heywood.
My memory was at fault aud I am sure that Mrs, Fairs would be ready to admit that the result might lave been mnoh the same if Miss Parker had been ringing 1-2.

EDWIN F. LEWIS.
In also pointing ont this error, Mr. F. I. Hairs says: Apart from personal congtatulations from Sir Arthur on the evenng referred to, Miss Bennett also raceived a letter from Sir Arthur (dated Nov. 16th, 1912), from which I quote: ' '. I take my lati of to your and your
performances, while $I$ also recall the neat handling of your bells aad performances, while I also recall the neat handling of yonr bells and
yonr excellent, strikng at our Central Council evening.

## A JUBILEE CELEBRATION

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTIMNGHANSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Fifty Years of Gond Work
Tha jubitee of the East Derbyshive and Nottinghamshire Assaciations was eelehnased at Alfreton on Sntinrduy Oatober 23yd. Ringing hock place an the eight bells at the Parish Church, and a well-uttended service was hetd, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. L. H. Do Cas), the address being given by the Rev. R. F. Birlavistle, a lormer winging member of the association. He spoke of the significence of thells and said that a ringer shonld be a good type of Christian. FE outlined maty lessons to be derived from ringing, such as regularity, perseverance, patience, hearty sewice, kindmess and forbearance, Team work was necessary for successiul ringint.
A substantial meal was afterwards served in the Church Eall. Mr, Wilson Dobl (president) owenpied the chair, supported by the Revs L. II. De Cas, R. E. Birtwistic, J. C. M1. Taggart and oficers of the association.
The Chaiman extonded a hearty weleome to members ond wisitors, and especially the Rev. R. E. Birtwistle, who joined the association as a ringing menber of Tibshelf tower in 1908. He also welconed Mr. F. Drafeoth, the oldest memher present, who joined in 1889. Fe had held the ropes for 48 yerrs und had a truly oreditable record. The Chairman remarked that the association was a happy fantily of churchworkers, and concluded by advising young ringers to always follow the advice and instinetions of their leader.
The Rev. R. E. Birtwistle, in an interesting speech, referved to the honour conferred upon hint by being asked to preach, and mentioned several rules concenmg ringerg and ringing of 100 years ago. He congratulated the association on the attainment of its jubilee.
The Thes. L. H. De Gas welomen the association to Alfreton. Te lad been told that bellinging was on the wane, and that there was not tha same interest taken in it as was the case many years ago. That, if true, was a great pity, and jt was up to this association and all chareligoers to stimalate joterest in beliringing

## A REVIEW OF TIFTY YEARS

The hon, fecretary (Mr. J. W. England) ${ }^{\circ}$ ave an interesting resume of the records of the association, with a list of ofticerg since ila formation. The association was formed at a meeting held at Clay Cross on Octobuer 29th, 1887, and was confined to towers of not move than six bells. The annual meeting had to he held on Easter Monday ench year at Glay Cross, The name of the association was then the East Derbysltire Association, and it consistied of 45 member's from six towers. It was interesling to record thati eight members of the Eill fanily, of Sontls Nommanton, and font membars of the Beardow family, of Ashover, joineă the associntion. The Rev. Canon Massey was the first president aud held the office fon eight yenrs, being sncceeden by tho Req. J. B. Nodider, who is still Rectior of Ashovel. The vales were later anended to inchnde eight-bell towers, and in 1901 it was decided to change the venne of the annual meding. Later on, there was an unsuccessfirl attenpt to change the tuame to the Derloy Diocesan Association. In 1927 came affiliation to the Central Council, and in 1928 the alteration in mame to its present designation. The sectethry oloserved, with reference to the remarlis of the Rev. L. H. De Cas, that he could assure lim that bellinging, instead of being on the wane, was jmproving by leaps and hounds, and with the co-operation of those present, and particularly the joung ringers, would continne to do so in that district. Ha also mentioned the slerling qualities and work accomplisher by of oflicers and members, particularly the late Mi: T. Allibone, who was for 25 years secretary and five years president, Mr. J. W. Scott, Mr. T. Stimpson (17 Jears trensurer), Mr. O. I. Pardridge and Mr. G. Taylor, who lad now passed awny, and others who lad done uohle work in the district, among then heing Mr. T. Bettison, of Mansfield, che Butlan brothers, of Norlt Wingfield, Mr. J. A. Scott, of North Shielde, Mr. F. Watkinson, now of Eardsworth, whose names came yerdily to mind, aud their exmmple had heem an inspiration to the present officials to carry on the good work and 'keep the flag fying.
Mr. T. Clarke, Ringing Master, in the conige of an interesting speech, referred to the value of 'The Ringing World,' and appealed to all ringers to sive it their suppori and increase the circulation so that we conld have a better and cheaper jourmal
Dinfing the evening vacal ifiems were rentered by Mr. T. Wrigld (who sang the song "Drinking, with such effect that seversi membels sndionly disappeared for a time), Mr. F. Cooke, Mr. A. Filiolt, Mr. F. Fradgley and Mr. J. W. Fogland. Mr. A. Lane nocompallied the singing, and con'ses of Toh Maiov were ming on handleells by the young memhers of the Kirkby-iti-Aslifield band.
A vote of thanks to the artistes, eaterers anal accompanists was movel by Mr. C. M. Heatheote (treasurer) and seconded by Mr. C. Carr, of Mansfield.
Mr. R. Walker and Mr. T. H. Marriote expressed the thantes of the non-ringing visitors, and wished the associntion every success. Over 60 memhers and friends were present, including Mr. J. Pagete (Derby), Mr. Fenguson (Reptosh) and Miss I. B. Thompson (Nottingham), and the gathering was a luge shceess.

TATNTON.-At the Chureh of St. Trmes for the evening harvestr tharksgivitit service on Octoher 3rd, 2,248 of Reh Major: F. Moyd 1, F. Walker (first antatier-peal of Maiont 2, A. Walker 2, J. Funt 4, W. Priddle 5, F. Bungas 6, J, Roy 7, W. Gigg (conductor) 8.

## NOTICES.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.-A meeting will be held at Wendon on Saturday, November 6 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 69, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division.-The annual meeting of this division will be held at Bocking on Saturday, November 6th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30 , to be followed by tea and business meeting. -F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-A special meeting of this district will be held at Bedford on Saturday, November 6th. The bells of St. Paul's Church (10), will be available from 2.30. Short service at 4.15. Tea at 5. You will be very welcome. Frank C. Tysoc, Dis. Sec., 10, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's Church, Ormskirk, on Saturday, November 6th. Bells available from 3 p.m.-S. Forshaw, Branch See., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Thurlaston on Saturday, November 6th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Mr. G. Wright, sen., will arrange tea for anyone sending him a card addressed Enderby Road, Thurlaston.-W. A. Wood, Dis. Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Clifton on Saturday, November 6th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome. Please come, as you will help to make the meeting a success.-C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-A meeting of the Lincoln District will be held on Saturday, November 6th, at Timberland ( 6 bells, subject to the tower being avail-able).-K. W. Mayer, Dis. Sec., 31, Vine Street, Lincoln.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District-A practice meeting will be held at Cartmel Priory on Saturday, November 6th. Bells (6) available at 2.30 p.m.-N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District.-The next meeting will be held at Newhall on Saturday, November 6th. Short service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by meeting. All are welcome.-J. W. Cotton, Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUIED.-Hereford Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Lugwardine on Saturday, November 6th. Bells (8) available 3 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. -R. H. Stickley, Dis. Sec., The Green, Fownhope, Hereford.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT. SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Staveley Parish Church on Saturday, November 6tin. For tea, please notify Mr. A. E. Parsons, 42, Circular Road, Staveley, near Chesterfield. All welcome.-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec, 13, St. Ronans Road, Sheffield, 7.

BISHAMPTON, NEAR PERSHORE, WORCS.The bells will be re-dedicated by the Bishop of Worcester on Sunday, November ' 7 th, at 6.30 p.m.-a ring of six, tuned and rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough,

IVER, NEAR SLOUGH, BUCKS.-Ringers are invited to attend a reopening of the ring of eight which will take place on Sunday, November 7th, at the 11 o'clock service. Bells rehung in a new steel frame by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meetings for November: Service ringing Nov. 7th, St. Clement Danes'. Strand, W.C., at 10 a.m.; practices at St. Clement Danes', November 8 th and 22 nd, at ' 7.30 p.m. ; also St. Mary's, Lambeth, November 30 th1, at 8 p.m.-T. W. Taffender, Hon. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 9 th (election night) ; St. Magnus' on the 1 th and 25 th; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 23 rd ; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 30 th , at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting afterwards.-Wiliam T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Samlesbury on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m.A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY. - The next quarterly meeting of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society will be held at St. George's Church, Mossley, near Manchester, on November 13th. Ringing from 3 p.m.-Carus Wilson, Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division. The district annual meeting will be held at Woodford on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. bervice 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Will all those intending 10 be present advise me not later than Wednesday, November 10th, certain?-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Mawney's Road, Romford.

LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-The next maeting will be held at All Saints', Isleworth, Middlesex, on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (10) available 3 p.rn. Service 4.30. Tea to follow in the Church Hall at 9d. per head, to all who notify me by Tuesday, November 9 th. Gentlemen cordially invited.-M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec., 9, Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.

LANCASHIRE.-Rochdale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Walsden on Saturday, November 13th. Bells available from 3 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A hearty invitation is extended to all ringers and friends to come along and support us.-Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, November 13 th. Bells at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made on the day. All are welcome.-W. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfeld, and H. V. Frost, 4, Kimberley Road, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

ST. MARTIN'S GUYLD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Bi-quarterly meeting at Northfield, near Birmingham, on Saturday, November 13th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea 5.15. Further ringing from 6 to 7.30 p.m. Look up Duffield. -T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. -A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Twickenham, on Saturday, November 13th. Bells from 3.15. Service 5. Tea at 5.30 p.m. Members are asked to make special efforts to attend this meeting, and all ringers and friends will be welcomed.-F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford Dis-trict.-What have you done for the Guild this year? If the answer is 'Nothing ' or 'Not much,' make amends by attending the district meeting at Shalford on Saturday, November 13th. Bells at $30^{\prime}$ clock. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Don't trouble to send your name for tea. I am in form at guessing. (If you see the joke, let me know by November 9th).-G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Andover District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Longparish on Saturday, November 13th. Bells available from 2.30 . Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in the Parish Room. Business meeting follows. All welcome. All requiring tea please notify F. S. H. Marle, Hon. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Penistone on Saturday, November 13 th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. A. Champion; 9, Shrewsbury Road, Penistone, by Wednesday, November 10th. A hearty welcome to all-D. Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shafton, near Barnsley.
NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND DISTRICT AS-SOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Burslem on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Wili those requiring tea kindly advise Mr. H. Box, 19, BrindIey Street, Bursiem, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs, not later than November 10th?-Annual committee meeting after tea.-Andrew Thompson, Hon. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -Next meeting at Stow Bardoiph, on Saturday, Novernber 13th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . Please try to be present.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. -A meeting will be held at Eynesbury on Saturday, November 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., St. Neots, Hunts.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Brancli.-A meeting will be held at Melbourn on Saturday, November 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Fea at 5 p.m. Meldreth bells available during the evening. Will members of the branch committee meet after tea to arrange programme of meetings.-C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-A meeting will be held at Sandiacre on Saturclay, November 13th. Bells (6) 3.30. As there has not been a meeting of the district this year, please come and see what happens. Tea can be obtained near the church.-Tom Clarke, Dis. President.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.--The next meeting will be held at Balcombe on Saturday, November 13 th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will all who require tea please notify by the 10th? Every body welcome.-B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridge, wood, Uckfield, Sussex.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting of this district will be held at Turvey on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Tea at 5. You will be very welcome.-Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec., 10, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.-The annual meeting of the district will be held at Hertford on November 13tin, when the All Saints' (10) and St. Andrew's (8) bells will be open for ringing, during the afternoon and evening. Service in All Saints' Chureh at 5 o'clock. Tea and business meeting at the Regal Cafe, Fore Street, after. All ringing friends, members or not, will be heartily welcomed.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Muncien.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-The last neeting of the year will be held at Sileby ( 6 bells) on Saturday, November 13th. Ringing will commence at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. E. Talbot, Normanhurst, Seagrave Road, Sileby, by Thursday, the 1lth inst. Please roll up and make this a successful meeting.-H. W. Perkins, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. - The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Woolton, on Saturday, November 13th. Belis (8) available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. 'Tea and meeting' in the Institute at 5.45 p.m. For tea please inform Mr. T. Hesketh, 1, Mason Street, Woolton, Liverpool.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Swindon Branch.-Monthly meeting at Stratton St. Margaret (8 bells) on Saturday, November 13th. Usual arrangenents.-W. B. Kynaston, 3, Dumbarton Terrace, Victoria Road, Swindon, Wilts.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The meeting is at Worksop ( 8 bells) on Saturday, November 13 th. Rounds to London Surprise. For tea please send postcarcl to Mr. A. Johnson, 3, South View, Cheapside, Worksop, before November 11th.-R. Towler, Hon. See.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.A meeting will be held at Selby Abbey on Saturday, November 13th. 'The peal of ten, tenor 25 cwt., available at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will those intending to come please let me know?-H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Ebor Street, Selby.

LADIES' GUILD.-Lincolnshire Branch.-A neeting will bo held at Lincoln on November 13th. Bells available: St. Peter at Gowt's (6) from 2.30 p.m., and St. Botolph's (6) from 6 to 9 p.m. Service 4.15 , with tea afterwards. Tea will be provicled to those who apply to Mrs. McGuiness, 56, Moorland Avenue, Lincoln, not later than Wednesday, November gth.-A. Richardson, Hon. Sec.

PETERBOROEGH DIOCESAN GUIILD.-A joint meeting of the Peterborough and Oundle Branches will be held at Alwalton ( 5 bells) on Saturday, November 13th. Usual arrangements. Please notify either of the branch secretaries for tea.-W. H. Waldron, 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough; Rev. L. S. Clarke, Polebrooke Rectory, Oundle, Peterborough.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Grappenhali Branch. -The next branch ineeting will be held at Grappenhall on Saturday, November 13th, at 3 p.m. Please advise me by the 11 th if reguiring tea.-John E. Ashcroft, P.O., Grappenhall.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-The jubilee dinner and concert will be held at Clemences', Market Place, Chester (and not at Stafford Hotel, City Road), on Saturday, November 20th. Dinner at 6 p.m7. prompt. 'lickets 2s. 6il. each. Application for tickets (enclosing remittance) to H. Parker, 3, London Road, Davenham, Cheshire, or the branch secretaries, before November 13th.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Thames Ditton on Saturday, November 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business following. Nominations for clistrict officers for 1938 at this meeting. If you intend to be present, a postcard by Thursday, the 18 th, will assure you of a grod tea.- $\mathrm{F}^{\text {. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec., }}$ 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton. LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Southern District.-The next meeting will be held at Putney on Saturclay, Nowember 20th. Bells (8) available 3 to 5 p.m. Ten will be arranged nearby, wilh meeting to follow. Fulham belis (10) from 7 to 8 p.m. Let's have a good attendance, and please don't forget that postcard by Thursday, the 18 th inst.-A. P. Cannon, 118 , Sarslelel Road, Balham, S.W.IZ.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GEILD.-Newbury Branch. The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Newbry on Saturday, November 20th. Bells (10) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., at $6 d$. each. All ringers will be made welcome, but please let me know by Wednesday, November 17th, for tea.- H . W, Curtis, Hon. Sce., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOClATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Petworth on Saturday, November 20h. Tower open 3 p.m. Tea 5.30, at Ange! Hotel, Is per head. Half-rail fare, maximum 1s. 6il., to members.-F. H. Meeten, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, North Strect, Worthing.

LANCASHIREASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Gorton Unitarian Church on Saturday, November 20th. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 1 s . each. Mecting in the Schoolroom to follow. Members and nonmembers are cordially invited to attend. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. G. Kelly, 3, Broadway, Fairfield, Droylsden, not later than November 17th.-J. H. Riclyard, Branch Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - A quarterly meeting will be held at St. George-theMartyr, Southwark, on Saturday, November 20th. 'Tower oper 3.30 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 at Express Dairy on London Bridge Station approach. Business meeting in vestry after tea. All names for tea by the 16 th, please. - N. Summerhayes, Acting Hon. Sec., 28, Bean Road, Bexleyheath.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-A united meeting of the Calne and Swindon branches will be held at Wootton Bassett on Saturday, November 20th, when it is also hoped to have the cooperation of the Devizes and Chippenhat branches. Bells (8) from 2 o'clock. Usual arrangements lor service at 4.30 , and tea in the Schoolroom for all. A card would be welcomed so as to provide sufficient to meet all requirements. The date coincides with L. A. Wilson's 40 years as towerkeeper.-L A. Wilson, Hon. Sec., Calne Branch, High Street, Wootton Bassett.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fyide Branch.The next meeting will take place at St. Anne's Parish Church on Saturday, November 20th. Bells ready 3 p.m Bring food, tea in Institute at 6 p.m.-C. Sharples. Branch Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ledbury Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bosbury on Saturday, November 20th. Bells (6, rehung in new steel frame) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow immediately after. Alt those requiring tea must let me know by November 17 th . -A. Jones, jun., The Reddings, Colwall, near Malvern. MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GlILLD.-North and East District. -A mecting will be held at All Hallows', Tottenham, on Saturday, November 20th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at the Bruce Castle Bakery, near the church, at 5.30 , at 1 s , each. Please advise me by November 1'7th. Special method, Edmonton Bob Major. A practice will take place at St. Giles', Cripplegate ( 12 bells), on Wednesday, November 17th, from 7.30 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E. 4.

## DEATE

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## A GREAT CELEBRATION.

Three hundred years of ringing history was celebrated in London on Saturday, and celebrated in a manner unparalleled in the whole story of the Exercise. The Ancient Society of College Youths was honoured, by its members and friends alike, in a manner befiting a great occasion and in a spirit characteristic of the freemasonry which underlies our craft. Not only was the celebration a bellingers' festival, the greatest of its kind ever staged, but it was a tribute to the respect in which the vencrable society is held throughout the length and breadth of the land wherever change ringing is practised. The Ancient Society of College Youths is regarded as the parent of change ringing, and to its support in its early days is probably due, in no small measure, the preservation and development of the art, which has become recognised, the world over, as so peculiarly English.

And Saturday's proceedings were also peculiarly English, marked as they were by a service of thanksgiving and a least. Few who werc present under the great dome of St. Paul's Cathedral will forget the impressive service, departing very liftle from the customary daily evensong, yot sufficienty distinguished in aletail to strike the appropriate note. And then the great gathering later an round the festive board, honoured by a distinguished company of guests and shared by ringers lirom nearly every corner of England, as well as Wales and Scotland. Never before has such a representative company of ringers dined logether, and this in itself was a tribute to the Society. The presmee of the Lord Nayor al London was a significant gesture, for, apart from the legendary association of the College Youths with Whittington, the society throughout its history has had a connecfion with the life of London, for its members have been responsible through the centuries for tinging many of the bells of the city on the great civic and royal occasions. And the link was strengthened on Saturclay by the little ceremony in the conrtyard of St. Dionis* Hall, where was unveiled the renovated tomb of Sir Henry Tulse, the only man who has been Master of the Society while filling the office of Lord Mayor.

For everyone who was present at the tercentenary celebration, the occasion was a great event; but many also felt it to be a parting of the ways. By his own desire, the Ancient Society is 'clropping the pilot.' On Tuesday Mr. William T. Cockerilt relinquished the office of hon. secretary after having served it for forty-six years, in the course of which he has earned not only the respect and esteem of the members, but has won the affection of those by whom he has been surrounded in the alfairs of the society. (Coutinued on page 746.)

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

IEGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
(East Berks and Sodtr Bucrs Brance.)
On Swhday, October 31. 1937, in 7 hree Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At the Cburch of All Saints,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5169 changes; Tenor 3 Z cwl, in C sharp.
Frank West .. ... ... ...Treble Euward Markeam ... - 7
Fred Hayas ... ... ... ... 2 "Grorge F. Hintan ... ... 8
Ralpa Coles ... ... ... 3 Lronard Stilwhll ... ... 9
William H. Fissell... ... 4 Cecil A. Smite... ... ... 10 V. Donald Borebam ... ... 5 J. Howard R. Freaborn ... II Edward R. Coles ... ... b | Harry Wingrovr ... .... Tohoy Composed by A. Knigets. Conducted by Frrd Hayzs.

* First peal in the mothod. Rung to celebrate the 28th anniversary of the dedicabon of the bells after restoration and augnentalion. First peal of Grandsire Cingues by all except ringer of the 4 th. First peal of Grandsire Cingues ou the bells.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

LOUGHBOROCGH, LEICFST1:R\&HIRF,
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Tuasday, November 2, 1937, in Tqo Howrs and Fifty Minules,
At the Bell Foundry,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES, Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2}$ erpt.
-Ggoffrey Harrison ...Ttrabie Frzd Saltar ... ... .... 6 Colin Harrison ... ... 2 - Charies Alisop...
-Lronard H. Whiteegad 3 "Lescie W. Stıvens... ... 8 John Gadorngton .... ... 4 Ralfb Narborouge...... Joh y Grundy ... ... ... 5 G. Ronald Edwards ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by G. R. Edwards.

* First peal of Royal. Firist peal of Royal as conductor. LOUGBBOROUGH.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutas, At tee Bele Foondry Campanile,
A PEAL OF KEHT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANEEB; Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

| Georfrey Harrison | ..Treble | - Howard Howell |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| G. Ronald Edwards | 2 | Barnabas G. Key |
| J. Freidericr Milner.. | - 3 | Harold Smita |
| AEpred Ballard... | . 4 | Ralpr Narborodgh... ... 9 |
| Redvers F. Elkisgton |  | Colin Harrison... ... ...Tenoy |
| Composed by Artyor <br> * First peal of Royal. | 1GHTS. | Conducted by Colin Harrison |

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BADSEX, WORCESTERSHTRE
THE WORGESYERSHIRE AND DISTRIGLS ASSOCIATION (Southrirn Hrance.)
On Wednesday, Octuber 27, 1937, in Thyed Hours and Four Minules, At the Church of St. Jayes,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, GO40 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposition of Parerr's Twelve-part.
Teqor 17 cwt .
john C. Perzins..
Artagr I T
...Treble Josepa D. Jonnson
... .. 6
 f. Willab Heatr ... . 4 |Gborge Mobsey ... ... ....Tenot Conducted by Josera D. Jobnson.
Rung, at the request of the relatives, with open clappers as an "in memoriar. "peal, on the 24th birtluday of the late Mr. Douglas J. Pethord, B.Sc., Tinger, chorister and Sunday School teacher. WIGNTON MAGNA, LETOESTERSHLRE.
THE MIDLAND CODNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Sutkrday, Oetober 30, 1937, in Threa Howrs and Two Mimutes, At the Churce of All Shints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEE8;

Dexter's Variation.
WILCIAM I ROOT
Aleert Ceamerrlala ...Treble
Alberz Chamberlain
William H. Homberstone 3
Walter Brewin

## Tenoriscut, in lb. in E.

* First peal in thenducted by Kennera A, Kor. DRAYTON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOORSAN GULDD.
Gn Sahtrday, October 30, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minkies,
At zhe Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor 9 cwt.
Hrebert H, Alexander ...Tyebly Aleert E, Lock ... ... ... 5 Mrs. Albert E. Lock ... 2 Francis E. Tayler ... ... 6 Marie R. Cross ... ... ... 3 Gordos Cadodwele ... ... $\quad 7$ Rev. C. Elliot Wigg ... 4 Walter F. Judge ... ...Tenor

Composed by J. Fierves. Coaducted by Walter F. Jodge.
First peal in the mothod by all the band except the ringer of the 4th bell.

BREERLEY HILL, STAFTORDSHTRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION
On Satuday, Oatober 30, 1937, in Thee Howrs and Thyed Hinuter,

## Ay the Cedrce on St. Micgael,

A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MADOR, EOS8 GHANGES; Middleton's.

Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Jobn Bass
Clifford Skidmore....
Wicliam Sabri ... ... ... 3 Jogn Lloyd ... ... ...
Tromas Hemming

| $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$. Trable |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$. | .. | 3 |
| .. | $\ldots$ | 4 | Witness-Bernard Lawton.

This peal was ruyg 'silent," and is the first peal of 'silent ' Surprise for the association.

## WIDFORD, FSSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, OGtobur 30, 1937, in Thes Hours and Tc: Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF ST. GLEMENT'S GOLLEGE BOE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES ;

$$
\text { Tenor } 1 I_{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{cmt} \text {. }
$$

Norman F. Gringam ...Trelf|| Herbert Devemish ... ... 5
George Green ... ... ... 2 Harry Warn ... ... ... 6
Percy Grben $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Ronald Sockling $\quad . .$.
"Harry Carter ... ... ... 4 Arihor H. Eqrrett ... .... ...
Composed by E. H. Lewis. Conducled by Pergy Grerm.

* First peal. First peal in the method by all the baud aud in the county of Esex. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. C. H. Howard, J.P., late Miscer of the Essex Association.

HEANOR, DERRYSHIRE.-At St. TAYrence's Church ou Sunday evening, October Jrd, for harvest festival, 1,008 Grandsire Tripies: J. A. Shinland 1, J. E. Hobbs 2, W. I. Stirland 3, A. Elliott 4, J. Marrell 5, A. Wathall 6, R. D. St. J. Smith (conducter) 7, W. Cox 8 .

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            HRAMSDIEN, SUFFOLE.
            THE S[FFOLE GUILD.
        On Satuyday, October 30, 1937, 14 Three Fowrs,
            At tee Cegrgh of St. Mary
        A PEAL OF BOE HAJOR, be4E CHANCEDI
                        Temor 20 cwt.
    Ronald W.Steward ...Tyblle| #james W.Jennjngs ... ... 5 5 m
    Svlvia R.E. Bowyer ... 2 Charles A. Catcepole ... 6
    |jorn Arbon ... ... ... 3 Grorge A. Flgaing ... 7
    Alan R. Andrews ... ... & Urban W. Wildnry... ...Temoy
    Composed by H. Howleit. Conducted by G. A. Fleming.
    * Tirst attempt for a peal on eight hells, + Tirst peal of Bob Major
    on tower lyells. & First peal of Major.
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                PULHAM, NORFOLK.
            THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
        On Satwriay, October 30, 1937, in Thyte Hours and Ten Mirntes,
            At tee Chorch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
        A PEAL OF 8UPERLATIVE 8URPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANEEA
                        Tenor 14 cwt .
    Ernest Whiting ... ...Tyeble Frgderick C. Gonton ... 5
Charles W. Loome ... ... 2 Eredrrice W. Monnings 6
Stanley W. Coplimg ... 3 Ressell Ricaes ... ... 7
Cbarles Baker ... ... ... 4 Frgirrick Rooge ... ...Temor
Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducled by Ernist Whiting.
* First peal in the methor.
TARPORLEY, CHESHIRE.
THE OHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD
Un Salurday, Otober 30, 7937, in Two Houys and fifty-Nime Minubes,
At the Church of St. Helen
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOF, 5184 CHANGES;
Tenor 10 cut.
William E. Fietcher ...Treble | Edward V. Rodengurst ... 5
Legter Gray ... ... ... 2 Ralpe G.Edwards .... ... 6
Samoel Jones, jon. ... ... 3 Frank Varty ... ... ... 7
James Swindley ... ... .... 4 Percy Swindley...
Composed by A. Knigats. Conducted by Percy Swindrly.
LONGTON, STAFFORDSEURE.
THE NORTH ETAFFS AND DLSTRICT ASSOOLATION
On Salurday, Ocloder 30, 1937, in Two Hours and Fi/hy Minwhe,
Az tee Churce of St. Jorn,
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 16 cwt .
- Harold Rose ... ... ...Treble |EdWard Steele ... ... 5
Edmund Atrinson ... .... 2 Alan D. Steel ... .... ... 0

* William H. Bloor ... ... 3 "William Carnwell... .... 7
"Nevel R. Holland... .... + Charles H, Page ... ...temor
Composed by B. Annable. Conducted by Charles H, Pagr,
    * First peal in the methocl. First peal in the method on the bella.
HARMSION, ITNCOJNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Nortaern Branch.)
On Saturday, October 30, 7937, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Fony Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRIEE MAJOR, 5024 CHANQEP;
Tenor J2 cwt.

Jack Bgay.. .0
Jobn Frreman ... ... ... 4 Jobn A. Frebman ... .... Temer
Composed by Rey. H. Law James. Conducted by John A. Frerman
J. Bray has now 'circled' the tower.
PRESTBURY, GHELTENHAM, GLOUCESTERSHJRE
THE ANCITNT SOOLETY OF GOLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Wedueday, November 3, 1937, in Two Fous and Fovty-Seven Minutes
At the Ceurce of St. Mazi
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EO40 CHANEES;
Temrstans' Fodr-part.
Tencr 26 cWL iת F .
William Townsend ... ...Treble|. William Dyer
Walter Yegnd ...
Harold Halford... $\operatorname{lin}^{2} \quad 3$ Jozn F. Balijnger .... ... 7
George H. Waliters ... ... 4 Thoyas Borebam ... ...Temar
Conducted by J. F. Barlinger.
Rung for the tercentenary commemoration of the society.


COSELEY, STATFORDSHIRE.
THE SOOLETY FOR THE AROHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. Un Sallwday, November 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Ifinutes, At tee Parish Chuach,

## A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANEES;

Pborstans' Fotr-part.
Herbert Kniget ... ...Treble
George E. Olivar ... ... 2
Cbristopber Wallater ... 3 Samegl. Bager ... ...
Demis J. Holden... ... ... 4 Erederick Holden .... ... 7 7 Conducted by William Fisher.
Ruyg for the fertival of Alf Soints. First peal in the method on the recast bells.

## REDENHALL, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satarday, November 6, 1937, in 7 hree Howrs and I wenty-Two Minutes,
At tae Cherce of Si. Mary,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRIGE MAJOR 5152 GHANEES;

George W. Howlett Stanley ty. Copling Tenar 24 cwt .
atanley if. Copling ... 2 Frederice W. Mennings ... 6
Fredirick Roope ... ... 3 Ressell Ricers ... ... ... 7
Ernest Weiting... ......
Composed by Joen Cex. Conducted by Ermest Whiting.
Rung on the sixtieth annivereary of the first peal by the Norwich Diocesan Association, 5,152 Superlative Surprise Majo: at this charcia

RAINHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Satrriay, November 6, 1937, in Three Howrs and Nineteen Minutes,
Af the Church of St. Margabet,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 18 d cwt.
*Bert May ... ... ... ...Treble Cearlify Belsey... ... ... 5
Francis J. Cbbal ... ... 2 Victor A. Jarreti ... ... 5
Frarl Belsey ... ... ... 3 George A. Naylor ... ... 7 Wilfard L. Raynir ... 4 William J. Walker ... ...Temo Composed by F. Branetr. Conducted by G. A. Naylor,

* First peal of Major. First peni of Major as couductor.

LOUGHBOROUGF.
THE MTDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCTATION.
On Salurday, November G, 1937, in Two Hours and Twenly-Six Minules, At zer Bell Foundry Campanile,

## A PEAL OF dOUBLE MORWICH CGURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;

 Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Redvers F. Elikington ... 3 G. Rorald Edwards ...
Howard Howell ... ... 4 Colin Harrison ... ... ...Temor Composed by Gro. Lewis. Conducted by Colin Harrison.

* Firsi peal in the method.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.
THE SOGETTY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTH8. (St. Peter's Society.)
On Saturday, Novomber G, 1937, in Three Fours and Ten Menwtes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt. (approx.).

- Martin A. Blamey Tenor is cwt. (approx.).

|  | Pbter A. Blamby | ... | ... | 2 | Gordon W. Liamer... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

iCyril A. Bergess ..... .3 George h. Limmer ... 3 ... 7

- Bryan O'Nbill... ....... 4 George Gilbbrt .... ...Temor

Composed by T. B. Worsezy. Conducted by Gro. Gilebry.

* First peal of Treble Boh. + Firsl peal of Major. First peal on the bells ly a local band and finst pent of Major for the St. Peter's Society. A compliment to the Ancient Society of College Youths.


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THE DURHAM AND NEWOASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION. On Saturday, November 6, 1937, in Ihree Hours and Ten Minutes, At tbe Chorch of St. Ignatios,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORHIGH CDURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CMANEE8: Tenor 13 cmt .

Jokn Anderson ... .... ...TTeble $|$| Harold B. Ditcerern | ... |
| :--- | :--- |

William Armodr .... ... 2 Rev. Joba P. Prlloe ... 6
Reginald H. Hewitt ... 3 Robert S. Anderson... ... 7
Wieciam J. Davideon ... 4 Rrbere L. Pattrison ...Tengy Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by W. J. Davidson. Rung as a complimeut to Mrs, R. L. Pstterson on the eve of her binthday. First peal in the methow as conductor.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

GLAVERING, ESSEX.
TEE FERTFORD COUNTX ASSOOLATION.
On Wedinesday, October 27, 1937, im Iwo Howys \& Forty Four Minntes,
At xhe Choreh of SS. Mary and Clement,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5Q4日 GHANGES;
Acing 720 each of Cambridge Sutprise, Duke of York, New London Pleagre, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford. Tenar 9 cwt Wieliam Wilelams ... ...Tyebla Barnaed Patmore ... ... 4 Wicliam H. Lawrence ... 2 Erbrist J. Dphrall ... ... 5 Albert Laybrage ... ... 3 Sidnhy Carter ... ... ...Tomor Conảucted by Sidney Carter.
First peal upon the bells.

> OAELEY, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, Uctober 28, 1037, in Two Haurs and Forty-Eight Minmtes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF ST. SIMON'S DOUBLES, E040 CNAMEEE,
Being 42 six-scores with eight callings.
Jotan Hilson ... ... ...Treble Donald L. Cockings... ... 3 C. Henry Harding ... ... 2 Herbert L. Harlow... . 4 . 4 Reginald J. Hodghion ...Tenoy Conducted by C. H. Harding.
Rule as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Harlow on the 52nd mmiversary of their wedding. It was the first peal in the method Ey the bind and fin the country.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MDDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Thuysday, OGober 28, 1937 , in Ons Hour and Fijty-Five Minutes, At the Bele Foondiy,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

T'wo 790's each of Oxford aad Kent Trehle Boh, and three of Plain Rob. $\quad$ Tenor 2 cwt 2 q :. 5 lb . in F starp. Grofrrey Haraison ... ....Treble Jobn Grendy $\quad .$. Solin Harrison ... ... ... 2 Leslie Stevens ... ... ... 5 Ionn Saddington ... ... 3 G. Ronald Edwards ... ...Tmor Conducled by G. R. Edwards.
EASTWOOD, ROTHERHAM. THE YORKSHIEE ASSOCIATION. (Sueftield and District Society.)
On Satreyday. Octobey 30, 1937, in Ttwo Hours and Fifly-Two Minules, At the Church of St. Stepien
A PEAL OF MINOR, GO4O GHANGES;
Jewen 720's called differently, being two each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one of Plain Bab. Tenor 12 ewt. ack Torley... ... ... ...Treble Norman Chaddock
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text {... } & \text {... } & 4 \\ \text {.... } & \text {.. } & 5\end{array}$
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Un Sahirday, Ontober 30, 1937, in Three Howrs and Four Mimmies,
Ai tee Cherch of All Sainte,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DDUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;
For'ty-two six-bcores, ten callings. Teuor 15 cwt , in F

- Edward Pgntlow ... ...Treble J. Harold Swepsion... ... 3

George Sbte ... ... .... 2 R. S. Litchfibli... ... ... 4
Donald L, Cockings ... ... Jenor
Conducted by D. L. Cockings.
firgt peal, Rung on the vigil of All Saints.
WHLLESBOROUGE, KENT'
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIA'ION.
On Saturday, Ohtober 30, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fi/fy-Eight 原motes,
At tef Celrch of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Being two extents of Kent Treble Boly and one ench of Oxford Preble Bob, Double Coust, Double Oxford, St. Clement's aud Plain Boh. Teyor 12 ewt.
Kennete J. Carlton... ... 7 yebid |Charles L. Smite
Zaymond G. Carlton .... 2 Willinm J. Lancerielid .... 4 Albert J. Langebield ... 3 Edward S. Krock... ... ... Tentar Conducted by Edwand S. Rock.
Rurg to celchrate the goth birthday of Mrs. E. Qormes, an enWhisiastic churchworket for upwards of 50 years.

SWINNERTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFTS AND DISTKICT ASSOGLATION
On Suturday, Oetober 30, 1937, in Tuva Howrs and Fifty-Thyee Minutes,
Ax ter Cadrce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANEES; Forty-two six-scores, with ten callings. Tenor 8. ${ }^{2}$ cwt
 G. Ernest Ketile ... Conducted by Andraw Thompson,

* First peal, + First peal 'inside.

CHEDDLETON, STAFTORDSEIRE.
THE NORTH STAFES AND DISTRIC' ASSOOLATION. On Salurday, Oelodar 30, 7937, in Three Howrs,

At tee Cbdrce of St. Edward,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being 720 each of London, Xowk and Norwich Surprise, Wragby, Kingston, Fiolet and Oxford.

Thenor 12 ewt.
fambs Walley
Treble
Joen G. Cartlidge
IIfnry Carnwele $\quad . .$.
John E. Wherldon....
Conducted by Jorn E. Wareidon,
COLNE TENGATNE, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(St. Andrgw's Gdild, Earls Colne.)
On Surnday, Ochobay 30, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Fiwe Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF MINOR, GO40 CHANGES;
Being an extent each of Rererse Bob, Double Oxford, Donble Court, St. Clement's, Plain Bols, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob. Temor $10 \mathrm{cwt}$. in $G$.
Reginald G. Simmonds ...Treble Alec M. Grnery

- Harry Carter...

Algeat L. Dixey
Thome Ginery Conductec 3 Ralph Brad

* Fist peal in seven methods 'insife.' Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. TR. G. Lyon, $n$ member of the local band APSLEY TEND, FERTS.
THE EEERTFORD COUNTT ASSOGIATION.
On Monday, Novsmber 1,1937, in Tuo Hows and Forty-Six Minules, At the Church of St. Mart,


## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINDR, 5040 CHANEE8;

(1) Primrose ; (2) Beverley; (3) Netherseale; (4) Xork; (5) Duīham (6) London; (7) Gambridge.

Tenor 144 ewt. Francis Tomprins ... .4 Tredle William J. Poddifoot Horace L Wher 2 "Francis Kirk ... Horbge L. White ... ... j Walter Ayre ... ... ... ...Temar Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal iu seven Sumpise Minor methods. Rang in honour of All Saints' Day.

CIIFTON BEDS.
THE: BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
's Mowday, Nowember 1, 1937, in Two Hours and Fi/ly Minutes,
At the Pakish Church,
A PEAL DF OXFORD TREBLE GOB MINDR, SDSO OHANGE8।


* First peal of Treble Bob "inside."

BRASTED, KENT.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. Un Friday, November 5, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Two Minvter,

## At the Church or St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being soven extents in nine methods, viz.: (1) Double Bob; (2) Oxford Treble Bab; (3) Kent Treble Bob; (4) Double Oxford and Thelwall Bob; (5) St, Clement's and Ohildwall Boh; (6) Oxford Bob; (7) Plain Bob.
Hepbert j, Ford
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..TYeble I Jobn O. Wellebr
Robery Collins ... ... ... 2 Cbristopabr Barker
Fredericr W. Budgen ... 3 Edwin H. Lewis
E. H. Lewis.

* 50tl yeal. Fung on tho 300th anniversary of the foundation of the society. Firet peal in nine methods by all except the conductor.


## PEAL NOTES.

A peal-of Bob Major by Anmable was rung at Longfoa, Staffs, on October 30 th, when six of the ringers rang their first peal in the methed. IE was also the frest in the method and the quickest peal on the bells, the fime being 2 hours 50 minutes. It was Mr. William Cartawell's forticth peal.

As a birthtay compliment to Messrs. E, V. Rodenhurst (Hodnet), A. Tea, sen. (Wrexham) and W. J. Chesters (Market Drayton), a peai of Oxford Treble Bob Major was rung at Tarporley, Cineshire, on October 30 hh.

A peal of St, Clement's College Bob at. Widford, Issex, on Ootober 30 th , was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. C. H. Howard, J.P., formerly Master of the Essex Association.
It was the firsL peal in the method by all the band and in the county and was zung without any previous practice. Moreover, il was Mar. Harry Oarter's first attempt for a peal of any kind.

Winh a peal of London Surprise at Farmston, Lincs, on October 30th. Mr. Jack Bray completed the "circle' of the tower.
A. silent peal of Cambridge Surprise Majar was rung lyy members of the Worcestershire Association at Bijerley Hill, Staffe, on October 30 th . It was the first silent Surprise peal by the association. As none of the baud recollect a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major being rung 'silent,' they would like to know if there has been one rugg before this.
Seven ont of the eight members of the bend at Drayton, Berke, on Octoher 301 l , rang their first peal of Bristol Surprise. The one anstared, member of the burd was the Eev. C. E. Wigg.
Mr. J. Walley rang his sixtieth peal on October 3oth when he took part fin seven 72d's of Surprise and Treble Bob Minor at Clieddetor, Stallot'dshive.
Tlie first peal of Grandsire Cinques at High Wycombe was tulg ou Sunday, October 31st, to colebrate the $28 i h$ annivereary of the dedicafion of the bells after cheir restoration and angmentation. It was the [inst peal of Grandsire Cinques by all the ringers except Mr. W. H. F"ussall, who last lod this dislinction in far off Melbourne.
The peal of Oxford Treble Boh Minar at Clifton, Beds, on November 1 st, was rung to congratulale Arthur Dilley (the ringer of the fourth) out tho lirth of a sons.

Withont having previously struck a blow in five of the methods, Francio Kirk rang his first penl in seven Surprise Minor mothods at Apsley End, Ferls, on November 1st,
Forty-two six-scores of St. Simnn's Daubles were rung in a peal at Oakloy, Beds, on October 28th, as a compliment to Mr, and Mrs. H. L. Sarfow, on the 52nt anniversary of their wedding. The method was chosen because it was SS. Simon and Jude's Dny, and the performance is claimed as the first peal in the method in the county. We doubt if inother peal consisting exclnsively of this method has been mung anywhere before.
Mr. Doughas J. Pethard, R.Sc., a ringer, chorister and Sunday School teacher at Badsey, Worcestorshire, vecently lost ins life white bathing itn Atstria. On October 27th, the 24 h anniversary of his birth, a peal of Grandsire Triples in memoriam ' was rang at Sadsey. The bells wele rung open, at the reģuest of the relatives.

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## PEAL NOTES

(Continued from previous columa.)
Geoffrey Harrison, of Loughborough, the youllg soll of Mr. Coin Harrison, has rung a peal of Minor and lis first pent of Treble Bo Royal within a week. Both were on the Bell Foundry bells, and it say much for his skill in "Laudling ${ }^{\text {a }}$ that be piloted the treble tintourg both. The Minor was rung on the front hells. Even the tenor of six weiglis only a fittle over $2 \frac{1}{4}$ ewt.
Following on this performance Geoffrey, rang lwo peals in one da last saburday. Five hours and a guarter's ringug for a boy of 24 a good proof of stamina.

A peal which the band believe to be the first peal of Stedman Triple! rung by all ' local ' members of the Ancient Society of Colloge Youth was rung at Prestbury, Gloucestershire, on November 3rd. Perhap someone can tell us if the clam is correot?
Mr. Sydney Fint, who now lives in Yorkshire, took part in a pens at Standish, Lancs, whicla was specially arranged for him, on Novem ber 3rd. His last previous peal in Lavcashire was rung 41 yens ago.
Mr. Fhilip Hodglin, of Headcorn, Kent, now in his 75th year, rang a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major on November 6th, arranged as a compliment to Kr . C. H. Sone for his 70th birthday.
A local baud of Royal Cumberiands at Burnham, Bucks, rang a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major as a compliment to their "companological rivals, the Ancient Society of College Youths, on Saturday. Th, wa: the first peal on the bells by a local band and the first peal of Major by St. Peter's (Burnham) Saclety.
As a birthday compliment to Mr. F. J. Cheal and a farewell to Mr . W. N. Rayner, who is leaving the district to go to Maidstone, a peni of Bob Major was mup at Tamham, Kent, on Novenber 6th.

On November 6th an interesting anniversary was celebrated Redenliall, Norfolk. On that day in 1877 the first peal by the Norwich Diocesan Association, a peal of 5,152 Superlative Surprise Major, was rung. The same composition was rung last Saturday, couducted by Ernest Whiting, whose father took part in the first peal.
It is an musual thing to find jingers completing the series in a method from Doulles to Cinques, with Triples, but Messis. Alfred Buckley, who wang his first peal of Triples, and J. \$s. Tastwood did this on November 4th at Bloxwich. They had previonsly rumg peals of Stedman Doubles, Caters and Cinques.

The peal was womg for the patronal festival of the church, the $5011_{1}$ anniversary of the bells and on the eve of the 45 th anniversary of M 2 . T. J. Eiton's first peal in the tower.

The ringer of the treble in the Ladies' Guild peal of Douhle Norwieh at Farlow Cemmon on Octohey 30 hh was Ellen ES, Davis.

## THE TERCENTENARY OF THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.

## HISTORIC CELEBRATIONS IN LONDON.

## Ringers from all England Henour The Ancient Society.

With a series ef events of outstanding interest to ringers in every part of the warld, the Ancient Society of Gollage Youths, founded on November 5th, 1637, has celebrated its tercentenary. On Friday, the 30lth anniversary, wreaths of laurel were deposited in the appropriate churches in mamory of Lord Breraton, a founder and first Master of the Society ; Fabian Stedman, of Cambridge, Master in 1682, and Benjamin Annable, of London, Master in 1746.
On Saturday hundreds of ringers flacked to the Metropolis for the principal celebrations. Following ringing at many of the City Churches, the resfored memorial to Sir Henry Tulse (Lord Mayor and Masfer in 1684) was unveiled in what remains of the churchyard of St. Dionis Barkchurch.
Aftemwards a congregation of nearly two thousand joined in a service of thanksgiving at St. Paul's Cathedral, while, later on, a company of over feur hundred, including some distinguished guests, dined together af the Cannon Street Hotal. Many interesting speeches were made, and in the course of the proceedings there was a presentation to Mr W . T. Cockerill, the retiring homorary secretary, who has given forty-six years' service to the
 Ringers came from all pats of the country to take prate in the festivitics, and many spent the honrs betwen noon and three o'clock in a ronnd of frmons Loudon fowers to trke part in ringing. St. Marw-le-Bow andi St. Giles', Cripplegate, of tha welve-hell towers SL, Magnas', Lounton Bridge, and St. Clement. Danes (ten bells), and St, Lawrenes Jewry and St. Andrew's, Holboru (eight bells) were oper, each in charge of a anember of the society.

## A ${ }^{7}$ DISTINGUISHED MASTER.

MEMORIAL TO SIR HENRY TSULSE.
|n a lithe courtyard opening off Lime Street, a narrow thoronghfare hetween Ferthureh and Leadenhall Streets, is the tombstone of one of the mambers of tho College Youths who in the tronblous days of lie Sthartas was liond Mayor of London rud ati the same time hefe the ulfice of Master of the Sacietw. Thriss litile Conttyard, this Daghwater of the busy city, is all that remains of the clarchyard of St. Dionjs Backeharel, at church rebuilt after the geeat fire of 1666 , but demolished about 70 years ago. When this demolition took place, most if the תנemorizl stolles were removed, but that of Su' Bemry Tulse, a renefacto: of the church where his remains rasted for 170 years, was left, and there il has remained, all but forgolten ever since. Po Mr. A. Alex Young, himself a Past Master of the society, is due the 'reliscovery" of the stone, and it was a fitting act on the part of the 'ollege Fouths to restome the inscription.
Cutin a large and straggling letfering, the original nemorial reads as fioliows: 一

In a Funt under-neatil
this Stome Lyes Buryed the Rody
of Sir Henry Tylise who Deqaiterl
this Life the 31st day of
Alugust 1689
The society has now added a bronze piake bearing the following nscription :-
'Sir Meury Tulse was a Benefactor of the Church of St. Dionis Buckchureh (formerly adjoining). He was also Gracel, Alderman and Lord Mayor of this City

In lis memory this tombstone was restored November, 1937, liy the Ancient Society of College Youths (during the zooth year of the Society's foumdation). He was Master of the Society during his Mayoralty in 1684.'
A gathering, which glmast filled the Conrtpard and jneluded the Master and many Prot Masters of tha society, fikembled for the unveiling feremony at three o'clock.
fanmels and flowerg stood at the liead of the tomb and on it was hid a simple bunch of violets bearing a card which said: "An affectionate Windte from a present Past Master to one who has gone before. 1637-1684-1937.'
The Rector of the parish of St. Entmunt the King, Lomprad Strect, wilh which the parish of st. Dionis now nowited, condocted the service, which was also attended by the Rev. W. H. Stewert Dumphreys, Vicrr of the fianghter church of St. Dionis, Parcons Gren. The ceremony opened with a course of Stedman Crters and three whole pulls in slow time rumg on lanadbells round the stone by Tirmingham distriet members of the saciety: Mesars. F. F. Hayres, F. F. Pervin, A. Walker, G. TF Swann and A. Paddon Smith.

Tho Rector then offered suitable prayers, ant Mr. E. A. Young read the lesson from Ecelesiasticus xliv., 1-15, beginning ; Let us now praise inmours men.
The Mnster, before unveiling the memorial, said they owed to Mr. Young's researelies their knowledge of the stone. The fnscription was almast iudecipherrble, hut luckily it was knowr what was written
thereon, The society had, therefore, been able to have the origian inscription restored and to add a smull tablet to the stone. He wished to say how pleased they wero that the Rector and wirdens of St. Dionis had mot them in the matter and allowed them to pay that small tributs to one of theis former Mustors. They were sorry that the Master of the Grocers' Company, of which Sir Henry Tulse was a mamber, was nat able to be present throngh illuess.

Mr'. Lewis then withdrew the sheet which lad veiled the memorin].
The Rector, in an address, said those who had studied the subject. would have noticed that there was a marked diference between public

THE TOMB OF SIR HENRY TULSE.

[Photo: Topical Press.
The Rev. Canon Tissington Tatlow giving his address on Sir Henry Tulse, after the unveiling of the restored memorial Beneath the ancient inscription is the tablek added by the Ancient Society of Callage Youths.
life in this country and in all the Europeau conatries. It had been his lot to see something of public life in the great cities of Europe froni Paris to Constantinople, and lie had noticed two things. One was that it was not the eustom for men prominent in the life of those countries to render public service fredy in those great cities, and the secoud thing he had noticed was that they did not give freely of their substance to objects which, in this country, calied fortl gemerous support-hospitals, education, recrention of the people and maritable help of all kinds. Our traditions were different, and in consequence our public lifo was of a finer quality than anywhere else in the world. This itea of giving both service, and money if they were able, had had a profound infuence upon our national life. For centuries the City of London land given and still gave an example of public service whin the more intimately they of the city enace to know it the more deeply they respected it, and they held in high honour all those who had helped to make or uphold their tradtions of public life.

Such a one was Sir Fenry Tulse, in whose memory they had Guch at one ras Sir fenry Tulse, in whose memory
Abont Sir Henry's private life they knew very little, noli even the exact date of his birth. That was believed to liave been in the year 1625. He, was the son of Willian Tulse, described as 'gentlenan of Avon, Hampshire.
Tulse was born in a very difficult period of English bistory, as dificult as that in which we were living at the present time. The speaker gave a brief historical review of those troublous days is which Tulse lived and said thab Sir Henry was both a spectator and an actor and he played his part well. He had to react to the intrigue and subtle crossplay of Charles II., and then to the impatient bigotry of lis successor, James. It was more than interesting fu observe that he was "King's Fricnd' when nominated as a Rogalist Mayor to a disturbed city only just dispossessed of its ancieal Charter by Charles II. ; and, again, that later Tulse was to pose as tho Church's friend when James Il. removed him from the Aldermanic Courd for obstruction. But the fmal act was when William and Mary restored with honour Tulse and all those Aldermen who had heen ejected, of whatever party, in 1688.
In civic life, Tulse was rearded to hava entored the Worshipial Company of Grocers. He was admitted to the Freedom in 1643, was Warden in 1673 and served as Master in 1681 . In 1673 he was elected Alderman of Bread Street Ward, having probably already served several Years an the Court of Common Council. Jn the samo year he was elected Sheriff and served in the office of Mayor in 1683-84.
Fe had joined 'Tha Compary of College Youths! in 1659, was steward in 1674 nud Master during his Kiayoraluy in 1684. The Colloge Youtbs were Roy alists almost to a man, aud this was probably one of the links which msde "Pulso a 'King's man.' He was also a member of the committee of the Honommhle Tast India Compauy and president of Bethlem and Bridewell Hospitals. He died in 1689 and was huried in the Churb of St. Dionis-Backelimelı, then rewlyrebuilt after the Great Fire.

The intercsting ceremony concluded with futher prayer and the Benediction.

## IN ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

## A MEMORABTE THANKSGIVING SERVJGE.

At half-past three the bells of St. Panl's Cathedral, manned by the Cathedral company began to ring for the service in which the memhers were to join. Lryge numbers of ringers listened to the splendidly struck Stedman Cinques on this noble peal of bells, $n$ fitting prelude to tho memornble service which was to follow. Ringers and their friends to the numblaer of nearly two thousand had assembled unfer the mreat dome when the choil aud clergy, with the Bishop of London, ontered.

The service followed the ordinary form of evensong, but there were specially selected Psalms, crlv., I will magnify Thee, 0 God, my King: 'nnd el., so often associated with qiugers' moetings, 'O praise God in His holiness."

The first lesson was from Ecelesiasticus aliv., I-15, and the second lesson from St. Luke xiv., 15-04. The Magnifient and Nume Dimittis were sumg to stanford in B flat. Purcell's anthem, 'Rejoice iuthe Lord alway, was rendered and then for the first time in history liandbells were heard in the great Cathedral. Strnding in the choir, Messrs. W. Roughton, A. B. Peck, F. Langdon and W. Williams rang a course of Stedman Triples.
The preacher was the Fon. Archdeacon of Loudon, who took for his text the words. "Witly sood will de service as unto the Lord and not unto men, Ephesians vi., 7. 'We welcome at our evensong this afternoon, lie said, the "members of the Anciert Society of College Youths, an honourable institution, keeping their three lnudredtl| anniversary; a body of men who, ane after the other for 300 years, havo सiven continuous service to our Chureh. WFe rejoice with you all
on this happy occasion. and we join with you in your service of on this lappy occasion. and we join with you in your service of thanksriving: The Iford Bishop of this diocese, the Dean and the
Chapter of St. Paul's Cathedral bid you Gndspeed in your work. It, Chapter of St. Paul's Gathedral bid you Gndspeed in your work. It,
is wery fitting that yon should come together here this afternoon, for belringing has been connected with the subject of worship from the earliest times.
' Your work is a gervice not always as nuch recognised and appreciated os it shonld be. I rdmire the tesm spirit amonest You. You cannot do without one anothor ; it is a service of united and lindred Epirits giving forth m message to all who hear your mnsic. Sometimes
it is the music of joy and happiness; sometimes it is in mufled tones, speahing of sorrow and parsing, but more often Sillday by Sunday your music is $m$ call to worship. "O come let wS worship," ring out the bells, "come, for all things are now ready."
The treatment of the message, continued the Avohdeacor, might be as it was when onr Lord spoke in His parables of some who begrin to make cxcuses, but their message was clear, that the Houso of Gad was there, its, gates open to welcome them, and the opportisnity of worship awaiting them. Tf they would draw nigh to Him, He promised to draw nigh to them.
"Yon,' proceeded the Archdeacon, 'give the messtge: those who hear have the responsibility of accepting or rejecting it. And the giving of the message is r real service. Your message is heard not only in the cities and towas and country villages in our own land,
but now, hy means of the wireless, those bells whing yon heard ringing

## SIR HENRY TULSE. <br> LOKD MAYOR AND MASTER OF THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.

By J. Armiger Trollope.
Fun: members of the society of Gollege Youths have been Lou'cl Mayors of London, but tha'ee of them held that office after they had long since ceased to be actively connected with the societr. Sir Heny Tulse was Master of the Coltege Youths in the same year that be was Lovd Mayor.

He owed his importanee and his position to the political stroggles of the reign of Charles II.-the same struggles which (as I have pointerl out in my book) bronght another Gollege Youth, Sir Francis Withens, to the fore. The popular party, or the Whigs as they were afterwards called, were strong in London, and one of the main endeavours of the Government was to crush them and to get the control of tine city iuto the hands of the Tonies, or the Court party. Indse was a strong Tory, anki when he and Robert Geoffrey were elected Sherifis in 1673, Si, John Robiuson wrote to Joseph Williamson, the Secretary of Sitate. that they were "good' men. A littie later he qyvote, "We have sellled a Lord Mapor, 及ir William Hooker, who, I hope, will prove a good ong, with two Sllevifs, Aldermarr Tulee and Depaty Jefleries, houcst men.' 'Good " and 'homest," of conrse, meant that they would do what the Government wanted.

In 1681 the Gity drew up a petition to the King praying for enlling of a Parliament, and appointed anmber of leading citizens to present it. Tulse was one, but he refused to serve, and, when the deputation went to Windsor, he was not among them.
In the mext year lie was one of folly candidates for the office of Lord Mayar, two leing Whigs and two Tories. The two Whigs receiped 2,289 and 2,258 votes respectively. Pritchard, one of the Tories, received 2,233 , but Tulse ouly 236 . This was by arrangement so as not to split the Tory rote, and in the end, riter a scrutiny, Pritchard was declared clected.
The Government liad now secured cantrol of London, and, to make the control certain, bhey served at writ, quo warrento, calling on the City to show eause why its Charter should not be annulled on accome of itleged inregrianilies. The result was that the City lost its rights and privileges, which wore not restored until the lnst year of the reign of James 1T., so wlen Thlse was made Tord Mayor ins 1693 il was not hy a froe vote of bite cilizens, lut on the nomination of the Crown.
Some of Thise's opponents brought a legra nction against lum, alleg. ing that he and his fellow Sherifinad itlegally sold the post of Under Sherift; but, after a petition to the King, a watrant was issued to th Attomey General to punsh the proceedings.
Sir Henry Tulse was in henefautor of the parish of St. Bionis, Rarkclureh. When the rhurel was rebuilt, after the fire of 1666, he gave a marbie font and marble steps leading to $j$; tund, when lye died in 1689. he was buried inside the chnuch in his own watt. When the church was pulled down the font was removed to St. Dionis", Parsons Green, and the stone slab which had covered the grave wns transforment to the countyard which marks the site of the old chnvehyard, and there it is mow. It is this stona whioh has been renowted by the Ancient Society of College Youtlis.

## (Gontinued from previous column.)

just now, are heard ringing in distant parts of the Empire, and they bring to many lonely and isclated ones far away the thought of the old lome, of the parish charch and the old faiths; thonghts of God: thoughts of eternitry.
'You, my brotherg, must see to it that the life of the messenger rings frue with his message and that the message is not apoiled by the one who gives it. So ny brief message to you on this Instorical oceasion is just this: With goodwill, and I know that there is much of that amongst fou all, witt goodwill do your service, ring your hells, give forth the message, reherw the invitation iar and wide,
thoughts and aspirations townirds those things whinh are unseen and eternal and let it all Ge unto the Tord. Get from Him, in this Cathedual Chmoch on the $300+\mathrm{h}$ anniversary of the fomding of yontr college, fresh inspiration, fresh courage, fresh vision of your worle; lift it higl into the L-ord and lose not His blessint unon Your worli br any sim nr inconsistency in your own lires; go forth with fresh determination to ring forth the message of God's love and of His saleation, not only to tho parishes of this land, but unto the far distant places of our Empire and the world, and whether they hear or whether they heed, with soodwill do your service as unto the Lord and not unto men.'
The hymu, "A festal chime,' was suar after the addreas nud pran heartily foined in hy the dongregation. Tho words are by Clifford Bax and the reftain mus:-

In town and in village our church-bells to-dig
Gry Come, you goan peonle, and put care away,
For He who made blossom and simlight and May,
Be certain rejoices int hearta that are gay.
Sung to "St Denio, it goes with a swing that sepmed, in the rowds of the hym itself, to put care awry. And then as tle last notes passed in space, in the great hush of the Cathedral came the benediction of the Bishop of London. a blessing upon the people and upon the work of the ringers.
This service in St. Paul's will be remembened when muny olher things connected with the towentenary celobrations are fargotten.

## HANDBELLS IN ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL



Handbells figured in the service in St. Paul's Cathedral. They were rung to Stedman Triplas by W. Roughton A. 日. Peck, H. Langeon and W. Williams.

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## BELERY GOSSIP.

The celebration, on Saturday, of the 300th anniversary of the founding of the Ancient Society of College Yauths, was one of the most historic events in all the centuries of church bellringing. This issue of 'The Ringing World,' enlarged for the purpose, is a 'Tercentenary Number,' and our readers, who will peruse with interest our full report of the warious ceremonies, will also, we feal sure, pardon us for holding ower ofher contributions which have been sent for publication this week.

It is customary for the stewards of the College Fouths' dinuer to wear a distinguishing badge, jdentified in some way with the Master for the year. The badge on this occasion consisted of an ingeniously contrived Portiand cenient button, with a rosette in the Oambridge University Guild colours of light blue and 'bell metal.'

The three lady members of the society attended the dinner and sat together at the top table, They are Mrs. E. Wilkius, Mrs. F. I. Hairs and Mrs. Cann.

About 50 members of the Central Council, including the president, hon. secrotary and hon. lihrarian, were present.

Among the oldest membels at dinner was Mr. Robert Mayaard, of Walthamstow, who joined in 1877, while the member who had travelled the grentest distance was Mr. B. H. Swinson, who bad come from ¥gypt!
Nearly every association and guild in the comntry was represented at the dinner, directly or indirectly.
The Australian gocieties were well repregenbed. Seven members of St. Peul'g Gathedral Socieby, Mulbourne, and of the Holy Trinity Association, Hobart, were precent at the celebration.

Another 'owerseas' ringer, who was present at Victoria, British Columbia, when the bells at the Gathedral there were opened last year, was among the company. He was Mr. A. E. Trotman, who mado the jouraey from Belfast to attend Saturday's celebrafions.

Many rimgers who were unable to attend the dinace travelled long distances to be prescut al the service at St. Paul's Cathedral.
The Gollbge Yonths' huge 'birlhday' cake, which ocenpied a conspicuous position in the reception roon at the Cannon Street Hotel and was afterwards cut up and consumed by the company, was made hy Miss A. T. Lewis (daughter of the Master), who holds the 'Cordon Blen ${ }^{\text {a }}$ of the National School of Cookery.
The design of the cake was stwiling. It was in three tiers, each appropriately decorated with panels and bells, and surmounted with an excellently modelled bell in suyar, complete with stock, wheel of correct design, and stay. Thic bell had actually been shaped with * miniature 'strickle board.'
The cake was a most artistic production, not only in appearance, but in its manufacture, and Miss Lewis, in her neat cookery "uniform and cap, carried in the top tier to the dining hall and handed it to the Master. Afterwards slie assisted in serving the cake.
The statement in official notices that the reception room at Oannon Street Hotel would be 'suiliably furnished' must have excited the curiosity of many people. The explanation was forthcoming after the guests had slaken hands with the Master. Tlae furnishings wete dispenseff in glasses.
Among the many messages of cougratulation received during the dinner there was speciel jnterest in these three all from ladies:-
'The Ladies' Guild of Change Ringers send heartiest congratulations on your tercentenary and besb wishes for successful evening. Fletcher, Honorary Secretary.

Hearty congratulations and frood wishes from Mrs. C. D. P. Davies, in heppy memory of C. D. P. D.'

- Good huating to you, nud may fou wever change but far the better. Hearty congratulations, -Dorothy L. Sayers.'

The seaior member of the College Youths is Alderman J. si. Pritchett, Master of St. Martin's Guild, who was elected in 1874. The oldest surviving Past Master, Mr. J. Martin Routh, now living at Tilehurst, who was elected in 1885, is 90 years of age.
Some of the visitors to London, like Mr. Charles Sharples, vicepresident of the Laucashite Association, had travelled all Friday night to reach London, and spent Saturday night (or rather the early hours of Sunday morning') travelling lome again,

M1. G. R. Newton, of Liverpool, brought with him the dinner ticket and menu card of 1901, which was the last he had attended until this year. The dimner on that occasion was held at the Bridge Fotel, Southwark, and Mr. F. E. Dawe was Master.

After a vain altempt, lasting nearly an hour, to find his hat and coat in the cleakroom and elsewhere after the dinner, Mr. O. Sharples had almost given up hopes of discovering his property when the missing articles were brought from the other end of the hotel, and Mr . Sharples was left with just time to catch his return train at $12.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to Blackpool. Mr. Shaples asks un to say that be was so relieved at the recovery of his belongings that he forgot to thank the finder sufficiently at the time, and desires now to do so.

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## THE THREE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY DINNER.

distinguished gathering round the festive board.

## Presentation to Mr. W. T. Bockerill,

The customary anniversary dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths-an event which goes back, in an unbroken series, into the misty past - was held at the Cannon Sireet Hotel, on Saturday evening.

The Master (Mr. E. F. Lowis) received members and guests to the number of over four hundred. In the reception room the historic peal and name books of the saciety were on view, and a mage birtliday cake, on which was a fine model of a bell in sugar, was displayed.

Miohael's, Cornhill), the Rev. R. Trench (Stepnov), the Rev, Chancellor Ponsonby (Bow), Mr. E. Denison Jaylor (presidont, Midland Conaties Association), the Rev. E. C. Thrner (Cripplegate), Mujor J. H. B. Fesse (Master, Guildford Diocesan Guild), Major F. A. Yorke, Capt. H. J. Cann, Capt. Howard Freeborn, Mr. L. Porter (scnior steward), Mr. J. Wangh (junior steward), ete.

The vice-chairman was Mr. E. P. Duffield (the Immediate Pret Master), and among the officials of other societies present were the Rev. I. LI. Edwards (hon, secretary, Salisbury Diocesan Guild), Messw. C. Sharples (vice-president, Lancashine Association); R. Richardson

## SOME OF THE PAST MASTERS WHO ATTENDED THE TERGENTENARY CELEBRATION.



Phis pictare whs taken specially for ' The Ringing Wurdi.' Standing, left to right: E. A. Young (elected Master 1933), F. M. Mitchell (1932), W, H. Pasmote (1901). E. P. Duffield (1934-35), H. R. Newton (1898 aid 1925), T. Groombridge, sen. (1926), A. A. Hughes (1914-17), T. T. Hibbert (1923), P. C. Clark (1924 and 1930), T. H. Taffender (1911).
Seated: J. S. Hawkins (1927 and 1931), O. S. Burden (1909), F. E. Dawe (1889-90 and 1892-93), E, H. Lewis (Master), W. D. Sinith (1891 and 1903-41, C. F. Winney (trustec), J. W. Golding (1902)
The other survising Past Masters, prevented by various reasons from being inchaded in the pichure, are J. Marlin Routh (1885),
A. B. Peck (1910), C. H. Forton (1918-19), and J. Bullock (1928).
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#### Abstract

Dinner was served in the great Banqueting Hall, and the procecdings during the evening were extremely interesting and marked by great enthusiasm. Many old friends met again for the first time after long years, others enjoyed what, to them, has been an anmual reunion. The arraagements had been excellently plauned by the Dinner Committee, and the ovening was a culminaling trinmplo to a great commemaration. Supporting the Masicr, who pfesided and wore the uew badge of office, were the Eord Mayor of Jondon (Sir George Broadhidge), who was wearing his jewelled badge. the Dulse of Argyll, the Lord Bishop of London, the Farl of Ctranbrook, the Bishop of Kensingtoa, the Archdeacon of London, the Dean of St. Paul's (Dr. Mathiews), Mr. W. T. Cockerill (Gon. secretary of the society), Atr. A. A. Kuglies (hon. treasurer'), the Rev. Canon Mosley (St. Panl's Cathedral), the Rev. Dr. Perking (Westminster Abhey), the Rer. Canon Coleridge (Master, Oxford Dioceean Gnild), the Fery Rev. Provost Haldane (Sonthwark Cathedral), the Rev. Canon Douglas (St. Michael's, Gollege IIill), the Rev. W. Fennington-Bickford (St. Clement Danes), the Rev. E . C. Bedford (late Rector; St, Andraw's, Finhormy, the Rew. H. J. Fynes-Cinton (St. Magnus'), the Req. Prehenday Eflison (St:


(Master, Lincoln Dincesan Guild), S. E. Romans (Master, Gloucester and Bristol Association), T. E. Fnymes (Master, St. Martin's Guile, Binmingham), G. W. Fletcher (hon, secrecary, Central Conscil), w. H. J. Iooton (hon. librarian), W. Hibbert (hon. secrebry) and A. D. Barker (hon. treasirer, Oxford Diocesan Guild), J. T. Dyle (hon. secretary, Bath and Wells Diocesan Association), E. Guise (honk gecre tary, Bristol United Guilds), S. E. Armstroug (Ion, secretary, Sussex Association), L. J. Clark (hon. secretary, Jissex Association), Q. W. Cartmel (hon, secretary, Fertfordshire Association), G. I. Cuoss (Master) and (E. W. Steere (hon. treasurer, Royal Cumberland Youths), J. W. Tones (hou. eecretary, Llandaff and Monmonth Diocesan Association), F. M. Mitchell (hon. secretary, Kent Assoniation), S. F. Ralmer (hon, treasurer, Yorkshire Associntion', T. H. Reeves thon. secretary, St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham), F. W. Rogers (hon. seorelary, Winohester and Fortgmouth Diocesan Guild), W. H. Shuker (hen, aectetary, Lancashire Association), A. Thompson (hon. secretary, North Staftordshire Association), etc., and ringers from almost every association and guild in the Kingdom
During the dinner, Mr. F. E. Dnwe, as the gevior Peat Master present, was inviter to take wine with the Moster." He was glad to

## THE WHITTINGTON LEGEND.

## (Contioned from previous page.)

sixy there was another living who was senior to linm, Mr. Jolm Martia Ronth, who had been elected to that office two years before he (Mr: Dawe) was. He had recently visited the old gentlemay at his home at Tilehurst and found him in excellent health and spirits. Although preseed to nttend this dinner, however, Mr. Kouth had declared lie mas not quite cqual to such ans undertakiug. He, however, wished to bo very kindly remembered to all his old friends of 50 and 60 years ago, and wished them all a very enjoyable evening. Mr. Dnwe went ou to esy that in talking over 'old fimes,' Mr. Routh wished lim to aunounce to that gathering that it was his intention to bequenth his valuable "ringing library" to the Ancient Society of College Youths! Kr. Dawe also stated thas as Mr. Ronth wonld in a very short time celebrate his 91 st birthday, lat was sure all present wonld heartily join him in wishing his old friend 'many hnppy returns of the day.
The Mastey also ! took wine ' with those who had been members of the society for more than 50 years, and it was gratifying to see tlaat there were more than a dozen present.
The Master, heiove proposing the toast of ' The Kiug,' pointed out that never had ingers shown their loyalty in such a practical form as they dia this year at the time of the Coronation of their Majesties. More than 240 completo penls wero rung on that occasion, a jumber which had never becr approached for any other event, as far os was lenown (applatise).

After 'The Kins,' the compauy, on the call of the Master, dravk to the toast of "The Queen, Queen Mary and the Royal Family.

## THE SOCIETY'S CONNECTION WI'H THE CITY.

The Master, in submitting the loast of "The Lord Mayor, the Sheriffs ant the Corporation of the City of Loudon's said lie would like to say a little ahont the connertion of that society with the civic autlorities of London. This went baek to their orignal connection with a famons Lord Mayor, Sir Richard Whittington. Mr. Trollope, in his very excellent listory of the society, had rather discontuled the theory that the sociely toole its nane from the College on College Hill, but lie (the Master) thouglit if was rather nice to sfick to that num ilnus get that indirect and possibly rather legeadary connection with Dick Whittington. But Dick Whittington had another conluection wilh bells, lut not, he thought, with the clange which they knew as the Whittington change, hecruse if Whittington did sit on Hightate Hill and if he did hear Bow bells, he conld not have heard eight hells, because there were not eight belle in Bow steeple at that time What he hard was probably what we know as 'Queen's,' on six. which went quite well to the woris ' Turn again, whittington, thrice Lord Masor of London:

There had been, continued Mr. Lewis, several Lord Mnyors who had been members of the society, at Jeast four. In the case of one of them they had had a lititle cerenony that afternoon, but the society had probably rung for Lord Mayors on November 9th far longer than it had rung for the services of the Church. At the time the society was founded, the Clurch would not have much to do with ringiug, as far es itas servicea were concerited, aud sueh ringing as took plate was nearly all on secular or semi-secular occasions, including the election of the Lord Mayor on November 9th.

We are tuite sure, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ added the Master, ' that the whole world to-day admires the stable civic govartment of London (applause) just as it admires the financial stability of London, and I think you will agree with mes if I say we feel the present Lord Mayor has filled thal office in a memarkable way during a very remarkable year (applanse). Fre has nearly cone to the end of his "f tonch." Ho has, 1 helieve, only one andi analf nore official days after to-night, and, as the Dean of St. Pral's just now remarlked, it is as if we are ringing lim out of his office ' (аррlause).

## LINK BETWEEN MANSION HOUSE AND BEILLRTNGERS.

 Tha Lord Mayor was given a very warm reception on rising to reply, and began his sperch by remarking, 1 am very pleased to be present at this tercenilenary hanquet of this Ancient Society of Callege Youlhsand to sec them wearing their old scliool ties, a comment which and to sec them wearing iheir old school ties, a comment which
brought forth lond laughter. That gathering, he contiused, was most interesting to him because of the fact that a Lord Mayor of Tondon in 1684, in the reign of Chniles $\Pi$., was Master of that society, nut they had been honouring the lomb of that Lord Mayor, by unveiling a tablet upon it that day. He was giad, therefore, by being present that night, to continue the link betweent the Mansion House and the belrinme fraternity (applanse).
'T have horrd some most henutiful and melodious music from peals of hells,' continued the Eovid Mayor, 'and I have also heard some hells that have nlunose made onte feel like heing driven to crine sonaghter). We, in the cilp are forthmate in possessing what T may call ilie linst past, as already indirated by the Master, called boch Richard Whiltington to he Lord Mayor of London three times and which can now reach all parts of the world wherever the marrels of wireless are kilown ", saix the Lord Mayor, hani heen called the city of dreaminut spires. Lonlion was in Par ureater degree n city of spires, botlo actusil and symbolic, hut they conld not he called dremming ones: iles wetro vifal, they were ulert, pointing the way spiriturelly and to material success anid prosperity. Those who came into Londou were workers
inherent in the beates of ahl English people, foumd expression iu go many of the eity's aucient celemonies and custome lt was no anere mann of the eits s incient ceremonies and chat, each Michachmas Dry, the Corporation of London ditended dirine worship and agled the bfessing of Amighty God upon their choice ol tle hew Lord Mayor; rather was it a tragible prool that tho dify's motto, 'Domine Dirige Nor,' mpplied to every plase of civic life. Tlie city was proud of the fact that, wherers the King of England went to Wegtulnster to be erowned, it was to the city they exue to retirm thanles (applanse).

As lie was just going out of office, the Lard Mayon said he khought i. might interest them to know one or two of the things he had sccomplished or had gone through furime his rear. He had entertained at The Mamsion Fouse 36,000 people; lie luad attended 34 vhureln services of traditional and ancient eustom, he had been commected at the Mansion Honse wibli 92 chnrilable meetings, and had attmuded 55 Emnctions converted whly the Army, Navy and Police. He lad brondtast seqen times, he had lad 40 Corporation meetings to attend, be had been present at 15 Coronalion finctions, 41 opening ceremonies of conferences, conglesses and new buildings, he had atiended 38 speech days, 14 meqal fumetions and 97 lmoheons and 177 dinmers (laurhter), In addition he had made 1,000 speeches, bad visited 27 ather towag and sat 152 times in the Mansion House Justice Roonn. That was a simmary of what erery Lord Mayor lad, diove or less; to go through, but when he told them that that represented ouls mbout 50 per cent. of bis ditios, it would give them \& Fond idea o the stronnous time tha Lori Mayou fuad during his term of office.

The dinnew of the College Youths, he conclided, was the last dinmer Jo would attend officially as Lord Mayol, and, therefole, in greetimar them all, he had at the same tine to take a farewoll. He hoped the society would conbinme to add to ils age and would continue bo be prosperous and successful mad that it would still give enjoyment to all those who loved to lucar such lueautiful bells (applause).

## Campanoiogical 'hord mayor.

Thie Master next propesed the traditional toast to The Cluwh:



 amela betfer opportarity for its dimply than he (Mr. Lowis) Jant, whs



 Cumberlands if ha should take anything ont of that remank mote than there shonld be in it. The Lork Mapor of Eondon, lowever, han
 as Speaker of the Hovise of Conmons at the same time (a refermion to Mr. Lewis oflice of presitent of the Centrat Conacil).
Coming to the torst, Mr. Lewis said it was not often that a layman had a chance of preaching to so mary of the clergy as were present that night, and he supposed a sermon ourgh to have a text. Fis text ramo fromi Edmund Fpemser's poem amd wes this =-

> Ring ye the bels, ye yong inen of the towne,
> And leave pour wonted laloorg for this dyy:

This day is holy; doe se write it downe,
That ye for ever jut remember may.
That, said the Naster, was nle of his favourite rimoing quotafions beanase it was writben about 42 yons before tlon society was foamded and showed tiat zinging was ais orgnnised thing evan at that tima When the gocietj was foumded ringing was almost entively dirobo from the Chureln, ag far as the services were concerred, bwing in
 public occasions, for wedainge and so on, and not, rs a rile, for the services of the Cliurch. So when the society was fommed the metnbers were generally voung men of Jondon, reenoited largely from the Tims of Coutt and some of the youlig hohilify, wha rans as an exareise ankl Churcl began to Fenorer fiom the Puritan influence and athoned IJinge of beanty once argin to be associated with its gervices, and heginning abont the middle of the last contury ringing for senvice firsu beenmen general. To-day by far the greatest amonnt of ringing was done far the services of the clunch (applanse). Therefore, it was quite nppropriate that one of their pxincipal toasts should be the toash of "Thu" Ohurelz.
 the Haster thanked them [ou the way in which ther placed binefu

 diffenties of transport mad lo the fact tlat en many pinerars owing t.o the decentualisation of Lobdan, lived at conotiderahis distnmees from
 up except on sperin] accnsions-he did not fnelude in this fliosa wha
rane merthar at St, Pan's Cathedral rang regularly at. St. Panl's Cathedral.
There was one thing
 of the Church. In the Arom and Navy officers took specinl countses in specialised subjects, aud lue would like to minfe an append fhat mirgl: that more of the elergy should take a special cotirge in crmpasology

## COLLEGE YOUTHS AND THE CHURCH

## (Contimued from previous page.)

(applause). That, to his mind, wes particularly necessary jat these tays, because in the lest 15 or 20 yeary they seemed to lave lost many of theis promineni clenical vingerg, most of them excellent ringers who had had bine opporbuniby of learming to ring and learming to strike hafore buey had the disadraniage, fyom the point of wiew of herming to dixg. of wensing at "dog collar" (1enghter'). Thoy had ome of the greatest of them with them that nirlil, Camoul Coleridge (applause), On one occasion there was a band tonring in tite west country and the local ringers said afterwards that there were thiee parsons among them, is very nice young gentlemen, is territhe long geatleman, ancl "t gentleman who took of all jus clotlies' (lsughtery, 'They zeferrod lo Cyrik Jeukyn, Canom Colevidge and "Fatber Robinson (bangliter). They had losh two of those nide a great many others in recent yeats. among them Canon Baker, Canon Elsec, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, the Rev. Law James, the Jev. Tyrwhith-Drake and a whole lol more, and he did not at tise monnent see many young clerical ringers coming
 clewical anthorities purld persuade some of tleit younger clergy to specialise in this ant of ringiug. If they cotuld judge tive work that was done by Mi: Jenkyn in the Oxford Puild, a man who loaked upon the rimgers of the diocese as his pawish, they would probahly fud loe did a greatev worl finar mumy priests who stuek more closely to a single parigle (hear, hear'). Jn conclusion, the Mrster coupled with the tonst the mane of "the lighest commigsionen officer in tho diocese of Loudon," Ehe Lovd Bishop.

RLIORMS STARTED BY TEF CHURCH.
The Biahop of London, who was reexived with lond applanse, anid in ome sense le whs the worst person in the world to speak af that dmmer hecause he nover rang a bell ju his life-except is door bell-and if be fried he would he ascended to Fenven much quicker than he desired (laughter). Ia othar respects lie was very much filted to speati, beranse he fand jower been, in all his chorical life, very far away from a good peal of belis. When he first weat to Bethmal Green, at the requesi of Bishop Themple, Hs he then was, he found Nit. Drathew pood (mpplanse), who was the chief ringer and one of fle laest in Lughand (applanse). 5 have here his loook, said the Bislup, loolding up f faits farge volume, and in it is written in a perfecty clear linnd list 350 peals, one of dinem of 9 bours and 12 minutes. I am yery grat I was hot preparing my semman that day fanginter'), Matblew Wood wis a very ald friend of mime fud lept his ehe upan nue, from the Prokestant poinl of view. Then I went up to the Coffee Pot, or very near it (langhter). I imaginod when I hearid that that was your headquarters fhat you were alt tentotallers, matil I fooked at this evenings programme and tiven I saw "Dramglu beer" 9d. a piat " (fangluer) Tlat is ut fin give-away (letighter), Fut allinough F an a lifelong teetotallen, I an snle you deserve that glass at beer (applause). Alfer Beilinal (freen I was under the benign influegee of the bella of St, Panl's for seven and n, half years as Conoln and I could notigo to sieep when the bells were ringing (langhter). Then I went down, to my great surprise, to Fullam Palace, and thera I fomm flie hells of Fulbain were pretty good. 1 don't quarrel with fhem, except when $I$ am doing a germon and they aye going on and on. I lave to lienr the bells riuging, especially at Christuas, juence on earth, foodwill to men. ${ }^{3}$

I have great pleasure in rohumiru thanks for the Chumol, ${ }^{\prime}$ contimed the Bishop, becanse, say what you will, the Clanch ant the College Fouths are homed togethen luy mang ties, althongh he was guite awnie that whan the society starled, at the time of the Reformation-a litsje too mumin reformation-bells were thonglit to he valine* Popish. But the Clumel, of Turtand began Ione before fle Reformation ; there Tat heen Bishops of Loudon living at Thlham for over 1,200 Fears. 'The Clinch of Enrland liad bepn at the battom of nearly every rient Coform in England; it started the hospitals, it alarted the scliools for 150 years the Church paid for the ehacation of the poor, and indirectly it started the College Yoaths, for thoy conld arot have wedding bells withont a wedding. Beliringing was one of the firmest parts of clurch work ancl most of it was done voluntarily.

I hope to roodiess," conchided the Bishop, "that during ilue tuext 300 Yents the Clutteln and the College Youthe will be move fivmy nnited thmn ever' (applanse).
A frillinnt exhibition of chenge ringing on handbells was at this
 socioty) whlo rancr a tonch of Spticed Surprise Major in five mevtor Tandon, Superntive, Rristal, Ealing and Cambridge in fanltics st ve. The ringing was listened to hy the large atatience in breaflatass silence, and the ahserg that brolte ont when the tonch eondinded expressed the apprecintion and delight of Ehe conplany.

DEAN'S TRTBETE TO MR TROLTOPE'S BOOL
 ploposed the prineipal tanst of the evening, "The Ancienti Society of College Youths, with which, be said, he canpled the lomonred umme of Mr. Gocterill, who, as they well knew, lad boen for over 45 goars the hon. secretan'y of the society.

I have been looking:" saich the Dern, "at that admirable history of four socitet written tav Mr. Trollope (applanse), He beats a mane


Infe reak which seom to me might with adyantage have born considerabiy longer, For it is evident Mr. Trollope lias in his mind a rreat deal of information which the monld give amd which 1 lope Ju will gre in some more extended work roond the interesting shasy of your macient saciety (ap)blase). Tho very firsl sentence ul thal bistong poinis out that your ard of bellrimging arose from two father diflerent interests, that of roligion and athietus. It has already been nientioned this evening, and I think we can disech blie influenco of those two jutoreats in the story of your society, for I notice thati it was not very long after your beginuing that youl beran to bn rent hy schisang and that you had your own haneonformises (langhtar). believe that, happily, this sehism ended and now only remains matter of historical interest. I olserve too that as adhletes yun hatse an interest in the preservation of records and have cyolved a econdite set of technical turns in which to make tham (lamghter').
Rending same af the great pages of yonn history I confess these term are as maintelligible to me as an acconnt of ga beball matuln in the columas of the "New Fork Ferald-Tribume," but. I bow with reverence before those who know what Stedman Cintues mean and I'relshe Suts
 example of the way in which athleter seen to like records, recolds which 110 one but tianselves can understand (langhlery.

## BEISLRINGING AND BLAR BATTING

The Dean went on to refer to his experiences of bells in olldru

 semmed to have a pectiliat delighbin the sonnd of bells. The $\mathrm{j}^{3}$ iritatis
 and lie was lath to add to it, but it seemed to be an undonbed lame what they olid object to ballringing, aloug witli bear baiting-they seemed o have classed the two things togetiel (angater) Jley might recall that Jord Macanday sajd, on the subject of bear baiting,
 ank lue suspected ikat they objected to nellringing not so funm hacanse it gave pain to the hearer ra becanse it gave plensure to tha ringers (latugher). "To be candid,' said the Deru, 'tivere lifve loctor moments whea I lume had a cerbain amonut of sympontiv with ilsu Priritans, (lanrhten')
He conlat remember ame day in Exeter, le snid, when la was tryint :he wate a earned surticle on a pilosoplical shbject and the beds of will Mythmicnl aud matodions sound. Somehow it did not help hime
 plied comparex with a rimger of hells ' (langlater).
It was worthy of nate, said the speaker, how the sommet of hells staved in people's memories. Some time gaga be met a mati in distant vime, a man who was born and lived in Exeter, dat had mon
seen it ior a long period. He nsked this man what lo ehicfly renmemhered aliout his malive city, nur he replied, 'Welt, stangely numblu, it is the sombl of the bels as they came sometimes at cronidg witly that curious sound, which I think was dag to the fact lint there wrex only eleven bells when one expected twolve. 'Jt is true, bnid the
Denn. 'that the sonne of bells lingerg in people's minds and wakent associntions which seem to have been deeply buried. I wisln : conlit follow the exhortation of the Master," ho added, "and take ap bell-
 calre we lave just had was made by the Master's danghter, and I were a youmger man than 1 nm I should feel stongly tempted industuras apprentice, fapise to the land of the Master's danglaur (land langhter and applanse)

Haymony' conclacled the Dean, is an expmessjon of somethirg which is deep down in the English conl. We live in a wollderful aug. but an nge which is very far from boing larmonions. Wry the city bells which express the Frgelisla spirit never become eity bells jaugled, harsh and ont of tume, and may yonr art, expressing thit desije jor farmony which is so ferply get in the human soul, nways 报 a dill expuessian of line real constitubion of Enghand and the English spiril.

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point the tiaster read a message from the Central Commal of Chureh Bellrimgers, in the following terms: To fle Ancient socifly of College Youtls. At the 45th annual meding of 1 lie Conncil, heial
 of May, 1937, it was proposed by Mrs. G. W. Fletelrer, of the Ladias Guild. seconded by Ne. J. A. Trollope, honorary member, , md resolved: That a message of cangratulation und good wishes be convaymd to Tou on the oneasion of your tercentenary celebrabione and to platis on yecord the greats semrena rendered to the Fxercise hy the promolion
 Signed this 6ti Jay of Nowember, 1937.

The messrye was deceived with applause, and t toncly of two conress of Stedmin Cinques wits then mint on linndbells lyy Messis. Wr
 F. P. Dirfind.

MF. W. T. Conkeril, who replied fo the tonst, thankert the compan, for the entlinsinsife reception they had siven it. He sad lalters of regrel at alosence and of good wishes had heen received from the hold (Gortinued en mext page.)

## HON. SECRETARY'S LONG SERVICE.

## (Continned from pievious page.)

Achbishep of CanLerbury, the Lord Bishop of Southwark, Lord Fhathin of Bewdiey, Lord Hugh Cecil, the Earl of Slaftesbary, the Rev. Canon Alexander, Alderman J. S. Pritchett, the Rer. J. $P$ F'elloe, Mr. A. 1'rince and Mr. J. Ridyard. Congratulatory messages hatd leen received from the Guildford Diocesay Guild, Gloucester and Ibistol Diocesan Association, Peterborongls Diecesun Guild, Yorkshire Assoctation, Durlama and Newcastla Diocesan Aesociation, Essex Association, tho Ladies' Grild, Over Society, Cambs., Mrs. C. D. P. Davies, Miss Dorothy L. Sayers, Mr. Turner, of Copenhargen, and Mr. Walcolm Melville (Warwictshire Guild).

During the year, continned the Hon. Secrelary, they had lost by death 13 members, viz. : Ernest D. Lillywhite, Harry R. Pasmore, Frank Zoreham, Joseph Fands, the Rov. F. W. Carpenter, E. V. Selly. Albert E. Wreaks, Charleg Kenuedy, Frederick W. Thoruton, Fraderiok Fdwards, Col. Parkinaon and Harry Folkard,
rlie company stood in silenco whilst theso uanes were read out.
'rocceding, Mr. Cockerill said during the year 62 new members hat benn elcoted and there had been theld in the varions towers in the city 70 meetings for practice. Twonty-nime perls lad been rung : Danbles, 1 (at Brereton, Cheslire); Minor ins nine methods, 1 (at Brasted the previous eveningl ; Boh Major, 2; Bob Royal, 1 ; Grandsire Caters, 1;
Krnh Treblo Bob Major, 2; Kent Treble Bob Maxinus, 1: Stedman 'Iriples, 5; Stedman Caters, 1; Stedman Cinques, 5; Bi'stol Surprise Major, 2; Spliced Surprise in fonr methads, 1: Cambridge Surprise Minjor, 3; Cambridge Surplise Royai, 2; Cambridge Surprise Maximus, Brepelon, Miltonnext-Gravegend, Walford, Porisnoulh, Edghaston, fialleywood, Prestbiry and Inrasted. In eonchnsion, Mr. Coekerill thanked the conipany most eincerely for the honour they had done to the toast.

PRESTNTATEON TO THE HONORARY SECRETARY. snit] Mopise item for he hon shater the pilot. The skipper who has looked after ins for 46 years has refused to eccept re-election on election niflit, and we cannot let such ill orcasion pass without, in some way, fhowing our leelings of respect towavis lith (applante). Mr. Coelrem has aptly been fesctibed ons at prince of secretarios.' We could not possibly have been served bedter than wo gave been through these 46 yoars. Mr. Cokerill gave an lint some time ago that this might happen at the end of the pear,
hul wo hoped inatic would reconsider his decision. Whem thatis derision was final the time wes rather short ond it was difficult to let you all krow that we wanted to do something to-night to show our Hpmratiation. However, we got inta totch with a mumber of memberg, wnd I am moing to ask Mr. Gockerill to accept this gift as a cheque on account (applance). We shall keep the fund open to the end of the gear and I hope thoes who have not yet cormanieated with me will do so. I conld go on for half an hour, or even more, speaking of the tirtines of Mt. Goekerill, and the love which he jngpires in 18 as s frienf, but I mast nol do so, hut I will ask him to accept, with Mrory hest wishes, this cheque for E 50 (cheers) Thte emamany rose and aceorded Mr. Cocleerill "mosical hononts ant emblisiastic elieers, mud when they had subsided, Mr. Cockerill by ghe wonderfin show of affection towards me has taten me wifl for it whe. I There ab about this nua e did not of love. T have enjoyed it, I lave enjoyed the ringing, I lrave matie mauy friends; God bless yon all. I cannot say more, excent thank You vory muel indeed' (loud applause).
Only bells appeared in tire masical programme, and Mrs. Hughes here contrihated handhell solos, once again to the delight of the audience. This music, so skilfally rendered, is an mever-ending sontce of pleasire to ringers, and having played, by request, "Solveig's Sang' (Grieg') and 'Hımoreske' (Dvorak), Mrs. Hughes responded Lo an irresistible encore with the old favonrite, "Land of hope and glory, in which the company joined lustily at the repetition of the
chorise.

At the conclusion of 末er ehort programme, Mrs. Higles was presented my the Master with a handsome bouquef of roses, carnations and chrysinthemums.

In handing lier the flowors, the Master said he thought ther would "grec that as an artiste with handbelis Mrs. Huphes "takes the cake," and so, he acded, 'I am going to pronose that she takes it.
And with this, anid chcers, Mr. Lewis handed to her the top tier of tive birthder cake.
Mrs. Hughes, in a gracefuI little epeech, thavked the societs for the lovely fowers and said that with her father, husband and son, all menibers of the society, she felt jurtly proud to he asked to enterlain sncl in distinguished nssembly. She wished the society a happy continuation thughout the generations to come.

## SOGTETY NOT 'TXCLUSITF.

Mr. W. Roughton proposed 'The Fisitors' and gave them n hearty welcome. It hat been said, he remarked, that their society wis rather exulusive. Tt was not true that they were exclusive about thoir ringing or their friends. They welcomed everybody. There was onle one thing which was exclnsive, and that was the tranitional ringing at St. Prils Oathedral for tho Envices. Unless an man was ppecially groot as a lufolve-bell ringer lie was vever ackeü to ring at St. Panl's on Sun-
days. Mr. Roughtou told the slary of a conndy visitor, who went to St. Paul's one Sunday and felt urgrieved because lie was not asked to ring. When later be voiced his semse of injnry to another member of the soctety, his friend replied, "Thero can be only two reasons, as far as I know, why you wero not asked to ring. Either they did not know you, ar else ili was because they do ' (laughter). Proceeding, Mr. Roughtou said: "We brve with us to-night lords civic, lords spinithal and lords tomporal, who are upholding the great twaditions of this dear country of ours, and I would like to say just, a word or two to the younger generation who are here in the midstiof this great ussembly: When pou take uver the control of this dear old suciety from the present generation, witi you remember that you will be madgeret by the Press, yout will bo bullied by factions, and worried by groups, who will want to alter the miles and regulations and traditions set up, after much theuyht, by older members, And when these questions arise, as arise they will, I beg of you to study them very carefully, weigh and consider them for a long time, and not lighty throw atay and destroy these rules and tradilions of the past (applause).
The Duke of Arcyll, who replied, admitted that he knew little of the art of riuging, tut what he was interested in was in the bells themselves. Ho had a library

THE SKIPPER


MR. WILLIAM T. COCKERILL Hon. Secretary of the Society for 46 years. which faclinded alt the rounty histories, and when his friends wanted to make him a little wift they sent jrim nost extrnordiaary little books, like algebra to him, dealing with the art in which those present that wirht were specially skillect. What he was interested in was the mucheology of the bells, which took them back beyond the Christian era. The Duke refered particularly to some interesting lrish bells of great age wfith which he was wetaminted, from one of wheh Trish kings had been christened. He also referved to the peal of hells whinh hee had secuued for the elinueh at Juveraray, his Scot-ish seat. Sever of these bella lye gave himsolf and the othens lie indaced his friends to provice. He loped at some time the Dolloge Youths would conse up and ring them (applause). He told mn anusing slory of how the bells reached Thwerary $y$. On aconut of the diffienties of transport, they liad to be left oue night by the roadside, nut one coltrager, asked by anotlier what they were, said they were his Grace's new bechives (langhter).
The Master said on hehalf of the society lie would nt
once like to clinch the offer of tho Duke and suggest that some time next summer they should make up a band in London to go up and ring a peal on his bells (applanas)

## SOCIFTY'S OLD TRADITIONS

Mr. Fi, P. Diffield proposed "Kindred Societies" and reforred to the good fellowship which was engendered and fostered by such gatherings as that. That was an Hssembly representing all walks of life and they were all there witl the same lore of bells. While they conld not claiun, perliaps, that tinging stond alone as an example of real brotherhood, at least there was nothing that could surpass it. It was in that spirit that lie asked them to receivo the toast. He asked them to pay no heed to some of the thinge they heard said about that old society. Old societies clung to old tradilions, and lie hoped that, even if some of those traditions might be obsolete in their manner and purpose, they would not take that as a reason for scrapping them fortliwith. They had, For instance, the rule that e member of the Society of Royal Cumlserland Youtha was by virtue of that membership disqualifed from membership of the College Youtlis, and the Cumberlands had a corresponding rule. Whatover may have been the position in the past, there was no bitter feeling between these two old London societies to day (applanse). Their society did not claim to be a territorial society and lie hoped no attempt would ever be made to pose it as such. There was a function for such societies as theirs, particularly in the centre of the Metropolis. A society which could bring together such a gathering as that could not bo said to be entirely territorial. On the other hand, they did apprecinte very mach the good feeling whinls existed between the ferritorial societies and their own. As oue whose privilege it had heen, more then many
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## A TRIBUTE OF YOUTH.

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perhaps, to trovel and meet ringers in all pares of the country and to be given memberghip of a number of societies, it was a great privilege to give them the toast of kiudred cocieties. They liad pregent. that hirht a whole lost of representatives of those sociebies. Among Lhem was Conncillor Paddon Smith, of Birmingham, representing 5 . 'wartin's Guild, man who acceplet life's despongibilities, which was borme out by the fact that be was a member of the Corporation of the great city of Birminglam. It might well be that las got some of lis inspiration from that other great figure in the municipal life of Binmiagham, who was, be suppased, the senior member of the Collegre Youkhs, Alderman Prituett. He felt they could not do better than agk Mr. Smitla to corveg to this pentieman, who had How become gomewhat infirm under tho burden of yearg, the very cordial greetings of the company assembled that night (Epplause). He had to couple witl the toest, glso, the name of one of the brilliant Fownger members of the Exercise, Mr. Stephen Wood, who had been recognised by the

## THE BIRTHDAY CAKE.



Miss Lewis, daughter of the Master, cutting the tereentenary birthday cake which she made.

Central Conacil, who had put him to work on some of the mathenutical problems which many af them took so seriously. If some of M 1: Wood's theories lad not been generally nceepted yet, aud they had had somo evidence of that lately (laughter), he did not ihink Mr. Wood need take any discouragement from that fact. He land never yet heurd of anyone whose theories had boen accepted by ererybody \{applantse\}.

THE ESSTNEE OF RINGING.
Mr. Paddon Smith, who firsb reaponded, undertook to convey the kind regnids of the gathering to the Mnstor of St. Martin's Guild, who, lie understood, was the oldest living member of the College Youths. Continaing, Mr, Smith said that was one of the largest and rertainly the most nistorie gathesings of ringers that had ever taken finase, and it could not have been Feld anywhere oulside London-for many reasons, one of them being, of course, that thera was 110 other sofiely actively pursuing the art of ringing that liad been in existence for 300 years. The one he had the honour to represent was, in comparison, but an infant in arms, only 182 years old. Bat they al! foolson up to the College Youths. He was ghad to hear one of the speakers refer to their traclition, and he would like to emplanise the
fact that most of those who spont their time ontside London looked ap to the society, not for the number of methods they rang, nos for tho record perls they went for, and sometimes got (har, heary, bult because thoughout their long existence they had made good strukiug the real object of their existenco (applause). In his opiniou, and he was eure in the opinion of all competant ringers, striking was the most important thing coucerued with their art, and he for one wonle very much prefer to hear a peal of Graudgire or Stedman Triples well struck than a peal of London Surprise successfully achieved when tha riugeri said, 'We got it aftar all' (langhter and applause). Striking was thw very essence of behringing. In conclusion Mr: Smith thanked the soctety for providing members of kindrea aciefies witin a vety onjoy able time,

Mr. Stephen Wood, who also replied, sniti although he bnd becar reminded very forcibly in recent issues of "The Rivging World ' of his extreme youth, he drew strength from the fact that that socielv, aucient though it be, by its very name was a gocicty of youths. Hi nsed that word in its bellinging senge to juclude ringers of all maes from nine to 1 incis. Mr. Wood added that be would like to and the tribute of the youmger generation to the work of Mr . Cockerill, who had always seemed to him, by tho skilful way in which ho combined the wisdom and experience of Years with the energy and enthasiasm of youth, to embody in himself all thet was best in tho spiriti and tradition of the College Youths (applause).
W.". Wood added that he lrought grectings to the society from the anly tindred society of greater antiquity. There was ans older society. St. Steplen's Guild of Ringors, in Bristol, to which he had recently been elected, was founded in or before tho year 1620 , but unfartuuately it had long ceased to have any active connection will practical finging. He believed he was the first member, for over 150 zears, who coult clam ever to have rung at St. Stephen's, but he was glad hat ther, ware anmaber, of people there that ovening who did ring regulacly at St. Stephen's and who Jeally had more claim than he Jad to call themselves St. Stephen's ringers, although they were wot members of that ancient Guid. Mr. Waod said he wauld lite to endorge what -Mr. Smith had mid that the provincial yingers looked up to the Collemi Yauths witl gratitude for the example which thes set in the high standard of ringing, eapecially that for the Snnday services at $\$ 1$ Pauls Cathedral. He was surre that most of those present felt it : privilege to slmad outside St. Paul's that artemoon and liaten in Sledman Cingues ruig as it should be fung (applause).

MI'. J. 'T. Dyte proposed the remaining tonstir of "Ilue Press, and refered to the serviens whieh the Press lind rendered to the society. In the last few tiny, he said, they had had more press notices than evel before. Such articles as had appenred vecently in the rareat railies would create ith interest among the publig such as tuad newer existed before, and that was all to tho good. Mr. Dyke went on la juy a tribute to the servime rendered to ringing by "Tho Ringing World 'and of the important place whith the paper occupied in tho Excreise.

Mr. I, S. Goldanith (Editor of "The Ringing Worid ') replied, and the proceedings terminated with the singing of Auld Jang fiyme anul the National Anthem.
On Sunday morning, after the eustomary service rivering at the various London chanches, there was an informal social gabliexing al Anderton's Hotel, and a considerable number of London and vigitiur ringers were presell: Refieshmeats were served and handbell ringitg took place
Mr. T. IT. Reeves, hon. secretary of St. Martin's Guild. Birmingharn, thanked tie College Youths for their Lrospitality, nud this was acknow ledged by the Master.

## SOME IMPRESSIONS.

finturday's proceedings loft lasting impressions on many people. Here aro some which remain with J. F. S.:-
The large andience listening to the three courges of Sterlmatl Cingues-the miljestic cadence of the bells-the large congregation of zingers inder the Dome the beatiful music of the service-the clearness of the handbells in Stedmau Triples: the wrong striking of the trebles in the first rounds ( $1-2$ were reversed) - the preacher's referencr: to the "College of Yonths"-the pager greetings of old friends at thin luatel-Lhe skifilk and ingenious piacing of the guests, a triumph of organisation-the splendonr of the Master's fandge-the henign expression of the Bishop of Loudon-the absence of the Lard Mayar" "Cor" poration,' in spite of hundreds of oflicial dinners and luncheone- the Dean's graceful compliment to the Master's danghter-the marvellous exposition of Spliced Surprise handbel ringung the good food; the cliffeulty of replenishing one's tankard-the delightful handhell solos by Mrs. Hughes, nud the unat. litile spoenh she made aflerwards-an rilogether wonderful evening-and, lastly, of a part of the Birmingham contingell who missed their drain!

## A BROADOAST

In the J.B.C. 'news' on Sunday evening reference was made in the previons day's celebration, and there was a reproduction of St, Panl's Cathedral bells, recorded while the three conrses of Stedman Cingres wore rung, and of the handbolls in the Calhedrat.
The Master gave $a$ shorb talle on the society and its foundation in 1657, with a referemee to Sir Henry Tulse num the ceremony at St. Dionis.

The whole recording came over well, excopt the handbells, to mhich, apparently", the microphone was too cloge.

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essex Association.-South-Western Division.The district annual meeting will be held at Woodford on Saturday, November 13th. Beils (8) from 3 p.m. bervice 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Mawney's Road, Romford.

LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-The next maeting will be held at All Saints', Isleworth, Middlesex, on Saturday, Novenıber 13th. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea to follow in the Church Hall. Gentlemen cordially invited.-M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec., 9, Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Brancb. - Next meeting will be held at Walsden on Sat., Nov. I 3 th. Bells a vailable from 3 to 9 p.m. A hearty invitation is extended to all ringers and friends to coine along and support us. -Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James' Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATYON.-St. AIhans District.-A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, November 13th. Beils at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea arrangements wilt be made on the day. All are welcome.-W. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfield, and H. V. Frost, 4, Kimberley Road, St. Albans, Dis. Sees.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUIL.D.-South and West District. - A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Twickenhan, on Saturday, November 13th. Belis from 3.15. Service 5. Tea at 5.30 p.m. Members are asked to make special efforts to attend this meeting, and alf ringers and friends will be welcomed. F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seafort, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guitdford Dis: trict. What have you done for the Guild this year? if the answer is 'Nothing ' or 'Not much,' make amends by attending the district meeting at Shalford on Saturday, November 13th. Bells at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 p.m. -(i. I.. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandion.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN liU1LD.-Andover District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Longparisin on Saturday, November 13th. Bells available from 2.30. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Parist Room. Business meeting follows. All wel. come. All requiring tea please notify F. S. H. Marle, Hon. Scc., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -Next meeting at Stow Barcolph, on Salurday, Novemher 13th. Beils (8) at 3 p.th. Tea at 5 . Please try to be present.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisluech.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. -A meeting will be held at Eynesbury on Saturday, November 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.-H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., St. Neots, Hunts.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.-A meeting will be held at Melbourn on Saturday, November 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meldreth bells available during the evening. Will members of the branch conmistee meet after tea to arrange programme of meetings.-C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec., Newton, Cambridge.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-A meeting will be held at Sandiacre on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (6) 3.30. As there has not been a meeting of the district this year, please come and see what happens. Tea can be obtained near the chureh.-Ton Clarke, Dis. President.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. . The next meeting will be held at Balcombe on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome.-B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Ucḱfield, Sussex.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict-A meeting of this district will be held at Turvey on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Tea at 5 . You will be very welcome.-Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec., 10, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-EasterI District.-The annual mecting of the district will be held at Hertford on November 13th, when the All Saints' (10) and St. Andrew's (8) bells will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Service in All Saints ${ }^{\circ}$ Church at 5 o'clock. Tea and business meeting at the Regal Cafe, Fore Street, after. All ringing friends, members or not, will be heartily weicomed.- W . H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-.The last meeting of the year will be held at Sileby ( 6 bells) on Saturday, November 13th. Ringing will commence at 3 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 p.m. Please roll up and make this a successful mect-ing.-H. W. Perkins, Hon. Sce.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Woolton, on Saturday, November 13th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. 'Tea and meeting in the Institute at 5.45 p.m. For tea please inform Mr. T. Hesketh, 1. Mason Street, Woolton, Liverpool.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec.
NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The meeting is at Worksop ( 8 bells) on Saturday, November 13 th. Rounds to London Surprise. For tea please send postcard to Mr. A. Johnson, 3, South View, Cheapside, Worksop.-R. Towler, Hon. Sec.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.A meeting will be held at Selby Abbey on Saturday, November 13 th. The peal of ten, tenor 25 cwt ., available at 2.30 p.m. Will those intending to come please let me know? -H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Ebor Street, Selby.

LADIES' GUILD.-Lincoinshire Branch.-A meeting will be held at Lincoln on November 13th. Bells available: St. Peter at Gowt's (6) from 2.30 p.m., and St. Botolph's (0) from 6 to 9 p.m. Service 4.15 , with tea afterwards.-A. Richardson, Hon. Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -There will be ringing for evensong at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on Sunday, November $14 t h$, commencing at 5.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-N. Summerhayes, Acting Hon. Sec., 28, Bean Road, Bexleyheath.

CHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.-The jubilee dinner and concert will be held at Clemences', Market Place, Chester (and not at Stafford Hotel, City Road), on Sarurday, November 20th. Dinner at 6 p.m. prompt. Tlickets 2s. 6d. each. Application for tickets (enclosing remittance) to H. Parker, 3, London Road, Davenham, Cheshire, or the branch secretaries, before November 13th.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Thames Ditton on Saturday, November 20th. Bells i3 F.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business following. Nominations for district officers for 1938 at this meeting. If you intend to be present, a postcard by Thursclay, the 18 th , will asstre yout of a good tea. - F. E. Hawthome, Hon. Sec., 4, Jemperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditron. LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Southern District.-The next meeting will be held at Putney on Saturday, November 20th. Bells (8) available 3 to $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be artanged nearby, with meeting to follow. Fulham belis (10) from 7 to 8 p.m. Let's have a good attendance, and please don't forget that postcard by Thursday, the 18 th inst.-A. P. Cannon, 118, Sarsfeld Road, Balham, S.W.12.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch. The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Newlury on Saturday, November 20th. Bells (10) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Teat 5 p.m., at 6 d . each. All ringers will be made welcome, but piease let me know by Wednesday, November 17th, for tea.-H. W. Curtis, Hor. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Beris.
SISSSEX COUNTY ASSOCTATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Petworth on Saturday, November 20th. Tower open 3 p.m. Tea 5.30, at Angel Hotel, 1s. perhead. Half-rail fare, maximum 1s. 6d., to members.- $\Gamma$. H. Meeten, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, North street, Worthing.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.... Manchester Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Gorton Unitarian Church on Saturday, November 20th. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea al is. each. Meeting in the Schoolroom to follow. Members and nonmembers are cordially invited to attend. Those requiting tea please notify Mr. G. Kelly, 3, Broaclway, Fairfield, Droysden, not later than November 17th.-J. H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eylde Branch.The next meeting will take place at St. Anne's Parish Chtiroh on Saturday, November 20th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Bring food, tea in Institute at 6 p.m-C. Sharples, Branch Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-A united meeting of the Calne and Swindon branches will be held al Wootton Bassett on Saturday, November 20th, when it is also hoped to have the co-operation of the Devizes and Chippenham branches. Bells (8) from 2 o'clock. Usual arrangements for service at 4.30 , and tea in the Schoolroom for all. A card would be welcomed so as to provide sufficient to meet all requirements. The date coincicles with L. A. Wilson's 40 years as towerkeeper.-L. A. Wilson, Hon. Sec., Caine Branch, High Street, Wootton Bassett.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ledbury Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bosbury on Saturday, November 20th. Bells (6, rehung in new stcel frame) available from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow immediately after. All those requiring tea must iet me know by November 17 th. -A. Jones, jun., The Reddings, Colwall, near Malvern.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.--North and East District. -A meeting will be held at All Hallows', Tottenltam, ou Saturday, November 20th. Bells lron 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at the Bruce Castle Bakery, near the church, at 5.30 , at 1 s . each. Please advise me by November 17th. Special method, Edmonton Bob Major. A practice will take place at St. Giles', Cripplegate (12 bells), on Wednesday, November 17 th, from 7.30 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2t, Vincent Road, E. 4.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -A quarterly meetung will be held at St. George-theMartyr, Southwark, on Saturday, November 20th. Tower open 3.30 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 , at Express Dairy on London Bridge Station approach. Business meeting in vestry after tea. All mames lor tea by the 16th, please.-H. Summerhayes, Acting Hon. Sec., 28, Bean Road, Bexleyheath.

BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.-St. Peter's Church. The peal of eight belis, recast and hung in modern fittings by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, will be rededicated and new sacring bell dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Winchester on Saturday, November 20th, at 3.30 p.m. Service fully choral. Address by the Bishop. Ringing from $6.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to 8.30 p.m. Tea (6d.) at G.F.S. Club, St. Peter's Road, 5.15 p.m. Please notify' me.-Arthur V. Davis, 116, Alma Road, Bournemouth.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Philip's Church, Nelson, on Saturday, November 20th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL GUILD.-Chippenham Branch. -The monthly meeting will be held at Corsham (six bells) on Saturday, November 2013, at 3. Service at 3.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Will visitors please notify carly?-F. W: Merrett, Branch Hon. Sec., 38, Downing Sireet, Chippenham, Wilts.

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WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A monthly meeting will be held at Poleswortil on Saturday, November 20th. Bells (6) available afternoon and evening. Tea (1s.) at lue Coffee House at 5 p.m.-Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., Highfield House, Exhall, Coventry.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Bath Branch.-A meeting will be held at Twerton-onAvon on Saturday, November 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea to follow.-Theo. Grant, Swainswick, Bath.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborough District.-The last meeting of 1937 will be held at Kegworth on November 20th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.n3. For tea, please send postcard to Mr. F. Sutton, Market Place, Kegworth, by the 18th.-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., Hugglescote.

PE'TERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-Two special meetings will be held as follows: Dodford (6), Saturday, November 20th; and Braunston (6), Saturday, December $\pm 8$ th. Usual arrangements. W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northampton District.-A meeting will be held at Desborough on Saturday, November 20th. Service 4.15 . Numbers for tea by previous Tuesday, please.-S. Thursfield, Hon. Sec., Crantord Rectory, Kettering.

BA'lH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch. -The next meeting for practice will be held at Barrow Gurney on Saturday, November 20th, where the peal of eight bells will be available from 5 o'clock. AH ringers welcome.-Percy G. Yeo, Long Ashton.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Wye on Saturday, Noventber 20th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Tea 5 p.m.-P. Page, Hon. Sec.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Elloe Deaneries Branch. - The quarterly meeting will be held at Surfeet on Saturday, November 20th. Bells available from 2 p.r. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.15 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. Will those intending to be present kindly let me know by November 16th? - Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

CHEADIE, CHESHIRE.-Near Stockport.-The bells will be rededicated by the Archdeacon of MacclesField on Sunday, November 21st, at $10.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{n}$. A ring of eight tuned and relung in new framework by Gillett and Jolinston, Croydon.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estallished 1637). -Mectings for practiçe will be held at St. Magnus' on the 25 th ; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 23 rd ; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 30 th , at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division.-. The anmual meeting will be held at Writtle on Saturday, November 27 th . Bells available 3 p.to. Service
4.30. Tea and business meeting after. Will all those intending to be present and requiring tea please advise me by Wednesday, November 24thr-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Lpper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chemsford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Ramisbottom, on Saturday, November 27 th. Bells available from $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A meeting to be held in the tower during the evening. All welcome.-J. Porter, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A by-meeting will be held at Wickhambreaux on Saturday, November 27th. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea by kind invitation of the Rector. Please send your names for tea to reach me not later than Wednesday, November 24th. Plenty of ringing.B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec., 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-A by-meeting will be held at Ightham, on Saturday, November 27 th . Peal of six bells available from 2.30. Service at 5. Tea is by kind invitation. Please send a postcard if you are coming.-A. Waddingtun Hon. Dis. Sec., Egerton.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - North-Western Dis-trict.-Meeting, Mitcham Parish Church, Saturday November 27th. Bells available 3 o'ciock. Service o'clock. Tea, in Parish Room, by kind invitation of the Mitcham band, 5.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Memorial to the late Master of the Association, Jane Douglas Drewett, Esq., J.P., will be unveiled at 4.30 p.m. Please send numbers for tea to Mr. C. Pothecary 73, Fernlea Road, Mitcham, not later than Thursdai November 25th. Al! ringers welcome.-F. G. Woodiz Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The la meeting for 1937 of the North Norfolk Branch will held at Hethersett on November 27tis. Bells (8) fro 2.30. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m., at 1 s . 3d. cach. us have a good attendance, and please don't forget tl postcard by Thursday, November 25th.-H. Took Branch Sec., The Lizard, Wymondham, Norfolk.

GLOLCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSi CIATION.-The annual meeting of the Cheltenlit Branch will be held at Leckhampton on Saturday, cember 4th. Bells (8) open at 3 o'clock. Service 4 Tea by kind invitation of the Rector, Archdeacon R. TV Sears, at 5.30. Business meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present please notify me by the 1st? Walter Yeend. Branch Hon. Sec., Milliteld Tewhesbury Road, Chcltenham.

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## STUMBLING BLOCKS TO EFFICIENCY

The secretarial reports presented to two district meetings in Kent contain some outspoken remarks which, while written with local application, represent conditions which exist in not a few places outside that county. The secretary of the Tonbridge District not only regrets a falling membership but a lack of progress in method ringing, and a tendency to allow practices to drop, with a result that Sunday service ringing is suffering., All these things point to a falling-off in interest, which seems to occur in most areas from time to time. It is a phase which is difficult to guard against, and one which only collective effort can overcome. The dropping of practices is often the outcome of loss of membership, for where a band loses strength it frequently loses interest, and, in the end, practices are abandoncd.

Nothing, we think, leads quicker to decay in the quality of ringing than absence of regular practice. Efficiency in all things can only be obtained by practice, and ringing is no exception to the rule. If a band is so depleted that practice offers no prospect of progress, surely it is time that efforts were made to strengthen the company by bringing in and instructing new members. But often this lapse of practice is due first to the apathy of two or three members of a tower, and the rest, who may be moderately keen, have their interest blunted through the indifference and irregularity of the others. Too often, we are afraid, there are ringers who study their own conwenience first at the sacrifice of the convenience of others. The sutccess of any band can only be assured when everyone 'pulls his weight ' and realises that he owes a duty to the rest.
The Rochester District secretary, who has found, to his regret, indifferent striking in service ringing, puts some of it down to poor leadership. This is another cause that is almost bound to lead to a deterioration in a company. The leader of a band, unless he is the right man, can be a bugbear, not only to his own company, but to an association, and a formidable stumbling block to any advancement. He can stultify ringing in his own tower, and, by his influence, deffect the activities of other members of his band into ambitionless channels. The unfortunate part about most men of this type is that they generally dig themselves into their office, and win their way into the confidence of their incumbents, so that they are almost immovable and a constant drag on the wheels of progress for years. The Rochester secretary tells his members that in the cases of which he complains the state of things is likely to continue until there is suffcient general interest in the welfare of the local bands (Continued oll pago 766.)

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Farker＇s Twelve－part．
Tenor 36 cwt
Fred Blood ．．．．．．．．．．．．．Treble｜Frank Bradley ．．．．．．．．． 5 J．Frederick Milaner ．．． 2 J．Alfred Barfati ．．．．．． Ralpa Narborodga ．．．．．．． 3 Fredrrick A．Salter ．．． 7 Fred Pickard ．．．．．．．．． 4 Waliter Njceols ．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by J．A．Barratt．

GALNSBOROUGH, LINCS
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, Nowember 6. 1937, in Thre Houtsand ne Minute,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BAMBRIDEE SURPRIEE MAUOR 5068 OHANGES

## Middleton's.

George E. Feirn
Mrs. J. Bray ...
Mrs E Gray Jack Bray ... ...

Tenor ig cwt. I qr. zo lb.
"G. Leslie A, Lonn ... ... 5
Ernest Britiain ... ... 6
Grorgr Dobbs ... ... ... $\eta$
Whlirr Ayrg ... ... ...Tenos

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal in the metinod. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung in the octave of All Saints, and in honour of the jubilee of the Jaidies* Guild.

LEYTONSTONE, TESEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
O. Mondy, Noventer 8, 1937, in Three Hours and Thyee Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6068 CHANOESI
Robera Molton ... ...Tyebla Ernest W. Pye..
EdWard D. Shite ... ... 2 P.-Sgt. Wimlington.... .... 6 Williar J. Nrvard ... ... 3 Alpred Prioa ... ... ... 7 Grorgs Dawson ... ... 4 Phillip H. Avey ... ... ... Tenor Composed by J. R. Primceard. Conducted by A. Prior.

* Pirst peal in the method. Tisst peal of Bob Major on the bells. ROTHEREAM, FORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesay, November 9, 1537. in Thre Howrs and Twenty-Nine Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MERWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 6008 CHANEES; Tenor $34^{\frac{8}{3}} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Arthor Eirth .... ... ...Troble John H. Brothwell ... ... 5
- Jobn W. J. Cottam ... ... 2 Alebrt Nash ... .... ... 6

Tok Brotawell ... ... 3 Reginald Payne... ... ... 7
Leslir Heywood .... ... 4 T. Colin Rydrr ... ... ...Tenoy
Composed by Joen Carter. Conducted by A. Nase.

* Fhrst peal in the method. Rang for the ons thousandth anniversary of the foundation of this church.

ROMFORD, ESSIEX.
THE FSSEX ASSOCLATION
Cr Tuesiay, Novenber 9, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

## At the Ceurce of St. Edward,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thirssans' Fodr-part.
Tenor $I_{5} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Grorgr R. Pyb ... ... ....Tyeble Ernest I. Butlbr ... ... 5
Bernard H. Spinson ... 2 Alfrad Prior ... ... ... 6

| Johy W. Jones | ... | ... | .. | 3 | Ernest W. Fubbank ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fgank B. Lotrin | $\ldots$. | .. | 4 | Harry Perry | ... | .. |
| ...Tenor |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by G. R. Pye.

## CAVERSHAM, OXON.

THE ANOIENT SOCIETY OF COLLDGE FODTHS AND THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, November 10, 1937, in Three Hours and Thittean Mintes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT GOE MAJOR, 5152 CHANRES; Tenor 13 cwt. in $F$.
Percy Drkb... ... ... ...Treble George Essex ... ... ... 5
Cyrie J. Hibbert ... ... 2 Richabd T. Hibeert... .... 6
Cbarles H, Pollew ... ... 3 Harry W. Smite ... ... 7
Albert D. Culldm ... ... 4 William Hibbert ... ...Tenor
Composed by Jorn Carier. Conducted by R, T. Hibbert.
Rung to conmemorate the tercentenary of the Ancient Society of College Youths and as a compliment to Canon G. F. Coleridse, Master of the Oxford Dionesan Guild, on his 80th birthday.

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PUTFORD, OHESHIRE.
THE CEIESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Thuysday, Movember 11, 1937, ar Three Hours and Sowen Minetes.
At the Cedrce of St. Mary-tef-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLE8, 8040 CHANGES; Morris' Transposition of Parker's Twreve-part.

Tenor 9 cwt 3 gr .10 lb.
Ex-Corporal Frane Fox, Tank Corps
Ex-Private Harry Lewis, i/5 (E of C) Bn, Cheshire Regt. ... 2
Ex-Sapper Martin Harris, R.E.
Ex-Private Prrcy Swinde. ${ }^{2} y$, M.G.C.
... 4
Ex-Private William Griffitas, i/5 (E of C) Bn. Cheshire Regt. 5 Ex-P.O. Sam Joars, R.N.D. Hood
Ex-Q.M.S. Wilciam Fletcher, R.W.F. ... ... ... ... ${ }^{7}$
Ex-Gunner Edward Paice, R.F.A.
$\qquad$ Conducted by $Q . M . S$. William Fletcerr, R. W.E.
Rung as a Fomembrance peal with the belis half-muffled, all the ringers having served overseas. ERTTH, KIENT'
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 17, 1937, it Tito Hows and Fifty-Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. JonN-THE-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 8TEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Variation of Tgorstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 15 cwt .
Joun W. Jonas
Jonn H. Ceresmas
Harry Hoskins ...
Treble $\mid$ Herbert E. Audsley
Harry Hoskins
Jorn Wheadon
Conducted 4 Teomas Mortimer
Rung with the belle half-miftled to the memory of those who grve their lives in the Great War.

NOTIINGEAM
THE MTDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
(Society of Serrwood Youres.)
On Thursday, November 11, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Cgorgh of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, B040 CHANGE8;
Dexier's Variailion of Thorstans' Four-Part. Tenor 36 cwt .
George E. Foster .... ...Trejle Tom Clarke ... .... ... ... 5
Frederict A. Salter ... 2 J. Frederick Milner .... 6
Frant Bradley ... $\cdot \ldots$.... 3 | 3 Alfred Barratt...
Ralph Narborodgl ... ... 4 Walter Nicgols ... ...Tompy Conducted by J. E. Milngr.
Rung to celebrate Armistice Day.
STOURBRIDGE, WORCISTEESEIRE,
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCLATION.
(Northrrn Brance.)
On Thursday, Novembsr 17, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifly-Two Minktes,

## Ax tar Cuurca of St. Tbomas,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLEB, SO4B DHANEES;
Therstang' Four-part.
Walter Farcey ... ... ...Trehle
Clefford Smidmorr ... ... 2
Danirl Thtin
Cbarles H. Wooderery ... $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 4\end{aligned}$ Algred Reynolds.... Conducted by William B. Cartyuright.
First peal of Stedman Triples and rung at first attempt. Rung on the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice.

STANMORE, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Novembey 11, 1937, in T two Hours and Fifly-One Minutes, At the Churcif of St. John-ther-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 GHANGES;

Parrer's Twelve-part.

- Dennis E. Cattall.... ...Treble
†Frederick W. Hazeli .... 2
George R, Pyr ... 3

Cearles Dyke ... ... ... 4 Grorge A. Hugers ... ...Teror
Conducted by George R. Pye.
*First peal. + Pirst peal on a bob bell. Ruag half-muffled on Armistice Day.

Tenor 12 cwt , c lb.
 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Cearles T. Coles } & \text {... } & \text {... } \\ \text { George A. Hugers } \\ \text { Ge. }\end{array}$

OXFORD.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
[Oxford Society.)
On Thuyday, November II, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minntes, At tar Cedrcu of St. Erbr,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 GHANGES;

Taylor's Six-part.
George Horwood
.. ...Trable
Wurnares ... ....... 2
William H. B. Wilikins... 3

- Brrnard S. Nicbols

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. Ig lb
Vigtor J. F. Benneit ... 5
Francis E. Taylor ... ... 6
†Cearles Eqstace ... ... 7

- Kennete E. Waite... ...Temoy Conducted by E. E. Taylor.
Fhat peal. + First peal with a bob bell. Rung with the bells halfmumfed as a tribute of respeet to the late Bishop Shaw, a former Archdeacon of Oxford, who died on November 7 th.

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Un Friday, Notrabey 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Forly-Fiva Minwtes, At tee Cedrca or St. Padlinds,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 BHANGES; Wasubrook's Variation of Teursians' Four-fart.

Tenor $12 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.

Conducted by Herbert E. Adoslry.
BITTON, GLOS.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE FODTHS.
On Saturday, Novembey 13, 1937, in Throo Hours and Thvee Minutes, At the Chuqce of St. Mart,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt .



SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Nou:mber 13. 1937, in Thre Howys and Seven Minute, At the Churce of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANRES Tenor 15 cwt.
Joserf Broadezy ... ...Tteble Miss Mary Wbits ... ... 5
Thomas B. Kendall ... ... 2 Kehneth Simpson ... ... 6
Sam Longbottom $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ William Ambler $\quad . .$.
Fredrrice Srager ... ... 4 Ernest H. Simpson ... ...Tenoy
Composed by Grorge Lewis. Conducted by Wileiam Amberr
Mr. J. Broadley's 400th peal for the Yorleshine Association. Rung to celebrate the 113 th anniversary of the derication of the church. ADDEREURY, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Novenber 13, 1937, in 1 hree Hours and Six Minutes,
At tar Churce of St. Mary-tee-Virgin.
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE9: Carter's Transposition oy Parker's Twelvg-part. Tenor $2_{4}$ cwt. $I_{4}$ lb.
William Watson ... ...Tyeble Francis E. Taylor
Hgrbert H. Alexander... 2 Herbert Impry ...
... 5
Ghorge T. Rogers ... ... 3 Walter F. Jodge $\quad$...

- Wilelam C. Portrr... ... 4 Riceard A. Post ... ... ....Tenos Conducted by Walier F. Jongr.
* First peal of Triples.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. (Tatnton Deanery Lrange.)
On Satuday, Novewber 13, 1937, in Three Hours and Saven Minutes, At tee Churce of ar. James,
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, G024 CHANGE8; Tenar 20 cwt.

- Tecmas W. Jeanes ... ...Tichi Ronald W. Haywabd ... 5

Alfred j. Wyatt ... ... 2 Hznry Bungay ... ... ... 6
-H. Herbert Walker ... 3 Jack Roy $\quad . .$.
James Hent ... ... .... 4 Wileiam G. Gigg ... ...Teror
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywcod. Conducted by W. G. Gigg.

* First peal of Major. Rung to commemorate Remembrance Day. WELFORD, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, November 13, 1937, in Three Hows and Nineteen Minutes,
At tee Cuprce of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEE8; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwi.
- Dennis Allsopp ... ...Trable Rev. Everard S. Fowell "George H. Hancoce
... 2 Fraderick W. Hancock... Mhs. Powble ... ... ... 3 tLawrenge Greenhow ... 7 - Artgor Millward ... ... 4 fGrorge A. Hollick ... .... ... 4 enor Composed by G. Lindory. Conducted by Rev E. S Powell.
Wirst peal on eight bells. t Pirst peal of Boh Major. \& Fingt peal in the metlod. Rung with the bells half-muffled for the Armistice.


## TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Nove nber 13, 1937, in Three Hours and Six Minutis, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, 5008 CHANGE8; Tenor 14 cwt .
Alfrgd J. Battin ... ...Tyeble William Kitceenside ... 5
*Albert Worsfold ... ... 2 Bernard V. Collison ... 6
Ernest J. Ladd... ... ... 3 †Erederick W. Housden ... 7
Mrs. F. W. Moosden ... 4 Alec E. Ricgardson... ...Thay
Composed and Conducted by Alec E. Ricearoson.

* First peal in the method, t 50th peal. This peal contains all combinations of 4-5-6 in 5-6 at course ends with only two singles. Rumg with half-muffled clappers in memery of those who gave their lives in the Great Wra


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

BRAMFORD, IPSWICF.
TRE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Monday, Nowember 7, 7937, in I wo Howrs and Thirty-Eight Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINDR, 5040 CHANGE8;
Beng 720 of Cambridge Surprise, two 720's each of Plain Boh, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, called differently.

Tenor 11 ewt.
Ronalu W. Steward... ...Tyele Acan R. Andrrws
Jamas W. Jannings ... ... 2 Kgiya W. Weittele ... ... 5 Miss Sylvia R. E. Bowyer 3 Urban W. Wildney ... ....Tenor Conducted by Urban W. Wildney.
Finst peal in four methods as conductor.
HALSALL, JANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION
On Friday, Novenbor 5, 1937, it Two Hours and Thirly Minutes,
At the Cedrce of St. Cotebbrt,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Ono extent each of Cambridge, Wootline, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Boh. Tenor 12 cwt . Sydney Fliny ... ... ...Treble Wilprbd Core ... ... ... 4 Thomas Prescoty .... ... 2 Arthdr Mawdsley James Longton ... ... ... 3 Henry Serjent ... ... ... Jehoy Conđucted by A Mawdsczy.

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HUTTON, E\&SDX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 6, 1937. is Two Hours and Thiviy-Eight Minutcs, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Cotnsisting of 840 each of New Bab, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Simon's, Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob.
Charlas E JIll
Harry Turner.

> Erinest W. Furbani .... .. Jenay
> Conducted by H Iurnzr.
$\div$ First peal. Thug as ac compliment to Mr. Walliam Hill, grandfation of the treble ringer, on the completion of 60 years' service as a ringer at this church.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { KIRKTHORPE, NEAR WAKEFIELD. } \\
& \text { THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. }
\end{aligned}
$$

On Saturday, Noventer 6. 1937, in Two Hours and Fijfy-Throe Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, GO4O CHANQES;

Being 720 each of Sandal, Cambridge Shrprise, London Scholars' Ploasure, College Exercise, Norbury, Killamargh and Kingston.

$$
\text { Tenor } 10 \text { cwt. }
$$

Josbpa Tbackray ... ...Toche Thomas W. Strangeways .. 4

... Conducted by D. Smith.
First peal on the bells for the associntion. Rung as a compliment to the treble ringer and the conductor, whose birthdays are on November 8Lh.

BURTON-ON STATHER, LINCS.
TEE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Novamber 8, 1937. in Two Hours and Thiry-Nime Minules,
AI the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF WINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven 720\%s: (2) Double Couts; (2) Cambridge Surprise; (3) Double Oxford; (4) St. Clement's; (5) Oxford Tuelle Bob; (6) Kent Treble Bob: (7) Plain Bobs.
Ernest B ittain
Harold jodo

- Philip Barnes ....

Conducted by Jack Bray.

* First peal in seven methods.

OMRERSLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCLATION. (Western Branch.)
On Thuysday, November 17, 1937, in Thyee Howrs and Sinteas, Winutes, At the Churgh of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two extents, ten calliags.
"John A. Mole ... ... ... Ireble Albert H. Cheseire ... 4
Artejr J. Wheatley ... 2 George E. Large ... ... 5 $\dagger$ Frederick Fleck .... .... 3 -Georgr R. Brigaton ...T Thoy Conducted by Gegrgre Large.

* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' All are members of the local hand excepting tive conductor. Tung half-muffled on the 19th annivereary ol Armistice Day.

NEWFON-NOTTAGE, GLAMORGANSHIRE,
TEE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Jn Thuystuy, Novem'er 17. 1 137, in f wo Howrs and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Boing 30 extents and four 24D's by Pitman and two by Morris (16 callings).

Trenor 88 cwt.
Edward Carpenter .. $\qquad$ Trevor M. Roderick.
David Thomas
... 2
Conducted by
Albrrt Bacon
... ... Tenor
Thng with half-muffled clappors in memory of those who fell in the Gramt War', First peal as conductor, and first by a local service band sines 1910.
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(Sodineme Disthict.)
On Thuraday, November 11, 1937, in Iwo Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At teee Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being two 720 's of Cambridge Surprise, one of Woodbine, two of Oxford and twa of Kent Treble Bob.


Condacted by Leonard A. Tidy.

* First peal away from tenor belind. Rung with the bells halfunffied in memory of those who fell in the Great War.

ELSTOW, BEDS.
THE: BEDFORDSEIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Friday, Nowender 12, 1937. in Swo Hous ard F fiy-Four Minutes, At tar Church of SS Mary and Heifna,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being 720 ench of London and Cambridse Surprise, College Exereige,
Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Boby. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwb.
Tbomas Harpin ... ... ... Troble Reginald). Hodguton
C. Henry Harding ... .... 2 William Siapleton
C. Edward Jeerries .... ... 3 Sydney Foskrit...
Conducted by William Starleion.

Conducted by William Stagleion.
C. H. Harding's $25 \mathrm{t}^{2}$ peal.

SEEND, W1LTS.
FHE SALISBURY DIOCFSAN GUILD.
Un Sathrday, November 13, 1437, in Two Hows and a'tiy-Nine Minurer,
At the Church of ife Holy Choss,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being seven different extents. Teaor 14/2 ewt.
Mrs. W. C. West
"Harold Smita ...
... .. Ty .. Tyeffe Percy Harding .
Sidney Hillibi......
Conducted by Wm C. What.

* First peal "inside.' Arranged ond rung as a welcome to the Rev. J. E. T. Phillips, who was inducted Vicar of Eeend on November' Gil.


## WILLESBOROUGH KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Surfday, Noventber 13, 1937, s Three Hours and Tuo wituifs,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHAHEES;
Boing four extents of St. Glement's and three of Plain Bobs. Tenor 12 cwt.
-Mark Lancefield ... ...Trebie Azbest]. Lancepirid
Raymond G. Carlyon ... 2 William j. Langefiel.d ... 5
Pricy Page .. ....... 3 Edward S. Rock... ........ Temar Conducted by Enward S. Rock

* First peat. Ring with the bells halp-nuffled in memory of tha 84 men of the parish who gave their lives in the Great War.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

BURTON-ONSTATHER, LINCS.
THE LINGOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, November 7, 1937, in Two Hours and I'wenty Minutos,
At TaEntwond,
A PEAL OF GAINSBORDUCH LITTLE BOE MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES ;
Mrs. J. Bray .... ... ...

- Grorge E. Feiry $\ldots . . . . . \quad 3-4 \mid$ Waltar Avre

Composed by J. E. Cawsrr. Conducted by Grorge E. Feirn,

* First peal in the mathod.

> OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Satrriay, November 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Fourteen Mitutes, At 28 Field Rifad,

## A PEAL OF SPLIGED LONDON, BRISTBL, GAMBRIDGE, SUPERLATIVE

 EALINC AND RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR, SO88 CHAMCES;Henry Hodgetis $. . . \quad . . . \quad$ i-2 $\quad$ Haroed $G$. Cathmore $\quad . .5$ 5-6
Caristoperr W. Wooley $3-4$ Frhderica W Brinklow ... 7.8 Composed and Conducted by H. G. Cashmofe. Umpire-Edwin Jennings
The peal consisted of 1,440 London, 672 each of Cambridge and Ruthand, 768 eacin of Ealing, Superlative and Bristol, with 135 changes of method. Ithe mapire checked every lead-end thronghout the peit. (Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.)

## PEAL NOTES.

## CANON COLERIDGE'S \& OH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

Canou G. F. Coleringe's 80 in bithday was fittingly celebrated on November IOti by a peal of Double Norwich Major at Caversham. This tower was selected because Canou Coleridge was instrumental in adding two trebles to the former ring of six in 1890, during lis curacy there. Mr. George Lessex and Mr. Harry Smith. who trok part in the peal, were members of the Caversham band at that time.
The peal was also in celebration of the tercentenary of the College Youths. It was crant under the auspices of hoth the Ancient Soctety, of which Canon Colcridge is one of the oldest merabers, and the Oxford Diocesan Guild, of which the Canou is Master.
Mr. TTon Rthbert called the peal and, interestingly, it coincided with the $76 t \mathrm{l}$ burthday of Mrs. Hibbert. Needless to say, the band drank with good wishes to the health of both celebrauts after the peal.
Ceuncillor Dr. Drabble, churchwarden at Bloxwich Parish Ohurch, was elected Mayor of Walsall ou November 9th, and in Lonour of the avent a peal of Stedman Ciuques was rung at Walsall Parish Church on the same day.
Many nccomplished ringers wait a long time for a peal in one of the simplo methods. Mr. Edward D. Snill, Master of the St. Jolm's, Ley lonstone, bend, has beeu peal ringing for more years than, jerhaps, ho cnres to remember, but it twas not until last week that he rang his first peal of Bob Major, the first in the method on the bells, nuade eight last year as a memorial to William Pye, who in all his great career uever, curionsly enougll, called a peal of Bob Major.
Mr. Walter Ayre must have been very satisfied with his receat week-end in Lincolnshire. A peal of Cambridge Surprise Major on Saturday, a handhell peal of Gainsborongh Lithe Bob on Sumday, and a peal in seven Minor methods on Monday. Not bad work for the hatf-terme holiday.
The Cambridge was rung in henour of the silver jubilee of the Jadies' Guild ard was M1. Jack Bray's 250th peal. Mr. George Dobbs, who rang his first peel in the method, had never previonsly struck a blow in it
Two youths, Philip Barnes, aged 14, and Fred Jeffery, 16, rang their first peal in seven methods at Burtou-on-\$tather and both are to be heartily concratulated upon their performance
In the peal of Grandsire Doubles rung half-mufted at Ombersley on Armishice Day, five of the local band took part, two ringing their first paal and one his first 'inside.' In a similar peal tiang in September three rang their first pral and one his first "jnside." The Ombersley, band comptises nime activo members and were sow remain only two who haye yet to score their first peal.
Tlie Armistice Day peal at Erith was Mr. F. J. Cuilum's 125th peal on the bells.

An interesting imstance of ringers again taking part in a peal after a long lapse of years comes from Newton Nottage, Glamorganshire, A penl was ruug haff-muffled on Avmistice Day, the first peal at this church by a local service band since 1910. One of the ringers, Alfred E. Willinns, had not taken part in an attempt since he rang the same bell in the last " lacal " paal 27 yenrs ago, aud David Thomas rang his first peat for 25 years.
With reference to the question raised in our last issue as to whether the peal at Prestbury was the first 'local' peal rung as a CaHege Youths peal, Mr. R.T. Hiblert paints out that if this means a Sunday service lonnd, the Cavershana baud in 1900-1905 vang about 35 peals under the auspices of the College Youtils. If it means just a College Youths' hand in the neighliourhood, it has been done, he snys, many times. One was inng by keading members a few months ago.
Mr. Hibbept does not make it clear whether any of these peals were Stedman Triples, which is the point at issue.
Mr. Joseph Braitley, the Bratlford veteran, raug his 400th peal for the Yorkslire Association ou November 13til at Shipley. But Mr. Brondley's services to the nssociation cmnot be measured by the number of peals (great as it is) that ho lias rung. He joined the association in 1879, has held various offices, and has been one of the association's 'stalwarts.
The ringer of the 2nd in the peal of Treble Bob Minor nt Butter wick on October 23rd was Henry Tolnson, not Henry Jaha, as priated. Hemry Johnson is a great name to possess in ringug
Mr. Arthur Knightss peal of Grandsire Caters, No. 155, with the 5th and 6 th the full extent belind the $9 t h$, in 5,309 changes, was rung for the first time on November 13lh at Worsleg, Lancs. It was an Armistice peal with the bells half-mufled.
Mr. William Gill has completed 60 years' service as a riuger at All Scints' Church, Hutton, Essex. $\Delta \mathrm{s}$ a compliment to him a peal of Doubles wrs rimg on $\mathbb{N}$ ovember 6th, and his grandson, Charles E. Hill, rang the treble to his first peal. Afterwards Mr. and Mrs. W Hill extended their lospitality to the ringers.
A penl of Minor in four methods was rung at Enstwood, Rotherliam. on October 30th, after the band had met short for Major.

## FTRST QUARTFR-PEAL

MDJON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KFNT--On Sunday morning, Oct. 31st, \& quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: C. M. Mitchell (first guarter peal in the method) 1, G. R. Ambrose 2, H. Argent 3, Tr. A. Mitchell 4. IT. Burles 5. R. A. Mrun B. F. M. Mitclell (condnctor) 7, G. Morrad 8. Rung on the 17 th anniversary of the wedding of the ringer of the 3 rd All are local Sunday service ringers.

## FOR BEGINNERS.

## EXTENDING CHANGES FROM FOUR TO FIVE BRLLN'.

A good deal has been written vecently in the columng of "The Ringing World" as to the relative advantages of teaching beginuers on ath odd and an even number of bells. In the last article of this serjes we showed how changes were producod on an even number oil bells, namely, four.
Let us now see how this four-bell ringing ean be simply applied fo five bells. There are two ways in which the method shown for the four bells can be adapted to five. Both have the same prinaiple of plain hunting for all the bells between the leads of treble. But while in one case, when the treble leads, 2nd's place is retainel, which causes one of the bells to lio four blows (two whole pulls) behind aver the dodging bells, in the otller the ' place' is pushed out to 3rd's and comes a hall-pull later. rhis, in turn, pushes the dodging from 34 to 4-5, and the extra bell is absorbed, if we can use the term, by continuous plain hunting, like the treble.
The following figures show the difference in the methods which occurs when the treble leads:-

| A | 13 | C |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 53412 | 53412 |
| 3412 | 35142 | 35142 |
| 3142 | 31524 | 31524 |
| 1324 | 13254 | 13254 |
| 1342 | 13524 | 12345 |
| 3124 | 31254 | 21354 |
| 3214 | 32145 | 23145 |
|  | 23415 | 32415 |

A is the method we gave in the last article, which produces the extent of changes on four wells.
B is the same method applied to fiva bells, with its 2ud'e place, the dodging in 34 and the extra bell lying four blows behind. The three bell cycle of work in A becomes a four-bell cyele in $\mathbf{B}$, the four hlows behind occurring between the dodge in $4-3$ and the dodge in $3-4$
C is the method witio 3rd's instead of 2nd's. There are two hime ing bells fnstead of one, and, in practical ringing, when the treble is met, the other ' limnt bell is always the next to be looked for. There are only three bells in the working cycle, which can be compared wifh the changes on form bells thus:-

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
\text { First lead } & \text { On } 4 \text { bells } & \text { On } 5 \text { bells } \\
\text { Second lead } & \text { 2nd's place } & \text { 3rd's place } \\
\text { Third lead } & \text { dodge } 4-3 & \text { dodge } 5-4 \\
& \text { dodire } 3-4 & \text { dodge } 4-5
\end{array}
$$

We would like beginners to try constructing plain courses of these metheds on paper. Both ou four and live bells the method with gnt's place begins 2143 . In the method with 3 rd's, however, the placo falls not exactly at the wreble lead, but between the two hunts, that is to atay, with one blow when the treble leads and the other when the hant bell leads. This, therefore, requires 3rd's place to be made immediately upon starting, and the bells go off, not 21435. hut 21354.

## Here are the first two or three rews of the methods <br> 

Now write out the plain courses, following the rules of constrmetion which require plain hunting except when the treble leads is $A$ and $B$, and immediately after the trebless lead in C.

## SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. THOMAS WISE.

A VALUED MEMBER OF PETERBOROUGZ DIOCFSAN GUT1].
With much regret we recura the passing of Mr. Phomas Wise, of Collingtree, Northants, which took place in the early hon's of wicdiesday, October 27 th , at the age of 41 years.
A native of the nearby village of Woothon, deceased was instrumental in cloing much good work in that parish several years ago aud assisting at tho practices in other parishes in the vicimity on evory possible occasion. His enthusiosm was an inspiration to all.

Deceased had rung a number of peals, and, at the peak ol his activities, was a most valued member of the Peterborough Dionesan Guild. Many were the joung liands ho shepherded through their fisst peals, in methods of Doubles, Minor and Triples. He was a sale conductor.
An engineer by trade, Mr. Wise was able to turn his hand to alnost anything. He was keen on horticulture, und was exceptionally goud at both making and writing pral boards. Three of his works of art can be seeu jn the belfries of Wootton, the Charch of the Holy Sepulchre, Northampton, and the Parisli Church, Hanslope, Fincks, upor which his name whil ever recall his memory
It was oll July 14th, 1928, what he turned in the 22 cwt. tenm at Hanslope to a peal of Minor-one of his hardest earned yeals, and only on that occasion did he show any real sigu of the tronhle from which be died
Decensed was at work up to the day before his death, nud the minomencment of his passing in the local papers came as a shock to all his ofd comiades with whom he was extremely popular
He was iuterred on Triday, October $29 t$ l, when the bells al Collingtree and of his mative Wootton were rung to mufled tonches.

## REMEMBRANCE.

COMMEMORATION OF ARMISTICE.
Much ringing was done wich halif-mufled belle to commemorate the fallen in the Great War, on the anuiversary of the Armistice. Our peal columins record a number of peals.

At Ibstock, Leicestershire, a half-peal of Bob Minor ( 2,520 changes) was rung, with 83 calls-this being the number of men from the village who laid down their lives in the Great War. The ringers were A. R. Tonks 1,0 . Varey 2, W. Goadby 3, J. W. Atkins (longest leugth of Mimor 'inside') 4, E. J. Tovell 5, A. E. RowIey (conductor) 6. It was the longest lengtl of Minor by ringers of $1,2,3$ and 5 .

At King's Norton, Birmingham, on Temembrance Day, November Ilth, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caterg was Fung with the bells half muffled : G. E. Fearn (conductar) $\boldsymbol{1}_{3} \mathrm{C}$. Wehb 2, C, H. Stanley $\overline{3}, \mathrm{~N}$. Goodman 4, H. Williams 5, E. F. Poppy 6, W. C. Dow wing 7, H. J. Turnar 8, H. H. Fearn 9, J. Georgo 10.

On Thursazy eveuing, November llth, with bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples was rung at Northiteet, Kent: V. Lament (first quarter-peal) $1, R$. Smith $2, G$. Butcher (conductor) $3^{\text {, }}$ E. Peartree 4, T. Taylor 5, R. Constant 6, G. Morrad 7, C. Hammond 8.

At Nowport Pagnell on Thursday evening, November 1Ith, for Armistice Day, also in token of respect to the lase Bishop of Buckinginm, A quatter-peal of Grandsire Triples: S. Millg 1, J. Mapley 2, R. G. Abrahams 3, H. B. Beard 4, E. G. Latiall (conductor) 5, R. Howson 6, R. A. Hall 7, D. J. Clare 8.
At Bootle, Lanes, fox a special service at Clirist Church, a quarterpeal of Minot was rung ( 240 each of Beverley and Cambriage Sunprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, 180 Oxford Bob and 120 Plajn Bob): Tames Mokee 1, T. Horridge (first quarter-peal of Minor "joside') 2 , J. Martin (conductor') 3, G. Lunt 4, John MeKee 5, E. T. Bennett 6.

A quarter-peal of Bob Minor was rung at Maidsmorton on ATmistice Day, November $\frac{1}{3}$ Lh: G. Holland (first quarter-peal) $1, E$. Nichols 2 , H. Jones, iun. 3, H. Stopps 4, H. Jones, sen. 5, F. C. Case (first quarter-peal as conductor') 6.

On Aumistice Eve at St. John's Church, Longton, Staffs, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to fallen ringers of the association and relatives of the baud: W. Carter 1, W. Pertins (first quarter-peal) 2, A. D. Steel (conductor) 3, H. Carter 4, W. H. Bloor 5, N. R. Holland 6, E. Steele 7, H. Bloor 8.

At St. George's, Beckenlim, Kent, for evening service on Armistice Suaday a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss M. I. Rawlings 1, W. T. Rawlings 2, G. E. Rawlings 3, R. W. Rawlings 4, G. W. Fogden 5, C. T. Onlew 6, P. A. Corby (conductor) 7, C. Austin 8.
(Continued in next colimn.)

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUIED

SUCGESSFUL GATEGRING AT RIPPINGALE.
On Saturday, October 30th, a quarterly meeting of the Southerm Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild was held at Rippingale, and about 40 ringers attended, the following towers being represcuted: Peterborough, Bourne, Market Deeping, Morton, Wdenham, Withani-oll-ile-Hill, Surfeet, Billingborongh, Hough-on-the-Hill, Caythorpe, Sleaford, Dylie, Folkingham and Rjppingale. The Rector (the Rov. Williems) kindly allowed the use of tho bells during the afternoon and evenits, and the visitors made good use of the opportunity of trying this splendid peal of six, lately restored by Messis. Taylor aud Co. A large variety of Minor methods was the order of the day, and was much enjoyed by those taking parti. Choral service was conducted by the Rector, the lesson being rend by Hr . S. Laxton, onptain of the local band.
In the course of his address the Rector extended a very hearly welcome to the visitors, and said ho was glad to gee so many towerr represented. The numerous ringing associations did excellent work for the clurch, and le faid particular tribute to his own ringers for tho splendid work they did beth in the belfry and the choir.

Teu, which was kindly provided by the Rippingale ringers, wns served in the Parish Hall, 36 siting down. Among those present were the Rector and Mrs. Williams, Mr. R. Richardson (Master of the Guild) and Mrs. Richarison.
At the business meeting which followed the Rector presided. It wes proposed that the annual meeting be held at Grantlinm, an amendmont was made in favour of Edenhmm, and, on being put to tha vote, Edenham secured the majority.

An appeal was made for two rastoration schemes, Hourlyam nna Sempringhan Abbey Ghurch, but it was decided that both nppeals be put on the agenda for the annual meeting.
Mr. B. FI. Dalton, of Billingborough, was elected a periorming member of the Southern Branch.

A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector for the use of the bells and the service, and also to all who had taken part in the arrangemonte, and for the hospitality shown to the visitores.

Some afterwards took part in handbell ringing, others returned to the tower.
(Gontinued from previons columan.)
At Beaconsfield, Bucks, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 (hanges) with the bells half-muffled, for the Remembrance Dry service at the Parislı Chrreh on November 7th : Miss M. Wingrove 1, Miss K. E. Fletcher 2, Miss D. R. Metcler 3, the Kev. R. F. R. Routh 4, R, Smith 5, W. Fleteher 6, J. Havison 7, H. Wingrove (couductar) 8 .


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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The ringens of Knareshorough, Forkshire, bave resigned on account of a dibagreement with the Church Council regarding new rales.

The stumbling-block is a rule which says, Any misconduct in the belfry shall be reported at ance to the Vicar.' The ringers protest that tha rule is umecessary, as no one in bis senses misconducts himself in tile belfiry.
Geoffrey Harrison, of Loldghbrough, who has just rung two peaia in a day, was stated in our last issue to be 14 years old. Actually he is only 13, which makes his performance even more remarkable.
The Spliced Surprise Major rung at the College Youths' dinner ba November Gth consisted of six methots, Rutland being included in acldition to the five mentioned in onr report. The error was due to diffieulties of learing, for in the large hall the call of Ruthod" sounded like "London."
During the eight days of Itre jubilee celebrations of Truro Cathedral the balls were rung each evening for the special serrice, and for the Choral Eucharist, speciai's men's service and evensoug on the Sunday, the Cathedral company heing assisted by visiting ringers from various parislies in the diacese.
Fis many friends will regret to hear that Mr. I. E. Davis, of 118 , Sarsfeld Road, Baltam, is in hespital with a septic arm. He underwent an oporatiou on Thursday of last week, and, although in considerable pain, is, we learn, fairly comforfable. Mr. Davis is in charge of St. Botolph's, Bishopsrabe, tower, and the Monday evening practiees there are temporarily suspended.

Wibh regard to the non-conducted peal of Gambridge at Brierley Hill, Mr. E. Bannetw whites: 'A mon-conducted (or silent) peal of Cambridge Surprise was rung at Crayford on October 1163, 1929, and, if my memory is correol, Messis. Pye, Bennet出, Wigg and Co. raug one last year on a tour iu the North of England.'

## PEAL ATTEMPT AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL.

DEAN'S MONENTARY FORGFTFULNESS BRLNGS TUNTJMELY END.
The attempt for the first peal on the ten bells at Chester Cathedral, rung by a representative band of the Diocesan Guild, came to en nuntimely end on Sisturday loy the sudflen failure of the electric light. The chamber was oaly in darknoss for a few secands before the light came again, but several of the band had set their helis and the ringing was abandolled. Invastigation brought ing satisfactory explanetion, for the Cathedral was fonnd to bo locked and in clarkness, as it was left belore asceuding the tower. After some consideration it was decided that the lateaces of the hour made a fusther attempt for the peal undesirable. and after ringing at touch of Kent Royal and a course of Cmmbridge Major the lells were lowered.
The 'mystery' was solved on Sinday morning, when the Chester branch secretary received'a telephone message from the Dean, who said that he was very concerned about the occurrence and more concermed to think that lie was the cause of it. He had taken a party into the Cathedral after the normal closing hour, and had urwittingly shat off the belfiy main switch with the others. Quickly realising the consequences lie had switched on again, but it was, of course, too late. He wishes to express to the band lis apologies and profound rearet, and hopes that the next attompt will be marred by no such unfortunate accident.
He las given permission for the peal-Kent Royal, conducted by Mr. R. Sperring-to be made ou Safn'dry, December 11th.

## INVERARAY BELLS

To the Editor.
Sid,-Many who were at the College Xouths' dinner and treard the Duke of Argyll's invitation to ring at Inverariny will be interested to know something of those bells.
In Tume lasi the ringers of St. Mary's Cathedrat, Glasgow, obtained permission to visit there, and tonches of Triples and Caters were rang -it is beliered that they were the first on the bells. The "go ' was excellent. A few weeks ago I was informed loy the towerkeepor that the belis had not been rung up since then.

Although the tenor is about 42 cwt., there are no boxes for the ringers, 8 di the ropes are rotted and guite unreliable. The Glagove ringers, knowing the conditions, brought supplies of both with them. At least one of the stays is damaged. The church is very near to the water's edge and the bells aro not properly protected from tibe wet.

Glasgow.

## AN INCIDENT AT [VER.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-Will you please kindly allow me a little space wherein to warn anyoue who is thimking of trying to get a ring at St. Peter's, Iqer, Bucks, of laving a lost jonrney. On Sunday week, having read the natice in "The Ringing World' of the reopening of the bells, several riagers gathered there, but on entering the belfry (bath before and after the servica) were treatefi as intruders by the local call-change company, and were not asked to fake part in the ringing, or even to try one of the bells.
G. H, GUTJERTDGE.

Fver Heath

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.

## MR. W. T. COCKERILL'S RETIREMENT.

## Election of New Secratary.

Election aight ' drew a large attendance of members of the Ancient Society of College Youths to headquarters on Tucsday of last week. The veason was not far to seek. Mr. W. T. Cockevill was retiring from the offen of hon. secyetary, and members desived to show their appreciation of lis long service to the society and express their good wishes to hims.
NL. Cockerill was vated to the chair while the election of officors took place, and, there being only one nomination for each ofice, the following were declared re-elected: Master, Mr. J. H. Lewis; hon, treastrer, Mr. A. A. Hughes; senior stevard, Mr, L. A. Porter; junior steward, Mr. J. A. Wangli; tristees, Messrs, C. F. Winney and $H$. $R$. Newton.
Mr. A. B. Peck was elected to succeed Mr. Cockerill, to whom many thibutes were paid for his long eat devoted services to the society. The Master proposed that the best thanks of the society be accorded to Mr. Gackerill and tiant the re solution be entered on the minutes. This was seconded by Mr. A. A. Hughes, and amone others whe spoke ware Messrs. J. G. Prioz; H. ware Messis. \%. G. Priol, H. Hoskins, F. R. Newtor, C. Watrelt and Rawlins.
Good wishes were also expressed by Mr. E. T. Duffield and otiters to Mr. Pecle in rudertaking the secretarias dulies.
The eustomary zoutine busimess, including the adoption of the lanlanee sheet for the vear', was disposed of und two mew members weve clected.

Thanks were accarded to the Dinner Gommittee for their gllecessful efforts in connection with the tercentonary celebrations, and a


## MR. A. B. PEGK,

The new Hon. Secretary of the Society. messsge of greeting was Coleridge ou his 80th birthday
Mr. Alfyed B. Peek, who las succeeded Mr. Cockerill in the secretaryslip, las had a long connection with the Ancient Society and baen prominenlly identifed with its netivities. He was elected Master in 1910, after having served four yenrs as steward.
A uative of Bedford, Mr. Peck learned to hande a bell at sb. Mary's Church in that, town, but, coming to London in 1900, he was fortunate to make kis way to St. Stephen's. Westminster, where atb that time there was an accomplished band of Surprise ringers. He has taken narlit in many notable perfarmances, and at St. Pan's Cabledral, where he lias loug heria a member of the band, has turned the tenar in to Gambridgn Maximus. As this performance indicates, Mr. Peck is an accomplishod heavy-bell ringer, and among fins feats was ringing sonthwarls Cathedra? tenor, a bell of over 50 cwt., to the isl-fated record peal of Stadman Cigques, 12,675 changes, in 9 hours 47 minutes, on May 21st. 1923, the composition of which afterwards turned out to be false. M:' Peek was also a member of the company which rang the record lengtl bw one set of men, the 21,363 Stedman Caters at. Appleton on April 22nd, 1922.

## THE LATE MR. A. E. WREAKS. RINGER』' MEMORIAL.

At St. James' Church, Paisley, Scotland, on Sunday, after moming ervice, dedication of a 'riners' memorial library" in memory of the late Mr. Alloert Fdward Wreaks, took place in tho belfry. Air. Wreaks was for many years the esteemed Master of the ringers.
The memoxial takes the form of a bookcase with books concerning bellinging, and should become a valuable acquisition to the ringers.
The Rev. Sydney C. Still, hi.A., who performed the brief ceremouy, said they had assembled to dedjerte the memorial in gratefin rememhrance of Albert Edward Wreaks, for 26 pears the beloved Master of Their association, whose name held an abiding place in their affections. Ha spoke of Mu'. Wrealis' work since comisg to teach the art of ringing at Paidey, and then unveiled the bookease and dediegted it witil suiluble prayers.

## LIVERPOOL CATHEDRAL BELLS. <br> WORK TO BEGIN ON RING OF TWELVE. <br> A Four-ton Tenor.

The first part of the order Cor the lubla of the new Cabluedral at Liverpool has been placed with Messrg, Meave and Stambank, of the Whitechapel Foundry.
It consista of a ring of twelve, with a tonor of 80 cwt., and $a$ slatyp gecond bell to provide a light ootrave.

The Cathedral will thas have the heaviest rimging peal in the worlil.
It is uncertain when the bells will be hump, for the greal central tower is not yef finished, but prosumably ili will be at ne very distant date.

Ringers will anticipate with lively interest hearing a peal of belle of these majestic proportions.

## TEACHING BEGINNERS. A MTSLNDERSTANDNG. <br> To the Ehitor

Dear Sil,-I was astonished beyond measure to note the tone of Mr, Steplen Woorl's letter in Jour issure of Octolser 2Rnd, for in any of your readers will kindly refer to the letter writien by me on the subject of the most suitable method on which to start a hegimer, they will see that I have never alluded to his letter in uny why, munh less mentioned bis name. Some maseen force nast, therefore, hrve altered the points, and put Mr. Woond entirely on the whong pair of rails! I have f far greater respect for his splend ability, but having regard to all the corvespondence on the subject, to shy nolling of the numerous dikeussions and expressions of opinton up and down the country, I veatured to express an opiaion, which I stial strouxly maintain and which was supported by a latre number af good ringers, that the much despised Grandsire method is certainly Lhe liest rar teaching a beghuer fitst, I mote tlent the opinious in favour of other methods mainly emante from inexperience anongst the class known as the 'rising generation'! Iu my long axperiences $I$ only linew of three towers where Bob Donblee and Major lave been emplayed-and each one lias proved a dismal failure!
I am very somy to note that Mr. Wood appeats to epeals slightinghy of old times, as pasf instructors certainly turned oub some goon rimgers, but do let me assure evervona concerned that there were some of the best achicvements by those good old ringerg, and $T$ hnve had the hononr of talfing part in several where the striking was simply perfect. The peal books of tha various societios ean werify this. No donht, Mr. Wood and others have atreceedecl in eclipsing lide ringing of that period, this putting everything alvendy tlone guile in the slande, but I have unfortanately missed the reports of ame in your waluable praper by some strange accident or other
Anyliow, I am perfectly certain that the quality and accuracy of the actinal ringing was better in those days than that which ohlains generally at the present time-I mean before the 'crage' for new methods, more than enough to employ every liame in Brankhast's Guide witlo that ridiculous word "Surpuise" after it. Tho real surprise is how the heavily taxed ratepayers near al hana nut up with the discordant "jangles. Nowadays a rioger's copaliilities appear to bo fudged by amd consist of the mumber of nom methods he rul jamglo through without any consideration as to correct striking ant cnieful ringing. Much has been said about encoufnging young peaple, but, Tenlly it is anite umecessary, as they nppear lo be very well able to take care of and speak for themselves! I have never, fron lirst to last, said $n$ word agailust Mr. Wooders able advice, but linve spoken from a collective standpoint, so as to emborly the opinions of the majority. T really do hope that Mr. Wood will bot misurflerstand me in future. After all, when an apple cart las been upan quite unintentionally, surely it is an easy mattor to seb it up again all right

## A COUNTRYMAN'S VIEW

## To the Editor

Dear Zur- 1 be from the conntry and it weren't so lons since I larnt to ring neither, but I've taught a raod fow bny-chups simee then. I bain't much of a scholard but it do seem to J as snoue of thoy chaps as is writing about laners be geting a bit muggled. T reckon some be talking about how to teach bows to plan hunt, and f'others be on abnut how to Iarn 'em to ring a method.

Once yon've lamt 'em to hunt and to strike good while they be a'doing on it, and to see where they be a-moing on fons bells and thon on five or six, my hops say as it's just as casy to make scoonds as to make thirds, or to Ronge up along in 3-4 as it be in 4-5. It don'1 seem to make no difference to they $\cos$ ther knows where 'em be. If they conldn't find their way about proper int hunting, they'd make If they conldn't find their way hour proper Plain Boh Keep 'am as hig a mess o Grandsire as thay ould of elain how. Keep eurwhether the old tenor's a-dmmming belind or wheller she's coming in along o' the rest. My boys be only 11 or 12 weare old, but, it don'd take 'em lone to pick up hunting on 3 or 4 and then up.
And I'll tell 'ee summat else. They boys don't think much o' the masty letters inst lately. They reckon it's a poor job if people can't see more nor their own point o' view, and zemember as tis all loarms in different way, more like as not.
Oxfordshire

## BAD LEADERSHIP AND BAD RINGING. <br> HETIREVG SECRETARY'S OUTSPOKEN GRITIGESM

Pointed temarks on striking and service ringity in the Rochester District of the Kent Coumly Association were made by blue retiring hon. secretary, Mr. Stanley Shellock, in his annual report presented to the members on October 30th, when the anoual mecting of the district was held at Rochester Cathedral, through the kindness of the Dean. The attendance was quite up to the standard, approximately 80 heing present from the following towers: Gravesend, Northfeet, Milton-uext-Gravesend, Frindsbury, Rochester, Chatham, Gillingham, Raiblam, Sittingbourne, Bohbing, Tonstall, Maidstome, Dartford, Beckenham, Hawkhurst sind Woodford.
Tho bells were available from 3 p.m. until 4 p.m., at whicl time evensong was slang in the Cathedral, whicli the inajority of the ringers took the opporturity to attend.

Ter was provided by the ussaciation at the City Cafe, and Mr. F. M. Mitehelf, general secretary of the association, was voted to the chail at the bnsiness meeting which followed. 'l'he balance sheet was read and edopted, and the secretary's report was also received, sithough, as the chairman remarked, it contnined af few biting references.

## MORE CONPETENT LEADERS NEEDTD

In his report the hou. secretary said: 'I make no excuse for ngain hringing to yonr notice our main duty as churchworkers, which is to 13 our skill for ringing the bells for Sunday services. Nay I reiterate Hhose words "aur shill," because l have listeren and, at times, regret fully I must admit, even been compelled to be one of the company responsible for terrible striking, which is a travesty of change ringing; nuch exposition of ont art is to he regretted. It is mainly due to bad leadership and most certainly is likely to continue until we bnve sufficient general interest in ithe well-being of onr local bands and also Lhe courure to substitute these irresponsible persons by more competent lenders.

To the incumbents, their assigtants and lay officers of our churches I also again appeal to interest themselves in the ringens and ringing and to make up their mind that daring the coming year the actual ringing charabers, whilst the ringers are performing both on Sundays and on practice nights, will mora oiten be wisited. I do not surgest, however, that such visits shaula be made out of idle curiosity, but with a view to improvernent in uhe ringing, and would suggest inguiry betwoen the blows of ench leele is areater than that which is necessary when the rhythm is disjointed. This show of real interest will, I nu certain, be worth mand more than we can imagine, and will, if percertain, we worth mach more than we can imagine, and will, if perdesisably ligher level.'
The roport went on to say that the honorary members of the branch had doclined by me, to 19, and the practising members by 11, to 157. It wat hoped that an effort would be made to melie up the leeway during the succeading twelve montis. The secession of Milton Roory is had reduced the total of towers in mion to 19 . Meetings at Miltor-next-riavesend. Queenborongh nad Tunstall had all been bighly suc cessful and well attended, and thanks were recorded to Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell; the ringers and their iriends at Queenborougli; and the Rector of Tunstall for entertaining the members to ten

## A HJT FELOW THE BELT

The hon, secrefary added that owing to a family bereavement he was debarred from attending the meeting at Milton-next-Gravesend, his only absence during the whole term he had occupied office. He ragretted that his absence should have been chosen suitable for a complaint regarding lack of zeporte in' 'The Ringing World' of their meetings. He resented this "hit below the belt," particularly as lie Ind been most crefof on the special occasions, and lie was sure the Fitor of 'The Ringing World' had given the Rochester District a very square deal in these matters.
The Hon. Seeretary said he liad summarised the attendances at district meetines over the list 20 years. It showed that 3,852 persons had attended 82 rueetings, an average of 47 for each meeting. During the last nine years the averoge attendane had been 54 , so that they had more than maintained thofr interest in a very vital branch of the aesociation's work.

Twenty-two peals laad luear rang in the hast year in soven towers in the district, with six conductors.

The gecretary went on to ask for some organised effort to improve servica ringing, for which, he thought, there was room. Many peals of bells were silent pither for monning or evening service, ard specially arranged quarter-pazls whs one way of tackling this problem. He asked tho members to think this over very serionsly and determine to mako amends. He heartily congratulated Mr . Frank Cheai, of Rainham, whs had, dinfing the past year, put in 106 attendances for Sunday ringing-uurombterlly at ver" ercditable performanec

SATISFACTORY FINANCE
The financial position of the district was very satisfactory, and it was hoperl that a simm of approximately 516 lO s. world he avaitable to tam over to the general ncconnt. The total contribution of the district to the Benevalent Find for the year was 83 16s. 7 fl .
The hon. secrelary expressed svimputhy with the Newington vingers at the enforced silence, generally. of their bells, due to want of structural remaits, and he commended their loyalty in retaining theit memhorehip throqgh sutit a period of trial.

The death of Lawrence Hales, of Hoo St. Werberg, and Edward Friend, of Gilliagham, was sympathetically referred to, and, in conclusion, the hon. secretary expressed his thanks to tho members for the trust they had reposed in him during his term of office, and, in ragretting he could no longer carry on the duties, appeated for all the halp the members could give to bis successor.
The election of the district officers resulted in both the retining district representatives, Messrs, Spice and Allem, being re-elected, and Mr. G. H. Spice was elected as district secretary, the retiring secretary, through domestic circumstances, being unable to continue
The Chairman proposed that a very hearty vote of thanks shonld bo accorded Mr. Shellock for his services as district secretary during the last aine pears, and this was unanimously carried. The retiring secretary thanked the company for their kind expressions and formed tham of his great regret in having to give up the post.
Daring the evening the bells were rung by mixed companies, and certainly Stedman did not go vory kindly. The closing touch of Bob Roval, which was a great improvement, indicated hov much betfer results could be obtained with a lititle more enterprise.

## RETIRING SECRETARY'S THANKS. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I would like to take llis opportunity of oxpressing to you my very sincere thanks for your indulgence to nae in the execution of my duties durimg the past nime years.

## Retiring District See. (Rochester Dis,

## AFFAIRS IN THE TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.

HON. SECRETARY OALLS TOR A GREATER EFFORT.
The anuual roeeting of the Toubxidge District was held at Tonbridge and was atterded bF 60 nembers, representing 14 towers out of the 19 in union in the district. Ringing took place during the aftermon and evening in the standard methords, and, on the whole, the striking was very good. The usual service was held, conducted by the Rev. Canon F. Child. Tea at the Carlton Cafe wns followed by the business meeting, which whs presided aver by Mr. B. F. Lewis, president of the Central Comeil and vice-president of the association.

The hon. secretary (Mr. A. Richardson), in presenting his report for the year, said that for many years it had been a habit to commence the report with the words, 'I have ngain great pleasure in presenting my report," but the time bad unfortunately come when it was anything but a pleasure. He said he did not want to be thought a pessimist, but in putting the facts before the members in an optimistic mood he trusted they would be stirred to action, and would aphold the standra that the distrjet had enjoyed for so many years. The numbor of practising members lasd dropped to the low level of 165 . This figure was the lowest since 1920. The number of subseribing honorary members had zeached the low frgure of eight, unparalleled since 1918. There had been lack of progress in methed ringing, and the striking nf some meetings had left mich to be desired. In foo many towers practices had been allowed to lapse, and Snnday service ringing hand suffered correspondingly. He pointed out Rule No. 1 of the associat tion: "That this association. . bave for its object the establishment, maintenance anti encouragement of service ringing in all the churches in the country. So that it was up to everyone to take interest, not oulv in one's own tower, but in all the towers
The report caused considerable stir. Mr. T. Sannders, of East Peckham, said he ' Aid not think much of the report.' as it did nat praise the district up. Mr. Richardson said that they harl praised him for lis previous 7 reports, when he had painted a goon pirture, and the thonght it was up to then to do the same mhen he told the turnth, as it was for the ultimate rood of the district.

A RINGING MASTER ELFCTPD
Mr. Lewis puit the report, together with the balance sheet, to tine meeting, and their adoption was carried.

Mr. A. Richardson was re-elected loh. secretary for the ensuing year. Messrs. E. Everest and T. Sannders were elected district representatives.
The Chaiman pointed ont the maragraph in Rule 7 , which states that a ringing master may be elected
Mr. F. Wr. Housden saia ho thonght it was very mecesary for tho district to lave a ringing master, and put forward the name of Mr E. J. Ladd.

Mr. Edwards said that the peapresentatives of the district harl for years acted in the capacity of ringing masters, and he conld not gec any advantage in making ally alteration. -The Hon. Secretary remarked that thourla this shorlal have been so, it han herrly always heen left to him to make nin the ringing at meetines. Fe thourft that a vinging master slinult have hnowledge of ofther methods hesides Gradsire and be alole to conduct other melloods.

Mr. Edwarde reforted that surely it dia not neerl a F.cminn "gadmet to organise the ringing. as it was not necessary for a ringing master to stamf in all the dollcles.
Mr. Honsten's proposition was seconded by Mr. H. J. Ford, and Mr. E. J. Laded was elentad the Master for 1938.
Mr. C. Dailly, of Brasted, was elected a moctisinar momber, linving meviongly rung the treble in a fouch of Grandsire Triples, this hemp lis first experience on eight bells
(Continued on next page.)

## ANOTHER SPLICED SURPRISE RECORD. <br> SIX METHODS RUNG ON HANDBEELS. <br> Hertfordshire Men's Great Achievement.

The Herfordshire handbell band fave created yet another record by ringing a poal of six Spliced Surprise Major methods, Rutland haviug now bean included witir London, Cambridge, Superlative, Bristol and Ealing.
One cen only cantinue to marvel at the skill of this talented quintette, to whose all-conguerjng achievements there seems no end. 'lucir performance at the College Youths' tercentenary gathering, when they rang these siz methods in the presence of a luge audience, was a revelation of their brilliance, and everyone commented upon the speed which the ringing was done. The whole peal last Friday was accomplished at the same reat pace, only a small fraction less than 38 clanges a minute.

The average mind has difficulty in gresping what this implies. Each man puttitur two bells in their piaces for two and a quarter houre, slipping with perfect smoothness 135 tines from one method to anolher, and striling the bells at an average rate of oyer five per second! The more the ordinary ringer thinks of it the more staggering it арpeste.
Here is the composition, by the conductor, Mr. Harald Cashmore, who, let 118 add, is something of a wizated with figures as well as with landbells. His share in the performance is colossal, for wot only had ho to ring liss own pair of bells, but to call 102 bobs and the 135 clangeg of method. One of the most brilliant ringing achievements of all time.

5,088 SPLTGTED SURPRISE MATOR.
By FI. G. Cashmore M .

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| 45623 | COT | - | - | - |
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Twice reneated. $B$ represents $n$ lead of Bristol, E Ealing, $C$ Cam budge, If Rutland, L London, S Superlative. The leads shown $\$$ must be rutur as sach. $C$ can be rung $S$ or $C$. In the peal as rung at Oxhey there were 1.440 clanges of London, 672 each of Cambridge and Futirend, and 768 each of the other three methods.

## FTRST QUARTER-PEALS

FARNDON, CHESHIRE-At St, Chad's Chuych on October 13th, a quarter-peal of Boh Tuiples: J. Youde 1, T, Simon, jun. 2, A. E. Riclards 3. R. L. Ince 4, T. Guest 5, T. Thomas 6, J. Morgan (conductor') 7, T. Simon, sea. 8. First quarter-peal in the method for all except the conductor.

CIRTANCFSTTR, GLOS.-On Sumay, October 3rd, for evenitg service at Holy Trinity Churel, Watermoor, a garter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Rev. G. Harvey 1, F.J. Lewis, sen. (conductor) 2 , H. L. Cooke 3, H. S. Parsons 4, F. G. Bond 5, A. Painter 6, F. J. Lewis, jun. ', w. H. Hayward a. Pirst mavter-peal and first attempt away from the teuor by the Rev. G. Harvey (priest-in-charge at Watermoor). CAMBERWELL-At St. Gites' Church on Suaday evenirg. October 3ra, quarter-peal of Grandsine Triples: Miss B. Mills 1, Miss H. Mills 2, J. Granstury 3 , W. Grainger 4, T. H. Taffender (conductor) $5, F$. Hoprood (first onarter-peal in the method) 6, E. F. King 7. H. Peters 8. LYDIARD MILLICENT, WILTS. On Wednesday, Septenber 29th,
 "inside' $4, W$. B. Kynaston (couductor) 5 , N. C. Wheeler 6 .

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The following tewers were chosen to be visited in the fortrooming Year: Gondhurg in Febnumy, Hever in May, Brasted and Sundridge in Jily, aud Toubriage in Ótober. Mr. E. F. Lewis kindly iurited the nembers to tea when they visited Brasted.
The menthers were informed that their old friend, the Rev. F. L. Schreiber, Vicar of Shiplonurne, had not been elloying very good health, and the secretary was asked to send to him the sympathy and goad wishes of the members.
After the nsual votes of thanles, Mr. Lewis, who had kindly brought alonf a portable gramophone, demonstrated the meaning of good striking by putting on the record of Splicod Surprise (Bristol, London, Cambridge, Superlative, Ealingh, 7ung by Messrs. H. Fodgetts, C. Wooldey, F. G. Cashmore and F . Brinklow.

## LADY AS ESSEX DISTRICT SECRETARY

## CHANGE IN NORTHERN DIVLSON OTNOERB.

The anmual meeting of the Northeru Division of the Issex Assurinbion took place at Bocking on Novenher 6th, 52 ringers uttending fun the following 21 parishes: Greenstead Green, Earls Colne, Brantrre, Witham, Sawhidgeworil, Sible Fedinrham, Great Baddow, si Osyth, Saftron Walden, Dmmow, Springfield, Great Bardfield, Wjekhans St. Pail's, Falstead, Kelvedon, Mation, Boeking, Felsted, stead, Feering and Colae Ensalne. At the service the Dean of Jtocking paid a ligh tribute to the services of the ringers aud fillill be was very happy to be with liem onco again.
A collectiou fur the Bell Restoration Tumd amonated to 1 ls
Tea was prepared at Combtalds* Diuing Room (by kind perniman of Messrs, Courtaulds, Ltd.) by ladies, under the supervision of Mrs Rogers. The Dean presided.

This was followed by the busiaess mecting, the District Master (\#r A. A. Sanmders) presiding. Tho district secretary (Mr. F. Ridgwell) presented a l'eport, in the conrse of which lie said: "During the past year meetings have been held at sibla Hedingham, Fecring, Great Brolftel, Witham aud Bocking, with an average atterndater of 43 . I'wo honorayy and four ringing menobers linve heen nlected. Since the last district anmual neecting 30 peals have been ruug in 1 his
 H. W. Smilh aud A. Catterwell 2 each, W. Armold, W. Ayre, J Jemings and G. R. Jownes I each. It is very gratifying to see tho number of young ringers taking part in these peals, some their lirsi, peal and some the frst in the method, whilst others conduoted liliet first peal in rarions methods, and, with one exception, thoy wete all conducted by menbers of this division.
He thauked all those who had atteuded the meetings during the year and especially the correspondents of each tompany who ind been such a great lelp lyy collecting subscriptions from all limit mermbers and sending theny to him.

The report, was received with entlinsinsm,
SEGRETARY RETIRES-BUT 1S ELECTED RINGING MASJJII The next business was the election of oflicers for the year. MJ. Ridgwell said he was not quite guch $n$ free man at present as when to fook over the secretaryship eipht years fug, and he asken for someone to be appointed in his place. There were some excellent ringers and conductors who ho wonld like to see takitg an interess in the inner working of the association, and he wonla like to promasa thet Miss H, Sncwden be elected. -This was numimously agreed los. Mr. L. W. Wiffen said ar reat debt of gratitude was due lan Mr manger; they had been very fortunato to have a man like him (applanse).
The Semedary in retnming thanks, said the kind words whehe had been spoken fully compensated him for his diglit yenvs worls.

The District Master also teadered his resignation. Fie said la hal held the office for ten years and considered it sloulti be passed on.
$\mathrm{Mr}_{\mathrm{r}}$. Wiffen fuggested that, the late secretary he askod to take ow the mastership; he thanght it would be much better than having hwo new officers. - Mr. Ridiswell said le wauld rgree if the memler's thanght his services would be helpful to the new secretary. This was apparemty the object of tine proposition and he was unaninomaly clected.-Mr. Saunders was thanked for his prst services.

A discussion took place as to the adviabibility of forming a bnomolent fund for the associabion, but by a large najority the enggestion whs tumed down. It was agreod to hold the first meeting in tha Now Year at Earls Golne.
A hearky vote of thanks was accorded the Dean for the nge of the bells, his address, and presiding ath the ten, also to the ladies for preparing it, and to Messrs. Courtaulds for the nse of the diniug liall.

The Dean, in reply, said he thought they had made nae mistolis" in arraneing for the next inceting at Earls Colne; he thought they should all be held at Bocking (laughter).
A hearty welcome was accorded the visitors and congratilations wem extended to the local company for the excelleut way in which i.|nor kept their belfry.

A telerram of congratulation was sent from the meeting to the Ancient Society of College Youths, then holding their tercantemary mreting in Lonđon.
The methods tung during the day commeneed with a few roblude For begimers and afterwards Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Trinles, Double Norwich Conut, Kent Treble Bob, Superlative, Pambridge, London aud Buistol Surprise Major.

## MAULDEN RINGERS' GOOD START

At St. Mary's Church, Mattien, Beds, on Thidnv. November 5ili, : anarter-peal of Donbles, bemg 120 of Aprit Day. 480 of Plait Roh ind G60 of Grandsire: Samuel Daniels 1, Andrew Sinfalat 2. TaInh SLokeg 3, Ronald Shap 4, C. E. Teffies (condactor) S. Sidney Sharp 6. The first nuarter-peal by ringers of 1,3 and 6 . The bend welve recently fanglit; change riuging by the conductor, and are local Sunciay service ringers.

BARKTNG. FSSEX. - On Sunday, Novemher 14 h. for moruing sel vice, a quabter-peal of Stedman Triples (1.260 changes): $O$. Fena (conductor) 1, W. Bearr 2, E. Worbovs 3. F. G. Cot lis 4. B.
(Fye, Suffolk) 5, L. F. Last 6, G. W. Faulener 7, R. Feun 8.

## DEVON GUILD.

MID-DEVON BRANGH SEORETARY WANIS TO RETIRE
A yuartierly meeting of the Mid-Devon Branch of the Devon Guild was lield at Dartingtoz on Saturday, October 30th, and was moderately atiterded, ringers toing present from Exeter, Brampford Speke, Newton Abbot, Collaton, Paigutou and Buckfastleigh.
The fint peal of six bella were well utilised during the afternoon, sone good touches of Gruadsire and Stedman Doubles and Flain Bob Minor being rung, wo meabbers ainging their first touch in the latter method.
A service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. J. S. Martin), who fileo gave a wery able audiress. A collection talken for the Guild Bells Restoration Fuud amounted to 58 .
Tho party adjourneak to the Commercial Eotel, Tolnes, for tea, aud this was followed by the usual busimess rueeting, presided over by the Rev. W. R. D. Mills (chairman).
It was reported that the meeting had been changed from Kingskorswell to Dactington, owing to the bells at the former place being inder resioration. It was resolved that the anzual meeting of the twanch be beld at Kiagskerawell on Saturday, Fehruary 12th, 1938, subject to the necessary pernission being obtained.
The following election of menabers pior to starting tor peals were nuanimonsly cunfimed: Miss Flowie Wyman, Crawley; Mr. H. W. Simmons, Croydon: Mr. W. Claydon, Reigate; Mr. W. R. Melville, K Dugworthy; Mr. ©. F. Sinilh, Godalming ; Mr. J. S. Goldemith, Woking ; Mr.' A. Padion' Snilh, Bitmilghat; Mr. G. F. Swann, Bir' mingham ; Mr. R. Richardson, Surtleet, ell non-resident life members; also Mr. H. J. Hale, of Prignton, inaltacled performing member.
On the stsgestion of the secretary, it was resolved to Turnish each member of the branch with a copy of the secretary's and treasurer's reports for the anmal mecting. Mr. A. L. Bemett also intimated that at the annusl meeting lie did uot propose to seek re-election as secretary, treasurer and Riuging Master, but he was requested by the chatimau and the general sceretay to reconsider his decision.
Heart p votes of thauks accorded the Rector of Dartington for the use of his bells and for conducting the service, and to Mrs. Martin for presichay ato the ongan, terminated the business. Some of tha members returned to the tower for further riuging, which included a well-struck 360 of Plain Boll Minor conducted by the president.

## A YOUNG BAND

At the Pirish Clumel, Deshirough, Northants, on Sundny, Novernber 7ht, for morning sevice, a 720 of Tinin Bob Minor: Raymond H. Ide (agerl 12, 1, Leve W. Kilbontin 2, Deuis Yeomans (aged 13), 3 , John E. Plane (aged 15) 4, Leonard J. Brown (aged 15) 5, Arthur H. Tdle (conductor) b. This wats the fersti 720 fur ringers of 1 and 3 . and first 720 ' inside ' For' rizngers of 5 and 6 .

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Thames Ditton on Saturday, November 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business following. Nominations for district officers for 1938 at this meeting.-F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec., 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Southern District.-The next meeting will be held at Putney on Saturday, November 20th. Betls (8) available 3 to 5 p.m. Tea will be arranged nearby, with meeting to follow. Fulham bells (10) from 7 to 8 p.m. Let's have a good at-tendance--A. P. Cannon, 118, Sarsfield Road, Balhan, S.W.12.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch. - The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Newbury on Saturday, November 20th. Bells (10) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., at 6 d . each. All ringers will be made welcome.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Gorton Unitarian Church on Saturclay, November 20th. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at is. each. Meeting in the Schoolroom to foliow. Members and nonmembers are cordially invited to attend.-J. H. Ridyard, Branch Scc.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.The next meeting will take place at St. Anne's Parish Church on Saturday, November 20th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Bring food, tea in Institute at 6 p.m.-C. Sharples, Branch Sec.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborough District. -The last meeting of 1937 will be held at Kegworth on November 20th. Belis (6) available from 3 p.m.-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., Hugglescote.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Elloe Deaneries Branclı.-The quarlcrly meeting will be held at Surfleet on Saturday, November 20th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting afterwards.-Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.
The next meeting will be held at St. Philip's Church, Nelson, on Saturday, November 20th. Bells available $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{mm}$. Meeting $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Everybody welcome.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.
WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A montlly meeting will be held at Polesworth on Saturday, November 20th. Bells (6) available afternoon and evening. Tea (1s.) at the Coffee House at 5 p.m.-Malcolnn Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., Highfield House, Exhall, Coventry.
BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.-All ringers invited to the rededication of the peal of eight bells at St. Peter's, recently recast by John Taylor and Co. Service 3.30 p.m., Saturday, November 20th. Ceremony and address by the Rt. Rev, the Lord Bishop of Winchester. Tea 5.15 p.m. Ringing 6.15 p.m. to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-Arthur V. Davis, captain of St. Peter's bells.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON-

 DON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District. -A meeting will be held at All Hallows', Tottenham, on Saturday, November 20th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at the Bruce Castle Bakery, near the church, at 5.30 , at 1 s . each. Special method, Edmonton Bob Major. All ringers welcomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4.
## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

 -Bath Branch.-A meeting wili be held at Twerton-onAvon on Saturday, November 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea to follow.-Theo. Grant, Swainswick, Bath.SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -A quarterly meeting will he held at St. George-theMartyr, Southwark, on Saturday, November 20th. Tower open 3.30 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 at Express Dairy on London Bridge station approach. Business meeting in vestry after tea. Travelling facilities: Borougly station on Mordon-Edgware Tube; bus services, Nos. 5, 10, 21, 35, 40, 69, 133 and 133A pass the church.-N. Summerhayes, 28, Bean Road, Bexleyheath.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. -At Totternhoe ( 6 bells), on Saturday, November 20th, at 3 p.m. 'Tea 5 p.m.-F. J. Plummer, Dis. Sec., Leighton Buzzard.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Rutlant Branch.-The next meeting of the branch will be held at Exton on Saturday next, November 20th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m.-S. H. Towell, Hon. Sec., 17 , King's Road, Oakham.

CHEADLE, CHESHIRE.-Near Stockport.-The bells will be rededicated by the Archdeacon of Macclesfield on Sunday, November 21st, at 10.45 a.m. A ring of eight tuned and rehung in new framework by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.- The diocesan collections will be presented at the Cathedral on Monday, November 22 nd. Bells ready at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 7.30 p.m.-W. H. Shuker, 106 , Bank Street, Clayton, Manchester.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLIEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). Mectings for practice will be heid at

Magnus' on the 25th; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 23rd; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 30 th, at 7.30 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.-Willian T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, W. 4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division.The anntal meeting will be held at Writtle on Saturday, November 27th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting after. Will all those intending to be present and requiring tea please advise me by Wednesday, November 24th?-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The last mecting lor 1937 of the North Norfolk Branch will be held at Hethersett on November 27th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., at 1 s . 3d. each. Iet us have a good attendance, and please don't forget that postcard by Thursday, November 25th.-H. Tooke, Tranch Sec., The Lizard, Wymondinam, Norfolk.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Kossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Ramsbottom, on Saturday, November 27 th . Bells available from $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A meeting to be held in the tower durng the eveaing. All weicome.-J. Porter, I-Ion. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis* trict.-A by-meeting will be held at Wickhambreaus on Saturday, November 27 th. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea by kind invitation of the Rector. Please send your names for tea to reach me not later than Wednesday, November 24th. Plenty of ringing.B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec., 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.--Maidstone Dis-trict.-A by-mecting will be held at Ightham, on Saturday, November 27th. Peal of six bells available from 2.30. Service at 5. Tea is by kind invitation. Please send a postcard if you are coming.-A. Waddington, Hon. Dís. Sec., Egerton.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - North-Western Dis-tict.-Meecing, Mitchams Parish Charch, Saturday, November 27th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 5 o'clock. Tea, in Parish Room, by kind invitation of the Mitcham band, 5.30 p.m., followed by business meetitgg. Memorial to the late Master of the Association, James Douglas Drewett, Esq., J.P., will be unveiled at 4.30 p.m. Please send numbers for tea to Mr. C. Pothecary, 73, Fernlea Road, Mitcham, not Jater than Thursday, November 25th. All ringers welcome.-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Stockport Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Stalybridge, on Saturday, November 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. For tea please advise Mr. J. Simister, 14, Hawke St., Stalybridge.-K. Lewis, Sec. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew's, Bolton, on Saturday, November 27 th. Bells available 3 p.m. -Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Central Branch. -A ringing meeting is arranged at Swavesey, Cambs, on Saturday, November 27th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service, if arranged. There will be no excuse for not attending this meeting except illness; weddings can wait. Trains (L.N.E..R.) and buses (Eastern Counties) pass the door. A "Taylor'six relung in ball bearings by 'Johnston' recently. Book the date. (No, Don.) Come early.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Birstall on Saturday, Nowember 27 h . Bells available from 3 p.m. Rusiness meeting in the tower at 7 p.m.-H. Lofthouse. Hon. Sec., 8, Wortluy Road, Armley, Leeds, 12.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Towecster Branch.-Next meeting at Paulerspury on Saturday, November 27th. Service 3.30. Tea 4.30. Please notify for tea.-Rev. E. V. Ferm, Lois Weedon Vicarage,
Towcester.

GLOLCEST'TR AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Rural Branch.-The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Werburgh's, on Saturtay, November 27th. Bells open 3. Service 4.30. Tea ant mecting to follow. Please advise for tea.-R. C. Gifforil, Branch Sec., Gifford House, Frampton Cotterell, near Bristol.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUiLD.-Wirral Branch.A meeting of the Wirral Branch will be held at Eastham ( 6 bells) on Saturday, November 27th. Service at 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards.-Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, 30, South Hill Road, Birkenhead.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The mext mecting will be held at Campsall on Saturday, November 27 th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Tea is being prowided for those who notify Mr. H. Bradley, Station ratehouse, Norton, near Doncaster, by Tuesday, November 23rd. This is being tried as an experiment by the Church workers to help clear a debt they have, so a good attendance is requested to help them in this effort.-E. Couper, Hon. Sec.

ONEORD DIOCESAN GLILD.-Last Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Langley, Bucks ( 6 bells), on Saturday, November 27 th, at 3 p.m. Names for tea, please, not later than November 22nd. Phone Slough 1260, or write.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GLILD.-Oxford and District Branch.-The annual tueeting will be held on Saturday, November 27th, at St. Ebbe's Church. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4 , followed by tea and business meeting. Those requiring tea please nolify W . Collett, 45 , Latimer Road, Headington, Oxford.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Dis trict.-A meeting, as a farewell to the Vicar, who is leaving, will be held at Broxbourne on November 27 th. Service at five. Tea and business at the welcome after. All ringing friends will be heartily welcomed.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Batile on Saturday, November 27th. Tower open 3 o'clock. All ringers welcome.-C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch. - Newport Pagnell Deanery.-A meeting at North Crawley ( 6 bells), on Saturday, November 27 th. Ring up 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. The Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks, to whom the number for tea should be sent.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Thrapston Branch.-A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, November 27th, at Lowick. Bells (6) from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.-W. J. Whitmore, 80c, High Street, Raunds, Northants.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Next meeting, Pontesbury, November 27th. Six bells and good bus scrvice. Bells from 3 p.m. For tea, please advise me by 241 in int. W. A. Farmer, 6, Mayfield Terrace, Mountficlds, Shrewsbury.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Wednesday Afternoon Guild.-A meeting will be held at St. Mary's Gateshead, on Wednesday, December 1st. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.in. Please send numbers for tea at earliest.-M. Bertie, 17, Ridley Avenne, Chester-le-Street,

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting of the Cheltenham Branch will be held at Leckhampton on Saturday, December 4 th. Bells (8) open at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 .

Tea by kind invitation of the Rector, Archdeacon R. W. Sears, at 5.30. Business meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present please notify me by the Ist?-Walter Yeend, Branch Hon. Sec., Millfeld, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-Exeter Branch.-Annual meeting at Heavitree on December 4 th. Service 4.30 in Parish Church. Tea at 5 in Constitutional Club. All City towers open. Will bands and. visitors kindly advise me by Novernber 29th?-W. H. Howe, Hon. Sec., 8, Courtenay Road, Exeter.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. -The annual meeting will be held at Stoke-on-Trent on Saturday, December 4th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 to all who notify Mr. S. Churton, 11, Lonsdale: Street, Stoke-on-Trent, Stafts, not later than December 1st.-Andrew Thompson.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Hastings (Christ Church, Blacklands), on Saturday, December 4th. Tower open 3 o'clock. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15 (15. per head). Will members intending to be present kindly let me knon Wednesday previous to meeting?-A. C. Pankhurst, Hon. Div. Sec., 13, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.

GUIJ_DFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.--The last meeting for 1937 will be held at Dorking on Saturday, December 4th. Service at 5 o'clock, with tea and business meeting in the Church Room afterwards. Wiil those requiring tea please notify Miss E. J. M. Cottrell, 28, Hart Road, Dorking, by December 2nd?-A. H. Smith, Hon. Sec., Howard Road, Great Bookham, Surrey.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.--Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Betchworth on Saturday, December 4 th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea at the Dolphin Inn, 1s. 3d. per head. Please let me have numbers for tea not later than Thursday, December 2nd. All ringers welcome. Nominations for district officers for 1938 at this meeting.-W. Claydon, Hor. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUíLD.-Southern Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Aberavon on Saturday, December 4 th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. please send number for tea by Tuesclay, November 30th, certain.-E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 21, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -A quarterly meeting will be held at Folkestone on Saturday, December 4th. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., 110, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Andover District.-The annual meeting will be held at Whitchurch on Saturday, December 11th. Bells available from 2.30. Service in the Parish Church at 4.30 . Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Church Hall. Business meeting follows. All requiring tea please notify the Hon. Secretary, F. S. H. Marle, Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

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## THE PLANNING OF MEETINGS.

There is a good deal of point in the matter raised by a district secretary elsewhere in this issue, in regard to the clashing of meetings in adjoining areas. It is just the outcome of lack of consultation between neighbouring secretaries, and could-as it is in some instances-bu easily avoided. Our correspondent quotes two cases of organisations arranging meetings for the same date at towers within two or three miles of each other: On the face of it, it seems absurd, for one or both meetings must suffer, or at any rate fail to be the success they otherwise might be. Even within the ranks of a single association there are often meetings which clash, through the more or less indiscriminate way in which the district secretaries arrange these gatherings. Sometimes, of course, it is unavoidable-dates cannot be made to fit. But even allowing for this, there is far too much overlapping.

There are some secretaries who are able to adhere to one particular Saturday a month, or quarter, as the case may be, for the meetings in his district, and neighbouring secretaries who know this, if they are wise, avoid these dates when making their own arrangements. Often, however, the selection of places and dates is a haphazard affair, with no settled plan-it depends on the whim of the members at the previous meeting. In some organisations a scheme of meetings for the whole year is drawn up, largely, of course, for internal convenience, but it is a plan which works well by preventing the clashing of events which inevitably happens otherwise. Similar arrangements could, we imagine, be made without much trouble between neighbouring associations by secretaries of adjoining districts. The essential point is to take the necessary steps in good time. When, as sometimes happens, the clashing is not known until the meetings are advertised, it is, of course, too late to clange the dates; it is only by preliminary co-operation that successful results can be achieved. It is the clashing of dates more than the selection of neighbouring towers that should be avoided, for even if the towers are twenty instead of two miles apart, there may still be, in these days of easy transport, some who would be prevented from attending both meetings, although they would like to do 50 .

We suggest that in the coming year associations might with advantage not only arrange the meetings in their own areas so that there is no overlapping, but co-operate with adjoining organisations to avoid; clashing. If neighbouring secretaries would make it part of their organising efforts to get into touch, advantageous and uscful results could be obtained. After all, the associations (Continued on pago 782.)

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James A. Tralg ... ... ... 2 Leslif W. G. Morais .... 8
William J. Davidson..... $.3^{3}$ William Wooderad ... Sidney F. Palmbr ... ... 4 Williah H. Babber ... ... Albrrt H. Ward ... .... 5 A. Paddon Smite... 4 .4 ... If Grorgr Robinson ... ... 6 Jambs H. Shbpherd ... ... 7 mos Composed by C. W. Rnburts. Conducted by Leslie W. G. Morris

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At the Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor $18 \frac{1}{8} \mathrm{cwt}$ in E flat.
Danibl Cooprr ... .... ...Tyeble Jobn W. Ward... ... ... $\quad$.
Charles H. Kippin .... ... 2 Thomas G Bannister ... 7
Mrs. Charles H. Kippin ... 3 "Harry W. Simmons ... Rovdon Davies ... ... ... \& Amos W. Clarg ... ... 9 Fredzrick E, Collins ... s Franke, Darby... ... ...Tere Composed by J. A. Burpord. Conducted by C. H. Kippin.

* First peal of Cambridge Royal.


## NOTTINGHAM.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATJON.
On Thursday, Noutmber 18, 1937, in 7 hyee Howrs and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES; - Walter Nichols ... ...Treble |Tum Claski ... ... ... ... 6 -Grorge E. Foster ...... J. Frpdrrick Milner ... 3 J. Alfrfd Barratt ... ... 8
 †Frark Brown .... ....... 5 Frederick A. Salteri...................... Composed by W. P. Whiterrad. Conducifd by F. A. Salter.

* First peal of Royal. + First peal of Treble Bob Royal. First peat of Treble Bob Royal as conductor. A birthday compliment to J. F. Milner.


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THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 20, 1937 tm Three Hours ard Forty-1 hree Minwh, At the Church of St. Peter,
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Stanley E. Armstrong ...Treble Roydon Davies ... ... ... 6 Edward J. Cbarman... ... 2 Danigl. D. Coorer ... Mrs, Frbderick W. Hoosden 3 Frederick E. Coleins ... 8 C. Ernest Smith ..... .4 |Franke. Darby .. 4 ... ... 9 Frederich W. Housdrn ... 5 Charien H Kippin ... ... Temo Composed by G. Lininoef.


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Willam Chalk ... ..
Edward P. Dopfield

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| ... | 3 |

Gborgi M Rashbrook ... 3 Fred Chalek... ... ... ... 7
Leglie |. Clark... ... ... 4 Richard F. Deal... ... ... Temor
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"Edward B. Smith ...Treble

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$\dagger$ Madr cej. Ling ... ... 4 Edward E. Davey .... ...Temo Composed by H. W. Wildr. Conducted by Eoward E. Davry.

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THE LANCASEIRE ASSOCLATION.
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*Alseht G. Hall ... ...Tyeble Harry Wyre ... ... ... 5
Arthoz Grove ... ... ... 2 Charles W. Coophr... ... 6

Asthdr Wyre ... ... ... 4 | †Llawhlym R. Hale .. .. Temor

## Conducted by H. J. Sноск.

* First peal away from tenor. † First peal of Triples. First peal as coudactor. Rung in honour of the 2ath anniversary of the ordmation of the Vicar (the Rev. E. A. Toulouse), aiso as a birthday compliment to the rimger of the 4 th.


## BOREHAM, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Sathrday, Novemher 13, 1937, in Two Houys and Fifty-Eight Mintus,
At the Church of St. Andegew,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOE MAJOR, GOs0 CHANEES; Tenor 13 cwt .
Norman F, Grinham ... 2 reble fronald Sockling ... ... 5
Thomas Lincoln ... ... 2 Hehbert Devenisa ... -.. 6
Hahzl Edwards ... ... 3 Pbrcy Grben ... ... ... 7
Grorse Grgin ... ... ... 4 .Ariber H. Everety... ...Tenos
Composed by Sir A. P, Hzyuood. Conducted by Prfoy Grern.

* First pal of Donble Norwich. Arranged and cang in eonnection with a sale of work ant social held at tho Village Gall.

HUGGLESCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday November 13, 1937, in 7 wo Hours and $F$ fiv-Fony Mimutos, At the Church of 5t. John-the- Gaprist,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Hhiwood's Transpqsitign of Thorstans' Fodr-part.


Josepg W. Cotron ... ... 4 Harry Pi worill ... ...Temor
Conducted by R. F. Elkingion.

* First peal of Triples and in the method. + 50th peal of Stedman. WOLVERHAMYTON, STATFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR TEE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
Un Saturday, November 13, 7937, in i hrec Howrs and Six Minules,
At tue Chorch of St. Bahtholnmew, Phen,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE HORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHAMEEP! Dennis Holden
Herbert Knight $\quad . .$.
… 5
$\cdots$
Grorge E, Olrvar... Chaistoyr Whleater ... 4 Bert Horton ... ... ... Tellor Composed by J. W Wasberook. Conducted by Bert Horton.
First peal in the method on the bells and first in the method as couductor.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSETRE
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Novembey 13, 1937, in Three Houfs and Thra Minutes, At the Chorch if St. Boidget,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, G120 CHANGES! Tenor 9 cwt.
Reginald Poston .... ...Tyetla Wilgiam T. Posion... ... 5
Charlas L. Sadler ... ... 2 ©rnest F. Salmons... ... 6
 Alfabd T. Podlton ... .... 4 . Willian Poston $\quad . .$. Conducted by W. Posion.

* Tirst peal of Treble Bob.

SWINESHEAD, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Eastenn Branch)
On Sainday, Nowhber 13, 1937, in Three Hours and Fiftean Minules,
At the Churce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF ST. CLEHENT'S BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES:

Tenor 18 cwt.
George TV. Berrell... ...Tteble Cyril R. Burrell ... ... 5
Jobn R. Young .......
William Wilkinson ...
Composed by Sir A. P Heywood. Conducted by A. E. Flatters
First peal in the method on the belle and by the branch. Except the ringer of the $5 t h$, nome of the band had previously struck a blow in the method.

BOUGFTON-UNDER-BI.EAN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCTATION.
Un Sunday. Novendiey 14, 1937, in Two Howy and Fifiy-Tyo Mimuter,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEES;
Tenor 12! cwt.
Darex M. Sharp... ... ...Tyeble Waltar H. Dosbie ... ... 5
Riginald E. Lambert ... 2 Arithon S. Bnar...
Mise Doris G. Dobbie ... 3 Stanley B. Dobbie .... ... 7
Roarrt T. Lambert ... ... 4 Harry Papkes ... .+. ... Thmoy
Composed by E, Barnett, san. Conducted by Harry Parres.


DARTFORD, KLNT.
THE EENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Twasday, November 16. 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Ons Minwles, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHAHGES;
Thorstans' Foor-gart.
Tenor $18{ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Mrs. Jamus E. Balery
.Treble
Grorge J. Hercugr...
Franke. Walkrr ...
2
Job H. Crebsman
Hrabert E. Audsley...
....
5 Jamrs E. Ballby ... ... ... 7
Norman Summerbaybs .....Tenor Conducted by James E Bailey.

* First peal of Stermaal. First peal of Sterman as conductor and first nutompt.


## CRAYFORD, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fiday, Noumber 19, 1937, in Twe Hours and Forty-Seven Minulos, At the Churce of St. Padlines,

## A PEAL OF ERITH LITTLE BOB MAJOR, bOfo CHANGE8;

 Tenor 12 是 cwt .*Ernbit H. Oxbngam

- Bernard H. Swinson ... 2 *Derbr M. Sharp ... ... 6

Joun H. Chrbsman ..... .1

- Arthir S. Ricgards ... 4 fHarry Hoverd ... ... ...Temor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywoan. Conducted by E. A. Barnett,

* First peal in the method. + First peal of Major in the method.

OXHEY, HERTS
THE HERTFOR] COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Novenber 20, 1937, in iwo Hours and Forty-Four Minutex, At the Cedrce of Sy. Matthbw,
A PEAL OF EASTBURY SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 GHANGE8; Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Friderick A. J. Strwarg...Treble Christoparr W. Woolley 5
Harold G. Casemore ... 2 Francis Ktpi ... ... ... 6
Stephen H. Hoarb ... ... 3 Frederick W. Brinklow 7
Walter Aybe ... ... ... 4 - Madrice F. R. Hibesri ...Temos
Composed and Conducted by H. G. Casemore.

* 250 th peal. The firsi penl in the method, a birthdry peal for C. W. Woolley and Ena, daughter of Walter Ayra.

RAWMARSH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Salurday, November 20. 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minmes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF PUDEEY BURPRIEE MadOR, 5152 CHANGES; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.
Frane Pickbring ... ...Treule John H. Bratrawbll ... ... 5
Tom Brothwill ... ... ... 2 Norman Cbaddoce ... ... 6
Abtadi Firtb ... ... ... 3 Reginaid Payne... ... ... 7
Lestie Hbiwood ... ... 4 Albert Nash ... ... ...Tengy
Composed by Gro. Lfwis. Conducted by A. Nash.
First poal in the methad on the bells and by all exoept the fifth ringer. CODDENHAM, SDFFFOLE. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, Nozenter 20, 1937, ' Three Hours, At the Chores of St. Mary,

## A PEAL DF NEH Cambridge surprige major, go5b chances;

 Tenor 16 cwt .- Ronald W. Strpard ...Treble Fridbricr J. Smita ... ... 5
-Silvia R. E. Bowser ... 2 •Alan R. Andrews ... .. 6
Cgarlef J. Sebgley ... 3 Grorge E. Symonds ... 7 William J. G. Brown ... 4 *Ubban W. Wildngy... ...Temor Composed and Conducted by Charles J. Sedgley.
* First peal in the method.

QUEENSBURY, BHADFORD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Salurday. November 20. 1937, in Two Hours and Pifty-Seven Minstes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
J. J. Parker's Six part.

Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \frac{\mathrm{l}}{\mathrm{l}} \mathrm{cwt}$.

- Roland Kradall ... ...Tybbie |Harry Wilde ... ... ... 5

Edaar Whitrlgy ... ... 2 Harold Pearce ... ... 6
-Say Longbottom ... ... 3 William Ambler ... .. 7
 Condacted by William Ambler.

* First peal in the method. Rung as at farewell to the Rev. P. E. Handley, M.A., who is leavily the parish for Scerborough.
harrow weald, middlesex.
THE LADIES' GUILD.
On Saturday, November 20, 1937, in Thres Hours and To Minutes,
At the Churce of all Saints.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANQES; Tenor 7 柔cwt.
- Marje I. Goodshif ... ...i reble Phillis Homperey ... ... 5 †Frbta Clayton... ... ... 2 Doris Colgate ... ... ... 6 jFlorence K. Hartle ... 3 Eoith K. Fletcher ... ... 7 .

* First attempt for a penl. A Wirst peal in the methoct. First peal in the melhod as conductor. First peal in the method for the Guild. Ruxg to celebrate the Guild's silver jubileo.


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OLAINES, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Western Brancy.)
Un Salurday, Nousmber 20, 1937, in Twa Howrs and Forty-Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
JJ. Parker's Six-part. No. 13. Tenor is cwt.

Ernest Wilson .....${ }^{2}$ allen mimcan ......

EAINOMD C. SAyERS... ... 4 Fhederick G. Yatze ... ...Tenar Conducted by Rzginald Woodyatt.

* First peal in the method ' inside.' First peal as conductor. GRAVESEND, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Nayember 20, 1937, in 1 hree Hours and Five Minutes,


## At the Chdrca of St. Grofge,

A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, $\operatorname{GETB}$ CHANGES; Ricetad Tenoris $\frac{1}{c}$ cwt.

Jobn Wheadon.. .4
Dbrex M. Sharp....... ... 4 Jambs E. Balley... .... ....temor
Composed by C. Middleton. Condacted by Herbeet E. Addsley Gpecially 3 wng as a 75 thi birthday compliment to Riciard Smith. ALBURGH, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Novendiry 20, 1937, in 7 Aree Hours and Two Minutes, At the Churcb of All Saints,
A PEal of norwich court bob major, 5216 changes ;
Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr. 12 lb . in G.

 Frbdirica C. Gunton … ${ }^{4}$ Ernest Whiting... ... ....Tenor Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.
First peap by all on the bells and for the association in the siagle method.

REDHILE, SURTREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturdav. Novemter 20, 1937. in Three Hours,
At the Chuecr of St. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES; Tenar 14 cmt .
Ricbard V. Foller... ...TVebte Arthor G. Willett ... ... 5 Romald A. Tiffin ... ... 2 Kennitb Snblling ... - Alpred J. Boll...... Elward G. Talbot ... ... 4 Walter Claydon ......Tenor Composed by C. Mindegton. Conducted by Waltbr Claydon. * 300th peal. First peal of Surprise as conductor. Quarterty zreal for the Soulleru District.

## HUGHENDEN, BUOKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Noumber 20, 1937, in There Hours,
at the Church of St. Miceaet,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor 32 cwt .
Friderice g. Biggs... ...
Treble Wuciam Heniey

Percy Ne 2 Harby Wimatay -. $\cdot \cdots 5$ | Miss Kath. E. Fletchar | 3 | Harry Wingrove | Gborge Martin.... | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Roland Biggs ... ... ... 4 Crcil C. Maymb... .... ...Temor Composey by F. Dence. Conducted by G. Maris. * First peal in the method.

WEST ILANHON, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Nownber 20, 1937, in Three Hours awd Nine Hixates,
At tae Church of SS. Peter and Paue,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

[^45]
## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

CLIMTON-ON-TEME, WORCESTER\&EIRE. THE WOROTSTERSHRE AND DESTRIOLS ASSOCLATION. (Nortaern Branch.)
On Sunday, Oatober 31, 1937, in Ttto Howrs and Fifty Mimules, At tae Cgerge of St. Kgnglm
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Forly-two extents with the ten eallings. Temor 100 ewt.
JOGMIE SAENDRRS .... ...Tyeble WILLIAK TORNBR, JUN. ... 4


First poal by all the bund oxcepting the $4 \mathrm{l}_{\mathrm{l}}$ vinger. All are Sunday servite riusers at Hartlebury.

> OASSINGTON, OXFORDSHIRIS.

On Friday, Nowamber 5, 1937, in Fwo Howrs and Fifiy-Seven Minutes, At the Parise Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 2.520 of Plain Bobs and 2,520 of Grandsire.
*R. Hatwele
Tryeble H. Radler ...
... ...
$\begin{array}{lr} \\ \cdots & 4 \\ \cdots\end{array}$

| W. Botler... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | G. H, Pdti... | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$. | $\ldots-$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| H. P. Floyd | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | W. E. Jones | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots . .$. |
| Henor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by W. E. Jowes

* First peal. Eirst peal of Minor by all the band. A birthany
compliment to W. Butler.
COPPOCK, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD,
On Gonday, Nowember 8,1937, in I wo Hours and Forty-Three Minules, Ax the Cebrge of St. Peter,


## A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Gonsisting of Lwo 720's eacl of Kent treble Boly, Oxford Treble Dob and Plain Bob and 720 Cambridge Surprise. Teuov 10 ewt.
Fonald W. Steward... ...Treble Ghorge A. Flening ... ... q
Miss Syevia R, E. Bowyer . 2 Urban W, Wildney .. ... 5
James W. Jennimgs ... ... 3 Alan R. Andrews ... ...Tunor
Conducted by Alan lr. Andrews.
MARLFSTFORD, SUTFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On THesday, Noyembsy 9, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes, AT the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGE8;
Being 18 six-scores of Grandsire Doubles and 24 of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 owt.
*Toen J. King ... ... ...T Yeble | William G. Cooper... ... 3
†P.C. Henry J. Vince ... 2 Alyred J. Ford... ... ... 4 fGrorge R. Finch ...* ...tenor Conducted by G. R. Fince.
Firsh peal and first attempt. \% Firsi peal of Doubles. First peal as conduetor. HAPPISBURGE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Twesday, Nowember 9, 1937, in Two EIours and Fifty-Fite Minntes, At tae Caorce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being fouz 720's of Oxfort Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.
Erederic W. Lawsan ...Tybble Arthor Howes ... ... ... 4 Charles A. Farhow... ... 2 Eric S. Gnocb ... ... ... 5 Hbary E. Woodhouse ... 3 Eqward Hawes ... ... .... Tehoy Conducted by Edward Howes.
: First peal. First peal in two methods by all except the conductor. BARNBY-IN-THE-WILLOWS, NOITS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Nowembey 11. 1937. in Two Houysand Twenly-Thee Minute At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being onv extent each of Doublo Court, Single Conrt, Kent and Oxford Troblo Bob, St. Clement's, Oxford Bol and Plain Bols. Tenor 6 - Gborgr Vpssey... ... ...Treble Jach L. Millhouse ... ... 4
 Jack Vessey ... .... ... 3 4Riceard H. M. Harvey ...Tmor Conducted by R. H. M. Harvey.

* First parl in seveu methods. + First peal as con?uctor and first. attempt. Rung for Armisties Day.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 13, 1937, in Two Hours and Ftfty-Threa Minutes, At the Churce of St. Stepeen

## A PEAL OF SURPRIBE MINOR, 504D CHANGES;

(1) Cambridge and Primrose; (2) Surfleet; (3) Beverley; (4) Netherseale; (5) York; (6) Durham; (7) London. Tezor 154 cwt.
Francis Tompkins ... ... 1 rebie Aulustin V. Good ... ... 4
Francis Tompkins ... ... 1 rebie Ajudstin V. Good ... ... 4
Francis Tompkins ... ... 1 rebie Aubustin V. Good ... ... 4
. William J. Pepdifoot ... 2 *Francis Kire ... ... ... 5 Horace L. Waltz ... ... 3 +Whliter Ayre ... ... ... Temor Conducted by Whleter Ayre.

* H1st peal in eight metiods. $\dagger 450 \mathrm{th}$ peel. First Surprise peal on the bellic sad first in more tima one method.

KIRKBY-LN-FURNEASS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Furnges and Lake District Brance.)
On bathrday, Nowember 13, 1937, in I wo Hokys and Forty-Six Minates,

## At ter Cadrch Op St. Coterbrt

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 of Reverse Canterbury Plensure and two 720's each of Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob.

Tener 9 cwt.
-Artger Strdman ... ...Treble | Micharl G. Werat... ... a Jambs E. Butlif

JABERESHRLBS
Nucrolas Ngwby

Frrderice H. Crawley ... Texor H. Crawley.

* First peal in four methods. + Tirst peal of Minor. A birthdny compliment to the conductor.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { HINTLESHAM, SUFFOLK. } \\
& \text { THE SUFFOLE GUILD. }
\end{aligned}
$$

On Saturdey, November 13, 1937, in 1 wo Hous and Forty-Seven Minutes, At the Cuerce of Sx. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridye Surprise, Double Court, St. Clement's, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and two 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwb.
Ronaid W. Gtrward... ...Tyeble Miss Sylyia R. E. Bowyer 4
Misi Eleanor Rebve ... 2 reble ... Utban W. Wildvey ... ... 5 James W. Jennings ... ... 3 Alan R. Andrews ... .... Jemor Conducted by Alam R. Andrb ws.
\$pecially artanged as a bacholors' nud spinsters' peal for the Guild. WOODCHTSTER, GLOS.
frie glovoester and bristol diocesan assoctation. On Saturday, Nouember 13, 1937, in Two Hours and Liorty-Four Minuth, At the Churci of St. Mart,

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Being 42 six-scores eacli called differently. Tenor 13 cwt .
 Conducted hy Leslig Barry.
Rung to commermorate the Almistice.
PEBMARSH, TSSEX.
the essex association. (St. Andrew's Goild, Earls Colne.)
On Saturday, Nouember 13, 1937, in Two Hours and Th rty-Four Mixwles, At the Churce of St. Joen-the-baptist, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's in eight methods: (1) College Single Reverse; (2) Cambridge Surprise; (3) Kent Treble Bob; (4) OxEord Treble Bob; (5) Double Oxford; (6) Double Court; (7) St. Clement's and Plein Bob. Tenor 8 cwl I qr. 14 lb . in B flat.
Harry Cartbr ... ... ...Treble Alebert L. Dixay... ... ... 4

First penl in eight methods by all and on the bells.

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ST. PAUL'S WALDEN, HERTFORDSHIRE.
'IHE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Satwrday, Novenber 13, 1937, in I too Hours \& Fonty Five Minutes, At the Church of all Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Forty-two six-scores, ten callings.
Stanley Graybstuce ...i reble | Pbrey Tompkins
Ernest East
... 2 Јоня Cadrce
R. Tвомая Nпmpin. ... ...Tenor

Conducted by R. T. Newman.
$\therefore$ Firso peat. First peal on the bells. Runs on the occasion of the visit of the King and Queen to St. Paul's Walden for the uubicatioy uf the organ.

CANTERBURY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

- On Saturday, November 13, 7437, in 7 wo Hours and Forly Minutes,

Artar Cedreh of St. Stzphen.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Beillg one extent of Plain Bob and three each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 11 curb. Mrs. M. Spica
 Precy W. Smita... ... ... 3 , Bertram J. Lock... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by B. J. Lock.
A birthday compliment to the Rector (the Rev, A. R. Barnes), also in honour of the 22nd anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. Wilson.

## STUTTON, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Monday, Noumber 15. 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty Minutes,
At tae Cburce or St. Peribr,
A PEAL OF MINOR, GOAD EHANGES:
Consisting of 720 Cumbridge: Surprise, two 720 's each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt .
Ronald W. Steward .. Irebie James W. Jennings ... ... 4 Miss Sylvia R. E. Bowier 2 Alan R. Andrews ... ... 5 - Jobn Pbnnilil

Conducted by Urban W. Wildery.

* First peal in four methods.


## HANDBELL PEAL.

OXHEX, HERTG.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Friday, November 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Twelve Mixwtes, At 28, Fizld Road,
A PEAL OF SPLICED LONDON, BRISTOL, GAMBRIDGE, SUPERLATIVE, ealing and rutland subprise major, 5088 changes;
Henry Hodghtis ... .. i-z Harold G. Cashmore
Christopber W. Woolley $34 \mid$ Fhedhaick W. Brinklow ... 7 -8
Composed and Conducted by H. G. Cashmore.
Umpire-Edwin Jeanings.
Tho peal consisted of 1,440 Loudon, 672 each of Combridge and Rntland, 768 each of Galing, Superlative and Bristol, with 135 changes of methad. The unpire checked every lead-end throughout the peal.
(Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.)

## CANON COLERIDGE'S BIRTHDAY.

Members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles at Seale Parish Church on Novenber 10th ia honour of the 80th birthday of Canon G. F. Coleridge, Master of the Oxiord Guild: Capt. H. J. Cann 1, C. W. Denyer (conductor) 2, R. Kenward 3, T. E. Denyer 4, R. J. Whitford 5, E. Gardner 6. First quarter-peal by Capt. Cann, who is Canon Coleridge's nephew.

## WEDDING BELLS.

At Christ Clyurch, TUpper Armley, Leeds, for morning service on Novomber 14th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor was rung to mark the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Arthur Ficldhouse, a manber of the Iocal company : G. Gaunt 1, James Hey 2, Miss O. Renton 3, A. Fieldhouse 4. Joseph Thackray 5, Frank Rayment 6. For evening gervice 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung: Joseph Thackray 1, G. Gaunt 2, Olive Renton 3 , J. Fieldhouso 4 , A. Fieldhouse $5, \mathbf{F}$. Rayment 6 , James Hey tenor (covering).

On Sunday, November 7th, the wedding of Mr. William M. Lawley (a member of St. Peter's company, Wolverhampton) and Miss Edith E. Hartshorm wes solemnised at Queey Street Church, Wolverhampton. In honour of the event touches of 627 Stedman Caters and 270 Grandsire Caters were rung at St. Peter's Churcin by F. Knight (conductor) 1, G. A. Baker 2, T. Roden 3, H. Griffiths 4, J. Whatmore 5, J, Willims 6, T. Smith 7, F. Brotherton 8, B. Horton 9, R. Thompson 10.

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

NEW BISEOP OF LICHFIELD BECOMES PATRON.
A meeting of the North Staffs and District Association was held at Burslem on Saturday, November 13th. Thirty-six members were preaent from Barslem, Buchnall, Brown Edqe, Biddulph, Draycott, Fenton, Kidsgrave, Kingsley, Leek, Longton, Norton, Neweastle, Stoke-on-Irent and Stone.

Tea was held in the Schoohroom, where a welcome to the association was exteuded by Mr. J. Husd, in the absence of the Rector.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector and ringers for the use of the bells, and also the use of a room for a committee meeting.

Four new members were elected, wiz., C. Jackson, of Newcastle, and J. Snape, S. Till and G. Houublow, of Darlaston.

A lefter was read by the secretary from the Lord Bighop of Lichfield, in which lie said: I am rlad to succeed my predecessors as patron of the North Stafiordshire Association of Change Ringers. Plense tell them how interested I am to hear of the peal rung on the ocasion of my enthronement.'

## MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION AT TWICKENHAM.

## PRESIDENT ACTS AS HOST.

On Saturday, November 13th, the South and West District of the Middesex County Association and Loudon Diocesan Guild visited St. Mary's Church, Twickenham. Ringers attended from a wide-area, including places as far apart as Crayfond and Watford, while district towers sent their representatives.
Shortened evensong was conducted by the president of the associathon, the Rey. W. P. Cole-Sheaue, who is also the Vicar of St. Mary's. The lesson was read by the vice-president, Mr. J. A. Trollope, and a ferture of the service was the singing of the new ringers' hymu, ' Ruislip Bells.'
Mrs. Bradford and Mrs. Lovell, both wives of local ringers, served a tasty tea in the Parish Hall. The Yicar presided, and was supported by all the sistrict oflicers.

Two new lady members from the Ruislip band were elected.
The hon. secretary (Mr. F. W. Goodfellow) read an appeal an novel lines from Mr. P. Amos, seeking funds for the aummelation of the bells for bell! it St. Andrew's, Northampton.

Before the tower was revisited, the company were entertaned to some change ringing on handbells. The keen air ontside kept an appreciative andience in close company to the stove unti] the last possible mament! The tower-bell ringing, varied in character as nemal, ranged from rounds and Grandsire Tripleg to London Surprise Major, under the direction of the Ringing Master, Mr. E. O. S. Turner.

## OXEORD DIOCESAN GUILD

BUCCESSIUL MEETING AT EUGHENDEN.
Once rfain the young and the not so young joined forces to produce a most interesting mouthly practice of the East Berks and South Bucka Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. As theve are no facilities for tea nearer Hughenden than High Wycombe, it was arranged thut those who could wonld meet at Lyons and there fortify themselves for the ovening's ringing. This was done by the usual stalwarts, who then foum their way by various maans to the tower, which, by tho way, really needs a summer's day for one to appreciate the full beauty of its setting.
Touches of Grandsiro and Stedman Triples and Bob Major wero soon rung, also, the experts having arrived, Doubla Norwicli, Suporlative, Loudon, Cambridge and Bristol were likewise disposed of.

An encouraging feature of this meeting was the number of towers represented and the presence of those member of the Guild who perform such road work in scoring peals, but who, alas, alre not often seen at montily practices. It was also gratifying to welcome visitors from other societies.
An smusing interlude was caused by one, who, on discovering in the pockets oi the jacket which fitted him so well several arucles which were unfamiliar to him, begran to bestow them one by one on a more suitable owner. Ou investigatiou he was fonnd to be the rightinl owner of the jacket as well. Furdker anusement was arused later by two other jackets being twin brothers.

Flain conrses of Graudsire were made fuli use of by keen beginnerg whilst others refreshed their anemory for a course of Torkshite. This was followed by Oxford Bob Triples and Little Bob Mijor, tho novelty and musio being enjoyed by novice and expert alike. Thren leads of Kent and a well-struch bob course of Stedman Triples brought to a close a happy and onjoyable cyening.

## DEATH OF OAKLEY CAPTAIN.

We regret to record the passing of another of the Winchester and Portsmouth (Basingstoke District) members in Mr. William Hunt, for many years captain of Oakley tower, and a very highly lespected member of the Guild.

He was buried at Oakley Church, the service being conducted by the Rev. Judewine, Rector and chaiman of the Basingstoke Branch. A course of Grandsire Triples was rung on haudbelis around the grovo as a token of respect by members of the Basingstoke District: Rev. H. S. Marle 1, B. Garrett 2, J. Munday 3, F. Munday 4, J. Chesterman 5, F. Kıape 6, C. Ostler 7, H. Garrett 8.



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## BELERY GOSSIP

The jubilee dinner of the Ohester Diocesan Guild on Saturatioy was at great success. We hope to publish a report of the proceedings in uur next issue.

A ring of five bells at Corley, Goventry, which have been restored, are to be rededicated on Sunday at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

Mr. Jantes Geonge, of Birmingham, will celebrate bis $84 t h$ birthday on Baturday. Many good wishes will, we are sure, find their way to 44, Cuckno Road, Necinells, tonnorrow.
Wo once heard Mr. George say be hoped to live to be 117. Well, he's doing his best. He is still a "tough guy" at the end of a bell rope, and is hoping to celebrate lis birthay next week by taking part in several peal attempis.
The denth has occumed of My. Thomas Hoad, a respected member of the band at, Salehurst, Sussex. The funeral took place on November $18 t h$ and two days later a half-muffled peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in his memory.
A ringer, wha recently called a peal of Stedman Triples, which was his first peal as conductar, thauks us for the help lie got from the Beginners' articles on Stedman a few montlis back. 'You pointed out fnets,' he says, "which ordiuary people like myself might not have seen in ten ycar's.'
Tomorrow a peal board memorial is to be unveiled ati Mitcham Parish Church to the late Mr. J. D. Drewett, J.F., Master of the Surrey Agsociation from 1913 to his death in 1928.

He was a member of Miteham Society for over 50 years; his father was a ringer for over 50 yenrs and his eldest son for over 20 years until killed in action in the Greas War.
Two lady ringers in Australia are to be warried shortly. Miss Joan Helen Kynaston, daugliter of the Vicar of Hambledon, Hants, who has been teaching the girls at Frenshan School the ard of change ringing, is to be married at Mittagong, New South Wales, on the last day of the year.
Early in the uew year the wedding is to lake place in Melhoures of Miss Frey Shimmin, the young Australian lady who took part in the peal of Grandsire Cinques at St, Paul's Cathedral, Melbourua, on Armistice Day, 1934

A few copies of 'The linging World, containing the full zeport of the College Youths' tercentenary celebrations, may still be obtained, price 3 d. each , post free, from 'The Ringiag World' Office, Lower Pyrford Road, Woking.

## THE OLDEST SOCIETY OF RINGERS.

THE CLAIMS OF LINCOLN.
To the Editor.
Sir,-In the recent celebration of the tercenterary of the Ancient Society of Callege Youths the claim was made that it is the oldeat society of ringers in the world. Some years ago, when a similar claim was niade, I wrote to the 'Times' and pointed out blat the 'Company of Ringers of on Blessed Virgin Mary of Lincoln' has a still older history. But as the assertion of this other claim is still repented, I would agail call attention to the facts, which are as follows:-
In the Muniment Room of the Dean and Chapter of Limcoln there are two doctments, containitit (1) the Ordinances of the Ringers, dated 1612, together with the uames of the company, beginning with Roberi Sandye, scrivener (who was Master in 1614), and (2) the Letters Patent. of the Dean and Chapler to the Company of Ringers, dated September 23 rd, 1614.
The Ringers' Chapel by the soutli-west tower of Lincoln Cathedra] has painted upon its walls, witll omamental borders, a yist of the Masters of the ringers from 1614 to 1655 , as well as the names of the company in 1634, and in 1722-25.

A reprint of these documents, and a description of the lists paintef on the walls of the Ringers' Chapel, will be found in Bradshaw and Wordsworth's "Lincoln Crathedral Statutes, III.,' pp. 603-627.
It will thus be seen that, the Lincoln Company was establighed 23 years earlier lum the Society of College Youths.
J. H. SRAWLEY, Cuancellor of Lincolm.

The Chancery, Lincoln.

## THE SPLICED SURPRISE•SIX' ON HANDBELLS

To the Editar
Bear Sir,-Please allow me the space to congratulate Mr. Cashmorn and his colleagues on their latest and most wonderful perfomance. I agree that it is one of the most brilliant ringing achievements of all time. As a memher of the hand that rang the first peal in six Surprise Major methods at Willesden some few years ago I can remember the thrill which oame with success-but I feel sure that there musl be a double thrill after baving rung two bells through such a peal. That the minging is good goes without saying ; it wonld be impossible to correct a bad trip with so much to think about.

That this talented hand will go on to meny more successes is the wish of the great majority of ringers, I am sure, even though the names of the methods may be taken from Bradshaw's guide, ant contain tho ridiculaus word 'Surprise'-ridiculous, perhaps only to those who have to keep Plain.
O. T. COLES.

## BOURNEMOUTH'S RECAST BELLS

DEDICATION BY BISHOP OF WINCHESTER.

## A Memorial Sacring Bell.

St. Peter's Church, Bournenouth, now possesses a magnificent peal of eight hells wilh tenor of 20 cwt .2 gr . 7 lb . in E. The peal has beon recast and thaed on the 'true-harmonis' system, rehung in the old frame on modern fitcings by Messts. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. Thus the belts liave raceived long delayed attention which has transformed them into one of the finest eights on the South Const.
When the work was first discussed about a yoar ago it was felt, in view of the precarions state of the cluncin. funds, that work of relangiug the penl alone could be considered. Even this project suffered a setback when the church finances were examined at the end of the year, but the desire to instal a Sacring bell in menory of the late Archdeacon A. E. Daldy, Vicar of St. Peter's for 16 years, brichtenell the prospects of zestoration cousiderably.
The bells were originally cast by Messrs. Taylor in 1870, and, having heard them, Mr. E. Denson Taylor strongly recommended that they should be recast. Further, he supported his recommendation with a most generous offer to bear half the cost of stch work. The Vicar, Canon Hedley Burrows, thus enconraged by practical sympatiy, launched lis appeal to the towuspeople for the balance to enable complete restoration of the town's only peal of bells to commenorate Coronation year, 1937. He received the full support of the Covonation Mayor, Alderman T. V. Rebbeck, with the happy result that Capt. F. B. Nortan came forward to complete the fund with a generous cheque for 8400 . Other sums received since that date from warious organisations have ullowe for restoration of the belfry and other necessary extra work to enshre tio completeness of the peal.

DISTRICTS WTTHOUT CHURCHFS AND BELLS.
The rederlication service took place on siatruday Iast, the Lord Bishop of Winchester (Dr. Cyril Forster Garbett) offciating and giving the address. The service was frrly choral and whe church filled to capacity. Aiter an opening hymn, 'Unchanging God who livest,' prayers were offered by the Vicar; the Rural Dean (the Rev. F. C. Learoyd) rend the lesson, and to the singing of a speciel liymn, 'Ring out new hope and love and power,' the Bishop proceeded to the west door benealh lie tower for the rededication ceremony. He was escorted by the Vicar, the churchwardens, Messrs. E. Denison Taylor, J. P. Fider and V. G. Newton. After the cercmony under the tower the procession re-formed and rethrined to the sanctuary during the singing of Walmisley's nathem, 'From all that dwell below the skies.' In the sanctuary the Bishop dedirated the Sacring bell and strick it by pressing the electric confrol. Ronnds were then rung on the tower bells by the local company of ringers.
The Bishop delivered an interesting and appropriate address on the uses of bells, saying that where, in distant lands, the Clristian faith was hated and oppressed, no bells were lieard. For another cause, he sain, bells were not leard in our contitry, on country noted for its bells. It was hecause in many newly-developed areas here were as yot no churches in which to hang the bells. He appealed to the large eongregation to support his nffort to supply the need for new churches mud halls in the diocese, n meed which was felt almost within somn nuld halls in thie diocese, nimed which was feth
During the singing of the hynnes, 'Now, thank we all our God' and - Praise the Lord, Je heaveus adore Him,' a collection was taker for the Bishop's appral. The service conelnted with the National Anthem, and whils the congregation was dispersing Mr. T. D. Chandier, Mus.Bac, T.R.C.O., played the very approptiate 'Carillon' by Vieme on the organ.
The first "touch, on the recasi hells was rung by the following members of the local conpany: Messrs, H. Osborne, R. Dear, F. Framkland Tighy. H. Rolerts. W. Garrett, C. R. Forfite, P. W. Witham athd A . $\mathbf{V}$. Davis. Thea was then served at the Alesandra Hall, albont 250 guests sitting down.

## GENTROUS DONORS.

In a short sjeech, the Depaty Mayor, Alderman T. V. Relbheck, outhined the luunching of the zppeal and the success it met with, thanking the donors, particulanty Capt. H. B. Norton and Mr. E. Denison Tavlor, for their senerosity, which resulted in the Parisli Clurch of Bonrmemouth possessing such a marnificeut peal of bells.
The Fiear addressed the gatherng in his usunl cheery manner and explained the inscriptions lie had had placed on the bells. He conoluded by thanking the captain of the loenl company, M1: Arilhur $V$. Davis, for lins nssistance in all matters pertaining to the work.
Mr: Davis responded on behaff of the yingers, saying that he knew his colleagues of St. Peter's tower felt that, their duty now lav perfectly clearly before them, to keep the bells of Bournemouth's Parish Church well and regularly rung.
Ringers unnbering rbout 80 were present from all parls of two counties of Hants rind Dorset, and the bells were kept going unti] 8.30 to Grandsire and Sledman Triples, Plain Bob ancl Kent Treble Bob Mnjor. Cambridqe, Sıperlative auta London Surprise, the striking being of high order throughout.

Arong those present were Mr. G. Williams (Master of the Winchester ant Portsmonth Guild), the Rev. R. F. Dundry (Master of the Galipbury Diocesan Guild), Mr. W. Andrews, Mr. C. Preston. Mr. A. F. Martin Stewart, the Rey. Eddrupp nnd the Rev. E. A. Phillips (Continued in next colunna.)

## RINGING SECRETARY FOR 14 YEARS.

MR. ARTHUR TOMLINSON'S SER FIOFS TO LANCASHIRE
ASSOCIATION.
Worthy tathutes to the service renderod to the Lancastine Assaciation y Mrr, Arthur Tominson, who lits just retived from the position of hon. ringing secrelaty, we: mutie at the anmal dimme of the assaciation, held at Blactrpeal recently. Mr. 'l'onlinson has tajken over' a business in itackpool and reluctatily found be was unable to devate him-
self to the aspociation's work.
For fourteen ycars he ably filled the office which he has just laid down. Not only hus he complied the yearly records of peatis rung by the association and the statistios of individual members pert'ormances, but has also lyem rasponsible for oryanisintr mathy peals, of which he lias ruller nearly three tion and conducted n considerable mamber.
He was elected n member of the ussociation its 1908 and represented it on Whe Central Conncil for six years from 1930. For many years, hefore removjeg fo Blackpool, he was attached to St. Michmets band, Blacklinin, As we recentig tecordert,

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cold Lancesinive Asscciation has presented Mr, Toullinson with a gold waich in recognition of the work he lias done for so many years.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

FITTEEN NEW NEMBERS JLECITD AT DISTRICT MEETTNG A meeting of the Western Dixision was held at Potworth on Saturday, when 30 members attended from eleven towers.

At the bisiness meeting 15 new members were elected, sll from Storringron.
A vote of thanks was nccorded to the Rector of Pelworth for the use of the bells, also to Mr. W. Charmau for presiding. The purby retmoned tor the helfry for further ringing tusil 8 p.m.

The secretary wishes to say how much he apprecintes the largo atfendances at the meetings, and hopes that fleey will continne. He also thanks several of the alder members for the help they have given him at the meetings.

STEDMAN CATERS AT GLASCOW CATHEDRAL
Members of the Scoltish Associntion at, Glaggow rang a quarter-peal of Stodman Caters ( 1,287 changes) on Safurday, Novemtuer 201 h , at St. Mary's Cathedral-the first by all exvept the ringors of the 5 th and 94万: A. Dodds 1, J. Ewing 2, F. F. Saxpen ${ }^{3}$, N. Leiper 4, R. O. Street 5, T. C. Windernm 6, S. G. Lewis 7, E. A. Stafford 8, W. H Picketit (conductor) 9, J. Carmichasel 10.
INSCRIPTIONS ON NEW BELES-Continued fram previous column. (Salisbury Guild) Mr. $\mathbb{F}$. W. 'Townsend, MI. F. W. Rogers (imp, semetary of the Winchester and Por'(smouth Diocesan Guild). Mr, W. Cheator, the Rev. E. P. Furrow. Mr. T. C. Filiott and ringerg from Sonhhamptort, Portsmonth, Wiuchester, Ringwood, Christehureh Bourremouth, St, Tohn's, Poole, Wavefan, Dorchester, Wyte Regis, Sturminster, Blandford, Winbome, Kington Magna, etc.

Tho intersting inseriptions on the bells are as follow:-
Treble (The People's Bell), "Jesus he our speed.'
2 (The Founders' and Vienr'g Bell), 'In memoriam funtataris. Alexander Morden Bennetb.
3 (The Town Bell or Warriage Bell). -Pulehrituder et Salubritns (Boumemonlih's motto).
4 (The Winchester Bell)- 'Manmers Malkytl Man.
5 (The Peace Bell).- Poace from Him, which is, and which was med which is to come.
6 (The Coronatione Bell).-' Got sare King George, 1937. MLon Dien Mon Roi, Mon Coutr.
7 (The Fassing Bell).- Esto Fidelis Usque ad morlem ct Dabo Tribi Coroman Vila

Tenor (The Resmurection Bell).-" Iu memoriam, Mary Ellen Norton, 1936.

Snering bell (10 cwt. in G) (The Bell of the Iumarination),-4 ${ }^{4}$ momorimm. Alfred Fdward Dikly, Ficar, 1904-1920, st. Peder, st, Swiblun. Sanchus. Sanotus. Sanetur.'

## PEAL NOTES. <br> PARAGRAPHS ABOUT PEOPLE AND PERFORNANCES. <br> Peal in Six Surprise Methods.

Mr. Alfred Ballard rang his aftieth peal of Stedman on November 13 th at Fugglescota.

Messrs. C. V. Ebberson and R. W. Cooke 'completed the circle together at Fakenham, Narlok, wheu they took part in a peal of Kent Treble Bob arranged by Mr. Nolan Golden for Mr. Pat Catimon, It was the $75 h$ tower in which the latter has rung a peal and he has not rung many nore peals than that. Fresh towers ate his hobby.
After meeting short for a peal of Major at St. Stephen's Church, Canterbury, on November 15th, a peal of Minor in three methods was rung. Mr. R. G. Port kindy standing down. The peal was a birthday compliment to the Rector (the Rev. A. R. Barnes), who is an honorary member of the Kent Colnty Association, and in honour of the 22 md auniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. Wilsov.
The ringers of Hartlebury, Worcs., rang a peal at Clifton-on-Feme on Oct. Slst, and it was the hisst peal by five out of the six ringers. Hartleburs is jsolated from activa ringing centres in Worcestershire, but it is grabifying to know that this band is keeping change riuging going in a very diffenlt district. The success ecnieved in this peal should lead to increased enthusiasm.
A paal of Erith Little Boh Major figured on the Friday menu at Crayford last week. The method had been rugg there before, but thero were five 'firsts' on this occasion. The coniposition was by the late Sir Arthur Feywood, but he probably did rot know that such a method existed when he set down the figures.
Their' Majesty's visit to St. Paul's Walden, Herts, where the Queen was botr, was celchrated by the first peal on the five bells ai AII Saints' Chureh on November 13th, when their Majesties were present at the dedication of the organ.

## LADIES RTNG ANOTHER PEAL

Another peal to colebrate the silver jubilee of the Ladies' Guild was rung on Saturday, at Harrow Weald. Eight ladies rang a peal of Kent Treble Bob Mrajor, the first in the methad for the Guild and, would You believe it? the first peai in the method which Mrs. E. K. Fleteler has conducted.
Mr . Janes E. Bailey called his first peal of Stedman, at the first atbempt, at Holy rrinity, llartford, on Novemher 16 th, and his wife, at the same time, rang her first peal in the mathod. Mr. G. J. Butcher rang the 3rd and thus' completed the circle io this tower. The peat was a birthilay compliment to the Viear (Canon C. Flliot Mitchell)

Another birthday peal by members of the Kent Association was rung 01 November 20th. This was for the 75th birthday of Mr. Richard Smith, who rang tive second to a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major at Gravesent.
The Norwich Diocesan Associalion has just rumg its first peal of Norwich Court Bols Major, at Alburgla on November 20th.
There has heen in 'hoodon' on the attempts which Mr. Reg Woodyatt, of the Worcestershire Association, has made to call his first peal. Fvery try for firandsire came to grief. Last Saturday at Claines he tricd Oxford Bob Triples to break the spell and got it the Brst time.

Messers. Sam Longbottom and Farold Ponce finished "the circle' at Quensbury, Forkshire, on Saturday, when they took part in a peal of Grandsing Triples as a farewell to the Rev. P. E. Handley. It was Mr. Longhottom's first penl of Grandsire, too, and three others of the bank scored their first in the method.
Seven aut of the eight ringers at Fitwmarsla on Saturdny rang their first peal of Purisey Surprise Major nant that after "meeting short.' Fortanntmly Mr. F. Pickering was abie to stand in and rang the treble.

The hells at West Glandon, Surrey, were angmented to eight in 1932 , hot the first peal on the octave was not rung until last Satirday. At one time Clandon was a Winchester Guild stronghold of six-hell ringing, lun just before the war the tower was devastated by fire, then came the war and oniy two peals of Minor were rung afterwards.
Satirday's peal was runt on the twelfth anniveracy of Mr. G. L. Grover's wedding. George lias put in a lot of work at West Clandon, as well as heing the districe secretary of the Guildford Diocesan Guid The mellhd ramg was Grandsire Triples, and, by a coincideace, it was 40 yearg almost to the day since the conductor (Mr. J. S. Goldsmithy fitsf called the same conposition-Parker's Twelve-Part.

The peal of New Cambridge Surprise Major rung at Coddenham on Novemher $20 t 1$ makes the eighth peal that Mr. C. Fi. Sedpley liss rung there in eirlit difereat methads, a somewhat rare performance.

A correspondent sats he belieyes we were wrong in assuming the letters 'P.G.' after Miss Bowyer's mame oll a recent occasion meant 'Paal Grabher." He thinks they really meant 'Pint Gug,' someone not fmowing how to spell "jug.

Believed to be the first meal of Stedman by a band of Sumday service ringers in the Rochdale Branch of the Laveashire Assoniation, a peal in this'method was rumg at Moarside, Oldham, on Novemher 81 h . The hells were half-muffled is a tolsen of resnect to the late Mr. J. H. Dunkerley. J.P., for more than 35 years Vicar's warden.
Megars. Frank Tawton and Joe Ogrten linve now ring peals in the Cour standard methods on Morside bells with a Sunday service ringing hand. That is sometling to be proud of.

In connection with the peal of Stedman Ginques at Leeds on Satur day, it is worthy of note thal the aggregate mileage travelled by the band was over 1,500 . Messrs. W. Woodhead and W. H. Barber, of Newerstle-on-IYne and Leeds respectively, ravg together in a peal of Stedman Cinques at Birmingham more tham 40 years ygo. Mr. A. Paddon Snith was elected in member of the Yorkshire Association during the preliminary raunds. The peal was, ineidentally, flae first occasion on which the conductor thed called a bob ou 12 bells.
A peal of Bob and Grandsire Minor on November 5 th was rumg by members of Cassington Belingers' Club. Belringera' chiss are seldom heard of ; in fact, the only other one we know of is at Baliarat Anstiralia, but there the members are not attached to any church, but ing the bells at the City Hall.
On the question of 'local' Collgge Youths' peals, Mr. R. T. Hibbert seuds us the further information that from 1900 to 1905 the Caversham band rang upwards of 30 peals for the old society, mostly Joondon, Gambridge and Superlative Surprise, but including five peals of Stedman Triples, also Donble Norwich, Kent Treble Bob, Bob Major and Grandsire Triples. That definitely puts out of court any later claizn to the first ' local ' peal of Stedman Sriples for the society.

We are, however, now informed that the claim of the Cheltenham ringers was to the firsto peal of Stedman Triples rung in the Cheltentam district by resident members of the Ancient Society. That ons not made clear in the original report.
AN AUSTRALTAN ECHO.

For the first time for eleven years a peal las been rung at Guildford Cathedral by a Sunday service batud. Time was when sumh a per formance was of frequent accurreace, but the vagaries of fortune bave prevented it since 1926. The peal was rung ou November 16 th.
Mr. Alfred Pulling has now got the company going agniu on a peal ringing basis, and it probably will wat be long before they get away fromz Grandsire Triples.
There were three frst peals, and it is not uninteresting lo note that in one case the Anstralian tour is responsible. Mr. T. W. White, who kindly madertook part of the editorial duties of "The Ringing World while the Editor was away, and knew nothing of the terhnicalities of ringing when he took over the responsibilities, had his interegt in the art so much stirred that he had learned to handle a bell at Foly Trinity Cathedral before the Editor returned.
Messrs. Urbnal W. Wildney and Alan And'ewg rang their twenty. fifth peal together on Novernber sth at Kirby-lesoken.
A peal of Doubles was ring at Marlesford, Suffolk, on Navember 9th, the first on the belln for over 30 yenss. It was ring by a band of local Sundry service ringers, which makes it all the more cieditnhle.

A peal of Danble Norwich was ring at Borcham, Esaes, oll Nov 13 th, specially arcanged for a sale of work and social, held at the Wil lage Fall. Four of the band rang selections on handbells at the social
Four hachelors and twa spinetrors took part in a specially arrenged peal of Minor at Hintlesham, Suffols, on Novenber 15th.

## FERTS RTNGERS REPEAT GREAT PERFORMANCT.

Yetanother Spliced Surprise Major, peal on handbells in six methots! Last Fridey at Oxhey the Hertfordshire band scored a further sucuess in the same methods that they rang a weele previously, and this time, Iwo minntes quicker. By the way, the earlier peal was rung on Friday, November 12th, not Sinturdny as printed.
They added another to the new methods ring on tower hells at Oxhef on Saturday, a peal of Eastbury Suprise, composed by Harold Cashmore and rung withont previous prastice. It was Mr". Manrieg Tibhert's 2sith peal, and the 50th peal together of Messrs. S. H. Honre and W. Apre.
Only one of the eight ringers who took part in a peal of St. Clement's Bob Major at-Swineshead, Lincs, on November 13ti, hat ever struck a blow in the wethod before. For the purposes of the Central Coluncil's Analysis Committee, however, this information conveyed in the footnote to the peal. doce not mako it cloar whether there were seven or eirht firstg in the method in this performance. It is a bittle noint on which correspondents should he precise,
A peal at St, Stephen's. St. Albans, on November $13 t h$, wns Mr , Walter Avre's 450th. He lias now called a peal in each of the four towers in St. Albans, and wishes this last peal to he associated with the memory of the late Jolin Malyan, for mavy years captain of St. Steohen's ringers
The six bells of Barnby-in-the-Willowe, Notts, have a tenor of ouly $6 \frac{1}{6}$ cwt. A peal was ming ou them on Armistice Day ing 2 hour 23 minntes-the auickest on the bells, Mr. R. H. M. Harvey, who celled the peal, has now 'circled' tho tower'.
An attempt fo ring a neal of Grandsire Caters at Mnnchocter Cathedral on November 13th to commemarate the birthday of Mr W. C. Bridoford umfortunately came to erief owing to a call amifter by the conductor, Mr. R. Luoneden. \#ुe much regrets the error especinltr as Mr. A. Ford and Mr. F. Fates honed to register their first Caters peal. Fe also thanks the band for the tamm work they put into the attempt, and last, hut not lenst, Mr. W. Mosiey, who trrvelleả from Rolton. a peal at the Cathedral not as yet having been inclinded in his list of peals.
We believe these 'Peal Nafes' aro a feature of mach interpat to our readers, and we invite those who send up renorts to add enj points of interest suitable for this column. pither about the perform ances, or those talring rart. When individuals are mentioned it will add to the interest if the person's home town or tower is given.

## THE CLASHING OF MEETINGS.

To the Editor.
Dear' Sir,-While perusing the notice columns of "The Ringing World, on several occasions in the past, I have observed advertisements of meetings to be held on the same day ab towers which are within ten miles or less of each other. Apart from the fact that these meetings have siven me and other ringers an opportunity of ringing in two fresh towers on one afternoon, I have always failed to see the advantage to the districts themselves,

But within the last two weeks even more extraordinary arrangements have been advertised. On November 13 th a Ladies' Guild meeting was held at Isleworth, auk a Middesex (South and Wesc District) meeling was hold at Twickenham. These towers are not two miles npart! I was hoping that this was just an isolated case and would not occu: again, but was much surprised to see advertised in last Friday's issue a meeting of the Surrey Astocfation at Betchworth, aud a meeting of che Guildiord Guild at Dorking. Again these towers wre only threg miles apart!

Will eomeone please explain the beneft to the cause of ohange rinting which these avoidable clashes offer? It has always seemen to me that the idea of any meting was to enable the ringerg in the neighbourhood to meet together socially, and practise what they are unable to riug in their local towers. Perhape there is some other reason which I have not learnt yet. If so, I shall be most interested to know more about it, to assist me in my secretarial duties. Incidentally, as becretary of the Southern District of bie Luoudon Cannty Association, I slall always be pleased to co-operate with my neighbouring officials regarding dates of proposed meetings, and wonld buggest that this takes place in other parts of the country.

To anyone who can kindly answer my question, I would say, 'Please don't advance the old story, "Oh, the dates were fixed months ago, and the Vicar gave permission for that date, and we don't like to alter it." There are very few clergy, I ame sure, who would not also co-operate with the secretary, if matters were explained to them. Trusting that the respective secretaries of the above mentioned associations will forgive my commenting on their arrangements.
118. Sarsfeld Road, Balham, S.W.12.

## THE HONESTY OF CONDUCTORS.

## To the EDitor.

sir, - 1 would like to trespass on your space in reply to Mr. J. K. Armstrong's letter in your jesme of Nov. 5th.
He says ' peals need not be true, the conduclor only lang to think they are, and with this there can be litile argument, but does not this statement cast a very grave reflection on the honesty of composers, which is, I think, mmerited?

Many men have given considerable time and thought to the problems of composition and the percentage of errors is very small.

His illustration that 'anyone can string bobs and singles together' to get a desired length and ring and re-ring it is, in my opinion, very far from the truth, as no ringer worthy of the name who entered into the realms of composition wonld allow his neme to foot a peal if he were not entirely satisfied that the composition was true. New composerg usually go to considerable leugths to make sure their compositions are true before circulating them, as they realise that one false peal at the ontset of their composing career will take years of herd work to live down and to regain the confidence of ringers.
The solutions he proposes are exellent, but, I think, unnecessary, for just as we have to rely on the intergity of the condurefor to call the peal correctly, sa must we rely on the integrity of the compeser to furnisla true figures. Conductors will readily supply the figures of eny peal they have called so that, if noy donbt were entertained as to the truth of a certain peal, that doubt could be set at rest by merely asking for the figures and having them proved.
The basis of the Exercise through the centuries has been truth, and it is a sorry thing for us to adnat that we crmot trust our fellowringers to maintain this tradition. An examination of the peal records will show that the percentage of peals withdrawn is very small when compared with the number of peals rung, the majority of which are entirely above suspicion.
The Central Council can, I am sure, find better ways of employing its finauces than to subsidise a composition revision committee, whinh, after all, interests only a very few ringers, and which would perforce be comprised of composers, and if there is, as might be essumed from Mr. Armstrong's letter, wholesale dishonesty amongst composers, then this committee wauld be useless.
In conclusion, I wonld advise him not to waste the Conncil's time with this matter and to trust his felow-ringers more. $C$. KENNETH LEWIS.

## Marple.

## 「GREAT YARMOUTH RINGER'S SILVER WEDDING.

On Satmiday, Novemher 6th, in honour of the silver wedding anitversary of Mr. Ferbert Jermy, towerkeeper of St. Nicholas' Ohurch, Yarmouth, 1.440 Cambridge Surprise Royal: J. G. W. Havwood 1, R. William Barber 2, N. Golden (conductor) 3, G. Mayers 4. R. W. Onson 5, F. G. Bennett 6, A. G. King 7, O. F. Sayer 8, F. Toake 9, W. Glover 10 .

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

MEMBERS' RESPONSE TO DISTRIGT SEGRETARY.
A very successful meeting of the Guildford Distirict of the Guildiond Diocesan Guild was held ou Nov. I3th ati Shalford, where hast year the old six bells were recast into a very tuneful ring of eight ly Taylor and Co. Nearly 60 ringers were present. Whotler it was the attraction of the bells or the "pricking of conscience" after tile district semetary's pertinent jnquiry addressed to the members in his notice,
What bave you done for the Guild this year P' cannol be definitely stated-perhaps it was a litule of both-but the fact remains it was an unusually well-attended meeting, and nearly everybody saw tho secretary's joke and 'sent a postcard' to say thev were coming to ten.
Altogetleer it was a very happy gathering, despite a cold chureh (because the bailer had burst) and a cold loom (because there wasn't a boiler at all). But there was a warm welcome (rom the Viens, the Rev. W. Tobias, formerly an Army chaplain, who is not afraid of plan talking or makiag his congregation smile, and who is a great believor in cheerfuiness in life aud in religion. He paid a tribute to his own ringers, not only for their services in the belfry, but in the life of the chrirch is other ways.
At the business meeting, over which the Vicar presitled, the sistrict officers were all denominated. The district secretary was rendy to make way for 'anyone who would tale on the job,' lor, be reminded the meeting, he had done bine years. "Make it ten," said gomeote, and the secretary said it was that more than anything which would induce him to stand again. And so it was that Mr. G. I. Grover wrs renominated. Mr. C. Emest Smith was reneminated as Ringing Master, aud Mr. A. C. Hazelden as auditor.
Four nomilations were received for two vacancies on the Executive Committee.
The Vicar was elected, amid applane, as an honorary membor, and Mi. A. J. Brooker (Gadalming) a vingily member.

Bramley and Wonersh, Pirloright, Old Woking and Godalming were recommended for next jear's district meetings, and the proceedings terminated with the customary rote of thauks, moverl by the Master of the Guild (Major J. H. B. Hease).
Ringers were present from Guildford (two towers), Godnlming, Haslemere, Ewhurst, Shalford, Worplesdon, Pirbright, Woking, West Glandon nnd Cranleigh, in the district, and Ash, Aldersiow, Leatherhead, Chertsey, Hagshot and Portsea.

## BATH RINGER'S DEATH

MR. ALEX EYANS WORK IN THE WFEST.
It is with deep regreb we linve to record the death of Mr. Alex Emata at Bath on Octolier 28th after an illness lasting 14 months. Mr. Fyans learnt his ringing in the Taunton district, being a nember of the St. James' band, umder the conductorship of Mr. J. Maddock. Ringing many of lis peals there, he conducted his first of Stedman Triples.
Fe resided for a fow years at Chippenham, Wilts, where le langht a band of young uwen to ring Grandsire Triples and condmeted their first peal. Moving to Exeter, he joined the Cathedral band nnd rant in the first peal of Grandsire Gaters on the bells by that company. His omployment then took him to Burnhmon Sea, Somorset, whero ho again worked very hard for rinping aud the Axhridse Deanery of the Bath and Wells Association, filing the post of local secretary for a. period.

About five years ago Mr. and Mrs. Evans (whom he also tanght to ring) went to reside in Bath to be near their Eriends. A hearty waloome was extended to them, and they were electer members of the Bath Abhey fompany. Mr. Evass quickly sel himself the task of learning Surprise ringing and soon rang peals in it.

He was an enthusiastic Sunday service ringer, alowys yeliable and pincturl. He loved good ringing and disliked bad striking. Fis total pumber of peals was nearly 100 . his last, a peal of Stedman Triples, bis favourite method, in Juty, 1936.
The funeral took place on November 2nd nt St, John's, Bathwick, All the towers in the Bath District were represented together, att among those ulso present were Messrs. W. Court (Burnlam-onSSa), J. T. Dyke (hon. secretary, Bath and Wells Association), W. A. Cave (Bristol), G. Fector, G. F. Hardiug and E. Parker (Trowhridge), and F. Targett (Clilcompton).
$A$ conrse of Grandsire Triples was rung over the grave ly W. J. Prescotl, J. T. Dyke, G. F. Harding and T. F, King.
In the evening malled ringiug on the bells of Batil Abbey and St. Mark, Lyncombe, took place.

## WROXETER'S UNMUSICAL RING

The Shropshire Associntion paid their first wisit for some years to Wroxeter on October 30 th. Tt must be admitted that the hells are not very attractive, the first five being fairly tumeabla. but the tonor, when used, upset all notious of music and nlmosl defeated attempts to ring Minor. Individually the bells are tumeful, but the intervala are not correct.
Grandsire, Stedman and St, Simon's Doubles were rung and Plain Bolu and Kent Minor. A short service in the ancient clanch was conducted by the Rev. H. Hobbs, who afterwards presided at the tea and business meeting.

## NO CHANGE RINGING FOR 100 YEARS.

DEDICATION OF NEW IFELLS AT RANWORTH, NORFOLK. In honour of the fallen, the cross of si. George flew at half-nast on the Church of St. Heleu, Ranworth, ou Remembrance Sunday, when the five vecast bells and an additional new treble were dedicated hy the Bishop of Norwich. In adrlition to the large mumber of parishioners, various cyeling clube of the district paid their anumal visit for divine service, and so large was the congregation that extra seating was necessary. Members of Yarmoith and Gorleston Wheclers, Fast Anglian Cycle Club, C.T.C. Norwich Cycle Clubs, hikers nud motor elnbs attended. The Rev. E. D. Everard (Vicar) was assisted by the former Yitar (Canan H. I, Einaght, of Lowestoft). The thells have not been rung in changes for aver 100 years, as fonr of the five had pieces broken out of them. The work of rehanging in a new teak frame and modern fitings las been excellently carried out by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Jpswich, of which tomn the Vient is n native.
The restoration of the tower and lyells has cost $£ 040$, of which, thazks to the energy of tha Vicar aud the large number of summer visitors to the Norfolk Broads, only a small debt remuius. It is worthy of note that during the past 40 years $£ 10,000$ has been spent in restorations to the charch.
During the absence of the bells a lyand of sever men and ladies have heen learning to ring at the neighbouring towers of Reenham and South Walsham, and progressed so far that they were able to ring for the firsi time for the dedieation service
After service the bells were rung by ringers from Wroxham, hilharton and Acle.
Following encusang, tho firsb 720 of Ploin Bob was scored by visitors: Emest Benton 1, Miss W. E. Ditcham 2, Miss D. Ditelam 3, C. Bird 4 , R. Barher 5, G. Bailey (Wroxham) (endutetor) 6. The weight of the tenor is 12 cw . in Fo, and the Bronds district has now another handy cing. It is hoped that ringers will make good use of them and help the tocal hand

## A DORSET BELL RESTORATION.

REDEDICATION OF THE BELLS AT TOLLER PORCORUM The delightinl and guantly mamed Dorseb rillage of Toiler Porcornm was the scene of considerable activily on the evening of November 1st, when the rededication of the bells was perforaed by the Rev. Lindsay Hartlett, $I_{1}$ Th., Rural Dean of Bridport.
The four lyelts, with a tenor of just under 9 cwt., have been carefully tumed and relnag with modern fidtings in a cast iron frame, the ernmons heing preserved by the use of spemally designed jron hendstacks. The framework has been provided to accommodate two trebles, as it is haped before long to complete the ring of six.
A large congragation assembled and the service was condicted by the Vicar, the Rov. R. H. White.

Afler the dedication the Rural Dean prenched a thoughfful and interesting sermon, in which he urged n! ringers to remember that the real prupose of the bells wan to call people to the service of the clumel.

Other clergy preseut were the Rev. A. B. Hutton, of Bridport, the Rev. R. F. Farrow M.A., Wien of East hatworth, the Rev. E. S. Waruer, Rector of Rumpishour, and the Rev, R. B. H. Kay, B.A., curate of Bridport.

The lolls, whioh had been silent for 18 years, were oponed by the Maiden Newton band of ritgers. A namber if ringers from other towers also had a pull, athall expressed their appreciation of the excellent 'go' of the restored ming.
The woll has been adnatably catried out by Messrs. Cillet aud Johnston, of Croydon, whe were represented at tho service lyy Mr. Fi. C. W. Stevenson.

## A'VICARAGE JUBILEE BELL

## AN AUGMENTED BUCKS RING

In the little village of Langley Marish, Bucks, about two miles from Slough, old, heavy and tuneless five bells hate just been retined and rehung in ball beariogs, with the addition of a pew treble, the new bell behg known as 'The Vicarage Jubilee Bell.' It was given by the Vicar of Langley (the Rev. F. T. F. Sliepherd, M.A.) and his fawily to celebrate his $25 t h$ pear as incumbent of the parish. The Vicar, by the way, is brother of the well-known ringer, Mr. James FI, Shopherd, of Swindon.
The hells now make a very pleasing ring of six, with a tenor of about 18 cwt., and cerminly do credit to Messrs. Mears and stambant, who were entrusted with the work.
On Novemluer 1st (All Saints' Day) the St. Peter's Society, Burnhama, were invited to send a baud, which thoy did, aud rang the first 720 on the bells, the method being Oxford Treble Bob, which was thoronglily enjoyed by all.

After the ringing, the Vicar visited the tawer and tlanked and congrabulated the ringers on what he had heari. Those taking part were Johm E. Taylor (age 16), 1 Cyri1 A. Burgess (age 19) 2. Peter A. Blamey (age 17) 3, Mattin A. Blaniey (age 16) 4, Bryan O'Neill (age 16) 5. Gcorce Giliert (conductor) 6. Touches were also rung of Kent, St. Clement's, Canterbury, Single Oxford and Bob Minor, Steriman, Granäsire, Union aud Reverse Canterbury Daubles. Altogether n very enjoyable evening was spent, and the fondation has been laid for the locat men to take up change ringing.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division.The annual meeting will be held at Writtle on Saturday, November 27 th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting after.-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Llpper Arbour Lane, Springfield. Chelmsford.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Ramsbottom, on Saturday, November 27th. Bells available from 6 p.m. A meeting to be held in the tower during the evening. All welcome.-J. Porter, Hon. Sec.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A by-meeting will be held at Wickhambreaux on Saturday, November 27 th. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea by kind invitation of the Rector. -B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec., 20, Beaconsfield Road. Canterbury.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-A by-meeting will be held at Ightham, on Saturday, November 27 th. Peal of six bells available from 2.30. Service at 5. Tea is by kind invitation. Please send a postcard if you are coming.-A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec., Egerton.

## 'THE COLLEGE YOUTHS'

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DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next mecting will be held at Campsall on Saturday, November 27th. Bells ready af 3 p.m. This is being tried as an experiment by the Church workers to help clear a debt they have, so a good attendance is requested to help them in this effort.-E. Cooper, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Oxford and District Branch. - The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, November 27 th, at St. Ebbe's Church. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4 , followed by tea and business meeting. Those reguiring tea please notify W. Collett, 45 , Latimer Road, Headington, Oxford.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - North-Western Dis-trict.-Meeting, Mitcham Parish Church, Saturday, November 27 th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 5 o'clock. Tea, in Parish Room, by kind invitation of the Mitcham band, 5.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Memorial to the late Master of the Association, James Douglas Drewett, Esq., J.P., wili be unveiled at 4.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew's, Bolton, on Saturday, November 27th. Bells available 3 p.m. - Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUIID.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Langley, Bucks ( 6 bells), on Saturday, November 27th, at 3 p.m. Phone Slough $\$ 260$, or write. - A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexiam, Slough.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting, as a farewell to the Vicar, who is leaving, will be held at Broxbourne on November 27th. Service at five. Tea and business at the Welcome after. All ringing friends will be heartily welconed.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A meeting wilt be held at Battle on Saturday, November 27th. Tower open 3 o'clock. Al! ringers welcome.-C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Next meeting, Pontesbury, November 27th. Six bells and good bus service. Bells from 3 p.m.-W. A. Farmer, 6, Mayfiek Terrace, Mountfields, Shrewshury.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -There will be ringing for evensong at St. I.eonard's, Shoreditch, on Sunday, November 28th, commencing at 5.30 p.m. All welcome. - N. Summerhayes, Acting Hon. Sec., 28, Bean Road, Bexieyheath.

COVENTRY.-The restored ring of five belis at Cortey will be rededicated on Sunday, November 28 th , at 6.30 p.m.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meeting for practice will be held at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Nov. 30th, at 7.30 p.m.William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DTOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Wednesday Afternoon Guild.-A meeting will be held at St. Mary's Gatesheas, on Wednesday, December 1st. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Please send numbers for tea at carliest.-M. Bertie, 17, Ridley Avenue, Chester-le-Street,

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Hastings (Christ Church, Blacklands), on Saturday, December 4th. Tower
open 3 o'clock. Service 4.45 . Tea 5.15 (1s. per head). Will members intending to be present kindly let me know Wednesday previous to meeting?-A. C. Pankhurst, Hon. Div. Sec., 13, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUBLD.-Leatherhead District.-The last meeting for 1937 will be heid at Dorking on Saturday, December 4th. Service at 5 o'clock, with tea and business meeting in the Church Room afterwards. Will those requiring tea please notify Miss E. J. M. Cottrell, 28, Hart Road, Dorking, by December 2nd?-A. H. Smith, Hon. Sec., Howard Road, Great Bookham, Surrey.
NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Stoke-on-Trent on Saturday, December 4 th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 to all who notify Mr. S. Churton, 11, Lonsdale Street, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs, not later than December 1st.-Andrew Thompson.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Betchworth on Saturday, December $4 t h$. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea at the Dolphin Inn, Is. 3d. per head. Please let me have numbers for tea not later than Thursday, December 2nd. All ringers welcome. Nominations for district officers for 1938 at this meeting. - W. Claydon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-Southern Dis-trict.-The anmual district meeting will be held at Aberavon on Saturday, December 4th. Beils (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Please send number for tea by Tuesciay, November 30th, certain.-E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 21, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Folkestone on Saturday, December 4th. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., 110, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GU1LD.-Guisborough Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Spratton ( 5 bells) on Saturday, Dccember 4th. Usual arrangements. Please notify Hon. Sec. not later than Tuesday previous of those requiring tea.-Geo. A. Hollick, Hon. Branch Sec., West Street, Welford, Rugby.

ALL-ENGLAND RINGERS will be welcomed at Hitchin on Saturday, December 4 H , when the annual meeting of the Northern District, Herts Association, wil! be held at the Parish Church. Belts ready 3 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5.30, in Church House. District committee are requested to make an effort to attend and bring their bands. We want a crowd; everyone will be welcome, and every help will be given to learners, but there will be some 'Surprises' at this meeting.-Don Mears, Hon. Sec., Fritton, Moormead Close, Hitchin.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next mecting will be held at Bathorough ( 0 bells), on Saturday, December 4 th . For tea, please notify Mr, R. Reece, Park Street. Barlborough, near Chesterfield. All welcome.-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronan's Road, Sheffiekl, 7.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Chew Deanery Branch.-The annua] meeting will be held at Wrington on Saturdar: December 4th. Bells (10) available from 3 n'clock. Divine service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, to be followed by business meeting.Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Cirencester Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Cirencester on Saturday, December 4 th. Watermoor bells (8) open 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service at l'arish Church 6 p.m. Parish Church bells (12) open after service. Will those requiring tea please advise me by November 30 th ? W. H. Hayward, Branch Hon. Sec.

LANCASH!RE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-The next practice meeting will be held at Bowness Parish Church (eight bells) on Saturday, December 4th. Bells available 3 p.m.-N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be combined with the Ashford District, Kent County Association, at Folkestone, on Saturday, December 4 th. -P. Page, Hon. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -A monthly meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Bradford-on-Avon, on Saturday, December 4 th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. A eard for tea will oblige.-W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Melksham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.The next meeting will be heid at Standish on Saturday, December 4 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. For tea ( 6 d . each), piease notify Mr. E. Birchall, 163, Preston Road, Standish, near Wigan.-S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-West Dorset Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Bridport on Saturday, December 4 th. Bells open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at the Greyhound Hotel at 5.30 , to be followed by meeting. Other towers open: Bradpole (8), Burton Bradstock, Loders, Symondsbury, all six bells. Please notify for tea by Tuesday, November 30th.-C. H. Lathey, Hon. Sec., Malmaison, Bradpole, Bridport.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch.-A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Buckingham ( 8 beils), on Saturday, December 4 th. Service 3.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please send in good time. All visitors heartily welcomed.Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUIJL.-Andover District.-The annual meeting will be held at Whitchurch on Saturday, December 11th. Bells available from 2.30. Service in the Parish Church at 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m. in Church Hall. Business meeting follows. All requiring tea please notify the Hon. Secretarv, F. S. H. Varle, Deane Rectorv, Basingstoke.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Tewkesbury Branch.-Annual meeting at Beckford, December 1 lti. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Intending visitors please notify secretary by Wednesday, December 8th.-H. Wakeford, 63, Gloucester Road,

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division. -The quarterly meeting of the Western Division will be held at St. Matthew's, Northowram, on Saturday, December 11 th. Service in the church at $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. lea in the schools about 5 p.m., 15.3 d . each. Names for tea to be sent to H. Chew, Enderly, Cross Roads, Northowram, by Wednesday, December 8 th. Business meeting alter tea, Frank Raynent, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Leyland St. James (Moss Bide) on Saturday, December 11th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m.-A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-South Forest Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Lydney on Saturday, December 11th. Bells (8) open 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., Church Room. Election of offcers, etc. All ringers who require tea must let me know, certain, by Wednesday, the 15th.Oliver Thomas, Branch Hon. Sec., 11, Victoria Road, Lydney, Glos.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-Aylesbeare Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Topsham, on Saturday, December 11th. Bells at 2.30. Service in St. Margaret's Church at 4 p.m. Tea, free to members, 4.45 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Thase intending to be present kindly let me know not later than Monday, December 6th.-R. Brook, Hon. Sec., 3, Greatwood Terrace, Topsham.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON. DON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. - A meeting will be held at Uxbridge on Saturday, December 11th. Details later.-F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec.

WATFORD, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 181h.-District annual meeting. Business: Report, balance sheet, election of officers, etc., for 1938. Bells available from 3.30. Tea at 5.45 in old school. Business mecting. Ringing after, till 8.15. Note: Subscriptions due January ist, 1938.
CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-From November 29th, the address of Philip A. Corby will be 81, Beckwith Road, Herne Hill, S.E. 24.

## ARMISTICF COMMEMORATION

MUFFLED RINGING IN REMEMBRANCE.
On Rentembrante Sunday for evensong at Holy Cross Church. Daveutry, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, the first for eeveral yearg: E. Furniss (first in the method) 1, A. Chown 2, W. J. Bailey 3, A. Moore 4. W. Moore 5, T. Clare 6, L. Greenhow (conductor) 7, 5. Townsend 8 .
On Thursday, November 11th, at St. Saviour's, Oxton, Birkenhead, 896 of Grandsire Triples previons to Armistice service held in the evening: D. Walsoh, sen. 1. W. O. Wharton 2, F. S. Brockicbank 3, F. Martin (conductor) 4, D. Watson, jus. 5, J. W. Evans 6, R. G. Edwards 7. S. Morton 8.
On Sindisy, November 7th, si St. Mary's, Woadford, after evening service, was rune a quarter-penl of Granásire Triples: B. Wenver I, H. Haves 2, F. Comey 3, S. Welhb (conductor) 4, ES H. Elltott 5, R. Hinnt (frist quarter-peal) B, E. W. Pye 7. W. Marley 8.
On Surday, Nowember 7 th, for Armistice service at St. Paul's, Wooburn, Bucks, is quarter-peal of Grandsire Donbles: S. Burton 1 . Miss J. Martim (first quarter-peal 'inside') 2, J. Hinton 3, T. Burton (condnctor) 4, R. Jones 5, A. Martin 6.

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## A STANDARD FOR GOOD STRIKING

What is good striking? That is the challenging question raised by a correspondent in a letter this week. There is no fixed standard by which it can be judged; it is something which good ringers recognise but whose limits they could scarcely define. And yet there is nothing in ringing to which more importance should be attached. One thing is certain, there are far too many rilugers who are content with a standard of stritking much below the best, although only the best should be their aim, first because only the best is worthy of the purpose for which bells are mainly rung; secondly, because there may be hundreds. of listeners whose cars are entitled to consideration. And this takes no account of the added pleasure which accrues to the ringers themselves when the ringing runs smoothly and with unbroken rhythm.

Is there a practical means of measuring that very rare achievement, the 'perfect ' touch or peal, by which perhaps a standard might be set? We think the Exercise has been brought very near to it in the recently made gramophone record of Spliced Surprise Major on handbells. It cannot be applied exactly to tower bell ringing, because the two things are not quite the same, but, of its kind, the ringing is the most perfect that anyone could hope to hear. If an equally perfect piece of tower bellringing could be recorded, there would then be a permanent example of the standard which every ringer should seek to achieve. No one for a moment expects that ringing generally would rise to such a level, any more than one expects an equal level of achievement in any other direction in which the human element enters. But when the question was asked, 'What is good striking?' we could turn on the record and say, 'Listen to this!' At present varying 'grades' of ringers have differing standards of what they would recognise as - good' striking-we are not referring to those, and unfortunately there are some, who have no standard at all and who are content with their work, whatever noise the bells are making. We are thinking rather of those 'medism' ringers who put varying values on striking, because they have been educated, in the ringing sense, only up to a limited level. These are the people who would benefit in their performances, if something could be done to show them in a practical way what is possible.

We are sometimes told that the advance of method ringing has brought with it a general lowering of the standard of striking. In some respects this may possibly be true, although it is a generalisation which is open to question. But the most competent companies ringing the more advanced methods to-day are, we are certain, (Contibued on page 798.)

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equally as good in their striking as the best bands ringing the simpler methods were forty or fifty years ago. These men know what good striking is ; but the skill by which they accomplisil it cannot easily be conveyed to others. It is achieved by a co-ordination of hand and ear and cye, and the man who cannot co-ordinate them instinctively may spend a lifetime in ringing without realising that he is not a good striker. His standard of good ringing is, therefore, bound to be lower than the best, and it is because of this that any kind of agreement on what should be regarded as a minimum for good striking is almost impossible.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOEK GUILD.
(St. Mary-le-Tower Soceeiy.)
On Saturday, November 27, 1937, in Three Hours and Thivty-Two Minters, At tae Cedreb of St. Mary-le-Toyyer,
A PEAL OF EAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, GDIC CHANQES; Tenor 32 cwt .
 Composed by Wı. Pye. Conducted by William J, G. Brown.

* First peal of Cambridge Royal.

ROCHESTER, KTENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOLATION
On Satuyday, Nowember 27, 1937. in Three Houys and Forty Minutas, At tee Catbedral Churca of Cerigi and Blessed Virgin Mary.

A PEAL OF BtEDMAN GATERE, bO77 Changes! Tenor 30 cwt .
Ernget Spiller... ... ...Trable Lodis Head ... ... ... 6
Thomas W. Grice ... ... 2 *William A. J. Kniget ... 7
-Gborgr A. Naylor ... ... 3 Frank Belisy ...
Edward A. G. Allen ... 4 Cbarles E. J. Norris ... 9
Harry Springatr ... ... 5 Benjamin F. Barer ... ...T Thoy Composed and Conducted by Lools Head.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. Ruyg in homour of the appointmeat of Dr. Fruncis Undoriill (Dean of Rocliester) as Bishop of Batin mand Wells.

BOSTON, LINOOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GULLD.

On Sathrday, Novenber 27, 1937, in Thyes Honers and Thirty-Seven Minutes
At the Churce of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, $\quad$ g 21 CHANGES; Tenor 21 cwt I qr. 10 lb .


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

GREAT TEY, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION. (St. Andarw's Guild, Earl's Colne.) On Saturday, Novamber 20, 1937, in Thyee Hours,

Ai ter Ceqrce of St. Barmabas,

## A PEAL dF superlative surprige mador, 5088 CHANGE8;

 Tenor I5 cwe. in G.Maker to St. Pavi's Cathadral, Wartmineter Abbey, Imporial Inatikata, Conterbury, Edibliurgh, gt. Atbane, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australin), Rochester, Dublin, St. Petrick's, Manoheder, Durban and Worcester Cathedrale, atc., atc.

Munlers, Ringing Mats, Matting, Flag Lines, etc., etc.
...Trebla
Clater Snowden
Abtadr Saendrrs
Frepencr Ridowe
Frank Claydon ... ... $\cdots 3$
Composed by C. J. Sepaley.
The conductor's 100 the peal.

[^47]ROTHERMELD, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTX ASSOCLATION.
(in Satrraay, Noutmber 20, 1937, in Thres Howrs and Fourtern Minutes, At ibe Ceurce of St. Denys,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANEE Tenor $23 \pm \mathrm{cw}$.
Ernbst J. Ladd .. Lbslif W. Jarvis Cbarles Brasigr … $\quad . . \quad$... 5 Arziger F. Lewry... Frank H. Hices ... ... ... 4 James G. Powell ... ...Temor

Composed by I. G. Seade.
Conducted by Albraz Relfe.
First peal in the method by all except the conductor. One hundredth peal as couductor. A birthday peal for A. Lewry. SALEEUPST, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sathrday, Noucmber 20, 1937, in Three Hokrs and Twelve Minutes, At tee Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5049 CHAHEES; Taylor's.

Tenor 16 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{cwts}$.
Jambs Goodsell ... ... ...Trelle
Friderick Morgan ..... .2 Edward Mills ... 2 ...
Abcbigald Sibvenson...$\quad 3$ Albert E. Edwards ... ... 7
William Gorringe ... ... 4 Jack Harris ... ... ... ...Tehor
Conducted by A. E. EDwards.
Rung with the bells half-mufled as a last token of respect to the late Thonas Hond, a rospected member of the local band.

## FRAMSDEN, SUTFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, November 20, 1937, in Thee Hours, At the Chuzch of St. Mary,
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, gOIS OHANQES: Tenor 16 cmt .
Grorge Wigriman ... ...Tyebie William Wigerman ... ... 5 Alfred S. Wighiman ... 2 Lislie G. Brett... ... ... Grorge Pryke ... ... Albert E. Whiring .... ... 4 t. William Lasx.... .... .....Tenor
Composed by H. Dains. Couducted by Georgr Wigetman. EERTFORD.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(/M Saturday, November 20, 1937, in Two Hours und Fifly-Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF KENT TRE日LE BOB MAJOR, 5088 OHANQES Tenor 18 cwt .
Grorge Gray ... ... ...T rebie |Stanley A. Carter ... ... 5
Bernard H. Swinson ... 2 Josbpaf. Cbatley ... ... 6
Tbomas J. Hull... ... ... 3 George W. Debeneam ... 7 Arther Day... ... ... ... 4 Barmard Patmore ... ...temoy Composed by C. Sivbrn. Conducted by G. W. Debenbam. IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFTOEK GUILD.
In Saturday, Novenrber 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOE MAJOR,5088CHANGES;
Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
James Rose ... ... ... ...Troble Charles Sebmming ... ... 5

| Williar Kinsey... | ... | ... | 2 | Cbarles A. Catcupole | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Grorge Moss | ... | .. | .. | 3 | Gborge More | ... |
| ... | .. | 7 |  |  |  |  |


Composed by H. Dains.
Conducted by J. Rosr.
Rung ou the 59th anniversary of the weldilu\% of Mr. and Mre. Isanc Moss, parents of the ringer of tire 3 rd.

## ELVEDEN, SDFFOLK

## THE NORWICH DIOOESAN ASSOOIATION.

On Sathrday, Noyomber 20, 1937, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minktes, At tee Memorial Tower, SS. Patrigk and Amdrbw.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, GOA: CHANGES; Tenor ${ }_{1} 7 \mathrm{cwt}$. 2 qr . 20 Ib . in E .


HOLME LACY, HEREFORDSHITE. THE HEREFORD DIOGESAN GULDD.
On Saluyday, Novembey 20, 1937, in Three Hours and Six Minutes.
At tar Cherch of Si. Cuthbert,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 3040 CHANEES;

Parger's Twelve-part (7th observation).
Tenor 18 cwt.

- Caarles H. Tomprins ...Tyeble Rev. E. G. Benson... ... 5

William H. Symonds ... 2 "Jogn D. Worsty ... ... 6
Joserpa W, Downes ......
Jobn J. Webb ... ....... 4 . Willam Duggan ... ...Tchor

* First peal on eight belis. Firgt peal of Graudsire Triples as conductor. BARKWAY, HERTS.

THE ANOEENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Monday, Novenber 22, 1937, in Two Howys and Fifly-Four Minutes, At ter Churce of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor $\mathbf{1 6}$ cwt, in $F$.
 Reginald T. Dennis ... ... 4 Joen W. Ward ... ... ...Temay

Composed by Fredk. Dence. Conducted by jobn W. Ward.
Rung to commemorate the iorcentonary of the society.
GRESFORD, DENBIGHSHIRE.
ALL SAINTS' GULD.
On Monday, November 22, 1937, in 1 wo Hours and Fifly-Nine Minutes, At tese Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Holt's Origimal.
Tenor 25 cwt .
Alfred Sterd
... ...Treble
Ronald G. W. Jones... ... 2
Re Artetr Prince ...
William J. Roberts ... ... 3 Thomas R. Griffites .... 7
Jobn A, Randles... ... ... 4 Artedr Tilston ... ... ... 7 enoy
Conducted by Arthor Prince.
SCUNTHORPE, LINOS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Nortbern Brancr.)
On Tuesday, Novenber 23, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Scuan Mitutes,
At the Church of St. Joan-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 8050 CHANGE8;
Broox's Variation qf Thurstans' Fodr-pary. Temor i8z chet. Grorge E. Fitirn ... ...Treble Ernbst Britiain ... ... 5 Frame Lord ... ... ... 2 f Harold jodd ... ... ... 6

Conducted by Jack Bray

* First peal in the mathod. + First peal in the method 'inside PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Twesday, Novmber 23, 7937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Sevan Minuts,
At the Church of St. Peter,
a Peal of double morwich count bob major, 3008 Chances; Tenor 7 cwt . qr . 6 lb . in A flat.
Eric G. Benneit ... ...Tyeble | Fredbrick C. Roper ... ... 5
Walter Elsey ... ... ... 2 Albert G. Harrison ... ... 6
- Carles V. Orves ... ... 3 Clement J. Morb ... ... 7

Nolan Golden ... ... ... 4 William Stbggall ... ...T Tenoy Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.

* First atterapt for a peal on eight bells. BUSERY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD OOUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Tharsday, November 25, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Thre Minudes,
At the Chozch of st. James,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJGR, 6088 GHANGES ;
Tenor 13 cwh .
- Francis A. Smisb ... ...Treble Frbdbrick W. Brinrlow 5
- Walter G. patl ... ... 2 Harold G. Casbmore ... 6

Madricr F. R. Hibeert... 3 Edwin Jennings ... ... 7

- Francis Kirt ... ... ... 4 |"Walter Ayre ... ... ...Tehop Composed by A. Crayen. Conducted by H. G. Casemora.
* First peal in the method. First pen! in the method on the bells.

BRENTWOOD, TSSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, Nowhber 25, 1937, in Thyee Hours and 7 evo Minutes. At tee Cedach os St. Thomas-tag-Martyr,
A PEAL OF dOUGLE HORWICH COURT BOB MAJQR, 5088 CHAMCE8; Tenor 192 cwt .
 conductor

ANSTEY, ZEICESTER
TEE MIDLAND CODNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Sathyday, November 27, 1937, in Two Hows and Fiffy-EightMinutes, At the Chuece of St. Mari,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EOAO CHANGES;
Heywoon's Trangposition of Therstans' Fodr-part.
Tenor io cwt. 2 qr .4 lb .


Conducted by Redvers E. Elkimgion.

* First peal. Ringers of 1,2 and 4 are aged 14, 13 and 15 respectively.

WARNEAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSEEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
D. Saturday, Novenber 27, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, $\overline{\text { OLE C C CHANGE }}$ Tenor if cwt. 2 gr, ix lb. in F.
Francis S.! Wilson ...... Treble $\mid$ Ernest J. Ayliffe $\quad . .9$ Joan H. B. Hgese ... ... 2 Raymond Wood, Jon.... ... 6 Thomas e. Denybr ... ... 3 Waltrr Cbarman ... ... 7 Joan Coox $. . . \quad . . . \quad \ldots \quad . . .4$ | Alprgd H. Pulling .... ...Teno Composed by J. R. Pricgard. Conducted by A. H. Pulling. Rang on tha 50th anniversary of Walter Charman's first peal. PETERSFIELD, HAMPSHIRE.
THE ANOIENT SOOIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
On Sathyday, Novenber 27, 1937, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, b120 CHANGES; Tenor 16 cwt .
Fazerack S."Bayley
...Tyeble Towar R. Taylos
Jack M. Cripps ... .,
Cearlis E. Bassett ...
Kennete Sngiling ...
... Comp $\quad . \quad 4$ Oliver Sippetts ... ... ...Tenor Arranged and rung to commemorate the tercentenary of the society. HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suturday. Nowmber 27, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Andeew,
A PEAL DF BRISTOL SURPRIBE MAJOR, 6 g88 OHANGEs; Tenor 131 ewt
Fannk Corar
Mank Corax ... ... ...Tyeble Gborge Mabtim Miss E. F. Bbppord Miss D. R. Fletceer

| ... | 2 |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots .$. | 3 |
| $\cdots$ | 4 | Grorgr Martim R. Fletceer

Reginald A. Rebd Harby Wingrovp .... 6 William Henley ... ... 4 Czcil C. Mayne... .... .... Composed by H. Dains.

Conducted by C. C. Mayne.

* First peal in the methoct. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. G. P. Mitchell, a ringer at St. John's, Hillingdon, and as a 21 st birthday compliment to Miss Frances M. Gutteridge, of Iver Fenth.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGEAM.
On Salurday, November 27, 7937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
Ay ter Chorch of St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Heywoqd's Transposition or Teurstans' Four-part. Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Grorge E.Swann ... ...Tyeble William Davies... .... ... 5
Allan Short ... ... ... $z$ Edward V. Rodenhurst ... 6
Richard C. Ingram ..... .13 Fred Price ...
Frbderick W. Risbworta 4 Joan Gilson... ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Georgr F. Swann.
A birthday compliment to Mr. J. Preston, hon. secretary of the Erdington Parish Church Sogiety.

MEASHAM, LEICESTEERSHRE.
THE MDDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Sahipday, Navenber 27, 1937, ir Two Hours and lifty-Five Minutes,
Ar tae Chorch of St. Lawrencq,

## A PEAL OF GFANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parkrr's Twelye-pari (znd observation). Tenor iocwt.
William F. Woodward ...Treble Ernest W. Beadsmore ... 5

William H. Corson ... ... 3 Artadr E. Rowley ... ... 7
F. George Bailiy $. . . \quad . . .4$ † 4 Jambs W. Aikins ... ...Tenoy

* Conducted by joseph W. Corton.
* First peal. + First peal on cight bells.

POLHAM, NORFOLF.
THE NORWICF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 27, 1937, in Thyee Hoars and Six Miuthes, At ter Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL Of norwich gourt bob malor, 5056 Chances;

## Tenor 14 cmt .

William Flatt... ... ...Tyebie Charles W. Loome ... ... 5
Farderige C. Gonton ... 2 Frbderige W. Monnings... 5
"Charles Barbr... ... ... 3 Rossell Ricebs ... ... ... 7
 Composed by J. W. Parker, Conducted by Ernest Whiting.

* First peal in the method.


## BIRMTNGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOOESE OF BIRMINGFAM.
On Saluvday, November 27, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Thee Minutes, At Biseop Rydrr's Caurce,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, bog0 CHANGES:
Heywodd's Transposirion or Therstans' Fodr-part,
Tenor 12 cwt . $3 \mathrm{qr} .2_{4}$ ib. in $E$ sharp.
Hemry H. Fiarn... ... ...Tyeble Sidney O'C. Holloway ... $j$
Grorgr E. Fiarn ... ... 2 Albert E. Norman ... ... 6
Jogn S. Mason ... ......$\quad 3$ Jameg George ... ..... .7
William C. Dowding... ... 4 Frank E. Haynes ... ...Tenor Conducted by Albert E. Norman.
Tung on Mr. James George's 84th birtliday.
THATCHAM, BERES.
THE OXFORD DIOOESAN GULLD.
On Salurday, November 27, 1937, in Three Hours,
Ai fae Ceurce or St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANEES;

Holt's Tbn-part.
Tenor 13 ? ${ }^{3} \mathrm{cw}$.
Thomas J. Fisher
Samobl Quintin ... ...Trebí $\mid$ George Holifield, jon. 5
Gedrge Stockrr $\quad . .$.
Geoffrey Fowler...
Conducted by Grorge Holifibid, jun.

* First peal. Rung as a 75th birthday compliment to Mr. S. Quintin.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

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## Ax the Ceorce on Sx. Cothbert.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Being two 720's of Cambridge Surprise and five 720's of Oxford Bob, each differently called.

Tenor 14 cwt.
Jack Liseman
Raymond Oliver ......${ }_{2}$ Ed Eward Hacl ...
Ceristoper T. Lamb ... 3 Thomas Wm. Dodd ... .... .... Temor
Conducted by Thos. Wh. Dode.
HAZELBURY BRYAN, DORSST,
THE SALISBURY DIOGESAN GUILD.
Ons Saturday, Nowember 13, 1937, in Theee Howrs and Nime Minutes,
Ay the Church of SS. Mary and James.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Being 42 six-scores, 10 callings. 'lenor 16 cwt .
*George W. Dennig... ...Treble| Philip H. Tococe

- Donald R. Harvey... ... 2 Wililam C. Seria $\quad . .$.
- William H. Sitrmey ... 3 Wililam E. Treveit... ...Tenor Conducted by W. C. Shure.
* First attempt for a peal. Rung as a compliment to the Rector (the Rev. J. L. Rliys) on completing 58 years in the ministry. ELSHAM, HINCS.
THE LINOOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Nortaern Brange.)
On Thuysday, Nouomber 18, 1937, in Twio Hours and Thivty-Five 界inutes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being two extents each of London and Beverley and three of Cambridge,
- Harold Morwood ... ...Tpeble Georgr E. Feiry

Mrs. J. Bray $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ George Dobbs .
-Harold Judd ... .... .... 3 Jack Bray ... ... ... ... Teno

* Tirst Surprise peal.

Conducted by Jack Bray.
ELSTON, NOTTS.
THE NORTH NOTH'S ASSOCLATION
On Saturiay, Nowember 20, 1937, in Two Heurs and Thiviy-Seven Minutes, At the Charch of All Saints,

## A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of Double Court, Single Court, Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Boh and Plain Bob.
Jack C. Vessey $\qquad$
$\qquad$ ..Trehle
... 2 Kennetr W. Mayb
${ }^{-}$ Conducted br ince L. Mulhoose.

* First peal in severi methods iarside.' Ramg with the bells haffmuffled as a token of respect to the late Mrs. M. J. Hushinson, mother af the local caplain.

BINEGAR, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

* Saturday, Nownber 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Nine Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 42 six-scores with ten diferent callings. Tenor $8 \mathrm{cwt} .3 \mathrm{qr}, 25 \mathrm{Ib}$.
*Percy H. Hell... ... ...Treble|*Roger C. T. Wallis
Franklin D. Rickards ... 2 Frahk Bird ... ... ... 5
Cyril S. P. Wrbi ... .. 3 Raymond J. Wbbb ... ...Tenor
Conducied by F. D. Rickards.
: First peal.


## ARLESEY, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Suthrday', Nouember 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minules,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of Plain Bob, Oxford Bob, Donble Court and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford, Kent and Woodbine Treble Bob.

Temar 101 curt.
Albrat E. Symonds ...
Treble Jogn Ceorce
Framcis S. Beadmont ... 2 Precy Tomprins ${ }^{*+}$ Edmond Wagstafre ... .... 3 Lewis H. Bywaters ...

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Tinst peal of Bob Minor. Ring on the occasion of the mencriage at Uhis church of Miss Rose Short (deughter of Mr. Willian Shorf) to Mr, George Blunt.

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* First peal.

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On Weinesday, November 24, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Forty Mintes
At the Cborch of St. Nicbolas,
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Seven extrents, all 5-6's at backstroke.
Tenor 16 素 cyt.
"Jogn Greasley ...

- Gborge Limdsham
.... rebic Aribur Howard
 Conducted by F. Varty.
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At Trentwood,
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Tenor size $14 \frac{1}{2}$ in 0 sharp.
Mrs. J. Bray ... ... ... I-2 | Jack Bray ... ... ... ... 5 -6
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A USEFUH NORTH AND EASI DISTRICT MEETINE．
The meeting held at All Hallows＇Tottenham，on Saturday，Novem ber 20th，by the North and East District of the Middlesex Association was by no means overcrowded，not more than 30 ringers putting in an appearance during the alternoon aud evening．Quite a wumber of those present，howewer，were leamers in the strictest sease of the word，consequentiy＇rounds＇became the special method for the day， and much good work was done in coaching these young men，some for the fivat time with bells open．
A shord and enjoyable serwiee was held，with an aduress by the Rev Fenwood，after which tea，and the usual business meeting took place． At the latter，the chair was taken by Mr．T．J．Lock（District Mastar），the hon．secretary（Mr．C．T．Cales）explaining that the absence of the vice－president was due to his being away at Great Yarmouth on husiness．
It was amonnced that the district amaal meefing would be held at St．Giles－in－the－Fields on January 29 th ．
A cordial welcome was wiven to the several young ringers present， from various towers，including St．Ann＇s，Stamford Hill ；St．Michael＇s， Wood Green；St．Mark＇s，Dalston；and All Hallows＇，Tottenlam．The lon．secretary urged them to get as much practice as possible by attending association meetings，and promised them a welcome at any timae．

Fotes of thanks were accarded to the Vigar（the Rev．F．Denton Jones）for the use of the bells；to the Rev．Henwood for his address； and to Mr．H．W．H．Strickland and Mr．F．E．Platt for their joint efforts as organists．The hon．secretary said that Mr．Platt was learning to whag at，Dalston，and on this nccasion they were fortunate to have two capable orgauists，whereas at some meetings they had to sing byrms unaccompanied．

After the meeting the bells were again jung，rounds being much in evidence，besides Edmonton Bob Major，the real special method for the day，Bristol Surprise，Cambridge Surprise and other methods．

## HALESOWEN BELLS

## To the Editar．

Dear Sir，－－In the account of the meeting at Halesowen，published in your jssue of Nov．5th，a history of lhe bells of Halesowen Ohuref was included．For the sake of completing this bistory of the bells we feel wo ongint to mention that the eight bells were tuned by ourselves in 2902 ，at which time we rehning the peal in a new frame．

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## STEEP RINGERS＇ACHIEVEMENT

DEDIGATION OF PEAL BOARD
Ou Sunday，November 14th，at All Sainto＇Church，Steop，uear Petersfeld，Hents，the Vicar，the Rev．N．M．Livingstone，D．O．L．， M．A．，LL．B．，dedicated an oak board recording \＆peal，the first in which any local ringers lave taken part，$A$ company of ringeng and friends gathered in tho belfir at 3.30 p．m．，aud Mr，W．Higgins （captain of ringers），in a few words of introduction，described the efforts made to felieve their ultimate success，
＇lhe hoard was then uaveiled by iniss Pothecary，herself a local ringer，and slie congratulated the band who took part，saying that she hoped to sec ber own game on the next peal tablet erected in the tower．
The board is of light oak with the record in black lettering
The peal was in three methods of Doubles，viz．，Canterbury Pleasure， Plain Boh and Grandsire，and was rung by A，E．Warren，G．M． Hunt，Miss A．M．Robertson，W．Higgins and O．E．Bassett（con－ ductor）．It was the firsb peal on the hells by local mingers and a birthary compliment to My，J．Knight，for 50 years a service ringer at Steep Clumsh．The ringers of the treble and third scored their first peal．

The Vicas offered prayers of dedicabion and congratulated the havel who theu rang 120 Grandsive Doubles in tho peal positions，Other short touches were succesefully brought round，Mr．J．Knight taking part．

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．

A very successful meeting of the Jasfern Division was held at Brede on Saturday，November 6th．A goad number of members atiended from Battle，Hastings（St．Clement＇s，AlI Saints＇and Christ Chirch Blacklands），Fsilsham，Eastbourne（St．Saviour＇s），Hawklursi，Mr． W．Pickworth，of Hastings，together witly nembers of the local band． Owing to the absence of the Vicar there was no service．
Eacellent practice was held both in the afternoon and evening in Treble Bob，Plain Bob，efc．，and several members rang their first touches in the methon．

An excellent tea was provided in the Church Room，and Mr．W． Franks occupied the chair at the busisess meeling，at which the follow－ ing members were elected ：F．M．Gibbs，Brede，and W．H．Dartnell， of Cast Peckham，Kent，as a non－residert life member．

A vote of thanks was proposed by the hon．secretary，Mr．A．C． Pankhurst，to the Viear for the use of the bells，and to Mra．McCall for waking arraggements for the meeting－


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The record performances at Cheltenlam, recalled by the tablet just unvelled conmemorating Mr. W. T. Pates' services to that church, is a reminder of the rivalry that weat on in the late 'eighties of last century between Cheltenham and Appleton.

Appleton, 12,041 Stedman Caters, February 5th, 1888; Chelteabam, 13,054 Sitedman Caters, March 21si, 1888; Appleton, 15,041 Stedman Caters, Decerober 316t, 1888.

Appleion, 13,265 Graudgire Cabers, April 11th, 1888; Clueltenham, 15,227 Grandsire Caters, April 22nd, 1889.
Incidentally mext Wednesday is the anniversary of the previous record of Stedman Caters, the 'five ones' (11,111) at Fulham in 1883. Messes. C. F. Winney and F. E. Dawe are the only survivors of that peal rung 54 years ago.
Their ringing friends will join in congratulating Mr. and Mrs. R. C. H. Connolly, of Watford, on the birth of a daughter. Mrs. Connolly learned to ring at Wollaston (Stourbridge) and rang her first peal there. Until recently Mr. Connolly was a member of the Nortla Stamelam band.

## ' GOOD STRIKING.

## To the Fditor

Doar Sir, For some time now your columns have contained many references to the value of good striking, and I bave often wondered what is 'good striking'? I mean, what is the standard to aim at? I know what perfect ringing is. I have heard very, very little, and have rung. I think, in none. Twenty-five jears' experience has taught me to do certrin things, but I place myself within the "medium-topoor ' class of striker. And I ask myself: How many are there, whose striking is no better than mine, who are unable to realisa their limitation? Dozens and dozens-I have 'stood behind' and listened, with a pair of 'fair' ears.
What, ther, passes for good striking? In his many criticisms, the president of the Council and Master of the Coltege Youths, Mr. E. H. Lewis, has fayed us alive, and, for my personal satisfaction only, I hope, one dity, unknown to 'stand behind' bim! But, in the mearwime, I wonder if he would tell us whether the Caters from St. Clement Danes, in the recent brondeast 'Bellg over London,' should be considered 'perfect,' 'indifferent,' or merely 'good striking '? In such a case it sliould, of caurse, be 'perfect,' but I should be most interested to see it defined by the Master of the society.

GEORGE L. JOYCE.
Hornchurcl.

## WHAT CONSTITUTES A :LOCAL' PEAL ? <br> A VILLAGE PRORLEM. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I wonder if you or any of your readers could help us to solve a little trouble arising out of e peal we contemplate ringing in the near fature. Fere is the argument: Ringer $A$ is a ringer residing in this parish, but is a member of a neighbouring ringing band. Ringer $B$ is a member of the local band, but resides in another parish. Ringer in is member of the facal band, but resides in another parish. local peal? Should we subskilute ringer $B$ for ringer A, would this still be called a local peal? What does constitute a local peal? I russt confess this friendly debate on the pros and cons of a local peal has caused a lot of deep thinking on the part of the ringers of this parislı.

VILLAGE RINGER.'

## THE LEADER AND THE LEARNER.

To the Editor.
Sir, -I have been interested in reading the leiters on teaching and keeping beginners. Your leader of November 19th, together with the note in 'Belfy Gossip" relative to the action of the ringers at Knaresborough, Yorkshire, also provides interesting reading where the question of mantaining the personnel of the belfry is concerned. All three of these subjects have, more or less, a connecting link.
In the first instance, the cause of many a beginner losing heart is due to a leader who has not the patience to take part in simpler mathods for the benefit of his learner. No ringer who puta the art before self shonld be too proud to ting any method or any number of bells. There is one feature at meetings which reminds me of the fable of the stork dining with the wolf, where neither animal could get on with the other's crockery. Ringers from cight-bell towers are often dissatisfied if the mecting is at a five-bell tower, and ringers of Doubles feel rather out of it if they vigit a tower where they are expected to ring Stedman Triples or stand down.

Until all ringers are prepared to ring any bell or method, and with any other ringers, this stave of affairs will ever remain the same.

I admire the Kaaresborough ringers for the stand they have taken and consider that they have acted in the right manner. Too many people in these days seem to think they can treat ringing as something we are paid for doing. Hard and fast rules are not practicable in voluntary work of any kind.
Stringent ideas are generally the work of people who love to think themselves important. They are calculated to do more harm than good, and usually they are the first to 'grouse' if thore is a falling of ne tularnet.
Northampton.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. J. D. DREWETT. <br> Tributes to Former Master.

On Saturday the Surey Association honoured the memory of a Cormer Master, the late Mr. James Douglus Dreweti, of Mitoham, where there was a formal unveiling of a board recording a muffled peal rung in the Parish Church after his death. Mr. Drewett, in 1913, surceeded the latib Dr. A. B. Garpenter as Master and accupied the office until his death in 1928.

But Mr. Drewett was more than a Master of the Surrey Association, his was a life of service to others. He served his Church in various offices, as ohurchwarden, as leader of the ringers, as stecplekeeper and in other capacities; he served his fellow-citizens in many ways and sht gin mumerous public bodies as their representative, but he was, withal, a fiumble man. There was no greater pointer to his kindly character than the fact that he gave up every Sunday afternoon to visiting lonely sick people in hospital.
He hed a lifelong association with Mitchan Parish Church and his rrandfatier and father before him were ringers. His eldest son, Douglus Walter Drewett, was following in his footsteps when he was killed in the last year of the Great War, and the proceedings on Saturday were almost unicue in that memorials to both were unveiled at the same service.
The oal peal board, written in gold on a black background, is worded as follows: In faithful remembrance of James Donglas Dreweti, J.P., 1854 1928. He was, following in the steps of his father aud grandfathor, for upwards of 50 years a fuithful and proficient member of Mitelam Parish Church Society of Change Ringers. Ringing Master of the Surrey Association 1913-1928; churchwarden 1928-1928. Called aside to higler things on the 27 Lh October, 1928. In memoriam, on All Saints' Day, 1928, in 3 hours, was rung on these bells a hall-muffled peal of
Stedman Triples: Miss E. M. Stedman Triples: Miss E. M.
Moss, treble; William $\$$. Langdoln, 2 : David Wríht, 3 ; Herbert Tourle, 4; Willian E. Joiner, 5: Thomas GroomMR. J. Q. DREWETT.
bridge, selı, 6: William S. Smith, 7; Jolin Lotli, tenor. Gonducted by W. S. Smith.
Something like a hundred ringers attended the gathering, many of them, of course, old friends of the late Mr. Drewett, but the timited space of the ringing room, approached by a "Jacob's ladder," only held a small number for the actual unveiling, which was performed by the Vica. (Flev. C. A. Fiach). A short touch was rung on the bells and the remainder of the service took place in the church, where, first of all, a marble tablet bearing the following inscription was unveiled and dedicsted: ${ }^{\text {S Saced to the memory of Douglas Walter }}$ Drewett, 1 st Usmeron Highlanders, who fell in action near St. Quentin, Oetober 3rd, 1918. "Their' name shall remain for ever."' Above was the hadge of the Camerons and below the regimental badge.
The unveiling toak place in the presence of several members of the family, of the deceneed, and afterwards the bymu, "Let saints on earth, was sung. A sloort scrvice followed, the lesson being read by the Mastor of the association (Mr. D. K. C. Birt). The Vicar gave an appropriate adduess from the words, "Whatsocver ye do do it heartily as to tho Lord and not as to men.' He welcomed the Surrey Associa-
 that whatever he did he did in the spirit of the text. Ringing, to him, was a piece of work for the Church; something done for God. He tried to wall worthily and he set an example of worship; for he came from the bell chamber down to the body of the ehurch. His example was one which ringers should emulate. They should ring act only for the entertainment aud satisfaction which they got out of it, but ring that God might be glorified.

After the servico the ringers wera entertained to tea in the Parish Hall, where Mr. D. K. C. J3irt presided, supported by the Vicar, the Rev. R. G. Calvert (curate) and the officers of the association. The towers represented were Ashtead, Banstead, Beddington, Benhilton, Croydon (St. John's and St. Peter's), Camberwell, Epsom (Christ Church), Kingston, Mitchani (Parish Church and Christ ChuTchi), Streatham. Wimbledon and visitors from Bishopseate, Kensington, Holloway, Finctiley, Nortll Nimms, ClerltenweII, Edmonton, etc.

The Master thanked the Vicar for his kindy welcome, for the ase of the bells and for his address. La also thanked Mr. Pothecary and the local band for their kind hospilality and the exceltent arrangements. It was a great pleasure, lye said, to see such a large gathering, and he liked, in particular, to feel that one of the rensons for it was that many had-come there to do honotr to the name and momol'y of a man who sa wall deserved their recognition, the late Mr. James Douglas Drewett. Fis services to the associablin, as mauy of the older members well kiow, were very grat indecd. The made it his business to be the personal friond of as meny of the members of tho aesociation as possible, and was extremely conscientions und faibiful in every kind of work lee undertook.
The Mester went on to welcome the nany visitors present, and said the tablet unveiled in the ringing chamber was the work of members of the Mitcham tower aud tire writing done by the Master of the Middesex Association (whu was presenty. It was pleasing to know the tablet was the work of ringers (appleusa)
The business meeting of the North-Western Branch of the Surrey Association was then beld, when the following dishrict officers were renominated: Master, Mr. D. Gopper; hon. treasurer, Mr. H. Simmoudis; hon. secretary, Mr. Fi. G. Woodiss; maditor, Mr. Roy Simmonds; committee, Messrs. W. H. Hewatt, F. V. Youug nud IMs. C. Kippin.
The Master said further nominations, duly proposed and seconded, could be received up to fourbeen days beforn the amual meeting of the district, which was to be held on Jantary 2941 .

COME UP HIGHER.
Mr. Charles Dean mado reference to the late Mr. Drewett. Fe said those who were able that afternoon to squeezo into the belliy at the Prrish Church might have naticed, painted ahove one of the peal boards, the werds 'come up higher.' That senteuce was arigiuaty, "Friend, come up higher,' and was eddressed by Mr. Drewetl to a visitor who was struggling up the ladder, which gives access to the belfry, and who hesitated until Mr. Drowett invited him in these terns. That invitation was typical of the man whase memory they were commemorating. It did not matter to whom he was addressing his remarks, they were always genial in tona and the weleomo was sincere. "The plirase," added Mr. Dean, 'is one which might be painted up in all the ringiug elambers in the conntry.
To the older men and women of the association Mr. Drewett wns thoroughly well krown, as, apart from his long nesocintion with Mitcham belfry, he was Master of the association from 1913, when ho succeeded Dr. Canpenter, and he continucd the Mastership until he died in 1928. Mr. Drewett was most assidnons in his aftention to the duties of his office. Not only did he alitend rergularly the meetinge of the association, but he also made it his bisibess, whers occasion required, to visit auy sick or distressed memher of the association, and this sense of duty extended to all tho pilblic oflees which he licld, and these were very uumerous. Fe was at one fime on over two hundred committees and was chaiman of seventeen. These committees had to do with the Surray Gounty Conncil, the Miteham [Trban Conncil, Crordon Bond of Guardians, ete. He was governor of the Secondary School for Boys and viee-chairman of the Mitchan School Managers, amongst a number of other putblic bodies.
A mutnal friend, who was ai oue time chairman of the Croydon Rural District Comeil, Leld him Lhat Jim Drewett was atways ont for his particular constituency, and if he could not gat all bint he wanted he became satisfied, for the time being, wilh what his followmembers granted. Mr. Drewett was referverl to as 'half a loaf' (laugliter).

Mr. Drewett was also a Tustice of the Poace, and sat on the Bench at Groydon for many years. He was mot withont a sense of hmour. On one aceasiou, when ho (Mr. Dean) was at his honse, Mr. Drewett was called to his hail door. When he returned he suid he had been asked by a young man and his wife to hoar a declazation which had to be made conceraing the vaccination of their chitd, and he said the comple were very thankfil for what he had done, and the young man. on shaking liands, said he hoped he would be able to do the samo for Mr. Drewett at some future time (laughter). Mr. Drewett was then about 70 years of gege.
In spite of the enormons responsibility which Mr. Drowelt had in connection with the public positious held by him, he was always very approachable, and even in the belfry one would tell ling that he had missed his third's or his 8-7-8, and ho would not resent

The association lost a very good man when he passed away, and the Mitcham rirgars had fetth his absence, as it lad been impossible to replace the services which he rendered to them during his many years as steeplekeeper.
In cammemorating the memory of Mr. Drewett, added Mr. Dean. one also bears in mind three other ringers whose names ate specially commemorated in Mitchani belfry: Douglas W. Drewett, who joined the Cameron Highlanders and lost his life in the war in 1918; Benjamin A. Morris, who was killed in the war in 1917; and stanley Smith, the son of Mr. William Strith, who was also killea in the war. Each of these men had been ringers at Mitcham Parialy Churcha, and Douglas Drewett, who had already rung there over twenty years, would doubtless have succeefed his father as steeplekeeper, as his father had succeeded his father many years previously.

The proceedings terminated with a vole of thanks to the Master for presiding, and during the evening ringing took place on the bells of the Parish Church.

## PEAL, NOTES.

SUSSEX VETERAN'S PEAL RINGING JUBILEE.
Mr. Walter Clarman, of Warnham, a fine old Sussex stalwart, has seen half a century of peal ringing. Fe rang the 7 th to a peal of Bob Major at his parish church on Saturday on the fiftieth anniversary of his first peal.
Waller Chnrman laas taken part in some long lengths, including the 13,440 Canterbury Pleasure Major rung at Warnham in March, 1889. The first peal in the same method had been rung in the same tower in the previous December
They were halcyon days at Wanzlam, when the ringers could start for a peal every night of the week, and yo one objected.
Mr . Albert Relfe reached bis one hundredth peal as conductor on Saturday will a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major at Rotherfield, Sussex. He was the only one of the band who had previously rung a peal in the method. It was Mr. J. G. Powell's 75th peal.
The peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at St. Andrew's, Hertford, on Saturday, was rong as a birthday compliment to Mr. Athlur Day, of Harpenden, and Mi. Joseph Ladleg, a very old member of the Hertford Collere Youths. It was also as a farewell complinent to Mr. B. H. Swinson, who is about to leave England on a business tour to South America. Mr. Barnard Palmore, of Great Munden, has now rang every bell in this tower to a peal.
The handbell peal of Spliced St, Clement's and Cravford Coilege Bols Major at Burton-on-Stather, Lines, was arranged with every course comprising a lead of St. Clement's, two leads of Crayford and two leads of St, Clement's.
The peal of St. Clement's Bob Major rung at Swineshead on Novemheir 13 th was first in the method by all the band.
Mr Samuel पuintin is another veteran who has just celeluated his birthday by ringing a peal. He is a member of the local band at Thatchan, Berks, and for his 75ths anniversary a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on November 27th. Two nther members of tie local band who took patt rang their first peal.
The sccond of the peals of six Spliced Surprise melhods on haudbells was rung on Friday, November 19th. In the reportb published last week the dite was given as the 18 th . lull that was the diag on which tite first, peat was rung.
The date of the peal at, St. Stephen's, Canterbuty, was also wrongly given last week. It was sent as 'Saturary, November 15th.' Unlike a certain Guildford Grild secretary, we were not iu form ait guessing, and we guessel mrollg. We plinuped for Saturdny, the 13th, but the peal was rung on Monday, tile 15th.
The first penl by the All Saintsi Guild, Gresford, was rung by foundation members and cendueted by the Master, Mr. Ardlur Prince, of Bath. The secretary, Mr. George Willinms, was prevented from taking his ustal place in the baud thraugh illness. The members wish him a speedy recovery.
Mr. George Moss took part in a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major at St. Margnret's, Ipswich, on November 20th, in celebration of the $59 t h$ armiversury of the wedding of his parents.
The Rectur of Fazelbury Bryan, Dorset (the Rev. J. L. Rhps) has completed 58 years in the ministry, and a peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung in lis honour on November 13 thi, It was the first attempt for a neal lyy three of the band.
For the wedding of Mr. G. P. Mitchell, one of the hand at St. John's, Hallingdon, Middleser, a peal of Bristol Surprise was rung at St. Andrew's, Fillingdon, on Saturday. It was also a birthday compliment to Miss Frances M. Gutteridge, of Iver Heath. It was the fiftieth peal in which Messrs. Fwnk Corke, of Oxbridge, and W. Henley, of Old Windsor, have taken part together.
The peal at Palgyave, Suffolk, on November 23rd, was a birthday compliment to the daughter of Mr. C. J. Morc, Master of the Diss company, and to Mr. A. G. Harrison, secretary of the Sauth Norfork Brancli of the Norwich Diocesan Association.

## BOYS' QUCK PROGRESS

Fhaving had their first lesson in handling a bell only in Janunry of this year, three boys at Anstey, Leicestershire, have rung their first peal, and Stedman Triples nt that, at the second attermpt. George Bowler is 14. Terry Smitly 13 and Jolm Adams 15. Two others of ibe hand yang their first peal at the same time, Thomas Ison, and Miss Ivy Simpson, who rang the $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{ewt}$ tevor.
The progress of these pupils of Mr. Redvers Flkington was referred, to in a letter in our issue of October 29th. They were 'brought up' on Stedman after being taught plain hurting. Congratulations both to tutor and pupils.

Completing the circle,' meaning, for the benefit of the uninitiated, ringing a peal on all the bells in a tower, is beeoming a popular pastime. We have remtly recorded mumerous instances. Mr. Gearge E. Teirn, of Bigby, Eines, has now rung peals on all the eight hells at Scumthome, Lincs. He 'completed the cirole ' on November 2 zrd by ringing the treble to a peal of Stedman Friples.
An attempl was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples at Clent, Worcestershire, on November 20th, it honour of Lhe wedding of Mr. George Blunt and Miss Rose Short, daughter of Mr. William ghort, the popular Ringing Master of the Worcestershire Association. Owing to the indisposilion of one of the band, however, ringing had to stop, -o a peal of Bob Minor, with the tenor belind, was rung.
(Continued in next columa.)

## MR. W. T. PATES' LONG SERVICE. <br> OHELTENHAM VETERAN HONODTED

The Cheltenham veteran, Mr. William T. Pates, who retired from active ringing last year, has been bonoured by the erection of a tablet in the belfry commernorating his 63 years of service to the Parish Church. Unveiled on Sunday, November 2lst, it bears the inscription:
'This tablet commenrirates 63 years of service vendered to the
Parish Church by William Thomas Pates. From 1873 to 1936 he
rang in this tower, and for 45 years of that period he was Ringing
Master. Born 28th February, 1853.'
Mr. Pates was unable to attend the ceremony, but he was represented by lis daughters, Wrs. Clements and Miss Pates, and other members of the family.
The Rey. J. A. Barber (curate), addressing the compary in the bell tower, said it wes a very leindly thought on lhe part of tive Parochial Church Council to have the tablet erected during Mr. Pates' lifetime.

His retiring gracefully, enabling younger men to carry on the work was one of his greatest zecions,' said Mr. Barber, 'mad this tablet which will be here for all time, will remind us of his 63 yenrs' faitlifil service for the Church.'
The tablet was dedicated by the Rector (the Rev. J. B. Goodiffe), and after a few rounds had been rung on the bellis, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters ( 1,285 clanges) was rung by $\Lambda$. W. Humphris 1 , Mrs. J. Thomas (London) 2, J. D. Johnson (Einton-oat-the-Green) (conductor) 3, O. Collier 4, S. T. Holk (Crowle) 5, W. Dyer 6, J. Thomas (London) 7, ex-Sergt. Aston 8, ©. Camm (Upton-on-Severn) 9, S. Hayward 10. Mr. Humphis rang a peal with Mr. Pates as long ego as 1883.
After the coremony the ringers were entertained to tea at Mr Pates' residence.
Mr. Pates rang his first neal at Chelfenlam Parish Church in 1876 , and he is the only survivor of that band. In his long career he has taken part in some notable peals, among them the 13,054 Stedman Caters at Oheltenham in 1888 and the 15,227 Grandsire Caters at the same tower in 1889, which he called. Both were records.

## TRURO CATHEDRAL JUBILEE.

On Wednesday, November 2Oth, at Truro Cathedral, a quartel-peal of Grandsive Triples ( 1,260 changes) was rung to commemornte the 5011 anniversary of the consecration of the sanctuary and, chancel. The ringers were Miss M. Penrose 1, C. E. T.anxon 2, Miss E. J. C. Angwin 3, W. E. Minors 4, W. H. Sleeman 5, Rer W. H. I. Trevhella 6 , W. H. Southeard (conductor) 7, J. Treloar 8.

## A PEAL AT BOSTON STUMP. <br> (Continued from previous colume.)

A peal at Boston 'Stump'-one wus rung there last Saturday-is always a remiader of the way in which modern methods can overcome difficulties in bellhanging. In this stately tower, 272 ft . higl, which seemed to be endangered when the bells were rung, the belis were increased in number and raised several fet, while the structure were so strengthened by a cencrete corbel course that nll dauger to the building was removed.
Members of the local band at Benfreldside, Co. Durham, rang a peal of Cambvidge Surprise and Oxford Bob Minor on October zind as a welcome to the new curate (the Rev. G. V. Casey), as a thanksgiving for the harvest and as a 2lst birthday compliment to Raymond Oliver
The peal of Cambridge Royal at $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{s}}$ wich on November 27th was Miss Bowyer's 36 th peal this year. She has now broken the record of peals by a lady in one vear. It also completed her series in the method on 6, 8,10 and 12 bells. Mr. F. J. Smith also achieved this distinction in this peal.
By the way, we are how informox that our correspondent was incorrect in his definition of the letters P.G. after Miss Bowyer's name in the report of a recent performance. The trith is out at last. Their meaning is 'Pretty Ginl.'

## LAST OT AN ORIGINAL BAND.

Mr. J. Preston is the only member left of the original band at St. Barmabas' Clurch, Erdington, Birminglam, which was formed when the bells were put in 34 years 日go. He has been secretary throughout this period, and on Saturday a peal of Stedman Triples was rung there as a birthday compliment to him
The Dean of Rochester (Dr. Onderhill) has been appointed Bishop of Betz and Wells, and in honour of his elevation a peal of Stedrasn Cators was rung at Rochester Cathedral on Saturday. It was a composition by Mr. Louis Hend, and contalus the shortest possible starting and turning courses with the treble in 2nal's place sud the 6th in firth's. Having to start a slow six with a single caused some alarm until the conductor reminded the hand of the old saying. 'Third time fair.'
The peal came home in 3 hours 40 minutes, and, in addition to its main purpose, was also a. birthday compliment to Mrs. Norris, wife of Mr. O. E. J. Norris, who rang the Sth, and to Mr. Head, sea., fether of the conductor.
Peals in commemoration of the tercentenary of the Ancient Society of College Youths continte to be rung. This week we reard two, one rung at Barkway, Herts, by members residing in Essex, Canbridgeshire and Fertfordshire, tine other at Petersield, Hants, hy members living in Hants, Sussex and Surrey.

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD'S JUBILEE.

## A SUCCESSFUL CELEBRATION

The jubilce dinner of the Chester Diocesan Guild attracted a large gathering to the ancient city on Saturday, November 20th. It seems fitting that the Guild's fiftielin birthday shond have been celebrated at a place only a few yards from the Cathedral jefectory, where the inaugural meeting was heid on Navember 12th, 1887, and which, accarding to the record of that neeting, 'was well attended by both clergymen and ringers.
Tho recently augmented ving at the Cathedral was available for ringing during the afternoon, as well as the eight at St. Mary's-within-the-Walls. A1s opporturity was thas afforded to many who bad previously not lieard the new trebles in the Cathedral tower, and the experience brought muny expressions of satisfaction.
Dihner was served at Clemmee's Restaurant in the Market Square. The Master, Mr. *. W. Miluer, presided, and there were atso present Wha Dean (Bishop Norman Tublis), the Archdencon of Chester (the Ven R. V. F. Bume), Mr. G. A. Heywood, the Rev. M. H. Ridgway (Guild secretary), the Rev. W. P. Ingham, the Rev. S. T. Stephens, the Rev. G. Ganghan, mid some 160 ringers from all parts of the diocese, North Wales and Lancashire. Among the apologies for absence were those from the Lord Bishop, the Archdeacon of Macclesfreld, Mr. J. IF. Lewis, Mr. J. S. Goldsunith and Mr. A. A. Hughes.

The loyal loast was hononed on the call of the Master, and the nousical part of the programme opened with a courge of Bols Royal on haudbells: A. Barnes 1-2, J. E. Bibby 3-4, F. Bibloy 5-6, P. Lafin 7-8, W. Bibivy 9.10.
The foast of the evenirg, "The Chester Diocesan Guild, was proposed ly the Dean, who spoke of the keen interest shown by bis predecessor, Dean Bennett, in the welfare of the Guild. For himself, he felt that the Guild had treated him very geacronsly in inviting bim to dinner at all, because lie had ouly a forlnight previonsly cammitied tioe 'unpardonable sin" of shubting off the main electric light cwitcls whilst an important peal was in progress at the Gathedral! (Gughter). He wished to express his deep regret.

## BELLS' NOBLE TASK

Confessing lis ignorance of the art of ringing, the Dean said that athongh he had read "The Nine Tailors,' he still felt unequal to making a speech on the subject. He was, however, conscious that ringing was a very important part of clurch wor $\mathrm{K}_{3}$ and lie felt that it was up to the Guilds to see that the hells of England fhould continue to be ring in the cld-fashioned way and not by mechanical means. As a mun who hat spent a number of years abroad, he lenew that one of the things that the Britisher away from home longen for most was to hear again the sonnd of bells rung in the English way. This, almost wore than anything else, suggested "home. Bells, too, werg playing an important part in the reall to religion, and bad, he felt, always done much towards keeping this country Christian-a moble task.
In responding to the toast, the Rov. M. H. Ridgway, who last year suceened the Rev. W. R. Inyham as secretary, brieby reviewed the wark of the Guild during its landf-century of existence. Good service ringing and clean towers were now the order of the day. He loped that every effort would be made to get all towers in the diocese into naion, a most wosthy aim for this important year. The Guild, he felt, had celebrateri jts jubilee in a most fitting mammer-by the installation of two new bells as mad adifion to the Cathedral efght, thus giving Whe Mother Chircha a fine peal of toa bells.
M4. W. Wilcox, one of the original members of the Guild, proposed The jealth of the Master.' Mr. Milnor, ils making his reply, said that judging by the number of ringers present who were well aver 60 years of nge, ringing was a most healthy pursuit. The finest recreatiou was a chancre of occupation, and ringing not only gave pleasure to tho ringer, but also the listence. Fthe presence of a lave number' of "mere boys" gave him the assurance that the future of the Guild was safe.
In proposing "The Clergy, Mr. T. W. Clarlee emphasised the need of close co-operntion between clergy and ringers, and, quoting part of the raport of the first meeting of the Guild (mentioned at the beginning of this teport) said flat it would give great pleasure if such a phrase conld be used in the minute books to-day. He deprecated the use of "gramophoue bells, in churches where the conditions made the installation of a ringing neal possible. Such installations were a tragedy, and he appealed to the clergy, both by example and inforace, to discouraqe potied helts.'
In reply, the Archdeacon said that, in his opiuion, all members of the clergy should know something of hells and ringing, and instrurtion 11 these mattels should form an essential pari of bheir traning. He himself had lenmed to bandle a bell in his younger days, and although he conla not count himself $\pi$ change ringer, he did appreciate the excellent work done for the Ohurch by ringers.

FIVE ORTGNNAL MENBERS PRESENT.
On the call of the Master, original menbers present, five in all, stood. These veterans, Mr. H. A. Hepwood, Mr. W. Wilcox, hr. J. Morgan, Mr. E. Breeze and Mr. J. B. Wood, were greeted with much applause, and each in torn deliglited the company with reminiscences of bygore days.
The Rev. W. R. Ingham proposed "The Visitors.' In welcoming them he said that the success of that oceasion pointed to the flourisla(Continued in next column.)

## BELLS OVER LONDON

AN INTERESTING WERELFSK PROGRAMME.
Under the tille of 'Bells over London,' the 13.B.C. devoted a Ewenty minute broadcast to bellringing and Lio Ancient Society of Collegy Youthe in the Regional prograume on Weduesday of last week, and the ftem was an informative and enjoyable ono. It also went out on the Midland, Welsh and Norbiern Ireland Regionals. Originally it was amonnced in the 'Radio Times' that the tren was devised by John Shand and Willie Roinghton, but berore it came on, Loudon Howspapers bed announced tisat Mr. Willie Roughton had rofused to callaborato becanse, so the newspapers said, a recorded " description of bellringing by Miss Dorothy Sayers from ber book, The Nine Tailors, was fo be introduced. It geve the papers, which dealt with the subject, the opportanity of vell-displaying Miss Sayers' mame ju the headines.
The R.B.C. when the programme opened anwonnced the withdrawal of Mr. Ronghton's collaloration, and it was stated that the item was devised by Jolin Shand and produced by F. L. Morrow. These gentiemen did their work well.
The narrator described the true art of bellringing as a kind of musical chess, and went on to explain how clangres wero produced, Change ringing, he said, was the most intricato end, to many, the most boatitiful form of bellringing.
Miss Sayers' description of it was introduced, aud, after a relorence to tho terminology of bellijnging, about which, the narrator anid, there was a touch of poetry, Mr. E. H. Tewis (Master of the College Youths) spoke upon the saciety's long bistory and the 'music' of change ringing, which was illustrated on haudbells by founds, 'Queen's.' Tittmms' and 'Whitingtion's, followed by the plain hunt on eigjt bells. Afterwards came a boh conrse of Stedman Triples, The handbell ringing was done by Messrs. E. H. Lewis, $3^{3}$. $\mathbf{t}^{\circ}$. Duffeld, H. Langdon and W. Williang.
At the beginning of the programme the bells of St. Paul's Cathedral were twice faded in,' and the proglamme terminated with a recordnd impression of the bells of St. Clement Danes.
Whe Exercise owes a debte to tie B.B.C. Eor the way in whin this [31ogrammo was organised and "put over."

## AN APPRECIATION.

Sir-May I-a very humble 'vantluy' nember of the Collure Youths-say how much I enjoyed and appreciated the broadeasl. It came througly splendidfy, and the exposition of changes was perfeety done.
The thanks of the Exercise ate due to the organisers aud performers alike. Please let us liave more such broadcasts.

ERNEST MORRIS,

## Authoy of 'History and Art of Chinge Ringing.

## DEATH OF ILKLEY RINGER

## TTTOR OF THE PRESENT CONTPANY.

The many friends of Jry. T. W. Crawshow, of Ilkley, Yorkshite, will regret to leam of lis deatla on Wednesdny, November 17th. Hi: whs taken fll whilsb ringing for service an the prevjous sundny and hesem vecovered. The funcial, whicht was attended by a large loody at moumers, tonk place on Saturday, November EDth,
The late Mr. Crawshaw had been a devated chareliworker atb llisey Parish Churel for the grenter part of his hite and had been an choristery for over 53 years. He was leader of the ringers and lad been $n$ member of the Tlkiey company for the phat 47 years. Winh min exception all the present company of ringars gatned their dinowledeg of rinkige under his careful guidance and Lution. Fis frowoule
method was Grandire, and he set a very hirh standard for servicu method was Grandsire, and he set a very hirgis standard for servieu
ringing. Ho was a keen menabur of the Yorkshire Association fint whs very interested in the worlk of the district.
He leaves a widow rud a grown-up family, two sous being thembris of the local company
The Ilkley ringers have elected Mr, W. W. Cramstan to hill his father's posilion, and on Sunday, November 2lbt, a woll-stramk quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples was rung.

## CHESTER GUILD JUBILEE. <br> (Gontinned from previous column.)

ing state of the Guild. There wore certainly 1 to signs of the 'motle " getting at it yet.
In acknowledging the toast, the Res. G. Faughau snid that lis prosence that night had made him more jeen than ever to learn to rine, and le woud in future be a frequent visitor to the beliry.
That the 'splice, nt the Cathedral was considered an excallent futh was evident from conversations on all sider, and the secretary was
asked to convey to Messys. Mears and Stainbank the Gnild's congratulations an an fine job.
There was also a sutgecetion thrt the Guild should arranye in anuwal dinter, and no doubt the matier will be up for discussion at the meetings of the various branches in the coming year,
The company was cotertained during the cyening by Mr. N. Swinaertou (bass) and Mr. J. Roberts (tenor), of the Cathedral choir, and Messrg. J. Xeild and J, Taylor. A course of Grandsire Caters h C. Valentine i-2, Miss N. Bihby 3-4, J. Bibloy 5-6, F. Bibby 7-8, Bibly $9-10$, brourht the everaing to a delightitut close.

## CLASHING MEETINGS.

## the Editar

Wenr sir - I have always been wuder the impression tiant the primary object of district meetings was for the benefit of the members concermed in thoir arratrgement. With that in mind, my fixtures, made at the begjuning of each jear, seek to avoid any elashing with, not only the other tiree districts of this Guild, but ulso the Nerth West Dishrich of the Surrey Association, in whose nctivitus some of eur members liave a rote.
So it was with mixad feelings that I read your leadiug article last 47eek and be letier which prompted it, esperialy seeng that the letter camo fron Mr, Cannon, a promitent member of the Tower Grabbers" Union, who, when we held a meebing at Dorking, previously, ame there, had a ring, and then luad to be oft, to get a ring at some Londoul wwer where the reopening of the bells took place that afternoon. It wonld appear that a secretary wanld need to be a superman and see that no meetings took place within 50 miles on lis meeting dates, to save someone a pang of disappointment at being whable, through a feeling of loyalty, to get to a new tower. Perkaps some doy the idcal will come, but For the prosent my advice to Mr. Cannon is to bring the matter wh at the numual meetiag of his own association and see that none of their own meetings clash. Ours alo fixed at a committeo meating with the general secretary early in the year.
Wibl respad to the meetiners "under tha cland," hoth have for their chief busimess sanething eoncerming themselves, namely, the nominution of their offeers, and as no one member will be torn between two voles, I think thet tine Jonsiness interval ofters a good chance for visibors tro get from one place to the obluer, fud as they will be able to get a good variety at both places, tho mearness is really a blessing. ARTHUR F. SMITH,
Hon. Secretary, Leatherhead District. Guildford Diocesan Guild.

OVILRLAPPING ASSOCIATIONS.
Deat Sir, -While I cannot auswer Mtr. Cannon's question regarding the clasling of district meetings, I may perlaps be allowed to make H few comments on the matier raised.
Thete are two distinct points at issue, though they are not clearly ghown in Mrr, Ganmon's letter.
The first is when separate associations ar districts hold meetinga in towers in thein own areas, but those towers happen to be near each other. You have, perhups intentionaily, confured your editorial to this aspect of the matter, and, while I agree such a clash would be betiter ruvided, there is no reason why botla meetings should not the succusstul if Iully supported by each associatioy's own members. District secretaries liave a good deal to do and they cannot always find out the intentions of one or more surrounding associations.
What if far more objectionable is the casc where Association A holds a moeting at a tower affliated to Association $\mathbf{B}$ on the same day that Association $B$ is holding a meeting in its own area. I have been censidering for several montlos the best way of lriuging this matter before the Exarcise, aud hand deciden that, wather than seek the courtesy of your colurnes where only personal opinions can be expressed, I would broach the subject at the next Central Council meeting. Abont six weeks ago I drafted a motion to be put before the Council, and on Novemiser ist I asked another member of the Council to second it, All this was before the moelings held at Isleworth and Twickenham on November $13 t h$ and while there was atill a chauce of avoiding that clasli.

But the "ubiquitons Mr. Cannon' (your own adjeotive, Mr. Editor) has forestalled me, though I may still ask the Council to expresg an opinion on the matter next Whitsun.
The elash on Noveraber 33 th was the second in the South and West Middlesex District this year. In the summer the district hedd a meetang at Harlingtan, which is not an ensy place to get to, and unfortunalely another associatiok met at Chiswick on the same clay. Tren members of the Ghiswick tower are ringing members of the South and West District). The attendance at Farlington, as was to be expected, was less than double figures-a poor show not only for the district, but for the Exercise.

It seems to me ouly a matter of courtesy for a visiting association to get intu early touch with the secretary of the area to be visited, so as uot to upsct local arrangements. In most cases I am sure the local nesaciation would be pleased to avoid that date or gigree to a joint meeting. I realise that, an extra-territorial' association (such as the Ladies ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Gnild) would be affected more by thes thau would orkinary associations, but what is an extra letter or two compared with the snccess or failure of a meeting or the retention of good feeling between rasociations.

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## NOTICES

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.--Leatherhead District. -The last meeting for 1937 will be held at Dorking on Saturday, December 4th. Service at 5 o'clock, with tea and business meeting in the Church Room afterwards.-A. H. Smith, Hon. Sec., Howard Road, Great Bookham, Surrey.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Betchworth on Saturday, December 4th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea at the Dolphin Inn, 1s. 3d. "per head. All ringers welcome. Nominations for district officers for 1938 at this meeting.-W. Claydon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. - A quarterly mecting will be held at Folkestone on Saturday, December 4th. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-P. Page, Hon. Dis. Sec., 1f0, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.
ALL-ENGLAND RINGERS will be welcomed at Hitchin on Saturday, December 4 th, when the annual meeting of the Northern District, Herts Association, will be held at the Parish Church. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5.30, in Church House. District committee are requested to make an effort to attend and bring their bands. We want a crowd; everyone will be welcome, and every help will be given to learners, but there will be some 'Surprises' at this meeting.-Don Mears, Hon. Sec., Fritton, Moormead Close, Hitchin.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be helcl at Barlborough ( 6 bells), on Saturday, December 4th. For tea, please notify Mr. R. Reece, Park Street, Barlborough, near Chesterfielid. All welcome-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 33, St. Ronan's Road, Sheffield, 7.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Wrington on Saturday, December 4th. Bells (10) available from 3 o'clock. Divine service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 o'clock, to be followed by business meeting.Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-The next practice meeting will be held Bowness Parish Church (eight bells) on Saturday, December 4th. Bells available 3 p.m.-N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.The next meeting will be held at Standish on Saturday, December 4th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. For tea (6d. each), please notify Mr. E. Birchall, 163, Preston Road, Standish, near Wigan.-S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-West Dorset Branch.--The annual meeting will be held at Bridport on Saturday, December 4 th. Bells open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at the Greyhound Hotel at 5.30, to be followed by meeting. Other towers open: Bradpole (8), Burton Bradstock, Loders, Symondsbury, all six bells.-C. H. Lathey, Hon. Sec., Malmaison, Bradpole, Bridport.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Service ringing December 5th, 10 a.m., St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C. Practices, December 6th and 20th, St. Clement Danes, at '7.80 p.m., alsn St. Mary's, Lamboft. Decem-
ber 28 Lh , at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A reminder is hereby given regarding handbell competition to be held on February 12 th next. Particulars from T. W. Taffender, Hon. Gen. Sec. ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). - Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral, December '7th; St. Magnus, December 9th and 23rd; Southwark Cathedral, December 16th; *St. Mary-le-Bow, Decemiser 21st (all at 7.30 p.m.) ; St. Andrew's, Holborin, December 30th, at 8 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-A. B. Peck, Hon. Sec., Branksome, Eversfield Road, Reigate, Surrey.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Andover District.-The annual meeting will be held at Whitchurch on Saturday, December 11th. Bells available from 2.30. Service in the Parish Church at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. in Church Hall. Business meeting follows. All requiring tea please notify the Hon. Secretary, F. S. H. Marle, Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division. -The quarterly meeting of the Western Division will be held at St. Hatthew's, Northowram, on Saturday, December 1Ith. Service in the church at 4.15 p.m. Tea in the schools about 5 p.m., 1s. 3d. each. Names for tea to be sent to H. Chew, Enderly, Cross Roads, Northowram, by Wednesday, Decernber 8th. Business meeting after tea.- Trank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON. DON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. - A meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Uxbridge, on Saturday, Decenber 1111. Service 5 p.m. Tea, 5.30, in Express Dairy, High Strect, 1s. each. St. Andrew's bells (8) fron 4.30 and after tea. St. John's, Hillingdon, bells (10), 3-4.30. Trolley buses (607), etc., connect with both churches.-F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Leyland St. James (Moss Side) on Saturday, December 11th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m.-A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Central Bucks Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Winslow on Saturday, December 11th. Bells (6) available from 2.45 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.-F. Gibbard, Hon. Sec., 30, Horn Street, Winslow, Bucks.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Taunton Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Wilton on Saturday, December 11th. Bells, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business in the schools after service. Will those requiring tea please let me know by the previous Tuesday? -P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. -A monthly meeting will be held at Linslade on Saturday, December 1fth. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. A special invitation to all North Bucks Branch ringers, so we want a good home team to welcome them.-F. J. Plummer, Dis. Sec., Leighton Buzzard.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Silistone on Saturday, December 11th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Those requirring teas please notify Mr. H. Mann, Fox and Hounds Yard, Silkstone, near Barnsley, by Wednesday, December gtin. A hearty weicome to all.-D. Smith, Hon. Sec., Rock Cottages, Shafton, near Barnsley.

GLILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-Aylesbeare Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Topsham, on Saturday, December 11th. Bells at 2.30. Service in St. Nargaret's Cluurch at 4 p.m. Tea, free to members, 4.45 p.n. Business meeting to follow. Those intending to be present kindly let me know not later than Monday, December 6th.-R. Brook, Hon. Sec., 3, Greatwood Terrace, Topsham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Brancli. at All Saints', Hamer (one mile trom Rochdale). Bells (G) -Next meeting will be held on Saturday, December 11 th, available from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Meeting in the tower at 6.30 p.m. A good turn-up requested. Those desirous of tea (at a nominal charge) please notify Mr. Alwyn Taylor, Staw House, Albert Royds Street, Rochdale, by Thursday, December 9th.-Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James Street, Milmrow, Rochdale.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Sandy on Saturday, December 11th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome. Please come; a good company is reguested.-C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. -A meeting will be held at St. Ives, on Saturday, December 11 th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Brancin. -The next meeting will be held at St. Michaet's, Garston, on Saturday, December 11th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea and meeting in the Institute. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. W. Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Liverpool, 19.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Kirkby-inAshfield on Saturday, December 11ch. Bells available at 3 p.n. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 oclock to those who notify me by Wednesday, December Sth.-J. W. England, 49 , The Common, South Normanton.

SALISBURY GUILD.-N. Dorset Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Gillingham on Saturday, December 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Guild Office 4.30 , followed by tea and business. Mere and Zeals bells also available. For tea, please notify J. Ralph, 9, Orchard Road, Gillingham.

LADIES' GUILD.-Western District.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Clifton Parish Church on Saturday, December 11th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting to follow in Parish Hall. Will those requiring tea kindly let me know by December 8th?-N. G. Williams, Weston House, Weston, Bath.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District.-The annual meeting will be held at Christchurch on Saturday, December 11 th. Beils (12) availalile from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tca 5 p.m. at the King's Arms, P.R.H.A. Will those requiring tea kindly notify by December $9 t h$ ?-G. Preston, 42 , Waterioo Place, Christchurch.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Swindon Branch.-Annual branch meeting at Christ Church, Swindon, on Saturday, December 11th. Bells (10) available afternoon and evening. Service 4.30. Tea 5 , followed by business meeting.-W. B. Kynaston, 3, Dumbarton Terrace, Victoria Road, Swindon, Wilts.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The dedication of tablet commemorating the 100th birthday of Charles Slingsby will take place at Aldington on Saturday, December 11 th, at 4 p.m. Ringing before and after the ceremony. - P. Page, Hon. Sec.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Coleman's Hatch on Saturdiay, December 11th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All welcome. Please notify by December פh for tea.-B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Lekfie!d, Sussex.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Eastern Division.The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Colchester, on Saturday, December 11th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 p.m. Will all those intending to be present please notify me not later than December 8t1.-F. R. Sparling, Hon. Scc., Station Hotel, Wivenhoc, Essex.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS -No business, but a ringing meeting will be held on December 11 th at St. Ann's, Brookfields, from 5 p.m. till 6.30 p.m. The Vicar of St. Martin's, Gospel Oak, has also given us permission to ring from 7.30 p.m. till 9.30 p.m. Will all the N.W. London District members come and make it an enjoyable ringing evening?-T. Bevan.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Wootton on Saturday, December rith. The bells (a fine six) will be available from 3 p.m. Tea at the Cot at 5 p.m. If you only ring rounds, we shall be pleased to see you. - Frank C. Tysoe District Secretary, io, Grange Koad, Bromham, Bedford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch, Newport Pagnell Deanery.-A meeting at Eavendon ( 5 bells) on Saturday, December Itth. 2.30, Ring up. 4, Service. 4.45, Tea, Business.-Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks

HINCKLEY DISTRICT MEMBERS OF THE M.C.A.- Where shall we go for the clistrict annual meeting on January 8th? Interested? Then come to the last meting of the year at Croft on December 11th. Bring any unpaid subs. too. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. All ringers welcome. Names to Mr. J. Bayliss, Brookside Cottage, Croft.-Wm. A. Wood, Dis. Sec.

WATFORD HARDY ANNUAL blooms on Saturday, December 18th (Herts Association).

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual mecting of the Gloucester Branch will be held at Barnwood on Saturday, December 18th. Bells (8) open at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , kindly provided by the Rector (Rev. E. H. Noott). All ringers welcome. Kindly notify me for tea not later than December 13th.-W. H. Harris, Branch Hon. Sec., 4, G.W.R. Terrace, Lydney Dock, Lydney.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Fylde Branch. The next neeting will be held at St. Chad's, Poulton, on Saturday, December 18 th . Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Business meeting after tea. Come and hear the new octave, tenor 8 cwt. Subscriptions due.-C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next neeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, December 18th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Everyboty welcome.-F. I-incle, Branch Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOGIATION. - Burton District.-The last meeting for 1937 will be held at the Parish Church, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, on Saturday, December 181 h . Bells (8) available 3 p.m1. Tea in Church Room 4.30 prompt. Short service at 5.30 . All ringers and friends welcome, especially Loughborough District menbers, at this meeting. Please remember the 'P.C.' for tea to be sent to me by Wednesday, December 15th.- $\}$ W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.The annual meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford, on Saturday, December 18th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me not later than December 15th? -H. A. Waccy, Hon. Sec., 69, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Andover District.-Dedication by the Bishop of Winchester of the new ring of six bells at Goodworth Clatford, on Saturday, December 18 th , at 3 pm . Tbree new belle added to three already existing in the tower, by Messrs. 「aylor \& Co., of Loughborough. Tea in the Vicarage at 4.30 p.m. Bells open for visitors after tea. Those requiring tea please notify Rev. A. Gidlow, Goodworth Clat'ord Rectory, Andover.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.- Southern Division. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Ranmoor, Sheffield, on Saturday, December 18th. Bells (10) available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in the Parish Hall at 5 p.m. at 1 s . each. Please notify Mr. C. Haynes, 441a, Sandygate Road, Sheffield, t0, by Wednesday previous.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Street, Bentley, Doncaster.

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The Exercise will, we are sure, unite in congratulations to the Lincolushire band who, last Saturelay, created another 'splicing' record by ringing, in the course of seven 7 2o's, no fewer than eighty different methods. Only a few years ago this would have been regarded as an impossible feat, not only from the point of view of practical ringing, but because it was inconceivable that such a large number of methods could be crowded into seven true six-bell extents. With the rapid progress that has been made in this phase of ringing, however, composers have kept pace with the clemands of the ringers, and a peal in eighty methotis now becomes an accomplished fact. This is very close to the known limit ; but who can say where this elever manipulation uf methods will end?

Let us acknowledge the work of the men who have made such peals possible. The brothers Jaries were the first to see the possibilities of 'spliced ' ringing, although it was some years after their pioneer work in this direction that serious attention was given to composition on these lines. Mr. Joseph W. Parker, the late Mr. Henry Wilde, and Mr. E. H. Lewis contributed their share to developing the ground, but it was left to one who does very little practical ringing to bring out the really high lights of composition in splicing Minor methods. To Mr. A. G. Driver is due much of the credit for the investigathons which have made extents in a large number of methods possible. In the most painstaking manner he pushed out the scope of composition until well over a dozen methods were included in a single $7^{20}$, and compiled tables by which nther investigators could pursue the work upon a well-established foundation.

And in this latest performance at Algarkirk we have an instance of what has come of it, and, hoo, a very fine example of the good spirit which ought always to prevail among ringers. Until last Saturday the 'spliced' record was 73 methods rtng by a Cheshire band and conducted by Mr. Kenneth Lewis. One of the new 720's rung at Algarkirk, one containing the greatest number of methods (namely 19) yet included in an extent, was composed by Mr. Kenneth Lewis. Thus he facilitated, even if he alone clid not make possible, the beating of the record which he held with his Cheshire friends. There is a moral in this, which he who runs may read.

For the men, and particularly for the conductor, who rang the peal last Saturday, there will be nothing but admiration. It is a great feat to carry eighty methods in one's head, and to be able to step straight out of one into another at a word of command, especially when these (Continued on prye 814.$)$

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commands, at times, follow one another every lwenty-five seconds or so. This is a business of quick thinking as well as accurate ringing. The Lincolnshire band of enterprising young men have striven hard for this crowning achievement. Success has been hard earned, and those, if there be any, who doubt the merit of the performance, would do well to try for themselves, for a start, Mr. Kennetl Lewis' new extent. We feel sure that the first to congratulate the Algarkirk band will be the men who rang the 73 methods at Buxton last June. Although they then rang the maximum number of Treble Bols methods which can be spliced into seven truc extents, we hope they will nat rest entirely on their laurels, but will give their friends in Lincolnshire something more to think about and perform. We salute both the Lincolnshire and Cheshire men upon their great achievements.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

## BTRMLNGHAM.

THE ST. MARTDN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
Tu Twesday, Nosember 30, 1937, in Three Hows and Forty-Fony Minutes,
At tae Cgurce of St. Marisin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 50B4 CHANGES;

$$
\text { Tenor } 37 \mathrm{cwt}
$$

John G. Mason ... ... ...Tybble |Morris]. Morris ... ... 7
Herbert finget ... ... 2 James George ... ... ... 8
Grorge E. Fearn ... ... 3 Erngst Mansbll ... ... 9
Danial T. Matkin ... ... 4 Frane E. Pbrvin ... ... io
Sidnay O'C. Holloway ... 5 Albert Walker... ... ... it
William C. Dowding ... E Albert E. Norman ...Tenor
Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Daniel T. Matkin.
This conposition is now rimy for the firstr time. Specially composed and rung in hollour of Mr'. James Qeorge's 84t! birthday EIDDFRMINSTER, WORCTSTERSRIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOGIATION.
On Saturday, December 4, 1937, in Three Fours and Thipty-Seven Minutes
At tee Cetreg of St. Maky and All Saints,
A PEAL DF \&PLIEED BOB AND LITTLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANCES:
Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Wieliam Short ... ... ...Tyeble |-Ralpa Harris ... ... ... 7 Josepe D. Johnson ... ... 2 Charles H. Woodberry... 8 Roberi Matthews .... ... 3 | Geoffrey J. Lewis ... ... 9 Sidney T. Holi ... ... ... 4 "Josepa E. Newman ... ... Io Mrs. J. Tbomas .... ... ... 5 Tremas W. Lewis ... ... II jogn Thomas .** **.... 6 Charles Camm ... ... ...Thno: Arranged and Conancted bv Josppr D Jonnson.

* Firgt peal of Naximus. litist peal of Spliced Maximus by all the band, on the befls and by the association. Each conrse was ring one lead Plain, one,Little and one Plain.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

ST. ALBANS, FERTS.
THE HLRTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Cn Satnyday, Dectmber 4, 1937, in Three Hours and Nineten Minntes, At the Churce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANBES; Tenor 23 cwt . in D.
Charees A. Doberty ...Tyeble George W. Drben
-Sifpern H. Hoarb ... ... 2 Tgomas J. Holl ... ... 7
Gilbert E. Dbbenaam .... 3 Harocd V. Frost...
josepf F. Cbatlay ... ... 4 f Matrica F. R. Hebrert... 9
*Thomas A. Blow ... ... 5 "Harold G. Cashmore ...Teror Composed and Conducted by G. W. Debrneam.

* Firsti peal of Royal. * First poal of Royal in the method. Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. T. J. Hull, who has been a ringer at this charch for 33 years and the steepletreeper for the past 18 years.

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## MANOHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, December 4, 1937, in Three Hours and Thirvy Minutes, At ter Cathedral Chergh of SS. Mary and Denys,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, g003 CHANGE; Tenor 27 cwf. 3 qr. 5 lb .

| Wilfred Stevenson | ...Trebla | 7C. Kenneta Lewis |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Rev. Frank Bonner | ... 2 | Jobn Worta ... |  |
| †James Fernley ... | 3 | David Vincent |  |
| †Williak Frrnley | 4 | Samprl Jones, jun. |  |
| tJames A. Milner . | … 5 | -Lionhr Clodgh |  |
| Composed by W. T. <br> " First peal in the m | SON. <br> od. † | Conducted by Jorn <br> st peal of Grandsira C |  |

## DERBY.

THE MIDLAND GOUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Suturday, December 4, 1937, in Three Hours and Fourten Minutes, At zer Ceurce of St. Andrew, Litchurce,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES; Temor $18 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{qr} .23 \mathrm{lb}$. in E,


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BARROW-IN-FURNESS, LANGS. THE LANOASHIRE ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, Nowentbry 27, 1937, in Three Fowrs and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 OHANGES;

Pritceard's Four-part.
 Conducted by James E. Berles

* First peal on eight leells. Runcr in the year of the Covonation of their Majesties King George VI. and Queen Elizaboth. Also in honour of the 72nct birthday, during the week, of the leader of this tower, Mr. C. J. A. Cughing, who has completeid 55 years' service as ringer here. All the band are regular Sunday service ringers at this church.

OAKFORD, DEVONSHIRE.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, Nouenbar 27, 1937. in Three Hows and Eleven Minutes,
At the Cedrce of St, Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGESI
Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation). Tenor dz cwt. (approx.). J. Henry Purcease ... ...Treble|Cladde Farr - Victor N. Barrow ... ... 2 Arteler Trqman... ... .... 5
 Jorn H. Hosgood ... ... 4 William H. Howe ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Edward H. Birmin

* First peal of Triples.

SWANAGT, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, November 27, 1937, in Threa Hours and Ten Minules, At the Chorch of St. Mary-ter-Virgin,
A PEAL OF BDB MASOR, 5168 CHANGES:
Tenor 22 cwt I qr. glb.


BORDEN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Saticraay, November 27, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Hinutes, At the Church of SS. Petzr and Pail,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Taylor's Six-part

Wieliam Spicr, sen
Jobn E. Spice ...
... ...Tveble
$\begin{array}{ccccc}\text { Joan E. Spice } & \cdots & \ldots & \ldots & 2 \\ \text { Francis J. Ceizal } & \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$
Grorgr Ienward ... Cand

* Tirst peal. First peal as conductor on eight bells. ITOKHANPTON, CHELTENHAM.
THE GLOUOESTER AND BRISTOL DIOOESAN ASSOGIATION. (Cueltengam Branca.)
On Monday, Noventer 29, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fi/ty-Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,


## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANEE?

Hobeard's Five-part.
William Townshnd ... ...Tveble T
William Oakey ... ... ... 2 George H. Walters... ... 6
Harold Halrord ... ... 3 Wililam Hunt ... ... ... 7
Charles W. Martin ... ... 4 Jorn F. Ballinger ... ...Temor
Conducted by joam F. Balingerr.
SOUTEPORT, LANCASHIRE,
TETE LANCASHIPE ASSOCLATION
On Twesday, Nownber 30, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty Minules, At Curist Church,
A PEAL GF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Holis's Ten-part.
Holis Ten-part. Tenor io cwit,
Lrwis Tyedesley

- Joben Robingon ...

James J. Jacrson
. Treble *Cearles Grigary
 5
6

Conducted by J. Ridyard.

* First peal. Trirst peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a farewell to the Vjenr, the Rev. J. La, Goursey, M.A.


## LOUGHBOROUGH

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION
On Twesday, November 30, 1937, in Two Hows and Twenty-Two itinutr, At ter Bell Foundry

## A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 OHANGE8;

Dexter's Variation of 'hurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 6专cwt.
-Grofgrby Harrison... ...Tyeble Charlis Allsop...
Leslir Stevens... ... ... 2 Frederjck H. Dexier...
Redvers E. Elimgton ... 3 Colin Harrison... ... ... 7
Jobn Saddingion ... ... 4 G. Ronald Edwards ... ...Tchot Conducted by Frederigk H. Dexter.

* First peal of Stexlman and ruag at the fisst altempt.

DISS, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Tuesday, November 30, 1937, in Three Hows and 7 wenty-One Minutes. At the Church or St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 GHANGES; Tenor 23 cwt. $2 \mathrm{qr}, 26 \mathrm{lb}$. in D.



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THE: LANCASHIEE ASSOCIATION.
On Tueday November 30, 1937, in Thrte Hours and Fifty Minutes, At ing Unitariah Cbideb,

## A PEAL DF BOB HAJOR, 6040 CHANGEE:




* First peal.

BISHOP'S WALTHAM, HAMPSHIRE
TEE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DTOCESAN GUIED Un Wednesday, December 1. 1937, in Three Hours and Eight dinutes.

At tee Chorce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, EO24 GHANGES;
Tenor yo cwt. 3 gr. 20 lb . in $F$.
Willam Linter, sen. ...Tyeble William Lintrr, jun. George Williams ... ... 2 Ernest W. Whiteman
 Roy Liniar ... ... ... ... 4 Reginald A. Reed ..
Composed and Conducted by George Wieliams.
First peal on the bells, recently augmented from six to eight by John Taylor and Go. Rung as a birtidny complimeat to W. Liuter, sen. who reached his 80th birthday on November 28th.

WLHEEY, SURREY,
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Satwiay, Deienther 4, 1937, in Three Hours, At the Church of Ael Saints,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Holi's Original.
Heregrt W. Collier
Wieliam J. Robineon Thomas Fe Denver ... 2 Ernisst J. Ayelfae ... ... 5 Jogn H. B. Hesse ... ... 3 Antiorj. Bartlett ... ... 7 Jogn H. B. Hasse

Tenor 13 cwt. I qr. 12 lb .

Conducled by A. H. Poeking.
Rung as birlhday complimeat to Major J. \#. H. Hesse. BRIGITON, SUCSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Satcoday, Decthter 4, 1937, in Thye Howy ard Thiyten Minntes, At the Chorce of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 504日 CHANGES;
Rev.C. D. P. Davies' Variation of Thursians' Fodr-part. Tenor 18 cwt .

| Framcis S. Wilson | ... | ... Treble | Frank Benneti | .. | ... | ... | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Owen Giles... | ... | .. | ... | 2 | Frbderice Page | .. | .. | ... | 6 |

Alered C. Leveti $\quad . .$.
Jack Whitebead... ... .... 4 Eritz Oitaway ...
Conducted by Frank Bevnetit.
Arranged and rang for the patronal fentival. F. S. Wilson's 50th peal.

DODDERRHLL, DROATWIGH, WORCESTERSEIRE.
THE WORCISTERSHIRE AND DISTRICIS ASSOCLATION. (Western Brance.)
On Saturday, December 4, 1937. in Two Hows and Fifly-Forer Minutes, At the Church of St. Avguscide,
A PEAL DF DARLASTON BDE TRIPLES, bOKO CHAMRES;
Carter's Six-part, No. 59.
Artbor G. Thomas ... Treble Teror 181 cwt . Cgarles R. Smita ... ... 2 Gebinald Wøodyatt... ... 5 Arther R, Moselby... ... 3 Jobn H. Colley... ... .... $\quad$. Walter H. Raxter ... .... 4 |Eredrrick G. Yates ... .................. Conducted by Georger E. Large.
Tirsfo peal in the method by all the lyand and on the bells. Rung at fivet attempt. Ringers of $1,2,3,4$ and 7 are members of the Sunday band at this chnich.

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EBBW YALE, MONMOUTRSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Deconber 4, 1937, in Three Howrs and Eighten Menntes,

## At Carist Cborch

## A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 HHANGES: <br> Tenor 25 cwt 2 qr . II lb. in D.

Gegrge Popnell ... ...Tyeble|Georgr Talbot
 ǐev. Ivori I. Richards … 3 Alered W. Heati... Robert Smite ... ... ... 4 Jobn Peillips ... ... ...Tenu

Composed by J. Cartrr. Conducted by Jobn W. Joners.
First peal on the bells. Runs on the eve of the conductor's 72nd birthday.

LEIGHTON BITZZARD, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Deiembey 4, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Ten Mintutes, At the Churce of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MAdOR, 5152 CHANEE8; Tenor 24 cwt I qr. 5 lb .
Forace H. Smith ... ...Treble Fredehick J. Plommer

- Miss Doris E. Liderifer $z$

Henry B. Whathey ... ... 3

- Frrderick Jbfrs ... ... 4 Composed by G. Lindoff. Algert Fleet ... $\begin{array}{ll}. . . & 5 \\ . . . & 6\end{array}$ 4 Joseph E. Arnold $\quad . .$.
* Trirst peal of Major.

RATNTAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOGIATION.
On Sahurday, Decender 4, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 GHANEES;
Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation). Temor isf cwl.

Francis J. Ceral ... ... 2 .William J. Walker... ... 6

George A. Naylor ... ... 4 Cearles H. Weeb ... ...Tehor Conqueted by Wieliam A.J. Kniget.
First peal of Grandsire as wondictor. A 21st birthday wampiment to Miss Kalhleen Clieal.

## SIX AND BELL FIVE PEALS.

LEINTWAIRDINE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 30, 1937. In Two Howes and Forly-Eight Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Being 42 six-scor'es, 10 callings.

Tellor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{ew}$.
E. Ricaard Baldwin... ...Tredle $\mid$ Cearles H, Cartwriget... 4

William J. Beniams ... ... 2 Artbor C. Nason ... ... 5
Ifogeri Jones ... ... ..* 3 Harold H. Corfield... ...Temos
Conducted by Wm. J. Beniams.
BLEISOE, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSEIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Satrrday, Novenber 20, 1937, in Three Howrs and Eight Minutes,
At the Cebrce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Viz.: 720 of Keut Treble Hols and two extents each of Oxford Treble
Bob, Oxfard Single and Plain Bob.
Jobn Hilson

| .... | ...Trehle |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ... | ... | 2 | W ... Donald L Cockinge Herbert L. Harlow ... ... 2 . 2 C. Henay Harding ... Legonard Williams ......$\quad 3$ Reginald J. Hoggaton $\quad$.... Tenor Conducted by C. H. Harding. STOKESAY, SHROPSFTRE.

THE HERETORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, November 21.1937, in Two Howrs and Fowiy-Five Minutes,
At the Church of St, John-the-Baftist,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIAE DOUBLES, 6040 GHANOES;

Being 42 six-scores, 10 callings.
Teuor 12 ewt.
Leonard E. A. Davies ...7rehle
William Beniabs ... 2 James Hegbers ... ....... Conducted by Wm. J. Bentams.
Rung in bonour of the birtly of a daugliter to the Rev. S. Z. und Mrs. Edwards, Stokesay.

## BABSINGHAM, LINCS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sundmy, November 21, 19a7, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes, At tae Ceerce of St. Michael and All Angrls,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

licing ois extent each of Double Bob, Douhle Court, Single Court, Double Oxford, St, Clementis, Childwall aud Plain Boh. Tener $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
fignnate W. Mayer ...Trble Gbo. Leslig A. Lunn ... 4 - Miss Dorothy Vaseey ... 2 Richard H. M. Harvey ... 5 Frank W. Vermon ... ... 3 | Jace L. Milleddse ... ...Temoy Conducted by J.cx L. Milehodse.
*25th peal. Rung as a birthday complimene to Miss D. Vessey, and lo Mi. J. A. Freeman, of Eincoln. HIGHAM ST. MARY, SUPFOKK. THE SUFTOLK GUILD.
On Friday, Noumber 26. 1937, in Two Hows and Forty-Five Minntes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Nicven different cxtents.
Fenor 9 cwt . 6 lb . in A.

* Lescie Wmighi ... ...
t Miss Eleanor Reque
Urbah W. Wildney Conducted by Alan R, ANDrews
* First peal and first attempt. \& First peal iu the method. SILTON, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Triday, Nownser 26, 1957, in Two Hows and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Forty-iwo extents.
Tenar 12 ewt.
- Frank B. Fbltham... ...Treble |'Ernest G. Soter ... ... 3
- Setr Suter

William C. Shotr .... ... Tenar
Conducted by W. C. Seote.

* First peal. Itirst peal ou the belle.

FELKRTK, NFAR BARNSLET, YORKS. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOGIATION. (Barnsley ance District Society.)
4.m Saturday, Nowember 27, 1937, is Two Hours and Fifty-Threc Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Perer,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEE8;

Steing T20 cach of Cambrictge Sul'prise. Rinerg's' Surprise, Capel, Bolton Abley, York Minster, Wraglyy Delight and Kent. Tenor $10 \mathrm{cwt}$. Clifgord Robinsom... ...Trebla Ernest Brookes... ... ... 4
 Conducted by H. Chant.

* Trirst peal and first atterept.

BLLLESDON, LIECMSTER.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOGIATION.
(n Satwyday, November 27, 1037. in Two Howy and Foyty-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Beine 720 eanh of Cambridge Surprige. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxiord, St. Clement's, Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenol 113 cwt.
R. Rossbll ... .... ... ...Treble *Wieliam A. Woods ... ... 4 Gro. Geary ... ... ... ... 2 A. L. Ward... ... ... ... 5 A. Ballard ... ... $\ldots$... ... 3 . J. H. Blufy $\ldots$......

* Fiftieth peal.

Conducted by J. H. Blofr.

> STANDISH, GLOS.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday. Novenber 27, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, At ing Chorce of St. Nicholas,
A PEAE OF RAANDSIRE \& ST. DUNSTAN'S DOUBLE8, bOLA GHAMEES, Teing 42 six-scores each calied differently. Tenor 15 cwt.


## BATHFASTON, SOMERSET

TEL BATH AND WELLS DIOGESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 27, 1937. in Two Hours and Hifiy-Eight Minutos,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 7en's each called differently,
Tenor 18 ewt.
Friderick Grebn ... ...TYebic Madrice Smart ... ... ... 4
 Conducted by H. D. Tayzor.
Rung in honour of the ordmation at Liverpool Cathedral of Davit Mercier, son of the Rev. E. B. Mercier, Vicar of Betheaston. WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOOESAN GUIED.
On Sathyday, November 27, 1937, in Iswo Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Churer of St. Mary,

## A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Reverse Canterbuty Pleasure, Plain Bob nnd Oxford Bob and two 720's each of Oxiord Trehte Bols aud Kert lreble Bob. Tenel 6 cwt .6 Jb .
Harry Parker
.. ...Tredte Harry Tegewel
Harry W. Howard
...

....
... 4 Conduct ${ }^{3}$ Albert Crawley ... ...Tenor Conducted by A. Crawley.

* First peal of Minor iv live methods. STODLTON, WORCJSTERSHIRE.
THE WORCFSMERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 29, 1937, ch 7 wo Llonts and $[$ ort - Sciven Minutes,
At tae Cherch of St. Edmond. King and Martyr,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Bob, Oxford Eob and Plain Bob. Tenor 7f cw1. Tहomas W. Lawis ... ... I rethif john Thumas ... ... ... 4 Sidnay T. Holi ...... Mrs. J. Tegmas .... Conducted by Sidnay T. Holy. ... .... ...Tethor

First peal on the new peal of bells, recently installed by Mtessra. Meurs and Stainluank.

## BRAMFORD, SUFFOLK. <br> THE SUFTOLK GUILD.

On Monday, November 29, 1937, in itwo Hours and Thirly-Eight Minntes, At the Church of St, Mart,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Boing an extent each of St. Clement's, Double Court, Double Oxford, Plair Bob, Kent Trebla Bol, Cambritge Surprise and Oxford Treble: Bob. Tenor $11 \$ \mathrm{cwt}$.
Ronald W. Steward... ...7imb|Gborge A. Fleming ... ... 4 Keite W. Whitile ... ... 2 Uaban W, Wildney ... ... 5 Sylvia R. E. Bowyer ... ${ }^{3}$ Alan R. Andrews ... ...Tonor Conducted by Aian $R$. Andrews.
TALGARTH, BRECONSHLRE.
THE SWANSEA AND BRGCON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, Decomber 1, 1937, is Jhree JIours and One Mimute,
At tas Chorch of St, Gwhndolinf.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Forty-two exteuts with the tell callings.
Tenor 10 cmt .

- Jonas L. Gwyne ... ...Treble | Branard H. Davigs ... ... 4

Albert E. Jones.. .6
David H. Bennett ... ... 3 SelwynL. Speakr ... ...Tenor
Conducted by D. H. Branrtt.

* First pasl. Rumg with the hells half-nufifed as a last tribute of respeet to the late Stanley Charics Powell, a member of tho local band. interred at St. Gwendoling's on November 27th.

SUTTON, MACCLESFIELD.
THE CHESTER DIOQDSAN GUILD.
On Weinesday, December 1. 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes At the Ceurch of ot. James,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGE8;
Beiug seven 720 's, vizs: Willesden, College Bob IV., St. Albana and Wragby Delight, and London Scholarg' Pleasure, Kingstom and Oxiond Treble Bob.
-John W. L. Slack ... ....Treble John Worth..

| Jack Tipper | ... | ... | $\ldots .+$ | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tinanley Norle | ... | ... | ... | 4 |

Tom Taylor $\quad . .$.

* First peal in sepen methods.


## FTERINGTON ST, JOHN, NORFOLK. <br> THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist
A PEAL OF MINOR, E049 CHANGES;
Betug two 720 's of Plain Bob and one 720 ench of Keat Treble Boh, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Glement's, Single Oxford aud Double Oxford. Tenor 12 cwt. in $\bar{F}$ slaarp.
Sydney Fitint ... ... ...Treble Waleace W. Codsins
William Bockenaam... .... 2 Joza Bockengam
Clador Codins ... ... ... 3 Cecie. V. Ebberson
...Tenor
The first 720 was tumg 'silent.' The rest were conducted in turn lyy the six ringers from breble to tenor. Rung at the request of the Vicar ag a thankspiving peal for the restoration of the church.

## AJGARKJRK, LINCS

THE LINCOLN DIOGESAN GUILD.
(Eastern Brance,)
On Saturday, Decomber 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Fonty-Four Minutes, Ay the Cherch of SS. Peter and Papl,
A PEAL OF MIMOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven 720 's in 80 methods, viz. :-
(1) Tattorshall, Oandlesby, Langton, Alford, Benington, Butterwick, Freiston, Frampton, Leake, Whaplode and Wrangle Alliance and Bestow Lide Court.
(2) Gedney, Gunby, Bicker, Spilsby, Gosberton, Sibsey, Surfleet, Wainfleet, Pinchbeck and Spalding Alliance and Kent Little Gourt.
13) Windermere, Frodsham, Killarney, Horsmonden, Cumberland, Thnerdale, London Boh, Lytham, Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Olement's, Childwall, College, Wavertree, Plair Bob, Fulbeck, Double Boh, Canterbury Pleasure and Reverse Bob.
41 Old Oxford, Willesden, College Bob IV., Newdigate, Marple, Tazal, Humber, Braintree, Flston, Clarence, Neasden, Wrasty, Charlwood and St. Albaus Delight and Morning Star Treble Bob.
(5) Sandal, Capel, Kingston, London Seholars' Pleasure, Diske of Norfolk, Norbury, Ockley, College Exercise and Oxford Treble Bob, and Ponkefract, Dunotear, Wath and Carisbrooks Delight.
(8) Hereward, Oxford Bob, Single Court and Double Court
(7) Cambridge, Ipswich, Notfolk, Primrose, Hull and Bourne Siuprise. Tenor 12 cwt
Grorge W. Burrell... ...Tradle | Harvay E. Borrell ... ... 4 Arybur Yodhg ... ... ... 2 Hardld Barsley
Vernon Taylor. Cond Cvril R. Borrazl
conducted by V. Taylor.
There were 176 changes of method. This is the greatest number of methods yel rimg in a peal.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE
TEE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, Decohter 1. 1937, in 7 two Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes, At tar Residsnce of Mrs. F.]. Johnson,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-pary (7th observation).
Tenor size iz in $F$
Mise Katheren M. Johmson i-z joshph D. Jobnson
Mrs. J. Tgomas ... ...
Conducted by Joserg D. Johnson.
Umpire - John Thomas.
This band, three sisters and brother., met specielly on the $25 \mathrm{th}_{1}$ anniversary of the peal of Grandsire Doubles rung in band by three members of the same famity at the ayes of 12 , 13 and 10 years respectivels.

KENSINGTON, LONDON.
THE ST. MARY ABBOT'S GUJLD, KENEINGTON.
On Friazv, December 3, 1937, in Two Hours ard Thirty-Five Minutes,
In ter Relfry of St. Mary Abbott's Churce,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, 5007 CHANQEB; Clarence H. Dobbig... ... I-2, James R. Mackban William E. Jodo.......... $w^{3-4}$ Ernest C. S. Torner

Artagr I. W. Hogers ... 9-io
Composed by J. Carter (No. 5I), Conducted by E. C. S. Torner (Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.)

## PEAL NOTES.

THTEEE SONS RING WITH FATHER FOR ROEh BIRJJJDAY.
On Nowember 28th Mr. William Einter, sen., of Swanmore, Fants, celebrated his 80th birtiday, and three dayg latur the ovent wis honoured by the first peal on the augmented bells of Bishop's Walthant Church.
It was, as it should be, very much of a family affair, for three at Mr. Linter's sons took part in the penl. The metLod was Rob Major and it was called by Mr. Linter's old friend, Mr. George Willians, himself past the tour-score merk.

Mr. Linter, sen.'s, first peal was called by hri. Williams at Goberton on Jume 21 st, 1889 , and that peal was also the first by Mr. Linter"s late brother, Robert. Another brother, Frawk, rang his first peal when George Wilians rang his first as conductor in Jauuary, 1885. In 1886 they were both members of the Reigate Society.

Anyhow, this birthdy peal was the event of a lifetime, and many interesting recollections wero brought to Iight over the teacups aftes the ringing, the participant: being enfertained by Mr. W. Linter, jun. (who was in ilfe Australian touring party). Thlue spleadid birlhday cako was kindly providerl by Mrs. T. S. Bayley.
Bishop's Waltham bells were recently retuned and restored by Messrs. Taylor and Co, who aliso added two trebles to pomplete the octave.
The members of the Linter family ring, in these days, at different towers; William Linter, sen., at Swanmore; William Linter, jun., at Farelain; Walter Linter at Bishop's Waltham; and Roy Linter at North Stonelam.

Curiously enough this was the first occasion upon which these faur members of the Linter [amily had all taken part in a peal together.
Congratulations to Miss Dorotly Vessey on riuging her 2 th peal on ber 18th hirtháa. She has only been ringing a jitile over 18 months and this performance-seven different 720 's of Minor-was her 21st peal this year.

A preal well 'spiced "was rung at Borden, Kent, on November 27th, when three generations of the Spice family, whose roots are in Trmstall, took part together in 'Prylor's six-part peal of Grandsire Triples. William Spice, sen. rang the treble, his son, George H. Spice, the fifth, and lis grandson, John E. Spice, the second to lus first peal at the first attempt. Victor Jarrett' (Musician, R.E.) salled his first peal on eight bells.

CHILDREN'S PEAL RTCALLED
Splieed Rols and Little Bob Maximus has been added to the variety of peals ring on the twelve at Kidderminster. It was rung on December 4th and was the first peal of Spliced Maximus by all the band. Each course consisted of one lead of Plain, one of Little and oue of Pain Boh. The composition was arranged, as well as couducted, by the hon. secretary of the Worcestershire Association, Mr. I. D Johnson.
Mr. Johnsou, three days earlier, was also the conductor of another interesting peal. On December 1st, 1912, he, with two of his sistera, Ellen and Ruth, rang a peal of Grardsire Doubles on liandbells Ellen, siluce deceasod. was then 12 aud rang 1-2. Joseph was 15 and called the peal from 3-4, and Ruth, oniy 10, rang 5-6. The peal was independently umpired.
On December 1st, 1937, twenty-five years after, Josepl, with thee sigters, called a handhell peal of Grandsire Triples to commemomate the amiversary The family party were Miss Kathleen Johnson, Mrs. John Thomas, Joseph Johnson aud Mrs. A. J. Martin, ringing in that order. How proud their father, the lato Mr. Frederich J. Johnson, would have been had he lived to seb this event.
Both living and dead were remembered in a peal rung at Leeck hampton, Ghelfenham, on November 29th. The peal was in memnrs of Mrs. Isobel Richardson, to whose memory the two treble bells were added in 1904, and in honour of the 84 th birthany of Mr . Tames George, of Birmingham.
As a farewell to the Vicar (the Req. J. L. Coursey), who was lenviug Christ Church, Sontlport, for Christ Chureh, Cheltenham, a peal of Grandsire Triples was Jung at the former clinreh on November 3nth.
It was the 49th anniversary of Mr. L. TYyldesley's first peal, and he cannot recollect any previous peal rung at Christ Church, Southporb, by a remular Sunduy service band.
As a "coming of age' compliment to Miss Kathleen Cheal, a member of the band at Rairlan, Kent, peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at that church on December 4th. Her brather took part in the peri, and afterwards Miss Cheal extended hospitality to the ringers. who wish to thank her for her kindness.
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## CURIOSITIES OF • STARS.

(Continned from puevious page.)
Many cuniosities occur in regard to 'starred' performances. Mr Harold Cashmore's name appears this weok with a'star' for ringing his first peal of Royal. And be is the man who calls peals in Spliced Surprise methods on liandbells! Other 'advanced' ringers are similarly "decorated" for the same peal, rung at St. Peter's Church, St. Albane.

Another instance comes from Manchester, where, at the Cuthedral, three of a band who have rung in a peal of 73 Spliced Treble Bob methods ring their first peal of Grandsire Caters on Saturday.
Resl attempts at Dodderhill, Droitwich, Worcestershire, are rare, throngh restrictions, but last Saturdey, the ban being lifted, a peal of Darlaston Bob Thiples was rung there, the band including five of tho local company, with three from Claines. The method was taken from 'The Glossary ' and had provionsly been practised as a change from Oxford Bob. The conductor found it necessary to send away for a compogition to Mr. J. Pigoth, to whom he is indebted. It was the first peal in the method by all the band and on the bells, and was rung at the first ratempt. The lonfr dodging behind probably accounted for its being a quick peal.

The first peal an the bells at Leighton Burzard, Bedfordshire, since they were rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co. in 1935, was rung on Sgturday. It should have becn Boh Royal, but the band, meeting short, rang Bob Major.
On September 19h the dedication of Monmouthshire's heaviest and grandest ring of lells, installed by John Taylor and Co., took place at Eblow Vale. The first attempt for a peal was made on Saturday last and proved successful. The date wes specially chosen as it was the eve of the 72nd birthday of Mr. Jom W. Jones, hon. secretary of the Liandaff and Monmontil Diocesan Association and conductor of the peal.
Congratulations were extended to him. It is nearly 49 years ago since he rang his first peal, which was also Grandsire Triples.
Tea was kindly provided by the ladies of the parish, and thanks aro extended to them and to Mr. Alsop, the local lender, for his cindness in doing "the needful' at the tower. Phe new band at Ebbw Fale are making good progress.
Mr. and Mrs. Ezekiel Trarter, of Diss, Norfolk, have just celebrated the roth anniversary of their weddigg. No wonder the bells were rung for thent The wedaing took place at Diss Parish Church on Novenber 30th, 1867, and wiren the anniversury cance round last week a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was rulus.
To mark the nompletion of lis 50 years' nembership of the Lapeashire Association, a peal of Bob Major in honour of Mi. William Brammer was runir at Gorton Thitarian Clureh, Manchester, on November 30h. It was also a hirthday peai for Miss Cyntha Dulson.

## MR. JAMES GEORGE IS 84

LुOW FI: GELEBRATED EIS RIRTHDAY.
Mr. James George celebrated his 84th birthday as actively as a youth of 24 . In the afternoon he rang at Birmingham Cathedral tol the induction of the new Provost, who was installed by tho Bighop of Birmingham, at a very joprasive ceremony. Immediately afterwards, Mr. George, with seven others af the band, rang a peal of Stedmen Triples at Bishop Ryder's Church. The peal was a ploasure to ting, and a credit to Mr. George, who rang the seventli.

At the conclusion of tine peal the band, with five other ringers, were the guests of Mr. George at a dinuer. Many were the congrathantions that Mr. George received upon attaining ons more birthelay towards his century in such remarkably good health.

But Mr. George will not be satisfied with a century; he is deler mined to double his present age. 'I've mever felt hetter in ny life,' was his remert.

An unusual honour was accorded to Mi. George at St. Martin's Birmingham, where on November 30th a peal of 5,084 Stedman Cinques, spectally composed far the occasion by Mr. Gabriel Lindoff. was rung to eelebrate his birthday by members of Sit. Marin's Guid. Mr. George rang the 8th fauitlessly.
Unfortunabely he was not so successful with two other peal attempts. Stedman Triples on tho back eight at Burton-on-Trent on the day aftor the peal in the 'Bull Ring' was lost through a change course, and on the following day Double Narwich at Brierley Hill 'went west' affer eight courses.

Nevertheless, the lirthday was duly celebrated ons each occasion, and Mr. George, although there will be quite a few birthdays intervening, is now conterpplating where and what he will ring for his tooh birthday. Will it be Liverpool Cathedral teuor?

But, joking apart, Mr. George at 84 is physically and mentally n wonder to all his friends.
Last Saturday Mr. George capped his week's performances hy ringing the tenor at St. Audrew's, Derby, to a peal of Kent Trable Bob Royal. It was his 1,270 th peal. We are told he turned in the tenor with all his former accuracy and zesl, not fimished up 'as fresh as paint and jusit as pretty.

Peals on eight, ten and twelve bells within a week are not brit going, even for a jouth of 84.

Afber the unsuccestul attempt for a pent at Burton-nn-Trent, a quirter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung : M. Swiulield (conductor) 1, 5. H. Swinfield 2. E. W. Beadsmoore 3, S, Fiolloway 4, W. R. Drage 5, D. T. Mistkin 6, T. Gearge (composer) 7, G. T. Roden 8.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

If you want to make suitable and lasting gift to a riuger for Cluristmas, send 5s. 6d. to 'The Ringing World,' Lower Pyfiord Road, Woking, for a copy of J. A. Trollope's interesting history of the College Youths.
Miss Dorothy L. Sayers, the novelist, was the guest of the Ancient Society of College Youtlis at the meeting at St. Paul's Cathedral, and atterwards at the Ooffce Pot, on Tuesday evening.
A. faculty has beell granted by the Rochester Diocesan Registry for the restoration of the bells at St. Mary's Church, Bexley, Kent. Messrs. Mears and Stainbank are to retune the six bells and reliang them in new fittings in a steel frame, with provision for two trables when funds are available.
Among the subscribers to the restoration fund is Her Majesty the Queen, whose grandparents were married at this church.
The Ladies' Guild made a gallant attempt for a peal of London Surprise Major on Saturday at Great Baddow, Essex. They had rung for 2 hours 45 minutes and only bad three courbes to go when the peal went west.' Hard litses, lades!
The ringers were Mrs. P. Humphreys 1, Mrs. J. E. Davis 2, Mrs. F. W. Housden 3, Mrs. R. Richardsan 4, Mrs. R. F. Deal 5, Mrs. G. W. Fleteher (coudveror) 6, Mrs. I'. Bothany 7, Miss H. Snowden 8. The ringing was excellent until tha fatal trip came.
It is said that, after the attempt, seven married ladies went to the railway station to catell a brain that didn't run. It js, however, not true that they then went to a cosy comer to drown their soriows. It was to get out of the cold while waiting for a train that did rurs. We have this information on the authority of an independent wituess.
Mr. Inmes George has received so many letters of congratulations upon his 84 th birthday that le finds it inpossible to reply to them individually. Fie desires to thank sincerely all those who have sent him such kindly messages.
Messrs. J. Trylor and Co.'s ammanack for 1938, which has just been distributed, again bears on ench page a photograph of some interesting cathedral or clurch where the Loughborough firm baye recently carried out restoration or new work. The almanack is suitable for hanging in any riuging room.
We remrelit to record the passing oll October 28 tl of Mr. Montagu Fenry Snith at Heyford, Nouthamptonshire, after \& very short illness. He was a member of the Daventry Branch of the Pewerborough Guild. the meatings of which he regularly attended. He was always retudy to help the younder rugers and will be much missed.
The vonger of Rolvenden Church, Kent, who las also been a ringe, since Victorian duys, was 'In Town To-night' in the wireless programme of Saturday.
We regret that pressure on our space again necessibates the holeling over of scveral reports and letters to the Editor.

## NATIONAL POLICE GUILD

\#URTHER ORGANISATION IN MANCHESTER DLSTRICT.
A succesarful gathering of the National Police Guild took place in Manchester on Saturday last. About a score of members from Manchester, Liverpool, Balton, Stockport, and about another score of ringing friends mel at the Town Hall during the aftemoon for ringing. They then adjonmod to the new police headquarters, where tea was served in the restanrant. Afterwards a tour was made of the premises whivh are considered to be the most up-to-date in the couniry.
Further ringine was then indulged in until $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, after which a quiet room was found in a local inn in which to discuss in an unofficial naxner, matters appertaining to the Guild.
The president of the Gunld, Supt. Williams, sent an apology for his absence. Several others were similarly absent owing to exigeacies of the service.
Sergt. Peter Crook, in reviewing the work of the Guild, said he luad noticed through 'The Ringing World, thati they lad wany capable members in the North, and los was very pleased to see some had heen ringing peals in the Surprise methods. After what he luad seen that efternoon in the tower he thonght more ourgit to be dave in the Guild's name, aud the only raason, as far as lee conld see, was that everybody was waiting for someone else to make a more. It showed what could be done when they looked at that day's gathering. The thanks for that meeting were due to Consiable William Pye, of Manchester. Fe thought an organisiag secretary would be a useful help in that direction.
Sergt. Crook, after a discussion, promised to act in that capacity The Town Fail bells are a fing peal of twelve, tenor 42 cwt., with an extra sharp bell in the trebles for a light eight.
Touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Twelve and Double Norwich on the light eight were brought round.
A vote of thanks was passed to the Chief Constable for allowing the use of the restaurant, to Supt, Williams for the assistance he had given, to the Town Hall Superintendent for the uso of the bells, and to P.C. Pye for his splendid arraggements.

## NEW MAYOR HONOURED

Tlie new Mayor of Yoovil (Councillor $F$. Beal) is sideaman Rt the Parish Church, and on his clection to the civic chair on November $9 \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{t}}$ A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung: G. H. Hurst 1, $O$. Jeanes 2, F. Funt 3, T. Marks 4, E. Barmington 5, S. Ricketts 6. J. Baker (conductor) 7. F. Sinitl 8.

## A WILTSHIRE RINGER'S SERVICE <br> MR. L. A. WILSON'S EFFORTS FOR BELL RESTORATION

## Forty Years' Work in Calne Deanery.

Hew men can hnve done mors to promote bell restoration than Mr . 1. A. Wilson, of Wootton Bussett, Wilts. Mr. Wilson has just com pleted forty years as a ringer at Weotion Bassett, and well-deserverd uibutes were paid to his labours ut a meeting held at Wootton Bassett, when the Onlue and Devizes branches of the Salishury Guild fud the Swiudon Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association joined forees tor the day.

Mr. Wilson first leatat ruging in Devonshive under the late Rev. Mailland Kelly. When he came to Wiltahire 40 years ago he took charge of the belis at Woattom Bassett and lias tayght many ringers. His early drillug in Grandsire in Devan did not prevent him troing on to morc advanced niethods, aud he owes a good donl of his progress to the encolragement of the late Mr. Trmest Bishop, of Swindon.

He has for many years been secrelary of the Calue Branch of the Salisbury Guild, ançl by lis efforts will the vurious incumbents the following long list of bell restorations has been effected in the district:-
Brembill (8), rehung ; Cinitie (8), rehung; Broad Hinton (6), relung; Lyzelaw (5), rehung; Patesbury (4) rehung and treblo added; Brink worth (5), rehung and treble adxed: ¥urton (5), reliungr and treble added; Lydiard Millicent, treble added; Filmartin (6), now being rehung; Wooition Bassett, relnury at his owa expense. This leaves anly thwee peals of five in the Calne Deanery not ringable, but, even so, a fund is being raised for the renanging of Heddington in the near future.

Mr. Wilson is the possesson of a sitver tea service given to him hy Whe padshioners of Broad Hintorn, and a sityer wateh presented by the pacishioners of Brinkworth for the services he las rendered.

At the joint meeting on Naventber $20 t i n$ singers were prosent from Swindou, Devizes, Bishops Canuinge, Melhsham, Holt, South Cerney, Bremlill, Lynehan, Brinkworth, Filmartin, Broad Hinton, Clyfie Pryard and Wootton Bassett, and amongst the clersy in attendance were Canon A. F. G. Peters, the Rev. C. E. L. Cowan, the Rev. R. V. White and the Rev. H. F. Barber, who conducted \&f service in the Purish Charch.

Follawing tea in the Church of Rngland Schools, the Rev. H. V. White (ehamman of the Came Brancli) expressed thanks to all who hat mede the gatherings so successful.
Camon Peters, in the conrse of words of encourarement to the rimers, made special reference to the fact that Mr. L. A. Wilson had Llat day completed 40 geats of scrvice in the tower at Wootton Basett. He considered that Mr. Wilson had scrved the parish well and hoped he wouk be spared to continue for many more years.
Ms. Green (assistant general secretary of Salisbury Guid) mad Mr. Wr Truenen (Mraster of the Swindon Branch) spole of their long nssociation with Mr. Wilson, and refer'ed to his wholehearted work for the ringers, not only of his owu town, but of the surounding merishes. rhey hoped he would continue his work urtil he at least rached the age of that grand old linger, Mr. $\boldsymbol{A}$. Lawrence, of Swindon, who is 83 years old and was present at the meeting.
Mr. Wilson, in reply, appealed to the Youncr ringers to continue their work, and also urged otliers to take it up.

## CHISWICK'S VETERAN RINGER.

As a birthday compliment to Mr. T. Daltent, who was 8 I a few days previously, a quarter-peat of Grandsive Triples was rung at Chiswiok on November 14 th. Mr. Dalton is a regular Sunday service vinger, but nwing to a chilt was unable to lake part. in the quarter-peal, which whs ring before evening selvice: *R. R. Fulford I. +1'. FT. Thirley 2, T. W. Lidhetver 3. Miss D. T. Lidbetter 4, TF. H. Filford 5, A. R. Pink 6, $\ddagger$ F. D. Bikhap (conductor) 7, N. E. Manning $8 .{ }^{*}$ First quarter-peei at first attemnt. + Pirst. nuarter-peal. + First quarterpeal ats conductor.

## GOOD STRIKING

## THE ST. CLEMENT DANES RECORD.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir:-Yon righty point out that uhe spliced Surpriso gramophone record is about as perfoct as riuging cat be. There is no reasou why tower-bull ringing should not be as perfect. I know that it ann be, having leard it a sruod many times.
In reply to Mz : Joyce, may [ say that, from what I leard through the headphones in the B.B.C. van, I shonld ugree wilt some of the band that the tonch of Grandsire Caters recorded aL Sb. Clement Danes was not perfect. I ennot crilicise in detail. us I was, at the time, muth move coucermed with the perfoct recording ol a conplete touch than with the recording of a perfect tonch. I did notice one or two close leads, probably caused by the slifght ding of the teno:
I do noti pretend to be an perfect shriker, lut I gencrally linaw whon my striking is at fanlt, and why. I hope 1 shall never be ton satisfied to leara to improve.
Brasted, Kont.

## CRETICIEM LS NHOLSSAAY

Dear Sir, Mr. G. L. Joyce in his letict lo your, published in lasti weck's issue of 'Tlie Ringing World,' snys, 'lu his nony criticisma the president of the Conncil aud Master of the College Youtls, Mr. E. H. Jewis, has fayed us alive, and for my personal satishaction only I hope one day maknown to "stand holimd" lims." I wonder what Mr. Jovec is getting at? Every chunge cinger to-day should thank Mr. Lewis from the bottom of his heart for so fuying us. The only fault is that he has not flayed enough. As our president lie is doing his duty by taking such an active interest it us. We should thank him alsa for his propaganda work it briuging tho art so much hefore tho publit. Cuitisis in regard to striking wo mast have. If some people manipulated a musical instrument in an orchestrat a quarter as bad as some ringers manipalate a bell to a toush, they wonld be sloot onl alter a bar or two. Why must wo tolerate indifferent ringing without sajing something to the offeaders, and who is more competent than our president to do Ehis?
Now for tile next part of the prisgraph mentioned abovo. What does Mr. Joyce inngime he is going to find if and when lue does stand behind Mr. Lewjs (whether fnown or unknown) What in the world does it matiter what he finds? This is the pasilion: Sonne of uns ate trying to raise the standard of ringing. The president of the Central Commeil of Chureh Beilingers is supportint us in onn action. Mr. Joyce knows that the term, 'good slyiking' eathnot be monsared by dearees, but I am sure that after 25 years' experience, providing, n! course, that he can hear the actual changes lie takes part in, he also knows what groad striking weans.
There are some persoiss who tell me that they camot trear the individum hells they ara liclping to ring. It sonnds justi a jumble, they gat. In spite of this, they seem to get a centain anount of pleasmre ont of it, which, of course, is more than anyone else doos. These are the people we are up ayainsl. Fither they must be traned to hear, or prohibited to ritus. I shonk like also to say that in my opinion such a letter as kir. Foyce has written has no colnginetive valte whatever, and only tends to confuse the minds of the learners to whom we are trwing ta teach " good stuking.

ALEC E. RTCHARDSON.
Southborougli, Kicut.

## UNITY COUNTS.

Sir, I lave read with interest your admirable aticle upon good striking and I agree entirely witl you.
Pergonally I feel that what is essentially needed in every tower is the eatholie spitil: that is, completely forgetting onegelf in the performance of the whole, and remembering that it is the unjty of the whale, which colunts.

For example, if there are seven men in atower, doine their best in strike well, their cfforts can be marreal by the fad striking of the eightt.
The Histener ontside does not hear the seven, who are doing thens best, but, irvitated by the bad striking of one, condemas the whole.
This grand principle applies lo all ringriug. It must be as eatholic in its outlook as in its practice. No company should be content to ring the same methods yenr in, year out.
The very art demands that it should go from strength to strengib, Our Lord commands, "Be ye therefore perfect. as nus Fatter in Heaven is perfect.

Therefore, let ns ringers remember that nothing but tho very best 5 worthy of God, to Whose glory we ring and Whose Gospel we proclain with every pull of our bell.

RONALD SUCKEING

## A BROADCAST DISAPPOINTMENT

## To the Editor

Sir, -Ou Sunday I lookod through 'The Radio Times' to sue if there were to be ant bells brotdcast, and I found that a service from Northumberland on the Nortlo Regional was to be preceded by' the belis.' Picture my feclings when tuning in to hear a single beil, chimer badly, coming over tho air.
Margate

## BELLS OVER LONDON.

GOMPLDMENTS AND CRITIOISM.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -While registering my appreciation of the recent broaduast in connection with the College Youths" tercentenary, I should like to say that it was with not a little surprise thab I discovered a complete absence of correspondence in last week's issue of 'The Ringing World' conceruing Mr, E. H, Lewis' talk in the ' Bells Over London hrondoast As nearly as I cen recollect, he stated that for a bellringer to be a member of tho Ancient Society of College Youths was syronymons wilh an oaraman belonging to Leander R.C. or a erieketer to the M.C.C.

As one who is quite nnprejuiliced, not having any connection with The Ancient Society or its rival organisation, I cennot but express ay deprecation of auch themark from the president of the Gertral Council, To this Council all the guilds and associatious throughout the Kingdom hold loyally, their unity being symbolised by the president's high office.

Fence I was grossly disappeinted to learn from Mr. Lewis' own lips that any one society should be considered superior among those which give their allegiance to the orgeusution of which be is the head. Such mnobbery I really could not understand, as it merely serves to togender resontment and ill-feelieg among ringers, especially in view of the fact that as it cama over the ether its heavers are unable to make reply. To broadcast such information to millions unaware of Ele existence of or the good worl cone by other similar organisations is, I feel, using the microphone as the Inte Canon "Dick" Sheppard described the pulpit, as a "coward's castle.
The chureh bells of this ceuntry are a glorions heritage, and their riaging a gacred trust, commitied to us by God. Let us, therefore, nne and all forget all pride and everything else which may separate 119 ons from another, atud wark with in united front to proclaim to the best of our ability the messnge of Christ from the belfries of our laud
W. BIRMINGTAM.

Shough, Bueks.
THE WITHEDAWN * COLLABORATION.
Dear Sir, I listened to the broadcast on November 24th and I experienced a feeling of slight disuppointmont when I heard the pre liminary anmouncentent that $\mathbf{M r}$. Wiblie Roughtou liad 'been unable 10 colliboiate, etc.

I had hoped to find some sort of 'officiel' explaration in 'The [kinging Worid " to-day, but all I can find is reference to something which appeared in the London newspapers, and, in the absence of comment, I assume that their explnuation is the correct one. If that
the case I think it is deplrable, and, in my opinion, the sooner Willie Roughton withdraws lis collaboration from all matters apperInining to riliging and ringers the befter it will be for the Exercise as a whole. He might form hiznself into a society of olie and achieve that caelusiveness of which, judging by lis speech at the recent dinner of the Golitge Youthes, be is so proud.
Mis Sayers in writing her book 'The Nine Trailors' has probably done more good for ringigg than Mr. Rougbton and lis kind have done or will ever do.
Mr. T. GroGmbridge, by his efforts, did much te improve the rela tions between the Exercise and the B.B.C., and it now remains to be seen how much of that good work has been undone ly willie raoughton's latest attempt at having it all his own way
P. W. CATE.

## Huyton, Lancs.

## AN APPTEECIATION.

Dear Sir, - I should like ta express my appreciation of the broadcast of 'Bells Over Landon' on November 24tl. I am quite sure that the description given by Mr. Lewis must have been most interesting to al] listences, whether loellyingers or not.
To bellringers it must be gratifying to know that the art of change Moging is being made more popular in tho eves of the public through the microphone, hs is shown by the several broadcasts given recenty in conmedtion with the tercentenary of the College Fouths.
F. BADGER.

## Thatae, Oxoll

## GATESHEAD RINGER'S DEATH

MR. IOHN STUART'S LONG CONNEOTION WITE PARTSH GHURCE
A well-known Gateshead ringer, Mr. John Stuart, has recently passed away at the age of 74 years. He had been a member of St Mary's Guilr] for 58 , Vears. He joined the Durham and Newcastle Dioceann Association in 1902 and served for many years an the comniltoe. On his retirement from active ringing this year, he was made an hovorary member. He liad rumg 31 peala for the association.
Mr. Stuart liad attended St. Mary's Church for over 60 years and had served as a ringer under five rectors. He was also a member of the meient body known as the 'Four and Twenty' of the Gateshear Parish Chureh. Mr. Stuart was employed in the Weights and Measures Department of Gateshead Corporation for 40 years and retired in 1930.

## A NEW RECORD IN SPLICING. <br> LINCS RINGERS' GREAT PERFORMANCE. <br> A Peal in $\mathbf{8 0}$ Methods.

Another now record in 'Spliced ' Minor has been set up by the Eincolnshire bend at Algarkirk, whers on Saturday a peal in 80 six-bell mathods was rung. It is an amazing achievement.

Our peal columns give the official details of the parformance, and comment upon it will be fonnd in our leading article. It will lue noted from the report that there was a ' witness ${ }^{\text {b }}$ to the peal, a departure new in this partieular phase of ringing-

Except for one 720, the peal was arranged by Mr. A. G. Driver. The exception was a 720 composed by Mr. Kenueth Lowis, of Stockport, and contains the greabest number of methods yet included in a trus extent. Mr. Lewis las incorporated no fewer flan 19 methods into the 720 , and in the 60 leats there aro 45 changes of method. There were 176 changes of method in the whole peal, and Sibsey and Gosberton Alliance were rung for the first time.
Mr. Kenneth Lewis' 780 is as follows:-

## 23456 Double Bob <br> 56342 Windermere

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- 64235 Plain Bob

64352 Plain Bob
45623 Canterbury
52436 Canterbury
23564 St. Clement's
\$ 54236 St. Clement's

- 62543 Killarney

43256 St. Clement's
24635 London Bob
56324 College

- 4356 College

25643 Double Oxford
62354 Thelwall
36425 St. Clement's
S 45362 Wavertree
23645 Reverse Bob
34256 Cumberland
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25263 Giildwall
24356 St. Clement's
32645 Lyiham
58432 Killarrey
28432 Killarne
35624 Thelwell
63452 Thelwall
46035 St. Clement'
S 25463 Wavertree
34625 Reverse Bob
42356 Fulbeck
56234 Frodsham
63542 Plain Bob
-63425 Plain Bob

- 6325 Plain Bob

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- 64532 Killamey

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## 'THE COLLEGE YOUTHS'

A History of the Society by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE

- This is one of the very few books I bave read which seem to me might, with advantare, have been considerably longer.'-The Dean of St. Peut's.


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## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## A REVIEW OF THE YEAR'S WORK

The annual meeting of the North Staffordshire Association was held at Stoke on Saturday. Although the weather was very bad, no fewer than 56 sat down to tea, and lwo arrived atterwards. Ringers came tram Barlaston, Bucknall, Burslem, Brown Edge, Coventry, Crewe, Cheadle, Draycott, Exhall, Hanley, Kmgeley, Longton, Jeek, Lawton, Niewastle, Norton, Stone, Stoke, Tunsiall, Utoxcter, Wistaston and Wellington, Salop.

The Ven. Archdeacon Hartill, Rector of Stoke, extended a very liearty welcome to aII presenti and specially to thase who had travelled a distance on such a day.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. J. E. Wheeldon to the Rector of Stoke for the use of the bells and the excellent tea he had given them. He thought, however, it would only be a little drop in the ocean after the Rector had paid his eight curates.-Mr. \$. Churton seconded the motion.

The Rector, in responding, said his income, which raised comment in the London newspapers, was $£ 3,560$. After he had paid his curates and 5300 in travelling expenses, he could, however, still afford to pay for the tea without fear of bankruptoy.

Mr. A. D. Steel proposed a vate of thanks to the visitors, whom they wore always pleased to see, and he also spoke of a proposal to establish a local branch of the Police Gnik of Ringers, in comnection with which be had been in touch witl the Chef Constable of Stoke-on-Trent

The business meeting followed, with the president (the Rector of Stoke) in the chair, supported by the Rev. F. D. Gardner (clerieal secretary), Mr. Alldrew Thampson (hon. secretary) and Mr. Kenneth Thacker (assistant lon. secretary).

The commitee reported that at their amual meeting, held at Burslen on November 13th, the following report was preseated by the hon. secretary: Durin号 the patt year twelve meetings have been held, one for erery month, two at ten-bell towers, six at eight, and fout at six-bell towers. The average attendance liad bean 39, a decrease of two per meeting ou last year. Tive members had attended all the meetings, wiz., Messus. T. Hind, J. E. Wheeldon, E. Steele, S. Thompson and $A$, Thompson. Three of these fve attended them all in the peviane year as well. One hundred and twenty-six members liad attiended at least one meeting during the year, an increase of 23. T'linty-one new members had been elected, mamely, three honowary, 12 non-resident and 16 riuging, but with vegret the deakh of Mr. W.J., Woodward, honorary member, at Utioseter, and of Mr. R. G. Lewis, Tinging Master for eftht-bell tovers for over ten jeats, was recorded. Thwo committee meeting had leen held; onte ali Fenton to anvarue Coronation peals, the other at Kingsley, wherc it was decided to hold an association dinner in February, 1938. Mr. A. D. Steel was elected Ringing Master for eight-luell towers, and a suggestion was made that the assoriation should change its name to one which he regarded as more appropriate, namelJ, "The North Staffordshire Association of Change Ringers.

## RECORD NUMBER OF PEALS.

Durink tho year, the secrelary stated, he had ugain wisited most of the towers in the district, and found them in very good condition. Silverdala tower had again been opened for Sunday ringing after heincr olosed for two years. Thirty peals laad been rung during the year, consisting of five of Mijor (one Plann Bob, one Kent Trehle Bob, one Little Boh, one Cambridge and one of Staffordshive), eight of Triples (one Stedman, and seven of Grandsire), 12 of Minor (two Bob Minor, ten of Treble Bob-nine in seven methots and one in five methods), five of Granasire Doubles. This was a record number of peals rung in one year for the association.

Ten ringers had rung their first peal and two latid ondtucted their first peal. The secretary added that he would very much like to see more young rimgers talking mare interesi in conducting, so that, as years go on, the number of peals mifhts be increased. Forty peals finoma be rung ly an associntion of their size each year. The most interesting peal footnotes are of Cambridge Major ruig at Newcastle in honour of Alderman S. Myott being elected Mayor for the third time, of obe ring in lianour of the erthronement of Dr. Woods as Lord Bislop of Lichfield, and of ten Coromation peals.

The association was represented at the Central Council meeting held at Canterbury on May 18 th , and a report of the meeting, the first given by a representative of the association, was presented by Mr. Andrew Thompson.
W. Wade, former leader of Lomoton, had completed his soth year as a tinger. The secretary added that althongh his suggestion regarding the advertising of meetings in 'The Ringing World' was not adopted, he hoped more interest would be taker in this great bellfinging paper: Ten reports of their meetings had appenced in it thig Yest.
The secretary was complimenticd on lis report by Morsrs. J. E. Wheeldon and G, E. Plant.

The statement of Bccounts was read and accepted, as was the auditor's report, in which it was stated that the Post Office Savings Bank book was oredited with 21545 ., and the cash in tho secretary's lands was $£ 10$ 14s. 3d. 'The increased balance on the year was 87 10s. 8 did.
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## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

CANTIERBURY DISTRICT MEETING.
A successful and pleasant by-mecting of the Canterbiry Districe of the Kent Connty Association was held at Wicklambeany on Saturday, November 27th. Forly-five memhers were present, ropresenting Ash, Birchingtou, Canterbury (4), Dover, Eytilorue, Littielourne, Stury and Brabourne, in addition to the strong band of the locild tower.
Riuging was enjoyed on the peal of six bells during the atternoon and evening. The usual service was conducted by the Rector (the Mev, G. A. Blatkman), the lesson being read by Mr. W. JH. Shipton, ol Birchington, witile Mr. W. E. Pithuan presided st the organ. A number of local residents were also present at the service.
'Tea, by kind invitation of the Rector, followed in the Boys' Cluls.
Mr. W. E. Shipton and the Rev. Bulstrode (Nonington) were elected hon. meabers with enthusiasm. In thanking the members for electing him a member, Mr. Slipton said that was the first time he hat came into contact with ringers and ringing. He was more than interested in what they did, and combed it an honour to join the association
Two courses of Triples were rumg on the handlachs, and thien followed what all the young mentbers of Wickhambreanx had been wailing for, tunes by the Dover "twins," "Horatio and Herbaceous," who by now must be geting somewhat famons in the district both for their tune ringing and their difference in stature! Their tunes wert received with delight by all, especially the Rector and his friends, and all present, joined in singing two or three of the airs
I'hanks to the Fector were expressed for the nse of the bells and for tha service and address, and a refurn was bliell made to the tower for further ringing. Namerons mathods were prachised. There wers: many expressions of legret that Mr. Harcison Smith was mable to he presput at the meeding (in lis own tower) throngh the selions illness of his bretlier.

## DEATH OF MR. J. EMERY

FOLMER STEEPJEKEEPER AT FTERSHAM
We regret to record the death of Mr. Thh Emery, wha passed
away ab Walton, Surrey, on Sunday week, at the nug of 72 pents. away ab Walton, Surrey, on Sunday week, at
He had been in failing health for some time.
Mr. Iimery learned to rivg nt ght. Mary Craty, Kent:, wheu a lad. Or soint to Eicerslam, Survot, nearly 40 years ago, he helped to teach a younc band, and was for some years steeplekeeper. Fiv "ang abond 30 peals in the sfandard methods and was a member of tie wrinchester Diocesin Guild, the Kent County Association and formerly of thas Sturrey
Kent.
The fameral took place at Walton on December list.

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## (Continued from provious colımn.)

The liev. Tr. D. Gardner was re-elected clevical secretary, M Andrew Thompson hon. secretary, Mr. Kenneth Thacker assisitant hon semetary, Wry. T. Furd ahairman of commitien, Mr. A. D. Steel Riner ing Master for eighli-belI towers, Mu. J. E. Whealdon Ringing Masios for six-bell towers, and Mr. W. Wheeldon was elected andifor.
It, was proposed by Mr. J. E. Wheeldon and seconded by Mr. Wh. Hazeldine that the name of the association be changed from i The North Staffs and District Association of Chamga Ringers" to "The North Stafforishire Association of Change Rinerers.

The following list of meetings was proposerl for 1938: Tamuny Norlon; February, Iongton; March, Newoastle; April, Bucknall: May Leek; June, Biddulph : July, Stone and Trayentt; Amerast, ©heddeton September, Tthoxeter : Octolser, Tanstall; November, \&urslem; Decert ber, Stoke
A vote of flanks was proposed by Mr. J. T. Wheeldon to the Jditor of "The Ringing Would ' for the meeting reports he had publisherl during the year, He suid that the jounger ringers onght to whe fu that paper. This was seconded by Mr. O. H. Pate. and tributes wetw also paid to the 'Evening Sentimel' starf, who published the xinging activities of Nortil Staffordshire.

The secretary's thanks to the chaiman for lis co-aperalion, to MI. J. E. Whecldnu for recording and eutering all penls rung daring thr year, and to Mr. Kenneth Thacker for lis great help and co-operation during the past twelve monthes, concluded the business of the committen meeting.

A wote of coufidence in the secretary was then proposed by $\mathrm{Mr}^{\text {. }}$. J. E. Wheeldon, who remarked that lie lopen Mr. Thliompon would continne as secretary for many years to come.-Mn'. T?. Hurd, in seconding the proposition, sajd he liad been a membor of the atsociation for over 30 pears, but could not remember a gecretaly who gave the association such reports as they had received that day.

The Secretary responded by saying he hoped to continue as thetr secretary as long as his interest was in the association. He would not be like sone other secretaries before him, who had carred but with tho interest, and only made more work for the jasti, one. When the time came that lis interest whed, he would resign, so as to kop the association on the more.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

FLOURESHNG CONDITION OF NLWBURY BRANCH.
Over sixty ringers and friends from ten towers in the district and inm Abinglon, Brightwell, Chearsley, Reading, Twyford. Kingsclere, Wallingford und Lower WheLendan athended the annual meeting of the Newhury Branch of the Oxford Diceesan Guild at Newbury Parigh Church on November 204.
The Reetor, Cunon W. L. Couper, conducted the service and an addrees was givell by the Rev. C. W. Wigg, Deputy Muster of the Guile. Tea was served by Mrs. H. W. Curlis in the Parish Roam, after which the Rev. W. Kintaley Kefford presided over the business weeting.
The hon secretary, Mr. F. W. Curtis, reported that meetings bad been lield during the year at Rrightwaiton, Aldermaston, Beenham, Buclitebury nuri Farnborongh. The average atteadance was 48 . The meeting at Farnborough was the first to bo held there, and it proved a great suceess. The branch had 23 honorary members, 163 ringing memhors and nine life subscribers, showing an increase of five hanorary members and ten ringing meabers. Thanks were due to the chairman for his kind coopperation, also to the ciergy and foremen of towers for frranging the services and so making the meetings a success.
The balance sheet, also presunted by Mr. Cantis, showed that receipts, inchating a balance of f20 185. 7d. lurought forwati from the previaus your, mathated to e38 12s. 1d., and expenses to E21 7s., leaving a hatantes in fiand of 817 5s, 1d.
Satisfactory reports were civeu irom representatives of the following towers: Beenhnm, Brightwaitou, Bucklehury, Compton, East Ilsley, Newbry, Teasemore, Slaw-um-Donnington and thatcham.
Reforenes to the fourishing slate of the brath were made by the Depaty Master, Mr. R. T. Hihberl (general secretary), Mr. A. D. Batiar (general treasurer) and Alderman C. A. Hawker (clurehwardent.
A toleyram had been reacived fron the Master. Canch G. F. Coleridge. of Crowthorne, regretting his absence, and the secretary was alsked to write to him congratulating him on having attained the ago of 80 yeats.
Mfectings for the coming yem were fixed for Chieveley, Hungerford, Fiasi Insley and Compton, with the annual meeting, as usual, at Newhury. Two zew ringing memhers were elected from Bucklelniry, two from Buenham, two from Pensernore and one from Brighlwalton.
Illos following affers were re-elected: Clnirman, the Rev. W. Kingsleg Keffort ; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. H. W. Cantis; combitice. Messrs, S. Quintin, T. Curtis, F, J. Owem and A. Snith. After the mating the towey was ngain visited, and the belis kept yoing in various methods until nine a'clock.

## A CONTNG OF ACE' GATHERTNG

The R.Y.F. (otherwise the Fritht Young People, and not all of them so young at that) leld their moutlily praciice of November 27 th it Langley, where the bells have pecentiy been rehung and a mew treblo athied. Finging commented soon after the advertisea time with Gramsire Donbles, and as the compary inctensed so did the variety of metheds, London Surprise Minor being rung before adjourning for tea. This, the most important item of the afternoon, was served at Thin Chestnnts, whose fandord is foreman of the local ringers
During tea, Mus. A. D. Tarker prodiced an ieed cake, suitably inserithed, which she had made as a 21 st hintuday compliment to a buxom yonng lady who atway juils her weight at these meetings. Tresents rancing from a ' dummy' to 'something in pink' weto also presented amid laughter and cheers.
The necretary again impressed nyen the company the great impoptance of supporting their nalional paper, "The Ringing World," ancl expressed it hope that if there were any present who did not take the paper lliey would do so at nuce, as its future was entively in the hands of the riugers thomselves.
A vote of thanlts was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and Denham suggested for the Desember prawice.
The tower was agnin visited, alithough a fow stayed bolind to try their skill at darts, aud, others to indulge iu that highly developed art of 'huying a postcard.
Thes bells were lowered in peal at 8.30 p .m., everyone delighted with the 'go,' and congratulating the bellhangers on making a good job out of an awtewnrd 1.5.2.4.3

## a ${ }^{\prime}$ great' little man

DEATH OF A BEDFORDSHERE WORTHY.
Mr. William West, of Biddenban, Bedfordshire, has passed away in his 90 th year. He stanted to learn to rimr at the age of 12 and was madu a momber of the local buthd when 14 years old. He succeeded his father when he died as steeplekeeper, and was succeeded a year ngo hy his sion, Mr. R. West.
William West loved his bells and welcomed everyone who came to ring them, but they had to be well struck. Always ready and willing tn teach, most of the lads in this small village fearnt to riug under his tutorship. Swall of stature, William West was a 'great' little man.
A mufled peal which was attempted at Biddenham on December 4th ,y members of the Bedfordshire Association in memary of Mr. West unfortunately came to grief in the fifth 720 . E. S .

## NOTICES.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division. -The quarterly meeting of the Western Division will be held at St. Matthew's, Northowram, on Saturday, December 11th. Service in the church at $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in the schools about 5 p.m., is. 3 d. each. Business meeting after tea.-Frank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.

MIDDLESEX COINTIY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUIID.--South and West District. -A meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Uxbridge, on Saturday, December 1ith. Service 5 p.m. Tea, 5.30, in Express Dairy, High Street, 1s. each. St. Andrew's bells (8) from 4.30 and after tea. St. John's, Hillingron, bells (10), 3-4.30. Trolley buses (607), etc., connect with both churches.-F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Leyland St. James (Moss Side) on Saturday, December 1lth. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m.-A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Taunton Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Wilton on Saturday, December 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business in the schools after service.-P. Merson, Bishop's Hull

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. -A monthly meeting will be held at Linslade on Saturday, December 11 th . Belis (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. A special invitation to all North Bucks Branch ringers, so we want a good home team to welcome them.-F. J. Plummer, Dis. Sec., Leighton Buzzard.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,-Rochdale Branth -Next mpeting will be held on Saturday, December ilth. at All Saints', Hamer (one mile from Rochclale). Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Meeting in the tower at 6.30 p.m. A good turn-up requested.-Stephen Lloyd Parry, Branch Sec., 24, St. James Street, Milnrow, Rochdale.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Sandy on Saturday, December 11 th. Beils (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome. Please come; a pood company is requested.-C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

EIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. -A meeting will be held at St. Ives, on Saturday, December 11th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.

WINCHESTJR AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District.-The annual meeting will be held at Christchurch on Saturday, December 11 th. Bells (12) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at the King's Arms, P.R.H.A.-G. Preston, 42, Waterioo Place, Christchurch.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Garston, on Saturday, December 1lth. Bells (8) available trom 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea and meeting in the Institate. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. W. Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Liverpool, 19.-H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.-Western District.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Clifton Parish Church on Saturday, December 11th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting to follow in Parish Hall. - N. G. Williams, Weston House, Weston, Bath.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.--The next meeting will be held at Coleman's Hatch on Saturday, December 11th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All wetcome.-B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckifield, Sussex.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Eastern Division.The anmual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Colchester, on Saturday, December 11tin. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 p.m.-FF. R. Sparling, Hon. Sec., Station Hotel, Wivenhoe, Essex.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -No business, but a ringing meeting will be held on December Ilth at St. Ann's, Brookfelds, from 5 p.m. ill 6.30 p.m. The Vicar of St. Martin's, Gospel Oak, has also given us permission to ring from 7.30 p.m. till 9.30 p.m. Will all the N.W. London District members come and make it an enjoyable ringing evening?-T. Bevan.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-..Bedford Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Wootton on Saturday, December inth. The bells (a fiue six) will be available from 3 p.m. Tea at the Cot at 5 p.m. If you only ring rounds, we shall be pleased to see you. - Frank C. Tysoe, District Secretary, Io, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

HINCKLEY DISTRICT MEMBERS OF THE M.C.A.- Where shall we go for the district annual meeting on January 8th? Interested? Then come to the last meeting of the year at Croft on December ifth. Bring any unpaid subs, too. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. All ringers welcome. Names to Mr. J. Bayliss, Brookside Cottage, Croft.-Wm. A. Wood, Dis. Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL, CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -There will be ringing for Sunday service at St. Olave's, Hart Street, on Decomber 12 th, commencing at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all members please note that the annual meeting will be held on January 23nd, 1938 ? Book the date!N. Summerhayes, Acting Hon, Sec., 28 , Bean Road, Bexleyheath.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings lor practice will be held at St. Magnus, Dec. 2grd; Southwark Cathedral, December 16th; *St. Maryme-Bow, December 21 st (all at 7.30 p.m.) ; St. Andrew's, Holborn, December 30th, at 8 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-A.B. Peck, Hon. Sec., Branksome, Eversfield Road, Reigate, Surrey.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.The annual meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford, on Saturday, December 18th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m. Will those intending to bu present kindly advise me not later than December 15 th: -H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 69, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortlort.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO. CIATION.-The annual meeting of the Gloucestur Branch will be held at Barnwood on Saturday, Decenber 18 th. Bells (8) open at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5.15 p.m., kindly provided by the Rector (Rev. E. IT. Noott). All ringers welcome. Kindly notify me for tea not later than December 13th.-W. H. Harris, Brancin Hon. Sec., 4, G.W.R. Terrace, Lydney Dock, Lydney:

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Chad's, Poulton, on Saturday, December 18th. Bells (8) reacly 3 p.rn. Business meeting after tea. Come and hear the new octave, tenor 8 cwt. Subscriptions due.-C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, December 18 th . Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.-The last meeting for 1937 will be held at the Parish Church, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, on Saturday, December 18 th . Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea in Church Room 4.30 prompl. Short service at 5.30. All ringers and friends welcome, especially Loughborough District members, at this meeting. Please remember the 'P.C.' for tea to be sent to me by Wednesday, December 15th.- J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Andover District.-Dedication by the Bishop of Winchester of the new ring of six bells at Goodworth Clatford, on Saturday, December i8th, at 3 p.m. Three new belle added to three already existing in the tower, by Messrs. Taylor \& Co., of Loughhorough. Tea in the Vicarage at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Bells open for visitors after tea. Those requiring tea please notify Rev. A. Gidlow, Goodworth Clatford Rectory, Andover.

SHAL'GH PRIOR, S. DEVON.-Ring of six bells, tuned and rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co. Rededication service by the Lord Bishop of Plymouth on Saturday, December 18th, at 3.15 p.m.

SAI.ISBURY DIOCESAN GEILD. - Wimlsorne Branch.- 'The annual meeting is to be held at St. James', Poole, on Saturday, December 18 th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4.30. Addiress by the Rector, Rev. E. C. Harris. Tea in the Church House, 5.15 , followed by the usual business.-C. A. Phillipe, Hon. Branch Sec.

MAWGAN, NEAR HELSTON. CORNWALL.-The bells, restored and augmented to a ring of six by John Taylor and Co., will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Truro on Saturday, December I 8 th, at 3.30 p.m.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.- Southera Division. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Ranmoor, Sheffield, on Saturday, December 18 h . Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Parish Flall at 5 p.m. at Is. each. Please notify Mr. C. Haynes, 441a, Sandygate Road, Sheffield, 10, by Wednesday previous.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Strect, Bentley, Doncaster.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Bolton, on Saturday, December 18th. Bells available 3 p.m.Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203 , Devonshire Road, Bolion. SALISBURY DIOCESAN GLILLD.-Caine Branch.Amnual meeting will be held at Calne on Decmber 18 th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and meeting to follow. Ringing friends weicome--L. A. Wilson, Hon. Sec., rog, High Street, Wootton Bassett.

GIOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Rural Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at St. Ambrose, on Saturday, December 18th. Bells (8) open 3 . Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and meeting to follow. Please advise for tea.-R. C. Gifford, Branch Sec., Frampton Cotterell, near Bristol.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-St. Albans District. -The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Albans on Saturday, December i8th. St. Peter's bells (ro) available from 3 p.m. until 5. The Cathedral bells (12) after tea. Tea arrangements are being made. Will all those who can please attend this meeting, especially the committec for the district? $W^{\top}$. Nash, North MLinms, Harfeld, and IF. V. Frost, 4, Kimberley Road, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL GUILD.-Chippenham Branch-Anmal meeting at St. Paul's, Chippenham ( 8 bells), on Saturday, December i8th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea after. St. Andrew's ( 8 belis) will also be open. Visitors please notify me by i6th inst. Montlily meetings 1938 will be held at Grittleton ( 6 bells), January '5th, Lacock ( 6 bells), February 19 th, at 3 p.m. Ringers please note.-F. W. Merrett, Branch Hon. Sec., 38 , Downing Street, Chippenham, Wilts.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottinghan District.-A meeting will be held at Sawley on Saturday, December 18 th. Arrangements for tea on the spot. Service 4.30. Please turn up and let us have a swageer Christmas meeting. Tom Clark, Dis. President.

WATFORD IS ON THE MAP in Herts on Saturday, December I8th, only do let me know if you are coming by the 5 th inst. 'It's the goods' (the bells know all the methods), C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Roadi, Bushey (City 4270). Train or coach from all parts. Excellent service. Ringing from 3.30. Tea 5.30.

WARWICKSHIRE GUIL.D.-A monthly meeting will be held at Berkswell on Saturday, December isth. Tea at the Garden Cafe at 5 p.m. Bells (6) available afternoon and evening.-M. Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., Exhall, Coventry.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUIl.D.-Crewe Branch.The nexl meeting of the above branch will be held at Asager on Saturday, Decembers r8th. Ringing ( 8 bells) from 2.30 p.m. Will members please note that the list of meetings for 1938 will be compiled at Alsager, and it is desirable that all towers should be represented to make the necossary arrangements? Please let me have cards from those who intend to be present not later than December 5 th.-Rich. D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec., it 8 , Ruskin Road, Crewe.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -Next meeting at Wisbech on Saturday, December $18 \mathrm{H}_{1}$. Bells (io) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. The members of the district committee are asked to meet at 4 p.m. Please help to make the last meeting of the year a great success.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington, St. John, Wisbech.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-The next meeting will be held on Saturday, December iSth, at Fiackney. Both towers will probably be open. Tea will be arranged. There is important business for discussion. Full details next week.-James G. A. Prior, Hon. Sec., 3I, Lilmerston Street, S.W.io.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks aml South Bucks Branch-The next practice has been arranged at Oid Windsor on Saturday, December i8th, at 6 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, December 18th. Tower opens 6 p.m. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-J. H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.

PLYMSTOCK, S. DEVON.-Rededication of the ring of six bells, tuned and rehung in a new framework by John Taylor and Co., will take place on Monday, December zoll, at 7 p.m. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Plymouth.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual Dinner, Saturday, January Sth, 1938 , at the Lion Hotel, Guilal ford, at 6 p.m. Tickets 5s. 6d. each, from J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover Cottage, Lower Pyrford Road, Woking, Surrey.

BRISTOL UNITED RINGING GUILDS.-The $17^{\mathrm{t}} \mathrm{H}$ annual dinner will be held at the Grand Hotel, Broad Street, Birstol, on Saturday, January ${ }^{5} 5$ th, 1938 . Full details later. Tickets 45. 6d., from Messrs. Kynaston (Swindon), J. Austin (Gloucester), J. Hawkins (London), A. Wakker (Birmingham), W. Yeend (Cheltenham), J-1. Knight (Wrington), J. Dyke (Chilcompton), W. Smith (Yate), G. Nailor (Chippenham), or from officials and stewards.-Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 46a, Tankard's Close, Bristol, 2 .

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Ai the Chorgh of St. Bartgolomew,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 GHANGES;
Tenor 13 cwt.
Thomas B. Worsley ...Tyebla Lawrence J. Wieliams ... 5
Lesigr L. Gray
2 Wilfred Halliwell... ... 6
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## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGEBI

 Tenor 12 cwt.- William F. Woodward ...Tyele | Howard Howell '... ... 5 $\dagger$ Grofrrey W. Clayfield Artigr Rowley
Harold Smita ... ... ...
William H, Corson $\quad . . .4$


## Conducted by B. G. Kry.

* Tirst peal of Major. $t$ First peal of Major "inside.' First peal of Major as conductor. First peal of Major an the bells since thes were restored.

REDENHAEL, NORFOLK.
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On Suturday, December 4, 1937, in Three Hours and Nine Minstes, Af tae Chubch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, E040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Transpostrion of Tgurstans' Fodr-part.
Tenor 24 cwt .
Grorget W. Howlezit Charta w Lone - Frederice C. Gunton ... 3 Ernest Waiting ... ... 7
 Conducted by Ernest Wbiting.

* Tirst peal of Stedman.


## WOODBRIDGE, SUFFOLE.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Satwiday, Deconther 4, 1937, in Three Hours ard Seventeen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mart,
A PEAL OE BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Teaar 25 cwt 26 lb .
-A. Stanley Woodward ...7reble Grorge Payke ... ... ... 2 Frank L. Eisber ... ... 3 Ebandifiseler
 Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by L. C. Wightman. * Tirst peal with a treblo Dob bell. HADDINHAM, BUCKS. TEE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, Decenter 4, 1937, 12 7hree Horrs, Ay ter Church of St. Mary,
a HEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, $\quad$ go5b CHANGE:

Midoleton's.
Miss Dorotey R. FletcesrTrehle Miss Khthlepa E. Fletceesf 2 George Martin ... ... ... 3 Percy Newton... F. esse Harrison Roland Bigas

Tenor 19 素 cwt . Condacted by Harry Wingrove NEWOASTLE-UPON-TYNE.
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A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, $50 A 0$ CHANGES; Tenor ry cwt. Io lb. in F.
"jack Roach... ... ... 7 reble Kinnetg Artaur
Robrrt W. Leigeton.. $.2^{2}$ Cbarlbs E. Lawson ... Cbarlbs E. Lawson ...
Reginald H. Hewitt $\begin{array}{r}5 \\ \hline 6\end{array}$ Stepaen Taompson ... ... 3 Reginald H. Hewitt ... 7 Wileiam J. Davidson ... 4 ! Tgomas W. Crowe ... ...Temor Composed by H. Jobesos. Conducted by W. J.tDavidson. * Tirst peal.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Decenter 5, 1937, in Tyo Hours and Fifty-Seven Binutes, At the Cgurch of St. Jonn-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Tenor J 3 年 cwt .

Nblson Elliott ...

Jack M. Cripps ... .... .... 4 Oliver Sippetis.... ... ...Temo
Composed by F. Benneti.
Conducted by O. Sippats.
ALBURGH, NORFOTAK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Ttesday, Dectmber 7, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Ten Stinufes, at the Cherch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Teaor 9 cwt 3 qr . iz lb.

[^51]Fredrrick C. Gerton
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LOUGHBOROUGH, LEIC1STTERSHIRE.
THE MDDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Twesday, December 7, 1937, in Two Howrs and Therty-Fowy Minktes, Ait ife Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGEs;
 Ronald G. Edwards ... ... 2 J. Alprgd Barrati ... ... 6 Colin Harrison... ... ... 3 Ralph Nabhorodgb ... .... 7
 BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Weinesday, December S, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes. At ter Cedrcb of Sx. Illyyd,
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George Pollinger ...

- Leslif Tremerr ...
$\begin{array}{cc}. . . & 2 \\ \cdots . . . & 3 \\ \ldots & 4\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ccccc}\text { Harold P. Rebd... } & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { William R. Mblvile } & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { George Wilebams } & \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$ Frederick S. Bayley ... 4 |Reginald A. Regd .... ...Temey Composed by G. Lindoff, Conducted by Gborge Wicliams.
* First peal of Donblo Norwich, Rung in the octave of St. Nicolas. patron saint of bluis church. It was also rung to celebrate the 40 th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Melvile. The conuructor's 1,450 th peal.

BUSHEF, HERTS.
THE HERTEORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Thursday, Decenter g. 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minules, At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPEES, EBaO CHANGES;
Swinson's Variation of Carter's Odd Bob One-part. Tenoz 13 cwt .
William Sreley
...Treble William G. Whitregad .. Josspa J. Allen ...... $\operatorname{lin}^{2} \quad 2$ Jobn E. Rootes ......
 Edwin Jbanings ... ... ... a William Cross ... ... ... Temoz

Conducted by Madrice F. R. Hiaberi.
The composition is now rung for the first time. The peal was arranged as a birthday compliment to Francis A. Smith (December 7th) and Stanley Hibbert (December 80h).

> FRAMSDEN, SUTFOLKK.

THE SUTFOLE GUILD.
On Friday, December 10, 1937, it Threc Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mart,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRIBE MAJOR, $\operatorname{EOLE}$ CHAMGE8;

## Middleion's.

Alfred S. Wightman
William Wighiman...
Grorge Payere
Grorge Wigetman
Concucted
Concucted bv T. W. Last.

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## DAVID MAXON, ROPE YORKS, GRANTHAM

EWFLL, SURREY
THE GULIDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satwrday. December 11. 1937, in Threr Howrs and One Minste, At ter Cadrca of St, Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GOVENEY GURPRIGE MAJGR, 5O24 CHANGES
Tenor 13 cwt 3 qr, 20 lb.

| Arigor A. Had |  | Treble | Alberi Harman |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alerrd H. Wince |  | 2 | Artedr H. Smite | 6 |
| Jogn S. Galdsmixh |  |  | Wilciam G. Nawberry | .. 7 |
| Jorn W. Eusto |  | . 4 | Alan R. Pine |  | Jorn W. Eustom... ... ... 4 Alan R. Pine ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

First peal in the method by ill except the conductor and by the Guild,

AYLESFORD, ETENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Saturday, December 71, 1937, in Thyed Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGE8; Tenor I $4 t$ cwt. in F .
Charles H. Sone
Wieliam Wbneah Harry Barbr
Tom Saunders ... ... ....
Composed by A. Knigets, Conducted by Thomas E. Sonr.

* 100th peal of Keut. The compasilion (No. 422) is rung for the flest time. An 86th birthday compliment to the Rev. Canon F.J. O. Helmore

SLAUGHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNI' ASSOCTATION.
On Salurday, December 11, 1937, in Three Howys and Ning Minvtos, At the Cegrce of Si, Mary
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE HAJOR, 5088 EHANQEB; Tenor if cwt. iqr. 20 lb , in A flat
Kbith Hart... ... ... ...Tyeble |Fhederick Page ... ... ... 5
Jack M. Cripps ... ... ... 2 Frederick S. Bayley ... 6
Kennetb Snalling ... ... 3 Fredrrick W. Rogers ... 7
Edward J. Cebrman ... ... \& Oejver Sippbits... ... ...Temor
Composed, by A. Knigets, Conducted by Fardr. W. Rogers. MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION
On Satisyday. Decombey 11, 1937, in Twa Hours and Fifty-Eight Minsies, At the Chogch of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 6184 CHANGES; Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Frbderick M. Mitcerll...Tyeble | Edward J. Begr... ... ... 5
Drark M. Sharp
Drark M. Sharp ... ... 2 . George N. Cross ... ... 6 5

| Herbert E. Addsley | $\ldots$. | 3 | Erederick J. Colldm |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harry Hoskins... | ... | .. | 4 | Harry Hoverd |

Composed by F. Dence, Conducted by Frederick J. Collom.

* First peal in the method. Firsit peal in the method on the bells. A birthdar complinent to Gordon Mitchell, youngest son of the ringer of the treble.

STONE, STATYORDSHIRE.
THE NORTE STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION On Saturday. December 11, 1937, in Three Howrs and Seven Minuter, At the Ceuzce of St. Miceael,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EOAD OHANEES:
Heywood's Transposition of Thirsians' Fodr-part. Tenor 12 cwt .
Charlas H. Pagr ... ...Tveble Andraw Thompson ...
Richard T. Holding...
Thomas C. Templeman
Alan D. Strel
Willes Bucklay
Atbert Canmeey
Albery Chawley ... $\cdot . .7$
Conducted by Albert Crawley.

* Tirat peal in the methot. Rung in lhonour of the galden wedding of the Earl and Countess of Harrowby.

HANDSWORTH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Satwray, Decomber 11, 1937, in Jwo Hows and Fifby-Four Mirwtes,
As zhe Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF YORK8HIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tonor 12 cwt.
"Jorn E. Torley ... ...Tveble John H. Brozawzll ... ... 5
†Norman Cbaddock ... ... 2 Aribur Firab ... ... ... 5
Tom Brothwhel. ... ... 3 Reginald Payne... ... ... 7
Lesliz Heywood ... ... 4 | Alaert Nase ... ... ...Tenor
Composed by Gro. Lewis. Conducted by A. Nase.

* First peal of Surprise. to First peal in the method.

ECFINGTON, DERBYSHIRT.
THE FORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
AND THE SEEPTIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY,
On Saturday, December 11, 1937, in Thyee Howrs and Eighteen Manutes,
At the Church or St. Peter,
h PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRI8E MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 16 cwt ,
Joan Holman ... ... ...Trable F. Bernard Ditceger ... 5 Jessif J. Moss ...... Jobn Flint ... ... ... ... 3 John R, Brearley ... ... 7 Haroln Kent ... .... ... 4 J. Fredrricr Milner.... ...Temor Composed by George Lawis. Conducted by J. F. Milara,
First peal in the method as conductor.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

HOLBROOK, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Friday, December 3, 1937, in $\$ wo Howrs ard Forty Minntes, At the Chuece of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF BOB DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Being 42 extents.
Alan R. Andrews
... ...Trejle
Ubean Jobn Prinele ... ... ... 5 Jrban W. Wildney ... ... 3 Ronald W. Stbward... ...Teror Conducted by Alan R. Andrews.
Rung with the bells half-mufled as a tribute of respect to the late Brig-Gen. E. Funter Rodwells, churchwarden and an honorary member of the Guild. First peal of Doubles by all the band.

## WINGRAVE BUCES

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Deconber 4, 1937, in Two Howrs and Frity-T wo Mintites,
Ay tee Cedrge of St. Petrr,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES:

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Donble Court, Double Onford,
St. Clement's, Single Oxtord, Oxford Preble Bob and Plain Bob.
Tenor' $14 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt. in $F$ sharp.
William Wrlling ... ...Tyeble William Henley
Georif H, Gottrridge ... 2 Cecil. C. Mayne.
Rev. C. Elelot Wigg ... 3 Tony Price ... ... .............. 5
Conducted by Tony Price.
First peal on the bells.
WENDRON, CORNWALL.
THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday. Decomber 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
At the partsh Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores, with ten different callinge.
P. R. C. Wilitams ... ...Tyeble E. Salunders. W. ReED ... ... ... ... 2 F. H. Harris Conducted by E. V. Willians.
First peal on the bells and firgt peal as conduntor

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## WHEATHAMYSTEAD, HERTS

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sahuday, Decenther 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
At tae Chdrci of St. Helema,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

(1) Hereward; (2) Childwall; (3) Thelwall; (4) Double Oxford; (5) St, Clement's; (6) Oxford Bob; (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt . 22 lb
-Adgustin V. Good ... ...Treble * Willam J. Pudifoos ... 4

- Francis Kirk ... ... ... 2 -Hzrbrit Gatbs ... ... 5 Horace L. Waitg … ... 3 Whaler Ayre Tenor

> Conducted by Waltrr ayre.

* First peal in seven Plain melhods.


## LANETEYBURY, HEHES

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturiay, December 4. 1937, in Two Hokrsand Twenty-Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Padl,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, EO4D CHANGES;

Serea differeat exteats.
Temor 8 cwt.

- Frederica W. Hazble ...Tyehte
'Cbarles Dykr ...
- Percy L. Parslow
… $\quad . .3$
Jogn E. Rootes...
Edwin Jennings
- Frederick W. Alleway ....Terar Conducted by E. Jennings.
* First peal of Miner. HARTPIFAD, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(East Grinstead and District Guild.)
On Saturday. Decenther 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minktes.
At the Cugace of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Two extents of Oxford Trethe Both, three of Kent Twehle Bob and two of Plain Bob, each called diferently.

Hugh Mackinder
Tenor 12\% cwt.
-Grorge Bebngy
Leslie W. Japis
1 rethe Wm. A. Kitchenside
Arthers. Richards 5
Frank H. Hicks ... ... 3 Arthers. Richards ...Temor Condected by A. S. Richards.
First peal in three methods.

## HOPE, FLINTSHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suturday, December 4, 1937, in two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Chorcr of St. Cynfarce,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
JJeing an extent each of Loudon, Wells and Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bola and Bob Minor. Tenor 10 cwt .
-William E. Flbtcher ...ireble Grohgr Lrdsham ... ... 4

-Pbrcy Swindlay ... ... 3 Frabix Varty ... ... ...Thot Conducted by Frank Varty.

* Tirst peal in seven methods.

GODFNHAM, IIERJFORDSHIRT:.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Detember 4, 1937, in Three Howps and Two Misutes. At the Church of St. Micharl.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Belng seven 720 's each called differently. Tenor 15 cwt . William H. Simonds ...Trebl | Lbelit Evans .... ... ... 4 -John D. Wopsey ….. .2 Stanley T. Yapp.... $\quad . .$. Adstin T. Wingate... .... 3 Ernest F. Salmons ... ...Tend Conducted by Ernest F. Salmons.

* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor on the bells. Rung as
a 25 th birthday compliment to Leslic Evans.
PYTCHLEY, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturady, December 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Four Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being eight six-scores eacli of Old Donbles, llain Bots and St. Simon"s, four six-scores of Canterbury and 14 six-stores of Grandsire.

Temor 8 cwt
"Lindsay Sargent ... ...7rele "Cbcil. Brown ... ... ... 3
Sidney Munton ... ... 2 Ricgard Abrams ... ... 4 Grorgr Brown .... ... ...Tenar Conducted by 5 . Monion.

* First peal in five methods. Rung as a welcome to the new Viear, the Rev. F. A. J. R. Nortolt, after the induction service.

ALWALTON, HUNTS
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCDSAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December 4, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Misutes. At the Church or St. Andeew,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5049 OHANOES:

 1,440 each of Grandsire and Bob Doubles. Tenor 11 cwt .
*Hereert Cocebrill. ...jvethe Wilijam H. Waldron ... 3
Joan J. Jutson ... ... ... 2 Hbrbert Goakbs .... ... 4
William Rose ... ... ...Temor
Conducted by Wicliam Rosb.

* First peal and a locaI man.

LANGLEY MARISH, BUOKS
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
(St. Peter's Socibty, Burnham, Bocks.)
On Monday, December 6. 1937, in Three Howrs and Eight Minntes.
Ait ter Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being roa each of St. Clempan's, Reverse College, Keut Treble Bob, Single Oxford, Oxford Ti'rlile Boh, Guberbury Pleasure Reverse and Plain Bob.
Martin A. Blamey ... ...Treble|"Bryan O'Nrill...
Gordon W. Limmer ... ... 2 Hobn E Theor...
Cra. Lidman .... 2 Jobn E. Taylor... ... ... 5
Cyril A. Bdrgess ... ... 3 Gborge Gilbrri Conducted by Gro. Gilbert.

* First peal in seven methods. $t 25 \mathrm{~h}$, peal. First peal on the hells. Rung to marls the 25 th yenr of incumbency of the Rev. F. T. F. Shepherd, M.A.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUPROLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUDDD.
On Moniday, Decmber 6. 1937, in Two Hows and Forty-Three Minutes, Atthe Chorch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 504B CHANGES;
Being two 720 's of Oxiord, two of Kenb ard three of Plain Bols. called differentiy.

-Leslir Foster .........$- \quad 3$ |Russbll Ward ... .... .... Tenor
First peal. + First peal in tivee methods
First peal in three methods.
BEENHAM, Buczs.
THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
Or Monday, Dicember 6, 1937, in I wo Howys and Fifty Minxles,
Ay the Cherch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Boing two 720's each of Kent asid Oxford Treble Boh and ibree ef Plain Bob. Tenor 9 ewt. 3 qr . W. Grebtham ... ... ...Trebje A. Arloti ... ... ... ... 4

E. Ricgardson ... Conducted by G. Fowlrr.

First peal on the bells since they were rohung.
ELSEAM, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northrrn Branct.)
On Tuesday, December 7. 1937, in Two Hours and Thity-Seven Minutes,
At the Pagise Church,

## A PEAL OF BURPRISE MINOR, 50sO CHANGES:

Being one extent each of Alnwick, Chester, Carlisle, London, York, Beyerley and Cambridge.

Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Mrs. J. Bray
. 1 reble
Ernest Brittain

| $\ldots .$. | . .1 reble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots .$. | $\cdots$ | $z$ |
| $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 |$|$

Grorge E Feirn
Conducted by Jack Bray
First peal in seven Surprise methods by all gnd for the branch. A birthday compliment to the Vicar, also a farewell to him and Mis. Allin on their leaving the parish.

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LITTLE GLEMHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUTFOLE GDILD.
Ow Wednesday, Decomber 8, 1937, in Two Fours and Fifty-Nine Minutas, At the Church of St. Andew,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES. 5040 OHANOEB.

Being 30 six-scores of Grandsire Doubles ( 10 callings), 12 six-scores of Plain Bob (four callings).
William G. Coopar... ...T Treble Alfred J. Ford ...
Grorge Berry ... .... .... 2 Gborge R. Fince ... ... 4 P.C. Henry J. Vince ... ...Tenot Conducted by A. J. Ford.

* First peal of Doubles.


## MAULDEN, BEDS

THE BEDTORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION
On Wedresday, December 8,1937 , in Two Howys and Forly-Eight Minute, At ter Cetree of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, $\overline{5040}$ CHANGES;

Being one extent eack of Gambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Eent Trable Bob, St. Clement's, Single Oxford and Plaiz Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.
Edudnd Wagsiaffe ... ...Treble $\mid$ Lewis H. Bywaters ... ... 4

C. Henry Iarding .... .... 3 C. Edward Jefferies... ....Tanog Conducted by C. E. Jerfriss.
A birthday compliment to Mr. Charles W. Sisfeld, churchwarden, GARVESTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCDSAN ASSOGIATION.
On Thuysday, Dece ber 9, 1937, in 7 wo Hours and Forty-Fonk Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Comprising beven extents: (1) Norwich Surprise; (2) Cambridge Surprise; (3) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob: (4) Double Oxford; (5) St Clement's; (6) Double Court; (7) Oxford Bob and Plan Bob. Tenor reputed $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $F$ sharp.

 Conducted by Nolan Goldzn.

* Firsó peal in nine methoris. RUSHALL, STAFIOORDSHEBE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONEY OF STAFFORD
Ou Thursday, Decmber 9, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Cforch of St. Miceael,
A PEAL OF STEDAAN DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Boing 42 six-scores, 12 callings.
Tenar 7 ewt. 1 qr. 10 lb.
Howard Howell ... ...Tyeble
eble Barnabag G. Key
... ... 4
-Sidney O'C Holloway ... 2 "Fane E. Haynes
-Dakirl T. Matkin ... $\ldots$... 3 | Harry V. Pardof ... ...Tenor Conducted by Frank E. Haymes.
* First perl of Stedmon Doubles. + First peal in the mothod. WESTON-UNDER-İENYARD, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Decmoty 11. 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minntes,
Ax the Ceqreh of Sx. Ladrence,
A PEAL OF MIHOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being 720 ench uf Oxford and Kont Treble Bob, Single Oxford and four different 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt .
Williamfi. Symonds ...Troble
Joh v J. Webe
 Conducted by W. Poston.

* First penl in four methods. +125 th peal.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

PUDSEY, YORKSHTRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Twesday, Decomber 7, 1937 in Two Howrs and Eight Mirutes, At 9. Pembroke Road

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5624 CHANCES;

Miss Kathlegn L. Bowling I-2 $\mid$ Wigliam Barion...
Precy J. Johnson .... ... 3-4
Composed by Georse Lewis.
100th peal as conductor.

GRAYFORD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fiday, December 10, 1937, in Two Howrs and Ftlly-Five Mimmtes, In the Belfry of St. Padlinos' Chorce,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 6040 CHANGES;
Derer M. Sharp... ... ... $-2 \mid$ Thomas Groombridgb, jun. Frederick G. Groombridge 3 -4 Ghorfrey V, Morphy $\quad .$. Edwin Barneti ... ... ... 9-10
Composed and Conducted by T. Groowbeidge, jun,

## CRAYFORD, ETNT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Sunday, December 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes, In ter Ofd Parise Room,

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES:

Edwin A, Barneit ... ... i-z $\mid$ Thomas Groombridge, jon. 5-6
 Alan J. Hopper ... .- ... 910
Composed by T, Groombridgr, jun. Conducred by D. M. Sharr. The conductor's first attempt to call a preal of Royal. Fifticth peal together by E. A. Barnett and G. V. Murphy.

## A WORCESTERSHIRE RESTORATION

BISEAMPTON'S GREAT BFFORT.
Very largely by the untiring efforts of the Vicar (the Rev. 'J. Wilkinson), the tower and bells at St. James Parish Charch, Bishampton, near Pershore, Worcestershive, have been restored at a cost of nearly $£ 1,000$. The extensive work to the structure was completed last year, and now the bells have been set in order hy Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.
The dedication of the bells was precedcd by a parochial tea, at which the Vicar epoke of the progress of the fund for the restoration work, and the Bishop of Worcester paid warm fribute to the valuable work which the Vicar had done ja callecting such a large sum for the carrying out of the scheme. Aldernan J. Hemmintr (Hampton), on behalf of the Worcestershire Association, congratulated the parish on the restoration.
There was a large congregation at the dedication service, which was conducted by the Vicar, who expressed his gratitude to all who hed contributed to the fund. Genernl Sir Francis Daries and Major W, H. Taylor (Birtingham) read the Iessons
The dedication took place in the belfy, and before returuing to tho chancel the Bishop unveiled a marble tablet commemorating the restoration.
The Bishop, in bis subsequent address, spoke of the bistory and uses of bells, and referred to the extraordinarily rich inheritane which we have in Eugland in our old parish churches. 'Not only', he said, 'ara they often real gems of architecture, but more thar that you find they aro wituesses to the past love of God on the part of our forefathers, and they are witnesses to-dny that God is the ruler of th universe, of this nation and of each single individual.
The opelling ringing was done by J, D. Johnson thon. secyetary of the Worcesterslire Association), J. Hemming (Hampton), H. Midille ton (Norton), J. W. Herth (Willerses), G. A. Kirg (Endeey) and J. Hall (Bretfortor).
Others who attended were Messrs. T. Spiers (Gower Moor'), W Shelton (Birningham), S. T. Holt (Crowle). C. Canim (Dpton-on Severn), G. W. Cooper (Stonrbridre), B. Ashford (Olert), J. H Shepherd (Swindon), C. H. Webb (Coventry), E. T. Newbury and W. H. Harris (Beckford, J. E. Nemman and Miss I. D. Barner (Hivton-ou-the-Green), F. Furdman (Burton-on-Trent), S. Jones (Derby), G. N. Baylis and J. Beasley (Norton), E. S. Beasley (Stour bridge), Mr. J. P. Fidler (representing Messrs. Jolin Taylor and Co. and the members of the local baud, $G$. A Ainge (captajn), B. Ainge H. Ainge, P. R. Ainge, F. J. Ansell, E. Femming, C. Y. Hamis, J Harris, J. G. Ludlow, C. J. Salisbury, W, T. Shelton and F. Spiers.

Most of the bells were cast in 1690 and they have been tuned and ehung in a new frame. The tenor is $10 \%$ cwt. and the ingcriptione

1. Grlielmpa Keyt. Baronot. Hvns Maneris 1690.
2. Robert Gaywood and Wilham Ferly Ghurchwardens 1690
3. William Grimit 1690.
4. William Bagley Mado Mee 1690.
5. Rd. Sanders Made Mee Willian Powell Churchwarden 1705.
6. Feare God Honnor the King 1721.

Sanctus Bell. G. Dugard, R. Fairlay 1721.

## LADY CONDUCTS QUARTER-PEAL.

Miss Hilda Snowden, ringing the lenor, conducted a quarter-peal of Bob Major on Sunday, December 12th, at St. Mary' ford, for evonsong: B. Weaver 1. U. Snowden 2, F. Corney 3, A. Bovack (firat aurrter-peal or Major) 4, S. G. Peck 5, S. Wobb 6. C. R. Morss 7, Hilda G. Snowden (conductor) 8. It whs arranged for the ringery of 2 and 8 , who were on a visit from Halsfead. The bard thank the ringer of the 5 th, who comes from Southgate, for atanding in at rhort notice.

## A PLYMOUTH RINGER'S JUBILEE.

PRESENTATION TO MR. G. H. MYERS.
The 850th anniversary of St. Andrew's Glureh, Plymouth, provided an excellent opportunity of commemorating the 50 th year of ser'vice thero as a zinger by Mr. G. H. Myers.
At mn' At home 'held in the Abbey Hall, Mr. Myers was presented by the Bishop of Plymouth, on behalf of wite Church Council, wilis a solid silver bell, complete in oak frame and suitably iuseribed.

His Lordship commented on the fact that Mr. Myers rang at St. Andrew's for Queen Victoria's Jubilec, the Accession and Corouaion of Edward VII, and George V., the Silver Jubilee of George V., the Accession of Edward VIII. and, for the Coronation of our present King and Qneen, participated, together with his three sons, in-a pea] of Bob Royal at St. Andrew's. This peal was coaducted by Mr. T. G. Myers, and, incidentally, was the only peal rung in Devon for the Coronation.
The Bishop, in conclusion, wished Mr. Myers many more years af ringing at St. Andrew's, and the recipient suitably responded. to the Devon Guild.
O. L. G.

Mr. Myers recalls that lie was laughed at for suggesting that change ringing should be practised in Devon, but in spite of that lie persisted in his endenvours and can proudly point to the fact that he has now under his charge the most progressive band in the counly, who can ring Surpriss methons for Sinday service. That, in a part of the country where call change ringing is practically the order of the day, says much for his perscpermace, entansiasm and excellent teaching ability.
He has been captain of St. Andrew's baud for the last 25 years, and, although not a prolific peal vinger, has rung about 100 peals (of which lie has condneter about a quarter'). Most of these are credited io the Devon Guik.

In celebration of the 850th anniversany of St. Andrew's Church, Plymouth, a quarter-peal of 1,259 clanges of Grandsire Caters was rung on Sunday evening, November 28th: C. Holmes 1 , Mrs. Guy (longest length on 10 belis) 2 , Allen Weatherby 3 , J. Gluyas 4, A. W. Myers 5, A. Mitelelmore 6, W. Hamlyn 7, S. O'Sianghessy 8, G. F. Mvers (conductor) 9, G. Marshall 10.

## A DATE TOUCH

At the Parish Church, Middeton, Lancashire, on November 29th, a rlate tonch of 1,937 Boh Major in 1 hour and 5 minutes: Orden Moores 7. William Berry (composer and conductor) 2, Thomas K. Driver 3, Alwyan Taylor 4, Tom A. Ogden 5, James Ogden 6, James H. Bastow 7. Abraham Ogden 8.

## RESTORATION OF ANCIENT WARWICKSHIRE RING

'PLAINTIVE MELODY' OF CORTEE BELLS UNTOUGUED.
The village of Corley situated shout four miles north-west of Coventry has an ancient church (dedication unknown) in the Norman and early decorated style with as small central tower of wood built m the roof ard containing five bells, which were in an unsafe state for many years. 'Ihe bells haye now been rehung in a new steel frume and new fittings, and on Sunday, November 28 th, at eveuing service, were rededicated by the Rev. E. G. Bowring, M.A., five members of the Warwicksbire Guild ringing a plain course of Grandsire Doubles as an opening tonch.
The Rector (tho Rev. T. Goring) expressed his gratitude to all who had helped with the work.

After the senvice 120 of Grandsire Doubles was rung: 0 . H. Webl $I_{1}$ M. C. Meivile 2, J. W. Taylor 3, J. H. Whito (conductor) 4, W. A. State 5. A number of ringers were present, including the presiden of the N.U.T.S., who had arrived the previous day and had obtained a ladder to get on to the roof of the church to find his way to measure tho tenor bell. He, bowever, found this \& dificult job, as the bells mr* ruag in the centre of the nave, and it is ouly by going through a small trap door in the roof of the nave that ona can get to the bofle. However, throngh tjie kindness of a well-known ringer, late of Croft, lie fonnd access on the Sunday afternoon.
The bells are inscribed:-
1.-1641 Hugh Watts.
2.-1410 Jolin De Colsale.
3.-1702 ت. Bazaley. Recast by Taylor and Co. 1937.
4.-(Aacient bell founder unknown, no marks).
5.-1631 T. Fancox, Weight 5 cwt. 1 gr. 18 it.

The work has been carriad out by Messrs. J. Taylor and Go., of Loughborolrgh, in their usual excellent manner. The firm was repyesented by Mr. J. P. FidIer.
The bells are a quaint rint not in perfect thne, but the architect recuested that the "quaint plaintive melody" of Corlex bells rmain maltered.

## SWANSEA RINGER'S DEATH.

At St. Mary's, Swansea, on Sinday, Oecember 5th, as a last tribute to the memory of Mr. Jamis Hoare, e cinger and chorister nit this church, who passed away suddenly the previous weck, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (Reeves') was 'ung half-mufflod by A. lidwntes 1. J. Withams 2, Reg Dobbins 3, Faydn Dobbins 4. F. Hanson 5. W: Dobbins 6, A. W, Dobbins (condietor) 7, A. Rose 8. Ringers of 1 and 8 belong to Swansea, tlie rest to Gorseinon.



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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. Stephen Wood, of Bristol, is a colt' among 'ringers' in the Antient Guild of St. Stephen's Ringers iz that Antient City. The fumy part about it is that Mr. Wood is the only member who knows anything about ringing, for the is whe first practising ringer to be adnitted since 1648!
The Antient Guild, which existed in Queen Elizabeth's kime, aud was granted a charter in 1620 , has nover ceased in its beneficent work of maintaining and beautifying the fabric of St. Stephen's Chureh and upholdirg the ordinances of its charter. Perhaps Mr. Wood can apow induce some of the members to become interested in the art they have so long negleuted.
Despite the proximity of a Sturey meeting at Betolnworth (three miles away), the meeting of Leatherhead District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild attracted 35 ringers, and the ringing included courses in tive Surprise methods as wall as humbler stuft.
The ouly complaint about the "clash was from ainger who, at 7 o'clock, learmed of fhe Betchworth meeting for the first fime and regretted he did not know of it emrlier. He was promptly told to Take "The Ringiug World,"
The many friends of pr. John H. Cheesman will be sorry to hear that he has had the misfortume to liveak an arm, and will wish him a speedy recovery. Mr. Cheeswan is one of the besti known North Kent ringers, and is one of the comparatively small mumber who have rung over \& thousand peals.
The Hobart Holy Trinity Bellingers' Association have lost two of their menhers by removal to other parts of Tasmania. This is at serious hlow to ptogress in a place where whange ringing thes as yeb only a precmious existence.
Under the heading of 'Campanology,' the "Henley Standard' of December 3yd complimented the Wargrave riagers upon a seleution of bymn bunes giver on the bells ons the previous Sunday morning and evening, and asked for more. "rleere was a good attendance of aingers, said the newspaper, "and they are to De lieartily complimented mpon the able way in which they rang the bells.
The ringers of ike four towerg iu Oldham have decided to reform the Oldhem and District, Society. They will, of consse, retain their membership of the Laucashire Associabion.

## DEATH OF MR. A. T. BAKER. <br> IREN $\mathbb{A U S}$ PISROR PASSES ON.

Years ago, in the early days of "The Ringing World, ${ }^{\text { }}$ there were frequent contribations by an anonymous conrespondent, Irenseus Pistor," who wielded a trenchath pen, and, with lis somewhat eyaical bumour, added relish to fuany a discussion. It is long now since
Irengens Pistor.' was able to write for this paper, for the tervible affiction of blindness overbook him. And now alfred Townsend Baker is dead.
When Mr. Baker wrote for 'The Ringing World' he was living at Hilsborough, Shofficld, but when lie was ala longer able to work he removed to [lkeston, Derbyshire. About two years ago he lost his wife after a long illuess, and this was a severe blow to him.
On December thin he had a seizure, aud, without recovering conscionsuess, passed away in the early hours of December 7th, at the age of 60 years.
Through 'Fine Ringing World, whieh was faithenly read to him week bJ week, Mr. Baker hept contact with what was happening in the Exercise and was fulwaps keenly interested in the doings of his frients. It sems strange that only the nighe before his attack hes neplew finished reading "lhe Nine Tailors" to hiva.
The funeral tools place al Kirk Hallam Clutheh on Thuseday week. The spmpathr of all will go out to Mies Muriel Baker, the only ehitd, who is left to moun'r her loss. She has bees her' father's constant companion and solace durimg his affiction.
The bells at St. Mary's Church, 1lkeston, were rung half-muffled for hotll services on Sundiay as a mark of respect.

## BELLS OVER LONDON. To the Datitor.

Dear sitw I reat with some shrprise My. P. W. Oave's letter in the current issue of 'The Ringing World,' and I suggest that it must lave been muiten rather hastily or he would hardy have allowed fimself to indulge in a personal attack on Mr. Roughton without, as In seems to admit, knowing nuch of the facts. His reference to the 'exclusiveness ' of the Collere Yonths is, according to my haring, the exnet opposite to the facts, for, as I heard Mr. Roughton, he emplasised that the Gollege Fouths were not exclusive, except ouly as regards the Simday ringing at St. Pal's. I hardly think, too, that many will geree with his remark that Miss Dorothy Sayers (however clever her book) has done more for ringing than Mr. Roughton.
As to the witherawal part of the business I do not propose to enter into much discussion at the moment, as the matter appears to be 'sub judice,' but I would suggrest that it would be more in accord with the best traditions of ringing if tinose who apparentiy disagree with Mr. Roughton werc to withhold judgment until they liave heard his side of the question; for I think that there is no one who lias worked harder in the past on behalf of the College Fouths, particularly in regard to troadcasting, than he has, and if and when the true facts appear, it mav be realised that Mr. Roughton has not been too well treated.
December $101 \mathrm{~h}, 1937$.

## NORTHFLEET'S YOUNG RINGERS.

## BOY'S AND GIRLS RECRUITED TO MAKE NEW BAND.

The shortacte of ringers in many places is a gource of serious concern to those who are responsiblo for mantaining service ringing. Nearly cverywhere the cry is that there ave so many connter-atsactions in Ilese days that young people wili not give to ringing the time mecessary to nuke thenselves proficient-indeed, they will not come into the belfry ${ }^{\text {at }}$ all

This year at Nortlifleet, it was decided to try to form a band of juniors, and the Vicar was approached reparding the choirhoys and the girls of the Bible Class. At first two chorboys cante ulong, but within Lwo weeks there were 10 boys and girls on the: degister.
Great eredit is due to Mr. George Bubcher, an entinisiast, whose activilies are well kown in North Rent. With one or two helpers he


THE YOUNG RINGERS JN THE BELFRY AT NORTHFLEET
 Phyllis Stacey, Joyce Argent, Katileen Butcher, Donald Stacey, Ama Pury, Beatuce Sparks
[3. Marshall, Photographer, Graterend.

At Nort:flect, Kent, however, a remarkably successfill effort has heen made to recruit the company with young people. During recent summers there was a decided slackness amongst members of the band. For about three months in the summer of last year no practice was passible, ouly two or three turning up even Sundav service ringing was out of the question on some oomsions. The ncisglubouring tower of Gravesend was in a similar might, and eventually it was decided to have a combined practice, to be leelit on the usital practice night of tile rerpective bands on alternate weelas. This, although of help to the enthusiasts, only gave the 'slackers' the opportanity of an exense on the Gravesend night, in the winter months, and also did not solve the problem of Sunday service ringiag.

Itas put an an enormous amount of time teachisg these poungstere, who now number twelve. It was a great day whon, on the onchsios of the dediation festival on Outober 10th, the juveniles vang entirely nnaided as a band, their aterage age being under 14 year's. Fiftern-year-old Phyllis Stacer ranm the 162 cwt. tenor. Service ringing is at prosent confined to well-strucls 'Stoney. The hand is also making root progress with tume ringing on Landbells, and the Vicar (the Res. T. A. Page) is arranging for them to zive a short piogramme of carols in church on December 26 th

Althongh the Vicar knew nothing of hells and ringing when foe went to Northfect three years ago, he has Lakell a deal of interesi m the ectivifies of the band and gives all the enconmagement he can.

## THE BELLS OF ST. GEORGE-IN-THE-EAST

## IONUON RECTOR"S APPEAL FOR HELP.

To the Editor
Bear Sir, As the "History of the Callege Youths' mentions that, fis the early days of bellringing, important peals wore rung at the I'arish Church of St. Gearge-in-the-East, I should be most grateful if you will allow me to appeal to yun readers and to all those interested In hellringing for their kind financial help to enable the cight bells of St, feorge-in-the-tast to peal ance again.
They are, and have heen for sume years, in a very ban state, and to put them into thorongh ringing condition will cost f317. Towards this sum I have been promised $£ 180$, so that there is $£ 137$ still re finired. The parish of St. Gearge-in-the-Gasl: is one of the poorest in Fatst London, and our own people have done their best and have given all they can.
I do, therefore, ask-with confidence-for the assistance of ally friends. All contributions should be adidressed to the Rector, the TRectory, 16. Cannon Street Road, St. Gearge-in-the-East, E. 1 , and ant adknowledgront and a receipt will lin sent to every kind donor.
R. BRTide FADIE, Rector, St. George-in-East.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The Girencester Branch of the Gloticester and Bristol Diocesan Association held its annual meeting at Cirencester on Satirday. December 4 th. Although the weather conditions were very had and most of the ringers lind to come from some distance, the meeting proved very successful. The following towers were represcuted: Northleach, Chedworth, Lechlade, Maisey Hampton, Fiarford, Sonth Cerney, Withington and Cirencester, and there were visitor's from Glwist Chnreh nud St. Mark's, Swindon, Faringdon and Rodbourne Cheney.
Tea at Messrs. Viner's Restaurant was followed by tife busibess meeting, the Rev. N. F. Hope presiding.
The lon. treasurer's report for the year was considered very satisfactory.
The officers were elected for 1938 as follows: Chirman, the Rex N. E. Hope: hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. H. Hayward: nember on Management Commitlee, Mr. J. Hopa.

Watermoor bells were open in the afternoon and the Parish Churels bells (12) during the evening. Methode rusg ranged from frandsive Triples fo Boli Royal and some rounds on the twelve bells.

## BRISTOL'S ANTIENT RINGERS' GUILD.

## ELKABETHAN SOCIMTY HOLDS ITS FEAST.

Mr. S. H. Wood, First Ringing Member for Nearly 300 Years.
For tho first tinge since the year 1648 the Antiant Guild of St, Stephon's Ringers has a practising silger among its members. The old Dristol organisation, fonded under a charter of 16E0, which exishs to preserve the fabric of St. Stephou's Clutch, this year elected Mr. Stephen H. Wood as a "colt' or 'apprentice.

Queen Elizabeth exiended her royal favour to the socioty, which, on the occasion of a visit which she paid to Bristol, gave her noweome by the ringing of St, Stephen's bells. The charter was granted in the reign of her successor, and the Antient Guild stifl roaintains some of tibe quaint customs of its early days.

Every year it holds an annual feast, at which its ordinances are molemnly read and a new Master installed in traditional manaer by being carried to the ohair.
But althourli ringing now forms jo part of the Guilds activities, its work for St. Stephen's is of a very practical kind. For example since 1875110 less than $£ 11,000$ has been devoted to the restoration and enrichment of the church.

On the Surday preceding the feast a service was held, in accordance witz cuslom, in St. Stephen's Church. The Master (Mr. G: H. Boucher) presided at tho annual dinner, which was attended by the Lord Mayor and sherift of Briatol, Lord Waldegrave and the Dean of Bristol.

The traditional toasts were honoured, that of "The Antient Society of St. Stephen's Ringers and bhe Master' being proposed by the Lrord Mayos.
The Master, in respronding said: "Never has this society been regarded more lighly in the public esteem than it is to-day. People do appreciate the honour of being one of the 100 .
During the last 20 years they had put the tower into first-rate order for a period, they were fold, of 100 years. The very beautiful north pores was being put into perfect order and the vestries had been completely restored.
He was glad to say that the portion of the buildings now being domolished in Colston Avenue, adjoining the church, would be, by the groodness of the owners in conjunction with the city, set brack some 16it, so fhat people world be able to see the tower from the base riglat to the top so that the full glory of the tower would be exposed. The socicty would, he thought, be able to put the west end, which wauld be fully exposed, 1 bito good condition and to evoryone's satisfaction.
Mr. Sidney Cliford (senior warden) proposed 'The Fector and Churehwardeus of St. Steplaen's Church,' and 'The Preacher of the Day.'

TIMo Rev. S. E. Swank (Vinat of Redoliffe) replied. He said that St, Stephon's and St. Mary Redeliffe were closely associated in many ways. They had a rinf of 12 bells at $S t$. Mary Redeliffe for 40 yerrs, but on all ceromonial occasions St. Stepheats ringers rang their peals, ranry like to liave his own hand of ringers, and be rentrred to suggest that some of the distingushed members of the society instead of continuing to be 'speulative' ringers might become active ringers.
The Master pronosed the toast of "The New Master and New Wardons.' In tho traditional way the new master (Mr, Sidnet Cliford) was installed by being carried to tho chair. Mr. J. R. Ware was instelled senior warden, and Mr. H. G. Treasure junior warden.

## FALSE PEALS

## To the Editor.

Sir, Mr. Kanneth Jewis, in his reply to me, las attempter to read into my letter something whinh was not intended to be there. I did not in any way inpuge the honesty of any compober. A treasurer does not consider his honesty or integrity in any way questioned by probably insist on it, My suggestion was the pre-audit of peal figures. It is a fact that practically all the peals withdrawn as false lave bean published. J[ they had not been published the erior wonld probably not liave loen discovered. For instance, the records at Painswick and Soulhwark wonld rrobably still be accepted as frue peale. Certain assochations, e.g., Gloucester mud Bristol, and Lincoln, thrays publish their peal figures. Why should not all do this?
The percentage of false peals to true is undoubtedly small, lut there is a percentage of such false figures, and it is probably higher io unpublighed figeres than in published, since the fignres by a known composer are given wider circulation than those by an miknown and usually find their war into priat.

If the Central Conncil insist, as they rightly do, that false peals must be witharawn, then they should insist that peal figures are made known or certified lyy some authorised body.
Mr. Lewis says this only interests a small section of the fraternity. It is of interest to every peal rimmel-might I say of much more interest than, perliops, hours of discussion over a word such as spiced. But, of course, this was hat waste of valuable time. I must npologise for ngsin using your valuable apace, but felt that I of fitw conpposer to go uncorrected.
J. F. ARMSTRONG.

## TEACHING BEGINNERS.

Ta the Editor
Dear Sir,-I was interested to read Mr. F. E. Dawe's Ietter in your issue of November 19th in which lie points out that I had misunderstood the meaning of his previous letter.
It is quite true that he did not specifically mention my name or the article which I had contributed to your previous issue, but luis letter appeared between two others which quite defnitely did relate to my article, aud I confess that fhis led na-and incidentally a good many others as well-to read his letter in a similar light,

However, Mr. Dawe has given his assurance that this was not his intention, and it appears, ilherefore, that I dia him an injustice in including him in the remarks I felt bound to make regarding the tone of the letters concemed. If this is the case, I owe him an apology which I willingly make, because when I disagree with my elders-as disagree I must with Mr. Dawe on this subject-I would rery much rather do so in an amicable spirit.

Turning now to the rest of Mr. Dawe's letter, I notice that he is of the opinion that the idea of starting begimers on even-bell methods emanates mainly from inexperienced members of the rising seneration. I question mhether this is so; in the first place, I would point out that it is possible to have had quite a lot of experience of instruction and still be a member of the younger generation; and in the second place I could teli Mr. Dawe of many ringers of all aces who share my views on this matter and who, martover, put, them into practice regulariyand successfully-with their pupils. If he will turn to your issue of October 22nd lie will find it lebter from yonr correspoudent "Interested ' who states that he has had 44 years' experieace-almost as Iong as Mr. Dewe himself-and 'strongly ndrocates starting beginners on the even-beli methods first.
I am sory if I appeared to speak slightingly of old times, but possibly there is a little misunderstanding on Mr. Dawe's parit bere. Whint I intended to conver was that wiews held 50 years ago should not necessarily be accepted witlicut further argument to-day. There is muth that can be said in favour of both systems of instruction, but they should be considered on their own merits, and irrespective of any bias towards one method simply because it was the usual practice two generations घgo.

The opinions I have expressed are the results of my own practical experience-short though it has bean-of both systems. The most astonishing statement in Mr . Dawe's letter is that in all his vast experience he has only come across three cases in which Plain Boly was used as the first method. In view of this I hope he will for:pive my asking lim (with all respect and in a perfectly friendly spirit) to consider carefutly whether lie is really qualified to judge between the respective merits of two sfstems of instruction, of one of which-0n his own showing-lie is almost completely ignorant.
Bristol
STEPHEN नF WOOD.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

SOUTHERN DHSTRICT SECRETARY RETMRING
A very successful quarterly meeting of the Sonthern Distrint of the Surrey Association was held at. Betrhworth on Satarday, December 4th. As a meeting was being held at Dorking at the same thre, same of the ringers were able to visit both towers in their "fyiug squad ' cars. Ringers were present from Reigate, Redhill, Mersthan, Buck land, Lingfield. Forley, Bletchiagley, Crawley, Tunbridge Wells, Betidington, Cropdon, Uekfield, Oxford and Thornton Heatl.
Service was conducted by the Rev. E. H. Kennedy, who gave a waim welcome to the ringers to Betchworth. A very welcome tea was served ab the Dolphin Inn, and afferwards tho business meeting took place, the Master (Mr. D. K. C. Birt) presiding.

The hon. secretary (Mr. W. Clnydon) referred to the denth of Mr. Fhomas Whitmore, of Horley, who passed away on October 22nd The members expressed condolence with the relatives by standing for a few moments in silence.
It was proposed to attempt thie next quarterly peal at Buctrand, the conductor to be Mr . R. Fuller.

The sectetary intimated that owing to pressure of business he would not seck re-election. He thanked everyone for the support they lad given him. Several names were received for tho secretaryship and committee. Election will be by hallot at the annual meting. which will be held at Horley on Saturday, Janamry 22nd
The bells were kept going till 9 p.m., ringing ranging from Grand sire Triples to Bristol Sumprise Major.

## BOURNEMOUTH'S NEW BELLS

A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples mas ruxg on the new bells at St. Peter's, Bourmemouth, by mambers of the Sunday service band on December 5th for a Confirmation seryied by tile Lord Bishop of Southampton : H. Oshorne 1, L. V. Davis 2, F. Frankland Riqby 3 , H. Roherts 4, A. V. Davis (conduetor) 5, O. R. Forfits 6, P. W. Witham 7. F. Garrett 8.
The bells were dedicated an November 20th, and prior to this service and in henour of the occasion a touch of Grandsire Triples was rung at Sil. James Church, Poole.
It is hoped to hold a meeting of the Glaristchurch District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Dioceran Guild at Bonrnemouth carly in the new year.

## PEAL NOTES.

WHPGREIING NAORS ABOUT PERFORMANCES AND RINGFRS. some nemes given to methods sound, at lirst, 4 bit odd. To some peopla Bovelloy Surprise may bo among them. But Boveney (pranounced Buvewey) is an ancient parish near Windsor, and was aciopted as a method name when firsi rung by the enterprisilg band whase activities centre round the royal borough.

The method is by George Baker and is a half-hrother to Ashtead. It is, in fact, Ashtead wikhout 7th's place. Only one peal had been lung before last Saturday, when the Guildford Guild who rang the first peal of Aslitead) rang the scond of Boveney at Iwell.

It provided another example of the vexed question of authorship of compositions. The 5,024 was an adaptation of half a peal of Double Norwich by George Williams. Can it be stid that George Williams romposed the peal? Boveney had never been heard of when he set down the figures to Double Norwich. Boveney has a 4th's place bot, while Doulde Norwich has a Gth's place bob; consequently the conjs ends are not the sime. A bob at 5 in Double Norwich brings up the wourse end, a bob Before in Boveney outs it out. But the calling of the peal of Boveney was taken from George Williams peal of Double Norwich. So what about it?

Alan Pink called both peals of Bovenoy, and in the two peals there have been 15 firsts in the mothod. Incidentally it was Mr. Pink's une bundredha peal as conductor, and these peuls have been rung in a large number of methods - something fine 25 Sinprise metligds among thers. And here is another iuterceting point. With the excepLion of a peal of Edmonton Eob he has called a peal in every Major method he bes rung.

A distinctly fine performance was put up by Willian G. Newberry in this peal. He came to ring the treble, but owing to the indisposilon of one of the bund a new trebleman lad to be obtained (it was Mr. Arthur Hadley, who was for many years in charge of the tower at Arklow, Ireland), and Bill Newberry, with a knowledge of Ashtead, learat the molhod in the tower before taking on the 7 th.

Anotber ringer to score his one hundredih peal as conductor in recent days is Mr. William Barton, of Pudsey, who reached his century with a peal of Bob Major on handbells, rung on December 7th, It wus a belated birthday compliment to Mr. P. J. Johnson, bat this was the first opportunity of thus colebratigg the natal anniversary of Yorkshire's former secretary

## FIGETY AND STILL GOJNG STRONG

A peal of Datble Norwich Major was rung sit North Stoneliam on December gth to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the wedding of Mr, and Mrs. W. R. Melville

Mr. Melville was for many venrs member of Holy Trinity, after wards the Cathedral, baud, Guildford, where he was steeplekecper ior a time. He was also a very active District Master of the Guidford Diocesan Guild.
Since his ratirement from Messrs. Dennis Bros'. inotor factory, he has been living at King's Worthy, near Winchester. Since taking to a country life be sems to be growing younger, but he finds gardening on a chalky soit as lard as the work in a blauksmith's shop
Mr. George Whiliams, who called this 'wedding peal' aud reached a total of 1,450 , must be the oldest active conductor. He was 80 in May, but he still keeps going, and since rogistaring 'four score' has rung 28 peals and called thent dozen of them. He is one of the very few ringers who have conducted over a thonsand peals.
Mr. John Sturit, an old member of the Gateshead band, whose death we recorded last week, was burjed on November 29th, and a half-rumfled peal was rung after the funeral. Fe was leader of the local company for many years and is deeply mourned.
The Norlh Lincolnshire bond, of which Mr- Jack Bray is a leading spirit, rane their first peal in seven Surprise Minar methods of December 7th. And it was, also, the first by the Northern Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild. They ran the peal at Elslam as a birthday compliment and a farewell to tho vicar, who is leaving the pariel.
A peal in seven Minor methods at Hope, Mintshire, on December $4 t h$, marked the 17 fh gnniversary of the bells, whilh were installed hy Messrs. Taylor and Co. in 1920 and constitate the wilage war memorial.
The six bells at Beentam, Bucks, have recently been rehuns, and the first peal on them since they were reoperied was rung on December Eth by a local band, who are all ex-Service men. The perl consisted of three methods of Minor, two 720's each of TKent and Oxforch and three of Plain Rob. Tlie 720's were rung alternately.

Two sisters, the Misses W. E. and D. L. Ditcham, members of si Giles", Norwich, tower, were among the three ringers who rang a peal of Double Norvich Major at the first, attempt it St. Giles' Church on December 1st

## OANON HELMORE'S BIRTHDAY

Mr. Thamas E. Sone, of Paddock Wood, Kent, on Saturday rang his one hamirecth peal of Kent Treble Bob. This was at Aylesford, and the has now called a peal from all the bellg in no fewer than six towers.
The peal was a birthday compliment ta Canon F. T. O. Helmore of Canterbury, who was hon. secretary of the Kent County Associa tion for over 30 wears. Canan Helmore is 86 . A peal of Donble Norwieh in lonour of the event on the preceding Saturday at New Romney unfortunatoly failed.
With the peal of Stedman Triples on December 8th, Mr. G. H Pery has condicted peals from each bell at St. Illtwis, Bridgeud,
and js believed to be the first to do so in any tower for the Landafl and Monmouth Association. 'Ilae variation of Brook's peal, which was the compasition used, starts as suggested in "The Kinging World recently, with rounds the last row of the six.
To call a peal of Bob Royal on landbells from $3-4$ as the first attempt at calling a peal of Royal is the mutable performace of Derek Shanp, at Crayford. \&t the same time two other of the yolnger Craylora members, Teddy Barnett II. aud Geoflrey Y. Murphy, rung their fiftieth peal together.

Two peals of Yorkshire by the Yorkshire Association on the same day! It is another testimony to the growing popularity of this Surprise method. Thase twa peals wero rang on Deceuber 11 th al Handsworth and Eckington.

After a peal in honour of the golden wedding of tho Earl and Countess of Harrowby, at Stone, Stalis, on Sinturday, the baud were hospitably entertained by ML", and Mrs. Wilis Buckicy
Thiree sixtecn-year-old ringers of St. Peter's Socicty, Buralam, took part in the first peal on the bells at Langley Marish, Bucks, on Decenber 6th, when seven 720's of Minol in seven diFerent methods were rung to mark the 25 th year of the incumbency of tho Hov, F. T. H. Shepherd, through whose gelicrosity the bells were increased from fivo to six.
Of the three youtlis, John E. Taylor rang his 25 th peal, and 13 yran Q'Neill his first peal in seven methods. The third, Marin Blamey, rang the treble
The Rector of Alwalton, Hunts, where there is a ring of five bells, is anxious to stir the interest of the paribhionets into forming as band of ringers. On December 4th, at his iavitation, a visiting company rang a peal in five methorls of Doubles as a piece of propayonde work, and afterwards were entertained to ter by the Rector (the Rew. F. G. Milnes). Visiting ringers are sure of a warm welcome at any time at Alwalton

## CORNWALL'S YOUNGEST CONDUCTOR.

A very young conductor salled the peal of Doubles at Wenslam, Cornwall, on December 4tin. He celebrated his 12th birthduy ouly the day before, and bis perifomance was wortly of atyone trith oldel in years and experience, as be ouly rang his first peal just twelve monthe ago. Since ther, howevet, he has takel part in several, and is a very enpable rimper of (irandsite Triples and titedman-samely an achievement for a child
In honomr of the tetcentenury of the College Youtils, I Am members rang a peal of Loudon Surprise at Wexthoughion on Theent ber 4th.
What should have been a birthday peal at Holbrak. Nutiolk, on December 3rd, was bumed into a pen of mourning for the death of Brig.Gen. E. Huater Rodwetl, ehutelwaten and an honoraty onember of tho Suffolk Guild.
It was Ronald Steward's 17 th birthing, but the muffles were put, on and Doubles substituted for Miner. It was the first peal of Diunliles by all the banc

It is of interest that Miss Syluin Bowyer. who took part, has now rime peals on all mumbers from Doubles to Mayimus.
Three of the Sumday service ringers at Silton toote part on November 26 th in the first peal on the five bells at this Dorsef viliage. It wrac their first peal, too.

The first peal of Minor on the hells at Bodentam, Herefordshire, was rung as a 25 th birthday compliment to Mr. Tesclie Evans, one of the ringers.
A peal in two hours and liftreen minutes, even of Doubles, on $a$ ring of six clurch bells is mood going. At Rushalt, Staffs, 42 six-scores of Stedman wore rung in this time on Decmber 9th. It was the quicters peal on tho bells, the tenow of which is just under $7 t$ cont.
The conductor, Mr. Frank E. Haynes, who is Ringing Masker of St. Martin's Guild, has now called and Mr: D. PI Matkim loss riseg porls of Stedman from Ginques to Doulles. This peal, by the way, way rung for the Staff Archdeaconry Society.

COMPOSTA IN EGYPT
Mr. Bernard Swingon, who resided for some years iu Ligsptr workerl ant while there a variation of Carter's odd bob one-part peaj of Stedman Triples. It was aallenf for the first time onl Detember gth by Mr. Manvice F. R. Hibbert, at Bushey. Mr. Hibbert, like that other Manrice-Mancice Swinfield, of Finton-has a penclant for malling difficult penls.
The first penl of Major on the bells since they wele restored was rung at Netherseale, Derbyshire, on December 4tli.
The first peni on the six bells at Whenthampstead, Ficris, since they were recast and rehing by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co. was ratns on December 4th and was a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Goldjns Miss Richardson and the condictor (Mi: Walter Ayre).

Messre. C. V. Ebberson and Nolan Goldels rang their fftichs peal together when they took part in a peal of Mines in mine methods at Garveston, Norfolk. on December $\mathrm{g} / \mathrm{h}$ (the first in more tifan one method on the bells) as a birthday compliment to Mr. Tolin A. Godfrey, Rineing Muster of the West Norfolk Branch of the Norwich Diocnatn Association. It was the 80h tower in which Mr. Ebbergou hus inוag a pen

The new Vicar of Pytchley. Northants (Ehe Rer. H. A. J. R., Norfon) was welcomed with a peal of Daubles after his induction on Decmber 4th. It was rung in five methorls.

It did not take 3 hours and 50 minutes to ring the peal at Gombr, as ecorded last week, but only 2 hours 50 minutes.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## WESTERN DIVISYON AT NORTHOWRAM.

In spite oi the very wintry contitions which existed practically dill over the country, the Western Division of the Forkshire Association held a very weil attended meeting at St. Matthew's, Northowram, on Siturday, December 11th. It sperks well for the enthusiasm of the members, when upwards of en attended frona a very wide arca. There hud beru a leavy fall of snow the puevions evening, and on several dr,ys during the week, so that travelling facilities were not at theur best.
The bentiful modern cinureh was greaty, admired, aud a special iten of interest was the 'Children's Gormer'. The belhs, which are a very nusical ring of eiflit, were kent moving thronthout the day in lares varjely of methodi, from call elanges to Cambeidgo and superlative Surprise. A very gratilying tcature was the number of younf ringers who were present-a guod atigury for the futu

A short servige was held durithe the nltierwoon, and Canon Watkinson, in a most delightfil anal interesting address, welcomed the visitore to Narthowrmm. He tonehed tupon the many old engtoms of ringing From the most early bines and concladed with an example of the early monting ringing on Fater Day-at chtom which he foped would nevor lapse.
splendid tea was served in the sichools, and the Unsiness meeting followed, presided over by tho vice-president (M1. P. J. Johnson) and uporfod liy Ganon C. O. Marshall, M.A., and Canon Wetkinsan,
Tho Chamun intingted that the main lonsiness of the meeting wis The appointrant of a mew manlier of the cammittee, the vacancy nuving been cunsed by the elevalion of Mr. T'. W. Strangeway to the
 by 31 F . W. H. Sonion, it was manfmonsly hatced iliat, Nr", William Ambler, of Quednstary, be alectot
The watabey of the fiemeral Commite of the association was filled by the appoiutiment ol Mr. Fy. Armitage, of Faddersficld.

Cuman Marshall, in proposing a hemrty vote of thanks to the Wiear and wardeas for lindly granling the hise of the bells, and for the subndid reception, especially thanked the Vicay for his most inkerestinfor adress, which he was shre everyone had greatly appreciated.This was seconded by Mr. Willina Ambles and supported by the :hairman.

Mr. II. Lo[thouse, in a meatly worded syeerly, lhanked the locnl company for their splendid arrangements, which he knew had not lomen actomblished without a grant deal of thought and efforn-This was seconked by the sectetary, whe inchended unolher unseen worker in the vate-tile organist who so ably officinted at the service.

NIr. Alberi Hancock replied for the Incal company, saying that they hat all heen pleased to walcome the assaciation and would like to seo ther agath whenever it was convenient.
six mow members were clected as follows: Frank Miosby, of Kildwick, C. Nichol and K. Dohson, of Northowiran, Fermon Bottomley, of Hinlifax, Arnold Coles of Furslet, and Harry Lumb, of Sowerby.

After the meexing, the members insperted the new schools and then arljourned to the tower, where further ringing was enjoyed intil after 9 riclock. At this time it was still showing lieavily, but in spite of this various members were vory veluclant to leave the village.
It is hoped to arrange the next meeling, which is the anmund divisional merting, in Marul uext, at East Ardsle
The towers represented at the neeting were as follows: Armber, Ifabey, Holton (Rancford), Brirhause, Denliolne, Drighliurton, Elland Hatifax (St. John's nnd Alt Souls'), Haworth, Headingley (St, Michael's and St. Chad'sh, Kivkhuton, Leeds Parish Church, Idle, Pudsey. Queensbury, Roulnwell, Ripuonden, Shipley, Sowerby, Sherlmern-in-Elmet and the iscal company

## TALGARTH RYNGER'S EARLY DEATH

It is wibl regret that we have to recond the death on Wednosday Sowember 24th, of Mr. Stanley Clarles Powell, at the early age of 32 vears after only a short illness.

Deceased was a very faithfut member of the Talgarth Church bellringers, always regititr at practices and for Sunday service ringing. He lat ouly rung two peala. In addition to being a belringar, he was aiso st sidesman, a nember of the Parochial Church Council and ol' the O.E.M.S.
The funersl took place on Saturday, Novenber 27th, when there Were between 300 and 400 people present. Mr. J. P. Hyett (district secretary) represented the Northern District of the Swansea and Brecon Guidd, and Mr. M. T. Davies, who is a member of the Central Caumail of the C.E.M.S., represented the socioty. Deceasea's fellowhullingers, Messer. D. H. Bernetl, B. H. Davies, C. M. Davies, J. L. Grynne, S. L. Speake and D. J. Griffhs, acted as bearers, the undertaker being Mr. W. D. Grifitiths, who is also captajn of the local ringers. Among the 65 wreaths from the family and friends was one from the bellingers, in the shape of $n$ foral bell lying on its side.
After the service some six-scores of Grandsire Doubles and call changes with the bells hali-muffled were rung as a last tribute of respect to ne whose place will be hard to fill. On December Ist a half-muffled peal of Grandsire Douhtea wis mus as a last tribute of hait-mint.

## BELLS' IN NEW ZEALAND

DORKING CURATE DESCRIBES SUBSTITUTES.
In spite of the wintry weather, about 40 ringers put in an appearance at Dorking on Saturday week, when the Leatherhead District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild held the last meeting for the year, a welcome visitor being Mr. Alan Pink, from Hanwell, a former secretary of the district
The Guild's service wag conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. O. H. Funt), assisted by bis senior curate (the Rev. A. Dawson), and MrColes, the organist. The addrews was given by the Rev. A. Dawson, who said he thought the bells of Eugland were taken-almost sth conscionsly-as an accepted factor, and it was not until he went awny to New Zealand that be realisod what i real part they played in English Iffe. He west on iu describe some of the substitules he found in the country districts aut there, one place being well off with a set of iroll hars of various lengths. It was not unusual, however, to hear an iron bedslead or an emply kerosene can being banged it signify that it was noarly time for service

Tea was served in whe Chureh Room, and, ailthough theve were home-made cakes, the party of 35 failed to finish the course. Tho Viear was present aud took the ehair for the ensuing business meetiur
The retiring officers were all remomimated, the games of Nestrs. W Janes and W. J. Whiting being added to the represcutalives on the General Execulive Committec
The district secrelay (Mr. A. F. Smilh) advised the members of the Guild's dimer on Janwary gilt, and the meeting closed with leayty vote of thanles to the Vicar for the service and use of the bells, also for presiding, and to the Rev. A. Dawson for an interestinty and unisunl address.

Atber an interlude with inandbells, the tower bells were again mad, full use of until close on 9 a'clock. The variety of methods ranger From rounds, thronty Tripies, Plain Bob, Douhle Norwich, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob to Cumbridge, Sirperlative, London, Bristol and Yorkshire Surprise.

## LADIES GUILD

## SUCCESSFUL MJIBTNG TN BRISTOL

A very suncessfat meeling of the Western District of the Laries Guild was held at the $\mathrm{T}^{3}$ alish Chnreh, Clifton, on December 11t.l. T'lo attendance was good, numbers being present from Bath, 1bristol. Abbotsleigh, Duflicld, Mangotsfield, Portishead, Stoke Gifford, Westerleigh and Wrington. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Boln were rang during the afternoon. The service was tondracted ly the Vicar, who exlended a hearly welconze to the Gatidi.
Thinty-two uembers and frients assembled alterwards in the Purisin Fall, where Mrs. Gremory had provided au excellent tea. This was followed by the business meeling, Mrs. Edwards, the vice-president, being in the chair. Miss Violet Smith, of Westerleigls, was elected a member of the Guild, and Mangotsfield was chosen for the next meeting, to he held on the second Saturday in March.
At the conclusion of tea a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, to Mr. Hedley Gregory for playing the organ, to Mrs. Gregors for providing the tea, and to those members of the local band who had kindly mate all the necessary arrangements for the neeting
A disappointment was experienced after tea. It bad been arrangen to ring af St, Mary-le-Port in the evening, but on arrival at the church it was discovered that one of the bells was ont of order and ringing impossible. After varions efiorts has been made to semre another tower, Miss Annie Brown came to the resche and carried of a large party to ring at St. Philip's, where they spent on very happy hour, and rang among other things, a niec course of Cambridge.

## BRAINTREE VETERAN.

For over 50 years Mr. H. E. Fammond has been a Sunday serwice ringer at St. Michael's, Braintree. On Satnrday he celebrated his 72nd birthdny, and in homour of the event a quarter-pal of Superintive Surprise Major was rung for morning service on Siudey: S . Warne 1. B. Redgewell 2, H. Janmond 3, R. Martin 4, G. Lindridge 5, F. Felton 6r L. Wiffen 7, A. Wiffen 8 . In spite of his rge, Mr. Hammont is still the "life" of the Braintres company, and his 'slriking' is as near perfect as nossible. He is an old member of the Collegre Yantlis.

## NORTON RECTOR'S SILVER WEDDING

After an unsuccessful attempt for a peal at St. Jamea' Ghurch, Norton, near Sheffield, on November 2hth, to celebrate the silver wedding of the Rector (the Rev. J. S. Pegge), a quarter-peal of Bob Major was rung by S. Briggs 1, J. Moss 2, J. E. Turley 3, J. Sykes 4, R. Payne 5, A. Gill 6, J. J. L. Gilbert 7, N. Chaddock (conductor) 8.

## MUFFLED BELLS.

At St. John the Baptist's, Aldenham, on Sunday, December 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rang with the bells halfmuffled to the momory of Miss Ellis, for many years comnected with the chureh: G. J. Bishop 1, H. J. Wright 2, S. Jones 3, C. Evans 4, C. H. Horton (condnctor) 5 , W. Inwood 6 . W. Gitas 7 , $\mathbb{V}$. Lawrence 8 .

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## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS

MAISEYHAMPTON, GLOS-On Sunday, Dcc. I\&H, for evening service, a quarier-peal of Grandsire Doubles, 1,260 changes ( $10 \frac{1}{2}$ sixscores each calted differentiy) : E. H. Peare 1, W. C. Cuss (conductor) 2, L. W. Cuss 3, N. G. Peate 4, J. E. Godwin 5, W. A. Godwin 6. Pirst quarder-peal and first attempt by the ringer of the treble, who is aged 14 yoars.

NORBURY, CIESHIRE-On Mouday, December 6th, al SH.
 Fenney (longest length) 1, J. Fernley 2, L. Clongh 3, Rev. F. Bonner 4. J. Whittaker 5, J. W. Hartley 6, C. K. Lewis (eonductor) 7, ग. Worth 8.

LONDON.-At St. Giles', Gamberwell, for Sumduy evening service on December Sth, a quarter-peal of Shedman Caters: A. Hughes (finst \&itarter-peal) 1, T, F. Taffender 2, \#iss 3. Mills 3, Miss H. Mils 4, MIss O. Ashbrook 5, 'T. W. Taffender (condactor') 6, P. A. Corby 7, J. King 8, A. Disercas 9, Frank Hopgood 10.

LONDON.-At. SL. Lawrence Tewry for evening service on: December 5 h, a quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,280 changes) : W. A. Fuglies (first quarter of Bob Major) 1, G. A. Parsons 2, R. W. Gonsins 3, G. T. Moody (first quarter of liuh Major) 4, R. Allen 5, F. C. Shoiter (conductor) 6. J. A. Wangh 7, E. Murrell 8.

ABERATON, (1,AM,-On Sundry, December 4tw, for evening service, q quarter-peal of Grandsite Triples: V. Smith 1, T. M. Roderick, Newton Porthewi ( Cinst quarter-peal of Triples and first attempt) 2 , A. J. Pitmar (conductor) 3, S. F. Roper (Groydou) 4, W. J. Nurtos 5,

Wathers 6, B. Stitch 7, F. E. Stone 8.
MFRE, WItTS.-On Decemher 2nd, [or practice, a quartor-peal af Stedman Triples: $F$. Hill $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{t}} \mathrm{H}$. Cowayd 2, 1]. Panl 3, G. Bunce 4, J. Gray $5_{1}$ W. Keates 6, F. A. Gownd (conductor) 7, H. Jordan 8. The first quarter-peal of Stedman by the local band on the hells. Thunks atre due to Mr. Fi. Rowe, of Etomrton, for his help from the hant's first 120 of Grandsire Doubles upwards.

BARKING, IESSEX. -On Simday, Vovember $28 \mathrm{Lb}_{\mathrm{h}}$, fur morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,280 chargeg): P.C. C. Austin (first in the method) $1, H$. Worhoys 2 , W. Beard 3, F. G. Codits 4, C. Fem (vondinctor) 5, G. W. Haulkner 6, R. Fenn 7, C. W. Fanlkner 8. KIRKBY STEPHEN, WESTMORLAND. - On SHIday, November $28 t h$, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Iniples ( 2,260 changes) W. Wharton $I$, $K$. Bumett 2, A. G. Morlund 3, T, Martin 4. Bimalberry 5, A. Wilkinson 6, E. Bu'nett (conduetor) 7, if. W3. Nicholson 8. The first guarter-peal for all the ringers with the exception of the conductor:

WATFORD, H1FRTS.-On Sunday, November 28uh, for eveninys servise, a cyuarter-peal of Double Norwieh ( 1,280 changes) : pix 1, S. H. Hoare (conductor) 2, F. Bulloek (firsli in the melihod) W. Norris 4, F. L. Lemg. 5, G. N. Leman 6. H. G. Chammore 7. R. G. Bell 8.

## A DOUBLE BAND FOR SUNDAY SERVICE RINGING

## ROCK FERRY'S EXAMPLE.

On Sumday week two 720 's of Minar were rung at St. Peter"s Chmeln, Rock Ferry, by two entirel separate lands and anl gre members of Rock Ferry tower, five of them laving commenced to leam only in March of this year.
Six of the band, whose avemge is 15 years, are mombers of the choir, whilst two obhers are ex-choirhoys, Two more are Fearning, making a total of 14, and on practice nights it is nsual to liave at least 16 i; the tower at once, but everyoue gets a fair share of the ringing. During this year 'rio's in 27 methods have been rung, including 24 Surprise methods.

Sumday's 720 's were as follow: For morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise: W. J. Williams 1, D. Pary 2, Mrs. M. Poole 3, J, Leslie 4, A. V. Andrews 5, W. Dean (condnctor) 6 . For evening service. 720 of Kent Treble Bob: H. Andrew 1, J. H. Cooke 2, G. C. Enlse (first 720 of Treble Boh 3. A. J. Martin 4, J. Coolie (conductor) 5, F. T. Perry 6.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-West Division.The annual meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford, on Saturday, December 18 LL . Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4-30. Tea at 5 p.m.-H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec. 69, Rye Strect, Bishop's Stortford.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting of the Gloncester Branch will be held at Barnwood on Saturday, December 18th. Bells (8) open at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5.15 p.m., kindly provided by the Rector (Rev. E. H. Noott). All ringers welcone.-W. H. Harris, Branch Hon. Sec., 4, G.W.R. Terrace, Lydney Dock, Lydney.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.The next meeting will be held at St. Chad's, Poulton, on Saturday, December 18 ch . Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Business meeting after tea. Come and hear the new octave, tenor 8 cwt. Subscriptions due.-C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.-The last meetung for 1987 will be held at the Parish Church, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, on Saturday, Decem. ber 18 tin. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea in Church Room 4.30 prompt. Short service at 5.30 . All ringers and friends welcome, especially Loughborough District members, at this meeting.-J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sce., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

SHAUGH PRIOR, S. DEVON.-Ring of six bells, tuned and rehung in new framework by John Taylor and Co. Rededication service by the Lord Bishop of Plymouth on Saturclay, December 18th, at 3.15 p.m.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUIID. - Wimborne Branch. -The annual meeting is to be held at St. James', Poole, on Saturday, December 18 th. Ringing from 2.30 . Service at 4.30 . Aldress by the Rector, Rev. E. C. Harris. Tea in the Church House, 5.55, followed by the usual business.-C. A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

MAWGAN, NEAR HELSTON, CORNWALL.-The belis, restored and augmented to a ring of six by John Taylor and Co., will be dedicated by the Lord Bislrop of Truro on Saturday, December 18 th, at 3.30 p.m.

I-TERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-St. Albans District.-The annual mecting of this district will be held at St. Albans on Saturday, December i8th. St. Peter's bells (ro) available from 3 p.m. until 5. The Cathedral bells (12) after tea. Tea arrangements are being made. Will all those who can please attend this meeting, especially the committee for the district?-W. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfield, and H. F. Frost, 4, KimJerley Road, St. Albans, Dis. Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Boiton, on Saturday, December 18 th . Bells available 3 p.m.Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., zo3, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, December 18 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Everybody weicome.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Southern Division. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Ranmoor, Sheffield, on Saturday, December 18th. Bells (10) available Eroni 3 p.m. Tea in the Parish Hall at 5 p.m. at 1 s . each.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Street, Bentley, Doncaster.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Calne Branci.Annual meeting will be held at Calne on December 18 th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and meeting to follow. Ringing friends welcome.-L. A. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 109, High Street, Wootton Bassett.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottinghan District.-A meeting will be held at Sawley on Saturday, December 18 th. Arrangements for tea on the spot. Service 4.30 . Please turn up and let us have a swagger Christmas meeting.-Tom Clark, Dis. President.

WAR WICKSHIRE GUILD.-A monthly mecting will be held at Berkswell on Saturday, December 18th. Tea at the Garden Cafe at 5 p.m. Bells (6) available afternoon and evening.-M, Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., Exhall, Coventry.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. -Next meeting at Wisbech on Saturday, December I 8 th. Bells (ro) at 3 p.m. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5 . The members of the district conmittee are asked to meet at 4 p.m. Please help to make the last meeting of the year a great success.-W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington, St. John, Wisbech.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The next practice has been arranged at Old Windsor or Saturday, December isth, at 6 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, Manchester Brancis. -l'he next meeting will be held at the Town Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, December 18 th. Tower opens 6 p.in. Members and non-members are cordiaily invited to attend.-J. H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.
I.ONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-The next meeting will be held to-morrow, December i8th, at St. John's, Old Hackney (Mare Street). Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea, etc., 5 p.m. A good attendance is specially requested.-James G. A. Prior, 31, Limerston Street, S.W.Io.

HERTS ASSOCIATION,-Meeting at Watford, Saturday, December 18th. Bells open from 3.30. Tea at 5-45. Annual business meeting. Election of officers for r938. Ringing after till 8.30. Excellent train or coach service to Watford, from all parts.-C. H. Horton, 53 , Aldenham Road, Bushey. City 427 .

SPRFYTON, NEAR BOW, DEVON.-Ring of six rehung on ball bearings by Gillett and Johnston. Rededication by Rural Dean, Saturday, December ISth, at 3 p.m.

THETFORD, NORFOLK.-St. Peter's Church. The peal of eight, tuned and rehung with modern fittings in strengthened frame by Gillett and Johnston, will be rededicated by the Rural Dean on Saturday, December 18th, at 2.30 p.m. Bells available for ringing after the service. Tea provided in St. Peter's Schoolroom, Croxton Rearl. Afl ringers invited.

PLYMSTOCK, S. DEVON.-Rededication of the ring of six bells, tuned and relsung in a new framework bi John Taylor and Co., will take place on Monday, December zoth, at 7 p.m. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Plymouth.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Dec. a3rd; *St. Gíles', Cripplegate (instead of Bow), Dec. zist ( 7.30 p.m.) ; St. Anclrew's, Holborm, Dec. 30 th, at 8 p.m, *Business meeting afterwards. A. B. Peck, Hon. Sec., Branksome, Eversfield Road, Reigate, Surrey.

BROADCLYST, EXEIER.-The ring of eigit bells, recast and rehang in new framework by John Taylor and Co, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Crediton at 7 p.m7. on Tuesday next, December 2ist.

LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-The next meetang will be held on Saturday, January ist, 1938 , at St. George's, Southwark, S.E. Bells available 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea to follow. All those requiring tea please notify me not later than Thursday, December 3 oth. Gentlemen cordially invited.-M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec., 9 , Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Enent.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established z755). -The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, January ist, 1938, at the Tamworth Arms, Moor Street. Ringing at St. Martin's Church from 5 to $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting at 6.15 p.m. prompt.-T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham, in

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Amnal Dinner, Saturday, January 8th, 1938, at the Lion Hotel, Guildford, at 6 p.m. Tickets 5s. 6d. each, from J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover Cottage, Lower Pyrforal Road, Woking, Surrey.

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Ringing took place during line afternoon on the recently retured and rehung peal of eight, and ranged frum rounds to Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise.
A slortened form of evensang was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. Cooke, aud was followed by tea at the Express Dairy, Joondmu Bridme. The Rector also presided at tea, and those present worn entertained by a course of Grandsire Caters on Mr. C. W. Taylor : excellent peal of handbeils.
The business meetivg was held in the vestry, the Master (Mr. G. H. Crass) taking the chair.
The elections of two new nembers priar to a peal wers ratified.
It was decided to hold a dinmer early in 1938 on the lines of that held in March, 1937, and the tbird Saturday in March was put forwarel as a suitable date.
The Master referred to the passing of the Rev. 'Dick' Shepparil mentioning that he was a member of the society. The meeting stont in silence for a few moments as a tributo of respect.
A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector for grantipg permission to ring and for conducting the selvice, and also to Mr. W Bottrill for his assistance in making arrangements.
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## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION'S MEMBERSHIP.

The annual report of the Lancashire Association, which has just been published, states that the subscriptions ieceived from ringing members in the past year account for only 718 out of the 1,522 on the roll, that $\$_{7}$ are two years in arrear, and that 54 have been crossed off. Knowing something of the work which is put into the association by its officials, this seems to us a rather lamentable state of affairs. Making every allowance for financial stringency among members in an industrial area like Lancashire, that more than one-third should be in arrears with their subscriptions points to a lack of appreciation of the relation which the members hoid to the association. No wonder, therefore, that the committee appeal to ali the members to be loyal to this side of the association's work.

In these days the banding together of ringers into associations for the promotion of their art and interests is so well established, that no one questions the necessity of it or the advantages to be derived. The growth of ringing to its present standard and the level of recognition which ringers have attained has been largely due to the organisation of the belfry personnel into a wider union than merely local bands, giving an impetus to the art and a higher conception of the ringers' duties both on the part of the ringers themselves and of the Church authorities. Without the associations the fabric of the Exercise would quickly crumble, but they can only exist by the support of the individuals. In every instance, of course, it is the enthusiasts who bear the brunt of the task and very largely carry the organisation to whatever success it may attain. And this is done often in the face of many discouragements.
Not everyone, perhaps, has the opportunity to put into a cause the energy which others are able to exert, but every ringer should feel it a duty to do the least that is required of him-pay his small annual subscription promptly. It may be that in many cases failure to do so is just negligence, but that does not make it any easier for the officers to carry on their work, and when the proportion of subscriptions left unpaid is as large as that in the Lancashire Association it becomes a severe handicap to the activities of the organisation. The 'defaulters' continue to enjoy all the privileges of membership, but do not contribute their share to the funds-and the individual subscription is such a small share, too. It should be a matter of honour among ringers, not only in Lancashire but everywhere, to pay their ducs promptly, as it is only by their so doing that the organisation can be kept efficient and carry on the work which it exists to perform.

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## TEN BELL PEALS．

CEESTIR．
THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD．
On Sahwrday，Decenber 7T，1937．in Three Howr and Twenty－Fork Minutes Ar the Cathedral，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL， 5000 CHANGES： Tenor 30 cwt ．
Robrrt Sphrring ．．．．．．Treble Jobn Cook ．．．．．．．．．．．． 6
－Waltzr J．Battle ．．．．．． 2 James Morgan ．．．．．．．．． 7 Kenneit Lewis ．．．．．． 3 Righard D．Langeord ．．． 8 Harry Parker ．．．．．．．．． 4 Gerge W．Biddolpe ．．． 9 Johm E，Bibay ．．．．．．．．． 5 Jobn Worte．．．．．．．．．．．．．Tenor Composed by John Cartha．Conducted by Robert Sperring．
\％First peal of Royal．First peal an the bells since they were ang－ nented to ten by the Graik fin celcbration of its jubilee．Mr．J． Morgan＇s 250 tl peal

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Josepg Broadley ．．．．．．．Treble｜Ernust H．Simpson ．．．．．． 6 Leslie W．G．Morris ．．． 2 Georgr Robinson ．．．．．． 7 －Fard Davison ．．．．．．．．． 3 William Wooderad ．．．．－ 8
 †Harry Davison．．．．．．．．． 5 Gefyrev j．Hemmig ．．．Tbhur Composed by G．R．INewton．Conducted by Lesile W．G．Morris
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A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6043 CHANGESI Temor 27 cwt. in D.
 Grorge Large ... ... ... 5 Seymour R. Barker ... ... Tomo Composed by Gro. T. Daltry. Conducted by Jozn Pelleips.
First peal of Sledman. Rung as a rompliment to the tenov ringer on his 6ist birthday.

## H:ITITRORD.

THE HERTTORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Satwrday, Decomber 18, 1937, in Thyee Hoursand Eighteen Minvies, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 25 cwt 23 lb in D
*Miss Constance T. DittonTreble Ceristopeer W. Woolery 6 Mrs. Edith K, Fleicaer 2 George W, Debeneam ... 7 Gzorgr Gray ... ... ... 3 Staneyy A. Carter ... ... 8 Mrs. Frances Boteam ... 4 Ernest Brett ... .... ... 9 Jonm H. Bотнam Composel by W. Banton. Conducted by George W. Drbenalam. * First peal on teul lells. First peal in the method on these bells and by all ble band, except by the ringers of Znd, 7th and teaor.

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A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 11支 cwt.
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... ...Treble |'Tgomas W. Dodos ... . ... | * Cbris. T. Lamb... | ... | ... | 2 | Riceard Oliver | ... | ... | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Robrrt Clark | .. | ... | .. | 3 | †Henry Rawlings | ... | .. | 7 | William H. Barber... ... 4 Gborge Wiekinson ... ...Teter Compused by Joan Carifr. I Conducted by W. H. Baferr. "First peal in the method. † Firgl penl and first attempt. Ringers of the 3 id, $6 i h, 7 t h$ and fenor are reqular service ringers at St. Aidanss. Rung with the bells half-muftled in mentory of the late Mrs. Annig Lee, 91, donor of the bells, who was haried on November 11 W. 1937

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## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 OHANGES;

Taylor's Six-part.
Tenor 19 cwt.

- William Rose ...
... ...Tybble | Herbert Goakrs
Witriak H. Waldron 2 +Frahk Warringion Fraty K Warimgion..

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Frank Creasey... ... ... 3 Waeter H. Freeman.. .7

- Lewrs Bosa ... ... ... \& Alpred Joyce ... ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Frank Warrington.
" First peal of Grondsire. * Finst penl of Grandsire away from the tenor. Rume as arewell to the Rev. A. J. J'. Newman, M.A. Vicar of St. Andiew's sineo 1907. A birthdity peal to Mr. Rose.

## LEY'ION, JSSLEX

TIEE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Satuday, Devenley 17, 1937, in Three Hours and Seven Minulos, At tie Parese Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL GF BOB MAJOR, 5940 CHANGES;

Cearles A. Hugers ...Treble |*Fancis D. Bisgop ... ... 5

| - Dennis Brock | ... | .. | .. | 2 | Ernist W. Pye... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| - Norman H. Manning | ... | 3 | Alfred Prior | 6 |  | Artedr C. Ceaplikg ... 4 Erngst W. Furbank ..................... Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by Alfred Prior.

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A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 EHANEES; Middlezon's.

Tenor 23 cwt 2 qr I 7 lb , in E flat.

- A. Hecior Holliday ...Tyeble|Jogn A. Godrrey ... ... 5 Grorge Mayers ..
Noian Goldin...
Wallace W. Cousins
2 Cladod Cousins...
5
3 Willam Cloyer 7 Conducted by Henry Tookr.
卷 First peni in the meltotl. First peal as conductar in the method on eight bells.


## TADCASTER, YORKS

THE TORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Decomber 11, 1937, in Three Hows and Foty Mintes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cht.


Alan Drenison ... ... ... 4 Alfred Barker ... ... ... Timpy Composed by Rev. C D. P. Davies, Conducted by F. E, ADDison

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Jobn Lloyd ... ... ... ... 4 Alerbd Dayigs ... ... ...Texoy
Composed by F. Robinson. Conducted by R. Matterws.

* Firgt peal of Treble Boh.

BUOKIEY, FLINTSHIRE.
THE OHESTER DIOCRSAN GUILD.
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 Composed by F. Bennett. Conducted by Grorge J. Boicber. * Firet peal of Major.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, December 13, 1937, is Threa Hours and Eight Minutos, At the Cfurch of Si. Botoler, Bishopsgate,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES; Tenor zo cwt.
Edwin F. Pike ... ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Edwin A. Barnett .... ... 5
Harry Hoskins ... ... ... 2 Charlas T. Coles ... ... 6
 Composed by F. Denca. Conducted by J. C. E, Simpson.

HALEWOOD, JANCASHTRE.
THE LANGASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Liverpool Brange.)
On Monday, Decomber 13, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Cherce or St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 6088 CHANEES; Tenor 11 cret.
William Maddock ... ...Trebia | Tbomas Robinson Jambs Robinson ... ... 2 Jonn Robinson ... Herbert Ludian ... ... 3 William Robinson ... ... 7 - Arther Maddocr .... ... 4 Joem W. Gardner ... ...T inor

Composed by H. Lodrin. Conducted by J. W. Gardner, * First peal and first attempt. The 引ist peal of Major by the local band.

BATTLE, SUSSEX. THE SUSS[X COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Woinusday, Docomber 15, 1937, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At ter Ceurce of St. Mart,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE HANOR, 5088 OHANDE8; Tenor 83 cm .
Reginald V. Jobnson
...Trebly Nelson Elifoti ..
Keite Hari ..
Kenhetr Sneleing
Raymand Ovrry...
Jelson Elliott ...
Jack M. Cripps
. ... ... 3 Fredrrick Page
Oliver Sippetts ... ... ...Temo Composed by J. W. Waspbrook. Conducted by O. Sippetts. First Surpise peal on the bells.

> HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GDILD.
On Friday, December 17, 1937, in Three Hours axd Nine Mintits, At the Chtrcre of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF MONEWDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5O24 CHANCES; Tenor 19 ewt.

| Grorgr Weiting |  | T reble | Grorge Brnarty |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jobn H. Arbon |  | 2 | Leslie C. Wigetman |  |
| George Pryke |  | . 3 | T. William Last .. |  |
| Laslie G. Bhet |  | . 4 | James Brnneita jun. |  |
| Composed b |  |  | Co |  | Composed by G. Lindofe. Conducted by T. W. Last. First peal in this method, Lindoff's No. 67.

## ORAYFORD, KENT

THE KTNT COUNTY ASSOCTATION
Dn Friday, December 17, 1937, in Two Hours and Forky-Two Minetes, At the Ceurce of St. Paulinos,
A PEAL OF GRANGSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES:

Parkrr's Twelve-part.
Tenor 12 妾 cwt.
Edwin Barnett ... .... ...Ttebls
Rene Redpath ... ... ... 2
Alan J. Hopper ... .... .... 3 Thomas Groombridgr.jun. 4 William E. Bond ... ...Temor

Conducted by Tgomas Groombridgr, jun.
Rung as a 21st birthday complimeut to William E. Bond.
PRIVETT, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINGHTESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, December 18, 1937, in Three Houss and Eight Minufes,
At the Churce of the Foly Trinity,
A PEAL OF YORKBHIRE SURPRISE MANOR, 6184 GHANCES; Tenor I2 $\frac{3}{i}$ cwt.

 Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Oliver Sipprite. WIOKEN, NORTHAMPTONSEIRE.
THE PEIERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GULLD.
Un Saturday, Decenber 18, 1937, in Thyed Howys and Two Minwtes, At the Church of ST. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF CAHBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 15 cwt I qr. 20 lb.

- Harry G. Ridgway... ...Ttrole | Cbarles W. Bird ... ... 5

Thomas E. Robsris... .... $\quad$ Herbert C. Edwards ... 6 Ernest C. Lahbert... .... 3 John A. Green ... ... ... 7 A. Nonmeley Wood... ... 4 Albbri J. Grien... ... ...Tenoy Composed by J. W. Parkrr. Conducled by Albert J. Grern.

* First peal in the methorl. TUNBRIDGE WTLLS, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
Un Saturday. Decomber 18, 1937, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Sis Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,


## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. Parkrr's Ten-part. No. i, C.C. Collection. Temor i4 cwt Alfrrd J. Battin ... ...Trebla Bernard V, Collicon ... 5 Ernest J. Ladd ... ... .... 2 Frederick W. Housden ... 6 Aleert Worsfold ... ... 3 Alec E. Ricbardson ... ... 7 Mrs, F. W. Hodsdbe ... 4 Wicelam A. Kircernside...Tenor Conducted by Ernest J. Ladd.
First peal in the mefhod by all the band. SELLY OAK, BiRMINGHAM.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Norigern Brance.)
On Saturday, December 18, 1937, in Three Howrs, At Tge Churce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE HAJOR, 5024 CHANEES:

 Teaor 12 cwt I qr. if lb. in G .Willitam B. Cartwriget Treble Henry H. Fgarn C. Howard Sianley ... 2 Tgomas Hemming

Norman J. Goodman... ... 3 Frank E. Haynge ... ... 6 Clibrord Skidmore... ... 4 Grorgr E. Fearn ... .... Tehor Composed by F. Bennett (No. 20) Conducted by W. Cariwriget

* First peal of Surprise 'insite.' Rung with the hells hall-mumed as a last tokeu of respect to Janes Dowler, for upwards of 50 years a ringer at this church.

We have experta visitima all warts of the British Islea, and shall be pleased to earry out restorations or give reports refardind


HARWELL ${ }_{4}$ BERKSHITE.
THE OXFORD DIOQLSAN GUILD.

At the Cedrch of St. Mattbew
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8; Tenor 15 cwt . I qr. 2 Glb .

| Hogh J. Balcombe | ...7yeble | Righard G. Rice... |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mrs, Aebert E, Lock | 2 | Alberi E. Lock ... | ... |  | 6 |
| Walter F. Judge: | 3 | Richard A. Post..- | ... |  | 7 |
| John Nobes | - 4 | Ernhst Molford |  |  | enor | MITCZAM, SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCTATION
On Salurd, $y^{\prime}$ Decomber 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Four Mimeter,
At the Chureh of SS. Peter and Paul

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANEES;

Parker's Twalye-fart.


Tenor if cwit.
Reqben Charge... ... Cearles Pothbcary ... ... Charlrs W. R. Grimwood 7 William S, Smite .*a ...Temot Conducted by C. Portracary

## SIX BELL PEALS

BUXTON, NORFOLK
THE NORWIOE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satmiday, Nouenbar 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minules, At ige Cgurch of St. Andrhw.

## A PEAL DF MINOR, 6040 CHANEES;

Beiug three 720's of Kent, Treble Bob and foul 720 's of Plain Bob, esch called differently.

Tenor 124 awt
Gebrge Ball ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ Dranis F. Bell ... ... .... 4
Jace N. A. Pumprey ... ... 2 Waltar C. Medler .... ....
Alfrid W. King... ... ... 3 William C. Doffield ...Tenor Conducted by William C. Duefreld.
Eung with helf-muffled bells as a tribute to Miss Margaret Jewell, aged 66 years, whosc remains weve interred at Buxton earlier in the day.

TRYSULL, STAFDS.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE AECHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, Decmber 11, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly-Fore Minules,

Ax tere Parise Church,
A PEAL OF DOUELES, 6040 CHANGES;
Being eight six-scores of lReverse Canterbury, 12 of Plain Bob nut 22 of Grandsire. Tenor 11 cwt

- Arceibald Clarke
.- ...Treble
Sinaey Hotlawhy
iCyril Taberner
$\begin{array}{lll}\ldots . . . & 2 \\ \ldots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$
Barnazas G. Key
Howard Howgll ... .... 5
James Davis ... ... ...Tamor Conducted by B. G. Ker.
* First peal ial three methods. t Fijgt peal away front tenor. $\ddagger$ First attempt for a pead.

RANWORTH, NORFOLK
THE NORWIOH DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION
On Saturday, Deamber 17, 1937, in Tto Hanys and Fifiy Mitules,
At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES:
Being 720 of Cambridge Sutprise and two 720 's eacli of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford crreble Bob and plain bob, each called differently. 'Tenor 18 cyt. in $\mathrm{F}^{\prime}$.
Hrbaery C. Read ... ...Tveble| Eric Dorrant
Wilciab C. Derfibld ... 2 Waltar C. Mediar ... .... R. William Barbri... .... 3 Georgr Balley ... .... .... ... Comducted by George Bailey
First peai ou the bells since they were angmented and rehung by Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich

ALGARKIRK, KINCS
THE LINCOLN DIOCDSAN GUILD.
(Eastern Brance.)
Or Suturday, December 17, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifly Minutes,
At the Cedrch of SS. Petrr and Padl.
A PEAL OF OAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, EO4O CHANGES! Tenor 12 ext.
Miss Lois M. Neal ...Tyeble |Arthur Young ... ... ... 4

Composed by Rrv. E. Bankes |ames. Canducted by John R. Young

* First peal of Cambringe away from tha theble.

WILLTSBORODGH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Saluyday, December 11, 1937, in Thyee Hours and Five Minutos,
At the Cberch of St. Mary,

- PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANOE8;

Being two extents of Oxford Treble Bob and one each of 正ent, Doublo Court, Double Oxford, St, Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. Albert J. Lancefirld ...Tiebla $\mid$ Charleg L, Smita ... ... 4 -Raymond G. Carlton ... 2 Williah J. Lancepirld ... 5 - Kenarif J. Carlton ... 3 Edwarb S. Rock... ... ...Temoy Conducted by Edward S. Rock.

* First peal in six methods "iuside.' Rung to celebrate the 88th birthday of Mr. F. Exell, Rector's warden for nearly 40 yeare.

STRATFORD-ON-AVON.-A quarter-peal of Bob Triples, the firbt by all the bond, who are all Sundey service ringers, was tung for practice on Tuesday, Octaber $26 t h$, at Foly Trinity Ohurch, Strationd-on-Avon: J. A. Print 1, W. Rawlings 2, H. Price 3, F. Lye 4, C. R. Eteed 5, H. Brooks 6, F. B. Hunt (conductor) 7, R. Ohapman 8.

DAVENHAM, CHESHIRE.
THE CRESTRR DIOOFSAN GUILD.
Un Saturday, Deember 17, 1937, in T too Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At ine Centef Of St. Wilesid,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Sicven aifferent extents.
Tenor 15 ewt .
Cgesi Raddon
$\begin{array}{cc}. . . & . . . T r e b l e \\ \ldots & . . . \\ 2\end{array}$
... ... 3 Harry W, Howard
$\cdots T^{5}$

- Robbri Hulse ...

Conducted by H. Howard.

* Tirst peal. † First peal of Minor.


## HINDERCLAY, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, December 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
At ter Cedrch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Heing 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court and Plaim Bob, and two 720 's ench of Oxford and Kent Treble Boh. Tenor 12 cmt . Frbderick C, Roper
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text { R ... } & . . \text { Treble } & \text { A } \\ \ldots . . & \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & . . . & 3\end{array}$ Alblert G. Harrison
Charbs T. Orves
Walter Elgey
Arther Cook

## Conducted by E. G. Benneit Waver'ron, oheshire.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesiday, December 14, 1937, in Two Howrs and Forty-Fouy Minutes, At the Chujce of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Seven extents, eacls called differeutly.
Tenor 8 cwt.
Robert Sperring
J. William Clarke

Alberie. Richarde
.Treblo Waltar Thomas...
Conducted by Jambs Morgan.
... .. 4
morate the 50 Jamb Morgan.
Rung to commemorate the 50Ll anniversary of a peal of Bab Minor at Talford on December 12th, 1887, in which Mr. Morsan and Mr. W. Thonas both yalag their first peal,

HOLMER, FIEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HERETORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Decomber 16, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fow Minutes,

## At the Chithch of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHARGES;

Buing 720 of Keat Treble Bob, three extents of Oxford Bob and threc of Plain Bob.

- Avetin T. Wingate... ...Trebla
- John D. Worsby

Grorge T. Covsins:.......
Walter S. Evans
... ....Tertor
Conducted by Ernest F. Salmons.

* First peal of Minor in three methods.


## IUDDENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFTOLK GULD.
On Thursday, December 16, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minktes, At ier Ceurce of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three extents of Plaiu aud two each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.
Oliver J. Kidey.
Pbacy K. Pareer
Alpred J. Ford
Treble $\mid$ Gzorge R. Fincer Hzary J. Vince.. $\quad . .$.

Conducted by Wilciam J. G. Brown.

## WOOL, DORSET.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, Decomber 18, 1937, in Three Hours and Seven Minures, At fue Cuerch of the Holy Rood,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 ench of Double Court, Oxfard turd Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Reverse Canterbury, Si. Clement's and Plain Bob
'Tenor' 11 cwt 24 B .
Harold C. R. Vink ...
.Tyeble $\dagger$ Rabbas Wakb

Conducted by W. C. Saete.

* First peal of Minor in seren methods. † First peal. \$ First peal in seven methods.
(Other peal raports aro unavoidably hald over.)


## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## SOUTH-EASTERN DIFISION OFFIOERS RE-ELECTTTD

The anmual meeting of the Sonth-Eastern Division of the Jisex Association, which was held at Wirithe, was a rery successtinl and pleasant gathering, there being present 55 ringers from 18 towers. Good use was made of the bells during the aftermoon and evening in a variety of methods, ineluding rounds for the beghmers.
The Vicar (the Rev, J. H. (Jpton) conducted the association form of service, and at the commencement of a very encouraging addless wimmly welcomed the zingors to Witible. He twisted that tile temperature of the clurch (the hembing apparatus having broken down) wonld not be faken as a sample of the wolcome
The singing of the hymus was lead by the deputy organist, and tho lesson read by the lion. secretary (Mr, H, W, Shadrack).

After a very welcome tea at the Rose and Grown, the business meedm inje was presided over by the Ficar.

The hon. secretary reported that during the year two members had passed away, A1: W. Slarpington, of Galleywood, and Mr. A. G. Maskell, an hon. member, of Chelnasford. Nine ringing and one honorary member lad been olected, nud fivo meetings had been held with an averame attendanco of 32 , this representing 16 towers in the division and visitors liwa 16 other towers Fifteen peats had hoen pung, the methods lieing Superlative, Cambridge Surprise, Donlole Norwich, St. Clement's, Plain Bols Mujor, Stcdunn and Grandsire Triples, 1 each; Kent Treble Bob Major, 5 ; Oxlord Treble Bob Major, 2; and Minor in four methods, 1. IMe conductors were $G$. Gruen, L. J. Clark and P. Green, 3 each; H. Erlwards, 2; W. Kceble, E. P. Duffeld, $\mathbb{B}$. Kempand $H$. Mansfield, 1 eachard. Five menhers liad rung their first peal, 28 their first in the methoal, and two their first is conductor in the method. The peal ai St. Clement's Major was tho first in the method for the association.

In conclusion, the lon. secretary thanked the Divisional Haster and hon. general secretary for their help and assistance, and the tower masters and sectetarics and all those who had hepped at and attended the meetings and made them successfus.
Mr. H. Mansfield was d'e-elected Divisioual Master, and Mr. H. W, Shadrack re-elected hon. secretary.
Four ringing members were elected, C. T. Jaģard, of Barehant F. Clark and D. A. Symons, of Chelmsford, nud A. Iishble, of All Saints', Maldon.
It was decided, sulajed to permission being grantod, to hold the next meeting at Broonfield on February 12th.
The visitors were welcomed by the Divisional Master (Mr. FI. Mansfield $\}$, and the Master (Dr. P. IT Spencer-Phillips) thanked the Viear for the use of the hells and for his address, the organist and organ blower, and Mr. T. Limcoln for makin the arrangements for tea.
The towers represented were Great Bnddow, Borcham, Broonffeld, Chelmaford. Danburs, Goldinmaer, Maldon, Rettenden, Sptingfield, Little Waltham, Widford and Wirittle, and visitors were present from Sudbury, Braintree, Halsted, Silule Bedinghan, Bocking and Farlow Common.

## BELLS OVER LONDON <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-With reference to the letter signed hy P. W. Cawr, Mr. Roughtor:, or anybody else for that matter, has a perfert. right to collaborate in a broaderst on the Ancient Society of College Yonthes, gud he las an equal right to withdraw from it if he wishes to do su. Such an arrazgement is an enlipely private atfair befween Mr. Roughtom and the B.B.C., and is for them, and them only, to agree or quarrel about as they choose. It wonld be different if Mr. Roughton had been nominated as the society's spokesman and had been instructed to withdraw on their behalf, but this is nots so and there should be mo misundershanding as to the rights of the individual in these circumstances.
If Mr. Cave thinks deeply ewough he will find that the most deplorable aspects of the whole thing are, firstly, the failure of the B.B.C. to obtain agreement with partierpants before publisluing thein programmes; secondy, the readiness of the thily Press to disseminate privabe differences, and, thirdly, the tearliness of some indiyiduals to make mountains oft of molelills, especially when concerning themselves over business which is in no way their own. It is vely dificult also to see what carthly good cen come from making spiteful personal references to the infividuals concerned. Glear tbinking and considered speaking are indeed virtues.

Also your corrospondent, Mr W. A. Birmingham, seems to be making over much of Mr. Lewis references to lihe Leander R.C. and the M.C.C. It must have been olvious to most people that our president was trying to illustrate the fact hat rivgers value membership of the A.S.C.Y. on account of its history and traditions. He said nothing to indicate superiority as such, and, indeed, I oannot see low any one of a number of welturenised associations can, of itgelf only. possess supariority over the otherts. It is traditions that impart a degree of distinction, and Mr. Lewis is fully justifed in trying in point out to his audience that the A.S.C.Y. possesses them.
J. A. WAEGF.

Woodford. December $13 t 5$, 1937.
[This letter reached us too late for insertion in our last issur.Editor, ' Ringing World.']

## SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD

SUCUESSTOL MEETING AT ABERATON．
The annual dishrich meeting of the Swaysea and Brecon Guild whs ineld at Aberevon，when about 40 members attended．The eight bells ware raised in peal and then a towh of Stedman Triples was followed， with further riuging．Service was conducted by the Vicar fthe Rev． W．H．Jollesl，assisted by the curate（the 彐ev．G．ग．Vadden）．Mr． H．Cound presided at the organ．Tea，in the Sclioolroom，had been kindy provided by the charchwardens and a Iew ladies of the church， who also waited it the tables．
The Vicar presided at the meeting，at which a vote of condolence was passed by the members standing in silence with the relatives of two members who lave recently passed away，Mr．F．Morse（Stretty） and Mr．J．A．Hoare（Swansea），also with the secretary on the death of his father．
Mr．E．Stitch was reelected district sectetary，Mr．D．Williams was elected auditor，and Ewansea was chosen for the next meetiog in March．

One new life member was elected and af few new members clected for 1938.
A hearty welcomb was extended to all the visitors who were prusent， and votes of thanks werg accorded witla acclamation to ine Vicni， curate，churchwardens，ladies and the organist．
Ringing was afterwards tarried on till about 8.30 ，when the bells were lowered in peat，thus bringing to a close one of the best attended meetings of the dislrict．

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．

A meeting of the Eastern Division of the Sussex County Association was hedd at Christ Church，Blacklands，Hastives，on Satnrday，Decem－ ber 4 th，when members abtended from Battle，Brede，Heabbfied， Ensthourue（St．Saviour＇s），Hailshan，Northiam，Hastings（St． Olement＇s and Christ Cliurchy．The Rev．F．Lil．Fdwards，hon． secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild，Mr．W．Haigh，of Etching－ ham，and Mr．Piper，of Enstbourne，were also present．Good ringing practice was put in during the afternoon and ovening．
The service was conducter by the Vicar（the Rev．Fames Morgan） who gave a most interesting address on bells and zingers．
The Rev．F．Ll．Edwards presided at the tea aud business meeting which followed，and was elected a non－resident life member．Mr． A．F．Kemp，of Northism，was also made a member．
Mr．A．C．Pankhurst（hov．secretary）phoposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Fiear for the use of the Dells，to the Rev．F．Ll． Edwards for presiding，and also to Mr．Piper for bearing the cost of the ter．The members then returned to the tower and lept the bells going until g oflack．

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The South and West Dishrict of the Middlesex County Associatiou and Londou Diocesan Guild held its liual meeting of the year ab Uxtridye on Saturday，December 11th．Contitions and cirumstances indiuated at good meeting，for the weatliea was kind and there was no contpetition from similar evonts！The attendance，however，was dis－ uppointing，the total not exceeding 25．linging at St．Joln＇s，Eilling－ don，in the afternoon jncluded Grandsine and Stedman Caters，while later，ab St．Andrew＇s Church，a dittle more variety was obtaiged when only au octave was in use．
Eronsong was conducted by the Vicar（bhe Rev．R．Fome），During Lte service a bricf pause for silent prayer was made when the con－ gruation were asked to remamber three members of the association who had died reently－Edward Cornwall Jones，priest，Fenry Folkard aud Jabies Lacas．The first mamed was nit hou，member and Vicar of Ruislip．Fe was present at the association meating held at his tower in September．He had been in indifferent health for some time，lat his decease cams on November 13th，after only a short period in a nursigtr home．

At＇ter tea，the quarterly lusiness was quickly completed Notice was given of the sixth anmual supper and social to lje held at Feston on Saturday，January $22 n d$ ，while the district annual genervl meetiug would be held at the same place on lrebruary 12th．It was decided to bold the meeting in March at St，Mary＇s，Ealing，probably on the 12th．
Before retnming to the tower，several tonches were rung on hand－ bells．
＂Tickats for the supper are now on sale，puice 3s．6d．each，aud miay be obtaited from association officers．

## GLOUGESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

SWINDON BRANGH．
The annual meeting of the Swindon Brazch of the Gloucester and Bristal Diocesan Association was lield at Ohrist Church，Swintion，oa Saturday，December 1lth，when good nse was made of tho ten bells in ringing，waging frow rounds to Kent Treble Bob Doyal．
A short service was conducted by the Rev．L．Golledge，and Mr． W．F．Truman presided at the business meeting，at which all the oflicers were re－tected，No mectigr was fixed for January，while Blunsdan and Rodbourne Cheney were the towers proposed for Fobruary and March respectively．
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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

We extend our heartiest greetings to all our friends and wish them sincerely ' A merry Christmas.'
There is talk of yet another peal boing increased to twelve. Efforts are being made at Beddingion, Surrey, to get permission to add two trebles to the existing peal of ten. The tenor at Beddingtion is 181 cwt.

The annual report of the Lencashire Association for 1936-37 has just been issued. It covers nearly 90 pages.
Broadcasting from Croydou Parish Church will be resumed in January. On the first Sunday in alternate months the bells will be heard on the National long wavelength, at 9.25 a.m. In the alternate month, the bells of Lichfield Cathedral will be heard prior to serpice Dr. Woods who, as Bishop of Croydon, formerly conducted the services at his Parish Chureh, is now Bishop of Lichfield.

## A RINGER IN INDIA.

GOOD WISEES FROM KASHMIR.
To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-I once again wish you and all readers a merry Christmas aud a prosperous New Fear.' I also hope to hear over the 'air' some good 'striking' at Christmestide. How homely bells do sound to 118 so far away!
I have enclosed a few photos that I hope may interest you. I often think how W.H.F. would love to unearth some of the mysteries these old places must bide. I often delve deep to find that my search is in vain for ' Invincible Peal Shoes?'

I hape tried to get information ro bells from Burmah, Tibet, Russian aud Chinese Turkestan, etc. Hindus have given me information, obtained from their priests, where to get information. I bave sent stamped addressed reply enveiopes without any result whatsoever.

Not having seen, as yetr, any replies to 'Ringer's Wife," my advice to her would be, 'Learn to ring and so keep your husband company.' I fail to see where one can complain of man baving his few hours* ringing. He certainly is safe and in good corapany. Three weeks ago I had to leave my wife and clijdren for a journey over dangerous mountain roads, as I often lave to, but mever a word of complaint. I returned to find my house cracked and cornices fallen dowz by a terriblo earth-shake. How 'Ringers' Wives' can differ is evident to me.

I fail to see how some corrapondents in their letters advance the art of ringing. Constructive criticisra helps, but when it cames to throwing mud at each other it leads nowhere. Possibly "Trancis Bacon' has met this type of ringer, as ha geems to have caught a swarm in his net. His opinion as to ringere is the opposite to that of

## Srinagar, Kaslmir.

November 30th, 1937.
[Tle photographs which Mr. Bapbut las so kindly sent us include pictures of the mountainous country in Northern India and of the ruins of ancient temples.-Eprror, 'Ringing Worid.']

## NEARLY, BUT NOT QUITE.

## To the Eaitor.

Dear Sir, Whilst not wishing, even in the smallest degree, to depreciate what ' C.L.G.' writes in to-day's issue of your paper about ringing at St. Andrew's, Plymouth, I feel that it is only doing justice to my own band to point out that the peal at St. Andrew's was not 'the only peal rung in Devon for the Coronation' seeing that on Coronation Day we scored the first local peal of Minor ever rung on the bells. With reference to the further remark that "Mr. Myers. . . has now under his charge the most protressive band in the caunty who can ring Surprise methods for Sunday service, my band-all the members of which live within the ecclesinstical parish of about 280 people-bas just scored its first 360 of Cambridge Surprise Minor, and has recently rung this method for Sunday services. We do not claim to be more progressive than St. Andraw's, but we would like to feel that we were allowed to share with St. Andrew's this progressive spirit, which I sincerely lope may saread in tho county. Already there are signs of this spirit in a few other towers.

May I conclude my letter by bearing my testimony to the magnificent work which Mr. G. H. Myers has been doing, in the cause of change ringing, for so many years, and place on record the esteem in which he is held by all members of our Guild.
E. Y. COX,

President of the Guitd of Devonshire Ringers, and Captain of Brampford Speke Ringers.
The Vicarage, Brampford Spelee, Exeter.
December 17th.

## A DATE TOUCH MIXTURE.

At All Saints' Ghureh, Rettendor, on December 13th, a date touch Was rung in 1 hour 7 minates. It consisted of 359 of Cambridge Surprise, 432 of Woodbine Treble Bob, 240 of College Exercise, 288 of Kent, 288 of Oxford Treble Bob, 240 of Plain Bob, 60 of Double Court and 30 of Grandsire Doubles: Frank O. May (composer and conductor) 1, Hary Jay 2, Willian May 3, Gerald Frost 4, Chardes Jay 5 , Frank Jay 6 .

## DEATH OF MR．JOSEPH J．PARKER．

## A GREAT COMPOSER．

Wo much regret to record the death of Mr．Joseph J．Parker，of Finchiam Rayal，Bucke，who，after having beea in failing health for somo time，passed away eazly on Tuesday moraing at the advanced zye of 84 years．
To the present aneneration his name is chiefly assaciated with the famous Twelve－part peal of Grandsire Triples，which has become sometifing of a classic，and，for its sim－ plicity and symmetribal qualities，has gained a popu－ lerity omong conductors un－ equalled by any other peal in the method．
Joseph J．Parker was one of the little group of men who，fifty or sixty years argo seriously set their minds to the then unsolved problems of composition．His work was contemporary with that of men lite C．D．P．Davies， Arthur Heywoad，A．B．Car－ penter and Earle Bulwer， whose researches were ley－ ing the foundation upois which much present－ifay knowledge is based．
Mr．Parker devoted him－ self principally to Triples methods－the most difficult of all ill which to get true peals－sind lic produced com－ positions in Grandsire，Sted－ man，Oxford Bob，Cour Bob and Union，Because of their more general practice his peals of Grandisire and Stelman are best known， and，indeed，his work in
 boll these methods won

MR．JOSEPH I．PARKER． bob these wethods won high preise from the composers und writers of that time．They showed an unexcelled insirghi into the subject and an unsnrpassed ingenuity of construction．Mr．Parker has left a legacy to the Exer－ cise the value of which it is impossible to over－estimate．

His services to practics！ringing were also great：Attached all his ife to Farmham Royal Church，ho not only kept a band going in his own tower，but went far and wide teaching change ringing at a time when pioneer work was an uphill struggle．He was one of the foumders of the Oxford Diocesan Guild，served on its committee and was one of its most esteemed members．
He was devoted to his Parish Church，and，in addition to being the leader of the belfry for many，many years，sang in the choir for forty years．Ill－health and the increasing infirmity of age kept him from lis belowed bells for about three years，but his interest in ringing was sustrined to the end

「＇le funeral took piace at Farnliana Royal jesterday（Thursday），

## OLDHAM AND DISTRICT SOCIETY REVIVED． FOUR TOWHRS＇ACTION

As was briefy mentioned in our last tssue，the four towers in OIdham have resuccitated the Oldham and District Society．Rivgers of the four belfries held a meetine on December 10th at Witehead＇a Cafe， and after discussion decided to take tho necessary action to re－form the society．

The meeting was presided over by the Vicar of St．Mark＇s，Glod－ wick，and was well attended．In the effort that is being made the clergy are bebind tle project；in fact，they were the instigators of the meeting，to see if there could be some menns of improvernent in the social side of ringing，by bringing the ringers together more often， It is hoped，by making a pish in that direction，also to improve the ringing capabilities of the members，thus making for jadividual pro－ gress，tean spirit and service．Membership of the Lancashire Associa tion will still be retained
Mr．Ogden Moores，of 31，Roald Street，Clarksfeld，Ofdham，is the hon．secretary of the revived society，which inchudes the towers of St． Mary＇s（12 bells），and Glodwick，Leesfield and Moerside（each 8 bells）．

## MUFFEED BELLS．

At SS．Petor and Paul＇s Church，Levenham，Suffolk，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Triples（1，260 changes）：M．T．Symonds 1，L．PouIson 2， W．Faiers 3，L．Pryke 4，F．Boreham 5，J．Offord 6，w．R．J．Pouleon 7，S．H．Symonds（conductor） 8 ．Rung with the bells half－muftled as a mark of respeet to the late Mrs．B．Lennox－Conyngham，widow of the late Rector，the Rev．G．Lennox－Conynglam

## DEATH OF MR．JAMES DOWLER．

## OLD SELLY OAK RINGEAR．

It is with regret that we have to record hac death on Friday， December 17th，of Mr．Eriest James Dowler：of Selly Oak，Bir mingham．

Jimmy＇Dowler cammenced lis ringillg at St．Mary＇s，Selly Onk， in 1884，on the old penl of six，and was an active membor of SL． Mary＇s Guild up to 1922，when ringing was stopped at St．Mas＇s Church owing to the tower being leported unsafe．Some time after this his health began to fail，and，in consequenco，lie land heen absent from ringing circles for the last few years，although lie has made one or two appearances since the bolls and tower weye restored．

He has rung peale in all the standard methods from Grandsire 10 London Surprise．He had accupied the position of Rincing Mrster at Selly Oak，and was fer some time secretary of the Northern Branch of the Worcestershire Association，retiring from this latter office in 1919.

In addition to a half－muffled penl of London Surprise Major rumg at Selly Gak on December 18th，there was rung at the same church orn Sundax，December 19th，for evensong，also lali－muffled，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Eriples by C．H．stanley 1，I．L．Boylin \＆，H．Haslan 3 ． William B．Cartwriflt（conductor）4，N．A．Goodman E，Fary Wiblers （composer）6，V．G．H．Hemus 7，Ed．Holt 8．（This quarter－pen］starls at baekstroke，f．e．witl the 3 rd in the hant and the 2nd mating 3rd＂s．）

## RINGERS＇TRIBUTE TO LATE MAYOR．

## NORTHAMPTON LOSES CHIEG MAGISTKATE

On Thesday，November 9th，at tue Guildhall，Northanpton， Aldarman J．V．Collier，J．P．，was elected Mayor of that boroughi for the succeeding twelve montlis．Suddenly within 34 days of his installa－ tion he was taken ill and died．Mr．Collier，who was 67 years of age， was the principal of a firm of eugineers and ironfoutaders．He was interred on Thursday，December 16ih，in the family grave at Dustom， Northampton，the funeral being attended by the civic anthorities amidst many impressive scenes．As the fanily momrners left the graveside，the following rang a quarter－peat of Doubles， 1,260 changes （comprising 720 of Gramdsire and 540 ol＇Plain Bob），upon the Duston Parish Church bella，wibl half－mufiled clappers：F．Burgess 1，I＇， Amos 2，J．Dunliley 3，J．Clifton（conductor）A，G．E．Perkins 5；D． Lovell 6 ．
It is sad to relato that only nine day⿴囗⿱一一儿丶 before the tragic occurrenco Mr．P．Amos paid a personal visit to His Worship，at the lnter＇s lome，for the purpose of soliciting his support towads bine fund tor the new bells for St．Andrew＇s Church，Northampton－the scheme for which Mr．Amos has initisted and had the satisfaction of semmit adopted by the Church Council．Mention lad beer mede of invilinf His Worship to givo one of tho new bellg to commemorate lis yost of office．For many years Mr．Collier represented the ward in which St．Andrew＇s Church is situated on the Town Council．Of recont yeare tragedy has seemed to overlang the Mayorntty in Northanpton．In 1933 the then Mayor＇（Councillor Percy F．Hanaty）coilapsed and alied while at a public function five months after taking office，and in 1931 a deputy was called upon to take the office of one who had breu selected as Mayor and died a few days before his formal election．

## ST．STEPHEN＇S GULLD，BRISTOL

## To the Editor．

Dear Sir，In the interests of listorical truth，it would be a．good thing if we were told what authority there is for the statoments made in pour last issue．I should think that it is extremely walikely that the society severed its connedtion with the belfiy so long ago as 1848，and the legend that it was founded by a clarter promiged by clizabeth and granted by James I．is brsed，I helieve，on no sounder foundatiou than some man＇s fancy．Ab any rate，there is no mecord among the patent rolls of any such charter having been granted．

I nossess a notobook written by Osborn in which is the following entry：＂Queen Elizlı arrived at Brishol on Safy Augt 141574 and the St．Stephen＇s Bells were rung to congratulate her on her armual， for which she promised the ringers a charter woh wns alterwds． granted by James Ist bearing date 17 Novr 1620．She was recd by John Young，the then Mayor of Bristel（afterwads Sir John Young）－hn resided at St．Augustine＇s back Bristol．

This has all the appearance of being fiction founded on facl．Wlay should Elimabeth reward the zingers？It was an umderstoon thing that，wherever sho weat，the bells should be rung．If they werc not the parish was fined．

The last occasion I know of on which a parish was fined for note ringing for royalty was at Twickenhau iu 1647 ．Readers who hure studied sevententh century history will realise the significance of the date．The King at the time was a prisoner and was passing by under ascort．

Probably the so－called＂charter＇was really the code of rules，which the St．Stephen＇s company，like the other sucieties of the time，drew up to regulate their proceediugs．Thero is nothing unique about them．

52，Lammas Park Road，Faling，W．5．

## A RESTORED CHESHIRE RING.

## HALLOWING OF CHEADLE BELLS

In February last, it was decided to cease ringing the peal of eighu at St. Mary's Church, Cheadle, Cheshire, in consequence of their dangerous condiliou. Estimates were obtained for a complete restoration, and Messis. Cillett and Johnston were entrusted with the contrat. The work was mado possible by the manificent ofer of Mr, Percy II. Shiers, of Brooklield, Cheadle, to dehray the entire cost in memory of his wife, Hilda Shiers, who died iu March, 1937.

The popular Reclor, the Rev. W. J. Wilkinson, M.A., does nothing by bulves. This was demonstrated when the bells were reopened by ki whole weck-end of thankggiving. Siaturday was given over as a
vingors day when upwards of 40 shalwarts from warions towers in the distriet forefathered at Cheadle. The mumber would undoubtedly have been consimerably ereater but for the poincidence of the jubile dinner of tike Chester Diocesan Guik occurring on the same day.
The ceremonies opened on Saturday afternoon with a few rounds by the local bend, led by Mr, A. Garr, who has recently heen presented with an illmmated address by the parish in recognition of his 50 years of service as a ringer.

Following short toucles, which included wo well-struck courses of Stedman Triples, a special service for ringers was held in tive church, a freat mumber of the parishinners also attending. The sermon was preached by the Rev. R. D. Humplivies, Jumal Dean of Stoekport nad Vican of Nombury, why took rs liss text "In that day there shall be "pon the bells looliness tunto the Lord, ${ }^{3}$ from the book of Zacharimit.

After the serwice full justice was done to an excellent tea prowided in the Church Hall, M3. W. Wolstoncrofts expressing thanks on belahf of those present to the Rector anul This people. IRinging was tilen resmmed and coutinued intil a late bour.

On Sunday morning the hallowing and rededieation was pertomed by the Ven. Archdeacon of Macclesfield, Canon J. F. Armilstead N. A., assisted by the Rector.

Tha Archneacon, rlergy and clmrchwardens proceeded to the tower for the ceremony, at the conclusion of which the bells were rung in rounds by the Iocal hand : A. Cailns 1, H. Cook 2, L. Burrows 3, H Claydon 4, P. Cook 5, A. Mulliner 6, F. Carr 7, A. Cam 8.

The Archdeacon, adhressing the crowded congretation, told af the uses of bells and their importance to the Ohurch. He furdier said that the people of Cheadle were indebted to Almithly God for putting the tholight into the mind of Mr, Shiers to restore their bells in memory of his wife. He combl think, lie said, of no better form of memorial, and on behalf of the parish he thanked Mr. Shiers, who was present, for lis zanerosity.

At the cvening service anothev large congregation listened to most mintereating talk on wells, givelr by the Rev. F. H. Gibbs, B.A. Rectar of Christ Church, Salford. Mr. Gibbs, wiow is himgelf a
ringer, raturall, give a most able exposition of the arts of bell founding and bell ringing.
The bells were set going arain after the service, the Rev. Gibbs himself taking part, thus happily concluding an interesting week-end. MIr. S. Roper, who represented Messus. (illett and Johnstow, was heartily conoratnlaterk an all sides on the splendid manner in whicl the firm had carried out the work of restoration, and for the great improvengent in the tone and tume of the bells. In spite of the long draught of repe, the 'go' and clapnering of the peal is perfect

Gheadle now possesses one of the finest rings of eight in the county, and with a tenor of 13 cwt; of a most handy size. Messrs. Cilleft and Jolnasion have rehmg them with the mosit modern fittings in a new elentrically wolded stecl frame of special design, ensuming an exceptionally rigid construction.

## INSCRTPTIONS

The back six ware cast by Abel Rudlati in 1749 , and the trebles added iu 1882 hy 'taylor and Co. The inseriptions are:-
Treble. Lei him that heareth say Gome. Isame Broome, Donor, 1882. 2nd. The Spirit and the Bride say Come. Isame Broome, Donor, 1892.

3rd. -Vigest Ecelesia Anglicanar. A.P. 1749.
441.- Floreat Episcapatus. A.R. 1749.

5th, -Pereat Selhisma. A.R. 1749.
6ilh.-Abigatur Infidelitas. We were all cast al Gloncester by Abet Rudhall. 1749.
7:1.- Pristina Fidelitas Reslametur. John Fobinsou, Pefer starkey, Thos. Gracegirdle, Churchwardens. A.R. $1749 . \quad$ Fenor-Gloria Deo in Excelsis. Thos. Figerton. A.R. 1749 亿13 cwt 2 qu. 19 lb . in F sharp).

## A SURFLEET TRAGEDY

Many ringers wifo linve wisited Surfleet will regret to hear of the death, under Iragie circumstances, of Miss Emma Wander, who for many yeary was honsekoeper fit the Vicarage to the late Rev. F. Law James, sund had since had the care of a cattage for his brather, the Rev. E. Tankes James. She wis 66 years of age.

It ampears that on Friday evening she went onl of the house and walked straight across the road ind into the side of a passing car. She only lived a few minutes.

The fineral took place on Mondiay, when, mong the wreaths, was one ' In respectinl memory, from the St. Lanrence Church Bellringers, on helatf of the many ringers of England who, in the past, have been entertained at Surfleot Vicarage.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

## SUCOESSEIUL MEETING AT BIRSTALL.

The November meeting of the Leeds and Disfrict \$aciety was held at St. Peter's, Birstall. Ringing was enjoyed on the magnificent peai of eight bells. Owing to the fact that there is no cate near the church, the ringers were invited to have tea at tho church sale of wark, which was being held in the Day Schools. The business meeting was held in the tower in the evening, the president (Mr. Senior) being in the chair.
Two new members were elected, Messrs, J. H. Brothwell, of Rotherham, and William Hawley, of Sherburn-in-Elmet

Mr. W. F. Senior proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens of Birstall and to the lonal company for the excellent arrangements throughout the day. This was seconded by Mr. Fi. H. Wigor, and Mr. H. Peel replied for the local company.

The next meeting will be hold in Jannary, and membors are asked to watch the columne of "The Rincring World' for details,

Memlers and friends were present from Armey, Batley, Bradford Cathedral. Burley, Drighlingtors, Hendiugley (St. Chad's and St, Michael's), Idle, Leeds Parich Chuzch, Rothertan, Rothwell, Sherburn, Shipley, Handsworth and the local company.

Methods rung were Plain Bob, Littla Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major, Stedman 'l'riples, Cambridge Surprise, Superlative Surprise and Loudon Sarprise Major:

## LADIES' GUILD

## CENATAL DIFTRICT AT 1SLEWORTH

A meeting of the Ceutral Distict of the Ladies" Guild was heid at All Saints', Isloworth, ou a recont इaburday, and was vely well attended. The service was conducted by the Rev. P. W. ShepherdSmith, assisted, at the hamonium, by Mrs. Steplerd-Smith.

A very enjoyable tea was partaken of in the Church Hall, the Vicar being present among the part.w, numbering 35 .
Following tea a short lusiness meeting was held, Mirs. R. F. Deal presiding.
St. George's, Southwark, was confirmed as the place of the next meeting, to be held on Jinumy 1st.

Erith was proposed for the neefing to be held ont the second Satanday in Murch, providing permission be granted.
Mrs. Fletcher (ble general secretary) announced that she would have he anumal reports ont is about three weeks time.
A Ietter of thanks was rend from Mrs. Fatcher for the presentation she receired at the Guild dinner
A hearby wote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for his services, and to Sister Cates for the tea.
The members then adjourned to the fower. where further ringing took place inntil 8 p.m.
Three leads of Treble Bob Royal were rung by a completa band of ladies, and a course of Cambridge Royal, abont two-thirds of the band being members. Grandsire and Stedman Caters wero also rung, with the addition of a few rounds for beginners.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## GRATJFYING ATTENDANGE AT SOUTHERN DISTRICT MEETTNG.

The meeting of the Southern District of the London County Association, lueld at Putney and Pulham orn a recent Saturday, was exceptionally well attended, as duriog the afternoon and evening some 45 members and friends appeared, which was a considerable jmprovement on previous mectings, and an eaconragement to the officers. Ringing commenced at Pumey at 3 p.m. nad continued until 5 p.m.. when the business mecting twas held in the tower, the District Master, Mr. H. Mance, presiding.

Two new members were elceted, viz., Mr. W. W. Wehb, of Heston, and Mr. F. Wicks, of Putney. The place of the anninal meeting was fixed for st. Giles', Camberwelt, the date being Saturday, January 15th. As the Bishop of Southwark las lindly promised to preach at the service, it is hoped that as many member's and friends will avtent as possible
Mr. J. Herbert was appointed the auditor of the year's accounte.
Fullam for the use of the bells at their respective churches, and also Messrs. T. Bolton and H. M. Page, the Lowerkeepers, for their kind welcome. A party of 30 sat down to tea at Lyons'

At 7 p.m. the bells of Fulham were nvailable for one honr, and goodi use was made of them, the belfry heing filled to overflowing.

During the day the following methods were ring: Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Caters, Bob Major, Treble Bols Wajor and Royal, Double Norwich, Superlative and Gambridge Major and Royal. It is hoped that the good attendnace at this meeting will ha continned at every meeting during 1938 .

## A PIRST 'SPLICED' 720 .

At Sb, Werburgh's Churen, Kingsley, Staffordshire, on November 9th, a 720 Spliced Treble Boh Minor in five methods, viz. Capel, Sandal, Oxfond, London Scholers' Pleasure and Kingelon Trebie Boh, was rang by H, Garmwell 1, F. Twige 2, T. Edwards 3 , J. G. Cartlidge (conductor) 4. W. Edwards 5, W. Camwell 6. This was the first eplicen 720 by all the band.

## PEAL NOTES.

## TIRST PEAL ON OHTSSTER CAITEDRAL PEN.

Fach branch of the Ghester Diocesan Guild was represented in the first peal on the ten bells at the Cathedral, rung on December Ilth for the first anniversary of His Majestry's qucession.
Tho two treble bells, it will be remembered, were given by the Gritu to commemorate its jubiles. A previous attempt for a peal was lost through the Dean iandvertently switehing off the electric liglit.

The peal, successfully rung, on Saturday week was not withont incident. When the ringins luat been in progress for about half an hour, the seventh aut its clapper parted company. IRepair wark was commenced immediately, and after pressing a piece of wire into service the hell was pronounced safe. It was then 6.20 p.17. The jmpartunt question was "Is it too late to start again " but Mr. J. Worth's reply that he womd 'push her along' tecided the matter, and a good peal was bronglat round in the rather astonisling time of 3 loours 24 minutes. Great credit is due to the "back-enders." The tenor is 30 cwt.
'This peal was Mr. James Morgan's 2501 h and rung almost exactly on the fftieth unniversary of lis firsi, which was a peal of Bob Minor at Pationd on Decenber 19th, 1887.
On Tuestay of last week he fithingy cetehraised the 'jubilee.' Mr. Morgan, who called his own frrst peal, called the same exteats at Waverton and again rang the tenol. Mr, Walter Thonas, who had alno rumr his first peal at tho same lime, 50 yerrs ago, once more rang the fownill in the eommemoration performance.

If must be a nutten of satisfaction to these two velerang to have the pleasire of celphrating together the fiftieth anniversary of their first peal.
Mr. Morgan's 250 neals consist of 1 of Donhies; 38 of Minor; 51 of Triples, in ten methods; 141 af Major, in 23 methods; 6 of Caters; 11 of Ropal; and 1 each of Cingues and Maximus.

## FALSE PEAL REPLACED.

The peal of Keul Treble Boh at Netherton on December 11th wras specialy arranged to replace the false pea] (p. Robinson's composition in shortened formy rung on December Gth, 1907, at this church. The available original members of the hand lexcept Mr. Harry Price, who could not stand in at the lnst minute, nud Mr. C. Rollinson, who has given up ringing thok the same places ats biney did 30 years ago. These were Messrs, Perkins, Nathews, Whatwove and Gass, the remainder of the band being made up by loun friends. It was rerrectied 1 hat Mri. Price was atot present, as it was at this chureht he ranty ins first peal 40 years ago this month.

Rechoy's warden for nearlw 40 years, Mr. T. Excell, of Willeshoroush, kent, has just celchaled lis 88th birtinday and a peal of Minor was mang in howar of the event on December 11th.
the birthday of another churchwavden, Mr. Charles W. Sinfield, of Mitulder, Beds, was also commemorated with a 5,040 of Miror at his Parish Church. It was Reginala 7. Houghton's twenty-ffitl peal.
On the 200th anmiversnry of the death of Whe Rev. John Strype ageci 94 years, whowas Vicar of Jeytoy for 68 years, a half-muffled penl of Bob Major was wing at St. Mary's Church on December Inth. previous to the peal the Leyton Antiquarian Society commemorated the bi-centenezy with a service in the church.

Tho peal was also a tribute to the memory of the Rt. Rev. Guy Bullen, Assistant Bishop of the Sudan, who was killed in an air crash on December Th?. Bishop Bullen was a mative of Leyton. The Vicar of Levton is having a tablet placed in the church lo recond the peal.

## ALL TENORS.'

'Ele bells of the village of Privett, Hants, on whicla a peal of Yorkshive Surprise Major was rimg on Saturday, were something of an 'exhibition piece' when they were put up some fifty years or so ago. They werc one of the best peals of eight of their day, and, despite the fact that they are on the "light 'side, were described by Henry Haley, at rreat nuthority on ball tones, as 'a peal of all tenors.'

Stars' atached to names in peal reports are always interesting. Tf. as wns indicated lnet weele, they do nat always marle the siages of a ringer's prorress, they indicato something fresh. Mr. Frank Warrington, who is tho leading conductor in the Over district of Cambridgeshirn and has called methods up to Johadon Surprise, "wears a decoration" this week for his first peal of Grancisire Triples away from the tenorl
Fo oalled Taylor's six-parts at Whittlesey on Decemiver 10thas a farewell to the Vicar (the Rev. A. E. T. Newman). A previous attempt for the peal on November 20th came round at the end of the fourth part.

Twice anrint the peal of Bristol Surprisa at Barwell, Leicestershire, on Saturday, the electric light went, out, after well ower a lalf of the peal had been rung. Fappily it was only out for the duration of a few changes on ench occasion, and although there were one of two
fanlty blows during the total darkness, the light came on anain just fanlty blows during the total
in time ta save the situation.

Mr. Seymonr R. Barker, who was honoured with a birthday peai nt Cardiff on December 16th, has rung nearly a litudred peals on the tenor. Ho hes lind charge of the bells at Sit. Jolu's Church for many rears and the 'go' of them speaks well for tho way he has cared for them. It is beiween thinty and forty Fears since Messrs. Taylor resfored them. There is always a hearty welcome at St: Jom's, Cardff, by Mr. Barker to any ringer.

The first peul of Major by a loual hand at Halewood, Lancashire, was rung on Decewher 13th, when 5,088 Bob MLajor was brought roumd. It was bot only rung by the lacal band, but also composed by ono of them (Mr. Herkert Ludkin).

The donor' of the bells at St. Aidan's Chavel, Blachbill, Co. Durham, Mrs. Aunie Lee, of Seymonr Fonse, Conseht, died recently at the advanced uge of 91 years. The lirst halin-mufled peal on the halls was rums to her memory on December 4 hh, and iucluded in the band were fonr of the regilar service wingers, one of them, Mr. Heury Rawlings, ringing his first peal ati the first attemp
Another lady who gave grent service to tho Church has passed away at, Buxton, Norfolk, ut the age of 66 years. She was Miss Margarel Jewell, who spent her life in helpina others, and after her fineral on November 20 th a half-mufled peal was mag at Buxton.
The bells at Ranworth, Nariolk, ware angmented to six and hamg in a teak fume by Mr. Alcred Bowell, of Ipswich. The first peal on them was rang on December It1h in four Whinor methods, and the band who took part are extremely gratefit for the welcome oxtusded to thera by the ficar (the Rev. E. D. Everard)

## LINCOLN OATHEDRAL COMPANY'S ACHEVEMENT'.

Congratulations to the Lincolu Calhedral company upon semins their first peal of Spliced Siurprige Major. It is still a rare performance for a band belonging to one towor to ring a peal of this kins 1 which is an outstanding achievencent at any lime.
We are asked to bay that the band desire to assoaiate with Uulu peal the name of Donovan White, a member of the Gatliedral conpany. Mr. White is one of those keen ringers whose accupation prevents him from ringing peals on Saturdayg, but he has been a ver'y great help on practice nights
[t, was the first Spliced Surprise peal in the connty of Lincoln and by the Diocesan Guild as well as by all the band, fnd was rung ou the weddine anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wulden,

A peal at Gravesend, Keat, ou December 11th, was a delnyed birthday compliment to Mr. lis. G. Morran, a peal, previously arrangeal. having had to be posiponed at the Insb minute. Mr, Richard Collsance, who rang the tenor, has now rung a peal on each bell in the Mr. R. G. Key ranr his fiftieth peal for the Societs for the Archtenconry of Stafore when he enaled a peal of Doubles in three methodx on December 11th at Trysull, Stafls
The peal of Treble Bob Royal at Bradford Cathedral on Devembe 146h whs arranged for Mr
Evesham, Warcestershire.
Mr. Joe Brosdley, one of Yorkshire's oldest ringers, still 'kepps his end up' with the rest and rang the treble to this peal. He has ming over 400 peals for the Forkshme Association, which he joined in 1879! Thes care of Bradioted Cathedral bells has been one of Joe's greatest joys in life.

## HATEWELJ'S OLD BELTS

The peal of Stedman 'triples at, Harwell, Berks, on Sabrlday, whintended to be rung for the Coilege Yoaths 10 connemorate thas torcentenary, but owing to various reasons it was found impossible to get sufficient members to complete the band.
J. W. Waslibtrole, whose composition was rumgr always held a high opining of the Harwell tenor, which he "turned ins to Minor in the first Minar rung on the bells, when they were rehang in 1886 by Bond and Son, of Burfort, and when they were funf from the ground floor. The rest of the band consisted of the late Rev. F. E. Thominant, the fate W. Newell (Reading), the late W. Napper (Hagbonme), the
 (Cnversinm).

Thero was an ling of six at Earwell in 1615, and these belts are the same now as then, with the exacption that they lave had theip cannons removed and been tuned.
Mr. Raymond Wood, jum., on Siturday, 'completed the circle' af the tower at Warnham, Sussex, which recalls the fact that the Editor of 'The Ringing World ' (long before there was a ' Ringing Worlti ' did the same thing in this lower, in eight consecutive peals rutg in $^{\text {in }}$ seven visits to the village.

Oxford Boh Triples is receiving more attention than it used to clo. ant on Saturday a band ringing at Tuntridge Wells all scored kleir first peal in the method at. the first attempt. Oxford Bob is nn intereating chante from Grandsire. The peal was a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. J. Battin, whose hushand rang the trelle.

Battle, Sussex, where a peal of Jnndon, the first peal in a Surprisn metliod on the bells, was rumg last week, is one of the few places nutside the Cabhedrals of the conntry where the incumbent has thu title of Deau. Mr. Gearge Williams will very probably recall ihe fatal interruption of "Lhe Very Reverend" almont at the end of whaf wonld have been the first peal of Stedman on the bells, just atont forty yerrs ago.
The Helmin.
The Helminglina men lave added another to their bong list af penlnf 'frst ever,' in the Surprise elass, by ringing 'Monevdon' Surprise
last Friday. The methad is Mr. Gabriel Lindoffs No. 67 and was given its name at the request of Mr. Joseph Tarrant, an old ringer at Monewdon. Mr. J. H. Arbon, who took part in the peal, Alsn belongs to that parish.

Manewdon is the twentieth new method on tower hells rung this year.
(Continned on page 857.)

## INSTRUCTION

## SOME OF THE DLFICLLTLES OF IHE BEGINNER.

 To the Editor.Sir, While areeing with the arguments in Mr. Stephen Woad's excellent articles, I canoot ugree with his conclusion, Although he rather toys with the jdea of four and six bell ringing, evidently he really thinks every tinger should begin his change ringing on eight bells.

Now just think what this means. Wirst, it is absolutely essential to bave eighig ringers who are sufficiently expert to ring correctly with n beginner, aud, moreover, who ute willing to spend time in doiug this. There may be two or timee such bunds in this county. Then you havo to bring the baginner's to them. In this county the distance may be anpthing up to 40 miles. A little calculation will show that if the teaching bands were to do zothing else but teach beginners, and wore to spend every night of the year at it, including Sundays, they would not be able to keep our present numbers going. No, I fear that the ringers who can lean to ring on eight bells must always
ha so small and select a band that their tuition can never be an example to oulhers. If Mr. Wood were ta suy that berinners should learn all their eatly change ringing on four bells I should be with him all the time.

I think most riugers about here must lave smiled when they read What be wrote about the majority of ringer's startiug their change ringing or Grandsire Triples. While it is passible that one or two in this caupty lave done this, it is pructically universal isere to begin mather Grandsire or Plain Doutales, Again, practical considerations lave to be tahen into account. Plain Doubles are ouly rugg where it is traditional to ring thet and nothing else, and need not furthet
delag us. But Grandsire Dubles is rung as the first method in all obher towers for the simple reason thet a Doubles method with two lunts only rueds three workiug ringers for the ather bells. When good ringers are few in number, and are needed for practising higher netheds, the fewer that can be employed for teaching beginners, the more advance there will be made by the band as a whole. My arguneni, and I gather I ahall have Mr. Wood on my side, is that four bells takes 110 more skilled ringers tian five, and is infinitely superior in leaphing goad striking. No pupil of mine goes on to hunting on higlner numberg urtil he knows how be strike bit bell in "the Eight," i.e., the eight changes of plain humting an four bells. And, if possible, none goes on to an inside bell on hifher numbers until he
can ring any bell in the 'Four and Twenty' on four. I say if possible, as. so often circumstances prevent one following the ideal order of totiching.

Thice Mr. Wiood sayg emphatically that wo ought to tell people that they are bad ringers. But he omits to say what possible goot that can do. If I were told this, my reaction would be to whink how stupid it was to say anything so molielpinl, and I should not be dikely to pay any very great attention to such an inslructor in future. If I am open to recefve instruction on, say, ringing, it means that I know that I am a bad ringel, nad to tell me that $I \mathrm{am}$ is, to say Ihe lenst, a waste of time, when I an anxious to be told what to do to improve matters. If I am not aurious, beiug told that I amin bad ringer is the last thing that will wake me any better.

Wo all know men who are good ringers, but who are impatient with logingers, hsually without kowing it. We have to do our besf to keep them apart! Also there are those who have found learuing easy und bavo mever understood the difficulties that others find. I diways think that the best teachers are those who (ike mygelf) have found ringing very difficult, and have made such slow progress that they an yot only sympathise with each diffcultr a beginner meets with, hut have not forgotiten the remedy. On the other hand, there are those who are at the top of the tree themselves, and are able and Willing to tell to others who are nearly there what course to follow if they are to sncceed. In other spheres we call these latter" coaches ${ }^{\text {a }}$ and it would, I think, be greatly to tha advantage of ringing had two classes of instructors-teachers and coaches.
There are a few of our נumber, who are not only capable of both spleses of work, but do carry both out with success. But is it not wiwnys a waste both of manpower and of time? At first sight one the result would acturelly ne chouzh of us to go romud as it is. But, unmber of good ringens, but there would be a more regular guccession of learners and experts. Each tower would have two companies of ringers, not necessarily a full company in either case; indeed, often the junior company would contain only one or two members, with a separate practice aight, when the bells wonld usually be rung silent; and sometimes a service on Sundays would be allotted to round ringing only. Many towers have already some such arrangement, which works very well, and might be in universal practice. What is new is the suggestion that ovary tower should have both a recognised Teacher as well as a Coach.
Now with regard to the unknown teacher who has my initials. I have known bands wha profess to have begun with Stedman, and have wondered how it is done. "H.D.." however, ils seems, does not really berin with Stedman, but witl? the first seven changes of Plain Minimus. I can suggest a way in which beginners would really start with Stedman. Ont conductor lately, anxious not to lose any time, when only three ringers had arrived, shawed how we three could ring
the 36 changes of Stedman, including the full slow and quick work oll each af the three tower bells. A teacher could by this teach two beginners all the front work of Stedman (if negessary, each could be triblit by bimself). When someone elso strived le might be put to ring the tenor behind. When a fifth has come, two ringers can te taught double dodging, with the three bells in front ringing rounds. Would this satisfy Mr. Wood? Alhhough it would seem to fill most of his requirements, the beginner starts on an odd number of bells.
It is, however, time to get to the true conclusion from Mr. Wood's argaments. It is that every ringer should be carefully taught how to ring changes on eight bells, and not allowed (as at present) to fall into any habits, good ol bad, that-may be in his way. Sparking for myself, I was mever taught anything on this difficult step; and thongla I have watched quite a number of riogers taking this step for the first time, never once have I heard any special instiruction given them. in whatever part of conntry I have happened to be. It seems to be thought tlat if anyoue has got as far as seven bell riucging, they may be then safely lefi to thenselves to find ont what is necessary. would hardly do to treat them, now whey lave got so far, as beginners, or even as learmers.

In my own case the result is that I can now tell, by listening outsicie Eho tower (if I can take my time), whelher it is Stedman or Grondsire which is beng rung ; at any rate, I have some ider what the music of the two methods shonld be in each case. This, of course, helps me in the tower. I see where I ought to pull wy rope, aud, lawing done so, and while looking for my next place, I ath listeniur to the music of the changes, and I hear whether my bell has dropped slick inta its place, as it shomld have done, or not.
This is so, provided the bells are nicely quiet. If the bells are noisy in the tower, I cannot distiuguish my own bell, and anz coutent to rely ouly on sight; the result is not ulways wery pleasant! I expect this may be a defect of my hearing, as some ingers seem to profer noisy bells!
But on eight bells, no one has told me what to listen for, and try as I may, I cannot distinguish the music of the difforent methods. I can, of course, fell if the bells are well rung or not, but do not distinguigh even the leads, or where to start from in listening. Thlie result in the tower is that I have to riug only with my eyes; I do nat oven know when I am leading properly. Perhaps I aw exaggerating One does not always exactly know gne's own reactions. But, at any
rate, I oanot manage eight bell ringing as I shonld jike to da. It may be that eight bell ringiog is in taste that has to be acquired, for I know some very good rimgers who are not ashamed to confess ilat they do not care either wo ring it or to listen to it. At present I ihm decidedly of that opinion!
I do not see how it would help matters to teach eight bell ringing before seven bells; even if it were practically possible, which it is not. It would mean that in the ease of some of us we should never learn change ringing at all, as the first step would be sucha a difficult one. I can imagine that there ure some ringets who wonld heave a sigh of relief, and say, oven if undor their breath, 'so much the better.'. Indeed, it may, have been Mr. Stephen Wood's Eell purpose to try to keep the Exercise to the select few, as in years gone by, If, however, his is not so, and we bunaies may still be allowed to ring, and even to teach, may wo be told what it is we outht to look out for in oxder io lead properly with eight bells? I have never ruly with Mr. Wood. and it may be that be is move of a coach than a teacher, and can anty say, 'You must look out for the lend and leep an even distrnce,' In
that case will someone who can sec my difficulty try to solve it? so, I tlink I know same helplul exercises.
In the meartime would it help, if it were made the practice, never to let a rimger attempt five, or a hirhor number of bells, in changes, mutil he was fairly satisfactory in leading, in the changes on fow Wells, without any bell or bolls as cover?

HERBERT DRAET
Ufford Rectory, Suffolk

## 'THE COLLEGE YOUTHS'

A History of the Society by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE
This is one of the very few books I have read which seem 10 me might, with aduantage, lave been considerably louger.'-The Dean of St. Paud's.
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## RINGING IN DISTANT LANDS <br> THE ART OVEFSEAS

## Fo the Editor

Dear Sir -I have read the letter of Mr. A. E. F. Trotman and your aricle of September 17th last witl greab inberest, To those resident in the Britisli Isles, who love the urt for its own sake, the subject is of vital importance, foz all such inevitably desire to sce campanology spread to other lands. In the mair, I agree with the riews expressed, hut one point, I think, has beeu overlooked. It is this. When bells have been received in Anstralia, hung in the tower and duly blessed or consecrated, those in authority and in whese aare the bells were placed by generous doners, in most if not all instances appear to loge interest thereir and fail to recognise any responsibility for their upheep or ringing in clanges. In this State of Victoria, except in one instance (tine Ballarat City Hall), this vefers to church authorities.
Here in this great citry of Melbourae bells, as you are aware, are nugy in changes in two places of worship oaly-(1) at Stt. Paul's Cathedral, atid (2) at St. Patrick's Cathedral. At the latter piace the lolls are not attractive, and the 'ro' of fve bells out of the ring of eight is misatisfactory. But we have three other peals of eight in or around Melbourne, and in each iustance the bells are chimed. At Geelong and at Bendigo attractive peals of eiglat exist, and at Ballarat fwo peals exist, one of six bells and one of eight, and at each place the bells are also chimed. This, out of a total of mine peals of bells in Viatoria, no less than seven of them are subject to the woeful system called chiming. In Sydney a similar state of things exists Tu Queasland there are two instances-one at Brisbane and one at Maryborough. It is incredible to think that, did eluruch or other anthorities realise the past octan between chiming and change ringing, they would be content with or aven permit the former. Yet such is the case, and the question arises how can this state of things be remedjed How many of these peals of bells are now fit for changes I cannot state off-hand. As bells left lianging in a tower year after Year without receiving the slightegt altention soon becomre unfie for 'ringing, probably none of these 'chinred' peals could now be rung without first receiving a tharough, and probably costly, overhatul.

Pergonally I often bhink that did we possess one or more ringing parsons among us tlie position would in tine right itself, and so far as possible I have made an effot in this direction, but to date withou eflect. I wont to the extent af turuing np "The Ringing World containing a full account of the last spandid, carthly tribute paid to the late Rev. Charles D. P. Davies at Tewkesbury Abbey some three and a haff pears ago by the ringers of the British Isles. Trurther, mentioned somethiug (a little only, for "The Ringing World' di the rest) of the great work he didl so well; low lie loved and worlsed unceasingly for the science, and for those who wang the bells in clanges. I also mentioned the visit of the Rev. E. Bankes James with the tourists of 1934 , nine men who travelled 25,000 miles at their own expense to show us ringers in Australia what could be done and to try to help us do it. I then mentioned that a cleric, the late Rev. F. Te. Robinson, was the first nann to ring 1,000 peals, and that the number who had taken up the ant and becomo nctive ringers themselves was legion. All saw nothing derogatory in change ringing and mixed with men as ringers and equals, and made zime to do it. All this was for the goon of the Church, of the seience and of all ringers concermed, whether clerical or lay. It failed, howewer, to move the gentleman in question. If other means exist of changing the state of things hers briefly narrated, many ringers here would be glad to know thereof, and any help or suggestions through the colnmas of "The Ringing Wozld "wonld be slady welcomed.

With reference to the sliggestion of taranferring bolls no longer regnired to Australasia or my other Dominion, nimless an alisolute whrantee is ziven that such bells will be cared for and a band formen lo ring them in changres, I shall certainly oppose any such scheme: for the last condition would be worse than the first. Furtier, I will do evorything possible to prevent any generous man or woman donating a peal of bells to any church, ciky or town in Australasia until the syarantee mentioned is forthcoming.
Without going into details, I do not think we Australians can be iustly termed a bancward race. One has only to look and think a litite to prove to the contrary. But in clange ringing we linve never had a chance, and as shown herein, largely owing to the apathy if not complete indifference of throse in whose possession the bells were placed.
Other views might hele be mentioned, but, being of a somewhat sonlentious nature, I refrain for the present from doing so.

## ERNFST F. BETAAN,

## Memher of St, Patul's Cathedral Society, Melbourne

## November 24th, 1937.

## ACCESSION DAY.

AL St. Mary's Chureh, Over, Cambs, the usual ringing took place for the anniversary of the Kinfrs Accession on December 10 th fand included a 720 Kent Treble Eols Whor : Bean Norman (first 720 Treble Bob) 1, F. C. Ginn 2, A. W. T. Ginn 3 , F. Warrington 4, C. Robinson (conductor) $5, R$. Thodey 6.
On Sunday: December 12th, ai: St. Anduew's Church. Farinlam, in celebration of the ammersary of H.M. King, George VI's Accession lo the Thrane, A quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (from Washbrooh's 20-part, peal) : T. Beaglev 1, F Hammett 2, G. Dpslanll 3, S. Meadows


## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

NFX1 YLAR'S MFIETINGS OF STOGKPORT BRANGH.
meeting of the Stockport Bumeh of the Ohester Diocestn fiuid was held on November 27 h at St. Paul's Clunch, Stalybridge, when some 60 mombers and friencis were prosent. The bolls were busily employed during the afternoon snd evening, and service was conducteit by tho Vicar (Canon B. B. Slater), who also save u very juteresting and encouraghs address. He spolse of the part bells play in the: religious and civic lite of this country. The introduction of watches and clocks into every bome liad reduced the service of the bells to come extent; nevertheless, thay wele of great service to the siok and invalids, reminding then of God's mercy, and they undoubtedly comforted those who were unable to attend divine worship.

Tea was served in the scluols, and the business meeting [ollowed muder the elairmanship of the Vicar, supported by the brauch chairman, Mr. W. W. Wolstencroft.

The Chairman extended a warm welcome to St, Pau's, Cherdle, Jrnuary 29th; Mossley, April 30th; Kuntsford, Juno 25th; Disley, September 24 th; Fyde, November 25tb. As Mr. J. Harrison, of Asliton, was prevented by illuess from being prosent ats the meeting, and as be attaned his 85th birthday on tho following day, it was decided to send a message of congratulation to him with the best wishes of the meetins for his speedy recovery
Reference was made to the pessing of a highly esteemed mombor of the branch, Mr. H. Haythorn, of Digley.
It was decided to send a letter of congratulation to tio College Youths and to the B.B.C. on the exeellent way in which the broadeast, ' Bells over London,' had been aarried out.
Votes of thanks were accorded to the Viear and wardens, the ringers, the ladies who prepared tea, and to the organist. These were responded to by the Vicar and by one of the wardens.

Ringing was then enjoyeal untill late in the evening, the methods ranging from Grandsire Triples to Bristol Surprise.

## FIRST QUARTER-PEALS

EDINBLRGE-A Gnather-peal of Grandsire Crbers (1,205 chanmos) was ming at, St. Mary's, Ediblourgh, for we dedication festival of the Catinedral. Three Englisls visitors took part, viz., Mr. K. Arthur, Mr. H. Grifltis, Wolverlamptou, And Mr. H. Chnodler, TRoyal Navy G. Prior (İrst quarter-peal) 1 , M. A. K. Simpson 2, H. Chandlor 3 , II. Grifitis 4. W. Whise 5, B, T. Vexnon B, K. Arthur (first GuartalJ. Purde 10 .

BIRMINGHAM.-On 'Thursday, October 18th, at Bishop Ifyder's Church, a guarter-peal of London Surprise Major (1,280 changes) : \#.
 *S. O. Holloway 5, H. F. Fearn 6, *J. S. Nasoll 7, G. E. Ferin (conductor) 8. Firsil quarter-peal in the method.
UXBRIDGE, MIDDTFSEX.-For morning service at St. Margaret's Ohurch on November 5th, a quarter-peal of Grindsire Triples: Mrs. A. Bray (first quarter-peal) 2, F. Corke (conduckar) 2. Misg E. Bedford 3, A. Tray 4, C. Nioholls S, R. Bray 6, \$. Clidds 7, Mrs. R. Bray 8.
 St. Leonard's Ghurch, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. H. Stevens 1. C. S. Bird 2, H. C. Chandler 3, W. F. Elliughant 4, E. J. Cattermonl 5, E. R. Gladman 6, F. E. Fawthorne (flrst quarter-peal of Shedmari as conductor) 7, W. Wr. Webl 8.

PEAL NOTES.-Continued from page 855.
Mr. George Soley has been a regnar member of the local band ai: Holmer, Herefordshire, for 45 yen's, and on December 166 th a poal of Minor was runs there as a hirthday compliment to him. It was also a birthday compliment to Austin Wingrio and William Duggan. The bells at Selly Oak, Birmingham, were lralf-mufled on Saturday when a peal of London Surprise Major was rung. Mr. James Dewler. an old member of the lonal band, lind died the previous day
To conmemorate the first anniversary of the dedieation of the new bells, tho first peal of Stedman Cinques was rumg at Croydon on Satuiday. Four peals lave now hean mung on the bells in four altempts, viz., two peals of Grandsiro Oinques, one of Kent Treble Bob Maximus, and one of Stedman Giaçues.

This peai made Mr. 'Bill' Hewett's total up to 450 , of which 73 have been on twelve bells.
Another veteran in the peal records this week is Mr. David Wright. of Croydon, whose ringing activities go back farther than those of most living men. He rang the treble on Satirday to a peal of Grandsire Triples at Mitcham.
A peal of London Surprise Major, the first in Ashton-under-Lyne, was Tung on Satnrday as a birthdav compliment to both Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wolsiencroft, and to Mr. W. Stevenson.

The peal of Roh Major at Netherseale on December 4th was pung for the Midland Counties Associntion and was a composition by J. R. Pritehard. Both these facts were omitted from the report sent to us for publication.
In honour of the wedding of Miss Kathleen Beer and Mr. Stanrt Sandford, two mombers of the societ $Y$, the Royal Cumberland Fouths rang a peal of Stedman Cinques at Shorcditely on Saturday.

## Notices.

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ST. GILES', CAMBERIVELL.-All ringers welcome un Boxing morning, December 27 th, 10.30 a.m. till 1 p.m.T. W. Tafender, Hon, Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Neeting for practice will be held il St. Andrew's, Holborn, December 3oth, at S p.m. A. B. Peck, Hon. Sec., Branksome, Eversfield Road, Reigate, Surrey.

LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-The next meeting will be beld on Saturday, January ist, 1938, at St. George's, Southwark, S.E. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. All those requiring tea please notify me not later than Thursday, December 3 oth. Gentlemen cordially invited.-M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec., o, Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 755 ). -The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, January ist, $193^{8}$, at the Tamworth Arms, Moor Street. Ringing at St. Martin's Church from 5 to 6 p.m. Business meeting at 6 . is p.m. prompt.-T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham, it.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOLTH DJOCESAN GGLILD.-Winclester District.-The antual meeting will be held at St. Maurice Hall, Colebrook Street, Winchester, on Saturday, January ist, r938. Business meeting at 3.15, followed by tea at 4 o'clock. Scrvice in the Cathedral at 5.15; preacher, Rev. P. H. McGuire, Rector of Leckford. Cathedral bells and St. Maurice's bells available at 1.30 . Please let us know if you are coming. - (i. and Miss Noice, Hon. Dis. Secs., 6, Cathedral View, High Cliffe, Winchester.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICJ SOC[E'JY.-The next meeting will be held at Eastwood Churcln, Rotherham, on Saturday, January ist, i938. Tea, 1s. each. ['lease notify Mr. N. Cliaddock, 33, Brecklands, Broom, Rotherlan. All welcome.-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13. St. Ronan's Road, Shefficle, 7 .

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION - A quarterly meeting will be helh at Long Ashton on Saturday, January ist. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business mecting s p.m.-J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION --The anmal meeting of the West Norfolk Branch will be held at Fakenham on Saturday, January ist, 1938. Bells at 2.30 . Service at $4.30 .-W . J$. Eldred, Branch Sec., 4, Wellington Street, King's Lynn.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern Disfrict.-The annual district meeting will be held on Saturclay; January 8th, 1938 , in the City. St. Lawrence

Jewry will be available in the afternoon from 3 p.m., and another tower, probably Bow, after tea. Full details later.-James G. A. Prior, Dis. Sec., 35, Limerston Strect, S.W.io.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUlLD.-Annual Dinner, Saturday, January 8 th, 1938 , at the Lion Hotel, Guildford, at 6 p.m. Ticliets 5s. 6d. each, from J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover Cattage, Lower Pyrfort Road, Woking, Surrey.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-North-East Branch.-The annwal meeting will be held at Tiverton on Saturday, January 8th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30Tea 5. Will those intending to be present please notify me by Monday, January 3rd?-R. Harris, Park, Silverton, near Exeter.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCHATION.-Fumess and Lake District Branch.-The next practice meeting will be hold at St. James' Church, Barrow-in-Furness, on Saturday, January 8 th, 1938 . Bells available at 2.30 p.m. Reports to hand.-N. M. Newby, Hon. Sec., Brewery Mount, Ulverston.

KENT COLTNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone District. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Leeds (ro bells) on Saturday, January 8th. Usual arrangements. Everyborly welcome.-A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec. Egerton.

YORKSH]RE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.The next quarterly mecting will be held at Howden on Saturday, January 8th, 1938. Bells (8) available from 2 till 8 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m7. Tea, is, Gcl., at 5 o'clock. Please advise Mr. J. W. Thompson, if, Northalmby Street, Howden, by Wednesday, January 5th.-H. S. Morley, Hon. Sec., 5, Ebor Street, Selby.

MIDLAND COLNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The third general quarterly meeting will be held at Repton, on Saturday, January 15 tin. Committee meet 3.45. Full details later.-Ernest Morris, Cin. Hon. Sec., 2q, Coventry Street, Leicester.

## GREETINGS

MR. FRANCIS E. DAWE again extends the heartiest greetings and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all his ringing friends at home and in the Dominions beyond the seas, and hopes that even the many 'Surprises ' may be rendered as melodious and wellstruck as possible !-Woking, 1937.
S. R. ROPER, of Croydon, sends his heartiest good wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year to all his many friends.

MR. AND MRS. W: H. COLES (Sheila and Malcolm) wish all their ringing friends happy days for Christmas and the New Year--Staplegrove, Hayes End Drive, Midcllesex.

## SITUATION WANTED.

EXPERIENCED RINGER on 8 and 10 bells DESIRES SITUATION; unmarried; excellent references. -Box, J., 'The Ringing World ' Office, Lower Pyrford Road, Woking, Surrey.

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## THEY HAVE PASSED ON.

During the past year there have been a great many losses to the Exercise by death, and this Christmastide has emphasised the toll that has been taken by the passing of two notable personalities, who have, in their respective spheres, rendered inestimable service to the art. Last week we recorded the passing of Mr. Joseph J. Parker; this week it is a melancholy duty to announce the death of the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson. The former had reached a ripe old age, and his main work for the advancement of ringing was done more than a generation ago. The results of those eflorts are perhaps to-day taken for granted, but, in those now somewhat distant years, they were only achieved by patience and diligence. Mr. Parker was contemporary in his work with other great figures in the Excrcise, men who left their mark on the art, but in his particular sphere of investigation he had no superior. The peals which he produced in all the Triples methods showed his complete mastery over the problems which many before him had endeavoured in vain to solve. Joseph Parker was another illustration of the fact that in ringing, even on its theoretical side, it is not always the men with the highest educational attainments who achieve the greatest ends. He gained his place in the Exercise by following up a keen curiosity for investigation with a painstaking pursuit of a subject which had previously bafled some of the ablest ringers, and, white his labours were applauded by those who could value his achievements, we doulbt if, particularly in recent years, the Exercise has shown the appreciation of his work that it merits. But Joseph Pariker was a modest man; he was content in the knowledge of a task well done.

The services which Harold Richardson rendered to ringing were in another category. He was of a later generation, and his work was unobtrusively done in the Central Council. As a member of the Peals Collection Committee, of which in later years he was convener, he undertook the proof of the thousands of Treble Bob peal compositions in the collection in the Council's Library. That in itself was a great task, and, in addition, Mr. Richardson carried on the other work of the committee, and was for some years hon. sec. of the Hereford Guild. Apart, however, from the position which he held in the Council, Mr. Richardson was one of that band of clerical riagers who seem to be rapidly diminishing in the Exercise. They were men who stood out in the efforts they made to put ringers and ringing in the place they ought rightly to occupy, and who were themselves among the leaders of our art. It may be that, in course of time, (Continued on pagy 862.)

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another generation wilt take their places, but recent years seen to have robbed us of a body of clergy who were honoured, not only because they were members of the cloth, but because of the real service which they rendered to the advancement of ringing and the building up of the Exercise. And the Rev. I-I. S. T. Richardson was one of them.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.
THE ANGFNT SOGETY OF COLLEGE YODTES
On Monday, December 27, 1937, in Three Howss and Fifty Minutes, At tez Parise Cadrch of St. Martin,

## A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 37 cw . in C.
Jack M. Cripps ... ... ...Treble -Frank Skidmore ... ... 7
Wilfred Williams ... ... 2 Harry J. Sanger ... ... 8
©C. Eraest Smitr ... ... 3 Prrcy N. G. Rainey ... 9

- Raymond Overy ... ... 4 Frank E. Darby ... ... io

Kenfete Ford ... ... ... 5 Fredaricx W. Rogers ... il

- Frederice A. Targett ... 6 Josbph T. Dykr ... ... ....Temoy

Composed by C. W, Robrrts. Conducted by Wilfred Wieliams

* First peal on 12 bells. First peal on 12 boils an conductar.

WORCDSTER.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICIS ASSOCIATION.
On Morday, Decenter 27. 1937, in Three Howrs and Forty-Eight Misutes, At ter Cateedral Cburce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUEB, 5007 CHANGES; Tenor $49 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Gborge E. Large ... ...Tyeble| Tbobas W. Lewis ... ... 7
Sidney T. Holt ... ... ... 2 Cearees H. Woodberry ... 8 William B. Cartwriget ... 3 Raymond G. Codsins... ... 9 Josepr D. Johnson ... ... 4 Reginald Woodyare... ... 10 Grofrrey J. Lbwis ... ... 5 Cearles Camm .... ... .... it Jorn S, Mason ... ... .+. 6 Jack A. Wadge ... ... ... Tenor Composed by C. W, Ronerts. Conducted by Sidney T. Hozt.
Rung as the annual peal for the association.

## 1PSWTCH.

THE SUFFOLK GULLD.
On Monday, December 27, 1937, in Three Hows and Forty-Six Minntes,
At the Cherce of St. Mary-he-Tower,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOR MAXIRUS, 5232 CHANCES;
Tenor 32 cwt.
Frederick J. Tillett ...Treble Syivia R. E. Bowyez ... 7

- Bretea Regve .... ... ... 2 -Cladde Snowden ... ... 8

Harky R. Ropre ... ... 3 Cearles A. Catchpoly ... 9
Grorge A. Fleming... ... 4 Joan W. Ward... ... ... Io
Robert H. Brdndle ... 5 Gedrge E. Symonds... ... II - Hilda G. Snowden ... ... 6 | Frbdirici J. Smith ... ...Temoy Composed by A. Knigets. Conducted by Grorge E. Symonde. * First peal of Keat Treble Bob Maximus.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LEEDS, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.

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- Francis A. White ...
Fradrice C. Whitz
Coteberi G. White Henry C. Welte ... 4 Ricgard Waite ... ... ... 9 ... 5 FRgD Walte... ... ... ...Tenor Composed by G. Holifield, sen. Conducted by G. Holifirld. jon. * First peal.


## LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Monday, December 27, 7937, in 7 hree Hours and Forty Minutes,

## Ai fee Cebrch of Si. Martin-in-the-Fields,

A PEAL DF ETEDMAH CATERS, 506 G CHANRES!

Willitam J. Nodds
...T Te eble Cgarles Coles ... ... 2 Cgeil J. Matteews ... ... Arther Radiby .... ... 3 Grorge H. Choss .... ... 7
 Grorge Radley.. .0 ... 5 Thomas Bzyan Composed by F. W. Perrens. Conducted by Cearlas T. Coles. * First peal of Stedman Caters and first attempt.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLE.

 THE SOMFOLK GUILD.On Saturday, Decenber 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Foup Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 GHANGES; Tenor 15 d cwt .
 ECKINGTON, DERBYSHTRE. THE YORESHTRE ASSOCIATION. (Serefield District Society.)
On Saturday, December 78, 1937, in Three Houys and Ten Minutes, At the Cedrce of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF KENT TBEBLE BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Tenor 164 cw .


A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 181 cwt . in E.


Coroposed by F. Bennert. Conducted by Lawis w, Wifrza.

DEVIZES, WILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Decenber 18. 1937, is Two Hours and Fiffy-Scven Minates, At the Church of St. John-she-Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-pari.
Tenor 19 $\frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cw}$. in D.
-A. James Colley ... ...Trebie A. Ernest Stevens ... ... 5
Sidney Hillier... ... ... 2 Grorge J. Winter ... ... 6
†Sidney Grant ..... .0
$\ddagger$ Williah G. Mortimer ... 4 Jesse Stome ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Wm. C. West.

* First peal away from the tenor. + First peal. $\ddagger$ First peal of Triples. Rung as a welcome to the Rector (the Rev. E. S. Dabbs) and as a birthday compliment to the tenor ringer.

LOUGHBOROUGH.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesiday, Decomber 22, 1937, in Two Jours and Thivy-Font Minntes Aities Bell Fodndry,
A PEAL OF CAMERIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 505 CHANQEA;

Mideleton's.
Tenor $6 \frac{1}{6} \mathrm{cwt}$.

- Groffrey Haraison ...Tyeble Cbarless Allsop ... ... ... 5
'Leslie Stevens ... ... 2 Frbderick H. Dextbr ... 6
Richard F. Dral ... ... 3 Ralpa Narbrougg ... ... 7
- Frbderick a. Salter .... 4 Colia Harkison ... ... .... Temor Conducted by Colin Harrison.
* First peal in the methot. NETHERSUAL, DEEBYSHTRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesday, December 22, 1937, in Two Fours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, At the Church of Si. Peter,


## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, GO4D CHANEES;

J. J. Parker's Teree-pary. No. 2.

Tenor 12 cwt .
Madrice Swinfirld ... ...Treile | Ernest W. Beardsmore ... 5
Joen H. Swinfield ... ... 2 W. Ricuardson Drage ... 6

Josbph Bailby ... ... ... 4 Joan Cortis ... ... ... ...Teno
Conducted by Madrice Swimpigld.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. W. Worthington, of Maple Hayes, Lichfiela.

CHATHAM, KENSE.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Monday, December 27, 1937, in Three Hours and Thyee Minules,
Ay teg Churce of Si. Mary-teg-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANEESI
Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation). Tenor 25 cwt ,

| - Ronald E. Norris | $\ldots .$. Trebla | Cbarles E. J. Norris | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| †Danige Thomas Hile | $\ldots$. | 2 | Edward A. G. Albra... | .. |

†Daniel Thomas File ... 2 Edward A. G. Albrn... ... 6
Francis J. Cbeal...$\quad$... 3 William A. J. Kniget ... 7 Victor A. Jarreti ... ... 4 William J. Waleer ... ...Tomor Conducted by William A. J. Knigex.
*Firat peal. + First peal of Grandsiro.

## SIX BELL PEALS. <br> NORTH ORADLEY, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, December 14, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Soven Minules, At the Parifíh Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLEB; b040 CHANGEE;

## Ten callings.

Henow cot. in I.
S. Wiltshire

Mrs. f. Рban ... ... ...T
-E. Simons ...

* First peal. Rung in honour of Pharding.

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At she Church of st. James,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bols and fipe 720 s of Plain Bob.
 Conducted by F. Wigmore.

* First peal in three motloda.

LOUGABOROUGH.
THE MIDLAND CODNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Decmbey 78, 1937. in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minudes, At ter Beez Foundry Chmpanila,

## A PEAL DF DOUBLES. 5040 GHANCES:

Being farty-two I20's, viz. : 4 Stedman, 8 Plain Bob, 10 St, Dunstan's, 20 Granalsire, with 26 callings.
 Ernest Morris ... **. ... 3 †John H. Hill ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Ernrst Morris.

* First peal 'inside.' + Firsh peal and first attempts aged 13. WELLAND, WORCESTIERSHTRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIOTS ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, December 18, 1937, in Two Howy and Forty-Nine Mintites,

At the Church of St. Jimes.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being one 720 eacls of Collegre Single and Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Bob and wree of Plain Bob.

Roeert G. Knowles

- Leonard Sheasby

Frank Lawrence ... ... 3 , Cearles Camm Conducted by Charles Camm.

## * First peal.

## LANGEEY, BUCES

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GURDD
On Salurday, December 18, 1937, it Three Hours and Fouy Minules,
Ay tar Cegrch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 700 each of London, Norwich and Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Platin Boty.

Tenor 16 cwt .3 gr .24 lb . in E.
Leonabd Sillwele ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Wileiam Henley $\quad . .$.

| George Martin ... | ... | ... | $z$ | Cecil C. Mayne | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Wilciab Wriling | ... | ... | 3 | Tony Price ... | ... |
| Whor |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by Tony Price.
Fung in honour of the weddiag of Mr. Georgo H. Limmer, of St, Peter's Society, Bumham, and Miss Mary Leach. of Langley, who were married at this church immediately before the peal.

TVDDENEA3, SUFFOLE.
THE SUTFOLK GUTLD.
On Saturday, Decembey 18, 1937. in Two Hours and Fotty Minutcs, At tee Crurch of St. Martin,

## A PEAL DF MINOR, 6040 CHANQE:

Being tine extents of Plain and two each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.
Cgarles W. Parker
Jobn R. Croors ...
Oliver J. Kidey ...
.Tyeble
Conducted by William J, G. Brown.
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At the Churce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Beistg 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bab, and two 7e0's each nf Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Jogn Hilson ... ... ...Treble| William Siock ... ... ... 4
Herbert L. Hariow... ... 2 Hexry W. Gayton ... ... 5
Lbonard Williams ... ... 3 Donald L. Cockings ... ...Tehop Conducted by Henry W. Gayion,
The conductor's 300 Lh peal.

> THURLASTON, LEICESTERSEIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Saturduy, Decomber 18. 1937, is 1 hree Hours,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAE OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 6040 GHANGES;
Sevel extents.
Teror 15 cwt .1 gr .3 lb .

- George A. Chariton ...Treble William A. Wood ... ... 5
*Jobn H. Bailess ... ... 3 Alpagd Ballard ... ... 5
- Frank Balless ... ... ... 4 Frank K, Measores ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Feank K. Measores.
* First Surprise peal. Fivat peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor ly all the band, except ringey of the fillh, and first attempt.

APSHET INND, FIERTS.
THE FERTFORD COUNTY ASSOGIATION.
On Monday, Decenber 20. 1937, in 1wo Howys and Forty-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mart,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 6040 CHANGESI
(1) Cumecastre; (2) Beverley and Surtleet ; (3) Lightfoot; (4) York ium Drubam; (5) London antl Wells; (6) Cambnidge aud Primrose; (7) Notherseale.
Wieliam Ebasey

| .... | ... | Treble | Augueis V. Good |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| oot | ... | 2 | Franicis Kira | .. |

Tenor 14 ex ewt:
... $\cdots 4$
Horace L. Waize .... 3 Wacter Ayrg ... .... Ter
Condueted by Warter Ayre.

* First peal in 11 methods. There were 54 changes of method. First Surprise peal in 11 methods by all the band, in the county and by the association. A 2lst birthday compliment to Miss Hilda Palmer.

WALPOLE ST. ANDREW, NORPOLK.
THE ELT DIOCESAN ASSOOIATION.
On Wednesday, December 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes, AI the Cherce of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 OHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Suppise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kand trepile
Bob, St. Clement's and liree 720's of llain Bob. Tenor 15 E ewl.
Stoney Flint .... ... ...TYeble | Grorge Mason ... ... ...
Wallace Cousins
Fred Wigmore

... ... 5

* First peal in five melliods an s working bell.

NEITLEEAM, LINCS.
THE LINCOKN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, Decembey 23, 1937, im Tcu Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
At the Chlurch of Ajl Saints.
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being one extent each of Canluridge \&urprise, Donble Oxford, Oxiuxd Bob, St. Clement's, Oxfora Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob aud Plain Bob.
Clifford A. Vessey.
-Raymond Smite... $\qquad$ ...Tyeble
Jobi Frebman Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.
... 2 Kehnete W. Maybr ... ... 5
Dorothy Vessey ... 3 Jace L. Milqgodse ... ...Tinor
Condacted by Jack L. Michonse.
7 First peal in seven methods "inside."
BRAMFORD, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFTOLK GUILD.
On Fviday, Decmber 24, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minules,
AT ter Chunce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 000 CHANGES;
Being seven 720 's each called diferently with the tenors yight way.
Tenor 11 c cwt. in G flat.
*Ronald W. Steward ...Tyebla I Frederick J. Smire... ... +
Cearles A. Catcepole ... 2 Gborge A. Fliming... ... 5
Miss Sylvia R, E. Bowyer 3 "Urban W. Wiedney... ....Tenor
Conducted by Grorge A. Ferming.

* First peal of Cambridiae Minot.


## PEAL NOTES.

## AN INCLDENT AT APSLEY END.

The first peal by the Hertiond County Association in eleven Surprise Minor methods was rung at Apsley Fad on December 20th. Four of the 720 's were rung with two methads apiece and altogether there were 54 changes of method.
The band, of course, locked themselves in the tower, and at the finish, having lowered the bells in peal, descended the stairs. Someone tumbled with the key; failed to move the bolt of the lock, and then huoke the key! Tha position reghired a 'eouncil of war,' which was duly convened and the question of escape disenssed.
Fortunately the tower is connected to the body of the church by a dat roof. The lightest member of the party was lowered to the ground (alout 20ft. below) by a spare rope. Fo proceeded to the Vicarage, sume distance away, for a duplicate key. On arrival-na key! Returning to the outside of the door, he was ordered to go and find a large sirrewdriver. This he did and tho implement whs hauhed up, taken rown and, iortunately, "did the triek; being sufficiently stroug to trmove old screws.

By this timo 10 p.ra. had struth, which, we gather, was another bit of had lucts.
After a peal of Grandsire Triples on Decenber 18th at St. Joln the 13aptigl's Clurch, Devizes, rumg as as welcomes to the new Rector (the Kew. E. S. Dabbs) and a birtaday ampliment to Mr'. Jesse Stone, the Intier hindy eatertamed the band to ten. The peal was called by Mr. W. C. West, hom, searetary of the Dewizes Franch of the Salisbury Cinild, and it was his fiftieth peal as comituctor:
Derek M. Sharp rang at peal of Treble Ten at Leeds, Kent, on Decenber 18th, and thus completed peals of Kent Treble Bob from Winor to Maximas on tower bells. It was Tom Saunders' 175th peal, and Tom Sone called a composition, not hitherto rung, by Pat Cannon. Incidentally, Pat was engaged on the same day ringing the 45 cht. 1enor at Beverley Minster te Treble Ten, but the job had to be packed up, after two and a half hours owing to the "go" of the bell. Mr. William A. Wood rany lis fiftietl pend for the Midand Connties Association when he took part in seven 720 s of Oambridge surprise Winor at Thurlaston on December I8th. Thuree of the band rags their first Surpriso peal and two oflurg their firsi of Cambridge Surprise Mhor-all of them at the first attempt.
Mr. Fenyr Gayton, of Farrold, Bets, raug his 3001 h peal at shamslifoot, Beds, on December 18th. He called it from the 5tin, the hell on which le mang his first and his one bundredth peal.
Ulifford Vassey nud Jack Mithonse rany Whai 401 h peal together on December: 23 rd when the lafter called tive first peal in seven Minor mettrods on the bells at Netilehem, Lines.
The Worcestershire Associntion's תnaual peal was rung at Worcester Catbedral on Boxing Day, when Mr. Sid Holt called a peal of SLedman Cinques, A peal on these liels is amory tho 'big jobs,' and Mre. Jack Wausla, who is the jnaior sieward of the College Fouths, rang the tener:

On the same day a party of twelve paid a fying yisit to Birmingham and scored a peal of Stedman Cincpues in the Huil Fiug. Half a dozen went from the Loudon end and the sume aumber from Bristol district, and the peal was mug for the College Youths.

They wore given a welcome wnd a send-of by a mumber of Birmingham ringers, including Messus. Albert Walkev, Trank Perpin, Farry nnd George Tearm, and the youthful weteran, James Geonge.
A peal armanged as a birthday camplimenl, to ML. W. WT. Worthington, of Mraple Hayes, Lickfeld, and rung at Netherseal, Derbyshive, has alse a sombewhat pathetic touch. Mr. Maurice Swjufield called Josepla T. Payker's threepart peal of Stedman Triples (No. 2).
The conposilion was rung for the first time, and it is thought that this was the last peal of Stedman Triples composed by Mr. Parker, Those death took place only two days before the peal was runf

The penl of Cambridge Minor at Bramford, Suflolk, on Clristmas Jive, was rung at the request of the Rector, and was brought round just hefore tha 11.30 p-m. service. It was Trban W. Wildney's fiftieth peal.
The peal at Holbrook, Suffolts; on December 3rd, was Ronald W. Steward's $17 t h$ peal and wss rung an hits $17 t h$ birthday. An interesting coincidence.

Fhe peal of Grandsire Triples at Chathan an Boxing Day was iung as a birthinay compliment to the daughter of the conductor (Mr. W. A. J. Knight), ant on the wedding anniversurs of IIr. C. E. J. Norris, who ranser the firth.

Another White, of the well-known Appleton family, has become a peal ringer. On December 23rd, Francis A. White, son of Mr. Richard White, the bellhanger, stored his frst peat, in which seven other menbers of the family took part, including BIr. F. Stednan White, who rang his first peal of Grandsire Caters 62 years ago.
We hops the nowest addition of this family so long associated with the bells at Appleton will prove a worthy representative in the ringing sense. Fo has started well by the uausual performance of Gaters for his fivst penl.
Incidentally the peal was rung on the 33rd anniversaly of the wedaing of Mr. Fiven White and the 320 a annvensury of the wedding of Mr. Arthur FI. White.
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## FOR BEGINNERS.

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The pressure on our space in the lasi few months has oansed an interuption in our series of articles for begimacrs, but wo hope to resume then in the new year.

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## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## NORTE BUGKS BRANGI.

A guarterly meeting of the North Bucks Brancl of the Oxford Diacesan Guild was held at Buckiughrm on December' 41 l . In apita of the wretohed weather, $n$ smowstarm being in full foree, over 30 members attended, and thu bells were rung in various methods. Service was conducted by the Rev. C. D. Read, of Tingewick, and at the meeting after tea the sectebary reported bhat he had been approached by the secretary of the Latom District of the Benfordehire Association as to whether a joint mecting could be arranged at a later date. IIe thought that it would do good. It was left to him to arrange the mecting at gome convenient date.

The secretary apolagised for the absence of the chairman (the Rev. F. Adean Byard, of Newport Pagtlell), and thanked the Rev. Read, of Tingewick, for coming at short notice to oftiate at tho service and for taking the chair at the meeting.

The qecretaries of the Central Bucks and Banbary Branch atteaded the meeting, and a very hearty welcomo extended to them.

Binging varied from Grandsire and Stedman Triples to Cambridge Major.

## PEAL NOTES

(Continued from previous column.)
Another wedding peal was rung on Saturdby weels al Jungley, Bucks, the bride leeng Miss Mary Leach, of Langley, and the bridegroom Mr. Geo. H. Linmer, member of St. Peter's Sociedy, Burnham.
Miss Sylvia Bowyer and Mr. Georgo Meming rang their twenty-hfth? peal together on Saturday week, wher they book part iv a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at St, Margareb's, Ipswich.

As a birthday compliment to Chesterficid's veteran composer, Mr. Arthur Kriohtas, peal of Keat Treble Bob was rung at Fickington, Derbyshire, on Saturday week.

Mr. Knights took part and the peal was called by his sen Percival. Another of his compositions, No. 219, was rung for the frist time.

A peal of Doubles in four methods was rung on the back six at the Bell Foundı, Loughborongin, on Saturary week. John H. Fill rang the tenor and scered his first peal at the first attempt, at the age of 13 years. The peal was conducted by Mr. Emest Morris, hon, secretary of tho Midland Counties Aesociation, who las now calied peals of Donlileb, Minor, Triples, Major, Caters and Royal on these bells.

## THE HERTFORD COLLEGE YOUTHS.

THE HISTORY OF AN ANCIENT SOCIETY.

By J. A. Trolzope.

Hertford possessed one of the earliest peal ringing bands that we know of, and as early as December, 1724 , a month before Annable and the College Youths scored their first five-thousand, they rang 'the whole peal of Tripples.' Then follows a blank, and we hear no more about the doings in the town until September 5th, 1767 , when some young and excelient ringers formed themselves into a company and called themselves the Hertford Collegre Youths.

They were not a branch of the London Society, and had no other connection with it than that they borrowed its name, a thing at the time not unusual with provincial bands.

They numbered fourteen, and, so far as we can tell, they belonged to much the same class as do ringers today. The principal officer of the company was the Beadle, for, though the society had a Master and Stewards, they were, as we shall see presently, not ringers, and had nothing to do with the the belfry. There was also a Treasurer and Clerk.

Candidates for election as 'steeple ringers' must have previously rung at least 1,000 changes, and they were ballotted for by 'such of the other stecple ringers as shali be particularly summoned for that purpose.' An entrance fee of one shilling was to be paid to the Beadle. All money received for paid ringing was handed to the treasurer and was shared out on the first club night after Christmas, and upon the feast day, but nothing was paid to anyone who had not rung r,ooo changes. The fines and forfeits were spent on the evening of the first Thursday after Christmas.

The Society rang its first peal two months after its foundation, one of Bob Major at All Saints' Church; a month later they rang 7,056 in the same method; and between then and December, 1788 , ten more of Plain Bob and Oxford Treble Bob. Two of these were six-thousands and one was conducted by Thomas Blakemore, the junior partner in the firm of authors who wrote the Clavis.

The society shared the exclusive spirit common to the ringers of the time. They paid visits to the St. Alban's Zollege Youths and received return visits, but they did not allow their members to associate with the ringers of the other towers in Hertford, and when it was brought to their notice that Edward Baker had rung several times at St. Andrew's stecple for hire, it was resolved that he be expelled; and he was expelled accordingly.

Like all these old bands they had their quarrels and dissensions. Isaac Spencer, senior, was their most prominent member; at any rate, he was the first to sign the roll when the society was founded. When the first Beadle died he succeeded to the job, but a twelve-month later, at a meeting in All Saints' belfry, it was unanimously resolved that he, having at divers times illiberally reflected upon several members of the society, be expelled; and he was accordingly expelled.

William Hillier took his place, but he did not fare very much better. After three years' service, a mecting, held at the World's End, suspended hira from executing the
office of warner or beadle 'for having ill-treated and abused several members at their meeting last night in All Saints' steeple.'

We can imagine that there was a pretty rough house and not much ringing on that occasion.

However, Hillier made a public submission and was reinstated, but only on very severe terms. 'If in future the said William Hillier shall refuse to obey the reasonable requisitions of the majority of the members or behave to the said members in an unbecoming manner, he shail be immediately discharged and expelled the Society, and if, after such expulsion, any member shall again proposi: or move for his readmission, such member shall be expelled himself.'

But Hillier had his own party, and later on a general meeting was called which included the stewards, steeple ringers, and handbell ringers, and the last-resolution was expunged. Isaac Spencer was also readmitted.
Another original member, Thomas Phenix, fell out with the company and told tliem to strike his name off the list, which they did. But some years later he was ringing peals with them.
The steeple ringers were only a section of the Society of Hertford College Youths. There is a reference, noted above, to the handbell ringers who would be tune players, but are not again mentioned. And there were other members whose only interest in the society was the annua! feast. In fact, the society was an excuse for a number of the principal men of the town and some of the surrounding country gentleman and parsons to meet once a year and have a good dinner. The first of these feasts was held in 1770 , and they continued yearly until 1808 . To arrange and manage them there were a Master and four Stewards. The Master, of course, took the chair, and the Stewards were the people who made themselves responsible for the arrangements and the finance.

In the handbook of the Ancient Society of College Youths we are told that the chair was usually taken by the Marquis of Salisbury, supported by Lord Dacre and others of the old country families. That, however, is (to put it mildiy) an exaggeration. The chair was not once taken by the Marguis of Salisbury, though that nobleman, when he was as yet only an earl, did attend on one occasion. Lord Fairford was then the Master, and these two are the only noble names that occur, for there is no mention of Lord Dacre. There is mention of a certain Alderman Baron Nathaniel Dimsdale, who was three times Master, but Baron was his Christian name. Three Members of Parliament were Masters and several aldermen, but never one of the steeple ringers.
After the first few years some of the London College Youths attended the feast and sometimes acted as stewards. Thomas Blakemore's name appears in ri76 ${ }^{6}$, and afterwards James Darquit, John Lyford, Robert Bly, William Lyford, John Lyford and others. John Briant, the Hertford bell founder, was also a steward on one occasion.
I imagine that what happened here was similar to what happened at St. Stephen's, Bristol. The feast began as a ringers' function, but eventually became an end in itself.
The society made two subscriptions, both for worthy purposes. One of $f 15$ was towards the cost of recasting the two trebles at All Saints' ; the other of $f$ io ros. towards the payment of the National Debt. No doubt this
last amount seems somewhat inadequate to the purpose, but, as was said on an historic occasion, 'every little is a help.'

The last feast was held in 1808 , and it seems that before then the ringing in the tower had cleclined, and soon afterwards practically came to an end; but on Easter Monday, April 2oth, r829, an attempt was made to resuscitate the society and twenty-six men signed as members. They included Edward John Osborn, who was born a Hertford man, and who had already rung his only peal, Grandsire Triples, at St. Andrew's. But it came to nothing, and Osborn, who shortly afterwards left for London, wrote lugubriousiy, 'It is no longer itself. Friendship gone. Pleasure crash'd. Science lost. And all gone for ever.'

Mention has been made of the first Marquis of Salisbury. He was the first respectable member of the family since Robert Cecil, the first earl, and he owed much to a very remarkable wife who, in old age, was burnt to death in a fire at Hatfield. Osborn says that he was interested in belis and ringing and had sent a fat buck to the Hertford College Youths for their feast. In 1786 he recast the six bells at Hatfield and made them into a heavy ring of eight. The London College Youths were invited to ring the first peal. They stayed three days and, owing to the hot weather, had several unsuccessful attempts before they succeeded. The peal was 5,280 changes of Treble Bob. John Povey conducted, Samuel Muggeridge rang the tenor, and the band included James Darquit, William Lyford, James Worster and Joseph Holdsworth. During their stay they were entertained to dinner at the Salisbury Arms by the Marquis, who presided.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

MONTHLY MEETINGS IN WIMBORNE BRANOH.
A meeting of the Wimborme Branch of the Salistury Diocesan Guiki was held on Saturday, December 18th, at St. James', Poole, 51 uambers attending. After the service, wh which the Rector gave the address, tea was partaken of at tho Clurch Fouse and was followed by the business mecting.

The lon. secretary's report was vary gratifying. It showed a record year, in the course of which 13 peals were rung by the brauch. Poole bells had been augmonted to ten and one otber peal was ruyg in tile branch by mombers of the Ancient Society of Uollege Youlis to commemorate the tercentenary of that society.

The mouthly meetings throughout the ybar had not been too well altended, but it was decided to carry on with them for another year, and all meetings were fixed for tho fourth Saturday in each monih.

The officers were re-clected en bloc, and each made a suitable reply,
The Guild Riuging Master (the Rov. R. H. Gundry) was present, and congratulated the branch on the year's work. They bed, be gaid. a record to encourage them to even greater efforts for the coming year.

Visitors included Mr. G. Preston, secretary of the Christehurch branch of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, Mr. C. H. Jennings, secrebary of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisbury Guild, Other fowerg represented were Wimbonne, Poole, Bournemouth (St. John's and St. Peter's), Corfe Mfullen, Lytchatt Minster and Lytchett Matravers, Dorchester, Lulwortland Swanago.

Several new members were elcoted.
The ringing was of a very good standard generally, and the methods rung were rounds, Grandsire Triples, Cambridge Major, Grandsive and Stedman Catera, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Royal. Nany of those present heard the ten belis for the first time, and many remaris were passed about the splendid splice made by Messle. Mears nud Stainbank. The ten belis pare lowered in peal at the close of a very successful meeting.

## GOLDEN WEDDING

The service ringers at St. Stephen'b, Hampslead, rang their firat 720 of Grandsire Doubles on December 19th for service, also in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Hillard: Mrs. G. Franeis $I_{1}$ R. Harman 2, D. Farman 3, D. Peatell 4, T. Bevan (conductor) 5, G. Octel! 6 .

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## BELERY GOSSIP.

A Happy and Prosperous New Fear to all readers of "The Ringing World.

Mr. A. B. Peck, hon. secretary of the Ancient Society of College Youths, wishes all mombers of the Society and ringing friends a happy and prosparaus New Year.
During ringing at Woodstock, Oxfordshire, on Bank Haliday, a gudgeon of the 17 cwt , tenor broke aut the bell fell into the frame.

Naturally the ringers had a fright when the crash came, but it was an exagger'ation to say, as did some newspapers, that the ringers ' Tnu for their lives.?
The Bishop of Manchestor has appointed the Rev. Arthur Scotto president of the Lancashira Association, to be the Rector of St. Luke's, Miles Platting, Manchester. The Rev. Arthur Scott is at present Lecturer of Boltou and senior curate of Bolton Farish Church,

It frequently occura that someone loses either a glove or umbrella in a belfry, but after the opening of Thetford bells one ringer found himself in possession of seven hats, providing him with one for each day of the week, unless they have smee been elaimed.

## RINGERS' HANDBOOK:'

NEW EDIHION OT THE EIGHT-BELL VOLUME,
The best evidence that the 'Ringers' Handbook' fulfils a very useful purpose is the fact that the first print of the complete volume has sold out, and the authors (the Rev. E. S. and Mrs. Powell) have published a new edition. The matter has been carefully revised and some slight changes made, notably in thre peals of Grandsire Triples. Holt's Ten-Patt disappears, Parker's Twelve-Past is given with transpositions, and a peal by the Rev. 羔. J. James included.

The book is on excellent instructor. It carries the crabject from handling a bell up to the four standard methods-Grandsire and Stedman Triples; Plain Bob and Treble Bob Major-and explains the may to call them. A wariety of peals, with explanatory notes, is included. This revised edition is published at 2s. 9d., or six copies for 15s. It can be obtained only from the Rev. E. S. Powell, Staverton Vicarage, Daventry. The sis-bell section, as a separate publication, has not yet etatered a second edition.

## CLASHING OF MEETINGS.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir, I was pleased to see two replies to my letter regarding the clashing of meetings. I am also pleased to hear that Mr. A. H. Smith's meetings are fixed early in the year. As a matier of fact, I knew this already, and consequently as I also know that the Surrey Association meetings are fixed early in the year, it was a still greater amazement to me to see that they would clasl. No secrefary is asked to know enything about anotlier's mectings of 50 miles distant, but I think it only to the mutual adrantage of everyone trat they sloould know something about those held within three miles. It Was known that this clash would take plece, probably eight montlis ago, and, therefore, there is absolutely no excuse whatever for aither secretary. It showed an extreme lack of co-operation. Anyway, I sincerely hopa that both meetings wero well attended, and that each tower enjoyed a course of London.

Regarding the Twielrenlam and Isleworth 'clash,' I am sorry this is the second one this year. Mr. W. G. Wilson apparentily thans lie Las canght mo napping, but I expected someone to bring up about the unfortuate clash bebween Lie London County Association, Southern District, meeting at Chiswick and the Soutio and West Middlesex District at Harinjoton on July 17 thr. The London County meetings are fixed for the bhird Saburday in alternate montbe, and the South and West Middesex aro fixed for the second Saturday. I kept to my Saturdey and knew nothing of the Marlington meeting untii I saw the notice in 'The Ringing World.' I did, however, mention the date of our next meeting in 'The Ringing World ' for June 4 th; so facts speak for themselves. Also, as I purposely took note of everyone who attanded at Chiswick (it was a very poar attendance, only 18), I learnt thei no one at my meetring would have attended at Fiarlingtion in any case. Further comment is unnecessary.
I might add, in passing that I am greatly against any association regarding a tower as in their own territory. A moeting is leld at a tower through the courtesy of the lecal incumbent and the captain of the ringers, and to my way of thinking it matters nothing under whose auspices the meeting is held. But whoever arwanges a meeting should first make suro that it does not clash with a neighbouring society, and this can be done by everybody leẹping ta fixed dates as far bs pessible, and, if the date has to be altered, getting into communication with the society that has kept to its date. Good feeling will then be retained.
A. PATRICK GANNON.

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## OLDEST COLLEGE YOUTH.

The oldest member of the Ancient Society of College Youths and Master of the sociefy in 1885, Mr. J. Martin Routh, now liring at Tilehurst, Berks, celehrated his 9lst birthday on Monday.
Manbers of St. Michael's. Tilehurst, rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in his honour on December 28th: J. Marsh 1, H. Hunt 2, F. Lavgley 3, H. Goodger 4. A. Faines 5, J. Lewendon 6, R. Rumham (conductor) 7, D. Seliar 8 .

## DEATH OF THE REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON.

HON. SECRETARY OF HLREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
We deeply regret to announce the death of the Rev. F. ©. T Richardson, Reotor of St. Nicholas', Hereford, and hon. secretary of We \#ereford Diocesall Guild, which took place on December 23rd at Moorcocks, Brasted, Kent, the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. F. H. Lewis. Mr. Richardson had beeu seriously ill for some monkhs, and his resisnation of the living of St. Nicholas was already in the hands of the Bishop and wonld have taken effect from tho end of the year. He was 55 years of age and leaves a widow and four daughters, to whom, as to his sigter, Mrs. Lewis, the sympatly of the whole Exercise will be extended.
Harold Samuel remple Richardson was the son of the Venerable John Gray Richardson, some time Archdeacon of Nottingham and Rector of Southwell Cathedral. He was at Notingham Hirls School,
und became a Scholar of Trinity College, Cambridge, in 1901. He took a first class in the Classical Tripos 1904, when he took his B.A., a second class in the Theological Tripos in 1906, and proceeded to his M.A. in 1910.

After leaving Ciambridge, where he spent five years, be went to Thishop's Hostel, Bishop Auckland, and was ordained deacon in 1907 and priest in 1908. He was curate of Holy Trinity, Darlington, 1907-8, and domestic chaplain to the Bishop of Durham and head of the Bishop's Hostel, Bishop Auckland, 1908-1911.

He then went to St. Mary the Great, Cambridge, under the late Rev. A. IF, F. Boughey, where he spent about a year, and afterwards became organising secretary of the Church of England Sinday Schoot Institate, which position he beld from 1912 to 1917. Returning to parochial work, he was curate of St, George's, Camberwell, 1917 to 1919 and cur'ate at Ashburton, Devon, 1919 to 1921. In the latter year he married Miss Edith Bond, kauthter of the Vicar of Ashburton, and became Rectar of Hopesay, where he remained until 1987, when he hecame Rector of St. Nicholas', Hereford.
Mr. Richardson's interest in ringinr began when he went up to Cambridge, where he joined the Cambridge University Guild in the same year as Mr. E. H. Lewis, Dr. F. S. Poole and the late Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake.
He became treasume of the Guilk in 1902 and held the office of Master in 1903, 1904 and 1905. His first peal was rung with the Guild on June 17th, 1903, a peal of Bob Major at St, Andrew's, Cambridge. Afterwards lie took part in many pcal perfarmances both for the University Guild and other societies.
He was elected an honorary member of the Central Coumeil in 1908 and devoted a great deal of labour to the work of the Peals Collection Committee. Acong the tasks he undertook was the proving of the housnmds of peals of Treble Bob, from Major to Maximus, which are in the Council's Library. He was not always able to attend the Council meetings, burt whenover he took part in debate, his opinions carried corsiderabie weight among the members.
After he took up residence in Herefordshire he was elected hon. secretary of the Diocesan Guild, and he held this offee and his membership of the Council up to his death.
The funeral took place at Brasted on Tuesday afternoon.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

HREP FOR ST. GEORGE'S BELL FUND.
A meeting of the Northern District of the London County Association was held ou Saturday, December 18th, at the Church of St. John at Hackney. The bells at this church are a peal that po well if the band ringing "knows them,' so that, as might be expected, the striking nt times was not particularly good. Farious methods were rung before the tea interval, when the services of 'Lyons' were requisitioned.
At the business meeting, held in the tower, five new members were elected, and it was announced that the district annual meeting would bo held in the city of London on January 8th at St. Lawrence Jewry.
The district secretary (Mr. J. G. A. Prior) announced that he would not seel re-election for the coming rear.
A discussion took place regarding the appeal by the Rector of St. George-in-the-East for assistance towards the restoration of the ring of eight at his church. A clonation from the distriet funds of 10 s . was agreed upon and a collection realised the anm of 30s. Other plans for assisting the appeal were disoussed, and a committee of three was appointed to co-operate with the authorities at St. Gearge-in-the-East.
The District Master then proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for tho use of the belle, and to Mr, Frank Start, Master of the Eackney hand, for making the arrangements.-phis was carried by acclanation, and Mr. Start briefy replied.

Further ringing then took place in methods up to Cambridge and Superlative.

A pleasing featire of the menting was that the attendance was comprised almost entirely of districl members. Tisifors are always very welcome at Northern Districi, mentings, but in the past the success of the meetings has depended largely upon the support of nondistrict members, a state of affairs that had not reflected much credit on the district mombers.

## BELLS OVER LONDON

MLSS DOROI'HY L. SAYERS AND THE DISיITE WITM TFE B.B.C.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-Mr. J. A. Waugh has, I think, in your last iesue, put his finger on the real source of the trouble in this unfortunate dispute, viz., 'the failure of the B.B.C. to obtain asreement with the particiDants before poblishing their programmes. I slabuld lile to explain that all I kuew of bio mather was that I was asken by the 13, J3.C. to take part in a programme arwanged (ns I was infommed) wy them in comjuction with the A.S.C.I. The passage selected from my book was not my own choice, and I said athe thme thet I thonght it inl chosen; but I naturally supposed wat it had been decided upon by bollh parbies concerned. I knew nothing whatover about any disanreement until I was rung up by 'The Star', and informed, mueh to my surprise, that (fecording to "The Daily Hemad ") 1 was involred in a 'row af the B.B.C.' Needless to say, had I imagined for one mament that any objection to my part in the programme had been raised by Mr. Roughton or any other member of the Ancient Sacety, 1 slonk have refnsed to collaborate. I strongly deprecate the suggeation that has (probably unintentionally) been conveyed that I lind or lave any intention of puttine myself forward as an atuthority on change ringing: nothing could be farther from the truth. I an extrewely sory that I should have been made to appear in any way disporrieous to the society, who have gons out of their way to do me every possinle kindness.

DOROTHY L. SITEPS
Witham. Essex.

## LANCASHERE ASSOCIATEON.

IS IT TOO JIG FOR EFFTGTENT ADMTNTSTRARTON

## To the Editor.

Dear- Sir,-I am sure your trenchant criticism in the last issue of "The Ritoging World' will be welcomed by all those who have the welfare of the Lancashire Association at hearti. tille picture is roally blacker than yon have painted it: silent towers on Sundrys (there are at least three in the Manchester taref und ono in Presion arear
 no interest shown by most of the towers.

If we exchude the Liverpool area (which is farily purasperous), then we can say that the decline in Lancaslire is partoty goneral. I rm noto criticising our offeials, but I wonder if they lave ever điscnsged ways and means of combating this insidious lethargy which has taken possession in the county. I ask, in all seriousiness, is onrl association too big and unwieldy for offient administration? There are three dioceses in Lancashire; would it be better to form linree sepmrato guilds instead of one?
Some few years ago my own bunch tabled a mation that ench brazeln should be allowed to control 75 per cent. of its own funds. The commitiee moved and carried that the motion be allowed to lie on the table." Yet bhis is already done in the most progressive associations. I mention this to show that there will have to be at difforent spirit from the commitice downwards if this deche is to he orreated. Your leader will make the enthusiastic members think serionsly, Let us hope their thought will be transferved into vigorons action.

Prestan.
E. R. MARTIN.

## A NEW EIGFY TN THE FYLDE BRANCH.

The monthly meeting of the Fylde Brancl of the Limenashive Assochition was hold af Poultou on Snturday, December 18th. The big adituaction was the new octave by the recent addition of I wo trebles to the ancipat riag of six. All the bells have been cust by Ments and Stainbank and much interest was itroused in the branch as to the success or otherwise of the "splice.
The tenor being only around 8 cwt , Poullon can now elain to have the lightest ring of eight bells for many miles abousd. Owiag to the light weitht of the bells and easy muning (except the tenor), it took quite a long time to bring round easy touches of Boh Major or Grandsite.
Great mbthusianm exists among some of the local ringers for change ringing, and, althongl they have not yot scored a plain couse of Bob Major, the leader has hopas of scoring pa peal by about Easter gext. Touches of Bob Major, Grandsire Triples and Stedman Triples wero suceessfult brought round, the bells being rung down in peal at 7 p.m. after an enjoyable meeting.
Jit was decided to hold the next meeting af Bisplam in January.

## A TASMANIAN BELL FOUNDER.

In a letter to E Hobart newspaper, Mr. W. Eltham, of Sandy Bay, wrote: On the occasion of a reception in Encland by English bellingers, Archdeacon Blackwood expressed a wisli that wo had a bell foundry in Arustralia. It will be news to many to learn that a bell foundry existed in Hobart in the 1860's. It was in Barrack Street, and later was used as an engineeriny factory bp Davidson nad Brown. J. Swein was the bell fomnder, and many of his eastings still exist in Tasmania, including two of the most sonorous and full-toned bells in Anstralia, still in inse at the St. Joseph's Ohurch nud St. George's Church. Tho Swain family were stameh adherents of St. Georve's Olurch. It is generally understood that Swair was the only bell caster in Australia.

## RESTORED PEAL AT THETFORD, NORFOLK.

## SDCCESSFUL REORENING MEETING.

After a silence of nearly tro years, St. Peter's bells wera heard again on Saturday, December 18th, on the occasion of the rededication of the restored peal by the Rev. Canon J. K. Jolnston, Rural Dean, Vicar af St. Cuthinet's, Thetford.
The Rector of St. Peter's, the Rev. S. C. Webb, conducted the service, which took the form of a shortencd evensong.

Canon Johnston gave an address, in the course of which he referred to St. Peter's bells as not only being of interest to the parish of St. Pelier's, but 4 personal concern of everyone in the ancient borough of Thetford. He expressed the belief that the tones of the bells mingled with the emotjons of all, sometines glady sometimes sadly, and evcryone rejoiced wat the restored peal conld now fulfil its accustonoed task.
Following the address, a procession was formed, congisting of the Rev. Canor H. K. Johnston (Vicar of St. Cuthbert's), the Rev, S. C. Wehb (Rector of St, Peler's), tho churchwardens (Messis. T. E Rudling and W. C. Goodman), and proceeded to the ringing clamber, where the ringers were wailing.

After the dedicatory prayers, and whilst the clergy and churchwardens returned from the tower, eight local ringers rang younds to announce that the bells were asgin in use.
At the conclusion of the gervice, various touches were rung by visitars, and over 40 proceeded to St. Peter's Church Room, where tea wis provited, and the Rurai Dean, the Rector, charchwasdens, and Mr. S. R. Roper', representing Messrs. Gillete and Johuston, were present.
The bells hare been inned and cleaned and rehung is the strengthenen oak frame, complete with ball benrings and modern fitiugs. Everyone expressed their appreciation of the way in which the restaration had been carried throurli to a highly successiful conclusion and of huving the peal in perfect vinging order once egain.

Gratifieation was also expressed at the Improvemont effected by the tuning of the bells, and the visiting ringers voimed their complete salisfaction with the "go" of the peal, both of which facts reflect eredit on the bellfounders.

After tea all the ringers returned to the tower and indulged in Prain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich Court Bob, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise.
The meeting, which was rieclared the nost snecessful that conld be desired, was attended by Ihree district secretaries of the Norwich Tiocesan Association, Messrs. H. Tooke (North), A, G. Harrison (South) snd J. G. W. Farwood (Enst Norfolk), and members from Atheborough, Bury St. Edmund's, Gaston, Diss, Elveden, Fakenham Garboldisham, Grivestone, Great Farmouth, Gressenhall, Hockwold Norwich, Redgrave, Suxlingti\&m, Shelfanger, Winfarthing, Wymondham and the locil company.

The inscriptions, notes ant weights of the bells are as follow:Treble.E. Cin Voco Venite. Thos, Osborn Fecit 1750. 6 cwt. 261 h.
2nd.- E. Thos. Osborn Fonnder 1790. 6 cwt .1 qr .8 lb
3rd.-D. Thos, Osborm, Downhan, Norfolk, Fecit 1790.6 cwt 3 cr. 16 hb
4 th .0

7 cwt .2 gr .10 lb .
Our woices shall with joyful sound
Make bills and valleys eclio tound
5th.-B flat:
. Osbora 1700. 8 ewt. 1 gr, 1 lh In Wedlock hands all ye who join With hands your lyeat minite, So shall otn" tumeful tongues combine To laud the Nuptial rite.
6th.-A. T1, Osborn Fecit 1790. 9 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb.
7th, G. T. Osborw Fannder 1790, 12 ewt. 3 cur. 21 lb.
Tenor.-F. Town gf Thetford 1790. T. Oshern Fecic. Pevcute Dulee Cano. 18 cwt I lb.

## DEATH OF A DOVER RINGER

The death of Mr. J. B. Saunders, of Dover, removes one of the band of St. Mmry's who decided to plod into the art of chango inging some 36 yoars rego. Joining the Kent Connty Association, be took part in the first local peal on May $20 \mathrm{Lh}, 1903$. For a number of years he was lou. secretary, but recently he hed ceased to take an active part in rinping owing to ill-health.

The funertil book place on Thursday, December 16th, and in the evening a quarter-peal of Grandsire Trrples was rung half-muffied by S. A. Wells 1, T. Durham 2, L. Leach 3, W. Kitchen 4, T. Anderson 5, H. Whitehead 6, C. Turner (conductor) 7, E. T. Ellender 8.

## LIANISHEN LEADER DEAD.

Mr. Farry Nott, leader of the St. Isen's band, Llanishen, where he lad been a ringer for 35 ycars, passed away on December 16 th at the age of 66 years.

Members of tize local band attended the funeral and acted as bearers.
Touches of Doubles with the bells half-muffled were rung for service on the following Sumday as a tribute to his memory by the following members of the local band: Messm. Altridge, A. Bassett, G. Chamber lsin. G. Champkin, E. Coles, W. Freeman. A. Porter and G. Talhot.

TWO NEW SURPRISE MAJOR METHODS.

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5,120 CHANGES By H. G. Casinmore.

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Watford and Eastbury were first rung by the Hertiond Counly Association and the peals were composed and conducted by Mr. Harold G. Caslimore. The same composition was used for both methods

Walford was rung on Mray 12t1, 1937, and Eastbury on Noyember 20th, 1937.

## CHRISTMAS BELLS

At Lyme Regis, Dorset, for miduight Fncharist, Christmas Eve, 720 Bob Minor: R. Keeley I, J. E. Philbrick 2, H. G. Keeley 3, Rev. C. C. Cox (conductor) 4, F. E. Blackinore 5, O. W. Powell 6. On the feest of St. Stephen, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Miss L. Keeley (first quarter of Stedman) 1, O. W. Powell 2, J. E. Philhrick 3, S. J. Philbrick 4, Rev. C. C. Cox (conductor) 5, H. (G. Keeley 6, G. H. Whitemaro 7, F. Price 8

Ringers at the Cathedral, Manchester, caryied out their custom an Christmas Day of ringing both at the Cathedral and at Sacrod Trimity Church, Salford. For morning service at the Catiedral they rang 8ed Grandsire Triples: J. Simpinins 1, H. Hollingworth 2, J. Bolton 3, A. Rivlvard (conducfor) 4, H. Langden 5, B. Wilshaw 6. R. Longden 7. J. Wright, 8. Immediately afterwards they journeyed across the city houndary and rang for morning service at Sacted Trinity Church. Salford. The compary extend lineir greetings to all ringing friends.

## FIRST QUARTER-PEAL

EDTNBURGE. - At St. Cuthbert's Parish Church for afternoon service on December 19tlı, t quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Mis Holland 1. Miss Taylor 2. D. Holland 3, Miss Whitson 4, W. G. S. Henthcote 5, J. Marshall 6, G. Mrishall (first quarter-peal of Stedman end first attempt) (conductor) 7, J. Ritehie 8 .

BURTON HASTINGS.-At St, Botolph's Church in honour of the King's birthday on Tuesday, December 14th, $n$ guarter-peal of Grand sire Doubles: W. Noon (Burton Hastings, first quaster-peal away from tenory 1, A. Beamish 2, J. J. S. Moreton 3, J. Draycott. 4, C. Rayson 5. F'le four latter are members of All Saints', Chilvers Coton,

## LATE START SPOILS PEAL CHANCE

Owing to a late start for a peal in seven Surprise Minor methods ab Sit. Mary's Church, Waverton, on November 13th, the bells were brought round after ringing $720^{\circ}$ each of the following: Jondon, wells aad Cambridge: W. E. Fletcher 1, L. L. Gray 2. F. Hartman 3, G. Ledslnm 4, P. Swindley 5, F. Varty (conductor) 6.

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## WHERE LORD BRERETON IS BURIED.

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' FIRST MASTER

The Pariel Church of St. Oswald at Brereton, near Orewe, in Cheshire, has a special interest for ringers, for it was the burial place of William, Lord Brereton, the founder and first Master of the Society of College Youths. Until recently nothing was known about Lord Brevetoy, but when writing the bistory of the Coliege Youtis, Mr. J. A. Trollope made researches among the state papers and other souvces of information, and discovered that Brercton in his time was
at the time; and the Treasury Books contain eatries which show how much some of tio cauntry gentlemen had suffered and how they cxpected to be compensated. Lord Breretor asked for a logal office, which appacently le did not get. He also applied for a grant of the customs of French wines at the port of Chester and was rolusad. The did get a money grant from the King.
There are five bells at Brereton Churcl, and we cannot doubt that there Lord Brereton did most of his actual ringing, but unfortumately


ST. OSWALD'S GHURCH, BRERETON, CHESHIRE.
[From a drawing by Mr. J. W. Clarke, Chester.
a person of very considerable importance. He was one of the local leaders of the Royalistr party in the Civil War, and after suffering for his loyalty. during the Comnonwenlth, was rewarded after the Restoration by being made Lod Lithtenant of Cheshire; but he did not live to enjoy his honours very loug.

Among the papers at the Recoud Office are one or two autograph letters of Breretou to the Secretary of State, which throw Iight, not only on the man himself, but on the political condition of the country
no record now exists of any actual performances by hin dither in Oheshire or in Jondon among the College Youths. The church contains no memorial to him, but on the tercentenary the College Fouths sent a wreath in commemoration of his connection with the society, and a peal of Donbles was rung by Choshire members of the society, conducted by Mr. Albart Crawley.
Mr. Trollope's baok, 'The College Fouths," an be obtained direct. from ' The Ringing World,' price 5s. 6d. post iree.

## A LEICESTERSHIRE RING RESTORED

## COPT OAK BELIS REDEDICATED.

A service of thanksgiving and the rededication of the bells uf the Church of St. Peter, Copt Oak, Leicestershire, took place on Surday, December 19th. The special service, which followed evening prayer, was modelled upon the form used at Leicester Cathedral last April. After intercessions and thanksgivings had been said, Psalm 150 was sung and a procession was made to the tower for the hallowing ceremony, which was performed by the Archdeacon of Loughborough (Ven. W. P. Furrell, M.A.). After he lad charged the ringers to see that the bellis were vung with reverence and devotion to a sacred trust, the bells were raised in peal by the following members of the Hugglesroto band: F. O. Over 1, W. Johnson 2. J. F. Dean 3, J. Oadle 4. E. J. Tovell 5, A. E. Rowley 6. Meanwhile the procession Jeturned tu the chancel. The Archdeacon gave an inspiring address on the history of bells, their uses and their beauty.

After the service short tomehes of Grandsire Doubles, 33ob Minor and Kenl: Troble Boh Minor gave an opportunity to all desinous of trying the improvements.
The bells have been relump on ball bearings and providea with new ropes through the generosity of the Baruan Bell Trust, who have defrayed the whole cost. The work has been carried out by Messus. J. Thylar and Co., of Loughborougl, who have cartied nut the work wilh 1 he highest efliciency.

## RINGERS SEE THEMSELVES IN FILM.

PICTU廹 TAKEN JN LOWESTOFT BELFRY
Members of St, Margaret's Seciety, Lowestoft, with the IRector (Canon H. F. Jinraght, M.A.), Mr. T. Woodser (secretary of the society) and Mrs. Woodger, had the pleasure of being ontertained by at well-known resident, Mr. Sydney Taylor, nad Mrs. Taylor at theit residence, Eillingdou, Gumton Cliff.
A month previous, by the kind permission of the Rector, and with the assistance of the SL, Margaret's ringers, Mr. Taylor took an film of the ringers at work in their helfyy, with the result that n very unique firm was obtaned. The entertainment opened with views in Switzerland taken ly ihe Jost when on holiday there, then a film ol scemes at $\AA$ recent wedding at Fakenham. The 'plece de resistauce followed, and the ringers expressed the view that it was a success. The ringers who are shown in the film, ringing two shont tonctas of
 Woorlley 4, E. Newson 5, D. Garr 6, R. W. Coates 7, A. Fi. Coleman (conductor) 8. A recond of Eow Bells was put on during the lime the film was showing. The conpany afterwards partuok of refreshments, and at the conclusion of the evening the Rector, on belalf of the ringers, thanked Mr. ami Mra. Taylor for the entertainment they had provided, and also for their linspitality.

## RINGER, KNOW THYSELF!

BY GEORGE L. JOYCD, HORNCHURGH

it is a great pity that everybody caunot believe that most of us have a genuine desire to better our art, and that we write, perhaps mistakenly, only with the idea of helping. I am grateful for Mr. Latwis' balanced and restrained reply to my letter about 'good striking: which held nothisg intended to be personal to him as a ringer. As 'first ringer in the land" bis name was used impersonally, but it so happened that he aiso is Master of the society which broad, ast exhibition ringing that I humbly consider to have been 'peor striking.'
The letter from Mr. Alec E, Richardson is an excellent example of the necessity to "know thyself.' Devoid of any vistage of constructive matiter, it compluins blat I wrile without construction! I am prepured to try to construct in its place, lut we plain fact is that so many of us think it is all the otiner fellow, whife we, ourselves, are helping towned the imperfection of the whole. And who is there to led the 'older bands ' of this? How many wotld up and tell a men of the stendieg and known opinions of (say) Mr. Lewis to shove her tlong at back, do!'-even if the critic were tolerably sure of his sround?
Time and again the "old "uns" bully the youngsters in the circle, or the meekest there-usiamlly there is a "goat. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ I suppose we cannot resist the temptation, but it is an unpleasant fact. My own experience has taght me that it is moli meant unkindly. But who has not suffored rus feared the big fellow 'on the box, who hellows'. . pull it, man, path it : . . ' to the nelvous offender? secredary who, when we thy Stedman Cingues once in a while, helps us so libtla with' A don't dray those little bells... '? Who does not remember the $\mathrm{l}^{3} . \mathrm{M}$. of the College Youths who, eses to the ground, ulaintively (zet fiercely withaly would bleat *...stri-i-i-li'm Is this sor of thing conshructive leap Contrast it mith the gentle numbegy of the populay Master of a Middesex Association, who, from huhind, will whigper, ". now thirtl's, ant she is a litte slow at hand. . . So wonder that he is popmar!
I cannot rempmber ever reading a definition of 'good striking '; in fuct, most aubhorities have shied nt, one. Constructively to be the fuol 'where angels fear to fread, let me liy. Twenty-live years ago I spent a day in Hornchurch Dell and ihe fields aronnd, reading and lacing in the sun, mainly wo please a cortain ' 1 il " of' lady.' Thus, it luppened thet $I_{\text {, a }}$ young and kean ringer, on May 27th, 1912, for norily ten hours listened to the record peal of Bristol. The monotony of the clockwork striking almost sent us to sleep. Rumour has it thit Isaag Shade missed his 1-2-1, and tirere came a monant whea yhybum was broken, quickly to be richited. Say for-what? -a minute or less? Somothing under a mindte in ter homs!
On the other hand. Twenty-five years later a competent musician mit with me and listened to the College Youths' broadeast; althongh 7no ringer, he "knew' ringing. His verdict of the St. Ciement's record rapt "The monotong if shond have expected from cexbibition ringing was decidedly poor. One bell in phificular was in the first quarter uf his time-umit the whole way through." In other words, he was shoving her tan much.
Thes is how I would define 'poor strikivg.' Not the man who momentarily iorgets bis places; not the beginuer feeling his way; not lise Foungster whe 'Erops her' now and then. But that persistent horror of the clip-clip-cip to the bitter end. And the worst of it is tile hest of us are prome.
A few months back, working in my grrden some 200 yards or so from Hounchuch tower, I histened to a peal of Canbridge four locals sud fowr visitorg "up." Asked by a local what I thouglat of it, $I$ said il might have been better if the - th had been rung ly a visting "xpert. "But it was, rang it," I wat told. And so, for three solid lours, a mar of wido experifence and many peals liad clipped lis loortid way throngh Gambridge Major. Curionsiy ezoushl, two of those visitors have been awnrded highest honours.
And the catse of bad striking? Ola timers recently have written fut it is dire to the 'Bradshav-ghide-surprise-jangling,' which, from n broad view, is utier nomsense. I ean 'bee" anything on six and eipht belle, provided I know the diagram and the others 'ring' it. "lins I ring Londion and Plain Beb with equal facility, and strike the one no worse than the obher. A priceless gift to a ringer also, forInnately, is mine-the ability to isolate the mind danuel whieli
grides ' the rope (everr to the extent of conversing aside). I beliove, in fact I hmow, that this 'isolation' is an essenliai step toward the dovelopment of the 'listening channel.' On ten and twelve bells it is not so clearly mine. There I num compelten to concentrate on ropeson search ' as opposed to 'seeing all ' without effort (due, I suppose, to lack of practice). Cousegreatly the listening suffers, and striking worse than usual.
Mnch bas been writen about ears. Tars for what? The average Fonngster is under the impression that he lass to pich out the mate of his bell from emonest the fangle. In a belfry I nould not do that in a hundrod sears. What I do hear is the 'thump, (of any old note in tonel which mu listening channel registers at a fraction of lime after my dijding channel puts tine rope into a given place. Thus, when dodging in $3-4$ up. I hear: 'drm-dum-Mine': 'dum-dum-fumMine "; 'dum-dirn-Mine'-and so on.
(Continued in next column.)

## 'THE COLLEGE YOUTHS'

## A History of the Society by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE

This is one of the very few books I have read which seem to me might, with advantage, liave been congiderably longer."-The Dean of At. Patul's.

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## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION <br> GHANGE OF OFFIUERS IN TAUNTON DEANERY <br> Mr. P. Mersan Retires from 'Secretaryship.

The annual meeting of the 'Inninton Deanery Branch of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association was Ield at Wilton Cmach, Tanton, on Decentber 11th, Service was held in the cturch, conducted by the Yicar, the address being given by his brotleer, the Very Rev. F. S. N. Benueti, formelly Dean of Chester.
Tea was served and the meeting held in the Parish Fall, the presitent (the Rev. P. I. Grosvener') heing in the clair. The secrotary (Mr, P. Merson) presented the balance shect and gave his annual In lis report, Mr. Merson stated that the year liad been a quiet one and that the peals rung had reached the lowest figure since the war, only three leing recorded. He thanked the president for his services duriag the past five years and alse thanked the veriong incumbents for the use of their towers and others who had assisted him, He concluded by hoping that some special effort would be made during the coming year to help those towets which were somewhat backward.
The report was adopted and the secretary thanked for lis work. FThe mecting then went ons to the election of oflicers, and the Rev. aro. Grosvener amonnced that tre wonld be hnable to carry on as prosident of the Deanery. In a survey of his term of office as president, ho said that he had found ringers were not suel a mad Merson for the help whieh he had rendered him.
On a proposal by Mr. Coles, seconded by Mr. Merson, the Deanery's appreciation of the president's worl for them was recorded.
The Rer. W. H. Heaton-Renslaw, Vicar of St. Mary's Church. Taunton, was proposed by Mr. Merson and seconded by Mr. J. Hint as president, and his election was carried with acclanation. Mr. Heaton-Renslıaw said that his reasous for accepling the post were his admiration of the retiring president and his apprceiation of the work of lis own ringers at St. Mary's.

Merson said that after 27 years as gecretary he thought that someone else should take on the duties, and proposed by Mr. $\mathbb{R}$. Wy. Fayward, of Wilton, as his successor. In making this proposal, Mr. Merson said that Mr. Haywrrd came from an old fanily of ringers, was himself a good rimger, and, moveover, had vouth on lifs side. The proposal was sccended by Mr. Huat and cartied.
Mr. Hayward, althongh nearly overcome by the praise he liad heard of himself: managed to thank those present and hoped that he would not let the Deancry down.
Mr. Coles proposed the re-election of Mr. Funt as Ringius Master, saying that they could not pussibly olbain a better one, and this was agreed to.
On the motion of Mr. Funt, Mr. Fayward was elected as representative on the General Conmittee of the association.
Combo Florey, Wiveliscombe and West Monlton were selected as places for the quarterly meetings for the coning year, with Ashbrittle as rabstitute if one of these places cannot be obtained
The President thanked the Vicar of Wilton for his hospitality and those who had provided the tea for their services.

Touches, ranging up to Kent Treble Bob Major, were rung on the bells.

## (Continued from previons column.)

I believe that this can easily be developed, once the concentrated effort to "see" has heen overcome, provided the learner is told what to listen for. And, with practice, it becomes ingtinctive. From that point it is purely a matter cf plysical ability-which I lack to a very marked degree.
There seems to be 九 lot about me: but who else can I analyse? I am trying to 'know myself.' Go, thou, and do likewise and Many Happry New Peals to you!

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LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-The next meetnig will be held on Saturday, January ist, 1938, at St. George's, Southwark, S.E. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Gentlemen cordially in-vited.-M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec., 9, Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.- Winchester District--The annual meeting will be Ield at St. Maurice Hall, Colebrook Street, Winchester, on Saturday, January ist, 1938. Business meeting at 3.15 , followed by tea at 4 o'clock. Service in the Cathedral at 5-15; preacher, Rev. P. H. McGuire, Rector of Leckford. Cathedral bells and St. Maurice's bells available at 1.30 . Please let us know if you are coming. -G. and Miss Noice, Hon. Dis. Secs., 6, Cathedral View, High Cliffe, Winchester.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Eastwood Church, Rotherham, on Saturday, January ist, 1938. Tea, is. each. Please notify Mr. N. Chaddock, 33, Brecklands, Broom, Rotherharn. Ail welcome.-M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13. St. Ronan's Road, Sheffeld, 7.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, January ist. Bellis (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.I5 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m.-J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting of the West Norfolk Branch will be held at Fakenham on Saturday, January 1st, 1938. Bells at 2.30. Service at 4.30.-W. J. Eldred, Branch Sec., 4, Wellington Street, King's Lynn.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637)-Meetings for January, 1938: St. Paul's Cathedral, $4^{\text {th }} ;$ St. Magnus', 6th; Southwark Cathedral, ${ }^{1} 3$ th; St. Mary-le-Bow, 18 th; St. Magnus', 20 th; all at 7.30 p.m.; St. Andrew's, Holborn, 27 th, at 8 p.m.-A. B. Peck, Hon. Sec., Branksome, Eversfield Road, Reisate, Surrey

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual Dinner, Saturday, January 8th, $193^{8}$, at the Lion Hote1, Guildoford, at 6 p.m. Tickets 5 s . 6 d . each, from J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover Cottage, Lower Pyrford Road, Woking, Surrey. Bells of S. Nicolas' Church available 3.30 to $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern

 District.-The annual district neeting will be held on Saturday, January 8 th, 1938 , in the City. St. Lawrence: Jewry will be available in the afternoon from 3 p.m., and Jewry will be available in the afternoon from 3 p.m. Full details later.-James G. A. Prior, Dis. Sec., 3 I, Limerston Street, S.W.io.GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.-North-East Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Tiverton on Saturday, January 8th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Will those intending to be present please notify me by Monday, January 3rd?-R. Harris, l’ark, Silverton, near Exeter.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-The next practice meeting will be held at St. James' Church, Barrow-in-Furness, on Saturday, January 8th, 1938 . Bells available at 2.30 p.m. Reports to hand. - N. M. Newby, Hon. Sec., Brewery Mount, Ulverston.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The next quarterly meeting will be hold at Leeds (ro bells) on Saturday, January 8th. Usual arrangements. Everybody welcome.-A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec., Egerton.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Howelen on Saturday, January 8th, 1938. Bells (8) available from 2 till 8 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m. Tea, is. 6 d ., at 5 o'clock. Please advise Mr. J. W. Thompson, 16 , Northalmby Street, Howden, by Wednesday, January 5th.--H. S. Morley, Hon. Sec., 5, Ebor Strect, Selby.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Annual neeting al Shrewsbury, Saturday, January Sth. Bells : St. Mary's, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. ; St. Chad's, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Those requiting tea must notify W. A. Farmer, 6, Mayfield Terrace, Shrewsbury, by January 5 th certain. BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Axbridge Deanery.-The annual meeting will be heki at Weston-super-Mare on Saturday, January 8th. Bellw (8) from 2.30 p.m. Divine Service, 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m.-H. Minifie, Hon. Sec., Royston, Uphill, Weston-super-Mare.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The anrual meeting will be held at Devizes, St. John's, on Saturday, January 8th. Bells available from 3 p.rm. Service 4.30 . Tea, in Parish Room, 5 o'clock. St. James' (Southbroom) and St. Mary's bells also available. A card for tea would oblige.-W. C. West, Hon. Sce., $5^{84}$ Semington Road, Mellsham.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GU\&LD.-Annual meeting of Southampton District at Southampton on January Sth. Bells: St. Mary's, from 2.30 and after tea; St. Michael's, from 2.30 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. : Holy Rood, 6.30 to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service, St. Michael's, at 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., in St. Michael's Hall. Names for teat by January 6th.-G. Pullinger, 17, Stoke Park Road, Bistopstoke.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District.-The annual meeting will be hele at St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, on Saturday, January 8th. Bells (ro) available at 3 p.m. Meeting 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Hearty welcome to North Staffs and Derby District members. Don't forget postcard for tea, to be sent to me by Wednesday, January 5 th.-Joseph Wm. Cotton, Overseal, Burton-dn-Trent.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch.-Newport lagnell Deanery.-A meeting at Stoke Goldington, Saturday, January 8th. 2.30 ring tup. 4 service. 4.45 tea.-Rcv. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks.

BAIH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Frone and Midsomer Norton Branch.-The annual mecting will be held at Chewton Mendip on Saturday, January 8th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.-E. H. Nash, Hon. Sec., The Talhot, Mells.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-All Loughborough District members are expected to attend the annual meeting to be heid at the Bell Froundry on January 8th. Tower oper1 3 p.m. Friends cordially invited. Please make own tea arrangements.-H. O. Over, Hon. Dis. Sec., Hugglescote.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - A inceting will be held at Norton on Saturday, January 8th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Will those who require tea kindly notify Mr. W. Corfield, The Fields, Norton, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs, on or before January sth?-Andrew Thompson, Hon. Sec.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Lindfield on Saturday, January 8th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome. Please notify by the fth for tea.-B. Saunders, 18 , New Road, Ridgewood, Uchfield, Sussex.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.--The next meeting will be held at Anston on Saturday, January 8th.-R. Towler, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District. -The annual meeting will be held on Jantary Bth. Ringing on six to 12 bells at Leicester Cathedral will commence at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for those who motify me by January 6th. Meeting at 6 p.m.-H. W. Perkins, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Landseer Road, Leicester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.The next meeting will be held at Upholland on Saturdiay, January 8th. Bells from 3 p.m. For tea (small charge) please notify S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ross District. -The annual meeting will be held at Ross on Saturday, January 8th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service $4 \cdot 30$, with music and new edition. Tea 5 p.m. (Williams' Central Cafe). Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. Will all those requiring tea kindly notify me not later than January 5th?-John Clark, Hon. Sec., Fernlea, Ross.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -Mceting al St. Nicholas', Liverpool, on Saturday, January 8ti. Bells (12) from 3 p.m. Peal tablets to be unveiled at 5 p.m. Service 5.15 . For tea notify Mir. G. Newton, 6, Langham Avenue, Liverpool.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-Practice at St. Giles',

Cripplegate, on Wednesday, January rath. Bells from 7.30 to 9 p.m. All ringers welconed. The annual meeting of the North and East District will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on Saturday, January 2gth.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTTIES ASSOCIATION.-Third quarterly (general) meeting at Repton, Saturday, January 15th. Bells (8) available all afternoon. Committee meet $3.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and general meeting $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Court Roons. Those requiring tea must apply for tickets to J. W. Cotton, Coronation Street, Overseal, Burton-onTrent, not later than the 12 th inst. No ticket, no tea, or cater for yourselves.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A mecting will be held at Leyton on Saturday, January 15 th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.rn. Tea to follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly advise me not later than Wednesday, January izth? Subscriptions for 1938 are now due.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Mawney's Road, Romford, Essex.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.--Rochester Dis-trict.-The quarterly nueeting will be held at Sittingbourne on Saturday, January 15th. See next week's R.W.' for full particulars.-G. H. Spice, Hon. Sec., 35, Woodstock Road, Sittingbourne.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch.The annual meeting of the Wirral Branch will be held on Saturday, January 15th, in St. Saviour's Parish Hall, Storeton Road, Oxton. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 6 o'clock. Tea, meeting and social evening afterwards. We hope to have a good attendance of members. -Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 30, South Hili Road, Birkenlyead.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Leyland Parish Church, January $5^{5}$ th. Bells (ro) available from 3 p.m. Reports to hand. Come and make this a successful meeting.-A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.--Arnual meeting at Wokingham on Saturday, January 15 th. Service in All. Saints' Church 4 p.m. Preacher, Rev. Hon. P. J. Hepburn Scott, M.A., Rector of St. Paul's, Wokingham. Tea in St. Paul's Parish Room 4.45. Tickets, is., must be applied for by Jantary inth. Usual ringing arrangements.-W. J. Paice, Hon. Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Southern Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at St. Giles', Camberwell, on Saturday, January isth. Further particulars next week.-A. P. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec.

## DEATH

TAYLOR.-On December 25th, 1937, at Loughborough, Mary Elizabeth, daughter of the late John William Taylor, sen., bell founder, aged 82 .

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[^24]:    YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-COMinthed From page 410.
    The following 14 new mombers were elected, and, as this was a record for sonis considerable thue, a special resolution was made welcoming thent to the nasociation: A. Feald and 13. Robinson, of Elland; Fi. Greenwood, of Oseahope : A. E. Lanbert, of Bilsden; C. Parker and F. Gilbard, of Burley; and E. Holmes, Jonas Whitaker, J. Bracken, S. Tillotson, ©. Law, H. Roe, K. Wilcock and ף. Rogers, of Kildwick
    The Clairman made a prelininary announcement regardiug the Snowdon Dinner, which he snid had been arranged for October gih atit the Conservative Clup, Soutia Parade, Leeds. He said that the arrangements were well in land aud he hoped that this year would he evert more successtul than tho last.
    The Chairman also reforred to the forthcoming meeting of the Central Council at Leeds next year, aurl mentioned that this would be the firet tine it liad ever come to Leeds.
    Mr. Paice, secrotary of Sonning Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Gaild, who was visitin! the districh for a conference, thanked the members for their kind bospitality to him, aud brought greetings from his own association.
    The Ohairman sadd they were only too pleased to welcome Mr. Paice to their meeting, aud asked him to convey the Yorkslive Association's greetings to the Oxford Guild upon his return.
    Mr. J. W. T. Holgate proposech a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman for an adinirably conductiug the meeting, and this was sinpported by Mr. Ambler. Canoa Mrishall, in replying, said that he had been delighted to he present that afternoon, as vacant Saturdays were few and far between. He was hopiug that a time would come when he wanld be able to come amonget the members more often as lie thoroughly emjoyed the meetings.
    The Soptember meeting is due to be held on Saturday, September 4ll, and it whs decided that this slould take place at Drigblington, where the last Yorkshire meeting was held in 1916.
    A vote of thanks to the secretary was proposed by M. W, H. Senior for the arrangements made, and so ented one of the most successfit meetings of the Western Division for some time.
    The following towers were repregented at Kildwick: Armley, Aysgarth, Batley, Bramley, Bradford Cathedral, Burley, Birstall, Drighlingtou, Denlolve, Farlsheaton, Guiseley, Hawoth, Holbeck, Headingley St. Chad's, Headiugley St. Michael's, Idle, Ilkley, Keighley, Fildwiek Leeds Parish Charch, Oxenhope, Pudsey, Queenshury, Rothwell. Silsten, Sulton-on-Fult. Skipton, Slnipley nud Wolingham (T3erkshire).

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[^29]:    TANSTEAD, SURREY. - At All Saints' Church for evensong on Sumday, July 18th, a quatter-peal of Stredman Triples (Thurstans? : H. N. Pitslow 1, S. R. E. Dearle 2, A.E. Cheesman 3, t. Hobden 4 , F. Cr. Woodiss 5 , T. E. Norman 6, A. J. Adams (aged 16, conductor) 7,

[^30]:    HARLOW COMDON -At the Chuch of St. Mary Magdajene on July 25h before Holy Emeharist, a quarter-peal of Bob Major was rush in honons of the marriage of the Viear (the Res. J. O. White) nut also as a bilthday compliment to Nr. I. Cordell: J. Wood 1, W. Aley 2, B. Copping 3, *B, Laird 4. V. Tiphon 5, S. Clayk 6, L. Cordelf 7, E. Rochester (couchuctor') 8, \% First qumrter-peal.

[^31]:    ALDERSHOT，HANTS．－For erening service on Sunday，July 4th，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Iriples by the following：S．Butler（first quarter－peal）1，C．W．Denyer 2，Miss M．Finl 3，T．E．Denyer 4，W． Denyer 5，W．H．Viggers 6，Miss D．Viggers（frst quarter－peal as conductor） $7, \mathrm{R}$ ．Jouas 8.

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[^38]:    MINEHEAD.-On September 7th, for practice, a touch of 5.39 Gravdsire Catere: R. Cook $1_{2}$ J. Pugeley 2, C. Strawbridge 3, F. Date 4, W. Knight 5, L. Mason 6, G. E. Debenliam 7, I. Farmer 8, G. W. Debenham (couductor) 9, W. Thorme 10. The longest tauch on ten bells by all the band except ringers of treble, 2ad, 7 th and $9 t h$.

[^39]:    ＊First peal an an＇inside＇bell．

[^40]:    LAVENHAM.-On Sunday, Soptember 12th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major ( 1,280 changes): W. H . Andrews 1, L. Pryke 2, T. L. Leeks (Croydon) 3 , F. S. Mortlock 4, W. Taires 5, W. Jarvis 6, M. T. Symonds (conductor) 7, W. R. J. Poulson 8. First quarter-peal in the method by the ringerg of 2 and 5 .

[^41]:    DARTRORD, KENT.-On Sundey October 3rd, $\boldsymbol{n}$ quarter-peal of Grandaire Triples: H. Fox 1, T. R. Eamhkia (first quarter-penl 'inside') 2. Mrs. J. E. Bailey 3, F. Watker 4. J. F. Bailey 5, F. F. Cheesman 6, N. Summerluayes (omoluclori) 7, R. Jenkins 8.

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    William J. Robinson ... $z$

    - Ronald Walher ... ... 3

    Norman V. Hardint .... 4 Grorge L. Grover .... ...Tenor
    Conducted by Jonn S. Goldsmire.

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[^48]:    Conducfed by I. H. Brwatros.

[^49]:    BALDOCK, HERTS-On Sunday, November 7th, a quarter-peal of Guandsire Triples: J. Dear I, E. G. Buck (first quarter-peal as con(iuctor) $2, \mathrm{~S}$. Bomnett 3, W. Collins (first quarter-peal inside 4 , J. Morley 5, W. D. Pooley 6, R. S. Newman 7, C. Kinch 8.

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    - Capt. A. Johnstone ...

    Wlelar Flatt... .....
    Ernest Whiting
    Composed by A. Kingets.

    * First peal in the method.

[^52]:    BANSTIEAD, SLERREX. At All Saints' Church on Sunday, Oclober 31sto for the patronal festival. Thanslans' quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: H. Cheesmaz 1, H. N. Pitstow 2. A. J. Adams 3, S. R, L. Dearle 4, A. F. Cheesmaı 5. T. Yorman 6. J. Fobden (first garterpeal as concluctor" 7, E. T. Woolloff B. All are members of the local band.

