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WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,
MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON, 4th March, 1912.
Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F. T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

MODERN WORK.

THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.

There was even a more representative gathering than usual present at the annual banquet of the College Youths in London on Saturday. The Society has its ramifications throughout the country—indeed one may say throughout the world—and the interest which its members retain in the Society is always evidenced by the effort made to attend this festive event. The banquet is more than a formality. It is, as it were, a gathering of the clans; when ringers, divided by distance, have an opportunity of meeting friends and making new acquaintances that only presents itself upon rare occasions. The social side of the event is its greatest charm, and this year, thanks, we imagine, to the fact that the date coincided with that of the Lord Mayor's Show, for which excursions were run to the metropolis from all over England, the visitors were more numerous than for several years past.

The speeches were not numerous, but were of capital merit. The word of condemnation and warning from the former Archdeacon of London on the subject of Welsh Disestablishment touched a sympathetic chord; the Rev. Cyril Jenkyn aptly voiced the feeling of provincial ringers towards their London brethren, and to Mr. F. E. Dawe fell the task, which he admirably performed, of speaking to the memory of those three great ringers who have gone to their eternal rest since last the College Youths met—Pettit, Cooter and Wood. There was a typical speech from the Rev. G. F. Coleridge in proposing the toast of "The Ancient Society of College Youths." He dealt in his frank and vigorous style with the question of cup competitions for ringing, denouncing the introduction of the competitive spirit. On this question all we would say here is that the spirit of competition was introduced immediately a table of analysis of peals was compiled, and it was accentuated when the Central Council adopted the plan of allotting points according to the merits of the respective methods rung. Whether the holding of a cup as a reward of success is going to increase the competitive spirit remains to be seen.

No one expects Mr. Coleridge to make a speech unless the leaven of anecdote is introduced, and on this occasion there was no disappointment, although the stories were against his own cloth. He used them to illustrate how the status of the parson as well as that of the ringer has improved, and expressed the view that the rise of the latter was not altogether unconnected with the advance of the former. Altogether the evening was a most pleasant one, and the officers of the Society are to be congratulated upon adding another to the long list of successful functions.

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Chelmsford,
February 19th, 1912.

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I have great pleasure in stating that we are perfectly satisfied with the manner in which you have carried out the work entrusted to you of re-arranging and re-hanging the Broomfield Church Bells.

We consider that the work reflects great credit upon your firm, and believe that your system of hanging the bells reduces the vibration of the steel frame supplied by you to a minimum.

The CHURCHWARDENS unite with ME in this expression of opinion. The BELLRINGERS are also unanimous in their praise of the alterations effected by you.

Yours truly,

CHAS. EDMUNDS,
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TEN BELL PEALS.

APPLETON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 5, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt.

WILLIAM H. HOLIFIELD ... Treble	*ARTHUR H. WHITE ... 6
ALBERT E. LOCK ... 2	F. STEDMAN WHITE ... 7
HARRY HOLIFIELD ... 3	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, Senr. ... 8
CUTHBERT G. WHITE ... 4	RICHARD WHITE ... 9
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, Junr. ... 5	FRED WHITE ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD, Senr.

* First-peal of Caters with a bob bell.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.
(AND THE NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,
AT THE CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANCES;

Tenor 37 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt.

JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... Treble	BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... 6
GEORGE T. POTTER ... 2	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... 7
JOSEPH ROWELL ... 3	WILLIAM STORY ... 8
ERNEST E. FERRY ... 4	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... 9
*WILLIAM F. BASKIL ... 5	ROBERT RICHARDS ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

* First peal on ten and first attempt. Rung on the occasion of the election of Lord Mayor and Sheriff of the city.

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WULFRAM,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANCES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

*LAWRENCE E. MEARS ... Treble	WILLIAM G. THORPE ... 6
HARRY THORPE ... 2	ERNEST NIDD ... 7
ARTHUR MARKWELL ... 3	SIDNEY PROCTOR ... 8
J. FRANK PROCTOR ... 4	ALBERT C. DARNELL ... 9
DAVID B. OVERTON ... 5	THOMAS H. HALL ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by SIDNEY PROCTOR.

* First peal and first attempt. Rung in honour of the election of Sir Charles Welby, Bart., C.B., as Mayor of the borough. This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 5th and 6th, their extent behind the 9th.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM EDWARD WILSON ... Treble	*FREDERICK HINDLE ... 6
ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... 2	WILLIAM MALLINSON ... 7
TOM REDMAN ... 3	JOHN WATSON ... 8
†JOHN P. FOULDS ... 4	*EDWARD ARMSTRONG ... 9
RENNIE HARTLEY ... 5	JOSEPH RIDYARD ... Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES, and
Conducted by JOSEPH RIDYARD.

* First peal of Royal. † First peal of Royal away from the treble. E. Armstrong belongs to the Preston Branch, J. Ridyard to the Manchester Branch, and the rest to the Blackburn Branch. Rung as a compliment to Mr. W. Heaton, of Colne, the president of the Blackburn Branch, who on Sunday, Nov. 10th, celebrated his 80th birthday.

EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,
AT THE BELL TOWER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANCES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

*FRANK JINKS ... Treble	FREDERICK JOHNSON ... 6
HERBERT JORDAN ... 2	FREDERICK JORDAN ... 7
JAMES HEMMING ... 3	HENRY J. PHIPPS ... 8
FRANK COOK ... 4	HARRY MIDDLETON ... 9
THOMAS EDWIN ... 5	WILLIAM WORKMAN ... Tenor

Composed by F. G. MAY, and
Conducted by HARRY MIDDLETON.

* First peal. Rung as a compliment to his Worship the Mayor, Councillor Henry Masters, who was on that day re-elected for the second time.

LONDON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(ST. PETER'S SOCIETY, CAVERSHAM.)

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON AND ALL SAINTS, STEPNEY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

JOSEPH HANDS ... Treble	EDWIN J. MENDAY ... 6
REV. G. F. COLERIDGE ... 2	GEORGE ESSEX ... 7
HUBERT HATTO ... 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... 8
ERNEST W. MENDAY ... 4	RICHARD T. HIBBERT ... 9
ALBERT D. CULLUM ... 5	HENRY SIMMONDS ... Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and
Conducted by R. T. HIBBERT.

All the above are members of the Ancient Society of College Youths.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NEW SHOREHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 30, 1912, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

DAVIES' TEN-PART No. 2. Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST MARSH ... Treble	THOMAS BURTENSHAW, Senr. ... 5
BENRY STALHAM ... 2	BERT CHALLENGE ... 6
ELLMAN BROWN ... 3	LIONEL SEARS ... 7
WILLIAM HENSON ... 4	HENRY SAMSON ... Tenor

Conducted by H. STALHAM.

BECKINGTON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 2, 1912, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

HERBERT A. ALEXANDER ... Treble	ALBERT E. SEERS ... 5
WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT ... 2	HENRY W. BROWN ... 6
*THEODORE GRANT ... 3	CHARLES DENSLEY ... 7
THOMAS HOGSFLESH ... 4	THOMAS F. KING ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by A. E. SEERS.

* First peal on eight. This was the quarterly Association peal for the Bath district.

STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 4, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

LINDOFF'S TEN-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM SMITH ... Treble	REV. W. C. PEARSON ... 5
ERNEST LESLIE ... 2	*WILLIAM TRIGG ... 6
JOHN W. TAYLOR ... 3	EDWARD READER ... 7
JOHN OLDHAM ... 4	JOSEPH POWELL ... Tenor

Conducted by E. READER.

* First peal in the method. This was the conductor's rooth peal for the above Association.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
(AND THE NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Monday, November 4, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;

*WILLIAM W. SINCLAIR ... Treble	ROBERT RICHARDS ... 5
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... 2	*WILLIAM E. BASKIL ... 6
*BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... 3	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... 7
WILLIAM STORY ... 4	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

* First peal in the method. Also first peal by the newly formed Cathedral Guild. All the above are service ringers at St. John's Church. Rung on the conductor's 36th birthday.

ROMFORD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 5, 1912, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

ARTHUR C. CHAPLIN ... Treble	*WILLIAM A. PYE ... 5
*LEONARD A. PYE ... 2	GEORGE H. JAYE ... 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... 3	ERNEST PYE ... 7
ALFRED PYE ... 4	WESLEY WATSON ... Tenor

Conducted by A. PYE.

* First peal. L. A. Pye and W. A. Pye are aged 13 and 17 years respectively.

DISS, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 5, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

JOHN SMITH ... Treble	GEORGE ARCHER ... 5
*ARTHUR R. SOWDEN ... 2	ELLIS HAYWARD ... 6
THOMAS FORD, JUNR. ... 3	WILLIAM C. CHENERY ... 7
*WILLIAM CLOVER ... 4	JOHN SOUTER ... Tenor

Composed by D. PRENTICE, and
Conducted by J. SOUTER.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to T. Ford, Junr. It was also G. Archer's 100th peal.

DERBY.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 5, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

*F. W. STONE ... Treble	ALBERT H. WARD ... 5
CHARLES DRAPER ... 2	BART MITCHELL ... 6
†SAYWELL VICKERS ... 3	JAMES PAGETT ... 7
JOHN W. GLEW ... 4	GEORGE H. ROBINSON, Sen. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT H. WARD.

* First peal. † First peal on tower bells. The calling of this variation, with 2nd as observation, was published in the columns of "The Ringing World," on October 18th, 1912.

STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 5, 1912, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JOSEPH J. PRATT ... Treble	LEONARD STILWELL ... 5
BERTRAM PREWETT ... 2	JOHN H. PRESTON ... 6
WILLIAM E. BUTLER ... 3	GEORGE SPENCER ... 7
WILLIAM WELLING ... 4	JOHN H. B. HESSE ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

CURRY RIVEL, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 5, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.

CHARLES R. LILLEY ... Treble	THOMAS POPE ... 5
HERBERT PERRY ... 2	WILLIAM PROLAS ... 6
*EDMUND MOUNTER ... 3	FREDERICK G. STUCKEY ... 7
*ROBERT G. WINZAR ... 4	*ERNEST A. KNIGHT ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

* First peal. Messrs. Lilley and Knight hail from Taunton, the rest belong to the local band. Mr. Case, of Poole, Dorset, a change ringer, congratulated the band upon the striking.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 5, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH, CUBITT TOWN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... Treble	HARRY FOWLER ... 5
FRANK C. NEWMAN ... 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... 6
HAROLD W. CLARK ... 3	ARTHUR J. NEALE ... 7
WILLIAM PYE ... 4	DALBY HODGSON ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

H. Fowler hails from Castle Ashby, Northants.

KIDLINGTON, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1912, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 23½ cwt.

*WALTER JUDGE ... Treble	CUTBERT G. WHITE ... 5
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUNR. ... 2	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SENR. ... 6
GEORGE E. STONE ... 3	WILLIAM JUDGE ... 7
FRED WEBB ... 4	G. FATHERS ... Tenor

Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD, JUNR.

* First peal.

LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1912, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD, S.E.,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

FREDERICK G. PERRIN ... Treble	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 5
*HAROLD BURTON ... 2	BERTRAM PREWETT ... 6
ALFRED W. GRIMES ... 3	FRANK HAIRS ... 7
FRANK BENNETT ... 4	JAMES E. DAVIS ... Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT, and
Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

* First peal in the method away from the treble.

ASHSTEAD, SURREY.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. 0 qr. 8 lbs., in F.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... Treble	JOHN WYATT ... 5
JOHN HOYLE ... 2	*JOHN W. RUSSELL ... 6
WILLIAM H. CORBETT ... 3	FRANCIS E. DAWE ... 7
CHARLES E. READ ... 4	GEORGE COOK ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS EDWARD DAWE.

* First peal of Stedman.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 7, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

*JAMES WHEELER Treble	GEORGE DENT 5
WILLIAM DELLAR 2	HARRY BOTTRILL 6
HARRY SMALE 3	JOHN CORDELL 7
WILLIAM WHEELER... .. 4	ISAAC CAVILL Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS, and
Conducted by G. DENT.

* First peal. Rung on the seventh anniversary of the opening peal.

CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 7, 1912, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 27 cwt., in D.

HENRY DAY Treble	FRED CHAMBERLAIN 5
CLARENCE O. HOBBS 2	JOHN W. JONES 6
EVAN COLES... .. 3	WILLIAM G. MILLER 7
SIDNEY DAWE 4	SEYMOUR BARKER Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and
Conducted by J. W. JONES.

Rung in honour of the wedding of the eldest son of the ringers of the fourth (Expl. Staff Sergeant E. C. Dawe, R.A.) who was married at St. Mary Magdalene, Woolwich, to Miss Edith Perry, the ringers wishing them every happiness.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 7, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... Treble	ERNEST WHITING 5
*FREDERICK MANSEY 2	GEORGE SNELLING 6
EDWIN WHITING 3	JOHN SNELLING 7
*CHARLES BAKER... .. 4	FREDERICK SEAGER... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and
Conducted by FREDERICK R. BORRETT.

* First peal in the method.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE,
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Thursday, November 7, 1912, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ROWLAND O. POLLARD ... Treble	W. F. HARTSHORNE... .. 5
JAMES F. CLARKE, Junr... 2	ERNEST STONE 6
HARRY ARGYLE 3	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... 7
WALTER J. HORTON... .. 4	E. HARRY STONELEY ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

First peal of Oxford by the Guild, also by all except the ringers of the 3rd, 5th and 7th. H. Argyle's 100th peal.

LINDFIELD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Tenor 21½ cwt.

FREDERICK W. RICE Treble	WILLIAM C. HART 5
EDWARD C. MERRITT 2	JOHN CAPP... .. 6
*OLIVER SIPPETTS 3	ALBERT D. STONE 7
RICHARD STREDWICK 4	KEITH HART Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and
Conducted by KEITH HART.

BECCLES, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lbs., in D flat.

FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... Treble	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... 5
†CLAYTON PARNELL 2	ERNEST F. POPPY 6
JAMES M. BAILEY 3	*HARRY LING 7
GEORGE BAXTER 4	WILLIAM STEELE Tenor

Composed by J. PLATT, and
Conducted by WILLIAM STEELE.

* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method with a bob bell.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

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

Tenor 19 cwt.

ALBERT E. PARSONS ... Treble	SAMUEL GROVE 5
CHARLES E. PERKINS... .. 2	WILLIAM BIRD 6
JOHN BASS 3	ROBERT MATTHEWS... .. 7
VICTOR WHITE 4	ALFRED HACKETT Tenor

Composed by the late REV. H. EARLE-BULWER, and
Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

GRESFORD, DENBIGHSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING Treble	ARTHUR WATKIN 5
ERNEST SMITH 2	WILLIAM SCONCE 6
CHARLES PRICE 3	ERNEST E. CHANELL ... 7
RICHARD JONES 4	JAMES V. WRIGHT Tenor

Composed by CHARLES PRICE, and
Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Chas. Price and Mr. R. Sperring. The band wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells and Mr. George Williams for having everything ready.

BARWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

J. W. WASHBROOK'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

ARTHUR R. OLDHAM... .. Treble	†ERNEST MORRIS 5
SAMUEL COTTON... .. 2	FRED H. DEXTER 6
CHARLES H. FOWLER ... 3	ALFRED MARTIN 7
ARTHUR PETTITT 4	*GEORGE P. GARNER, Junr. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK H. DEXTER.

* First peal. † First peal of Triples in the method, and 50th peal. First peal of method on the bells. This composition contains no "extras" or "omits."

SHIPLEY, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

THOS. B. KENDALL Treble	WILLIAM JOYCE 5
REV. C. C. MARSHALL ... 2	JOB A. ROSS 6
EMMANUEL WICKHAM... .. 3	JOSEPH BROADLEY 7
ERNEST A. MURGATROYD ... 4	JOHN JOYCE Tenor

Composed by JOHN J. BRIERLEY, and
Conducted by JOSEPH BROADLEY.

Arranged for the Rev. C. C. Marshall, President of the Association.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

†JOHN SIDDALL, JUNR. ... Treble	ALFRED WALLACE ... 5
HUGH GREGORY ... 2	EDWIN BLACKWALL ... 6
*WILLIAM BARKER ... 3	JOHN W. DERBYSHIRE ... 7
THOMAS WHITE ... 4	WILLIAM TAYLOR ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and
Conducted by W. TAYLOR.

* First peal with a bob bell. † First peal of Major.

GUISELEY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED
SOCIETY.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

PERCY J. JOHNSON ... Treble	JOHN B. JACKSON ... 5
ALFRED HARDWICK ... 2	*JAMES R. KEMP ... 6
FRANK R. CUNDALE ... 3	CHRISTOPHER STEPHENSON ... 7
CHARLES E. WAITE ... 4	†WILLIAM B. SMITH ... Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM WALKER, and
Conducted by WILLIAM B. SMITH.

* First peal in the method with a bob bell. † First peal in the method as conductor. This peal was rung to commemorate the wedding of one of the Guiseley band, Mr. Arthur Stanley Walker to Miss Edith Stead, of Normanton, which took place at Normanton the same day.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE FLY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 23 cwt., in D flat.

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... Treble	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... 5
WILLIAM DENT ... 2	THOMAS W. GARRARD ... 6
*HARRY CRICK ... 3	WILLIAM R. J. POULSON ... 7
*GEORGE LAMBERT ... 4	THOMAS PRYKE ... Tenor

Composed by D. PRENTICE, and
Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the birthday of the Rector (the Rev. W. B. L. Hopkins), and T. W. Garrard.

LONDON:

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, WALTHAMSTOW,

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

Tenor 16½ cwt.

CHARLES T. COLES ... Treble	BERTRAM PREWETT ... 5
WILLIAM W. WORTHINGTON ... 2	ERNEST PYE ... 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... 4	WILLIAM PYE ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

W. W. Worthington hails from Neatherseale.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... Treble	ALAN R. MACDONALD ... 5
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... 2	CHARLES H. RUSSELL ... 6
HENRY W. WILKES ... 3	WILLIAM H. GEORGE ... 7
WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... 4	OWEN H. GILES ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the president of the Guild, Mr. J. P. Stillwell.

BRISTOL.

THE ST. NICHOLAS' GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH (CITY),

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

*WILLIAM WHITE ... Treble	ALBERT STOWELL ... 5
ALFRED E. REEVES ... 2	GILBERT WILTSHIRE ... 6
FRED G. MAY ... 3	WILLIAM STOWELL ... 7
FREDERICK W. WADE ... 4	ISAAC LONG ... Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS, and
Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

* First peal of Treble Bob. Rung after meeting short for Stedman Caters.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*GEORGE WATKIN ... Treble	*ERNEST A. REEVE ... 5
GEORGE SPENCER ... 2	*ALFRED J. H. NEWMAN ... 6
LOUIS ATTWATER ... 3	*SEDLLEY COLLINS ... 7
HAROLD BURTON ... 4	HARRY MANCE ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by HARRY MANCE.

* First peal of Major in the method.

KELSALE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Tenor 16½ cwt.

GEORGE HARDY ... Treble	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 5
GEORGE WILSON ... 2	CHARLES SAMSON ... 6
*ALLEN F. BAILEY ... 3	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... 7
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... 4	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS, and
Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

* First peal in the method, age 16.

HARRIETSHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 10, 1912, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*HORACE WHITEHEAD ... Treble	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... 5
†PERCY J. SPICE ... 2	GEORGE HADAWAY ... 6
CHARLES H. LANE ... 3	WILLIAM SPICE ... 7
ERNEST J. DOBBIE ... 4	FREDERICK S. MACEY ... Tenor

Conducted by W. SPICE.

* First peal away from the tenor. † First peal away from the treble.

WALDRON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 10, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

GEORGE H. HOWSE ... Treble	GEORGE ADES ... 5
HERBERT RANN ... 2	RICHARD STREDWICK ... 6
JOHN CAPP ... 3	KEITH HART ... 7
ERNEST GOWER ... 4	JAMES A. HART ... Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

UFFORD.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 10, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES E. FISHER Treble	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 5
HARRY BARTON 2	ALFRED E. ACFIELD ... 6
ROBERT H. HAYWARD ... 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 7
JAMES MOTTS 4	HARRY SMITH Tenor

Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

ECCLES, MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 11, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART REVERSED.

Tenor 13 cwt.

JAMES BARRATT Treble	WILFRED MOSS 5
HARRY CHAPMAN 2	FRED PAGE 6
SAMUEL GREENHALGH ... 3	JAMES W. WASHBROOK ... 7
JOSEPH RIDYARD 4	JOHN T. BOTTRILL Tenor

Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Barratt and Chapman.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

NEWDIGATE, SURREY.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Wednesday, October 30, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of London Scholars' Pleasure, Violet, College Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

GEORGE ELLIS Treble	OLIVER SIPPETTS 4
JOHN AKEHURST 2	ALBERT ELLIS 5
PERCY F. WELLER 3	FREDK. R. TULLETT, Junr. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK R. TULLETT, Junr.

WHITBOURNE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, November 3, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

HENRY WARMAN Treble	WALTER POSTON 4
GEORGE SOLEY 2	WILLIAM SHORT 5
SIDNEY LEWIS 3	RICHARD J. CASWELL ... Tenor

Conducted by W. SHORT.

Rung as a farewell peal to the Rev. C. H. Binstead, who is leaving the parish.

BINFIELD, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SONNING DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, November 6, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt., in G.

SYDNEY GEARING Treble	ALBERT PIERCE 4
EDWARD BUNGAY, Senr. ... 2	JOHN RANCE 5
ERNEST C. LAMBERT ... 3	HARRY BUNGAY Tenor

Conducted by HARRY BUNGAY.

First peal of Treble Bob Minor by all except the ringer of the 3rd, and the first on the bells. It was rung within the octave of All Saints' Day.

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

Being 720 each of New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

HENRY CARTER Treble	ARTHUR PHILLIPS 4
ARTHUR WOOLSTON 2	BARNARD PATMORE 5
ALFRED TALBOT 3	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

Arranged for A. Talbot, of Bennington.

HOYLANDSWAINE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Arnold's Victory, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt.

TOM SHAW Treble	ARTHUR PANTHER 4
DAVID BREARLEY 2	LEWIS WILKINSON 5
ARCHIE BREARLEY 3	GEORGE HILL Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE HILL.

First peal on the bells by the Association.

EDGWARE, MIDDLESEX.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Merchant's Return, Oxford, Woodbine, and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

RICHARD KILBY Treble	HARRY KILBY 4
FREDERICK WELLS 2	LAWRENCE B. PORTER ... 5
GEORGE M. KILBY 3	THOMAS LANGDON Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS LANGDON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to G. M. Kilby.

ST. WEONARDS, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven different 720's.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALLEN GWYNNE Treble	FRANK VOYCE 4
JOSEPH CARTWRIGHT 2	JOHN CLARK 5
EDWARD SUMMERS 3	WILLIAM POSTON Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM POSTON.

First peal of Minor on the bells. Previous to starting for the peal, the Vicar (the Rev. V. A. Cresswell) welcomed the band and rang the treble in 120 Grandsire Doubles, and after the peal kindly entertained the ringers to refreshments. The best thanks of the band are accorded him for his kindness.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Violet, Duke of York, Kent and Oxford.

Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE KEMP Treble	ALPHAUS BERRY 4
EDWARD W. YOUNGS 2	LEONARD E. LAST 5
THOMAS DAVY 3	WILLIAM ROSE Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 4th and 5th.

SANDY.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Consisting of 720 each of Single Court, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

H. FIELDS Treble	S. J. COLEMAN 4
G. D. COLEMAN 2	REV. B. H. TYRWHITT-DRAKE 5
S. PECK 3	E. C. CHASTY Tenor

Conducted by G. D. COLEMAN.

Rung in honour of the 90th birthday of the Rector, the Rev. J. Richardson.

ALDERSHOT, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Consisting of one 720 College Single and two 720's each of Oxford Single, Canterbury and Plain Bob.

WILLIAM FISHER Treble	GEORGE FISHER 4
CHARLES EDWARDS 2	ALFRED CROUCHER 5
HUBERT CHAFFEY 3	JOHN HALL Tenor

Conducted by J. HALL.

HORTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of College Exercise, College Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.

*JAMES WALLEY Treble	DANIEL PRESTON 4
CHARLES PRESTON 2	HENRY WHITEHURST 5
CLEMENT POINTON 3	ERNEST TIGWELL Tenor

Conducted by E. TIGWELL.

* First peal. The above ringers belong to Norton, Bucknall and Biddulph.

TOWCESTER.

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qrs.

J. W. UNWIN Treble	W. ROBINSON 4
C. S. FAULKNER 2	F. HOPPER 5
J. W. SHARP 3	W. HAMMOND Tenor

Conducted by J. W. SHARP.

W. Robinson was elected a member before the peal. This is the first peal rung on these bells, the tenor of which is dated 1626. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells.

MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 10, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 15 six-scores of Stedman, 12 of Plain Bob, and 15 of Grandsire, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE M. TROUGHTON...Treble	*FREDERICK STANTON ... 4
*WILLIAM NIBLETT 2	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... 5
ERNEST E. BARBER... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT G. KNOWLES.

* First peal. Rung to celebrate the 45th anniversary of the consecration of the Church.

SHROPHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 10, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 25 six-scores of Grandsire and 17 six-scores of Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ERNEST FISHER Treble	WILLIAM ADCOCK 3
JOHN MURRELL 2	EDGAR HUNT 4
HERBERT MASON Tenor	

Conducted by H. MASON.

EASTHAMPTSTEAD, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, November 11, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford and Single Oxford and Plain Bob and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, each 720 being called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lbs.

*ARTHUR HERRINGTON ...Treble	ERNEST C. LAMBERT ... 4
ALBERT PIERCE 2	ALFRED GOUGH... .. 5
HARRY BUNGAY... .. 3	JOHN RANCE Tenor

Conducted by J. RANCE.

* First peal. First peal as conductor. First peal in five methods by all except the ringer of the 4th. Quickest peal on the bells.

HANDBELL PEALS.

SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT 31, BURGESS STREET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANCES;

*ARTHUR HAGUE 1-2	CLEMENT GLENN 5-6
SIDNEY F. PALMER 3-4	JOHN THORPE 7-8
R. WILFRED COLLIER 9-10	

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Umpire: JOSEPH ATKIN.

* First peal on ten bells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1912, in Two Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF A. H. PULLING,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

MAURICE SMITHER 1-2	WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING 3-4	*FRANK BLONDELL 7-8

Composed by A. T. KING, and

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpires: W. and S. SMITH, of Loughborough.

* First peal of Major in hand.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 7, 1912, in Two Hours and Twelve Minutes,

IN THE VESTRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

JAMES M. BAILEY 1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY 5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY 3-4	EDGAR H. BAILEY 7-8

Composed by ALBERT E. DURRANT, and

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Umpire: CHARLES SAMSON.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT 130, CLONMORE STREET, SOUTHFIELDS, S.W.,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 11 size, in G.

MISS ELSIE L. BENNETT ... 1-2	FRANK I. HAIRS 5-6
JOHN D. MATTHEWS 3-4	FRANK BENNETT 7-8

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Umpire: Mr. W. LLOYDD.

This was F. I. Hairs 100th peal.

THE KING'S BELL.

PORTSMOUTH'S NEW PEAL DEDICATED.

The bells at the Parish Church of St. Thomas-a-Beckett, Portsmouth, which have been recast and rehung in a steel frame by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, were dedicated on Sunday last, the event receiving added interest by the presence of the Mayor and Corporation, who attended service in accordance with the usual custom on Mayor's Sunday. There is a special interest in the bells themselves, one of which has been recast by his Majesty the King, while the expense of recasting the others, as will be seen by the inscriptions, has been born by various sections of the community. The bells are inscribed as follows:—

The Treble.—"Ring out the false, ring in the true." Recast by the children.

No. 2.—"Ring in the common love of good." Recast by the Clergy of the Rural Deanery.

No. 3.—Health and prosperity to all our benefactors. Recast by the Doctors.

No. 4.—Peace and good neighbourhood. Recast by the Lawyers.

No. 5.—God save King George. Recast by Soldiers.

No. 6.—Te Deum Laudamus. Recast by His Majesty King George V.

No. 7.—God save our King, Queen, Prince, and Fleet. Recast by Sailors.

The Tenor (25 cwt. 2 qrs.).—We good people all to prayers do call: We honour the King and brides' joy do bring: Good tidings we tell and ring the dead's knell.

This Ring of Eight Bells was recast by John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, Anno Domini 1912. Recast by the Parishioners. R. S. Medlicott, Vicar. Alfred Bishop, Charles T. Wood, Churchwardens.

The inscriptions on the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 7th and tenor bells preserve, with slight variations, the inscriptions on the old treble, 2nd, 3rd, 6th, and tenor bells respectively.

The dedication service was introduced after the third collect, and was performed in the presence of the following representatives of the donors:—

The children: Two choristers (Harold Turner, son of the church organist, and Wm. Hayden); the doctors: Dr. James Green; the lawyers, Mr. Edgar J. Bechervaise and Mr. C. S. Hellard; the Army, Col. W. Russell, C.E.; the Navy, Commodore J. B. Eustace, R.N.; the parishioners, Mr. W. H. Barrell and Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O. (members of the Building Committee); and, representing the King, the Mayor, who was accompanied by the Town Clerk.

The churchwardens (Messrs. C. T. Wood and A. Bishop) were present, with the clergy of the church, the Rev. R. S. Medlicott, the Rev. John Smith, and the Rev. I. Best. While this gathering was in the belfry, the congregation sang two appropriate hymns: "Ring forth Holy Bells" (the Winchester Guild hymn), and "We meet before Thy throne." At the conclusion of the dedicatory service, the bells rang out a short peal, and the choir then sang Purcell's bell anthem, "Rejoice in the Lord."—The Vicar preached an appropriate sermon, and the service concluded with the hymn, "Lifted safe within the steeple," and the National Anthem.

As the congregation dispersed, the new bells rang out merrily, and in the evening a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung by members of the local band: R. Davis 1, F. Burnett (conductor) 2, A. Clark 3, E. Clark 4, H. Stubbington 5, H. C. Ingram (first quarter-peal on an inside bell) 6, E. Reynolds 7, H. Upton 8.

NORFOLK VILLAGE BELLS DEDICATED.

On Friday, November 1st, the bells of Tilney All Saints', Norfolk, were re-dedicated by the Rev. Bailey, Vicar of Watlington. Immediately after the ceremony, which was preceded by the singing of the hymn, "Lift them gently to the Steeple," a few rounds were rung by ringers: H. Kemp (Lynn) 1, T. Giles (Lynn) 2, H. Crook (Lynn) 3, C. Crome (Lynn) 4, W. Curston (Lynn) 5, F. Rose (Tilney All Saints') 6. After the service, 360 Bob Minor was rung by the Lynn company: H. Kemp 1, T. Giles 2, C. Crome 3, W. G. Curston 4, H. Crook (conductor) 5, W. Curston 6.

The bells are a fine peal of six, the tenor weighing 20 cwt. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Day and Sons, of Eye, to whom much praise is due. Ringers attended the dedication from Lynn, Glenchwarton, Walpole, Terrington, and Gaywood, as well as the local company.

THE CRAZE FOR PEAL RINGING.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Trollope must have read my last letter just before going to sleep. I cannot see one word in it about St. John's men being selfish, or about Mr. Mackman's letter and the Acton attempt, or that the St. John's men rushed about "like Indians on the war path," after peals. In Mr. Trollope's letter of October 11th, he gave some advice to all local bands, and, being one of such a company, I simply gave the Exercise my experience of his society. Surely, Sir, when Mr. J. A. Trollope gives us poor country amateurs such good advice, we may be allowed to return the compliment? I am truly sorry to think he has met such poor friends through his weary life. He says, "All men and all women are selfish." I hope the Ladies' Guild will try and alter his opinion.—Yours, etc., A. H. PULLING.

BELL RESTORATIONS.

HEPTONSTALL, LANCS.

The restoration of the peal of eight bells at Heptonstall will be completed by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, before the 24th, on which date they are to be dedicated. There is to be a new frame, and the bells have been recast. Up to the present a sum of £257 8s. has been subscribed towards the cost, and the recasting of one of the bells is to be defrayed by Mrs. Fruhe, of Royd's House, in memory of her father, the late Rev. T. Sutcliffe, a former incumbent of Heptonstall. There is to be a "Ringers' Day," at Heptonstall, on Saturday, November 30th.

LONG STANTON, CAMBS.

Next Thursday the new peal at Long Stanton, Cambs., is to be dedicated. This peal of eight has a tenor of about 6½ cwt., and is one of Miles Gray's bells (1655). The 7th was also cast by Miles Gray (1637), and has been recast by Messrs. Taylor and Co. The 6th was recast by Messrs. Warner, and the rest of the bells come from Loughborough. The peal is hung in an iron H frame, with the Whitworth patent stay. The Cambridge University Guild, of which the Vicar is an old member, are to open the bells, and the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey is to preach the sermon on that occasion. The tower will be open for ringing, from 4 o'clock to 7 p.m. The Guild, we understand, will attempt the first peal on the bells on November 22nd, when we hope to see the Vicar ring his first peal of Stedman.

RE-OPENING OF BOXLEY BELLS.

On All Saints' Day, the anniversary of the dedication of Boxley Church, the bells which have been rehung by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, were re-opened, and a thanksgiving service held. The latter was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. R. Hale), who read the dedicatory prayers, assisted by the Rev. C. J. Hilton (curate). After the dedication a short touch was rung on the bells by the local band, and an address was given by the Rev. B. Littlewood (Vicar of East Farleigh), who referred to the many uses of bells and the effect they had upon the public who came within their sound. The service concluded with the Te Deum, and a few short touches were rung, with the assistance of Mr. W. Haigh, of Gillingham.

On Saturday afternoon, the tower was opened to members of the Kent Association for the purpose of testing the bells. Some of the company examined the work, and all were quite satisfied with it. The thoroughness with which it has been executed is evidenced by the way in which the bells go.

The peal were cast and hung by Thomas Mears in 1833-4, and nothing of any importance has been done to them since that time until Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, took them in hand, and quarter turned and rehung them on the old frame which he has bolted and braced together, making a very successful job.

The following ringing was done on the day following the re-opening, 720 Plain Bob: H. Good 1, G. Pound 2, R. Paine 3, G. Moore 4, T. Mannering 5, Lance-Sergt. F. A. Holden, R.M. (conductor) 6; 720 Kent Treble Bob, conducted by T. Mannering, and in which W. Walker took part; 720 Grandsire, conducted by W. Walker, and in which W. Gosling rang his first 720 with a bob bell; 120 Stedman Doubles, and 720 Oxford Treble Bob.

On Wednesday, Nov. 6th, a date touch of Grandsire Doubles was rung in 1 hr. 12 mins., by: A. Pantony (first date touch) 1, W. Gosling (conductor) 2, L. Bowley (first with a bob bell) 3, A. Baker 4, W. Hope 5, W. Kilpatrick 6, to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. Hope, and as a birthday compliment to the captain, Mr. W. Kilpatrick.

BISHOP UNVEILS A PEAL BOARD.

A very pleasing ceremony was performed at the Parish Church of Frensham, Surrey, on Thursday week, when a peal board recording peals rung on the bells was unveiled by the Bishop of Winchester, who was visiting the church.—The Bishop, in a happy speech, remarked upon the use of the bells and the duty of bell ringers.

The peal board is made of English oak. It was the generous gift of Mr. Andrew Chuter, and was made in leisure hours by Mr. Alfred Chuter, son of the donor and one of the local ringers. The board, when full, will contain six peals, and already four are recorded on it. Funds for the lettering on the board were raised by the members making a raid on the local residents of the village with the hand-bells. They received a generous response to their appeal, and now have enough money in hand to finish the lettering when the other two peals are rung.

An attempt for a peal would have been made after the unveiling in the evening, permission having been given, but owing to illness near the church, it was postponed till a later date.

TWYFORD, HANTS.—Winchester Diocesan Guild.—On Sept. 25th, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 43 mins.: F. Abrahams 1, T. Spratt 2, P. Rooke 3, F. Oxenbury 4, C. Abrahams 5, C. Russell 6, L. Lampard (conductor) 7, J. Penton 8. Rung in honour of the wedding of a member of the local band.

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BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.— CHICHESTER.

By J. R. JERRAM.

I have not been able to obtain much information about the Chichester Cathedral bells, beyond the inscriptions, as given by Mr. Tyssen in his "Church Bells of Sussex."

The peal originally consisted of six bells only; but in 1729 two trebles were added, the gift of Mr. Musgrave. They are all hung in a detached campanile. The inscriptions are as follows:—

Treble.

R. PHELPS FECIT. 1729

Second.

R. PHELPS FECIT. 1729

Third.

GEVE THANKES TO GOD. 1583. I.W.



CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL AND THE CAMPANILE.

Fourth.

GVLIELMVS ELDRIDGE ME FECIT. 1674

Fifth.

DEVS DEI DEO OMNIA. ANNO DOMINI 1665.

Sixth.

DOMINVS PROVIDEBIT. ANNO DOMINI. 1665.

W & P.

Seventh.

BE MECKE AND LOLY TO HEARE THE WORD OF
GOD. I.W. 1587.

Tenor.

SOLI DEO GLORIA. RICHARD PHELPS LONDINI
FECIT. 1706.

Service Bell.

[No inscription].

The tenor is 49 inches in diameter, weighing about 20 cwt.

The third and seventh are by John Wallis, and the fifth and sixth by William Purdue, both of the Salisbury foundry. The fourth was cast by William Eldridge, the Chertsey founder.

In 1876 a large clock bell, weighing 3 tons 13 cwt., cast by Messrs Taylor and Co., Loughborough, was put up in memory of the late Dean Hook. The inscription thereon is as follows:—

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WALTERI F. HOOK, S.T.P., HUIUS ECCLESIAE
DECANI. A. S. MDCCCLXXVI. NONNE DUODECIM
SUNT HORÆ DIEI. (*i.e.*, "Are there not twelve hours
in the day?").

ODD CHANGES.

Seldom, we should think, has the recasting of a peal been accomplished in such an interesting fashion as those of Portsmouth Parish Church. This church has more than parochial claims. It stands almost in the position of a national institution, and its new bells will for ever bear evidence of this fact.

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The peal of eight have all been recast, one by the parishioners, one by the children, one by the clergy of the Rural Deanery, one by the doctors and another by the lawyers. The fifth has been recast by the soldiers, the seventh by the sailors, and, marking the national interest in the church, the sixth by King George. Portsmouth should be proud of its bells.

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The youthful members of Mr. Johnson's family at Hinton, Evesham, seem to take to ringing like ducks to water. Here we have three of them, whose ages we believe are respectively 11, 13 and 10, ringing a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Doubles on handbells. This was done on Monday week in 35 minutes: Ellen M. Johnson 1-2, Joseph D. Johnson (conductor) 3-4, Ruth Johnson (longest length) 5-6.

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The information given last week that the composition published in "The Ringing World" in July and rung at Moorside a week or two ago, was first rung in 1889 has elicited the following from Mr. H. Hampson: "The peal at Moorside was the peal No. 2, in the place of the false one. If it was rung in 1889 I should like to know why it was introduced in place of the false one." Perhaps Mr. Hattersley will tell us.

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The ranks of the lady ringers are growing, and two of the fair sex at Leamington seem likely shortly to join the "pealers." Already they have scored a quarter-peal, rung at All Saints' Church for the eve of All Saints' Day and the dedication festival: Miss Marjorie A. Williams (first quarter-peal) 1, Miss Joyce J. Williams (first with a bob bell) 2, F. Brassington 3, E. H. Adams 4, J. Standby 5, Rev. C. C. Cox (conductor) 6, T. Male 7, W. Male 8.

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The name of Pye in the peal ringing world is not likely yet to be lost sight of. Indeed, we should be sorry to think that those famous brothers, W., E. and G. R., were going to disappear for many long years yet. But now we have their nephews going a stage beyond touches and reaching the greater heights of peal ringing. We record this week the first peal by L. A. Pye (aged 13) and W. A. Pye (aged 17). It was Grand-sire Triples at Romford, and their father and two uncles took part.

Young Allen Bailey, who was the eighth of the wonderful Leiston band of ringing brothers to score a peal, has just rung his first peal of Double Norwich. We hear that yet another brother is being brought on in the Art.

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Up to the time of going to press we had not received Mr. Lindoff's reply to the claim made last week by Messrs. Pitstow, Hattersley and Dawes, to certain compositions of New Cambridge Surprise Royal.

THE LADIES' PEAL TABLET.

FURTHER LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.

We give below a further list of the subscriptions received for erecting a peal tablet in Cubitt Town tower to fittingly commemorate the first peal by ladies. In order that the tablet may be as widely representative of the Exercise as possible, the scheme is being carried out on the basis of a contribution of one penny each from ringers. Secretaries of the various towers are asked to collect the amounts from their respective companies, and forward them to the Editor of "The Ringing World," Woking, who is acting as hon. treasurer.

It has been decided to close the fund on December 3rd, and intending subscribers are urged to send in their contributions as early as possible.

The following amounts have been received: Already acknowledged, £2 2s. 7d.; Edmonton ringers, 3s.; Frodsham, 6d.; St. Peter's Juniors, Pentre Rhondda, 1s.; Mr. W. B. Sampson (Edinburgh), 1s.; Aston ringers, 1s.; Great Bentley, 1s.; Halesworth, 1s.; Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O., 2s. 6d.; Crawley ringers, 1s.; All Saints, Gainsborough, 8d.; Eccleston, Cheshire, 10d.; Chesterfield, 1s. 1d.; St. Michael's Juniors, Gloucester, 1s.; St. Paul's, Bedford, 10d.; St. Peter's, Bedford, 1s.; Keighley, Yorks, 1s.; Christ Church, Crewe, 1s. 3d.; Hurstpierpoint, Sussex, 6d.; Rev. C. E. Matthews, 2s. 6d.; Bitteswell, 2s. 1d.; Rugby and Lutterworth, 2s. 5d.; Bridgend, 1s.; Otley, Yorks, 8d.; total, £3 11s. 5d.

COLLEGE YOUTHS' ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the College Youths was held on Tuesday evening at the Coffee Pot, City, and there was a very large attendance. Mr. Thomas Faulkner (Barking) was elected master for the ensuing year, Mr. W. T. Cockerill was re-elected honorary secretary, and Mr. Arthur Hughes honorary treasurer. Mr. E. G. Fenn was appointed senior steward and Mr. A. A. Hughes junior steward. Messrs. C. F. Winney and Walter Prime were re-elected trustees.

THE C.E.M.S. PEAL AT DUDLEY.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I, as a member of the Dudley band, was pleased to see the letter on this subject in "The Ringing World." It goes to show that our effort to bring before the Exercise the noble work the ringers of this country may do if one and all would join the ranks of the C.E.M.S. does not pass without notice. At his admission, each member promises "to keep the rule of life; to pray to God every day; and to do something to help forward the work of the Church." Having made that promise, the ringer's first duty would be to ring the bells for the purposes for which they were placed in the church, and endeavour never to neglect that duty. The ringers at Dudley consider it their duty (except through sickness or some other unavoidable cause) never to neglect ringing for service twice every Sunday, and for all other special services. Being members of the C.E.M.S. they join with your correspondent in the hope that all members of the Exercise will band themselves together in the one brotherhood of the Church of England's Men's Society, and assist in the noble work of doing what they can for the grand old church by showing themselves to be true church workers. If the ringing of the peal at Dudley be the means of opening up a correspondence, thereby bringing the importance of this question more fully before the Exercise, the intention of the ringers will be fully realised.—Yours faithfully,

HERBERT SHEPPARD,

Hon. Sec. of the Dudley and District Guild.

THE PEAL AT ROSS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—In the footnote to the peal rung at Ross-on-Wye, which appears in your issue of November 9th, it states that it is the first peal of Treble Bob on the bells. This, I think, is incorrect, for I believe the late Mr. Henry Bastable, of Birmingham, called a peal of Treble Bob on these bells in the year 1883 or 1884. Several Gloucester ringers took part in it, amongst them Mr. Musty, and Mr. Humphris, who rang the tenor. Mr. Austin can no doubt easily ascertain and correct me if I am wrong.

Crayford.

E. BARNETT.

Mr. Austin writes that the peal at Ross-on-Wye was composed by C. H. Hattersley, and published in "The Ringing World," November 10th, 1911. It contains the 4th and 6th, the extent in 5—6.

RINGERS' CENTURIES.

MR. F. I. HAIR'S 100 PEALS.

Grandsire Triples, on tower bells, 4, on handbells, 1; Grandsire Caters, on handbells, 3 (including 8099); Stedman Triples, 11; Stedman Caters, 6, on handbells, 1; Stedman Cinques, 1; Bob Major, on handbells, 6; Bob Royal, on handbells, 7; Bob Maximus, on handbells, 1; Double Norwich Major, 22; Forward, 1; Waterloo Reverse Bob, 1; Oxford Treble Bob, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 2; Kent Treble Bob Maximus, 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 7; Bristol Surprise, 5; Norfolk Surprise, 4; New Cambridge Surprise, 2; Cambridge Surprise Major, 12; Cambridge Surprise Royal, 1; total, on tower bells, 81, on handbells, 19. This list does not include a peal of Waterloo Reverse Bob Major, the composition of which was afterwards found to be false.

MR. H. ARGYLE'S 100 PEALS.

Minor, in three methods, 1, in four methods, 1, in 7 methods, 1; Bob Triples, 8, conducted, 1; Bob Major, 18, conducted, 5; Grandsire Triples, 31, conducted, 2; Grandsire Major, 2; Grandsire Caters, 1; Stedman Triples, 7; Kent Treble Bob Major, 10; Oxford Treble Bob, 3; Double Norwich, 8. On handbells: Minor (4 methods), 1; Minor (7 methods), 1; Bob Triples, 1; Bob Major, 1; Grandsire Triples, 3, conducted, 1; Kent Treble Bob, 2; total, 100.

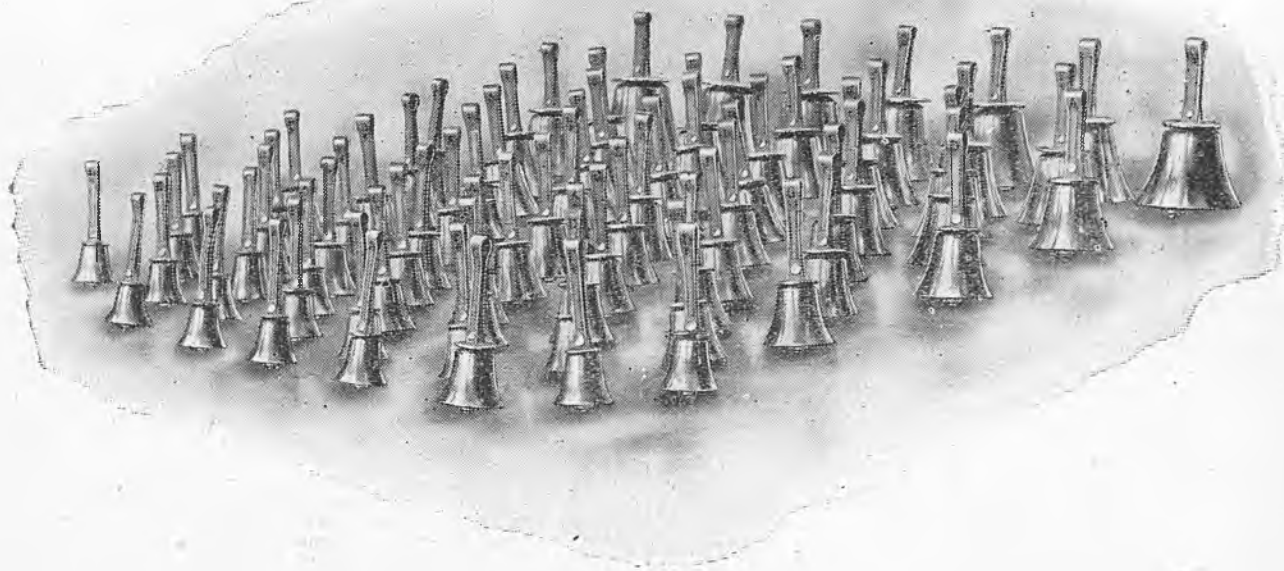
ERNEST MORRIS' 50 PEALS.

Doubles in 2 methods, 1, conducted, 1; Bob Minor, 7, conducted, 6; Kent Treble Bob Minor, 1, conducted, 1; Minor in 2 methods, 1, conducted, 1; Minor in 3 methods, 3, conducted, 3; Minor in 4 methods, 1, conducted, 1 (10,080); Minor in 7 methods, 1, conducted, 1; Grandsire Triples, 13, conducted, 5; Grandsire Caters, 1; Bob Major, 5, conducted, 2; Kent Treble Bob Major, 3; Double Norwich Court Major, 9 (including 6240); Stedman Triples, 1; Stedman Caters, 3; total, 50, conducted, 21. Rung in 23 towers in four counties.

CAVERSHAM MEN IN LONDON.

"You were there, Mr. Editor, for I saw you," and I think you saw me, but we did not get near enough to each other to quarrel or fight, so I would like to tell you why the Caversham boys "volunteered for the Near East." A few weeks ago, someone casually suggested that we all go to the College Youths' Dinner, and, to my surprise, no objections were forthcoming. Then another bold spirit said: Get a tower and ring a peal. Well, we did not apply to "St. Paul's," or "St. Saviour's," but a ten-bell tower, and through the kindness of tried, true, and trusty friends, Stepney was offered us, a band of the "Ancients" (I mean, the Modern Ancients) shelving an arranged peal of their own to let us in. So at 10.20 a.m., on Saturday, nine men were on Reading Station prepared to do, or try, and off we went to Aldgate, from there to the Salubrious East, where bread, cheese and ale fortified us wonderfully. The incumbent (the Rev. —. Wilson) very kindly showed the party round the grand old church, then up the stairs to the ringing room, where great deeds have been done. Our tenth man last, but not least, had by this time arrived, having comfortably viewed the Lord Mayor's Show, by looking over the ordinary individuals' heads. We put Joe on the treble, because there was no bell smaller, and our Henry on the tenor, because there was no bell bigger. We other chaps filled up the spaces between them, and off we went. No worry, no anxiety. Course after course rolled up on these beautiful old bells, as they have before, and doubtless will again, and as will be seen in the peal column. The Caversham men have rung their first peal of Stedman Caters. A Caversham band truly, for is not our worthy Master, Mr. Jenkyn, living and ringing with us, and should we have had eight bells at Caversham if our dear old friend Mr. Coleridge had not lived with us for some years? We did not play about on "Stepney Green" after the peal; in fact, we did not see it, but we went to the dinner, and that I will leave to more capable pens to describe. We can only say we had a red-letter day in our calendar, and we all heartily and sincerely thank our London friends for their great kindness to us on that day, and on the next day and in past days. We hope to meet them many times yet, either at their end of the distance, between, in, or our own.—H.T.R.

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THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' BANQUET.

ARCHDEACON'S VIGOROUS ATTACK UPON WELSH
DISESTABLISHMENT.

REV. G. F. COLERIDGE DENOUNCES CUP COMPETITIONS.

With all the success which usually characterises this annual event, the College Youths' 275th anniversary banquet was held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, on Saturday evening. The company, numbering about 140, was presided over by the Master (Mr. T. H. Taffender), who was supported by Miss MacAlpine Leny, Archdeacon Sinclair (formerly Archdeacon of London), and the Revs. G. F. Coleridge (Crowthorn), C. W. O. Jenkyn (Caversham), D. Mackinnon, the Rev. C. P. Wilton (Rector of Stepney), Mr. Arthur Hughes (treasurer of the society) was in the vice-chair, and the company also included the Rev. J. W. Bisdell (Barking), Messrs. J. Taylor (Loughborough), W. R. Routh and A. E. Reeves (Reading), F. E. Dawe (Woking), the whole of the Caversham band (who earlier in the day had rung a peal at Stepney), C. P. Winney and W. Prime (trustees of the society), T. Faulkner and E. G. Fenn (stewards), W. T. Cockerill (hon. secretary), J. Akehurst, J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, G. R. Fardon, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, J. W. Rowbotham, R. A. Daniell, C. F. Johnston (Croydon), E. M. Atkins (Isham), J. E. Groves and J. H. Shepherd (Birmingham), S. Thomas, John Holman, W. Bugar, J. Evinson (Sheffield), W. J. Nvard (Great Bentley), A. H. Pulling (Guildford), T. H. Beams (Bridport), G. Bowen (Ilfracombe), J. George (Rugby), W. H. Fussell (Slough), Andrew Warner, D. F. Christy (representing Messrs. Warner and Sons), G. Hoad (Reigate), C. S. Potter (Barnsley), J. H. B. Hesse, J. Thomas, G. P. Clayton, A. C. Hardy, C. Fenn, R. Fenn, F. J. Hardy, A. W. Grimes, J. E. Davis, A. Barker, T. Walker, and others. A sumptuous repast was served.

"THE CHURCH."

After the loyal toast had been honoured in the most enthusiastic way, the Master proposed "The Church." Without the Church, he said, they would not have been there that evening. It was because of the Church that they had bells, and it was because of the bells that their society came into existence. They were in troublesome times at the present day, because the Government had got a Bill before Parliament to disestablish the Church in Wales. And that was not all. Not only did the Government want to disestablish the Church, but they also wanted to disendow it. The money had been left to the Church in the past for the benefit of the Church, and why it should be taken away and given to councils and other bodies, he knew not. There was no legitimate reason whatever that he could see, and in his opinion it was sheer robbery. When the Bill came before the House of Lords, he thought it might be deferred a little—at any rate for two years. In the meantime, perhaps, those people who were trying to rob the Church would go out of office. At least, he hoped so (hear, hear). The Master added that they had had various suggestions given them for opposing the Bill, but he thought if they waited a little bit, they might not have to take the trouble.

Archdeacon Sinclair, who was received with applause, responded. He regretted to say that he was no longer so much directly concerned with bells as when he had joint charge of the great peal at St. Paul's Cathedral, and responsibility also for 300 belfries, containing peals of bells of very various numbers and of very various merit. His little church in Sussex was very small, and was surmounted by a little box at one end, which contained two very minute and ancient bells—a little tinkle up and down on a sharp note (laughter). The neighbourhood was really dominated by the huge monastery bell at Cowfold, which pealed solemnly every four hours, day and night, calling the worthy monks, from their beds at night and from their tables in the day, to their prayers in the Church. There was a good peal of bells at Henfield, and a good peal at Cowfold, which they heard faintly on summer evenings and winter nights. Moving from London to a very rural part of the country, he could not but be struck very forcibly by the great hold which the Church seemed to have over the people, even in a small and scattered parish. While the clergy, standing fast to their colours and carrying out their duties conscientiously, made it their object to lead and not to drive, so long would they have friendly and kindly parishioners, even if many of them were Nonconformists (applause).

WELSH DISESTABLISHMENT.

It was difficult to reply to the toast, continued the Archdeacon, without alluding to the cruel Bill now in Parliament for plundering the Church in Wales of all its income except 1s. 6d. in the £. Chapel, unfortunately, had allowed politics to override its Christianity, and was eager to spoil and humiliate the Church. The Welsh Church was already very poor, but it ministered humbly and conscientiously to more than a quarter of the Welsh people—and that was the largest Christian body that existed in Wales at the present moment. In order to have a convenient excuse—people who were bent on doing a wrong generally tried to find an excuse in order to save their consciences—they pronounced the tithe to be a tax imposed at some time or other by Parliament, whereas it was really, as all historians knew, a voluntary gift by individual landowners in some cases in the days of the first preaching of Christianity, centuries before Parliament was

ever heard of. The modest property of the Welsh Church was being used, as it was intended to be used, for the benefit of the people, and it was one of the saddest sights of modern politics to see it attacked and confiscated by, after all, what was sheer jealousy, spite and dislike. There were, of course, special circumstances in the Welsh Church, as it was in the minority. Tithe might have been redeemed—it would only take 30 years of careful management to achieve that and what was 30 years in the life of a Church which was measured by centuries? Those Nonconformist ministers who had social disabilities might have been granted distinct social precedent, and the remaining prerogatives might have been quietly removed, and nobody have been a bit the poorer. But the present policy of vindictive spoliation was returning to nothing but methods of barbarism. He trusted the painful example of Wales in the present day would be a lesson to all of them of the duty of cultivating concord and goodwill with all their fellow Christians, and following out as far as they could the Apostolic precept: "My brethren, if possible, live peaceably with all men" (applause).

(CUPS CONDEMNED.)

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge submitted the toast of "Success to the Ancient Society of College Youths." Referring to the question of cup competitions, he said in his opinion they were a very grave menace to the good of the Exercise at large (applause). Some months ago it was said that certain gentlemen were going to give a cup to the society or association which scored most points in peals during the year. A few weeks ago he was consulted about a certain squire, who was anxious to offer a cup for competition among six-bell ringers in his Deanery at their annual festival. Now he saw that yet a further cup was likely to be offered for ringing on Sundays. He had his own feelings about that, but he thought that all such competitions were not only disastrous to the ringing Exercise at large, but they were utterly degrading to the ringer, who was, first and foremost, a church officer. He had not got one syllable to say as to the motives—he trusted they were the very best and highest motives—which prompted these gentlemen to offer cups. It was only the result upon which he wished to say a few words. That result, in his opinion, would be disastrous for the good of the Exercise. They would find certain crack bands going out week after week with the sole object of amassing points. Where would be the rank and file? Would they be instructed? If they were to ask him who was the finest ringer, the man who was most worthy of estimation, he would say that although he had the highest estimation for the man who would ring 20,000 of Bristol Surprise, he had an infinitely greater estimation for the man who would give up an evening or two a week trying to haul half a dozen yokels through their first 120 changes (applause). They admired most the man who would give up his spare time to help on those who did not know as much as himself. Competition was bad, and he had the strongest objections to the Church being degraded to the level of a football field and competing companies using the belfries as their battle grounds (hear, hear). It was not the motive that prompted the giving of the cup that he spoke of, but it was the disastrous effect which, he thought, it would have upon the Exercise (hear, hear).

IMPROVEMENT OF RINGERS' STATUS.

Turning to the toast, the speaker said the Ancient Society of College Youths had flourished for the past 275 years, and he trusted it would continue to flourish for many hundreds of years to come. He had attended a great many of those dinners, but there was a vast difference in the faces which he saw gathered round the table since first he came. There were very few of the old ones left. This year they had to mourn the loss of three most distinguished London members—dear old James Pettit, dear old Matt. Wood and, although he did not know him so intimately as the two he had mentioned, he felt he could also say dear old Mr. Cooter. When he first met the College Youths, in his undergraduate days, 33 years ago, they let him try to ring the tenor at St. Saviour's. They went to the meeting house afterwards, and he was taken under the wing of two distinguished men, Murray Hayes and James Dwight. In the corner were two members, whose names he did not remember, but who were eating tripe and onions (laughter). What astonished him most of all was to see Mr. Muskett drinking claret out of a tumbler (laughter). Since those days the status and the class of ringers had risen enormously—he hoped partly because the status of the parsons had risen enormously (laughter and applause). Well, he could tell them some strange stories about the parsons of a hundred years ago.

AMUSING STORIES.

Four Sussex parsons held their services at their respective churches one Sunday morning, and then came together to dine as arranged. After dinner the bells began to ring for service, and they ought to have gone each to his own church to take the service, but rain came on, and these four spent the whole afternoon, without going to church, playing cards. One was an Archdeacon (laughter). But that was a hundred years ago. This Archdeacon further distinguished himself by giving a dinner party, and he chose Ash Wednesday for it. When he found out he had made a mistake, if it were a mistake, the only way he marked the day as a special day was by ordering a special dish of pancakes (laughter). Another parson in North Devon, whose deeds were bye-words when he (the speaker) was a boy, was one day sent for by an old parishioner who was dying. The old man said: "Oh, parson, I am glad you have come. I baint fit to die. I want you to

give me a few words of comfort." "Well John," replied the parson, "you know what the Book says, you can take nothing away with you when you die. What have you done with your money? You have a tidy pile. You can't take that away with you, because if you do it will all melt where you are going to" (laughter). Then the parson added, "How about that old port you have got?" There were seven bottles left. He said, "Let us have a bottle here," and he drank the whole bottle. Then he said, "Well, good-bye, John. I shan't see you any more." "Give me a word of comfort," pleaded the old man. "What be I to do when death comes?" "Well John," replied the parson, "I can't tell you very much that you don't know. My advice to you is this: When you find death coming, spit in your hands and hold on as tight as you can" (laughter). That was the sole comfort that poor old man got. Mr. Coleridge told other stories of old-time parsons, one of whom made his curate drunk, and then tied him up in a sack, with his head outside, to the porch of the church, so that the people coming in could see him. Even if these were instances of the way in which only a few parsons behaved, they could imagine the frightful damage and harm which men like that could do, and they could not be surprised that other church officers like ringers had a very low name as well. Parsons and ringers had grown up together, and they both tried to set the highest possible ideal before them to do the best they could for the glory of God, and for the good of His church. Whether in ringing or in private life they should try to do their best in the sight of God for His honour and glory, without seeking any earthly reward or even recognition. He had to couple with the toast the name of the worthy secretary, Mr. Cockerill (applause). They knew what he had done for the society. They trusted he would long remain in that office, and that the society would flourish and abound under him and his successors, and that worthy succession of Masters like Mr. Taffender (applause).

A YEAR'S GOOD WORK.

Mr. W. T. Cockerill, in replying to the toast, which was cordially honoured, said reference had been made by Mr. Coleridge to peal ringing and practice. He was glad to say that their practices for the past year out-numbered the collection of peals. He found that the number of practices held at the city churches since the last dinner was 59, and that some of their men had met 57 times (applause), while several had attended over 50. The peals rung in the last twelve months were as follow: Seven 720's, 5; Double Norwich Major, 1; Stedman Triples, 8 (three on handbells); Caters, 6; Cinques, 5 (one on handbells); Treble Bob Major, 4 (including the 8896 at Barking, the longest peal by the society during the year); Royal, 1; Maximus, 2 (including one of Oxford); Bristol Surprise, 3 (the first by the society); and Cambridge Maximus, 1; total, 36. The number of members made during the year was 28. Letters of regret for absence from that gathering had been received from the Dean of St. Paul's, Archdeacon Holmes (London), Archdeacon Taylor (Southwark), Sir A. P. Heywood, Canon Masterman (Rector of Bow), the Rev. R. Peck (St. Magnus), Mr. H. J. Mackinder, M.P., Lieut. G. Mackinnon, and Mr. C. H. Hattersley. In conclusion, Mr. Cockerill wished the Rev. G. F. Coleridge many happy returns of the morrow, a sentiment that was warmly applauded.

GOOD FEELING BETWEEN SOCIETIES.

The Vice-Chairman proposed "The London and Provincial Ringing Societies." They had that evening a larger number of members of the London and provincial ringing societies with them than he ever remembered to have seen. They had many members from Sheffield, and others from Birmingham, and, in fact, from all over the country. Mr. Chapel, of Axminster, had hoped to be with them, but he had sent a telegram wishing them a pleasant evening. Another telegram he would like to read, because it showed that when their country members came to London, the good feeling of their wives came with them. Mr. Beams, of Bridport, was among them that evening, and a telegram had been received, "Success and good wishes to the Youths from Mrs. Beams" (applause). If the good feeling of their wives, added Mr. Hughes, went with them always when they were ringing they would often be very much more comfortable (laughter). He was sorry their old friend Mr. Hattersley was not with them, but there were many old faces present. He hoped the good feeling that existed between them all that evening would be typical of the good feeling that would always exist between the London and provincial ringing societies (applause).

Mr. R. A. Daniell, who first responded, referred to the progress that was being made by the London County Association since its division into two districts, which had materially assisted the work and the meetings. With regard to the Cumberlands they were continuing to do the best they could, and they had been helping the movement for rehanging Shoreditch bells. Mr. Daniell referred to the tragically sudden death of Mr. Arthur Jacob, who, when he (the speaker) was Master of the Cumberlands, proved a very loyal colleague and honourable man. He was one who had little sympathy with sentimentalism, but he never shirked a duty and set a very high example in this respect.

A HIGH IDEAL.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild) also replied. He said wherever one went all over England they found men who were members of the College Youths, and they rejoiced in their membership. They found in the country a great reverence for

the London ringer. When they came up from the country to ring with the College Youths, they did not always expect to get the peal—if they did they would not be true ringers—but they did expect to have the bells rung well, and their expectations were fulfilled—in his case they had always been. A friend of his, who used to take part in peals, used to say that one thing about going for peals with the College Youths was that they either rang their bells or let them alone; there was no half and half course. This, said the speaker, was a very grand ideal, and he commended it to them as an ideal to preserve and to cherish (hear, hear). He hoped it would always be the case that when a man came to ring in London he would feel, whether he got the peal or not, that he would get some good ringing. Mr. Coleridge, continued Mr. Jenkyn, had said something about the cup competitions. What he felt about it was that no amount of cups or anything else would really do what must be done to get good ringing. Nothing from outside would make a man really love good ringing; nothing from outside would make him, when he was able to ring well, devote those powers to the glory of God, and to the service of His church. It must come from within (applause).

THE MEMORY OF THE DEPARTED.

Mr. F. E. Dawe, who proposed "The Visitors," said they could not let the opportunity go by without paying honour to the illustrious dead, to keep green the memory of those great men who had passed out of existence this last year—their unseen and well-remembered guests, Pettit, Wood and Cooter. They were told by the immortal bard that "The evil that men do lives after them, the good is oft interred with their bones." In the case of their three friends, he thought there would be a distinct variation to this. These three men who had gone to their rest this year, were the life and backbone of that society in the days when their members were not so numerous as at present. Their names shone in letters of gold on marble in belfries for miles around; they were ringing jewels of the first water, and nothing but the most rigidly accurate striking would satisfy them. Those three men took part in the long peal at Bethnal Green, when he (the speaker) was only five years old. There was one survivor of that band, and he was with them that night, their dear old friend Edwin Horrex (applause). The three whom they now mourned were always ready to assist or advise, and they always gave credit where credit was due. All three were men who were truthful, honest, and almost painfully just. He ventured to say that with all these qualities the thoughts of these men were not always earthly, but that they looked to the future. Having paid a tribute to the individual abilities of the deceased ringers, Mr. Dawe went on to say that the thought occurred to him at the funeral of Mr. Pettit, that when an illustrious ringer passed away they ought to make some arrangements for a ringing parson to conduct the last funeral rites. Mr. Dawe then submitted the toast of "The Visitors."

A WONDERFUL BROTHERHOOD.

The Rev. J. W. Eisdell replied, and spoke of the wonderful brotherhood which existed among the ringers. They had all kinds of guilds and societies in their dear old church, but there was no stronger organisation than that of the church workers who were ringers. Mr. Eisdell paid a well-deserved compliment to the way in which his own band at Barking carried out their duties, and he was proud of the fact that they had rung the longest peal during the year by the society, and that they had accomplished a course of London Surprise on handbells that evening.

The Vice-Chairman spoke of the pleasure it gave them all to see Miss Leny among them again that evening, after her recent illness.

This concluded the speech making, and the remainder of the evening was spent in the enjoyment of a most delightful musical programme.

The musical programme was principally sustained by members of St. George's Glee Union, whose part-songs, choruses and individual contributions were much appreciated. The vocalists were under the conductorship of Mr. G. H. McCann, and Mr. H. C. Pennington was the accompanist. Mr. W. J. Daubney contributed violin solos, Mr. G. R. Boorer recited "The Revenge," and songs were given by Messrs. R. F. Roberts, A. Phillips, S. Blackmore, C. W. Palmer, P. Tayler, F. Coxall and C. Hills. The course of London Surprise rung on handbells by: Messrs. A. C. Hardy 1-2, C. Fenn 3-4, T. Faulkner 5-6, R. Fenn 7-8, was enthusiastically applauded, while the tune ringing of two Sheffield visitors (Messrs. Evinson and Bugar) fairly "brought down the house," and was twice encored. They played "Blue Bells of Scotland," with variations, "German Waltz," and "Money Musk."

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

NEW PRESIDENT OF ROCHDALE BRANCH.

On Saturday the monthly meeting of the Rochdale Branch was held at St. Mary's, Balderstone, Rochdale, when 30 members were present from Balderstone, Rochdale Parish, Milnrow, Newhey, Glodwick, Oldham Parish, Middleton, Heywood, Todmorden Parish, Todmorden Unitarian, and Ashton.—Mr. S. Stott presided over the meeting, when Mr. William Crabtree was elected branch president, in the place of the late Mr. S. Brierley.—St. Mark's, Glodwick, was selected for the place of next meeting, and votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar and wardens.—The bells were kept going till 9.30, in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD TOUR.

(Continued from page 318).

[By W. H. F.]

"Our lives like bells while changing,
An ordered course pursue.
Through joys and sorrows ranging,
May all those lives ring true.

H. C. W.

Tuesday, October 15th. Early closing day for Witney. We rose at 8, breakfasted 8.30, away, after a little shopping by one or two members, at 9.30 a.m. for the beautiful old Oxfordshire town of Burford, eight miles distant—along a fine high main road overlooking a grand stretch of scenery, the increasing use of stone for walling, roofs and fieldsides, contrasting with the hedgerows and thatched roofing to the half-timbered cottages in Berks. We passed the tragic parish of Minster Lovell, with its church nestling among trees in the morning sunshine, and bethought of the words, "Oh, the Mistletoe bough," to which the rapid approach of Christmas, 1912, and the prevailing frosty air, added some sentiment.

Burford is miles from a railway, and, owing to the great number of good roads leading away from it in all directions, must have been a busy and important centre of business and activity at one time. We first saw the town from the higher approach, a view not easily forgotten on a fine day, the church of cruciform design, with a central tower and lofty spire, standing out boldly, and as we neared it, our partners in the peal No. 4 arrived, the Revs. E. V. and C. C. Cox, in their motor-cycle and side car. No time was lost in seeing a little of the beauties of this church, signing the visitors' book, and calling "go for Treble Bob," as duly recorded. It was a comfortable belfry, and an easy peal, which we all enjoyed.

Thanks to Mr. Bond, one of the firm of local bell founders and bell hangers, we were met on coming down from the tower, and shown over the old Burford foundry, the last bell having been sent out a few months ago. The foundry consists of an old one-storey workshop, with the various fittings and appliances and the furnace all intact. It may have been in use for some hundred years past by all appearance, and it was decidedly interesting to many of the company.

Then away back to Witney, the machines all doing good work. A healthy appetite on a vigorous morning out, caused leg No. 2, served piping hot for lunch, to show signs of being "fleece," and, having our next venture with the rope at Witney, we spent a restful afternoon at home, some of us too much so.

TWO MISHAPS.

About six p.m. I awoke by an urgent message to go to the tower at once, but ere I discovered the way up, the bells went off into Double Norwich. The attempt lasted about an hour. No one was to blame, and not being present I can only surmise by remarks since overheard that it was a case of Cox and Box. Mr. Monk came running to the tower while I was groping round, anxious about the non-start, and we heard some good ringing on a fine peal of bells across fields, during the process of bringing his horses home to stable. A number of touches were afterwards rung with Witney men standing in, and Mr. Spindlow, of Ducklington. The whole party kept up "early closing day till after closing time," for such is the state of chaos rendered possible by a multiplicity of Acts of Parliament. In the course of the evening I heard about a certain receptacle holding some 16 quarts, just about enough for one day's ringing by an eight-bell "scroufe," and as its a long yarn, perhaps our Editor will give it another place as a sort of side-show. Some of our readers may imagine that it was still being used in the tower, but I may confess that a very good-sized jug was passed round at the Fleece, mostly in the handstroke home position. We were delighted with the true tone and style of country conversation of friend Monk, his rendering of the "Chaplain and the Convict" being most realistic.

Wednesday, Oct. 16th. This was to be a long day, so we got the boys on the move pretty early, and were off at 9.30 for a 16-mile run to Chipping Norton, being pestered by the eccentric behaviour of a solitary driver in another car for half the journey. The Rector met us, and we followed our usual precaution since Abingdon, that of thoroughly testing all ropes and bearings. We began Superlative Surprise Major with high hopes, having practised the method the night before. An excellent half peal or thereabouts was struck, when the slow man brought the attempt to "Nort." A glass of sherry with our friend, Mr. J. F. Barlow, almost led to a departure from the programme, but the wiser counsel of our Master prevailed, and with regret we left the town, which was en fête with the usual collection of pleasure vans of the annual old English fair held in the streets.

"There is a time in the affairs of man," says Shakespeare, "which leads to success"—but on two occasions we found the fairs of a town led to failure.

SHIPTON'S HOSPITALITY.

The spin to the second tower for this day landed the party at Shipton-under-Wychwood, just before rainfall—the only fall we had during the week. Here the Rev. W. Collingwood Carter, Rural Dean and Vicar, kindly met us most hospitably, storing the cars in his coach-house, and placing a well-cooked and well-served hot dinner before his furnished guests. The Vicar must have had some premonition of our inner failing, for we shook his leg of mutton (our number three) like fox

terriers. Our dining room was the Village Club Room formed over the stables. It is fitted with a library, a miniature rifle range, games and amusements, and a piano. There was a bright fire burning to welcome us, and other evidence that the Vicar had considered our comfort in that right down hearty way peculiar to the fine old English gentleman.

In the belfry we fared just as well, the last course was brought home well-struck in our peal, No. 5, much to Mr. Bishop's delight, and, at its conclusion, hearty congratulations from the local ringers and Mr. Bartlett were tendered. The bells are a little noisy in the belfry, but like Chipping Norton, it is an excellent ringing room, and both are first class shops for Surprise ringing. Another surprise followed, for we were informed that supper was ready, and we were led to the Vicarage by the Vicar in the darkness of an inky night. We found interest in the original War Office Certificate of the Queen's Commission issued to the Vicar as an officer in the Oxford 'Varsity Corps in the early days of its existence, and learnt of a family history traced back to Admiral Collingwood, in the first days of our naval armaments. With hearty thanks we said good-bye to our Shipton friends, to the parish with the long name, and long in one's memory will this visit remain.

We reached Witney safely, a dark ride and without rain, fortunately—subject to two incidents. The Master, who always drives his own car, missed a whole turn on the road home, and just as we got into the town had a puncture to the rear near tyre. The former event has not happened to him, to my knowledge, during his road through Thurstans' Four-part, but with reference to the latter, I do know there were several to the Kidlington blisters.

Congratulations were tendered to Mr. G. Williams on our return, for this was the 31st anniversary of his wedding day, October 15th, 1881

(To be continued.)

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

VICAR LAMENTS UNSATISFACTORY CONDITION OF TOWERS AND BELLS.

The quarterly meeting of the Ilchester Branch of the Bath and Wells Association was held on Saturday, at Langport, members attending from Ilminster, Kingsdon, Martock, Norton-sub-Hamdon, Stoke-sub-Ham, and Odcombe, as well as the local men. The ringers' service was conducted by the Rev. Ross (Vicar), the organist being also in attendance. Tea and the usual business meeting followed, one honorary and one performing member being elected.—The Vicar, in replying to a vote of thanks, mentioned that he had recently visited several towers, and was much struck by the unsatisfactory condition of both towers and bells, but there were promising signs that things were not likely to continue in this state, as quite a number of bells have been under repair during the past few years.

A few years ago the Langport bells were hung in an iron frame, but it was considered unsafe to the tower, and they have recently been rehung in oak, and "go" beautifully; the cage contains spaces for two trebles, and the ringers long for the time when the octave will be completed.

The tower of Huish Episcopi was also open for the meeting, the two belfries being within a few minutes' walk of one another. Huish Episcopi has also a lovely ring of six, with space left for two trebles. The tenor is a bell of very fine tone, and weighs about a ton. Which will be first to complete the octave?

The Langport men are to be congratulated on the progress they are making, and also upon having a Vicar who takes such keen interest in them and his bells. Good practice was obtained in Grandsire and Plain Bob.

GLASTONBURY BRANCH.

A meeting of the Glastonbury branch was held at Glastonbury, on Saturday week, a fairly good number of ringers being present from Burnham, Bridgwater, Taunton, Kingsdon, Meare, Wells, and Glastonbury. The bells of St. John's were open for ringing, and were kept going until tea-time.—After tea, a business meeting was held, when the Rev. W. M. K. Warren, Vicar of Meare, was unanimously elected chairman, and Mr. W. Farley, of Wells, hon. secretary for the coming year.—At the close of the meeting, a service was held in St. John's Church, conducted by the Rev. A. J. Hook. Subsequently the ringers and about 50 ladies and gentlemen wended their way to the belfry, for the purpose of unveiling a photograph of the late Vicar (the Rev. Preb. H. L. Barnwell), and a handsome peal board (black with gold letters) recording a peal of Grandsire Triples, rung fully muffled on August 22nd, in memory of the deceased gentleman.—The Rev. A. J. Hook, in the course of his remarks, said how pleased he was to see so many parishioners with them showing by their presence the high esteem in which they held their late Vicar.—The unveiling was performed by Mr. W. Leaker, senior churchwarden.—Both the photograph and the peal board were given by the late Vicar's sister, Miss H. Barnwell, who could not be present, but the Rev. Warren, on behalf of the ringers, asked the Rev. A. J. Hook to convey to her their very best thanks for her splendid gift. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman, and Bob Major were afterwards brought round.

NEW BELLS AT MARSTON MAGNA. GENEROUS GIFT TO SOMERSET PARISH.

Another six-bell tower has been added to the diocese of Bath and Wells. Marston Magna's peal of four old bells, which have been silent for some time, have been restored and augmented, and have been dedicated by the Bishop of Bath and Wells, who, on the same occasion, consecrated an extension of the churchyard, the necessary land for which was generously given by the governors of Winchester College, who are extensive landowners in the village. The new portion is hoped to provide sufficient ground for the burials in the parish for many years to come.

The old bells had been condemned as unsafe about three years ago, owing to the decay of the ancient bell cage. Mr. E. W. Marden, the people's warden, and Dr. Chatterton, of Marston Court, the Vicar's warden, took the matter up very keenly, and at last found themselves in a position to order the rehanging of the four bells. When, however, the bells were taken down the third bell was found to be badly cracked, and on the advice of Mr. Sully, of Stogumber, who had the work in hand, it was decided to have them recast. Of the two new bells which bring the peal up to six, the treble is the gift of Mr. E. D. Marden and family, in memory of the late Mr. Montagu Marden, who died in Australia about two years ago, when reading for Holy Orders, and the second bell has been provided by subscriptions. Of the original bells, inscriptions on the third and tenor, which have been faithfully reproduced in the recasting, tell that they were given by Nathaniel Barnard in 1707, and the original treble by Edward Payne in 1729. The second bell had no inscription or any indication as to its date. The cage was in an advanced stage of decay, and in view of some of the timbers taken out it is evident that the work was taken in hand none too soon. The new cage is an up-to-date structure of oak and steel. The whole of the new work has cost over £300. The tenor is 14 cwt., in F sharp.

THE DEDICATION.

For the dedication the church had been cleaned by members of the local branch of the C.E.M.S., and a large congregation gathered. Amongst the clergy present: were the Revs. Prebendary J. W. Firth (Henstridge), W. T. Roe (Sandford Orcas), L. C. Price (Ansford), Trevor-Griffiths (Sparkford), G. W. Meggy (Yeovil), G. D'Aubigall (Queen Camel), M. C. Goodford (Chilton Cantelo), G. E. K. French (West Camel), H. L. Taylor (Kimpton), L. B. Cotter (West Coker), A. B. Portman (Corton Denham), and F. C. Carr (Lemington). The clergy and churchwardens, the latter bearing their wands of office, met the Bishop, who was accompanied by his chaplain (Archdeacon Brymer), Rev. J. Alcock, Rector of Godney (who carried the pastoral staff), and the Vicar of the parish, at the west door of the church, where Mr. C. Chatterton presented and read the petition for consecration. The Bishop, choir and clergy then proceeded to the chancel. The Vicar conducted the service. Archdeacon Brymer read the lesson, and this part of the service closed with the hymn, "O Heavenly Jerusalem." The Bishop, churchwardens, choir and congregation next proceeded around the ground to be consecrated, singing Psalms xvi and xxiii. His Lordship then pronounced the consecration, and all then returned to the church for the dedication of the bells, the hymn, "Who are these like stars appearing," being sung as a processional. One of the churchwardens (Mr. Marden) taking the bell ropes in his hands, requested the Bishop to dedicate the bells, and his Lordship, receiving the ropes, solemnly performed the act. Then delivering the ropes to the Vicar, the Bishop asked him to receive them as a sacred trust, committed unto him as the appointed minister of Christ in that church and parish. The bells were then chimed, and during the singing of Psalm cl, the Bishop, clergy and wardens returned to their places. Suitable prayers were read, and after the singing of the hymn, "Now thank we all our God," his Lordship delivered an appropriate address.

At the conclusion of the service, the bells were raised in peal by ringers picked from the Castle Cary and Ditchat towers, who had been invited by the Vicar, the Rev. Peppin, to open them, and to test Mr. Sully's work. A quarter-peal of Doubles was tapped off in 38 mins.

RINGERS ENTERTAINED.

The visitors, with the Marston ringers, were then entertained to an excellent tea, provided in the Schoolroom. The Vicar presided, and after tea, in a very pleasant speech, thanked the ringers who had opened the bells for their kindness. They had already given them some fine ringing, and no doubt would give them a little more before their departure.—To this Mr. Vincent, of Ditchat, replied, thanking the Vicar for his kind remarks relating to the ringing, and also for the excellent tea which they had been provided with. He also congratulated the Vicar and his parishioners upon the fine peal of bells which they had just placed in their tower. The Marston ringers then joined the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, and, with their captain, Mr. Douglas Marden, it is felt sure they will soon become a good band of ringers.

A move was again made to the tower, where various methods were rung. During the evening, the parish church warden (Mr. Marden), with other friends, paid a visit to the tower, and congratulated the ringers on their striking, and also for the music which had been brought out of the bells that afternoon. All the ringers present were unanimous in their praise of the peal, the excellent "go" and tone, and the perfect way in which Mr. Sully had carried the work out. Mr. Sully was also congratulated by the Vicar and churchwardens.

NOTICES.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 21st; St. John's, Hackney, on the 26th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 26th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. All at 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, November 16th, at St. Luke's, Chelsea. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All members and friends invited.—Frank A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the N.W. Division will be held at Bishop's Stortford on Saturday, November 16th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea and business meeting at the Chequers Hotel at 5.30 p.m.—W. Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT, ETC., SOCIETY.—The postponed November meeting of this society will take place at Bolsterstone on Saturday, November 16th, church of St. Mary, 8 bells, available 3.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. It is hoped that there will be a good muster. — J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 11, Havelock Street, Sheffield.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, November 16th. The Vicar and churchwardens kindly provide tea.—B. H. T. Drake, District Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—Annual meeting, at Basingstoke, on Saturday, November 23rd. Bells (8) from 4 o'clock. Service in the Parish Church at 5.30. Tea and business meeting at the Church Cottage at 6.—Francis G. Hume, District Secretary.

THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meetings will be held at Desborough on November 16th, Great Addington, November 23rd; Higham Ferrers, November 30th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Members intending to be present at tea, kindly let district secretary know.—F. Wilford, General Secretary, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, November 23rd. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. King, District Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Hertford on November 23rd, when the bells of All Saints' (10) and St. Andrew's (8) will be available. St. Andrew's before tea, All Saints' after. Tea in St. Andrew's Hall at 5.15, followed by business meeting.—W. H. Lawrence, District Secretary, Little Munden.

NOTICES (continued).

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Burton-on-Trent District.—A ringing meeting will be held at Repton on Saturday, November 23rd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. All those desirous of attending will oblige if they will send their names, not later than Wednesday, November 20th, to Harry Wakley, 160, Horninglow Road, N., Burton-on-Trent.

HEPTONSTALL BELLS.—These bells will be dedicated on Sunday, November 24th, at the morning service. The tower will be opened for ringing on Saturday, November 30th, at 3 o'clock, no peals allowed. Tea will be provided, for all who send in their names, at 8d. per head.—Francis Robertshaw, Secretary, Coop Terrace, Heptonstall.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Coscley, Staffordshire, on Saturday, November 30th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.30, conducted by the Rev. J. A. Price, Vicar. Important. The appointment of a delegate to the Central Council will be discussed at this meeting.—Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. F. W. Isaacs), at St. Nicholas, Chiswick, on Saturday, November 30th. Bells available from 3.30 to 7.30. Members and friends heartily welcome.—H. C. Chandler, Hon. Sec., Heston, Hounslow.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, on Saturday, November 30th. Bells available from 5. Meeting at 7. All ringers welcome.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

VISITORS TO BRISTOL will find every convenience and moderate charges at Mrs. Walker's, Admiral Duncan, Nicholas Street, Bristol Headquarters of the Bristol Ringers.

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MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

BRIDGNORTH, SALOP.—On October 6th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, from Stedman's One-Part, in 45 mins.: E. Foxall 1, J. Elcock 2, A. Newsome 3, J. Overton 4, B. Head 5, H. W. Overton 6, W. Overton (conductor) 7, H. Jones 8.

BATH.—At St. Saviour's Church, for harvest thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes) was rung in 45 mins.: J. W. Bell (first quarter-peal) 1, H. Taylor 2, J. Taylor 3, J. Fussell 4, F. C. Rich 5, J. Hallett (first quarter with a bob bell) 6, C. W. Bell (conductor) 7, J. H. Merrett 8.

WALTHAMSTOW.—At St. Saviour's Church, on October 6th, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins.: G. B. Lucas 1, C. T. Coles 2, W. J. Cooper 3, H. Rumens 4, E. D. Lilly-white 5, W. J. E. Jones 6, H. F. Hull (conductor) 7, O. L. Twist 8.

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On October 6th, for harvest festival, a date touch of Grandsire Triples (1912 changes), in 1 hr. 7 mins.: J. Ray 1, W. Mills, senr., 2, D. Bruce 3, T. Griffiths 4, F. Evans 5, H. Jeavons 6, J. A. Brown (conductor), Bileston, 7, B. Fullwood 8.

STANSTED, ESSEX.—The Essex Association.—For morning service, at the harvest festival, 504 Stedman Triples: F. M. Butler 1, H. Little 2, G. Jordan 3, J. Luckey 4, T. J. Watts 5, J. Ansell 6, W. Watts (conductor) 7, T. Jordan 8.—On October 2nd, 704 Oxford Treble Bob Major: G. Gray 1, A. Jordan 2, J. Ansell 3, J. Luckey 4, T. J. Watts 5, T. Jordan 6, G. Jordan 7, W. Watts (conductor) 8.

BINFIELD, BERKS.—Oxford Diocesan Guild.—On October 6th, for the harvest festival, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 24 mins.: H. Hale 1, S. Gearing 2, A. Pierce 3, E. C. Lambert 4, W. Gearing 5, H. Bungay (conductor) 6.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.—For harvest festival, on October 6th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. J. Dewey (Reigate) 1, G. A. Ransom (conductor) 2, F. Goddard 3, H. Biggs 4, T. Beadle 5, W. H. Liddbetter 6, G. Spencer 7, H. Beadle 8. For afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. J. Dewey 1, C. S. Bird 2, J. Crocker 3, F. Skevington (conductor) 4, H. Cook 5, C. Iles 6, C. Hunt 7, W. Brooks 8. For evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: E. Webb 1, C. Dell 2, G. Miles 3, W. H. Liddbetter 4, W. New 5, T. Beadle 6, G. Spencer (conductor) 7, A. Beckensale 8.

MIDDLESBROUGH.—On Sept. 29th, at the Parish Church, 520 Double Norwich and 608 Superlative; Sept. 30th, 1008 Double Norwich; October 2nd, 1024 Kent Treble Bob; October 3rd, at Saltburn, 704 of Kent Treble Bob, the following ringers taking part: The Rev. W. P. Wright (Hemingborough), the Rev. R. L. B. Oliver (Saltburn), and Messrs. Blakiston, Jones, Passman, Rudd, C. and W. Pollard, F. and C. Laverick, Lancaster, Pickering, Peck, Titchener, Wedgewood, Melburn, Appleton, Graves, Mossom and Kidd.

ABBOTT'S LEIGH.—On October 6th, for harvest festival morning service, 360 Kent Treble Bob: *L. H. Moore, junr., 1, G. Bennet 2, W. Frampton 3, *W. Booth 4, E. Frampton 5, L. H. Moore, senr. (conductor) 6. *First 360. For evening service, 144 Kent, standing as above. After service, 180 Bob Minor, 480 Canterbury Minor: W. Booth 1, G. Bennet 2, L. H. Moore, senr., 3, W. Frampton 4, J. Cable 5, G. H. Gale (conductor) 6. 216 Grandsire Minor and 360 Kent, conducted by L. H. Moore.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.—On Sunday, Sept. 29th, 720 of Plain Bob Minor: F. Barrett 1, G. Kilby 2, F. Sear (first 720) 3, W. G. Matthews 4, R. Kilby 5, T. Langdon (conductor) 6.—On October 2nd, for harvest festival, 720 of Plain Bob: F. Barrett 1, W. G. Matthews 2, F. Sear 3, G. Kilby 4, G. Chalkley (conductor) 5, T. Langdon 6.—On Sunday, October 6th, 720 of Kent Treble Bob: T. Langdon 1, W. G. Matthews 2, G. M. Kilby (conductor) 3, L. Porter 4, F. Wells 5, H. Kilby 6.

CAERLEON, MON.—The Llandaff Association.—For harvest festival, 1260 Grandsire Triples: L. Stafford 1, F. Bolton 2, C. Davis 3, H. Holmes 4, S. Jones 5, G. Stafford 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, N. Holmes 8. Also 168 of Stedman Triples.—On October 6th, for morning service, 532 Grandsire Triples. For evening service, 1260 of Grandsire: F. Bolton 1, G. Stafford 2, E. Davis 3, H. Holmes 4, P. Stafford 5, G. Large 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, N. Holmes 8.

HAMMERSMITH.—St. Paul's Guild.—For harvest festival, on Sunday, Sept. 29th, 1264 of Bob Major, in 48 mins.: G. W. Coombes 1, W. H. Stevens 2, H. Barrett 3, H. Cook 4, R. Mackrill 5, H. Stevens 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, C. Hunt 8.

RIPON.—At the Cathedral, on October 1st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F. Tingle 1, T. Ingleby 2, E. Metcalfe 3, W. Dixon 4, G. Langshaw 5, W. Thorpe 6, W. Gibson (conductor) 7, J. Rumbold 8. Longest length in the method by all.

OLDBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.—On Sept. 22nd, for evening service, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: H. Cotton 1, S. Astbury 2, J. Bird 3, F. G. Burleigh 4, A. Greenfield (conductor) 5, R. Hall 6, J. Bant 7, J. Ford 8.

HACKNEY, LONDON.—On Sept. 22nd, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 46 mins.: T. Walker 1, A. W. Grimes (conductor) 2, H. Franks 3, C. W. Green 4, E. E. Grimes 5, E. G. Runham 6, B. Horton 7, T. King 8. First quarter-peal in the method by the ringers of the treble and sixth.

HERNE, KENT.—On Sept. 29th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor (46 calls): C. Holman 1, F. Jones (conductor) 2, W. Sorrell 3, S. R. Jezard 4, E. Hartop 5, E. Slingsby 6.

SUTTON-ON-HULL.—Yorkshire Association.—On Wednesday, Sept. 25th, at the Parish Church, for harvest festival service, a 720 Oxford Treble Bob: C. Jackson 1, T. Goodin 2, J. S. Calvert 3, H. Rodmell 4, L. Rodmell (conductor) 5, A. E. West 6.—On Thursday, Sept. 26th, at All Saints' Church, Hull, for harvest festival service, 406 Grandsire Triples: J. Hedges 1, H. Jenkins 2, C. Jackson 3, T. Harrison 4, D. Meadley 5, E. Cutsforth 6, T. Whitfield 7, F. Dale 8.—On Friday, Sept. 27th, at Holy Trinity Church, Hull, for harvest festival service, 560 Grandsire Triples and 521 Grandsire Caters: F. Dale 1, C. Jackson (conductor) 2, G. Dowling 3, T. Whitfield 4, F. Morrison 5, J. Highfield 6, E. Cutsforth 7, T. Morton 8, G. T. Miller 9, J. Chamberlain 10.—On Sept. 30th, at Holy Trinity Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: J. Hedges 1, C. Jackson (conductor) 2, G. Dowling 3, T. Whitfield 4, T. Morton 5, H. Rodmell 6, E. Cutsforth 7, J. Marsh (first quarter-peal) 8.

OXHEY, HERTS.—On Sept. 22nd, for morning service, 1216 New Cumberland Surprise: A. W. Dix 1, W. Hodgetts 2, F. T. Martin 3, C. N. Leman 4, G. N. Price (conductor) 5, G. E. Howchin 6, H. Hodgetts 7, F. W. Brinklow 8. First quarter-peal in the method by all the band.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.—On Sept. 29th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: J. Guttridge, senr., 1, J. Guttridge, junr., 2, T. Smith (first quarter of Triples inside) 3, T. Gosling 4, W. Welling (conductor) 5, A. Blake 6, R. Flaxman 7, F. Guttridge 8.—On Sept. 22nd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. Guttridge 1, A. Blake 2, C. J. Hamblin 3, W. Welling 4, E. Cassell 5, C. J. Tricker (conductor) 6, A. E. Gray 7, F. Guttridge 8.

ROMFORD, ESSEX.—On Sept. 22nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: W. Watson 1, L. A. Pye (aged 13) 2, F. Rainbird 3, G. R. Pye 4, W. A. Pye 5, H. F. Dawkins 6, E. Pye (conductor) 7, E. J. Butler 8.—On Sept. 29th, for morning service, 504 of Stedman Triples: A. Pye 1, L. A. Pye 2, A. Chaplin 3, G. R. Pye 4, W. A. Pye 5, E. Pye (conductor) 6, W. Watson 7, A. Sorrell 8. First quarter-peal by L. A. and W. A. Pye, also longest length of Stedman.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.—On Sept. 22nd, for harvest festival, before morning service, 720 Plain Bob: A. J. Gilbert 1, C. Gilbert 2, F. Looker 3, G. Lancaster 4, J. Tuckwell 5, W. G. Lancaster (conductor) 6. Before evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: A. J. Gilbert 1, T. Moulden 2, F. Looker 3, W. G. Lancaster 4, J. Tuckwell 5, G. Lancaster (conductor) 6. After evening service, 720 Cambridge Surprise: A. J. Gilbert 1, T. Moulden 2, W. G. Lancaster 3, R. W. Hyner 4, G. Lancaster (conductor) 5, C. J. Gardiner 6.—On Monday, Sept. 23rd, for practice, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: E. Manton 1, A. J. Gilbert (first 720 with a bob bell) 2, R. W. Hyner 3, F. Looker 4, W. G. Lancaster (conductor) 5, T. Moulden 6.

SWINDON, WILTS.—At Christ Church, on Sept. 22nd, for morning service, 544 Double Norwich: A. Lawrence 1, E. Bishop 2, R. W. Hyner 3, C. W. Townsend 4, G. Essex (Caversham) 5, H. W. L. Wells 6, T. Robinson 7, C. W. Gardiner (conductor) 8.—On Sept. 24th, 448 Superlative Surprise: W. G. Lancaster 1, G. W. Townsend 2, R. W. Hyner 3, F. Looker 4, G. Essex (Caversham) 5, H. W. L. Wells 6, G. Lancaster 7, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8.

ROYSTON, HERTS.—Hertfordshire Association.—On Sept. 28th, in an attempt for a peal 720 each of London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Duke of York: *P. Webb (first 720 London) 1, E. Bonnett (conductor) 2, W. L. Darlow 3, A. Wilkerson 4, S. E. Roberts 5, R. G. King 6.

DEPTFORD.—Kent County Association.—At St. John's Church, on Sept. 15th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: J. Hurrell (first in Triples) 1, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 2, T. Deal 3, G. R. Simmonds 4, A. G. Bennington 5, F. W. Richardson 6, J. Law 7, C. H. Macklin 8.—On Sept. 29th, for evening service, a quarter-peal from the "Original," in 44 mins.: G. R. Simmonds 1, A. G. Bennington 2, F. S. Bacon 3, T. G. Deal 4, F. W. Richardson (conductor) 5, E. B. Crowder 6, J. Crowder 7, T. Easterby 8.

FARNHAM ROYAL.—On Sept. 21st, for the harvest festival, an attempt for a peal of Kent Treble Bob was lost, after ringing 2 hrs.: J. J. Parker 1, G. Guttridge 2, W. Henley 3, G. Basden 4, J. Elderfield 5, W. Welling 6, G. Alder 7, G. Martin (conductor) 8.—On Sept. 22nd, for Sunday evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples, in 40 mins.: J. Bavington 1, H. Skuse 2, G. Guttridge 3, J. J. Parker (conductor) 4, J. Elderfield 5, W. Henley 6, G. Basden 7, W. Clarke 8.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.—For harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: P. Ince 1, T. Bleakley 2, P. Nuttall 3, J. Nuttall 4, J. Makin 5, G. Pincott 6, W. Pennington (conductor) 7, J. Constantine 8.

PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.—On the occasion of the harvest festival, two quarter-peals of Grandsire Triples were rung for morning service, by: E. Goodsell, S. Stone, W. H. Hollman, J. Daughtrey, A. B. Corden, S. W. Corden (conductor), A. Greenfield, H. J. Doick. For evening service: P. Knight, S. Stone, W. H. Hollman, P. H. Doick, L. N. Corden, A. B. Corden, A. Greenfield (conductor), H. J. Doick.

LIVERPOOL.—At St. John the Baptist Church, Tue Brook, as a farewell to J. Hamerslag, a member of the local band, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted, but failed after 42 mins. ringing.—On Sept. 29th, 672 Grandsire Triples: J. Twist 1, O. Walker 2, G. Park 3, J. Hamerslag 4, P. Hayes 5, W. Twist (conductor) 6, S. Stewart 7, W. Mansell 8.

BISHOP'S WALLIAM.—On Sept. 25th, 720 Bob Minor, in 23 mins. This was rung with Singles only, and is believed to be the first on the bells with all singles: W. Cooper 1, Gilbert Bull 2, T. Savage 3, —, Whiteman 4, —, Grounsell 5, A. Mears (conductor) 6.

DRIFHLINGTON.—On Sunday evening, Sept. 29th, for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: A. Ainge 1, D. Thornton 2, S. Collinson 3, A. Gill 4, W. Waland 5, F. Hopwood (conductor) 6, J. Palframan 7, S. Palframan 8.

SHREWSBURY.—The Salop Archidiaconal Guild.—On October 6th, at St. Alkmund's Church, 350 Grandsire Triples: T. W. Belton 1, G. Tipton 2, G. J. Taylor 3, W. J. Taylor 4, W. R. Stockdale 5, A. Fullick (conductor) 6, F. W. Taylor 7, H. Jones 8.—At St. Chad's Church, 600 Grandsire Caters: J. T. Wall 1, G. Scarratt 2, G. J. Taylor 3, E. Jones 4, W. R. Stockdale 5, A. Teckoe 6, G. Tipton 7, A. Fullick 8, F. W. Taylor (conductor) 9, H. Jones 10.

DORRINGTON.—The Salop Archidiaconal Guild.—On Sunday, Oct. 6th, at the residence of Mr. E. R. T. Corbett, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, on handbells, in 35 mins.: E. R. T. Corbett 1—2, G. J. Taylor 3—4, W. J. Taylor 5—6, W. Short (conductor) 7—8.

OTLEY BELL RINGERS' SUPPER.

The annual supper of the Otley (Yorks) company was held on Nov. 5th at the Red Lion Hotel, a sumptuous repast being provided by Mr. D. T. Spence; and while the cloth was being removed, the ringers visited the tower, and rang a merry peal. The remainder of the evening was spent in conviviality. The Rev. R. Pattinson presided over the proceedings for a short time, and proposed the loyal toasts. The toasts of "Health to all Subscribers," and "The Health of the Vicar and the two Churchwardens," were also honoured. Those who took part in the enjoyable programme that followed were Mrs. Warner, Miss Ralph, Miss Spence, Messrs. C. Ralph, T. Marchant, D. Waite, J. L. Phillips, T. Warner, G. Maston, H. Beaumont, H. Saville, and W. D. Clough. Mrs. Warner gave selections on fairy bells, and shared the accompaniments with Mr. J. Horner.—Courses of Grandsire Triples were rung on handbells by Messrs. F. Maston, G. Thornton, F. W. Dixon and C. Ralph.—At the close, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the host and hostess.

RUGBY RINGERS' OUTING.

Through unforeseen circumstances, the annual outing of the St. Andrew's Society, Rugby, was postponed from July—when it was intended to visit Evesham—until Saturday, November 2nd, and owing to the lateness of the season, it was decided not to venture far afield, and the choice of the company favoured Lutterworth. Arriving at the latter place, the party set out for a two miles' walk to Bitteswell, a pretty village boasting a light but musical peal of six bells, which had been kindly placed at their disposal for the afternoon. Grandsire Doubles was the first item, and several six-scores were tapped off in good style, one of the Lutterworth men who had accompanied the visitors, taking part. Stedman Doubles followed, and a well-struck 720 of Kent was then rung by: J. A. Fenton 1, H. O. White 2, J. B. Fenton 3, J. W. Chandler 4, A. J. Hessian 5, J. George (conductor) 6. The visitors then had the pleasure of the company of the Misses Peabody of the local band, who joined in several 120's of Grandsire, Miss L. Peabody conducting. The new Vicar of Bitteswell looked in during the afternoon, and gave the party a hearty welcome, and he was cordially thanked for his kindness in placing the bells at their disposal.

A return was next made to Lutterworth, where tea was partaken of at Bonsor's Cafe, the company including the Misses Peabody and Mr. A. J. Ross, of the Lutterworth band.

Mr. George, in a few well-chosen words, welcomed the ladies, and said how pleased and honoured the company were to meet them. The indefatigable Mr. H. O. White took the opportunity of introducing his subscription list for the ladies' peal tablet, and afterwards the handbells were requisitioned. After a course of Grandsire Caters and a couple of selections, the visitors wended their way to the tower, where the ringing was opened with a touch of Stedman Triples, followed by the first course of Cambridge Surprise on the bells. The Misses Peabody then joined in the ringing, this being the first time they had rung on eight bells, and they are to be complimented on the creditable way they performed. Touches of Superlative and Grandsire brought the tower bell ringing to a close, and a pleasant hour was afterwards spent with the local ringers and a few friends, the proceedings being enlivened by touches on the handbells. Upon the arrival of the two "deserters" (no names, please), some good selections were played on the handbells by Messrs. Chandler, Malins, Fenton, White and Hessian, and were much appreciated.—A vote of thanks was passed to the Lutterworth ringers for their kindness in giving up their practice night for the benefit of the Rugbyites, and to all who had helped to make the outing such a success.—A. J. H.

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