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St. Peter's Collegiate Church,
Wolverhampton.
Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12.

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.

PEALS AND POINTS.

The more one examines the report on peal values, published in our last issue by the Peals Analysis Committee of the Central Council, the more one is impressed with the able manner in which the committee have dealt with this extremely complicated matter. The work that has been involved is obviously immense, and, when it is remembered that it has all had to be done by correspondence, without a single round-the-table conference, the greatness of the task which the committee have accomplished during the past year must be apparent to all.

The work of the now defunct Peal Points Committee, whose duties were, at the last Council meeting, handed over to the Analysis Committee, laid the foundation for the progress which has now been made in coming to something which may provide an acceptable basis to the Exercise in general. With a formula already laid down, the question of settling the points for peals on seven bells and upwards was largely one of classification, and we think that in this the committee have left little to complain of. We mentioned incidentally last week one point that appeared to need some little amendment, viz., the inclusion of methods like Forward in the same class as Stedman, which in the case of Forward Maximus, for instance, would give twenty per cent. more points than to Double Norwich Maximus, which appears in a lower group. This, of course, is an isolated case, and can easily be met by assigning these methods to another class, although, admittedly, this would, to some extent, spoil the symmetry of the classification.

In regard to the points for peals on five and six bells, the Committee have done very valuable work, and have brought the matter of the relative values of peals on these numbers and peals on higher numbers to a stage which should meet with approval. In their classification the Committee have taken expert opinion, and, instead of pitching all methods of one type into one class and all of another type into another class, they have sorted them out according to their practical difficulty. This was certainly the fairest method that could have been adopted, and will, we hope, prove a satisfactory solution to what has always been the most knotty problem of a very complicated subject.

Viewed as a whole, we think the report will be generally acceptable to ringers, and we feel that not only the Central Council, but the Exercise at large owes a great debt of gratitude to the Committee, who, by the expenditure of so much time and trouble, have carried, thus far successfully, towards a permanent settlement, a subject that for years has appeared almost incapable of satisfactory conclusion.

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Broomfield Vicarage,
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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,
Vicar of Broomfield.

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TEN BELL PEALS.

WHITBY, YORKSHIRE.

THE CLEVELAND & NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANCES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

*JOHN R. BARTON Treble	HARRY GIBSON 6
*GEORGE F. ALEXANDER ... 2	*WILLIAM R. KNAGGS ... 7
*WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... 3	*JOHN T. WATERS 8
*ALBERT COATES 4	THOMAS METCALFE 9
*FRANK S. HODGSON 5	*JOHN W. LOWTHER... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD, and
Conducted by THOMAS METCALFE.

* First peal on ten bells. First ten-bell peal on the bells. Messrs. Barton and Gibson hail from Scarborough, Messrs. Alexander and Lowther from Fylingdales, the conductor from Middlesbrough, and the rest are members of the local band.

CARDIFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANCES;

Tenor 27 cwt.

CLARENCE O. HOBBS ... Treble	*TOM PAGE... .. 6
JOHN W. JONES 2	WILLIAM G. MILLER ... 7
SIDNEY DAWE 3	JOSEPH E. SYKES 8
*HARRY PAGE 4	BENJAMIN THORP 9
FRED CHAMBERLAIN 5	*CHARLES ORAM... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by BENJAMIN THORP.

* First peal of Caters.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(THE BLACKBURN, BOLTON, MANCHESTER, ROCHDALE AND PRESTON BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 15 cwt., in F.

FREDERICK HINDLE ... Treble	WILLIAM E. WILSON ... 6
JOHN POTTER 2	WILLIAM MALLINSON ... 7
ARTHUR TOMLINSON 3	EDWARD ARMSTRONG ... 8
*WILLIAM CRABTREE 4	JOHN WATSON 9
REV. H. J. ELSEE 5	JOSEPH RIDYARD Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by W. MALLINSON.

* First peal of Royal.

SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALPHEGE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;

Tenor 19¾ cwt.

REV. C. CAREW COX ... Treble	THOMAS BLOORE 6
JOSEPH B. FENTON 2	THOMAS MILLER 7
*WALTER MALINS 3	JAMES E. GROVES 8
ALFRED J. HESSIAN... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE 9
*JOSEPH A. FENTON 5	STANLEY BRAGG Tenor

Composed by JAMES GEORGE, and
Conducted by the REV. C. CAREW COX.

* First peal on ten bells. Rung in honour of St. Alphege's Day.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANCES;

Tenor 24½ cwt.	
ARTHUR KNIGHTS Treble	JOHN H. BROTHWELL ... 6
*GEORGE LEWIS 2	*JOHN R. BROOKES ... 7
*ARTHUR HAGUE 3	JOHN P. TARLTON ... 8
SAMUEL WESLEY 4	*WALTER AYRE ... 9
JOHN C. DICKEN 5	CLEMENT GLENN ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by GEORGE LEWIS.

* First peal of Treble Bob Royal.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SEPULCHRE, HOLBORN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 31 cwt.	
JAMES HUNT Treble	REUBEN SANDERS ... 6
CHARLES T. COLES 2	*JOHN FLINT ... 7
ISAAC G. SHADE 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... 8
GEORGE R. PYE 4	ALFRED W. GRIMES ... 9
BERTRAM PREWETT 5	WILLIAM PYE ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

* First peal in the method.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WOOD GREEN, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Monday, April 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

*AMOS COOPER Treble	*ALFRED PLANT ... 5
EDGAR MARLOW 2	CHARLES TYLER ... 6
JAMES TYLER 3	THOMAS HILL ... 7
BERT HORTON 4	†EDWIN J. TYLER ... Tenor

Composed by GEORGE HUGHES, and
Conducted by E. J. TYLER.

* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method as conductor.
First peal in the method by an entirely local band.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 23 cwt., in E.	
FRANK BLONDELL Treble	EDWARD RADDON ... 5
SEPTIMUS RADFORD 2	*SYDNEY G. STEER ... 6
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... 3	ALFRED H. PULLING ... 7
THOMAS W. RADFORD 4	MAURICE SMITHER ... Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

* First peal of Stedman on an inside bell.

EYE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 21 cwt.	
WILLIAM ROSE Treble	GEORGE E. DAY ... 5
EDWARD YOUNGS 2	ERNEST F. POPPY ... 6
WILLIAM CLOVER 3	THOMAS A. TURNER ... 7
FREDERICK DAY 4	FREDERICK WATLING ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and
Conducted by FREDERICK WATLING.

* This was the first attempt for a peal on eight bells by the ringer of the 2nd, who has rung upwards of a hundred peals on six bells, and, with the exception of two or three has rung the 2nd bell to all.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 12 cwt.	
JAMES WHEELER Treble	WILLIAM WHEELER... 5
HARRY BOTTRILL 2	GEORGE DENT ... 6
WILLIAM DELLAR 3	JOHN CORDELL ... 7
*CHARLES PEACOCK 4	HARRY SMALE ... Tenor

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

* First peal of Major.

SCUNTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, April 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.	
T. H. PARKIN Treble	C. H. BIRD ... 5
N. SHORT 2	R. OLIVER... 6
T. P. HOCKNELL... .. 3	G. VAMPLEW ... 7
J. E. SMITH... .. 4	H. STRICKLAND... Tenor

Composed by N. SHORT.

Rung in respect for the late Mr. William Brunt, one of the first churchwardens of this modern church.

SOUTHGATE.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, April 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt., in D.	
*WILLIAM CHILDS Treble	ALBERT A. HUGHES... 5
ALFRED R. GLASSCOCK ... 2	JOHN E. MILLER ... 6
*ERNEST E. GRIMES 3	†JOHN ARMSTRONG ... 7
*EDMUND G. TOMLINSON ... 4	*NORMAN A. TOMLINSON ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by JOHN ARMSTRONG.

* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method as conductor. E. G. Tomlinson was elected a member before starting.

HAMMERSMITH.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY)
AND ST. PAUL'S GUILD, HAMMERSMITH.

On Thursday, April 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 15 cwt.	
*GEORGE W. COOMBS ... Treble	EDWARD CASSELL ... 5
*HARRY STEVENS 2	GEORGE C. ILES ... 6
FREDERICK W. CROOKE ... 3	FRANK SKEVINGTON ... 7
†ERNEST H. COOK 4	CHARLS F. W. HUNT ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN, and
Conducted by F. SKEVINGTON.

* First peal of Major. † First peal of Bob Major with a bob bell.
First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method by the Guild.

LONDON.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 17, 1913, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, LEWISHAM, S.E.,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 22½ cwt.	
HARRY WARNETT, Senr. ... Treble	FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON 5
GERALD KING 2	CHARLES H. WALKER ... 6
WILLIAM W. FOX 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 7
JOSEPH LAW 4	HERBERT G. GOODWIN ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES.

Arranged as a birthday peal for the ringers of the 4th and 5th.

DEANE, BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

*JOHN PLATT Treble	TITUS BARLOW 5
JOHN MOSSCROP 2	RICHARD P. HEALD 6
†THOMAS WORSLEY 3	ROBERT BENNETT 7
*HAROLD ODDY 4	*SAM MORRIS Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and
Conducted by THOMAS WORSLEY.

* First peal. † First peal as conductor.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

†GEORGE DOWNING Treble	ALFRED H. MARTIN 5
JAMES GARRATT 2	JAMES HOUGHTON 6
JOHN J. MAWBY 3	WALTER PERKINS 7
ANDERSON Y. TYLER 4	*ARTHUR BINDLEY Tenor

Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

* First peal. † First peal away from tenor and first attempt. Rung to celebrate the silver wedding of the conductor, and also of the Rev. J. K. Taylor, Rector of the parish.

AVETON GIFFORD, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

WILLIAM RICHARDS Treble	WILLIAM RUNDLE 5
*WARREN HORNBRICK 2	WILLIAM G. HISCOTT 6
GEORGE R. STROUD 3	WALTER H. MARSH 7
REV. EVERARD S. POWELL 4	ERNEST W. MARSH Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON, and
Conducted by ERNEST W. MARSH.

* First peal of Major with bob bell. First peal on the bells.

CHIDDINGSTONE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 10½ cwt., in E.

JAMES HEASMAN Treble	†ARTHUR T. VENELLS 5
*GEORGE EDWARDS 2	*HARRY HANINGTON 6
ALBERT BELTON 3	JOSEPH MILNER 7
STEPHEN J. PERKINS, JUNR. 4	HERBERT MARKWELL Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS, and

Conducted by JAMES HEASMAN.

* First peal in the method and first attempt. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to G. Edwards.

GLASTONBURY, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt.

WILLIAM BRASS Treble	WALTER WORGAN 5
HENRY J. TRIM 2	WALTER FARLEY 6
REV. W. M. K. WARREN 3	GABRIEL CHAMBERLAIN 7
ALBERT E. COLES 4	JAMES CORAM Tenor

Conducted by G. CHAMBERLAIN.

Rung as a farewell to Rev. A. J. Hook, Hon. Auditor to the Association, who is leaving Glastonbury to take up the living of St. Thomas, Wells. The ringers wish to thank the Rev. W. M. K. Warren for his kind hospitality after the peal, and the Rev. C. V. P. Day, Vicar, for the use of the bells.

KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM PALMER Treble	ARTHUR CHAMBERS 5
JOHN WITHERS 2	FRANK WITHERS 6
ALFRED PRITCHETT 3	JOHN S. PRITCHETT 7
THEODORE PRITCHETT 4	JOHN NEAL Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON, and
Conducted by JOHN S. PRITCHETT.

BROXBOURNE, HERTS.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

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

Tenor 20 cwt.

MISS EDITH K. PARKER Treble	GEORGE RADLEY 5
GEORGE H. BARKER 2	*WILLIAM SABAN 6
WALTER J. BOWDEN 3	JAMES PARKER 7
HENRY S. REEVES 4	WILBY J. HAZELL Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and
Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

* First peal in the method.

MITCHAM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

JOHNSON'S VARIATION OF MIDDLETON'S.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT Treble	ALFRED CLAYTON 5
LEWIS ATTWATER 2	ROBERT GRIMWOOD 6
DOUGLAS W. DREWETT 3	FRANK HOLDER 7
BENJAMIN MORRIS 4	WILLIAM S. SMITH Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

First peal in the method by all the band, and first peal in the method by the Surrey Association.

GUISELEY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN B. JACKSON Treble	FIRTH HOPWOOD 5
SAMUEL B. NORFOLK 2	FREDERICK W. DIXON 6
FRANCIS WOODHEAD 3	WILLIAM B. SMITH 7
JOHN PALFRAMAN 4	JOHN W. WRIGHT Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. DIXON.

Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Mr. Joseph Yeadon, an old ringer at the above church.

PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt., in E.

WILLIAM SHERCLIFF Treble	W. W. WOLSTENCROFT 5
ALFRED BARNES 2	HARRY CHAPMAN 6
T. BOTTRILL 3	RICHARD NEWTON 7
BERT DAVIES 4	JOSEPH RIDYARD Tenor

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

SOUTHAMPTON.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 16 cwt. in D.	
GEORGE WILLIAMS	Treble	HENRY W. WILKES	5
*ARTHUR STUBBINGTON ...	2	WILLIAM H. GEORGE	6
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS	3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER	7
GEORGE NOICE	4	OWEN H. GILES	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

* First peal of Stedman and first attempt.

SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.

MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob,
College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

JOHN MORRIS	Treble	ERNEST GIBBS	4
WILLIAM RANFORD	2	J. R. NEWMAN	5
WILLIAM SHORT	3	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ...	Tenor

Conducted by W. SHORT.

* Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. W. Short and R. G. Knowles.

BRINDLE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 12, 1913, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob.
Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN FOWLER	Treble	*ARNOLD BLACKWELL ...	4
THOMAS STOTT	2	THOMAS BLACKWELL ...	5
WILLIAM SHARPLES	3	WILLIAM FOWLER	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHARPLES.

* First peal of Minor.

CHALFONT ST. PETER.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, April 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Bob and three
of Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

CHARLES EDWARDS	Treble	JAMES STONE	4
FREDERICK BOLTON	2	WILLIAM HORNE	5
ALFRED SWAN	3	RICHARD BUCKLAND ...	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

First peal, in more than one method, on the bells, and by the
ringers of 2nd, 3rd and 4th. This peal was arranged for Mr. C.
Edwards, of Farnham, Surrey.

DAGENHAM, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's each called differently.

*MISS CISSY PLAYLE	Treble	GEORGE H. JAYE	4
ARTHUR C. CHAPLIN	2	GEORGE W. PLAYLE	5
ERNEST J. BUTLER	3	EDWARD H. HAWKINS ...	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE W. PLAYLE.

* First peal and first attempt.

HEMINGBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's of Oxford, two of Kent and three of Plain Bob.
Tenor 10½ cwt.

W. A. HUDSON	Treble	M. T. TUNE	4
J. J. TUNE	2	REV. W. P. WRIGHT ...	5
E. D. TUNE	3	H. LUDKIN	Tenor

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

WILBURTON, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5760 CHANCES;

Being two 720's of Kent and six of Plain Bob, each called differently.
Tenor 10 cwt.

*CHARLES GODDARD	Treble	PERCY W. FORDHAM ...	4
*GEORGE STAPLEHURST ...	2	HENRY SHARP	5
*GEORGE MARKWELL	3	THOMAS FITZJOHN ...	Tenor

Conducted by T. FITZJOHN.

* First peal. Rung in honour of St. Alphege's Day. The ringers
wish to thank the Vicar (the Rev. J. Holford Scott) for the use of the
bells.

WINFARTHING, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, each called differently.

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 4 lbs.

SIDNEY GASKIN	Treble	WILLIAM MEARS	4
*JAMES FULCHER	2	FREDERICK C. BURROWS...	5
HORACE HAYLETT	3	ALFRED NEWSON	Tenor

Conducted by F. C. BURROWS.

* First peal.

ELTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(DARLEY DALE SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

42 Six-Scores called in various ways. Tenor 8 cwt.

JOHN SIDDALL, JUNR.	Treble	HENRY GREGORY	3
THOMAS WHITE	2	WILLIAM TAYLOR	4
ALFRED C. WRIGHT			Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT.

First peal on the bells, and first of Doubles by all the band. The
tenor was cast in 1603.

COVEHITHE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 21 Six-scores of Grandsire and 21 Six-scores of Plain Bob.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE BERTRAM	Treble	JOHN SPENCER	3
ALBERT J. NAUNTON	2	EDWARD NUNN	4
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ...			Tenor

Conducted by F. W. NAUNTON.

First peal on the bells, which have recently been rehung by Messrs.
Day & Sons, of Eye, and "go" excellently. The band wish to thank
the Rector (the Rev. L. W. Wingfield) for the use of the bells.

RICKINGHALL, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exercise,
London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford

Treble Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

EDGAR BAILEY	Treble	WILLIAM CLOVER	4
EDWARD YOUNGS	2	LEONARD LAST	5
GEORGE BAILEY	3	WILLIAM ROSE	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

First peal in seven Treble Bob methods on the bells.

MARSKE-BY-THE-SEA.

THE CLEVELAND & NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 of Plain Bob Minor, two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob and four of Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 6½ cwt.

*WILLIAM LETTY... ..Treble	*WILLIAM HOLMES 4
*FREDERICK LAVERICK ... 2	*THOMAS LANCASTER... .. 5
JOHN GEORGE HALE... .. 3	THOMAS METCALFE... ..Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS METCALFE.

* First peal on six bells. First peal on the bells.

COTGRAVE, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double and Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 17½ cwt.

ERNEST BARTRAMTreble	WILLIAM E. WHITE 4
*WILLIAM C. WAKLEY ... 2	ALBERT P. WAKLEY 5
REV. C. J. STURTON ... 3	R. HENRY BARTRAM ...Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT P. WAKLEY.

* First peal of Minor away from the treble.

SOUTHAM, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

(ST. MICHAEL'S SOCIETY, STOKE COVENTRY.)

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Consisting of three 720's each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob and one of Bob Minor. Tenor 16 cwt., in E.

*OSWALD J. HUNTTreble	FRANK E. PERVIN 4
WILLIAM J. SMITH 2	CHARLES FREEMAN 5
JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... 3	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS... ..Tenor

Conducted by A. ROBERTS.

* First peal of Minor. Mr. Smith was elected a member before starting for the peal. First peal on the bells.

HANDBELL PEALS.

HOLBECK, LEEDS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;

*JOSEPH BROADLEY ... 1-2	ALBERT C. FEARNLEY ... 5-6
PERCY J. JOHNSON ... 3-4	GEORGE A. JOWETT ... 7-8

Composed by H. PRICE, and

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

Witness: STANLEY L. CUNNINGHAM.

* First handbell peal.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES SOCIETY.

On Monday, April 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF THE NORMAN TOWER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

FREDERICK G. DEWELL... 1-2	FRANK J. LEVITT 5-6
HARRY A. TURNER ... 3-4	ALFRED ELY 7-8

Composed by H. PRICE, and

Conducted by FREDERICK G. DEWELL.

Umpire: WILLIAM GOODSHIP.

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in One Hour and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

ARTHUR T. MORRIS ... 1-2	THOMAS H. BERNARD ... 5-6
GEORGE THOMPSON... .. 3-4	TOWER TAYLOR 7-8

Composed by G. PATRICK, and

Conducted by A. T. MORRIS.

Umpire: G. CLEMENTS.

WATFORD, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,
AT 26, MALDEN ROAD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

E. MAURICE ATKINS ... 1-2	GEORGE N. PRICE... .. 5-6
GEORGE E. HOWCHIN ... 3-4	CHARLES N. LEMAN ... 7-8

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

Umpire: THOMAS L. SIMMONDS.

GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE RESIDENCE OF OLAVE BROYD,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Canterbury Pleasure, and three of Plain Bob.

GEORGE PANNELL 1-2	OLAVE BROYD 3-4
ALBERT CATTERWELL ... 5-6	

Conducted by OLAVE BROYD.

First peal in five methods "in hand" by all.

HINTON, EVESHAM.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,
AT THE VILLAGE READING ROOM,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 8 six-scores each of Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure, 16 of St. Dunstan's and 10 of Grandsire.

MISS ELLEN M. JOHNSON 1-2	MASTER JOSEPH D. JOHNSON 3-4
MISS RUTH JOHNSON ... 5-6	

Conducted by J. D. JOHNSON.

Umpires: FREDERICK J. JOHNSON and HUBERT COTTON.

First peal in four methods by all and rung at the first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to their mother and to commemorate the baptism of their infant sister Maggie.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(ST. JOHN'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. JOHN-THE-DIVINE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANCES;

EDGAR VALLANCE 1-2	EDWARD NORMAN 5-6
WILLIAM WILLSON 3-4	WILLIAM WILLSON, Junr. 7-8

Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON, Junr.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Sunday, April 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT TRINITY COLLEGE,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

J. BRUCE WILLIAMSON ... 1-2	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... 5-6
WILLIAM D. JAMES ... 3-4	*FREDERICK BARKER ... 7-8

† F. PHILLIP CHEETHAM ... 9-10

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

Umpire: REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

* First peal of Royal away from the tenor. † First peal.

The time of the handbell peal of Little Bob Major at Enfield, published last week, was two hours and twenty-one minutes and the number of changes 5040. The Kent Treble-Bob Royal, also rung in hand, was composed by E. M. Atkins and was rung in two hours and forty-six minutes.

THE OXFORD GUILD.

A combined practice to lend a helping hand to the Tilehurst band, who have been in existence for about 25 years, but as yet have never scored a peal with an entirely local company, was held at Tilehurst on Thursday week. Nearly every member put in an appearance, and the bells were kept going for about two hours in Stedman and Grandsire Triples, the local men taking a great share in the ringing. About 20 members of the Oxford Guild attended during the evening, and were satisfied with the practice. Mr. W. Newell represented St. Lawrence's, and Mr. Hopgood, St. Mary's, Reading; Mr. Tucker, Caversham, and Mr. Paice, Wokingham. The next combined practice will take place at St. Mary's the first Wednesday in May, at 7 p.m.

SONNING BRANCH.

A most successful combined practice was held at Hurst on Saturday last, 27 members being present, representing Finchampstead, Wargrave, Wokingham (All Saints), Sandhurst, Twyford, Binfield, East-hampstead, Sonning, and the local band. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob Minor and Major and Grandsire Doubles were rung.—Tea was kindly provided by the Vicar. The evening was brought to a close with Grandsire Triples and tunes on the handbells in the Parish Room.

PRACTICE MEETING AT HAYES.

By the courtesy of the Hayes Parish Church ringers, the Fulmer band paid a visit to Hayes on Saturday evening, where they were met by several ringers from St. Stephen's, West Ealing, and St. Andrew's and St. John's, Hillingdon, and a good combined six-bell practice was held, touches of Plain Bob, Kent, Oxford Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles being brought round. This is the first half-pull ringing done on these bells since they were restored, and the three back bells rehung by Messrs. Webb and Bennett, of Kidlington. The "go" of them gives every satisfaction. The Fulmer ringers wish, through the medium of "The Ringing World," to thank the Rector and the ringers of Hayes for the use of the bells, and the hearty welcome extended to them, also Mr. J. J. Pratt, of Hillingdon, for making the necessary arrangements.

PRESENTATION TO MR. RICHARD NEWTON.

At Glossop, on Saturday, another of the peals arranged as a farewell to Mr. Richard Newton, of Manchester, was attempted, but it came to grief after an hour's good ringing, the method being Kent Treble Bob Major. Afterwards, the band and other ringing friends adjourned to the Queen's Arms Hotel, Old Glossop, where a party, numbering about 30, sat down to dinner. A musical evening followed, with songs, recitations and tune ringing.

There was a pleasant surprise in store for Mr. Newton, Mr. Neal, of Dinting, requesting the Vice-President of the Glossop Association (Mr. W. Marsden) to present the departing guest with a silver-mounted ebony walking stick.—Mr. Marsden, in a neat speech, made the presentation, remarking upon the esteem in which Mr. Newton was held by the ringers in the Glossop district.—The stick bore the following inscription: "Presented to Mr. Richard Newton by the Glossop Change Ringers Association, April 19th, 1913."

Mr. Newton, who was taken completely by surprise, said the gift would always remind him of the kindness shown him in the Glossop district.—The health of Mr. and Mrs. Newton was heartily drunk, as were the toasts of "The President and Vice-President" and "The Host" (Mr. Richard Platt).—At parting, Mr. Newton received a hearty send-off, with a host of good wishes for his future welfare in his new home beyond the seas.

A RINGER'S WEDDING.

The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, hon. secretary of the Kent County Association, officiated at the wedding of Mr. Arthur H. Saxby, of Margate, fifth son of the late Mr. John Saxby, of Langly Court, Canterbury, and Miss Edith Roberts, youngest daughter of Mr. Charles Roberts, of Margate, which was solemnised at the Parish Church, Margate, where for some years past the bridegroom has been a prominent ringer. The ceremony was an extremely pretty one, and afterwards the bells rang out merrily in honour of the event. The happy couple were the recipients of many presents, including one from past and present ringers at the Parish Church. It consisted of a handsome silver rose bowl, bearing the inscription: "Presented to Mr. A. Saxby (captain) by the St. John's Church Bell Ringers on the occasion of his marriage, April 2nd, 1913." The presentation was made by the Vicar, and Mr. Saxby made a feeling reply. He said that although connected socially with other affairs in Margate, his happiest moments were when in St. John's Church belfry with his ringers. Unity had been their motto for the last 13 years, and this, combined with the goodwill of the churchwardens and the real help he had had from the three vicars he had served under, had brought the present band to efficiency. Before concluding, he said he must refer to Miss Edwards ("the Ringers' Friend"). Her past and present kindness to the ringers had been a help to him from the commencement of his position as leader 13 years ago. In conclusion, he thanked them for the complimentary ringing which they intended to do on the occasion of his wedding, and also trusted that the peal they were going to attempt as a wedding peal on April 24th, and in which he would take part, would be successful.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**A PEAL BOARD UNVEILED AT DORCHESTER.**

The second annual meeting of the Dorchester branch was held at St. Peter's, Dorchester, on Thursday week, and proved very successful. Representatives attended from Bournemouth, Bridport, Charminster, Fordington St. George's, Milton Abbey, Poole, Puddletown, Upwey, Wimborne, West Lulworth and Wyke Regis, together with a full muster of the local band. The fine peal at St. Peter's (8) and also St. George's (6) were available during the afternoon until 4.15 p.m., when the Rector (the Rev. H. C. Coote) and Mrs. Coote and party, the Rev. W. P. Schuster and Mrs. Schuster, and the Rev. C. A. Phillips ascended the belfry for the ceremony of unveiling a peal board.

The Chairman of the branch (Mr. R. N. Dawes), in asking Mrs. Coote to perform the ceremony, said the board had been erected in the belfry to commemorate the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Major rung in the county of Dorset, and the first peal of Major on the bells.—Mrs. Coote expressed the pleasure it gave her to come into the belfry to unveil the peal board. She had only been in the parish a very short time, but she had heard of the performances and the change ringing of the St. Peter's Society.—Mr. Martin Stewart (Master of the Guild), in proposing a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Coote, said he was pleased to see the peal recorded, as he was with the band when they were touring through the county. He gave an interesting account of the tour.—The Rev. W. P. Schuster (general secretary of the Guild) seconded the vote of thanks, and paid a high tribute to the St. Peter's Society.

The peal board is nicely written, as follows: "Salisbury Diocesan Guild. On Thursday, Sept. 23rd, 1909, in 3 hrs. 16 mins., a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major (5056 changes), tenor 21 cwt., in E flat; W. H. Fussell 1, H. Hodgetts 2, Rev. A. T. Beeston 3, Rev. H. S. T. Richardson 4, G. Williams 5, J. Thomas 6, J. Parker 7, Keith Hart 8. Composed by C. Middleton, and conducted by James Parker. The first peal of Major on the bells, and first peal of Cambridge in this county."

Afterwards the ringers and friends, numbering 55, adjourned to St. Peter's Institute, where high tea awaited them. The Rector presided, supported by his churchwardens, the Revs. W. P. Schuster, C. A. Phillips (hon. secretary, E. Dorset branch), Mr. Martin Stewart (the Master), and the officers of the branch.—Tea over, the Rector welcomed the branch to his parish, and said he realised the good work the Guild was doing. A few years ago he had the honour to welcome the Guild at their annual festival at Trowbridge.—The Rev. W. P. Schuster proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and his churchwardens for entertaining them so bountifully at tea and for the use of the bells, and for the address the Rector was going to give; and also to the Rev. R. G. Bartlott for the use of his bells at St. George's.—Mr. W. S. B. Northover (Bridport), who seconded, said he was pleased to see the branch getting on so well.

GOOD PROGRESS.

The business meeting then took place, Mr. R. N. Dawes presiding. On the roll being called, it was found that twelve towers were represented. The hon. secretary (Mr. C. H. Jennings) exhibited the new badge, which is executed in bronze and silver. It was approved and much admired, and orders were given.—Mr. S. G. Hodges was elected to serve on the general committee, and four new members were elected.

The Hon. Secretary presented his report for the past year, which showed that six meetings had been held, all well attended, and that the first "annual" was a record. The membership had increased from 57 to 80, and good progress had been made in change ringing. Eight towers out of 10 were now ringing half-pull, and the secretary hoped to see the others well on the road to change ringing before another year. Mr. Townsend had been instructing the Wool band, who, besides ringing Grandsire Doubles, could now ring Bob Minor; Mr. White was instructing the Fordington band, who could now ring Grandsire Doubles; the Wyke Regis band had greatly improved in change ringing with the assistance of Mr. L. W. Wiffen (late of Ipswich); Mr. T. Page was assisting the newly-formed Upwey band; while the St. Peter's Society, Dorchester, were now pealable for Stedman. Restoration work had been carried out at Upwey, two new bells having been added, and the other four quarter turned to make a handy peal of six.—The Secretary also presented the balance sheet, which showed a balance in hand of £1 11s. 9½d.

Mr. R. N. Dawes was re-elected chairman; Mr. G. T. White, branch Ringing Master; Mr. W. J. Bengier, deputy Ringing Master; and Mr. C. H. Jennings, hon. secretary and treasurer.—Mr. Hodges, in proposing a vote of thanks to the officers, paid a tribute to the hon. secretary for the way he had worked and brought the branch up to its high standard.—The Chairman also remarked on the work of their secretary.

Mr. Jennings stated he had been in correspondence with Sir Everard Hambro respecting the next meeting to be held in July, and Sir Everard had replied that he would be pleased to place Milton Abbey and the bells at their disposal, and provide tea for the members of the branch.—This announcement was received with applause.

The members afterwards adjourned to St. Peter's Church, where the Guild service was held, the Rector giving an excellent address, which was much appreciated. Subsequently a visit was paid to the two towers available, and some good touches were brought round in the standard methods, especially at St. Peter's, Messrs. G. F. White, L. W. Wiffen and F. W. Townsend acting as conductors.

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BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.— NORWICH.

By J. R. JERRAM.

According to Mr. L'Estrange's "Church Bells of Norfolk" published in 1874, there was a detached campanile to the south of the Erpingham Gate, containing a peal of five bells, besides other bells in the central steeple. The great bell was named "Lakenham," after Henry de Lakenham, Sacrist from 1275 to 1289, and afterwards Prior.

He gives extracts from the accounts from 1291 to 1529 for repairs to these bells, which comprise new clappers, "Colstrys" (*i.e.*, brass bearings), ropes, keys, bolts, "gojoyus" (*i.e.*, gudgeons), etc. In 1440 the bells were rehung by Stephen Carpenter at a total cost of £13 2s. 3d. In 1529 we find "paid for emendation of the second bell in the clocker by written agreement 33s. 4d., paid thereof



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only 15s., and not more because he (the sacrist) left his office before the emendation of the bell was completed. For a new clapper with other iron work for the same bell 22s. 8d. Other repairs about the same bell 12s."

When the old companile was demolished I have not been able to ascertain.

At the present time there is a peal of five bells in the central steeple. Tenor 13 cwt.; 42 inches diameter, note F

sharp. These bells are only hung for chiming by means of ropes on the clappers which are brought down in a row into the triforium. The inscriptions are as follows:—

Treble.

+ FAR MARGARETA NOBIS HEC MUNERA
LETA ☐ ☐ ☐

[*i.e.*, Margaret make these gifts a joy to us].

This inscription is in Black Letter Alphabet.

Second.

+ QUESUMUS ANDREA ☐ (lion's face) FAMU-
LORUM SUSCIPE VOTA ☐ ☐ ☐

[*i.e.*, We pray thee, Andrew, receive the prayers of thy servants].

This inscription is in Black Letter Alphabet.

Third.

ANNO DOMINI 1635. I.B.

Fourth.

+ SUBVENIAT DIGNA ☐ (lion's face) DONANTI-
BUS HANC KATERINA ☐ ☐ ☐

[*i.e.*, Worthy Katherine prosper the donors of this bell].

This inscription is in Black Letter Alphabet.

Tenor.

+ SUM ROSA PULSATA ☐ (lion's face) MUNDI
MARIA VOCATA o ORATE PRO AIA o ROBERTI
BRETHENAM o MONACHI NORWICI ☐ ☐ ☐

[*i.e.*, I, being struck, am called Mary, Rose of the World. Pray for the soul of Robert Brethenam, Monk, of Norwich].

This inscription is in Black Letter Alphabet.

The three shields on the treble, second, fourth and tenor are ermine charged with three bells, the lower one crowned. This is the mark of R. Brasyer, a mediæval Norwich bell founder. The third was cast by John Brend, a later Norwich founder.

These five bells are in a minor key, like the front five of a peal of six, being notes C sharp, B, A, G sharp, F sharp, respectively. It is a pity that a tenor in E is not added (although they cannot be rung). They have a most plaintive and melancholy sound as they are.

There was formerly a clock-bell, without any inscription. This was taken down in 1873, when the late Dean Goulburn gave a clock with quarter chimes on all the five bells.

ODD CHANGES.

We hope very shortly to be able to announce the date of the unveiling of the peal tablet to be erected in Cubitt Town Church to commemorate the ladies' peal.

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The three juvenile members of Mr. F. J. Johnston's family at Hinton, Worcestershire, have rung another handbell peal; this time in four methods of Doubles. A remarkably creditable performance for such young folks.

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Mr. J. R. Barton, of 71, Caledonia Street, Scarborough, having seen the inquiry in our last issue as to ringing at Scarborough, asks us to state that any ringers visiting that town during the Whit-week conference of the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows will be gladly welcomed at the tower. If they are desirous of taking a rope in either a peal or touches and will write to him he will be happy to make the necessary arrangements. The Whit-Sunday ringing at the Parish Church will be from 9 to 10 a.m., and 5.45 to 6.30 p.m.

Congratulations to the Mitcham band upon their first peal of Cambridge Surprise Major, which is the first in the method for the Surrey Association.

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Miss Playle, whose first peal, rung at Dagenham, we record this week, has the honour of being the first ringer of the gentler sex to score a peal for the Essex Association. As a matter of fact she is the only lady ringing member of the Association, and after the peal she was complimented by the band, and listeners outside, on the way in which she rang.

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The King's visit to Crewe on Monday was celebrated at the Parish Church by a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal (1320 changes) rung in 59 minutes, the first quarter-peal in the method on the bells: W. T. Holding 1, R. T. Holding, junr., 2, J. H. Riding 3, H. F. Holding 4, R. Langford, senr., 5, W. F. Hartshorne 6, G. H. Crawley 7, A. Crawley 8, J. Dentith 9, R. T. Holding senr., 10.

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The first peal of Stedman Cinques on the bells of St. Mary's, Oldham, was recorded last week. It is somewhat remarkable that it should have been left to this late date for the accomplishment of such a performance, for there have been twelve bells in the tower for generations.

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One of the most noteworthy peals ever rung in the tower was achieved over eighty years ago, when the then record of Kent Treble Bob Maximus was beaten, and curiously enough the peal which was then surpassed at Oldham was a 7200 rung by the St. Martin's Youths of Birmingham, 93 years ago this month (April 17th).

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The Oldham peal, rung about twelve years later, is recorded on a tablet in the following terms: "On the 6th day of March, 1832, was rung in this tower 7392 changes of Kent Treble Bob Maximus, in 5 hrs. 14 mins. 32 secs., by the following persons: Jos. Newton (conductor), 1; Jno. Jackson, 2; Jno. Newton, 3; Jas. Mills, 4; Jas. Jackson, 5; Thos. Nicholson, 6; Wm. Rigby, 7; Jno. Brierley, 8; Ed. Taylor, 9; Jno. Whitehead, 10; Thos. Chadderton, 11; Abram Jackson, 12. Weight of the tenor 34 cwt." This record stood only until the December of the next year, when it was beaten by the 10,224 at Painswick.

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It will be noticed that in the band at Oldham are names still familiar in Lancashire ringing circles. There were two Newtons, and the peal of Stedman Cinques on Saturday week was a farewell to Mr. Richard Newton, of Manchester, who is sailing on the 29th for Boston, U.S.A.

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Very few peals of Treble Bob on odd numbers have been recorded, but Oldham can claim at least one of these, for on January 1st, 1847, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Cinques was rung there.

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Another famous performance at Oldham was a peal of 14,016 Kent Treble Bob Major rung on February 12th, 1821, at the old church of St. Paul, which was replaced by the present St. Mary's Church. Several of those who took part in the long peal of Maximus were in the Major, which was rung in 7 hrs. 26 mins. by Joseph Newton, conductor, 1; James Mills, 2; John Brierley, 3; James Taylor, 4; William Rigby, 5; Thomas Chadderton, 6; John Whitehead, 7; James Jackson, 8. Tenor 14 cwt.

THE ANALYSIS COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In perusing the report of the Peals Analysis Committee, published in this week's "Ringing World," I notice they do not intend to include the two peals of Minor tapped on handbells by Mr. J. Segar, junr., during 1912. I hope the Council at their annual meeting will negative this proposal, and give to these two peals at least the same number of points as would be allowed for similar peals rung on handbells retained in hand. Tapping peals on handbells is a great mental strain, and I consider worthy of encouragement. As far as the report for 1912 is concerned, the decision would, of course, only affect Mr. Segar, but already in 1913 another gentleman has come out as a peal tapper, and there may be many others who will try to accomplish similar performances. I trust the Council will recognise the merit due to these gentlemen, and decide to award points. I should like to congratulate the Peals Analysis Committee on their most exhaustive report, and hope the best thanks of the Exercise will be accorded to them for what must have entailed considerable time and labour.—Yours faithfully,

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GEO. R. WINTER.

Owing to a line being dropped into the wrong place in the report of the Analysis Committee, published last week, the last paragraph was made to appear in confused form. It should have read as follows:—"Young ringers are still, we are glad to see, coming on. We find them as young as 11. In one peal the ages of four of the ringers were 12, 13, 15 and 16, while in another the ages varied from 12 to 17, giving an average of 15. On the other hand we find four of 70 and over and one of 86! May he be spared to ring more peals yet!"

NEW BELLS AT HORRINGER.

At the pretty little village of Horringer, near Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk, two trebles have been added to complete the octave, the new bells having been placed in the tower in memory of the Rev. Lord and Lady Arthur Charles Hervey by their eight surviving children. The Rev. Lord Hervey was for some years Rector of Horringer, subsequently being appointed Bishop of Bath and Wells. In September of last year, the restoration of the church fabric was undertaken, the tower, which had been in a bad state of repair for years, being taken down to the level of the bell chamber, and rebuilt and new pinacles added, a crack, which had extended from roof to ground, being also worked up. Extensive repairs were also carried out to the church, which now presents a fine appearance. The work of rehanging the bells was carried out by Messrs. Day and Sons, of Eye. The 3rd and 4th have been placed in a rider frame, and the other six have been hung in the old bell frame, made in 1818, and which has been bolted and strengthened. The tenor has been recast, the old bells quarter-turned, and all of them rehung with the most modern fittings. The treble and second are naturally a great improvement to the peal, and will be a source of increased pleasure to lovers of bell music. The following are the inscriptions on the new bells:—

Treble: In memory of Arthur Charles Hervey, the gift of his eight surviving children, 1912. Mears and Stainbank, founders (weight, 3 cwt. 0 qrs. 4 lbs.).

2nd: In memory of Patience Hervey, the gift of her eight surviving children, 1912. Mears and Stainbank, founders (weight, 3 cwt. 0 qrs. 15 lbs.).

Tenor (reproduced inscription): The gift of Arthur Brooks, Esq., the Rev. Foster, M.A., Rector, William Dodson, founder, 1818; (added) Recast 1912, Mears and Stainbank, founders, London. Day, Eye, hung us (weight, 9 cwt. 0 qrs. 3 lbs., in A flat).

The bells were dedicated by the Ven. Archdeacon of Sudbury (the Rev. George Hodges), Dean of Ely Cathedral, and formerly Vicar of St. James' Church, Bury St. Edmunds. The service, which was largely attended, was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. Lord Manners Hervey), and commenced with the singing of the hymn, "We love the place, O God." After special Psalms and lessons, the Archdeacon preached an eloquent sermon from Numbers x. 2. He spoke of the history and uses of bells, remarking that there was nothing that had so intimate an association with the affairs of men in this land of ours as the parish bells.

After the dedicatory prayers the bells were rung. While the clergy and choir returned from beneath the tower to the chancel, the hymn, "Blessed city, heavenly Salem," was sung, and a solemn and impressive service concluded with the Benediction pronounced by the Archdeacon. For some time after service, short touches of Grandside Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung, the ringers including the following: Messrs. H. A. Turner, A. E. Moore, J. Sparrow, C. Woodcock, F. Ely, F. G. Dewell, F. Levitt, J. Chinery and R. Wilding (Ixworth), members of the St. James' Society, Bury St. Edmunds; G. Debenham, J. Debenham, J. Gooch, J. Cater and W. Salisbury, of Horringer. The first peal on the bells was rung on Saturday week by members of the St. James' Society, Bury St. Edmunds, as recorded in our last issue.

CROYDON.—At the Parish Church, for Confirmation service by the Archbishop of Canterbury, on Sunday, March 2nd, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major: W. S. Wise 1, W. States 2, D. Wright (conductor) 3, E. Miles 4, A. Trappitt 5, A. Clark 6, A. Jones 7, W. Groves 8.

"The Bells of Shoreditch."



The ring of 12 bells of St. Leonard's Church, Shoreditch,
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CHELMSFORD CHURCH BELLS.

THEIR INTERESTING HISTORY.

H. F. C. writes: It may be of interest to the readers of your valuable paper to know that the above peal of bells are now at the foundry of Messrs. Warner and Sons, and for the benefit of those who treasure history and keep records of old inscriptions, etc., I send the following. Few people will recollect that of the ten bells forming the peal in St. Mary's Church two were for a number of years in St. John's Church, Moulsham. They were placed there when that building was erected in 1838, but were restored to Chelmsford Parish Church in 1883. The present bell at Moulsham was brought from Rettendon, when the ring in that parish was altered thirty years ago. Chelmsford seems to have been rather fond of swapping church bells. In the eighteenth century, St. Mary's had a peal of eight, but in or about 1770 the parishioners gave two of them to Writtle in exchange for their chimes which were brought to the county town. According to Morant, there used to be "a ring of six bells and a clock," and Moulman notes "a ring of six bells, a clock, and a set of chimes." Another point of general interest about Chelmsford Church bells is that eight of the ring of ten were the first cast by the famous bell founder, William Mears, when he set up business for himself in the year 1777. One of his little peculiarities was a fondness for poetical inscriptions on his bells, and this he indulged in when casting the peal for St. Mary's. The inscriptions run as follows (No. 1 and 2 bear the date 1820, and were presumably cast by Thomas Mears, grandson of William. The remaining eight bells bear the name of William Mears and Co., London, fecit 1777):—

- Treble.—The gift of T. Clapham, Wm. Dobson, Downham, Norfolk.
2. The gift of T. Clapham, Wm. Smith, Wm. Baker, and Jno. Saltmarsh, Churchwardens.
3. Tho' much against us may be said,
To speak for ourselves we are not afraid.



CHELMSFORD OLD BELLS IN THE CHURCHYARD.

4. If you have a judicious ear
You'll own my voice is sweet and clear.
5. At proper times our voices we will raise
In sounding to our Benefactor's praise.
6. To Honour both of God and King.
Our voices shall in concert ring.
7. Thos. Clapham, B. Clapham, and R. Shoobridge Bes.
8. Peace and good neighbourhood.
9. Ye ringers all that prize your health and happiness,
Be sober, merry, wise and you'll the same possess.
Tenor. The Rev. Jno. Morgan, Rector; Messrs. Geo. Simpson, Jno. Ward and Matw. Joyce, Churchwardens, 1777.
In wedlock bands all ye who join
With hands your hearts unite.
So shall our tuneful tongues combine
To laud the nuptial Rite.

The inscriptions on the bells at Chelmsford are also found on those in the towers at Walthamstow, Hornchurch and Great Baddow.

The illustration shows the bells in the Churchyard ready for the removal to the foundry, and is from a photograph by Mr. Breach, of Chelmsford. While in the Churchyard the bells and frame proved of great interest to the public, especially the decayed beams, several of which had only been held in position by the floor boards.

"Ye Olde Chelmsforde Fete," in aid of the fund for the restoration of the bells, which opened at the Corn Exchange on Saturday, was one of the most interesting and attractive events that have been held in Chelmsford for a very long time. The opening ceremony was performed at 2.30 by Lady Beatrice Pretymann, the High Sheriff of Essex (Mr. Charles Round) being the chairman. Among the speakers was the Bishop of Barking, Lord Kenyon, and Mr. E. G. Pretymann, M.P. It was announced that "on ye entrance of ye Lady Beatrice Pretymann ye Boreham Handbell Ringers will strike a merrie peale."

Three pageant episodes of Chelmsford of "ye olde daies" were given in "ye playhouse." These episodes formed an attractive feature of the fete. During Saturday afternoon there was a lantern

lecture by Mr. Robert Warner, of Messrs. John Warner and Sons, the bell founders, of Spitalfields, London, on "Bell founding." This was particularly appropriate, as it is to meet the expense of recasting the bells, as well as the cost of cleaning the clock, that the fete had been arranged.

The following "Ode to ye bells" was circulated, and the treble bell of the old eight, having been kept behind and stood mouth upwards for the public to throw coins in, quite a useful sum was collected in this way:—

Once some British Workmen came from London town,
With pulley blocks and tackle to take the 10 bells down.
Possibly you'll wonder why this thing was done,
Those who know will tell you it wasn't done for fun.
Our frame was rather shaky, and tone we seemed to lack,
We also thought it likely that some of us might crack.
Our gudgeon pins were worn, sir, and what is really more,
The beams were found defective when they opened up the floor.
Our "friendly neighbour" in the Tower refused to stay alone,
And if you cast your eyes aloft his face is only stone.
So 9 have gone to London Town and left me here to say,
Our restoration much depends on what our friends will pay.
The Fete is for this object, so kindly gather round,
And help us just a tiny bit to make £1,000.
For if you take the clapper and strike me once or twice,
You'll find my note, "E flat," is really rather nice.

RINGERS' PRESENTATION TO RECTOR. HALESWORTH AND CHEDISTON SOCIETIES AT DINNER.

The Halesworth and Chediston (Suffolk) Ringers' Societies were entertained to dinner at the Swan Hotel by their President, the Rev. A. R. Upcher, who took the chair. The Rector was supported by Mr. H. A. Mullens, churchwarden, Miss M. de B. Upcher, Miss A. Burton, Messrs. F. C. Lambert (secretary), Jas. Howard (treasurer), W. Baker (assistant secretary), S. Cady (tower keeper), Chediston, and the full strength of the local company, 25 in all, including honorary members from Southwold, Sibton, Henham, Westhall, Rumburgh, and Wissett.

At the conclusion of the dinner the usual loyal toasts were honoured, and "The Churchwardens" was next given, and cordially received.—Mr. Mullens, in response, testified to the interest taken by the ringers as Church workers, and the pleasure it gave him to be present with them that evening. They were sorry this would be the last time their Rector would be with them as their president, and he felt sure he was voicing the feelings of all in wishing him long life, health and happiness.

A GIFT FOR THE RECTOR.

During the evening, Mr. F. C. Lambert, on behalf of the Halesworth Society, asked the Rector to accept a small token of their esteem and regard for him, in the shape of a case of silver-mounted briar-root pipes with amber mouthpiece, inscribed on a silver shield: "Presented to Rev. A. R. Upcher, M.A., by the Halesworth Society of Ringers, 1913." He hoped he would long be spared to use them, and that they would remind him of the happy gatherings they had had together in the past.—The reverend gentleman, in thanking the company for their present, said he should always have a warm place in his heart for the ringers of his old parish, and hoped they would go on and prosper, and accord the same loyal support to the new Rector as he had himself received from them. In conclusion, he cordially invited them to come over to Stradbroke and attempt a peal on the fine bells there.

The Secretary's report was then read, which showed that the ringing for Sunday services had been well maintained, the practices kept up regularly, and that members had taken part in 21 peals during the past year at various towers in the district. A fresh method (Stedman Triples) had been practised, and they were successful with the kind help of their friend, Mr. H. Barton, in getting a good peal on the Southwold bells on Easter Monday. The addition of a new treble at Chediston Church had been a great help to them in their six bell practice, and he was pleased to report that a farewell peal to their Rector had been rung there on the Monday evening previous. Taking things all round, this had been their most successful year as a society.—The treasurer, Mr. Jas. Howard, read a statement of accounts, showing a balance in hand.

The election of officers was next proceeded with, the Rev. A. Comp-ton Moore, M.A., being chosen President of the Society.—The Rev. A. R. Upcher's name was added to the list of vice-presidents, and the secretary and treasurer were re-elected with thanks for past services.—Courses of Grandsire Caters and Stedman Triples were rung on the handbells, and several good songs given by members during the evening.—A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the President at the close of the proceedings for his attendance and kind entertainment.

THANKS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I should very much like to thank the members of the Surrey Association, through the medium of "The Ringing World," for the handsome sum which the committee decided to give me for writing the peals in the Association Peal Book, the sum mentioned being upwards of eleven pounds. The members live too far and wide for me to thank them without your help.—Yours truly,
Banstead.

JOHN BEAMS.

NOTICES.

The charge for notices under this heading is at the rate of 2d. per line (average nine words), with a minimum of 1s. Three insertions at double the charge for single insertion (minimum 2s.).

THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY will hold their annual meeting to-morrow, Saturday, April 26th, at the Parish Church, Ashton. Bells available from 4 o'clock p.m. Business meeting at 7 o'clock p.m. All ringers invited.—Charles Bower, Honorary Secretary, 25, Chadwick Street.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on April 29th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 29th. 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 MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Hornsey, on Saturday, April 26th, by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. B. Spink). Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5.15, to which all ringers are earnestly invited. Tea in St. Mary's Hall, Brook Road, at 6 o'clock, 6d. each. All members and friends welcome.—C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Putney on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea at 6 at a small charge.—H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', West Ham, on Saturday, April 26th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea in the Mission Hall at 5.30. — F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary, 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross, S.E.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—A quarterly meeting will be held at Solihull on Saturday, April 26th. Bells (10) available from 3.30. Tea at Mason's Arms Hotel, 5.30, 9d. per head, followed by business meeting. — A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. — The annual meeting of the above Guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available at 3.30. Service in church at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. A. Gray Maitland (President), with an address by the Rev. J. A. Price, M.A., Vicar of Coseley. Business meeting afterwards. Subscriptions are due at this meeting.—Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Chippenham on Saturday, April 26th. The bells of St. Paul (8) will be available till 4.15 and from 7 to 8 in the evening. Meeting at the Church Hall, near the Parish Church, at 4.30 p.m. Service at the Parish Church at 5.30 p.m. —W. A. Cave, Honorary Secretary.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. — A quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Sutton Coldfield, on Saturday, April 26th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea will be arranged if sufficient members let me know by April 21st. — Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting of this district will be held at Chislehurst on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Service, with address by the Rev. J. E. Dawson (Rector), at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid now, so that a true report can be read at the annual meeting. — T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Ripley on Saturday, April 26th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. All ringers and friends invited. — Bart Mitchell, Honorary District Secretary, 68, Douglas Street, Derby.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 26th. Evensong in the Cathedral at 4 o'clock punctually, with address by the Dean. Tea in Co-operative Hall, Free School Lane, at 5.30. Meeting after tea. It is hoped that ringers will make a special effort to attend the service in the Cathedral. Ringing at St. Peter-at-Arches, St. Peter-at-Gowts and St. Botolph's in the afternoon.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 26th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. Tea in the Co-operative Hall at 5.30, meeting following. Bells available: St. Peter-at-Arches and St. Peter-at-Gowts 2.30 to 3.30, St. Botolph's 2.30 to 3.15 and 8 to 9 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly notify me by April 21st.—S. Proctor, Secretary, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—The annual meeting of the above will take place in the Co-operative Hall, Lincoln, on Saturday, April 26th, 1913. Tea at 5.30 p.m., to be followed by meeting. For further particulars see circular.—J. W. Seamer.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—A meeting for practice will take place at Little Comberton on Saturday, April 26th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Methods: Grandsire and Bob Doubles and Minor.—J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, 10, Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—The annual meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Tower opened from 3 till 9 p.m. Divine service at 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar. Tea provided at 5.30 p.m. in the Parish Room, Water Lane. Business meeting after tea. The Faversham bells will also be available from 6.30 p.m. Will all those who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, April 29th, and will secretaries of bands kindly see that all subscriptions are paid before the meeting. — E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

GUILD OF CHANGE RINGERS FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP. — The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Whitchurch on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Ringing at 3 p.m., meeting 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Train leaves Shrewsbury 2.18 p.m.—H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Farnborough on Saturday, May 3rd. The bells will be available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Jubilee Hall at 5.30. All ringers will be gladly welcomed.—G. B. Edser, 170, Gipsy Road, West Norwood.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of this society will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, at Ranmoor, Sheffield. Church of St. John the Evangelist, 8 bells (tenor 15 cwt.), available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., except during the business meeting. A committee meeting will be held in the schools at 5.30 p.m. to settle the fixtures for the ensuing 12 months. General meeting at 6 p.m. at the same place. The business will include election of officers for the ensuing year, presentation of balance sheet, secretary's report, etc., and a good attendance is particularly requested. Tea will be provided free to members only in the Schools at about 5 p.m. Committeemen are particularly requested to notify me not later than April 29th of the approximate number from their respective companies likely to require tea. Visitors should take a Fulwood car from the City terminus, as these pass the church.—J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 11, Have-lock Street, Sheffield.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at the Bear Hotel, Lewes, on Saturday, May 3rd. Luncheon at one o'clock. Members' tickets 1s. 6d. each. The Lord Bishop of Chichester will preside, and also at the business meeting to follow. Further particulars as to service and times for ringing will be announced later on through the post. Half fares—with a maximum of 2s.—will be allowed members attending, but they are requested to avail themselves as far as possible of the cheap fares. Those intending being present should notify same to me not later than Wednesday, the 30th inst. — G. Watson, Honorary Secretary, Vale Road, St. Leonards.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery.—The annual meeting at Midsomer Norton, May 3rd. Bells available 2 p.m. Evensong 4.15 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m. All ringers, whether members or not, cordially invited.—I. B. Holmyard, Honorary Secretary, Midsomer Norton.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—A district meeting will be held at Binsted, on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service, 5.30, the Vicar will address the ringers; tea, 6.15, in the Institute. Tea tickets, members 6d., visitors 1s.—John J. Jones, Honorary Secretary, North Street, Guildford.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.—Next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Chigwell, on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Ringing will commence at 3 o'clock, tea, at usual price, at 5.30, business meeting after tea. Will members intending to be present at tea kindly notify me by Wednesday, April 30th. — H. Rumens, Honorary Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow, N.E.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Castle Cary Branch. — The next meeting of the above named branch will be held at Marston Magna on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Service in the Parish Church 4.15 p.m. Tea at the Red Lion Hotel 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Bridgwater Deanery Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chedzoy on Saturday, May 3rd. Service 4 p.m., tea and meeting following. Bells available from 2 p.m.—W. G. Sellick, Branch Secretary, The Cottage, Huntspill, Bridgwater.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Shipley on May 3rd, at 3 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. at the Sun Hotel, Shipley. — F. Hopwood, Secretary, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke, Bradford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Anne's, Denton, on Saturday, May 3rd. Bells will be available from 5 p.m. Meeting at 7.30.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Helmshore, on Saturday, May 3rd, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is earnestly requested. — J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, at Lockerly and Tytherly. The bells of both towers available from 2.30 p.m. The Vicar of Lockerly has kindly invited members to tea at the Vicarage at 5.15. Members intending to be present will oblige by letting me know by Wednesday, April 30th. — James W. Elkins, District Secretary, 20, Culver Villas, Winchester.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—The next meeting will be held at Renhold on Saturday, May 3rd.—John W. Barker, District Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew's (6 bells) on Saturday, May 3rd, at 6 o'clock. Meeting 7.30.—G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Dorking and Leatherhead District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Newdigate on Saturday, May 3rd. Tea will be provided at the Crown Inn, Capel, at 5.30 p.m. Bells available: Newdigate 3 to 4.30 p.m., Capel 6.15 p.m. Short service, with an address, at Capel Parish Church at 5 p.m. All ringers will be gladly welcomed.—Rev. L. E. Burgess, Honorary Secretary, Dorking.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The annual general meeting will be held at Rochester on Whitsun Monday, May 12th. Service at the Cathedral 4 p.m. Tea at Victoria Hall, Star Hill, 5.30 p.m. Application for tea tickets must be sent to the honorary secretary not later than Thursday, May 8th.—Fred J. O. Helmore, Honorary Secretary, Canterbury.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Thrapston on Whit-Monday, May 12th. The bells of Thrapston and Islip will be at liberty for ringing from 10 a.m. to 11.45, and from 3 to 7.30. Service at the Parish Church, Thrapston, at 12 noon. Luncheon, with meeting to follow, at the White Hart Hotel at 1 o'clock. Members 1s. each. Non-members 2s. each.—F. Wilford, General Secretary, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the above will be held on Whit-Monday at West Ham. Divine service will be held in the Parish Church, with an address by the Vicar of Barking at 11.30. Business meeting at 12.30. Dinner at 1.30. The following towers will be open: Bow, Leytonstone, Wanstead, Woodford, Barking Road, St. Mary's and St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, and West Ham. Members requiring dinner please send notice, without fail, to the honorary secretary before Wednesday, May 7th.—Henry T. W. Eyre, Honorary Secretary, Great Totham Vicarage, Witham.

THE LADIES' GUILD.—The annual general meeting of the above Guild will be held at Birmingham on Whit-Monday, May 12th. It is hoped that all members will endeavour to be present. Further particulars later.—Edith K. Parker, Honorary Secretary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES.—Mr. Francis E. Dawe has removed to Woodcote, Kingsway, Woking.—Mr. John Jaggar, late of Bee Hive, Langley Green, has removed to The Wrexham (opposite Parish Church), Oldbury. Wines and spirits of the finest quality.

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A fairly well attended meeting was held at Raunds on Saturday, when touches of Double Norwich and Bob Major, Stedman and Grand-sire Triples and Bob Minor were rung by members from Thrapstone, Woodford, Addington, Denford, Higham Ferrers, Irthlingborough, and the local band. Miss Evelyn Steel, of Bedford, also took part in most of the ringing.—Tea was provided in the Church Institute.—Afterwards, a short business meeting was held, presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. C. C. Aldred), supported by the curate (the Rev. C. N. Daybell), and Mr. F. Stubbs (district secretary). Woodford was chosen for the next meeting, on July 19th. The Vicar was made an hon. member, and one new member from Thrapstone was also elected.

Mr. J. Nickerson proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, to the local ringers, and to the ladies for so ably waiting on them at the tea, remarking that they always had a hearty welcome at Raunds.—The Vicar, in reply, said he was very pleased to welcome the Association, and hoped they would soon come again. He also thanked them for making him an hon. member. The members afterwards visited the tower, and further touches were rung.

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