

## GILLETT \& JOHNSTON CROYDON, Surrey. beLLS, CLOCKS, CARILLONS.



## St. Peter's Collegiate Church Wolverhampton.

Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12
WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON, MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, OROYDON. 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, Wolverbampton, 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,

## RINGERS AND RAILWAY FACILITIES.

In the report of the Gloucester and Bristol Association meeting last week a suggestion was made that the Central Council should again endeavour to persuade the Railway Clearing House to re-classify bell ringers so that they may travel at reduced fares when engaged in the pursuit of ringing. This is a matter which we should much like to see the Council take up once more, and, if they did, we should hope with greater success than attended their efforts some years ago. There was a time when a few of the railway companies extended to members of associations on their systems the privilege of travelling singly, as well as in parties, at reduced fares, upon production of a roucher. In the hope that the practice would be generally adopted the Central Council approached the Railway Clearing House, but the powers that be decided against them, and those who, up to that time had had the privilege, lost it. Ringers can now get reduced fares only if they travel in parties of ten-as any other persons may do upon making the necessary application.

IVe cannot see, however, why ringers cannot be placed in the same class as golfers and anglers, who, on production of certificate of membership, signed by their club secretary, can, with certain limitations, obtain cheap tickets. So far as the railway companies are concerned there can be no possible difference in the category of such foll as golfers, anglers and bell ringers, although as ringers we place our art intellectually far above the pastime of the golfer or the fisherman. All the while the two last named are qualified to travel at reduced fares, there is no logical reason for keeping ringers outside the privileged class.

It is, however, a considerable time since the Central Council made an effort to get the railway companies to see the reasonableness of this riew, and we should like to see the Council try again in the interests of the Exercise. If it is too late for the matter to be dealt with at the meeting at Newcastle next Tuesday, could not the Standing Committee do something to set the ball rolling, so that by the time the Council meet again, they may be prepared with all the necessary facts to go straight ahead? It is worth the effort, for if only the privilege could be obtained, it would prove of great adrantage to ringers. It would make a more frequent interchange of visits possible; it would encourage members to gain wider experience by the greater facilities that would be then within reach of the frequently slender purse, and we feel sure that, in the long run, the railway companies would benefit. We hope that something will be done to reopen the question.

## CHARLES CARR,



OPINION OF OUR MODERN WORK.

Broomllald Vicarage Chelmaford.

Dear Sirs,
I have great pleasure in stating that we are perfectly satisfled with the manner in which you have carried out the work entrusted to you of re-arranging and re-hanging the Broomfeld Church Bells.
We consider that the wort reflects great credit upon your Arm, and believe that your system of hanging the bells reduces the vibra tion 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,
C. AS. EDMUNDS

Vicar of Broomfleld.
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## TEN BELL PEALS.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION (Sheffield District Society.) On Wednesday, April 30, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5057 Changes; Tenor $24 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt
George Hollis ... ...Treble John C. Dicken ... ... 6 George R. Basson ... ... 2 *John lR. Brookes ..... .7 *Fred Davies ... ... ... 3 Samuel Wesley ... ... 8 William G. Christiay.... 4 Arthur Knights ... ... 9 Fred E. Smith... ... ... 5 William J. Thyng ... ...Teter Composed by Arthur Knighits, and Conducted by George Hollis.

- First peal in the method.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Tienty Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
James W. Trappitt ... ...Treble Alfred Clayton ... ... 6
Joseph A. Lambert ... ... 2 John White ... ... ... 7
Alfred H. Winch...$\quad \ldots \quad 3 \quad$ Robert Grimwood .......
Frank Holder ... ... ... 4 Williani S. Smith ... ... 9
David Wright ... ....... 5 Arposed by F. Beniett, and ... ... ...Tenor Composed by F. Bennett, and

First peal of Royal as conductor and first peal of Bob Royal by all except the ringers of 3 rd and tenor.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.
On Saluday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes. At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 GHANGES ; Tenor 27 cwt.
Charles Bower... ... ...Treble| Benjamin Gill... ... ... 6
Thomas Jakeman ... ... 2 Samuel Booth... ... ... 7
Joseph Mellor ... ... ... 3 Samuel Wood ... ... ... 8
Tom Wilde... ... ... ... \& Harry Chapman
Walter Wolstencroft ... 5 James George ... ... ...Tenor
Composed by the late James Wood, and Conducted by Samuel Wood.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,
Ai the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 32 cwt.
*Robert H. Hayward ...Treble "Charles A. Catchpole Edgar Pemberton ... ... 2 William P. Garrett . Charles J. Sedgley ... 3 James Motis ... ... William Motts ... ... 4 Edward Evans... William L. Catchpole... 5 Robert H. Brundle ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by James Motts.

* First peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Royal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

STEYNING, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 | Horace Tulett... | .. | .. | 2 | George J. Noriss ... ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur Hutchings | .. | .. | 3 | Edmund H. Lindop | .. |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |

 Conducted by E. H. Lindup.
Horace Tulett has now rung eight peals of Stedman out of eleven attempts.

DUNSTABLE, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Three Honrs and Twelve Minutes, At the Priory Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 25 cwt .
David Janes
...Treble $\mid$ F. W. Baldock
-George W. Heley
George heley ... ... 2 †Horace Smith... ... ... 6 Ernest Herbert...$\quad$... 3 Rev. W. W. C. Baker ... 7 †John W. Chance $\quad . .$.

Composed by Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., and Conducted by Rev. W. W. C. Baker.
*First peal. † First peal of Major. This is the first peal in the Association conducted by a Rural Dean.

TROWBRIDGE, IVILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 19, 1913, in Two Hours aud Forty-seven Minutes, At the Parish Chcrch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Ten-Part.
 steepleheeper. Quickest peal on the bells.

## PLYMOUTH

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, April 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourten Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
a PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.
*Frederick Lovis ... ...Treble $\ddagger$ John Gluyas + talfred Mitchelmore $\cdots \cdots$ George Parbelmore ... 3 G. Harry Myers ... ... 7 George Parr ... ... ... 4 Thomas Linjell ... ... Tenor Conducted by G. H. Myers.
*First peal. † First peal of Triples. $\ddagger$ First peal of Triples with an inside bell. This is the first peal of Triples on the bells, and the first by the St. Andrew's Society, of which all the above are members.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK
THE LLY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul
a peal of double norwich court bob major, 5008 Changes; Stedman H. Symonds ...Treble i 'Frederick G. Dewell... 5 Arthor Symonds ..... .2 "Charles Woodcock ... 6 Walter Radley ... ... 3 Wm. R. John Poulson... 7 George Lambert ... ... 4 | Thomas Pryke... ... ... Tenor Composed by E. Wightman, and Conducted by S. H. Symonds.

- First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the birthdays of the conductor and $W$. Dent, which were on the 20th and 25 th respectively. Unfortunately Mr. Dent was too unwell to stand in. The ringers of 3 rd, $5^{\text {th }}$ and 6 th are of St. James' Company, Bury St. Edmunds.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913, in Tzo Hours and Fifty-four Minutes, At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF Stedman triples, 5030 Changes;

## Carter's No. 33. <br> Tenor 15 cwt ., in F

 James Jones Morris J. Morris Whilin. Morris ... ... 2 William J. Mears ... ... 3 "John Corrigan...Jofin Carter William G. Eilis ... ... 5 Percy O. Laflin ... ... 7 William Davies ... ...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John Carter.
First peal of Stedman Triples.

## SHTEAD, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, April 28, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes. At the Church of St. Giles,

| A PEAL of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes; |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Five-Part. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tenor |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by William H. Corbett.
Rung in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. William Cook ; also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. John Wyatt.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Tuesday, April 29. 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, At the Chdrch of St. Giles,
a PEAL of cramdsire triples, 5040 chances;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.
E. Hortin..
... ... ... ...Treble
J. A. Brown
F. Ward $\quad$... $\cdot .$.

| F. Ward | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | C. Wallater | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Conducted by C. Wallater.

- First peal.

LISCARD, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Branch.)
On Wednesday, April 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor $17 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt
William Hughes ... ...Trebie 1*Thomas H. Ashley
Edward W. Dutton ... 2 John Greasley ... ... 6
David Hughes ... ... ... 3 Thomas Morray ... ... 7
James R. Griffin ... ... 4 | Albert Wonsnam ... ...Tenor
Composed by T. Morris, and Conducted by Thomas Murray.

- First peal. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss M. I. Hannay and Mr. J. A. Newton.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-thvee Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
a peal of double norwich court bob major, 5024 changes;
Tenor 8 cwt I qr. 20 lbs .
 Composed and Conducted by G. H. Cross.

* First peal in the method as conductor. This peal was rung in honour of the Feast of the Ascension.

FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thursday, Muy 1, 1913. in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
a Pefl of oxford bjb triples, 5040 changes; Tenor $12 \frac{2}{2}$ cwt.
George Guttridge... ...Treble William H. Fussell ... 5
*Alfred Batemay
Joseph J. Parker ...
Joseph J. Pratt ... ... 3 George Allder ... ... 7 Composed and Conducted by J. J. Parker.

* First peal on eight bells. $\dagger$ First attempt in the method. Rung on Ascension Day for evening service.



## HORLEY, SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
(Southern Branch.)
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5083 CHANCES;

| Henry F. Ewins | ... | ...Treble | Osctr Gilbey ... |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oliver Sippetts |  |  | William Cheesemay |  |  |
| William Wenbam |  |  | Grorge F. Hoad ... |  |  |
| Albert Harman... |  | 4 | Frederick W. Rice |  |  | Albert Harman... ... ... 4 Frederick W. Rice ...Tenon Composed by Frederick A. Holden, and Conducted by Oliver Sippetts.

## BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

the midland counties association AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT. On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteer Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDSAA TRIPLES, 5640 CHANGES; Heywonds Ten-Part, No. i. Tenor $28 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. William E. White ...Treble Algernon P. G. Stone *Charles Samders ... ... 2 Johy H. Swinfield ... 6 Regivalit G. Sione ... ... 3 Albert P. Wakley ... 7 Edward I. Stone ...

Conducted by Albert P. Wakley.

* First peal of Trifles.

BOLDMERE, WARWICKSHIRE
the st. martin's guild for the diocese of BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minuts, At ine Parish Church,
A peal or stednan taiples, 5040 changes;
Sir A. P. Heymond's Variation of Therstans'

John Sanders ... ... ... 2 George F. Swain... ... 6
George Garrison ... ... 3 Villiam J. Meers ... ... 7
Jonathan Preston ... ... 4 William G. Anker... ... Tenor
Conducted by William J. Meers.
First peal in the method as conductor and rung on the eve of the conductor's birthday. First peal on the bells in which a lady has taken part.

TURVEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteon Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL of Superlatiye surprise major, 5088 changes;
Tenor 19 cwt .
*Wilfred Sharp ... ...Tieble | James Houghton ... ... 5
Henry Blundell ..... .2 2 Herbert Rainbow ... ... 5



Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and Conducterl by William J. Allen.

- First peal in the method. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Rev. F. W. Fulford for so readily granting permission to ring, and also for his kind hospitality after the peal.


## EDMONTON.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF NEW CAMJRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 Chances; Tenor $17^{3} \mathrm{c}$ cwt.
Miss Edith K. Parker ...Treble *Albert A. Hughes ... 5
George Radley .. ... ... 2 Grorge A. Card ... ... 5
Walter J. Bowden... ... 3 James Parker
Frank Bennett ... ... 4 George 1’aice ... ... ... Tthor
Composed by H. W. Wilde, and
Conducted by Miss E. K. Parker.

* First peal in the method.


## WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON

 THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Tiwo Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Johin the Evangelist,
a perl of grabideire trifles, 5040 chamges;

Holt's Ten-Part.
Edward G. Stocker... ...Treble
Edwin Shepherd ... ... 2
Frederick Dimond ... $\cdot . .3$ J. Howard R. Freeborn 7
John R. Hayman $. . . \quad . . .84$ James Chudley ... ... Tenor
Conducted by Johs R. Hayman.
Quickest peal on the bells.

BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Luke,

## a peal of stedman triples, 5040 changes;

Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation
Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
Walter S. Wise ... ...Treble | Walter Smith ... ... 5 Edwin Barnett, Sent.
Edivin F. Pike ... ... $\qquad$ 2 Robert 13rett-Smith Robert Bretr-Smith ... 6
Reginald Brough ... ... 4 'Thomas Jones, Senr. ...Tenor Conducted by Thomas Groombridge, Sent.

* First peal.

GODALMING, SURREY.
THE ONFORD DIOCFSAN GUILD
O. Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

Aithe Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A peal ca superlative surprise major, 5056 Changes;
Tenor 25 civt
Rev. G. F. Coleridge ...Treblo। Charles Giles...

- Alired I. Reeves... ... 2 | Frank Blondell

Thomas W. Radiord $\cdots \begin{array}{llllll} & \cdots & 3 & \text { Rev. Cyril Jenkyn } & \cdots & 7\end{array}$ Albert E. Reeyes... ... 4 Alfred H. Pulling ...Tenor

Composed by G. Lindoff, and
Conducted by Alfred h. Pulling.

* First peal of Major. First peal of Superlative on the bells.

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Hours, At the Church of St. Mary,
a peal of crandsire triples, 5040 chances; Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor if cwt.

| John W. Davis .. | ..Troble | Atbert Goulding ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John W. Jones | 2 | John Austin ... ... ... 6 |
| Grorge Condick, Senr. | 3 | Ex-Sergt. J. Williams... 7 |
| Arthur E. Morgan |  | - George Charles ... ... Tenor |

* First peal. Rung after meeting one short for Treble Bob.


## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, At St. John's, Deptford, S.E.,

## A PEAL OF GRANBSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original. Tenor 14 cwt. o qr. 18 lbs., in F. George H. Daynes ... Tveble William J. Jeffries ... 5 Joseph Law ... ... ... 2 Fredk. Wm. Richardson 6 - Jim Hurrell ... ... ... 3 † †Ernest B. Crowder ... 7 *Thomas A. Easterby ... 4 Alfred G. Benningion Tenor Conducted by Ernest B. Crowder.
First peal. † First peal as conductor.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 5, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF STED涡AN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.
*Edward A. Etheridge ...Treble Henry Hutton ... ... 2 Alfred H. Pulling ... 3 Maurice Smither ... ... 4 ...... 7

Tenor 23 cwt., in $E$.
Charles Hazelden ... 5 Sydney G. Steer ... ... 6 Frank Blondell ... ... 7 ..Tenor Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.

* First peal of Stedman. Rang on the eve of the anniversary of the King's Accession, also as a birthday compliment to S. G. Steer's son.


## SIX 8 FIVE BeLL PEALS.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.
IHE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On IVednesiay, April 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes, At the Church cf St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MASMOR, डE40 CHAHGES:
Being 720 each of College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

| Charles Bailey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | Gforge Batley | $\ldots$ | .. | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Clover | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Villiaim Rose... | .. | .. | 5 | Alpheve Berry... ... ... $3^{\text {. }}$ Frederick Wating ....Tenor Conducted by William Rose.

Messrs. Bailey hail from Rickinghall and F. Watling from Saxmundham.

## BRIXWORTH

THE (FNTRAL NORTELAMPTONSHIIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1913. in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor ig cwt.
James Slarke
Fred Hopper Fred Vilford ... Tenor Conducted by Fired Hopier.
First peal on the bells. The ringer of the treble is 72 years of age. The rinsers, together with the local men, were entertained to tea by the IRector.
..Treble Alfred H. Martin... $\ldots{ }^{\ldots} . . .{ }^{2} \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{llll} & \end{array}\right.$
$\qquad$the First peal. + First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor. All the ringers belong to the Ditchling Branch. IRung on the eve of the Festival of the Ascension. First peal on the bells.

## WHITCHURCH, OXON.

THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Weanesday, April 30, 1913, in Two Hows and Forty Minutes, At the Parish Church,

$$
\text { A PEAL OF NIMOR, } 5040 \text { CHANGES ; }
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Being two 720's each of Canterbury Pleasure and Oxford Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. o qr. 6 ibs.
William Laivrence ... ...Treble John Bower
George Parsons... ... ... 2 James Abery ... ... ... 3 Miss Mary Chillingworth 3 George Abery... ... ...Tenor Conducted by James Abery.
First peal on the bells. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Nliss Annie Aldridge (niece to the ringer of the treble) of Beech Farm, Whitchurch, to Mr. John Bucknell, of Coley Park Farm, Reading. Miss Chillingworth is from Bradfeld, Berks, and Messrs. Parsons and Abery from Theale, Berks; Bower from Goring, Oxon, and Lawrence from St. Stephen's, West Ealing.

## LAMBERHURST, KENT.

 TIIE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Thres Honrs and Five Minntes, At the Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF PINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
Edinin Limbert... ... ...Tricble Albert Relfe ... ... ... 4 George Fuller... ... ... 2 . Albert Henley ... ... 5 Harry Price ... ... ... 3 Valter Marshall... ... Tinor Conducted by W. Marshall.
Rung as a birthclay compliment to A. Henley; also to the conductor's danghter..

EAST HARLING, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSUCIATION.
On Saturlay, May 3, 1913, in Two Howrs and Thivty-mine Minutes, At the Choreh of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF BGB MINJR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720's. Tenor II cwt.
Williari Duncan ... ...Treble "Villiam Eagling ... ... $4^{4}$ James Folcher ... ... ... 2 Alfred Newson ... ... 5 Hórace Haylett ... ... 3 | Holiver Bullman ... ...Tenor Conducted by Oliver Bullman.
*First peal. † First peal as conductor.

## GISBURN, YORISSHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Blackburn Branch.)
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Three Howrs and Twenty Minutes,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5760 CHANGES;

Being 720 Bob Minor, four 720's Oxford Treble Bob, and three of Ǩent Treble Bob. Tenor 9 ciwt.
Thomas Wilson... ... ...Tereble William E. Wilson ... 4 Alfred Brook ... ... ... 2 William Mallinson ... 5 Arthur Tomlinson ... ... 3 John Watson ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. Mallinson
This is the first peal on the bells, which were hung in 1818. First peal of Ninor by all except the ringer of the 5 th.

MARTLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE,
ЭHE WORCESTERSIIIRE AN゙D DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Western Branch.)
Or Saturda; May 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Being 42 Six-Scores. Tenor $I_{4}$ cwt., in E.

* Allen Tyler ... ... ...Tyeble Thomas Bullock ... ... 2 Rev. James F. Hastings 5 Conducted by Ernest Gibbs.
* First peal. Quickest peal on the bells. Rung in honour of the Feast of the Ascension.


## THORPE MALSOR, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, May 3. 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Being seven 720's, each called differently.
Tenor 6 cwt 3 qr . Ig lbs.
Percy J. Lenton ... ...Tyeble| Arthur E, Sharman
George Holland ... ... 2 Albert E Wykes ... ... 4
George Foster ... ... ... 3 Horace W. Sharman ....Tenor
Conducte 1 by H. W. Sharman.
First peal by the ringer of the 4 th, who was elected a member before starting for the peal.

## DENTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Southern Branch.)
On Saturduy, May J, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF TREBIE BOB FHBSR, 5040 CHANGE8;
Being :thres 720's of Oxford and four 720 's of Kent, each called differently. Tenor 15 cwt .
$\dagger$ Harri Thorpe ... ... ...Treble |Aleert C. Darnell ... 4 †Villiam G. Thorfe ... 2 |Sidney Proctor ... ... 5 tRev. C. J. Siurton ... 3 |Benjamin A. Kneghts ...T Tenor Conducted by Bewjamin A. Knights.

* First peal of Minor. +First peal of Treble Bob Minor. First peal on the bells. IRung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. W. G. Thorpe and A. Taylor, members of the Grantham band.

PENARTH, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE JLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes.
At the Church of St. Augustine,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor I4 cwt David Thomas ... ... ...Tyeble . Fred Chamberlain ... 4 William B. Biss $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad{ }^{\circ}$ Dr. Arthur J. H. Boyton 5 Frank J. Bailey $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Sidney Dawe ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by D. Thomas.

* First peal in the method.


## ASPLEY GUISE, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Violet, Woodbine, and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Mark Lane ... ... ... ...Tieble| Charles Stapleton
John Coore ...
Charles Wm. Clarke $\quad . . .0 \quad 3 \quad$ William Stapleton ....Tenoy
Conducted by William Stapleion.
BURLEAGE, BUXTON.
On Monday, May 5. 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB FinOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Consisting of three 720's of Kent and four of Oxford, called differently. Tenor rol cwt .
"J. W. Hampson $\quad . .$. ...Treble $\mid \ddagger$ F. P. Walwyn ... $\quad . . \quad$... 4 †Sydney Kink $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Henry Kirk
W. Longden $\quad . .$. Conducted by Henry Kirk.

* First peal and first attempt. † First peal inside and first attempt. $\ddagger$ First peal of Minor and first attempt. First peal as conductor. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. Ernest H. Nall, choirmaster and organist of St. James' Church, Harper's Hill, in Burleage parish, to Miss L. Appleton, of Buxton.


## LIVERPOOL.

THE L,ANCCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, May 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary, Grassendale,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of York, London, Beverley, and Cambridge Surprise,
Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor If $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Thomas Murray... ... ...Tveble | Edward Caunce Thomas Jennion ......
George R. Newton ... ... 3 John Allen ... ... ....Tenor
Conducted by George R. Newton.
Rung to celebrate the gist birthday of Mr. P. F. Garnett, the father of the esteemed Vicar's warden.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDIESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND I.ONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minntes,
At the George IV., Bronswick Street,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANCES;
Rev. A. H. F. Boughey... I-2 ${ }^{2}$ Rev. E. Bankes James... 5-6 William Pye ... ... ... $3-4$ Ernest Pye ... ... ... $7-8$ Alfred W. Grimes ... ... 9-io
Composed by Gabriel Lindjff, and
Conducted by William Pye.
Umpires: J. I'arry and H. C. Alford.

* First peal in the method in hand.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tuesday, April 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5151 CHANGES ;

Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 1 -2 $\mid$ Rev. E. Bankes James 5-6 Alfred H. Pulling ... 3-4 Thomas W. Radford ... 9-io Composed by G. Lindoff, and
Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling.
Umpire: W. E. Madiden.
GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes, In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Size 21 in $D$.
Rev. A. H. F. Boughey... i-2 Alfred H. Pulling ... 5-6 Willoughby E. Maulden 3-4 $\begin{aligned} & \text { Frank Blondell ... ... } \\ & 7\end{aligned}$ Composed by F. A. Holden, and Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling. Umpire: Rev. E. Bankes James.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 30, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,
In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-Part. Size i8 in G.
Alfred H. Pulling ... 1 - $2 \mid$ *Rev. E. Bankes James 5-6 Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 3-4 Willoughby E. Maulden 7-8 Conducted by Alfred H. Polling.

* First peal of Stedman Triples on handbells.


## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sunday, May 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Five Minutes, At Pembroke College,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;
J. Bruce Williamson... i-2 ${ }^{*}$ Frederick Barker.. .5 5-6 William D. James ... $3-4 \mid \dagger$ F. Philip Cheetham ... 7 - 8

Composed by George Wililams, and Conducted by William D. James.

- First peal with an inside pair. † First peal of Major.


## ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Or Monday, May 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes, At "Llanrock," Avence Road,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANCES;

Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake i-2 ! George D. Coleman ... 5-6 Sydney J. Coleman ... $. . .3-4 \mid$ Edmond C. Chasty $. . .7-8$ Composed by J. W. Washbroor, and Conducted by George D. Coleman.

The peal at Fressingfield, recorded last week, was rung on April 26th not 12th as sent in.

## LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

An attempt upon the Treble Bob Royal record is to be made at Ashton-under-Lyne on Saturday week. The honorary secretary of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society has sent us notice for publication in the following terms:-

In the tower of St. Michael and All Angels', on WhitSaturday, May rith, rgr3, an attempt will be made to exceed the standing record of Kent Treble Bob Royal, singing to commence at $S$ o'clock a.m.

## late peal.

FELTHAM, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, May 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-cight Minutes, At the Church of St. Catherine,
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE bOB MAJOR, 5024 Chances;
Tenor If cwt. 2 qr. ig lbs.


## NINE HUNDRED PEALS.

MR. ERNEST PYES RECORD.
The fourth ringer to accomplish the feat, Mr. Eirnest Pye, has reached his 900 th peal, and by a remarkable coincidence it was his 100th peal of Iondon Surprise. It was rung at Romford, and it is noteworthy that it was the first peal of London which he has called, although probably no ringer is better able to conduct a peal in this intricate method. Appended is his list of peals:-

On Tower Bells. $\begin{gathered}\text { Handibells. } \\ \text { Rung. Condtd. }\end{gathered} \quad$ Rung. Condtd.
On six bells
Grandsire Triples
Grandsire Caters
Grandsire Cinques
Stedman Triples
Stedman Caters


A, including 11,111 record; $B$, including 15,$072 ; \mathrm{C}$, including $\overline{10}, 464$; D , including 14,112 record: E, including 15,264 record; *including one non-conducted. Rung in 274 different towers, in 44 different counties in England, Wales. Ireland and Scotland, and one on the Irish Sea.

## SALISBURY GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Devizes branch was Fold at Trowbritge on Saturday The bells of St James' Church were available at three oclock, and although the weather was very unfarourable, a good nimber of ringars from various towers soon assembled. Tea was served in the Vestry Roum by Mr. Elloway, of the Fore Street Refreshment Rooms, 27 sitting down.
The business meeting followed, at which, owing to the absence of the Rev. J. A. Sturton (chairman), the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett kindly took the chair, and was supported by Mr. H. Brownlee West (hon. sec.), the Rev. P A. Nash, Rector of Trowbridge, and ringing members from Keevil, Egham, Devizes St. Mary, Urchfont. Southbroom, Bradford, Devizes St. John, Trowbridge, Westbury, Holt, Bath, Melksham, and Beechingstoke- Mr , S Hector, of Trowbridge, was elected a life ringing nember, and six new "hands" were elected as members of the Guild, viz., Messrs. P. J. Herrington and H. Taylor from Melksham; R. Toomer and W. Kent from Fittleton: F. K. Greenland from Brad-ford-on-Avon, and Geo. Derham from Holt.
The three next meeting places were then discussed, and after some little conversation, were decided upon thusly: June 7th, at Enford; July 5 th, at Holt; August 9th, at Melksham.
A hearty vote of thanks was then passed to the Rector of Trowbridge for the use of the church bells, and also the use of the Vestry Room, to which he responded in a short, but very kind speech, saying how pleased he was to mect the ringers of the Guild at Trowbridge. for the first time during his incumbency there.
The ringers then returned to the tower, where more linging was indulged in, and thus a very pleasant meeting was brought to a close.

## CHRIST CHURCH BELLS, BOSTON, U.S.A.

 english ringers assist at the re-opening.Christ Church bells, boing the first ring shipped from England, are w? 1 known in America by reason of their purity of tone, long vibration ar. carrying power, a characterstic of the products of the Rudhall toundry at about the middle of the eighteenth century, as illustrated in the peal of All Saints'. Fulham, St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and many others still preserved.

Situated in a remote section of Boston, abandoned to Italians, Russian' Jews and Portugese, the edifice had been for many years neglected, while its bells had become unringable; when, fortunately, the parish caine under the control of Bishop Lawrence, through whose exertions an extensive restoration has at length been effected.
Although it was found nccessary to renew headstocks, wheels, stays, and even clappers, the bells were in perfect order; and when quarterturneck and re-hung, under the supervision of Mr. Gibbons, of the Whitechapel foundry, could be managed with the least appreciable effort, and with corresponding improvement in tone.
The eve of April 19th, the amiversary of a holiday known in Massachusetts as Patriots' Day, was selected for the opening, and after a brief service, conducted by the Bishop, and display of Ianterus from the steeple. the bells burst out in touches of Grandsire to the satisfaction of a heterogeneous multitude which thronged the adjacent streets. And if one were to jutge by the sympathetic cheers, which at times overpowered the music of the bells, there is evidence that change ringing may at length in this locality at least be received with favour. The bells, eight in number, with tenor of 15 cwt ., were cast in 174.4, and are now as perfect as when sent across the water from Bristo!.
Noticeable in the ringing chamber for their graceful handling of the ropes were our ear'iest recruits, George Moore, of Maidstone, Kent; Willian Bashford, of Nutfieid, Surres; and Philip J. Alfr'ey, of Brighton, the latter having reported most opportunely on the very day of the celehration. We are expecting to welcome as the next instalnent of volunteers Richard Newton, of Manchester, and S. J. Perkins, of Tumbridge Wells, while several other helpers are arranging to join us in the month of June.
55, AIount Vernon Street, Boston, U.S.A
A. H. NICHOLS, M.D.

## RINGING FOR CHURCH FESTIVALS. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-On looking through the list of peals in last week's "Ring. ing World,' I found there were 19 peals rung on tower bells on Saturday. April 19th, St. Alphege's Day, but in only two instances is there any mention that the peal was rung in honcur of that day. Probably the reason why St. Alphege's Day wasn't mentioned in the remaining 17 instances was that the ringers didn't think or didn't know it was St. Alphege's Day, and I am of opinion this is the case with regart to many other Saints' Days, etc. The ringers, unleas they have a good almanac handy, or some other means, do not always know when these Saints Days cecur, and it has struck me that it would not be a bad idea if a list, with dates, of all Saints' Days. Church Festivals, Anniversaries, etc., was printed in "The Ringing World.
In several cases peal records have been printed with a footnote that the peal was rung in honour of the birth of a son or a daughter to one of the ringers, or in honour of one of the ringers' birthdays. In my opinion, such a footnote would be far better left out. In the first place, the bells belong to and are part of the church, and, therefore, should be used in the sersice of the church. Such a footnote as I hare just mentioned makes it look as if the church was only a secondary consideration
Secondly, it is well known that many people would like to see ringing abolished, and there is no doubt the promoters of a Bill in Parliament wilh such an object in view would examine the ringing papers to see what they could get hold of to support their case, and I fancy they would pick ount thess footnotes and point cut that peals were not rung in honour of the cluurch, etc. If all the peals possible contained a footnote that they were rung in honour of a Festival of the Church or a Saints' Day, ringers weuld have a much better case, and the publication of a list such as I have indicated would, I think, result in this beiber brought about.
I should be glad to have your opinion, and also of any other ringers on this malter.-Yours faithfully,
Stapleford, Cambs.
ALBERT E. AUSTIN
The idea that more notice should be taken of the Church Festivals by ringers has been several times advocated in these columns, and there is an increasing tendency to ring peals on these occasions. With a view to reminding ringers of the Festivals, we hope in future to give a. monthly list. We begin with those which occur in this month and

## May 11, Whitsun Day. 18, Trinity Sunday

Juns 11. St. Barnabas.
24. .t. Tohn the Baptist. 20, st. Peter.
TWYEORD, HANTS.-Winchester Diocesan Guild.-On Easter Sunday morning, at St. Mary's Chureh, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triplea ${ }^{1260}$ changes), in 44 mins.: S. Stratton (first quarter-peal) 1, F. Oxenbury 2, W. Carter 3. E. Wateridge 4, T. Spratt 5, W. Young 6, L. Lampard (conductor) 7, J. Penton 8.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

successful meeting at midsomer norton.
The annual meeting of the Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery branch was anld at Midsomer Norton on Saturday, and, although the weather was not at all pleasant, a goodly number of members attended, thus encouraging the hon. secretary, who had becn feeling rather clespondent. The bells, a beautiful ring of eight, were sct groing soon after 3 p.m., and at 4.15 p.m. evensong was conducted by the Rev. J. Pitkin (curate-in-charge), assisted by the Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill (President of the branch). Tea and businoss followed in the school. The usual items of business, including the admission of new members and the selection of place for next meeting, baving been transacted, the officers for the ens'ing yoar were elected. The Rev. J. I. W. Honnywill was re-elected as Deanery President, and Mr. Y. B. Holmyard as honi. secretary. Mr. A. M. G. Daniel, of Frome, was clected as the representative of the branch on the General Committee of the Association.- Hearty votes of thanks were passed to all who had contributed towards the success of the meeting. these including the President, the Rev. J. Pitkin, the churchwardens, the choir, Mrs. Holmyard (who provided an excellent toa), and the honorary secretary.
A very gratifying feature of the mecting was the presence of two sncls well-known ringers as Messrs. W. A. Cave and F. Priee (both of Bristol), whose skill in the tower greatly assisted in the production of some very pretty touches of Stedman and Grandsiro Triples.-The President and inon, secretary wish to thank these gentlemen for their kindness in attending the meeting, and they hope to see them freguently at future gatherings. The towers represanted included Frome (St. John's), Leigh-on-Mendip, Camerton, Paulton, Migh Littleton, and Midsomer Norton. Ringing was continucd till nearly 9 p.m., everyone agreeing that the meeting had been most enjoyable in every way.

## CASTLE CARY DEANERY BRANCH.

A meetiag of tine Castic Cary b:anch was held at Marston Magna on Saturday last, and a very wet day no doubt kept a good many from: altending the meeting. However, bstwean 30 and 40 were present,
representing Batcombe. Evercreech, Ditcheat, Castle Cary, Templerepresenting Batcomb. Evercreech, Ditcheat, Castle Cary, Tcmple-
contbe, Wcot Lvaford, Queen Camel, Birmingham (St Mary's), Marslon Magna and Mudford. - A short service was hicld in the Parish Church, where the Vicar (the Rer. G. F. C. Peppin) delivered a very instructive address, in the course of which he pointed out how tatally different balfries wero conducted at the present day, compared with the days gone by, and all praise was due to the splendid association of change ringers. The young beginners who were amongst them on that occasion must not be down-hearted if they found they were unable to do as much with the bells as the older hands, but if they persevered they would some day be skilled ringers. He was delighted to see so many young mell present, and hopsd they might bs spared to ring to the Glory of God for many years to come

After the service, tea was partaken of at the Red Lion Hotel, and the business meating followed. the Rev. G. F. C. Peppin being unanimouely roted to the chair. Two honorary and eight performing members were elected.-Castle Cary was chosen for the next meeting, in October.A hearty rota of thanks was accorded the Rev. G. F. C. Peppin for presiding, for the use of the bells and for the interesting address given at the service.-The Vicar having responded, a move was made to the tower, where the bells were kept going to varions methods. - A good many of the ringers paid a visit to the Queen Camel tower, where the finest peal of six in Somerset were kept going until after 9 p.m.

## BRIDGWATER BRANCH.

A quarterly meeting of the Briclowater branch was held at Chedzor on Saturday last. Scrvice was held in the church, conducted by the Rev. G. R. Mullens. and attended by members, representing Bridgwater. Huntspill, Chedzoy. Wembdon and Enmore.-Tea was partaken at the Manor House Hotel, followed bv the business meeting.-Eleren memleers were elected to the branch, including two hon. members, and Norlh Petherton was desided upon for the next quarterly meeting.A hearly vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. G. R. Mullens for the use of the bells, and for his able address; also to the organist, and to the Rev. D. (t. Samuel (brancla chairman) for presiding over the meet-ing.- $A$ return was made to the tower, when various methods kept the bells rolling for the remainder of the evening

PRESENTATION TOMISS MARGERY SAMPSON.
On Snturday, at Boldmere, at the conclusion of the peal of Stedman Triples, published on another page, Mr. J. Preston, secretary of tho Firdington branch of the St. Martin's Guild of Birmingham, prosented, on belalf of the members of Frdington, a framed peal card and photo of Erdington Church, and a photo of the Erdington ringers to Miss Margery F. Sampson, of Tamworth. In making the presentation, Mr. Preston said he hoped that Miss Sampson would accept the small gifi as a marlk of friendship, and as a fitting tribute on ringing her firsti peal for St. Martin's Society, and the pleasant time she spent with the ringers of Erdington--Miss'Sampson, who was completely taken by surprise, said the gift would always remind her of the many frients she had made in Erdington, and the joyous time she had spent witli them. She was pleased to have rung two peals with them, and asked them to accept her very best thanks and warm appreciation for their kindness.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Winchester District was held on Saturday at Lockerley and Tytherley. Both towers being some distance from any railway station, the Winchester party decided to motor down and picked up en route members from Twyford, Owslebury, and Hursley, among them being the curate of Hursley (the Rev. E. W. Suart). The party were met at Lockerley by the Vicar (the Rev. J. P. May), who gave them a hearty welcome, and conducted them to the belfry, where some touches of Bob Minor, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were brought round. Members were also present from Eastleigh, North Stoneham and Upham.-A move was then made to Tytherley, where there are eight bells, and on which touches in standard methods were rung.
By the kind invitation of the Vicar of Loclerley, members were most hospitably entertained in the Chureh Foom at 5.15.-The Rev. W. E. Colchester, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicar, said it added very much to the pleasure of these meetings when members received such a warm welcome from the clergy of the parishes which they wisited. The Vicar, in responding, said it gave him great pleasure to mest the ringers, and hopod they would on some future occasion pay him another visit, and that by that time his own band might have become members of the Guild.-The Vicar of Tytherley (the Rev. I. Bourdillon) was also thanked for the use of his bells.
The Bishop of Southampton, in a conversation with the district serretary (Mr. J. W. Elkins), expressed a wish to again entertain the Guild at his residence during the summer, and it wrs left in the hands of the district secretary to arrange a date convenient to his lordship, Saturday early in July being suggested as a suitable time for members.
Seven new members of the Barton Stacey band were admitted to the Guild, and Mr. Wilfred Andrewe was appointed to give them a course of instruction.- Both towers were afterwards visited, and although the weather was not all that could be desircd, all agreed that the meeting had bcen a very enjoyable one.

## YORKTOWN DISTRICT.

The second quarterly meeting of the Yorktown district was held at Farnborough on Saturday last, but owing to the damp weather and to the fact that Farnborough has only five bells, it was not well atteuded. Only 17 ringers put in an appearance, representing Streatham St. Leonards), Kingston, Sunbury, Woking, Bagshot, Yorktown, and Yateley. After ringing in the afternoon, the members attended serrice, and sat down to tea in the Jubilee Hall, where the business meeting was afterwards held.-The Rector (the Rev. B. C. Jackson) presided, and gave the members a hearty welcome to his parish.-Mr. Marsh, of Plymouth, was elected a member of the Guild.-The Ringing Master (Mr. W. Shepherd), who. through pressure of business, was preiented from attending the meeting, sent a letter to the secretary giving a general survey of the quarter's work. This wan read and adopted as the Ringing Master's report for the quarter. - It was decided to visit Thersham, Oatlands Park, and Chertsey, for the all-day meeting on August Rank Holiday.-A vote of thanks, arcorded the Rector for his hospitality, concluded the meeting. Ringing was afterwards again indulged in, the methods rung being Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob and Stedman Doubles on tower bells, and Grandsire Doubles and Triples on handbells.
meeting of the Guildford district was held at Binsted on Saturday, and was attended by ringers from Froyle, Cranleigh, Frensham, Shalford. Blackmoor, Farmham. Aldershot, and Guildford. There is no doubt that the hearty welcome extended to them will linger in the memories of those present for a long time to come, one member declarug publicly that the service alone was worth cycling 50 miles for. It was most impressive, tho ringers being met by the clergy and choir in procession, while the Guild's service has certainly never been more eartily rendered than in the grand old parish church.
Tea was held in the Institute, and the caretaker left nothing undone for the comfort of the visitors.- Eleven new members were elected, also two hon. members-the Rev. Campbell Crum, Rector of Farnham, and Mr. Geo. Gunner Chaleraft Churchwarden, of Binsted.-It was decided to hold the next district meeting at Puttenham on May 31st, and the next combined practice at Shere on June 14th, to have the pleasure of mecting the Mitcham ringers therc. The pretty peal of six were kept going in rarious methods, and the time for parting came all too soon.

## CHELMSFORD BELLS.

## MONEY RAISED FOR RECASTING.

The fete in aid of the restoration of the bells and clock of Chelmsford Church (the future Cathedral of Essex) proved a grent financial success, and the money required ( $£ 1,300$ ) has been more than realised. The fete itself, which extencled over four days, produced $£ 1,338$ 11s. $7 d$. To this amount has to be added subscriptions already received, £294 0s. 6d.; subscriptions promised. £33; gift of treble bell by Essex ringers, £25; gift of tenor bell by Col. and Mıs. Arkwright, £290; total, £1,900 12s. 1 c . Tho expenses amoint to about $£ 400$.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

 CANTERBURY DISTIRICT.The annual meeting of the Canterbury District was held at Ospringe, on Saturday, about 50 members attending. The bells were rung during the afternoon, and service was conducted by the Rev. F. J. O. Hel-more.-The Vicar gave an address, welcoming the members of the district to the parish, and, taking as a text the words of St . James, "Draw jigh to God and He will draw nigh to thee," he spoke of the assistance which the laity, and especially the ringers, hadd given to the clergy in the many parishes in which he had laboured and placed on record his own appreciation of their work. -Unfortunately the Vicar was suffering from a weak throat, and this oaused his address to be very short, and also necessitated his absence from the tea and business meeting which followed, much to the regret of all.-The Rev. R. Wyllie, however, ably took his place, and spoke of the pleasure he derived from the ringing of the bells. This was especially gratifying to the members present, as he lives near to the church, and while this zondition of things prevails the ringers need fear no complaint.
The District Secretary reported that 23 towers in the district were in union, representing a gain of four over last year-that 49 members of the district had taken part in the 15 peals rung during the year, 14 members having rung their first peal, and one had rung and conducted his first peal. The hope was expressed that more local peals would be rung, and that some of the so-called higher methods would be attempted.-Four new members were elected, and three elections were confirmed.-The Secretary and representative on the Central Committee were re-elected.

Deal and Walmer were chosen for the next annual meeting, Chilham for the autumn, and Birchington for the spring.-The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore proposed thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, arranging for the service, etc., and granting the use of the parish room; also to Mr. C. H. Drake for presiding at the organ.-This was seconded by Mr. Foreman, and carried.-Mr. E. G. Buesden and friends then gave a short touch of Stedman Triples on the handbells, and the members dispersed to the towers of Osprinee and Faversham.

LEWISHAM DISTRICT.
The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham district was held at Chislehurst on Saturday week. About 50 were present at the service, which was conducted by the Rev. J. F. Dawson (Rector), and the address was given by the Rev. J. Drew Roberts on "Rells. their inscriptions and' meanings."-A bountiful tea was provided in the Village Hall by the Rector and Mr. A. F. Nussey (one of the churchwardene), to which 58 sat down.

The business meeting followed, the Rev. Basil F. W. French (curate) presiding till the return of the Rector from another service. - The election of two members in towers was confirmed. Farningham was chosen as the place of the next marterly meeting cn the third Saturday in July. It was also decided to hold a meeting at Downe, on the first Saturday in June. if it could be arranged.
Mr. A. F. Nussey then gave the Association a nearty welcome. It had, he said. given him great pleasure to listen th the bells that day, because it brought back happy recollections, it being the 43rd anniversary of his weddino day (applause). - A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the usc of the bells and arranging the service, to the Rector and Mr. A. F. Nussey for providing the tea, to the Rev. J. D. Roberts for his address, and to the Rev. B. French for so kindly meeting them.-The Rector, in replving, said it had giren them all great pleasure, and he hoped thev would come again on some future occasion.-Tbe tower was again visited, and various tollches brought round.

## THE PEAL AT WHITCHURCH.

A very pretty ceremonv was performed bv the Rev. Canon Trotter (Rector) in the Parish Church of Whitchurch. on Wednesday of last weok. when Miss Annie Aldridge, only daughter of the late Mr. Chas. Aldridge, of Beech Farm, Whitchurch, was married to Mr. John Bucknell. of Coley Park Farm. Reading.-Following the ceremony in the church, a recention attended by over fifty genests, was held at the home of the bricle, and as the bridal party left, some excellent call changes were rund on the bolis br the local band. In the evening. by the kind permission of the Rector-who, by-the-way. met the band at the entrance to the belfy. gave them a hearty welcome, and wished them success-a peal of 5040 changes was rung br members of the Oxford Guild, a record of which appears in the ustal columns. Messis. C. Excell and A. Green, two of the local band, sat in the belfry during the whole of the peal. which is the first on the bells, a musical ring recast and rehung in December of last year by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Crordon.

## FAREWELL PEAL LOST

On Monday week, at the Church of St. Luke, Liverpool, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was attempted, and lost, only two leads from home, after 3 hrs .6 mins. ringing, owing to the heavy going of the tenor, caused through the chiming apparatus becoming disconnected during the ringing. The peal had been arrangedi as a farewell to Mr. Richard Newton, of Manchester, on the eve of his departure from Tiverpool to Roston. TT.S.A. He sailed the next day with the best wishes of his ringing friends in Liverpool and district, among whom he has always been held in hioh esteem. The hand who attemnted the peal were: F. Murtav 1. Th. Tennm 2. G. Woodhall 3, E. Breeze 4, E. Caunce 5, G R. Newton (conductor) 6, Richard Newton 7, J. Turuer 8.

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# BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.CARLISLE. 

By J. R. Jerram.

The central tower of Carlisle Cathedral contains a peal of six bells, tenor about 14 cwt . note F .

These bells have not been rung for more than roo years. None of them have had perfect wheels within the memory of anyone now living, though in the accounts of $165^{2}$ we find an item "Payed for the belles wheeles and their repaireing as also for the gaites of the Churchyeard making and repareing o5 17 ro."

## Fifth.

+I:H:C + IN:VOCE:SUM:MUNDA:MARIA : SONANDO:SECUNDA + I:B.
('This inseription is in Lombardic capitals).
Tenor.
I WARNE YOV HOW YOVR TIME DOTH PASS AWAY.
SERVE GOD THERFOR WHIL LIFE DOTH LAST AND SAY
GLORIE IN AXCELSIS DEO (sic) ANNO DOMINI 1657.

IOHN AND WILLIAM LANGSHAW WORKMEN.


Carlisle Cathedral.

The inscriptions are as follows:-
Treble.
I w L. 1659.
Second.
GEORE (sic). FLEMING.DD.DECANVS.GLORIA IN ALTISSIMIS DEO. 1728 \& ( $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { E. Seller } \\ \text { Ebur }\end{array}\right)$ ही

Third.

+ IESVS BE OVR SPEED. GEOR. LEES EDMVND WRIGHT BELFOVNDERS. WILL. ORBEL L.M. 1608.
(This inscription is in Lombardic capitals).
Fourth.
THOMAS MEARS FOUNDER, LONDON, 1845 .

There is a tradition that these bells were rung on November 17 th, 1745 , when the Pretender entered Carlisle, and that for this they were condemned not to be rung again for roo years. However this may be, it is stated that they were chimed with ropes on the clappers at the news of the rictory at the Battle of Waterloo, and thus the old fourth bell was cracked. She was then taken down, and remained in the Cathedral till 1845 , when she was recast by Mears, as the inscription records. The old bell is said to have borne the following inscription: "This ring lias made six tuneable bells at the charge of the Lord Howard and other gentree of the countie and citie and officers of the garisson by the advice of Mager Jeremiah Tolhurst, governor of the garisson 1658 .'

## ODD CHANGES.

The Rev. W. W. C. Baker is the first Rural Dean to conduct a peal for the Beds Association, of which he is the Master. How many more of the ringing clergy, we wonder, hold the office of Rural Dean. We know of one -the Rev. G. F. Coleridge.

An attempt was made for a peal upon Exeter Cathedral
bells on Saturday week, but it unfortunately came to grief after 3,000 changes had been rung in 2 hrs. 32 mins. Attempts for peals upon these magnificent bells are few and far between, and it is a pity that this one was not successful. The ringers were : E. Shepherd (conductor) i, G. W. Challice 2, A. W. Searle 3, A. Monkley 4, F. J. Davey 5, W. Richardson 6, E. Sargent 7, J. Moss 8, J. R. H. Freeborn 9, A. G. Betts and W. Vickery 10 (tenor $7^{2}$ cwits.).

- Overcoats and umbrellas are very scarce at Grantham, so say the band who scored the first peal on Denton bells on Saturday last. Having finished ringing, they took refuge in the local hostelry, hoping for the rain to cease, but at "turning out" time they had to face a four miles' walk in a drenching downpour without any of the aforementioned articles, and arrived at Grantham at in. 30 p.m. "soaked to the skin." Better luck after your next peal of Minor, Benjamin!

Two interesting cuttings, * reproduced from the "Norfolk Chronicle " of a century ago, have reached us. The issue of April $17{ }_{7}$ th, 1813 , contained the following :-
Thursday last, were rung on St. Giles' (Norwich) musical peal of eight bells ( 6272 changes) of that intricate method of Treble Bob, in 4 hre. 7 mins. The peal was conducted by Mr. R. Chesnutt, and being rang by that ingenious company, the St. Peter's ringers, we have no doubt of its being a masterly performance: the Bobs were called in six places, and not in the usual method of that extensive peal.

In the following issue the acceptance of a remarkable challenge was announced :-

Mr. Samuel Thurston having challenged any man in England to ring with him for one hundred pounds, the company of ringers belonging to St. Peter's, of Mancroft, Norwich, in order to prevent any person from being imposed upon by fallacious pretences, feel it incumbent on them to accept the challenge, although, at first, they were inclined to pass it with the silent contempt it merits. They, therefore, announce to Mr. Thurston that they have appointed one of their company to meet him at any twelve-bell steeple, not less than one hundred miles from Norwich; and, in order to secure the utmost impartiality, they propose that eleven men shall be selected from London to ring with each party, and to decide on their respective merits. All expenses to be paid by the losing party, in addition to the wager. We wonder what the outcome of this wager was !

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## ARRANGEMENTS AND AGENDA FOR THE NEWCASTLE MEETING.

The Second Session of the Eighth Council (23rd annual meeting) will be held on Whitsun Tuesday, May r3th, 1913, at II a.m. punctually, in the Lecture Theatre of the Mining Institute of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The morning sitting will be adjourned from i p.m. till 2.30 p.m., from which hour the Council will sit, if necessary, until $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same room.
N.B.-The Mining Institute is situate in Neville Street, at the corner of Orchard Street, midway between the railway station and the Cathedral, being distant about two minutes' walk from either.

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1 Minutes of the last Meeting
2. Statement of Accounts and of Sales of Publications.
3. Election of Honorary Members.
4. Introduction of New Members to the President.
5. Report as to the Resolution passed last year against the Welsh Church Bill.
6. To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees: (a) Peal Collection.
(b) Literature
(c) Legitimate Methods.
(d) Peals Analysis.
(e) Towers and Belfries.

To discuss the following:-
7. The possibility of an unfavourable change in the attitude of the general public towards bell ringing as a result of the increasing number of peals annually rung.
8. That the Council is of opinion that Superlative Surprise Royal, as published by Shipway, is the same method as Superlative Surpriso Major.
9. That the Ladies' Guild of Change Ringers should be repre sented on the Council, and, if thought well, to move a resolution on the subject.
10. To call renewed attention to the Council's reoommendation passed in 1902, and incorporated in "Rules and Decisions," to the effect that not less than seven days' notice shall be given in the columns of the ringing papers stating the tower, day and hour at which any attempt is to be made to surpass any previous peal.
11. To fix the place of meeting for next year

1之. Other business, if any.
CHARLES D. P. DAVIES,
Hon. Secretary.
The President of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association of Change Ringers, Mr. C. L. Routledge, of 62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne, announces the following arrangements, which he has most kindly made with a view to furthering the comfort and enjoyment of those attending the Council. Anyone needing further help or information is requested to communicate with him.

On Monday, May isth, a room has been reserved in the County Hotel, facing the Central Station, from 7 p.m., for the reception and entertainment of representatives and friends on their arrival. Visitors should ask at the hotel office for the "Prince of Wales' Room." There will be handbells and music.

Visitors able to be present at the Whitsuntide meeting of the Durham and Newcastle Association at North Shields and Whitley Bay will be heartily welcomed and entertained by the members. Formal notice of this meeting appears in the columns of this paper.

Arrangements will be made for a Central Council peal on the ten bells at Newcastle Cathedral on Monday, May 12 th, at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tenor $37 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Peals will be arranged for those spending the week-end in the district if they will kindly send in their names in good time.

Previous to the soiree and conversazione, which will be held as usual from 9 to in p.m. on Tuesday evening, at the County Hotel, there will be a smoking concert at $7 \cdot 30$ p.m. in the same hotel, to which all visitors and friends are invited.

Endeavours will be made to obtain rooms (private or hotel) for those writing in advance for them.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.Should any Central Council members be in Newcastle on Whit-Sunday they will find a welcome at the Cathedral. Time of service ringing 6 and 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.-E. Ferry, Honorary Secretary.

FIGURES FOR COUNCILLORS TO STUDY.
The fellowing figures relate to a motion on the agenda:-

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Mombers of the Cent:al Council are requested to bring these figures to the meeting.
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## THE SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING AT LEWES.

EXCELLENT START FOR BENEVOLENT FUND.
For the first time in its history, the Sussex County Acsociation held its annual meeting in the county town of Lewes on Saturday, but strange to relate, the attendance fell below the average. Nevertheless, the gathering was in every other way highly successful. True, there are not the outside entertainments which are to be found at those seaside resorts for which Sussex is famous, but from the ringers' point of view, Lewes has its attractions. In Southover Church, which is of Norman origin and is the burying place of Gundrada, a daughter of William the Conqueror, and her husband, William de Warrenne, there is a very tuneful peal of ten bells (one of the only two peals of ten in the county), while the tower has many interesting associations with the past doings of the county ringing organisation. The bells were available during the morning, and ringers began to gather early in the day. A company, numbering about fifty, sat down to dinner at the Bear Hotel, the Bishonp of Lewes, in the unavoidable absence of the Bishop of Chichester, through indisposition, presiding. He was supported by the Master (Mr. F. B. Tompkins), the Hon. Sec. (MIr. George Watson), Miss Humble-Crofts, and Miss M. Humble-Crofts, of Waldron, the only two resident lady ringers in the association; the Rev. T. H. Windle, Rector of Southover' ; the Rev. Cresswell Gee, Rector of Twineham; Mr. R. C. Ford (hon. treasurer), and Councillor C. Hill (Hastings)

After dinner the loyal toast was honoured, and the Master then proposed "The Church and State." He deprecated any attempt to dirorce the one from the other, and said if it came to pass it must do serious harm to both. He welcomed the preseuce of ladies at that gathering, for the first time in the history of the association.
The Bishop of Lewes, in responding, said the presence of ladies at that meeting was a sign of what they were coming to. In Sussex they had fourteen lady churchwardens, and now they had got some lady bell ringers. The Sussex Association was thus thoroughlv up to date (hear hear). Proceeding, he apologised for the absence of the Bishop of Chichester, who wished him to say how sorry he was he coukl not be with them, because there was no one who more appreciated the work which the ringers were doing than he did. He (the speaker) was glad to have the opportunity of responding to the toast. bacause he nearly always had a warm welcome from the ringers wherever he went. Ringers. were getting higher and higher ideals in recognising that their work was churoh work, and that was a source of great gratification. He would not venture into the question of the relations betwren the Church and State, except to say that the State was in a very peculiar state just now (Taughter and applause). -Councillor Hill also replied to the toast in a bricf speech.

## OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.

The business meeting was then held, and the hon. secretary* read a telegram of good wishes and regret for absence from a former secretary, Mr. S. Saker.
The Bishop of Chichester was re-elected President, and the whole of the rice-presidents were also re-elected.-Mr. F. B. Tompkins was re-elected Master, and, in acknowledging the election, referred to the fact that during the last year the association had been able to establish a benevolent fund. A subject, he continued, which was coming to the fore very seriously, and which had been mentioned in "The Ringing World several times, was the question of peal ringing in populous centres. It was undoubtedly a fact that people living near towers in towns did find fault with peal ringing, and he would not say that some of them did not have cause for complaint. If there was any illness near a tower, ringers were always ready to desist, but others were now finding fault. He hoped the members belonging to churches where there was any real cause for complaint would impress upon the responsible authorities that there were means of getting rid of any nuisance. There were three general methods which might be adopted, the partial bricking up of the louvres, glazing, or the erection of shutters. By adopting one of those methods there would be no rlifference in the effect in the tower, but those living near would not be annoyed in the least.
Mr. G. Watson was re-elected general secretary, and Mr. R. C. Ford, hon treasurer. The following district secretaries were also elected: Fastern division, Mr. G. H. Howse: Central, Mr. A. D. Stone: Western, Mr. H. Evans. Messis. White and Harffey were elected auditors, and Mr. A. Gravett, peal secretary. The Bishop of Lewes was elected a life-member, and the following were added to the membership roll: From Blacklands tower, 3; Waldron, 4 (including Miss M. HumbleCrofts, the Rector's daughter); Twineham, 1; Southover, 2; and the whole of the Baroombe band of 11 members.

## SATISFACTORY FINANCES.

The following report for 1912 was presented
The committee again are able to report most favourably upon the financial state of the Association-a profit of nearly $£ 20$ having been made upon the ycar's work. Notwithstanding the fact that the general fund was depleted to the extent of $£ 18$ at the beginning of the year in order to make the reserve fund up to $£ 50$, it is now in a position to
year may start with a balance in this fund of f25. A propesal having this object will be submitted to the annual meeting and, if carried, the committee will be able to make small donations to necessitous ringers. For the first time in the history of the association the number of peals rung during the past year has topped the century, Mr. Keith Hart-as in several previous years-appearing most prominently as a conductor. The challenge bell was won by St. Peter's, Brighton, Heene tower being but a very fow points behind. Mr. Penfold, who for some years lias prepared the peals' analysis, is unfortunately suffering from ill-health, and has felt himself compelled to relinquish this work. For all his past services, the committee desire to thank him, and at the same time to wish him a speedy restoration to health. Mr A. Gravett has kindly consented to fill his place for at least a year. Fleven district meetings have been held during the year, most of them having been well attended. To those clergy who offered members so hearty a welcome-generous hospitality also having in several cases been shown-the thanks of the committee are gratefully accorded. St. Clement's, Hastings, tower ( 8 bells) and Twinehain tower ( 5 bells) have become affiliated to the Association during the past year. In the latter tower, orie bell has been recast, two new ones added, and a new frame and fittings supplied by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The sams firm rehung the four trebles at East Grinstead. Messrs. Taylor of Loughborough, are adding two now trebles at Mayfield, the work being now nearly completed, and they have secured the contract to recast the IIenfield tenor and make rarious repairs to the other bells and frame.
The financial statement showed that the year began with a balance in hand of $£ 438 \mathrm{~s}$. 8d., and after meeting the expenses ( $£ 5998.2 d$. ), transferring $£ 18$ to the reserve fund and $£ 77 \mathrm{~s}$. 7 d . to the benevolent fund, there remained in hand on tho general fund $£ 36$ 12s. 7d. The balance to the credit of the reserve fund was $£ 50$, and in tho benevolent fund $£ 85 \mathrm{~s}$. Id
The report and balance sheet, which were considered very satis. factory, were adopted.

## THE BENEVOLENT FUND.

The Fion. Secretary then moved that the benevolent fund be raised to £25 by taking the necessaty balance from the general fund. He said last year they dipped into their general fund to raise the reserve fund to $£ 50$. They had made a profit of nearly $£ 20$ on the year's working, and he thonght they might very well dip into the fund again to the extent of some £17, in order to start a fresh year with a benevolent fund of £25, which would enable them to moet any case of emorgency. He thought they might congratulate themselves upon having done so well in the matter of finance in the last two yoars (hear, hear). Mr. K. Hart seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.
The rules for the administration of the benevolent fund were next considerod, and after slight amendment were adopted in the following form :-

1. No benefactions shall be paid unless there is money in hand in the benevolent fund.

All applications shall be made in writing setting out the reasons for the application and must be supported by the secretary of the local band if the applicant is an ordinary member, and if an independent member by someone of local standing who shall testify that the applicant has been for five years and is then a member of the Associa. tion, and as to whether the application is a deserving one.

Applications shall be forwarded to the general secretary, whe shall at once submit them to a sub-committee and ohtrin their oninion thereon through the post. The sub-committee shall consist of the general secretary, the treasurer, the divisional secretary and the members of the committee of the division in which the applicant resides.

Benefactions will be paid to the applicant direct by the trea surer, who shall act on the written authority of a majority of the sub-committee.
5. No alteration in or addition to the above rules shall be made except in accordance with rule XVI of the Association.

## A RECORD YEAR OF PEALS.

At the request of Mr. Gravett, the peals secretary, it was resolved that in future, for the purpose of analysis, any new resident momber ringing a peal, or any old member transferring to another tower,
shall notify the peal secretary or divisional secretary as to which iower he bclongs, and for which he wishes his peal points to count.
The following resolution was also passed: "That the committeo be requested to consider and report upon the advisability of an alteration to rule III, to enable each division in futuro to elect annually ito own district secretary and its representatives on the oommittce.
It was decided by a large majority to hold the next meeting at Brighton, an amendment in favour of East Grinstead being defeated. On the motion of Mr. G. H. Howse, it was resolved to place on record lle Association's apprecintion of the services rendered by Mr . Keith Hart, and its congratulations to him upon having rung 50i) peals for the Association
The Master announced that the number of peals rung by the Association last vear was 107, which was a record (applauso). They had never toppod the century bofore. What their position would be among ot. $\mathrm{l}_{2}$. Associations he did not know. He proposed a vote of thanks to the Bishop for presiding, and for the sermon he was going to preach later; to the Rector of Sonthover for the use of the bells, and to the
choir for their eervices.-The Hon. Seoretary, in seconding, said they were especially grateful to the Rector of Southover for the trouble he had taken and the interest he had shown in connection with that meeting.- The motion was unanimously carried, and this terminated tho business.

## TIIE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

A service at Southover Church followed, there being a large congre gation, including many parishioners. The singing was led by the choir, and the specially appointed service was conducted by the Rector. The Bishop of Lewes preached from the text. "He that soundeth the irumpet $v: a s$ by me" (Nehemiah iv, 18). He said there were many ways of approaching the subject of ringing church bells. It might be approached, and rightly approached, from the point of view of the science of bell ringing. They might also approach it as an art, for it was one of the most delicate and difficult of arts; one which was capable of great perfection, which entailed an immense amount of practice, and which a man could not get really good at unless he devoted considerable time to it. He wanted, however, to turn their thoughts that afternoon to the ringing of bells, from a church point of view, and his text, he thought, expressed very much what a band of bell ringers ought to be in any parish. Having explained the biblical referenca to he who sounded the trumpet, the Bishop went on to say that in parochial life, the duty of the bell ringers was to be in close touch with the Vicar, and, when the time came for public worship, to give forth in no uncertain note upon the bells, the intimation to the people to concentrate within the church. If they did their duty, and the people who heard the bells did their duty, God would do the rest, and there would be no fear that the parish would not be a faithful witness for Christ. He could not help saying in closing that he thought they might take even a higher line and say that they all desired that the bell ringers of that great county should so bear witness in their lives to the truth which they believed, and to the church to which they belonged, they should sound their trumpet so clearly, that when Christ clajmed them, as he would claim them all, and they came into His presence He would be able to say of every bell ringer, "He that soundeth the trumpet is by Me."
Subsequently a variety of touches were rung on the bells, and some useful practice obtained by those whose opportunities of ringing upon ten bells is very limited

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## A SATISFACTORY YEAR

The Essex Association, according to the report for 1912, which has just bson issued, has had a most gratifying year It has been, says the report, one of the most prosperous and encouraging in the whole of the Association's existence. Although the income had not been quite sufficient to meet all liabilities, the total worth of £106 is. 6hd., against $£ 106$ 6s. $1 \frac{1}{3} d$. for 1911 showed only a shrinkage of 4 s . 7d. The large attendance at the annual meeting and the efforts during the summer months to reach outlying towers accounted for the extra expenditure. The missionary expeditions were most successful. Whole comprnies joined at Foxearth. Weden Ambo, Orsett, Stanford-le-Hope, Shenfield and Ingatestone. They were met at most of the towers by the incumbent and ringers, and heartily welcomed. The newly formed bands at All Saints', Colchester, Pentloy and Great Waltham were among the latest recruits. With a net increase of 73 for the year, and a grand total of 846, the association was within measurable distance of the coveted position of a membership of 1,000 . Peal ringing showed an improvement-66 against 49 the year previous. Although not a record, it was a very satisfactory list, both in quality and variety. forty-nine peals were rung upon tower bells and seven upon handbells. To attain this result 175 members took part, and 27 shared the conducting

The adding of a treble and the recasting and rehanging in an iron frame the old ring of five at Sible Headingham appeared to be the only belfry improvement during the year. Here again, a band had been formed, and was making excellent progress under the able tuition of Mr. Lewis Wiseman. The selection of Kelvedon for the first movable nnnual meeting proved a great success, and the large attendances at the district meetings was ample proof of the increased interest taken by the members generally in nromoting the welfare of the Association. Tha report. which is signed by the Master (Mr. C. H. Howard), conclucles with reference to the energr displayed $b_{5}$ the hon. secretary, auditors, and district officers in carrying out their respective duties. fud aflds that so long as the Association has among its ranks such members ready to place their services at its disposal, its continued success is assured.

A bye-meeting of the South Western Division was held at St. Mary's, Chigwell, on Satarday, and was attended by about 30 members. Various methods were rung during the afternoon and evening, and tea and husiness meeting was hold at the Schonl House. The following new members were olected: Messrs. A. Strmid, J. Weaser, and J. Horwood, Tittir Heath and Mossrs. R. T. Pellatt, IT. J. Sudell. C. Gray, S. F. R. Conper. G. N. Orford, of St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, nouresident ringing members.- Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar of Chigweli for the use of the hells, and to the steeplekeepor for haring everything in readiness, and for making arrangements for the tea

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

## RINGING MEETING AT RIPLEY.

A monthly meeting of the Derby District was held at Ripiey on Saturday week, and owing to the inclemency of the weather, there was only a small attendance. Members were present from Alfreton, Darley Dale, Denby, Derby, and the local company.-The Rev. G. D. Smith presided at the meeting, held in the belfry, and welcomed the Association once rore to Ripley.
The next meeting will be held at Duffield in May, on a date to be arranged by the hon. secretary.
Ringing was kept up during the afternoon and evening, the following methods being rung: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich Major, and Superlative Surprise Major.
It is to be regretted that the cycling members were prevented from coming owing. to heavy rain all the afternoon. and it is hoped they will come to the Duffield meeting in large numbers, seeing that this is: one of the very few opportunities of having a meeting in a ten-bell tower.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

The monthly meeting of the Manchester branch was keld at St. Anne's, Denton, on Saturday, when only a poor response was mado to the invitation, three visitors only turning up, after the local company had done their best to make the members comfortable, and getting the use of the choir vestry for the mecting. But what was lacking in numbers was made up for in ringing, for touches brought round included Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob, 720 Kent and 360 Woodbine, and the visitors got an introduction to Killamarsh, rung by the local company. Ringing ceased about 9 o'clock, when the party were grimbled at, not for going on so long, but for stopping too soon.

Some excuse for non-attendance was a peal attempt on the one side, and a committee meeting in Cheshire on the other, St. Anne's parish being partly in Cheshire, and the company members of the Chester Guild. On learing, a pressing invitation was extended to the brancir to come again, and in larger numbers.

The monthly meeting of the Bolton branch was heid at St. Bartholomew's, on Saturday, when ten members were present. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Newchurch.

## SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE.

## By CHARLES HENRY HATTERSLEY.

No. 15056
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These two peals, which are as ons in composition, have rerersed course-ends, with 4th and 6th in 5-6 without recourse to bobs "Before. and with 3rd and 5th extent in fifth's with all the 8-3-7's and $8-5-7$ s respectively; also, without 2nd or 3rd being in sixth's place in peal No. 1. Each of these has the 4th and 6th their extent in sixth's on this plan. It should be understood that bobs "Before" cut out two of the hesi leads in a course. viz., the Middles and the Wrongs. Therefore, the less use of such calis the better it is for the musical value of a composition. These two peals are productive of a large number of variations, with 4th, 5th and 6th exclusively in sisth's place, and also with 5th and 6 ih reversed course-ends. The key-note to this class of compositions is mainly due to the skeleton calling as at foot, and was first applica to a real in this method by C. H. H. in 1887, and published March $10 \mathrm{th}, 1888$.

## PRESENTATION AT TROWBRIDGE.

## GIFT TO THE "FATHER OF THE BELFRY."

As we briefly amounced last week, Mr. W. McCaffrey, "the father of the belfyy," at Trowbridge, who has been a ringer at the Parish Chureh for 56 years, has been presented with a handsome clock, in recognition of his services. The interesting event took place at the Rectory on Mr. MeCaffrey's 70th birthday, the presentation being made by the Rector, who said that for the last 56 years at least Mr. McCaffrey lad been an active member of the band of ringers, and even before that he knew he had some part in the ringing-from the time he was 12 years of age. During that time he had seen many changes in and around the church, and if Mr. McCaffrey chose to look round the walls of that room he would see the portraits of eight different Rectors he had served under. He (the speaker) was the last Rector, but he was most glad to have the opportunity and privilege of voicing what he felt all his predecessor's would have expressed, their real gratitude for all the help given them in the belfry. Since Mr. McCaffrey started ringing there had been changes in the bells. They had been restored and improved twice, and they now had a band of ringers equal, if not superior, to any they had had in the past. All the ringers present would agree with him that much of the credit for that was due to Mr. McCaffrey, who was in a sense the father of the belfry. He had trained many of those who had rung with him, and it was the wish of all to mark in some way their sense of sratitude and affection for him. So the ringers and some other friends who had joined with them asked if he would acoept at their hands that clock. It was but a little token of all the debt of gratitude he felt sure they all realised they owed to him.

A massive marble clock. with best French movement, was then handed by the Rector to Mr. McCaffrey with best wishes for his continued good health. A plate on the clock is inscribed as follows:"Presented to Mr. William McCaffrey by his fellow ringers and other friends at the Parish Church, Trowbridge, on his completing 56 years' faithful service in the belfry. April 22nd, 1913."

## HOW MR. McCAFFREY BEGAN TO RING

Mr. McCaffrey, in reply, said he felt that it was very kind of the Rector to voice the kindly words he had for lis humble services. He had always had great pleasure in ringing, and had been fascinated with it from a boy. He had plenty of facility himself for doing a little ringing, because the bells frequently were going. There was the school bell, five minutes previous to school-time, and lads had the adrantage of ringing this. On sunday mornings there were the prayer bells, at eight oclock, althongh there was 10 service, and at a quarter to nine when they went to school on Sunday morning. A prayer bell, too, went in the week, on Thursday night, at five o'clock. So that he was not lacking opporumity to practice. He expected no such thing as that beautiful present, and he supposed no one ever had such a thing in Trowbridge belfry before. He thought Mr. Ilector had had a hand in this. Anyhow, he thanked both him and all the other ringers and subscribers to the present.

Mr. S. T. Hector said how grateful they all felt to Mr. McCaffrey for the trouble he had taken with them. He was sure they had a very good band, and it was Mr. McCaffrey who had got them on. It had been a lot of trouble for him to do so, but he was rewarded now. He would be able to walk the streets, and hear the bells in the tower with satisfaction.

Mr. Raison said he was the only one left of the old band, and he remarked what a fine band they had to-day:-Mr. W. Mackay endorsed what the Rector had said.
Refreshments were then handed round by the kindness of the Rector and Mrs. Nash.

A peal recorded elsewhere was rung in honour of Mr. McCaffrey's 70th birthday.

## A RUNAWAY CHURCH AND BELL. REMARKABIE TNCIDENT OF AMERICAN FLOOD.

At the height of the recent destructive flocd in the Western Stater of America, a wooden church surmounted by a tower was seen, partly submerged, rasing down the Ohio river, pitching and tossing like an ocean vessel in a gale. Sailing by cities and towns, its career was finally arrested on the higher part of Blennerhasset Island, two miles from Parkersburg, West Virginia, where it was found stranded upon the subsidence of the waters. This island was bought by Blennerhasset, the gifted Irish lanyer, in 1798, and became the rendezvous for the gathering of arms and the training of volunteers in the conspi:acy of 1805 .
The structure, thus so unexpectedly landed in their midst, was promptly taken possession of by the enterprising inhabitants, who hanled it by means of rollers and windlass to a central situation where it was secured upon a stable foundation, and will be hereafter utilised for religious worship, as originally intended. In the tower was suspended a bell weighing nearly one-half ton. The building container nothing to indicate the sect, or denomination. of its former worshippers, nor its point of departure. While it would be impracticable to remove the errant church from the island, it js probable that claimants will apsoar later to demand the restoration of the bell.
It's an ill-flood that wafts nobody any good.

## THE LOUGHBOROUGH FOUNDRY.

MESSRS. TAYLOR AND CO.'S ACTIVI'CIES.
Tho Loughborongh foundry continues to work at full pressure, and the following work has just been completed:-
WARSOP, Notts.-The treble, 2nd and tenor recast and tho peal of four rehung with new fittings in a new framework. Tenor, 7 cwt. 1 qr, 18 lbs.
SOUTHAM. Warwick.-The ving of six rohung with new fittings in a new framework. Dedicated last Saturday fortnight. Two new trebles to complete the octave will be fixed this week. Tenor, 15 ewt. 1 qr. 25 lbs.
KILSBY. Northants.-The three largest bells of the peal of four recast (they were cracked by the fire when the tower was bumb out a few months ago), and the poal rehung with new fittings in a new framework. Dedicated last Tuesday. Tenor, 10 cwt 1 gr .3 lbs.
MAYFIEID, Sussex. -Two new trebles added to complete the octave. Weigint of these two bells 6 and $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwts}$.
The following works are now being fixed in the towers, viz.:-
OSWALDTWISTLE, Lancs.-The old peal of six rehung with entirely new fittings in a new iron framework, and two new trebles added to complete the octave. These bells were dedicated on Tuesday last,
ITNCOTAN CATHEDRAL.-A now peal of eight is being hung to replace the old peal. The new bells are, of course, being supplied with new fittings, and are being hung in a new iron framework, which framework is made to take four more bells to complete a peal of twolve. The two tenors of the old peal are being retained (these two bells date from 1606 to 1593), and will be hung with, new fittings and framework, to be used as service bells. New tenor 23 cwt. 3 qre. 13 lbs . The bells will be dedieated to-morrow (Saturday).

The following will be hung shortly:-
SOUTHPORT, HOLY TRTNITY, Lancs.-A single bell, weighing two tons, is nearly readv for fixing.

CFFWTON MENDIP, Som.-The old ring of six is being recast into a now peal of eight, tenor about, 23 cwt. The new peal will be hung with new fittings and framework.
RAINFIAM, Kent.-The peal of six bells are being rehung with new fittings in a new iron framework, the framework being prepared for two now smaller bells to complete the octave.

## TREBLE BOB WITH TWIN HUNT.

## BY FREDERICK DENCH

Something entirely new in Treble Bob construction has been sent us for publication by Mr. F. Dench, of the College Vouths. It is Kent Treble Bob with a twin hunt, and the following is a lead and peal in the method. 12345678 21346587
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Single
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This method is the first produced witls a dodging twin hunt. It will run to 10 and 12 bells, the same as ordivary Treblo Bob.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

EDGBASTON, BIRMINGFAM.-On recent Sundays, for service, 720 Bob Minor and 720 Oxford Bob: II. Withers (conductor) 1, W. Bryant 2, T. Collinson 3, J. Eaton 4, A. Gardner 5, J. Johuson 6. Also 720 Stedman Minor: W. Bryant 1, T. Russam 2, J. Collinson 3, J. Eaton 4, A. Gardner 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6; and two 720's Stedman Minor, with T. Bratton 2. 720 Double Court: J. Johnson 1, W. Bryant 2, T. Collinson 3, J. Eaton 4, A. Gardner 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6. 720 Grandsire Minor: W. Bryant 1, J. Johnson 2, T. Collinson 3, J. Eaton 4, A. Gardner 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6. Also a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: J. Johnson 1, W. Bryant 2, H. Withers (conductor) 3, J. Collett 4, J. Eaton 5, S. Freemantle (first quarter-peal) 6.
FOLKESTONE.- $\Lambda_{t}$ the Parish Church, on Easter Sunday, for evening service, 1218 Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: G. Millen 1, J. Henley 2, S. Boar 3, G.Foord 4, A. Kedwell 5, F. Nye 6, W. H. Wood (conductor) 7, W. Knight 8. Composed by Mr. S. Barker, in whose honour it was rung in celebration of his 87 th birthday. This touch contains Tittums, Queens and Whittingtons.
PORTSEA. - At the Parish Church, on Easter Day, 504 Stedman Triples: A. S. Beer 1, J. Harris 2, J. Symonds 3, J. Wheeler 4, F. Thornton 5, C. Creasy 6, E. J. Harding (conductor) 7, J. Smith 8.On March 30th, 504 Stedman: J. Harris 1, J. Symonds 2, C. Groves 3, J. Wheeler 4, W. Witham 5, C. Creasy 6, E. J. Harding (conductor) $7, \mathrm{~S}$. Thomas 8.
STANSTED.-Essex Association.-On Laster Day, for early service, at the Parish Church, 360 Oxford Treble Bob. For morning service, 504 Stedman Triples: G. Gray 1, II. Little 2, G. Jordan 3, F. M. Butler 4, 'T. Jordan 5, T. J. Watts 6, W. Watts (conductor) 7, W. T. Prior 8.On March 26th, 504 Stedman Triples: G. Gray 1, W. T. Prior 2, G. Jordan 3, F. M. Butler 4, I. J. Tucker 5, T. Jordan 6, W. Watts (conductor) 7, F. Potter 8. Also 503 Grandsire Triples, H. J. Tucker, con-ductor.-On March 29th, for morning service, 504 Stedman Triples: $G$. Gray 1, W. Prior 2, J. Luckey 3, W. T. Prior 4, T. J. Watts 5, G. Jordan 6, W. Watts (conductor) 7, F. Potter 8.
TENBY, SOUTH WALES.-On March 2nd, at the Parish Church, for erening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1260 changes), taken from Carter's Twelve-part, in 53 mins.: T. John 1, T. Griffiths 2, P. P. Peacock 3, W. Jenkins 4, L. Jenkins.5, A. Rees 6, R. H. Jenkins (conductor) 7, A. Richards 8. Rung as a compliment to the conductor, who celebrated his 50 th birthday on the same day.
WOKING.-At St. Peter's Church, on March 31st, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor, in 47 mins., with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Lord Wolseley, on the occasion of his funeral in Si. Paul's Cathedral: W. Edwards 1, W. Lee 2, R. Hampton 3, J. Street 4. J. Brackley (conductor) 5, T. Strudwick 6.

FIULL. - Yorkshire Association_-On Sunday, March 30th. at Holy Trinity Church, 896 Grandsire Triples: J. Hedges 1, F. Dale 2, C. Jackson (conductor) 3, F. Merrison 4, D. Meadler 5, E. Cutsforth 6, T. Whitfield 7. J. Chamberlain 8. For evening service, 539 Grandsire Caters: J. Dale 1, C. Jackson 2, T. Stockdale 3, E. Cutsforth 4, G.
Dowling 5, J. Highfield 6, T. Morton 7, G. T. Miller 8, W. Brown 9, F. Nerrison 10 .
WTRFTFIAM, SUFFOLK.-On Easter Day, for early service, 720 and 240 Rol, Minor. For morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob and 108 Bob Minor. For evening service, 720 and 108 Bob Minor. After evening service, 360 Bob Minor. The following took part: G. Bertram, W. Mellin. F. Naunton, A. J. Naunton, F. W. Naunton, J. Spencer, F. Kecley (Redenball). The conducting was shared by J. Spencer and F. W. Naunton

ITDGFND, GLAMORGAN. - At St. Illtyd's Church. for morning 504 Grardsire Triples: W. Evans 1, T. J. Evans 2, R. Gregory 3, Aerice, 504 Grardsire Triples: W. Exans 1 , T. J. Evans 2, R. Gregory 3, Toby 8. For evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: *A. J. Stanley 1, Ewans (conductor) 7, A. liardwick 8. * First 504 Stedman. Rung on the occasion of the dedication of a new pulpit, the gift of Mr. R. K. Pritchata, of Bryntirion.
LEICESTETR.-At St. Mar:tin'a Church, on Sunday, March 16th, 700 Stedinan Caters: G. Pilmore 1, S. Cotton 2, F. G. Jenney $\overline{3}$, A. Pettit Ifirst in the method as conductor) 4, Louis Allen 5, F. H. Dexter (composer) 6, L. Allon 7, C. I. Fowler 8, A. Martin 9, T. Taylor 10.-On J. Morris 2, G. Pilmore 3, A. Pettitt 4, C. H. Fowler 5, S. Cotton 6, F. H. Dexter (conductor) 7, E. Morris 8, A. Martin 9, T. Taylor 10.-On Sunday. March 30th, at St. Martin's, 831 Stedman Caters: G. Cleal 1, S. Cotton 2, L. E. Allen 3, A. Pettitt 4, J. O. Lancashire 5. E. Morris
6, T. L. Allen 7, F. H. Dexter (conductor) 8, A. Martin 9, T. Tay]or 10. Rung on the eccasion of a visit by Mr. Geo. Cleal, of Ireland, late of St. Martin'e, Leicester'.
IST, EWVORTIL.-On March 30th, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples, to celchinte the marringe of Miss J. Beadle, youngest daughter of the local captain. A 504 Grandsire Triples was also rung after the ceremony. Also, for oveluing service, 504 in the same method. The ringers takins part wern: E. Webb. G. Ranson, A. Beckensale, T.
Beadle, A. Sheard, F. Goddard, G. Miles, W. New, C. Dell, W. Biggs, Beadle, A. Sheard, F. Goddard, G. Miles, W. New, C. Dell, W. Biggs,

NTWPORT PAGNELL, BUOKS.-On April 2nd, 518 Grandsire Triples: W. Ellis 1, J. W. Unwin (conductor) 2, W. F. Smith 3, F. C. Mapley (first 500) 4, E. Lathall 5, F. C. Tompkins 6, W. Webb 7, H. Warren (first 500) 8.

MJLVERTON, SOMERSET.-At St. Michael's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins.: W. Chapman 1, W. Andrews, junr., 2 F. Norman 3, E. Chapman 4, H. Norman 5, A.J. Andrews 6, R. Scott (first quarter as conductor) 7, R. Chapman 8. Also 168 Grandsire Triples, with A. Tout (first touch), treble. Also recently, 504 Grandsire Triples, in which E. Biffin took part, ringing the treble, it being his first 504 Triples on the treble

GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.-On April 1st, a date touch of Minor, in 1 hr., in the following methods: Plain Bob, Double Court, Kent and Oxford Trable Bob: G. Southgate (longest length) 1, J. D. Bucking ham (conductor) 2, H. Lewis 3, F. White 4, J. Owers 5, A. Appleton 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble and 3rd.On April 2nd, 720 Norwich Surprise: G. Southgate 1, H. Lewis 2, J. D. Buckingham (conductor) 3, F. White 4, G. H. Neville 5, A. Appleton 6. First 720 in the method on the bells, and by the local company.

EEXHILL, SUSSEX.-On April 2nd, a peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted, but, unfortunately, was lost after 40 mins, ringing: G Richardson 1, E. J. Pannett 2, F. S. Sturt 3, G. H. Sturt 4, G. Billeness 5, A. J. Turner 6, R. J. Dawe 7, C. Errey 8. Afterwards, Mr. C. Errey entertained the party at the Bell Hotel to a substantial repast, for which a hearty vote of thanks were returned to him. Mr. Billeness hails from Rye, Mr. R. J. Dawe from Seaford, the rest belong to Lewes.

MIDDLETON, LANCS.-On March 23 rd, for early Commumion, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 46 mins.: J. Hoilows 1, J Arrowsmith, senr., 2, T. Oldham 3, T. K. Dricer 4, E. B. Shaw (conductor) 5, T. Ogden 6, D. Renshaw 7, T. Wellens 8.
LONDON-On April 6th, at St. James', Clerkenwell, for evening serviee, 720 Grandsire Doubles, with 4, 6, 8 covering, in 26 mins., being six 120 's each called differently: G. C. Rogers 1, C. J. W. Alderton 2, W. A. Gcodman 3, R. J. Hughes 4, G. T. Green 5, R. W. Rixon 6, A E. Millett (conductor) 7, E. Barber 8 . Longest length by all.

CROYDON, SURREY. - On April 6th, for evening service, at St. Peter's Church, 1259 Grandsire Caters, in 48 mins.: *W. Gammon 1, E. Miles 2, *F. Larby 3, W. Ives 4, G. Burt 5, H. Lover 6, F. Bennett (eonductor) 7, F. Hairs 8, *C. Kitching 9, D. Wright 10. * First quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters.

OLDHAM.-Lancashire Association.-On April 8th, for men's service, a date touch of Grandsire Caters, at the Parish Church, in 1 hr. 17 mins.: H. Wright 1, S. M. Butterworth 2, A. Clegg 3, S. Stott (con4uctor) 4, C. Marsland 5, A. Waite 6, J. H. Jastow 7, F. E. Fielding 8, I. Schofield 9, J. Garlich 10. Messrs. A. Clegg and I. Schofield balong to Glodwich; the rest to the local band.

WESTMINSTER.-At St. Margaret's Church, on Sunday, April 6th, fur evening service, 1193 Stedman Caters: F. Davis 1, W. Wise 2, E. Gibbis 3, W. Hewett (conductor) 4, F. Perrin 5, A. J. Trollope 6, A. W. Grimes 7, J. E. Davis 8, T. Groombridge, senr., 9, J. Bailey 10.

WALTHAMSTOW.-At St. Saviour's Church, on April 7th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. C. Adams 1, C. Hughes 2, G. W. Cooper 3, H. Rumens 4, IF. J. Cooper 5, G. B. Lucas (conductor) 6. Also 419 Grandsire Triples: S. E. Townsend 1, H. Rumens (conductor) 2, C. Hughes 3. J. C. Adams 4. H. J. Cantor 5, G. W. Cooper 6, G. B. Lucas 7 O. L. Twist 8. These touches were rung as a farewell to Mr. S. E. Townsend, who was leaving Walthamstow for Ramsgate.
THETFORD-Norwich Diocesan Association. - On Sunday, April Eth, 1008 Bob Major: T. Stigg 1, L. Dickerson 2, F. J. Poulson 3, A. Macro 4, T. Fitzjohn 5, F. Salter (conductor) 6, W. Everett 7, C. Carter 8. Rung for evening service, and in honour of the conductar's birthday.

PUTNEY.-On April 5th, at the Parish Church, for a wedding, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 47 minutes: H. Whanslaw 1, T. Boiton 2, W. Honeyball 3, G. W. Honeyball 4, C. Collis, junr., 5, A. Fubbacd (composer and conductor) 6, B. Morris (first quarter in the mathod) 7, A. Jones 8.

GTASBURY.-For evening service, on Good Friday, with the bells half-muffler, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 53 mins.: B. Jones 1, J. N. Vizor 2, L. Lewis 3, J. P. Hyett 4, E. R. Jones 5, W. Jamss 6. For early service, Easter morning, a quarter-peal of Grandsirs Doubles, in 47 mins. : T. Drew 1, B. Jones (first quarter with a bob bell) '2, J. N. Vizor 3, L. Lewis 4, J. P. Hyett 5, E. R. Jones 6. Both quarters conducted by J. P. Hyett, with 10 different ca!lings.
NOLTH WINGFIELD.-East Derbyshire Asscciation.-On Sunday, March 23rd, for service, 1008 Bob Major: W. Waddington 1, W. Barker (longest touch) 2, J. P. Tarliton 3, W. Butler (conductor) 4, J. T. Butler , T. Clonrh 6, R. Hall (Doncaster) 7, W. Wain 8.-On April 4th, 720 Bob Minor: Miss Wain 1, W. Butler' 2. J. P. Tarlton 3. A. Butler 4, J. T. Butler (eonductor) 5, W. Wain 6. Longest length by Miss Wain, who is to be congratulated on her success, as she only commenced the art a few weeks ago.
WENT GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.-On March 31st, 720 Cambridge Surprise: J. Bowell 1, T. Adams 2, H. Turrell 3, G. Lucas (conductor) 4, W.
 Oxford. by the same ringers, conducted by W. Denman, senr. First 720 in the method by all except conductor.

## 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 May 22nd; St. John's, Hackney, on the 13 th and 27 th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 27 th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 2oth; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 13 th; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, all the others 8 p.m. - William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.-Established ${ }^{\text {I }} 755$.-A service for the dedication of the new second bell will be held at St. Martin's Church on Saturday, May soth, at 4 o'clock.-A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, in, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Shore Church on Saturday, May ioth, Igr3 (instead of Walsden, as selected). Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary, 13, Norman Street, North Moor, Oldham.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Quarterly meeting at Whitchurch on Saturday, May 1oth. Bells (6) from 4 o'clock. Service 5.30. Tea and business meeting at the Church Hall 6.15.-F. G. Hume, District Secretary, Oakley, Basingstoke.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverdool Branch.-A meeting will be held at Widnes and Framworth on Saturday, May ioth. Bells ready at 4. Tea at 5.30. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at Rochester on Whitsun Monday, May 12 th. Service at the Cathedral 4 p.m. Tea at Victoria Hall, Star Hill, 5.30 p.m.-Fred J. O. Helmore, Honorary Secretary, Canterbury.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Thrapston on Whit-Monday, May i2th. The bells of Thrapston and Islip will be at liberty for ringing from 10 a.m. to 11.45 , and from 3 to $7 \cdot 30$. Service at the Parish Church, Thrapston, at iz noon. Luncheon, with meeting to follow, at the White Hart Hotel at 1 o'clock. Members is. each. Non-members 2s. each.-F. Wilford, General Secretary, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

LADIES' GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be held at Birmingham on Whit-Monday, May, I2th. Tea and meeting at Harborne at $4 \cdot 30$. St. Martin's (I2) bells will be available at 12.30 , and Selly Oak and Harborne (8) during the afternoon and evening. Gentlemen cordially invited.-E. K. Parker, Honorary Secetary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held on Whit-Monday at West Ham. Service at the Parish Church at Ir.30. Business meeting at Mason Hall at 12.30 . Dinner in the same place at I. 30 . Ringers desirous of using the adjacent towers either before or after dinner, had better apply to Mr. G. Black, Mayfield, Grand Avenue, Woodford Green.-Henry T. W. Eyre, Honorary Secretary, Great Totham, Witham.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Walsoken on Whitsun-Monday, May r2th. Bells of Walsoken (6) and Wisbech (10) available all day. Dinner at the Bell, Walsoken, at I .30 p.m. at is. 6d. each. Non-members of the Association are cordially invited.-C. E. Borrett, Secretary, I2, Grove Avenue, Norwich.

EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. -- Alfreton District.-A meeting will be held at Crich on Whit-Monday, May i2th. Bells (6) ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4 p.m., 6d. each. All ringers and friends invited. - Fred Watkinson, District Secretary, ${ }^{13}$, Park Street, Alfreton.

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORISSHIRE ASSO-

 CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Ripon on Whit-Monday, May i2th, 1913. The bells at the Cathedral are available for ringing II to 12.30 a.m., 2.30 to 5 , and 6 to 9 p.m., and the Parish Church bells, Sharow, from Io. 15 a.m. Committee mecting at the Black Bull Hotel, Ripon, II. 30 a.m. Dinner will be provided at the Black Bull Hotel, Ripon, I2.30, members is., nonmembers 2s. 6d. each. Ringers attending the Central Council meeting to be held at Newcastle-on-Tyne that can make it convenient to call at Ripon will receive a very hearty welcome to this meeting.-T. Metcalfe, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.The Whit-Monday meeting will be held at North Shields. Christ Church bells available all day except between II.I5 and 12 a.m. Committee meeting will be held at the Bath Hotel, Tynemouth, at i p.m. Dinner i. 30 p.m. All visitors will be heartily welcomed and entertained to dinner if they will kindly send word to the secretary before May 6th that they are likely to be present. - R. Stephenson, Joint Honorary Secretary, 2, Cleveland Terrace, West Hartlepool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - A branch meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, May $17^{\text {th. Bells ready at } 3 \text { o'clock. Meeting at }}$ 6.30 p.m. The bells have been rehung and augmented to a peal of eight.-J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the James' Society, Established 1824).-Northern District.The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Saturday, May ${ }^{1} 7$ th. Tower open at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 8. I 5 p.m. All members and friends welcome.-J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7D Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSO-CIATION.-Western Branch.-A general ringing meeting will be held at Hallow on Saturday, May 17 th, commencing at 5 p.m.-R. G. Knowles, Branch Secretary.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEF-FIELD.-The next meeting of the above society will be held at Ecclesfield ( 8 bells) on Saturday, May 17th, 1913. Tower open at 4 p.m.-J. Evenson, 9r, Clarence Street, Shefficld.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-The next meeting will be held at Shoreham on Saturday, May J7th. Tower open from 3.30 p.m. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Business to follow. Members intending to be present at tea please let me know by Thursday, May 15 th.H. Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-A cycle run will take place to Rugeley (6) on Saturday, May I7th. Bells available from 3 p.m.-Rev. E. V. Cox, 39, Westbourne Road, Walsall.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The half-yearly meeting will be held at Bury on Saturday, May 24th. Bells of the Parish Church (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Meeting in the schoolroom at 5.30 p.m.-W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Honorary Secretaries.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The next meeting will be held at Queensbury, near Bradford, on May 24 th (the fourth Saturday). For full particulars see circular. Clement Glenn, Honorary Secretary, in, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSGCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, West Ealing, on Saturday, May 24 th, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. WV. H. Thompson). Ringing from $4 \cdot 30$, short service at 6 . Tea will be provided by the Vicar at 6.30 to those who notify (by May 22nd) Mr. WV. Lawrence, Shakespeare Road, Hanwell. - H. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting is to be held at Wimborne Minster, on Wednesday, May 28th. Ringing to commence at ir.o. Service in the Minster at I2.I5. Dinner in Masonic Hall at I.15. Ringers will be the guests of the Wimborne Branch. The towers at Cranborne and St. Giles, Poole, Canford, Lytchett Matravers and Sturminster Marshall will be open for ringing.

ST. THOMIS' CHURCH, SOUTH WIGSTON.Mr. Albert H. Bell, I3, Irlam Street, South Wigston, to whom all correspondence concerning the bells should be addressed, has been appointed tower-kceper at the above church.
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