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MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1914
Gentlemen,

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

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

Yours faithfully, F. T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

MODERN WORK.

BELL TOWERS AND BELL HANGING.

The book upon bell towers and bell hanging, for which Sir Arthur Heywood made himself responsible, and which he promised the Central Council, when they met at Winchester, would be issued in the near future, has now been published, and while it is specially directed to architects, for whose information it has, from the outset, been primarily intended, we have found in its pages a great deal of information of service to the average ringer. It is impossible to touch in this one article upon the mass of matter with a direct bearing upon the construction of towers and the hanging of bells, in relation both to the effect of the strain of the bells upon the structure, and the sound of the bells upon the public, which it dealt with in the nearly 200 pages which the book covers. Certain it is, however, that nothing which has previously been published has dealt so exhaustively with the practical as well as the theoretical side of the subject, and, it is, we feel sure, bound to have far reaching effects.

Sir Arthur Heywood himself deals with the internal economy of a bell tower and the construction of bell frames, upon which subjects he brings to bear his great engineering talent as well as his almost lifelong experience as a ringer. A summary of Mr. E. H. Lewis's valuable experiments, recently explained to the Central Council, an able article by Mr. E. Alexander Young, A.R.I.B.A., upon the design and stability of bell towers, and useful contributions by Mr. J. H. B. Hesse (on "Bell Frames and the Architect") and the Rev. C. D. P. Davies (on "Towers for Bells") are included to complete the first portion of the book. An appendix is added which includes much other valuable information which has been published from time to time, such as Sir Arthur Heywood's paper to the Brighton Church Congress in 1901, and extracts from the report of a committee of the Central Council on the preservation and repair of bells, frames and fittings, issued in 1892.

This new book will act as a general introduction to a more strictly technical work which, it is hoped, in the course of a few months, the Council may be able to publish, and which will include Mr. Lewis's calculations *in extenso*, together with considerable detailed information which he is collecting as to the percentage of metal frames installed and the results of a detailed inquiry into all the alleged cases of damage caused to towers where these frames have been used. No doubt this further work will be of immense advantage to architects and bell hangers, but in the meantime there is a great deal of information of the highest value to be gained and used to the best advantage by the ordinary ringer, as well as by others connected with bells in any official capacity, if they will secure a copy of the new publication.

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TEN BELL PEAL.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5160 CHANCES;

Tenor 24½ cwt.

THOMAS W. GORE Treble	SAMUEL WESLEY 6
SAM THOMAS 2	G. OLIVER DIXON 7
GEORGE HOLLIS 3	JOHN MCKELL 8
JOHN THORPE 4	ARTHUR KNIGHTS 9
JOHN HOLMAN 5	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS.

* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Royal.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

REDDISH.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 16, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELIZABETH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

REV. A. T. BEESTON Treble	TOM WILDE 5
GEORGE GARNETT 2	JOHN T. BOTTRILL 6
JOHN E. BARNES 3	W. W. WOLSTENCROFT ... 7
ALFRED BARNES 4	JAMES BARNES Tenor

Conducted by W. W. WOLSTENCROFT.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wednesday, June 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

S. BIDDLESTONE'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 23 cwt., in E flat.

*BERT TROTH Treble	JOSEPH WALKER 5
THOMAS HORTON 2	JESSE SCREEN 6
HERBERT HOWL 3	REUBEN HALL 7
FRED TROTH 4	THOMAS FIELDHOUSE ... Tenor

Conducted by JESSE SCREEN.

* First peal. The above are all members of the regular Sunday ringing band, with the exception of the ringer of the 7th. The peal was rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to the late Mr. Samuel Reeves, clerk and verger of the above church for the last 27 years, also formerly hon. secretary of the above Society for 23 years.

BADSEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

EDWIN KNIGHT Treble	JAMES ADDIS 5
LEWIS SPARROW 2	CHARLES KNIGHT 6
AUGUSTUS DORE 3	FRANK COOK 7
WILLIAM SPARROW 4	WILLIAM KEEN Tenor

Conducted by FRANK COOK.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. Edwin Knight, one of the band, on his 70th birthday, and to Mr. Frank Cook on his 70th peal. All of the band are market gardeners.

BROMLEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 30, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

SPENCER MARSHALL Treble	ISAAC EMERY 5
*ERNEST TIGWELL 2	GEORGE HUXLEY 6
HUBERT J. BLACKWELL ... 3	†ERIC G. FILTNESS 7
*ALBERT E. NEWICK 4	GEORGE DURLING Tenor

Composed by HENRY J. TUCKER, and
Conducted by ERIC G. FILTNESS.

* First peal of Bob Major. † First peal as Conductor.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 1, 1914, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael, Coslany,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

PERCY C. ARTIS	Treble	ALBERT ROUGHT	5
FREDK. H. KNIGHTS	2	GEORGE HOWCHIN	6
FREDK. KNIGHTS	3	GEORGE H. CROSS	7
CHARLES E. BORRETT	4	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN	Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER, and
Conducted by G. H. CROSS.

Rung with half-muffled clappers in memory of the late George Moy, of Aylsham, a much respected ringing comrade of many years' standing.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, July 2, 1914, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matthew, Upper Clapton,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lbs., in F.

ROBERT E. PELLATT	Treble	CHARLES A. GRAY	5
HENRY J. KING	2	ALFRED W. GRIMES	6
CHARLES T. COLES	3	STANLEY H. R. COOPER	7
HENRY RUMENS	4	WILLIAM J. KEMP	Tenor

Composed by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE, and
Conducted by WILLIAM J. KEMP.

First peal in the method by all except "the Guv'nor!" The conductor has now rung each bell in the tower to a peal.

BISHOPS CANNINGS, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, July 2, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

MISS E. JONES	Treble	SAMUEL J. HECTOR	5
WILLIAM LAWRENCE	2	SYDNEY HILLIER	6
ARTHUR K. HARRISON	3	*FRANK GREEN	7
*CONER D. MEAD	4	RICHARD PHILLIPS	Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY HILLIER.

This peal was arranged for Miss Jones and Mr. Lawrence, who hails from Ealing, and were elected members before starting. This is the first time a lady has rung a peal for the Devizes Branch, Miss Jones having been a member of St. John's company, Devizes, where she learnt change-ringing before going to Ealing. Messrs. Harrison and Hector hail from Trowbridge. * First peal with a bob bell.

THRAPSTON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

*JOHN COLEMAN	Treble	DANIEL REDHEAD	5
FRANK KIRK	2	FRED STUBBS	6
HENRY STUBBS	3	*LESLIE GROOM	7
*FRED ARNOLD	4	JAMES M. NICKERSON	Tenor

Composed by HENRY JAMES TUCKER, and
Conducted by JAMES M. NICKERSON.

* First peal of Major and first attempt. This peal was arranged and rung as a welcome to the Rev. B. W. Stothert and Mrs. Stothert and family on taking up residence at the Rectory.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

HENRY L. GARFATH	Treble	WALTER SMITH	5
*EDWARD BARNES	2	ERNEST B. CROWDER	6
ALBERT E. NEWICK	3	THOS. GROOMERIDGE, Senr.	7
CHARLES W. PLAYER	4	DAVID BARNES	Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMERIDGE.

* First peal and first attempt.

MILNROW, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN MILLETT	Treble	STANLEY PICKUP	5
WILLIAM CRABTREE	2	EDMUND SCHOFIELD	6
HUGH REYNOLDS	3	JOSEPH GREENWOOD	7
HERBERT DAVENPORT	4	ANDREW SIDEBOTTOM	Tenor

Composed by the late W. HARRISON, and
Conducted by A. SIDEBOTTOM.

DRAYTON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

MISS M. E. CHILLINGWORTH	Treble	WALTER A. WEBB	5
MISS K. HOLFIELD	2	WILLIAM LAWRENCE	6
HARRY TUCKER	3	RICHARD T. HIBBERT	7
HARRY HOLFIELD	6	GEORGE HOLFIELD, Junr.	Tenor

Conducted by R. T. HIBBERT.

REIGATE, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

JAMES H. JUDD	Treble	HENRY F. EWINS	5
ARTHUR HOLMAN	2	OSCAR GILBEY	6
HARRY JORDAN	3	ALBERT HARMAN	7
GEORGE F. HOAD	4	HENRY A. HOAD	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. HOAD.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H. F. Ewins, after meeting short for Cambridge Royal.

GAINSBOROUGH.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD AND THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lbs.

GEORGE HALKSWORTH	Treble	CLEMENT GLENN	5
*FREDK. S. W. BUTLER	2	*WALTER AYRE	6
ARTHUR HAGUE	3	SIDNEY F. PALMER	7
HERBERT HAIGH	4	RUPERT RICHARDSON	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

COLERNE, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD AND THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 5, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*ARTHUR J. MERRETT	Treble	†EDMUND KING	5
ARTHUR K. HARRISON	2	†RICHARD J. COUSINS	6
GILBERT H. HARDING	3	†JOSEPH T. DYKE	7
FREDERICK C. RICH	4	SAMUEL J. HECTOR	Tenor

Conducted by A. K. HARRISON.

* First peal. † Elected members of the Bath and Wells Association prior to the commencement of the peal. ‡ Elected members of the Salisbury Guild before the commencement of the peal. First peal of Triples as conductor. The quickest peal on the bells. The ringer of the treble hails from Bishops Cannings, the 2nd and tenor from Trowbridge, the 7th from Cheltenham, and the rest from Bath.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 6, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 6½ cwt.

WILLIAM SMITH Treble	ERNEST CARTWRIGHT ... 5
HARRY WHITTLE 2	FRANK JOHNSON 6
JOHN OLDHAM 3	EDWARD READER 7
ERNEST LESLIE 4	JOSEPH POWELL Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and
Conducted by E. READER.

F. Johnson, for whom the peal was arranged, hails from St. Peter's tower, Nottingham. This is the quickest peal ever rung on the bells.

HOUNSLOW, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, July 6, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 8¾ cwt.

GEORGE E. HARBOUR ... Treble	CHARLES S. BIRD 5
GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE ... 2	CHARLES T. COLES 6
HENRY C. CHANDLER 3	GEORGE SPENCER 7
BERTRAM PREWETT 4	WILLIAM J. WATSON ... Tenor

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.

TWYWELL, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 10 Six-Scores each of Canterbury, Old Doubles and Plain Bob and 12 of Grandsire.

Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lbs.

PHILLIP INNES Treble	THOMAS BUTLER 3
MATTHIAS HOBBS 2	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT 4
ROBERT BLACK Tenor	

Conducted by MATTHIAS HOBBS.

SOMERLEYTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 13, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

JAMES ORFORD Treble	CLAYTON PARNELL 4
* EDWIN G. PIPE 2	GEORGE ORFORD 5
W. STANLEY CLARK 3	* GEORGE B. BAXTER ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE ORFORD.

* First peal on six bells. This is the first peal on these bells for over 10 years, and was arranged and rung half-muffled in sympathy with the relatives of, and as a tribute of respect to, the six Boy Scouts drowned on the river Waveney, at Somerleyton, on Whit-Monday, under distressing circumstances. The ringer of the treble was proposed a member of the Association before attempting the peal.

STAPLEGROVE, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 23, 1914, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 42 Six-Scores. Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE MANNING Treble	HENRY J. CREED 3
FRANK WAYGOOD 2	HENRY CHAPLIN 4
ISAAC CREED Tenor	

Conducted by ISAAC CREED.

First peal on the bells. Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. J. H. Chaplin and Miss M. Dollings. The ringers were the late Treble Bob Minor band of All Saints, Norton Fitzwarren, of which company the bridegroom was a member. G. Manning was proposed a member of the Association before starting for the peal.

FILLONGLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, June 27, 1914, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, called differently. Tenor 11½ cwt., in F.

JOHN TAYLOR Treble	WILLIAM J. SMITH 4
ALFRED WILSON 2	GEORGE H. KITTLE 5
OSWALD J. HUNT 3	JOSEPH H. WHITE Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. WHITE.

This is the first peal on the bells, the ringers of the treble, 2nd and 5th hail from Allesley; the others are members of the St. Michael's Society, Stoke-in-Coventry. The band desire to thank the vicar for the use of the bells, also the tower keeper for having everything in readiness.

SAXMUNDHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 27, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's of Bob Minor, two of Kent and three of Oxford Treble Bob called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

NORMAN R. BAILEY ... Treble	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... 4
JOHN SPENCER 2	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 5
WILLIAM H. P. MELLIN ... 3	FREDERICK W. WATLING Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. WATLING.

The band wish to thank the Rector (the Rev. C. Morgan Gale) for the use of the bells, also Mr. F. W. Watling for getting the bells ready and for his kindness in taking part in the peal owing to the band meeting short.

HARLESTONE, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 21 cwt.

FRED HOPPER Treble	JOSEPH C. DEAN 4
* JOHN T. HENSMAN 2	WILLIAM FAREY 5
THOMAS LAW 3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. ALLEN.

* First peal of Minor with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to William Farey.

FULBOURN, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VIGOR AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... Treble	BASIL D. BUTTRESS 4
PERCY WEBB 2	JOSEPH PAGE 5
ERNEST G. HIBBINS 3	FREDERICK DENCH ... Tenor

Conducted by ABRAHAM WILKERSON.

RINGSTEAD, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

* ARTHUR BELLAMY ... Treble	WILLIAM GILBERT 4
LEONARD WYMAN 2	JOHN LEWIN 5
REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... 3	ARTHUR SMEATHERS ... Tenor

Conducted by A. SMEATHERS.

* First peal and first attempt. He was proposed a member of the Association previous to starting for the peal.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

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

Tenor 13 cwt.

THOMAS DAVY Treble	GEORGE KEMP 4
EDWARD YOUNGS 2	WILLIAM ROSE 5
WILLIAM CLOVER 3	LEONARD LAST Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. David Cullum, who was buried the previous Thursday. Deceased was for some years vicar's warden and always took a keen interest in ringing.

ECKINGTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 4, 1914, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, called differently. Tenor 19½ cwt., in F.

*JOHN WELLAND Treble	THOMAS BOND 4
GEORGE DOLPHIN 2	SIDNEY ANNIS 5
WILLIAM NEED 3	JOHN DOLPHIN Tenor

Conducted by JOHN DOLPHIN.

* First peal. John Welland was proposed a member before starting. The ringers wish to thank the Rev. Ismay for the use of the bells and Mr. T. Bond for having everything in readiness.

HANDBELL PEALS.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, July 2, 1914, in Two Hours and Four Minutes,
IN THE TOWER OF SS. PETER AND PAUL'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine and New London, two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one of Plain Bob.

ARTHUR SYMONDS 1-2	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS 3-4
WILLIAM R. J. POULSON 5-6	

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

Witness: L. POULSON.

First peal in five methods on handbells by all and by the Association.

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, July 6, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,
AT GEORGE IV., BRUNSWICK STREET, HAGGERSTON,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

BROOKS' VARIATION.

HERBERT LANGDON 1-2	*WILLIAM A. ALPS 5-6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY 3-4	ALFRED W. GRIMES 7-8

Conducted by WILLIAM A. ALPS.

Umpire: F. J. HARDY.

* First peal of Stedman in hand.

EWHRUST RINGER'S SILVER WEDDING.

The Ewhurst (Surrey) company arranged to meet specially on the evening of Wednesday of last week, in order to ring a quarter-peal as a compliment to Mr. Frank Francis, a member of their band, who celebrated his silver wedding on that date. The quarter-peal was rung by the following: Mrs. R. Whittington 1, J. Luff 2, A. Francis 3, W. Tidy 4, R. Whittington 5, W. Denyer (conductor) 6; and it consisted of 720 Canterbury Pleasure and 540 of Plain Bob Minor. The name of Francis has been connected with Ewhurst bells for many years, two generations before this having been steeple keepers, sextons, etc., at Ewhurst, while the ringer of the 3rd in this quarter-peal is the son of Mr. Frank Francis, and thus belongs to the fourth generation. It had been arranged previous to this meeting to attempt a peal on the following Saturday, and this was successful, as already recorded.

MR. WILLIAM ROCK SMALL'S GIFT.

STAINED GLASS WINDOW DEDICATED AT TIPTON.

A special service was held at Tipton Parish Church on Saturday, for the purpose of dedicating and unveiling a beautiful stained glass window presented to the church by Mr. William Rock Small, in memory of his late beloved wife. A representative gathering of bell ringers from upwards of 40 towers in the Archdeaconry of Stafford, the Dudley and District, and the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, were present at the service to show their whole-hearted respect for their esteemed friend, the donor of the window. The clergy present were the Rev. Wilson T. de Vine (Vicar and Rural Dean), Rev. J. H. Andrew (curate), and the Rev. L. A. Pritchard (Vicar of Wednesbury).

The clergy and choir entered the church in procession, singing the hymn, "Children of the Heavenly King." The service was commenced by Mr. John Small, second son of Mr. W. R. Small, desiring the Vicar, as the representative of God's Church in the parish, to accept the gift and dedicate it to the Glory of Almighty God, and to preserve it for the religious use of the people of the parish for ever.—The Vicar thankfully accepted the gift in pious memory of the late Mrs. Small, and formally placed it under the care and guardianship of the churchwardens of the parish, to see that it is jealously preserved for the purpose for which it has been given.—The Vicar's warden, Mr. C. E. Perrins, accepted the charge. Two short prayers followed, and then the choir and clergy moved in procession to the window, where Mr. Small's eldest son, William, withdrew the covering from a beautiful window, which was greatly admired by all present. After the choir and clergy had returned to their places, evensong was said to the end of the third collect, with special Psalms and lessons. The hymn, "Peace, perfect peace," was sung, and the Rev. L. A. Pritchard gave an address from the words, "What mean ye by this service." The preacher prefaced his remarks by saying how pleased he felt at being allowed to take so prominent a part in the service, he being the Vicar of the parish in which Mr. and Mrs. Small had spent a number of years together. That service, which he looked upon as a recognition service, brought to mind the fact that these two had spent 50 years together in happy married life. Although they were now parted for a while, he prayed they might meet again in the Paradise of rest. In that service he recognised the large-heartedness and generous spirit which prompted the giver of that beautiful window to beautify the House of God in which he so regularly worshipped. The preacher hoped that as Mr. Small from time to time entered that House of Prayer to worship he might receive comfort and a joyful hope for a happy hereafter, as he looked upon that window. The service concluded with the hymn, "The Saints of God."

After the service was over several touches were rung upon the church bells, and the ringers present at the service were invited by Mr. W. R. Small to partake of refreshments. As a number of old friends were together who seldom meet, a very pleasant evening was spent.

A subject of the window is the meeting of our Saviour with Mary Magdalene on the Resurrection morning. The figures and the whole design reflect great credit on the firm of Messrs. W. Pearce and Co., Birmingham, who executed the work.

WIDFORD RINGER'S DEATH.

Under exceptionally sad circumstances the death has taken place at Widford, Essex, of Mr. George William Usher, who passed away after an attack of typhoid fever. The deceased was a member of the Widford company, and of the Essex Association, and was much respected by all who knew him. The funeral service was conducted by the Rector of Widford (the Rev. F. R. Thurlow), assisted by the Rev. H. Hammond (Curate of Writtle), and the scene at the graveside was a very affecting one. There were present the widow and a number of relatives, including Mr. C. Waskett (father-in-law), of the Galleywood company, members of the Writtle Athletic Club, and of the Oddfellows' Friendly Society, several of the deceased's workmates from the lamp shop at Messrs. R. E. Crompton and Co.'s electrical engineering works, and his fellow ringers of the Widford company, viz.: Messrs. A. Bewers, O. Bewers, R. Dines, R. W. Everard, E. Runter, A. Shuttleworth, A. Speller, A. Tarbun, senr., A. Tarbun, junr., J. Tarbun, and W. H. Wellington; also Messrs. H. W. Kirton (Boreham), G. W. Piper (Great Waltham), and B. W. Seeker (Dereham, Norfolk). After the service, a course of Grandire Triples was rung on handbells over the grave by: A. Tarbun, junr., 1-2, A. Speller 3-4, W. H. Wellington 5-6, H. W. Kirton 7-8; and subsequently on the tower bells fully muffled touches in the same method by: Messrs. A. Bewers, O. Bewers, Everard, Kirton, Piper, Runter, Speller, A. Tarbun, junr., J. Tarbun and Wellington. On the Sunday morning following an impressive service was conducted by the Rector, who preached a very touching sermon from John v. 24. Touches were rung for morning and evening services, with the bells half-muffled, by: Messrs. A. and O. Bewers, Everard, Runter, Speller, A. Tarbun, senr. and junr., J. Tarbun, Wellington and J. Walden (Boreham). The bells at Great Waltham were also rung, half-muffled, during the day. Deceased, who was only 28 years of age, leaves a widow and three young children—the eldest a cripple boy of six—for whom much sympathy is felt.

A LINCOLNSHIRE PEAL RESTORED.

BILLINGBOROUGH BELLS AUGMENTED.

The sentiment and public interest surrounding church bells was clearly evinced at Billingborough the other day, when there was a service to commemorate the reopening of the church bells.

The old oak beams which had become dangerous have been cleared out, and massive steel girders substituted; a new treble has been added, the five old bells (by Penn, 1717) have been fitted with new iron headstocks, quarter-turned, and the whole peal rehung in a massive iron and steel frame for holding eight bells. The well-known firm of Messrs. J. W. Taylor and Sons, of Loughborough, were entrusted with the work of restoration, and one cannot speak too highly of their workmanship.

At 2.30 the familiar notes of the old five, which had been missed so much during the past six months, sounded once more from the lofty tower, with its elegant spire (a conspicuous land-mark in the Fens), and fell upon the ears of the villagers who had taken such a deep and practical interest in their scheme of restoration, and called people to the Dedication service.

The ceremony attracted a large congregation, and the sacred edifice was packed with people. The Vicar of Billingborough, the Rev. C. R. T. Winckley, read the prayers; the Rev. H. Law James (Surfleet), Master of the Guild, read the first lesson; Canon Layng (Rippingale) read the second, and other clergy taking part in the service, in addition to the Archdeacon of Lincoln, were: The Rev. T. Lloyd Knapp (Threackingham), the Rev. J. H. Stallard (Newton), the Rev. C. St. John Wright (Horbling), the Rev. C. F. Yates (Wildmore). A special form of service was used, and during the singing of the hymn, "All people that on earth do dwell," the Archdeacon, together with the clergy and churchwardens, proceeded to the tower vestry, where the usual Dedication ceremony took place. A few rounds were then rung on the six by the local band of ringers, after which a special hymn, "Our bells again are raised into their place on high," was sung.

Archdeacon Jendwine based a short discourse upon St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans, chap. 1, vers. 6-7. He congratulated the people upon the restoration of their bells, and observed that they would be thankful that the work had been accomplished without injury or damage to any person or thing. No doubt they had missed the bells very much, for it seemed in this world things were always valued most when they were lost. It was a pleasure to them, undoubtedly, to hear the bells again, and more so because a new one had been added. The Archdeacon then went on to point out the many uses of bells. Their primary use was no doubt to call them to worship. They hung high in the tower, so that they could be heard all round, and they told of things above. In conclusion, he reminded them of their obligations, and now that the bells were again being rung he asked them not to refuse their call to worship.

As the congregation left the church, the bells struck off as a voluntary, and the first 720 (Bob Minor) was brought round after some excellent striking, the band being: Messrs. N. E. Snow, J. T. Holmes, W. Wood, W. Dickinson, A. Andrews (conductor), R. Richardson.

And alfresco public tea was held on the Vicarage lawn, followed by some handbell ringing. Ringers from Sleaford, Morton, Surfleet, Bourne, Stamford, Great Hale, and Heckington kept the tower bells going to Cambridge, Kent, Oxford, Plain Bob, Grandsire and Stedman until 9 p.m. The first peal was rung on the Saturday, and is recorded on another page. The tenor is 7 cwt. 3 qrs. 11 lbs., in A flat.

DEATH OF MR. GEORGE MOY.

A WELL-KNOWN NORFOLK RINGER.

Norfolk ringers, and especially the members of the Norwich Diocesan Association, will regret to hear of the death of Mr. Geo. Moy, who passed away somewhat suddenly, when in the prime of life, at Aylsham on June 26th, at the age of 51 years. He had been suffering from influenza for a few days, but was able to keep about until the day before he succumbed, his death coming as a great shock to his family.

He was a much respected tradesman of the town of Aylsham, where he had spent all his life. He had been a member of the Norwich Diocesan Association of Bell Ringers for about 30 years, and was known as a most steady, reliable and useful ringer, having taken part in a good many long and important peals.

At the time of his death he was the leader of the ringers of his native parish, and he was borne to his last resting place by six local ringers.

Although decidedly a man of peace, and of a humble and kindly disposition, he was for about 32 years connected with the old Aylsham Volunteer Force and the present Territorial Detachment, having only recently retired with the rank of sergeant, and, besides being a most useful member of the band of the detachment, he was also one of its best shots, and was the possessor of a medal for long and meritorious service.

There were present at his funeral a number of his old ringing comrades and also Major Gidney, Capt. Purdy, and past and present Territorials and bandsmen, who also sent some handsome floral tributes.

Muffled touches were rung on the evening of his funeral.

Two brothers of the deceased, Messrs. Jacob and John Moy, are still active members of the Aylsham company of ringers, and the deceased has left behind him a son, who is also a ringer, and who, it is hoped, will follow in his father's footsteps in the belfry.

HERE AND THERE.

THE LAST PEAL.

There is more than a pathetic touch about the peal at Somerleyton recorded this week. It was rung half-muffled to the memory of the six Boy Scouts who were drowned in the River Waveney at Somerleyton, and, sad to relate, within a week, the conductor, Mr. George Orford, himself passed away. He was only 43 years of age, and will be much missed by the Great Yarmouth and Gorleston ringers. He was for many years a member of the Norwich Association, for whom he had rung about 30 peals. He was formerly in the police force, which he joined in 1896. He retired some few months ago, owing to ill-health. Although when he called the peal at Somerleyton he appeared far from well, no one expected that his end was so near, and his death came as a great shock to those who had rung with him.

SHILLING MEMBERSHIP.

A correspondent who inquires whether he is to understand from Mr. A. T. King's remark at the Central Council meeting that there are some associations who accept non-resident ringing members at an annual payment of 1s., is informed that most, if not all, associations will accept non-resident members for the same annual subscription as resident members—if they like to pay it—and in the case of some associations it is 1s. a year. It is because it is cheaper to "compound," that the method of paying one lump sum has been adopted for those living outside the geographical area of the society to which they belong.

THE CRICKET MATCH.

For the great cricket match on Mitcham Green, to-morrow week, between the College Youths and Cumberlands, the teams, we are informed, will be chosen from the following:—

College Youths: H. Langdon (capt.), A. A. Hughes, A. W. Grimes, A. B. Peck, A. S. Miller, H. Wagslaif, H. J. Walton, J. W. Golding, S. J. Collins, J. C. Adams, J. N. Oxborough and E. Attwater.

Cumberlands: D. Ellingham, J. Parker, J. D. Matthews, R. N. Runham, J. Hunt, C. H. Austin, F. I. Hairs, A. G. Freeman, H. P. Burton, T. Jakeman, W. Shimmans, and J. A. Trollope.

The umpires are: A. Walton (College Youths) and R. Warner (Cumberlands); and the scorers, A. T. Miller (College Youths) and Miss E. K. Parker (Cumberlands).

IN CANADA.

Mr. J. E. Sykes, a much-travelled member of the Exercise, is now in Canada, and his address is care of Messrs. W. C. Holmes and Co., The Montreal Light, Heat and Power Co., Montreal.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The last monthly meeting of this society was held at Eckington, and proved very successful, about 25 members being present from Barlborough, Beighton, Bolsover, Eckington, North Wingfield, Norton, Rammoor, Rotherham, Sheffield, Staveley and Worksop. The bells were well utilised during afternoon and evening, the methods rung including Bob Minor, and Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, and Double Norwich Court Bob Major. Tea was served to some members at the White Hart, and a short business meeting followed in the tower, five new members being elected.—A vote of thanks to the Rector and to the local company concluded the proceedings.—Handbell ringing was indulged in after the meeting.

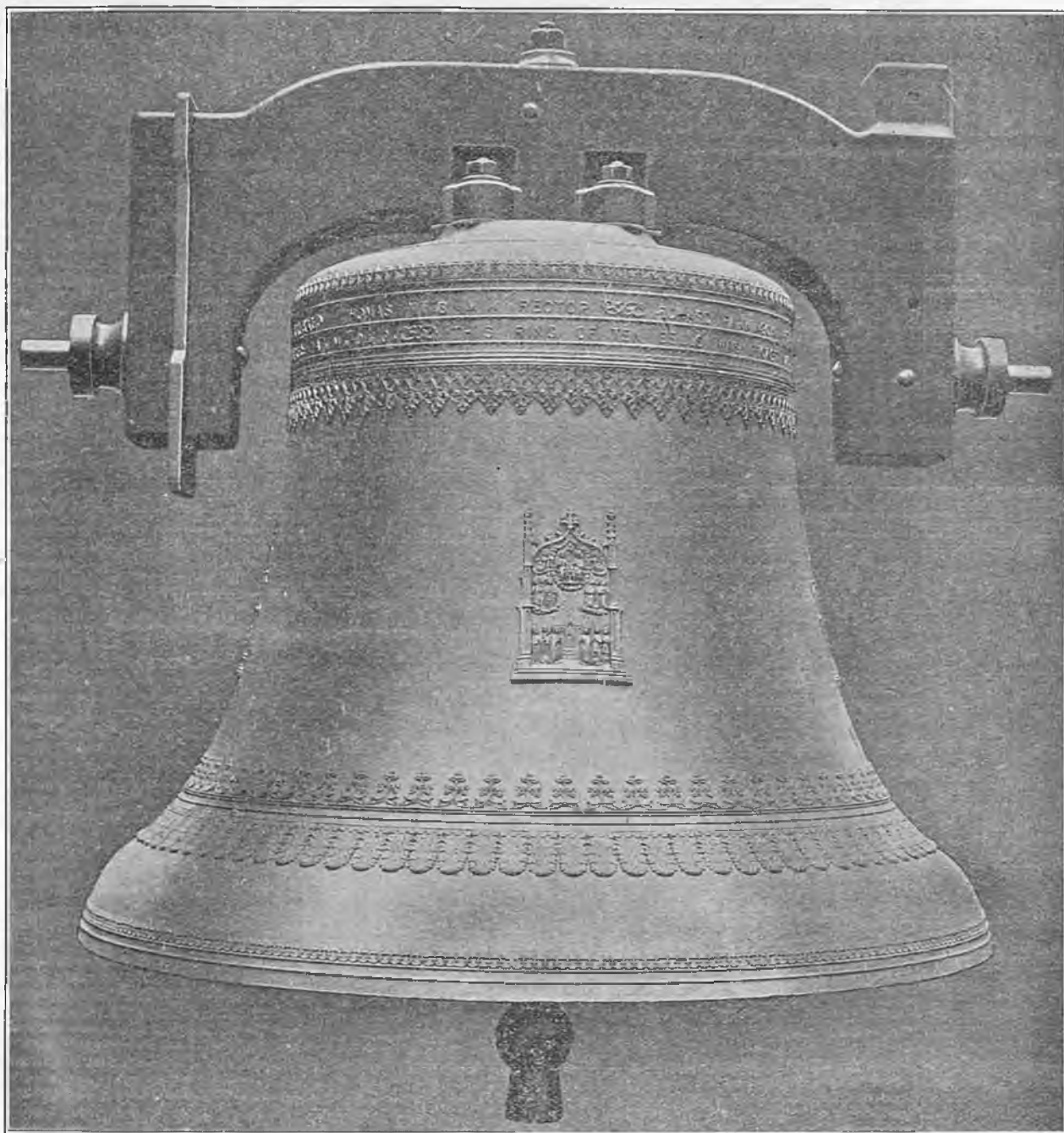
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Cirencester Branch was held at Kempsford, and was well attended, some 18 members being present. The bells, a nice peal of six, with tenor 17 cwt., were rung during the afternoon, and service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. N. Scott), who gave an excellent address, while the hymns were accompanied by Mrs. Scott, who acted as organist. Tea took place at the George Hotel.—A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar and Mrs. Scott, and the next meeting was fixed for Coln St. Aldwyns, on Thursday, July 23rd. The tower was again visited in the evening, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Canterbury Doubles, and 720 Bob Minor brought round. Afterwards a social hour was spent with the local ringers.

RINGSTEAD BELLS RESTORED.

The parishioners of Ringstead, Northants, had in their minds the restoration of the bells some time when, in November last, Colonel S. G. Stopford Sackville, J.P., C.A., the patron of the living, had an inspection made of the bells. As a result of his investigation, the Colonel generously decided to have the peal of six rehung in a new steel and iron frame, and supplied with new fittings throughout. The treble and 4th bells were also recast, and the whole ring tuned on the five-tone Simpson principle, the work being carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. In addition, the tower of the church was also re-pointed, and a new clock, also by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, was erected to strike the hours on the tenor bell.

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THE DEDICATION CEREMONY.
GREAT GATHERING OF RINGERS.

A peal of twelve bells now crowns the glories of the magnificent old church of Saffron Walden, which, in the annals of ringing, has an unbroken record of almost three centuries. The ancient and stately building which dominates the town is one of the finest examples in the country of the pure perpendicular style of architecture. It was begun in the year 1425, on the site of an earlier and much smaller church, and was completed in 1547. Its western tower rises to a height of 85 feet, and it surmounted by a spire which reaches to a height of nearly 200 feet above the ground. The peal of eight bells, which have made Saffron Walden famous in the history of change-ringing, were cast by John Briant, of Hertford, in 1798, the 7th and 6th having been recast at the Whitechapel foundry in 1813 and 1849 respectively. Prior to this there was apparently a much heavier peal in use, and since the year 1623 there has been a band of ringers in the town without break and annually, throughout this long period, Saffron Walden has had its "ringing day." This event was instituted as the result of a bequest by one Thomas Turner, a mercer, of Saffron Walden, who left money, with which an estate was purchased at Henham, Essex, to provide for this festival and for a memorial sermon to be preached on the anniversary of his funeral (June 27th), the bequest being in gratitude to the bells of Walden for guiding him to safety when lost in the woods at Audley End. The ringing history of Walden, however, goes back much further than this, for there is a record still existing going back to 1440, in Henry VIth's reign. "For rynnagyn wanne ye quene was her, iijed." The ringers had been previously fined 2s. for not ringing when Queen Margaret of Anjou came to the Abbey.

In more modern times, the fame of Saffron Walden has spread throughout the Exorise and it has been the great desire of the local ringers to increase their peal of bells. At first augmentation to ten was proposed, but as the scheme developed it became possible to install a full ring of twelve.

THE NEW BELLS.

The work was entrusted to Mr. Alfred Howell, who, in addition to providing the four new trebles, has rehung the three smallest of the old bells in steel frames, thus enabling all the twelve to be hung on the same level. The new bells are inscribed as follows:—

1. A.M.D.G. d.d.d. Mary Wyatt Gibson, 1914.
Make a Joyful Noise Unto God.
2. George V. R.et I. 1911.
God Save the King.
3. J. J. Antrobus, Vicar; J. P. Atkinson and J. Gilling, Church-wardens, 1914.
Lift up your hearts.
4. Waldensis Posuit me Campanaria Gilda,
Ao DNI MCMXIIIo
Frederick Pitstow, Master.
O let my mouth be filled with Thy praise.

THE VISITORS.

The dedication took place on Saturday week, and coincided with "Ringing Day," and a large number of ringers were present from various parts of the country, many arriving early in the day. Ringing began at 9 a.m., on the old eight, touches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Cambridge, London, Superlative and Bristol Surprise being rung. Among those who were present during the day were the following:—

Saffron Walden: Messrs. J. F. Penning (chairman of the Walden Society), F. Pitstow (conductor), R. A. Strong (hon. sec.), F. J. Pitstow (hon. treasurer), E. Pitstow, A. E. Pitstow, H. Pitstow, L. Pitstow, E. Freeman, G. Sparrow, A. James, W. Parish, and A. Evenett. London: Messrs. W. Pye, G. R. Pye, R. Sanders, I. G. Shade, J. H. B. Hesse, A. B. Peck and W. Alps. Braintree: Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, hon. sec. of the Essex Association, and Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the Essex Association of Ringers. Cambridge: Messrs. G. Taylor, F. Dench, and T. R. Dennis. Littleport: Mr. B. Arber. Cheshunt: Mr. J. M. Richardson. Slough: Mr. W. H. Fussell. Barnsbury: Mr. H. Dains. Rickling: Mr. D. Jolly. Fulbourn: Mr. B. D. Buttress. Rayne: Mr. B. Regwell. Clapton: Messrs. H. J. Cantor, S. H. R. Cooper, and P. J. Kemp. Pulham Market: E. Whiting. Wormley: Messrs. G. Radley and W. Saban. Ickleton: Mr. Percy Webb. Poplar: Mr. J. Cranfield. Writtle: Mr. W. Lincoln. Harlow: Messrs. G. Dent and W. Hobbs. Stratford: Mr. York Green. Stebbing: Mr. J. T. Barker. Stansted: Mr. W. Watts. Elsenham: Mr. G. Woodley. Bishop's Stortford: Messrs. H. J. Tucker and W. Champness. Walthamstow: Messrs. Oliver L. Twist, J. Butter, C. T. Coles and G. B. Lucas. Great Bardfield: Mr. H. E. Bowers. Ely: Mr. A. Pilgrim. Harleston: Mr. F. R. Barrett. Royston: Mr. R. King. Ware: Mr. G. H. Barker. Hitchin: Mr. J. Hare. Chelmsford: Mr. H. F. Cooper. Sible Hedingham: Messrs. W. C. Cross and B. Pettitt. Saxlingham: Mr. W. Steele. Dunmow: Mr. E. Scrivener. Sawbridgeworth: Mr. W. Tarling. Totten-



DEDICATION OF FOUR NEW BELLS TO MAKE A PEAL OF TWELVE.

ham: Mr. J. Waghorn. Camberwell: Mr. W. Hewitt. Newport: Mr. P. T. Searle. Greenwich: Mr. F. W. Thornton. Haggerston: Mr. A. W. Grimes. Kelvedon: Mr. W. Keeble. Ipswich: Mr. E. Pemberton. Wenden: Mr. W. Gibbey. Great Bentley: Mr. W. J. Nevard. Great Chesterford: Mr. T. Oldacre.

The Mayor of Saffron Walden (Dr. J. P. Atkinson) entertained a large and representative gathering of townspeople, together with the new Bishop of Chelmsford, to lunch at the Town Hall. The toast list was short, but the Mayor took the opportunity of welcoming the new Bishop of the new diocese, in a happy speech.—The Bishop, in replying, expressed great pleasure at meeting the ministers of other denominations who were present.—The other toasts were those of "The Clergy of the Deanery" and "the Mayor and Corporation."

RINGERS' LUNCHEON.

Luncheon for the ringers was provided in the Parish Room, and was presided over by Mr. Fred Pitstow. After the loyal toast had been honoured, Dr. Leonard Taylor proposed "The Donors of the Bells." They owed a great deal to the donors, he said, and they were deeply grateful to them for the generous way in which they had responded to the appeal made to them (hear, hear). He thought the Saffron Walden Association were also to be congratulated upon the tremendous amount of perseverance they had shown in getting the matter through. It had been talked about for a long time, but two years ago they really began to say that they were going to have ten bells, and now they had actually got twelve (applause). He thought it was really a magnificent result, and it was entirely due to the perseverance of the members of the Walden company that the matter had been brought to such a successful issue. He had much pleasure in coupling with the toast the name of Miss Gibson (applause), who had given one of the four new bells—a really noble gift for one person (applause). He particularly mentioned in connection with the toast Miss Gibson, the Saffron Walden company and the churchwardens.

The toast was received with musical honours and cheers.

Mr. C. H. Howard, in responding, said he wished some of the donors had been present to respond to that toast, but there was another function on at the Town Hall, and most of them were there. He had the pleasure of giving a small subscription some time ago for the ten bells, but he had not the slightest idea that it would eventually end in a ring of twelve being erected in Saffron Walden. He thought it was exceedingly kind of Miss Gibson, and he only wished she was present (hear, hear). It convinced him that the Walden ringers had earned the subscription from Miss Gibson, for she was not a member of the Church of England, but she had appreciated the bells of Walden,

and no doubt this had induced her to come forward and give that subscription (applause). The fund had also been augmented from the Coronation Fund, for they had thought that no better purpose could be served by that fund than to help to provide the new bells (hear, hear). No doubt they felt sure that the Walden ringers would do justice to them (applause). There was also the public subscription joined in by the whole of the town, and last, but not least, came the ringers. If it had not been for the Walden ringers the donors would never have thought of giving the money for the bells. It was the ringers, he believed, who mooted the idea of having the bells augmented, and out of that had grown the peal of twelve that were to be dedicated that afternoon. Therefore, he thought they were very largely indebted to the efforts of the Walden ringers, who had also given very liberally of their money, and by this had encouraged many others to give. In conclusion, Mr. Howard said he thought it a great privilege for them to be present on that auspicious occasion.

"The Vicar and Churchwardens" was proposed by Mr. E. Pitstow, who spoke of the great interest which they took in the Saffron Walden company, and the sympathetic and practical assistance they had given in carrying out the augmentation.

The Rev. H. T. W. Eyre responded on behalf of the Vicar and churchwardens, expressing satisfaction at seeing so many visitors present. Incidentally he mentioned that it was in Saffron Walden that he first took up his duties as assistant secretary of the Essex Association 23 years ago.

Mr. H. Dains proposed "The Saffron Walden Company," with whom, he said, he had been associated for 40 years past. He had met them for many a friendly ring, and referred to the position which the Pitstows had taken in the Exercise, both in composition and ringing. He hoped the Saffron Walden company would continue the art, and carry it on as it had been carried on for many years, and would make good use of the twelve bells.

"THEIR HEARTS' DESIRE."

The Chairman, in responding, said that at one time if anyone had told him they would have twelve bells in Walden he would have wanted to give them a ticket for Brentwood (laughter), for he never thought they would have twelve. He went on to read a letter from his brother and a telegram from Mr. Taylor expressing their good wishes. He also read a telegram from the late Vicar, who, he said, had been very much opposed to the augmentation, thinking that eight should be the maximum and that any more would spoil them. He now telegraphed: "I congratulate the ringers on the attainment of their hearts' desire (applause). May the company so flourish that they may be able always

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to use their treasures" (applause). He (the Chairman) hoped they would be able to use them. They would be terribly disappointed if they could not do so (hear, hear). The company had been carried on continuously, he believed, since 1623, but there must have been a company of ringers at that time, or else Thomas Turner would never have left the money for the ringers then. He thought they could claim the honour of having had "Holt's Original" first called in Walden (applause). Mr. Pitstow gave a short history of the ringers and bells of Walden, and concluded by expressing the hope that now they had got twelve bells the company would stick together, and before long be able to ring Stedman Cinques on the bells (applause).

Mr. R. A. Strong proposed "The Visitors," to which Mr. W. Alps responded in felicitous terms, and said he hoped that by next October Waltham Abbey would also be in possession of a peal of twelve bells.

Mr. A. E. Pitstow submitted "The Bell Founder," and Mr. A. Howell acknowledged the toast.

THE DEDICATION.

The Mayor and Corporation, Borough Officials and Magistrates walked in procession from the Town Hall to the church for the dedication.

The spacious church was crowded, and the congregation must have numbered upwards of a thousand—for the townsfolk entered wholeheartedly into the day's proceedings. The National Anthem was played upon the organ as the Mayor and Corporation entered. There was a long procession of robed clergy accompanying the Bishop. After the opening prayers, the 150th Psalm was chanted, followed by the lesson, Numbers x, 1-11, which was read by the Vicar of the parish. The Bishop, clergy, choir, and churchwardens then proceeded down the nave to the west porch, the hymn, "Thy Kingdom come, O God," being sung. The churchwardens, taking the ropes of the bells, handed them to the Bishop, who, whilst holding the ropes, said the office of dedication. After the Bishop had offered the beautiful prayers for the worshippers, the newly-married, the sick, those who absent themselves from the House of Prayer, the departed, and the ringers, at the words, "Sing we merrily unto God, our strength," and the response, "Let us make a cheerful noise to the God of Jacob," the full twelve bells rang out merrily, the following members of the Saffron Walden band being at the ropes: F. Pitstow 1, A. E. Pitstow 2, E. A. Pitstow 3, F. J. Pitstow 4, A. James 5, C. Freeman 6, H. Pitstow 7, J. F. Penning 8, G. Sparrow 9, A. Evenett 10, R. A. Strong 11, W. Parish 12. As the procession returned to the chancel, the hymn, "Lifted safe within the steeple," was sung. The Bishop delivered a short sermon upon the words, "That day there shall be upon the bells of the horses holiness unto the Lord," and spoke of the uses of the bells and the messages they conveyed. The impressive service concluded with the hymn, "For thee, O dear, dear country," and the "Te Deum."

After the service, the bells were utilised to their full extent by the visitors, the first touch being 663 Stedman Cinques by: F. Pitstow, composer and conductor (Saffron Walden) 1, G. R. Pye (Romford) 2, H. Dains (Barnsbury) 3, W. Hewett (Camberwell) 4, W. H. Fussell (Slough) 5, I. G. Shade (Greenwich) 6, W. J. Kemp (Clapton) 7, C. T. Coles (Walthamstow) 8, A. B. Peck (Westminster) 9, R. Sanders (West Ham) 10, A. W. Grimes (Haggerston) 11, J. H. B. Hesse (Teddington) 12.

Miss Lindsay, of the Vicarage, held an "At home," after the service, in Fry's Gardens, when 300 guests met the Bishop of Chelmsford.

In the evening about 130 ringers sat down to tea in the Parish Room, under the presidency of Mr. F. Pitstow, and Mr. W. Alps expressed the thanks of the visitors for the kindly reception and most enjoyable day they had spent, and proposed the health of Mr. R. A. Strong, the hon. secretary of the Saffron Walden company, for the admirable arrangements he had made. He also proposed a vote of thanks to the caterers.

Many of the visitors stayed over Sunday, making their headquarters at the Cross Keys, where on Saturday evening there was a convivial party, and handbell ringing was indulged in.

The new twelve were kept going on Sunday from 9.30 to 11 a.m., 2 to 3 p.m., and from 4 o'clock until evensong.

The collection taken at the dedication service amounted to £18, and cleared off the balance outstanding on the work carried out in the tower.

MALDON GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Maldon and District Guild was held at Great Tolham on Saturday, 40 members being present from Witham, D'Arcy, Goldhanger, Maldon (All Saint's and St. Mary's), and the local company. The bells were kept going in various methods in the afternoon, and at the kind invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre) tea was served on the lawn. The business meeting followed, at which the officers were elected for the ensuing year, and a vote of thanks passed to the Vicar for kindly providing tea, and also for placing his grounds at the disposal of the ringers. In the evening, whilst some were ringing, others were amusing themselves by playing bowls and croquet. Touches were rung in seven or eight different methods in the tower, and courses of Triples and Major on the handbells. At nine o'clock the bells were lowered in peal, and thus ended one of the most enjoyable gatherings, as it was also a record meeting, of the Guild.

SHALL SUFFOLK HAVE ITS OWN ASSOCIATION?

SUDBURY DISTRICT'S EFFORTS.

THE BISHOP'S DESIRE.

To the Editor.

Sir,—May I encroach on your valuable space to write a few lines to the ringers in West Suffolk. As members of the Sudbury district know, a resolution was passed at our last meeting (May 9th) that we should take steps to find out the feeling of East Suffolk ringers with regard to the formation of a new Suffolk Association; and, therefore, I now send the following details so that members may have some knowledge of how matters have progressed.

The first step taken was to write to the district secretaries of the Norwich Diocesan Association in East Suffolk to ask what their opinion was, and the feeling of their district, and favourable answers were received from several. Also, the Bishop was consulted, and expressed a desire for such an association. Subsequently the N.D.A. held a committee meeting at Ipswich, to which Mr. Turner, of Bury St. Edmund's, and I were invited, and at which we were present.

Unfortunately not much progress was made, but on their own behalf they decided to take a particular line of action, and, therefore, it was found necessary to call together our own committee to decide what action we should take to put our case before the Bishop, as they have decided to do.

This meeting was held at Lavenham on Saturday last, and it was decided to put into writing our views on this question, and to send them to the Bishop, at the same time appointing three members to meet the Bishop if he so desire, to discuss matters. The three nominated at the committee were: Messrs. H. Turner, A. Symonds, and myself. A draft of the letter to be sent to the Bishop will be first submitted to all the members of the committee, so that as far as possible it may be comprehensive.

There is no doubt that there is a considerable number of ringers in East Suffolk who are in favour, and would welcome a Suffolk Association, but as yet there has been no definite expression of feeling on the matter by East Suffolk men, apart from meetings where Norwich Association officials were present, and such meetings can hardly be taken in quite the same way. As to the "proposals" submitted to us for consideration, our loyalty to the Ely Association makes it impossible, in fairness, to accept them, besides which they are not of any benefit to us, as we stand. We certainly must be ready to consider any reasonable suggestions, and to strive for that unity which is so essential, doing nothing which may be injurious to the good feeling between one body of ringers and another. At the present time we must stand united to gain the best and fairest solution of this difficult situation; at the same time taking into consideration the claims of the two Associations which would be affected by a rearrangement, particularly Ely Diocesan Association with which we are allied.—Yours faithfully,

R. L. GARDNER, Hon. Sec.

July 6th, 1914.

A CORNISH AUGMENTATION.

The ring of six bells at Talland Church, Cornwall, has just been completed by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and were opened for use on Saturday week. The service was conducted and the sermon preached by the Rural Dean (the Rev. E. S. Majendie, Vicar of St. Neot's), and was attended by a large number of ringers from surrounding parishes, and also by a band from Charles' Church, Plymouth. After the service, the opening touch was rung by the Talland men, followed by the other towers represented; Charles' Church giving the only exhibitions of "scientific" ringing of the day.

The work of restoration has consisted of the recasting of three of the old four bells, and adding a treble and tenor. The latter is only 8 cwt., but of beautiful tone, and those qualified to judge remarked on the excellent way the "splice" has been effected. In fact, the greatest satisfaction is felt with the way in which the work has been carried out, the founders and their men taking every bit as much trouble over a light little ring as they do over their many famous heavy ones.

OCTOGENARIAN RINGER'S DEATH.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. John Cordingley, formerly of Calverley, who passed away at Campsall, near Doncaster, at the advanced age of 87 years. The deceased formerly carried on the business of a tailor, and an interesting fact was that he introduced the first sewing machine into the village. He was best known as an ardent bell ringer, not only in Calverley, but in many places in the West Riding. He was probably the oldest ringer in Yorkshire, and perhaps carried off more trophies than any other man in the shire, his 50 prizes including 31 firsts. During a brief residence at Morecambe, he taught a company of ringers at the Parish Church. When in his 72nd year he rang the treble and conducted the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Major at Drighlington for the Yorkshire Association. In 1900 he celebrated his golden wedding at Tong, his ringing friends entertaining him upon that occasion. His diamond wedding he celebrated at Calverley, where he had returned to live.

DR. PAULI & THE CLEVELAND ASSOCIATION. MR. G. F. ALEXANDER REPLIES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Dr. Pauli seems bent on bringing the Cleveland Association into disrepute. He may perhaps think by so doing to forward the cause of the Northern district of the County Association, but I can assure him his labours are in vain; a far different spirit must prevail in that quarter than at present, before Clevelanders support the movement recently inaugurated.

Dealing with the main items in his too long letter published in the issue of July 3rd of your valuable paper, I would explain firstly to the Exercise generally, that Dr. Pauli is the last person who should criticise any peals or other ringing. I have met Dr. Pauli a few times, and unless he has made a wonderful improvement, he still has to acquire the art of handling a bell, and his striking is an abomination. I know several ringers who have mentioned to Mr. Metcalfe they had no wish to stand in a peal if this expert was included in the band, I myself being one of them.

When Dr. Pauli attacks a ringer like my friend, Thomas Metcalfe, in the manner he has done, I am amazed with his audacity, and again all Northern ringers who enjoy an acquaintance with Mr. J. G. Hall, are aware of that individual's capabilities as a fine handler, an exceptionally good striker, and one whose repute as a conductor is quite beyond challenge. I had the pleasure of taking part in a peal of Grandsire Triples at Ormesby, which was conducted by Mr. Hall in masterly style. Mr. Metcalfe rang the tenor to this peal, and no word was spoken except by the conductor; the striking throughout was of a high order. I can quite understand these peals in question being choppy, if two or three of Dr. Pauli's type were taking a rope, otherwise the whole business may be dismissed as the merest flap-deedle and humbug.

Dr. Pauli could have left our Association without all this exaggerated palaver, and some of us are now glad he is gone. Men of his class will do much better with the clique that now runs the Northern district, in which I have the honour (?) of also holding a membership.

Lastly, it is needless for me to point out that no one acquainted with Mr. Metcalfe is in any doubt that a peal in which he takes a rope is going to be very far wrong from the start to the finish.—Yours faithfully,

GEORGE F. ALEXANDER.

Robin Hood's Bay, July 4th, 1914.

A COMBINED MEETING.

The Ashford District of the Kent Association and the Romney Marsh and District Guild held an amalgamated meeting at Aldington (six bells) on Saturday week. Nearly 20 members attended from Appledore, Brabourne, Folkestone, Hawkhurst, Mersham, Stone-in-Oxney, Tenterden, and the local tower. Some good six bell ringers were among the company, and consequently, although the back bells did not run very well, capital striking was heard during the whole of the proceedings. Three 720's—two Plain Bob and one Kent Treble Bob—were rung, and one of the local ringers was piloted through his first 720, which was in the former method. Grandsire and Stedman Doubles were also rung, and the company thoroughly enjoyed their visit. They were kindly entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Slingsby at their residence—a fine old country house which archaeologists would love to minutely examine.

The business meetings of both societies were conducted in the belfry, and Mr. C. Tribe, the hon. secretary of the Ashford District, stated that their next meeting would be at Stone-in-Oxney in July.

A resolution was passed fixing it on the second Saturday in that month.

The members of the R.M. and D.G. decided to hold their July meeting at Benenden on the third Saturday, and to discuss the question of their annual outing at that assembly. They also agreed to attempt a peal of Bob Major at Rye on June 27th.

Mr. Tribe expressed thanks on behalf of the two societies for the use of the bells, and to Mr. and Mrs. Slingsby for their kind hospitality. The Master of the Guild (Mr. G. Billenness) seconded the vote, which was carried unanimously.

LAVENHAM'S ANNIVERSARY.

Every year the Lavenham ringers hold festival to celebrate the augmentation of their bells to eight in far-off days of 1811. The month of December provides the actual anniversary, but the summer is the time when the ringers carry out the official commemoration. This year ringers gathered from Colchester, Bury St. Edmund's, Dovercourt, Eye, Felsham, Great Pinborough, Gestingthorpe, London, Maldon, Preston, Pullham Market and Sudbury. The local company set the bells going as early as 7.30 a.m., with 832 Kent Treble Bob, conducted by W. J. R. Poulson. During the day, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich were rung, the conductors being Messrs. W. E. Chalk (Colchester), S. H. Symonds and F. Borrett (Pullham Market). At the conclusion of the day's ringing, the company spent a pleasant evening at the ringers' headquarters.

NOTICES.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of "THE RINGING WORLD," to which all communications should be sent, is 9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

SURREY ASSOCIATION (Central District).—The next quarterly meeting will be held at East Molesley, on Saturday, July 11th. Tower open from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Tea by kind invitation of the Rev. E. G. Ireland in the Vicarage Garden at 5. Business meeting after. Members in the western district and from neighbouring towers will be heartily welcomed.—Cyril F. Johnston, Hon. Sec., Bell Foundry, Croydon.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North Eastern Division.—Bye meeting at Gestingthorpe, July 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30.—B. Redgwell, District Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Deane Church on Saturday, July 11th, at 4 o'clock. Meeting 7.30.—F. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The annual meeting will be held at Warwick, on Saturday, July 11th. Service at St. Mary's at 4.45 p.m. Committee meeting in vestry at 4 p.m. Tea at the Globe Hotel, 9d. per head, after service. Business meeting to follow. The towers of St. Nicholas (8), and St. Mary's (10), will be open for ringing from 3 to 4.45 p.m., and St. Mary's again after the meeting.—Rev. C. C. Cox, Hon. Secretary, Shottery.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Boreham, on Saturday, July 11th. Service at 5.15. Tea, 6d. each, and business meeting to follow. — Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—A quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Angmering, on Saturday, July 11th. Bells available from 4 p.m. Tea at 5.30. Business to follow.—H. Evans, Hon. Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Stone, Isle of Oxney, on Saturday, July 11th. Ringing to commence at 4 o'clock. Tea at the Vicarage, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. A. G. Philips) at six o'clock.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The quarterly meeting of the Maidstone District of the Kent County Association of Change Ringers will be held at Leeds, near Maidstone, on Saturday, July 11th. Belfry open at 3.30 p.m.—Kenneth W. Mumford, Hon. Secretary.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Inkberrow, on Saturday, July 11th. Service at 5 p.m. Business meeting after.—J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, 29, Church Bank, Hampton, Eversham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The summer meeting will be held at Dunstable to-morrow (Saturday), July 11th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Preacher, the Rev. Canon Papillon, President of the Hertfordshire Association. Tea 5 p.m., to be followed by a discussion as to the possibility of inter-affiliation between the Beds and Herts Associations. A cordial invitation is given to all members of the Herts Association to attend.—W. W. C. Baker, President, Beds. Association, The Rectory, Dunstable.

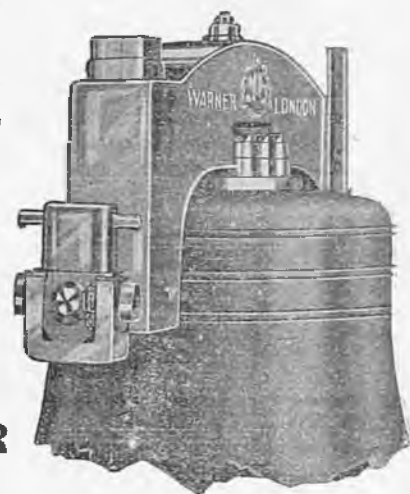
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NOTICES—continued.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Caldicot, Monmouthshire, on Saturday, July 11th, at 4.30.—Rev. Canon L. Price and John W. Jones, Piercefield, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon., Hon. Secretaries.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).—A meeting will be held on Monday, July 13th, at St. Luke's, Chelsea, at 8 p.m. All ringers welcome. After the business meeting, which takes place at 9.30 at the Builders Arms, Britten Street, a "special" meeting will be called to discuss a resolution affecting the rules of the society.—Alec. S. Miller, Hon. Secretary, 26, Loughborough Park, S.W.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on July 14th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 16th and 30th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 21st; St. John's, Hackney, on the 21st; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.—W. T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.—Burton-on-Trent District.—A ringing meeting of the above district will be held at Measham on Saturday, July 18th. Bells (8) ready at 3 o'clock.—H. Wakley, Local Hon. Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Yatton on Saturday, July 18th. Bells available 4 o'clock. Tea and business meeting to follow at 5.30.—George Yeo, Hon. Local Secretary.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEFFIELD.—The next meeting of this society will be held at All Saints', Sheffield, on Saturday, July 18th, 1914. Tower open at 4 p.m.—J. Evinson, 91, Clarence Street, Sheffield.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 18th. Bells ready at 4.—Walter Hughes.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—Next quarterly meeting will be held at Great Barr on Saturday, July 18th. Bells available in the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at 8d. per head. Motor 'buses run from City via Perry Barr.—A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Erith, on Saturday, July 18. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5.30 p.m., with address by Rev. G. A. S. Adams (Vicar). Meat tea 1s. each, but names of those who desire same must reach me by first post Tuesday, July 14th. Business meeting to follow. Half rail fares up to 2s. paid at this meeting. Reports for 1914 ready. Those who require them should let me know.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

CRICKET MATCH between the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Royal Cumberland Youths, at Mitcham Green, on Saturday, July 18th, at 3.30 p.m. Meat tea, 1s. 3d. per head, at the Queen's Head, Mitcham Green, 7 p.m. All wishing to partake, kindly advise before July 11th, to Albert A. Hughes, 34, Whitechapel Road, London, E. Social evening afterwards. All welcome.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Newport, I.W., on Saturday, July 18th. Bells available from three o'clock. Tea at the Bedford at 5 o'clock. Meeting after. Members requiring tea kindly let me know by the 13th inst.—J. W. Whiting, District Secretary, Fareham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Hoghton on July 18th. Bells available from 3. Meeting at 5.30. Tea will be provided in the school at 1s. 2d. each to all those who notify me by July 15th. The committee meet the same day at 4 p.m. Members please note change of address.—E. R. Martin, 14, The Green, Walton-le-dale.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 18th, at St. Mary's, Mortlake. Business meeting at 5.30 p.m. Ringing to follow. All members and friends invited.—F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division.—A district meeting will be held at Stansted, on Saturday, July 18th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.45 p.m. Tea and business meeting at the Parish Room at 5.30 p.m. Tea 6d. each to members sending notice to the Secretary by Wednesday, July 15th.—Wm. Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will take place at Slough, on Saturday, July 18th. Special service in the Parish Church at 11.30. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Buckingham. A collection will be made towards the new peal of bells for Wargrave Parish Church. Dinner at 12.30 in St. Mary's Church Institute, to be followed by the annual business meeting. Dinner tickets at 2s. 3d. each, will be forwarded to those members only who send the money with the order, to me on or before Saturday, July 11th. One shilling will be refunded to each member present at the dinner, but members failing to send for their tickets must pay 2s. 3d. at the door and have no refund.—Albert E. Reeves, Guild Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION (Manchester Branch) and the Ashton-under-Lyne Society.—A joint meeting of the above will be held at Worsley on Saturday, July 25th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 7. The Earl of Elsmere has kindly given permission for visitors to inspect the grounds, and ringers intending going through them are requested to meet at the tower at 4 o'clock prompt.—W. Wolstencroft and C. Bower, Secretaries.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at Wickhambreaux on Saturday, July 25th. Tower opened at 3 p.m. Divine service at 5 p.m. Tea, kindly provided by the Rev. G. Hyde Smith, in the Village Club Room at 5.30 p.m. Littlebourne tower will be opened after tea. Will all who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, July 21st.—E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Norton Cuckney on Saturday, July 25th. Tea will be provided at 1s. per head at the Greendale Oak, at 5 p.m., for those who inform Mr. Wm. Smith, Norton Cuckney, Mansfield, not later than Tuesday, July 21st. A hearty welcome to members of kindred associations.—H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, July 25th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea provided (free) at 6. Members and friends cordially invited.—H. C. Chandler, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—The summer meeting will be held at Allendale on Saturday, July 25th. The bells of St. Cuthbert will be available in the afternoon and evening. Tea at the Allendale Inn at 5 o'clock. Those who intend being present please notify me not later than July 21st.—R. Stephenson, Hon. Secretary, 2, Cleveland Terrace, West Hartlepool.

GRAND PRIZE RINGING CONTEST on six bells at St. John the Baptist Church, Penistone, near Sheffield, on Monday, August 3rd, 1914, when prizes to value of about £20 will be given.—For further particulars apply to Frank Tinker, Penistone, near Sheffield.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at 10 o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch the second Thursday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at 7.30.—H. J. Bradley, Parish Church, Shoreditch.

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