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MEMBERS 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.

### OXFORD GUILD MEETING.

The proceedings at the annual festival of the Oxford Diocesan Guild last Saturday were in all respects most enjoyable, and although the members found themselves with much more business to transact than is usually placed before a meeting of this kind, it was got through with commendable promptitude and without the sacrifice of any of that time which ringers usually like to spend in the tower on these occasions. There seems to be a spirit of brotherhood existing in the Oxford Guild which cannot be surpassed in any society, and the secret is not far to seek. In the Master is typified the members' ideal of a ringer and a man, one who dignifies his office not only by his precepts, but by his practice. His pride in the true progress of the Guild is only equalled by his unsparing efforts to uphold its position, and his example is the stimulus which leads the members themselves to carry out so wholeheartedly the objects of the Guild.

Coming from one so generally beloved, his advice carries all the more force, and in his speech in responding to the toast of the Guild on Saturday, Mr. Jenkyn touched two points which may well be considered by a far larger circle than that formed by the ranks of the Oxford Guild. He first emphasised the importance of admitting to share the duties of the belfry only those who come to it with a real love of the Church and a real love of bells. Looking back over the last three decades one can see how, gradually, the status of the ringer has been raised, but even now there are those to be found—we are glad to say that they are a diminishing number—whose consideration for the Church is but a subsidiary matter with them. The Master of the Oxford Guild is anxious, in the true interests of the organisation of which he is at the head, to avoid the inclusion of any who do not take up the Art because of their love of the Church. The love of bells is equally as essential, although the danger from the inclusion of this class is not so great, for those who have no love for bells are not long content to remain in association with them. The Art, which has so great an attraction for those who possess a genuine love for the bells, quickly palls on them, and sooner or later they drop out of their own accord.

The second word of advice which the Master imparted was really an appeal for slower ringing. The advantages which it gives are numerous, but the most important is its effect on the public outside. To the uninitiated, fast ringing seems merely a jangle, whereas a more measured beat gives a rhythm and a melody which is far more generally appreciated. The advice is timely in days when there seems to be a spirit of keenness for "the quickest peal on the bells." The quickest peal is not always the best, and it is the best that should be striven for.

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## TEN BELL PEAL.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD  
AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5039 CHANCES;

Tenor 24 cwt. 0 qrs. 18 lbs.

MOSES SMITH ... .. Treble	ALFRED ROWLEY ... .. 6
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 2	THOMAS HUGHES ... .. 7
ALBERT LITTLE ... .. 3	GEORGE HUGHES ... .. 8
WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. COOPER ... 9
BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 5	FRANK W. PERRENS ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and  
Conducted by GEORGE HUGHES.

This peal has the 6th 24 times at home in the titmums position, and 23 times at home in the hand-stroke position, with 95 8-9's and 66 6-8's, and is the first peal composed with these qualities. This composition was specially composed, and is now rung for the first time, and is the quickest peal on this magnificent new ring of ten. It was the 100th peal rung by Ben Gough and was Moses Smith's first attempt for peal of Stedman Caters, both ringers being heartily congratulated by their colleagues.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SEAFOORD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5049 CHANCES;

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qrs.

EDMOND GARRETT ... .. Treble	GEORGE PIPER ... .. 5
RICHARD W. HOATHER ... 2	ALFRED J. TURNER ... 6
WILLIAM JENNER ... .. 3	ROBERT J. DAWE ... .. 7
HARRY STALHAM ... .. 4	ARTHUR BANKS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT J. DAWE.

Rung as a compliment to the conductor and his father, whose birthdays are celebrated on the same day.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

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

Tenor 14 cwt.

FREDK. R. BORRETT ... Treble	CHARLES BAKER ... .. 5
ROBERT H. HAYWARD ... 2	HARRY ADCOCK ... .. 6
HERBERT H. PIERCY ... 3	CHARLES T. COLES ... 7
REV. W. C. PEARSON ... 4	EDWIN WHITING ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR ARTHUR P. HEYWOOD, and  
Conducted by F. R. BORRETT.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 14, 1914, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 22½ cwt.

WILLIAM W. SINCLAIR ... Treble	CHARLES O. WHEELER ... 5
WILLIAM HOLMES ... .. 2	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... 6
ERNEST E. FERRY ... .. 3	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... 7
BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER, and  
Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 6th 18 course ends at home, with the 7th in 5th's place at six course ends, and was arranged for Mr. Wheeler, who hails from Rugby.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 14, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

JAMES WHEELER ... .. Treble	WALTER TARLING ... .. 5
GEORGE DENT ... .. 2	WILLIAM WHEELER ... .. 6
WILLIAM WATTS ... .. 3	JOHN CONDELL ... .. 7
HENRY J. TUCKER ... .. 4	HENRY F. COOPER ... .. Tenor

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

ALBURGH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 14, 1914, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lbs.

ERNEST WHITING... .. Treble	FREDK. R. BORRETT ... .. 5
EDWIN WHITING ... .. 2	JOHN LARTER ... .. 6
FREDK. C. LAMBERT ... .. 3	ARTHUR H. TOOK ... .. 7
ALFRED G. BENNINGTON ... .. 4	FREDK. SMITH... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER, and  
Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 15, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

*ARTHUR PLANT ... .. Treble	ROBERT F. TURNER... .. 5
†PHILIP INNS ... .. 2	WILLIAM R. HENSHER ... .. 6
WILLIAM MACE... .. 3	DAVID J. NICHOLS ... .. 7
ALFRED KNIGHT ... .. 4	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and  
Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method away from the treble.  
Rung on the occasion of the annual school treat; also as a welcome  
to Mr. William R. Hensher, who is home from Canada for a holiday.

NORWICH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 16, 1914, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-AT-COSLANY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt in F.

FREDK. BORRETT... .. Treble	GEORGE P. BURTON... .. 5
FRANK COPEMAN... .. 2	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 6
DENISON HAYWARD ... .. 3	JOHN E. BURTON ... .. 7
GEORGE HOWCHIN ... .. 4	FREDK. HOWCHIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. T. COLES.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(LEICESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

*ARTHUR J. BALLARD ... .. Treble	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. 5
ERNEST BARTRAM ... .. 2	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 6
*HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 3	R. HENRY BARTRAM ... .. 7
LOUIS E. ALLEN ... .. 4	CHARLES H. FOWLER ... .. Tenor

Composed by the REV. H. EARLE BULWER, and  
Conducted by CHARLES H. FOWLER.

\* First peal of Double Norwich.

MITCHAM, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;**

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT ... .. Treble	FRANK HOLDER ... .. 5
JAMES D. DREWETT ... .. 2	*AMOS CLARK ... .. 6
HENRY L. GARFATH ... .. 3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 7
DAVID WRIGHT ... .. 4	WILLIAM S. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by DR. A. B. CARPENTER, and  
Conducted by JOSEPH A. LAMBERT.

\* First peal in the method.

WHITBY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE CLEVELAND & NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 19, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

GEORGE F. ALEXANDER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HARLAND... .. 5
WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... .. 2	JOHN T. WATERS ... .. 6
JAMES COTTERELL ... .. 3	FRANK S. HODGSON ... .. 7
ALBERT COATES ... .. 4	GEORGE HILL ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. HARDY, and  
Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

EPSOM, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 20, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. Treble	RICHARD KENDALL ... .. 5
ALFRED B. PECK... .. 2	WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. 6
ALFRED W. GRIMES ... .. 3	WALTER FARLEY ... .. 7
DAVID WRIGHT ... .. 4	ROBERT ETHERINGTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

Rung on the eve of D. Wright's birthday.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 20, 1914, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF COLLEGE SINGLE MAJOR, 5216 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt., in F sharp.

*LEONARD SHAW... .. Treble	JAMES T. SHAW ... .. 6
DAVID BREARLEY ... .. 2	JAMES H. CHARLESWORTH 6
SAMUEL HARRISON ... .. 3	JOHN R. BREARLEY... .. 7
ARCHIE BREARLEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM HARRISON... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and  
Conducted by DAVID BREARLEY.

\* First peal.

BRADPOLE, DORSET.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, July 20, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. 9 lbs., in F sharp.

T. HERVEY BEAMS ... .. Treble	†HERBERT HAINES ... .. 5
G. T. WHITE ... .. 2	†P. HAYDEN BEAMS ... .. 6
LOUIS W. WHIFFEN ... .. 3	W. J. BENDER ... .. 7
C. W. HURST ... .. 4	*EDWIN JOY... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. HERVEY BEAMS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples. ‡ First peal with a bob bell.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. A. M. Broadley, vicar's  
warden. The ringers of 2, 4 and 7 hail from Dorchester, and 3 from  
Wyke Regis; the remainder are local men.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Monday, July 20, 1914, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 14½ cwt.	
BERTRAM PREWETT ... ..	Treble	JOHN H. B. HESSE ... ..	5
GEORGE E. HARBOUR ... ..	2	HENRY C. CHANDLER ... ..	6
THOMAS J. BARKER ... ..	3	SYDNEY CARTER ... ..	7
CHARLES S. BIRD ... ..	4	WILLIAM J. WATSON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by SYDNEY CARTER.

**SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.**

PERSHORE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Consisting of four 720's of Plain Bob, two of Grandsire and one of  
Canterbury Pleasure.

Tenor 16 cwt., in G.			
JOHN WELLAND ... ..	Treble	THOMAS W. BOND ... ..	4
WILLIAM REED ... ..	2	SIDNEY ANNIS ... ..	5
GEORGE DOLPHIN ... ..	3	JOHN DOLPHIN ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN DOLPHIN.

First peal of Minor on the bells; also the first peal in three methods  
by all except the ringer of the 4th. It was rung at the first attempt.

GORLESTON-ON-SEA, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

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

DENISON HAYWARD ... ..	Treble	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... ..	4
WILLIAM H. P. MELLIN ... ..	2	WILLIAM J. LEE ... ..	5
JOHN SPENCER ... ..	3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

The band wish to thank Mr. D. Hayward for making the necessary  
arrangements to attempt the peal. The ringers of 2, 3, 4 and tenor  
belong to Wrentham, and of the treble and 5th to Great Yarmouth.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ISHAM SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Comprising 720 each of Double Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford Bob,  
Double Court Bob, Woodbine Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, and  
Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOSEPH FARBY ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM C. LEWIS ... ..	4
ALBERT E. FOURT ... ..	2	WALTER T. WILSON ... ..	5
E. MAURICE ATKINS ... ..	3	GEORGE A. BLANLEY ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

The conductor has now called a peal from each bell in the tower.

ABERGELE, DENBIGHSHIRE.  
THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 9 cwt.

*FREDERICK R. FOX ... ..	Treble	*WILFRED O. ALDRICH ... ..	4
*PETER EVANS ... ..	2	WILLIAM T. PEGLER ... ..	5
*EDWARD W. THOMAS ... ..	3	CHARLES DAVIES ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM T. PEGLER.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. The conductor belongs to  
Bangor and the rest to Ruthin. The band wish to thank the Vicar  
for the use of the bells.

HAYFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(BOWDON AND STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Burton, Sandal, Wragby, Killamarsh, Islington,  
London Scholars and Kingston. Tenor 9 cwt.

JAMES FERNLEY ... ..	Treble	*WILFRED WILDE ... ..	4
REV. A. T. BEESTON ... ..	2	JOSEPH HECKINGBOTTOM ... ..	5
*JAMES POLLITT ... ..	3	JOHN W. HARTLEY ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by J. FERNLEY.

\* First peal.

GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

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

ALFRED H. MARTIN ... ..	Treble	HENRY W. GAYTON ... ..	4
WALTER PERKINS ... ..	2	GEORGE LINES ... ..	5
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... ..	3	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

First peal in seven Treble Bob methods on the bells.

BARTON SEAGRAVE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

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

*JOHN L. TITE ... ..	Treble	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT ... ..	3
FREDK. KILBORN ... ..	2	G. H. PATRICK ... ..	4
MATHIAS HOBBS ... ..			Tenor

Conducted by MATHIAS HOBBS.

\* First peal. Rung with the clappers deeply muffled as a last  
tribute of respect to the late Mr. George Maycock, who died on July  
12th, and who was for many years a ringer at the above church.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 15, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF A. H. PULLING,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION. Bells size 18 in G.

MAURICE SMITHER ... ..	1—2	WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... ..	5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	3—4	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... ..	7—8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MRS. POLLING AND J. T. LEE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to R. Blake, of Westcliff-on-Sea;  
H. L. Garfath, of Croydon; and C. N. Burdock, of Guildford.

WIMBORNE, SURREY.—On June 28th, a quarter-peal of Grand-  
sire Caters (1259 changes), in 49 mins.: A. Boxall, jun., 1, A. J. Perkins  
(composer and conductor) 2, A. Boxall, senr., 3, H. J. Wallon 4, J.  
Trappitt 5, A. Clayton 6, A. J. Plowman 7, T. King 8, F. J. Hardy  
9, C. Gordon 10. This has six courses with 879 and 978 alternately,  
coming round from 3 2 5 4 7 6 9 8.

HITCHIN.—On June 25th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 49  
mins.: E. J. Newell 1, H. Day 2, W. Croft 3, F. R. Bacon 4, G.  
Wolfe 5, L. Fidler 6, J. F. Foster (conductor) 7, W. Spicer 8. Longest  
touch in the method by a Hitchin band.

MALINSLEE, SHROPSHIRE. At St Leonard's Church, on June  
27th, 720 of Grandsire Minor in 27 mins.: W. Williams 1, A. Garbett  
2, F. Moule 3, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 4, E. Woodvine 5, A. Wood-  
vine 6. First 720 of Grandsire on the bells.



## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

### A CAMBRIDGESHIRE TRIP.

Half-a-dozen towers were included in the itinerary of the Fen Ditton ringers on the occasion of their 16th annual outing, the fourteen members spending a most enjoyable day. After ringing several 120's of Stedman, New, Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles on the home bells (a ring of five), the party left by brake, and visited in turn Chesterton, Streatham, Wilburton, Haddenham, and Sutton. The following are some of the touches rung during the day: At Chesterton, 720 of Plain Bob Minor was rung by: J. Martin 1, H. Wishbeach 2, H. Newman 3, L. Mallion 4, E. G. Hibbins (conductor) 5, F. Dench 6. At Wilburton, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: \*J. Martin 1, \*H. Wishbeach 2, H. Newman 3, E. G. Hibbins 4, L. Mallion 5, F. Dench (conductor) 6. "First 720 of Oxford Bob Minor.

At Haddenham, 360 Oxford Bob Minor and 216 Kent Treble, in which J. Martin, H. Newman and A. Palmer rang their first touch in the method.

Great credit is due to those who rang their first touches in new methods, as they have only a ring of five to practise on, and seldom get a chance to ring Minor. The ringers wish to thank the Vicars of the various churches for the use of the bells, and also the Vicar of Wilburton for kindly providing an excellent lunch.

### A BIRMINGHAM OUTING.

The annual excursion of the ringers of Bishop Ryder's Church, Birmingham, took the party to Bromsgrove, the birthplace of their Ringing Master. Mr. T. Albutt (who had made arrangements for the party's comfort) met the band and conducted them to the church, and a short touch was rung before tea, which was provided at Bullock's Restaurant, and at which the Vicar (the Rev. G. E. Badger) presided.—The Hon. Secretary (Mr. Carrod) thanked the Vicar for again entertaining the ringers, and for the great interest he always took in their welfare. He also thanked Mr. Albutt for making such excellent arrangements for them, and asked him to express to the Rev. N. Pattison their thanks for kindly granting the use of the bells.—Mr. Albutt, having replied, a return was made to the belfry, and after service a quarter-peal was rung by: G. Coley 1, G. A. Taylor 2, G. Haywood (composer) 3, W. F. Webb 4, J. Porter 5, W. H. Carrod 6, J. T. Perry (conductor) 7, G. Price 8. Afterwards, a course of Grandsire Caters was rung. The party returned to Birmingham by the mail train, having had a most enjoyable trip.

### MITCHAM.

The readiness with which permission to ring was granted, and the kindness with which the ringers were received at the towers they visited, was a specially pleasing feature of the annual excursion of the Mitcham ringers. Although rain was anticipated, the day turned out exceedingly fine. A musical touch of Stedman Triples on Mitcham bells at 6.30 a.m. provided a very good send-off for the day, to be followed some time later by "a plain course" on the breakfast table at the Marquis of Granby Inn, Epsom, which is always a pleasing feature on these occasions. This house is said to have been kept by the father of the famous Sam Weller (immortalised by Dickens), and is one of Epsom's most famous hostels. No county in England looks fairer in July than that of Surrey, and the panorama from the tower of Ramore Church, perched high upon the hills overlooking Dorking, is unrivalled in expanse and beauty. The bells of this church were in fine form, and for an hour and a half their music was extracted, and had only to be heard to be appreciated. An enjoyable walk down to Dorking preceded dinner at one of the oldest and most old-fashioned of Dorking's famous inns. Touches of Stedman, Treble Bob, etc., on Dorking bells followed, and then the party passed on to Botchworth for an hour's ringing—that quiet and old-world village and churchyard, where the "rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep." The ringing for the day concluded at the favourite tower of Kingswood Church, where there is a peal of six of beautiful tone.

"But we shall see

What pleasant music it will be."

Needless to say, the Mitcham band know how to bring out the music of this really fine ring of bells.

### ROUND ABOUT CHELMSFORD.

Some 16 members of St. Mary Abbot's Guild, Kensington, journeyed to Chelmsford for their annual outing, and were met at the station by Mr. H. F. Cooper of the local band. After an inspection of the Cathedral, an hour's ringing was indulged in on the new peal of twelve by Messrs. Warner, Cinques, Royal, Caters and Major being rung. The inspection of the hangings and fittings of the bells confirmed the visitors' opinion that Chelmsford possesses a grand ring of bells. After lunch at the Plough, the party had a most enjoyable drive round the district, calling at Writtle and Boreham for a ring, Mr. Lincoln at the former and Mr. Edwards at the latter tower having kindly arranged matters. The visitors also had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Kerton, an old member of the Guild, at Boreham. The district round Chelmsford is to those who associate Essex with mud flats, surprisingly pretty, the view from Danbury being particularly fine; so picturesque, in fact, that a native of Kent among the visitors

was challenged as regards the relative beauty of the Garden of England. The fragrance and appearance of the cottage gardens in the Chelmsford district were thoroughly enjoyed by those whose occupations compel them to reside in less congenial surroundings. The tour completed, mine host of the Plough again proved his capabilities as a caterer, after which a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the local ringers for their kindly welcome. Before train-time brought a most enjoyable outing to a close, some handbell ringing was indulged in.

### SURREYITES' 70-MILE MOTOR TRIP.

The six-bell ringers of Christ Church, Mitcham, paid an enjoyable visit to the Southern district of the Surrey Association. They were honoured with the presence of the Master (Mr. J. D. Drewett), the hon. secretary (Mr. Cyril Johnston), the late hon. secretary (Mr. C. Dean), the hon. secretary of the Southern district (Mr. Ewins), and with the company of some of their elder brethren of the Parish Church. They were also accompanied by their churchwardens. After prayers at 7.30, and an opening touch on their own bells they journeyed by motor to Merstham, thence to Nutfield, and Burstow, with its timber tower, where the Rector (the Rev. E. J. Teesdale) gave them a hearty welcome, and rang with them.—Crawley was touched for lunch, and then Charlwood (with its wonderful frame) was visited, and afterwards Newdigate—another timber tower—Capel, and Ockley, the last but not the least! A very pleasant hour was spent at Dorking over the tea-pots, and after climbing Reigate Hill, "the land of market gardens and of stinks" was reached again at 10 o'clock. The distance covered was almost 70 miles, and the whole journey, after leaving home, was one long panorama of most charming and typical Surrey scenery, punctuated by visits to "haunts of ancient peace" with "sound of sweet bells softly jangled out of tune." The pleasantry of the day was enhanced by the fraternal welcome experienced at each of the seven towers. The whole company desire to express their gratitude to their brothers for this proof of unity and kindly feeling, showing that such a huge district has in it the elements for co-operation, unity, and strength. Thanks are also due to the Rectors of the seven widely scattered parishes for their most ready and kindly permission given weeks previously for these three-quarter-hour touches.

### VISIT TO MALVERN.

The annual excursion of the St. Andrew's, Netherton, band was held on Saturday week, when the ringers visited Malvern. Their first objective was Malvern Link Church, which contains one of the best rings of eight in Worcestershire, where they were met by several of the local band, and Stedman Triples and Treble Bob were rung. Tunes on the handbells followed, and were much appreciated. After dinner the handbells were again brought into use, and the party was joined by Messrs. R. G. Knowles (hon. secretary of the Western Branch of the Worcestershire Association), and Mr. E. Gibbs (of Hanley Swan). The visitors next essayed to climb the beautiful hills, but after passing St. Anne's Well several of the party dropped out, as they found the task under almost tropical sunshine too much for them. It was the older members who stood the test best, and the veteran, Dick Round, completed the climb with the spirit of a veritable Alpine climber. The return journey by a short cut was more difficult than the ascent, but there were no casualties, and the whole party met once more round the tea tables. What time remained in the evening was taken up by sight-seeing, and altogether the day proved one of the most enjoyable that the Netherton company have had. The visitors wish to thank the Vicar of Malvern Link for the use of the bells, Mr. R. G. Knowles for the arrangements he kindly made, and Mr. E. Gibbs for going so long a distance to meet them.

### CHELSEA RINGERS IN SOMERSET.

The members of the St. Luke's Society, Chelsea, journeyed to Shepton Mallet, Somerset, where a most enjoyable time was spent through the Whitsun holidays. Shepton Mallet was reached in good time on Saturday morning, and the Hare and Hounds Hotel was made the headquarters. A brake was then requisitioned, and the party drove to St. Peter's Church, Evercreech, where, by the consent of the Rector, the ringers attempted a peal of Stedman Triples on the bells. Unfortunately, after three quarters of an hour's ringing, the peal came to grief. On returning to headquarters the rest of the evening was spent in a social manner. On the following day the visitors were more successful in their ringing, as touches of both Stedman and Grandsire Triples were completed on the bells of St. Peter and St. Paul, Shepton Mallet, before the morning and evening services. Immediately after breakfast on Whit-Monday, the whole party, including Mr. Richards and Mr. Rossiter, of Shepton Mallet, travelled by brake to Wells. The Cathedral was first visited, and then ringing took place on St. Cuthbert's bells. After a tour of Wells, the party returned to Shepton Mallet, and partook of a meat tea, and then journeyed back to London, where they arrived at 10.30 p.m. Much of the success of the holiday was due to Messrs. Richards and Rossiter, of Shepton Mallet, who kindly acted as guides to the party, and the best thanks of the visitors are also due to the Rectors of Shepton Mallet, Evercreech, and Wells for their kind permission to use their respective bells.

## RESTORATION OF ALDBOURNE BELLS.



Strenuous efforts are being made by the parishioners of Aldbourne, Wilts, to restore the ancient bells in their parish church, and as the amount required for the purpose is somewhat large, and the parochial means not unlimited, an appeal is made to all who are lovers of bells to assist this worthy object. Expert examination has shown that the old frame, which is past restoration, should be removed and replaced by a new iron frame carried on adequate steel girders, and that the bells should be hung in entirely new fittings. Of the bells themselves, the fifth is badly cracked, and must be recast. This is one of Cors' old bells, and is dated 1703. There is another bell in the tower—the third—by the same founder, but the glory of the peal is the grand old tenor, dated 1516. This bell is 49 inches in diameter, and is in the key of E flat. The seventh is dated 1636, and the treble and second are by Robert Wells, 1787. While the restoration is in

progress, rope guides are to be fixed 20ft. above the ringing floor, and the clock chimes and carillon overhauled.

It is estimated that the cost of carrying out the work will be £350, but in a district which is purely agricultural it is not possible to grapple, unassisted, with so large an outlay. The parishioners, however, feel that the beautiful old church and bells have been handed down to them through the generosity of their forefathers, and that it is their duty and privilege to preserve and pass on to their successors unimpaired what has been entrusted to them. When this spirit is behind the work, there is all the more pleasure in commending the appeal to our readers, who, we hope, will generously support this restoration scheme. About £150 has already been subscribed locally, and further contributions should be sent to Mr. Charles Smith, churchwarden and hon. secretary, Westfield Farm, Aldbourne S.O., Wilts. For the illustration of the picturesque church we are indebted to the courtesy of Messrs. Astell Bros., Swindon.

### THE CRICKET MATCH.

#### CUMBERLANDS BEAT COLLEGE YOUTHS.

The cricket match on Mitcham Common on Saturday between the College Youths and the Cumberlands was quite exciting, the game being won by the latter by two runs, the score being: College Youths, 31; Cumberlands, 33. As the figures indicate the ball held the ascendancy throughout the afternoon, and many of the batsmen were "in and out quick."

A company, numbering 65, sat down to tea at the Queen's Head afterwards, and the numbers were subsequently considerably swelled for the musical evening which followed, and at which many representative ringers were present.

A photograph, and a full report of the proceedings will appear in our next issue.

### THE WINCHESTER GUILD.

The members of the Portsmouth District of the Winchester Guild met for their quarterly meeting at Newport, Isle of Wight, on Saturday, and there was only one thing to linger with regret the pleasure of the day. The absence, through illness, of Mr. J. W. Whiting, the genial hon. secretary, was much regretted. Nearly 40 members attended the meeting from Fareham, Portsea, Titchfield, Ryde, Newport, Swanmore, Godshill, Brading and Curdridge, and visitors from Chatham, Greenwich and Stoneham. Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung in the afternoon, and tea was served at Mrs. Atrill's, under the shade of the fruit trees. At the meeting which followed, the Master (the Rev. C. E. Matthews) presided, and one honorary and 11 full members were elected.—Mr. F. W. Thornton (Greenwich) proposed a vote of sympathy with Mr. Whiting in his illness, and expressed the hope of the members for his speedy recovery.—A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the Master for his presence.—Some of the party then left for Ryde, where they enjoyed touches on the bells with the local band, and the day's proceedings were brought to an enjoyable close by the return trip to the mainland being made through the illuminated Fleet at Spithead.

### WHEELERS WELCOMED.

#### BENEFICIAL RESULTS OF A STAFFORDSHIRE CYCLE RUN.

Magnificent weather favoured the postponed cycle run to Shareshill on Saturday week by members of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. The local band put in an appearance in full force, and visiting ringers came from Bloxwich, Brewood, Cannock, Four Ashes, and Rushall, whilst we heard afterwards of one who set out from Walsall too late to reach the tower in time. The feature of the meeting was the keenness and manifest appreciation with which the local band welcomed this opportunity of acquiring the art of change ringing more perfectly. Except during the summer months, practices are held regularly every Wednesday night, and visiting ringers, who are prepared to give the local band a helping hand, would be very welcome. Will some of the rank and file of the society make a note of this, and they may then be the means of increasing the membership, for unless the society first gives some proof of its usefulness fresh members are not likely to be enrolled. The next cycle run will take place to Kingswinford on August 22nd.

### RINGERS' CENTURIES.

#### MR. BEN GOUGH'S 100 PEALS.

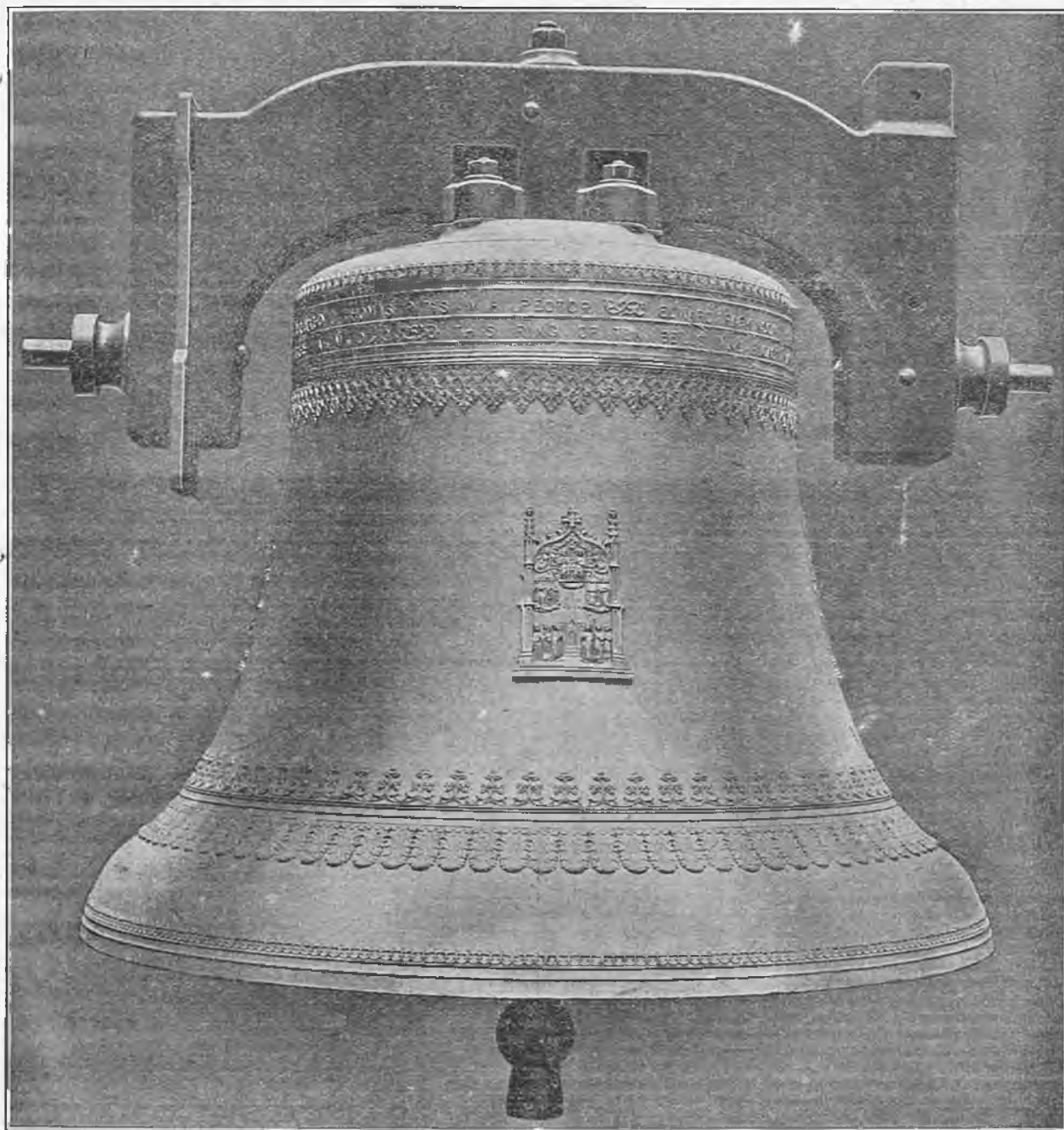
Stedman Cinques, 1; Stedman Caters, 5; Stedman Triples, 17; Bob Maximus, 1; Bob Royal, 3; Bob Major, 15; Kent Treble Bob Major, 5; Canterbury Pleasure Major, 2; Grandsire Caters, 26; Grandsire Triples, 21 (conducted 1); Grandsire Minor, 1 (conducted 1); Oxford Bob Triples, 3; total, 100 (conducted 2).

Mr. Gough was out of the ringing world for 17 years (1894 to 1911). Since May 26th, 1911, he has rung 85 peals.

#### G. SPENCER'S 100 PEALS.

Grandsire Triples, 16 (conducted 3); Grandsire Caters, 5; Stedman Triples, 28; Stedman Caters, 11; Oxford Bob Triples, 2; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 3; Kent Treble Bob Major, 14; Kent Royal, 1; Bob Major, 10 (conducted 2); Bob Royal, 1; Double Norwich, 4; Bristol Surprise, 4; Cambridge Surprise Royal, 1; total, 100 (conducted 5).

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## OUR ILLUSTRATION.

### IRELAND'S LORD CHIEF JUSTICE.

Many eminent men have graced the ringing Exercise, but the ranks of those who practice the Art have possessed only one of his Majesty's judges, and that is he who now occupies the exalted position of Lord Chief Justice of Ireland. Sir Richard Cherry has served his country with distinction in many important public offices, and the Exercise is honoured in numbering among its devotees one who has been so highly placed in the councils of the nation, and who now dignifies the chief judicial office in the sister isle.

Born near Waterford on March 19th, 1859, Lord Chief Justice Cherry was educated at Trinity College, Dublin, where he graduated a B.A. in 1879, and was double gold medallist in mental science, and history and political



LORD CHIEF JUSTICE CHERRY.

science. Taking up the law as a profession, Mr. Cherry, as he then was, was first scholar in International Law at the Middle Temple, London, and was called to the Irish Bar in 1881, taking silk in 1896. He was examiner in Political Economy for the Indian Civil Service 1888-89, professor of Constitutional and Criminal Law in the University of Dublin, 1889-94. Turning his attention to politics as well as to law he contested the Kirkdale Division of Liverpool in 1900 and in the General Election of 1906 was elected for the Exchange Division of Liverpool, which he represented until 1909, when he was elevated to the Bench as a Lord Justice of Appeal for Ireland, having since 1905 been Attorney General. Early this year he achieved the highest distinction on the Irish

Bench, and, although the Lord Chief Justice has necessarily many and pressing duties, he regularly takes his place in the belfry at St. Patrick's Cathedral, when he is in Dublin.

The Lord Chief Justice learned to ring as a boy at Waterford in 1872, when a society was started there for change ringing under an instructor from London. At first the band got on well, but presently interest died away, but not before a peal of Grandsire Triples had been rung. This was Holt's ten-part and was achieved on December 9th, 1873—the first peal rung by an Irish society. In 1875 Lord Chief Justice Cherry left Waterford, and for more than 20 years discontinued ringing.

In 1897, however, when Lord Iveagh presented a new peal of ten bells to St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, Lord Chief Justice Cherry, who was largely instrumental in getting the old peal of eight replaced, was asked to organise a society to ring them, and this he did. Mr. Gabriel Lindoff was got over from England to teach the band, and ringing has been carried on there without a break ever since, Sir Richard Cherry having been the president from the foundation. In 1909, also, he presented the two trebles to make the peal into twelve, and had the flat 6th hung to provide a light octave.

Lord Chief Justice Cherry has taken part in most of the peals which have been rung upon the bells—some 15 or 20 altogether, and including the only peal of Cinques—the methods in which he has rung peals being Grandsire Triples (including two double-handed on handbells), Caters and Cinques, Stedman Triples and Caters, and Kent Treble Bob Major. The peal of Grandsire Cinques was rung in 1911 after his elevation to the Bench, and he is the only judge who ever rang a peal. His interest in ringing has extended beyond his own tower, and he became the first president of the Irish Association and held the office for six years, only relinquishing it owing to the pressure of official duties when he was in Parliament. In addition to his connection with the Irish Association, he is a member of the College Youths, the Lincoln Diocesan Guild and the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham.

Despite the enormous claims upon his time, Lord Chief Justice Cherry still takes part in service and practice ringing whenever opportunity permits, and, as a matter of fact, he finds the exercise very beneficial to him in the sedentary life he is compelled to live as a judge sitting in Court all day. It is well known that the Lord Chief Justice hopes to ring more peals yet. Irish ringers are proud of their Ringing Judge, and ringers everywhere hope that he may long be spared, not only as a competent member of the Exercise, but to adorn the exalted office which he fills with such conspicuous success.

### OXFORD GUILD AT BRADFIELD.

The St. Mary's Society, Reading, and other members of the Oxford Guild, visited Bradfield, Berks, for an afternoon's ringing. They were met by Miss Chillingworth, who acts as steeplekeeper. As is usual in all towers in union with the Oxford Guild the proceedings opened with prayer. The first touch was a 360 of Plain Bob Minor, conducted by A. E. Reeves, and this was followed by a 720 of Kent Treble Bob, conducted by C. Giles, and 360 of Plain Bob: L. G. Reeves (first 360) 1. A. T. Reeves 2. R. T. Hibbert (conductor) 3. W. A. Webb 4. J. Swain 5. A. Watmore 6.—Tea was served in a garden adjoining the church, Miss M. E. Chillingworth presiding. Afterwards, the tower was again visited, when Master Cyril E. Wooldridge, a promising lad of about 14 years, rang his first 720 Plain Bob Minor: C. E. Wooldridge 1. Miss M. E. Chillingworth 2. A. T. Reeves 3. W. A. Webb 4. J. Bower 5. A. E. Reeves (conductor) 6. To Mr. J. Swain, captain of the St. Mary's Society, is due the thanks of the party for having made all the arrangements.

## HERE AND THERE.

### THE THIRTEENTH BELL.

An additional bell is being provided for Newcastle Cathedral, in order to make a middle eight.

### FOR THE ANALYSIS COMMITTEE.

We are asked to state that the peal rung at Isham on February 21st was in seven methods, Double Oxford being rung in addition to the methods published in the report of the peal.

### LADY "TENORMAN."

It is not often that a lady makes her debut as a tenor ringer, but Miss Grace Adams, of Upper Clapton, has thus distinguished herself. She rang the tenor on Sunday evening to a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 41 minutes, the band being: R. E. Pollatt 1, S. H. R. Cooper 2, S. S. Dunwell 3, W. T. Powell 4, H. J. King 5, C. A. Gray 6, W. J. Kemp (conductor) 7, Miss Grace Adams (first quarter-peal) 8.

### MR. JAMES GEORGE.

After 45 years of valued service, Mr. James George is retiring at the end of the present month from the important position which he holds under the London and North-Western Railway Co. Into his retirement he will carry with him the best wishes of a large circle of friends, while his ringing acquaintances will be looking for still further activities in the bellies of the country by this young-hearted veteran, now that he will have more leisure. We hope that he may long be spared to enjoy the rest he has so well earned.

### BISHOP AND RINGER TOO.

The Bishop of Buckingham, who was the preacher at the Oxford Guild festival at Slough on Saturday is, so far as we are aware, the only prelate who has ever made an attempt to learn to ring. He confesses that his education in this respect was cut short owing to the pressure of other duties, but he learnt to handle a bell. It was during his incumbency at High Wycombe that the peal there was increased from ten to twelve. Cannot his lordship find a little leisure time to renew his acquaintance with the practical affairs of the belfry? We should dearly love to see a real, live Bishop taking part in a peal. After all, it is not beyond the bounds of possibility.

### GRANDSIRE MAJOR.

A correspondent who inquires whether Grandsire Major is now recognised by ringing societies is informed that it is not a legitimate method according to the rules of the Central Council, who discountenance the ringing of odd bell methods on even numbers of bells and vice versa. If our correspondent's band are anxious to go on to Major—we are glad to see they have ambitions—why do they not take up Plain Bob.

### CARILLONS AT WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

A set of new carillons are to be inaugurated at Westminster Abbey on Saturday.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the South-Eastern District was held at Boreham on Saturday week. The Vicar, the Rev. D. N. Yonge, conducted a short service in church, after which tea was served in the schoolroom, 23 sitting down, and the Vicar presiding. The business meeting followed, with the District Master (Mr. W. Lincoln) in the chair.—Messrs. R. Thrift (Boreham) and A. Bures (Widford) were elected members, and it was decided to hold a bye-meeting at Broomfield in September, and the annual meeting at Chelmsford in November.—Votes of thanks were accorded the Rev. D. N. Yonge for his hearty welcome.—Amongst those present during the afternoon and evening were the district secretary (Mr. H. F. Cooper), and members from Great Bad-dow, Chelmsford, Goldhanger, Rettendon, Widford, Writtle, and the local company, while the methods rung ranged from Grandsire to Superlative Surprise Major.

A well-attended meeting of the North-Eastern Division of the Essex Association was held at Gestingthorpe on Saturday week. Thirty-seven members were present, including the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre (hon. secretary), Mr. G. W. Pannell (District Master) and Mr. B. Redgwell (hon. district secretary), and the following parishes were represented: Bocking, Earl's Colne, Colne Engaine, Great Totham, Sible Hedingham, Rayne, Lavenham, Walter Belchamp, Foxearth, Halstead, Great Yeldham, Greenstead Green, and the local company. A short service was held in the Parish Church, the Rector (the Rev. O. T. Bromwich) officiating and giving an address. The Rectory garden and grounds were thrown open for the use of the ringers, who were afterwards entertained to tea by the Rector.—A vote of thanks was proposed by the hon. secretary to the Rector for his hospitality and hearty welcome.—Touches of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, London and Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure and Plain Bob were rung during the afternoon and evening by mixed bands.

## DR. PAULI AND THE CLEVELAND ASSOCIATION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Alexander begins his letter of July 10th by saying "I seem 'bent on bringing the Cleveland Association into disrepute." Let me assure him that there is no necessity for me to be "bent on" any such a proceeding. I leave that to the Cleveland Association itself.

Mr. Alexander carefully avoids the points I raised in my letter of July 3rd, and the cases I cited, and prefers to make a violent personal attack on myself. No doubt this is convenient, but no person of any judgment could consider it satisfactory. Mr. Alexander challenges my capacity to judge of either good or bad ringing. What his opinion of my ringing may be worth is a matter probably of more interest to him than to me. Only once has he met me, and then he did not ring with me.

Will Mr. Alexander meet the cases I have taken exception to, and the other points I have raised and kindly reserve his abuse for those who are more likely to be annoyed by it?

His statements "mentioned to Mr. Metcalfe" are quite beside the question, of course, and I am surprised that even Mr. Alexander did not see that.

May I ask what does Mr. Alexander mean when he says: "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-doodle and humbug?" These are extraordinary sentences, and would be offensive if they were not so grotesquely ridiculous. May I advise Mr. Alexander to keep to his rope, and leave the pen alone?—Yours faithfully,

Middleham, 14th July, 1914.

HENRY PAULI.

## VISIT TO BARHAM'S TOWER.

Leeds, which has been made famous in ringing history by the great performances of James Barham and his company, was the scene of the quarterly meeting of the Maidstone District of the Kent Association, held on Saturday week, when 40 members were present from Aylesford, Bearsted, Boxley, East Farleigh, Maidstone, Malling, Headcorn and Tunbridge Wells. Touches of Grandsire Caters, Bob Major and Grandsire Triples were rung before the service, at which an address was given by the Vicar (the Rev. H. R. Hughes). Afterwards the ringers adjourned to the Vicarage lawn, where, under the shade of a spreading beech tree, a capital spread awaited them. The Misses Hughes presided at the tea tables, and attended to the wants of the party. The business meeting was presided over by the Vicar, to whom Mr. S. Hayzelden proposed a hearty vote of thanks for his kindness in providing tea.—Mr. J. W. Leonard seconded, and the motion was carried by acclamation.—The Vicar, in responding, said he had enjoyed receiving the ringers at Leeds, and hoped they would soon come again.—When the meeting closed, the members accepted the kind invitation of the Rev. H. R. Hughes to walk in the garden, where the Rambler and other roses were much admired.

Barham's tomb in the churchyard has lately been renovated by the Kent Association, and was inspected with much interest. The meeting concluded with rounds for the sake of beginners, among whom was Mrs. Gatehouse, of Headcorn, who is now a regular attendant at the meetings of the Association.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

A successful meeting of the Southern Branch of the Lincoln Guild was held at the Abbey Church, Bourne, members being present from Stamford, Grantham, Bourne, Edenham, Colsterworth and Surfleet. The six bells were available for ringing during the afternoon and evening, and the methods rung ranged from Plain Bob to London Surprise. The striking, however, was none too good owing to the bells going badly, and needing the attention of an expert bell hanger. Even-song was held in the church, the Master of the Guild (the Rev. H. Law James) reading the lessons, and an eloquent address being given by the Vicar of Bourne (the Rev. H. Cotton Smith).—The business meeting which followed tea, was presided over by the Rev. H. Law James.—It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Barks-ton in October, and a sum of £3 3s. was voted to the Ringers' Chapel Restoration Fund.—A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Bourne, to the Rev. H. Law James, and to the organist concluded the meeting.

## 5040 STEDMAN CATERS.

By The REV. H. LAW JAMES.

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Nineteen times repeated.

Calling 8 at 5 in the 1st course of the 2nd and 12th parts, and bobs at 4 and 5 in the 2nd course of the 4th, 9th, 14th and 19th parts.

First rung at Winchester Cathedral June 2nd, 1914, conducted by the composer.

## St. Leonard's Church, Shoreditch.

Since the ring of 12 Bells (Tenor 28½ cwt., in the key of C) were dedicated on Monday, November 3rd, 1913, the following Peals have been rung:—

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 29th, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes.

### PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES

(First peal on the bells after restoration.)

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND  
THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY GUILD.

On Saturday, December 13th, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty-two Minutes.

### PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5058 CHANGES

Rung to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the firm of John Warner & Sons.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, January 10th, 1914, in Three Hours and Forty-one Minutes.

### PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 31st, 1914, in Three Hours and Forty-three Minutes.

### PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5005 CHANGES

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 28th, 1914, in Three Hours and Forty-two Minutes.

### PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 5016 CHANGES

(First peal of Bob Maximus by the Kent County Association.)

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, March 28th, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes.

### PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES

In commemoration of the 130th anniversary of the record length of Royal rung on these bells, March 27th, 1784. (First peal of Royal since the restoration of the bells.)

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Monday, June 1st, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes.

### PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5005 CHANGES

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND  
THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY GUILD.

On Saturday, July 11th, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes.

### PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES

All the above Bells are fitted with the "WARNER" PATENT SELF-ALIGNING AND SELF-LUBRICATING OIL RING AND OIL BATH DESIGN OF BEARINGS, and the above Peals which have been rung speak volumes for their efficiency.

# JOHN WARNER & SONS, Ltd.,

Bellfounders to His Majesty King George V,

## THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY, LONDON.

Established 1763.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

### ANNUAL FESTIVAL AT SLOUGH. SUCCESSFUL GATHERING.

If there is one thing more than another that strikes the casual observer in connection with the Oxford Guild it is its vitality, and further evidence of this was forthcoming at the annual meeting held last Saturday when, it being the turn of Buckinghamshire, the festival was held at Slough. Although the attendance was not quite so large as has sometimes been seen at this gathering, there was ample proof of the interest taken in the Guild's affairs from the clergy downward. St. Mary's Church, with its handsome tower and beautiful bells—the latter a lasting testimony to the excellence of the work of the Whitechapel Foundry—was the assembly point in the morning, and all who were able to reach the town in time attended the service held in the stately building. The form provided in the newly-compiled "Manual" was used, and a special lesson was read by the Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), the hymns selected for the occasion being "The sacred bells of England," "Unchanging God, who livest," and "Ring forth, holy bells." The preacher was the Bishop of Buckingham, whose manly and practical discourse was followed with the closest interest.

A collection taken in aid of the fund for the restoration of Wargrave bells, recently destroyed by the dastardly action of Suffragettes, amounted to £1 18s. 6d.

The annual dinner took place in St. Mary's Church Institute, and was presided over by Mr. G. Charlesley, a resident of Slough, who, although he had long since given up handling the supple rope in the belfry, was one of the first members of the Oxford Guild. He was supported by the Bishop of Buckingham, the Rector of Slough (Canon Elliott), the Master (Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, the Rev. A. R. C. Freeborn, the Rev. R. P. Newhouse, the Rev. R. L. C. Newhouse, the Rev. E. Broome, Mr. A. E. Reeves (hon. sec.), Mr. A. J. Wright and Mr. W. H. Fussell. The company numbered over 100, and included several lady ringers, among them Miss White (President of the Ladies' Guild), Miss Belcher, Miss Chillingworth and Miss Hopgood.

At the close of the repast, the toast of "The Church and King" was honoured, and the Chairman then submitted the toast of "The Oxford Diocesan Guild." Speaking from his own personal knowledge, he said the Guild was the means of doing away with many abuses in the belfries of the diocese, for he recollected the time when the feature of the occasions of ringing was the jar of beer and the glass in the belfry. They were only too thankful that that state of things had now long been got rid of, thanks very materially to the assistance which that Guild had given. He was glad to see the Guild still going ahead. It was started in 1881 with a total membership of 314; the report for 1913 showed that the numbers had risen to 1954, and were still increasing. He trusted that for many years it would prosper and continue its very useful purpose.

#### THE MASTER'S MESSAGE.

The popular Master had a cordial reception on rising to reply to the toast. Looking back on the past year one could not but be thankful, he said, at the way the work had been going on, and the endeavours that had been made to carry out the principles for which the Guild existed. It was very good for them to have as chairman that day someone who was connected with the Guild in the days when it was founded, and there were others there who could speak in the same way. The progress of the Guild, he thought, showed what tremendously good stuff they must have put into the work in those early days to produce such results as they saw at present. Those who laid the foundation of that great Guild must have done so in real faith and hope. For the present and for the future he would say this: What they wanted to be very strong upon was to see that everyone who was admitted a member of their belfries should be a true lover of the Church, and a true lover of bells (applause). It was not a bit of good admitting a man or a woman who was not a lover of the Church and a lover of the bells. There was one thing further that he would say of a somewhat different nature. It had come to him as a matter of experience, and he gave it them for what it was worth, but he was certain in his own mind that they were in danger of ringing their bells too quickly. He was quite certain that the better ringing was the slower ringing (applause). He did not mean that they should put "a whole house" between each blow, but they did not hear the breath of the smaller bells as they ought to do, when they rang quickly. Among the best judges of their ringing were the outside public, and when they said "The bells sounded well to-day," nine times out of ten it was because the ringers were doing some slow ringing. When there had been fast ringing they were told that the bells sounded a bit of a jumble.

Mr. A. E. Reeves also responded to the toast, and explained that the absence of the hon. treasurer (the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davies) was due to the fact that on the previous night he was called away to his only son, who had met with a serious accident. He was sure the sympathy of the whole guild went out to their treasurer in his trouble. The Rev. G. F. Coleridge proposed the health of the Rector, and the Organist and Choir, and Canon Elliott responded.

Mr. J. J. Parker gave "The Preacher," and the Bishop of Buckingham made a felicitous reply.

The toast of "The Chairman" was honoured on the call of Mr. Wright, and Mr. Charlesley's reply brought this part of the proceedings to a close.

#### THE BUSINESS MEETING.

Having been most enthusiastically re-elected as Master, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn presided over the business meeting. Mr. A. E. Reeves was re-elected hon. secretary, and the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davies hon. treasurer, a vote of sympathy with the latter in his trouble being passed. The meeting also re-elected the Guild's representatives on the Central Council, viz., the Master, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, Messrs. J. Evans and F. Hopgood.

In order that each branch shall in future have its proper representation on the Guild Committee, the rule governing the formation of the committee was altered in effect to provide for the election upon that body of one representative from each branch for every 50 members or part of 50, the chairman and secretary of each branch to be ex-officio members, together with not more than twelve members elected from the general body of the Guild.

This change necessitated the reduction of the number of members elected by the general meeting from 24 to 12, and the following were appointed to serve: The Revs. G. F. Coleridge, R. B. Nowhouse and R. W. Ackworth, Miss Chillingworth, and Messrs. G. Caldwell, E. Humphrey, W. Newell, R. T. Hibbert, F. Webb, J. J. Parker, F. Hopgood and W. H. Fussell.

Efforts have been made in the past to get the annual meeting of the Guild fixed at Oxford, and this year the matter came up as a recommendation of the committee, although it was intimated that even in that body there was a sharp division of opinion on the subject. The Master moved the resolution, but it was at once evident that the present method of moving from place to place was most in favour, and an amendment moved by Mr. Wright that the existing arrangement should be continued was carried by an overwhelming majority. Oxfordshire being entitled to the next meeting, however, Oxford was unanimously chosen for the festival of 1915.

The Master reported on behalf of the special committee appointed to draw up a form of service for the Guild's use, the outcome of whose labours has been the publication of the "Ringers' Manual" which has just been issued.

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge expressed the members' deep gratitude to the Master and the Rev. R. W. Ackworth for the pains they had taken to draw up the service form, and the thanks of the Guild was accorded by acclamation.

#### PROGRESS IN MEMBERSHIP.

As evidence of the progress which the Guild is making, the confirmation of the election of 109 change ringers and 81 probationers was agreed to, and Mr. G. Charlesley and Mr. E. Lucas were elected hon. members.

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge reported upon the Central Council meeting at Winchester, and specially commended to the attention of church authorities and ringers Sir Arthur Heywood's book on "Bell Towers and Bell Hanging."

The subject of the representation of the Guild on the Diocesan Board had been considered by the committee, and the Master said that having communicated with the Secretary of the Board upon the subject, he was given to understand that they could not expect recognition at present. They had got to show they were worthy of it, and if they were they could get grants from the Diocesan funds for their towers. The secretary seemed doubtful whether their work could be regarded as sufficiently spiritual in character to warrant representation. He took it, therefore, that the great thing was to show that it was. If it was the wish of the members, he would write again in due course.—This suggestion was agreed to.

The meeting confirmed the decision of the committee not at present to entertain the question of inter-affiliation, owing to the financial position of the Guilds.

#### THE FINANCIAL POSITION.

The committee had discussed ways and means, and their views came before the members embodied in a series of recommendations to improve the state of the general funds. It was decided that in making arrangements for the annual festival local assistance be invited, whether in money or kind. In regard to restoration grants, it was decided that in future half the amount voted at a general meeting should be paid from the branch funds if the towers belonged to a branch. The Master explained in this connection that this year the Guild was unable to make any grants at all. It was understood that in future applications should come through the branches.

It was also decided that in future the subscriptions of compounding members should go to the general funds of the Guild instead of, as at present, half to the branch in which the election took place, and half to the general funds. It was further resolved that incumbents and foremen should be asked to collect their members' subscriptions at Christmas for the ensuing year.

The question of the appointment of trustees was brought forward by Mr. Wright, and it was decided to appoint three. This would give the Guild a legal standing. It was suggested that they should be elected for a period of three years, but the Bishop of Buckingham



pointed out that a trustee once appointed could not be removed except for some default. Consequently as the appointment will be for life, it was left to the committee to make the appointments.

This concluded the somewhat long agenda, which, however, was got through with the greatest dispatch. The members then dispersed to the towers in the district for further ringing, a brake conveying a large party, while the Master's car carried more than the regulation load. Stoko Poges, whose churchyard is famous as the spot where Gray's immortal *Elegy* was written, Farnham Royal, and Burnham, the former church with six bells, and the two latter each with eight, were visited, and touches in a variety of methods rung.

The festival being favoured with glorious weather, was in all respects a most successful and enjoyable one.

### YORKSHIRE RINGERS IN SALOP. AN INTERESTING AND PLEASANT VISIT.

The annual outing of the party of Yorkshire ringers, who usually make the Whitsun holiday the occasion of a long distance excursion, took place in beautiful Salop, Shrewsbury being the headquarters. The company included Messrs. T. Maude (Pudsey), G. B. Bolland (Tong), J. Cotterell, S. Hirst, H. Edmonson, G. Nayton, J. Ambler and F. Salmous (Halifax), F. W. Dixon (Guisley), J. W. Moorhouse (Wakefield), A. C. Fernley (York), W. Idle (Dewsbury) and P. J. Johnson (Leeds). On reaching Shrewsbury they were met by Mr. C. R. Lilley, the genial Ringing Master of St. Chad's, and conducted to the Grosvenor Hotel, where the party stayed. After ringing on the light peal of six at St. Michael's, Condover was visited. Here the delightful bells, cast in 1813 by John Briant, of Hertford, were utilised for a peal, a well-struck 5,000 of Oxford Treble Bob being brought round in 3 hrs. 2 mins. The church itself dates from the Norman period, and its fine architectural and decorative features were much admired. At 6 a.m. on Sunday, the party were at the tenth-century Church of St. Mary, with a beautiful crocheted spire 220 feet high. Here Treble Ten was rung for early service, which some of the visitors attended, while others inspected the old city. After breakfast the party made their way to St. Chad's Church, where the bells had been placed at their disposal for an hour, the ringing here being the event of the outing. The church is a fine Georgian structure, having been erected in the year 1792, and is one of the few round churches of Great Britain. The tower contains a peal of twelve bells, originally cast by Mears in 1798, with a tenor of 45 cwt. by repute. Owing to some fault, this bell was replaced in 1825, while a substitute for the eighth was found in 1836. They have now been recast by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and are a truly magnificent peal, with a tenor 39½ cwt., in the key of C. In the opinion of the writer they are the finest peal of twelve in the country, and more than maintain the reputation of the famous Loughborough foundry. Treble Bob Maximus was rung upon them for the first time; the easy go, and lovely tone, made the task a most pleasant one for the ringers, who were loath to leave such excellent material so soon. After this the visitors were photographed in the "Quarry," a far more enticing spot than its name implies, and one of the most beautiful spots on the River Severn. After dinner the party met at St. Julian's Church for a pull on the peal of six, with a tenor some 12 cwt., and cast by John Briant, of Hertford. The "go" was a little heavy, but various six-bell methods were rung. In the evening the bells of St. Chad's were again at their disposal, and were set going to Treble Twelve, Grand sire Cinques and Caters.

Leominster was visited early on Monday. The Parish Church of SS. Peter and Paul is a fine specimen of Norman and Early English architecture, being two churches made into one. A Saxon Church stood on the site of the present Norman structure, but was destroyed by fire. The large Monastic Church of St. Peter was erected in the early part of the 11th century, and the greater part of this church remains to-day. In the middle of the fifteenth century, owing to some disruption between the Monks and their congregation, the latter built a large church dedicated to St. Paul, immediately beside the Monastic Church, and this continued until the Reformation, when part of the dividing walls were broken through, and to-day the building presents a most imposing appearance to the visitor who sees it for the first time, as the two churches are quite distinct, each retaining its own altar and chancel. The fine Pre-Reformation plate was shown to the visitors by Mr. P. Johnson, the vergor, whose lucid information concerning the church and all appertaining to it was much appreciated. The tower contains a fine peal of ten bells cast by Wm. Evans, of Chepstow, in 1755, and the "go" and tone of them is excellent. Touches of Treble Ten and Major and Grand sire Caters were rung. To Mr. Thompson, the genial steeple keeper, the party were greatly indebted for his thoughtfulness and care on their behalf. Ludlow, by repute the prettiest town in England, was the next place on the programme, and certainly its appearance does not belie its reputation. After dinner at the Angel Hotel, where the company was added to by Messrs. W. Nash, of Ludlow, and J. Clark, of Ross, some resorted to the fine tower of St. Lawrence's Church to attempt a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, while others turned their attention to bowls on the green. The church tower contains a good peal of eight bells (tenor 22 cwt.) cast by Abraham Rudhall. The belfry is yet another instance of the total ignorance of architects regarding bells and

belfries, as, with the exception of a small light in the centre of the floor, the tower is in total darkness, and has to be artificially illuminated during ringing in broad daylight. After about 20 minutes' ringing the peal attempt had to be abandoned owing to the heavy "go" of the bells. Tea was taken at the Charlton Arms Hotel, many ringing visitors from neighbouring towns and villages joining the party, about forty in all sitting down. Shrewsbury was eventually reached again about 10 p.m., the rest of the evening being spent at headquarters in handbell ringing, etc. On Tuesday morning, after being photographed in the grounds of Shrewsbury Castle, some of the party went to the Free Library to inspect the manuscript, formerly the property of that famous ringer of Shifnal, the redoubtable Samuel Lawrence. The visitors returned to Leeds in the afternoon.

The writer would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the party, to thank all authorities for granting facilities to ring their bells, and to all steeple keepers for their efforts, special thanks being due to Messrs. C. R. Lilley and W. Nash; also to the Rev. H. B. Beckwith, the secretary of the Salop Diocesan Guild, for the kindly welcome to Shrewsbury by him, the visitors much appreciating the cordiality with which they were received, and the attention bestowed on them on all sides, which leaves them with a great desire on some future occasion to re-visit such pleasant surroundings.—P. J. J.

### SHREWSBURY BELLS.

On the new peal of twelve just installed at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, by Messrs. Taylor and Co., the quaint inscriptions of the old bells have been reproduced. The curious couplets are as follows:—

Treble: weight 4 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb.

In sweetest sound let each its note reveal  
Mine shall be first to lead the Dulcet peal  
1798 . Recast 1914

Second: 4 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb.

The public raised us with a liberal hand  
We came with harmony to cheer the land  
1798 . Recast 1907 . Again Recast 1914.

Third: 5 cwt. 0 qr. 1 lb.

We'll through the air extend each generous theme  
And float melodious down Sabrina's Stream  
1798 Recast 1914

Fourth: 5 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

When female virtue weds with manly worth  
We catch the Rapture and we spread it forth  
1798 . Recast 1914

Fifth: 6 cwt. 0 qr. 5 lb.

Does battle rage do sanguine foes contend  
We hail the victor, if he's Britain's friend  
1798 . Recast 1914

Sixth: 6 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

Here let us pause—and now with one accord  
Salute the Church triumphant in the Lord  
1798 . Recast 1914

Seventh: 8 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

May George long reign who now the Sceptre sways  
And British valour ever rule the Seas  
1798 . Recast 1914

Eighth: 11 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb.

Success attend our gallant Host in arms  
And Glory Crown the brave whom honour warms  
1798 . Recast 1837 . Again Recast 1914

Ninth: 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb.

May England's Coasts the Pride of Commerce see  
And Salop's Pride be always to be free  
1798 . Recast 1914

Tenth: 20 cwt. 0 qr. 0 lb.

May Peace remain to Bless Britannia's Shore  
And Faction Fall to Raise her Head no more  
1798 . Recast 1848 . Again Recast 1914

Eleventh: 28 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb.

May each Subscriber in these numbers live  
And unions ever feel those joys they give  
1798 . Recast 1914

Tenor: 39 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. diameter 5 ft.

May all whom I shall summon to the grave  
The Blessings of a well-spent life receive  
1798 . Recast 1825 . Again Recast 1914

### To the Editor.

Sir,—In your issue of June 19th appears an account of the opening of the new peal of twelve at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury. I have no doubt it is a vast improvement on the old, but it states that the tone of the previous peal was poor, and that the bells were badly out of tune. I say that the previous peal from the Whitechapel Foundry was of splendid tone and tune, and I have heard noted ringers from all over the country, who have, at different times, rung there, say how they envied Shrewsbury having such a noble ring of twelve.

—Yours,

H. JONES,

Wolverhampton, July 14th.

(An Old Shrewsbury Ringer)

## NOTICES.

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

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting on July 25th at Snow Hill. Tea at King of Denmark, 7d. per head, to those notifying me by July 22nd. Special business.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Secretary, Shoreditch Church.

**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.—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. 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.—R. Stephenson, Honorary Secretary, 2, Cleveland Terrace, West Hartlepool.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Leesfield on Saturday, July 25th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting 6.30.—Joseph Ogden, Secretary.

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Bridgwater Deanery Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Middlezoy on Saturday, July 25th. Service 4 p.m., tea and meeting following (tea 6d. each). Bells available from 2 p.m.—W. G. Sellick, Branch Secretary.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION (Southern District).**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Charlwood, on Saturday, July 25th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., with address by the Rector of Charlwood. Tea at the Half Moon Inn at 5.30 p.m.—Henry F. Ewins, Hon. District Secretary, Duncton, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The quarterly meeting originally arranged for July 11th at East Molesey will now be held at Putney, on Saturday, July 25th. Parish Church bells open at 4 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea at St. Mary's Mission House,

Walker's Place, at 5.30 p.m. Business meeting after. Ringing to follow. Members from Western District welcome.—Cyril F. Johnston, Hon. Secretary, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

**THE BEDS ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—The next meeting will be held at Bromham, on Saturday, July 25th.—John W. Barker, District Secretary.

**THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 30th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays at 8 p.m.—W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The next meeting of this society will be held at Barlborough, on Saturday, August 1st. Church of St. James, 6 bells, tenor 11cwt., available 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Rector has kindly promised to provide tea, and members who intend being present are particularly requested to notify Mr. W. Kennan, Park Street, Barlborough, not later than July 27th.—J. E. L. Cockey, Hon. Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—All-day meeting, August Bank Holiday. Bells available All Saints' and St. Paul's, Wokingham, in the morning, Yorktown and Hawley in the afternoon and evening. Usual meals arranged. Full particulars on application. Hearty welcome to all ringers.—G. B. Edser, 170, Gipsy Road, S.E.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Eastern Division of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Hatfield, near Doncaster, on Monday, August 3rd, 1914. Eight bells (all day), tea 1s. each.—T. Smith, Hon. District Secretary.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will take place at Liscard on Monday, August 3rd. Proceedings commence with service in St. Mary's Church at 11 o'clock. Other particulars by circular.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

**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.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Aysgarth (Wensleydale), on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 3rd, 1914. The bells of the Parish Church (6 tenor, 13cwt.) are available all day. Tea will be provided at the George and Dragon Hotel, members 9d., non-members 1/6. Those intending to be at this meeting, please notify the Hon. Sec. not later than Thursday, July 30th. Any ringing friends visiting Aysgarth on above date will receive a hearty welcome.—T. Metcalfe, Honorary Secretary, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The summer outing of the Guildford District will take place on Rannmore Common, near Dorking, on August Bank Holiday. The bells of S. Barnabas (8) will be available from 2 till 9. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 p.m.; 6d. to members, 1/- to visitors, to those informing me before Wednesday, July 29th. The beautiful gardens of Denbies will be open (by kind permission of the Hon. H. Cubitt, Lord Lieutenant of Surrey) from 3 to 4 p.m., during which time the belfry will be closed.—John J. Jones, Hon. Secretary, North Street, Guildford.

**NOTICES—continued.**

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Henfield Branch.—A meeting will be held at Henfield, by the invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. Reginald J. Lea, R.D.), on Monday, August 3rd. The tower will be open from 2.30. Tea will be provided for those who let me know by the 30th inst. at 4.30. There will be a short service, with address by the Rev. Cresswell-Gee at 6 o'clock.—L. Payne, Honorary Secretary, Nep Town, Henfield.

**THE ANNUAL MEETING** will be held at Peterborough on Monday, August 3rd. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. Preacher, the Rev. E. H. Brown, Vicar of Yaxley. Tea at the Bedford Cafe, Queen Street, at 4.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Bells available from 11 a.m., Cathedral (5), St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), Woodston (6). Will those who intend to be present at tea, kindly notify me not later than Saturday, August 1st.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**ST. MARY'S, BEDDINGTON.**—On Bank Holiday, Aug. 3rd, the bells will be available from 2 p.m. until 9 p.m. Flower Show and Fête in Beddington Park, close to church.

**FUND FOR REHANGING** the Peal of Eight at All Saints' Church, Boyn Hill, Maidenhead.—A Sale of Work in aid of the above fund will be held at Boyn Hill Flower Show, on August 13th, organized by local members of the Ladies' Guild. All contributions (except confectionery) will be gratefully received, which should be priced, and sent to Miss K. Smith, Norden, Maidenhead, Berks.

**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.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESSES.**—Mr. Harry White, of Basingstoke, has removed to 23, Beaconsfield Road.—The address of Mr. E. Whiteman is now Colston, Grove Road, South Woodford, S.E.—Mr. Thos. Groombridge, senr., has removed to 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

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