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OUR 500th NUMBER.

This issue of the 'Ringing World,' as our readers may have observed, is our five hundredth number. It is a milestone on the road that merits passing attention, for it marks an interesting stage in the lifetime of the paper. Many changes have been rung since first 'The Ringing World' was launched upon the Exercise, and changes, also, have been necessary in the production of the journal to meet the vicissitudes which came with the war and war's after-effects. The troubles of the last six years in regard to newspaper production have not spared us, and we have been compelled to bow to the force of circumstances. We think we may, however, without egotism, take this to our credit, that we are one of the very few survivors of the class of journal existing before the war that catered for special and limited interests. We say limited interests because, in comparison with some of the other occupations of life, bell ringing appeals only to a small circle. Throughout our five hundred weeks we have ever striven to promote the advancement of the art and to extend its interests, and our desire to serve the cause of change ringing grows with our years. But difficulties which the war created, and which we struggled steadily to overcome, have unfortunately remained during the period of 'reconstruction,' and have effectively prevented that expansion which we had set our minds to achieve 'after the war.' While recovery in regard to circulation has been steadily maintained, it has not kept pace with the growing costs of production, and no good purpose can be served in hiding the fact that if the Exercise desires to have a paper run in its interests, one of two things must happen—either a much larger number of ringers must become supporters of the paper, and not merely readers on the one copy per tower principle; or the price of the paper must be raised. We would rather see the former alternative.

That the position of the 'Ringing World' is not an isolated one may be judged from the fact that in this year alone over six hundred newspapers have had to raise their price. We have endeavoured to stave off this action as long as possible, but unless the wider support comes, and comes promptly, an increase is inevitable. May we, therefore, appeal to our friends, who already stand and have stood loyally by us, to use their best endeavours to win for us the support of their fellow-members of the belfry who do not at present subscribe individually to the 'Ringing World'? Schemes for the expansion of the paper and an extension of features of interest have been long matured, but are held up by the difficulties which continually face us. We have indicated one line, at any rate,

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by which it is possible for the Exercise to help us overcome these obstacles, and this five hundredth issue seems a suitable opportunity of making the appeal.

TEN BELL PEALS.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt.

REGINALD BROUGH Treble	DAVID WRIGHT 6
JAMES W. TRAPPITT 2	ALFRED J. TRAPPITT 7
HERBERT SKELT 3	AMOS W. CLARK 8
WILLIAM BULPITT 4	WILLIAM GROVES 9
THOMAS TALBOT 5	*STEPHEN GODIN Tenor

Composed by EDGAR BENNETT. Conducted by A. J. TRAPPITT.

* First peal, and elected a member before starting. First peal of Caters as conductor.

CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

JOHN W. JONES Treble	CLARENCE O. HOBBS 6
JOHN BULLEN 2	CHARLES GREEDY 7
WILLIAM HEATH 3	SIDNEY DAWE 8
WILLIAM B. BISS 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN 9
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL 5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by F. CHAMBERLAIN.

Arranged specially for Mr. W. H. Fussell, who hails from Slough.

SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE, SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Oct. 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN ARMSTRONG Treble	JOHN E. MILLER 6
*ALFRED R. GLASSCOCK 2	*NORMAN A. TOMLINSON 7
*GEORGE BESTER 3	*HARRY MILLER 8
SIDNEY WADE 4	†GEORGE W. FLETCHER 9
†EDMUND G. TOMLINSON 5	*ALFRED G. CRANE Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by J. ARMSTRONG.

* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal of Stedman Caters as conductor. This is the first peal on the bells since the two new trebles were added, the first peal on ten bells by the local society, and is believed to be the first peal of Stedman Caters in the County by an entirely local band, who are all regular Sunday ringers.

DATE TOUCHES.

At Maldon, Essex, for harvest festival on Sept. 29th, a date touch (1,920 changes), comprising 240 each of Double Court and Plain Bob, and 360 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob: E. W. Finch 1, Miss A. E. Walcock 2, F. Chalk 3, J. H. Walcock 4, A. South (conductor) 5, H. J. Mansfield 6.

At Rammoor, Sheffield, on Sept. 30th, at St. John's Church, 1,920 changes Kent Treble Bob Major, in 1 hr. 11 mins., by: J. Thorpe 1, F. Ward 2, T. W. Chown 3, H. Thorpe 4, J. Evinson 5, A. P. Knights (longest length) 6, C. Haynes 7, L. Charlesworth 8. Composed by the late Mr. David Breatley. Conducted by John Thorpe.

BARNET.—Middlesex County Association.—At St. John's Church, on Sunday, August 8th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 45 mins.: W. Soer 1, A. E. Glasscock 2, C. W. Dale 3, H. J. Ellrod 4, C. V. Ebberson 5, R. Sturgeon 6, R. Roffey 7, N. A. Tomlinson (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal of Bob Major by Messrs. Dale and Sturgeon.—On August 29th, a 504 of Grandsire Triples, after meeting short for a quarter-peal, conducted by C. V. Ebberson.

CONISBORO, YORKSHIRE.—On Monday, August 23rd, at St. Peter's Church, a date touch of 1920 Bob Minor, in 1 hour and 15 minutes: W. H. Metcalf 1, M. Fowler 2, S. Harrison 3, O. Greathead 4, F. G. Lewis 5, J. R. Breatley (conductor) 6. Longest length by ringers of 2, 4, 5, who are members of the local band.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WESTERHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Sept. 29, 1920, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 23½ cwt.	
ARTHUR G. MASON Treble	HAROLD W. CLARK 5
JOHN W. STEDDY 2	HENRY J. SELBY 6
GEORGE B. SELBY 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 7
PERCY J. SPICE 4	ARTHUR J. LEWIS Tenor

Composed by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

This peal was rung as a farewell to the Rev. Sydney Le Mesurier, who has been Vicar for 20 years, and is shortly leaving for Lamberhurst; also to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lewis, the band offering them hearty congratulations.

CRAYFORD, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Sept. 30, 1920, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Paulinus,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
HERBERT AUDSLEY Treble	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 5
† WILLIAM WHEADON 2	SPENCER MARSHALL 6
JOHN BURLS 3	HENRY GIBBS 7
FRANK ELLIS 4	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON. Conducted by HERBERT AUDSLEY.

* First peal in the method, † First peal in the method with a bob bell. H. Audsley's first peal as conductor and H. Gibbs' first peal for 19 years, the band being delighted to welcome him again.

PENKRIDGE, STAFFS.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Thursday, Sept. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.	
* GEORGE WARNER Treble	HERBERT KNIGHT 5
FRED BIRKS 2	JOHN PERRY 6
JOHN WARRILOW 3	JOHN J. TAYLOR 7
* SHIRLEY BURTON 4	EDMUND WESTWOOD Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung on the occasion of the dedication and harvest festivals; also as a wedding peal for Miss C. Dunkley (youngest daughter of the Rev. Prebendary Dunkley, Vicar of Brewood), who was married at Alexandria on September 25th. An attempt for the peal was made at Brewood on the previous Saturday, but failed through the breaking of a clapper after ringing for one hour and twenty-five minutes. * First peal of Triples.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.	
WILLIAM J. NUDDS Treble	ARTHUR MASON 5
GEORGE M. KILBY 2	REUBEN SANDERS 6
ALBERT W. COLES 3	HARRY KILBY 7
ISAAC G. SHADE 4	WILLIAM PYE Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O., President of the Association.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Giles.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

MISS NORA E. SHORTER ... Treble	JOHN H. WHITE 5
JOHN HOYLE 2	ALFRED H. WINCH 6
JOHN BEAMS 3	ALBERT HARMAN 7
GEORGE MARRINER 4	ARTHUR DEAN Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of SS. PHILLIP AND JACOB,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ALFRED E. REEVES Treble	* EDWIN J. BROWN 5
* MISS ANNIE BROWN 2	* PERCY C. WILLIAMS 6
ALBERT STOWELL 3	HENRY T. HOWELL 7
FREDERICK W. WADE 4	ISAAC LONG Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by E. J. BROWN.

* First peal in the method. This peal was rung as a compliment to Miss A. Brown for her 21st birthday, two previous attempts having failed.

WITTON, NORTHWICH, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Helen,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.	
* JOHN SADDINGTON Treble	ALBERT BOOTH 5
HUGH YARWOOD 2	JAMES H. RIDING 6
* ALFRED JOHNSON 3	ALBERT CRAWLEY 7
JOSEPH ASHMOLE 4	SAMUEL MOORE, JUN. Tenor

Conducted by A. CRAWLEY.

* First peal of Triples. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. J. Saddington was elected a member before starting, and hails from Kettering. First peal of Triples on the bells.

GORSEINON, GLAM.
WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Catherine,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.	
REV. D. A. JONES Treble	W. DOBBINS 5
H. WILLIS 2	A. J. PITMAN 6
A. SLUMAN 3	J. WILLIAMS 7
WAL. DOBBINS 4	W. WEBB Tenor

Conducted by A. J. PITMAN.

First peal of Triples on the bells. First peal of Triples for all (who are local ringers) except the conductor. Rung as a farewell peal to the ringers of 2nd and 3rd, who are leaving for College.

LENTON, NOTTINGHAM.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 8½ cwt.

FRED S. PRICE Treble	EDWARD C. GOBEY 5
THOMAS F. KIRKBY 2	SAMUEL WESLEY 6
ALLAN R. HICKTON 3	JAMES F. GEORGE 7
ALBERT COPPOCK 4	PERCIVAL PRICE Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY,
Rung for the Harvest Festival.

OLNEY, BUCKS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.	
FRED WILFORD Treble	FRED HOPPER 5
WILLIAM R. PARKER 2	JOHN T. HENSMAN 6
WILLIAM FAREY 3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN 7
THOMAS LAW 4	ALFRED MONK Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. ALLEN.

The thanks of the band are due to Mr. F. Bosworth for having everything ready, and also to Mr. A. Monk for providing tea after the peal.

YORKTOWN, SURREY.—On Wednesday, August 25th after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 47 mins., in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Poulter: A. Poulter 1, F. Marchant 2, W. H. Boyles 3, B. Hawkins 4, J. Smith 5, H. Chaffey 6, G. Miles (conductor) 7, H. Hunt 8.

AYLESFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOMAS MANNERING Treble	HENRY T. WILSON 5
CLR.-SGT. JAMES BENNETT ... 2	LEONARD MANNERING... .. 6
GEORGE E. WILSON 3	FREDERICK RICHARDSON ... 7
WILLIAM DOUBLY 4	FREDERICK MITCHELL... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. MANNERING.

First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. M. Mitchell. Ringers of 3rd, 4th and 5th hail from Prittlewell, Essex.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF WORCESTER TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*ALFRED J. BULL Treble	GEORGE ILLMAN 5
ALBERT ELLIS 2	AMOS W. CLARK 6
JOHN RICE 3	GEORGE ELLIS 7
WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS... .. Tenor

Composed by the Rev. E. BANKES JAMES.

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

* First peal. First peal in the method by all the band.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Oct. 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. in E.

EDWARD A. ETHERIDGE ... Treble	GEORGE TOMSETT 5
GEORGE W. STEERE 2	EDWARD RADDON... .. 6
THOMAS W. RADFORD... .. 3	SEPTIMUS RADFORD 7
WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 4	ALFRED H. PULLING Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

This peal was arranged by her Guildford friends and rung as a compliment to Miss A. White, of Basingstoke, on the occasion of her wedding.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5440 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*WM. H. HUMBERSTONE ... Treble	JOHN OLDHAM 5
GEORGE CLEAL 2	HARRY BROUGHTON 6
LOUIS E. ALLEN 3	*HERBERT W. NEEDHAM ... 7
HAROLD J. POOLE 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED H. DEXTER.

* First Surprise peal. 50th peal by J. Oldham, of Loughborough. Rung to celebrate the arrival of a son and heir to the conductor.

BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 9 cwt.

HERBERT LODKIN Treble	*ARTHUR LINTOTT 5
THOMAS W. GILMOOR 2	GEORGE R. NEWTON... .. 6
†JOHN COOKE 3	EDWARD CAUCE 7
†CHARLES COLES... .. 4	*WILLIAM BETLEY Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

* First peal. † First peal of Stedman. C. Coles (late of Oxford) was elected a life member prior to starting. First attempt for a peal of Stedman by ringers of 3rd and 4th.

UPTON-CUM-CHALVEY.—On Sunday, August 15th, at St. Mary's Church, 1280 Kent Treble Bob Major in three courses (composed by Aeland J. Perkins): W. Burden 1, Gladys E. Bateman 2, A. D. Barker (conductor) 3, P. E. Jones 4, W. Henley 5, E. T. Hoojer 6, C. C. Mayna 7, W. H. Russell 8. First quarter of Treble Bob by ringer of treble, and first in method on the bells.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

WALPOLE ST. ANDREW'S, NORFOLK.
THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(MARSHLANDS BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Sept. 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's. Tenor 19 cwt.

TONEY PRICE Treble	CHARLES W. LARGE 4
ALFRED BACON 2	WALTER J. BARKER 5
HENRY HILL... .. 3	JOSEPH E. SYKES... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

This was the first attempt for a peal by the ringers of the 4th and 5th. Great credit is due to Mr. Hill, the Marshlands veteran, who now rings his second peal at the age of 74.

CALVERTON, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Durham, Newcastle, Canterbury, Beverley, York, London and Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt.

WALTER W. BONHAM... .. Treble	ERNEST C. LAMBERT 4
EDWIN YATES 2	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS... .. 5
HERBERT C. EDWARDS ... 3	CECIL A. VALENTINE Tenor

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. James Tompkins, foreman of the above tower. The ringers wish to thank the Rector, the Rev. E. J. Pritchard, for the use of the bells.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 16½ cwt.

*TRAYTON BOOTH Treble	CHARLES TRIBE 4
*WALTER FRANKS 2	GEORGE BILLENNESS 5
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... 3	HARRY PRICE Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor on the bells. Rung on the back six after meeting two men short for Bob Major.

OTTISHALL, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven differently called 720's. Tenor 12 cwt.

MATTHEW TIMBERS Treble	WILLIAM J. WASEY 4
ALBERT E. NEALE 2	WALTER FORD 5
FRED J. BARBER 3	WALTER C. MEDLER Tenor

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 14 extents each of Stedman, Grandsire and Bob Doubles. Tenor 5 cwt. 2 qr.

CHARLES E. BORRETT... .. Treble	FREDERICK KNIGHTS 3
FREDERICK H. KNIGHTS ... 2	ALBERT ROUGHT... .. 4
GEORGE MAYERS Tenor	

Conducted by CHARLES E. BORRETT.

First peal on the bells. Rung to oblige the conductor, who has now called peals on all numbers of bells, from Doubles to Maximus inclusive.

EASTBOURNE.—Sussex County Association. — At St. Saviour's Church on Aug. 22nd, 504 Stedman Triples: W. D. Smith 1, A. Gower 2, A. D. Pankhurst 3, A. A. Hughes 4, W. H. J. Hooton 5, G. W. Stokes 6, E. Gower (cond.) 7, B. Holbs 8.—At All Saints', on Sept. 15, 504 Stedman Triples: W. D. Smith (conductor) 1, H. R. Newton 2, A. D. Pankhurst 3, A. Gower 4, E. Gower 5, G. W. Stokes 6, B. Hooton 7, G. H. Howse 8.

HANDBELL PEALS.

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Sept. 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Two Minutes,
At 90, BLACKMAN LANE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

JAMES R. KEMP 1—2	WILLIAM BARTON 5—6
PERCY J. JOHNSON 3—4	JOHN AMBLER 7—8

Composed by GEO. H. CROSS of Norwich.

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

Attested by GEORGE A. JOWETT.

This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF
BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, Sept. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5037 CHANGES

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM 1—2	JAMES E. GROVES 7—8
GEORGE F. SWANN 3—4	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD 9—10
ALBERT WALKER 5—6	MORRIS J. MORRIS 11—12

Composed and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

Referee: ALBERT T. SCRIVENS.

First peal of Grandsire Cinques in hand by all except Mr. Russam,
who took part in the one rung at Birmingham July 2nd, 1886.

CLAPHAM, S.W.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Oct. 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At 63A, OLD TOWN, CLAPHAM,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS 1—2	CHARLES HAZELDEN 5—6
JOHN THOMAS 3—4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN 7—8

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5220 CHANGES;

MISS KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... 1—2	*F/Sgt. F.A. HOLDEN, R.A.F. 5—6
ROBERT RICHARDSON 3—4	†FRED W. STOKES 7—8
‡ARCHIE C. STOKES 9—10	

Composed and Conducted by FRED A. HOLDEN.

* First Bob Royal 'in hand.' † First on ten bells 'in hand.'

‡ First peal 'in hand' and first attempt. Rung after meeting short
for a tower peal. Great credit is due to the Brothers Stokes on their
success, they hardly ever having had the opportunity for double-
handed ringing.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Oct. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL COSLANY.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

ALBERT ROUGHT 1—2	GEORGE H. CROSS 5—6
CHARLES E. BORRETT 3—4	MISS HILDA L. DURRANT ... 7—8

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

This is the first peal in hand by Miss H. L. Durrant and first attempt,
great credit being due to her for the manner in which she rang through-
out. It was the first peal on handbells by a lady ringer in Norfolk,
and the first on eight handbells in which a lady has taken part for the
Norwich and Ipswich Association.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor size 18 in G.

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

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. John Carter has returned to Birmingham after his summer sojourn in the Isle of Man.

We are asked to state that the time of the peal of Cinques at Ipswich was 3 hours 44 minutes, not 3 hours 39 minutes as stated last week.

Another 'family' performance is now recorded, five members of the accomplished Goffton family of the Durham and Newcastle Association having rung a peal of Stedman Caters 'in hand.'

The peal of Bristol at Selly Oak, on Saturday, was rung for a variety of purposes. It marked the retirement of Mr. J. Dowler from the office of secretary and treasurer to the Northern Branch of the Worcestershire Association, after 9 years' good work, which is greatly appreciated. It acclaimed the appointment of Mr. A. Davies as his successor, and was a birthday compliment to Messrs. John Smith and Robert Matthews, the ringers respectively of the 5th and tenor; and Mr. A. E. Parsons, Master of the Worcester Association.

October 12th was the 166th anniversary of the first occasion on which Holt's ten-part was rung. This was at Shoreditch in 1754, and it was rung by the Cumberlands. This celebrated old composition has probably been rung more times than any other peal of Grandsire.

Owing to some amendment in Post Office regulations, 'The Ringing World,' while it remains at its present weight, may be sent through the post for a halfpenny. We shall be pleased, therefore, to again forward the paper to any reader for 2s. 6d. per quarter.

HONOURS FOR MR. J. S. PRITCHETT.

HIGHEST OFFICE IN FREEMASONRY.

Alderman J. S. Pritchett, of Birmingham, Presiding Ringing Master of St. Martin's Guild, and a member of the Central Council, has just received one of the highest honours which can be attained in Freemasonry. He has been offered by the Supreme Council 33rd degree and has accepted the office of Sovereign Grand Inspector-General of the West Central District, carrying with it the 33rd and highest degree in Masonry. As he is already a Grand Officer of the craft, Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and has recently been appointed Grand Standard Bearer (V.B.) in the Masonic Order of the Knights Templar, he has attained the highest position it is possible almost to reach. This is the reward of an assiduous devotion to masonry extending over more than 40 years.

His many ringing friends throughout the country, and particularly those who are Freemasons, will join in congratulating Mr. Pritchett upon the great distinction conferred upon him by the craft, and also upon the fact that he has been appointed Assistant Recorder for the City of Birmingham.

IPSWICH RINGERS' EXCURSION.

The ringers of St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, paid a visit to Bury St Edmunds for their outing, the party numbering 17 making the journey by rail. On arriving at St. Mary's Church they were welcomed by Mr. Reeve, the vergier, who had kindly got permission for St. James' bells to be utilised. A nice touch of Stedman Caters was rung, in which Mr. Moore, one of the local men, took part, and conducted by C. J. Sedgley. Various other touches in different methods on eight and ten bells were enjoyed throughout the rest of the morning. After dinner, a brake was hired, and the party drove to Horringer, where various touches were rung on the church bells, two of the local men joining in. On looking round the churchyard the visitors came across the grave of their late friend, Mr. H. Turner, whose tombstone is decorated with some beautifully carved bells. The party returned to Bury to catch the 7.15 train for Ipswich after an enjoyable day.

TENTERDEN BELLS RESTORED.

On Thursday evening, Sept. 23rd several members of the Kent County Association met at St. Mildred's Church, Tenterden, in answer to an invitation from Mr. A. Howell, of Ipswich, who has rehung the tenor of this famous peal in a new steel headstock and fittings, recast and rehung the fourth which was badly cracked, overhauled the remaining six, and strengthened the frame. Touches of Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung during the evening, and a unanimous verdict was summed up in the three words, 'An excellent job.' There are many noted ringers who have tested the 'go' of Tenterden tenor, and have gone away disappointed. There will now be a different result.

Mr. Churchwarden Meynell kindly provided refreshments after the ringing, and a vote of thanks was accorded to him. Alderman P. Edwards undertook the onerous duties of collecting the money to defray the cost of the restoration, and we are pleased to hear the results so far have proved very satisfactory.

'GOFER' RINGING.

On Oct. 3rd, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung by the Newark-on-Trent Parish Church band to celebrate the revival of 'Gofers' ringing (an old-time custom), and which is carried on for six Sundays by meeting earlier for evening service ringings: E. C. Thrall 1, C. H. Chapman 2, J. H. Jennison 3, F. W. Foster 4, N. Holyoak 5, V. Appleby 6, L. Bullock (conductor) 7, H. Thrall 8.

PAINSWICK PERFORMANCES.**PEAL TABLET UNVEILED.**

A permanent record of two long peals rung at Painswick has just been unveiled. The memorial is of Painswick stone, and has been erected in the belfry. It records the 7,325 rung in 5 hours in 1913, and the 13,001 Grandsire Cinques rung this year in 8 hours 45 minutes by the Painswick Youths. The first portion of the service was in the church, after which the Vicar (the Rev. C. H. Verey), headed by the churchwardens and the ringers, proceeded to the belfry, and the Vicar unveiled and dedicated the tablet, and the twelve bells were rung, the congregation standing for a few minutes. Then all returned to the church, and the ringers' hymn, 'Hark, on high the joyful music,' was sung, and the Vicar gave the Benediction. Many of the congregation went up to the belfry to see the tablet, which was the admiration of all. It is surmounted by a scroll-work on which is inscribed 'The Ancient Society of Painswick Youths,' with a carved stone bell in the centre. On the large middle panel is the record of the two peals, the ringers' names, and those of the conductor and composer. Underneath is carved in bold relief the ancient regalia of the Painswick Youths, ringer's hat, sword, and staves, which were used when any new ringers were sworn in.

The twelve bells were rung before and after the service to Grandsire Cinques, after which all adjourned to the Institute and partook of an excellent meat tea. The Vicar presided, and Miss Druet and Miss Williams assisted at the tables.

The Vicar said how glad he was to be present with the ringers on such a memorable occasion, and heartily congratulated them and the conductor in both peals, especially those that rang in the long peal of eight hours and 45 minutes. It was such a great test of skill, endurance, and concentration which was only realised by those who took part and brought such honour to the ringers, the famous bells, and the parish.—Mr. M. E. Ireland, who very kindly volunteered to collect subscriptions for the tablet, said that owing to the kindness and generosity of the subscribers and friends he had received enough to pay for the tablet, and he thanked all the kind friends heartily who had helped to bring it to such a success.—Mr. Ireland was himself heartily thanked by all present.

Mr. W. Hale (hon. secretary) testified to the excellent ringing in the peals, and reviewed the capital ringing talent that had existed in Painswick since 1731, which had made the Painswick ringers and bells so famous.

Mr. Albert Wright, the conductor of the peals, was received with acclamation, and said he had done his best. All the ringers co-operated heartily, and rang so well, that his task was made easier. His father's name was on the tablet recording the last long peal in 1858 and now his own was on in 1920, which was right, 'and let Wright remain.'

Mr. John Austin (Gloucester) also spoke of the great enterprise of the Youths. During the 20 years he had visited Painswick and taken part in peals, he had always been welcomed heartily.—Mr. E. Millard warmly thanked the Vicar for being present and unveiling the tablet, and for the great interest he took in the bells and ringers.—The bells were again rung to Stedman Triples, Bob Royal and Grandsire Cinques.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**S. AND W. DISTRICT TO HOLD MONTHLY MEETINGS.**

A meeting of the South and West District was held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday afternoon, October 2nd. The Ringing Master (Mr. C. Bird), the past Master (Mr. Tom Beadle), and about 30 ringing members were present. After various touches had been rung, a ringers' service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. F. Marriot), who gave an address. Afterwards the ringers were entertained to tea in the Mission Hall by Sir Andrew and Lady Clarke, whose kind hospitality was much appreciated by all present. At the business meeting which followed, it was decided to hold monthly meetings, and the next is to take place at Norwood Green, due notice of which will appear later. The Vicar was elected an honorary member of the association, and several ringing members were also elected. Business over, ringing again took place at St. Peter's and St. Mary's Churches.

LADIES ATTEMPT PEAL OF STEDMAN.

A band of eight members of the Ladies' Guild attempted a peal of Stedman Triples at Clapton on Saturday, but much to their disappointment a trip brought it to an end after 1 hour 35 minutes' ringing. The band was Miss Upsher (Edmonton) 1, Mrs. F. I. Hairs (Clapham) 2, Mrs. John Thomas (Edmonton) 3, Miss Stella Davis (Maidenhead) 4, Miss Gladys Bateman (Stoke Poges) 5, Miss Evelyn Steel (Bedford) 6, Miss Edith K. Parker (conductor) 7, Mrs. W. J. Kemp (Clapton) 8. It is hoped to make another attempt in the near future.

After the ringing the party sat down to tea, and then returned to the tower for touches, in which Messrs. J. Armstrong (Southgate) and Gray (Clapton) also took part.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**GOOD PROGRESS IN NORTH EAST BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the North East Branch of the Devonshire Guild was held at Bampton last Saturday. There were 50 ringers present from Bampton, Bickleigh, Calverleigh, Chipstable, Clayhanger, Dulverton, Holcombe Rogus, Thorverton, Tiverton and Washfield. The ringing comprised Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, and a 360 Bob Minor.

A short service took place in the church, at which the address was given by the Rev. E. J. Barton, chairman of the branch. Tea was served at the Vicarage, and was succeeded by the general business meeting.

The Hon. Secretary and Treasurer (the Rev. E. V. Cox) reported that there were 57 members of the branch, and considered that as the branch had only been formed one year good progress had been made. The attendance at quarterly meetings, with one exception due to the weather, had been very good. The statement of accounts showed a balance in hand of 17s. 3d.

The chairman and honorary secretary and treasurer were re-elected and six life members were admitted from Dulverton and Chipstable hands.—It was agreed to hold the December meeting at Tiverton.

AFTER SEVENTEEN YEARS' SILENCE.**GRUNDISBURGH BELLS RESTORED.**

After a silence of 17 years the bells of Grundisburgh Church are again in condition for ringing, having been restored, and the 5th bell recast, by Messrs. F. Day and Son, Epe.

A special service for the re-opening and the dedication of the new bell was held on Sunday afternoon last, and consisted of a shortened form of evensong, the sermon being preached by the Rev. Stifton Rector, from part of the 15th verse of 2 Tim. ii. Among the congregation were Messrs. H. Day (representing the bell hangers), E. Evans (branch secretary of the Norwich and Ipswich Association), W. G. Crickmer (Earl Soham), G. Pryke (Olley), W. Balls (Framdsen), G. Wightman (Creetingham). During the singing of the hymn, 'When morning gilds the skies,' the Rector proceeded to the ringing chamber and read the dedicatory prayers, and the bells were rung in rounds by the local ringers.

After the service, the bells were rung half-muffled in memory of parishioners who had fallen in the war. Later, touches were rung (without muffles) by ringers from Debenham, Framlingham, Hasketon, Ipswich, Ufford, Wingham, etc.

THE LADIES' GUILD.**MIDLAND DISTRICT SECRETARY RETIRES.**

A quarterly meeting of the Midland District of the Ladies' Guild was held at Selly Oak on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, and despite a rather severe thunderstorm was fairly well attended, representatives being present from Solihull, Handsworth, Erdington, Stretley and Smethwick, in addition to the local company. The bells were made good use of during the afternoon, and a service, at which the Guild form was used, was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. — Branceer), who extended a hearty welcome to the members.

An excellent tea, provided by the local company, was served in the Schoolroom, upwards of 50 members and friends sitting down, presided over by the Rector.

Before proceeding with the meeting, Mrs. Groves proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for his services and his welcome to the Guild; to Mr. E. J. Dowler and the local company for having everything in readiness and entertaining the Guild to tea; to the organist, and the ladies who assisted at the tables.—This was seconded by Miss Warner, and carried.

The gentlemen then returned to the tower for further ringing whilst the business was transacted.—Three new members were elected, viz., two life members and one ringing member.—It was decided to hold the next meeting at Tipton in December, subject to the necessary permission being given.

The resignation of Miss S. Pigott as local secretary was received with much regret. Miss Salter, of Erdington, was elected to take her place, and the following committee were elected: Mrs. Groves, Miss S. Pigott, Miss A. E. Foster and Mrs. Holbrook, the two former to serve on the general committee.—Mrs. Walker proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Pigott for the able manner in which she had carried out the duties of branch secretary since the formation of the Guild, and expressed the hope that she would soon be quite restored to normal health again.—This was seconded by Mrs. Groves, and carried unanimously.—Miss Pigott, in responding, expressed the pleasure she had always found in doing anything in connection with the Guild, and remarked, that although she was resigning as secretary, she still hoped to take an active part in the branch, and offered to render any help possible at any time.—This brought a very happy meeting to a close.

PRESTON, LANCS.—On Sunday August 29th, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Major for evening service: A. Martin 1 E. R. Martin (conductor) 2, R. F. Deal 3, B. A. Knights 4, P. Cave 5, F. Harwood 6, R. Sanderson 7, E. Armstrong 8. Longest length by 6 and 7.

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**NOVEL FEATURE FOR ANNUAL REPORT.**

A meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association was held at Weston-super-Mare on September 18th, when about 30 members were present, representing 12 towers. The bells (eight) were available during the afternoon, and touches in various methods were rung. Tea at Glass's Restaurant was followed by the business meeting, the Master (the Rev. C. G. Parker) presiding. Several new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Bridgwater in December.

The Secretary reported that about £60 had been received towards the ringers' war memorial, the net cost of which would be £85. At a committee meeting, held some time ago, it was suggested that a map of the diocese put in the annual report would be very useful for reference, and Mr. Holmyard, of Midsomer Norton, one of the members of the committee, undertook to produce one. He now handed the Master the map on a photographic plate, which showed all the towers in the diocese, and gave the number of bells in each tower. It was handed round to the members present, and greatly appreciated. Mr. Holmyard stated that the map had been drawn by one of his scholars, Master Gunning, with the assistance of Mr. J. T. Dyke, the assistant master at the school, and that the expense so far incurred he should be very pleased to pay.

The Master voiced the feelings of the meeting, and moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Holmyard for his kindness, and also to Mr. Dyke and Master Gunning, and this was carried with acclamation.

Among the members present was Mr. T. G. Vincent who for 70 years has been a ringing member of Ditchat tower. The bells (six) are being recast and rehung in a new cage, and an effort is being made to add two trebles. As Ditchat is a country parish with very few wealthy people, Mr. Vincent made an earnest appeal to the members to help them accomplish the task they had in hand. It is hoped the appeal will bear good fruit.

This concluded the business, and a hearty vote of thanks to Preb. Norton Thompson for the use of the bells and to the Rev. W. Williams for arranging the service brought the meeting to a close.

A move was then made to the church for service, after which the bells were again made good use of.

DEATH OF A CREWE RINGER.

It is with regret that we have to record the death of Mr. Richard Langford, of 58, Rigg Street, Crewe, after a long illness. He passed away on Sept. 26th, and was buried at Crewe Cemetery on Sept. 29th. The first part of the service was held at Christ Church. The Vicar (the Rev. W. Bidlake) conducted the service, and also officiated at the graveside. Beside the family mourners, there were present as the ringers from Christ Church, and also ringers from Barthomley and Wrenbury, and members of the Pioneer Anglers' Club.

The bells of Christ Church were rung half-muffled before and after the funeral.

Deceased learned to ring at Whitechurch, Salop, and after going to Crewe, became a regular ringer at Christ Church up to the time of his illness. He had rung 47 peals for the Chester Guild, and also several for the Salop Guild. He was well liked, and his place will be hard to fill.

Last May the ringers of Christ Church appealed to the Chester Guild on behalf of their old comrade. The Master (Mr. C. J. Cooke) started the fund with a handsome donation, and the members responded generously, the total amount received being £30 8s., and the whole amount was handed to Mr. Langford at various times.

The family of deceased and his fellow ringers at Crewe desire to thank all those who subscribed to the fund, and so helped to make the deceased's last hours more free from worry than they would otherwise have been.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'

The intimation that the late Rev. F. E. Robinson's book, 'Among the Bells,' is still to be obtained should result in the early sale of all the copies that remain. As these are comparatively few in number, those who are not already in possession of the volume and desire to add this to their library of ringing literature should lose no time in securing the complete publication, while those who have some of the parts and desire to complete them should also do so at once.

As Canon Papillon recently pointed out, a most interesting feature of the book is the large number of illustrations of churches, with the details of the bells, but there is also another valuable side of the illustrations. While the churches will be always with us, the famous ringers with whom the late Master of the Oxford Guild rang peals will not. Many, indeed, have already gone hence, and the photographs of the celebrities of that day give a greatly added interest to the book.

Another point which makes it important that intending purchasers should secure their copy at once is that, the blocks from which the pictures were reproduced having been commandeered for the sake of the copper during the war, the reprinting of the volume is out of the question.

NOTICES.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD WOKING.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Central Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Withyham on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Tower open 2.30 and onward. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, 1/- to members. Half-railway fare, maximum 2/-.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—A special general meeting will be held at Finedon on Saturday, Oct. 16th, to consider the alteration of Rule 3. Owing to the importance of the business a good attendance is requested. Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.—David J. Nichols, General Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.—The annual general meeting, which was postponed in July, will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Clapham Park, on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Several important matters will be discussed at this meeting, and it is hoped that members will make a special effort to attend.—Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Creech (6) on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells from 3 to 8 p.m. Service 4.30, tea and meeting after.—P. Merson, Hon. Sec.

BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the above will be held at Crofton on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells available 4 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Huyton on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at St. Margaret's, Barking, E., on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells will be available from 4 till 8 p.m., business meeting afterwards. It is hoped that tea can be arranged.—F. G. Symonds, 157, High Street, Camden Town, N.W.

ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Huntingdon.—A District meeting will be held (p.v.) at Huntingdon on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Service 4.15, Tea 5. Meeting 5.30. Bells of St. Mary's (8), All Saints' (6), and Godmanchester (8), will be available afternoon and evening.—Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long Stanton Vicarage, Cambridge.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Central District.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul's, Mitcham, on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Christ Church (6) bells will also be available. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 p.m. Tea will be provided only for those who notify Mr. J. A. Lambert, 6, Pincott Road, Merton, S.W.17, by Wednesday, Oct. 13th.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. District Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Broughton, on Oct. 16th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. Buses from Preston run past the church every hour.—E. R. Martin, Hon. Sec.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. — A Special General Meeting will be held at Stoke-in-Coventry, on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15 p.m. Meat Tea at 5 p.m., at 2/- per head.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Elliot Road, Coventry.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. — Portsmouth District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Alverstoke, Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells available 2.30 to 8.30. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea (1s. 3d.) at 5 p.m.—E. J. Harding, 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Meetings for practice at 7.30 p.m. at St. Clement Danes on Monday, Oct. 18th, and fortnightly. St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, Monday, Oct. 25th, and every four weeks. Sundays at 10 a.m.: St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., 49, Noel Street, Islington, N.1.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Oct. 28th, St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on Oct. 19th, all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A mid-week meeting will be held at St. Ann's, Stamford Hill, on Tuesday, Oct. 19th. Bells available from 7.15 to 9.30. Business meeting to follow.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Colne on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Tollesbury on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Tolleshunt D'Arcy bells also available. Service, followed by tea (provided for those who give notice by Tuesday, Oct. 19th). All ringers welcome.—H. T. Pye, Hon. District Sec., 49, Wickham Road, Colchester.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Oct. 23rd, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. J. A. Babington). Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, provided by the Association, at 5.30, followed by a general business meeting for the election of officers, etc. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, 19th?—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The 8-bell contest will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Draw to take place at 3 p.m. Business meeting will be held at the Schoolroom. Tea provided at 1/8 each, for those who notify Mr. Sam Hartley, 15, Errington Street, Todmorden, on or before Monday, Oct. 18th.—W. Frith, Sec.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Thrapston District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Titchmarsh on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells (8) ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Business meeting afterwards.—J. Nickerson, District Sec., Halford Street, Thrapston.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next meeting of the above Branch will be held at Moulton on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Service at 3.30. Meat tea at 4.15, to be followed by business meeting.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Oct. 23rd, in conjunction with the Kent Association. Bells available from 3 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Apple-dore, Kent.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Bury, on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells ready at 3. Tea at 5. Meeting at 7. Tea will be provided free for those sending in their names to W. R. Duckworth, 27, Palace Street, not later than Oct. 20.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Walkden on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells available 4 p.m. (not 3 p.m. as per circular). Meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Estab. 1755).—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Sutton Coldfield on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided for all those who advise me not later than the 26th inst. of their intention to be present.—A. Paddon Smit, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Nicholas, Deptford, on Saturday, Oct. 30th, by kind permission of the Rev. T. W. Pitman (vicar). Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., with address by the Vicar. Tea and meeting to follow. The Vicar is kindly providing the tea, and it is particularly requested that those intending to be present will notify me not later than first post, Tuesday, Oct. 25th. By kind permission of the Rev. F. J. Tackley, the bells of St. Alfege, Greenwich, will be available from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

LADIES' GUILD.—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Cranleigh on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells at 2.45. Guild service at 4.30. A peal board will be unveiled at 4.15 by Lady Chadwyck Healy. Tea will be at the Rectory by the kind invitation of the Rev. and Mrs. Cunningham. Business meeting after, to elect Secretary and Committee. Please note: Tea can only be arranged for those who notify me by Oct. 26th. All ringers welcome.—Mrs. C. Hazelden, St. Michael's, Joseph's Road, Guildford.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).—The 283rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Further particulars later.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

DEATH.

TURNER.—On Oct. 6th, at 160, St. Peter's Avenue, Kettering, Beatrice Mary, the beloved wife of Robert F. Turner, passed peacefully away after a long and painful illness, aged 37 years.

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WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Guildford District was held at Godalming on Saturday last and was well attended, over 50 being present. Ringers (ladies and gentlemen) were present from Guildford (two towers), Aldershot, Dorking, Worplesdon, Witley, Cranleigh, Farnham, Merrow, Clondon, Woking, and a strong contingent of local men. Tea took place in the Church Room, and was presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. G. C. Fanshawe), who was supported by the general secretary of the Guild (the Rev. Sir J. C. W. Herschel, Bt.), the Rev. Havard-Jones, and Mr. C. W. E. Leggatt—the two latter gentlemen being afterwards elected hon. members. Four ordinary members were also elected.—The Ringing Master's report was received and adopted.

Service was held in the Parish Church, the address being given by the Vicar.—The bells were kept going afternoon and evening, the Ringing Master seeing that short touches were rung, and that all had a turn at the ropes.

STONEV STANTON.—On Thursday, August 28th, in 45 mins. a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, with 4, 6, 8 covering: Miss S. Disney 1, T. Cooper 2, H. Briggs (conductor) 3, W. Briggs 4, C. Briggs 5, Miss D. Vernon 6, H. Webb 7, S. Brown 8. First quarter-peal for the ringers of treble, 6th and tenor.

SPRINGFIELD, ESSEX.—On Saturday August 28th, at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 45 mins.: J. M. Myhill 1, W. E. Fraill 2, I. J. Poulton 3, A. E. Davis 4, E. P. Buckingham (conductor) 5, M. Brazier 6. First quarter-peal by the treble, 4 and 6, and first with a bob bell by 2, 3. It is hoped at some future date to have these bells overhauled and two trebles added.

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