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### THE MUDDLE OF NAMES.

The haphazard manner in which methods are named has been equalled in the past only by the remarkable confusion that has grown up in the use of terms relating to the science. Identical terms have been and still are used in ringing to indicate quite different things, as, for instance, 'lead' and 'course,' which each have two or three meanings dependent upon the connection in which they appear. Ringers, by long association with the terms, become, of course, familiar with what is intended by their use, but this loose kind of terminology is a stumbling-block to beginners.

So, too, with the names of methods. Our predecessors just dropped upon the first thing that pleased their fancy, without any regard to its applicability or even its suitability. Some named their favourite methods after flowers, like Tulip, Primrose and Woodbine; others chose topographical names, and all of them gave them a loose classification under 'Bob' or 'Pleasure,' or 'Delight' or 'Surprise,' which later authorities have had to revise, albeit there are still many ringers who do not know what actually constitutes these classes of methods.

The Central Council has done much to bring matters down to something like consistency by laying down definitions, while, at their last meeting, they went a step further in deciding that any methods in their Minor Collection for which names are not claimed within the next six months shall be forthwith given a name. It is high time that this was done, and it is a pity that they cannot do what the peals analysis really requires—sift the names of the old methods so that some of them should not be left with two or three titles.

The eight-bell peal rung the other day and named Lancashire Surprise opens up the question further. The ringers themselves questioned the appropriateness of the name, as there was existent a Minor method called Lancashire Surprise, of which the Major was not the extension. Now it is pointed out there is another Lancashire Surprise Major existing, composed many years ago by Mr. Arthur Craven, but, so far as we are aware, never rung. This method had been entirely overlooked by the Oswaldtwistle Company when they named the new method after their own county, and it is not unlikely they may elect to forego the name and choose another. But the incident serves to emphasise the fact, as the Rev. A. T. Beeston points out in another column, that there is need for a Central Authority from whom it should be possible to ascertain whether any proposed name has already been appropriated. There can be only one body to act as the authority in such a matter, and that is the Central Council.

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cil. The information as to the Minor methods will be in the hands of the Librarian, and the record of Major names ought to be in the same keeping. The thing could be done if those interested will find time to compile the records, unless it could be decided that only those modern methods should be named of which peals have been rung. Then the existing Records Committee's researches would, perhaps, answer the double purpose.

### TEN BELL PEAL.

GOSFORTH NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, July 16, 1921, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5004 CHANGES**

Tenor 22½ cwt.

ROBERT RICHARDS ... .. Treble	JOSEPH RICHARDSON ... .. 6
HUGH J. BALCOMB ... .. 2	WILLIAM STORY ... .. 7
GEORGE HOLMES... .. 3	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 8
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 4	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 9
JOSEPH W. PARKER ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late H. JOHNSON, Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Adam Deas and Miss Ethel Brown, whose marriage took place at the above church on June 20th. J. Richardson hails from Wellington College, Berks.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

FRANLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

*JOHN GARRETT ... .. Treble	ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 5
HAROLD MAYHEW ... .. 2	WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN 6
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 3	HARRY HALL ... .. 7
VICTOR KERRIDGE ... .. 4	JOHN HALL ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal. Author's composition No. 149 now rung for the first time.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 9, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

*WALTER MILLER ... .. Treble	*WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 5
ALFRED H. WATSON... .. 2	*WILLIAM G. BROWN... .. 6
*ERNEST CURTIS... .. 3	JOHN HALL... .. 7
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 4	HARRY HALL ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal of Kent.

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, July 11, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

**A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES:**

Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ... .. Treble	FRANK FOX ... .. 5
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 2	ARTHUR NEWELL... .. 6
JOHN W. DAVIES... .. 3	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 7
JAMES SWINDLEY... .. 4	ARTHUR E. PEGLAR ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. HOPGOOD.

Conducted by ARTHUR E. PEGLAR.

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KNEBWORTH, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 13, 1921, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Mary and Thomas-a-Becket,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ERNEST W. DAY ... ..	Treble	*LEONARD FIDLER ... ..	5
MISS A. MAY DURRANT ... ..	2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	6
HERBERT E. DAY ... ..	3	JOHN HARE ... ..	7
BARNARD PATMORE ... ..	4	GEORGE T. CROFT ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal in the method. This composition is now rung for the first time.

WARFIELD, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 16, 1921, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael the Archangel,

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

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb.

THOMAS SMITH ... ..	Treble	PERCY E. JONES ... ..	5
WILLIAM HENLEY ... ..	2	CECIL C. MAYNE ... ..	6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	3	WILLIAM WELLING ... ..	7
JOHN RANCE ... ..	4	JOHN H. CROPLEY ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by W. WELLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Smith and Cropley. The band tender their best thanks to them for their kind hospitality after the peal.

STOKE-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 16, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter ad Vincula,

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

Tenor 22 cwt.

FRED SMITH ... ..	Treble	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... ..	5
CHARLES PRESTON ... ..	2	*THOMAS AUSTIN ... ..	6
ARTHUR CLAY ... ..	3	FREDERICK PAGE ... ..	7
*ERNEST LONDON ... ..	4	CHARLES H. PAGE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. THORP. Conducted by CHARLES H. PAGE.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble. This is the first peal of Major on the bells which were hung in 1832. First peal in the method as conductor and rung at the first attempt.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 16, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

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

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

ROBERT SPERRING ... ..	Treble	JOHN W. DAVIES ... ..	5
JOHN HAYES ... ..	2	GEORGE R. JONES ... ..	6
FRANK FOX ... ..	3	ARTHUR NEWELL ... ..	7
EDWARD HARRISON ... ..	4	HENRY W. WILDE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by T. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

PULHAM.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 16, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in F.

FREDERICK BORRETT ... ..	Treble	ERNEST WHITING ... ..	5
CHARLES BAKER ... ..	2	JAMES BROUGHTON ... ..	6
WILLIAM ROSE ... ..	3	JAMES BRITS ... ..	7
ALPHEDUS BERRY ... ..	4	ERNEST POPPY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by F. BORRETT.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 16, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 12 cwt.

*REDVERS ELKINGTON ... ..	Treble	LOUIS E. ALLEN ... ..	5
HARRY BROUGHTON ... ..	2	THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... ..	6
JOHN OLDHAM ... ..	3	† R. HENRY BARTRAM ... ..	7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... ..	4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method. First peal of Cambridge on the bells.

BANGOR, CARNARVONSHIRE.  
NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 16, 1921, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. David,

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

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 13½ cwt. in F sharp.

*J. LANGFORD JONES ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM CRANE, JUN. ... ..	5
JAMES H. MIDWINTER ... ..	2	ARTHUR E. PEGLER ... ..	6
*THOMAS JONES ... ..	3	ALBERT J. HUGHES ... ..	7
WILLIAM T. PEGLER ... ..	4	JOHN COLE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT J. HUGHES.

\* First peal.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 2, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

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

Tenor 9½ cwt.

*MISS F. A. CANNAN ... ..	Treble	THOMAS GARLEY ... ..	4
†MISS D. M. ATKINS ... ..	2	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... ..	5
WALTER T. WILSON ... ..	3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal on an 'inside' bell. Rung in celebration of the festival of the Patron Saint of the Church.

CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 5, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford and Oxford Bob, Worcester Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

*H. G. BENSON ... ..	Treble	GEORGE BLAXLEY ... ..	4
E. MAURICE ATKINS ... ..	2	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... ..	5
WALTER T. WILSON ... ..	3	CHARLES W. BIRD ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal on tower bells.

WEEKLEY, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 6, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

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

Being 720 each of Worcester, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

E. MAURICE ATKINS ... ..	Treble	WALTER T. WILSON ... ..	4
*H. G. BENSON ... ..	2	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... ..	5
MISS CECIL HEPBURN ... ..	3	FREDERICK SAWFOOT ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal on 'inside' bell.

DENNINGTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 10, 1921, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, St. Clement's, Oxford Single Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 20cwt.

WALTER MILLER... .. Treble	WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 4
REGINALD ABBOTT ... .. 2	EDWARD JENKINS... .. 5
ERNEST CURTIS ... .. 3	HARRY HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. HALL.

First peal in seven methods on the bells. First peal in seven methods as conductor. This and the peals at Framlingham and Worlingworth were rung as a farewell to E. Jenkins, who has left the district for Stretton, Cheshire.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 16, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Oxford Bob, and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Bob Minor, each called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... Treble	FREDERICK WADE ... .. 4
ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. 2	GEORGE LEE ... .. 5
EDGAR BAILEY ... .. 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

Arranged and rung especially to oblige Mr. A. E. Austin, of Cambridge, who was staying in the district, and was elected an hon. life member of the Association previous to starting the peal.

POTTON, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 16, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt.

HERBERT MORTIMER ... Treble	REGINALD P. GARDNER ... 4
CHARLES MORTIMER ... .. 2	WILLIAM INSKIP ... .. 5
HERBERT L. HARLOW... .. 3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES WM. CLARKE.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

CROYDON, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 14, 1921, in One Hour and Forty-Two Minutes,  
At 32, LESLIE PARK ROAD,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's of Plain Bob.

*MRS. R. BROUGH ... .. 1-2	JOHN SPARROW ... .. 3-4
REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 5-6	

Conducted by R. BROUGH.

Umpire: W. GROVES.

\* First attempt for a peal.

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

On Thursday, July 14, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
In the Cathedral Belfry,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

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

Composed by the late C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by A. WALKER.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 12, 1921, in Two Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by E. MORRIS, Leicester. Conducted by the Performer.  
Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

FEERING, ESSEX.  
THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, July 16, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At RYE MILL FARM.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

FRANK CLAYDON ... .. 1-2	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 5-6
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM... 3-4	ALBERT CATTERWELL... .. 7-8

Composed by REV. H. EARL BULWER. Conducted by W. KEEBLE.

First peal on handbells by A. Catterwell.

## A CUMBERLAND TRIP.

Pleasant recollections will remain with all those who, on Saturday, July 9th, took part in an outing undertaken by the St. Mary's ringers, Egremont. The party, numbering 25, included the ringers, wives and friends, and their trip was by motor charabanc. At Keswick, the first stop, the ringers were met by two of their own band, who had walked, by way of the fells, a distance of 27 miles, starting off at 2 a.m., and had promised to join the remainder at 9 a.m. They arrived at 8.55 a.m.—certainly a good performance. Soon the bells of the fine old church of Crosthwaite, were going to the tune of Bob Major, and a 576 was brought round in capital style. As time would not permit further ringing, the bells were lowered in peal, and the ringers joined the rest of the company, who had been shopping, etc. A start was then made for Penrith, which was reached at noon, after passing through some lovely scenery. Dinner was awaiting the visitors, and full justice was done to it. This over, they wended their way to St. Andrew's Church, where hangs in the tower a splendid ring of eight (tenor 20 cwt.), the 'go' being excellent. Kent Major was successfully brought round, everyone being bathed in perspiration at the finish, as the day was scorching. It is to be regretted that change ringing is not practised here, the local captain telling the visitors that no interest seems to be taken in it. The Egremont men tried to induce him to get a band together and become members of the Cumberland Association, which has recently been established.

Permission had been obtained from Lord Lonsdale for the party to view his spacious grounds at Lowther Castle. Here they were met by the head gardener, who piloted them through. It was the 'tit bit' of the day, everyone being almost spellbound at the most lovely sights. Visitors to this district should not miss this treat. After tea, the return journey was commenced. A stop was made at Keswick, where some took advantage of a motor trip up the lake. Egremont was eventually reached at 11 p.m. The weather was perfect throughout. The best thanks of the party are due to the incumbents for the use of the bells, to the local captains for having everything in readiness, to Lord Lonsdale for his kindness, and to the worthy secretary, Mr. W. Norman, for making the necessary arrangements with his usual thoroughness. The outing was one of the most enjoyable this band has undertaken.

## DORCHESTER RINGERS AT BOURNEMOUTH.

St. Peter's bell ringers, Dorchester, who, with their wives and friends, made up a party of 44, had an enjoyable outing to the 'Evergreen Valley.' Included in the party were the Rev. G. C. Niven (Rector of St. Peter's and Master of the bell ringers) and Mrs. Niven, Messrs. W. J. Benger (deputy Master), R. N. Dawes (hon. secretary), W. J. Simons (correspondent), and G. T. White (divisional conductor). Two charabancs had been chartered, and in perfect summer weather the drive was delightfully pleasant. Bournemouth was reached at 10.30, and there was a general dispersal of the party to sample the numerous attractions whereby this popular watering-place caters so admirably for visitors. The ringers made their way to St. Peter's Church, and rang touches, and in this they were assisted by the Rev. C. A. Phillips, a former curate of Dorchester St. Peter's and a keen campanologist. On the homeward journey a halt was made at Wimborne, and here the ringers had a few touches on the Minster bells, while the other members of the party were greatly interested in an inspection of the historic edifice, over which they were courteously conducted by the vergers. 'Home, sweet home,' was reached at ten o'clock, everyone well pleased with the outing.



## AMONG BEDFORDSHIRE TOWERS.

## LEYTONSTONE COMPANY'S BUSY DAY.

The annual excursion of St. John's Society, Leytonstone, took place on Saturday, June 18th, and a very successful day it proved to be. Meeting outside St. John's Church at 5.30 a.m., the band were supplemented by Messrs. T. Faulkner and A. Hardy from Barking, and E. Wightman from Woodford. They travelled by charabanc to Bedford, where Mr. C. W. Clarke, who had arranged for a busy day, was awaiting them. After breakfast the road was again taken for Bromham, where hangs the heaviest peal of six in the county (tenor 23cwt.). A 720 London Surprise was rung in good style, followed by 720 York Surprise and a touch of Treble Bob. The next place was Turvey, the only eight bell tower in the day's programme, and here on the very handy, well-hung ring, 448 Superlative Surprise was brought round in good style. Next came touches of Grandsire and Treble Bob, in which some of the local men were pleased to take part.

At Harrold, the next place of call, a handy ring of six was found, which were set going to the tune of Ipswich Surprise, a good 720 being the result. Touches of Durham and Kent were rung, and then a move was made to the Parish Institute, where Host Norton had a splendid dinner of old English fare waiting for the party. After the exertions of the morning this was greatly appreciated.

At Sharnbrook, the visitors found a poor peal of six, which would be greatly improved by being passed through the melting-pot. However, the 'go' was good, and 720 Lincoln Surprise and 720 Cambridge were rung, and the usual short touch of Treble Bob, to give everybody a pull at each place. Bletsoe, with another nice ring of six, was next reached, and at the third attempt 720 Beverley Surprise was got home; also 720 Cambridge. Then to Milton Ernest, which was the last tower for the day. Here 720 Durham Surprise was rung, Mr. W. Stapleton, of Bedford, calling it, and a touch of Kent Treble Bob finishing up the ringing.

It was intended to ring at Clapham, and so ring on the lightest and heaviest peals of six in the county, Clapham tenor only weighing 5cwt., but time would not allow of this, for which apologies are extended to the band there who turned up to meet the excursionists. The weather throughout was very cold, but fine, and the party arrived home about 11 o'clock, quite satisfied with having spent another perfect day.

To all the local men who welcomed them they tender their best thanks; to the clergy at the various places they are very grateful for so readily granting permission to ring; and last, but not least, to their old friend, Mr. C. W. Clarke, who made all arrangements, and acted as pilot through the day, the cordial thanks of all the visitors are accorded.

The 720's were rung as follow:—

**BROMHAM.**—At St. Owen's Church, 720 London Surprise: T. Faulkner 1, G. Dawson 2, W. Theobald 3, C. W. Clarke 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6. 720 York Surprise: G. Hayden 1, G. L. Joyce 2, A. Prior 3, E. Smith 4, E. Wightman (conductor) 5, A. Hardy 6; and a touch of Treble Bob.

**TURVEY.**—At All Saints' Church, 448 Superlative Surprise: W. Theobald 1, W. Miller 2, T. Faulkner (conductor) 3, A. Prior 4, J. Moule 5, C. Clarke 6, E. Wightman 7, A. Hardy 8.

**HARROLD.**—At St. Peter's Church, 720 Ipswich Surprise: W. Riches 1, H. P. Avey 2, T. Faulkner 3, E. Smith 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, W. Theobald 6; 240 Durham Surprise, 144 Kent Treble Bob.

**SHARNBROOK.**—At St. Peter's Church, 720 Lincoln Surprise: H. P. Avey 1, W. Theobald 2, A. Prior 3, G. Dawson 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6. 720 Cambridge Surprise: E. Wightman 1, T. Faulkner 2, C. Clarke (conductor) 3, E. Smith 4, G. Hayden 5, A. Hardy 6.

**BLETSOE.**—At St. Mary's Church, 720 Beverley Surprise: W. Riches 1, G. L. Joyce 2, W. Theobald 3, E. Smith 4, A. Prior (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6. 720 Cambridge Surprise: H. P. Avey 1, G. Hayden 2, W. Theobald 3, T. Faulkner 4, G. Dawson (conductor) 5, A. Hardy 6; and a course of London.

**MILTON ERNEST.**—At All Saints' Church, 720 Durham Surprise: H. P. Avey 1, A. Prior 2, G. L. Joyce 3, W. Miller 4, W. Stapleton (conductor) 5, E. Wightman 6; and a touch of Kent Treble Bob.

## VISIT BY NEWCASTLE GUILD TO CRAMLINGTON.

On Saturday, June 25th, the members of the Cathedral Guild Newcastle-on-Tyne, to the number of seven, accompanied by Mr. Stephen W. Stratford, of Whitley Bay, paid a visit to Cramlington by the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Simm. Ringing was the first order of the day, but owing to illness near the church, only short touches could be rung, which was not so much regretted, as the weather was extremely hot. A sumptuous tea at the residence of the host, and some handbell ringing and further refreshment of an American medicinal nature, followed by another visit to the belfry for further short touches, terminated a most enjoyable outing, for which the members tender most sincere thanks to their old and valued friends, Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Simm.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Portsmouth District was held at Sober-ton, on Saturday last, when upwards of 20 members were present from Alverstoke, Cuddridge, Fareham, Lee-on-Solent, Portsea, Portsmouth, Swanmore, Wickham, and visitors from Upham and North Stoneham. Prior to the tower bell ringing, the Rector and his wife were entertained to some handbell ringing on the lawn by the Rev. E. Bunke James and others. After thanking the ringers for this, he said he was sorry he could not attend the tea, as he had a previous engagement to fulfil. Ringing on the church bells began shortly after 3 p.m. and at 5 o'clock the party adjourned to the White Lion Hotel, where a sumptuous tea was served.

The business meeting was then held.—A vote was taken on the place for the next quarterly meeting, and Cuddridge was decided on, the date being October 1st next.

After tea, Mr. G. Williams (Master) cycled from Winchester, after attending the service for the dedication of the two trebles at the Cathedral, and further ringing took place. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Treble Bob Major were rung, as well as 'rounds' for the probationers.

The Rector is hopeful that something will be done to the bells in the way of rehanging, which is badly needed.

## A TRIP ACROSS SUSSEX.

For their annual outing on July 6th, the Southover, Lewes, Guild had a trip across Sussex by motor charabanc. Including friends, the party numbered about 30, and leaving the county town at 1.15 p.m., the first halt was made at Charley Parish Church, where some short touches were brought round on the six bells. The next stopping-place was at Coleman's Hatch, a new ecclesiastical parish formed out of the southern part of Hartfield in the year 1912. The Church of the Holy Trinity was built in 1913, and possesses a lovely-toned peal of eight bells from the Croydon Foundry. Here a stop of an hour was made, and the ringers made full use of their opportunity, including a 504 Grandsire Triples. The church is a brick building with all stone facing, and both outside and inside bear testimony to the devoted care bestowed upon it. The lighting is by petrol-gas, made in a 'works' adjoining the church, a very up-to-date fact in this comparatively little known corner of Sussex. The Vicar (the Rev. H. C. B. Foyster) said a few words of kindly welcome, and expressed the hope that the party would have an enjoyable time. Mr. J. T. Glandfield (a vice-president of the Guild) thanked the reverend gentleman for his welcome, complimented him on his lovely church and bells, and hoped, on behalf of the Guild, that they might be permitted to pay him another visit at no far distant date. The party then proceeded via Hartfield to Withyham, where they sat down to a substantial meat tea at the Dorset Arms, the chair being taken by Mr. J. T. Glandfield. After a short rest a move was made homeward, passing through Crowborough and Five Ash Down to Uckfield. Here some more good ringing was accomplished, the party being joined by Messrs. J. A. Hart and W. Burrell, of the Uckfield band. This was the final stopping-place, and Lewes was safely reached after one of the most successful outings in the records of the Guild.

## SUFFOLK RINGERS AMONG NORFOLK TOWERS.

The Thornham Magna, Suffolk, ringers had a fifty miles' tour by motor in Norfolk for their outing. The first ringing was done on the peal of six at Garboldisham. Touches of Oxford and Woodbine Minor were rung, and then the party visited Quidenham, where they met Mr. F. R. Copeman, of Bunwell, who joined them in ringing Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major. Going on to Kenninghall, the party sat down to a good dinner, provided by Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham. Afterwards, at the Parish Church, where there is a peal of eight bells, touches were rung of Bob Major, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich, with Mr. J. Cunningham taking part. Mr. Cunningham was thanked for his excellent catering and hearty welcome, and then the excursionists went on to Banham, where, on a peal of six, touches of Oxford and Cambridge Surprise Minor were brought round. The next stop was at New Buckenham, with its peal of six, and touches of Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Minor were rung, after which tea was enjoyed. Tibenham, with a fine peal of six bells, was the next attraction, and here touches of Cambridge and London Surprise Minor were tapped off. Winfarthing came next in the itinerary, and more touches of Oxford and Cambridge Surprise were brought round. Diss was visited, but too late for ringing, but the party met some of the Diss ringers at the Sun Hotel, where Host J. Souter presides. The homeward journey was then resumed, and Thornham Magna reached, after a most enjoyable day. The ringers wish to thank the various clergy for the use of the bells at the respective churches.

**DARLINGTON, DURHAM.**—On Wednesday, June 15th, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, 720 Bob Minor: \*W. Cooke 1, †W. N. Park 2, G. W. Park 3, W. Phillips 4, F. Cooke 5, \*T. Clark (conductor) 6. \* First 720. † First 720 on an inside bell. \* First 720 as conductor.

## CROFTON SURPRISE.

REV. E. B. JAMES' REMARKABLE PEAL.

Dear Sir,—I am obliged to you and to the Rev. E. B. James for the peal of Crofton Surprise Major, which is really a remarkable peal, considering the fact that there are only twenty true plain courses of the method.

An analysis shows that parts of 48 courses are used in the composition, the peal being made possible by the fixed call at B in every course, without which peals, tenors together, would, I believe, be non-existing.

I have long held the opinion that methods which have more false course-ends than those in which the bells in 5-6 are reversed were not worth considering, but Crofton Surprise proves the contrary.

It may be of interest to the Rev. E. B. James and the Exercise generally, to examine and criticise the following method which is one of many that I have discovered in the past twenty-five years. It is in many respects a similar method to Crofton Surprise, and I think most will agree that it is quite equal to the latter.

Except for six changes in front and behind, in each lead, the bells are always in proper coursing order; the tenors are parted for 80 changes only in each course. The proof is different from Crofton Surprise, and there are only four false course ends, viz.:—

65432  
53624  
32465  
43265

There are twenty-five true plain courses, and the peal extent, tenors together, is 5,600 changes, as in Cambridge Surprise; in fact, any peal of Cambridge will be true in this method.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
2 1 4 3 5 6 8 7  
1 2 3 4 6 5 7 8  
2 1 4 3 6 7 5 8

2 4 1 3 7 6 8 5  
4 2 3 1 6 7 5 8  
2 4 1 3 6 5 7 8  
4 2 3 1 5 6 8 7

2 4 3 5 1 6 7 8  
4 2 5 3 6 1 8 7  
4 5 2 3 1 6 7 8  
5 4 3 2 6 1 8 7

4 5 2 3 6 8 1 7  
4 2 5 3 8 6 7 1  
2 4 5 8 3 6 1 7  
4 2 8 5 6 3 7 1

2 4 5 8 3 6 7 1  
4 2 8 5 6 3 1 7  
2 4 8 6 5 3 7 1  
2 8 4 6 3 5 1 7

8 2 6 4 3 1 5 7  
2 8 4 6 1 3 7 5  
2 4 8 6 3 1 5 7  
4 2 6 8 1 3 7 5

2 4 6 1 8 3 5 7  
4 2 1 6 3 8 7 5  
2 4 6 1 3 7 8 5  
4 2 1 6 7 3 5 8

4 1 2 6 3 7 8 5  
1 4 6 2 3 8 7 5  
4 1 2 6 8 3 5 7  
1 4 6 2 8 3 7 5

1 4 2 6 3 8 5 7

The method is unnamed, so any band who cares to practise it, will have the privilege of giving it any name they may choose.—Yours faithfully,  
Brighton.

GEORGE BAKER.

## LEARNING TO LEAD.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—A writer in your issue of July 1st advises ringers, when leading, to turn conspicuously round and look at the tenor. I teach the opposite. Young ringers should learn from the first to lead correctly by ear, otherwise they will find it very difficult to strike Major really well. Ringers should be taught to depend on themselves and not too much on what others are doing. Never should a young man be taught to hunt merely by following his course bell. If possible it is far better to begin a band on Plain Bob Minor rather than Grandsire Triples.—Yours,

J. A. TROLLOPE.

## NAMED METHODS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—A lead of each of five Treble Bob, Nos. 25 to 29; of seven Fourth's-place Delight, Nos. 29 to 35; and of three Third's-place Delight, Nos. 40 to 42, Minor Methods, was published in the 'Bell News' of June 6th, 1914, by the then Analysis Committee, when submitting their report on 'Points for Peals.' All of them were discovered by Mr. E. H. Lewis, after the Council's Collection was published, and are 'regular.' Besides No. 29, numbers 25 and 26 Treble Bob, have been rung and named 'Trowell' and 'Overton'; numbers 34 and 35 Fourth's-place Delight, 'Poynton' and 'Grove'; and number 40, Third's-place Delight, 'Bogedore.'

Some recognised form of procedure in naming methods seems to be necessary. As an instance of this, the fact may be pointed out that a Surprise Major Method, quite distinct from that in which a peal was published in your last issue as 'Lancashire,' appeared in the 'Bellringer,' of January 5th, 1907, under the same name. Could there not be a central authority to whom notice could be given of the intention to give a certain name to a certain method, who should be able to say if the name were already appropriated?—Yours truly,

New Mills.

A. T. BEESTON.

Mr. William Willson also writes calling attention to the previous allocation of the name of Lancashire Surprise to the method published in the first number of 'The Bellringer.' This method is by Mr. Arthur Craven:—

## LANCASHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
2 1 4 3 5 7 6 8  
1 2 3 4 7 5 8 6  
2 1 4 3 7 8 5 6  
2 4 1 3 8 7 6 5  
4 2 3 1 7 8 5 6  
2 4 1 3 7 5 8 6  
4 2 3 1 5 7 6 8

2 4 3 5 1 7 8 6  
4 2 5 3 7 1 6 8  
4 5 2 3 1 7 8 6  
5 4 3 2 7 1 6 8  
4 5 2 3 7 6 1 8  
4 2 5 3 6 7 8 1  
2 4 3 5 7 6 1 8  
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 1

3 2 5 4 7 6 8 1  
3 5 2 4 6 7 1 8  
5 3 4 2 7 6 8 1  
5 4 3 2 6 7 1 8  
4 5 2 3 6 1 7 8  
5 4 3 2 1 6 8 7  
5 3 4 2 6 1 7 8  
3 5 2 4 1 6 8 7

5 3 2 1 4 6 7 8  
3 5 1 2 6 4 8 7  
5 3 2 1 6 8 4 7  
3 5 1 2 8 6 7 4  
3 1 5 2 6 8 4 7  
1 3 2 5 6 4 8 7  
3 1 5 2 4 6 7 8  
1 3 2 5 4 7 6 8

1 3 5 2 7 4 8 6

A double method and clean proof scale; all Bob Major peals (with tenors together) will do for it, 4th's place bob, Bristol system, and Bob Major lead-ends.

## BURSLEM DELIGHT.

On June 28th, a pleasant evening was spent in Burslem tower, when ringers from Bucknall and Norton paid a visit to the local band, and most of the time was devoted to ringing Burslem Delight. This method is No. 23 of the 4th Place Delight methods, published on page 19 of the Central Council Collection, and the first 720 of which is believed to have been rung on May 29th by the Bucknall band, who named it. The Burslem ringers consider their tower has been paid a great compliment to have this method named after it. Before the evening was over the first 720 in the method on the bells was rung by: W. P. Deane 1, W. Wheeldon, jun., 2, W. Wheeldon, sen. (conductor) 3, T. Hilditch 4, T. Hurd 5, W. Bourne 6.

## THE KING AT SOUTHEND.

At Prittlewell, Essex, on Thursday, July 14th, on the occasion of the visit of his Majesty the King to the borough, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 Changes) was rung in 47 mins.: W. Bacon 1, G. E. Wilson 2, C. P. Chalk 3, W. Bedwell 4, W. Dudley 5, H. T. Wilson 6, W. H. Judd (conductor) 7, H. Kehby, sen., 8. It had been arranged to attempt a peal of Double Norwich, but, meeting short, the above had to be substituted.

**CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR.**

MR. F. DENCH AND THE MYSTERIES OF THE METHOD.

Sir,—It is very unfortunate that I should have put a peal of Cambridge together false, after I had discovered the possibility of producing a 5024 in the method; also of it being extended to over 12,000 changes. No doubt it was an oversight, as there was plenty of material to work on, and on looking through my proofs it shows itself quite clearly.

I sincerely apologise to the talented band who rang the peal, and very much regret the occurrence.

While I am writing I would advise some of our younger composers to try and fathom some of the mysteries of Cambridge Major; they would find it far more interesting than stringing courses of Bob Major together that have been got years ago. I still believe there is scope for research in the method, and my labours have been rewarded with several peals on different plans. If not all true the foundation is true, which is a contribution to the advancement of the art.—

Yours, etc.,

F. DENCH.

**5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR.**

By F. DENCH.

234567	5th B	In	M	W	4th H
647532			—	—	—
632547			—	—	—
326547	—	—	—	—	—
746523			—	—	—
263547			—	—	—
247563			—	—	—
367542			—	—	—
342567			—	—	—
627543			—	—	—
643527			—	—	—
723546			—	—	—
436527			—	—	—
726534			—	—	—
364527			—	—	—
327564			—	—	—
467523			—	—	—
423567			—	—	—

The last 9 courses repeated.

**NEW PEAL OF BELLS DEDICATED AT DISEWORTH.**

COMPLETION OF A 20-YEAR-OLD SCHEME

On Sunday morning, July 3rd, the Vicar of Diseworth, Leicestershire, Dr. Palmer, dedicated the new ring of six bells which have been placed in the tower by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough. For very many years the four old bells which hung in the tower had been in a dilapidated and unsafe condition, and although a new 5th bell had been purchased in 1902, it was not possible to hang it, owing to the unsafe condition of the old timber framework. This new bell was, therefore, placed on the ground floor of the church, where it, perforce, had to remain until sufficient funds were forthcoming to make it possible to hang all the bells in a new framework. After a space of nearly 20 years it has now been found possible to carry out the work, and as the old bells contained such grave defects in the matter of tone and tune, it was decided to recast the peal into a musical and pleasing ring, and to add a new smaller bell to complete the peal of six. The effect of the new peal is beautiful, and the sweetness and purity of tone which is the outcome of the true-harmonic system of tuning, introduced by Messrs. Taylor, is most marked, especially when compared with the discordant tones which were formerly produced by the old bells.

The tenor bell of the new peal weighs rather more than the old tenor, viz., 10 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb., note G. The fittings and framework are, of course, all of that substantial quality and perfect workmanship, for which the Loughborough foundry is so well known, and the bells are in perfect going order.

At the evening service, the bells were skilfully rung by the Kegworth Parish Church ringers, under the able leadership of Mr. Sutton, and the tower will no doubt form a great attraction for six bell ringers all over the county.

**A SHRUNKEN TENOR.**

On Saturday, July 9th, at Breadsall, Derbyshire, an attempt was made for a seven method peal of Minor, which was lost after ringing 720 Cambridge Surprise and 480 Woodbine. Owing to the hot weather, it was decided not to attempt the peal again on that day: C. J. Baker 1, T. H. Kirkby 2, W. H. James 3, A. Coppock 4, J. F. George 5, E. O. Gobey (conductor) 6. It was the first 720 of Cambridge by all. The band found that the tenor had lost several cwt. since the previous Saturday, when it was 17 cwt. They found that about 14 cwt. is much nearer the weight.

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**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. William Lomas, of Sheffield, writes that the Ilkeston Variation of Treble Bob is really the composition of William Hudson, of Sheffield. 'Hudson's New Light' on Treble Bob Major, with figures of the course and of a peal, were given in our issue of March 18th last, in connection with the discussion on Worcester Treble Bob.

The first peal in Ireland was rung on July 27th, 1872. This was Grandsire Triples at Christ Church Cathedral, Waterford, where, conducted by James Pettit, a distinguished company rang Holt's Original. The names of the ringers are worth recalling: W. Cootor 1, J. Pettit 2, J. R. Haworth 3, G. A. Muskett 4, C. Lee 5, M. A. Wood 6, A. Hayward 7, W. Greenleaf 8.

Mr. R. J. Wilkies, of Bristol, who has for so long been dangerously ill, is now able to sit out of doors for a short time each day.

The Croydon Bell Foundry is always an attraction to ringers, and a party of members of the Yorktown District of the Winchester Guild visited it on Wednesday and spent a most interesting time.

## THE OWNERSHIP OF METHODS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—If Mr. York Bramble had heard what I said at the Central Council, instead of the necessarily condensed newspaper report, his letter would not have been written. I answered his objections before they were made. I said that just as in such things as physics you call a law by the name of its discoverer, so you may call a method like Stedman by the name of its discoverer. What I was combating was the idea, held widely by the old school of composers, that the man who first put certain figures together had created something which was his personal property. I gave an instance which I will repeat. I wrote an article explaining the construction of Superlative, and I showed that it was based on a certain round block. This is it—

12345678

21438587

12463578

21645387

28145837

Five times repeated.

It appeared that an old friend of mine had published this as a method, and he was very indignant with me because I had used it without acknowledging that it was his. I quite think that many people would believe that he was right.

Mr. Bramble evidently does not believe what I said about London Royal. I can only repeat that it is quite a simple thing to extend a method from eight to ten, twelve or any other number, provided you understand the laws of construction of the Major. It is the understanding of these laws that takes the trouble, and that is worth doing. Trying to copy, by experimenting with figures, leads you nowhere. You can keep at it for years and be no better off. One other point. The 'closest ever produced' is no good. Either you have an extension or you have not; the 'closest' may be very similar, but after all is not the same. One infallible test is this: If your extension to ten is correct, you have also extension to twelve, fourteen or any other number.—Yours truly,

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

## GREAT YARMOUTH BELLS.

### THE TENOR REHUNG.

There is a very strong idea amongst a great many people who have never been there, that on arriving at Yarmouth the air is full of the smell of bloaters and the streets of whelk and oyster stalls; but this is not the case. Sometimes the smell of a roasting 'Yarmouth' bloater reaches you, but what of it? Where can a person enjoy himself more than at Yarmouth, with its many cheap excursions by river, road, rail and air? And to the ringer the good old peal of twelve and its genial conductor, Mr. D. Hayward, are a great attraction.

On arriving there on July 1st, I was surprised at not hearing the clock chime the hour. It was soon explained to me by Mr. Hayward. The tenor had got down on one side, which caused the bell to go badly. Mr. Arthur Webber, one of the local ringers and an engineer, undertook to do a small repair of this kind, but when the bolts were taken out the headstock was found to be in rotten condition. Although he does not pretend to be a bell hanger, Mr. Webber tackled the job of rehanging, which he has done to the entire satisfaction of the ringers. The bell is now hung on an iron stock and ball bearings.

On Tuesday evening, the 12th, the work was completed, and the bells rung. Touches of Bob Major on the back eight, Grandsire Triples and Caters, rounds and changes on the twelve, were rung by the local ringers, and Mr. F. Pitow, of Saffron Walden, Mr. Hayward conducting. All congratulated Mr. Webber on making such an excellent job. The ringers were afterwards entertained at the Club House by the conductor and Mr. Webber.

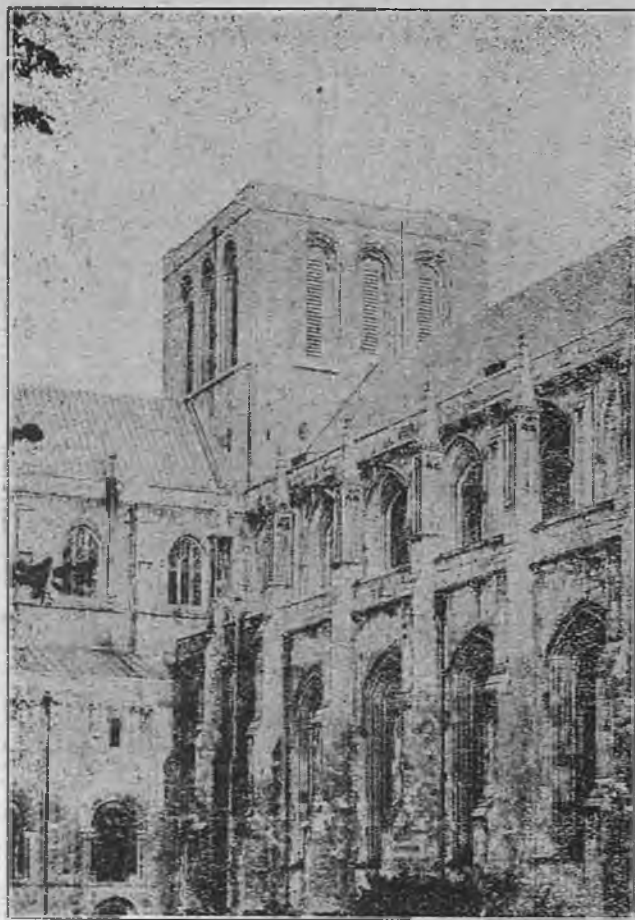
F. P.



## WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

### THE FIRST PEAL OF TWELVE IN THE DIOCESE.

The two treble bells which are being added to the existing peal of ten at Winchester Cathedral as a memorial to the members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild who fell in the war, were dedicated by the Bishop on Saturday afternoon as they stood in the choir, before being hoisted to their places in the tower above. The bells, which are the product of the Croydon Foundry, will, when in position, complete the first peal of twelve in the diocese, and,



WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL BELL TOWER.

Photo. F. E. Dawe.

while serving as a perpetual reminder of those gallant souls from among the ranks of ringers in the See of Winchester who made the supreme sacrifice for King and country, should prove a great acquisition in forwarding the art in an area which, possessing many enthusiastic ringers, has too long been under compulsory restraint in twelve-bell ringing.

This is not the first gift which the Winchester Guild has made to the mother church of the diocese, dedicated to the Holy Trinity and St. Swithin, for in 1892 they gave one of the bells—the present 2nd—to augment the previous eight to a peal of ten. The ring appears to have originated in a heavy peal of six cast by Richard Phelps, of the Whitechapel Foundry, in 1734. To these, Thomas Lester, his successor, added two trebles in 1742, thus making a peal

of eight. At different times the treble, fourth and sixth were recast by Robert and James Wells, of the Aldbourne foundry. In 1891 the tenor, weighing 32 cwt., was cracked and was recast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, who in the following year added two trebles.

The old bells are inscribed:—

Treble: ME CIVES WINTONIENSES VT LAVDES DOMINI CELEBREM DEO ET ECCLESIAE S. SWITHUNI DEDERUNT A.D. 1892 (The citizens of Winchester gave me to God and the Cathedral of St. Swithin that I might sound the praises of the Lord.) MEARS & STAINBANK, FOUNDERS, LONDON.

2nd: AD TE DOMINE LEVABO VOCEM MEAM ME S. SWITHUNO DEDIT PVLATORVM IN DIOCESI WINTON GILDA A.D. 1892. (To Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my voice. The Winchester Diocesan Guild of Ringers gave me to St. Swithin's.) MEARS & STAINBANK, FOUNDERS, LONDON.

3rd: R. WELLS, ALDBOURNE, FECIT, MDCCLXXII.

4th: THEODORE ECCLESTONE, ESQ., 1742. T.L.

5th: MEARS & STAINBANK, FOUNDERS, LONDON. QUINTA DEI RESONO QUAS QUONDAM TERTIA LAUDES CONFLATA CIOIOCCXXXIV FRACTA, RECOCTAQ CIOCCIOIII. (As fifth I now sound those praises which I formerly did as 3rd. Cast 1734, cracked and recast 1903.)

6th: JAMES WELLS, ALDBOURNE, WILTS. FECIT 1804.

7th: R. PHELPS, LONDINI. FECIT 1734.

8th: JAMES WELLS, ALDBOURNE, WILTS. FECIT 1814.

9th: R. PHELPS, LONDINI. FECIT 1737.

Tenor: MEARS & STAINBANK. LONDINI FECERUNT HORAS AVOLANTES NUMERO MORTUOS PLANGO VIVOS AD PRECES VOVO A.D. 1891. (The fleeting hours I number, I toll for the dead, I call the living to prayers.)

The connection between Theodore Ecclestone and Winchester Cathedral is obscure. Writing upon the subject in 'The Ringing World' in 1912, Mr. J. R. Jerram, of Salisbury, an eminent authority on the subject of bell history, said the appearance of the name on the fourth is somewhat of a mystery. Theodore Ecclestone lived at Crowfield Hall in the parish of Coddendam, Suffolk, and his name appears on several of the peal of eight there, which were cast by Thomas Lester in the same year as the fourth at Winchester. He was also the donor of the peal of ten at Stonham Asphall, Suffolk, the ninth of which bears the following inscription: 'In this tower hung 5 bells, the tenor weighing 10 hun. 2 qrs. 0 lb. In the year 1742 they were taken down and with ye addition of 3 tons 10 hun. of mettle were recast into ten att ye expence of Theodore Ecclestone, Esq., of Crowfield Hall, aged 27 years. He gave also a new frame att ye same time 1742. Thos. Lester made us all.' From this it appears that the two trebles of the original eight at Winchester, the peal of ten for Stonham Asphall and the peal of eight for Coddendam were all in the foundry at Whitechapel at the same time.

Was the inscription on the 4th at Winchester a mistake, or did Thomas Lester send in error one of the bells intended for another tower?

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**THE CROYDON  
BELL FOUNDRY  
1921.**

(Continued from page 433.)

The two new bells from the Croydon Foundry are inscribed as follows:—

Treble: SOCIIS, QUI MORTI SE PRO SUIS, MCMXIV-VIII. (Weight 5 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb.)

Second: HAS AMDO MEMOR VOVET GILDA MCMXXI. (Weight 6 cwt.)

On the middle of each bell is the Winchester Guild Badge.

### SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

#### DEVIZES BRANCH MEETING.

A quarterly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at St. John's, Devizes, on July 4th, and was well attended by ringers from the following towers: Bradford-on-Avon, Beechingstoke, Westbury, Warminster, Bishop's Canning, Melksham, Holt, Chippenham, Swindon, Bromham, Trowbridge, Southbroom (St. John's and St. Mary's) and Devizes. Thirty-two sat down to tea, which was followed by the business meeting. The places of the next three meetings were arranged as follows: Seend, August 6th; Edington and Bratton, Sept. 3rd; and Bradford-on-Avon, October 1st.—Mr. F. Lambeth, of Chippenham, was elected a life ringing member of the Guild.

A good deal of discussion took place as to the advisability of sending out printed postcard notices owing to the increased postage. It was decided to advertise all the meetings in 'The Ringing World,' and to ask each tower to take in one or more copies.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the St. John's and St. Mary's bells, also for conducting the usual Guild service, was accorded. This concluded the business, and the ringers then resorted to the different towers, and spent an enjoyable evening.

#### GATHERING AT KINGTON MAGNA.

In spite of the present difficulties of travelling a good number of ringers assembled at Kington Magna on the Feast of St. Barnabas, when the Diocesan Guild paid its first official visit to Kington. After various parties of ringers had handled the bells, the Guild service was held at 5 p.m. The Rector, who is hon. general secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, officiated, and gave a brief address; the Vicar of Bourton read the lesson. The hymns, Psalms and Canticles, led by a full orchestra, were very heartily sung, the solid mass of male voices imparting a fine rich tone. The choir gave an impressive rendering of the anthem, 'Thine, O Lord, is the greatness.' In the passage rising to a telling climax with the words, 'the victory and majesty,' a grand effect was obtained by a graduated increase in the volume of instrumental accompaniment to the vocal crescendo: first the organ and violins, then the cornets added, then in the last phrase a sonorous roll on the side drum.

After the concluding voluntary, a six-score of Grandsire Doubles was rung, and a move was made to the school, where a party of about fifty sat down to a tea provided by the Rector and churchwardens. The tables had been neatly laid and decorated by girls in the choir, others of whom had been busily engaged in preparing the eatables. The visitors were fortunate in having with them on the occasion Mrs. Edwards, the patron of the living, who shared with Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. W. J. Halletts and the Misses E. M. Read and E. J. Harman, the manipulation of the teapots.

The Branch Secretary, Rev. C. A. Phillips, conducted the official business, made an appreciative reference to the service just held, and had to cycle off fifteen miles to catch the last train at Yeovil.

The Rev. F. R. Scholfield expressed the thanks of the visitors for the hospitality provided, and paid a compliment to the cake from the Kington bakery.—Mr. W. E. Herridge subsequently replied on behalf of the churchwardens.

Hopes were expressed on both sides that the visit of the Guild would be repeated. During the course of the proceedings, handbell selections were played by four choristers—Ivy Hannam, Gwen Hayter, Florence and Linda Raymond—and were received by the audience with enthusiastic applause.

A new record in the church music of Kington calls for mention. At the service there was an army officer as organist, and a naval petty officer as blower!

**BRIDGEND.**—Llandaff Association.—At St. Illtyd's Church, on Saturday, June 18th, 4,496 changes of Bob Major, in 2 hrs. 50 mins.: E. Stitch 1, J. W. Jones 2, R. Gregory 3, S. Dawe 4, R. Evans 5, C. H. Perry 6, F. Chamberlain 7, A. J. Pitman (conductor) 8. This was an unsuccessful attempt for a peal. Through a shift course the bells ran round five courses from home. Great credit is due to the ringer of the third, who had only previously rung a plain course in the method. It was also the conductor's first attempt to call a peal of Major.

### BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual summer festival was held at Turvey, on Saturday, July 9th, and proved one of the most successful and enjoyable ever held. In spite of the intense heat, which was 85 in the shade, members and friends were present from Bedford, Bromham, Harrold, Roxton, Elstow, Hushorne, Crawley, Woburn, Cranfield, Dunstable, Northampton, Finedon, Kettering, Wellingborough, Olney, Yardley Gobion, Everton, and the local tower. A welcome visitor was Mr. J. H. Shepherd, of Swindon. The bells, a handy ring of eight, were raised at 2.30, and were kept busy until 4.30, when a short service was held, at which a very interesting address was given by the Rector (the Rev. Guy Birch). Tea was afterwards held at the King's Arms, and about 50 sat down.

As usual on this occasion no business meeting was held, but seven new members were elected, including the Rector as an hon. member.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rector for the use of the bells, and for his kindness in arranging the service; also to the local men for the arrangements they had made.—Mr. Allen suitably replied. Handbells were then brought into use by some of the members, while others made their way back to the tower until 8.30. The methods rung during the day were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major. Included in the ringing was 443 Cambridge Surprise Major, by: M. Lane 1, A. E. Sharman 2, D. Harris 3, Miss E. Steel 4, E. J. Hobbs 5, H. L. Harlow 6, W. Rogers 7, C. W. Clarke (conductor) 8.

### SURREY ASSOCIATION.

#### CENTRAL DISTRICT.

A successful meeting of the Central District was held at Banstead on Saturday, July 9th. Ringing commenced at three o'clock, and with intervals for a short service and tea, with business meeting, continued until 9 p.m., the methods rung ranging from Grandsire Triples to London Surprise. At the service, the Vicar (the Rev. A. W. Hopkinson) extended a hearty welcome to the association, and gave an instructive address on the fellowship which is, or should be, engendered among all church workers.

The meeting, after tea, was presided over by the Master (Mr. J. D. Drewett), and 24 new members were elected, including the Vicar and Capt. F. E. D. Acland (churchwarden).

The Secretary reported that he had received an invitation from the Vicar of Christ Church, Epsom, to hold a meeting at his church on August 27th, when he would like to provide tea for the members.—This was cordially received, and the secretary was instructed to accept the kind offer and make the necessary arrangements.

It was resolved to hold the October meeting at Mortlake, if possible.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and for his address at the service, and to Mr. F. G. Woodiss for making all arrangements for ringing and tea, was proposed by Mr. O. H. Reading, and carried with acclamation.—Capt. Acland responded, on behalf of the Vicar, and Mr. Woodiss on behalf of those who had contributed, to what was a most enjoyable meeting.

### GOSFORTH RINGER'S WEDDING.

At All Saints', Gosforth, Northumberland, on June 20th, the wedding took place of Mr. Adam Deas and Miss Ethel Brown.

Mr. Deas is a very enthusiastic member of the Durham and Newcastle Association, and a peal in honour of the event was attempted in the evening at All Saints' Church, but was unfortunately lost owing to a change course. The band met a week later to again attempt the peal, but were precluded owing to the death of a member of the congregation. Nothing daunted, they made an attempt the following week, but after two and a half hours' excellent ringing the clapper of the 8th flew out. However, on the fourth meeting success was achieved in ringing a fine composition of 5,004 of Stedman Caters, as recorded in another column. The composition, by the late Henry Johnson, is in 69 courses, and has a 7689 and 6789 alternately.

The ringers wish Mr. and Mrs. Deas as few jars in their married life as there were in the peal, and hope it may be many years before they arrive at 'That's all.'

### BARNSELY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The July meeting was held at Darton on Saturday, July 9th. Members arrived early, and the bells, although not running well, were kept going merrily in a variety of methods, including Grandsire Doubles and Treble Bob Minor. At a business meeting the Rev. R. E. Sheaf kindly took the chair, and gave a hearty welcome to the association, on behalf of the Vicar, churchwardens and local company. This was gladly received by the meeting, and the hope was expressed that a closer union with everybody connected with the church would be developed by associated ringers. Three new members were elected, and a vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for use of the bells was carried unanimously.—Monk Bretton was selected for the August meeting.



# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

As we have had no claim from any older ringer, we conclude that Mr. Edwin Horrex, who regularly takes his place twice on a Sunday in the tower of St. Paul's Cathedral, takes the honour of being the oldest regular Sunday Service ringer in the kingdom. He is in his 84th year, and has been a member of the band since the bells were installed some 42 years ago.

The tropical weather and the holiday season has had its effect upon the length of the touches rung for Sunday Services, as well as upon peal ringing, as our Service Ringers' page this week testifies.

In the eighteenth course of the quarter-peal of Stedman Triples given on this page last week an S at 10 was omitted.

The 504 Grandsire Triples, published on June 3rd, was pointed out as false in the following issue. This in reply to a correspondent who has just found out that the touch contained repetition.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**WEST KIRBY, CHESHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 17th, for morning service, 336 Grandsire Triples, R. Hazellurst 1, C. Powell 2, R. Bradley 3, H. Ludkin 4, J. Sherratt 5, J. Wilkinson 6, A. Smith 7, H. V. Lowndes 8.

**NORWICH.**—At St. Peter Mancroft, on Sunday, July 17th, 304 Stedman Caters, for evening service: Miss F. W. Bill 1, Miss A. M. Durrant 2, Miss G. George 3, D. T. Potter 4, C. E. Borrett 5, F. J. Howchin 6, G. Mayers 7, F. R. Copeman 8, G. H. Cross (conductor) 9, J. E. Burton 10.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At the Church of Our Lady and the English Martyr, on Sunday, July 17th, for morning and evening services, touches of Grandsire and Bob Major were rung by members of the Ely Diocesan Association; and Mr. FitzJohn, of Thetford, for the great congress of the 15th centenary celebration of Saint Jerome and the Martyrs, which was held for the first time in Cambridge. There was also ringing on the preceding day.

**LONG EATON.**—On Sunday, July 17th, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: Miss L. Geeson 1, E. C. Chasty 2, W. R. Drage 3, H. Green 4, T. Hutchinson 5, C. Geary (conductor) 6. First 720 as conductor.

**PUDSEY, YORKSHIRE.**—At St. Laurence's Church, for evening service, on Sunday, July 17th, 1,120 Superlative Surprise Major: J. Ambler 1, T. M. Kitchen 2, J. C. Booth 3, S. Ward 4, W. Barton (conductor) 5, F. W. Thorpe 6, E. Procter 7, H. Ward 8.

**WINDSOR.**—An extra 'flourish' was given upon the bells of the Parish Church of St. John the Baptist on Sunday week by the Oxford Diocesan Guild, as a mark of 'farewell' to the Rev. E. M. Blackie, M.A. (vice-president of the local branch), now Canon of Lincoln, who gave his parting address to a crowded congregation after eight years of office. Grandsire Triples was rung for morning and evening services, in which Messrs. W. W. Cross, G. T. Bedford, P. E. Jones, H. J. Hunt, and C. H. Vitter took part. A quarter-peal (1,260) was

performed under tropical conditions of heat and sunshine, in 48 mins., at eventide: J. W. Crofts 1, E. S. Farr 2, T. S. Smith (steepkeeper) 3, W. H. Fussell 4, A. J. Harman 5, Charles Farr 6, W. Henley (conductor) 7, H. J. Cropley 8. The Vicar afterwards visited the belfry, and personally thanked the ringers for their valuable help and co-operation during his charge of the parish. Incidentally, the recent cleaning and improvements of the belfry here should form an object lesson to the Archdeacon in his future visitations.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, July 17th, 1,320 Treble Bob Royal: J. W. Driver (conductor) 1, W. H. Wood 2, B. Belcher 3, A. Cutmore 4, W. S. Smith 5, J. E. Davis 6, G. C. Iles 7, F. Skevington 8, A. Harding 9, H. A. Folkard 10. It's 19 years since H. A. Folkard rang his last quarter-peal of Treble Ten.

**WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, July 17th, for morning service, 720 Double Court, 336 of Oxford Treble Bob, 216 Kent Treble Bob, by: E. S. Bailey, N. R. Bailey (conductor), E. Bailey, A. E. Austin, A. J. Naunton, F. W. Naunton, A. J. L. Naunton. First 720 Double Court by A. E. Austin and E. S. Bailey. For evening service, 720 Worcester Treble Bob: W. R. Bailey, E. Lincoln, E. Bailey, A. E. Austin, A. J. L. Naunton, F. W. Naunton (conductor). First 720 Worcester by N. R. Bailey, E. Lincoln and A. E. Austin.

**STONEY STRATFORD.**—At St. Giles' Church, on Sunday, July 17th, for evening service, 720 Islington Treble Bob Minor: A. Clarke 1, H. C. Edwards 2, E. C. Lambert (conductor) 3, W. Bonham 4, T. C. Tomkins 5, E. Yates 6.

**LIVERPOOL.**—At St. James' Church, West Derby, for morning service, on Sunday, July 17th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: A. Hancock (first in the method) 1, D. Parry 2, A. Taylor 3, W. H. Hargraves (conductor) 4, H. Hancock 5, Jas. Johnson 6. This is the first 720 of Treble Bob rung on the bells by a purely local company.

**PETERBOROUGH.**—For morning service, at St. John's Church, 548 Stedman Triples: Phyllis Hare 1, T. Vaughan 2, S. Wright 3, L. Dainty 4, W. Cross 5, F. Cooke 6, T. Tebbutt (conductor) 7, R. Gamble 8.

**HIGHGATE, LONDON.**—Royal Cumberland Youths.—For evening service, at St. Anne's Church, on July 17th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes): E. Chapman 1, Miss K. Smith 2, E. Bonfield 3, A. Gasson 4, E. Young 5, E. Pryor 6, W. Upton 7, F. Smith (conductor) 8. Arranged to enable Mr. Upton, of Newport, I. of W., to ring his first quarter-peal of Major.

**BANGOR, CARNARVONSHIRE.**—North Wales Association.—On Sunday, July 10th, at the Church of St. David, for Welsh service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): J. L. Jones 1, J. E. Midwinter 2, T. Jones 3, W. T. Pegler 4, A. E. Pegler 5, W. Crane 6, A. J. Hughes (conductor) 7, J. Ward 8.

**SHIPLAKE, OXON.**—On Sunday, July 10th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: C. Moody 1, T. Bolton 2, S. Brown 3, J. Herbert 4, C. E. Collis 5, W. Langdon 6, E. Cassel (conductor) 7, H. Whanslaw 8. The band belong to Putney.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

1,280 BOB MAJOR.  
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E. Mullins.

504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

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Reduced to 279 by S at \*

F. W. Rogers.

720 OXFORD BOB or  
DOUBLE BOB MINOR.

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the 3rd and 6th parts.  
H. W. Wilde.

STEDMAN TRIPLES.

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52314	—	—
Five times repeated. J. Carter.		



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**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice:—St. Martin's, first Monday in the month, at 7.30 p.m.; St. Bride's, second Saturday, 5 p.m.; Shoreditch, 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Services, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 70, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Puddletown, on Saturday, July 23rd. Bells (also Bere Regis) from 2.30. Guild Service 4.30, followed by tea (kindly provided by the Vicar) and business meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunny-side Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Wellington, on Saturday, July 23rd. Bells available—Parish Church (8), 3.30 to 8 p.m.; Rockwell Green (6), 3 to 5 p.m. Service in Parish Church at 6 o'clock. Meeting in the belfry previous to the service. No tea arranged.—P. Merson, Branch Sec., Bishop's Hull.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Areley Kings, on Saturday, July 23rd. Service in Church at 4 o'clock.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec., Madresfield, Malvern.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Hatfield, on Saturday, July 23rd. Bells available at 3 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, Dist. Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapstone District.—The Annual district meeting will be held at Ringstead, on July 23rd. Usual arrangements.—J. Nickerson, Dist. Sec., Halford Street, Thrapstone.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Bolton, on Saturday, 23rd July; also, the committee will hold the Half-Yearly meeting in conjunction. A good attendance is requested.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—The next meeting will be held at Wootton, on Saturday, July 23rd. Bells available from 2.30. All ringers welcome.—H. L. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Summer meeting will be held at Whitley Bay, on Saturday, July 23. The towers of Christ Church, North Shields (10), and St. Paul's, Whitley Bay (8), will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Committee meeting at 4.45 p.m. Tea at the Grosvenor Café at 6 p.m., followed by Business meeting. Members 1/6. Non-members 3/- per head.—B. C. Dixon, Hon. Sec., 80, Fern Dene Road, Gateshead.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be Hythe, on Saturday, July 23rd. Bells available at 3 p.m. Ringing friends will be welcome at his meeting.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Hawkhurst on Saturday, July 23rd. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Arrangements are being made for a motor charabanc to leave Tonbridge Station at 2.15. Half travelling expenses up to 2/- each will be paid to members attending.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Road.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival at Stokesay Castle, Craven Arms, Saturday, July 23rd. Service, 12; lunch, 1; business meeting, 2.—Rev. G. W. Turner, Madley Vicarage, Hereford.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual Festival will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July 23rd (p.v.). Service at Cathedral at 11 a.m., preacher Rev. Canon Coleridge. Immediately after service the war memorial to our fallen ringers will be unveiled in the Cloisters by the Right Rev. E. Domitt-Shaw (Archdeacon of Oxford). The business meeting will then be held in the Chapter House. Dinner in Christ Church Dining Hall at 1.30, tickets 2/6 each (3/- for non-members); application for tickets, accompanied by remittance, must be made to General Sec. Arrangements for ringing will be notified later.—Richard T. Hibbert, General Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The postponed Annual meeting will be held at Walthamstow on Saturday, July 23rd. Short service at St. Mary's Church at 3 p.m. Tea (1/3 to members) at 4 p.m. at the Church House, to be followed by annual meeting. St. Mary's (10 bells), St. Saviour's (8 bells) and other towers in the neighbourhood will be open from 2 p.m.—H. T. W. Eyre, Hon. Sec., The Temple, Witham, Essex.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual Festival will (p.v.) be held at Chester Cathedral on Saturday, July 23rd. Service at 3 o'clock; preacher, The Dean. In addition to the city belfries, those of Christleton, Eccleston and Aldford will be open all day. Other particulars by circular.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the above will be held at East Bridgford, on Saturday, July 23. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—Thos. H. Kirkby.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: 7.30 p.m., St. Clement Danes, July 25th. Sundays at 10 a.m., St. Clement's 1st and 3rd, Bishopsgate 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. General Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, 26th; and St. Andrew, Holborn, 28th (higher methods); all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**CARISBROOKE CHURCH BELLS.**—The Recast ring of eight will be dedicated on Wednesday, 27th July, at 6.30 p.m., by the Right Rev. Bishop Macarthur, D.D.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Reddish, on Saturday, July 30th, as the 23rd is not suitable to the authorities. Bells ready 3.30, meeting at 7 o'clock.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting will be held at Rothwell, on July 30th. Business meeting at 7 o'clock in the Belfry.—M. Moorhouse, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Colne on Saturday, July 30th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY** will hold their Quarterly meeting on Saturday, July 30th, at the Church of St. Michael, Mottram-in-Longdendale. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Business meeting at 7.—C. Bower, Hon. Sec.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Bentley, July 30th. Bells from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea at 4.30, at 1s. 6d. per head, to those who notify Mr. P. Elton, 59, Bentley Road, Doncaster, before July 26th. Arksey (8) and Doncaster St. George's bells available from 7 to 9 p.m. A good attendance is desired. Until further notice the bells at St. George's, Doncaster, will be available for combined practice every Thursday at 7 p.m.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS.**—North-East Branch.—A meeting will be held at Huntsham (8) on Saturday, July 30th. Bells available from 2.30; service at 4.45; tea at nominal charge of 6d. Numbers for tea must be sent by Tuesday, July 26th, to Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Slimbridge on Saturday, July 30th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—For the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—A joint meeting of the Norwich and Ipswich Branches will be held at Lowestoft on August Bank Holiday, Aug. 1st. By kind permission of the Rector the ring of 8 bells at St. Margaret's, Lowestoft, will be available. Dinner will be served at the Crown Hotel, High Street, at 1 p.m. Tickets 3/6 per head. Committee meeting at 12 o'clock noon. The general business meeting will be held at St. Margaret's Institute, Alexandra Road, at 2.15 p.m. Members intending being present at dinner must notify the same to the Gen. Sec. not later than Thursday, July 28th.—Edward Evans, Branch Sec., Ipswich; Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Branch Sec., Norwich, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**SUFFOLK ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Sudbury on Monday, August 1st. The bells of All Saints', St. Peter's and St. Gregory's will be available for ringing during the day. Meet at All Saints' first at 11 a.m. Tea arrangements will be made on the day, business following.—A. Symonds, Hon. Sec., Lavenham.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Peterborough on Monday, August 1st (Bank Holiday). Bells available: St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), Woodston (6) for part of the day. Service at St. John's at 3.30. Tea 1s. 6d., and meeting in St. Mary's Schools 4.15. All ringers welcome.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Hadley on August Bank

Holiday, Monday, August 1st. The bells (now a peal of eight) will be available from 2 p.m. Tea will be arranged at about 6 o'clock in the Church House, at a charge of 1/- per head, but arrangements will only be made for those who advise me by July 27th. All members and friends are cordially invited.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood St., E.17.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—An All-day meeting will be held on Monday, August 1st, commencing at Walton-on-Thames, at 10 o'clock, Hersham 11.30, Esher 1.30, East Molesey 3. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea by kind permission (if fine), on the Vicarage Lawn. Will all those intending to be present at tea kindly notify me not later Wednesday, July 27th? All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next meeting of this district will be held on Saturday, August 6th, at Farningham. Bells at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. F. Snaith (Vicar) at 5.30 p.m. Tea at the Lion Hotel and business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea must notify me by Tuesday, August 2nd, the latest. Half fares up to 2s. paid.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—Meeting at Crawley, Aug. 6th. Tower open at 2. Short service at 4.30. Tea at 5 (by kind invitation of the Rector). Those desiring tea should notify the undersigned not later than Tuesday, Aug. 2nd.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, by the kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. F. Marriott) on Saturday, Aug. 6th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at 5.30. Those requiring tea must let me know by Aug. 1st.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—Next meeting at Seend on August 6th. Bells (6) available from 3 o'clock, tea at 5. All wishing to attend tea let me know as early as possible.—H. F. Brown, 45, West End, Westbury, Wilts.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—The half-yearly meeting of the district will be held at Ightham on Saturday, Aug. 13th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Half travelling expenses up to 2/- will be paid. For further particulars see next week.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dis. Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The monthly meeting will be held at Monk Bretton on Saturday, August 13th. Bells ready early. Tea will be provided at a reasonable price to those applying before August 10th. Bus route from Barnsley and Cudworth to Monk Bretton every half-hour.—C. D. Potter, Secretary, 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

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**WEDDING OF ANOTHER LADY RINGER.**

In our two last issues we have recorded the weddings of two expert lady ringers, both of whom had their homes at Portishead. It is a pleasing duty to record the marriage of yet another lady ringer, the event taking place on July 16th in the Parish Church of St. John at Redhill. The bride was Miss Edith Jones, and the bridegroom Mr. James Walker. The Rev. Herbert Spencer officiated at the ceremony.

Miss Jones was one of the band who made the first attempt, which proved unsuccessful, for the ladies' peal at Twyford, Berks, on Easter Monday, 1914; and she is well known in the belfries of the Middlesex County Association around Ealing, at which place she was engaged for some years.

It was at her home in Devizes, Wilts, that she mastered the first stages of change ringing, and she has rung peals at Bishop's Cannings and at Hillingdon. She rings Stedman Caters with confidence, and is a member of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, the Oxford Diocesan Guild, and the Middlesex County Association.

**A YORKSHIRE OUTING.**

The Headingley St. Michael's ringers held their annual outing on Saturday, July 16th, the venue being Gargrave-in-Craven and Kildwick. A start was made by motor at 1.30 p.m. from St. Michael's Church, the party comprising Messrs. H. Williams, H. Lindsay, W. Wood, R. Thomas, G. W. Slack, J. Bennett, G. Robinson, J. R. Kemp and P. J. Johnson, who were glad indeed to be able once more to include the veteran, Mr. J. Whitaker. A two-hours' run through some of the finest scenery in Wharfedale brought the excursionists to Gargrave, where a warm welcome was extended to them by Messrs. McKell, Birtwistle and Langstroth, of the local band. A move was made for the tower of St. Andrew's Church, where the peal of eight (tenor 16 cwt.) were soon set going to Double Norwich and Stedman. The day was too hot to do much ringing, and after about an hour at the ropes the party left for Kildwick. On arrival at Kildwick a bountiful tea awaited the visitors at the White Lion Hotel. During the meal the party happily escaped a violent thunderstorm.

A visit was afterwards made to the neighbouring Church of St. Andrew, where a beautiful peal of eight by the Loughborough Foundry were made good use of for about an hour and a half, the delightfully cool belfry being much appreciated on such a tropical day. The church at Kildwick is a fine old 15th century building, and was formerly attended for many years by Charlotte Bronte, when she was resident in the neighbourhood. During the homeward journey, the stout man of the party caused a tyre to give way under the strain, but eventually all reached home safely, after a pleasant outing, the glorious scenery and the hearty welcome at Gargrave and Kildwick leaving many pleasant recollections. This opportunity is taken of thanking the respective clergy for kindly granting the use of their bells, and the local ringers for their kind arrangements. Much regret was felt that Mr. S. Maude, of Pudsey, and Mr. J. Cotterell were unable to accept an invitation to join the party, and it was hoped that on some future occasion their company would add to the enjoyment.

P. J. J.

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