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RINGS OF TWELVE.

The steady growth in the number of rings of twelve in the country is a very gratifying feature of the ever-widening interest in bells, and of the progress of the art of ringing. Close upon the opening of the peal of twelve at Winchester come the announcements of proposed additions to the existing rings of ten at Taunton and St. Margaret's, Leicester, as well as the expressed desire of the Rector of St. Magnus to add his tower to the twelve-bell churches of the Metropolis. At the moment the St. Magnus' proposal has not developed into a definite scheme, but in the two other cases the order has been definitely given. When the work is complete these new twelve-bell peals should prove of immense value to ringers. As we mentioned only recently, the southern and south-western counties of England are very badly off for towers with the highest number of bells for change ringing. Except for the new peal at the Abbey at Buckfastleigh, Devon (which are hardly likely to be often, if ever, available to ringers), the peal at St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol, and the light peal at Quex Park, Kent, the whole string of counties from Dover Straits to Land's End was without a ring of twelve, until Winchester led the way. The present ten at Taunton should make a splendid twelve, and there are men in Somerset who will see that they are used.

It is fitting also that such an active centre of ringing as Leicester should possess a peal of the maximum number; and, in some ways, it is strange that a peal of twelve bells has not made its appearance in the Midland area long before this. Up to the present, however, there is no such ring between Birmingham and Sheffield, or Ashton-under-Lyne and Cambridge. Thus Leicester will raise the standard in another wide area hitherto without twelve-bell opportunities; and here, again, we may look for the fullest

use being made of the peal.

It is interesting to look for a mement at the growth of the twelve-bell towers of the country. When the 'Clavis Campanologia' was published in 1788, there were eight such rings, four of them in London, while York Minster, which was the first twelve bell tower in the country, had at that time had the ring recast into ten. When Shipway collected information as to the rings of bells in the country and published it in 1816, the number had increased to 13, by the addition of three towers in London and two in the provinces. The total in England now is 38, no fewer than seven having been added in the last ten years, which, remembering that the period includes four years of war, is a really great achievement, and one of the many encouraging signs of the advance of ringing. Leicester needs assistance to complete its ring of twelve, and we commend to our readers the appeal made in our last issue.

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TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-BOW, CHEAPSIDE.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES:

		Tenor	53 cwt.			
	CHALLIS F. WINNEY					7
	HENRY R. NEWTON					
	HAROLD J. WALTON					
	ALFRED B, PECK	4	CHARLES S. BURDEN			
ļ	WILLIAM E. GARRARD	5	WILLIAM T. COCKER	LL	400	II
	HORACE BELCHER	. 6	THOMAS LANGDON	***	111	Tenor
	Composed by C. H. HATTE	RSLEY.	Conducted by W. T.	Coc	KERI	ILL.

TEN BELL PEALS.

FULHAM

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

(ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Nov. 24, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes, AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A FEAL OF GHANDSINE GATERS, 5039 CHANGES;								
JANES W. DRIVER Treble	GEORGE SPENCER 6							
WILLIAM H. HEWITT 2	ARTHUR HARDING 7							
"WILLIAM H. WOOD 3	*CHARLES F. HUNT 8							
WILLIAM E. JUDD 4	*FRANK SKEVINGTON 9							
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER 5	†ARTHUR F. M. TUKE Tenor							
Composed by H. Hubbard,	Conducted by J. W. DRIVER.							
* First peal of Grandsire Caters.	† First peal on ten bells.							

BEDDINGTON, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOR ROYAL, SOM CHANGES.

		TOTAL SOLUTION
	Teno	r 201 cwt.
	J. W. TRAPPITT Trebi	le Amos W. Clark 6
ı	C. KIPPIN, JUN 2	D. WRIGHT 2
l	A. J. TRAPPITT 3	A. H. WINCE 8
Į	J. SPARROW 4	R. Brough o
	H. J. SKELT 5	C. W. R. GRIMWOOD Tenor
ı	Composed by G. Lindoff.	Conducted by D. WRIGHT.

First peal of Royal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION

(THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY.) On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES

Tenor 32	cwt, in C sharp.	
JAMES MOTTS Tre	eble WILLIAM P. GARRETT	5
*ARTHUR S. BOAR 2	2 CHARLES J. SEDGLEY	7
ROBERT H. BRUNDLE 3	3 CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE	R
EDWARD EVANS 4	4 GEORGE E. SYMONDS	a
'JAMES ROSE 5	5 FREDERICK J. TILLETT Te	, 110)
Composed and Cor	inducted by LAMPS MOTTS	

First peal of Double Norwich Royal.

EPSOM, SURREY. THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and Twelve Minntes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAR OF STERMAN CATERS SOOT O

ł	HILLE OF SILDMAN	ONIERO, SOUL CHANGES;
	Тепот	15 cwt,
l	JOHN D. MATTHEWS Treble	GEORGE CARD 6
ı	JOHN W. CORNFORD 2	*CECIL I. MATTHEWS 7
ŀ	FRANK DMITH 3	WILLIAM BOTTRILL 8
L	OHN H. WHITE 4	ARTHUR DEAN O
ſ	FRANK BLONDELL 5	ARTHUR C. OTWAY Tenor
ŀ	Composed by G. T. DALTRY.	Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.
-	' First peal of Caters.	

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE. THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WOOLOS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 6003 CHANGES;

				vt. 2 gr. 26 lb.	
REGINALD L. LEWIS			rebl	e †HARRY WEST	6
IOHN BUTLER			2	WILLIAM PHILLIPS	7
FRED ATWELL			3	FREDERICK G. VILES	8
WILLIAM B. BISS			4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN	
JOHN W. JONES					
Composed by JAMES	GE	ORGI	₹.	Conducted by Fred Chamberla	IN.
				1 2 1 2 1 1 1 4	

*First peal. †First peal of Caters on an 'inside' bell. Arranged specially and rung as a birthday compliment to J. W. Jones and W. B. Biss (both were born on the same day and in the same year), also as a compliment to the mother of the ringer of the tenor.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICE AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, Nov. 24, 1921, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN	-PART.	Tenor 194 cu	٧t.	
George Weiting	Treble	GEORGE BENNETT		5
ALBERT FLEMING	2	George Fleming		6
†George Pryke		WILLIAM T. LAST		
ERNEST E. LANHAM	4	*WILLIAM LAST		Teno
Condi	acted by G	EORGE WHITING.		

Rung with bells half-mussed as a last token of respect to Alfred Whiting (uncle of the conductor), who was for several years a member of the local company and was buried the previous Saturday.

* First peal. † First peal in the method.

SOUTHAMPTON.

THE WINCHESTER DIGGESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes, AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

	Ten	OF 22 C	wt. 1 gr. 7 lb.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	***	Trebl	D. CECIL WILLIAMS 5
OWEN H. GILES		2	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN 6
REGINALD BROWN	400	3	WILLIAM T. TDCKER 7
ALAN R. MACDONAL	D	4	JOHN H. B. HESSE Teno
Composed by F.	DENC	н. С	onducted by George Williams.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. J. W. Faithful to Miss Dorothy Victoria Warrell, both of Southampton, the bridegroom being a member of the St. Mary's band. This was the first peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

		Tenor	12% cwt.			
JOHN LLOYD		Treble	ALFRED DAVIES			5
			ERNEST J. BROOKS			
WILLIAM SHORT	+-+		SAMUEL GROVE			
JOHN BASS			ROBERT MATTHEWS			
Composed by F.	BEN	NETT.	Conducted by R. M	ATTH	EWS	

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Four Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 7104 CHANGES;

WILLIE OF KENT THEBE	L DOD MINOUN THAT ONLY	
	or 12 cwt.	
DAVID G. WIGHTMAN Tre LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN 2	ble JOHN HALL	5
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN 2	GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN	6
ERNEST CORTIS 3	ALFRED H. WATSON	7
WALTER ROFFLES 4	HARRY HALL	Tenor
Composed by T. DAY. C.	onducted by DAVID G. WIGHT	MAN.

This is the longest peal by the ringers of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th, and was rung in honour of the conductor's birthday.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

		Tenor	30½ CWt.	
JOHN SADDINGTON	***	Treble	DETSGT. H. G. JENNEY	5
WILLIAM SMITH		2	JAMES S. HUTCHBY	6
HARRY BROUGHTON				
HAROLD J. POOLE		4	JOHN OLDHAM	Tenor
Composed by F	HE	LOVIDO	Conducted by I Orni	CT A RE

Rung in honour of the betrothal of Princess Mary to an Englishman. First peal in the method on the present ring of bells, the heaviest in the county.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

ı	MIDDLETON'S.				Tenor by cwt.		
ı	JOHN SADDINGTO	IN		7		PRYCE TAYLOR	
ı	HAROLD J. POOL	E			2	DETSGT. H. G. JENNEY	6
ı	WILLIAM SMITH						
ı	JOHN OLDHAM		411	144	4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER	Tsnor
ı							

Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H. G. Jenney. Quickest peal of Major on the bells, the lightest in the county. This peal and the preceding one were rung between the hours of 2 p.m. and 8.45 p.m.

BOREHAM, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

				. 19 lb. in F.
HENRY W. KIRTON		T	reble	HENRY HEAD 5
ARTHUR EDWARDS			2	EDWARD P. BUCKINGHAM 6
*CYRIL C. PEASE	***	***	3	*JOHN WOOD 7
*Percy Timson	***		4	ARTHUR HEAD Tekor
Composed by C. H.	HAT	ERS	LEY.	Conducted by ARTHUR EDWARDS.

* First peal in the method. First peal on the bells. Rung to usher in the festival of Advent, and as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4th.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

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

		Tenor 14	cwt. 3 lb.	
			WILLIAM LATTER	
OLIVER SIPPETTS	***	2	HERBERT MARKWELL	6
FREDERICK WHITE		3	WILLIAM HART	7
GEORGE ELLIS		4	KEITH HART	Tenar

Composed by William Willson. Conducted by Keith Hart.

PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE, THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIRRAL BRANCE.)

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT CHRIST CEDRCE.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

	Tenor	15 cwt.	
WALTER J. BATTLE	 Treble	†THOMAS ROGERS	 5
*JOHN COOKE	 2	JOHN EVANS	 6
†HAROLD ROGERS		HERBERT LUDKIN	
JOHN GREASLEY	 4	SYDNEY F. BARNES	 Tonor

Composed and Conducted by H. Ludkin.

* First peal in the method. † First peal of Major.

BELGRAVE, LEICESTER.—On Armistice Day, Nov. 11th, at the Parish Church of St. Feter, 1,008 Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled: H. L. Smith 1, R. Barrow 2, A. Ballard (conductor) 3, H. Sibson 4, E. Ankrett 5, G. W. Tillson 6, H. Reeves 7, W. W. Brothwell 8.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

		. 3 qr. 10 lb.		
*HENRY C. COLLYER	Treble	EDWARD ENKINS	***	5
*IOHN HAYES		*ARTHUR NEWELL	***	5
HENRY W. WILDE	3	*George R. Jones		
ROBERT SPERRING	4	*CECIL RADDON	100	Теног
Composed by HENRY V	WILDE.	Conducted by Roser	T SP	ERRING.

* First peal in the method; also G. R. Jones' 50th peal.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Sunday, Nov. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. THOMAS AND EDMUND, R.C.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

	TRANSPOSITION	
JAMES GEORGE Treble	BERNARD W. WITCHELL	5
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON 2	OLIVER G. NORMAN	0
WILLIAM KENT 3	ALBERT E. NORMAN	7
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT 4	WILLIAM G. ANKER	Tenot
Conducted by BERN	NARD W. WITCHELL.	

This peal was specially arranged and rung as a compliment to Mr. James George on his 68th birthday. He kindly entertained the ringers to an excellent tea at the residence of Mr. Bernard W. Witchell.

DEPTFORD, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(St. John's Society.)
On Wednesday, Nov. 30, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

WALKE OF SCHOOLING	11111 220, 0010				
THURSTANS' FOUR-PART	Tenor 14 cwt. o qr. 18 lb.				
ERNEST B. CROWDER Treble	ALBERT BRADLEY 5				
*Edwin J. Pannett 2	ALBERT E. GODDARD 6				
THOMAS A. EASTERBY 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES 7				
"WILLIAM H. DAYNES 4	HARRY J. NORGATE Teno.				

Conducted by WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES.
• First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. E. B. Crowder.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND. THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On-Wednesday, Nov. 30, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES:

JOHNSON'S VARIATION.	Tenor 17:	cwt.		
JAMES E. GOSTON Treble	EDWARD A. HEARN	***		5
*WILLIAM L. GOFTON 2	Joseph A. GOFTON	***		б
George R. Holmes 3				
- RICHARD A. GOFTON 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON	***	7	enor
Conducted by Tr	IOMAS T. GOFTON.			

* First peal in the method. Rung on the occasion of the consecration of St. Peter's Church, Monkseaton, by the Bishop of Newcastle.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(St. Margaret's Society.)

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHORCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

	Tenor :	od cwt. in E.		
ALFRED KEEBLE	Tre	ble EDGAR H	BAILEY	5
ERNEST S. BAILEY				
GEORGE BAILEY				
GEORGE WILSON	4	CHARLES	F. BAILEY	Tenor
Composed by FRANK	BENNETT.	Conducted	by CHARLES I	F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method by all, also on the bells. Rung at the first attempt. First peal in the method by a local band and for the above Association, and quickest peal of Major on the bells.

The report of the poal at Bushev Heath, on November 26th, has been sent in without the time.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE, THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Pour Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5048 CHANGES;

E. Morris' Variatio	ON OF PARKER	R'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor	9½ cwt.
		ERNEST MORRIS	
ARTHUR CATTELL .	2	Josiah Morris	6
		Redvers F. Elkington	
		ALFRED CUFFLIN	Tengo
Conduc	cted by REDV	ers F. Elkington.	

*First peal. † First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Jennings, of Wyke Regis, Dorset.

CRANBROOK, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S ONE-PART.	Tenor 231 cwt.
FREDERICK J. JUDGE Treble	LOTHER HONESS 5
WILLIAM E. PITMAN 2	GEORGE BILLENNESS 6
FREDERICK G. BURDEN 3	FREDERICK [. LAMBERT, SEN. 7
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT 4	CHARLES TRIBE Tenor
Conducted by GEO	DRGE BILLENNESS

Rung as a birthday compliment to the Rev. Canon F. J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec. of the Kent Association, who was 70 years of age on the previous day.

SALTBURN, YORKSHIRE,

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,

At the Parish Charcii,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor	23 cwt,
JOHN APPLETON Treble	
WILLIAM A. BRECKON 2	JOHN WEDGEWOOD 6
	WILLIAM BROADLEY 7
George Peck 4	THOMAS METCALFE Tenor
Composed by A. Knights.	Conducted by W. A. Breckon.

GUISELEY, YORKS. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Schen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

A PEAL OF STECMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

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	HEYWOOD'S VARI	ATIC	N OI	F THE	DRSTANS'. Tenor	rol	cwt	
	WILLIAM E. H. ASH	***	T	reble	FIRTH HOPWOOD			5
	JOSEPH BROADLRY	***		2	FREDERICK W. DIXON		***	6
ı	JAMES R. KEMP	124	***	3	FRANCIS BARKER			7
١	JOHN PALFRAMAN		***	4	HENRY SMITH		7	enor
н	Com	J	ad ba	· Dan	manager 30 Daniel			

Conducted by FREDERICK W. DIXON.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Ash, daughter of the treble

LINTON, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES

п		
ŀ	THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.	Tenor 15 cwt.
l	†ALBERT E. GASSON Treble	CHARLES W. PLAYER 5
l		*HARRY COAST 6
l	CHARLES H. SONE 3	†Louis Head 7
		CHARLES SMITH Teno?
	Conducted by Ta	HOMAS MANNERING.

* First peal. † First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman on the bells.

ALFRED BOWELL,

GHURCH BELL FOUNDER,

IPSWICH.

CHIPPING BARNET, HERTS. THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE, SOCIETY.)
On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor	24 cwt. in D.
ALFRED R. GLASSCOCKTr	eble NORMAN A. TOMLINSON 5
George Bester	GEORGE W. FLETCHER 6
JOHN ARMSTRONG	OHN E. MILLER 7
EDMUND G. TOMLINSON	SIDNEY WADE Tenor
Composed by Connectus Cha	ARGE, Conducted by SIDNEY WADE.
This is the first peal of Doul	ole Norwich on the bells.

WEST EROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE. THE WORDESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and Pive Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5958 CHANGES;

					cwt. in F.				
JOHN WITHERS	1++	411	7	reble	ALFRED D.	AVIES			5
JOHN BASS	414	104		2	*J. FRANK S	MALLWO	ao	***	6
PERCY O. LAFLI	N			3	SAMURE G	ROVE	544		7
WILLIAM SHORT									
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Samuel Grove.									
First peal in t	he n	ietho	d or	the l	bells. * Fir	at peal of	f Lo	ndon	١.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)
On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5440 CHANGES:

			1000-0	
*HERBERT E. ROBBINS	Treble	EDWARD ROBBINS		. 5
ARTHUR KNIGHTS	2	PERCY KNIGHTS	*** **	. 6
CHARLES MASON		JOHN KENT		
REV. R. F. WILKINSON				
Composed by Arthur	KNIGHTS	 Conducted by Jo 	en Fli	NT.

Rung in honour of the installation of the Vicar of Bolsover (Rev. D. Akrill Jones) as Diocesan Missioner and Canon of Llandaff. This composition is now rung for the first time. * First peal.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Three Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Mary, Deane,

A FEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

	Tenor	14 cwt.		
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS	Treble	ROBERT WALLWORK		5
JOSEPH LOWE	2	WILLIAM TAYLOR		6
GEORGE POWNALL	3	THOMAS B. WORSLE	Y	7
JOSEPH LEATHERBARROW				
Composed by ARTHOR	KNIGHTS.	Conducted by B. A.	. Knight	S.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Dec. 4, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Helen,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 12 Cv	vt. o qr. 9 lb.
*JOHN HALL Treble	WILLIAM J. GROOM 5
NORMAN R. BAILBY 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN 6
	ERNEST E. GRIMES 7
	FREDERICK J. SMITH Tenor
	Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.
First peal in the method. Fi	rst Surprise peal as conductor.

SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.—On August 23rd, for practice, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major (1,280 changes): F. Hollands 1, S. Taylor 2, W. Nye 3, G. H. Spice 4, E. J. Dobbie 5, T. Juli 6, T. B. Dobbie 7, W. Spice (conductor) 8. First quarter in the method on the bells: also by all except the bob caller.—On Tuesday, Sept. 8th, for practice, 224 of Superlative Surprise, 224 of Cambridge, and 224 of Oxford Troble Bob Major by G. H. Spice, E. H. Spice, W. Nye, F. Hollands, S. Taylor, E. J. Dobbie, S. R. Dobbie, T. Juli and W. Spice, All the above ringers reside in the Sittinghourne district.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

DENNINGTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IFSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 23, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Oxfor	d Fie	DIG DOD !	and tour or .	E ALEXAN		
Tenor 10 cwt.						
*THOMAS REEVE 7	reble	ALFRED	WATSON	***	4+0	4
*FRANK REEVE	2	JAMES W	VARDLEY	***	***	5

*Thomas Reeve 2 JAMES WARDLEY 5

†John Garrett 3 John Hall Tenor

Conducted by John Hall

* First peal. † First peal of Minor on an 'inside' bell. Quickest peal on the bells.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Comprising 720 each of Grandsire, Double Oxford, Woodbine Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob & Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

*FREDERICK MITCHELL, JUN. Treble John Burles 4
†MISS ETHEL M. GOODSHIP 2 FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 5
HARRY ARGENT 3 GEORGE MORRIS Tenor
Conducted by FREDERICK M. MITCHELL.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRIOT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGBLIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

* First peal. † First peal of Minor. ; First peal in seven methods with a bob bell. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. Joseph Read.

RETTENDEN, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Plain Bob, and two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

*WALTER JAY Treble FRANK C. MAY 4
*ALFRED SOUTH 2 HORACE J. MANSFIELD ... 5
W. CHARLES JAY 3 FRED CHALK... Tenov
Conducted by H. J. MANSFIELD.

First peal. First peal on the bells. The ringers of 2, 5 and 6 hail from Maldon.

BARTON SEAGRAVE, NORTHANTS. THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 1040 CHANGES;

ı						
1	Being 42 six-sco	res.		Tenor 12		
Į	CEGIL CHAPMAN	Treble	WILLI	AM LAWREN	CE	 3
	MISS MAUD CLARKE	2	*DAVID	SHALFORD		 4
Į	MATT	HAS HOBB	S	Tenor		

Conducted by WILLIAM LAWRENC

* First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. S. Dainty, who was for many years a ringer and sexton at the above church, and who was interred in Barton churchyard on Nov. 28th

WYMESWOLD, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Three Hours, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's e	each called differently.	Tenor 13 cwt.				
	Treble John W. Boo					
HARRY WHITTLE	2 THOMAS ATK	NS 5				
RICHARD PAINE	3 ALBERT JOYC	еТвиот				
Conducted by Thomas Atkins.						

BARTON FABIS, NOTTS THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called d	ifferently. Ten	or II cwt.
*ERNEST CHAMBERLAIN Treble	CECIL J. BAKER	4
*FRED PRIESTLY 2	"JOHN W. PRIESTLY	5
FRED J. TITE 3	EDWARD C. GOBEY	Теног
Conducted by	E. C. GOBEY.	

* First peal. Rung to celebrate H.R.H. Princess Mary's betrothal.

MAXEY, NORTHANTS. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5840 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Ox	xford and Kent Treble Bob and three of
Plain Bob.	Tenor 12 cwt.
MISS PHYLLIS HARE	Treble MISS ANNIE M. DALE 4
MISS ANNIE PARKINS	2 MISS CECH. E. HERRIEN E

MISS ELSIE B. BRANDON ... 3 RUPERT RICHARDSON Teno

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

This was the conductor's 300th peal.

HANDBELL PEALS.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes. AT THE OLD VICARAGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 13 in E.							
JOHN W. WOOD I-2 WALTE	R AYRE				5-6		
RUPERT RICHARDSON 3-4 TOM TH	EBBUTT				7-8		
Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Rupert Richardson,							
Witnesses: Mrs. J. W. Wood, Miss Irene Wood and							
Miss Phyllis Har							

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. R. Richardson, of Glyn

HARWICH, ESSEX.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes, AT J. KING'S HEAD STREET,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by James George. Conducted by the Performer. Umpire: George Jordan.

The abov was tapped as a birthday compliment to the composer.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOGESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Nov. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Four and a half Minutes.

AT GLYN GARTH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Size 13 in E.

JOHN W. WOOD 1-2 WALTER AYRE 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON 3-4 TOM TEBBUTY 7-8 Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON. Witness: MISS PHYLLIS HARE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss E. B. Brandon, of Peterbor o

RINGER'S WEDDING.

The wedding took place at Almeley, Herefordshire, on November 12th, of Mr. William Webb and Miss Ethel Jones. The ceremony was Ethi, of Mr. William Webb and Miss Ethiel Jones. The ceremony was performed by the Vicar (the Rev. H. M. Evill), and quite a number of parishioners were present, both the bride and bridegroom being highly respected. Immediately after the marriage service, the bells rang out merrily, and later the ringers attended a reception at the new home of the happy pair. Mr. Male, on behalf of the ringers, wished both the bridegroom and the bride a long life of happiness and health and added that one taken of the represt in which Mr. Webb. wished both the bridegroom and the bride a long life of happiness and health, and added that as a token of the respect in which Mr. Webb was held by the ringers, he had very great pleasure in asking his acceptance of a silver inkpot, in the shape of a bell. He trusted it would remind him of the happy hours they had spent, and hoped to spend in the belfry.—Mr. Webb, who was completely taken by surprise, suitably replied.—Mr. J. P. Hyett (district secretary of the Hereford Guild, to which the Almeley band now belongs) associated himself with all that Mr. Male had said.

LEEDS & DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY

On Saturday, November 26th, the usual monthly meeting took place at St. Michael's, Headingley. Owing to a service intervening in the time advertised when the bells would be available, the Vicar of St. Chad's, Headingley, kindly granted permission for ringing to take place on his bells. Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Stedman were rung from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Then St. Michael's tower was visited, and touches of Double Norwich and Stedman was presented in the stedman was supported by the stedman was s visited, and touches of Double Norwich and Stedman were rung.

In the absence of the chairman, Mr. P. J. Johnson was voted to the

chair, and a short business meeting took place. After much discussion it was decided to hold the December meeting at St. Francis, Holbeck. Ringers were present from Selby; St. Chad's, Headingley; Armley; Leeds Parish Church; Pudsey; and the local company.

SUFFOLK VETERAN'S DEATH.

SONS' FUNERAL PEAL.

One of Suffolk's veteran ringers has passed away, at the ripe age of 80 years, in the person of Mr. William Riches, of Fressingfield. The deceased was a native of the village, and, possessed of a lovable and happy disposition, was a general favourite. He had been a member of the Norwich Diocesan Association since 1878, and for many years acted as Master of the Fressingfield ringers.

wich), F. R. Borrett (Pulham), E. F. Poppy (Stoke Ash), G. Howard (Weybread), J. Filby (Wingfield), G. Filby (Wingfield), J. Adame (Harleston), R. Raynor, R. Girling, F. Barber, and J. Etheridge (all of Fressingfield). The above took part in the ringing before and after the service, and the four first named rang a course of Triples on handbells over the grave.

On Sunday evening the Rev. K. E. Shaw (Vicar) preached a funeral sermon, and another company of bell ringers attended and rang halfmuffled touches before and after service. This company consisted of Messrs. E. Lincoln, C. F. Wood, H. Barrell, and C. Clarke (of Bungay), J. Filby and G. Vilby (of Wingfield), and F. Freeman and J. Etheridge (of Fressingfield).

LOSS TO PORTSMOUTH.

SERVED UNDER FIVE VICARS.

Portsmouth has sustained a severe loss by the death of Mr. W. H Hellyer, who has passed away at the advanced age of 87 years. He was a prominent figure in local friendly society circles, and his connection with St. Mary's, Portsea, can be best quoted from a paragraph in the local Press: 'For a lengthy period he had been one of the most stalwart workers at Portsea Parish Church, where he had served under five Vicars—the late Bishop of St. Albans, the present served under nve Vicars—the late Bishop of St. Albans, the present Archbishop of York, the late Canon Wilson, the present Bishop of Southwark, and the present Vicar (the Rev. J. F. L. Southam). He was superintendent of the Sunday School for over 30 years, until compolled to retire by advancing age, two years ago. He was always to be relied upon in his work for the church, and his memory will be revered throughout the parish.'

When the present magnificent church was built, 30 years ago, he was instrumental in providing two bells to complete the present octave, and was greatly interested in the art.

After the funeral, a quarter-peal (1,260) Grandsire rung in 46 minutes, with the helis half-muffled, as a token of respect and gratitude for past services: J. J. Symons 1, F. A. Burnett 2, F. W. Rogers (composer and conductor) 3, W. Tate 4, J. D. Harris 5, R. J. Stone 6, E. J. Harding, sent., 7, B. W. C. Hardy 8.

MILNROW, LANCS .- On Armistice Day, at St. James, Church, & quarter-peal of Bob Major, with the bells fully mufiled: R. Buckley I. J. Fitton 2, C. Bennett 3, G. Staff (conductor) 4, S. W. Dunn 5, C. Fielding 6, Jno. H. C. Massey 7. H. Buckley 8.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

EXEFER DISTRICT BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the Exeter District Branch was held Heavitree, Exeter, on Saturday, November 25th, and attended by 48 members, representing St. Sidwell's, St. David's, Heavitree, St. Petrock's, Withycombe Raleigh, Topsham, Thorverton, Clyst St. George, Sowton, and Christon. Sowton, and Christow.

Service was held in Heavitree Parish Church, and conducted by the Rev. H. B. Clark (Honiton Clyst). Tea was served in the Fore Street

Rev. H. B. Clark (Honiton Clyst). Tea was served in the Fore Street School, followed by the meeting, presided over by Mr. E. Shepherd (chairman of the branch), amongst those present being the Rev. Canon McLaren and thee Rev. H. B. Clark.

A vote of sympathy with the relatives of two honorary members, deceased, was passed by all standing.

Tho accounts of the hon, secretary and treasurer (Mr. N. J. Southwood) showed a satisfactory state of affairs, and a balance in hand.

The Assistant Hon, Secretary (Mr. J. C. Oke) stated in his report that the year's work had been very satisfactory, meetings having been well attended while change ringing was making steady progress. He well attended, while change ringing was making steady progress. He regretted, however, that the number of peals had fallen short of last year's total, and hoped that members would endeavour to remedy this before the annual report was printed. One tower had joined the

district during the year, and one tower desired to resign. It was, however, resolved to ask this band to reconsider the matter. The reports were adopted, and the officers re-elected unanimously. Nine new members were elected, and one honorary member added to the list.—Thorverton was selected as the place for the next meet-

ing, to be held in March. Votes of thanks to the incumbents for the use of the bells and to the ladies for presiding at tea, brought a very successful meeting to

a close

The bells of the Cathedral, St. Sidwell's, St. David's and Heavitree, were kept going during the afternoon and evening, and some good touches of Grawlsire and Stedman Triples rung.

RINGING AT ST. MARY REDCLIFFE.

On Saturday, November 26th, at the Church of St. Mary Redeliffe, Bristol, in honour of the visit of the Lord Bishop of Bristol for the annual confirmation service, 967 Grandsire Cinques: Miss A. Brown 1, F. G. Leaker 2, A. Pearce 3, S. Badman 4, E. Dibbens 5, t. W. H. Came 6, F. G. Jewell 7, H. Pring 8, F. J. Porch 9, E. J. Brown 10, W. A. Cave (conductor) 11, W. Read 12.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

A most successful joint meeting of the Leicester and Hinckley Branches of the Midland Counties Association was held at Earl Shil-ton on Saturday, November 26th. Members and friends, numbering 45, attended, the following towers being represented: Anstey, Burbage, Barwell, Croft, Hinckley, Higham-on-the-Hill, Kirkby-Muxloe, Leicester, Nuneaton, Stoney Stanton, Stoke Golding, Lt. Wigston, South Wigston, and Earl Shilton. The methods rung ranged from Grandsire to Double Norwich, and during the ringing, the Vicar (the Rev. H. V. williams) came amongst the ringers to say how pleased he was to wel-come them to Earl Shilton. The visitors took the opportunity to thank him for so kindly placing the bells at their disposal. Ringing continued until about 7 p.m., when the visitors were conducted to the meeting-room, and enjoyed refreshments, provided by the generous hospitality of the churchwardens (Messrs, E. H. Gilbert and A. Abbott), and an honorary member of the association Mr. A. Bradbury).

The business meeting followed, Mr. A. H. Bradbury being voted to

the chair.

Two towers, Hinckiey and Nuncaton, were nominated for the annual district meeting, and on a vote being taken Hinckley was selected by a large majority. The meeting will be held there early in January. Five new honorary members were elected (Messrs, Harry Orton,

Arthur Green, Leonard Cobley, Joseph Grewcock and Joseph Ladkin.

The Chairman moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and W. Willson, in seconding, coupled with it a vote of thanks to the chairman and churchwardens for their kind hospitality.-The motion was carried with applause.

It was resolved to make an annual affair of these joint meetings, one to be held in Leicester district, and one in Hinckley.

Mr. W. Willson referred to the excellent position the M.C.A. had attained, and his statement was very gratifying to the members

A musical programme was then carried out, including a pianoforte selection by Mr. Coe, junr.; duets by Messrs. W. Reynolds and L. Cobley; songs by W. Humphreys, L. Cobley, W. Reynolds and H. Fullylove; a course of Grandsire Caters: H. Webb 1—2, J. Clarke 3—4, H. Stoneley 5—6, W. Willson 7—8, F. Elkington 9—10; and handbeil selection by Messrs. H. Webb, H. Stoneley and W. Willson.

KIRDFORD, SUSSEX. - On Friday, Nov. 11th, at St. John's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,280 changes), in 41 mins.: M. Stenning 1, S. Kilner 2, P. Duneton 3, S. Kitchener 4, F. Brooks (conductor) 5, V. Nicholls 6.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

To-morrow is the 40th anniversary of the first peal at St. Paul's To morrow is the 4th anniversary of the first peal at St. Paul's Cathedral. This was a 5,014 Stedman Cinques in 4 hrs. 17 mins., by the College Youths. The band contained some famous names, but all, we believe, have now passed away, except the 'youthful' Ted Horrex. The ringers were: J. Pettit 1, G. Muskett 2, W. Coster 3, J. R. Haworth 4, R. Jameson 5, G. Mash 6, G. Dorrington 7, W. Tanner 6, M. Wood 9, E. Horrex 10, J. M. Hayes 11, W. Jones and W. A. Tyler 12. The bells had been opened on November 1st, 1878.

On December 12th, 1848, St. Martin's Society, Birmingham, rang the then tongest length of Stedman Cinques (7,392), in 4 hrs. 55 mins. It was composed and conducted by Henry Johnson, and superseded in length the 7,126 rung in 5 hrs. 17 mins., at Norwich on January 18th. 1844, thus regaining for Birmingham the honours which the Norwich men had taken from them men had taken from them.

Three anniversaries fall on the 15th of December. On that date, in 1735, the College Youths rang 8,008 Grandsire Cinques at Southwark, at that time the longest length on 12 bells, the peal being called by Benjamin Annable. On December 15th, 1806, the Junior Cumharlands rang a peal of 5,886 Stedman Cinques at Christ Church, Spitalfields, where there are now only eight bells. Two days before, the Senior Cumberlands lost a peal in the same method, after ringing 5,500 changes, and on the 20th scored a peal of 6,334, all on the same bells. What the neighbours said, history recordeth not.

To come to modern days, on December 15th, 1904, was rung the first peal in South-Africa. This was Grandsire Triples at Woodstock.

By ringing a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Royal last Saturday the St. Mary-le-Tower company, Ipswich, have completed a series of meritorious performances this year; having rung a peal of Cambridge Surprise and Double Norwich on eight, ten and twelve bells. The society were the first to ring a peal of Cambridge Maximus.

The death occurred, on November 24th, of Mr. Wm. Lee, for many years steeplekeeper at St. Mary's, Nottingham. He was well known in the Midland Counties as an eccentric character. Not being an expert in change ringing, his peals were not numerous, and were confined to either trebling or covering.

Mr. Percy Cave, of Bristol, who obtained his B.Sc. degree last July, is taking up an appointment at Southampton. He will be much missed at St. Stephen's, especially for Sunday ringing, at which he has been most regular.

Over 100 miniature bells were sold to help the fund raised for recasting Westbury bells. We understand that the profits on the surplus bells, which were purchased by Mr. W. H. Fussell, amounting to £4 2s., were handed over to the Hereford All Saints' Fund.

The peal of Stedman Cinques at Waltham Abbey was rung on Oct.

THE BELLS OF ST. GEORGE'S, DONCASTER

The magnificent peal of eight bells at St. George's, Doncaster, has just been overhauled. The clappers have been taken out and new orutches inserted. New fillets have been put in the wheels, and alterations have been made to the pulley boxes. The whole peal is now in excellent ringing condition. Mr. J. F. Mallaby, of Barnby Dun. carried out the work, and great credit is due to him for the excellent way he has done it. It was he who rehung the bells the last time any repairs were carried out, which was 25 years ago.

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The peal at St. George's is claimed to be the heaviest and finest peal of eight in Yorkshire. The bells were cast by Warner and Co. in 1858, to the designs of the late Lord Grimthorpe. The weight of the tenor is 30½ cwt., and its note E flat. The bells replaced an older ring of eight, which perished in the great conflagration of 1853, when the entire church was laid in ruins. This old peal was cast by Hedderly, of Bawtry, and was described by Lord Grimthorpe as the finest he had ever heard. It is believed that these bells were slightly heavier than the present peal.

H. W.

HALF - MUFFLING OF BELLS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I was much interested in the inquiry of Mr. J. Smith as to the muffling of bells, and agree with the Rev. H. B. Woolley that the back stroke should be open. When the musical qualities of touches or peals are given the back stroke is always referred to; also it must be very obvious that a roll up of, say, 5678 in Major is much better than an open 6587, or take the tittums position of Caters, an open 6978 is much better than 9687. It is customary in this neighbourhood to muffle the back stroke, and I always consider the best effect Worcester.

BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.

GUILDFORD.—On Friday, Nov. 11th, for Armistice Day, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples, half-muffled, at St. Nicolas' Church: E. Raddon 1, G. J. Nichols 2, E. A. Etheridge 3, G. R. Nichols 4, G. Petter 5, S. Radford 6, G. Tomsett (conductor) 7, E. G. Heath 8.

A HATTERSLEY MEMORIAL DINNER?

SHEFFIELD RINGER'S STRONG COMMENTS.

Sir,-I shall be greatly interested to know what authority 'Yorkhas for making the assertion which appeared in the shire Worthy ' Belfry Gossip of December 2nd, re the intentions of the Hattersley Memorial Committee, which is now defunct. I myself served on the memorial Committee, which is now dorunce. I myself served on the committee which was formulated to carry out the scheme to perpetuate the memory of the late C. H. H. That scheme was to establish a library in the Cathedral belfry, and I am sorry to say (without fear of contradiction) that the subject of a Commemoration Dinner was never once discussed in committee. However, I myself did incidentally make the suggestion to one of the serving committeemen, who improved that provide and was the scheme as to the form did. who immediately poured cold water on the scheme—not out of any dis-respect to the late gentleman, but for other obvious reasons.

It is strange, but true, that neither exorbitant charges, nor the shocking state of trade, affects the late Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner. That goes on! Why? Simply because it is nurtured in an environment of unselfishness!

One is rather doubtful concerning the excuses: Is it intended to convey coercion, or is it the essence of sincerity? Personally I am inclined to think it is sent with the former intention; if so, I am sure it will lack sufficient strength to bring about the desired effect! real reason there has been no Commemoration Dinner in Sheffield is

simply the predominating spirit of selfishness!

Where are the men who profess to be admirers of the late C. H. H.? Where are their pretentious ambitions, either to do honour to the late gentleman, or any other enterprise which will be for the uplifting of Boldly I stand before the whole Exercise and say there will be no Commemoration Dinner in Sheffield, unless some generous person comes along and says: * Partake of my hospitality and call it a Commemoration Dinner,' or a magnanimous spirit arises which will conquer and tread down that spirit of callous and selfish indifference! Once this is accomplished 'that honour' (long deferred) will become manifest, and not until then.

Further, credit can only be given to one man for his conception of a memorial library, and for the assiduous manner in which he carried this undertaking to a final issue, in the face of having to gauge his own generosity by the meanness of other individuals.—Yours Hillsbro', Dec. 5th, 1921. ALFRED T. BAKER.

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

NORTHERN DISTRICT MEETING. A district meeting was held at North Shields on Saturday, Dec. 3rd, when members attended from Newcastle, Whitley Bay and North Shields. During the afternoon some good practice was obtained with London and Cambridge Surprise Major and Kent Treble Bob Major. Tea was kindly provided by Mr. William Story at the Douglas Cafe, and was followed by a business meeting.

The Secretary (Mr. J. E. Gofton) welcomed Mr. George R. Holmes, and said what a great pleasure it was to all present to have at last such an active vice-president to grace the chair.—It was resolved to hold the next meeting at St. Stephen's, Newcaetle, on January and the secretary was instructed to get on with the arrangements.—After further discussion, it was also decided to pay visits to other districts when holding meetings.

Some good touches of Stedman Caters were afterwards brought round in fine style. The tower was visited by the Vicar and other clergy, who expressed their pleasure at hearing the ten bells going, after being recently restored by a local firm of engineers. This brought an excellent meeting to a close.

SIMPSON TUNING-BALL BEARINGS. 2008

To the Editor. Sir, I think Mr. Woolley is probably right as regards Simpson tuning ' for very light bells. Everybody knows that small bells are often ' wild.' Heard from one point, under certain atmospheric conditions, they appear to be in tune; and heard from another point, under other conditions, they seem to be horribly out of tune. Probably the 'Simpson tuning' corrects this fault. As Mr. Woolley says, it is with heavy bells that the howling is noticeable. I still maintain the same of said hells, which are in time with tain, however, that to recast good old bells, which are in tune with" one another, simply because they cannot be tuned on the 'Simpson Principle,' is a most unjustifiable waste of money, which is badly needed for more important church purposes in the present day.

As to what Mr. H. Walker says about ball and roller bearings, his theory about wear may be all right, but I question whether in actual practice the old way will not prove to be the best. Time alone will show this. I never heard of bell brasses being actually worn through; though, of course, gudgeons will wear oval in time. After all, bells of up to, say, 40 cwt., go well enough hung on the old plan on a perfectly rigid frame for all practical purposes; though possibly it might be worth while to try to find some plan to facilitate the 'go' of very heavy bells .- Yours, etc.,

December 2nd, 1921 J. R. JERRAM.

EXTENSION OF METHODS.

To the Editor.

Sir,-Mr. Powell's letter raises the question of the extension of methods, and he says that there are two rival theories, and wants the Exercise to decide between them.

These two theories are not rivals, they are complementary, and we

have to take both of them into account.

I will begin to-day with the Grandsire Bob method, and show what its extension really is, and with your permission, I will go on with some other simple examples, and so lead up to the more difficult prob-

Grandsire Bob can be rung on all numbers of bells by the following

two rules:-

If the treble turns you from lead make 3rd's place (on odd numbers) 2nd's (on even numbers), now count 2x-1 blows and dodge; continue to do this, and you will complete the plain course on 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12 bells, x being the number of bells being rung.

To explain; consider the 3rd in Grandsire Doubles. Here, x equals

5, so 2x-1 is 9.

Make 3rd's place, strike in 2nd's and count one; at lead 2; and so on up to 9, and dodge 4-5 down; count 9 and dodge 4-5 up; the treble up to 5, and dodge 45 down; count 9 and dodge 45 up; the treble turns you from lead next time. Consider the 2nd in Grandsire Bob Maximus (commonly called Bob Maximus). She has just made 2nd's place; x equals 12. 2x—1 equals 23. Lead and count 1, etc., up to 23 and dodge 34 down; count 23 and dodge 5-6 down, etc.

Now, what is the extension of the method? Obviously, nothing but plain hunting. We add two places to each section of plain hunting between the dodges for every extra bell we add, and we make 2nd's

or 3rd's once only in the plain course.

We have, therefore, extended the method according to both of Mr. Powell's so-called rival theories, and so we see that they are not rivals at all, but complementary

Next week we will consider Double Court .- Yours truly,

H. LAW JAMES. Surfleet Vicarage.

RINGING IN AMERICA. A'N INVITATION TO ENGLISH RINGERS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-You have at various times received letters from Dr. A. H. Nichols, 55, Mount Vernon Street, Boston, U.S.A., regarding efforts made by him to stimulate interest in hell ringing here in America. While he has succeeded in interesting a few persons in the art, the general results of his efforts are rather disappointing. The reason for this is chiefly because of failure to keep a hand of ringers together. At the present time we have six ringers who live within the confines of this district, the only locality in the U.S.A. where there are any bells for ringing. At the present time all the towers are open to us for ringing. One tower is situated at Groton School, 40 miles from Boston; one at Hingham, 18 miles from Boston; one at Watertown, 8 miles from Boston; and two in the city itself. Since the war, our ringing has been confined to periodic visits to Groton School, usually on a holiday, where, with the assistance of Mr. Sturgis and Mr. Farr, teachers at the school, we are able to ring a touch on eight.

Dr. Nichola often receives inquiries regarding the installation of a peal of bells, usually as a memorial, by some person of wealth, who has heard us ring and wishes to erect a peal near home. But usually

the request is made that we make regular visits to ring; and, not getting a definite answer that we can do so, the inquirer is discouraged.

My object in writing this letter is to interest any of your readers who are thinking of moving to some 'promised land' to try their fortunes anew, that they may possibly call here and look things over. Conditions are as good in Boston as in any place, and chances of employment equally as great. Men in the building trades, especially masons (bricklayers), are almost certain of employment; gardeners, good ones, are as scarce as hens' teeth. This State is one of the greatest manufacturing districts in the country, especially of shoes, cotton and woollen goods, etc. At the same time. I do not want any person to imagine that a fortune can be picked up on the street.

We believe that if we could add to our numbers sufficiently to enable us to be certain of getting a band together for regular ringing, we could interest more people, and so advance the art of change ringing in this country. A new peal is to be erected, I believe, very shortly, at Wellesly College, Mass., easily reached from Boston. It is expected that a peal will be brought over and installed at the World's Fair, to be held in Boston, 1924. Altogether the prospects for the furthering of the art of change ringing seem good, could we get a good hand of ringers to supply the will respect to the furthering of the art of change ringing seem good, could we get a good band of ringers to enable us to ring regularly.

If anyone wishes further information regarding conditions, etc., should they be interested enough, the writer or Dr. A. H. Nichols (55, Mount Vernon Street, Boston) will be glad to enlighten them to the best of their ability.-Very truly yours.

ALEXANDER MATTHEWS.

84, St. Botolph Street, Boston, Mass. Nov. 20th, 1921,

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SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

PROPOSED ADDITION TO DAWLEY BELLS.

By the kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. T. R. J. Faultess), a monthly meeting of the Salop Archidiaconal Guild was held at Dawley on Saturday week. Touches were rung in various methods on the tower bells during the afternoon, and members were pleased to have the Vicar with them in the tower.

The Vicar expressed a wish to have two more bells added to the The Vicar expressed a wish to have two more bells added to the peal, and Mr. W. Saunders suggested that it would be far better to have the whole of the bells retuned when the time came to add two trebles. Tea was well provided in the National Schools by Mrs. Ruscoe, and among those who were present were representatives from Cardington, Hodnet and Wellington, while Coalbrookdale, as usual, was well represented. Afterwards the Vicar said how pleased he was to see the members of the Guild in his parish to hear the bells rung, expecially on a Saturday, as it was not very often that records in osee the memoers of the Guid in his parish to hear the bans rung, especially on a Saturday, as it was not very often that people in Dawley heard bell ringing on that day.

Mr. Saunders, of Coalbrookdale, in reply, remarked that the main object of the Guild in holding those meetings was to set up a good

standard of Sunday Service ringing, and in getting the ringers to take more interest in their art, besides helping members to keep more in touch with one another.

Woodvine supported Mr. Saunders' remarks, and it was then

decided to hold the next meeting at Sheriff Hales.

Members then turned to St. Leonard's, Malins Lee, where a good touch of Oxford Bob was well rung; also a course of Grandsire Caters and Triples on handbells.

HEREFORD GUILD.
EFFORTS TO INTEREST YOUNG RINGERS.

A successful meeting of the Hereford District of the Hereford Diocesan Guild was held at Tarrington with a view to stimulating local interest and enthusiasm. Ringers were present from Allensmore, Madley, Lugwardine, Fownhope, Hereford Cathedral, Stoke Edith and Tarrington. A short service was held in the church, and the Vicar the Rev. A. E. Green-Price) gave the members an encouraging address. The Vicar presided at the tea at the Foley Arms. At the business meeting which followed, Mr. C. Edwards, the district secretary, pointed out that the annual meeting would be at Hereford, and he would expect a large attendance. All Saints' peal would now be available. It was surprising, that upon the last occasion there was not a clergyman in Hereford who could be found to offer to hold a not a deergyman in Herefore, they had to have the annual meeting without a service. He thought that upon this occasion they would be in a better position. He pointed out that practices were held at All Saints' every Thursday evening at 7.30, and that all ringers were welcome. Proceeding, he said that it was only twelve months since they had a district meeting at Lugwardine, and they knew what was brought forward there the project for reasonable than held. Saints' taken held. brought forward there, the project for recasting All Saints' tenor bell. When he moved that that he done, he never thought for a moment he would have had the support of the ringers in the way he had, and that the project would have been brought to such a successful issue. He was grateful to all who supported him, and particularly to the ringer; in the Hereford district. Many towers did not contribute, but the result showed that they had had real workers. All Saints' had now a fine peal of bells, and the parishioners were very pleased. He hoped the ringers would show a united spirit, and do all they could to make themselves proficient.

Mr. H. Taylor moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. C. Edwards for all he had done, and said he was sure no one could have worked harder. They had now a fine peal of bells at All Saints', and they should become better ringers. They had practices there on the Thursday and on Wednesday at the Cathedral.

Mr. Fussell seconded, and referring to Mr. Edwards' great interest in ringing, said his father, who was present, must have given him a good education in that direction to have turned out such a good ringer. He regretted the silence of All Saints bells for so many years, and announced that he was able to hand over to All Saints' beliry fund the sum of £4 2s., profits on the sale of miniature bells. He referred to the large amount of work that had been done voluntarily in cleaning out the dirt and dust of centuries in the belfry by Hereford ringers.

Mr. Edwards, responding, said there were still towers that stood alonf from the Guild. They did not want to thrust scientific change ringing down their throats, but he thought that if they would join in meetings like that it would create a better feeling all round.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar, who, in responding, said he hoped Tarrington bells would be in a better condition the next time the ringers visited the church. He threw out the suggestion that the Guild should send out, say, once a month one of their

members to try to interest the younger men of the parish in ringing. The District Secretary said he had that very point in view, and meant to bring it forward at their annual meeting, as they were now in a position to appoint qualified district instructors (applause). Further ringing took place after the meeting.

THE LADIES' GUILD.

Ringers from Aldershot, Hurst, Shere, Wargrave, Wokingham and Worplesdon were present at the quarterly meeting of the Southern District of the Ladies' Guild, held at All Saints', Wokingham, on Saturday, December 3rd. Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major were rung, and the Rector (the Rev. B. Long) conducted the Guild service. The members afterwards enjoyed an excellent tea, for which thanks are due to the Misses Robinson and Walker.

The business meeting only lasted a few minutes. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Staines on Saturday, February 25th, if

possible.

Ringing was then carried on at St. Paul's Church.

The Guild wishes to thank all concerned for the use of the bells.

WESTERN DISTRICT.

The quarterly meeting was held at St. Stephen's, Bristol, on Saturday, December 3rd. To visit this church is always a great treat to the members, and a good number were present. They were much indebted to Mr. Knight, who made all arrangements. The bells were kept grains until 5 calcular whose the Guild service were conducted by the Rector, who also acted as organist, and gave an address. The bells were the Rector, who also acted as organist, and gave an address. Tea was provided at the 'Cadena Cafe,' followed by a short business meeting.

Owing to a concert in the Colston Hall there could be no further

ringing at St. Stephen's, but several ringers availed themselves of the offer of a pull at the Church of SS. Philip and Jacob during the even-

Portishead has now thirteen members of the Guild.

It is hoped that it may be possible to hold the next quarterly meeting at Weston-super-Mare early in March, and an intermediate prac-

tice meeting at Portishead during January.

The Secretary reminds members that a few subscriptions are still owing for the year September, 1920—September, 1921, which she would be glad to receive.

A DISPUTED CLAIM.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—As one of the ringers who took part in the peal of Stedman Triples, rung at Coalbrookdale on November 11th, 1921, and claimed to be the first peal rung in the method for the Salop Guild by an entirely local band, my colleagues have requested me to reply to Mr. C. R. Lilley's lotter headed 'A Correction, appearing in last week's issue of your paper. The only satisfactory way to decide anything of the kind is at the annual meeting of the Guild concerned, but the claim has been challenged, I wish to state that it was made be-cause we are all members of the local band of ringers at Holy Trinity Church, Coalbrookdale, ringers who have struggled on for years unani-Church, Coalbrookdale, ringers who have struggled on for years unammously and happily together. Further, whilst the peal was being rung there was quite another good local band of Stedman ringers listening to it from various parts of the neighbourhood; ringers who are always welcomed and who are delighted to come to Coalbrookdale belfry. Mr. C. R. Lilley is quite well acquainted with their names. Mr. Lilley states that the first peal of Stedman Triples rung by a local band for the Guild was at St. Alkmund's, Shrewsbury, on Feb. 1974. But the peals at Whitchurch and Wem. Un-

17th, 1913; he mentions also the peals at Whitchurch and Wem. Unless he takes in the Lichfield Diocese, the Salop Archideaconry and the county of Salop, to make up his local bands, the above peals were rung by mixed bands from various towers. The three peals were conducted by himself. I think I am right in stating that before he arrived at Shrewsbury he had several hundred peals to his credit, so he did not need much training as a 'local.' When Mr. Lilley also states that the three peals he mentions were rung in the Lichfield Diocese and the Salop Archdeacoury he means that Coalbrookdale tower is in the Hereford Diocese, but we have one honorary member (our Vicar) and 14 ringing members subscribing annually to the Salop Guild. We are nearly the last church on the northern border of the Hereford Diocese, and since 1905 have been loyal supporters of the Salop Guild This year we have one hon, member and 15 ringing members, so I do not think we are any the worse for not being in the Lichfield Diocese. Forther, I take it for grauted that if a local band from Coalbrookdale had gone to Quebec, Canada, and rung the peal we should have been quite in order in making the claim we have.

Mr. Lilley also mentions that the peal at Wem was rung by the St. Chad's Society. We are continually being asked: What is the St. Chad's Society, and by whom and when was it started? Well, though I am a member I cannot say much about it, but I think it is about like the 'one man bands' we hear so much-one man is trying ro play twelve beautiful instruments without the aid of the 'locals,' who were advanced ringers before he came amongst them. What a pity, when we come to think of it, that these instruments, which are the only peal of twelve in the county of Shropshire, are practically closed to every 12-bell band in existence! May I, in conclusion, advise Mr. C. R. Liller to try and leave Coalbrookdale ringers in peace. We are quite happy,—Yours faithfully, WILLIAM SAUNDERS.

for the Coalbrookdale Ringers.

A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

FARNHAM, SURREY .-- On Sunday, December 4th, for morning ser-FARNHAM, SURREY.—On Sunday, December 4th, for morning service, at St. Andrew's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: Miss W. King 1, H. Prior (longest length inside) 2, F. Le Clercq 3, R. Hasted, junr., 4, G. Upshall 5, T. Upshall 6, R. Hasted, seur. (conductor), 7, A. King 8.—On Sunday, Nov. 27th, for morning service, 560 Grandsire Triples: Miss W. King 1, H. Prior 2, A. Prior 3, R. Hasted, junr., 4, G. Upshall 5, T. Upshall 6, R. Hasted, senr. (conductor), 7, A. King 8.—For evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: Miss W. King 1, H. Prior 2, F. Le Clercq 3, 14. Hasted, junr., 4, G. Upshall 5, T. Upshall (conductor) 6, R. Hasted, senr., 7, A. King 8.

LONDON.—St. Marv's. Acton. Guild.—At All Hallows' Barking

LONDON .- St. Mary's, Acton, Guild .- At All Hallows', Barking, City, on Sunday, December 4th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), taken from Holt's Original, in 45 mins.: E. E. Easton 1, R. H. Boddington 2, W. Lawrence 3, H. Wincote 4, S. D. Breeze 5, R. Holloway 5, R. Fardon (conductor) 7. Alf.

Joyce 8.

LONDON .- On Sunday, Dcc. 4th, for evening service, at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, 720 Bob Minor, with the tenor covering: A. Hardy 1, A. Prior (conductor) 2, T. Newman 3, G. Card 4, W. Theobald 5, C. J. Matthews (first 720 of Minor) 6, J. Cornford tenor. Rung after meeting short for Caters.

BATTERSEA.—At St. Mary's Church, for men's service, on Sunday, Dec. 4th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 47 mins.: T. Symonds I, C. E. Mitchell 2, H. H. Mance 3, A. G. Newman 4, E. A. Reeve 5, W. Essery 6, H. Mance 7, H. Burton (conductor) 8.

DEPTFORD, KENT.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on

Sunday, December 4th, for evening service, a quarter peal of Oxford Bob Triples: J. Crowder 1. E. J. Pannett 2, T. A. Easterby 3, H. J. Norgate 4, A. Bradley 5, E. B. Crowder 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. F. Bennington 8.

NEWBURY, BERKS.—For morning service, on Sunday, Nov. 27th, 350 Grandsire Triples, conducted by H. W. Curtis, for evening service a quarter-peal came to grief, after 35 minutes' ringing: L. E. Wailing I. C. Smith 2, C. Pearce 3, H. W. Curtis 4. W. A. Dormer 5, E. W. Atkins 6, S. Quintin (conductor) 7, E. Challis 8. The quarter-peal was arranged on the occasion of Mr. E. W. Atkins' visit to Newbury. SHOULDHAM, NORFOLK.—On Nov. 20th. for evening service, 720.

Bob Minor: V. Bowen 1, tt. Bowen 2, John Porter 3, J. Porter 4, E. Barker (conductor) 5, T. Price 6.
WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.—The Devonshire Guild. — On WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.—The Devonshire Gnild.—On Sunday, Nov. 13th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,250 changes) in 48 mins.: E, G. Stocker I. A. England 2, R. Flew 5, F. Dimond 4, R. Manley 5, J. Hayman (conductor) 6, A. Snow 7, J. Chudley 8, Rung for the induction of the new Vicar. FEN DITTON, CAMBS.—At St. Mary's Church, on Nov. 13th, for evensong, 240 St. Simon's Doubles: J. Nicholls I. H. Wishbeach 2, J. Martin 3, A. Turner 4, E. G. Hibbins (conductor) 5, Also 120 New Doubles and 120 Grandsire Doubles.

GOCKERMOUTH CUMBERTAND — On Sunday Nov. 13th, for

COCKERMOUTH. CUMBERLAND. — On Sunday, Nov. 13th, for evening service, with the bells deeply muffled, as a token of respect for those fallen in the great war, 720 Bob Minor, in 29 mins., by the following: R. Potts I, J. Casson 2, J. Tickle 3, J. Norman 4, F. Tickle 5, W. T. Holmes (conductor) 6, G. Martin 7, W. Bowe 8, BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER.—On Sunday, Nov. 13th, for morning service, with the bells muffled, 504 Grandsire Triples: H. E. Gillet I, J. Collett 2, T. Banning 3, E. Parden 4, H. Parden 5, H. Gillett I.

J. Collett 2, T. Banning 3, E. Parden 4, H. Packer 5, H. Gillett 8, W Large (conductor) 7. J. Buttler 8.—Also for evening service, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes): H. E. Gillett 1, J. Collett 2, T. Banning 3, E. Parden 4, H. Packer 5, H. Gillett 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, A.

Collett 8.

STAPLEHURST, KENT.—On Sunday, Nov. 13th, for morning service, 503 Grandsire Triples: A. Tarrant 1, T. Smith 2 J. Smith 3, 1, Head (Mairlstone) 4, T. E. Sone (conductor) 5, J. Head 6, F. Pope 7, C. H. Sone 8. A local peal was attempted the day before, but after an hour's good ringing, came to grief through a late call, RINGWOOD, HANTS.—On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 13th, 546 Grandsing, Children 1, 1997,

sire Triples, for a united service held in the memorial ground: W.

Johnson I, E. Hendley 2, E. Collins 3, Miss G. Brown 4, E. Whitfield 5, E. Green 8, W. Cheater (conductor) 7, E. Bradford 8. For evensong, 504 Grandsire Triples.

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MIDSOMER NORTON.—Bath and Wells Association. — At the Church of St. John the Baptist, on Sunday, Nov. 13th, before evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: Wm. Milbourge 1, Eric Chivers (first quarter-peal) 2, I. B. Holmyard 3, C. Ford 4, F. Chivers 5, J. Hambleton 6, Wm. Keevitt (conductor) 7, W. Ford 8.

SALEHURST SUSSEX.—On Sunday, Nov. 13th, the last 720 of Holt's Original, for evensong: J. Goodsell 1, F. Morgan 2, T. Booth 3, T. Hoad 4, E. Mills 5, C. Creasey 6, A. Edwards (conductor) 7, George Mills 8.

George Mills 8.

MARKET DRAYTON, SHROPSHIRE.—On Sunday, Nov. 6th, after evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), from Groves' Variation, in 44 mins.: F. Montford 1, T. Tudor 2, E. V. Rodenhurst 3, W. Lycett 4, J. Clark 5, H. Tyler 6, Wm. Weatherby (conductor) 7, G. Hall 8. Arranged for W. Lycett, of Stauton, this being his first quarter-peal of Triples.

SIMPSON, BUCKS.—On Sunday, Nov. 6th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: H. Giles (first-quarter) 1. Miss Wilma Lawson 2, R. O. Underwood 3, W. E. Coles 4, C. W. Smith (conductor) 5. George Mills

OXFORD.—Oxford Diocesan Guild.—On Sunday, Nov. 6th, a half-muffled 720 of Kent Treble Bob at the Church of St. Ebbe, for a memorial service, by: H. Tolley 1, F. Beckett 2, W. H. B. Wilkins (conductor) 3. V. Bennett 4, F. Clinkard 5, W. Harris 6.—On Sunday, Nov. 13th. 720 Oxford Single Bob, by: L. Bennett 1, W. H. B. Wilkins 2, H. Tolley 3, G. Stone 4, F. Clinkard 5, W. Harris (conductor) 6.

EDGBASTON.—On Sunday, Nov. 6th, for morning service, 720 of Double Oxford Bob Minor: J. Johnson 1, L. G. Cartwright 2, C. H. Stauley 3, G. Piggott 4, H. Hastings 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, Oct. 2nd. for morning service, 720 of Double Court: E. Allaway 1, C. H. Simkiss 2, V. Hemus 3, L. G. Cartwright 4, G. Piggott 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6.

QUEENBOROUGH.—On Sunday evening, Nov. 6th, a half-muffled peal of 720 Plain Bob Minor: A. Gosboe 1, E. Welland 2, J. Spooner 3. W. Wood, junr., 4. G. Wood 5, W. Wood (conductor). Rung as a token of respect to the late Mr. Jabez Watson, a staunch churchman,

and a keen supporter of bell ringing in the borough.
WILLENHALL.—At St. Giles' Church, before service, wild, EnHalt.—At St. Glies' Church, before service, on Sunday morning, Nov. 6th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 45 mins.: I. Evans 1, A. Ward (first quarter on an inside bell) 2, F. Ward 5, D. Appleby 4, E. Hortin 5, J. T. Davies 6, C. Wallater (conductor) 7, H. Ludford (first quarter-peal) 8, WATH-ON-DEARNE.—At All Saints' Church, for evening service,

on November 6th, 720 each of Cambridge Delight and Wath Delight: J. W. Champion 1, H. Chamberlin 2, A. Panther (conductor) 3. T. Hilton 4. A. Gill 5, C. Walsh 6. Wath Delight is No. 11 ou page 23 in

C.C., and is believed to be the first 720 rung

CAMERIDGE.—On Sunday, November 6th, at the Church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs, 352 Rob Major and 960 Bob Major: York Green 1, H. J. Hazell 2, H. C. Benson 3, E. M. Atkins 4, E. G. Hibbins 5, W. H. J. Hooten (conductor) 6, W. Welch 7, T. R. Dennis 8, BATTERSEA.—In Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6th, for the men's service, at St. Mary's, Battersea, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: T. Symons (first quarter away from tenor) 1, H. Mance 2, F. Mitchell 3, A. Reeve 4, H. H. Mance 5, W. Essery 6, A. Newman (conductor) 7, G. Barber (first quarter) 8. Barber (first quarter) 8.

HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.—On Sunday, Nov. 6th, for evening service, 672 Boh Major: F. Walkinson I, Eva Hopkin 2, Mand Gough 3, W. Taylor 4, W. Godden 5, F. Cardwell 6, H. Wilson 7, J. Garth 8. This is the longest length by all the band except ringer of treble.

DARTFORD, KENT.—On Sunday, Nov. 6th, for evensong, 1.376
Bob Major: H. Rayner 1, R. Smith (Northfleet) 2, E. Bates 3, E.
Brown 4, J. H. Cheesman (conductor) 5, W. J. Wheadon 6, H. Simmons 7, H. Andsley (composer) 8.—On Sunday, Nov. 20th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1.260 changes): J. H. Cheesman (conductor) 1, H. Rayner (first quarter-peal in the method) 2, R. Morgan 3, E. Brown 4, H. Andsley 5, W. J. Wheadon 6, J. Wheadon 7, H. Simmons 8.

USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

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WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Yorktown District was held at Bagshot-The annual meeting of the Yorktown District was held at Bagshov on Saturday, December 3rd, when about 30 ringers were present from Winchester, Sandhurst, Binsted, Ash, Horsham, Walton-on-Thames, Chertsey, Parnborough, Yorktown, and the local band. Ringing commenced soon after 3 o'clock, and the ringers later attended service, at which the Guild's form was used. The Vicar (the Rev. Canon R. Stuart) officiated, and a helpful address was given by the Rev. W. E. Golchester (hon, treasurer of the Guild). Tea was served in the Colchester (hon, treasurer of the Guild). Church Room, presided over by the Vicar.

At the business meeting which followed, the accounts for the past year were submitted, and passed, and showed a balance in hand at over £9.—The Vicar of Bagshot was elected an hon, member of the Guild, and the following officers were elected: Hon, secretary, G. Miles; Ringing Master, Mr. H. Chaffey; representatives on the Central Committee, Messrs. H. Chaffey and W. A. Woodrow; auditor, Mr.

G. W. A. Gasson.

The places chosen for next year's meetings were: Yorktown in February; Thames Ditton in May; Horsell in August; and Chertsey

for the annual meeting
A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and church room, and for officiating at the service; also to the Rev. W. E. Colchester, who came from Winchester to give the address, concluded the meeling.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. NEW SECRETARY FOR FYLDE BRANCH.

A meeting of the Fylde Branch was held at St. John's Church, Blackpool, on Saturday, November 26th. A few touches of Plain Boh and Grandsire preceded the business meeting. Mr. J. Tipping (Parish Church, Lytham) was elected President and Ringing Master for the ensuing twelve months.

The chief object of the business was election of secretary, in place of Mr. G. Maries, who has resigned, after occupying the post for 20 years. Mr. C. Sharples, of 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool, was ap-

pointed secretary, accepting the post on condition that the office becomes vacant annually, the retiring official being eligible for re-election. It was resolved that the secretary arrange branch peals, the first peal attempt to be a farewell for the Rector of Bispham (Canon Leighton), who is return at the end of December. The attempt will be

made on Boxing Day.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the late secretary for his services, the meeting wishing him prosperity in his new business ven-

It was decided to hold the next meeting at the two six-bell towers of St. Peter and St. John.

Touches of Boh Major and Grandsire Triples brought the meeting

DONCASTER @ DISTRICT SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Doncaster and District Society was held at Ark-A meeting of the Doncaster and District Society was held at Arksey on November 26th, when about 30 members were present. The standard methods were rung during the afternoon and evening. A short service was held in church, and was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. Rhys James), who is himself a ringer. Taking as his text part of Psalm exxii., I was glad when they said unto me, We will go into the house of the Lord, he delivered an eloquent and stirring address, and mentioned that the inscription on the tenor bell at Arksey, which was east by W. Sellor, at York, in 1622, was—

'God send them heaven that hear us ring,
We praise Thy many when ere we sing.'

We praise Thy name when ere we sing."

Ten was partaken of in the Schoolroom, and was presided over by the Vicar. At the business meeting, four new members were elected and Mr. J. Eagles, A.R.C.So., Principal of the Doncaster Technical College, was elected an honorary member.-The usual vote of thanks was passed.

SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

There was a good representative attendance at the meeting of the East Suffolk Branch, at Framlingham on November 12th. It was agreed to accept the invitation of the Vicar of Stowmarket to meet at his town on December 10th, in order to hear his proposals for united working with the Norwich and Ipswich Association,

It was, however, agreed to pass the following resolution: 'That this meeting does not see how a joint working with the Norwich and Ipswich Association can be arranged.' Only the secretary and one other

member voted against this,

Il was also decided to hold a meeting at Ipswich later on, to finally settle the matter. Since then the Bishop has arranged to attend such a meeting on February 4th.

SHOULDHAM, NORFOLK. — On Nov. 11th. at All Saints' Oburch, with the hells muffled, except the tenor at back stroke, a date touch of Bob Minor (1,921, changes) in 70 mins.; W. Cousins 1, A. Bacon 2, B. Barker 3, C. Cousins 4, H. Porfer 5, T. Price (conductor) 6.

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD .- Wimborne Branch.—The annual meeting is to be held at St. James', Poole, on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4.15. Address by Rector (the Rev. H. Lawrence Phillips). Tea at 5 (6d. each) in the Church House, followed by usual business.—C. A. Phillips, Hon.

SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION .- A meeting of the East Suffolk Branch, to which members of the West Suffolk Branch and of the Norwich and Ipswich Association are also invited, will be held at Stowmarket at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Reports having been spread that the Suffolk Association is being organised in opposition to the Norwich and Ipswich Association, it is hoped at this meeting to make it clear that this is not so. The Vicar of Stowmarket will outline his scheme for joint working between the two associations. Bells available from 2 p.m. Also at Finborough (6) all day. Tea at the King's Head at 4 p.m., 1s. 6d. each.—Herbert Drake, Sec., Ufford, Woodbridge.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.— The Quarterly meeting will be held at Barnsley (8 bells) on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells from 2.30. Service at 5.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 18, Royston Avenue, Bentley Road,

Doncaster.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD .- North-East Branch ,- The next Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Tiverton, on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 5. Tea (1s. each) in the Church Institute at 5.45.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Branch Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION .- Ashford District .- A meeting of the above, in conjunction with the Romney Marsh Guild, will be held at Mersham on Saturday, Dec. 10th, at which a peal tablet will be unveiled to commemorate the first peal rung by a lady member of both the above societies. Meeting to commence at 3 o'clock .-C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

-LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION .- Bolton Branch .-The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Farnworth, on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells available 4 pm. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—The next meeting will be held at Bromham on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells at 2.30. All ringing friends weicome.—H. L. Harlow, District Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The Quarterly meeting of the Bristol Branch of the above association will be held at St. James', Bristol. on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells (10) available from 3 o'clock. Service conducted by the Rev. E. F. Neep at . 4.30. Tea, 1s. per head, 5 o'clock, at the Parish Hall. Meeting to follow. The President (Rev. E. F. Neep) and Members of the St. James' Society extend a hearty welcome to all ringers at the above meeting .- P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol. HERTS ASSOCIATION .- A meeting will be held at Bushey on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Service at 5 p.m. Meat tea in the Institute at 5.45 p.m., 2s. per head. Bells will

be open from 3.30 p.m. and the tower at Bushey Heath will be available after the business meeting. Kindly notify me if you intend to come.— H. Eden, Hon. Sec. Watford Division, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District. — A meeting will be held at Hoddesdon and Broxbourne on Dec. 10th. The bells of Hoddesdon will be open from 3 till 5, and Broxbourne from 3 till 8. Tea will be at the Welcome at 5.30, business after. All will be heartily welcome.-W. H. Lawrence, District Sec., Little Munden,

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells ready at 4. Tea, 5.30. Members intending being present please send word to Sec.—Walter

Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON-DON DIOCESAN GUILD .- A meeting of the North and East District will be held at St. James', Clerkenwell, on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5.30. Tea, at a small charge, at 6 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. A good attendance is desired.

—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—

The first Annual Social will be held at Chorley on Dec. 10th. Bells (8) available from 2 till 5. Tea in the Church Institute at 5.15, to be followed by a whist drive and social evening. Visitors heartily welcomed. Admission, ladies or gents, 2/6 each.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec., 98,

Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION .- The next meeting of the Western District will be held at Bradford Cathedral on Saturday, Dec. 10th. The fine recast peal of ten (tenor 25\frac{3}{4} cwt.) will be available from 2 to 4 p.m., and after tea until 9 p.m. A short service will be held in the Cathedral at 4 p.m., when the Vicar (Archdeacon Stanton Jones, B.A.) will address the members. Tea at 5 p.m. in Captain St. Schools. Business meeting immediately after tea. All ringers welcome.—P. L. Cooper, Hon. Dist. Sec., 12, Wiloughby Avenue, Holbeck.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch. -A meeting of the above branch will be held at Rishton on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham

Road, Blackburn.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Practices: Mondays, at 7.30 p.m. St. Clement Danes, Dec. 12th; St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, Dec. 19th. Sundays, at 10 a.m. St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.— A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn

Avenue, near Slough.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637) .- The subscription of 1s. 8d., which entitles members who have not made twenty attendances in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on Dec. 22nd; *St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on Dec. 13th; St. Andrew's Holbern, on Dec. 15th; and *St. Paul's Cathedral on Dec. 27th, all at 7.30 p.m. * Business meeting afterwards.— William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Dorchester Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Dorchester, on Thursday, Dec. 15th. Bells (8); also Fordington, from 2 p.m. Guild service at 4.30, followed by tea (kindly provided) and meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Western

Division .- A Quarterly meeting will be held at Arundel on Saturday, Dec. 17th. Towers open from 2 p.m. till 4 o'clock. Service at 4. Tea at Owen's Restaurant at 5. Lyminster bells are also available, buses running each way every hour. Will all those who intend being present kindly advise me not later than Dec. 13th?—A. W. Groves,

9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, Dec. 17th. Bells at 3 o'clock. Meeting 7 o'clock. Subscriptions 1/6 now due, and should be paid at this meeting.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.— A meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, Dec. 17th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Meeting in the Church House at 4.45 p.m. Tea, at 1s. 3d. per head, will be provided for those who let Mr. G. Yeo, Long Ashton, Bristol, know by Tuesday, Dec. 13th.-E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch. The next branch meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, Dec. 17th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Subscription due.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Rawsbottom.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, December 17th, at St. Paul's, Hammersmith, W. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District .- A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at Eastwood on Saturday, Dec. 17th. Ringing from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The Annual meeting will be held at St. Woolos, Newport, Mon., on Dec. 26th. Bells (10) available after 12 o'clock. Service at 3.45, to be followed by tea and meeting in Water's Lane Mission Room. All Saints' bells (8) available during the day.—]. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — The Quarterly meeting will be at Basford and Bulwell on Saturday, Jan. 21st next.—Further particulars later.— A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
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