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LETTER-WRITING.

Recent correspondence in 'The Ringing World' seems to have raised embittered feelings in some quarters and resentment in others, and, from one or two letters which have reached us, it appears advisable that our position should be explained. Our columns have always been open for the free expression of opinion on subjects relating to ringing, and that they should be thus available to those who wish to air their views is in the best interests of the art. Frequently a correspondence arises out of some perfectly innocent remark or comment, sometimes it springs from other causes in which, as in the case of the Appleton peal, a deliberately challenging argument is put forward. In either event, it is only fair to give both sides a hearing, for one cannot be given without the other, except at the risk of a charge of being unfair. That some writers adopt a more aggressive attitude than others is not the fault of the Editor, and those who complain would be surprised to see the amount of 'censorship' that is sometimes used. Again, there are some who imagine that, because letters appear upon a subject in which they are not specially interested, the correspondence is likewise of no interest to others. But here they are mistaken. The Editor of a paper gets the broader view, and knows that, whatever the subject, there will always be a section of readers who will follow it with interest. The great drawback to correspondence through the Press is that some people cannot resist the temptation to discuss personalities instead of principles, and while it is this which makes for embittered feeling between parties, it is not always easy to exercise a controlling hand, without robbing a letter of its point. We are not apologising for anything which has passed the editorial pencil, but we want our readers, and particularly those few who complain, to realise that when there are two parties to a warm controversy, it is not so simple as it may seem to keep the writers to soft words.

At the same time we want to point out to correspondents who seek the hospitality of our columns, that their arguments will carry more weight when confined to combating statements or proving principles than when personalities are introduced. The latter lead nowhere, except to weaken respect for the writer and bring him into disrepute as a debater. Fair, honest discussion and criticism brings enlightenment and spreads knowledge, and there is no reason why a man should not show himself to be in his letters, as in his life, a gentleman. We are constrained to write thus in order that there may be no misapprehension as to our position. We cannot shut out a writer merely because he has a habit of saying unpleasant things, or a subject because it does not interest every reader; but while ringers have the use of our columns we have the right to ask them to conduct their correspondence with due regard to the ethics of public letter-writing.

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TEN BELL PEALS.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Giles,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM FAREY, SEN. ... Treble	JOHN METHERELL 6
FRED HOPPER 2	WILLIAM ROGERS 7
*BERTIE O. SODEN 3	*JOSEPH DEAN 8
*TOM TEBBUTT 4	WILLIAM J. ALLEN 9
FRED WILFORD 5	JAMES GEORGE Tenor

Composed by W. GARRARD.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

* First peal of Treble Bob Royal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. J. Allen. This is the quickest peal of Royal on the bells.

NORTH SHIELDS, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

At Christ Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5173 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

*WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... Treble	JAMES E. GOFTON 6
†RICHARD A. GOFTON 2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON 7
ANDREW TULLY 3	R. ALDER GOFTON 8
GEORGE R. HOLMES 4	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 9
EDWARD A. HERN 5	THOMAS T. GOFTON Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

* First peal of Caters. † First peal of Stedman Caters on tower bells.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, July 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

*OWEN H. GILES Treble	PERCY W. CAVE 5
*WILLIAM G. EDWARDS 2	*D. CECIL WILLIAMS 6
*JOHN W. FAITHFULL 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL 4	WILLIAM T. TOCKER Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

* First peal of Superlative.

CARISBROOKE, ISLE OF WIGHT.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 0 lb.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... Treble	WILLIAM TATE 5
HARRY BARTON 2	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 6
GEORGE WILLIAMS 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 7
FREDERICK J. BURNETT ... 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

This is the first peal of Double Norwich in the Isle of Wight. The band wish to thank the Vicar for placing the bells at their disposal, and Mr. White for having everything in readiness.

OLNEY, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

*H. LOVELL Treble	J. LOVELL 5
B. FISHER 2	F. J. MYNARD 6
W. ROBINSON 3	W. FREEMAN 7
*E. G. MYNARD 4	E. S. MYNARD Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by W. FREEMAN.

* First peal of Major.

WEST MALLING, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE NEWMAN Treble	HARRY GOODWIN 5
TOM SAUNDERS 2	J. WILLIAM LEONARD 6
*CHARLES H. SONK 3	BEN J. BAKER 7
GEORGE BELL 4	LEWIS NEWMAN Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by L. NEWMAN.

* 50th peal. First peal of Major as conductor.

CLIFFORD, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

EDGAR R. JONES Treble	WILLIAM H. SYMONDS 5
CHARLES EDWARDS 2	ALFRED TALBOT 6
JOHN W. JONES 3	JAMES P. HYETT 7
JOHN H. RACKHAM 4	*JOSEPH T. MORRIS Tenor

Conducted by C. EDWARDS.

* First peal on eight bells. Rung to celebrate the erection by Mr. Blakstad, of The Priory, of a beautiful reredos in the church as a war memorial to his son and to the men of the parish who lost their lives in the great war.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

WILFRED W. BAILEY Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY 5
ERNEST S. BAILEY 2	EDGAR H. BAILEY 6
LEONARD P. BAILEY 3	FREDERICK W. BAILEY 7
JAMES M. BAILEY 4	ALLEN F. BAILEY Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal of Cambridge by eight brothers, also the conductor's 300th peal.

WITNEY, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, July 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.

JOHN MONK Treble	HARRY HOLIFIELD 5
MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK 2	REV. CYRIL W. O. JENKYN 6
RICHARD G. RICE 3	ALBERT E. LOCK 7
THOMAS SHORT 4	GORDON CAUDWELL Tenor

Composed by J. FLEMING. Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.

POPLAR.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH, CUBITT TOWN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

CHARLES T. CLARK Treble	JOHN J. LAMB 5
REUBEN SANDERS 2	HAROLD W. CLARK 6
ARTHUR MASON 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE 4	JAMES D. MILLER Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

This is the 50th peal on the bells.

EARL SHILTON.—On July 15th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 45 mins.: P. Reynolds 1, H. Wright 2, W. Reynolds 3, F. Wilson 4, H. Webb 5, H. Garner 6, F. Cotton (conductor) 7, G. Garner 8. Rung on the first anniversary of the Vicar's (the Rev. H. V. Williams) induction. Also 1st anniversary of the reopening of the bells. First quarter-peal of Major for ringers of 1, 3 and 4, and first quarter-peal of Major on the bells.

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

JOHN SOTTER Treble	*GEORGE BROWN, JUN. 5
WILLIAM ROSE 2	*GEORGE CATTERMORE 6
*WILLIAM CLOVER 3	*CLEMENT MORE 7
*ALPHEUS BERRY 4	ERNEST POPPY Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by ERNEST POPPY.

* First peal in the method, also first peal in the method on the bells.

PENTRE RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, July 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

GEORGE CROSS Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN 5
GEORGE WINES 2	JAMES CROSS 6
HARRY PAGE 3	WILLIAM PAGE 7
FREDERICK LASBURY 4	TOM PAGE Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band. First peal in the method for the Association by a local band.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 28, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN W. STEDDY Treble	ERNEST LEIGH 5
RICHARD JENNER 2	GEORGE MALYAN 6
GEORGE EDWARDS 3	KEITH HART 7
JAMES HEASMAN 4	EDWIN COLLISON Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

SWANSOOMBE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

GRANTA VARIATION.

Tenor 18 cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. Treble	JOHN H. CHEESMAN 5
WILLIAM HARPER 2	HERBERT HOLDEN 6
FREDERICK M. MITCHELL 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. 7
JOHN WHEADON 4	HERBERT AUDSLEY Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

This is the first peal of 'Granta' Treble Bob by the Kent Association

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 20 cwt.

JESSE B. TYLER Treble	*ARTHUR THORN 5
JOHN THOMAS 2	FRANK WILLARD 6
ARTHUR S. BOAR 3	PERCY MERSON 7
WILLIAM DOBLE 4	EBENEZER FRIDDLE Tenor

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

* First peal of Stedman.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

*WALTER P. WHITEHEAD Treble	HAROLD J. POOLE 5
JOHN OLDSHAM 2	HARRY BROUGHTON 6
JOHN SADDINGTON 3	R. HENRY BARTRAM 7
HAROLD G. JENNEY 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER Tenor

Conducted by FRED H. DEXTER.

* First peal of Major, age 14.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.	
HENRY HUTTON	Treble	HARRY BURDOCK	5
CHARLES N. BURDOCK	2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE	6
GEORGE W. STEERE	3	ALFRED H. POLLING	7
ERNEST WEATHERBY	4	HARRY HARRIS	Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to Mr. Ben Chorley, late Hon. Sec. of the Holy Trinity Society.

GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.	
*G. STEDMAN MORRIS	Treble
†SIDNEY CHENEY	2
JOHN E. CLARKE	3
*FRED STANFORTH	4
Composed by JOHN MARTIN.	
Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.	

* First peal in the method. † First peal and first attempt. First peal in this method on the bells. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Miss W. Willars (twin sister of the 7th ringer), which took place at St. Martin's, Leicester, on July 27th; also as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.	
EDWARD HARRISON	Treble	JOHN W. DAVIES	5
GEORGE R. JONES	2	SAMUEL JONES, JUN.	6
SAMUEL JONES, SEN.	3	JAMES SWINDLEY	7
ROBERT SPERRING	4	SAMUEL MEADOWS	Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL JONES, JUN.

First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Samuel Jones, sen.

GRESTFORD, DENBIGHSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Tenor 24 cwt. in E flat.	
FRANCIS BIBBY	Treble
HENRY-C. COLLYER	2
WILLIAM BIBBY	3
JOHN E. BIBBY	4
Composed by H. W. WILDE.	
Conducted by E. JENKINS.	

First peal in the method on the bells and in the county. Great difficulty was encountered in ringing the peal owing to the 'bad go' of the bells, especially the 6th. Arranged for Mr. G. H. Randles, who has long desired to ring a peal on these his native bells, also rung on the anniversary of his first peal.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.	
*GEORGE FLEMING	Treble
ALBERT FLEMING	2
JOHN GARRETT	3
HARRY HALL	4
Composed by A. KNIGHTS.	
Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.	

* 50th peal. † 200th tower bell peal.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.	
WILLIAM RICHES	Treble
ROBERT RICHES	2
GEORGE FILBY	3
CHARLES CUTTING	4
Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS.	
Conducted by E. WHITING.	

* First peal of Bob Major. First peal of Bob Major as conductor. The ringer of the treble was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.

ASHTED, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 14 cwt.	
*MRS. HAZELDEN	Treble	ARTHUR DEAN	5
JOHN BEAMS	2	ALBERT DISERRENS	6
CHARLES HAZELDEN	3	ALBERT HARMAN	7
JOHN H. WHITE	4	JAMES COOPER	Tenor
Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.			

* First peal of Stedman.

BARTHOMLEY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BERTHOLINE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 13½ cwt.	
WILLIAM GRICE	Treble	JOHN BRASSINGTON	5
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY	2	ARTHUR ALLMAN	6
CHARLES H. PAGE	3	JAMES H. RIDING	7
ALBERT CRAWLEY	4	*JOHN H. PARKER	Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. RIDING.

* First peal. It is 26 years since Mr. W. Grice rang a peal.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

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

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in F sharp.	
ERNEST LINCOLN	Treble
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON	2
ALPHAUS J. BERRY	3
EDWIN R. GOATE	4
Composed by REV. H. EARLE BULWER.	
Conducted by F. R. BORRETT.	

SIX BELL PEALS.

SHELLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF EMMANUEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Roystone Delight, Kingston, Sandal Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, New London Pleasure, Woodbine and Oxford.

Tenor 11½ cwt.	
*HARRY ROBERTS	Treble
HERBERT CHAMBERLAIN	2
ARTHUR PANTHER	3
Conducted by A. PANTHER.	

* First peal. First peal on the bells. Treble ringer belongs to Kirkburton band, 4th to Darfield, 5th to Hoylandswaine, 2nd, 3rd and tenor to Wath-on-Deane.

ABERAVON, GLAM.—On Whit Tuesday, June 6th after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins., from Grove's Variation of Parker's: J. Hammond 1, R. Ellis 2, H. Boyce 3, W. J. Nulton 4, O. H. Perry (conductor) 5, A. J. Pitman 6, F. Atwell 7, A. J. Hutton 8.

ELSTON, NOTTS.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 8040 CHANGES;

42 six-score.

Tenor 10 cwt.

*F. MILNER Treble	A. J. CHAMBERLAIN 4
*T. FOSTER 2	E. FOSTER 5
*J. P. BRESON 3	H. F. CLULOW Tenor

Conducted by A. J. CHAMBERLAIN.

* First peal. First peal as conductor. All the above ringers are from Southwell Cathedral.

SHEFFIELD.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 8040 CHANGES;

IN 10 VARIATIONS.

Tenor 9 cwt.

*ALBERT E. BRACKLEY ... Treble	ERNEST FORBANK 4
*HARRY TURNER 2	WILLIAM LEGGETT 5
ALBERT RAINBIRD 3	*CHARLES BRACKLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by A. RAINBIRD.

* First peal. First peal on the bells.

WALPOLE ST. ANDREW, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Kent Treble Bob, two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in F.

FRED WIGMORE Treble	BERT GOGLE 4
WALLACE COUSINS 2	CLAUDE COUSINS 5
JOHN RODWELL, JUN. ... 3	TONY PRICE Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

First peal in three methods and first attempt by all the band, whose ages are as follow: treble 18 years, 2nd 16, 3rd 19, 4th 24, 5th 19 and tenor 16.

BRADFELD, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Delight, New London Pleasure, Duke of York, Woodbine, Violet, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 12 cwt.

ALBERT HELLIWELL ... Treble	GEORGE HILL 4
ARCHIE BREARLEY 2	ARTHUR GILL 5
ARTHUR PANTHER 3	JOHN R. BREARLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by A. PANTHER.

The first peal on the bells since their rededication on July 24th by the Bishop of Sheffield. Rung to celebrate the anniversary of the English Victory over the Spanish Armada, July 29th, 1588.

WHEATSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven and a half 720's called differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*PERCY REYNOLDS ... Treble	TOM ATKINS 4
CHARLES H. WEBB 2	HENRY WRIGHT 5
FREDERICK E. WILSON ... 3	FRED COTTON Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

* First peal. Longest peal by all.

GLASGOW.—At St. Mary's Cathedral, for practice, on July 19th, 1,800 Stedman Doubles: N. W. S. North 1, J. E. Sykes 2, T. O'Hara (conductor) 3, W. N. Ashby 4, G. Hague 5.—For practice, on July 21st, 1,260 Stedman: N. W. S. North 1, J. E. Sykes 2, T. O'Hara 3, W. N. Ashby 4, G. Hague 5.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent, Oxford Double Court, Single Oxford Bob and Bob Minor. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ERNEST BAILEY Treble	FREDERICK WADE 4
ALBERT A. J. L. NAUNTON 2	GEORGE LEE 5
NORMAN R. BAILEY 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

WEST PENNARD, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 23 cwt.

WALTER FARLEY ... Treble	*STANLEY CARTER 4
GERALD GRIFFIN 2	THOMAS GRIFFIN 5
*DAVID G. TAYLOR 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor on the bells.

CODDINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Merchant's Return, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

RICHARD THOMAS ... Treble	CHRIS. BOWERS 4
WILLIAM RANFORD 2	DAVID HORNE 5
E. WILLIAM TURNER ... 3	GEORGE JORDAN Tenor

Conducted by DAVID HORNE.

First peal as conductor. Quarterly peal for the Ledbury District.

HANDBELL PEALS.

CAMBRIDGE.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, July 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Six and a half Minutes,
IN TRINITY COLLEGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY (Trin.) 1—2	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') 5—6
J. B. WOOLLEY (Jesus) ... 3—4	A. E. WILKINS (Trinity) ... 7—8

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

ALDEBURGH-ON-SEA, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Nine Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF SS. PETER AND PAUL'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's. Tenor size 16 in B flat.

ROY PILGRIM 1—2	NORMAN R. BAILEY 3—4
*JACK PILGRIM 5—6	

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

Witness: MISS STOCKBRIDGE.

* First peal. Mr. J. Pilgrim was proposed a member of the above Association before starting the peal.

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

On Thursday, July 27, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 size in B flat.

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

Composed and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

Referee: RICHARD C. INGRAM.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

There was a large gathering of ringers at Oxford on Saturday week, when the Diocesan Guild Festival was held. No less than 66 towers were represented by 166 members. A service was held in Christ Church Cathedral, at which the Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) officiated, assisted by the Rev. C. Williams, the Precentor, who expressed the regret felt by Bishop Shaw at his inability to be present owing to indisposition. The preacher was the Rev. H. J. Green, of Christ Church.

At the business meeting, held in the Chapter House, the Master presided, supported by Canon Coleridge (President of the Central Council), the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis (treasurer), Mr. R. T. Hibbert (hon. secretary), the Revs. W. J. Palmer (Easton), J. T. Fox (Great Milton), E. M. Thorp (Bucklebury), E. H. W. Leachman (Blewbury), and others. Apologies for inability to be present were received from the Archdeacon of Berkshire, the Rev. E. Sedding, the Rev. G. Littledale, Mrs. W. Poie Routh, Messrs. E. Dickens and A. J. Wright.

Canon Coleridge, proposing the re-election of the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn as Master of the Guild, alluded to the services he had rendered to it, and the proposition was heartily applauded. The Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis, who Canon Coleridge said would be 80 next year, was re-elected treasurer, and Mr. R. T. Hibbert secretary. The usual honorarium of £20 was voted to him.

There were two vacancies on the committee caused by the resignations of Canon Newhouse, and Mr. J. Kerte, who has become secretary of the Chipping Norton branch. Messrs. W. Hibbert, sear, (East Isley), and J. W. Wilkins (High Wycombe) were appointed to fill the vacancies, and the old members—Messrs. G. Candwell, G. Holfield, E. Humphrey, J. J. Parker, W. Newell, E. Webb H. Sear, J. Evans, A. D. Cullum and J. F. Barlow—were re-elected.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE APPLETON BAND.

Canon Coleridge presented a report on the work of the Central Council meeting at Lincoln, and tendered his congratulations to Mr. George Holifield and the Appleton ringers on their achievement in ringing 21,363 Stedman Caters in 12 hours 25 minutes (applause). There had been no previous opportunity of expressing their feelings collectively on the subject, and he felt they would like to offer their sincere and hearty congratulations to all concerned. He moved that an entry should be made on the Guild minutes to this effect. He did not hear the whole of the peal, as he lived the other side of the county, but he was there half-way through, and had the pleasure of congratulating each ringer as he left the belfry, when they were greeted with hearty cheers by every inhabitant of Appleton, particularly his old friend and contemporary, George Holifield (applause).

The Master said he heard some portion of the peal, and could testify to the excellence of the ringing.

It was agreed to make an entry on the minutes, as suggested by Canon Coleridge.

The Master said he had the pleasure the previous evening of unveiling a tablet commemorating the feat.—Mr. Holifield acknowledged the congratulations.

The Master also reported on the deliberations of the Central Council. He mentioned, as librarian, that he had a complete series of publications from 1871 to the present day, with the exception of six years, but the missing volumes had now been supplied. He spoke of the close watch which was being kept on Parliamentary business to prevent the inclusion of any clause in a Bill which was likely to interfere with bell ringing.

THE PLACE OF MEETING.

Mr. W. J. Wilkins (High Wycombe) introduced the following motion from the East Berks and South Bucks Branch annual meeting: 'That this meeting views with alarm the decision to again hold the annual festival at Oxford, believing that it is not conducive to the best interests of the Guild for the festival to be held continuously in one centre. Further, that a ballot be taken of the whole of the towers in union, as to the advisability of holding the annual festival consecutively in the three Archdeaconries of Berks, Bucks and Oxon, the foreman of each tower to be responsible for the forwarding of result of ballot to the General Secretary.' He said for the committee to recommend Oxford as the meeting-place for the festival was apt to create a feeling that the remainder of the Diocese was not being treated fairly. Why should Oxford have preference, and the claims of Berks and Bucks be ignored? Such a decision was not in the best interests of the Guild. First of all, there was the social point of view to be considered. There were members living in far-off corners of the diocese who found it impossible to attend the festival if it was held in Oxford. All should have the opportunity of attending. He recalled the meeting at Wantage, and suggested that alternate meeting should be held in Oxford, High Wycombe, and Reading.

Mr. R. Coles (High Wycombe), seconding the motion, said the resolution had the support of the whole of his branch. It was impossible for some members to attend the festival when it was held in Oxford. He had to start early, and travel by charabanc to get there.

The Rev. W. J. Palmer (Easton) appealed for support of the Master of the Guild. Oxford was their Cathedral City. Let them continue to visit it and carry away the lessons offered by the place.

The Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis said when the Guild was young it was necessary to go to such places as High Wycombe for missionary work but now they had branches everywhere, and were advised to hold their annual festival in their Cathedral City.

Mr. Cullum hoped the motion would not be carried, and spoke in favour of meetings in Oxford.

Mr. Mayne (Beaconsfield) said the general opinion of his branch was that a ballot should be taken on the matter.

Mr. Sear said there were two branches in Bucks, and so far as High Wycombe was concerned his members could not attend.

The Secretary of the North Bucks branch agreed with this view.

The Rev. E. M. Thorpe (Bucklebury) said such a motion was a reflection on the Guild officers.

The motion was lost, only 13 voting for it.

FINANCES.

The Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis presented the accounts, which showed a balance of £58 15s. 2d., as against £47 19s. 9d. It was agreed to vote the following tower restoration grants: Beeton, £3 3s.; Bledlow, £2 2s.; and Sympson, £3 3s. It was agreed to hold next year's festival in Oxford. The Master, the treasurer, Canon Coleridge, Messrs. A. J. Wright, A. D. Cullum, and the secretary were appointed a committee to revise the general rules of the Guild.

The Secretary reported that 144 new members had been elected, and there were 54 new probationers, the largest number for any one year.

Dinner was served in Christ Church Hall, when the preacher, Dean and Chapter, and others were thanked for their assistance to the Guild.

During the afternoon the bells of New College, Merton College, Carfax, St. Giles' St. Ebbe's, St. Mary Magdalen, All Saints', St. Aldate's, Holywell, Ifley, Headington churches, and Kidlington, were at the disposal of members who made full use of their opportunities.

SPLICED TREBLE BOB ROYAL.

TWO 5,040s by W. PAGE.

23456	1	2	3	4	5	6	23456	1	2	3	4	5	6
56342	—	—	—	—	—	—	52436	—	—	—	—	—	—
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64235	—	—	—	—	—	—	23645	—	—	—	—	—	—
26435	—	—	—	—	—	—	42635	—	—	—	—	—	—
32465	—	—	—	—	—	—	64235	—	—	—	—	—	—
43265	—	—	—	—	—	—	26435	—	—	—	—	—	—
65324	—	—	—	—	—	—	32165	—	—	—	—	—	—
26354	—	—	—	—	—	—	43265	—	—	—	—	—	—
32654	—	—	—	—	—	—	24365	—	—	—	—	—	—
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All the plain leads are Kent, and all the bob leads Oxford.

MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

EAST CROMPTON.—At St. James' Church, on Tuesday, July 11th, 672 Treble Bob Minor, being 144 Oxford, 72 Kent, 72 Duke of York, 96 Violet, 96 New London, 96 Woodbine, 96 Merchant's return; B. Whitehead 1, G. R. Turner 2, W. Oates 3, H. Oates 4, C. Howarth 5, J. Butterworth (conductor) 6.

HOLY TRINITY (Barking Road, London).—On Friday, July 14th, for practice, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: George L. Joyce (conductor) 1, A. Webb 2, T. E. Vincent 3, E. D. Smith 4, A. P. Angel 5, A. Hall 6. First in method by 2, 3, 5, 6, to whom great credit is due. This band are practically self-taught first in plain bob, then Kent, and now turn their attention to Oxford; they are all young men, and have no experienced ringer to help them other than visitors—an example to other struggling bands.

FOULTON-LE-FYLDE.—On Saturday, July 15th, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: B. A. Knights 1, H. S. Robinson 2, E. W. Hutchinson 3, J. R. Taylor 4, W. Taylor (conductor) 5, J. Gornall 6. Rung on the occasion of the unveiling of the war memorial.

SPLICED TREBLE BOB.*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Will you grant me space to put Mr. C. Severn right re the above? I notice by the footnote of his peal at ECKINGTON on July 22nd, he is under the impression that is the first peal of Major on the plan of Kent for plain leads and Oxford leads in lieu of bobs. If he will look in 'The Ringing World' for June 12th, 1920, he will find the record of a peal rung at St. Helen's, Worcester, on June 5th, as a 5,120 of Worcester Treble Bob, conducted by myself.

This method (including a peal) was sent by the Rev. B. B. James to Mr. J. B. Sykes, who was then in Worcester, during the summer of 1919, unnamed and unringed. We rang the method first in August of that year as a 720 of Minor at St. John's, and named it Worcester Treble Bob. It was our intention to ring the Major, but Mr. Sykes being called away it was hung up for a time. We did eventually ring the first peal. Subsequent opinions seemed to indicate that it was a spliced method, and as such it is recognised.—Faithfully yours,
37, St. John's, Worcester. W. PAGE.

THE TREBLE BOB EXTENT.**MR. E. TIMBRELL'S PEAL.**

In our issue of July 7th, Mr. J. W. Parker pointed out that in 1907 Mr. E. Timbrell extended his peal of 16,800 Treble Bob Major by ten leads, and a correspondent sends us the figures of this peal, which remained the longest composition in the method until Mr. Parker obtained his 17,280. The following is Mr. Timbrell's peal:

17,120 TREBLE BOB MAJOR.

234567	M	in	out	4ths	5ths	W	H
372546			1		1		
376452	1			1		1	
427365	1	1	1				
735462			out and 4ths twice				2
674352	2					1	2
732456	2	1	1				1
347652		1					
437256	1		1		2		
235647		1	1			1	2
365247	1		1				
623457			1				

Four Times Repeated.

5,059 ERIN CATERS.

By JOSEPH W. PARKER.

123456789

532416978	1	4	5					
423516			5	6				
162345		4	5		7			
354216			4	6	7			
245516				5	6			

Repeat these five courses eight times, omitting the bob at 1, and adding a S at 4 in the last course of the fourth repetition produces:—

415236

261345		4	5		6	7								
634521879	1	2	3	5	6	7	8	12	13	14	(15	sixes).		
523461			4	5		6								

413562					6	7								
531462				5	6									
823154			4	5		7								
145362			4			6	7							
354162				5	6									

Repeat the last five courses eight times, calling a S for the first bob at 4 in the fourth repetition, and omitting the bob at 5 immediately following, produces:—

214365

Round next change.

Has the 6th thirty-six courses home in the Tittums, and thirty-seven in the reverse home position.

SANDAL TREBLE BOB.

An interesting 720 of Sandal Treble Bob Minor was rung by members of the Chester Guild on July 13th, when they brought round the extent of the method obtained by bobs both when the treble is leading and in 6th's place. The figures of the bob work with the treble behind is here given. The 720, the first so rung, was brought round by: J. Fernley, junr., 1, W. Fernley 2, Rev. A. T. Beeston (conductor) 3, H. Langley 4, J. P. Fowler 5, J. W. Hartley 6.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

The opening of the lightest peal of twelve tower bells in the country took place on August 4th, 1819. This was the ring erected by Mr. John P. Powell, at Quex Park, Thanet. The bells were cast at the Whitechapel Foundry, and have a tenor of 15½ cwt.

A contemporary writer, recording the event, said: 'The interest of the scene was considerably enhanced by its having no parallel, that of a gentleman erecting in his park a tower with spire in front of his noble mansion and placing therein a peal of twelve bells solely for his amusement and to attain the art of change ringing, having an eminent tutor for the purpose, who, in patronising this manly art, has evinced a considerable ability in this very abstruse science.'

The opening was carried out by bands representing the Cumberland and College Youths. The former rang a peal of 5,213 Grandsire Cinques, in which George Gross and William Shipway took part, but the College Youths did not attempt a peal. They contributed alternately to give touches of about an hour's performance, on that and the following day, which closed the never-to-be-forgotten treat to the amateurs of the manly art of ringing.

The first peal of Grandsire Royal was rung at Painswick on August 6th, 1815. A peal rung at Aston in the previous year had turned out to be false.

Another anniversary next week is that of the first 'silent' peal of Stedman Triples. It was rung on August 7th, 1899, at Drayton.

The long peal at Appleton has been permanently recorded in the tower, the record being engraved on a slate tablet. This work has been carried out by Mr. O. G. Jones, of Rugby.

Two Lancashire rings are in the hands of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, who are rehangings the eight at Colne, Lancs, and adding two trebles and rehangings the old six at Bacup.

Rutslip, Middlesex, bells are also being rehung by the Whitechapel firm, and the 4th, 5th and tenor are to be recast.

The peal at Hartlebury recorded last week was Mr. W. Short's 250th as conductor, not 350th as sent in in the report.

The bells at Shoreham, Kent, have been overhauled by Messrs. Groombridge and Palmer, who have strengthened the frame, rehung the bells, and greatly improved the clappering and rope circle. They have made an excellent job of the restoration.

The Bailey brothers, of Leicester, have just made another record by ringing a family peal of Cambridge Surprise on tower bells. Further interest is added to the peal from the fact that it was Mr. G. F. Bailey's 300th, and a remarkable list he has, too. Out of the total he has conducted no fewer than 275, including every Surprise peal and every peal of Stedman from Triples to Cinques.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The by-meeting of the Canterbury district was held at Ospringe on Saturday, July 29th, and was attended by about 25 ringers, representing the towers of Ashford, Brabourne, Newington, Ospringe, Sittingbourne, and Tunstall. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob Major were rung. A short service was held, when the Vicar (the Rev. C. F. Hodges) welcomed the members in a very helpful address. Those present were afterwards entertained to an excellent tea, provided by an anonymous lady, on the Vicarage lawn.—In replying, the Vicar said that he hoped shortly to become a bell ringer himself.

LEWISHAM DISTRICT MEETING.

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham district was held at Shoreham, on Saturday, July 22nd. Touches in various methods were rung during the afternoon. The members then adjourned to 'Ye Olde George Inn,' where Host Humphrey had prepared tea, to which 33 sat down. The business meeting followed, Mr. W. J. Jeffries presiding.

The District Secretary informed the members of the reason why the meeting had been transferred from Eynsford. He received a letter from the Vicar on Thursday afternoon to say an ex-soldier had died close to the church, and the funeral was at 3 p.m. on Saturday, so he thought the bells should not be rung. Mr. T. Groombridge, junr., saw the Rev. H. D. Madge, who readily consented to the members having the use of his bells, but owing to an engagement he could not arrange a service.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. T. Groombridge, junr., for his services.—Three new members were elected, and two elections in towers confirmed. Dartford, Bromley, Woolwich and Erith were proposed as the place for the annual district meeting, Woolwich being selected.

The district representative was asked to bring forward at the next committee meeting the suggestion that the pre-war arrangement of reports be again carried out.

The district secretary was instructed to write to the Rev. H. D. Madge, and convey their most hearty thanks for granting the use of the bells.—This concluded the business, and the tower was again visited.

A DEVONSHIRE RING.**NEW PEAL OF EIGHT AT COMBE MARTIN.**

The dedication of the new peal of bells at the Parish Church of Combe Martin, Devon, took place on Wednesday afternoon, July 26th, and was followed by a fete and bazaar in the Rectory Grounds. Unfortunately rain militated against the success of the fete, which had to be abandoned about 4.30 p.m.

Originally the bells were four in number. In the year 1827 they were recast into six at Buckland-Brewer by John Taylor, of Oxford. Now they have been again recast into eight by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and hung in a cast-iron frame on massive steel girders. The bells turn on ball bearings, and the clappers are fitted with buffers. Great credit is due to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank for the prompt way in which they have executed the work, the old bells having been removed from the tower only in the first week in April last.

The dedication ceremony was performed by the Rev. Maitland Kelly, president of the Devon Guild. The opening peal was rung by the senior ringers of Combe Martin. A young band are at present learning change ringing on handbells under the instruction of Mr. A. H. Hayward. Their ambition now is to score a peal of Doubles on the tower bells by next spring. There were ringers present at the opening from London, Swindon, Minehead, Bampton, Ilfracombe (Parish Church and SS. Philip's and St. James' Church), West Down, Berry-Narber, Arlington, Goodleigh, George Nympton, Barnstaple, etc.

After the opening peal, a well-struck 350 Grandsire Triples was rung: J. H. Shepherd (Swindon) 1. A. W. Brighton (London) 2. G. Stacey (Minehead) 3. A. A. Hughes (of the Whitechapel Foundry) 4. F. Reed (Ilfracombe) 5. Rev. E. V. Cox (Bampton) 6. A. H. Hayward (Combe Martin), conductor, 7. J. Richards (Ilfracombe) 8.

Following this, touches were rung of Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob Major by the same band, together with the Ilfracombe Parish Church ringers, and when the time came for these to disperse the bells were kept going by ringers from neighbouring towers until 9.30 p.m.

The bells are a grand ring for their weight, the tenor being 10 cwt. 21 lb. in F sharp. Everyone who heard them expressed the greatest admiration for the tone of the bells, and all who handled the ropes greatly praised the 'go.'

BRADFIELD BELLS REOPENED.

The ancient Parish Church of Bradfield was filled to overflowing on Monday, July 24th, on the occasion of the reopening of the bells. These have been renovated on modern lines, and a new steel frame installed by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The service was performed by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield, assisted by the Rev. B. Pollard, M.A., Rector, and the Rev. B. F. Sheppard, M.A., of Sheffield Cathedral. The service was followed by tea in the Schoolroom, at which about 300 were present.

Ringings on the tower and handbells was fully indulged in by members from All Saints', Rammoor; St. Maries, Bolsterstone, Rotherham, Ecclesfield, Stannington, the Cathedral, and the local company, and was highly appreciated.

LADIES' GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Southern District was held at Horsell, Surrey, on Saturday, July 29th. Ringers, 18 in number, were present from Aldershot, Bagshot, Cranleigh, Farnborough, Finchampstead, Guildford, Horsell, Sandhurst, Seale, Shere, Walton, and Worplesdon. Ringing in various methods took place during the afternoon, and tea was served in the Institute.—The Vicar (the Rev. Norman Pares) apologised for being unable to hold the service at 4.30, owing to an important meeting, but the ringers attended evensong at 6 o'clock.—It was decided (if possible) to hold the next quarterly meeting at S. Nicolas', Guildford, on January 13th, 1923.

MIDLAND DISTRICT.

The Midland district held a quarterly meeting on Saturday, July 22nd, at Chilvers Coton, the birthplace of George Eliot, to whose memory the treble bell is dedicated. The visitors were met by Miss Clarke, Mr. Argyle and his son, and others, including the old curfew ringer, who had been wheeled to the church purposely to see the lady ringers. The bells were kept going merrily during the afternoon, and service was held, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. M. A. Dodds). Afterwards the visitors proceeded to Nuneaton where tea, kindly arranged by Mr. Wilkerson, was waiting. Quite a large party sat down, and the business meeting subsequently took place, Miss Pigott being elected to the chair. Miss Gladys Dodds was elected a ringing member, and Mrs. Harry Mason an honorary member. Kinver was chosen for the next meeting, which will be the annual.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Vicar and all the local ringers for their kindness and help.

DEDICATION OF BELLS AT SALFORD.**LANCASHIRE'S NEW PEAL OF EIGHT.**

'Ye Ancient Parish Church of the Sacred Trinity, in ye Royal Borough of Salford,' was the scene of a very interesting ceremony on Sunday, July 23rd, when the dedication took place of a peal of eight bells, which are to all intents and purposes practically a new ring, inasmuch as five of the old peal of six have been recast, and two new trebles added to complete the octave.

There was a short service in the afternoon, conducted by the Lord Bishop of Manchester, who performed the dedication ceremony. Then the ringers of St. Thomas' Church, Pendleton, took the ropes, and set the bells going to the tune of Grandsire Triples, ringing being carried on until 5 p.m., and again after evensong until 9 p.m. The methods rung during the afternoon and evening were Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman, Treble Bob and Superlative Surprise Major, touches being brought round in all the methods, under the able leadership of Messrs. J. W. Washbrook and H. Chapman, Mr. Johnston, of the Croydon foundry, and Mr. Keller, of the old band of six bell ringers, taking part in the ringing. Ringers were present from several of the Manchester churches, also from Ashton-under-Lyne, Bolton, Eccles and Walkden.

The old peal of six bells had, owing to their bad condition, been in disuse for a period of twelve years. Now it is pleasing to note that Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of the Croydon Bell Foundry, have brought about a great change by the recasting, and the addition of the two new trebles, tuned to a very musical pitch. The 'go' of the bells is splendid, they having been rebung in a new frame with modern fittings. A climbing apparatus has also been installed. The general expression of all the ringers present was that the bell hangers had carried out their work in a very able and efficient manner.

The music of the bells was very much appreciated by some hundreds of the parishioners, who listened round and about the church for several hours.

There now lies with Mr. Keller a herculean task in training up an entirely new band. He has some 14 or 15 young men volunteers, and any ringers from the neighbouring churches who can give a helping hand will be welcome at the tower any Tuesday evening at 8 p.m.

The following items may interest not only campanologists, but the outside public, especially churchmen. The late Rector (the Rev. J. W. Rideout), whose heart and soul was in the above work which has just been carried through, unfortunately did not live to see it completed, he having died rather suddenly in Leeds, much to the regret of his parishioners.

Humphrey Booth, who founded Booth Charities in 1630, built the sacred Trinity Church in 1634. The church was consecrated by the Bishop of Chester on May 20th, 1635, and Humphrey Booth died July 23rd, 1635. The peal of six bells was installed 1748, the body of the church was rebuilt in Doric architecture in 1752, and the organ by Schultz, London, in 1790. The church was reopened, and a new organ and electric light installed in 1896.

The Booth's charity consists of a small plot of land purchased in the year 1630, and in the year 1640 brought in a rent roll of £20 per annum. To-day the rent roll of the land exceeds £17,000 per annum which is disbursed among the poor of the borough and the hospitals. The only monument of Humphrey Booth is the Gothic tower of the church. At the foot of his tombstone we read: 'Love his memory, imitate his devotion.' W.B.

DEATH OF MR. BEN CHORLEY.**A PIONEER OF CHANGE RINGING AT GUILDFORD.**

Members of the Exercise who knew Mr. Ben Chorley, of Guildford, will regret to hear of his death, on Wednesday, July 26th, after many months' suffering from a painful malady. Deceased joined the Holy Trinity Society, about 1895, when the company could only ring call changes, and it was through his efforts that Mr. C. Willshire was in 1899 appointed instructor, and change ringing was introduced. The writer does not know Mr. Chorley's record of peals, but he had rung peals in a number of methods up to and including Superlative Surprise inside, and he rang the treble to the society's first Surprise peals, London, Bristol, Cambridge and Guildford. As a striker he was second to none.

It was fitting, after his years of service that he should receive the ringers' last tribute at his funeral. Prior to the service in Holy Trinity Church on Saturday last, the bells were fully muffled, and the whole pull and stand was rung. At the graveside a course of Triples was rung on handbells, and in the evening a fine peal of Stedman Triples (the deceased's favourite method) was brought round at Holy Trinity Church on half-muffled bells.

SOLUTION OF A PUZZLE.

Mr. Richard Mackman, of Spalding, writes: 'In reply to A. E. Parsons, the puzzle he refers to is a peal called "Dixon's Variations." As I remember ringing it several years ago, it is Plain Bob ringing. Mr. Parsons does not give the calling correctly, as there is not a bob every time (treble leads).'

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THAT APPLETON PEAL.

By W. WILLSON.

It was no fault of mine that the doctor forbade me to get up. Returning strength brought back the old desire, and when I read the correspondence in 'The Ringing World,' it dawned upon me that my opponents were belabouring Mr. W. Pye with thick sticks, and showering upon him blows that should have been aimed at me—the miscreant who initiated the trouble. However, I am back in the arena, and ready to joust. My battle-axe, thanks.

It is sometimes instructive to turn to what one has said or written and see if any wrong statement has been hastily made, and if so, to make the 'amende honorable.' There is nothing derogatory in that. I have read the correspondence over again, and I find nothing to withdraw. Let me deal first with the letters of 'Loudon Ringer.' That gentleman stated that I rushed in, being ignorant of the facts.

In your issue of June 16th, pp. 379, he says: 'The 9th is in the original bearings of 119 years ago, and had W.W. known that Mr. F. White slogged away for six hours with dry bearings, his opinions would differ.'

They wouldn't.

I don't think any ringer in the world could ring for six hours on dry bearings. They would be irretrievably ruined before six hours had expired, and the ringer ditto. Now about those 119-year-old bearings. I find in the late Rev. F. E. Robinson's book the details of Appleton bells. The 7th is dated 1818, the 3rd 1859. Up to 1901 there were only eight; when the 9th and tenor were cast and added to make ten by Mears and Co., a firm scarcely likely to use ancient scrap iron for new bell bearings. Verb. sap.

The letter of 'Once a Beginner' is most interesting, and there is only one point to which I take exception. It is that 'W.W. is wrong in saying that the Appleton peal could be beaten at Loughboro' Bell Foundry.'

I think that I fully qualified the sentence. If it is to be assumed that Appleton has beaten Loughborough, what follows? Appleton tenor is 14 cwt. Loughborough is 30½ cwt.—more than twice the weight. Loughborough Foundry ring has a tenor of 6½ cwt. If 'Once a Beginner' will glance at the ratio I think he will admit that I was not very far wrong in my assertion. In discussions such as these one is apt to be misquoted.

I notice in the Editorial of July 28th, this sentence: 'The only thing that will really put an end to the question is a longer peal than 2,363 rung on bells as heavy, or heavier, than Loughborough.' This is totally misleading. If a peal longer than the Appleton one is rung on a weight as heavy as Appleton it must supplant the previous performance.

I notice the usual crop of letters from those ringers who deplore the style of some of your correspondents' literary efforts. I must confess that in my opinion some of these 'protest' letters are nothing but cant. I don't know whether they include mine in their strictures—and I don't care—but this I know, these highbrow purists ought to try their own efforts in Fleet Street, when they would discover that the twentieth century requires something more robust than the standard of the parish magazine.

I agree that no writer should be personal—if it can be avoided. There are many spheres where it is unavoidable, and the Editor of a journal can generally be relied on to wield the blue baton fairly, but for the acme of personality, commend me to the letter signed 'Howard Freeborn.' It should be borne in mind by these critics that the greatest geni the world has ever seen have not been men of University education. A man may not be able to speak or write the King's English correctly, he may call a lie by its proper name, and be honest about it. The polite letter-writer, like the Rt. Hon. Mr. Winston Churchill, would call it a 'terminological inexactitude!'

The letter of Mr. G. A. Peck betrays a want of knowledge of long peal ringing. As a rule no conductor of a long length would start with a novice in the band. I have seen and experienced myself the first faintness that comes after the first five or six hours. It comes again sometimes about the ninth or tenth hour. That is the critical time. One ringer in the Wigston peal was beaten after ten hours. Mental fatigue follows as a natural course, but I submit that on a heavy ring a man's reserve strength is used up far sooner than on a light one, and though I may be prejudiced, I fail to see how anyone can come to any other conclusion.

It was not on weight alone that I 'groused' at the Appleton peal. The ringer who sent the account to 'The Ringing World,' Mr. Edgar Humphrey, who heard only the last two hours, hits the nail on the head when he says: 'First, I think it was unfortunate that, probably owing to short notice, so few ringers were present from a distance, only about a dozen besides twice as many locals being in the village. Moreover, I think it was a pity that some competent ringer was not engaged and provided with the peal figures . . . and so furnished the Exercise with a reliable witness of this great performance.'

There you have it. Would any branch of sport admit a record unattested? If so, tell me. It is not that you suspect the performer. I do not suspect this peal, but both the College Youths and the Ox-

ford Guild know that peals have been faked in the past, and may be again.

It should not be within the conductor's power to cut out or introduce blocks foreign to the composition, and the temptation would not occur if someone else held the figures. The Central Council is about to tabulate all records, rung outside its official knowledge, and on the bare word of the performers who claim the record. I hold, that unless the Council compels record lengths to be rung under its government, it leaves the gate open for any chicanery, and will ultimately render all such records worthless.

Our reply to Mr. Willson's comment upon our article is that, 'if a peal longer than the Appleton one is rung on a weight as heavy as Appleton it must supplant the previous performance,' then the Appleton peal supplants Loughborough, with which view neither he nor we agree, so far as the physical achievement is concerned. The conditions which Mr. Willson names would supplant the Appleton peal, but they might still leave open the question whether the Loughborough performance had been beaten.—Ed. 'R.W.'

ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING.

The first annual meeting of this association was held in the Abbey House, Bury St. Edmunds on Saturday, July 15th. A large number of ringers were present from Bury, Horingey, Foxearth, Lavenham, Ixworth, Long Melford, Cheyington, Bungay, Mildenhall, Cambridge, Ufford, Chelsworth, Illey, Newmarket, Forham All Saints, etc.

A short service, which all attended, was held in the Cathedral. The Right Rev. Patron, the Bishop, being unavoidably detained by another engagement, an address was given by the President. He spoke of the message of the bells as being one for everyone. Even in a foreign land, where the language was strange, one felt how universal was their appeal.

Afterwards, through the kindness of the President (Archdeacon Farmiloe), tea was provided at his house, and the meeting followed.

It was agreed to re-elect all the officers and committee, and the committee was authorised to draw up the annual report.

It was also agreed, on the proposition of Mr. S. H. Symonds, that a letter of condolence be sent to the widow and family of the late Mr. F. Day, of Eye.

Thanks were also voted to the chairman for the tea, and to the clergy who had allowed the use of their bells.

THE GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL REPORT.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Having read Mr. Burford's and the Rev. H. Law James' letters we are informed that the composition of Cambridge Surprise Royal, published in our report (1921 issue) belongs, undoubtedly, to Mr. William Pye. May we ask your assistance in requesting holders of reports issued 1914, 1921, 1922 and 1913, to revise their copies so that peals No. 907, 915, 1065, 1084 and 1136, are credited as being composed by Mr. William Pye, the composition being numbered 907, but set out as 1065. I am sorry that Mr. Burford's name is lost to the composition, because we know him to be the last person to claim credit for what he has not done, and we are quite sure in this instance that it is a case of two composers travelling the same path.

In our 1922 report the composition of Stedman Triples, No. 1154, stated to be composed by the Rev. E. B. James, was composed by Mr. John Carter in 1905. The Rev. E. B. James has given up the claim of this, and so it should read as being composed by Mr. John Carter. We appreciate very much the Rev. E. Bunke, James' action in pointing this out to us so early on.

In conclusion, I should like to point out to all members of this association the enormous task involved each year in issuing our annual report, and that if there is any item incorrect it is the duty of the member to notify me at once, not wait until another report is issued and then talk about it. If members will only point out these errors we shall give them attention.—Yours faithfully,

EDGAR GUISE,

Hon. Sec., Gloucester and Bristol Association.

FALSE PEALS IN C.C. COLLECTION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In addition to the peals that are false and kindly pointed out by Mr. G. H. Cross in your issue of July 7th, the following should also be struck out as false:—

Double Norwich, Sec. 3 Group II.
No. 54, 5,088 by H. Johnson, 1867 (Snowdon's Treatise), is false at course ends.

No. 158, 5,088 by Dr. A. B. Carpenter is false; but the same peal given under No. 162 by James Hunt, with 8 at 1 instead of 6, is true. Nos. 159 and 161 which are given over the names of E. Wightman and F. Hoppoel respectively, are the same composition call for call, but started in a different place. Who is the rightful owner?

24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

ERNEST MORRIS.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.—On Sunday evening, July 30th, at St. Mary's Church, for service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: B. Marks 1, K. Godfrey 2, J. Hine 3, F. Stuckey 4, L. Wilson 5, G. Burrow 6, J. Godfrey (conductor) 7, P. Godfrey 8.

BEBSTON, NOTTS.—For morning service, on Sunday, July 30th, 576 London Surprise Major: W. Chifford, junr., 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, W. A. Jones 3, A. B. Moss 4, J. C. Dicken 5, F. S. Price 6, A. Lowe 7, P. Price 8.

KENSINGTON.—On Sunday evening, July 30th, at St. Mary Abbot's Church, 1,280 Stedman Caters: E. G. Turley (first quarter-peal Stedman Caters) 1, H. G. Miles (conductor) 2, H. Dyas 3, C. F. Winney 4, P. L. Miles 5, O. W. Roberts 6, P. A. Clark 7, W. E. Garrard 8, H. Langdon 9, W. T. Froggatt (Birmingham, 1st quarter-peal) 10.

SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.—On Sunday, July 30th, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes): W. Leeson 1, C. Bragg 2, E. C. Shepherd (composer and conductor) 3, G. A. Martineau 4, S. Bragg 5, H. Shepherd 6, H. Bragg 7, R. Bragg 8, J. Bragg 9, V. W. Rigg (first quarter-peal of Caters) 10. Rung to celebrate the 21st birthday of H. Bragg.

BOVINGER, ESSEX.—On Sunday July 23rd, at the Parish Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: B. Bails 1, A. Mansfield 2, *J. Mansfield 3, W. Wedlock 4, *B. G. Burton (conductor) 5, F. Seymore 6. A few short touches were rung after service, the local ringers taking part. * Hail from Nazeing, the rest from Epping Uplands.

BUCKNALL.—On Sunday, July 23rd, at St. Mary's Church, three 720's were rung, viz., Kent Treble Bob, Burslem Delight and Plain Bob, the following ringers taking part: Alice Wheeldon, Alice Preston, C. Preston, W. Wheeldon, seur., W. Wheeldon, junr., W. Fradley and O. Bowen. All conducted by Alice Preston.

THORNE, YORKS.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: O. Darley 1, A. Woods 2, O. H. Thorley (conductor) 3, W. Sleight 4, A. Darley 5, C. Thorley, junr., 6, W. Hobson 7 (covering).

ACTON.—At St. Mary's Parish Church, on Sunday morning, July 23rd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: M. England 1, S. D. Breeze 2, C. Brown 3, H. Wineote 4, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 5, William Hoad (Salehurst) 6, Robt. Pardon 7, E. Easton 8. Arranged for Mr. Hoad, who was visiting London, and it also coincided with Mr. England's birthday.

CHESTER.—On Sunday, July 23rd, in 40 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), taken from Parker's 12-Part: H. Lewis 1, R. Sperring 2, J. W. Davies 3, F. Fox 4, A. Newell 5, S. Jones, junr. (conductor) 6, G. R. Jones 7, A. Harrison 8. Longest length as conductor.

STOURBRIDGE.—On Sunday, July 23rd, at St. Thomas' Church, for evening service, 672 Grandsire Triples: B. Dunn 1, Geo. H. Pagett 2, A. J. Skelding 3, G. Skelding 4, A. E. Whatmore (conductor) 5, C. W. Cooper 6, A. W. Dodd 7, Geo. Grazier 8.—Also 360 Bob Minor, with 6-8 covering. Rung as a birthday compliment to O. W. Cooper.

DALTON-IN-FURNES.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: A. Brown 1, G. Jackson 2, Frank Wiley 3, T. Watson (conductor) 4, W. H. Dennison 5, T. Metcalfe 6, J. Burrows (cover) 7. F. Wiley belongs to Sheffield, Yorks, and was on a visit to the district.

EXETER, DEVON.—At St. Sidwell's Church, on Sunday, July 23rd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: B. Shepherd (conductor) 1, W. Howe 2, A. Monkley 3, C. Carter 4, T. Bartlett 5, W. Drake 6, J. Moss 7, E. Sargent 8, F. Murphy 9, W. Richardson 10.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS.—On Sunday, July 16th, at St. Peter's Church, for evening service, 1,280 Double Norwich Major, in 48 mins.: Miss D. Orlebar 1, F. White 2, H. Markwell 3, W. Collison 4, G. Thompson 5, W. Latter 6, P. J. Lambert, senr., 7, S. H. Green (composer and conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method by Miss Orlebar and F. J. Lambert.

HAYES, KENT.—On Sunday, July 16th, for morning service, 720 College Single Minor: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader (conductor) 2, F. Keech 3, G. Harwood 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6.—For evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob Minor: H. Reader 1, F. Keech 2, J. Hack (conductor) 3, O. Gilbey 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6.

LONDON.—At St. Olive's, Hart Street, City, 720 York Surprise: W. Theobald 1, G. Dawson 2, A. Prior 3, E. Smith 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6.—720 Ipswich Surprise: E. Smith 1, W. Theobald 2, A. Prior 3, G. Dawson 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6. All are members of the Leytonstone company. Rung on St. Olive's Day, by special request from the Vicar.

LIVERPOOL.—At the Church of St. Nicholas, on a recent Sunday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,299 changes): W. Fisher 1, J. Wilkinson 2, T. Hammond 3, T. W. Gilmour 4, T. G. Bartlett (Exeter) 5, W. Davies 6, J. Martin (conductor) 7, H. Ludkin 8, E. Caunce 9, C. Davies 10.

CUMBERLAND COMPETITION WINNERS.

EGREMONT BAND CELEBRATE THEIR SUCCESS.

An interesting event took place in the Masonic Hall, Egremont, on Friday week. The ringers of St. Mary's Church, Egremont, had been successful in winning the association's competition shield on Easter Monday last, and to celebrate that occasion a social evening was arranged. A company of about 50, including the ringers' wives and sweethearts, together with the churchwardens, assembled. The first item was to present the medals to the ringers. The Rector took the chair, and in an interesting speech, gave the history of the bells. He then called upon Mr. J. D. Baxter to present the medals to the ringers. In a humorous speech, Mr. Baxter congratulated the ringers on their success. He had had some experience in these competitions, he said, and years ago his hand won on five occasions. He was proud to say that the present conductor was an old pupil of his who had left him far behind in the art. He was sorry that his business prevented him from taking an active part with the ringers at the end of a rope, but he was still interested in the art, and was watching closely the progress they were making. He concluded by urging them not to be content until they had mastered the more intricate methods.

An excellent supper was served by Mrs. J. B. Douglas and her willing staff.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Rector, Mr. Baxter, and all who helped to make the evening a success. The rest of the evening was spent in dancing, cards, etc., and a very happy time was spent.

RINGERS' OUTINGS.

A WEEK-END IN THREE COUNTIES.

Saturday, July 22nd, dawned wet and chilly, but later on 'the Clerk of the Weather' altered the conditions, and things looked brighter, and, as had been previously arranged, eight of us found ourselves outside the tower of St. Peter's Church, Glasbury-on-Wye, Breconshire, together with several 'locals' and others from the adjoining parish of Talgarth. Among the latter was Mr. L. S. Griffiths, whose name a few years ago was frequently in the pages of 'The Ringing World.' After words of welcome, a chosen few ascended the belfry steps to attempt a peal of Grandsire Triples in honour of the wedding of Miss Ursula M. E. Devereux (younger daughter of the Hon. R. C. Devereux, of Trogyod House, Glasbury, and 26, Bruton Street, Mayfair) with Captain F. A. V. Copland Griffiths, M.C., of the Welsh Guards, which took place at the Wellington Barracks on Monday, July 17th. The bells are far from being the best in the county, and could not be got into a good swing, and after 1 hour and 7 minutes' ringing a change course occurred, and brought the attempt to an end. The band was: J. P. Hyett 1, J. W. Jones 2, A. Mathews 3, E. Mathews 4, W. Evans 5, O. Powell 6, C. Edwards (conductor) 7, J. Jones 8. Tea was provided at the Harp, after which a social hour was spent with the handbells, and when parting time came it recalled the remark I heard one of the stalwarts make, that 'after all, peal ringing is not everything.'

On Sunday morning some of us were early astir, as Clyro, with its peal of five, had to be reached by 10 o'clock, and at least one of the party had over three miles to do, the walker's bus being the only conveyance. With the rain coming down straight, I for one did not envy him his undertaking. However, shortly after 10 a.m. the bells were raised in peal, and Bob Singles and Doubles rung until service time, when they were again lowered, and this Radnorshire village left behind. Passing through the town of Hay, Breconshire, the party visited St. Mary's, Cusop, in the county of Herefordshire. There was no chance of a touch here, there being only two bells hung in a turret, and the object in view was to visit the scenes of the recent Armstrong tragedy. After dinner Clifford was the venue, and here a peal was attempted as a thankoffering to Mr. L. Blakstad, of the Priory, Clifford, for his generosity in providing a magnificent reredos for St. Mary's Church as a parish war memorial. The peal was successful, and the bells coming round at 6.18 were lowered in peal for service. The ringers then adjourned to the Priory for tea, having been previously invited by the kindness of Mrs. Blakstad. Mr. J. W. Jones, of Newport, on behalf of the ringers, expressed thanks to Mrs. Blakstad for her kindness, and to Mr. Blakstad for the beautiful reredos he had placed in the church.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS RINGERS' TRIP.

The annual outing of the ringers of St. Peter's Church, Tunbridge Wells, took place on Saturday, July 15th. Touring in a well-appointed motor-car, Goudhurst and Frittenden were visited in turn, and ringing on the bells at each place was indulged in. At Staplehurst a substantial tea was awaiting the party.—Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar and Churchwardens of St. Peter's Church for supplying funds for the outing, to Mr. W. Latter for organising the trip, to the incumbents of the various churches for giving permission for the use of the bells, to the steeplekeepers for having the bells in readiness, and to Mr. F. E. Pope for arranging for tea. The tower was then visited, and the beautiful peal of bells, which have been recently overhauled, were set going in various methods. Later the

ringers set out for Marden, which was reached about 8 o'clock, and touches on this nice peal completed the ringing. Home was reached about 10 p.m., after an enjoyable trip.

MR. WILLIAM H. HEWETT'S 200 PEALS.

Cambridge Surprise Maximus	6
Cambridge Surprise Royal	5
Cambridge Surprise Major	27
London Surprise Major	5
Superlative Surprise Major	35
Bristol Surprise Major	3
Brighton Surprise Major	1
Norfolk Surprise Major	4
New Cumberland Surprise Major	5
New Cambridge Surprise Major	1
Double Norwich Court Bob Royal	1
Double Norwich Court Bob Major	44
Double Oxford Bob Major	1
Waterloo Reverse Bob Major	1
Duffield Royal	1
Duffield Major	1
Forward Royal	2
Forward Major	1
Kent Treble Bob Maximus	3
Kent Treble Bob Royal	2
Kent Treble Bob Major	4
Oxford Treble Bob Major	1
Bob Maximus	1
Bob Major	2
Stedman Cinques	3
Stedman Caters	19
Stedman Triples	12
Grandsire Caters	2
Grandsire Triples	3
On Handbells:	
Bob Maximus	1
Bob Royal	1
Bob Major	2
Stedman Caters	2

200

MR. A. DAVIES' 150 PEALS.

The 150 peals rung by Mr. A. Davies, of Netherton, Worcester-shire, include two records, viz., the 9,728 Superlative and 10,178 Double Oxford. The peals were rung in 43 towers, and the list is as follows:—

	Rung.	Conducted.
London Surprise Major	27	2
Bristol Surprise Major	11	1
Cambridge Surprise Major	7	2
Cambridge Surprise Royal	1	—
Superlative Surprise Major	8	—
Norfolk Surprise Major	1	—
Double Norwich Major	14	1
Double Oxford Major	1	—
Kent Treble Bob Royal	1	—
Kent Treble Bob Major	10	4
Forward Royal	1	—
Bob Royal	3	1
Bob Major	8	2
Bob Triples	1	1
Canterbury Pleasure Major	1	—
Stedman Cinques	4	—
Stedman Caters	3	—
Stedman Triples	21	5
Erin Triples	1	1
Grandsire Caters	5	1
Grandsire Triples	6	2
Grandsire Doubles	1	—
10 Minor Methods	1	—
7 Minor Methods	10	—
5 Minor Methods	3	—
Totals	150	23

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Grimsby district, held at Waltham, was fairly well attended by members from the various towers connected with the district. At the service, the Rector (the Rev. W. Horn) gave an address. Tea and a business meeting followed, presided over by the Vice-President (the Rev. H. T. Parry), supported by the Rector, and the Rev. Dr. Cockin, Vicar of Thornton Curtis. The bells (six) were made good use of, various touches being rung.

On July 15th a meeting was held at Ulceby, the five bells were rung in various methods, and a service was held. Tea and meeting took place in the Schoolroom, and was most enjoyable.

NOTICES.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Tring on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. A short service will be held in the Parish Church. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers and friends welcome.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Dis. Sec., Clifton House, Tring.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—A Ringing meeting will be held at Halsall (near Ormskirk), on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) available all day. Will ringers please turn up in good numbers? Visitors welcome.—John Halsall, Branch Sec.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBY-SHIRE SOCIETY.—Next meeting at Wentworth, August 5th. Six bells. Meat tea at 5.30 p.m., 2/- each; please send notice to Mr. Wadsworth, Rockingham Arms, Wentworth, Rotherham, by August 3rd. Permission granted to walk through gardens at Wentworth House. Bells lately put in order.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec., Clergy House, Chesterfield.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ledbury District.—A meeting will be held at Eastnor, near Ledbury, on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Church service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting at the Somers Arms after service.—Richard Thomas, Dist. Hon. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leominster and Presteign District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Staunton-on-Arrow, on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) available 3.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea 6 p.m.—A. Talbot, District Sec., Staunton-on-Arrow, Tenbridge.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, August 5th, at the Parish Church, Bury. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting after tea. Will members who have not already paid their subscriptions kindly come forward with the same? —John H. Haydock, Branch Sec.

SALTBURN.—Jubilee of dedication of Parish Church. Special services August 6th. Ringing from 9.30 a.m. and 5 p.m. The tower will also be open for ringing from 2 p.m. on August 5th. All ringers welcome. Tea (1/6) arranged for all who give notice beforehand.—G. A. Peck, Eden Corner, Saltburn.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A General meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the Association will be held at East Dereham, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church will be available. Luncheon will be served at the King's Head

Hotel, at 1 o'clock, tickets 3s. per head, followed by the general business meeting.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—There will be a General Meeting of the Branch at Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, on Monday, August 7th (Bank Holiday), when all will be welcomed by the Vicar to celebrate the restoration of the bells. There will be a Service at the Parish Church, All Saints', at 4.30 p.m. Tea will be served on the vicarage lawn at 5.15 (weather permitting). A charge of 1s. each will be made to cover part of the cost of same. A business meeting will follow at 6 o'clock. My Committee rely upon foremen of Towers notifying all members and ringing friends in their respective districts of this fixture and placing the notice in the belfry. The following towers have been kindly placed at the disposal of the Guild by the clergy: Burnham, 10 to 11 a.m.; High Wycombe, 10 to 11 a.m.; Old Windsor, 12 to 1 p.m.; Woodburn, 12 to 1 p.m.; Boyne Hill, 3 p.m.—Alfred J. Harman, Hon. Sec., 2, St. Mary's Cottages, Grove Road, Windsor.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The Annual Festival will be held at Lymm, on Monday, August 7th. Service 11 a.m., preacher, the Rev. W. R. Ingham, M.A., Vicar of Middlewich. Other particulars by circular.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills, Stockport.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at Peterborough, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The bells of St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), Woodton (6) available during the day. Service at the Parish Church at 4 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Sutton-on-Trent, Crowe Park Station, G.N. Railway, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. A new peal of six bells (tenor 12½ cwt.) will be available for ringing from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The village sports and gala will be held in the Football Field at 2.30 p.m.; the proceeds of 'gate' will be in aid of the restoration of the church bells. Twenty events including ringers' tug of war, and fishing in the Trent. Admission to grounds 1/- adults, 6d. children. Teas provided on the Sports Grounds near the church from 3.30 onwards in Marquee, adults 1/-, children 6d. A meat tea will be provided for ringers in the Church Hut at 1/6 per head to members, 2/- to others. A hearty welcome will be given to members of kindred Associations.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—The annual summer meeting will be held at Ranmore on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. By the kind permission of Lord Ashcombe, the beautiful grounds of Denbies will be thrown open during the afternoon to ringers and friends. Tea and refreshments may be had near the church. The bells at St. Martin's, Dorking, will also be available from 7.30 to 9. All ringers welcome.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

NORTHWOLD (8 bells) and METHWOLD, Norfolk (6 bells), by kind permission of incumbents, will be open for ringing on August Bank Holiday. Visitors are recommended to bring lunch with them.—Fred R. Borrett.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Donnington, Spalding, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea in Church Institute, at 4.15 p.m. Bells available all day.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Isle of Wight District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Shorwell (5) on August Bank Holiday. Bells available at 2 p.m. Brighstone (5) about one mile distant, also at 2. Service at Shorwell Church at 4.30.—W. Upton, Hon. Dist. Sec., 10, Elm Grove, Newport.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1537).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 17th and 31st; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 8th; Southwark Cathedral on the 15th; *St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 22nd; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodlinham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Staplehurst on Saturday, August 12th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea in the Parish Room after service, followed by business meeting. Members intending to attend must notify the Dis. Sec. not later than Tuesday, August 8th, so as to ascertain the number for tea.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The Monthly meeting will be held at Christ Church, West Didsbury, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 4 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.—A meeting will be held at Kirkham (8 bells) on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. Visitors welcomed.—C. Sharples, 3, Rutland Gate, North Promenade, Blackpool.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—A Quarterly meeting of the District will be held at Kingstone on Saturday, August 12th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea (Bullring) 6 p.m., 9d. each to those notifying me not later than August 8th.—C. Edwards Dis. Sec., Great Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, August 12th, at St. Luke's, Heywood. Bells ready at 3. Meeting, 6.30. A good attendance is requested.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Highworth on Saturday, August 12th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30.—R. W. Hyner, Hon. Sec., 42, Brunswick Street, Swindon, Wilts.

BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—A Meeting will be held at Crofton, near Wakefield, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready early, in splendid order. Tea will be provided strictly for those sending their names before August 5th, to Mr. E. Stead, 4, Park View, Crofton, near Wakefield. A cordial invitation is offered to all ringers.—C. D. Potter, Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 5.—Walter Hughes.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Seend on Saturday, August 19th. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. Short business meeting, 5.30.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Waldron on Saturday, August 19th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at the Memorial Hall at 5 p.m. (1s. per head). Will those intending to be present kindly inform me by Wednesday, August 16th?—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, August 19th. Bells (8) available from noon. Service at 3.45 p.m. Tea at 4.30 at 1/6 per head in the Barn Room, to those who notify Mr. R. Thompson, Co-op. Villas, Hatfield, near Doncaster, by August 16th. All ringers heartily welcomed.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.—A Ringing meeting will be held at Brown Edge on Saturday, August 19th. Please notify me on or before August 13th, how many intend to be present from your tower.—Edward Steele, 109, George Street, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Grimsby District.—Meeting will be held at Barton-on-Humber on Saturday, August 19th. Please write to Mr. A. W. Hoodless, 11, Holydyke, Barton, for tea. All ringers welcome.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Calne Branch.—A meeting will be held at Calne on Saturday, August 19th, and not at Clyffe as previously arranged. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m.—S. L. R. Sharp, Hon. Sec., Calne.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday August 19th, by permission of the Rev. F. Marriott, Vicar. Members will be entertained to tea by the Vicar after service. Tower open at 3 p.m., also St. Mary's, by permission of the Rev. James, Vicar. Will members kindly let me know by the 14th all who intend to be present?—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. Bishopsgate, August 28th. St. Clement Danes, August 21st. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th at 5.15 p.m. Send your name in for the Summer outing on Saturday, Sept. 9th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

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