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A very satisfactory year of progress was recorded by the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association at the annual meeting. A growing membership, despite heavy losses from death and other causes, a marked activity in the districts, and the largest aggregate of peals among the associations of the country, all go to make up a gratifying result. The 'fly in the ointment' has been the failure to come to an arrangement to induce the newly-formed St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association to join forces with the older organisation, but it is recorded as a source of satisfaction that the East Suffolk members have remained loyal to their society. This course was only to be expected in towers which, for more than forty years, members have owned allegiance to their old Diocesan organisation. Indeed, we should have been surprised if, all the while the Association professes to cover that area, there had been any serious secession.

The position of Suffolk has been rather different from that presented to existing ringing organisations by the formation of other new dioceses. Two Associations, neither of them taking its title from Suffolk, covered the county so far as ringing affairs were concerned, and there was a fairly clear demarcation of their boundaries. The new diocesan arrangement cut into the districts of both Ely and Norwich Associations, and while the former gave up any claim upon West Suffolk, in order that a new diocesan organisation might be formed, Norwich took action in the opposite direction, and sought to absorb the whole county. On the other hand, the new society has aspirations of its own, and desires to unite all Suffolk towers in one Association. That this course is the one which commends itself to the diocesan authorities seems emphasised by the title which the Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich chose for the new Association, and the fact that he has resigned his position as one of the patrons of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association. And now we have the anomaly of two societies in Suffolk using, so far as that county is concerned, the same title. This curious state of affairs may some day lend itself to a better and less confusing solution; but, in the meantime, the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association, while regretting the absence of fusion, expresses a hope that the two organisations may live side by side in friendly rivalry. This ought not to be difficult, for there are many instances to be found in which ringing associations overlap one another's territory, and yet dwell in peace and harmony. All that is needed is that both sides 'play the game,' and do not endeavour to undermine the allegiance of members in the opposite camp by methods of a doubtful kind.

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TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPILERS, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 22½ cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON Treble	CHARLES W. ROBERTS 6
EVERED J. WALSON 2	JAMES SCHOLLES 7
CHALLIS F. WINNEY 3	THOMAS LANGDON 8
HORACE BELCHER 4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 9
EDWIN F. PIKE 5	RICHARD F. FORWARD ... Tenor

Composed by GEO. R. FARDON. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPILERS, 5041 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt. 6 qr. 18 lb.

CHRISTOPHER WALLATTER ... Treble	GEORGE HUGHES 6
EDGAR MARLOW 2	FREDK. J. COPE 7
BERT HORTON 3	HERBERT KNIGHT 8
EDWIN J. TYLER 4	WILLIAM A. COOPER 9
EDWARD F. MITCHELL 5	WALTER J. COPE Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE HUGHES.

This peal was rung on the eve of the harvest festival, and was specially arranged as a birthday compliment for Mr. George Hughes, also for Mr. and Mrs. William Pardoe's golden wedding.

SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.

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

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPILERS, 5017 CHANGES

Tenor 19½ cwt.

STANLEY BRAGG Treble	HARRY BRAGG 6
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS 2	JOHN NEAL 7
ALBERT WALKER 3	ROLAND BRAGG 8
EDGAR C. SHEPHERD 4	JOHN A. BRAGG 9
MORRIS J. MORRIS 5	WILLIAM LERSON Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

* First peal in the method. Ringers of treble, 4th, 6th, 8th, 9th and 10th belong to the local band.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SALFORD, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Sept. 29, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

W. E. CLARKE Treble	F. PAGE 5
S. WOOD 2	W. COOPER 6
G. E. TURNER 3	J. W. WASHBROOK 7
A. BAILEY 4	H. CHAPMAN Tenor

Composed and Conducted by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble and 6th, also to J. W. Washbrook, jun., and Mr. Rimmington. First peal on the bells.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WILTON ROAD, S.W.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOSEPH S. HAWKINS Treble	ISAAC G. SHADE 5
MRS. A. D. BARKER 2	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY 6
ARTHUR D. BARKER 3	JAMES BOLLOCK 7
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER 4	CHARLES H. KIPPIN, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.

MITCHAM, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
Tenor 16 cwt.

FRANK I. HAIRS Treble	A. J. TRAPPEY 5
WILLIAM H. HEWETT 2	A. CALVER 6
J. A. TROLLOPE 3	AMOS CLARKE 7
WM. H. JOINER 4	ERNEST BRETT Tenor

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN. Conducted by WILLIAM H. HEWETT.

Rung to celebrate the centenary of the church, also as a birthday compliment to the tenor man.

MIDDLETON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Monday, Oct. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.	
JOHN HOLLOWES Treble	EX-P.C. WALTER BILLINGS 5
JAMES JACQUES 2	FRANK BERRY 6
WILLIAM BERRY 3	P.C. FRED PAGE 7
THOMAS K. DRIVER 4	P.C. JOSEPH WILSON Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BERRY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 5th, who hails from West Didsbury. Ringers of 7th and tenor belong to the Town Hall, Manchester, the rest to the local band.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 10 cwt.	
*PERCIVAL W. NORTON Treble	WILLIAM E. JUDD 5
BENJAMIN FOSKETT 2	HARRY KILBY 6
CECIL V. EBBERTSON 3	GEORGE M. KILBY 7
†EDWARD LANKESTER 4	THOMAS NEWMAN Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. JUDD.

Rung in honour of the 78th birthday of the father of the ringer of the treble. * First peal away from the tenor. † First peal with a bob bell.

FULNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
Tenor 14½ cwt.

*JOHN G. AMES Treble	JOHN W. WOOD 5
*MISS ANNIE PARKINS 2	ARTHUR H. PALMER 6
RUPERT RICHARDSON 3	GEORGE LADD 7
ARTHUR J. FARR 4	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

* First peal in the method.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;

WILLIAM BRIGGS Treble	FREDERICK E. WILSON 5
*THOMAS COOPER 2	*TOM ATKINS 6
CHARLES H. BRIGGS 3	WILLIAM SAUNDERS 7
CHARLES H. WEBB 4	LEONARD HEWITT Tenor

Composed by W. H. INGLESANT. Conducted by L. G. HEWITT.

* First peal away from the tenor and first peal of Major. † First peal of Major. Specially arranged for Messrs. Hewitt and Saunders. Mr. Hewitt was born at Stoney Stanton, learnt to ring there, and was for many years a regular service ringer at the church. Rung on the eve of the harvest festival and the feast of dedication. The ringers would like to take this opportunity of thanking Canon A. E. Disney for the use of the bells.

SHERFIELD ENGLISH, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;
Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. in A.

OWEN H. GILES Treble	PERCY W. CAVE 5
CHARLES W. CLARKE 2	D. CECIL WILLIAMS 6
*GEORGE PULLINGER 3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER 7
JAMES H. SHEPHERD 4	GEORGE WILLIAMS Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

* First peal of Superlative. First peal of Superlative on the bells. Rung on the eve of the conductor's 41st wedding-day anniversary.

PORTSEA, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... Treble	WILLIAM TATE 5
HENRY JENNINGS 2	RICHARD J. STONE 6
HENRY L. AITKEN 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 7
TOWER R. TAYLOR 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by E. J. HARDING, SEN.

First peal of Bob Major on the bells.

ASHTED, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

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

ALFRED H. WINCH Treble	JOHN H. WHITE 5
*GEORGE COOK 2	GEORGE MARRINER 6
*ERNEST WEATHERBY 3	ALBERT HARMAN 7
JOHN BEAMS 4	ARTHUR DEAN Tenor

Composed by F. HOPGOOD. Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

* First peal in the method with a bob bell.

BUCKLEY, FLINTS.
THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.	
J. E. USHER Treble	S. BIRKS 5
J. T. HOPWOOD 2	WM. SHORT 6
*E. SHONE 3	E. MESSHAM 7
G. DYMENT 4	*P. ROBERTS Tenor

Conducted by E. MESSHAM.
* First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung in commemoration of the centenary of the church.

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(EXETER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.	
EDWARD G. STOCKER ... Treble	FRED DIMOND 5
EDWIN SHEPHERD 2	JOHN M. SKINNER 6
ROBERT C. MANLEY 3	JOHN R. HAYMAN 7
JOHN C. OKE 4	*JOHN HARRIS Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. HAYMAN.

* First peal. Ringers of the 2nd, 4th and tenor hail from Exeter, the rest are local ringers.

ALFRED BOWELL,
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,
IPSWICH.

TARPORLEY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Helen,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5038 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt. 10 lb.

SAMUEL JONES, JUN. Treble	ROBERT SPERRING 5
HARRY F. HOLDING 2	HARRY OVERTON 6
RICHARD D. LANGFORD 3	RICHARD T. HOLDING 7
GEORGE R. JONES 4	JAMES H. RIDING Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by JAMES H. RIDING.
First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ERNEST MORRIS Treble	*SIDNEY COX 5
J. LESLIE WILLARS 2	HARRY BROUGHTON 6
HAROLD J. POOLE 3	*ERNEST J. JELLEY 7
*CHARLES RANDLE 4	*JOHN E. CLARKE Tenor

Conducted by HARRY BROUGHTON.

* First peal of Stedman. Quickest peal on the bells. Ringers of 1st, 3rd and 6th hail from Leicester, remainder are members of the local band.

MOUNT SORREL, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

DEXTER'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

JOHN OLDHAM Treble	SHIRLEY BURTON 5
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD 2	FREDERICK H. DEXTER 6
JOHN SADDINGTON 3	ALFRED MARTIN 7
PERCY HARRISON 4	THOMAS TAYLOR Tenor

Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

This was the first peal of Stedman on the bells.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT Treble	*ROBERT T. LAMBERT 5
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, SEN. 2	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, JUN. 6
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT 3	ALBERT E. EDWARDS 7
REGINALD E. LAMBERT 4	THOMAS LAMBERT Tenor

Composed by J. F. PENNING. Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

* 25th peal. Rung on the eve of the harvest thanksgiving at the above church, and as a birthday compliment to Messrs. R. T., R. E. and T. Lambert.

WHITWORTH, LANCs.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

VICAR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

TOM CLEGG Treble	WINSTON BANKS 5
WILLIAM TOMLINSON 2	JAMES H. LEES 6
SIMEON TAYLOR 3	JAMES H. KERSHAW 7
JOHN GRIFFITHS 4	*STEPHEN HOPKINSON Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. LEES.

* First peal.

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THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr.

FRANK H. DAVEY Treble	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN 5
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON 2	BEN S. THOMPSON 6
NORMAN R. BAILEY 3	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN 7
ROBERT HARDY 4	GEORGE H. CROSS Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal in the method by the ringers of the treble, 2nd, 3rd & 5th.

OATLANDS, SURREY.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 12½ cwt.

MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE Treble	EDWARD F. PIKE 5
HENRY R. NEWTON 2	ALAN R. MACDONALD 6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY 3	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD 7
WILLIAM SHEPHERD 4	HERBERT LANGDON Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

First peal in the method on the bells.

MANGOTSFIELD.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

*HUBERT JEFFERIES Treble	*THOMAS JAMES 5
ERNEST PALMER 2	*REGINALD MARSH 6
*WILLIAM HEWETT 3	JOHN G. JEFFERIES 7
*P.C. CYRIL HARDING 4	*CHARLES HANDY Tenor

Conducted by JOHN G. JEFFERIES.

* First peal. † First peal away from tenor. First peal by a local company.

RUSPER, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

ALBERT ELLIS Treble	ALFRED H. WINCH 5
FRANCIS T. HOAD 2	GEORGE ELLIS 6
JOHN AKEHURST 3	ALBERT HARMAN 7
GEORGE MARRINER 4	ARTHUR DEAN Tenor

Composed by F. ROBINSON. Conducted by ALFRED H. WINCH.

SIX BELL PEALS.

TUNSTALL, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise, and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob & Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 9½ cwt.

WILLIAM WOOD Treble	*STANLEY B. DOBBIE 4
*ERNEST J. DOBBIE 2	EDWARD H. SPICE 5
WILLIAM SPICE 3	WILLIAM NYE Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

* First peal of Minor.

TIOCKHILL, YORKS.—On Monday, Sept. 4th, to the memory of the late Mr. Haigh, for many years sidesman and churchworker at the Parish Church, with the bells half-muffled, 672 Bob Major: C. Thompson 1, J. Cannings 2, W. H. Dale 3, A. Hill 4, H. Wagstaffe 5, H. Barnes 6, A. Winn 7, J. E. Cawser (conductor) 8.—Also 224: C. Thompson 1, J. Cannings 2, H. Barnes 3, Miss Alice Clarkson 4, H. Wagstaffe 5, W. H. Dale 6, A. Winn 7, A. Hill (conductor) 8.

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

On Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholar's Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.
Tenor 9½ cwt.

HAROLD G. LOVELL Treble	FREDERICK J. MYNARD 4
JACOB LOVELL 2	WILLIAM JACQUES 5
ERNEST G. MYNARD 3	EDWIN S. MYNARD Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK J. MYNARD.

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

On Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent Treble Bob and Single Oxford Bob, and two 720's each of Oxford Treble Bob & Plain Bob. Tenor 19 cwt.

FRANK REEVE Treble	ALFRED WATSON 4
HARRY HALL 2	JAMES WARDLEY 5
JOHN GARRETT 3	JOHN HALL Tenor

Conducted by JOHN HALL.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Hall.

KEMPSFORD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 4 six-scores of Plain Bob, 8 of Old Doubles, 6 of Canterbury, 10 of Grandsire & 14 of St. Dunstan's, each called differently.
Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE J. WINTER Treble	FRANCIS J. LEWIS 4
JAMES BUTLER 2	JOHN HOPE 5
WILLIAM C. COSS 3	GEORGE W. HASTINGS Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.

HORSELL, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of St. Clement's Bob, Woodbine, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Tenor 10½ cwt.

ERNEST OLIVER Treble	MISS HILDA F. MILLS 4
MISS BERTHA M. MILLS 2	GEORGE CHANDLER 5
MISS K. A. AVENELL 3	QMR.-SGT. G. GILBERT, R.E. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE GILBERT, R.E.

* First peal of Minor in seven methods. This is believed to be the first peal in seven methods in which three ladies have rung working bells.

MARTLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM RANFORD Treble	SIDNEY T. HOLT 4
WILLIAM DOWDING 2	ROBERT G. KNOWLES 5
WILLIAM NISLETT 3	CHARLES CAMM Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES CAMM.

First attempt at Double Oxford by W. Dowding. This was R. G. Knowles' 100th peal for this Association.

WOOD GREEN, LONDON.—At St. Michael's Church, on Monday, August 28th, for practice, 360 Plain Bob Doubles: S. Parker 1, E. H. Baldwin 2, W. Lawford 3, A. E. Fount (conductor) 4, F. Moon 5, G. Lawford 6. Also 720 Plain Bob: S. Parker 1, E. H. Baldwin 2, T. Deal 3, W. E. Ringrose 4, F. Moon 5, C. H. Ross (conductor) 6. This is the first 720 'in hand' by the ringers of the treble, 2nd and 5th, to whom great credit is due.

WILLINGTON, BEDS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

† WILFRED C. IBBETT Treble	HERBERT FIELDS 4
* MISS C. M. FIELDS 2	† THOMAS H. TOWNSEND 5
GEORGE D. COLEMAN 2	SIDNEY J. COLEMAN Tenor

Conducted by S. J. COLEMAN.

* First peal. † First peal in three methods.

WEST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Plain Bob, and two each of Oxford Single and Warnham Court, each called differently.

T. ADAMS Treble	* V. GOATCHER 4
* G. WARNETT 2	J. BOWELL 5
H. TURRELL 3	W. DENMAN, JUN. Tenor

Conducted by W. DENMAN, JUN.

* First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor.

HANDBELL PEALS.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Oct. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 1-2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4	* WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN. 7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MISS GREGORY and MRS. PULLING.

* First peal 'in hand.'

CLAPHAM, SURREY.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Oct. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,
AT 63A, OLD TOWN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

* MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... 1-2	GEORGE R. PYE ... 5-6
WILLIAM PYE ... 3-4	* FRANK I. HAIRS ... 7-8

Composed by JAMES PAGETT. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpires: W. HEWETT and C. W. R. GRIMWOOD.

* First peal in the method 'in hand.'

LONDON.
THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT 63A, OLD TOWN, CLAPHAM, S.W.,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 16 in B flat.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 1-2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4	* WILLIAM HEWETT ... 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: C. W. R. GRIMWOOD. Witness: MRS. F. I. HAIRS.

* First peal in the method 'in hand.'

SHREWSBURY.
ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,
IN ST. CHAD'S BELFRY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings.

* REGINALD KYNASTON ... 1	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... 3-4
JAMES E. LILLEY ... 2	WILLIAM B. KYNASTON ... 5
† DAVID JAMES 6	

Conducted by JAMES E. LILLEY.

* First peal. † First peal on handbells.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ROCHESTER DISTRICT'S SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The annual meeting of the above district was held at Sittingbourne on Saturday, October 7th, and was attended by a thoroughly representative gathering. It was pleasing to note the 'young blood' of the district taking interest in these meetings, and they turned up in force. In the absence of the Vicar, who was away on mission work, the Rev. M. Allen, curate, officiated, and the organist was also present, and enlivened the service. A collection at the close realised 11s. 2d., and helped to swell the Association War Memorial Funds.

Tea was served at Cremer's Restaurant, and 44 members sat down. The business meeting followed, Mr. W. Haigh, Gillingham, being elected to the chair.

Three non-resident members, Messrs. A. H. Pulling (Guildford), G. W. Seere (Guildford) and C. H. Dobbie (Surrey), who had been proposed previous to peal attempts, had their election confirmed, and one new practising member was elected.

The District Secretary presented his annual report and balance sheet. In the former he reported that Sunday ringing was being fully maintained, and in the matter of peal ringing the district was not behind, as some good peals were recorded. At their district meetings they had been entertained by the Rev. Campbell Ward, at Swanscombe. The membership showed a slight falling off, owing to the large band at Haling last year, which numbered 24, falling down to three. Bell restoration was going ahead in their midst, as Gravesend were hoping shortly to have their peal of eight recast and hung in a new steel frame. Mr. Bowell had put in a frame for six at Chalk, and rehung the present three, which was a step towards getting six at that tower. Cliffe bells were shortly to be overhauled by Mr. Bowell, and rehung, and it was hoped that this peal of eight would be ringable by Christmas. Their old friend, Mr. Haigh, of Gillingham, automatically ceased to be a member of the general committee, and he was sure the district could not let the occasion pass without expressing their keen appreciation of his valued services for a great number of years. Their share in the County War Memorial was slowly, very slowly, going ahead, and he was pleased to report that that day their total had reached £10, and urged the members to hurry on with their collecting cards. Their balance sheet, including the day's expenses, showed a balance in hand of £12 10s., and he commented on the fact that they only mustered four hon. members in their district, which was a very poor total. On behalf of the Association he thanked all for their support, feeling assured it would be continued.

On the proposition of Mr. Shellock (Chatham), a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the secretary for his report and balance sheet.

The Chairman said that having heard such a report he was bound to propose the re-election of their secretary, Mr. F. M. Mitchell, which was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. W. Haigh, who had so faithfully served the district on the committee, was sent back to that body, as district representative, to accompany Mr. W. Spice (Tunstall), the other representative.

Northfleet was chosen as the place for the next meeting, to be held on Saturday, January 13th, 1923, and to conclude the meeting a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, to the curate for conducting the service, to the organist for his accompaniments, and to the chairman for presiding.

The tower was again visited, and during the day touches in various methods up to Cambridge and Superlative Surprise were rung. After the meeting Tunstall tower was well patronised by six-bell enthusiasts. The bells were lowered in peal on the district's last meeting of the year, all expressing the hope that next year would be even more successful than the one they were finishing.

TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.

A quarterly meeting of the above was held at Westerham on Saturday, Oct. 7th, and was attended by about 40 members. Some good practice was obtained in the various standard methods. The usual service was held, conducted by the Vicar (Canon Boyd), who gave a most interesting address, in which he traced the history of the ancient church, and pointed out the features of the sacred building. Unfortunately the Vicar was unable to attend the tea and business meeting, but his churchwarden (Col. Bonham Carter) kindly filled his place.

The District Secretary made a feeling reference to the loss the district had sustained in the sudden death of Mr. T. Wallis, of Edenbridge, and read a letter he had received from Mrs. Wallis, in reply to a letter of condolence he had sent on behalf of the members of the district. The secretary's action was approved, and the members signified their sympathy and respect by standing in silence for a few moments.

The District Secretary subsequently made an earnest appeal on behalf of the fund which is being raised for the widow and daughter of the late Mr. Wallis, whose activities during his lifetime were recorded in 'The Ringing World' of Sept. 22nd. A collection realised £2.

On the question of a tower for the annual district meeting, Tun-

bridge Wells and Sevenoaks were proposed.—On being put to the vote Sevenoaks was selected.

The usual votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar, Colonel Bonham Carter, and to Mr. G. B. Selby, and the rest of the local band for the respective parts they had taken in arranging and carrying out such a successful meeting.

The members then again adjourned to the tower for further ringing.

INSTRUCTIONAL WORK.

To the Editor.

Sir,—You are right in urging the importance of providing instructors for change ringing, and in your view that more might be done, and with greater energy, in this direction. But it is only fair to the Associations to remember certain difficulties which in practice hamper the best intentions. The first is that of finding competent instructors. Many good ringers, with all the will to help, cannot teach others. They lack the infinite patience and sympathy with ignorance which a good teacher should have, in class room or in belfry; they cannot 'suffer fools gladly'; and they are too often impatient of results. The visits of such men to a young band may result in disappointment rather than encouragement. Another difficulty, felt more perhaps in country places than in towns, is that of securing regular attendance and perseverance on the part of learners, and their impatience of correction.

'No man,' it has been well said, 'will make a good ringer who cannot stand being told that he is wrong'; and when this happens, neither the instructor nor the Association which sends him is to blame.

There are also difficulties of cost, of distance, of communication with remote districts, and so forth; but where there is a will to overcome these, a way can be found. The real difficulty, as with most machinery and with any scheme for benefiting others, lies in the human element—in the man behind the machine, in the agent for carrying out the scheme, and in those whom it is intended to benefit; and so it is with instructional work among ringers. Such work deserves every encouragement, and all the energy that can be put into it; but it is not so simple a matter as it seems on paper.

T. L. PAPILLON

(Formerly Master of the Essex Association).

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Northern Branch was held at Gainsborough, on Saturday, Sept. 30th, when members to the number of 70 were present from the various towers connected with the branch. A short service was held in the Parish Church, at which the Rev. H. T. Parry, of Bigby, gave an excellent address.

Tea was subsequently partaken of in the Co-operative Hall, and was followed by a business meeting presided over by Mr. F. F. Linley (President of the Branch), who was supported by the Rev. Canon Standon (Vicar of Gainsborough), the Rev. H. T. Parry (Rector of Bigby), the Rev. R. Bond (Rector of St. Peter-at-Archies, Lincoln), members of the committee, and the hon. secretary.

Several new members were elected, and Market Rasen was chosen as the place for the half-yearly meeting.

The President gave a most interesting address upon the history of bells.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for arranging the service, also to the Rev. H. T. Parry for his address, brought the business meeting to an end.

Some excellent ringing, both in the afternoon and evening, took place upon the magnificent peal of eight, which hang in the tower of the Parish Church.

THE LADIES' GUILD.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.

The third annual meeting of the Southern District of the Ladies' Guild was held at Hawley on a recent Saturday. Ringing commenced shortly before 4 o'clock, and was continued until 4.30, when the Rector (the Rev. Glennie) conducted the Guild service. Afterwards the party, consisting of eleven ladies and ten gentlemen, made their way to the Parish Room, where a splendid tea had been prepared by some of the lady members of the church.

At the business meeting it was proposed by Mrs. Hazelden, and seconded by Miss A. Fisher, that Miss H. Mills should remain as secretary.—It was decided, if possible, to hold the next annual meeting at Rammore.—A hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. and Mrs. Glennie, and to all who assisted in giving the ringers such a good time, was passed.

The belfry was then again visited, and more touches rung, including a course of Grandsire by the following members of the Guild: Miss Avenell (Worplesdon) 1, Miss B. Mills (Aldershot) 2, Miss Wood (Bagshot) 3, Miss A. Fisher (Aldershot) 4, Mrs. Melville (Guildford) 5, Miss E. Fisher (Dorking) 6, Miss Nye (Bagshot) 7, Miss H. Mills 8. The towers represented were Guildford, Aldershot, Bagshot, Yateley, Farnboro', Worplesdon, Sandhurst, Hawley, Dorking and Camberley.

A TOUR THROUGH CHESHIRE.

On Thursday, Sept. 21st, twelve good men and true from Liverpool arranged to meet at Woodside, Birkenhead, for a motor trip round the south of Cheshire, but at the appointed time one was found to be 'dodging the column.' He was eventually discovered consuming cigarettes, watching the policemen on point duty. When all were aboard, the party started on the great adventure. After a good run they reached Bunbury, the first call. Here is a good ring of eight (tenor 14cwt. 3qr. 11lb.), by Mears and Stainbank, and a well-struck touch of Stedman augured well for the day's enjoyment. Touches of Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob were also rung. Going on to Tarporley the party found a very handy peal of eight (tenor 10 cwt.), also by Mears and Stainbank. The bells were soon ringing merrily to Stedman, and afterwards, Superlative having failed, Oxford Treble Bob was rung instead. Then came the great call of the day—dinner. The party were welcomed by mine host of the Rising Sun, who surpassed himself in the sumptuous and substantial meal he placed before them. The trusty steed having then been wound up and fed, the party sped on to Wistaston, where there is a light ring of six (tenor 6 cwt. 0qr. 6lb.), by Gillett and Johnston. Touches of Stedman Doubles and London Minor were rung. When on the road again the erstwhile trusty steed put the 'wind up' the company by slipping a nut. Upon examination, however, this proved far less serious than feared, and Crewe was reached, where conclusions with that excellent ring of 10 (tenor 20 cwt.), by Gillett and Johnston, were tried, and a most creditable touch of Stedman Caters rung, followed by Grandsire Caters and Kent Treble Bob Royal. Then, augmented by one of the Crewe ringers (who kindly acted as guide as far as Sandbach), the excursionists proceeded to the 'piece de resistance,' that fine old ring of eight at Barthomley. Here is one of Taylor's masterpieces, as fine a ring of eight as one would ever hear (tenor 13cwt. 1qr. 14lb.). Met by the Vicar (the Rev. — Skene), a genial gentleman, who breathes goodwill to everybody, they were shown some interesting objects round the church, particularly the fine Norman arch. Well-struck touches of Stedman and Plain Bob were brought round, and then the party had to hurry along to Sandbach, where tea was waiting for them. Afterwards, in the tower, where there is a handy peal of eight (tenor 16 cwt.), various touches were rung. It was now getting dusk, so it was regretfully decided to leave out Middlewich and Over, and the steed was turned towards the port of Chester, and thence to Birkenhead. Thanks are tendered to the respective Vicars and steeplekeepers for granting permission and seeing that everything was ready, and to those friends who met the party at the various places.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**MEETINGS THAT CLASH.**

A quarterly meeting of the Western district of the Hertford County Association was held at King's Langley on a recent Saturday, and was one of the most successful meetings since the district was formed. Ringers to the number of 23 attended from Berkhamsted, Hemel Hempsted, Bushey, Oxhey, Croydon, Tring, Hatfield, and the local tower. The methods rung were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Kent and Plain Bob Major.—The Vicar (the Rev. J. P. Haythornthwaite) conducted a short service in the Parish Church, and gave a very interesting address, which was much appreciated by those present. Tea, which was served in the Church House by the wives of the King's Langley ringers, was followed by the business meeting, the Vicar presiding.

Before proceeding with the business, the Secretary asked that a hearty vote of thanks be given the Vicar and the local ringers for entertaining the association with a splendid tea.—This was accorded by acclamation.

The Vicar was elected an honorary member of the Association, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Hemel Hempsted on the first Saturday in December.—On the proposition of Mr. W. Ayre, the hon. secretary was asked to arrange with the secretaries of the Watford and St. Albans Districts so that the meetings do not clash, as had happened recently.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells and his address, to the organist, and also to the ladies for assisting at the tea table.—This concluded the business, and the helphy was again visited.

5,088 BRISTOL SURPRISE.

To the Editor.

Sir,—The 5,088 of Bristol published in the current issue by F. Bennett was composed by me some years ago. I have passed the figures on to various conductors from time to time, among whom, if memory serves me, are R. Matthews, S. Grove and T. J. Salter.

Perhaps if this meets the eye of any gentleman who has them among his collection, he will be good enough to corroborate my statement.

I have always regarded this as the best peal obtainable in the method.—Yours, etc.,
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BELFRY GOSSIP.

There ought to be a suitable commemoration next Thursday of the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal ever rung, for it is exactly a hundred years ago on the 26th that the All Saints', Wakefield, Society, rang the peal upon their own bells, Joseph Tobbs, of Leeds, being the only outsider in the band.

The peal, it is recorded, was composed and conducted by William Woodhead, and the composition is preserved. It is in three parts, with a middle and wrong in every course, and a bob at home at every fifth course-end. Strictly, of course, the plan is Annable's.

In the annals of the Wakefield Society it is stated that it was 'the first peal ever attempted in the above difficult method by any set of men in the kingdom, which will be a standing laurel for the society for ages to come.'

Here, then, is an opportunity for present-day Cambridge Surprise Royal men to celebrate an interesting centenary.

Holt's Original was rung at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, London, on Oct. 23rd, 1791, and until recent years it was believed that this was the first occasion the peal was conducted by one of those ringing in the peal. Investigations have now shown that this was done at Saffron Walden on Christmas Day, 1753, and again on New Year's Day, 1754.

On the anniversary in 1884 of the peal at St. Giles', the College Youths rang the composition 'silent' at the same church.

On October 25th, 1731, a peal of Stedman Triples was rung at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, and was the first in the method. It was proclaimed and recorded in the picturesque language which was customary at the time, but proved to be false.

On October 24th, 1807, a peal of 15,120 Bob Major was rung at St. Paul's, Oldham, in 8 hours 46 minutes.

In 1891, on Oct. 24th, a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on the Curfew Bells at Windsor Castle, by the Cumberland Youths, conducted by George Newson. A peal had not been rung on the bells for more than a hundred years.

On Oct. 26th, 1837, a 7,325 Grandsire Cinques was rung at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields by the St. James' Society, and on the same day in 1867, 6,240 Cumberland Exercise Major (composed by Sottenstall) was rung at Liversidge.

A correspondent, J. J. J., writing with regard to the Leatherhead outing recorded last week, says: 'I suppose dear old Winchy was fast asleep when he passed two eight-bell towers—Hawley and Yateley—in Hampshire, and thus missed making a 6-county trip!'

Mr. R. Geater, captain of St. Peter's band, Tiverton, writes to point out that the recent peal at Babbacombe was not the first in which a lady had taken part in Devon. About fifteen years ago Miss Elliott rang the 3rd through a beautifully struck peal at Tiverton, where the tenor is 28 cwt.

'Once a Beginner' writes that he notes in the last issue a peal of Surprise at Frodsham, in which a father and two sons rang their first peal of Surprise together. 'Now, to settle any further arguments like this or the one when dear old friend Tom of Kidder and Tom O'Kent claimed to be something or other, how about Father Banister and his six sons at Woolwich? How many did they ring? I know that a lot of them were in the second peal of London ever rung.'

It is an interesting fact that these seven Banisters with a tenor man rang peals both of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and, as 'Once a Beginner' points out, father and several sons were in the first peals of Superlative and London which they rang. The College Youths peal book between 1843 and 1851 might give us further information.

Mr. George Williams writes to thank his many ringing friends for their kind letters of congratulation upon his 1,000 peals. They have been so numerous that he has not yet had time to answer them all.

'A local' peal of Grandsire Triples has been rung at Mangotsfield, Gloucestershire, in which there were five 'first peals.' These five ringers only learnt to pull a bell after the ring was opened in May, 1921, and are to be congratulated upon their progress.

Last Saturday a peal of Stedman Cinques was attempted at Sheffield Cathedral to celebrate Church Congress week. Unfortunately it came to grief in the last few sizes, after 3 hrs. 57 minutes' ringing! What luck!

The peal of Minor at Bridstow, on October 3rd, was rung in 2 hrs. and 45 minutes—not 3 hrs. and 45 minutes, as printed last week.

A well-known ringer who took part in the Oxford Guild tour in Beds and Berks, and travelled by motor-cycle, has had to pay two police court fines for technical offences while on the road. Probably railway fares would have proved cheaper under the circumstances.

Mr. Ben Gough, of Tipton, is, we are pleased to state, making great progress after his recent accident, and hopes to be at business in the course of a few days. He wishes to thank his numerous friends, both near and far, for their kind letters of sympathy, and also the many visitors who called to see him at his home.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association held its annual general meeting at Ipswich on Wednesday, Oct. 4th. The rings of bells at St. Mary-le-Tower (12), St. Margaret's (8), St. Clement's (6), St. Matthew's (5), St. Lawrence (5), St. Mary's, Bramford (6), and All Saints', Sproughton (6), were, by kind permission of the incumbents, open for the use of members throughout the day. Divine service was held in the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower, conducted by the President of the Association (the Dean of Norwich), and the sermon was preached by the Venerable A. R. Buckland, M.A., Archdeacon of Norfolk.

Luncheon was served at the Ipswich Co-operative Hall, the President being in the chair. Supporting him were the Venerable Archdeacon of Norfolk, the Rev. W. C. Pearson, Mr. Charles E. Borrett (vice-president), Mr. Arthur L. Coleman (general secretary), Messrs. H. J. Day, F. R. Borrett, C. E. Fisher (district secretaries), Mr. S. R. Roper (Croydon), Mr. E. P. Poppy, Mr. J. Souter, and forty other representatives from Norfolk and Suffolk. Letters of apology were read for non-attendance from the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Thetford, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Wood, Canon Douglas-Hamilton, Capt. A. E. Reeves, Mr. G. P. Burton, and Messrs. G. E. Symonds, C. S. Tullihill, and George Wilson.

The toast of 'The King' was proposed by the Dean of Norwich, and duly honoured.

The Venerable Archdeacon of Norfolk proposed 'The Association, which was responded to by Mr. Hubert J. Day.

BISHOP OF ST. EDMUNDSBURY'S RESIGNATION.

The President read a letter from the Lord Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, resigning his patronage of the Association, stating there was a new Diocesan Association for St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, of which he was president, and that it would be vain to attempt any effective contact with both. Therefore, under these circumstances, he ought to resign his connection with the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, which he regretted extremely parting from.

Mr. Arthur L. Coleman then read the 41st annual report for 1922 (the 45th year of the Association). In this it stated that the committee were gratified to be able to congratulate the members on the steady progress that had been made since their last annual meeting. During this period their membership had increased, and 190 peals were accomplished by their members. Many of these peals were excellent performances, and indicated the progress and intention of their members to ring the higher and more intricate methods. Seventy-four members had been elected during the year, but they regretted the loss of ten members by death, and 28 by resignation and lapsed membership. There now remained a total membership of 1,070, as against 1,022 last year. Deep regret was expressed at the heavy toll, by death, amongst the few remaining original members of the Association, viz., the Rev. Edmund Charles Hopper, M.A., Mr. Frederick Day, Mr. James Skinner, Mr. Robert Hutton and Mr. Thomas Sadler. The Association again occupied the first place in the Central Council's Analysis, with a grand total of 189 peals, and with a total value in points of 3,338. The average of points per peal was 17.65, this being 1.761 points above the average value per peal by all Associations. Three branch meetings and two district meetings had been held by the Norwich Diocesan Branch, and two branch meetings and twelve district meetings had been held by the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch.

THE SUFFOLK DISCUSSION.

The report reviewed the unsuccessful efforts to federate the Association with the new Suffolk Diocesan Association under its 'scheme of Federation,' which, after careful deliberation, was rejected by both the Standing Committee and by the two branches of the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association. It was satisfactory that this somewhat complicated controversy had, at least, had a happy issue, in so far that the Norfolk and East Suffolk members still remained firmly united, and that both branches were now embraced in one Association covering the two Dioceses, the Norwich Diocese and the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocese. The only regret was that the founders of the new Suffolk Diocesan Association did not see their way to throw in their lot with them, and that as a result there were now two Associations at work in the Suffolk Diocese. It was hoped they would continue as good neighbours and friendly rivals.

The President said they had hardly reached their ante-war figures, but they were not far off. Considering all the difficulties, a total membership of 1,070 was very creditable indeed, and they had accomplished good work.—The report was unanimously adopted.

The General Secretary and Treasurer submitted an estimated balance sheet for the year ending December 31st, 1922, which showed that there would be a deficit of £25 (approximately) owing to the heavy expense in printing the peal records in the annual reports.

The President stated that the Standing Committee had that morning carefully considered the Association's financial position, with the

view of reducing the large expenditure on the reports, and that they recommended as a temporary measure only, the tabulation of the 'peal records' as being the only means of making a substantial reduction of expenditure without destroying the general feature of the annual report, so that the deficit could be wiped out.—The report was unanimously adopted.

All the officers were re-elected.—The President proposed, and the Secretary seconded, the Rev. Canon F. J. Meyrick, Vicar of St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, as an elected member of the Standing Committee, vice the Rev. E. C. Hopper, deceased.

The General Secretary announced with regret the resignation of Mr. James Motts as district secretary for Ipswich, and paid high tribute to his services, covering a period of 44 years.—The Dean of Norwich moved, and the Rev. W. C. Pearson seconded, that Mr. James Motts be elected a vice-president of the Association, in recognition of his great services to the Association.—This was carried unanimously.

THE IPSWICH BRANCH SECRETARYSHIP.

The General Secretary read the names of twelve life members (non-resident) for ratification, and the nominations of sixteen members for election.—These were all duly elected.

Mr. William B. Duncan was elected district secretary for the Aylsham district, and Mr. Frederick C. Lambert, district secretary for the Halesworth district.—The announcement that Mr. Charles E. Fisher had withdrawn his resignation as district secretary for the Woodbridge district was received with gratification by the meeting.

The General Secretary said that the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch had not met to appoint a branch secretary, but hoped soon that the branch would be successful in finding a member to take office in place of Mr. Edward Evans, resigned. The annual report expressed regret at Mr. Evans' resignation on leaving Ipswich, he having held office from the inception of the constitution of the Association into two branches, and eulogised the work that Mr. Evans did in organising the Suffolk Branch. The thanks of the Association were due to him for guiding that branch through a complicated and difficult period with success.

The General Secretary said he had received a letter from the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, librarian to the Central Council, asking for a careful revision of the Association's 'roll of honour,' as published in the annual report for 1919, for the preparation of the Central Council Ringers' Roll of Honour of Church Bell Ringers who fell in the great war. The names were to be written on parchment, and given an honoured place in the library of the Council. It was important that the list should be complete and accurate, and he (Mr. Coleman) hoped that members would send in to him any corrections or additions without delay.

Votes of thanks were moved to the Ven. the Archdeacon of Norfolk for his eloquent address at the service, the incumbents for their kind permission for the use of the bells, and to Miss Baldwin for presiding at the organ at the service that morning. A very successful and enjoyable meeting then terminated.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

PROPOSED 'ARMISTICE DAY' RINGING.

By kind permission of the Rector, the Rev. C. F. Westacott, a quarterly meeting of the Wellingborough District was held at Wilby on Saturday, October 14th, members being present from Finedon, Irthlingborough, Wellingborough, Great Doddington, Earls Barton, Easton Maudit, Thrapston, Yardley, Hastings, Great Addington, and the local ringers. The bells, a light peal of five, were kept going during the afternoon and evening to Stedman, Grandsire and Bob Doubles.

A short service was held in the beautiful little church, conducted by the Rector, who gave a very interesting address, and appealed to those present to be loyal and true to the Association, and make themselves more worthy of their calling.

The party then made their way to the Church Room, where 29 sat down to a splendid tea, kindly provided by some friends at Wilby, and which was heartily appreciated.

The business meeting followed, and in the absence of the vice-president, through illness, the Rector presided, and extended a very hearty welcome to the members. He hoped to see a larger number of them the next time they came to Wilby.

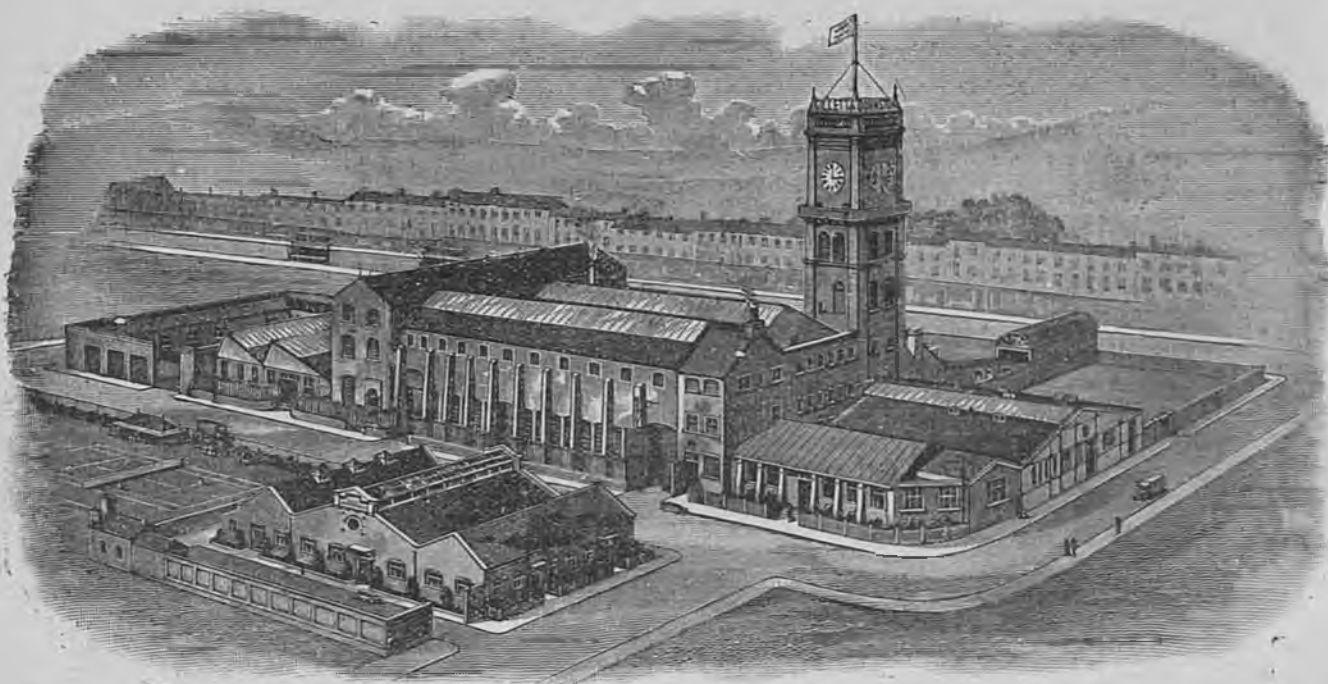
The Secretary said that a suggestion had been made to alter the annual meeting from Whit-Monday to some other date not yet fixed, and invited those present to express their opinions upon it. The majority, however, saw no reason for making an alteration.

The Secretary also appealed to the members to do their best to carry on the good work begun so well last year in the ringing of the bells muffled on Armistice Day, and said that no doubt there would be many peals rung this year, as it fell on a Saturday. He hoped, however, that if peal ringers were drawn from other places they would so arrange that their own towers were not neglected.

Votes of thanks were heartily accorded to the Rector for the use of the bells and for his address, to the donors of the tea, the organist and the lady helpers. This brought a very enjoyable and successful meeting to a close.

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ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

THE OXFORD GUILD TOUR.

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Wraybury.—The Rev. L. F. Hake, Vicar. Mr. J. Burley, foreman. Saturday, Sept. 16th.—Early astir and a promise of a fine day, the band turned out prompt and fit to take motor at 9.30, the vehicle being generously supplied by an old friend of the Slough ringers, Mr. E. Sargeant, parish clerk. Engine trouble made some delay, but it enabled Mr. Evans to reach us, he having missed his train from Wycombe, and taxied over rather than be out of the finish. We were met by the Vicar, and Mr. Churchwarden Mann, formerly of Sittingbourne (both practical change ringers), the former offering up prayers. Some little fitting had to be done to the 4th slider and stay, and a full examination was made all round before starting upon our 'one thousand up.' At 2.30 p.m., the fourth man ever to have completed 'his thousandth' peal had the satisfaction of crying 'this is all' to a good performance. When you begin to feel an aching void in the lower regions, it doesn't help one to find the man who had been instructed to prepare a birthday lunch for the party, ringing beside you. The man who should have rung had no such instructions, and so we had to wander about a little before Mr. Burley could find us some food. The Perseverance Inn rewarded us, and brother Bill paid the bill to the tune of 'Britons never, never, Nevad shall be slaves.' That homely meal, taken not far from Runnymede, where King John was forced to sign the Magna Charta, will not for long be forgotten by the dozen men present. Of the band—in the order they stood—the number of peals to their credit totalled as follows: Treble, 1,193; second, 499; third, 230; fourth, 47; fifth, 200; sixth, 234; seventh, 800; and tenor, 1,000; or a grand total of 4,203 peals in all. Wraybury Church, dedicated to St. Andrew, is supposed to have been built by King John. It is in the Early English style, with later additions. There are ancient brasses, 1512 and 1588. Earlier registers are supposed to have been destroyed by fire, for the present ones date from 1734. On an adjoining estate is a portion of King John's hunting-box, now a farmhouse, and on Magna Charta Island may be seen the massive oak table upon which King John is said to have affixed his seal, the original document being still preserved here.

Old Windsor. — Rev. J. Russell Napier, Vicar. Mr. J. Gutteridge, foreman. We were reinforced here by the arrival of the South Bucks twins, Messrs. W. Henley and W. Welling, and were visited by the Vicar. We settled down to some good London Surprise Major, but its successful ending was not to be, and at 7 p.m. we adjourned to high tea at the Wheatheaf Hotel, on the invitation of Mr. Fussell to celebrate an annual event. The team in the tower were Messrs. Jenkins, Fussell, Mayne, Henley, Evans, Welling, Hart and Williams (conductor). They were joined at the tea-table by the other tourists, who had made a flying visit to Windsor Castle and the Royal Chapel. We recrossed old Father Thames in a G.W. railway carriage via Eton, not as we came into Berks—by old-fashioned ferry boat at Wraybury loaded with ten hefty peal ringers in one load. Ten o'clock saw the party taking supper at the Reindeer, Slough, well satisfied with their ups and downs and rounds of the tour, tired but happy.

W. H. F.

READING RINGERS IN TAUNTON DISTRICT

On Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 2nd and 3rd, St. Mary's Society, Reading, held their annual outing, when they visited Taunton and district. On arriving at 12.15 they were met by an old friend, in the person of Mr. J. Hunt, who had made all arrangements, and who conducted the party to their headquarters, Poole's Restaurant, where the inner-man was quickly satisfied. After this two taxis conveyed the visitors to Wiveliscombe, where there is a fine peal of eight (tenor about a ton), and Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob were rung. The visitors then went on to Milverton (tenor 19 cwt.), where the same methods were rung before adjourning to the White Hart Hotel for tea. Afterwards, some of the party tried their hands at skittles, but without much success. Proceeding to Norton Fitzwarren, where there is a light peal of six, Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob were rung, but this part of the programme had to be hurried over, as an invitation had been received from Mr. John Thomas to ring on the fine peal of twelve at St. Mary's, Taunton. This was much enjoyed. The rest of the evening was spent at the Wood Lane Inn (kept by Mr. Joe Maddock, one of the local ringers) with handbells and other music.

On Sunday morning the party were at St. James' Church at 9.45, the bells having been placed at their disposal till 11 o'clock. Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Double Norwich were the methods. After service the visitors rang at St. George's, Wilton, a very light peal of six, and at 3.50 started on their journey home, arriving in Reading at 9.15, after one of the best outings the society had ever had. The members comprising the party were Messrs. J. Swain, F. Hoggood, A. Watmore, J. Goodenough, W. A. Webb, A. Jeffery and C. Giles, and they desire to thank, through 'The Ringing World,' all those who assisted to make the trip such a success, especially Mr. J. Hunt, who looked after them 'like a father.'

A NEW BELL BUFFER.

TRIAL AT WARFIELD.

Dedicated to St. Michael, and gay with the decorations of harvest festival, the season of Michaelmas was kept up at Warfield Parish Church by the pealing of the pretty octave of bells at this remote Berkshire parish on Saturday afternoon and evening of Sept. 30th. By kind invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. Clifford Toogood, M.A.), tea was provided at the Brownlow Hall, some 15 ringers sharing the joys of the teacup, a smoke and a chat.—Mr. A. J. Harman (hon. secretary of the East Berks Branch of the Oxon Diocesan Guild) thanked the Vicar for his reception and presence in the chair, also for his thoughtfulness in asking the ringers to come and hear the effect of a set of 'bell buffers' recently fitted to the clappers. Ringers in the district always enjoyed coming to Warfield, and he hoped local men would come in to the Windsor practices whenever possible; they would be very welcome. The introduction of this aid to the vibration of the bells was due to a holiday at Ashbourne, Derbyshire, spent this summer by the Vicar, who was much impressed by the tone of the peal of bells there, and the enthusiasm of Mr. R. E. Sadler in advocating this buffer, which is made by a firm claiming to be the originators of the bell buffer at a local works and duly patented.

The tower was visited after tea, and further touches in the standard methods rung till 9 p.m., conducted by Messrs. Welling, Harman and Henley.—Members present included Messrs. Farr, Smith, Knight, Copley, W. W. Cross, Crofts, Fussell, Bateman, Harman, Henley, Welling, a few of his boy scout team, Mr. Higgs, J. Brant, junr., and several of the local ringers.

The first touch of the afternoon was a well-struck 600 of Grandsire Triples by the Windsor Parish Church company, conducted by A. J. Harman. Those not ringing wandered round the fields picking blackberries and listening to the added hum of what is a really full-toned octave by Mears and Stainbank (without any aids to resonance), the tenor being 13½ cwt. only. It ought to be mentioned that when the tower was restored the windows opening on all four sides of the bell loft were filled up with stone and cement (excepting the tracery of the Gothic heads), so that too much confusion of sound exists in the ringing room, however pleasant the result to those who hear the bells outside.

In the circular describing this invention the statement:—'The bell buffer itself in no way corresponds with any previous invention under the name of "Clapper Buffer," although its duties are the same'—appears to need some explanation. This is the fourth invention during the past 40 years to be placed before the Exercise, and in all probability it will meet with the fate of similar previous inventions. At Mr. Fussell's suggestion a touch was rung with the buffers taken off Nos. 2, 3, 5 and 7 bells, leaving 1, 4, 6, 8 (as chords), with the buffers fitted, and this was found to be an improvement to the sound in the ringing room.

W. H. F.

ACTON RINGERS IN BUCKS.

A most enjoyable time was spent in Bucks by the ringers of St. Mary's Parish Church, Acton, on the occasion of their annual outing. They left Ealing Broadway Station on Saturday, Sept. 16th, by the 2.35 train for Denham, where a pleasant stroll across the fields to the village, with its very ancient buildings—much admired by all—brought them to the Parish Church of St. Mary's. The tower contains a fine toned heavy peal of eight, rung from the ground floor, and the bells were soon pealing forth in Grandsire Triples, the 'go' being so bad that nothing higher was attempted. After 'falling' the bells in peal, train was taken to Beaconsfield, another old-world town, where Mr. Buckland was waiting for the party. Soon this glorious peal—recently rehung—was swinging to the familiar strains of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Kent Treble Bob Major. The company then adjourned to the Saracen's Head, where a real ringers' tea was awaiting them, and full justice was done. Time pressing, a move was made to the station for the 7.6 train to High Wycombe. Here was the 'star turn' for the lofty and spacious tower of the Parish Church of All Saints contains a magnificent peal of twelve bells, and some of the visitors had not previously rung upon this number.

The party was met at the church door by Mr. Ralph Coles and Mr. Goodchild, and strengthened later by Mr. Wilkins, who extended to them a welcome. The bells were raised in peal, and several courses of Grandsire Caters, Stedman Caters and Kent Treble Bob Royal were accomplished. All gathered in the churchyard just before 9 p.m. to hear the chimes which play mechanically a hymn on Sundays, and a secular piece on week-days, at 12 noon, 3 p.m., 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Strange to say, the tune was 'Home, sweet Home,' so taking the hint, the party made for 9.30 train, after a glorious day's enjoyment. The best thanks of the society are tendered to those who met them, and to the incumbents for their kind permission to ring.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.—On Sunday, October 15th, for evening service, 168 and 336 Stedman Triples: R. Edwards 1, R. Martin 2, J. Hughes 3, H. T. Hughes 4, E. Jones 5, W. B. Kynaston 6, R. T. Evans (conductor) 7, G. Beaton 8.

ALDERSHOT.—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for evensong, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: C.Q.M.S. G. Gilbert (conductor) 1, Miss F. E. Wyman 2, Miss A. Fisher 3, Miss B. M. Mills 4, F. Croucher 5, Miss H. F. Mills 6, A. Croucher 7, G. Peto 8. First quarter by Miss Wyman, who hails from Woking; remainder belong to the local band.

BERKELEY, GLOS.—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, at St. Mary's Church, for harvest festival, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: G. Thompson (first quarter-peal) 1, J. H. Fussell 2, F. G. Cooper 3, F. L. King 4, W. A. Lewis 5, A. Burcombe 6, H. W. Fussell (composer and conductor) 7, John Hancock 8.

SWAINSWICK, BATH.—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, for harvest festival, for morning service, 350 of Bob Minor: H. Foghill 1, A. Bush 2, W. Clark 3, Miss A. E. Watson 4, E. Bath 5, S. White 6.—For evensong, 1,260 Doubles, being four six-scores of Bob Doubles, 6½ of Grandsire: A. Clark 1, S. White 2, W. Clark 3, Miss A. E. Watson 4, E. Bath 5, W. Babbage 6. Both conducted by S. White.

TEYNHAM, KENT.—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, on the occasion of the harvest festival, a date touch of Minor (1,922 changes), being 720 each of College Single and Oxford Bob, and 482 of Plain Bob (in 1hr.): V. Page 1, W. Laker 2, E. Gambell 3, C. Tumber 4, E. Hodges 5, W. Nye (conductor) 6.

ROYSTON, HERTS.—On Sunday morning, Oct. 1st, for harvest festival, 336 Stedman Triples: S. Reed 1, J. W. Ward 2, C. S. Gouldthorpe 3, L. E. Pistow 4, S. E. Roberts 5, R. G. King 6, A. F. James (conductor) 7, F. Harper 8; and 224 Double Norwich: J. W. Ward 1, L. E. Pistow 2, W. L. Darlow 3, C. S. Gouldthorpe 4, S. E. Roberts 5, F. Harper 6, A. F. James (conductor) 7, R. G. King 8. Messrs. James and Pistow hail from Saffron Walden.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260), in 43 mins.: W. B. Manning 1, S. Reed 2, J. W. Ward 3, C. S. Gouldthorpe 4, R. G. King 5, S. E. Roberts (conductor) 6, F. Harper 7, A. Roberts 8.

WOODFORD, ESSEX.—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, on the occasion of the harvest festival, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: C. R. Morss, junr., 1, H. T. Scarlett 2, E. Plummer 3, L. Hoff 4, E. Wightman 5, C. R. Morss (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: *L. Hoff 1, E. Wightman 2, E. Plummer 3, W. Shute 4, G. Carter 5, C. R. Morss (conductor) 6. — Also 720 Bob Minor: C. R. Morss, junr., 1, W. Shute 2, E. Plummer 3, F. Hayes 4, E. Wightman (conductor) 5, C. R. Morss 6. * First 720 Treble Bob.

LEICESTER.—At St. Margaret's, on Oct. 1st, for harvest festival, morning service, 352 Grandsire Cinques: G. S. Morris 1, F. Sharman 2, C. Cattell 3, Miss H. Willson 4, A. Ballard 5, G. L. Jacques (Mansfield, Notts), 6, J. Morris 7, H. Peach 8, A. Cattell 9, H. Lock 10, E. Morris (conductor) 11, Mr. Shepherd (Swindon, Wilts) 12.—Also a course of Stedman Caters, with W. Willson (St. John's, Leicester) and F. G. Viles (Cardiff).—For evening service, 506 Grandsire Cinques: T. Bent 1, F. Sharman 2, J. H. Swinfield (Burton-on-Trent) 3, W. Whitehead 4, A. Ballard 5, M. Swinfield (Burton) 6, E. L. Smith 7, H. Peach 8, F. G. Viles (Cardiff) 9, H. Lock 10, E. Morris (conductor) 11, J. Vernon 12.—After evening service, a course of Grandsire Cinques, with H. Poole and R. F. Elkington.

BISHOPSTOKE, HANTS.—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, on the occasion of the harvest festival, for evensong, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: *L. Stedman 1, W. G. Edwards 2, C. H. Giles 3, A. H. Wilson 4, E. Ayliffe 5, G. Grant 6, W. T. Tucker (conductor) 7, *W. Trill 8. * First quarter-peal.

SWINDON, WILTS.—On Sunday, October 1st, for morning service, 384 Superlative Surprise Major: A. Lawrence 1, A. W. Bond 2, R. W. Hyner 3, W. G. Lancaster 4, E. Bishop 5, H. A. Hearl 6, S. Palmer 7, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8.

WIGSTON MAGNA.—At All Saints' Church, for evening service, Oct. 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: W. Brewin 1, G. Deacon 2, A. Briers 3, A. Roe 4, W. H. Hummerstone (conductor) 5, F. W. Lloyd 6, J. Carter 7, A. Pacey 8. First quarter-peal by 2, 6, 8. First quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples 7. First quarter-peal by the local band after having the bells recast and rebung by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough.

WRANGLE.—Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—For evensong and harvest festival, on Sunday, Oct. 1st, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: H. Laking 1, S. Woods 2, W. Laking, junr., 3, A. Pickwell 4, W. Houghton 5, F. Hilton (conductor) 6.

ALDERSHOT.—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, for evening service, 480 Oxford Treble Bob Major: C.Q.M.S. G. Gilbert, R.E. (conductor) 1, Miss A. Fisher 2, Miss B. M. Mills 3, Miss H. F. Mills 4, Fred Croucher 5, Alb. J. Croucher 6, William Denyer 7, Henry Tinsey 8. H. Tinsey from Seale, remainder local.

FWHURST, SURREY.—On Sunday evening, Oct. 1st, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Minor, being 720 Oxford Single Bob and 540 of Plain Bob: J. Rose 1, A. J. Bull 2, W. Denyer 3, W. Tidy 4, H. Tidy 5, T. W. Denyer (conductor) 6. This is the first quarter-

peal in two methods by the ringers of the 1st, 3rd and 5th. Also 720 Bob Minor, for morning service: J. Rose 1, F. Francis (conductor) 2, W. Denyer 3, W. Tidy 4, A. J. Bull 5, H. Tidy 6.

BROMLEY, KENT.—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, at the Parish Church, on the occasion of the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Skinner 1, G. F. James 2, G. Durling 3, T. J. Knight 4, E. Mounter 5, A. James 6, G. Huxley (conductor) 7, F. F. Scott 8.

BOOTLE.—At Christ Church, on Sunday, Oct. 1st, for evening service, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Minor (1,260 changes), being 720 Oxford Single and 540 Plain Bob: R. Horner 1, H. Currie 2, J. McKee 3, A. Gorman 4, A. Jackson 5, E. F. Bennet (conductor) 6. Rung with bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Miss Annie Roberts, for 40 years headmistress of the Parish Schools.

WILLENHALL.—Before Divine service, at St. Giles' Church, on Sunday morning, Oct. 1st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 48 mins., rung to celebrate the golden wedding of an old Willenhall ringer, Mr. W. Pardoe, who took part: H. Pountney 1, I. Evans 2, E. Hortin 3, H. Coley 4, W. Pardoe 5, J. T. Davies 6, C. Wallater 7, A. E. Read 8.—After Divine service, on Sunday morning, Sept. 17th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins., on the occasion of the annual visit of 'D' Company, 6th South Staffs Regt., Territorials: D. Appleby 1, I. Evans 2, H. Coley 3, H. Ludford 4, J. T. Davies 5, C. Wallater 6, E. Hortin (conductor) 7, S. Mills 8.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday evening, Oct. 1st, for harvest thanksgiving service, in 48 mins., 1,344 Kent Treble Bob Major: T. Adams 1, W. Denman 2, R. Wood 3, P. Charman 4, J. Burdfield 5, W. Short 6, A. Feist 7, W. Stanford (conductor) 8.

KIDLINGTON, OXON.—For harvest festival evensong, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): W. Finch 1, T. Payne 2, W. H. B. Wilkins 3, J. Franklin 4, F. Clinkard 5, W. Harris 6, W. F. Judge (conductor) 7, W. Thorne 8.

STAFFORD.—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 10th, in 45 minutes, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. G. Curtis 1, W. H. Jones 2, M. Swinfield (Burton) 3, G. Booth 4, J. Warrilow 5, F. V. Haggis 6, J. J. Taylor (conductor) 7, Z. Baker 8.

BARLEY, HERTS.—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: F. Hayes 1, W. Sermons 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: F. Hayes 1, W. Mansfield 2, W. Tack 3, H. Howard 4, W. Sermons 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, for morning service, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: F. Hayes 1, H. Howard 2, W. Mansfield 3, W. Tack 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Hayes 1, H. Howard 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, W. Sermons 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.

ACTION.—At St. Mary's Church, for harvest festival services, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Major, lost in the last course: Robt. Holloway 1, G. A. Fardon 2, F. Goodfellow 3, Chailis Winney 4, R. Fardon 5, L. Page 6, G. Kilby 7, J. A. Trollope (conductor) 8.—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: M. England 1, S. D. Breeze 2, C. Brown 3, W. Lawrence 4, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 5, C. Edwards 6, Robt. Fardon 7, J. W. Fruin 8. — A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. Easton 1, S. D. Breeze 2, C. Brown 3, H. Wincote 4, E. W. Coulson 5, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 6, A. Harding 7, A. D. Smith 8.

BARNES.—At St. Mary's Church, for harvest thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: J. Willmott 1, H. Barrett 2, W. Stevens 3, M. Jacobs 4, H. Cook 5, R. Mackrill 6, C. Hunt (conductor) 7, P. Stratton 8.—For evening service, a quarter-peal in the same method, in 43 mins.: J. Willmott 1, H. Barrett 2, W. Stevens 3, M. Jacobs 4, R. Mackrill 5, H. Cook 6, C. Hunt (conductor) 7, J. Newman 8.

CERTIFICATES OF QUALIFICATION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—With reference to the letter under the above heading, I may say that some months ago the Midland Counties Association appointed a sub-committee to consider whether it was possible or desirable to inaugurate a system for the granting of certificates of merit for progress in method ringing. I think the report of this sub-committee will be of very considerable interest to ringers generally, and it is encouraging to find the idea is being considered in other centres.—Yours faithfully, A. C. WRIGHT.

Hon. Sec.

THE LATE MR. TOM WALLIS.

Mr. J. W. Steddy, Edenbridge, Kent, acknowledges with thanks the following donations towards the fund in aid of the widow and daughter of the late Mr. T. Wallis, who are left totally unprovided for: Mrs. C. H. Hattersley, Sheffield, 5s.; Edenbridge ringers, £2; district meeting at Westerham, £2; Kent County Benevolent Fund, £3. As the fund will be closed early in November, will intending subscribers kindly forward same early to J. W. Steddy, High Street, Edenbridge, Kent?

NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD IN YORKSHIRE. A PLEASANT OUTING.

It was not a difficult matter for the members of the Newcastle Cathedral Guild to settle the venue of their annual outing this year, as it was unanimously agreed to attend the first annual commemoration dinner to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowden and the past officers of the Yorkshire Association, to be held at Leeds.

Accordingly, nine members of the Guild met in Central Station, Newcastle, on the morning of Saturday, Sept. 23rd. The journey through to Leeds passed very quickly, various ancient arts and practices being indulged in, with profit to 'the novice.'

The party were met at Leeds by their cheery friend, Mr. P. J. Johnson, hon. secretary of the Yorkshire Association, who skilfully guided the visitors through the intricacies of the Leeds stations, and saw them safely into the Bradford train.

It was the intention to attempt a peal on the bells of Bradford Cathedral, but in this the visitors were disappointed, owing to the death of the wife of the Bishop of Bradford. Mr. James Cotterill, Mr. Broadley, and others, saw that the Newcastle party came to no harm, however, for they safely conducted them to various homely establishments, where their liquid and solid requirements were amply satisfied. They had also, thoughtfully, arranged for the use of the fine peal of eight bells at Northowram. A very good attempt at a peal of Double Norwich unfortunately came to grief, after about 2½ hours' ringing.

A rush back to Leeds, almost late for the dinner, was made. A very enjoyable evening was spent, and many old acquaintanceships were renewed, including that of Mr. Jas. R. Kemp, one of the Guild's own members.

Sunday was a busy day for all, ringing at Leeds Parish Church in the morning for service; visits to Kirkstall Abbey and the 'Vesper Gate,' occupied the time before dinner. Roundhay Park, with 'Jimmy' as guide, was the afternoon enjoyment.

After tea, parties were made for a visit to St. Michael's, Headingley, and to St. Chad's at Hunslet.

'The Novice' and 'Dick,' with the expert 'W.H.B.' were delighted with the visit to Headingley, and to have the privilege of meeting John Whitaker, and the other gentlemen of the band there. The other party also had an excellent time at Hunslet, and the visitors would here like to thank their friend of old, Mr. Jimmy Kemp, and Mrs. Emmerson, for the kindly and thoughtful way in which they provided for the wants of the inner-man during the evening, an action which was very much appreciated.

The tit-bit came on Monday. A visit to Birstall, arranged by Mr. Percy J. Johnson and Mr. Jas. Kemp, enabled the visitors to ring a peal of Double Norwich at this fine old church. The party were delighted with these bells, and thoroughly enjoyed the ringing. They desire to thank the Vicar for so promptly and kindly allowing the use of the bells at such short notice. The Guild wish to place on record the kindness with which they were received on all hands—at Leeds Parish Church, where they were made very welcome indeed; the trouble the Bradford friends took in view of their disappointment at the Cathedral, and also the special care they exercised over 'the Novice' at Northowram, while the rest of the band were peal ringing. Their thanks are also due to Mr. Albert Jagger and his comrades at Northowram; Mr. Percy J. Johnson and 'Jimmy,' who took them entirely in hand during the week-end, and made many thoughtful arrangements for their welfare.

A GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION.

An interesting event occurred at Deane on Thursday, Sept. 21st. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gregory on that day attained the 50th anniversary of their wedding, and in honour of the occasion a peal of Stedman Triples was attempted. This, unfortunately, came to grief owing to a change course, after 2 hours' ringing. However, another attempt was made on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, which also failed owing to the 6th rope breaking in the 5th course from the end, to the great disappointment of the band.

After this the ringers and their wives adjourned to the Stag's Head to partake of the hospitality of the happy couple, a first-class tea having been provided by Mrs. Dickenson. This was followed by a 'sing-song,' songs being sung by Messrs. E. Catsforth, T. Barlow, and T. Barlow, junr., and a recitation given by Mrs. Gregory. Mr. R. Williams contributed a concertina solo, and Mr. T. Barlow, junr., acted as accompanist.

Whilst this was in progress another attempt was arranged for Monday, Sept. 25th, which was happily successful. The best thanks of the party were given to Mr. and Mrs. Gregory for their hospitality, coupled with the hope that they would see many more years of married life, and that Mr. Gregory would ring many more peals.

It is not often that a man rings in his golden wedding peal, as Mr. Gregory did, and the band would be pleased to receive information as to similar occurrences.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—The 285th Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 7/6 each, may be obtained from any of the following committee: Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T. Cockerill, G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. Howell, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney and E. A. Young.

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.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

S. MARY'S, TAUNTON.—The two new trebles, to complete the peal of 12, will be dedicated by the Rev. C. C. Parker, Master of the Bath and Wells Association, at 3 p.m. on Oct. 21st. The St. Mary's band will ring for the actual dedication. At the conclusion of the service twelve members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association will ring for an hour. The bells will then be available for other ringers up to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome. St. James' (8) and Wilton (6) will be available after tea, which is being provided through the generosity of the Vicar, Preb. Corfield, in the Schoolroom, at 4.45.—Major J. R. F. Lightowlers, 'Belle Vue,' Wellington Road, Taunton.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—By kind permission of the Rev. A. J. Walker, the Quarterly meeting will be held at Malton St. Leonard's Church on Saturday, Oct. 21st. The bells (8) will be available from 12 o'clock. Service in the church at 3.45. Tea at Clark's Café, Yorkersgate, at 4.30, to be followed by a business meeting in the Church Hall.—A. L. Henderson, Mayfield, Pickering.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Brentwood on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 5 o'clock. Arrangements for tea (1/- each) can be made for all who let me know by the 17th inst. South Weald (6) will also be available. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Theobald, Hon. District Sec., 49, Portway, West Ham, E.15.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The Quarterly meeting of the Guild will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service in church at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Chilvers Coton tower will also be open during the evening if required.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement's, Oct. 30th; Bishopsgate, Oct. 23rd. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Ann's, South Tottenham, on Monday, Oct. 23rd. Bells available from 7 to 9 o'clock. All welcome.—C. G. Coles, Hon. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on Oct. 31st; St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on the 26th. *Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next 8-bell contest will be held at Elland on Saturday, Oct. 28th. The draw will take place at the Mexborough Arms 2.45 prompt. Tea (about 1/6) will be provided for those who notify W. Frith, 5, Sufton Street, Birkby Huddersfield, on Saturday, Oct. 21st.

ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A meeting for the Archdeaconry of Suffolk will be held at Ufford on Oct. 28th at 4 p.m. Bells available all day. Tea will be provided at 4.30 for all members sending their names by Oct. 23rd to Mrs. Drake, Ufford Rectory, near Woodbridge, or to Charles Mee, Archd. Sec., Sproughton, Ipswich.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The Annual meeting of this District will be held at St. Mary's, Woolwich, S.E., on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. A. N. Pickering (Rector) at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow in the Parish Room. Will all who intend to be at the tea, which is being provided by the Rector, please send their names to me not later than Tuesday, Oct. 24th?—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.—The next Quarterly meeting of the above will be held at St. Elizabeth's, Reddish, on Oct. 28th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 7.—Sam Booth, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Oct. 28th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 5 to 8 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Acton (by permission of the Vicar) on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tower open for ringing at 3.20. Service at 5.30. Tea arranged for 6 p.m. at 1/-. Should be glad if those requiring tea would let me know by the 26th, and oblige.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Vale of White Horse Branch.—Meeting at Faringdon on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tea 4.30. Service 5.30. Ringing before tea and after service. Friends cordially invited.—Hon. Sec., Vicarage, Faringdon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—A combined practice meeting of the District will be held at West Malling on Saturday, Oct. 28th, commencing about 6 o'clock. All members of the District are invited to attend this meeting.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. District Sec.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The 45th Annual meeting will be held in Newcastle on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Committee meeting in the Upper Vestry of the Cathedral at noon. Service in the Cathedral at 1 o'clock. Dinner, 2/- to members, 3/6 to non-members, at The Collingwood Restaurant at 2 p.m.; general meeting following. Bells available: Cathedral (12), All Saints', Gosforth (10), St. Stephen's (8), St. John's (8), All Saints', Newcastle (8), St. George's (8), St. Mary's, Gateshead (8) and Benwell (6). Those intending to be present at dinner please notify me not later than Oct. 25th.—E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be at Norton Fitzwarren on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells 2.30 to 8 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting at the Village Club at 5.15. Will those requiring tea send me notice by Tuesday, Oct. 24th? I should be glad to receive outstanding subscriptions for 1922 at this meeting.—P. Merson, Local Sec., Bishop's Hull.

HERTS ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Rickmansworth on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Arrangements will be made for tea.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec. Watford District, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Blackpool, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30; election of secretary.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 3, Rutland Gate, Blackpool.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Those requiring tea please advise me not later than Tuesday, Oct. 24th.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dist. Sec., 47, Beddington Grove, Wallington.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Rowberrow, near Winscombe, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Service 5 o'clock; tea and meeting after. Bells (6) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at the Cathedral (St. Philip's) on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells (10) available from 4 o'clock. Business meeting in the belfry at 5.30.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Stevenage on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells ready 3.30. Service in the church at 4.30.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. District Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Guilsborough District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Welford on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells available at 2.30. Usual arrangements. Those requiring tea please notify me by Oct. 25th.—W. Bott, District Sec., Guilsborough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Newark on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea, 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting of the Bristol branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association of Change Ringers will be held at Henbury on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 5: tea to follow. Please notify by Oct. 23rd.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Hatfield (Stainforth G.C. Station), on Oct. 28th. Bells (8) ready early. Tea only provided for those who notify me before the 24th inst.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary-de-Lode, Gloucester, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service, 4.30. Short farewell address by Capt. Bennett, C.A. Tea at 5.—Charles H. Austin, Branch Hon. Sec., 24, Victoria Street, Gloucester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Not St. Michael's, Blackburn, as was arranged. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Rowde on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. Short business meeting directly after tea. Also the tower of Bromham (6 bells) open for ringing, 6 p.m.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5. Tea, at the usual charge, at 5.30, followed by business meeting. A good attendance is desired. Members, whose subscriptions for 1922 are outstanding, are requested to forward same to me early.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. J. B. Tyler has removed from Bristol to 125, Mayola Road, Lower Clapton, London, N.E.

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MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

ECCELESTON, CHESHIRE.—For practice, on Tuesday, Sept. 5th, 720 Double Court Bob Minor, in 27 mins.: G. R. Jones 1, J. Hayes 2, Jas. Swindley 3, S. Jones, junr., 4, J. W. Clarke 5, Jas. Morgan (conductor) 6, A. Harrison 7. First 720 in the method on the bells.

FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX.—On Saturday, Sept. 16th, two 720's of College Singles and Plain Bob and 720 Oxford Bob Minor: F. Cherrett 1, F. Tubb 2, E. Tubb 3, P. Blake 4, B. Tubb 5, F. Barker (conductor) 6. The above was rung in an unsuccessful attempt for a 5,040, which came to grief after 2 hours' ringing.

OATLANDS PARK, SURREY.—Winchester Diocesan Guild.—On Monday, Sept. 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: Miss L. J. Barnes 1, A. Woodrow 2, G. Barnett 3, W. A. Woodrow 4, A. J. Barnes 5, W. Shepherd (conductor) 6, E. J. Presting 7, G. Berry 8. First quarter-peal by the ringers of the treble, 3rd, 5th and tenor.

WHITTLESEA, CAMBS.—At St. Mary's Church, on Saturday, Sept. 16th, an attempt for a peal of Bob Major came to grief, after ringing 2 hrs. 35 mins., in the 35th course: V. Butler 1, F. Dainty 2, T. Vaughan 3, S. Wright 4, W. Cross 5, H. Beechey 6, F. Cooke 7, C. T. F. Brice (conductor), of Pulham St. Mary's, 8.

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