

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 628. Vol. XVIII.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30th, 1923.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### ANCIENT BELLS.

Although the trouble, which has recently occurred in a Kentish parish through the 'mutilation' of old bells in the process of rehanging, was not connected with a peal used for change ringing, the subject is certainly one which concerns ringers. With the incident at Chalk, and upon whom the blame rests, we have nothing to do, but we have on more than one occasion in this column pointed out that when bell restorations are taken in hand, the comparatively few really ancient bells which we now possess ought to be jealously guarded. The destruction of bells of real antiquarian interest in the past has robbed the present and future generations of valuable relics, which, once lost, can never be replaced. Some of these old bells may have been perfectly useless in conjunction with a modern ring, and because of this they have been sacrificed. Those that are gone, are gone for ever, and no amount of lamentation will bring them back. With those, however, that still remain, it is a different matter.

When restorations are contemplated, the fact ought not to be overlooked that these ancient bells, particularly those of the pre-Reformation period, however crude they may be as 'musical' instruments, are, after all, specimens of the bell founder's art which in themselves are archaeologically valuable, and which will increase in value as the centuries pass. There is also a sentiment in regard to them which ought not to be ignored, and to put them into the melting-pot is rank vandalism. Where there are precious relics of this kind, and it is impossible to utilise them in connection with a restoration scheme, they ought to be preserved and retained in an honoured place in the church. It is true that such action would involve a greater expense than if the old bells went into the new peal, but we think little of a parish that would not gladly meet this extra outlay to preserve such relics.

We are glad to observe that a strong point is made of this matter in the joint report of the conference between the Central Council and the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings. That valuable old specimens of mediæval handicraft have been ruthlessly sacrificed in the past has been one of the reasons why antiquarians sometimes put obstacles in the way of the restoration of bells to make them pealable. It may be urged, and quite rightly, that what has happened has seldom been the fault of ringers; but, as ringers, we look upon ourselves as guardians of the bells, and wherever a church possesses bells cast by an early founder, special responsibility falls upon the ringers to see that such specimens of ancient work do not irretrievably disappear before some authority has had the opportunity of expressing an opinion upon their antiquarian value.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 168, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Mar. 24, 1923, in Four Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-BOW, CHEAPSIDE,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;**

Tenor 53 cwt.

|                                |                               |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble | MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 7   |
| GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2         | *CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 8 |
| JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 3      | HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 9      |
| CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4      | T. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... 10   |
| WILLIAM H. HEWITT ... .. 5     | REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 11      |
| FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 6        | WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor      |

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal of Cambridge Maximus.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SHERE, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Mar. 17, 1923, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb.

|                            |                              |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| ALBERT ELLIS ... .. Treble | JOHN COOK ... .. 5           |
| JOHN AKEHURST ... .. 2     | WILLIAM STANFORD ... .. 6    |
| WALTER CHARMAN ... .. 3    | GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 7        |
| PETER CHARMAN ... .. 4     | OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Tenor |

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

The thanks of the ringers are due to the Vicar, Rev. Sir Paget Bowman, for the use of the bells, also to a local gentleman, Mr. Worsfold, for his kind hospitality after the peal.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Mar. 17, 1923, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S No. 6.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

|                                |                            |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| *ROBERT ANDERSON ... .. Treble | ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 5 |
| JOHN ANDERSON ... .. 2         | †ADAM, DEAS ... .. 6       |
| JOHN F. BIRD ... .. 3          | WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 7 |
| *ERNEST FENWICK ... .. 4       | ALBERT HALL ... .. Tenor   |

Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCOS.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Monday, Mar. 19, 1923, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF IMMANUEL,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

|                                |                             |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| ALFRED TOMLINSON ... .. Treble | ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH ... 5 |
| MARGARET HOULDSWORTH ... 2     | JNO. WHEWELL ... .. 6       |
| ELLEN SHAW ... .. 3            | JAS. HOULDSWORTH ... .. 7   |
| JAS. SHAW ... .. 4             | L. J. WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor |

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

The composition is now rung for the first time. This peal was arranged for L. J. Williams, it being his first in the method.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Mar. 19, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

|                                   |                                |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| CLR. SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. Treble | JAMES DURRANT ... .. 5         |
| REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ... 2     | GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 6        |
| GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3             | JAMES ROSE ... .. 7            |
| GEORGE A. FLEMING ... .. 4        | ALBERT A. FLEMING ... .. Tenor |

Composed by DR. F. V. MEADOWS. Conducted by C.-SGT. J. BENNETT.

This is the 150th peal rung upon the bells since their dedication as a ring of eight on May 15th, 1902. For calling see C.C. Collection, Section II., No. 121.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Mar. 20, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

|                                |                       |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| *PERCIVAL W. NORTON ... Treble | WILLIAM E. JUDD ... 5 |
| J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 2      | THOMAS NEWMAN ... 6   |
| CECIL V. EBBERTSON ... 3       | GEORGE M. KILBY ... 7 |
| †EDWARD LANKESTER ... 4        | HARRY KILBY ... Tenor |

Composed and Conducted by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Bob Major.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Mar. 20, 1923, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 13 cwt.

|                          |                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| *LEONARD SHAW ... Treble | ARCHIE BREARLEY ... 5   |
| *JOHN A. BREARLEY ... 2  | *ALBERT HELLIWELL ... 6 |
| *WM. A. WOOLER ... 3     | †JOHN R. BREARLEY ... 7 |
| SAML. HARRISON ... 4     | WM. HARRISON ... Tenor  |

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by JOHN R. BREARLEY.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method as conductor.  
Rung with the bells half-muffled for John Wilmot, a brother ringer at  
the above church, who died March 12th and was interred at Bolster-  
stone on March 15th.

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

On Tuesday, Mar. 20, 1923, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

|                               |                              |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... Treble | ERNEST E. LANHAM ... 5       |
| GEORGE WHITING ... 2          | WILLIAM T. LAST ... 6        |
| *GEORGE PRYKE ... 3           | CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 7 |
| GEORGE BENNETT ... 4          | WILLIAM RUMSEY ... Tenor     |

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by W. T. LAST.  
\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the  
ringer of the 4th.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
On Wednesday, Mar. 21, 1923, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Illtyd,

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

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

|                              |                            |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| *BENJAMIN J. TOBY ... Treble | CHARLES H. PERRY ... 5     |
| †ALLAN C. JONES ... 2        | DAVID R. JAMES ... 6       |
| RICHARD EVANS ... 3          | FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... 7     |
| JOHN W. JONES ... 4          | ALFRED W. WRIGHT ... Tenor |

Conducted by CHARLES H. PERRY.

\* First peal away from the tenor. † First peal on an 'inside' bell.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Wednesday, Mar. 21, 1923, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Nicolas,

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

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt.

|                             |                            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| FREDERICK CLARKE ... Treble | GEORGE PETTER ... 5        |
| GEORGE TOMSETT ... 2        | CHARLES HAZELDEN ... 6     |
| EDWARD ETHERIDGE ... 3      | SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... 7     |
| GEORGE J. NICHOLLS ... 4    | WALTER ENTICKNAP ... Tenor |

Conducted by GEORGE TOMSETT.

This was Walter Enticknap's first attempt for a peal. He is 16½  
years of age. A birthday compliment to G. Tomsett and E. Etheridge.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and  
Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of  
full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage,  
Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Mar. 23, 1923, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5378 CHANGES;**

|                          |                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| WILLIAM BIBBY ... Treble | JOHN E. BIBBY ... 5     |
| EDWARD JENKINS ... 2     | GEORGE H. RANGLES ... 6 |
| HENRY C. COLLYER ... 3   | FRANCIS BIBBY ... 7     |
| ERNEST PALMER ... 4      | CECIL RADDON ... Tenor  |

Composed by J. S. WILDE.

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Mar. 24, 1923, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

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

Tenor 9 cwt.

|                          |                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| HARRY OVERTON ... Treble | JAMES H. RIDING ... 5     |
| ROBERT SPERRING ... 2    | SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... 6  |
| JOHN HAYES ... 3         | JAMES MORGAN ... 7        |
| RICHARD T. HOLDING ... 4 | GEORGE R. JONES ... Tenor |

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Conducted by JAMES H. RIDING.

HENBURY, BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(BRISTOL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Mar. 24, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

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

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

|                              |                         |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| HERBERT JEFFERIES ... Treble | WILLIAM WHITE ... 5     |
| P. C. CYRIL HARDING ... 2    | ERNEST PALMER ... 6     |
| REGINALD DEVENISH ... 3      | JOHN G. JEFFERIES ... 7 |
| WILLIAM HEWITT ... 4         | JOSEPH GOULD ... Tenor  |

Conducted by J. G. JEFFERIES.

Arranged for P. C. Harding who was stationed at Henbury, also as  
a birthday compliment to Mr. T. James. The ringers of 1st, 2nd, 4th,  
6th and 7th are from Mangotsfield, the rest are local men.

THUROASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Mar. 24, 1923, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

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

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 10 cwt.

|                            |                             |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| HARRY BROUGHTON ... Treble | PERCY HARRISON ... 5        |
| REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 2 | HAROLD J. POOLE ... 6       |
| G. STEDMAN MORRIS ... 3    | EDWARD WHITEHEAD ... 7      |
| ERNEST MORRIS ... 4        | *ROY C. RIMINGTON ... Tenor |

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First peal and hails from Manchester. Specially rung to mark  
the 50th birthday of Mr. T. Rimington, donor of the 2nd bell, and for  
his nephew's first peal. Mr. T. Rimington kindly entertained the  
band at the Victoria Hotel, Leicester, to dinner and a convivial even-  
ing afterwards.

DERBY.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Mar. 24, 1923, in Three Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Luke,

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

Tenor 30 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb.

|                            |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| GEORGE W. BRAME ... Treble | WILFRED H. BUXTON ... 5  |
| WILLIAM FOYSER ... 2       | J. ARTHUR ORGILL ... 6   |
| CYRIL J. JENNINGS ... 3    | WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... 7 |
| JOHN W. GLEW ... 4         | JOSEPH LORD ... Tenor    |

Composed by GEORGE WILLIAMS. Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

This is the first peal of Major on the bells, and the first since they  
were rehung by Messrs. Taylor & Co., Loughborough.

PERRY BARR, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Mar. 24, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt.

|                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| †EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... Treble | WILLIAM DAVIES ... 5            |
| GEORGE F. SWANN ... 2         | OLIVER G. NORMAN ... 6          |
| ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... 3      | FREDERICK W. RISEWORTH ... 7    |
| JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 4     | *WILLIAM T. FROGGATT ... Treble |

Conducted by OLIVER G. NORMAN.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal of Triples in the method.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

STRETTON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Mar. 15, 1923, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

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

Being two 720's of Woodbine, two of Kent and three of  
Oxford Treble Bob.

|                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| *SYDNEY SAGE ... Treble | EDWARD JENKINS ... 4      |
| *HARRY FAIRCLOUGH ... 2 | *JOHN H. DAVENPORT ... 5  |
| *ERNEST BOSTOCK ... 3   | LEONARD BOSTOCK ... Tenor |

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells  
by a local band. Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr.  
and Mrs. A. Hatton.

NEWCHURCH, LANCs.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Mar. 20, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

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

Being seven 720's each called differently.

|                            |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| WILLIAM GOULD ... Treble   | WILLIAM HAMPSON ... 4 |
| GEORGE POWNALL ... 2       | JOHN YATES ... 5      |
| JOSEPH LEATHERBARROW ... 3 | *FRED PAGE ... Tenor  |

Conducted by J. LEATHERBARROW.

\* First peal of Minor.

NEWTON-IN-THE-ISLE, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Mar. 21, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of Kent, three of Oxford and two of Plain Bob.

|                         |                             |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| GEORGE MASON ... Treble | JOHN FOSTER ... 4           |
| ARTHUR WIGMORE ... 2    | BERT GOGLE ... 5            |
| FRED WIGMORE ... 3      | *RALPH NARBOROUGH ... Tenor |

Conducted by BERT GOGLE.

\* First peal in three methods.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Mar. 21, 1923, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW-THE-GREAT, SMITHFIELD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

42 six-scores. Tenor 7 cwt.

|                             |                              |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| CHARLES T. COLES ... Treble | FRANK I. HAIRS ... 3         |
| WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... 2     | CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 4 |
| REUBEN SANDERS ... Tenor    |                              |

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

This peal was rung to commemorate the 800th Anniversary of the  
dedication of the Church. It is believed to be the first peal rung on  
the bells, which are all of pre-Reformation origin.

First peal of Doubles by all except the ringer of the tenor.

ICKLETON, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Mar. 22, 1923, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford  
Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

|                              |                            |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... Treble | JOHN WOOLLEY ... 4         |
| WALTER FLITTON ... 2         | WILFRID HOOTON ... 5       |
| PERCY WEBB ... 3             | ARTHUR G. LILLEY ... Tenor |

Conducted by WILFRID HOOTON.

CREATON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Mar. 24, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

Being 10 six-scores of Stedman Doubles, 12 six-scores of Bob Doubles  
and 20 six-scores of Grandsire Doubles.

|                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| FRED HOPPER ... Treble | †JOHN A. TOWNSEND ... 3 |
| FRANK ROLLINGS ... 2   | *TOM TEBBUTT ... 4      |
| THOMAS LAW ... Tenor   |                         |

Conducted by THOMAS LAW.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First peal in three methods. First peal  
on the bells. The ringers were kindly entertained to tea by Miss  
Landon after the peal.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE ST. NICOLAS' SOCIETY, GUILDFORD.

On Tuesday, Mar. 20, 1923, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT 'ST. MICHAEL'S,' JOSEPH'S ROAD,

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

HOLT'S TEN-PART, Tenor size 15 in C.

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... 1-2 | CHARLES HAZELDEN ... 5-6 |
| WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... 3-4 | GEORGE PETTER ... 7-8    |

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Witness: MRS. HAZELDEN.

This was Mr. G. Petter's first peal on handbells.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Mar. 24, 1923, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT SUPERLATIVE VILLA,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

|                         |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| *EDWARD JENKINS ... 1-2 | †FRANCES BIBBY ... 5-6 |
| †JOHN BIBBY ... 3-4     | †WILLIAM BIBBY ... 7-8 |

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (146). Conducted by E. JENKINS.

Umpire: MR. H. C. COLLYER.

\* First peal 'in hand.' † First peal of Major 'in hand.'

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, GLOUCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Mar. 24, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 17 in A.

|                               |                              |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| MISS NELLY JOHNSON ... 1-2    | †GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... 5-6 |
| JOSEPH J. JOHNSON ... 3-4     | †JAMES HEMMING ... 7-8       |
| FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... 9-10 |                              |

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 304). Conducted by MISS N. JOHNSON.

First peal of Treble Bob as conductor. Rung as a birthday compli-  
ment to Mrs J. Hemming and Mr. J. D. Johnson.

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

**GREAT REDUCTIONS.**

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**



**ELTHAM BELLS TO BE RESTORED.****TO BE MADE INTO AN OCTAVE.**

An appeal is being made for funds for the restoration and augmentation of the bells at Eltham, Kent. After the war the Council of the Parish Church was faced with several problems involving repairs to the structure and furniture of the church. Of these, the most urgent were the cleaning of the organ, and the restoration of the bells and clock. The former has been completed, and the Council now propose to take in hand the more formidable task of restoring the bells and clock. For many years the clock, which was erected in the tower in 1884 has not been doing its duty properly as the chief clock of the village, partly on account of repairs necessary to its own works, and partly because the mechanism which connects it to the bells for chiming the hours and quarters is worn out. Further, some months ago the wheel of one of the bells broke, and the Council took the opportunity of having the belfry and clock surveyed by an expert. The survey revealed the fact that the wooden framework and wheels are in a state of decay, that three of the bells are cracked, and that any money spent on repairs would be wasted—total restoration being necessary.

The history of the bells is lost in the mists of antiquity. Ancient records, however, inform us that in 1467 there were three great bells in the steeple and a Sanctus bell of brass. In 1571 two of these bells were recast: the peal was again recast and a tenor added in 1610: the whole peal was again recast in 1794. In 1879 the tower of the present church was completed and the bells rehung on the old framework. In 1897 the wheels were repaired and the bells quarter-turned. Hence, when considering their great age, the condition of the bells is not surprising, and it has, therefore, been decided to embark on the work of restoration, and at the same time to complete the peal by the addition of two bells.

This will entail: (1) Clearing the tower of existing bells and clock; (2) fixing a new steel frame with eight bells, the metal of the old six bells being used in the new peal; (3) repairing and cleaning the clock, replacing it in the tower and connecting to the bells with modern mechanism; (4) providing a new clock face on the east side of the tower, i.e., facing up the High Street.

The modern method of casting and tuning bells, says the appeal, results in a tone far superior to that produced by the present bells, and this, combined with certain alterations to the windows of the tower, which will throw the sound higher, will completely do away with the rather harsh tone at present noticeable by those in the close vicinity of the church.

The total sum required for this is about £850, and the whole work will be entrusted to Messrs. Gillett and Johnston of Croydon. Subscriptions (however small and by instalments if desired) are invited, and may be sent to Captain W. Anderson, M.C., 8, Sherard Road, Eltham, S.E.9, the hon. secretary and treasurer of the Eltham Bells and Clock Fund. Should a person or group of persons wish to give a bell either as a memorial or from any other motive, the Council would gladly allow the bell to be suitably inscribed.

The appeal has the support of many leading people of Eltham, and it is interesting to note that the list includes the names of the Wesleyan and Baptist Ministers.

**DEATH OF MR. SPENCER MARSHALL.**

It is with regret we have to record the death of Mr. Spencer Marshall, which took place suddenly on March 17th, at the early age of 35 years. The deceased was born at Rainham, Kent, and started ringing there in 1904. He rang his first peal at Sittingbourne. About 1906 his family moved to Bromley, Kent, and he joined the band at the parish church, and rang several peals with them. Working at Bexley Heath, he used to visit Crayford on practice nights and do his Sunday ringing at Bromley when he went home at the week-end. During the war he worked at Weybridge, Surrey, and took part in whatever ringing was available in that district.

Returning to his old employer after the war, he resided permanently at Bexley Heath, and joined the Crayford band, being a most regular attendant. He rang his last peal at St. John's, Deptford, last December, this being a Foresters' peal, conducted by Mr. W. J. Jeffries.

After ringing was suspended at Crayford last September, he, with three others, concentrated on handbells, and had it not been for Mr. E. Barnett, senr.'s, long illness, would doubtless have rang a peal, having rung over half-way several times before Christmas. His peals number about 36, several of which he conducted, his last as conductor being Holt's Original at Crayford.

He had been subject to fits from a child, and he passed away in one of these seizures.

The funeral took place at Crayford on Thursday last, the Rev. Canon Jones (Rector) officiating. The deceased was carried to the grave by four of his brother ringers, and the lesson in church was read by Mr. E. Barnett, junr., who also carried the processional cross. A fortnight before his death he paid a visit to Whitechapel Foundry to see Crayford bells, and they were due to reach the church on the day of the funeral. Fortunately they did not arrive until the following day.—R.I.P.

**FIVE-TONED OPINIONS.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—I note, with interest, the very courteous letter in the issue of March 16th by the Rev. O. H. Clarke; also those in recent numbers. As Mr. Clarke truly says, in this small hide-bound convention-ridden, 'British-Navy-girl portion of the terrestrial sphere it has always been our proud boast that each and every citizen, be he ever so humble, is entitled to hold and to hold forth on "his own opinion." ' The aforesaid citizen is also entitled forcibly to inculcate his opinion on the rest of his compeers, of course, always providing the aforesaid compeers will allow him so to do. We admit that this great and glorious privilege has two disadvantages; some people have an unacceptable opinion, and will express it and other people have a good and sound opinion and can't be made to voice it. Mr. Barnett, to my thinking, had a sound opinion, and he had the courage to voice his opinion, and opinions voiced, as his was, lead to discussions which open the eyes of some at least, and cause them to think, and only good can come from sound thinking and honest debating on well-grounded opinions, and the Exercise owes a debt of gratitude to men like Mr. Barnett who have the courage to voice their beliefs in the face of decided opposition. And if this controversy will advance the art of campanology, by leading to improvements in tone and life of resonance, the Exercise will owe my old friend more than an ordinary debt of gratitude. The opinions already voiced include those of the expert Mr. Jerram, 'A Flat,' 'A Flat Seventh,' the very courteous letters of the Rev. C. H. Clarke, the very lucid and soundly-reasoned letter of Mr. A. P. Smith, and the letter which friend 'Irenæus Pistor' has not 'half done.' One could almost persuade oneself that Irenæus had really taken counsel's opinion on the case; and one wonders what size of a refresher the momentous brief is marked with, but I still agree with 'A Flat' when he says that he cannot see what relation rubber is to copper; it is no more like rubber than a minor canon is like a gun of large calibre nor has as much resemblance to tin as 'A Flat' bears to a metallurgist. But all castings being formed in a molten state, bear more than a marked resemblance one to another in their traits, be they copper, iron, steel or rubber; and the effect of machinery on each is the same, the effect of chipping is the same; but the effect of the one operation is not the same as the other. All castings have a power of resilience, and it has not yet been proved to us (as ringers) what operation effects that resilience most. No doubt none but the most expert metallurgists could give us these formulae, and as yet the very few members of the Exercise who have this knowledge (I only know one) have not spoken. In conclusion, I should like to point out to 'Irenæus Pistor' that Bradford Cathedral bells have replaced a peal which had not even reached middle age. There are people alive to-day who remember Bradford old bells in their pristine glory, when there was music in their voices, but not a soul regretted their demise, nor was it necessary to request 'no flowers.' 'Irenæus Pistor,' my hat is off to you. I can joust with a rubber quarter staff, an ye will't.—Yours sincerely,

**ONCE A BEGINNER.****MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the South and West District of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild was held at Feltham on Saturday, March 17th, when over 40 ringers attended, it being an ideal afternoon. The Ringing Master (Mr. R. Holloway) and the hon. secretary arrived at the church just before 3 o'clock, to find only Mr. J. R. Mackman, of Reading, and another waiting. Within a few minutes, however, St. Mary's (Ealing) cycle section arrived, led by Mr. F. Goodfellow, and they were followed closely by Mr. W. Welling and his Boy Scout band from Windsor on their 'steeds.' The bells were then set going to various touches from Grandsire to Double Norwich.

The Vicar (the Rev. F. G. Browell) attended the tea at the Parish Hall, at the invitation of the hon. secretary, and welcomed the association to Feltham, this being the first occasion he had had the pleasure of meeting the members.

At the business meeting, presided over by the Ringing Master, the usual vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and Mr. Denford (host), and steeplekeeper, after which the tower was again visited, and touches up to Cambridge Surprise was rung. The bells were kept going till 9 o'clock, when a pleasant afternoon ended.

**THE BREAKING UP OF OLD BELLS.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—With reference to the 'formal inquiry' held at Chalk, it should be borne in mind by your readers that the founders are not always to blame for breaking up old bells. Founders are business people who have to show the largest profit they can on their year's work, and, as an employee of a firm of contractors, I can truthfully say that 90 per cent. of contracting firms would willingly smash up and recast, even the Pearly Gates, as they received the order so to do. Sentiment and business do not agree; the sentiment, if any, should be shown by those who place the order, and no amount of 'skilful commercial travelling' should allow the placer of the contract to allow himself to be talked into allowing the contractor to make the contract a 'bigger job,' by breaking up and recasting.—Yours faithfully,

**ONCE A BEGINNER.**

## CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS.

### OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE 1922 MEETING.

The second session of the eleventh Council (thirtieth meeting) was held in the historic Chapter House at Lincoln Cathedral, on Tuesday, June 6th, at 11 a.m.

The chair was taken by the President, Canon Coleridge, who opened the meeting with prayer.

The Dean of Lincoln then extended a welcome to the Council, and referred briefly to the dangerous condition of the towers in the Cathedral. He gave also a short description of the Ringers' Chapel and the old Ringing Guilds. The President expressed the Council's thanks for the welcome given to them, and for the kindness of the Dean and Chapter in placing the Chapter House at their disposal.

The minutes of the last meeting having been published, were taken as read, and duly confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from the Rev. A. H. Boughey, the Rev. Maitland Kelly, the Rev. C. E. Matthews, the Rev. E. S. Powell, Major J. H. B. Hesse, Messrs. G. Bolland, J. Carter, W. T. Cockerill, R. A. Daniel, C. Edwards, P. J. Johnson, E. H. Lewis, W. Lawrence, T. Law, W. J. Nevard, A. Roberts, J. R. Sharran, W. Shepherd, W. Storey, W. R. Small, A. Paddon Smith and J. A. Trollope.

The President explained that owing to an important engagement in London he would have to leave early (much to his regret, as he had not missed a meeting since the Council was formed). It was resolved, on the motion of the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, that on the president retiring, Alderman J. S. Pritchett should take the chair.

The President then referred to the serious loss the Council had sustained by the death of Mr. A. T. King, and made special reference to his arduous work on the Peals Analysis Committee. As a token of respect, and to express sympathy with Mr. King's family, those present rose in silence.

The Honorary Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. E. Alexr. Young, presented the financial statement, which showed that the year began with £37 10s. 6d. in hand, and that affiliation fees amounted to £12 2s. 6d., interest on stock to £4 5s. 8d., and sale of publications to £2 13s. 8d. The expenditure was £17 6s. 8d., leaving 15s. in hand, and a balance at the bank of £47 10s. 8d. (apart from the sum of £100 previously invested by the Council). The statement of accounts having been audited in detail by the Standing Committee, was, on the proposal of Mr. J. Griffin, seconded by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, duly accepted as correct.

The Honorary Librarian, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn reported that during the twelve months 469 copies of publications had been sold, against 419 in the previous year. The profits of the sales were £2 13s. 8d., against £3 17s. 9d., the reduced profit being due to the increased cost of advertising. With regard to the library, it grew slowly, and he now had the record of ringing news from 1871 to the present date, with the exception of five years—1901, 1902, 1905 to 1909.—On the motion of the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, seconded by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, the librarian's report was adopted.

Mr. H. Chapman said that Mr. Samuel Wood, of Ashton-under-Lyne, had all the 'Bell News' from the beginning, which he would be willing to give to the library, and the offer of the copies to complete the collection was accepted with thanks.—On the motion of Mr. G. P. Burton, seconded by Mr. J. Griffin, it was agreed to have the volumes bound at 5s. each.

Election of Honorary Members.—The President having pointed out the desirability of maintaining one vacancy, it was proposed by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, seconded by Mr. J. George, and carried, that the retiring members be re-elected. These were the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, Mr. H. Chapman, Mr. J. W. Parker and the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson (the late Mr. A. T. King's place thus not being filled).

The Peals Collection Committee.—Mr. H. W. Wilde presented a statement on behalf of this committee, and it was resolved, on the motion of the President that the same be received, and also that the librarian be authorised to send one of the typed copies of the collection of Treble Bob peals to the chairman of the committee.

The Literature and Press Committee.—Mr. W. Willson presented a report for this committee stating that they were on the alert for any Bill inimical to the interests of ringers, which might be introduced into Parliament, and that the committee were prepared to give their assistance to any company where local attempt was made to suppress change ringing; in which case the facts concisely stated, should be sent in the first instance to the secretary of the Council.—On the motion of Mr. A. L. Coleman, seconded by Mr. W. A. Cave, the report was adopted.

The President here relinquished the chair, which was then taken by Alderman J. S. Pritchett, who expressed his appreciation of the compliment paid to him, and referred to the honour which was about to be conferred upon the president, and which was the cause of his now leaving for London, viz., to receive at the hand of the Duke of Connaught the appointment of Provincial Grand Chaplain of the Mark Masons of England. Alderman J. S. Pritchett, as Recorder of Lincoln, in the absence of the Mayor, and on behalf of the city, also extended to the Council a most cordial welcome.

The Methods Committee.—The Rev. H. Law James gave a general report on behalf of this committee, and said that he thought the time had now come when some of the work done by this committee should be put into print, for which he had an estimate for £20 5s. 6d.—It was proposed by Mr. J. Griffin, and seconded by the Rev. F. L. Edwards, that the tender of the 'Ringing World' to print 500 copies each of Plain Major Methods and the collection of Little Methods be accepted, and this was carried.—On the suggestion of the Chairman, it was also decided to leave to the committee the responsibility of naming the methods or otherwise.

The Peals Analysis Committee.—The Rev. E. W. Carpenter, in moving the adoption of this report, referred to the great loss the committee had sustained by the death of Mr. A. T. King.—On the proposal of Mr. T. H. Beams, seconded by Mr. E. Alexr. Young, the report was carried.—The Rev. E. W. Carpenter then referred to the whole question of the Nomenclature of Minor Methods, having regard especially to the principle of priority of use, and on the motion of the Rev. C. C. Marshall, seconded by Mr. G. P. Burton, the committee were empowered to take this question up, and on the proposal of Mr. J. George, seconded by Mr. J. Griffin, Mr. J. W. Parker's name was added to the committee.

The Towers and Belfries Committee.—On the motion of Mr. E. Alexr. Young, seconded by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn was added to this committee. The latter then, in the absence of Mr. E. H. Lewis, read the report, the adoption of which was moved by the Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee, and seconded by the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore. After reference to the committee's work, especially with regard to the joint conference with the S.P.A.B. (the papers of which were on the table), the report was adopted, and the chairman congratulated the committee upon the useful work which had been done.

The Records Committee.—The Rev. A. T. Beeston presented the report of this committee (which is compiling an official list of the 'first peals' and 'longest lengths' in the various methods). He said that further work remained to be done, and suggested that the printing of the schedule should stand over for another year. The report and suggestion were, on the motion of Mr. H. Chapman, seconded by Mr. H. Argyle, adopted, and thanks extended to the committee for their work.

Alderman Chambers moved a resolution that it is desirable to establish in the area of each ringing association a bell restoration fund, from which grants may be made for the restoration of any rings of bells within the area when local funds are insufficient to meet the cost.—This was seconded by Mr. W. Willson.—During debate, a suggestion as an amendment, was made by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, and seconded by Mr. F. Hopgood, that 'the county and diocesan associations be asked to consider the possibility of establishing in their respective areas a bell restoration fund, etc.' After some further debate the amendment was accepted by the proposers, and the resolution in that form carried.

Before rising for lunch, the Chairman referred to the fund being raised to restore the Western towers at Lincoln Cathedral, and it was agreed to take a collection with the result that nine guineas was received and subsequently sent to the Dean.

After the interval the Rev. C. D. P. Davies called attention to a feature of Holt's peals of Grandsire Triples in connection with a statement on page 12 of the 2nd edition (1905) of 'Grandsire' in the Snowdon series: wherein the Editor states that the calling of the two halves of the ten-part, starts in opposite directions from the same point, and those of the six-part from two points a lead apart from each other. But that the reverse was in reality the case. He exhibited a diagram, with a few leads pricked out in full, to prove the correctness of his argument. No resolution, however, was made, and the subject dropped.

The Rev. H. Drake moved, 'That the Council draw up a card of instructions, on the care and use of bells, suitable for hanging in a tower.' This being seconded by the Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee, was, after general debate, carried with two dissentients; the bell founders present kindly offering to assist in the drawing up of the proposed card.

The Rev. H. Drake then moved his further resolution, 'That every tower should be officially affiliated to some one society and only one.'—This was seconded by Mr. C. Mee.—It was, however, generally held to be unwise to carry such a resolution, and it was defeated by a large majority.

Mr. A. E. Parsons moved, 'That the Council consider the advisability and practicability of proving and recording all new compositions before they are rung or published.'—This was seconded by Mr. W. Short, and after some debate 'Standing Committee' was substituted in the place of 'Council.' But on being put to the meeting the motion was defeated.

Mr. E. Alexr. Young, referring to the proposed exhibit in respect to Campanology at the Science Museum, proposed 'That a committee be appointed to deal with the case generally,' and suggested as members the names of the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, the Rev. E. Banks James, Mr. C. Johnston, and himself.—This was seconded by Mr. A. E. Parsons.—By general agreement the names of Mr. E. H. Lewis, Mr. Pryce Taylor and Mr. A. A. Hughes were added, and the formation of the committee, as augmented, was carried.

A resolution, of which Mr. J. H. Banks had sent late notice, was formally moved by Canon H. J. Elsee. It was to the effect 'That in future no method be named after a county or county town, without the consent of the principal ringing association within the area.'—The motion, however, did not find favour, and was defeated.

The Standing Committee having suggested that next year's meeting be held at Cardiff. That place was proposed by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, and seconded by Mr. J. H. Griffin, but was subsequently withdrawn in favour of Plymouth; Mr. J. Hunt proposed Bath; Mr. T. H. Beams, Salisbury; and Mr. Bibby, Chester. All were duly seconded. The latter, however, was withdrawn, and Plymouth, Bath and Salisbury receiving 2, 15 and 28 votes respectively, it was accordingly decided to hold the meeting at Salisbury.

On the motion of Mr. J. Griffin, seconded by Mr. G. Williams, it was resolved to communicate officially a report of the proceedings of the Council to the affiliated associations, by sending a leaflet, being the summary appearing in 'The Ringing World.'

It was proposed by the Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee, and seconded by Mr. J. H. Griffin, that the librarian be asked to ascertain the cost of engrossing on parchment, the names of ringers who fell in the great war, and that he report the same to the Council.—This was carried.

The Chairman moved a vote of thanks to the Dean and Chapter for kindly allowing the Council to meet in the Chapter House.—This was carried with acclamation, as was also a vote of thanks to the chairman, proposed by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. — The Chairman briefly replied, and the meeting closed about 4.30.

E. ALEX. YOUNG Hon. Sec.

#### 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR.

By SAMUEL GROVE.

| 23456 | M | in & 5ths | W |
|-------|---|-----------|---|
| 53246 | x | —         |   |
| 32546 | x | —         |   |
| 25346 | x | —         |   |
| 45236 | x | —         |   |
| 52436 | x | —         |   |
| 26435 | — | x         |   |
| 36245 | x | —         |   |
| 62345 | x | —         |   |
| 23645 | x | —         |   |

Twice repeated.

#### BOLSTERSTONE RINGERS' LOSS.

##### DEATH OF MR. JOHN WILMOT.

In John Wilmot, Bolsterstone ringers have lost a staunch and loyal member. Born in Devonshire in 1857, he first learnt to ring a bell as a lad in that country of cream and cider, and, although, wherever he went (and he was a great roamer, having been to several English Colonies) he always visited the nearest tower and rang with the ringers there, he never learnt change ringing till he went to Bolsterstone about eight or nine years ago. Since then he has been most enthusiastic and regular in his attendance at service ringing. On the occasion of his first peal two years ago, on New Year's Eve, he rang the tenor to a peal of Minor on the front six, with the 7th and tenor covering, a monotonous job which no one but a real enthusiast would attempt. After much struggling and many attempts he rang the 6th to a peal of Bob Major, a good peal, on December 31st last—his first and last peal inside, for he was even then suffering from the complaint of which he died. After the peal he presented a splendid oak framed mirror to the tower, in appreciation of the ringers' efforts to teach him change ringing.

His death occurred after an operation at the Sheffield Royal Infirmary. When he knew he would have to go there on some date unknown, he said, 'If I don't turn up some Sunday morning or to a practice you will know where I am,' and we did.

During the last seven or eight years the deceased has also fulfilled the duties of sidesman at St. Mary's, where his regularity at service was much appreciated. A man who had worked hard all his life, chiefly on public works, he was noted for his great physical and moral strength, his uprightness and honesty of character, and he will be greatly missed, both by his fellow workmen and his brother ringers. In the tower, his quiet geniality, his kindly and practical help and general ability in all matters connected with the bells were invaluable, and his untimely death will leave a gap not easily filled. May he rest in peace.

J. R. B.

#### STOKE DAMEREL BELLS TO BE RESTORED

The fine peal of six bells at the old church of Stoke Damerel, Devonport, are, owing to their bad state, to be restored by Messrs. Aggett and Sons. The bells were cast by Bilbie, of Collumpton in the year 1789, and the tenor is 16 cwt.

The bells are to be hung on modern fittings, including Messrs. Wm. Aggett and Sons' patent adjusting bearings, and it is hoped to commence in the tower by May.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The Lord Bishop of London climbed the turret stairs at the Parish Church, Chiswick, to view the boat race from the roof. He was highly delighted when he saw his old colours leading (Oxford).

Messrs. W. Aggett and Sons, of Chagford, have in hand the restoration of the peal of bells at Collaton, Paignton, Devon, and they hope to have these completed by the end of April. The date of the dedication service will be announced later.

A correspondent asks: Will the next attempt at ringing a record peal of Stedman Caters be broadcasted by wireless so that all who can will be able to listen in? It would be a novelty and much appreciated by all ringers interested.

The first known long peal of Treble Bob with the tenors parted was rung at St. Michael Coslany, Norwich, on April 1st, 1727. The tablet in the belfry recording it, says, 'A remarkable peal was rung by the eight persons as under, called the quarter-peal of Oxford Treble Bob, all eight in, or the Union Bob, consisting of 10,080 changes, which they rung in 6 hours 28 minutes on the 1st day of April, anno 1727.'

On April 3rd, 1899, the peal of 15,072 Double Norwich Major was rung in 9 hours 24 minutes at Erith by the Kent Association. At that time it was the record for the method.

On April 1st, 1777, the first 6,000 of Treble Bob Maximus was rung. This was a College Youths' performance at Southwark.

The first recorded peal on the ancient bells at St. Bartholomew-the-Great, Smithfield, was rung in commemoration of the 800th anniversary of the dedication of the church on Wednesday in last week, when forty-two six-scores of Grandsire Doubles were rung by five ringers, who, on Saturday, by way of contrast, took part in a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus, at Bow!

Congratulations to Miss Nelly Johnson, of Hinton, upon calling a 'double-handed' peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal. Mr. F. J. Johnson has a gifted family of ringers, and must be proud of his children's ability.

Reports of Peals rung on Monday next should be posted to us the same night, otherwise subsequent pressure on our space may cause delay in their appearance.

Easter Day Touches, to secure insertion, must be sent early, otherwise publication cannot be guaranteed.

## DEATH OF MR. JOHN RICE.

### A WELL-KNOWN SUSSEX RINGER.

The death occurred recently at Crawley of Mr. John Rice, a well-known Sussex ringer, who was 52 years of age, had for some time past been in indifferent health, and partial paralysis and other complications brought about his death after a short but painful illness. He was laid to rest on the 7th of March, near the tower in which he had spent so many happy hours. The sad service was attended by a great gathering of townspeople to pay their last respects, many local bodies, ringers and friends being present. Besides his interest in ringing John Rice was secretary of the local Co-operative Society, a past Grandmaster of the Oddfellows, and was ever foremost in working for charitable objects in the town.

His loss to ring at Crawley, with which tower he has been associated with for over thirty years, is irreparable. A good ringer and a good striker, regular for service ringing, he was an example to all who came in contact with him. He was of genial and retiring disposition, but into any task he undertook he put his whole soul and energy. For some years he served on the committee of the Sussex County Association, and he was also a member of the Sussex Association and Royal Cumberland Youths.

He had taken part in 161 peals as follows: Minor in 7 methods, 8; Grandsire Triples, 14 (conducted 5); Bob Triples, 1; Court Bob Triples, 1; Stedman Triples, 13; Bob Major, 7; Kent Treble Bob Major, 31 (conducted 2); Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1; Spliced Oxford and Kent Major, 2; Granta Treble Bob Major, 1; Double Norwich, 13; Alliance Major, 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 54 (conducted 1); Cambridge Surprise Major, 9; New Cumberland Surprise Major, 1; London Surprise Major, 2; Stedman Caters, 1; Treble Bob Royal, 1; total, 161 (conducted 8). His peals had been rung in 31 different towers, with 95 peals at Crawley, including at this church the 9,312 Superlative Surprise Major, in 5 hours 20 minutes on Dec. 26th, 1894; at that time the longest composed in the method.

He leaves a wife and daughter, besides a host of friends, to mourn their loss.



## NOMENCLATURE OF MINOR METHODS.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

As instructed by the Central Council at Lincoln last May, we have given this matter our careful consideration, and beg to submit our report.

We have been guided in our work by the principles we made known at the Lincoln meeting, viz., by priority of use, and by the advisability of retaining as much as possible, consistent with our present definitions, all that has been in use in the past. We have also had in mind the decision of the Council at London in 1921, that all claims to give names to unnamed methods in the collection should be sent to the librarian within six months.

The result of our effort is, we believe, quite in accordance with these conditions. To secure this we have been obliged to set aside a number of claims which were sent in at shorter or longer intervals after the lapse of the time allowed. Under such treatment some of these may be described as 'hard cases,' and we have real sympathy with all who are concerned in them in their disappointment. But we realised that to have dealt with them otherwise we should have been obliged to draw a dividing line between claims, all which, nevertheless, share in a common feature, viz., being too late. We were not willing to attempt the settlement of a question so justly open to a diversity of opinion, nor did we feel our terms of reference required us to do so.

It is, of course, open to the Council to modify or reject our decisions. This, we think, will afford the necessary opportunity for any claimant, who considers himself aggrieved, to renew his claim.

The following is the complete list of the names of all the regular Minor methods included in the C.C. Collection, and also of those not included. For the latter, see 'Bell News,' June 6th, 1914, p. 160, and 'Ringing World,' March 7th, 1913, p. 166.

In the case of methods to which more than one name had been given before the Council considered the question of Nomenclature, we have attributed those which our researches showed to be the first given to each method.

E. W. CARPENTER, Chairman.

A. T. BEESTON.

JOSEPH W. PARKER.

GEORGE WILLIAMS.

## REVISED LIST OF NAMES OF ALL REGULAR MINOR METHODS.

PLAIN METHODS.—1 Plain Bob, 2 Double Bob, 3 Oxford Bob, 4 Double Oxford Bob, 5 London Bob Reverse, 6 London Bob, 7 St. Clement's, 8 St. James' Youths' Exercise, 9 Bala, 10 Frodsham, 11 Stepney, 12 Canterbury Pleasure Reverse, 13 Fulbeck, 14 Lytham Pleasure, 15 Thelwall, 16 Killarney, 17 Horsmonden, 18 Loch Lomond, 19 Roydon, 20 Ennerdale, 21 Cumberland, 22 Windermere, 23 Brentford Single, 24 Court, 25 Double Court, 26 College Single Reverse, 27 Stedman Slow Course, 28 Childwall, 29 Wavertree.

TREBLE BOB METHODS.—1 Oxford, 2 Sandal, 3 Grandsire Treble Bob, 4 Burton, 5 Rochester, 6 Morning Star, 7 London Scholar's Pleasure, 8 College Exercise, 9 Nelson, 10 Chadkirk, 11 Woodcock's Victory, 12 British Scholar's Pleasure, 13 Kent, 14 Killamarsh, 15 Trinity Sunday, 16 Shamrock, 17 Bluebell, 18 Kingston, 19 Norbury, 20 Daffodil, 21 Fuchsia, 22 Foxglove, 23 Hyacinth, 24 Marigold, 25 Trowell, 26 Overton, 27 Dahlia, 28 Geranium, 29 Norton-le-Moors.

FOURTH'S PLACE DELIGHT.—1 Evesham Abbey, 2 Tewkesbury Abbey, 3 Abbeyville, 4 St. Werburgh, 5 Canterbury, 6 Crowland, 7 Combermere, 8 Southwark, 9 Vale Royal, 10 Braintree, 11 Marple, 12 Wragby, 13 Willesden, 14 Hull, 15 Taxal, 16 Neasden, 17 Old Oxford Modernised, 18 Merton, 19 Bedford, 20 St. Albans Abbey, 21 College Bob IV., 22 Waltham Abbey, 23 Burslem, 24 Duke of Clarence, 25 Elstow Abbey, 26 Burnaby, 27 London Victory, 28 Kirkstall Abbey, 29 Glastonbury Abbey, 30 Tintern Abbey, 31 Sherborne Abbey, 32 Fountains Abbey, 33 Melrose Abbey, 34 Pointon, 35 Grove.

THIRD'S PLACE DELIGHT.—1 Carisbrooke Castle, 2 Dunottar Castle, 3 Conway Castle, 4 Caernarvon Castle, 5 Ludlow Castle, 6 Warwick Castle, 7 Kentish Delight, 8 Berkeley Castle, 9 Edinboro' Castle, 10 Pembroke Castle, 11 Wath, 12 Pontefract Castle, 13 Oswald, 14 Kent Delight, 15 Melandra Castle, 16 Bucknall, 17 Castleton, 18 Beeston Castle, 19 Chelsea, 20 Peveril Castle, 21 Stirling Castle, 22 Leasowe Castle, 23 Richborough Castle, 24 Conisboro' Castle, 25 Coventry, 26 Evening Star, 27 Disley, 28 Chepstow Castle, 29 Rostherne, 30 Skipton Castle, 31 Knutsford, 32 Belvoir Castle, 33 Pevensy Castle, 34 Dunedin, 35 Ely, 36 Queen Victoria, 37 Wimslow, 38 Cambridge Delight, 39 Francis Genius, 40 Bagedone, 41 Fotheringhay Castle, 42 Dover Castle.

SURPRISE METHODS.—1 Munden, 2 Canterbury, 3 Alnwick, 4 Morpeth, 5 Newcastle, 6 Chester, 7 Whitley, 8 Northumberland, 9 Carlisle, 10 Wooler, 11 Sandiacre, 12 Coldstream, 13 Kelsa, 14 London, 15 Wells, 16 Southwell, 17 Omecastre, 18 Allendale, 19 Bacup, 20 Bamforth, 21 Warkworth, 22 Inmanuel, 23 Lightfoot, 24 Stamford, 25 Wearmouth, 26 Westminster, 27 Annabell's London, 28 Netherseale, 29 Norwich, 30 Hexham, 31 Surfleet, 32 York, 33 Durham, 34 Berwick, 35 Beverley, 36 Norfolk, 37 Ipswich, 38 Ringers' Surprise, 39 Cambridge, 40 Hull, 41 Bourne.

## SPLICED 720's OF MINOR.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—There is yet another method of splicing, not used in the Norbury peal. This can best be explained by an example. In the Collection of Legitimate (Regular) Minor Methods, pages 14 and 15, it will be seen that Fourth's Place Delight, Nos. 3 and 5, contain the same changes in a lead except for the two middle changes..

| No. 3  | No. 5  |
|--------|--------|
| 623541 | 236541 |
| 632451 | 326451 |

Therefore, if in a 720 of No. 3, three leads be picked out which have the same bells in the same position in 4th's and 5th's places at the 'lead head,' Method No. 5 can be substituted for No. 3 in these three leads. Similarly Nos. 10 and 14 and Nos. 11 and 15 can be spliced by picking three leads with the same bells in 3rd's and 5th's, as shown by the figures below.

Yours faithfully,

EDWIN H. LEWIS.

## 720's IN SIX METHODS (4TH'S PLACE DELIGHT).

| 23456   | No. 4 | 23456   | No. 10 | 23456   | No. 11 |
|---------|-------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| 64523   |       | 56342   |        | 64523   |        |
| — 23564 | No. 5 | 42635   |        | — 23564 | No. 13 |
| 36245   | No. 3 | 35264   | No. 14 | — 45236 | No. 17 |
| 64352   |       | — 64235 | No. 12 | 24653   |        |
| 45623   |       | 52364   |        | 62345   |        |
| — 45236 |       | 43652   |        | 36524   |        |
| — 45362 | No. 6 | — 26435 | No. 16 | — 45362 | No. 15 |
| 23645   |       | 54326   |        | 23645   | No. 11 |
| 56423   |       | — 63542 | No. 10 | 56423   |        |
| 34256   |       | 42356   |        | 34256   |        |
| 62534   |       | 56234   |        | 62534   |        |
| — 34562 | No. 5 | 34625   |        | — 34562 | No. 13 |
| 46325   | No. 3 | 25463   | No. 14 | — 25346 | No. 21 |
| 62453   |       | — 63425 | No. 20 | 32654   |        |
| 25634   |       | 54263   |        | 63425   |        |
| — 25346 |       | 32654   |        | 46332   |        |
| — 25463 | No. 7 | — 46325 |        | — 25463 | No. 15 |
| 34625   |       | 53246   |        | 34625   | No. 11 |
| 56234   |       | — 62534 | No. 10 | 56234   |        |
| 42356   |       | 34256   |        | 42356   |        |
| 63542   |       | 56423   |        | 63542   |        |
| — 42563 | No. 5 | 23645   |        | — 42563 | No. 13 |
| 26435   | No. 3 | 45362   | No. 14 | — 35426 | No. 34 |
| 63254   |       | — 62345 | No. 35 | 43652   |        |
| 35642   |       | 53462   |        | 64235   |        |
| — 35426 |       | 24653   |        | 26543   |        |
| — 35264 | No. 9 | — 36245 |        | — 35264 | No. 15 |
| 42635   |       | 52436   |        | 42635   | No. 11 |
| 56342   |       | — 64523 | No. 10 | 56342   |        |
| 23456   |       | 23456   |        | 23456   |        |

Sir,—We should like to acknowledge, through the medium of your columns, the courtesy shown by Messrs. Fernley and Blood in their replies to our questions, and to point out that the construction that may be placed upon the reason of our inquiry, as shown in Mr. Wilkerson's first paragraph, may not be correct; we were seeking knowledge only.

We should like to see some decision by the Methods Committee, regarding the names of the Minor methods, mentioned in our letter. We think the cost of printing these on a sheet would be small, and willingly would volunteer to undertake this, and the distribution of such slips, if only to prove our belief that the loss would be small, if any.—Yours faithfully,

G. DAWSON, Hon. Secretary,

St. John Baptist Association (Leytonstone).

The last paragraph of the above letter is to some extent answered by the report of the Central Council's Committee, published in this issue.—Ed. 'R.W.'

## BOB ROYAL ON HANDBELLS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—With reference to the handbell peal of Bob Royal, mentioned on page 168 of your issue of 16th March, it would be interesting to know whether that rung at St. Albans in 1889 was actually entered in the College Youths' books, and if so, at what date it was inscribed. When Mr. G. F. Woodhouse sent up the report of ours rung at Caius College on 3rd March, 1897, we certainly gathered that up to that time there was no peal of Bob Royal 'in hand' recorded in the society's books. It is only a small matter, but it has its statistical interest as far as it goes.—Yours truly,

Kington Magna Rectory.

F. L. EDWARDS.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## EASTERN DISTRICT MEETING AT YORK.

The annual meeting was held at York on Saturday, March 17th, and the attendance was one of the largest seen at a district meeting for some time past, the delightfully fine day no doubt having much to do with the success of the gathering. The peal of twelve at the Minster was available during the afternoon and evening, by permission of the Very Rev. the Dean of York (Dr. W. Foxley Norris), as were also the rings of six at SS. Philip and James', Clifton, and St. Mary's, Bishopthorpe, by consent of the respective Vicars the Rev. C. T. Alexander, M.A., and the Rev. B. W. Wood M.A. Various touches were rung on the bells in the standard methods by the visiting companies, who made good use of the time allotted to them.



YORK MINSTER.

Choral evensong was held in the Minster at 4 p.m., and was attended by a large number of ringers, who greatly appreciated the beautiful service.

Tea was provided at the Ebor Hall, to which no fewer than 68 sat down, representing towers at Badsworth, Beverley, Goole, Hemingbrough, Hull, Leeds, Market Weighton, Pontefract, Selby, Sherburn, Sutton, Tadcaster, Wetherby and York. At the conclusion, Mr. G. Horner, who had charge of the local arrangements, requested the Rev. R. G. Pyne to read a letter from the Dean, which he had received that morning. In this letter the Dean said he was more than disappointed not to be with them. He had been in London for some days with his son, who was very ill, and he would not arrive home until too late to be present at tea. The Dean asked Mr. Horner to tell the visiting ringers how cordially they welcomed the members of the association to York, and how much he wished he could have been amongst them.

A vote of sympathy was passed to the Dean, with an expression of hope for the speedy recovery of his son.

The business meeting followed in St. Michael-le-Belfry Schoolroom, Stonegate, the Rev. R. G. Pyne, M.A., Vicar of St. Cuthbert's, York, presiding. He was accompanied on the platform by the Rev. C. T. Alexander, the Rev. B. W. Wood, Mr. A. E. West (Sutton-on-Hull), vice-president, and Mr. A. B. Cook (Hull), hon. district secretary.

The Chairman (who was formerly curate at Beverley Minster) remarked that he appreciated the honour at being invited to preside, not merely because he was interested in church bell ringing, but because he recognised the sense of fellowship and spirit of brotherhood that existed amongst ringers, and that they were all fellow-workers in one cause in the service of God, and in that way they could materially help and strengthen one another.

The following new members were elected members of the Association: Miss Violet A. Imeson and Mr. S. Steel, York; Messrs. L. M. Woodhead, A. White, W. Stephenson, and A. Jackson, of Goole; Mr. F. Hatfield, of Hemingbrough; Mr. A. Turner, of Sutton-on-Hull, and Mr. J. W. Johnson, of All Saints', Hull.

Mr. F. Cryer (Selby) and Mr. R. B. Smith (Howden) were re-elected on the committee and the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mr.

H. Walters (Pontefract), who had served for several years, was filled by the appointment of Mr. A. Walker, senr. (Pontefract). Mr. Cryer was re-elected on the Central Committee.

Mr. A. B. Cook was re-elected hon. district secretary.

Mr. W. Middleton (Beverley Minster) invited the district to hold the next quarterly meeting at Beverley, in June, and this offer was unanimously accepted.

On the motion of Mr. P. J. Johnson, hon. general secretary, a cordial vote of thanks was passed to the Dean of York, the Rev. C. T. Alexander, and the Rev. B. W. Wood for the use of the bells, and to the York ringers for the excellent arrangements made for the meeting.

The Rev. C. T. Alexander and the Rev. B. W. Wood replied, and both spoke in appreciation of the opportunity of getting the bells rung. The ringers were doing a really good piece of church work in ringing the bells, and it was highly appreciated by the parishioners. Mr. T. F. Earnshaw responded on behalf of the local company.

The meeting then concluded with a vote of thanks to the chairman, and the Benediction said by the Rev. C. T. Alexander.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.**—On Palm Sunday, for morning service, 720 London Surprise; J. D. Buckingham (conductor) 1. H. B. Gardner 2. A. C. Langford 3. C. J. Mann 4. G. H. Neville 5. J. R. Owen 6. First 720 of London Surprise by ringers of 2 and 4, and first in the method on the bells by a band of service ringers.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, March 25th, for evening service, 1,263 Stedman Caters; J. W. Driver 1. W. H. Wood 2. W. H. Hollier 3. G. O. Iles 4. A. Cuttmor 5. F. H. Crook 6. F. Norriss 7. E. W. Coulson 8. F. Skerington (conductor) 9. G. F. Edwards 10. First quarter-peal of Stedman Caters by E. W. Coulson for twelve years.

**HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, on March 25th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Triples, in 48 mins.: A. Smith 1, Miss G. Baker 2, Miss D. G. Feltham 3, Miss P. Moss 4, S. Honor 5, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 6, W. Honor 7, F. Smith 8.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Caters, in 51 mins.: A. Smith 1, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 2, Miss G. Baker 3, Miss D. G. Feltham 4, Miss P. Moss 5, S. Honor 6, H. Chandler 7, W. Honor 8, L. Potter 9, F. Smith 10. \* First quarter of Caters. † First quarter of Caters 'inside.'

**LIVERPOOL.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas, on Palm Sunday, for special afternoon service, a quarter-peal 1,267 Stedman Caters, in 54 mins.: W. Fisher 1, W. Davies 2, G. R. Newton (conductor) 3, C. S. Benwell 4, J. Wilkinson 5. H. Ludkin 6, J. Martin 7, E. Breeze 8, E. Cauce 9, C. Packer 10. Also rung in honour of the Royal christening at Goldsborough Church, in Yorkshire.

**TRUMPINGTON, CAMBRIDGE.**—On Sunday, March 25th, for morning service, 720 Grandsire Doubles; J. Chapman 1, K. Willers 2, A. Wilson 3, H. Wilson 4, W. Rayner (conductor) 5. First 720 by treble ringer, aged 13, who began to ring on January 15th.

**DOVER, KENT.**—On Sunday afternoon, March 18th, for the Confirmation service held at St. Mary's Church by the Bishop of Dover, St. Mary's Society rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. (1,260 changes taken from Holt's Original): K. Guyler (first quarter-peal) 1, J. Eagles 2, C. R. Walker 3, C. Turner 4, C. R. Millway (conductor) 5, F. W. Elliott 6, R. H. Stevens 7, G. A. Godfrey 8.

**CAVENDISH.**—On Sunday, March 18th, for evening service, 720 Double Oxford and 360 Oxford Treble Bob: H. Perkins 1, F. Kemp 2, A. L. Ives 3, P. Johnson 4, W. Underwood (conductor) 5, A. Catterwell 6.

**TERRINGTON ST. JOHN, NORFOLK.**—On Sunday, March 18th, for evening service, at the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, 720 Bob Minor: J. W. Rodwell 1, W. Cousins 2, C. Cousins 3, J. R. Rodwell 4, F. Rose 5, W. J. Rose (conductor) 6. Ringers of 5 and 6 hail from Tilney, All Saints.

**FRYERNING, ESSEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday morning, on March 18th, before morning service, 512 Oxford Treble Bob Minor; after service, 360 Oxford Treble Bob Minor; before evensong, 720 Double Court and 360 Woodbine Treble Bob the ringers being L. Camp, G. Camp, C. Harrington, H. Wright, E. Sitch, A. Bradley (conductor).

**RYE, SUSSEX.**—On Sunday, March 18th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: — Farr 1, G. Talbot 2, W. A. Penfold 3, — Pattenden 4, J. Powell 5, F. Bryant 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, W. Henley 8. Ringers of 2, 3, 5 and 7 are from Hawkhurst. The rest local.

**WORKSOP.**—On Sunday evening, March 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 minutes; also rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Winrow, who rang her first quarter-peal admirably, and is the second of the three Priory ladies to get through: H. Haigh (conductor) 1, Miss E. Winrow 2, Miss A. Taylor 3, G. Hardwick 4, W. Roberts 5, H. Jordan 6, A. Johnson 7, E. Clarke 8.

**NORTH COLLINGHAM.**—On Sunday, March 11th 360 Bob Minor and three 180's of the same method, in which three ladies took part. Conducted by H. Haigh and J. Semper. Longest lengths rung by the ladies.



**SUTTON-ON-TRENT.**—On March 11th, for evening service, 720 of Bob Major: N. Moxon 1, A. Crawford 2, H. Haigh (conductor) 3, C. Crawford 4, T. Hopkins 5, J. Semper 6.

**LEICESTER.**—At St. Martin's Pro-Cathedral, on Sunday, March 11th, for morning service, 224 London Surprise Major, followed by 360 Cambridge Surprise Royal.—For evening service, 224 Bristol Surprise Major, followed by 720 Leicester Surprise Royal.—On Sunday, March 18th, for morning service, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: P. Harrison 1, W. P. Whitehead 2, S. Burton 3, R. F. Elkington 4, H. J. Poole 5, H. G. Jenney 6, H. Broughton 7, F. H. Dexter (conductor) 8. Longest length in the method by all.

### 19360 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR.

BY THE REV. H. LAW JAMES.

| 2345678                 |   |     |    |   |  | 23456 | M | B | W | H |
|-------------------------|---|-----|----|---|--|-------|---|---|---|---|
| 354726                  | M | I   |    |   |  | 24365 |   |   |   |   |
| 742536                  | M | W   |    |   |  | 46253 |   |   |   |   |
| 762435                  |   | 5th |    |   |  | 65432 |   |   |   |   |
| 325746                  |   | 4th |    |   |  | 53462 |   |   |   |   |
| 245736                  | M |     | 2H |   |  | 36524 |   |   |   |   |
| 2654373                 |   | 5th |    |   |  | 62345 |   |   |   |   |
| Repeat this four times  |   |     |    |   |  | 24653 |   |   |   |   |
| omitting the first M,   |   |     |    |   |  | 24536 |   |   |   |   |
| and call H at the end   |   |     |    |   |  | 43265 |   |   |   |   |
| of the 30th course pro- |   |     |    |   |  | 32465 |   |   |   |   |
| duces.                  |   |     |    |   |  | 26435 |   |   |   |   |
| 64352                   | M | B   | W  | H |  | 63254 |   |   |   |   |
|                         |   |     |    |   |  | 35642 |   |   |   |   |
| 45623                   |   |     |    |   |  | 54326 |   |   |   |   |
| 52436                   |   |     |    |   |  | 54263 |   |   |   |   |
| 56234                   |   |     |    |   |  | 46532 |   |   |   |   |
| 63542                   |   |     |    |   |  | 63425 |   |   |   |   |
| 34562                   |   |     |    |   |  | 65324 |   |   |   |   |
| 34625                   |   |     |    |   |  | 52364 |   |   |   |   |
| 25645                   |   |     |    |   |  | 32546 |   |   |   |   |

### MR. E. J. HARDING, SENR'S. 100 PEALS.

Grandsire Triples, 13 (conducted 2); Stedman Triples, 29; Bob Major, 11 (conducted 2); Kent Treble Bob Major, 18; Kent Treble Bob Royal, 1; Double Norwich Major, 24; Superlative Surprise, 2; Cambridge Surprise, 2; total, 100 (conducted 4).

### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—At the Parish Church, on March 22nd, 576 Bristol Surprise Major: A. Smith 1, T. Kendall 2, B. Wilson 3, C. Rollings 4, H. Wood 5, F. Hunt 6, A. King 7, L. A. Goodenough (conductor) 8. Longest touch in the method by all, who are Sunday Service ringers.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At Emmanuel Church, on Monday, March 19th, in 52 minutes (1,260 changes), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. Gluyas 1, H. Ashton 2, W. Rundle 3, T. Myers 4, W. Hamblin 5, H. Burner 6, J. Woodley (conductor) 7, S. Symons 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mrs. Flynn, wife of the Rev. Dr. Francis Flynn (chaplain to H.M. the King, and Vicar of the above church), who was interred the same day.

**RATBY.**—On Thursday, March 15th dedications of additions to the war memorial by the Rev. A. Winnington-Ingram, 720 Oxford Bob (half-muffled); A. Priestnall 1, J. H. Spencer 2, W. Ball 3, P. Ingram 4, T. Chantrell 5, O. Allsop (conductor) 6. Also 360 Bob Minor (open), after the service.

**GORSEINON.**—At St. Catherine's Church, on Tuesday March 13th, for Confirmation service, 720 Grandsire Doubles: \*J. MacMillan 1, \*J. Hanson 2, Reg. Dobbins 3, C. Willis 4, Wai. Dobbins 5, W. Dobbins 6, J. Williams (conductor) 7, R. Baird 8. \* Longest touch. Rung with 1, 2, 8 covering.

**ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.**—On Tuesday, Feb. 20th, at the Church of St. Mary, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Salisbury 1, H. Thomas 2, P. H. Smith 3, J. Morgan 4, W. Morgan 5, H. W. Wildo (composer and conductor) 6, S. Jones, junr. 7, F. W. Wilde 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to Lady Ursula Grosvenor, eldest daughter of His Grace the Duke of Westminster, on attaining her 21st birthday.

## EASTER MEETINGS.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held (D.V.) at St. Albans, on Easter Monday. Ringing at the four towers from 2 p.m. Earlier ringing can be had at the six-bell towers by request. Choral service in the Cathedral 'Under the Tower' at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting in the Abbey Institute at 6 p.m. Can we include you in our tea party? I hope so. Please let me know.—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Duffield, St. Albans.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—At the annual meeting on Easter Monday, Mr. E. P. Debenham will move the following alteration of first section of Rule 9, 'No peal of 5,000 changes or upwards on five or more bells shall be entered in the Peal Book that is not recognised as such by the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, or other body for the time being exercising the powers of the Central Council with regard to Peals.'—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch.—The annual general meeting of the above will be held at Ipswich on Easter Monday, April 2nd, 1923. Meeting for election of officers and other business will be held at the Church House, adjoining St. Mary-le-Tower Church, at 3.30 p.m., at which the Rev. Canon Douglas Hamilton will preside. Arrangements are being made for ringing at the various churches in the town. A good attendance is desired.—George Wilson, Sec. (*pro tem.*), 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held on Easter Monday, April 2nd, at Bridlington. Bells (8) available throughout the day. Further details on circulars.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**DEVON GUILD.**—East Devon Branch.—A meeting will be held at Sidmouth on Easter Monday. Service at St. Nicholas Church, 4.30. Tea at 5, 1/- each, free to members, Church Hall. Meeting 5.30. All ringers welcome. Bells (8) available.—John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Ottery St. Mary, Devon.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—Annual meeting at Uckfield on Easter Monday. Tower open 2, service 4.30, tea at 'The Holly Bush,' 5 (1/6 each). Business meeting to follow.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave St., Brighton.

**EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting will be held at Sutton-in-Ashfield, Easter Monday, April 2nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, meeting after.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the association will be held in the Priory Hall, Great Yarmouth, at 12 o'clock on Easter Monday, April 2nd. Luncheon will be served at Goode's Hotel, Marine Parade, at 1.30 p.m. Tickets 3s. each. By kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. Canon R. Aubrey Aitken) the ring of twelve bells at the Parish Church of St. Nicholas will be available.—Arthur L. Coleman, General and Branch Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Derby on Easter Monday, April 2nd. The bells at All Saints', St. Alkmund's, St. Peter's and St. Luke's will be available for ringing from

GET YOUR  
RINGING  
FRIENDS  
TO SUPPORT

THE RINGING  
WORLD

BY  
TAKING  
A COPY  
EVERY  
WEEK.

10 a.m. to 3.45 p.m., and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Certificate Sub-Committee will meet at 2.45, and the Ordinary Committee at 3.15 in St. Alkmund's Institute. There will be a service at All Saints' Church at 4 o'clock. Preacher, the Ven. Archdeacon of Nottingham. Collection for the Bell Repair Fund. Tea will be at 4.45 in the Assembly Rooms, Market Place, and the general meeting will follow immediately after tea. A smoking concert has been arranged to commence at 8 o'clock in the Assembly Rooms.—A. Coningsby Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale, Derbyshire.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Chatham on Easter Monday, April 2nd. Committee meeting in St. Mary's Vestry, 11 a.m. Service at noon. Dinner in Workman's Hall, 1.15 p.m. Business meeting after dinner. Towers open for ringing, St. Mary's, Chatham (8), St. Margaret's, Rochester (8), Gillingham (8), Rainham (8). Apply for dinner tickets (1/- each), before March 28th, to Fred J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec., Precincts, Canterbury.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Cambridge on Easter Monday, April 2nd. Service at noon addressed by the Rev. S. T. Adams, Hon. Canon of Ely and Rural Dean. Luncheon 1 p.m. The bells of Great St. Mary's, St. Andrew's and the Roman Catholic Church available, also, in the afternoon, Old Chesterton (6).—Rev. R. Copeman, Owlstone Road, Cambridge.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Ashted on Easter Monday, April 2nd, 1923. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Tea at Huntley's Tea Gardens.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. District Secretary, 47, Beddington Grove, Wallington.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—Opening of 10-bell peal at Trowbridge. Quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Trowbridge on Easter Monday, April 2nd. The peal of 8 available for visitors from 2 till 3 p.m. Service in church, 3 p.m. After the service the 10-bell peal available for afternoon and evening. A free tea will be kindly provided at 5 o'clock. All ringers cordially invited.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

**TO SUFFOLK RINGERS.**—A meeting will be held in St. Mary le Tower Church House, Ipswich, on Easter Monday, at 12.30 p.m., to decide on the formation of a new society of ringers. Ringers in the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich to elect officers and pass rules, etc. All ringers resident in the diocese are invited. Names of those wishing to join should be sent to Mr. C. F. Bailey, 20, Haylings Road, Leiston.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The annual general meeting of the above branch will take place at Slough on Easter Monday, April 2nd, 1923, when members and friends will be welcomed by the Vicar. Service at the Parish Church 4.30 p.m. Tea at the Church Institute 5.30 p.m. Branch business at 6.30 p.m. The following Towers will be open for visitors during the morning by kind permission of the clergy. Old Windsor 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Burnham 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Wooburn 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Windsor after meeting.—A. J. Harman, 2, St. Mary's Cottages, Grove Rd., Windsor.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Freshwater All Saints (6) on Easter Monday, April 2nd. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m.—W. Upton, Dis. Sec., 10, Elm Grove, Newport, I.W.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday. The bells of St. Paul's (10) will be available from 9 a.m., St. Peter's (6) later; service in St. Paul's at 12.30. Luncheon at St. Paul's Mission Room at 1, to be followed by the annual business meeting.—Arthur E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Worksop on Easter Monday. Bells (8) available from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m.—T. W. Chown, Hon. Sec. (*pro tem.*), 68, Canada Street, Sheffield.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Cheterick Bridge on Easter Monday, April 2nd. Bells available for ringing all day. Dinner will be provided at the Oak Tree Inn, members 1/6, non-members 2/6.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, N. Ormsby, Middlesborough.

## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, Commercial Road, Woking.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, March 31st, at Whittlesey. St. Mary's bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on April 3rd; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 5th; Southwark Cathedral on the 10th and 24th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 12th and 26th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 17th; all at 7.30 p.m. °Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 'Frodingham,' 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS.**—North East Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Washfield, (6) on Saturday, April 7th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.45 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. Those requiring tea should send their names to me by April 3rd.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints, Fulham, on Saturday, April 7th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m.—J. W. Cornfield, Hon. Sec. 7D, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on Saturday, April 7th. Service at 4.30 p.m., with an address by the President, Rev. F. R. Bonsey. Tea and business meeting at St. Giles' School House, Endell Street, at 5 p.m. By the kindness of the Rector (Rev. W. H. Davies), tea will be provided at the reduced charge of 6d. per member, and admission will be by ticket only. Secretaries of local bands,

and individual members, should apply to either of the undersigned for admission tickets not later than Wednesday, April 4th. Payment may be made at time of application, or on the day of meeting. Arrangements for ringing are as follows: St. Giles-in-the-Fields (8), from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m., and after the meeting, St. Clement Danes (10), from 3 to 4.15 p.m.; St. Bartholomew the Great (5), from 3 to 4.15 p.m.; St. Margaret's, Westminster (10), from 7.30 to 9 p.m.—C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, E. 17, W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W. 4, Hon. Secs.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Woolton Hill on Saturday, April 7th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Sixpence per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than March 31st.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dis. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the Swindon Branch of the above association will be held at Chippenham on Saturday, April 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m.—H. J. Hearl, Branch Hon. Sec., 5, The Knoll, Swindon.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Whetstone on Saturday, April 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Those requiring tea please inform J. H. Richardson, High Street, Whetstone, before April 6th. Reports for 1923 can be had at this meeting, 1/- each, or from H. E. Norman, District Sec., 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual general committee meeting will be held on Saturday, April 7th, at 3.30 p.m., in the Oddfellows Hall, Friar Street, Reading, near St. Laurence's Church. Notice of motion must reach General Secretary at least 10 days before meeting. Will all committeemen intending to be present please notify me, so that tea may be arranged for at the Master's invitation?—Richard T. Hibbert, General Secretary, Warren House Lodge, St. Peter's Avenue, Caversham.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—The annual meeting will be held at Salehurst on Saturday, April 7th.—Tower open at 2 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at the Old Eight Bells at 5 p.m., by the kind invitation of L. J. Hodson, Esq., business meeting to follow. Will those who intend to be present please notify the undersigned not later than Tuesday, April 3rd?—G. W. Stokes, Div. Hon. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The memorial to the ringers who fell in the Great War will be unveiled in Newcastle Cathedral on Saturday, April 7th, at 3 o'clock. Seats will be reserved for relatives. For tickets apply, enclosing stamped envelope, to E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practice, Bishopsgate, Monday, April 9th, at 7.30 p.m. Quarterly general meeting, St. Clement Danes, Monday, April 16th, 6.30 p.m. Business meeting 8.15 p.m., at the Edinburgh.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—The annual district meeting will be held at All Saints', Maidstone, on Saturday, April 14th. Bells available at 3 o'clock, a short service at 4.30, tea at 5.15, business meeting after. All ringers intending being at the meeting

please let me know not later than Tuesday, 10th April, and oblige. St. Michael's Tower will be open for ringing in the evening.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. District Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting at St. George's, Bolton, postponed from March 24th until April 14th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Cogenhoe on Saturday, April 14th. Bells ready at 2.30. Those requiring tea notify me by April 10th.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Ruislip on Saturday, April 14th, by permission of the Rev. W. A. G. Gray (Vicar). Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged and all are welcome.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W. 4.

**'RINGING WORLD' WANTED.**—The following Nos. of 'The Ringing World' are wanted; reasonable price paid—No. 495, vol. xv, Sept. 10th, 1920; No. 519, vol. xvi, Feb. 25th, 1921.—F. W. Goodfellow, 9, Dorset Road, Ealing, W. 5.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

All the latest improvements in Bell Hanging, Ball and Roller Bearings. Everything for Bells supplied.

**IMPROVED**  
Church Bell  
**ROPES**

Try—

**J.C. CLOGG & CO.** Estab. over 100 years.

St.  
Thomas,  
**EXETER.**

The Manufacturers who are  
Celebrated for a STRONG, PLIABLE ROPE,  
that Pleases the Ringer, Defies Competition,  
Ensures Repeat Orders.



**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting at Sedgley on April 14th. Bells available at 3. Service with address by the Rev. Dr. Swindell at 4.45. Tea (1/-) in the schoolroom at 5.30. Please send word not later than April 10th.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next 6-bell contest and meeting will be held at Silsden, near Keighley, on Saturday, April 14th. All entries for contest and number of tea tickets wanted (price 1/6 each) to be sent to the local secretary, Mr. John Cooper, Old Hall, Silsden, to reach him not later than Monday, April 9th. Draw to take place at 2.45; commence ringing at 3 prompt. Nearest station, Steeton and Silsden.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—By kind permission of the Rev. F. E. Lowe, M.A., the next meeting of the Western Division will be held at Batley in conjunction with the opening of the new peal of 8 bells on Saturday, April 7th. Tea will be served in the school at 5 p.m. at a charge of 1/6 per head. All applications for tea to be made to Mr. George Scholey, 69, Bradford Road, Batley, not later than first post April 3rd. For further particulars, see circular.—F. Hopwood, District Sec., 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Dunster Deanery Branch.—Annual meeting will be held at Dunster on Saturday, April 14th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m. Tea at the Memorial Hall at 5 p.m., by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. W. T. Reeder, R.D.). Business meeting to follow. Will those who intend to be present please notify me not later than April 10th?—G. Stacey, Hon. Local Sec., 6, Park Street, Minehead.

#### INVITATION AND PUBLIC NOTICE TO RINGERS.

On Saturday, April 21st, at Marsden, near Huddersfield, a new peal of 8 bells (tenor, 26½ cwt.) by J. Taylor & Co., Loughborough, will be open from 2 p.m. to all ringers. A hearty invitation is given to all towers. Please send any applications for order of ringing and the number of members who will want tea to Mr. F. Russell, Newsagent, Marsden, to reach him Monday, April 16th. First preference for both ringing and tea will be strictly given to those only who notify on or before that date.—The Local Church Council and Local Company, Marsden.

#### NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION

A practice meeting of the Halesworth District was held at St. Peter's Church, Wenhamston, and was attended by ringers from Bramfield, Brampton, Halesworth, Henham, Mells, Wissett and Wenhamston. Several well-struck touches were rung in the following methods: Grandsire and Bob Doubles, Plain Bob Minor, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor. The district secretary, Mr. F. C. Lambert, had arranged the meeting in connection with the 74th birthday of the popular verger and tower keeper, Mr. George Eastaugh, who took part in the ringing during the evening. Reference was made to the loss the society had sustained by the recent death of Mr. Jas. Motts, of St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, the respected Ringing Master of the Suffolk branch, and for many years one of the leading ringers of England. After leaving the tower, an hour's ringing on the handbells brought to a close a very successful meeting.

#### FALSE METHODS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir.—On looking through the book of Legitimate Methods I see there is given Double Grandsire Doubles, which is not a true method, there being two false rows beside the hand stroke treble lead 5324 and 4352. It is impossible to get a true 120. Also there are only three true methods in Triples, viz., Grandsire, Stedman and College Single. Take Double Grandsire, for instance. There are three false rows beside the hand stroke treble lead 564732, 764235 and 567243, so that it is impossible to get a true peal; and the rest are all about the same.—Yours truly,

E. HIMS.

#### NOTICE.

TO THE CLERGY, RINGERS, AND ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Having had over 40 years' experience as Church Bell and Musical Handbell tuner, in succession to my father (Mr. H. W. Haley), I have decided to carry on the handbell business, and, therefore, respectfully beg to solicit your patronage.

I shall be pleased to execute any orders, however small, at reasonable charges, and guarantee satisfaction.

Prices for new bells, repairs, etc., will be furnished on application.

#### WILLIAM HALEY,

Author of the 'Bell Hymn Book,' Twelve Popular Airs, etc., etc.,  
50, CLARENDON ROAD, HOE STREET,  
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

For CHURCH · TOWN HALL · SCHOOL · CLUB · &c

## Memorial Tablets

in Brass Bronze or Cast-relief

Write: *Southwood* for Specimens

Many hundreds supplied to all parts, from £5 upwards.  
Photos and Designs free of charge.

.. ALSO ..

#### Peal Records for Belfry,

Designed for Permanency and Economy in Price and Space

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.



## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

# ALFRED BOWELL,

## CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,

### IPSWICH.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

- 'ROPE-SIGHT,' 1s. 10d.; seventh ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.
  - 'GRANDSIRE,' 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.
  - 'STANDARD METHODS,' 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.
  - 'STEDMAN,' 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.
  - 'TREBLE BOB,' I., 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.
  - PART II.—At present out of print.
  - 'DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.'—Out of print at present.
- All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

|  | s. | d. |
|--|----|----|
| GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..                                       | 5  |    |
| MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..                                   | 3  |    |
| ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..                                      | 4  |    |
| RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..                                | 6  |    |
| LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...                         | 9  |    |
| COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... .. | 1  | 0  |
| COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..  | 9  |    |
| COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ...                     | 1  | 0  |

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker,

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

|          |        |        |        |        |       |        |       |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| Diameter | 2½ in. | 2¾ in. | 3½ in. | 3¾ in. | 4 in. | 4½ in. | 5 in. |
| Price    | 22/-   | 33/-   | 40/-   | 48/-   | 60/-  | 75/-   | 98/-  |

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 35/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Bell House Publishing Co., Ltd., Broom's  
Buildings, London, E.C.