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ORIGINALITY IN COMPOSITION.

Although written in a jocular vein, there is much truth behind the letter on the subject of the foundation of compositions, which appeared in our last issue. Many claims are made to original peals which, were they investigated, would quickly be demolished, and yet, for want of some means of inquiry, these compositions go down in the records as belonging to this or that composer when, perhaps, the same figures may have been obtained years ago. Moreover, the same thing will repeat itself in the future, and 'composers' yet unborn will seek to claim as original what is being produced to-day—unless there is some machinery set up by which claims can be tested.

It is now, we believe, a more or less recognised fact that an individual cannot actually be held to be the creator of a method, because all methods are the outcome of the application of mathematical formulæ. The man who hits upon a method, happens to strike, unknown perhaps to himself, one of these formulæ, and he gives out his work as a method of his own production. But when men of wider knowledge set out upon a similar task of production, they obtain not one but, may be, hundreds of methodsbad ones as well as good-and they do it, not by a laborious construction of row upon row, but by the application of a mathematical process which gives them the whole of the possible methods in the class they are working upon, thus including all that have ever gone before or can ever come hereafter. This goes to show that the casual producer does not actually create a method but simply discovers it.

To a large extent the same thing may be said of compositions. They exist in infinitely greater variety than methods, but there are certain basic rules upon which one must work, and there is very little produced to-day that can really be claimed as an 'original' creation of the composer. He may take credit, perhaps, for piecing together in a fresh way certain existing formulæ, but it is undeniable that to produce anything which is absolutely new in those methods, which have been rung for so long, is almost impossible. To take only the examples of Stedman Caters and London Surprise Major, mentioned by our correspondent. 'Compositions' in these methods exist literally in hundreds of thousands, and a man who can obtain something which is not a variation of one of these peals, is either extremely clever or extremely lucky or both. Apart, however, from the general aspect of obtaining peals 'in bulk,' such as Mr. John Carter and Mr. Gabriel Lindoff have done, there is the question of the enthusiastic young composer who sets assiduously to work to obtain a peal in this or that method. When he is

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successful, very little opportunity is open to him to ascertain whether some previous composer has obtained the selfsame figures, let alone finding out whether it is not merely a variation of something already produced. The mere publication of the figures is not always sufficient to elicit whether the composition is new or not. What is wanted, as a beginning, is the reference file, which we have so often advocated, and this is one of the things which the Central Council will have to undertake sooner or later.

TEN BELL PEALS.

AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES

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CHARLES CUTTING		7	reble	WILLIAM E. BASON		***	6
ROBERT HARDY				ERNEST WHITING	***		7
WILLIAM CLOVER				FREDK. J. HOWCHIN			
BEN. S. THOMPSON				George Mayers			
FREDK. R. BORRETT	***	***	5	George H. Cross	***	7	eno

Composed and Conducted by George H. Cross.

First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band. This is the first peal in the method in the county since the peal rung on the old peal of ten at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, in 1769. 150th peal as conductor.

as conductor.

LEIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in Three Hours and Twenty-Pour Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;

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	Tenor	27 cwt.	
JOHN D. MATTHEWS	Treble	*WALTER SEAR	6
"WILLIAM MEAD	2	CHARLES W. CLARKE	7
WALTER AYRE	• • 3	HARRY SEAR	
*Frederick Stanton	4	JOHN W. CORNFORD	9
*Edmund J. Hobes	5	*RICHARD NICHOLS	Tenor
Composed by John Ca	RTER.	Conducted by J. D. MAT:	THEWS.
* Elizat meet on ton hall	lo ston Ga	as ment on son bolla bar shi-	- Lunnal

* First peal on ten bells, also first peal on ten bells by this branch of the Guild.

FULHAM.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD AND ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, FULHAM. On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

Tenor	20 cwt.
FRANK C. NORRIS Treble	I. ARMIGER TROLLOPE 6
WILLIAM H. WOOD 2	GEORGE C. ILES 7
†ERNEST G. HIBBINS 3	ARTHUR HARDING 8
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER 4	JAMES W. DRIVER 9
WILLIAM E. JUDD 5	*Hugh M. Page Tenor
Composed by John Carter.	Conducted by J. W. DRIVER.
* First peal. + First peal Sted	man Caters, E. G. Hibbins, from

Cambridge.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

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

On Tuesday, July 24, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

	-	CHOL	10 01111			
CECIL V. EBBERSON	7				4	
WILLIAM E. JODD			ARTHUR HARDING			
ISAAC G. SHADE			JAMES E. DAVIS			
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE		4	HARRY KILBY		7	eno
Composed by H. DAIN	ES.		Conducted by	H.	KILE	Y.

* First peal in the method.

Tenor 18 cwt.

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.	Tenor 18 cwt.
*FRANK VERNEY Treble	*STEPHEN BAKER 5
*Frederick Castle 2 Albert Castle 3	"GORDON WEEE 6
ALBERT CASTLE 3	Louis Head 7
*Alfred Higgins 4	
	Louis Head.
* First peal and first attempt.	The ringers of the 6th and tenor
were elected members of the Asso	ociation previous to starting. The
ringer of the 2nd is 14 years of age	h.
Milverton,	SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS	DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in Tr	шо Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
	OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE	
GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER	
ALBERT TOUT Treble	
Aspapa Wyarr	HENRY NORMAN 6
Alfred Wyatt 2 Robert Scott 3 *Claude Tark 4	JAMES HUNT 7
*CLAUDE TARE 4	IOHN CARTER Tenor
Conducted by	JAMES HONT.
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* First peal and first attempt. I	
EYNSFOR	
THE KENT COUNT	TY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in Tu	vo Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHORCH	
A PEAL OF STEDMAN T	RIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Teurstans'	FOUR-PART.
ISAAC EMERY Treble	JOHN S. MORTON 5 ROBERT BRETT-SMITH 6 THOS. GROOMERIDGE, SEN. 7 HARRY DURLING TENOT
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH 6
REGINALD W. MARSHALL 3	Thos. Groomeridge, sen. 7
FRANK TERRY 4	HARRY DURLING Tenor
Conducted by Thos.	GROOMSBRIDGE, SEN.
Rung with clappers half-muffled	as a last token of respect to the
late Hubert J. Blackwell, of Chels	field.
LONGNEY GLO	UCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRIST	FOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in T	Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes.
AT THE PAR	
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COU	
Tenor	
HERBERT BECKETT Treble	
JOHN AUSTIN 2	THOMAS BALDWYN 6
George L. Brunsdon 3	EDWARD EVANS 7
JESSE GILLETT 4	ERNEST E. DAVIS Tenor
Compand by John W. Mooreons	E. Conducted by John Austin.
HALESOWEN, WO	ORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE ANI	PRINCE \ ASSUCIATION.
On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in	I aree Frours and I on Winutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF S	
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPR	
Tenor 17 Cw	
THOMAS J. SALTER Treble	WILLIAM SHORT 5
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT 2	ROBERT MATTHEWS 6
*JOHN WITHERS, JUN 3	SAMUEL GROVE 7
Joen Bass 4	*ALFRED HACKETT Tenor
Composed by J. W. WASHBRO	OK. Conducted by S. GROVE.
• First peal of London. † First	
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LYMINGE KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 27, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND EADBURGA,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES!

NORTHOWRAM, HALIFAX. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, AT THE CHURCE OF ST. MATTHEW, A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in E. GEORGE BOTTOMLEY Treble | *ALBERT PICKLES Walter Mouncey 2 Edgar Whiteley 6 Fred Hutton 3 George Scott 7 Joe Greenwood 4 William Ambler Tenor Composed by J. Cox. Conducted by William Ambler. * First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. The band wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Joe Greenwood for their kind hospitality after the peal. Ringers of the treble and 4th belong to the local company, the rest are from Queensbury. LEISTON, SUFFOLK THE SUFFOLK GUILD. On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in Three Flours and One Minute, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 20} cwt. in E. Treble | JAMES G. ROMSEY ALFRED KERRLE *LEONARD P. BAILEY... ... 2 ERNEST S. BAILEY 6 EDGAR H. BAILEY 3 JAMES M. BAILEY ... GEORGE WILSON 4 CHARLES F. BAILEY ... *** *** Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Charles F. Bailer * First peal of Bristol Surprise. BANSTEAD, SURREY. THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS. A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 21 cwt. THOMAS BENNY Treble | Major J. H. B. HESSE ... 5 CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... WILSON RUSETON RICHARD F. DEAL HERBERT LANGDON ... 2 FREDERICK G. Woodiss ... 3 CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... 4 Tenor Conducted by Herbert Langdon, LOWER MACHEM, MONMOUTHSHIRE THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in Three Hours, AT THE PARISH CHURCH, A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. 2 WILLIAM PHILLIPS ... 6 Conducted by ALBAN EDGAR SLATTER. birthday compliment to J. W. Washbrook,

WILLIAM LEWIS Treble | REGINALD L. LEWIS *ARTHUR MARTIN JAMES H. PHILLIPS 3 ALBAN EDGAR SLATTER ... 7
SAMUEL JONES 4 GEORGE WATTS Tenor

* First peal, age 13 years 6 months, and first attempt. Rung as a

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS.

SPRINGFIELD ESSEX THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 20, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent, and three 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

*ERNEST RUNTERTreble | †Albert E. Davis 4 †WILLIAM F. PRAILL ... 2 | †EDWARD E. KEMP 5 †ISAAC T. POULTON 3 | EDWARD P. BUCKINGHAM Tenor †WILLIAM F. PRAILL ... 2 †ISAAC T. POULTON ... 3

Conducted by E. P. BUCKINGHAM.

First peal of Minor. † First peal in three methods on the bells. First peal as conductor in the three methods. Mr. E. Runter was elected a member before starting the peal, which was rung with bells half-muffled for the death of the Bishop of Chelmsford.

CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.—A quarter-peal of Stedman Triple: (126) changes), at the Parish Church, on Tuesday evening, July 24th: R. Holder 1, A. Cooper 2, T. Mitchell 3, W. Watts (conductor) 4, G. Apps 5, E. J. Davey 6 F. Attwater 7, G. Woods 8. First quarter-peal in the method by A. Cooper and G. Woods.

THURMASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 18, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six scores with 10 different callings.

+KENNETH ELLIOTT	 7	reble	ALBAN DISNEY	4
"GDYDO DICKINSON		2	ISYDNEY A. JOHNSON	5
ROWLAND BARROW	 	3	"RONALD R. CHAPPELL	Tenor

Conducted by ROWLAND BARROW.

* First peal and made members previous to starting. | † First away from tenor. ‡ First on an inside bell.

DESFORD, LETCESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(LEICESTER DISTRICT.)

Un Saturday, July 21, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF BOR MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's ca	iled differently			10 CWL.
*CHAS. E. PETTIT	Treble] A	MES H. SPENCER	***	4
IBERNIA WADE	2 To	M CHANTRELL	415	5
CHAS, GEARY	3 Ci	HAS. ALLSOP		I Endy
Co	nducted by CH	AS. ALLSOP.		

* First 720 of Minor. Arranged for Mr. Geary, of Long Eaton, who kindly entertained the band after the peal. Rung also as a birthday compliment to the conductor. Treble ringer is local, remainder from Ratby.

SPROUGHTON, SUFFOLK, THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Monday, July 23, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise, 1440 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

WM, G. Bull		***	7	reble	H. J. MEE	446	***	***	4
G W. Mrs				2	E. RIVERS		***		5
F. ROLFE	***	***		3	CHAS. MEE	***	4.00	***	Tenor
de la constantination		Cal	adue	ted h	Cuse Men				

Rung after the unveiling of a memorial window to the late Mr. Edward Gould, son of a former Rector of Sproughton. Mr. W. G. Bull hails from Bognor, Sussex; the rest are of the local company.

BURSLEM, STAFFORDSHIRE,

THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAFTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Duke of York, and two 720's each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

JAMES STANWAY	111	***	2	JONAH COTTRELL THOMAS HURD *EDWARD EDWARDS	 5
J				by T. Hord.	

· First peal.

KIRKBY MALLORY, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Sunday, July 29, 1923, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of twelve 120's Plain Bob and thirty 120's of Grandsire. Tenor 8 cwt.

PERCY REYNOLDS HENRY WRIGHT	Treble	JOHN W. REYNOLDS CHARLES H. WEBB	***	 3	
	TD CORROW	Takok	(527)	 - T	

Conducted by F. Cotton.

Rung with bells half-muffled to the memory of the late Rev. Canon William Townshend, Rector of Kirkby Mallory for 15 years, and an honorary member of the M.C.A. for 23 years.

WESTON-UNDER-PENYARD HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD .

On Saturday, July 28, 1923, in I wo Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes, AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven differen	L 720 3	i.		Tenor 12 CWL		
*HARRY E. Cox		7	rebie	Ex-Sgt. J. Williams		4
WILLIAM POSTON				FRANK VOYCE		
JOHN CLARK		***	3	ALFRED T. POULTON	7	enor
	Co	nduc	ted by	y W. Poston.		

* First peal of Minor.

MARTLEY WORCESTERSHIRE THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (WESTERN BRANCH & THE ALL SAINTS' YOUTHS.)

On Sunday, July 29, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. in E natural.

Being 720 each of London and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford and Plain Bob.

WILLIAM PAGE	***	7	reble	John J. Jefferies	4
SIDNEY T. HOLT		***	2	WILLIAM LEWIS	5
ROBERT G. KNOWLES			3	CHARLES CAMM	Tenor
	_			1 WY 175	

Conducted by W. PAGE.

Rung as the Quarter Millenary peal of the above bells.

HANDBELL PEAL.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Briday, July 27, 1923, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes, IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Size 18 in G. George W. Stebre1-2 *William R. Melville ...5-6 Alfred H. Pulling3-4 | John Foster7-8 Conducted by A. H. Pulling.

First peal on 5—6.

Ringers' Outings—(Continued from page 485), tenor weighs 57% cwt. The bells are altogether a magnificent peal of tenor weighs 57% cwt. The bells are altogether a magnificent peal of ten. The party were also conducted over the Cathedral, and the many points of interest explained to them. The oldest portion of this wonderful structure dates back to 1148, and the lectern to the 13th century. Another item of much interest was the 24-hour clock, with its quaint striking apparatus,

After a brief stay in the precincts of the Cathedral, the homeward journey was commenced, Weston-super-Mare being reached at 11 p.m., everyone having thoroughly enjoyed the trip, which, it was unanimously agreed, was the best the company had ever had. The ringers desire to record their hearty thanks to all those gentlemen concerned who obtained the use of bells for them.

LINSLADE RINGERS' OUTING.
On Saturday, July 28th, the Linslade ringers had their outing.
Motoring to Hardwick they rang Grandsire Doubles and Boh Minor
for about an hour, and then went on to Aylesbury, where they had
tea. Proceeding to Wendover, several of the local band were waittea. Proceeding to Wendover, several of the local band were waiting to welcome the visitors, and the bells were soon going to Grandsire Doubles. Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minor some of the local band taking part. The party were also joined by Mr. F. Reeve, of Tring, who invited the Liuslade men to go on to Tring. Motoring through Halton R.A.F. Camp, Tring was reached at 7.50 and touches of Grandsire Triples finished the ringing for the day. The Linslade band take this opportunity of thanking the Vicaus and foremen ringers of the respective churches for allowing them the use of the bells.

The Mangotsfield Guild visited Bournemouth for their annual outing. The party numbered 40, and travelled in a special saloon. The day was spent on the sea front, while some of the party enjoyed a boat trip to Swanage.

BROMSGROVE .- On Saturday, July 14th, at the Church of St. John, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1299 changes), in 48 mins.: R. G. Kuowles 1. W. B. Cartwright 2. T. J. Salter 3. W. Ranford 4. J. Hemming 5. J. R. Newman 6. W. Page (conductor) 7. J. D. Johnson 8, C. Camm 9, T. Allbutt 10.

RINGERS' OUTINGS.

DUNSTABLE RINGERS VISIT OXFORD.

On Saturday, July 21st, Dunstable Priory Church band, with the choirmen, and accompanied by the Rector (Canon W. W. C. Baker) and both churchwardens, had their annual outing, Oxford being the destination, the journey being performed by charabane. A fine run to Thame, 26 miles distant, brought the first stop. Permission had been given to ring at the Parish Church, and a well-struck touch of Double Norwich, followed by a touch of Stedman Triples, was rung. A quick run to Oxford was made, the 13 miles being covered in 35 minutes, and Oxford being reached at 11.5 a.m. The party then dispersed, some to service, and others sight-seeing, to meet again to dine in the glorious dining hall at Christ Church, with the members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

After dinner a 'snap' of the ringers was taken outside the Cathedral, and some of the members visited the belfry to take part in touches of Treble Twelve and Stedman Cinques; New College was in touches of Troble Twelve and Stedman Unques; New College was also visited, and Stedman Caters, Superlative and Cambridge Major rung. Several of the six bell towers were also visited the fine-toned ring at Carlax being much enjoyed. Several methods were rung, four Dunstablians taking part in a well-struck touch of Cambridge Surprise. At 9.15 the 40 miles' run home was begun Dunstable being reached just before midnight, after a most enjoyable and bearty day's outling. Best thanks are given to the Rey C. Boyver happy day's outing. Best thanks are given to the Rev. G. Bowyer for so readily granting permission to ring at Thame: to the officials of the Oxford Diocesan Guild for the welcome given to the visitors; and, lastly the church authorities for enabling the party to have such a fine day's outing.

A. E. S.

BEDFORD DISTRICT RINGERS' TRIP.

The members of the Bedford District of the Beds Association and an outing on Saturday, July 14th. The party, numbering 19, journey, ed by motor to Eaton Socon, where they were met by one of the local ringers, and touches of Oxford, Kenf, Plain Bob and Cambridge Minor were rung. The party then made their way to St. Neots, and touches of Bob Major were rung on the fine peal of eight by Taylor. An excellent tea was then partaken of and a move was afterwards and to Expendicular the way to St. Peak and touches of Plain Bob, Woodbine and Cambridge Minor were rung. On the way home a half was made at Roxfon, and several 120's of Grandsire and Plain Bob brought round, the party arriving at Bedford at 9.30, after an enjoyable day,

STOWMARKET MEN'S TOUR.

The Stowmarket company had their annual outing on Saturday, July 14th. Starting at 7.30 by charabane, the first call was at Bungay, where they were met by Mr. Woods. Several touches were brought round on this nice little ring of eight. Lowestoft was then reached, after a pleasant run of about 50 miles, thunderstorms being met with en route. The handy little ring at St. Margaret's was set zoing, and some good touches were brought round. Directly at the going, and some good touches were brought round. Dinner at the Crown Hotel was much enjoyed. After a stroll to the beach the homeward journey was begun via Beccles. Here Mr. Goate had made excellent arrangements. Although the Beccles company were also on their outing everything was in readiness for the visitors, who were sorry their friends were away so that they could not try their hand on the grand old ten bells, but exeveral good touches were hand on the grand old ten bells, but several good touches were brought round on eight, and everyone was pleased with the tone and go. Tea was served at the King's Hoad Hotel. Calling at Redenhall just to try the celebrated handbells, a course of Grandsire Caters was rung for the benefit of those who had not seen these large handbells. Stowmarket was reached about 10.15 after a most enjoyable outing. The ringing during the day included touches of Double Norwich Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Treble Bob. The company wish, through the 'Ringing World,' to thank all the incumbents and the steeplekeepers, and all those that helped to make their outing such a success. their outing such a success.

DEBENHAM RINGERS' 18-HOUR TRIP.

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On Monday, July 16th, Debenham ringers, with their wives, had their annual outing. A start was made about 6.45 a.m., by motorbus, and a run of 22 miles brought the party to Halesworth, where Mr. F. C. Lambert had everything in readiness. The bells (or ropes, rather) hang in irregular order, viz., 1, 7, 2, 6, 4, 5, 3, 8, but this was scarcely noticeable except when in rounds and a couple of good touches of Donble Norwich were rung. Mr. Lambert taking part in the second. Beecles was the next objective, and was reached at 10 o'clock. Messrs. Goate met the visitors, and Treble Bob Royal was brought round, also two courses of Sledman Caters. A course of Cambridge on the back eight concluded the ringing, and the party brought round, also two courses of Stedman Unters. A course of Cambridge on the back eight concluded the ringing, and the party left for Yarmouth. Dinner and tea were provided at the London Hotel. During the afternoon St. Nicholas Church was visited, and a touch of Double Norwich rung on the back eight. Afterwards a course of Stedman Caiers and some rounds on the full ring of twelve. Mr. W. Bason, of Fakenham, and Mr. Joyce, of Levionstone met the ringers, and assisted in these performances. Mr. Hammond one of

the local men, escorted the visitors to the top of the tower, and pointed out several objects of interest. On the return journey Lowestoft was on the programme, and here some capital touches of Cambridge, Stedman Triples and Superlative were brought round. Debenham was reached at 12.30 a.m., after a full day's enjoyment. The thanks of the ringers are due to the various authorities for granting the use of the bells; also the local men who met them and assisted to make the outing a success.

THROUGH THE WEALD OF KENT

On Wednesday, July 18th, St. Mary's Society, Dover had a day's outing in the Weald of Kent. Touches were rung on the bells at Appledore, where the first half in the motor tour was made. Then on to Tenterden for luncheon, followed by a short touch on the bells at the Parish Church, also at Cranbrook and Biddenden. Tea was partaken of at Headcorn, after which the party was met by the Rev. C. P. Dale, Vicar of Headcorn, who at one time was curate at St. Mary's, Dover, and who had granted permission for a short touch on the bells. On the homeward trip the beautiful country through Charing and Chilham was much enjoyed. A halt was made at Canter. Charing and Chilham was much empoyed. A nait was made at canter, bury Cathedral, but as the bell hangers were there first, the ringers had to content themselves with inspecting the method of tuning church bells. A short convivial took place at the halfway house, where vocal and handhell items were indulged in, Dover being reached about 10.15 p.m., after a very enjoyable day,

A VISIT TO WINCHESTER.

With prospects of a glorious day, a charabane with its full complement of ringers of St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, their wives and friends, including the Rev. Spackman and Churchwarden Reginald Carter, left the church at 7 a.m. on a Saturday morning for Winchester, arriving at 11 o'clock, after a halt at Farnham for refreshments. Piloted by the churchwarden, a visit was paid to St. Cross, Hospital, where the usual horn of beer and piece of white bread given on demand at the Parker's Hatchway were parkelsen of bread, given on demand at the Porter's Hatchway, was partaken of by all. This is one of the last remaining instances of that olden time charity which could make provision for all comers.

A brother, wearing the cross, acted as guide. Passing from the forecourt through the noble tower gateway, one enters the spacious quadrangle, around which are arranged the Brethren's Hall, the quaint dwellings of the brethren, the lofty church, in which things

quaint dwellings of the brethren, the lofty church, in which things of great interest and antiquity were pointed out.

A move was afterwards made to Holdaway's Restaurant, where a splendid luncheon was partaken of. The next item was Winchester Cathedral, where the visitors rang on the twelve bells and joined afterwards in the service held in the choir.

After tea the return journer was made via the Hog's Back, the view from which is boyond description. St. Mary Abhots was reached about 11.30 p.m., after a most enjoyable and jolly day. Best thanks are tendered to those who helped to make it so

A SOMERSET EXCURSION.

On Thursday, July 12th, the Weston-super-Mare ringers held their On Thursday, July 12th, the Weston-super-Mare ringers held their annual outing, which, in addition to other pleasures, consists of visits to various churches for the purpose of campanology, whilst the ringers do not forget to fully appreciate the kindness of the local lady who contributes in no small measure to make these tours such a success. The party, numbering about 20, left Weston-super-Mare by charabane at 8.15 a.m., the weather being ideal. At Keynsham the parish church hells were requisitioned, and merry touches, mostly Grandsire Triples, rung thereon, after which the party made for the niture grant williag of Coston, a few miles distant, where they were picturesque village of Corston, a few miles distant, where they were welcomed by the Master of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Associawelcomed by the Master of the Bath and wells Diocesan Association. Corston Church contains a very musical light peal of eight, and these were rung for half an hour. The company then proceeded to Bath, where a splendid luncheon was partaken of at the Old Red House. After a ramble around the city, the party made for Tworton where they received a cordial welcome from Mr. Tom King. Here again the bells were soon pealing forth to Grandsire Triples for about an hour. Midsomer Norton was the next place with the programment of the scenery an route being delightful

on the programme, the scenery en route being delightful.

Tea was partaken of at the Greyhound Hotel, and the company subsequently enjoyed a short musical programme, contributed to by members of the band. The church was the next objective, the ringers being joined by Mr. Joseph T. Dyke well known in campanology circles. Several touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples were the tit-bits of the evening, all the band being in good form, were the tit-bits of the evening, all the band being in good form, and even the 'recruit' exceeding expectations. Despite the climatic conditions, the 'campans' were still in the mood for another. Turkish bath,' and on arrival at Wells they made for the Cathedral tower, being met there by Mr. Walter Farley, whose kindness in securing the use of the bells was greatly appreciated. Mr. Dyke also motored over from Norton, and joined with the others in several good touches of Grandsire. The majority of 'the fraternity' know something of the far-famed bells at this noble edifice. The framework, which supports them, consists, of 33 tous of metal, whilst the

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WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The sixteenth annual general meeting of the Warwickshire Guild The sixteenth annual general meeting of the Warwickshire of the Warwickshire of was held in the Birmingham District on Saturday, July 21st. Members were present from Birmingham, Coventry, Stoke Exhall, Erdington, Nuncaton and Sutton Coldfield, together with a number of the Aston ringers. The towers of Aston Parish Church (10 bells) and Erdington R.O. (8), were open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. The Guild's special service was conducted in the Parish Church by the Rev. — Holmes, who also gave an interesting addresses

The tea and business meeting followed in the Parish Room by kind permission of the Vicar, the Rev. Canon W. J. Cole. The tea was specially arranged and served by a number of ladies, with Mrs. Phillips at their head, and who kindly assisted.

In the unavoidable absence of the president (the Ven. Archdeacon of Warwick) the Ringing Master, Mr. A. Roberts, presided.—The Hon. General Secretary (Mr. A. Wilkerson) read a report of the Guild's activities during the year, and presented a summary of accounts, which showed a balance in hand of £10 4s. 5d.

The officers were all resoluted, and on the motion of Mr. H. Angele.

The officers were all re-elected, and on the motion of Mr. H. Argyle seconded by Mr. Jos. Pemberton, were accorded a hearty vote of thanks for their services.

A discussion ensued with reference to the cost of printing the report, the hon, treasurer intimating there were not sufficient funds to meet it.

A resolution was moved asking members who wished for a report to contribute the sum of 6d, towards the cost. A member thought this meant increasing the subscription to 2s., and stated he knew some members could not afford it. He also mentioned two other associations who gave their members the report.

It was pointed out that up to now the Warwickshire Guild had done the same, but it was obvious, with a report costing 1s, 4½d.

per copy to print the working of the Guild could not be maintained at 11d, per member. It had also to be borne in mind that one of the largest associations had for some years charged 1s, for its report,

the largest associations had for some years charged is, for its report, although it had a halance at the bank running into three figures.—Ultimately the resolution was carried by a large majority.

Stoke-in-Coventry was selected for the next quarterly meeting in October, and five new members were duly elected.

Votes of thanks were accorded the clergy for the use of the bells, to Canon Cole for the use of the Parish Room and arranging the resolution to the halance for more like the test of the M. Parish de M. Parish and the M. P the service; to the ladies for providing the tea, and to Mr. Bernard Witchell, district secretary, for his excellent arrangements.

The ringing generally was not up to the Guild's usual standard, the tenor at Aston going badly, while for some reason Major would not 'go' at Erdington. Nevertheless the meeting was enjoyable, and exceeded in several ways the last annual meeting in Birming-

THE ANNUAL REPORT

The Hon, Secretary's report stated that quarterly meetings had been held at Nuneaton, Learnington and Stratford-on-Avon. It was very gratifying to be able to report a meeting at Stratford, after repeated refusals since the year 1909. A very pleasing incident occurred in the tower at Learnington Parish Church, when the new Bishop of Coventry was introduced to a good number of members by the president. The Bishop has also consented to act as patron of the Guild. The monthly meetings on the whole were well attended. During the year 16 new members had joined the Guild. viz., 10 ordinary, five non-resident and one honorary (the Rev. J. L. White, Vicar of Nuncaton). The lotal membership of the Guild now white, vicar of Mineaton). The lotal membership of the Guild now stood at 281, this number boing made up as follow: Hon, life members, 6; hon, members, 8; non-resident ringing members, 89; ordinary ringing members, 178. It was with very great regret that they recorded the death of the Ven. Archdeacon of Coventry Dr. Arbuth, not, and Canon Deed, of Nuncaton, both of whom were honorary members for some years; also of Mr. Geo. Roberts, an active member of the Sullon Coldfield band. There had been a falling off this year in the number of peals accomplished. 19 having heavy members are instituted to the number of peals accomplished. in the number of peals accomplished, 19 having been rung, against in the number of peals accomplished, 19 having been rung, against 33 last year, but that need he no cause for regret as many unsuccessful attempts had heen made. The list was as follows: Stedman Cuters 1, London Surprise Major 1, Cambridge Surprise 1, Superlative Surprise 2, Double Norwich 4, Cambridge Court Bob Major 1 the first in the method on tower hells), Oxford Treble Bob Major 1 Bob Major 1, Stedman Tribles 3, Grandsire Triples 2 Treble Bob Major in two methods 1, Grandsire Double 1. The total number to date was 243. Seven member: rang their first peal 26 their first peal in a new method; two their first as conductor in a new method; peal in a new method; two their first as conductor in a new method.

DIMINISHED BALANCE

The accounts showed a balance in hand of £10 4s 5d., as compared with £22 10s. 6d. two years ago. The four bells at Bulkington were to be overhauled in the near future, and augmented to six by Mesers. Taylor and Co., and it was understood that Coleshill would denote be appropried to the coleshill. would shortly be augmented to the octave. The Vicar of Bulkington had invited the Guild to open the bells at the dedication. He pointed out that there was still a good sum required for the ob-

ject, and hoped the members of the Guild would do their best to assist with funds. It was a very great pleasure and satisfaction to record the appointment of the president of the Guild as Archdeacon record the appointment of the president of the Guild as Archdeacon of Warwick. Whilst congratulating the president, they could not disguise the fact that his new office was sure to make great inroads upon his time, and if any young clergyman would assist him with the work of the Guild, he would no doubt feel very grateful. Messrs. H. Argyle and A. Roberts, the representatives on the Central Council, both attended the Council meeting at Salisbury on Whit Tuesday, and thoulk more distant. day, and thanks were due to them. Thanks were also due to Messrs. F. W. Ashbourne, T. W. Chapman, J. B. Fenton, F. E. Pervin and B. W. Witchell for their work as hou, district secretaries, and to the other officers and members of the Guild for their support and work other omeers and memoers of the Guild for their support and work during the past year; also to the clergy who had placed their towers and bells at the members' disposal, both for peals and meetings particularly the president and Mrs. Back, and the Rev. and Mrs. Rusself, of Whitnash, for their kind hospitality when the meetings were held there. The fascination of change ringing must always he appropriate factor in uniting members together but they had a a powerful factor in uniting members together but they had to remember that, as a Guild, their object was to see that the bells were regularly rung for the services of the church, so that they as ringers might thus become more and more recognised as office helders in the

PROGRESS AT CONSETT.

A deputation from Newcastle Cathedral Guild, consisting of Messrs, W. H. Barber Alf, Hillier and A. M. Hall, paid a fraternal visit to Consett lower on Saturday, July 28th, to give a helping hand to a most willing and persevering band of ringers.

The ringing members turned up in very good numbers, and several touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were accomplished.

Excellent progress was shown, and the members being eager to accomplish greater things, it was decided to make their first attempt at a peal of Grandsire Triples on Saturday, August 25th, to be conducted by Mr. Barber.

During the afternoon ringing, the party had the assistance of Mr. W. Sinclair, the Ringing Master at Blackhill Church where there is a new peal of eight bells, and where great things are expected.

Another ringing enthusiast, the Rev. A. W. Lister, of Tanfield Church, joined the happy party at Consett later in the evening, and bells to make the cathering a great success.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. TONBRIDGE DISTRICT AT GOUDHURST

The summer meeting of the above was held at Goudhurst on Saturday, July 21st, and was attended by over 30 members. Besides the members of the district, the following from other districts were present: Messrs. W. Haigh (Gillingham), G. Pound (Boxley), W. E. Pitman (Canterbury), C. Tribe (hon, secretary, Ashford district). Ringing commenced about three o'clock, and the usual service was held, conducted by the Vicar (Canon Raikes). Tea was partaken of the Star and Crown Holel, the Vicar presiding, and a vote of thanks was passed to him for the use of the bells, for conducting the service, and for presiding at tea.—The Vicar responded expressing his pleasure in meeting the members.—The business meeting followed. Mr. G. Edwards (Penshurst) in the chair, Canon Raikes having to

leave. Three new members were elected.

The District Secretary (Mr. W. Latter) announced that the work of rehanging the bells at Benenden and Lamberhurst would shortly

be commenced.

Votes of thanks to Mr. W. E. Pitman, Mus. Bac., for his services at the organ for the service, and to Mr. G. Edwards for presiding at the meeting concluded the business, and the members adjourned to

the tower for further ringing.

The heavy going of the back bells and the hot weather made Major ringing rather difficult work, but some good practice at Stedman and Grandsire Triples was obtained. These bells are a fine peal (tenor 27 cwt.), but they sadly need the attention of a bell hanger.

TUNSTALL'S NEW TREBLES.

Two new trebles have been added to the ring of six at Tunstall. Kent, the new bells being the gift of Mr. Charles E. Homewood, of Ufton Court, Tunstall, in commemoration of his eightieth birthday. Ten years previously Mr. Homewood presented to the church the turret clock, and also had the existing ring of bells tuned.

Mr. Homewood, who, despite his advancing years, enjoys good health, took part in the dedication service. The opening touch on the bells was rung by W. Spice, senr., 1, E. H. Spice 2, Miss M. Harris J. J. Webb 4, G. H. Spice 5, P. J. Spice 6, H. Lambkin 7, W. E. Spice 8, Afterwards touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung by mixed bands.

The augmentation was carried out by Messrs, Mears and Stainbank, and who have hung the two new bells in a steel frame.

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NEW BELLS AT CANNOCK.

DEDICATION AND OPENING.

A peal of eight has been added to Staffordshire by the augmentation of the bells at St. Luke's Parish Church, Cannock. Of the old six, two have been recast, and a new treble and tenor added, as part of the church memorial to those of the parish who fell in the war. Messrs, Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, who carried out the work, have relung the whole ring in the latest fittings, and Cannock has a peal of bells of which it can be proud.

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The dedication eccemony was performed by the Very Kev. the Dean of Lichfield, at a choral service which was largely attended.—Mr. R. E. Murphy, who has acted as hon, secretary for the fund for the restoration of the bells, and as the representative of the subscribers, asked the Vicar's acceptance of the gift of the bells. The Vicar then formally placed the bells under the care and guardianship of the churchwardens of the parish. Mr. W. E. Jackson (people's war-

then formally placed the bells under the care and guardianship of the churchwardens of the parish. Mr. W. E. Jackson (people's warden) having accepted the charge of keeping and preserving the bells and using them only for the purpose for which they have been given, the Vicar called upon the Dean to dedicate them. Several prayers followed, and the clergy then proceeded to the choir vestry at the foot of the tower, where the Dean offered up a dedicatory prayer, and followed by tolling one of the bells. After a 'prayer of remembrance' by the Dean, the 'To Deum's was heartily sung. The Vicar explained that the total cost of the work was £775, and they had £725 in hand prior to that day.

The Dean, in his address, referred to the history and uses of bells, and asked what did bells mean in the early days of Cannock? The place was then a vast stretch of forest land, and was known as Cankbury. The district was wild and as unsafe as Ireland was a year or so ago. In 1259 Henry III, licensed the holding of a market in the place on Tuesdays, and he also signed the statute for the holding of a fair on three days in October each year. This fair was associated with the dedication feast of their church and was fixed for October 15th, 16th and 17th. Legends and inscriptions on bells became the custom in the 16th century. The Dean said he was glad the inscriptions on the old Cannock bells had been wisely preserved. Their bells stood as a token of God and they had a definite message to those who worshipped in that church. The bells told them that all the needs of the people were remembered. It was well that we should by the 'In Memoriam' bells keen eacred the memory of the should by the 'In Memoriam' bells keen eacred the memory of all the needs of the people were remembered. It was well that we should by the 'In Memoriam' bells keep sacred the memory of those of the parish who gave all for the sake of right.

The offertory, which was in aid of the Bells Restoration Fund, amounted to £12 6s.

Immediately following the dedication service in the church, rounds were rung on the bells. Amongst those present was Mr. Pryce Taylor, representing the founders. The ringers were all members of the Stafford Archidiaconal Association, and were under the direction of Mr. Herbert Knight, of St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, and included Messrs. E. Mitchell and J. D. G. Harris (St. Peter's Wolverhampton), T. J. Elton and W. Powell (St. Matthew's, Walsall)) Chris. Wallater (St. 'Giles's Willenhall), J. Perry (St. Mary's, Brewood), Wm. Fisher (St. Martin's, Coseley), A. Fallon (St. Luke's, Wolverhampton), M. Simfield (St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent), Bert Horton (St. Lawrence's, Darlaston), R. Pickering (St. Michael's, Tettenhall), W. Bayliss (St. Martin's, Bradley), and Wm. Devey (St. Benedict's, Wombourn, and formerly parish church clerk and verger at Cannock). They were assisted by Mr. T. Benton, Mr. G. Benton, and Police-Sergt. T. Heath, of Cannock, The methods rung included Grandsire Triples, a quarter-peal of Stedman, Double Norwich, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major. Great satisfaction was expressed with the bells, which have the following inscriptions:—

lowing inscriptions:

Treble .- ' 1914-1918. In Memory of Those Who Fell I call to Prayer

and Praise. 1923.'

2nd.—' O and G. Mears Founders London 1849.'

3rd.—' Iohn Biddulph Esquire Benifacter Thomas Brown: M and B : 1747.

4th .- ' Francis Stubbs Edward Salt Matthews and James Bailey

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5th.—' Ioseph Willington Gentleman Iohn Tyrear William Maston M and I B: 1747 Recast 1923.'

6th.—' Richard Nickliss Churchwarden Edward Wilson Esquire: M and I B made Me 1747.'

7th.—' William Egington Curate George Blythe Thomas Taylor Church: Wardens: M and I B: 1747 Recast 1923.'

Tenor.—' In Memoriam 1914-1918. Grant Peace on Earth and after We have Striven Peace in Thy Hoaven. L. J. Price, M.A., R.D., Vicar, Wm. E. Jackson, Saml. Watkiss, Churchwardens 1923.'

TONBRIDGE.—On July 28th, in connection with the Skinners' Day festivities, at SS. Peter and Paul's Church, 1,312 Double Norwich Major: D. Findley (first in method) I. W. Latter 2. E. Last 3, H. Harrington 4, G. Thompson 5, D. Vincent (first in method) 6, W. Steed 7, S. H. Treen (conductor) 8. Ringers of 1st, 2nd, 5th and 8th are from St. Peter's, Tunbridge Wells, the rest are Tonbridge

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HANDBELLS

BELFRY GOSSIP.

To-morrow is the anniversary of the opening of the little peal of twelve at the Waterloo Tower, Quex Park, Kent. They were erected by Mr. John P. Powell, 'solely for his amusement, and to attain the art of change ringing, having an eminent tutor for the purpose, who, in patronising this manly art has evinced a considerable ability in this very abstruse science.'

Both the College Youths and the Cumberlands were invited to the opening, and each took a twelve-bell band. The Cumberlands (including William Shipway) rang a peal of Grandsire Cinques (conducted by George Gross), but the College Youths contented themselves with touches during the two days of their stay.

Being in the neighbourhood of Margate, the event 'attracted a considerable concourse of fashionables,' booths having been erected, and the park and pleasure grounds opened to the assembled auditors.

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What was probably the first true peal of Grandsire Royal, was rung at Painswick on August 6th, 1815. It is described in the Painswick Youths' peal book as 'Titum Grandsire Royal,'

The peal of Double Norwich Royal rung at Aylsham on Saturday,

The peal of Double Norwich Royal rung at Aylsham on Saturday, stated to be the first in the method in the county since the peal at St. Peter Mancroft, 1769, recalls the fact that there is no authentic record left to us of this early peal. In the 'Clavis,' however, the following passage occurs, in connection with the ten-bell ringing in this method: 'The first peal that was rung in the above method was by the St. Peter's company in the City of Norwich on the old peal of ten bells, which formerly occupied that steeple.'

Jasper Snowdon went to considerable pains to verify the record, and although no information was obtainable in Norwich itself, the Osborne MSS. in the British Museum states that the Double Norwich Court method was invented by Thomas Porter, a trunk maker, residing in the Market Place, Norwich, and that the first performance was a peal of Ten-In rung in Norwich in 1769. The actual date of this peal being given, says Mr. Snowdon, strengthens the evidence in favour of its performance. in favour of its performance.

It was in connection with the practice of Court Ten-In, at St. Peter's at 5 a.m. on Sundays during the summer season, that John Twiddy, the parish derk who resided near the church, wrote the following lines, which were published in the 'Norwich Mercury':—

Ye rascally ringers, inveterate foes,
Disturbers of those who are fond of repose.

I wish for the peace and quiet of these lands,
That we had round your necks which we null with your hands.

I wish for the peace and quiet of these lands,
That ye had round your necks what ye pull with your hands.
Any ringers, staying in Blackpool, between August 6th and 1th,
who would like to try for a peal, should communicate with Mr. C.
Sharpies, 3, Rutland Gate, Blackpool.
It will be seen from the list appearing on another page that the
Central Council's Librarian is still awaiting information with regard to a number of names of the Ringers' Roll of Honour. There
are ringers who can clear up these queries, and they will be rendering useful service if they will do so promptly.
Ringers visiting Grimsby or Cleethorpes will be welcome at StAndrew's Church, Freeman Street, Grimsby, on Sundays, 10.15 a.m.
and 5.50 p.m., also on Thursdays, 7.30 p.m.
Congratulations to Mr. F. G. Woodiss on the birth of a son and
heir.

The peal of Stedman Triples at Banstead, Surrey, on Saturday, was Mr. T. Benney's first attempt for a peal since the year 1881, prior to which date he was closely associated, and rang numerous peals with many of the most famous men of the College Youths. He rang remarkably well considering his long absence from the vinging rould. ringing world.

ringing world.

A peal was rung at Martley, Worcestershire, on Sunday to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the bells. This ring of six was cast by Richard Keene, of Woodstock, in 1673, each hell having this date cast upon it. The oak frame is also dated 1673. It is supposed that they are the oldest complete original peal of six in the Kingdom. It is most unusual for any old peal to have escaped breakage or receiving for 250 years.

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Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Richardson wish to thank all ringers who have sent their kind wishes and congratulations on their recent marriage, and trust they will accept this acknowedgment as it is impossible to write to each one individually.

A hig fete in aid of the bell restoration fund at Sutton-on-Trent is to be held on Bank Holiday, and special arrangements have been made for visiting ringers. A meeting of the North Notts Association is to be held in conjunction with the fete.

THE LIMITS OF FACETIOUSNEES.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Your correspondence columns are, for the present, happly free from displays of bumptions arrogance on the part of controversialists who buly succeeded in discrediting themselves by their tone towards those with whom they disagreed. But are we not in some danger of having too much of a very different style, the flippantly facetious? A little of that is all very well, but if overdone it becomes a bore. Will our 'funny' friends please take note?—Yours, etc.

A CONSTANT READER.

A COMING LEADER.

ONE OF LEICESTER'S BRILLIANT YOUNG MEN.



MR. HAROLD J. POOLE, OF LEIGESTER.

That brilliant young Leicester ringer, Mr. Harold J. Poole, recently completed his first 100 peals, and his achievement is really an extraordinary one. Still under 21 years of age, he did not ring his first peal until July 3rd, 1920, so that he very rapidly climbed the campanological ladder. He reached his century inside three years, and crowned many excellent performances by calling the record length of Cambridge Surprise Major. Mr. Pools has a great ringing future before him.

His 100 peals are as follows:-

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Stedman Caters 5	-	1a
Stedman Cinques 1		-
Bob Major 11	_	-
Kent T.B. Major 1	-	-
Kent T.B. Royal 2	-	1
Kent T.B. Maximus I	-	
Double Norwich Major 3	_	1
London Surprise Major 8	-	4
Bristol Surprise Major 1	-	-
Superlative Surprise Major 19c		7
New Cambridge Surprise Major I	-	-
Cambridge Surprise Major 32	_	13d
Cambridge Surprise Royal 10	_	5
Prince's Mary Surprise Royal 1	_	_
-	-	
Total 100		38

a On handbells. b 13,440. c Including 10,400 Real Double. d Including 12,896. Rung in seven counties, for four Associations,

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The usual monthly meeting of the above society was held at Rawmarsh on Saturday last, July 28th. In spite of wretched weather conditions there was a good atlendance of members, those present representing Arksey, Badsworth, Donoaster, Adwick-le-Street, Thorne, Barnsley, Rotherham, and Wath. The bells of the Parish Church of St. Mary were rung at intervals during the afternoon and evening, touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Boh Major, Oxford and Kent, Treble Boh Major, and Double Norwich Court Boh Major. and Kent Treble Bob Major, and Double Norwich Court Bob Major being brought round in excellent style.

Tea was provided by the wives of the local ringer; and was partaken of in the Institute.

At the business meeting which followed, the chair was taken by the vice-president (Mr. G. Halksworth).

The Secretary reported that the bells of St. Mary's Tickhill, were to be restored, and that the order for the work had been given to Messrs, Taylor and Co., who were to do all necessary repairs and rehang the bells in ball bearings.

A vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells and to the local band for the kind welcome they had given the visitors was proposed by Mr. Halksworth, seconded by Mr. C. D. Potter, hon. secretary of the Barnsley and District Society.—Mr. Slocks and Mr. A. Mitchell replied on behalf of the Rector and local ringers.

A new clock with chimes has recently been installed in the tower at Rawmarsh at a cost of £250, and this proved to be an item of interest to the visitors, who expressed the opinion that it was a fine piece of work.

The next meeting of the society will be a joint one with the Sheffield and District Society at Doncaster in September.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

Despite the inclement weather on Saturday last, a very successful meeting for combined practice was held at North Stoneham, where the handy ring of eight were used to full advantage during the afternoon and evening. Members, representing three districts of the Guild, were present from Bishopstoke, Bournemouth, Portsmouth (St. Mary's), Southampton, Ringwood, Winchester, Upham, and the local

A generous-tea was provided for the ringers at the adjoining institute, presided over by the curate, in the absence of the Rector, and Mr. G. Williams (Master), at which 25 ringers sat down After this, more ringing was indulged in methods up to London Surprise

Major being rung.

Thanks are due to Messrs. Tucker and Pullinger for making the necessary arrangements, and also to the ladics who provided the tea-

EALING VICAR'S SILVER WEDDING.

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On Saturday, July 28th, the Vicar of Ealing (the Rev. C. J. Sharp), and Mrs. Sharp, celebrated their silver wedding. The members of the Middlesex Association will always recall the warm welcome extended to them by the Vicar and his wife, and it was quite fitting that the bells should be rung in honour of the occasion. Eight members, therefore, assembled in the tower of St. Mary's, and a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,284 changes) was rung in 46 mins. by L. H. Page (conductor) 1, R. Holloway 2, J. E. Churchill 3, R. A. Fardon 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, F. W. Goodfellow 7, H. A. Folkard 8. This was followed by 288 of Stedman Triples, conducted by R. A. Fardon. The bells were lowered in peal, and the ringers adjourned to the Vicarage, where a garden party was being held. The company present were then delighted and surprised by some handbell ringing. Several courses of Grandsire Triples were rung by W. Lawrence 1—2, R. A. Fardon 3—4, F. W. Goodfellow 5—6, H. A. Folkard 7—8. A very pleasant evening was then spent, several playing their first game of bowls. was then spent, several playing their first game of bowls.

On Sunday another quarter-poal was rung for evening service. This was 1,260 of Grandsire Triples, and occupied 45 minutes: Miss G Baker 1, G. W. Stevens 2, J. E. Churchill 3, H. J. Hunnisett 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, L. H. Page 6, F. W. Goodfellow (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8.

LADIES' GUILD. SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

A quarterly meeting was held at Cranleigh on Saturday week, when members and their friends spent an enjoyable time. Ringing commenced about 3.30, and with the help of the ringers from St. Peter's, Croydon, who stopped on their way to Horsham, several touches were rung. The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. P. Gunningham), whose inspiring address was much appreciated.

A very welcome tea was served in the Church Hut, and was followed by the business meeting.

It is hoped to hold the annual meeting at Ranmore and the next

quarterly meeting at Sandhurst in December

The ladies take this opportunity of again thanking the Rector for his kindness and Mrs. Whittington for arranging the tea.

The following towers were represented: Aldershot, Billingshurst, Cranleigh, Crawley, Dorking, Guildford, Pulborough, Seale and Shere.

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ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

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CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL 1921.

HANLEY PARISH CHURCH BELLS.

STAFFS PEAL OF TEN RECAST.

A great acquisition to Staffordshire bells is the recast peal of ten the Parish Church, Hanley, which were opened on Saturday, the Parish Church, Hanley, which were opened on Saturday, the Parish Church, Hanley, which were opened on Saturday, at the Parish Church, Hanley, which were opened on Saturday, July 21st. The bells had been practically unused for five years, but the parishioners cheerfully faced the great effort of carrying out a complete restoration. The cost has been about £1,300 and all but about £65 has now been raised. Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, were entrusted with the work, and they have installed a peal of ten bells, of which Hanley is now justifiably proud, and with which the large body of ringers attending the opening were completely satisfied. The bells, with a tenor of 17½ cwt. have been tuned on the five-tone principle, and hung in a new steel and iron frame, with new fittings and ball bearings throughout. Their position in the tower is lower than that of the old bells, and the improvement in tone that has been effected has greatly delighted the parishioners. At the same time Messrs, Gillett and Johnston have installed a new electric self-winding chime clock, the gift of Mrs. Mountford, in memory of her husband. The clock has four 7ft. skeleton dials fitted centrally in the louvre windows, ten feet higher than the old dials were placed. This clock the first of its kind to be erected, is similar to that at present being installed at the Royal Exchange, London, and in four other churches in the country by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. There is only one weight and that a small one, attached to the going frain, but the most remarkable feature about the clock is that it rewinds itself automatically every 20 interactions. ture about the clock is that it rewinds itself automatically every 20 minutes, which means a great saving in expense, and obviates the necessity for heavy weights suspended from pulleys at the top of the clock tower. Incidentally, there is more room in the belfry. Compared with the size of the normal weight-driven clock, it has

Compared with the size of the normal weight-driven clock, it has considerably more power.

The dedication of the bells and clock tower took place on Saturday week, the ceremony being performed by the Bishop of Stafford. There were 73 ringers present, representing no fewer than twenty towers, visitors coming from Manchester, Crewe Burton, Mansfeld (Notis), and Braintree (Essex). The opening ringing was done by the local band, assisted by Stoke ringers, viz., Messrs, Hanley, Churton, Alcock, Corner, Cordall, Dale, Cordell, Prophett, Sargeant, Degg and Page. The first touch of change ringing was a course of Stedman Caters by Messrs, Morley, Smith, Aldersea, Page, Allman, Cordell, G. Clawley, A. Clawley, Fitchford, Miller, this hand being picked from the Stoke Archidiaconal Association.

The Church Council entertained the visiting ringers to tea at the Lichfield Street Schools, and after tea, Mr. Sargeant (conductor, Hanley ringers), who has been a ringer at the church for many years, spoke feelingly of the satisfaction all the ringers felt at the reopening of the bells, and the beautiful tone and easy 'go.' He praised the Rector and churchwarden for their efforts in connection with the restoration, and their endeavour to have everything done in

with the restoration, and their endeavour to have everything done in the best possible way by a thorough and careful investigation of the various difficult technical questions which had cropped up within the last few months. He heartily welcomed the visitors in the name of the Hanley ringers, and appealed for help to keep the new bells ringing until the local band were strong enough to carry on.

He was supported by Mr Corner who especially thanked the Stoke and Newcastle ringers for help at handbell practice, and for oppor-

tunity to ring in their towers,

Mr. Churton (Stoke) proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for use of the bells, and to the Council for the excellent tea provided.

This was supported by the Ringing Master. Mr. Fitchford (Wolstanton), who said that Hanley had now the finest peal of bells in the association's area.

The Rector (the Rev. H. A. Tamplin), replying, thanked the numerous ringers who had come from all round and helped to make the ous ringers who had come from all round and helped to make the opening a success. He also wished to thank the ladies who had so kindly looked after them at tea. He especially expressed his satisfaction with the work of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, whose staff had laboured most strenuously to get everything ready so that the opening should be a success.—Mr. C. F. Johnston suitably replied.

After tea the ringers again visited the church, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman and other methods were rung.

ANCIENT BELLS AT HARWELL. To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-In reference to the recent inquiry by the Rev. J. F. Hastings as to old rings of six we have six bells here the most modern of which was cast in 1615.

modern of which was cast in 1915.

The 2nd and 5th were cast in 1590 and 1597, respectively, by Joseph Carter, of Reading, while his son-in-law. William Yare at the same foundry cast the treble and 3rd in 1611, the tenor (diameter 3ft.) 10gin.) in 1612, and the 4th in 1615.

They are a fine ring, the tenor being between 18 and 19 cwt. in E, and it is our great ambition to increase them to a full octave. Any contributions however small, will be gratefully received and acknowledged in this paper. A fund was started a year ago.—Yours, R. G. RICE.

Harwell, Steventon, Berks.

DEATH OF A KENT RINGER.

A PIONEER OF CHANGE RINGING.

We regret to record the death, on July 16th, after an illness of some months, of Mr. Hubert J. Blackwell, of Chelsfield, He was a well-known ringer in West Kent, and in pre-war days was one of the most enthusiastic and energetic ringers in the Lewisham

district.

Sixty-two years of age and a native of the Weald of Kent, he commenced ringing at Biddenden, when apprenticed in the village. Afterwards he migrated to Penshurst, Mereworth, and then to St. Mary Cray, subsequently taking up a business at Chelsfield, where he had lived for the past thirty years. Most of his early work in the beffry was instilling the art of change ringing into the local bands wherever he was. At St. Mary Cray and Chelsfield he was the pioneer of half-pull ringing, and at each place got the bands far enough to ring several methods of Doubles. Although as in other enough to ring several methods of Doubles. Although as in other villages, the bands did not last many years, he had the satisfaction of seeing some of his pupils attain a certain degree of proficiency, among them Mr. A. T. Verrals, of Brighton; Mr. R. Morgan, of Dartford: Mr. J. Emery, of Hersham: and Mr. I. Emery, of Brom-

Dartford: Mr. J. Emery, of Hersham; and Mr. I. Emery, of Bromley. After a lapse from ringing for a few years, owing to business, he started again about 1905, ringing and travelling considerably.

He rang about 60 peals in various methods up to Superlative, most of them for the Kent County Association. He was also a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, the Oxford Guild, and the Surrey Association. His busiest time of ringing was when the Lewisham district Surprise party was active, under the conductorship of Mr. F. Bennett. He then rang the treble to many Surprise party and many furges have that hand enjoyed the hospitality both peals, and many times have that band enjoyed the hospitality, of Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell at their home at Chelsfield and of his people at the old home at Hawkhurst and Benenden. Prior to the war the deceased was an hon, member of the SS. Peter and Paul's band Bromley, and for years cycled the seven miles, winter and summer, to practice and Sunday morning ringing, but since the war he stayed at Chelsfield, and devoted himself to good works in

village.

The deceased was secretary of the Village Sports Club, and was mainly instrumental in obtaining a splendid recreation ground for the parish. He was also on the Parish Council, and engineer of the local Fire Brigade. Thus, it will be seen, he was a man of many activities, but he was of such a good and generous disposition, that he never made an enemy, and he died beloved and regretted by all who knew him, especially by those who had been in closest contact with him. His place in the life of the village will be difficult indeed to fill.

difficult indeed to fill,

He was buried on Friday, July 20th, in the pretty village churchyard, amidst signs of deepest sympathy from the whole inhabitants of the parish. Mr. T. Groombridge, seur., and Mr. I. Emery, two of his oldest ringing friends, attended to represent the Kent County Association, and render their sympathy with the bereaved

At a meeting of the Kent Association, held at Crayford on the 21st, a vote of condolence was passed to the widow, and on Saturday, July 28th, a half-muffled peal of Stedman Triples was rung at Eynsford, as a last tribute to his memory by eight members of the Kent County Association. Eynsford i, the adjoining parish to Chelsfield, and the tower in which he had rung most peals.

RINGERS AT CRICKET.

CRAMLINGTON BEAT NEWCASTLE.

On Saturday, the 14th July, the members of the Newcastle-onTyne Guild again visited Cramlington to take part in a friendly game
at cricket with the ringing members of Cramlington Church, who
were championed by Mr. Oswald Simms.

For four hours a well-contested game was fought out in true
spectromolika feshion. Carplington converted by the contested game was fought out in true

sportsmanlike fashion, Cramlington eventually coming out winners with a total of 105 runs against the Newcastle Guild 57.

With a little more practice in fielding the losers would put up a

As future matches are in store for them it is hoped the suggestion will not be overlooked. Youth will tell.

Tea was kindly provided, presided over by the Rev. T. W. A. Allen (Vicar), who welcomed the members, and trusted the happy gathering would be the precursor of many others.

He was supported by the Rev. Hughes, who is always a host in himself.

Previous to the cricket match the Cramlington band placed a wreath of beautiful white flowers at the base of the village war memorial, in grateful and affectionate remembrance of Brodie John Riseborough, U.F., of whose death in the great war this was the

7th anniversary.

By request, Mr. Wm. Story, president of the Diocesan Association with a few words in appreciation of the great sacrifice of the deceased, deposited the wreath, and the Vicar offered up prayer, after which silence was kept for a few moments, and then a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on the handbells.

Before returning to Newcastle, several touches on the church bells were rung, which were much appreciated.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX, — At the Church of St. John the Baptist, on July 29th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss H. Chandler 1, Miss G. Baker 2, Miss F. Moss 3 E. Hancox (conductor) 4, P. Jones 5, R. Carler 5, H. Chandler 7 F. Smith 8,

7 F. Smith 8.
PORTSMOUTH.—On Sunday, July 29th, for evening service, at the Church of St. Mary 1,264 Bob Major: F. A. Cluett 1, J. J. Symons 2, T. R. Taylor 3, R. Brown 4, W. Tate 5, R. J. Stone 6, J. D. Harris 7, F. W. Rogers (conductor) 8. Arranged for R. Brown, who hails from St. Mary's, Southampton
PUTNEY.—On Sunday, July 29th, for Divine service a quarterpeal of Bob Major, in 46 minutes: E. Cassel 1, A. Jones 2, C. Chooet 3, H. Frampton 4 W. Worsley 5, H. Moody R.A.F., 6, J. Herbert 7, W. T. Elson (conductor) 8.
KENSINGTON — On Sunday evening July 29th at St. Mary

Choose 3, B. Frampton 4 W. Worsley 5, H. Moody R.A.F., 6, J. Herbert 7, W. T. Elson (conductor) 8,

KENSINGTON. — On Sunday evening, July 29th at St. Mary Abbots Church, 1,260 Stedman Caters: W. E. Garrard (conductor) 1.

Miss Stella Davis (first quarter-peal) of Stedman Caters) 2, E. J. Trimmer (first quarter-peal) 3, P. E. Clark 4, H. G. Mile; 5, A. E. Bradley 6, C. W. Roberls 7, A. V. Selby 8, R. T. Hibbert 9, C. H. Chapman thirst quarter-peal) 10,

EALING.—At Christ Church, for morning service, on July 29th, a quarter-peal Grandsire Triples: F. S. Palmer, junr, 1 J. E. Walson 2, H. A. Folkard 3, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 4, E. F. Cole 5, A. Harding 6, J. A. Trollope 7, F. S. Palmer, seur., 8.

BARKING, ESSEX.—On Sunday, July 29th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,230 changes) was rung in 47 mins.: C. Fenn (conductor) 1, S. Wolfe 2, A. Neale 3, W. Theobold 4, E. Smith 5, F. C. Newman 6, E. G. Cottis 7, A. C. Hardy 8, S. Wolfe hails from Lincoln,

BRIDLINGTON, BRISTOL.—On Tuesday, July 24th, at St. Luke's Church, 720 Cambridge Suprise Minor: F. Pearce 1, A. E. Reeves (conductor) 2, E. J. Brown 3, A. Stowell 4, W. Knight 5, W. Stowell 6, First 720 of Cambridge on the bells, and rung by a local band, 360 Kent Treble Bob Major: A. Coldrick 1, J. Hev 2, F. Blackith 3, Fred Blackith 4, A. Windsor 5, J. Thackray 6, H. Blackith (iongest length as conductor) 7, J. W. Moorhouse 8, Rung as a farewell to H. Blackith on his leaving the district for London, OXFORD.—On Sunday, July 22nd, at Magdalen College, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters, in 48 mins., by Mis, A. E. Lock 1, T. Payne 2, F. Taylor (conductor) 3, A. E. Lock 4, B. Finch 5, W. Judge 6, W. Harris 7, W. H. B. Wilkens 8, H. Miles 9, G. Caudwell 10.

KIDLINGTON, OXON.—On Sunday, July 22nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, in 50 minutes, by

Judge 6, W. Harris 7, W. H. B. Wilkens 8, H. Miles 9, G. Caudwell 10.

KIDLINGTON, OXON.—On Sunday, July 22nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Boly Major, in 50 minutes, by L. Tuffrey 1, Mrs. A. E. Lock (conductor) 7, G. Caudwell 8.

LYMINGE, KENT.—On Sunday July 22nd for evensong, the last quarter of Holt's Original: F. Verney 1, F. Castle 2, A. Castle 3, S. Baker 4, G. Cullum 5, R. Wobb 6, L. Head 7, Longest length by ringer of the 2nd who is 14 years of age.

ECCLESFIELD, YORKSHIRE.—On Sunday, July 22nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, in 50 mins.: W. Whilham 1, T. Kitson (conductor) 2, F. Willey 3, W. Slubley 4, J. W. Smithson 5, F. Mortimer 6, W. Kitson 7, O. Cauwood 8, Ringers of 3rd, 4th and 5th hail from All Saints' Sheffield.

MANGOTSFIELD.—At St. James' Church, on July 22nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: I. Hopes 1, W. Hewith 2, H. Jefferies 3, C. Hurding 4, T. James 5, R. Marsh 6, J. G. Jefferies (conductor) 7, C. Handy 8.

PONTYPRIDD.—On Sunday, July 22nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 minutes, at St. Catherine's Church: J. Hallet (conductor) 1, Ivor Mitchell 2, F. Thyer 3, A. Grey 4, S. Ridgeway 5, J. Danch 6,—Burgess 7, F. Neville 8.

COLD HIGHAM, NORTHANTS.—At the Parish Church, for evening service, on Sunday, July 22nd, a quarter-peal of Doubles (1,260 changes), being 780 Grandsire and 480 Plain Bob, in 43 mins: F. Adams (Litchborough) 1, J. W. Haynes (Patishall) 2, J. Wilfred Sharp (Towcester, conductor) 3, J. M. Gray (Green's Norton) 4, H. Folwell (Rugby) 5.

NORBURY, CHESHIRE.—On Sunday, July 15th, for service, the extent of No. 23 Treble Bob: J. Fernley innr. 1, J. P. Fidler, 2

Sharp (Towcester, conductor) 3, J. M. Gray (Green's Norton) 4, H. Folwell (Rugby) 5.

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PETERBOROUGH,—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, July 8th, for evensong, 720 Bob Minor: J. Northan (first 720) 1 Miss Brandon 2, E. Tilley 3, Miss A. Dale 4, W. Waldren 5, J. Jutson (conductor)

CHELSEA.—On Sunday July 8th, at St. Luke's Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major (1,280 changes): W. Dean I. G. Boon 2. C. Mitchell 3. E. Reeve 4. H. H. Mance 5, W. Essery 6. E. Brett 7, H. Mance (conductor) 8.

RINGERS' ROLL OF HONOUR.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I wish to make an appeal, through your columns, to the Exercise at large for help in compiling this roll.

Below will be seen two lists of names which I have denoted A and

In list A, certain names are grouped together which bear a similarity to each other

I want to know how many persons are described in each group, and, if only one, which place or tower out of two or three has the right to claim that one. To take an instance: Were there two ringers of the name of 'Attwater, E.,' killed? If there was only one should he be described as coming from Streatham or Cuckfield?

In list B, there are certain names given as belonging to Guilds or Associations, but the place or tower is left blank. I want if possible

to be able to fill up this blank space.

Secretaries of Guilds and Associations have done their best in the matter, and I now appeal to the friends of these fallen ringers to send me such information-as some of them surely must have-as will enable me to come to a decision in each case. - Yours truly,

CYRIL W. O. JENKYN.

Hon, Librarian, Central Council.

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COLLINS, S. J. COLLINS, S. J.	Fulham Wandsworth	College Youths London County
DEWEY, H. J. DEWEY, H. J.	Reigate Earlswood	Surrey Cumberlands
EDSER, G. B. EDSER, G. B. EDSER, G. B. EDSER, G. B.	Streatham Battersea Herstham Hersham	Surrey London County Surrey Winchester
LEE, W. C. LEE, W. C. LEE, W. C. LEE, W. C.	Streatham Brixton Brixton Great Cornard	Surrey London County Cumberlands Ely and St. Edmundsbury
LAING, A. T. LAING, A. T., Rev.	Bamburgh	Cambridge University Durham and Newcastle
MORRIS, B. MORRIS, B.	Mitcham Mortlake	Surrey Middlesex
NEW, W. J. NEW, W. J.	Isleworth Leigh	Middlesex Salisbury
PLANT, A. H. B.	Kettering Burton-on-Trent	Northants Midland Counties
PAYNE, J. PAYNE, J. H.	St. Albans Kensington	Herts College Youths
RANCE, J. RANCE, J.	Davenham Whalley	Chester Lancashire
SMITH, A. SMITH, A. SMITH, A.	Oxenthorpe Maxey Langham	Yorkshire Petarborough Essex
SAUNDERS, H. SAUNDERS, H.	Mistley Hemingford Abbots	Essex Ely and St. Edmundsbury
TAYLOR, T. G. TAYLOR, T. G.	Batheaston Whitehurch Canonicorum	Bath and Wells Salisbury
WRIGHT, S. A. WRIGHT, S. A. WRIGHT, S. A.	Morpeth Herne Hill Morpeth	College Youths London County Durham and Newcastle
WILLIAMS, R. WILLIAMS, R.	Bebington Whitehurch	Chester Llandaff and Monmouth

Twickenham Bishop's Cannings

LIST B.

MIST D.				
CHAPMAN, A. R. B CHELL, H. GRAY, A. F. HAMILTON, A. S. LAING, A. T. WEKIEVER, V. C. MCMICHAEL, D. W. PERSSE, C. de B. RILEY, T., Rev. RAIKES, F. S. W. SCHOOLING, C. H., Rev.	Cambridge University			
WALKER, E. B. WHITE, F. R. BANNON, J. KAVANAGH, C. KENNEDY, T. McLEAN, J. TECTOR, R.	Trish Association			

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATON.

NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT MEETING.

On Saturday, July 21st, a meeting of the Nottingham District was held at West Hallam about 30 members being present from Beeston, Bottesford, Bulwell, Barton, Cotgrave, Ilkeston, Nottingham, Sulton-in-Ashfield, Southwell, Derby, etc. The beils in this tower have recently been relung and augmented to six with frame rected for two trebles to complete the octave, Messis. Taylor having carried out the work in a very satisfactory manner. Tea was provided in the village inn. The Rector (the Rev. A. E. Wicks) presided, and gave a hearty welcome to the visitors. He mentioned that there was still a balance on the wrong side of the bell fund, but he there was will a balance on the wrong side of the bell fund, but he hoped to get this wiped off, and soon to commence to get the octave

The business meeting was presided over by the vice-president (Mr. A. Coppock).—Mr. W. E. White suggested that the presentation made to Mr. T. H. Kirkby, the late secretary, should be entered in the minute book,

For the place of the next meeting, Southwell received five votes and Colston Bassett 14 votes, the later place, therefore, being selected, the meeting to be held on August 25th.

The secretary had received a letter from the president, respecting the Bishop of Peterborough's proposal for a federation of ringers in the Diocese of Peterborough, but the matter was left in abeyance, the members to decide for themselves, as only one tower in this district was affected.

district was affected.

Four new, members were elected viz. two from Eastwood one from Greasley, one from Shelford.

A very hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for kindly granting the use of the tower and bells, and for placing his gardens at the disposal of the members, was proposed by Mr. A. Moss, and unanimously carried.—The Rector replied.—Some of the ringers returned to the tower will extract out the Rector Laws to listen. to the tower, while others sat on the Rectory lawn to listen. A variety of six bell methods was rung on the bells during the afternoon and evening.

NOMENCLATURE OF MINOR METHODS.

To the Editor.

Sir,-Being one of the authors of the 'Lancashires ' and 'Immanuels,' it is with much fear and trembling that I admit this great offence of giving a name and number instead of a number. Perhaps if I tell the story of how these two numbers got such outlandish names your correspondent. Mr. Dawson, will understand my fear, etc. Many years ago there was a company of ringers at Immanuel cto. Many years ago there was a company of ringers at Immanuel Church, Oswaldtwistle, Lancashire, who, after struggling on in an uphill fight for seven years, were surprised to find they could ring Surprise. This was in 1902. Four years of ebb and flow regarding Surprise, and behold I discovered Immanuel. A few minutes later another of our company discovered Lancashire. The author of Lancashire is Mr. Isaac Whalley. We rang both these numbers on Sunday, May 27th, 1906. Immanuel was named after the church we rang at. Lancashire was given its name perhaps because what Lancashire was given its name perhaps because what Lancashire was given its name perhaps because what Lancashire was given its name perhaps because rang at, Lancashire was given its name, perhaps, because what Lancashire rings to day someone class will ring to morrow. The two numbers were then sent to 'The Bell News,' where it was pointed out that Lancashire already had a number, and Immanuel was a new number. The method Oswald Treble Bob I sent to 'The Bell News,' where it was pointed out that Lancashire already had a number, and Immanuel was a new number. The method Oswald Treble Bob I sent to 'The Bell News,' when the beginning the sent to the Bell News, when the beginning the sent to be the sent to be sent to 'The Bell News,' when the sent to be sent to 'The Bell News,' when the sent to be sent to 'The Bell News,' when the sent to 'The Bell News,' when the sent to 'The Bell News,' when the sent to 'The Bell News,' where the sent to 'The Bell News,' where the sent to 'The Bell News,' where it was pointed out that Lancashire already had a number, and Immanuel was a new that the sent to 'The Bell News,' where it was pointed out that Lancashire already had a number, and Immanuel was a new that the sent to 'The Bell News,' where it was pointed out that Lancashire already had a number, and Immanuel was a new that the sent to 'The Bell News,' where it was pointed out that Lancashire already had a number, and Immanuel was a new that the sent to 'The Bell News,' where the se News a year or two before, and it was found that it was already numbered. I have often wondered if other six bell companies had ever found the two Surprise numbers of interest, never dreaming that they were in such an exalled atmosphere as near London. Yours sincerely, C. SHARPLES. Bluckpool.

NOTICES.

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, August 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Divine service at 4. Tea at 5 o'clock, with business meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.— The next meeting will be held at Rainford on Saturday. August 4th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30. All ringers welcome.—J. Hallsall, Sec.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.—The August meeting of the above will be held at Bishop Auckland and Shildon on Saturday, August 4th, 1923. The bells of both churches are available. The Vicar of S. Andrew's (Bishop Auckland) has kindly offered to provide tea in the Mission Room at 5 p.m.—E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone District.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Wrotham on Saturday, August 4th. Bells available for ringing at 3 o'clock. Short Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea provided by the Rector, and business meeting. railway fares paid up to 2/- at this meeting.-Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dis. Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Wisbech branch.-A district meeting will be held at March, Cambs (6 bells), on Saturday, August 4th. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea provided by the Rector. The General Secretary of the Association intends to be present. All ringers welcome. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Please let me know early. A good gathering is hoped for.—H. W. Giddings, 101, Elwy Road, March.
WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown

District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, August 4th. Bells available 3 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m., Church Room. Members will greatly assist if they will notify me by Friday, August 3rd.—J. B. Hessey, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Queen's Street, Chertsey.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION .- Preston Branch. -The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Croston (bells 8) on Saturday, August 4th, 1923. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6 p.m. -W. Taylor. Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Meetings for August : St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, August 27th, at 7.30 p.m.; St Clement Danes, August 5th, 10 a.m., August

6th and 20th, 7.30 p.m.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBY-SHIRE SOCIETY,-The next meeting will be held at Bolsterstone on Bank Holiday, August 6th. Bells (8) available all day. Tea, 1/6 each, only to those who notify Miss Hollins, Bolstertone, before Friday, August 3rd.-T. W. Chown, Hon. Sec., 68, Canada Street, Sheffield.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION .- Next meeting attending, who require tea, please let me know by Tuesday, will be held at Sutton-on-Trent, Bank Holiday, August oth. New bells (6) available for ringing all day by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. C. T. Bartley). As this is the Gala and Sports day in aid of the Church Bell Restoration Fund, a good attendance is desired. Visitors welcome. A capital programme of sports has been arranged by the committee, commencing 2.30 p.m. Tea on the Sports Ground: Adults 1/-, Children 6d.; but a special tea for ringers will be provided in the Church Institute at 4.30 p.m. Cheap fares from all L. & N.E. railway stations in district .- H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

NORWICH AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — A IPSWICH meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the Association will be held at Swaffham on Bank Holiday, Monday August 6th. The ring of 8 bells of the Parish Church will be available. Luncheon at the George Hotel at 1.30 p.m. Tickets 2/6 per head.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec., High Croft, North Walsham.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIA-TION .- The annual meeting of the above will be held in Peterborough on Monday, August 6th (Bank Holiday). The bells of St. John (8), St. Mary (6), Woodston (6), will be available during the day. Tea at 4.30, meeting at 5.30, in St. Mary's Schools. Service, 6.30, at St. Mary's Church. All ringers welcome. - John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. Guildford District.-The annual summer meeting will be held at Ranmore on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 6th. Bells available from 2 p.m. By the kind permission of Lord Ashcombe the beautiful grounds of Denbies will be open to ringers and their friends. The bells of St. Martin's, Dorking, will be available in the evening. All ringers welcome.-E. Raddon, Hon. Dis. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

 LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Deeping St. Nicholas on Monday, August 6th. Bells available all day. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.15 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.-George Ladd, Hon. Secretary, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on August 7th, Southwark Cathedral on the 14th, St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 16th and 30th, *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 21st, and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 23rd, all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - South and West District. - A mid-week meeting will be held at St. Margaret's, Uxbridge, on Wednesday evening, August 8th, when members and visitors will be welcomed .- W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION .-Taunton Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at North Curry on Saturday, August 11th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea, 1/- each, and meeting after, at The Bird in Hand. Will all those Hon. Sec., 26, Clarence Street, Newcastle, Staffs.

August 7th ?-P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch. The annual meeting, tea and social of the above branch will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, August 11th. All ringers and friends cordially invited. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Teas 1/8, names to be sent to Mr. D. Dawson, 42, West View, Clitheroe, not later than August 7th. — J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD .- Ledbury District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Colwall on Saturday, August 11th. Bell (8) available 3 p.m. Church service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5.30 p.m, Will all those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, August 8th?—Richard Thomas, Hon. Sec., Post Office, Coddington, Ledbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division. -A district meeting will be held at Epping Upland on Saturday, August 11th. Bells available 2 p.m. Tea and business at 5 p.m.-F. Dench, Dist. Hon. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch, The monthly meeting will be held at Fittleton on Sat. urday, August 11th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. Short business meeting after tea. Arrangements are being made for ringing at Netheravon and Upavon in the evening .- F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hereford District .- A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Sutton on Saturday, August 11th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.45 in Schoolroom, 9d. each, to those who notify me not later than August 7th.—C. Edwards, Dist. Sec., Great Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Royston on Saturday, August 11th. Bells ready early. Tea at Pack Horse Inn. Meeting in belfry, all ringers invited .- C. D. Potter, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Bispham on Saturday, August 18th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 3, Rutland Gate, Blackpool.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at St. George's, Beckenham, on Saturday, August 18th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 5, tea at the Greyhound Hotel at 5.30, with business meeting to follow. Further ringing until 8.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested, and all ringers will be welcomed.—F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., 9, Dorset Rd., Ealing, W.5.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, August 18th, when members and visitors will be welcomed. Tea arranged as usual, but send your names in good time.-W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. - No practice at Exeter Cathedral in August. Next practice of Cinques second Wednesday in September. - E. S. Powell, Holbeton Vicarage, Plymouth.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild .- A meeting will be held at Huyton on Saturday, August 11th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Meeting at 6 o'clock. -Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

ST. ANDREW'S, GRIMSBY .- The ringers of the above Church wish to extend a hearty greeting to all visitors to Grimsby and Cleethorpes. Service ringing Sundays 10.15 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. Practice Thursday 7.30 p.m. Church in Freeman Street, one minute from Docks Station or Riby Square-Please write Hon. Sec., Mr. Fred Overton, 119, Convamore Road, Grimsby.

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ENJOYABLE MEETING AT HARLINGTON.

Members of South and West District held a most successful meeting on Saturday, July 14th, at the ancient Parish Church of Harlington, which dates from early in the twelfth century. It has a noble Norman doorway (cir. 1130), the finest of its kind in Middlesex, and an interesting font of transitional character (cir. 1190). The Easter sepulchre—a fine piece of Tudor work (1545) is one of the corresponding to the contraction. the comparatively few example which escaped destruction in Puritan times. There are some good windows by Kempe, and the magnificent yewtree in the churchyard, though of unfold age, is still in vigorous health. There are six bells dating from 1739, which were lact reburg in 1994. vigorous health. The last rehung in 1904.

Ringing was indulged in during the afternoon, when a short choral service was held, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. H. Wilson).—The Rector welcomed the association, and dealt at length on the good the Guild meetings did. It helped to foster brotherhood among ringers, and oftentimes, when some were at variance it helped to renew the spirit of harmony which is essential to make these meetings a success

After service, the party adjourned to the Schoolroom for tea, to which \$5 ringers, the choir and organist sat down. The Rector presided over a merry party of over 60. Harlington strawberries were in abundance,

At the meeting which followed, the usual vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector and all who assisted to make the meeting such

The Rector was elected an honorary life member with a promise of the tower and members to be affiliated later, providing the hones secretary sent an instructor to assist them. On the secretary's appeal to the meeting a volunteer was found at once.

Handbell ringing on the lawn, and later another visit to the tower brought a red-letter day at Harlington to a close.

MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

PUTNEY, LONDON.—On Saturday, July 28th, on the occasion of the progress of the King and Queen through Putney a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (by J. George), in 44 mins.: T. Bolton 1, H. Frampton 2, C. Chooet 3, A. Jones 4, W. T. Elson 5, W. Worsley 6, E. Cassel (conductor) 7, C. Collis 8.

MARDEN, HEREFORD.—On Saturday, July 21st, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. P. Hyett 1, C. Edwards 2, T. H. Taysome 3, G. W. Taysome 4, W. E. Williams 5, W. Taylor 6. First 720 of Kent by all except the conductor (C. Edwards), and first in the district; 120 of Oxford Treble Bob was also rung. Bob was also rung.

PORTSMOUTH.—On Thursday, July 19th, at the Church of St Thomas-a-Becket, in 49 mins, in honour of the wedding of Lieut, J. P. Gornall, the well known Hants cricketer, to Miss G. M. Caffin, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: F. A. Burnett (conductor) 1, Mrs. F. Burnett 2, P. C. Martin 3, P. Giles 4, T. R. Taylor 5, W. L. Ayles 6, H. L. W. Aitken 7, E. O. Edney 8.—On July 24th, on the occasion of the British Medical Association attending the church, 685 Grandsire Triples: F. A. Burnett (conductor) 1, Mrs. F. Burnett 2, Mrs. L. Cook 3, W. L. Ayles 4, L. P. Cook 5, W. Scaife 6, H. L. W. Aitken 7, E. O. Edney 8.



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