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SERIOUS DECLINE IN 'FIRST PEALERS.'

A striking and somewhat disturbing feature of the peals analysis for 1932 is the serious falling off in the number of ringers who, in that year, scored their first peal. In other respects it can be said that progress is generally revealed, but a falling off of something like one-third in the number of first peal ringers when the aggregate number of peals has been substantially increased is something that should give cause not only for thought, but for action. The actual number of first peal ringers in 1932 was 430 in 2,202 peals, against 612 in 2,082 peals in 1931. Does it mean that less encouragement has been given to young ringers to take part in peals or that they have shown less desire to do so? Perhaps it is both. It is no excuse to say that other statistics indicate improvement, such as that the numbers who rang peals in a fresh method or on a different number of bells have considerably increased. That may indicate advance in one direction, but without the advent of new blood to the ranks of peal ringers it means that the supply is drying up at the source. Even the number who rang their first peal 'inside' shows a decline, and we commend these facts not only to the consideration of the associations, but also to the habitual peal ringers themselves.

There may be some of our readers who will want to dash in and tell us again that this state of affairs is due to the ringers whom they class as 'peal grabbers,' but let them not be too hasty in their allocation of blame. To many of those who are so glibly described as 'peal grabbers' we owe a great deal for the raising of the standard of peal ringing. If they ring a good many peals, it is only because by constant practice they have raised themselves to a high state of efficiency, and their enterprise and initiative are worthy of emulation. At the same time there is obvious room for extending the usefulness of peal ringing. If it were to become an entirely selfish occupation it would lose a great deal of its value. Peal ringing, like practice meetings, should be used as often as possible for the encouragement of beginners and others on the lower rungs of the ladder. We would deny to none the joy of the perfect peal with the perfect band, but on the face of last year's records it does seem as if the Exercise needs to offer a little more encouragement to the novices. Without the influx of sufficient new blood there must come a time when the higher flights of ringing must suffer — if not in this decade, then in the next. The influence of associations ought to be used to counter the effect of this serious decline of 'first pealers.' They might seek out the most promising material and arrange peals with bands suffi-

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ciently strong to give these novices, one or two at a time, a reasonable chance of achieving what ought to be the early ambition of every ringer, their first peal. While many beginners who are really keen to make progress will seek out their own opportunities for practice, the case for peal ringing is not quite on the same footing. Peals require a certain amount of organising, and, while it is easy to say, 'If a man wants a peal let him arrange it,' it is by no means simple for a beginner to do this. It is here where the associations could step in and lend a valuable helping hand.

TWELVE BELL PEAL.

DUBLIN.

THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1933, in Four Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE NATIONAL CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;

Tenor 45 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

ERNEST J. BUTLER 1	...Treble	RUPERT RICHARDSON 7
GEORGE R. PYE 2		JAMES E. DAVIS 8
CHARLES T. COLES 3		GABRIEL LINDOFF 9
JAMES C. E. SIMPSON 4		WILLIAM PYE 10
GEORGE R. NEWTON 5		EDWARD P. DUFFIELD 11
JAMES BENNETT 6		REUBEN SANDERS 12

Composed by Wm. Pye. Conducted by EDWARD PATRICK DUFFIELD
First peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus rung in Ireland. First peal of Maximus as conductor. E. J. Butler's 200th peal.

TEN BELL PEALS.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 21½ cwt.

LOUIS E. ALLEN 1	...Treble	EPHRAIM RANDS 6
*HARRISON CARTER 2		C. FERGUSON HOWITT 7
ALBERT H. WARD 3		†WILLIAM J. ROOT 8
JOSEPH A. FENTON 4		PERCY HARRISON 9
HAROLD J. POOLE 5		FREDERICK H. DEXTER 10

Composed by WILLIAM PYE. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.
* First peal of Royal and first of Surprise. † First peal and first attempt in any method.

CUDHAM, KENT.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5030 CHANGES;

Tenor 9½ cwt.

ERNEST J. KING 1	...Treble	HARRY GIBSON 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER 2		*SYDNEY J. HUMPHREY 7
MISS BERTHA M. MILLS 3		WILLIAM D. GRAINGER 8
DONALD G. BARNARD 4		EDWARD D. SMITH 9
THOMAS W. TAFFENDER 5		†FRANK R. L. BLEWER 10

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER
* First peal on ten bells. † First attempt for a peal.

MAIDSTONE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1933, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

*JACK SPILLER 1	...Treble	LOUIS HEAD 6
ERNEST SPILLER 2		†HAROLD F. TRAVERS 7
ALBERT E. GASSON 3		HARRY COAST 8
†WILLIAM T. GRICE 4		BENJAMIN F. BAKER 9
FREDERICK A. LEESON 5		CHARLES DONN 10

Composed and Conducted by LOUIS HEAD.
* First peal. † First peal of Stedman. All the above are regular Sunday service ringers at All Saints' Church.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt. in D.

ERNEST T. ALLAWAY Treble	ROBERT MATTHEWS 6
WILLIAM SHORT 2	SAMUEL GROVE 7
THOMAS W. LEWIS 3	HECTOR G. BIRD 8
* REGINALD CHANCE 4	SIDNEY T. HOLT 9
JOHN BASS 5	CHARLES CAMM Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE. Conducted by ROBERT MATTHEWS.

* First peal of Cambridge. First peal of Cambridge Royal on the bells, also the first peal of Cambridge Royal rung in the county of Shropshire. Arranged and rung as a wedding peal for Mr. John W. Hardwick, of Bromfield, Ludlow, Shropshire, and Miss Winifred Alice Farley, of Upton-on-Severn, Worcestershire, who were married at Madeley, Shropshire, on April 25th, and also for the Rev. Edward Geoffrey Benson, Vicar of Qualford, Shropshire, and Miss Judith Mumfrey Welsby, of Chester, who were married at Chester Cathedral on May 17th.

APPLETON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 20, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5067 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

* ANTHONY E. F. TROTMAN Treble	ALBERT E. LOCK 6
FRANCIS E. TAYLOR 2	JOHN P. PELLOE 7
† MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK 3	GORDON CAUDWELL 8
RICHARD A. POST 4	WALTER F. JUDGE 9
FRANCIS E. MAY 5	FRED WHITE Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by RICHARD A. POST.
 * First peal Stedman and first of Caterers. † 150th peal. † First peal of Stedman Caterers. First peal of Caterers as conductor and first attempt.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1933, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ILLTYD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE CHAPPELL Treble	JOHN W. JONES 5
ALBERT J. PITMAN 2	ALFRED W. WRIGHT 6
* WILLIAM E. WISEMAN 3	ERNEST STITCH 7
CHARLES H. PERRY 4	EDWARD T. BAILEY Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST STITCH.

* First peal. Rung on the occasion of the 23rd anniversary of the accession of His Majesty King George V.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Monday, May 8, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

ERNEST STONE Treble	* JOSEPH H. BEALE 5
THOMAS W. THORPE 2	ARTHUR H. BEAMISH 6
* JAMES DRAYCOTT 3	JOHN GIBBONS 7
MRS. DOROTHY E. BEAMISH 4	JOHN E. S. MORETON Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by ARTHUR H. BEAMISH.

* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor. First attempt for a peal on eight bells by the ringer of the second. Rung as a compliment to Albert Haswell, of the local band, on his marriage; also as a birthday compliment to Mr. George Lewis, father of the Guild's hon. secretary.

REDHILL, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 10, 1933, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;

JOHNSON'S VARIATION OF MIDDLETONS'.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

OLIVER SIPPETIS Treble	JACK M. CRIPPS 5
GEORGE OLLIVER 2	NELSON ELLIOTT 6
KENNETH SNELLING 3	WALTER CLAYDON 7
ROBERT SWIFT 4	ALFRED J. BULL Tenor

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETIS.

GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 10, 1933, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

MISS ROSE M. COOMBS ... Treble	HAROLD E. PENNACK 5
ARTHUR HEAD 2	DR. SPENCER PHILLIPS 6
THOMAS LINCOLN 3	GEORGE GREEN 7
WILLIAM LINCOLN 4	ALBERT E. COOMBS Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE GREEN.

Specially rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred D. Brazier the same day. Mr. Brazier is a native of Galleywood, and his mother was the first postwoman in Essex.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 10, 1933, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF LITTLE ALBION TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb.

HERBERT FOLCHER Treble	CHARLES ROOPE 5
WILLIAM FLATT 2	CHARLES LOOME 6
CHARLES BAKER 3	RUSSELL RICHES 7
ERNEST WHITING 4	FREDERICK ROOPE Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells and for the association.

BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 11, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. W. PARKER'S ODD AND EVEN BOB S X-PART, No. 28.

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM SEELEY Treble	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD 5
JOSEPH J. ALLEN 2	FRANCIS A. SMITH 6
STEPHEN H. HOARE 3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT 7
* JOHN V. CROSS 4	WILLIAM CROSS Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT.

* First peal, and a birthday compliment to him.

CLIFFORD, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 11, 1933, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th observation).

Tenor 12½ cwt.

* HENRY G. WILKS Treble	† JAMES P. HYETT 5
* MISS DORIS M. HONEYWELL 2	CHARLES L. SADLER 6
CHARLES EDWARDS 3	JOHN CLARK 7
ARTHUR W. DAVIS 4	† ALBERT E. WILLIAMS Tenor

Conducted by C. EDWARDS.

* First peal. † 25th peal is this tower. † First peal on eight. Miss Honeywell is the first lady to ring a tower bell peal in Herefordshire.

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BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, May 11, 1933, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

FRANK W. PERRENS Treble	ROBERT MATTHEWS 3
JOHN WITHERS 2	SAMUEL GROVE 6
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... 3	HECTOR G. BIRD 7
FRANK E. PERVIN 4	HARRY WITHERS Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by FRANK W. PERRENS.
First peal of Major on the bells. Rung on the 30th anniversary of the record peal of London Surprise Major (14,112), rung at King's Norton on May 11th, 1903.

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

On Friday, May 12, 1933, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

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

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb.

ALAN R. PINK Treble	E. S. T. FARR 5
WILLIAM WELLING 2	FRANK BENNETT 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL 3	RONALD BULLEN 7
LEONARD STILLWELL 4	Cecil W. PIPE Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

MARSHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 6 cwt. in B flat.

ARTHUR J. SMALLS Treble	GEORGE MAYERS 5
WILLIAM E. BASON 2	GEORGE BAILEY 6
NOLAN GOLDEN 3	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN 7
GEORGE HOWCHIN 4	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

WRAYSBURY, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE MARTIN Treble	WILLIAM WELLING 5
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL 2	WILLIAM HENLEY 6
FRANK BENNETT 3	HARRY WINGROVE 7
MISS KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER 4	WILLIAM BRANTS Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE LINMER Treble	EDGAR HUMFREY 5
WILLIAM E. TAYLOR 2	PERCY J. DYKE 6
*STANLEY C. DAVIS 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES 7
GEORGE ESSEX 4	GEORGE GILBERT Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by GEO. GILBERT.

* First peal in the Kent Variation.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 28½ cwt.

JOSEPH BAILEY Treble	ERNEST W. BEADSMORE ... 5
JOHN H. SWINFELD 2	JAMES GEORGE 6
CHARLES J. DICKEN 3	EDWIN H. STONELEY 7
WALTER WALLACE 4	JOHN CURTIS Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN H. STONELEY.

Rung after meeting short for Caters. Quickest peal on bells.

HITCHIN, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 12, 1933, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 28 cwt.

*WALTER H. HOUGHTON ... Treble	THOMAS R. SCOTT 5
REV. R. F. R. ROUTH 2	†HERBERT W. ELSE 6
ALBERT E. SYMONDS 3	CHARLES V. HARE 7
†LESLIE W. HOUGHTON ... 4	LEONARD FIDDLER Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by L. FIDDLER.

* First in the method. † First 'inside.' First peal as conductor.
First peal on the bells by an entirely local band since 1782, and rung as a compliment to the daughter of the conductor, who 'came of age' on April 8th.

SYSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION,

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

PERCY AMOS Treble	WILLIAM H. CLARKE 5
HARRY L. SMITH 2	*ALFRED BALLARD 6
ERNEST MORRIS 3	REDVERS F. ELEINGTON ... 7
ERNEST F. PAYNE 4	ERNEST H. BAGWORTH ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

* 100th peal. The same conductor called his first peal on March 19th, 1927. First peal in this method on the bells. A birthday compliment to P.C. N. Bagworth, of Loudon, brother of tenor ringer.

BOLTON.

THE NATIONAL GUILD OF POLICE RINGERS AND
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SOULS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 23½ cwt.

*P.C. JOHN MOLLINER ... Treble	P.S. PEYER CROOK 5
P.C. WILLIAM ROBINSON ... 2	P.C. THOMAS R. BUTLER ... 6
P.C. DONALD BROWN 3	P.C. FREDERICK PAGE 7
P.C. WILLIAM PVE 4	P.C. GEORGE PVE Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by P.C. FREDK. PAGE.
* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the wedding of P.C. W. Robinson and the silver wedding of Sergt. and Mrs. P. Crook. Also a birthday compliment to Miss Nellie Helm, fiancée of Jack Kay, leader of the local band.

MOSSLEY, MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH AND OLDBAM & DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

*ALFRED WAITES Treble	WILLIAM COCKSHETT 5
JAMES LEBES 2	VERNON SYKES 6
JOSEPH OGDEN 3	FRED DUNKERLEY 7
†JOSEPH MOWBRAY 4	GEORGE BARLOW Tenor

Conducted by V. SYKES.

* First peal and first attempt. † First peal in method. The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, and the local ringers for having everything in readiness.

GORTON, MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 15, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT BROOKFIELD CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*JOSEPH REED Treble	JOHN FEARNHEAD 5
EDWARD F. MAWBY 2	†ERNEST SEDDON 6
WILLIAM BRAMMER 3	CHARLES OLLIER 7
ARNOLD S. FEARNHEAD ... 4	FREDERICK PAGE Tenor

Composed by J. R. FRITCHARD.

Conducted by F. PAGE.

* First peal away from the tenor. † First peal of Major in the method. Also the first peal of Major in the method as conductor. This is the first peal in the method at this church by a purely local band.

TIPTON, STAFFS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

BROOKS' VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

*BENJAMIN WINDSOR Treble	BENJAMIN GOUGH 5
GEORGE HUGHES 2	NORMAN H. WILLIAMS 6
*DENNIS HOLDEN 3	CYRIL WINWOOD 7
NORMAN G. LEECH 4	*REGINALD MORTON Tenor

Conducted by C. WINWOOD.

* First peal of Stedman.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Monday, May 15, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

ERNEST SIBLEY Treble	DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE 5
ARTHUR H. BEAMISH 2	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN 6
FRANK W. PERRINS 3	ERNEST MORRIS 7
MRS. A. H. BEAMISH 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by FRANK W. PERRINS.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, May 15, 1933, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

EDWIN F. PIRE Treble	JAMES E. DAVIS 5
GEORGE R. PYE 2	HORACE BELCHER 6
JOSEPH MARKS 3	CHARLES W. ROBERTS 7
JOSEPH WAGHORN, JUN. 4	RICHARD F. DEAL Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by G. R. PYE.

NORWICH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 16, 1933, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER MANCROFT,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

On the Gabriel Eight.

Tenor 19½ cwt. in F.

ARTHUR J. SMALLS Treble	GEORGE MAYERS 5
MABEL R. ROBERTSON 2	NOLAN GOLDEN 6
GEORGE HOWCHIN 3	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN 7
WILLIAM E. BASON 4	BERTIE J. HOWCHIN Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

Rung after meeting short for Treble Ten.

CLAYBROOKE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 17, 1933, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. HUNT'S FIVE-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.

JOHN H. SWINFELD Treble	CHARLES DRAPER 5
JOSEPH BAILEY 2	WILLIAM SHORT 6
MAURICE SWINFELD 3	JAMES GEORGE 7
J. CHARLES DICKEN 4	JOSEPH H. BEALE Tenor

Conducted by M. SWINFELD.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 17, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

ERNEST DUMPER Treble	JOHN W. FAITHFULL 5
GEORGE POLLINGER 2	WILLIAM T. TUCKER 6
CHARLES J. FRAY 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS 7
WALTER G. ROWE 4	JOHN L. DACOMBE Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. E. Munday. Mr. Munday has been vergar at this church and also a member of the local band of ringers since 1893.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

UPCHURCH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Double Oxford, one of Plain Bob, two Kent Treble Bob and two of Oxford Bob.

C. GRANSDEN Treble	C. SHIP 4
E. C. BOAKES 2	CRCIL C. BISHOP 5
E. J. WRAIGHT 3	G. J. MABBS Tenor

Conducted by G. J. MABBS.

First peal on the bells by a local band, and rung after the baptism of Mary Viola, daughter of the Vicar, the Rev. H. Lightbourne.

HUNSTON, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, May 6, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, ten different callings.

*RONALD F. MOLE Treble	*ROY I. NELTSORPE 3
†HERBERT C. FORDHAM 2	*HORACE S. HUNT 4
PERCY L. JOHNSON Tenor	

Conducted by PERCY L. JOHNSON.

* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. First as conductor and first on the bells.

MISTLEY, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 7, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

ALFRED HONEYWOOD Treble	ERNEST DURRANT 4
STANLEY G. MOSS 2	HORACE WRIGHT 5
JOSEPH BOWELL 3	WALTER HONEYWOOD Tenor

Conducted by WALTER HONEYWOOD.

Rung as a compliment to the conductor on his 69th birthday, also as a birthday compliment to the wife of Mr. A. Bowell, bell founder, of Ipswich.

WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 7, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three extents of Oxford and four of Kent. Tenor 6 cwt. 6 lb.

ALBERT CRAWLEY Treble	RICHARD T. HOLDING 4
*HARRY PARKER 2	*REGINALD W. WORRALL 5
*JOHN BRASSINGTON 3	GEORGE H. CRAWLEY Tenor

Conducted by H. PARKER.

* First peal in two methods. 50th peal together for Messrs. A. Crawley and H. Parker. Messrs. A. and G. H. Crawley have now 'completed the circle' in this tower.

SHARESHILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two 120's, ten different callings. Tenor 9 cwt.

*HERBERT E. BOOTH Treble	FRANCIS BROTHERTON 4
†ARTHUR SMITH 2	†JAMES SHAW 5
*ABRAHAM GREENFIELD 3	†HOWARD BUTLER Tenor

Conducted by A. GREENFIELD.

* First peal of Doubles in the method. † First peal in the method. † First peal of Doubles in the method, and first in the method away from the tenor. First peal in the method on the bells, also the second peal of Doubles in the method on tower bells for the above society. The conductor has now rung peals in the method from Doubles to Cinques. Rung as a birthday compliment to Harry Butler, jun., a member of the local band, also to Mrs. H. Adams, of Shreshill, sister of the treble ringer, and to Miss Elsie May Greenfield, eldest daughter of the conductor.

TUNSTALL, KENT.—On Sunday, May 7th, for divine service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Mrs. G. H. Spice 1, G. Kenward 2, W. Unwin 3, G. H. Spice 4, G. Webb 5, W. E. Spice 6, W. Spice, sen. (conductor) 7, W. Gorman 8.

BARLEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 11, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 3,600 Grandsire and 1,440 Plain Bob.

WALTER MANSFIELD Treble	WILLIAM A. TACK 4
HARRY HOWARD 2	CHARLES BYROUTH 5
WILLIAM BYROUTH 3	VICTOR G. LEE Tenor

Conducted by WALTER MANSFIELD.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to Mr. Jack May, whose interment took place that day.

WISTANSTOW, SHROPSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, ten different callings. Tenor 11 cwt.

*AARON JONES Treble	WILLIAM J. BENIAMS 4
ROBERT A. GITTENS 2	ARTHUR C. NASON 5
HUBERT JONES 3	E. RICHARD BALDWIN Tenor

Conducted by W. J. BENIAMS.

* First peal on tower bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. A. Jones, F. T. Massey and W. J. Beniams.

CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 6½ cwt.

WILLIAM A. WOOD Treble	CHARLES H. WEBB 4
FRANK BAILLESS 2	GEORGE A. CHARLTON 5
JOHN H. BAILLESS 3	ALFRED E. WARWICK Tenor

Conducted by F. BAILLESS.

First peal 'inside' for ringer of 5th. Rung by the local band to commemorate the fifth anniversary of the bells.

PAYHEMBURY, DEVONSHIRE.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(EAST DEVON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 13, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, ten different callings. Tenor 16 cwt.

*WILLIAM REYNOLDS Treble	JOHN YOUNG 4
HARRY GLIDDON 2	*EDWIN JOHNS 5
GEORGE C. WOODLEY 3	SAMUEL CLARK Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE C. WOODLEY.

* First peal. First peal on the bells.

SCULTHORPE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 14, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's. Tenor 8 cwt.

ARTHUR DYE Treble	*GEORGE P. ADAMS 4
*ALLEN M. LOVELL 2	ROBERT W. COOKE 5
*VINCENT R. OVENS 3	†GEORGE A. COOKE Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE A. COOKE.

* First peal. First peal as conductor.

SCARNING, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 14, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Comprising seven different extents—two each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in E.

*ARTHUR J. SMALLS Treble	GEORGE BUNNING 4
†JOHN BARTRAM 2	JOHN A. GODFREY 5
†ERNEST S. NAYLOR 3	NOLAN GOLDEN Tenor

Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal. ‡ First peal 'inside.' First peal on the bells, augmented to six, February, 1932.

SPLICED GRANDSIRE DOUBLES,

BY GABRIEL LINDOFF.

(Continued from page 310.)

I will now go on to show how to obtain four extents in three equal parts. For this purpose the three-part 120's must be used as the base, the splicing to be carried out as in previous examples.

I find that there are fourteen of these 480's which, when varied by starting at different leads, gives us a total of two hundred and twenty-four, which gives us an additional 105,520 changes.

480	480	480	480
2345	2345	2345	2345
2534	2534	2534	2534
2453	4325 S		
5324 B	2543 B	2453	3425 B
5432	3425 S	3524 S	5234 S
2354 S	2534 B	2435 B	5423
2435	2453	5324 S	3254 S
3524 B	3524 S	5432	5432 B
3452	3452	2354 S	2354 S
5234 B	5234 B	5423 B	2435
5423	5423	3254 S	5324 S
3254 S	2354 B	3425	2453 B
3425	2435	5234 S	3524 S
2534 B	5324 S	3452 B	3452
	5432	2534 S	2534 S
4325 S	3254 B	4325 S	4325 S
2543 B	3425	2543 B	2543 B
3425 S		3425 S	3425 S

Each to be twice repeated.

Here is the calling of the remaining ten:—

5. 2S.2.2.2S.2.2.1S.1.1S.
6. 2.2.2S.2.2.2S.1S.1.1S.
7. 2S.1.2.2S.2.2.2S.1.1S.
8. 2S.1S.2.2.2S.2.2.2.1S.
9. 2S.1.2S.2.2.2S.2.2.1S.
10. 2S.1.2.2.2S.2.2.2S.1S.
11. 2S.1.1S.1.2.2S.2.2.2S.1P.
12. 2S.1.1S.1S.2.2.2S.2.2.1P.
13. 2.1S.2S.1.1S.2S.1.1S.2S.1.1S.
14. 2S.1.1.1S.2S.1.1S.2S.1.1S.2S.1S.

DEVON GUILD.

BRANCH MEETING AT TEIGNMOUTH.

A quarterly meeting of the Mid-Devon Branch of the Devon Guild was held at St. Michael's, Teignmouth, on Saturday, May 13th, when ringers were present from Exeter, Kenn, Christow, Buckfastleigh, Paignton, Plymouth, etc. The bells were kept going to Grandsire and Stedman Triples during the afternoon, whilst some of the visitors rang touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles at Bishopsteignton Church.

A service was later held at St. Michael's Church, conducted by the Rev. Carol, assistant priest. The address was given by the Vicar, the Rev. W. E. F. Trelawney Ross, who extended a hearty welcome to the branch to his church.

Tea was afterwards served at the Gervise Cafe. The Secretary apologised for the absence of the chairman, who was away on a cruise, and the Rev. Carol was voted to the chair for the ensuing business meeting. Hearty votes of thanks were accorded to Mr. A. L. Bennett for arranging the recent successful joint meeting at Buckfastleigh.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Totnes and Dartington on Saturday, October 13th, subject to the usual consent being given.

Thanks were accorded to the Vicar of St. Michael's for the use of his bells, for the service, and for his address, and to the organist for his help. A vote of thanks was also given the Vicar of St. James' for the use of his bells.

One new member was elected, and it was unanimously decided to send a vote of sympathy to the Rev. Preb. H. Mackworth Drake, Vicar of Paignton, in his serious illness.

A vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding concluded the business, and both towers were afterwards visited for further ringing.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.—On Sunday, May 7th, after evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (odd bob): W. F. Ellingham 1, W. G. Lewis 2, C. F. Winney (conductor) 3, W. H. Stevens 4, A. Cutmore 5, E. Cassell, sen., 6, E. R. Gladman 7, W. W. Webb 8. Rung for the visit of the Archdeacon of Middlesex to dedicate the new side chapel. The visitors thank the local ringers for standing out to enable them to ring in this quarter-peal.

FARNHAM, SURREY.—On Sunday, May 7th, for morning service at St. Andrew's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F. Hammet 1, J. Beagley 2, J. Read 3, S. Meadows 4, T. Upshall 5, G. Carter 6, R. Hasted (conductor) 7, A. E. King 8. For evening service, 504 in the same method, the band including Mr. and Mrs. J. Bowden, of Haslemere.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. WORSLEY BELLS TO BE RESTORED.

The May quarterly meeting of the Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association was held at Worsley on Saturday, May 20th. Quite a large number took advantage of a fine day to visit what is known as one of the prettiest spots around Manchester. The bells of St. Mark's were set going early in the afternoon. A ringers' service, at which 34 members were present, was conducted by Canon Elsee, president of the association, assisted by the Rev. Isaac Renshaw, Vicar of St. Mark's.

In his address Canon Elsee spoke of the beauty of Worsley Church, of its beautiful surroundings, and of the ringing associations connected with the bells. He referred to the ringers' 'contribution' to the Church of England in the office of bellringer, and said how essential it was that each one should make that contribution, in the sense of good striking, worthy of the high purpose for which it was undertaken.

After the service tea was served in the adjoining Parish Room, where the members soon satisfied hunger cravings created by bell-pulling and the open air. Afterwards, by the kind invitation of the Vicar, the members arranged themselves on the Vicarage lawn, where the business meeting was held. The president took the chair, whilst the meeting was further honoured by the presence of the Vicar.

In welcoming the branch to Worsley the Vicar mentioned that he hoped ere long the bells of St. Mark's would be in the hands of the bell founders. He added that since coming to the district three years ago several schemes in connection with the parish had already been put through, and the bells would be given his attention in the near future.

The President remarked upon the advisability of having a good job made of the bells when the time came.

A suggestion that the branch hold its June meeting jointly with the Bolton Branch at Walkdon, on the occasion of the association committee meeting there on June 17th next was adopted, and places chosen for the July and August meetings were Flixton and Radcliffe respectively.

After other business had been disposed of, a hearty vote of thanks was given to the Vicar for the use of the bells, the room and grounds and for his services; to the organist, and choir boys; and to the ladies and local ringers for their help in making such a successful and enjoyable meeting. The president was also heartily thanked for his attendance and for his services.

The Vicar and President responded, after which the members adjourned to the tower for further ringing, expressing a general opinion that the afternoon had been well spent.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

SOUTHERN BRANCH PRESIDENT'S FAREWELL.

A successful meeting of the Southern Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild was held at Edeuham on Saturday, May 13th. Under good weather conditions, and with the picturesque countryside looking at its best, there was a good attendance of ringers and friends from Boston, Bourne, Grantham, Spalding, Surfleet, Market Deeping, Deeping St. James, West Deeping, Hough-on-the-Hill, Wymondham, Rippingale, Morton, Billingborough, Folkingham and the local band. Through the kindness of the Rector, Rev. D. S. Rowlands, president of the branch, the fine peal of eight bells were available during the afternoon and evening, and a variety of methods were rung ranging from Plain Bob to Cambridge Surprise. Service was held in the beautiful and ancient church, the Rector giving a helpful address. Mrs. Rowlands presided at the organ.

Tea was served at the Five Bells Inn, 37 sitting down. The Rev. Rowlands regretted not being able to attend the tea and business meeting, but expressed pleasure at seeing such a good attendance, and said he was sorry that it would be the last meeting he would attend as Rector of Edenham, as he was about to leave the parish to take up new duties at Kilmerson, Somerset. He wished the branch, of which he had been president for the past two years, and the whole Guild every success in the future.

Mr. R. Richardson (Master of the Guild) said the Rev. Rowlands had done a lot for the branch during the four years he had been at Edenham. Soon after he came to this parish he took an active part in raising funds for the two new trebles to complete the octave, and at the same time the tenor was recast, thus making a peal to be proud of. The best wishes from the branch would go with Mr. and Mrs. Rowlands to their new parish.

At the conclusion of tea the business meeting followed, at which Mr. R. Richardson presided.

Mr. V. English, of Edenham, was elected a member of the branch, and West Deeping was selected as the place for the summer meeting in July.

As some £40 was still needed to defray the cost of the Rev. H. Law James memorial, a grant of three guineas was made from the Southern Branch funds.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells and the service, also to the organist and to all who had made the necessary arrangements for a successful meeting. The tower was again visited, and ringing continued until 9 p.m.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

It must be almost unique for a ringer to ring Cambridge Surprise Royal for his first peal, but William J. Root did this at Leicester, and is to be congratulated on his fine performance. He is quite a beginner, and has had very little practice on ten bells. Another creditable performance at the same time was that by Harrison Carter, whose first peal of Royal and of Surprise it was.

A lightning raid on the Irish Free State was carried out on Saturday by an expedition which left London on Friday night and returned victorious with the spoils in the early hours of Sunday morning.

It was appropriate that the first peal of Cambridge Maximus in Ireland should be called by a Patrick. Besides being Pat's first peal of Maximus as conductor it was his 50th twelve-bell Surprise peal rung in four methods. Messrs. G. R. and W. Pye and C. T. Coles all passed the half-century some time ago.

Rupert Richardson, by travelling from Surfleet to Dublin via London, set up what is probably a record distance travelled for a peal in the British Isles. At any rate, if not a record, 850 miles for one peal is pretty good going. What silly things members of the N.O.P.G. will do!

It is rumoured that a well-known London bachelor ringer found Kate in Dublin, and intends going there again next week. It is a wonder he came home at all!

The band at Gorton, Manchester, has now succeeded in ringing a peal in each of the four 'standard' methods. Grandsire, Treble Bob, Stedman and Plain Bob have all been rung by the local company since the bells were recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston in April, 1932. This performance is very creditable, considering that, for almost sixty years, nothing but Grandsire was rung at this church.

An attempt was made at Shiplake, Oxon, on Saturday, for a peal of 10,176 London Surprise Major. Unfortunately it came to grief through a shift course after almost five hours' ringing. There was one lady in the band.

PEALS OF MINOR.

ATTEMPT TO REGULARISE THE POSITION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Your leading article on what we may agree to call the Minor controversy seems to call for some comment. In the first paragraph you say that 'if the Council find in favour of those who ask that the old conventions shall be broken down and fresh standards erected, then they have to decide further how far beyond the old barriers they recommend ringers to draw the new line.'

Speaking for myself, and, I believe, the seconder of the resolutions over our names, I can say that we are not asking for any conventions to be broken down. It is quite obvious to us that all the old conventions were broken down long ago, and, what is of still more importance, the Council has accepted the position. From the time when, several years ago, the Bankes James' Cambridge Minor and the Pitman's and Morris' Grandsire Doubles were first rung, the Council has each succeeding year accepted these peals as fit to be included in the Council's records. It has, further, done this with full knowledge of the merits (or demerits) of the peals concerned. Each year these peals have been included in the Council's analysis, besides which the majority of affiliated associations have, at some time or other, published records of them in their annual reports.

In the face of these facts an attempt to regularise the position by bringing the Council's decisions up to date should not be misunderstood. The resolutions are designed to cover peals of Minor and Doubles already rung and accepted, and they go no further. In the opinion of the proposer and seconder, they contain sufficient safeguards to avoid any departures from ordinary change-ringing rules being included. If the Council accepts the resolutions, it is to be hoped that six and five-bell ringers will not ring anything outside the new decisions. If the Council rejects the resolutions, it will have to face up to the position thus created. The Council cannot logically say that it will continue to recognise the peals already rung and at the same time rule them out for the future. It will have to say what shall be done about the records of the peals already rung, approximately 250 in number! When we find a composition to be false we promptly delete it from all our association records, and this is what we shall have to do with these peals of Minor and Doubles if the Council states its opinion that they are false.

Before Council representatives make up their minds on this question of falseness will they consider the following: A peal of Triples contains each of the 5,040 rows once only. If there is a repetition of a single row the peal is false, and no decision of the Council could alter it. A single 720 of Minor is in exactly the same position. But a peal of 5,040 Minor contains each row seven times. If one row is rung eight times in a 5,040, and another rung only six times, then the peal would be false. Whilst each row is rung seven times (no more and no less) the peal cannot be false in the same sense that a peal of Triples with a repetition of rows is false. It is entirely a matter of definition. And if the Council decides to regularise the position by accepting the resolutions, those ringers who do not wish to ring compositions they do not like can continue under the old style. Mr. Lindoff's tables this week will show them something of what they are missing in variety of calling.

C. T. COLES.

May 26th, 1933.

THE RINGING WORLD.

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z- Includes 1 Real Double Norwich. y- Includes 16,271. x- Spliced Grandam and Grandire. w- Includes 6,080. v- Includes 8,000.
t- Includes one 6,016. one 6,400. s- Includes 7,840. r- Includes 7,516.

TOWER BELL PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES.

Associations.	MINOR										Total.	DOUBLES.										Total.	Grand Total of Peals.	
	Number of Methods.											Number of Methods.												
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	to 21	1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	to 10					
Barnsley and Dist	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	
Bath and Wells ..	11	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	12	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	27	
Bedfordshire	2	—	—	4	1	2	20	—	—	—	29	1	—	—	2d	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	32	
Chester Diocesan	6	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	1	3a	16	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	18	
Devonshire Guild	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	6	
Dur. and Newc.	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	6	
E. Derbys. & N'ts.	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	
Ely Diocesan	10	2	2	1	—	—	—	4	—	—	19	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	26	
Essex Association	14	4	2	7	1	1	3	—	—	—	32	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	35	
Glos. & Bristol	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	9	2	1	1j	—	—	—	—	—	14	17	
Guildford Dio. ..	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	
Hereford Dio.	5	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	6	17	1	1	—	2c	—	—	—	—	—	21	27	
Hertford County	1	1	2	1	1	—	12	—	—	—	18	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	21	
Kent County	10	1	5	2	—	—	—	1	1b	—	20	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	23	
Lancashire	20	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	27	
Lincoln Diocesan	7	3	6	2	2	—	13	—	1c	—	34	4	—	—	1k	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	39	
Llandaff & Mon.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	
Middlesex County	2	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	5	
Midland Counties	5	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	8	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	21	
North Notts.	—	1	2	2	1	—	2	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	9	
North Staffs.	1	—	1	—	1	1	7	—	—	—	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	11	
Norwich Diocesan	4	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	8	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	11	
Oxford Diocesan	9	1	1	1	2	—	3	2g	—	—	19	15	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	35	
Peterborough Dio.	5	1	2	2	2	—	7	—	—	—	19	4	6	1	4	5f	—	—	—	—	—	17	36	
St. Martin's Guild	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	
Salisbury Dio.	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	21	
Shropshire Assoc.	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	5	
Stafford Arch.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	
Suffolk Guild	3	—	2	10	1	3	4	—	—	—	23	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	24	
Surrey Assoc.	6	—	—	3	2	2	3	—	—	—	16	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	17	
Sussex County	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	
Swausea and Breck	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	4	
Truro Diocesan	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	
Warwickshire	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	
Winchr. & P'm'b.	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	
Worcestershire	4	3	1	2	—	—	10	—	—	—	20	7	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	31	
Yorkshire Assoc.	2	1	1	2h	—	—	1	2	—	—	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	10	
Unaffiliated Soccs.	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	
Non-Association	1	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	6	
TOTAL	155	26	48	47	16	10	100	7	10f	100	28	13	5	11	166	574								

(a) one in 14 and two in 21 methods. (b) 13 methods. (c) 9 methods. (d) one in 9 and one in 10 methods. (e) one in 5 and one in 8 methods. (f) two in 17, one in 6, one in 8, and one in 9 methods. (g) two in 8 methods. (h) includes 6,000. (i) 6 methods. (j) 5 methods.

HANDBELL PEALS.

Associations.	CINQUES		ROYAL		CATERS		MAJOR		TRIPLES		MINOR		DOUBLES		TOTAL
	Grandshire		Kent Treble Bob		Oxford Treble Bob		Plain Bob		Spliced		Grandshire		D'ble Norwich C.B.		TOTAL
	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	
Ancient Soc. Col. Y.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Bath and Wells	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Bedfordshire	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Cambridge Univ. Gld.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5
Chester Diocesan	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
Durham & Newcastle	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Ely Diocesan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Essex Association	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11
Guildford Diocesan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Hertford County	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Kent County	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Lancashire Association	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Lincoln Diocesan	—	—	—	—	2	1a	1	3	1	3	—	—	—	—	23
London County	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Middlesex County	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
North Notts.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Norwich Diocesan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Stafford Arch.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Scottish Association	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Suffolk Guild	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5
Sussex County	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Worcester & Dis.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Yorkshire Assoc.	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14
Non-affiliated Soccs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
TOTAL	1	1	3	1	4	1	5	4	8	6	3	30	2	4	91

(a) Gainsborough Little Bob, Little Bob, and Plain Bob.

The report of the committee will be published in our next issue.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE WHITSUN MEETING.

The following arrangements have been made in connection with the meeting of the Central Council in London at Whitsun:—
Headquarters: Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street. Members and friends are invited to use this hotel as a meeting place. A notice board will be erected in the lounge, and usually one member of the undermentioned committee will be present.

Bed, bath and breakfast can be obtained at 8s. 6d. per night (apply to manager).

Saturday: Various peal attempts have been arranged, and it is hoped that members have by this time made their own arrangements.
Sunday: Service ringing at St. Andrew's, Holborn; St. Clement Danes', Strand; St. Lawrence Jewry, all at 10 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. Other towers will be posted at headquarters.

Monday: Ringing at St. Clement Danes', Strand, 10.30 to 12; Westminster Abbey, 11 to 12. Demonstration of the Carter ringing machine at the Science Museum, Kensington, provisionally fixed for 2.30 to 3.30.

Other arrangements will be posted at headquarters.

Tuesday: Standing Committee meet at 9.45, Skinners' Hall. Council meeting at 11.

Ten immediately after the Council meeting by kind invitation of the Middlesex County Association (application for tickets by May 31st, please).

Ringling at St. Paul's Cathedral, St. Magnus', and St. Lawrence Jewry, all at 6.30 to 7.30.

Social at headquarters at 8, when Mr. Rupert Richardson will present famous ringers and others.

Committee: Mr. F. M. Mitchell (chairman), Mr. A. A. Hughes (secretary), Messrs. E. J. Butler, C. T. Coles, C. H. Kippin, J. D. Matthews, T. H. Taffender, and E. A. Young. These members of the Council have placed themselves at the service of visitors; kindly help them by indicating your wishes.

GEORGE W. FLETCHER,

45, Walsingham Road, Enfield.

Hon. Secretary.

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NORTH STAFFS RINGERS VISIT SHROPSHIRE.

HODNET TO HAVE EIGHT BELLS?

On Saturday, May 6th, the ringers of Norton (Staffs) visited the towers of Hodnet and Clive. At the former place they were met by Mr. W. Weatherby and party, of Market Drayton, and Mr. Rodenhurst, of Kenstone. The Rector of Hodnet (Rev. J. H.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A SPLICING 'SURPRISE'

Hendon was visited by members of the North and East District of the Middlesex County Association on Saturday, May 13th, and the outing was quite a pleasant one. A nice toned peal of six, with a tenor of 16½ cwt., were set going quite early to Bob Minor, which was quickly followed by Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Grandsire and Stedman Doubles. Later a very nice tea was served, and the business meeting was afterwards held. Three new members were elected, and Stanmore chosen for the next meeting on June 24th.

A discussion arose on 'The Ringing World' and its failure to publish all the touches, quarter-peals, etc., which were sent for publication. This, said one critic, was responsible for the paper not being read by many young ringers. The Hon. Secretary stated that he felt sure the Editor was fully alive to what was wanted, but lack of space was the trouble he was faced with. A larger circulation would enable him to increase the size of the paper. The Hon. Secretary added his opinion that the Editor had to leave out other matters besides touches, etc., and had to use a considerable amount of discrimination in deciding what to publish and what to omit.

Another interesting subject raised was that of the bells lately at St. Andrew's Church, Wells Street. The hon. secretary was able to state the very latest news with regard to these bells, that they were to be hung for ringing in the new Church of St. Andrew, Kingsbury, Middlesex.

Questions were asked as to arrangements made in connection with the Central Council meeting at Whitsun, and these were replied to as far as possible. It was considered that London was able to behave to its visitors much better than it had ever done before.

A vote of thanks to the Rev. N. R. Boyd, Mr. C. H. Martin, etc., concluded the meeting.

Subsequently more ringing took place, and Mr. E. M. Atkins surprised not a few by calling a touch of 240 Grandsire Doubles with only two singles. He stated afterwards that this was what some people would like to stop being rung, and when asked if any change occurred more than twice he answered, 'No; that was two 120's rung spliced, and only two singles were used.' There certainly seems to be something to be got out of splicing, in spite of the croakers. 'Just fancy,' writes our correspondent, 'being able to cut out a number of those awful unmusical singles! Ringers of Doubles and Minor, please note!'

A PLEASANT AFTERNOON AT FELTHAM.

After a stormy morning, on May 13th, the weather became more settled, and bursts of sunshine tempted members of the South and West District to forsake their wireless sets, gardens, families and other vices and encumbrances and venture forth to Feltham! Ringing commenced punctually at 3.30 p.m., under the guidance of the Ringing Master, Mr. E. C. S. Turner, and continued intermittently until 5 p.m. In the unavoidable absence of the Vicar, Rev. Brown, the curate conducted shortened even-song, the lesson being read by the vice-president, Mr. J. A. Trollope. Miss K. Bradford, of Twickenham, presided at the organ, whilst the choir consisted of the local ringers. Truly a ringers' service! Mr. Brown, in his address, said he preferred to speak to them as a body of fellow-workers of the Church rather than emphasise their particular vocation. Would that other clergy remembered this, and ringers' services would not then tend to become as stereotyped as they sometimes prove to be. Tea was taken in the Railway Hotel, presided over by the vice-president, supported by Rev. Brown and all the officers of the district with one exception. Over thirty members and friends were present. At the subsequent business meeting reference was made to the death of the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, of Caversham, and it was agreed that the sympathy of the meeting be conveyed to the widow. Attention was also drawn to the passing of Mr. R. Kilby, of Willesden. The deceased gentleman had been a member of the association since 1914, although a member of the Willesden Branch for many years previously. The company stood in silence for a few moments as a mark of respect to the memory of the two gentlemen.

Five of the Sunbury ringers, together with one of the local band, were elected ringing members of the association.

It was agreed to hold the next meeting at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, June 10th, with a meeting at Harlington, if possible, in July.

The meeting learned with regret of the prolonged illness of Mr. J. J. Pratt, of Hillingdon. A message was sent to him conveying the sympathy of the members, together with a wish that his recovery might be rapid.

The business concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the clergy and ringers of Feltham for the splendid welcome extended to the association, and to Mr. Denford in particular for the painstaking manner in which he had made the necessary arrangements.

Further ringing brought to an end a very happy and pleasant meeting.

MANGOTSFIELD, BRISTOL.—After evening service, on Sunday, April 30th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, as a compliment to the Rev. W. Austin, who has been filling the duties of incumbent for six months in the absence of the Vicar: J. Hopes (first quarter) 1, A. T. Maggs 2, F. Skidmore 3, E. Palmer 4, T. James 5, G. S. Wiltshire 6, J. G. Jefferies (conductor) 7, J. Jefferies, jun., 8.

THE NEW BELLS AT PORTSMOUTH.

A SPLENDID PEAL.

A meeting organised to enable all who desired to do so to ring on the new peal of bells at St. Mary's Church, Portsea, Portsmouth, was held on May 13th, and brought together a numerous company. The bells, as already described in these columns, are a product of the Loughborough Bell Foundry, and replace an octave of mixed origin. The restoration was made possible by the generosity of the Barron Bell Trust, and the work, which has been carried out is so complete and thorough that the conditions both inside and outside the tower are as perfect as human ingenuity can make them.

St. Mary's Church, itself of almost cathedral-like proportions, with its tall, pinnacle-surmounted tower, was opened in 1899, and the bells then installed were an octave that consisted of four of a ring of six, cast in 1764 and taken from the previous church, and four new bells. Last year it became unsafe to ring them, and, in view of the other needs of the large but poor parish, it seemed as if the restoration might have to be long delayed. Thanks, however, to the interest taken by Mr. F. Hopkins, senior trustee of the Barron Bell Fund, the whole cost of the work was provided by the Trust, and St. Mary's Church is now in possession of one of the finest rings of eight at their weight in existence. In some respects we believe the bells are of experimental dimensions, but if that be so the experiment has been more than justified. The tenor of 17 cwt. 7 lb. is in F (instead of the customary E), the trebles are more powerful than is often found in rings of this size, and the whole peal is beautifully balanced. In the ringing room every bell is heard to perfection, and outside in the busy street the sound is so modulated that it can be no possible source of annoyance to the public. This result has been brought about by similar action to that taken at Lincoln Cathedral. Formerly the bells swung in the louvers in the upper part of the tower; the new bells have now been erected at a level 25ft. lower, the windows at this stage having been made sound proof. Another result of the lowering of the bells has been a great improvement in the convenience of handling. Previously there was 70ft. of rope between the ringers and the bells. The frame and the fittings are 'the last word' in modern bell engineering.

Saturday's gathering was, in a sense, an informal one. It brought together ringers from Alverstoke, Beckenham, Brighton, Fareham, Farnborough, Godalming, Gosport, North Stoneham, Portsmouth (the Cathedral and St. Mary's), Ryde, Titchfield, Wickham, Winchester, Woking, etc., while Mr. J. P. Fidler represented the bell founders.

The bells were kept going merrily to a variety of methods, from rounds for the novices up to Spliced Surprise in four methods, although the latter just failed to 'stay the course.' Courses in at least half a dozen Surprise methods were rung, but there was no neglect of the simpler things, and under the direction of Mr. F. W. Rogers, the Guild secretary and tower conductor, the ringing wants of everyone were supplied.

The Guild's service, conducted by the Vicar (Canon G. C. L. Lunt) was held, a feature of it being the glorious singing of a full choir. Canon Lunt's address, which was prefaced with a warm welcome to the ringers, was based upon the words, 'And in that day there shall be upon the bells of the horses Holiness unto the Lord.' The lessons which he drew from it were the need in the present day for holiness in work, holiness in worship and holiness in the home.

A happy party afterwards sat down to tea together in the Church Hall, and handbell ringing was indulged in before those present eventually returned to the tower to enjoy a further spell on the delightful ring of eight.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

FULHAM.—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, May 21st, for even-song, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: H. M. Page 1, W. H. Hollier 2, W. H. Wood 3, C. H. Winney 4, E. R. Mackrill 5, H. Cook 6, J. W. Driver (conductor) 7, A. Harding 8, C. F. Hunt 9, G. F. Edwards 10.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.—At St. John's Church, for Confirmation service, May 21st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes): C. Over 1, G. H. Gutteridge 2, W. H. Coles 3, R. W. Darville 4, W. H. Gutteridge 5, J. H. Lucas 6, E. Hancox 7, F. Corke (conductor) 8, F. W. Goodfellow 9, H. A. Folkard 10.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.—On Sunday, May 14th, for even-song, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss I. Simpson 1, Mrs. A. Disney 2, R. S. W. Smith (first quarter-peal 'inside') 3, A. Disney 4, A. Ballard 5, I. J. Wade (first quarter-peal in the method) 6, R. F. Elkington (conductor) 7, H. Hulton (first quarter-peal) 8.

TIPTON, STAFFS.—On Sunday, May 7th, for evening service, at St. Martin's Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: N. Leech 1, T. W. Cattell 2, R. Moreton 3, G. Hughes 4, B. Gough 5, A. Rowley (conductor) 6, C. Winwood 7, N. Williams 8.

NETHERTON.—At St. Andrew's Church, on Sunday, April 30th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): L. Prestidge 1, H. Hill 2, A. Prestidge, jun., 3, S. O. Holloway 4, T. Hubbard, T. A. Townsend (conductor) 6, A. Prestidge, sen., 7, J. Davies 8. First quarter-peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor and S. O. Holloway. Before evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): L. Prestidge 1, S. O. Holloway 2, H. Hill 3, T. A. Townsend 4, H. Hubbard 5, A. Prestidge, jun., 6, J. Goodman (conductor) 7, J. Davies 8. Ring for the 'choir sermons.'

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

RINGERS GIVE START TO 'CAMPAIGN OF WITNESS.'

On Saturday, May 6th, an extraordinary meeting of the Hinckley Branch of the above association was held essentially to meet the Lord Bishop of the diocese, who that day was beginning a ten-day mission in the district. The bells of the Parish Church (eight) were open during the afternoon and evening, and good use made of them by the visitors. Tea was served at 4.30 p.m. in the Church Hut, and over 60 ringers and friends sat down. Every tower in the district was represented, as well as many in other districts, and friends from the Warwickshire Guild.

Following tea, Mr. W. Wood, local vice-president, in a few well-chosen words, welcomed the Lord Bishop of Leicester (Dr. Cyril Bardsley) to the district. He explained the work of ringers as being essentially team work, a full company being always necessary to carry on successfully. They had to be diligent, patient and persevering. He assured his lordship that all felt highly honoured by his presence.

This was seconded by Mr. A. E. Rowley, the local secretary, who stated that the work of the district was appreciated by the clergy, and they were welcomed wherever they went. The membership was continually growing, and so long as this fellowship continued it would go on from strength to strength.

The Vicar of Hinckley, Rev. Canon Eacott, extended a most cordial welcome to the Lord Bishop and also the ringers. He explained the object of this visit, and trusted that the coming days' mission would show to the people in the parishes around more and more their purpose and personal witness. Many missionaries were coming into the district, and this beginning by the ringers spoke well for its ultimate success.

The Rural Dean (Rev. Canon Casson, Rector of Croft) supported the welcome, especially on behalf of the deanery.

BISHOP'S PERPLEXITY.

The Lord Bishop then spoke of the great pleasure it had given him to visit the Hinckley district ringers, and said he was highly delighted to see such a good company present. He would tell them more about the mission to be started at the service to be held later in church. After giving a few amusing reminiscences of various visits to country parishes, he said there was a certain worry that sometimes perplexed him. When he had to dedicate a peal of bells in some remote corner of his diocese he prepared the best sermon he could for the occasion—then perhaps he would have to go to the other end of the county on a similar errand, and sure enough, up popped the same faces among his congregation. He confessed he did not know a great lot about bells and ringing, and it sometimes embarrassed him. He had a large volume in his library by a well-known Leicester ringer, but found even that rather technical and not very adaptable for a sermon. However, he was very grateful to all these present for their kindly reception, for which he thanked them heartily.

The Rev. R. P. Farrow, Rector of Stoney Stanton, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Hinckley for his kind invitation that day, and to the Lord Bishop for his presence amongst them, said he spoke as a ringer and not as a parson. He had been a ringer for more years than he could remember, and had taken part in between 60 and 70 peals—not a great lot, nor nearly as many as some of the young men he had taught. He thought the Bishop of the diocese ought to make it an obligation that all clerics before admission to a living should become expert bellringers, and facetiously asked the Bishop to make him his examining chaplain on this matter! Anyway, whenever they went among the towers of this district the clergy had always been most kind, receiving them with a warm welcome.

Mr. Ernest Morris, the general hon. secretary of the association, supported these remarks, and said it was a great honour to have his lordship among them. He (the speaker) was one of the culprits who followed the Bishop whenever there was a bell restoration, and he apologised if his lordship did not find inspiration in his 'History and Art of Change Ringing.' However, he threw out a hint to the effect that it would be a good idea to go to the bells themselves for sermons. One came to his mind, viz., at Oadby there was an inscription 'Audite et Venite: Venite et Audite,' and for this mission of personal witness the motto fitted them as ringers, who were told to give the invitation to the world around: 'Hear and come, come and hear.' 'Hear us pealing—come to church—come and hear God's Word.' Mr. Morris concluded by assuring the Bishop that wherever he might go in the coming days of the campaign of witness, he would find no more enthusiastic, sincere or hardworking churchworkers than the members of the Hinckley District of the Midland Counties Association.

Mr. C. H. Webb proposed a vote of thanks to Rev. R. P. Farrow for the splendid work done by him in the district and as a representative on the Central Council for the past three years.—This was seconded by Mr. A. Ballard and carried with enthusiasm.

The Earl Shilton handbell ringers gave some very fine selections, after which all present adjourned for a service in the church, at which the Lord Bishop gave a short address on 'Personal witness.' After the service, ringing was again indulged in. Everyone sharing in the afternoon's programme went home feeling that not only had it been a time of enjoyment, but a real start for the mission 'campaign of witness.'

NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — The half-yearly meeting will be held at Ashton-under-Lyne (12) on May 27th. Tea at the George Café at 5.30 p.m. — W. H. Shuker, 106, Bank Street, Clayton, Manchester, A. Tomlinson, 188, Whalley Old Road, Blackburn, Hon. Secs.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. — North-Western District.—GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—The next meetings of the above will be held jointly at Egham on Saturday, May 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea and meeting following in Church Hall. All ringers are heartily welcome.—Miss K. Eastes and D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Secs.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Central Branch.—A ringing meeting will be held at Littleport (near Ely) on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. All ringers very welcome. Buses all ways.—F. Warrington, Branch Sec., Over, Cambs.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—A joint meeting will be held at Leeds Parish Church on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (13) will be available from 8.30 a.m. to 8 p.m. A meeting of the General Committee of the Yorkshire Association will be held at St. Peter's Hall at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. at 1s. 4d. per head. Meeting afterwards. — H. Loft-house, Hon. Sec., Leeds and District Society, 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds, J. E. Cawser, Grange Villas, Ravenfield Common, Rotherham.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The pre-Whitsun meeting will be held at Morpeth on Saturday, May 27th. The bells of the Watch Tower (8, tenor 14½ cwt.) will be available from 2.30. Committee meeting at 4.30, and tea at 5 o'clock, at the George and Dragon Hotel, 1s. 6d. each. — George S. Taylor, Sec., 149, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Dyrham on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Special bus leaves St. Stephen's Church at 2.45 p.m. at 1s. 6d. return. — Frank Skidmore, 80, Carlyle Road, Greenbank, Bristol 5.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. — The next meeting will be held at Adwick-le-Street on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Tea, at 9d. per head, will be provided. A good attendance is requested. — E. Cooper, Hon. Sec., 33, Church Street, Bentley, near Doncaster.

LADIES' GUILD.—Lincolnshire Branch.—A meeting will be held at Bardney (6) on Saturday, May 27th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. — A. Richardson, Hon. Sec., Glyn Garth, Surfleet, Spalding, Lincs.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Daventry Branch.—A special meeting will be held at Welton (5) on Saturday, May 27th. Usual arrangements. — W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Edwinstowe on Saturday, May 27th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Perlethorpe bells open from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Good attendance requested. — H. Revill and R. W. Stockdale, Hon. Secs.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. — Peterborough Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Glinton on Saturday, May 27th. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers welcome. — W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec., 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Eastern District.—The spring meeting will be held at Benington on May 27th. Bells ready any time. Tea in the Parochial Hall, provided by the Rector, free to all members. Come and pay a visit to this historical old-world village now in its spring beauty and unspoilt by the modern builder. — W. H. Lawrence, Dis. Sec., Little Mundon.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD. — A meeting will be held at Hastings on Saturday, May 27th. St. Clement's tower open 3 o'clock. All Saints' bells available after tea. All ringers welcome.—C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — South Norfolk Branch. — Meeting at New Buckenham, May 27th, at 3 p.m. Tea and business meeting at 5.15. Names for tea, please.—Nolan Golden, 39, Winter Road, Norwich.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, May 27th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made on the day. All ringers welcome.—W. Nash, Dis. Sec., North Mimms, Hatfield.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The next meeting will be held at Aldington on Saturday, May 27th. Bells ready 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—P. Page, Hon. Sec., 110, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Ludlow and Church Stretton District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wistanstow on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—W. J. Beniams, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, New Road, Ludlow, Shropshire.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — North Berkshire Branch.—Annual meeting at Abingdon on Saturday, May 27th. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m.—A. E. Lock, 35, East St. Helen Street, Abingdon, Berks.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Frampton on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Service 4.15 followed by tea and business meeting.—W. E. Clarke, 70a, Norfolk Street, Boston.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—A ringing meeting will be held at Ault Hucknall on Saturday, May 27th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. —Cary Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Charlton Mackrell on Saturday, May 27th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.—E. F. Creed, Hon. Local Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—The next practice has been arranged at Great Kimble (6 bells) on Saturday, May 27th, at 3 p.m. Tea at 1s. per head.—A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — Hinckley District.—A meeting will be held at Peckleton on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. All members and friends cordially invited.—A. E. Rowley, Local Hon. Sec., Station Road, Higham-on-the-Hill, Nuneaton.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Bridgnorth Branch. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Claverley on Saturday, May 27th. Ringing at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5, followed by meeting. Will those requiring tea please notify the undersigned. All ringers welcome.—George Case, Hon. Sec., 22, Severn Street, Bridgnorth.

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SWALCLIFFE, OXON.—Ring of 6, tenor 15 cwt., rehung in a new frame with new fittings by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon. Dedication, Thursday, June 1st, at 3 p.m., by the Lord Bishop of Oxford. Good service of buses from Banbury. Tea will be served in the Vicarage grounds, weather permitting, otherwise in the Village Hall.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division. —A meeting will be held at Brentwood on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. This meeting has been specially arranged in connection with the Jubilee Celebrations of the present Church of St. Thomas, and a hearty invitation is extended to all. Will all those intending to be present kindly advise me not later than Wednesday, May 31st?—E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Mawney's Road, Romford.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Bolsover on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (8). Tea will be arranged for those (only) who send their names in to Mr. J. Flint, 45, Oxcroft Lane, Bolsover.—M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 221, Hanover Street, Sheffield (3).

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch. — The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Halsall Parish Church on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Tea, by kind invitation of the Rector. Meeting at 6.30. For tea it is important that names be sent to Mr. W. Mawdsley, Post Office, Halsall, not later than Wednesday, May 31st. Will all members make an effort to attend this meeting?—Norman Brown, Br. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Faringdon on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Service 3.30, followed by tea and business meeting at Wheatsheaf. Buckland tower (8) open 6 p.m. Please notify for teas by May 31st.—R. Gilling, Hon. Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Joint meeting, Hunts and Central Districts.—A ringing meeting will be held at Over, Cambs, on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea in Schoolroom 4.30 p.m. Please notify Mr. W. J. Ginn, local ringers' sec., Chain Road, Over, Cambs, by June 1st for tea. Good train (Swavesey, L.N.E.R.) and bus service for all, so all come.—H. J. Parker, Hunts, F. Warrington, Central, Branch Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Oldham on Saturday, June 3rd. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Meeting in the tower at 6.30. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend. Will members please look up Double Norwich?—H. Hamer, Hon. Sec., 4, Nall Street, Milnrow.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting of the Winchester District will be held at Stockbridge on Saturday, June 3rd. Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea in the Town Hall, at 4.30. Please let me know if you are coming. — George Noice, 6, Cathedral View, Winchester.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.—The monthly meeting will be held at Bromham on Saturday, June 3rd. Ringing commencing at 2.30. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. All ringing friends welcome. Rowde bells available during the evening.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The next quarterly ringing meeting will be held at St. James' Church, Barrow-in-Furness, on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.—W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Members and non-members cordially invited.—F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Wisbech.—A meeting will be held at Shouldham on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5, price 1s. each. All ringers will be welcomed.—E. Barker, Branch Sec.

HIGH ONGAR, ESSEX.—The ring of five bells, restored and augmented to six by Messrs. Taylor and Co., Loughborough, will be dedicated on Whit Sunday at 3 p.m. by the Bishop of Barking.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting at Brighton, Whit Monday, June 5th. Towers of St. Peter's and St. Nicholas' open for ringing 2.3.45 and after meeting. Good Shepherd, Dyke Road, 7.30-9. Special service in St. Nicholas' Church 4.15. Meat tea in St. Nicholas' Hall, 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Tea 2s. 6d. (members 1s. 3d.). Those requiring tea must notify the general secretary not later than Wednesday, May 31st.—A. D. Stone, Hon. Gen. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—A general meeting will be held at Halesworth Town Hall on Whit Monday, June 5th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m.: Wenhamston (6), Wissett (6) and Chediston (6) all day. Tea, 1s. each, at 4.30. Meeting follows.—H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Abergele on Whit Monday, June 5th. Service in St. Michael's Church at 2.30 p.m., followed by business meeting and tea. Bodelwyddan bells (8) will also be available. Will all those intending to be present kindly advise me by Tuesday, May 30th.—W. Cathrall, Hon. Sec., 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual Festival at Hereford on Whit Monday.—Service in Cathedral at 12.15. Dinner at Booth Hall Hotel, 1 p.m., price 2s. 6d. (1s. 6d. for members who apply to me for tickets beforehand). Business meeting after dinner. City towers available: All Saints' (8) and St. Nicholas' (6), 10.30-12, and 3-5.30 p.m.; Cathedral (10), 5-8.30 p.m.; also outlying towers during afternoon.—H. S. T. Richardson, Hon. Sec., St. Nicholas' Rectory, Hereford.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The 54th annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday, June 5th. 11.30 a.m., service at the Cathedral; 12.30 p.m., lunch (members 1s. 6d.), to be followed by the annual meeting at the Golden Fleece Hotel. It is most important that notice of intention to be present should be sent to the hon. secretary not later than first post previous Tuesday, May 30th, in order that proper provision for lunch can be made.—Chas. H. Howard, Master; F. J. Pitstow, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer, 45, High St., Saffron Walden.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Ripon on Whit Monday, June 5th. The new bells at the Cathedral (10, tenor 23 cwt.) are available for ringing 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m., and are well worth a visit to ring; Sharow bells (tenor 13 cwt.) are available all day. Lunch will be provided at the Black Bull Hotel at 1 p.m. Members 2/-, Non-members 2/6. Those intending to be at lunch must notify the Secretary not later than first post Thursday, June 1st. Services in the Cathedral at 10 a.m. and 4.45 p.m.—T. Metcalfe, Sec., Hewick House, Ormesby Road, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual meeting will be held at Peterborough on Whit Monday. Central Committee will meet at 11 a.m. in St. Mary's Church Hall. Service in St. John's Church at 12 noon, with address by the Dean of Peterborough. Lunch at Dujon Café at 1 p.m., followed by the meeting. Application for lunch tickets must be made, with remittance (2s. 6d.), before Wednesday, May 31st, to Mr. W. H. Waldron, 127, Scotney Street, Peterborough, or the general secretary. Bells available for the day, except during lunch, service and meeting, are: St. John's (8), Woodston (6), St. Mary's (6), and two rings of eight at Whittlesey.—Robt. G. Black, Gen. Sec., Stamford Road, Geddington, Kettering.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.—An invitation meeting and tea will be held at Ardleigh on June 10th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Service 4.30 p.m. Will all those intending to be there please notify me as soon as possible.—F. R. Sparling, Station Road, Wivenhoe.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Maidstone District. — A by-meeting of this district will be held at Yalding on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Please notify me early.—C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungelow, Linton, Maidstone.

LADIES' GUILD.—Central District. — The annual meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes, London, W.C., on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea to follow. Business meeting afterwards. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, June 7th. Gentlemen cordially invited.—M. L. Cross, 9, Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, June 10th, at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, ordinarily known as St. George's-in-the-Borough (Little Dorrit's Church). Ringing 3 to 5. Tea locally. Meeting and further ringing 6.30 to 8.30. Hearty welcome to all.—J. Herbert, Hon. Dis. Sec., 17, Grimston Road, S.W.6.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Singleton on Saturday, June 10th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30. Visitors and non-members heartily welcomed. — C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 35, Berwick Road, Blackpool, S.S.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch. —The quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Hornby on June 10th. Business meeting after tea. Tea, 1s., to all who notify Mr. F. Fisher, Shoemaker, Hornby, near Lancaster.—E. Swain, Branch Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—Preliminary announcement. The next meeting of this district will be held at Sevenoaks on Saturday, June 17th. Further particulars will be duly announced.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. H. W. WILDE.

It is proposed to erect a memorial in Eccleston Church to the late Mr. H. W. Wilde, who died in October last. The memorial will take the form of a tablet, cast in bronze, and placed in the Baptistery near the belfry door.

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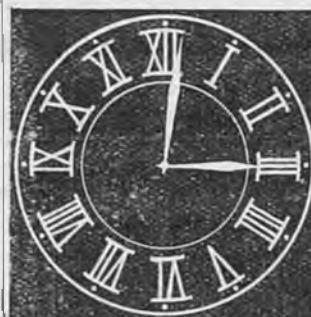
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