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Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,
Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

MODERN WORK.

IN AMERICA.

The news which we have had from America recently is as gratifying as it is interesting, for it tells of organised effort made for the first time to establish the Art in a land where hitherto the spasmodic attempts to plant the flag have had but singularly short-lived success. We frequently talk of the Art being peculiarly English in its character, and it is true that even in our dominions overseas it has proved exceedingly difficult to promote. The cause has not been in this case so much the fact that the uses of bells, as we know them, are not so fully appreciated in the Colonies—as might be the fact in other lands—as to the trouble in getting together enough ringers in one centre. And although there have been a few rings of bells in America the same difficulties have been experienced. Many ringers from the old country have settled in the States, but at places so far apart that co-operative effort has been impossible.

Thanks, however, to the interest displayed in the Art by Dr. A. H. Nicholls, of Boston, Massachusetts, and to his untiring efforts, rings of bells have been provided in that city and its environs, and he has now gathered round him from England a band capable of demonstrating to the Americans the superior qualities of English bells hung for ringing over the harsher and far less melodious castings of the foundries in the Western hemisphere. From the reports which we have been able to publish the citizens of Boston seem readily to have appreciated the rhythm of well-tuned bells rung in changes, and now the newly-formed Guild have gonea step further, and, by demonstrating before a society of architects, have been able to show those responsible for the construction of towers something of the requirements necessary for the successful erection of bells on English principles. Dr. Nicholls is certainly beginning at the right end. He tells us that the frequent performances of long lengths are not to be expected. Americans, who have the reputation for living at high pressure, and who are specially sensitive to noise, have not been habituated to the ringing of bells, and peals would probably only tend to set them against the establishment of the Art in their country. The conditions in England and America, it must be remembered, are vastly different. Here at home the public have grown up with the bells in their midst and ringing both by custom and tradition is part and parcel of English life. In America it is far different. Our Art is an innovation, and it is far better to go slowly and to educate the public, as Dr. Nicholls is evidently doing, than plunge into a campaign of peal ringing, and so, perhaps, create at the outset a lasting spirit of hostility.

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TWELVE BELL PEAL.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS	*Treble*	WILLIAM MOTTS	7
WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE ...	2	ERNEST G. STIBBONS ...	8
*WILLIAM A. GARRARD ...	3	WILLIAM P. GARRETT ...	9
EDGAR PEMBERTON	4	WILLIAM E. GARRARD ...	10
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ...	5	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE ...	11
CHARLES H. GILLINGHAM	6	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE	*Tenor*

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH, and
Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques. Rung specially to oblige Wm. E. Garrard and as a birthday peal to his son, Wm. A. Garrard, who was 19 years of age on Monday, June 23rd. Both these ringers and Ernest G. Stibbons belong to St. Mary Abbott's Society, London, and were spending the week-end in Suffolk.

TEN BELL PEALS.

WOLVERHAMPTON.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thursday, June 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,
AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;

Tenor 33 cwt.

*HARRY M. HAWKSWOOD ...	*Treble*	HERBERT JONES	6
*HARRY MITCHELL	2	†WILLIAM H. LAWLEY ...	7
†FREDERICK DARRALL ...	3	BENJAMIN CLARK	8
*HAROLD GIBSON	4	ALBERT LITTLE...	9
HERBERT KNIGHT	5	†EDWARD F. MITCHELL ...	*Tenor*

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES, and
Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

* First peal. † First peal on ten bells. First peal on the bells by an entirely local band.

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WULFRUM,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

HARRY THORPE	*Treble*	WILLIAM G. THORPE ...	6
GEORGE CHESTER	2	SIDNEY PROCTOR	7
ALBERT C. DARNELL ...	3	*JOHN A. FREEMAN	8
J. FRANK PROCTOR	4	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ...	9
*TOM PYLE	5	THOMAS H. HALL	*Tenor*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by SIDNEY PROCTOR.

* First peal of Caters. This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 6th the extent wrong in the tittums and inverted home positions. The peal was arranged for Messrs. Chester, Pyle and Freeman, of Lincoln, and as a birthday compliment to Miss K. M. Thorpe, sister of the ringers of the treble and 6th bells.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

MOTTRAM, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(BOWDON AND STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, June 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN STOPFORD	*Treble*	TOM WILDE	5
REV. A. T. BEESTON ...	2	ISAAC SIDEBOTHAM	6
WILLIAM H. BRADLEY ...	3	JOSEPH GODDARD	7
JOHN HARROP	4	ALBERT HOUGH...	*Tenor*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by REV. A. T. BEESTON.

BUSHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, June 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HALEY'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE EDWARDS ...	...*Treble*	BERTRAM PREWETT... ...	5
THOMAS R. SCOTT	2	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT	6
ROBERT E. STAVERT	3	WILLIAM SEELEY	7
WALTER S. INWOOD	4	FRANCIS A. SMITH ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by WILLIAM SEELEY.

Mr. G. Edwards hails from Chiddingstone.

BARKING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, BARKING.)
On Tuesday, June 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
CARTER'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.
Tenor 22¼ cwt.

WILLIAM G. JACKSON	...*Treble*	GEORGE COTTIS	5
ALBERT C. HARDY	2	JAMES NORRIS	6
GEORGE W. FAULKNER ...	3	CALEB FENN	7
HENRY E. PARKER	4	ERNEST G. FENN ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by CALEB FENN.

Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to D'oyley S. Simons, a member of the above Society, who was buried on the above date.

BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, June 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

ALFRED J. TURNER ...	...*Treble*	RICHARD STREDWICK ...	5
ERIC FILTNESS	2	ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ...	6
FREDERICK PROTHEROUGH...	3	KEITH HART	7
HORACE ROFFE BUTCHER...	4	THOMAS STRINGER ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by KEITH HART.

Rung on the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the church.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

ARTHUR W. GRAVETT	...*Treble*	ERNEST GOWER	5
ARTHUR H. WHITE	2	JOHN CAPP...	6
RICHARD STREDWICK	3	ALBERT D. STONE	7
ERIC FILTNESS	4	KEITH HART	...*Tenor*

Composed by REV. H. EARLE BULWER, and
Conducted by KEITH HART.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 17¾ cwt.

FREDERICK PROTHEROUGH...	*Treble*	OLIVER SIPPETTS	5
ERIC FILTNESS	2	ALFRED J. TURNER	6
WILLIAM C. HART	3	ALBERT D. STONE	7
JOHN CAPP	4	KEITH HART	...*Tenor*

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and
Conducted by KEITH HART.

BISHOP'S LYDEARD, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes.
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART No. 2. Tenor 24½ cwt., in E flat.

ALBERT TOUT	...*Treble*	FRANK SADD	5
HENRY J. CREED	2	ISAAC CREED	6
ROBERT SCOTT	3	PERCY S. MERSON	7
HENRY NORMAN	4	WILLIAM D. WHITE...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by ROBERT SCOTT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H. J. Creed. Great credit is due to A. Tout for the manner in which he rang the treble, it being his first peal and rung at the first attempt. He has only taken up change ringing for about three months, and was elected a member of the Association in the tower.

ERITH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

ISAAC EMERY	...*Treble*	FRANK BENNETT	5
THOMAS H. COLBURN ...	2	THOMAS KING	6
LOUIS J. ATTWATER	3	THOMAS JAKEMAN	7
HUBERT J. BLACKWELL ...	4	WALTER ROWE... ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

It was intended to have rung this peal by all blacksmiths, but unfortunately Mr. Wightman, through meeting with an accident, was prevented from taking part at the last minute. The conductor filled his place at short notice.

WOOLWICH, KENT.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE	...*Treble*	HARRY BECKFORD	5
EDWARD T. WIGG	2	REUBEN SANDERS	6
HAROLD W. CLARK	3	WILLIAM PYE	7
ARTHUR J. NEALE	4	WILLIAM HORSLEY ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Horsley.

BECKENHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HOLT'S TEN-PART.

*ERNEST TIGWELL ...	...*Treble*	FREDRIC KING	5
WALTER SMITH...	2	GEORGE DURLING	6
GEORGE W. CLARKE ...	3	FREDRICK TERRY	7
†GEORGE WICKENS	4	*FREDRICK SCUTCHER	...*Tenor*

Conducted by WALTER SMITH.

* First peal. † First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to E. Tigwell.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;
Tenor 19 cwt.

EDWARD HAWKINS ...	...*Treble*	GEORGE JAYE	5
ARTHUR C. CHAPLIN... ...	2	FRANK NEWMAN	6
GEORGE R. PYE...	3	JOHN DALE	7
ERNEST J. BUTLER	4	ERNEST PYE	...*Tenor*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Arthur C. Chaplin and Robert Jaye, father of the ringer of the 5th.

WOOTTON BASSETT, WILTS.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr.

*LOUIS A. WILSON	...*Treble*	†FRANK LOOKER	5
ROBERT W. HYNER	2	HENRY W. L. WELLS ...	6
*GILBERT H. HARDING ...	3	GEORGE LANCASTER	7
‡WILLIAM G. LANCASTER ...	4	CHARLES J. GARDINER	...*Tenor*

Composed by BENJAMIN ANNABLE, and
Conducted by CHARLES J. GARDINER.

* First peal in the method. † First peal of Major. ‡ First peal on eight bells. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung to welcome home Mrs. Mathias, wife of the Vicar (the Rev. J. C. S. Mathias), after several months' absence through ill-health. Gilbert H. Harding was elected a member of the above Association before starting the peal. First peal in the method on the bells.

HARTLEBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, June 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

WILLIAM SHORT	...*Treble*	GEORGE HINTON, Junr. ...	5
ERNEST E. BARBER	2	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ...	6
WILLIAM C. JONES	3	WILLIAM PAGE	7
J. H. R. FREEBORN	4	GORDON CHECKETTS	...*Tenor*

Conducted by W. PAGE.

Rung on the anniversary of the Coronation of King George V.

SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.

NEWDIGATE, SURREY.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, May 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of London Scholars' Pleasure, Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

Tenor 8¼ cwt.

ALBERT ELLIS	...*Treble*	OLIVER SIPPETTS	4
JOHN AKEHURST	2	ARTHUR W. TULLETT ...	5
PERCY F. WELLER	3	FREDK. R. TULLETT, Junr.	*Tenor*

Conducted by FREDERICK R. TULLETT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Oliver Sippetts.

ISLIP, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*JOHN COLEMAN	...*Treble*	*ALFRED KNIGHT	4
*JAMES B. HUDSON	2	THOMAS JERVIS	5
*LEONARD WYMAN	3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY	...*Tenor*

Conducted by R. C. LOVEDAY.

* First peal in seven methods, and rung at the first attempt. It was a birthday compliment to the conductor.

STOKE ALBANY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one each of Oxford Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob each called differently.

FOSTER DEACON	...*Treble*	BERT KILBORN	4
HARRY PEET	2	FRED KILBORN	5
FREDERICK KILBORN	3	HORACE W. SHARMAN	...*Tenor*

Conducted by HORACE W. SHARMAN.

First peal in five methods by all except the conductor, to whom the peal was rung as a birthday compliment.

KERESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, June 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 12 Six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire, called in 14 different ways. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr.

WILLIAM PRYCE	...*Treble*	CHARLES FREEMAN	3
ROBERT GREEN	2	G. HARRY KETTLE	4

JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... *Tenor*
Conducted by J. H. W. WHITE.

This is the first peal on the bells.

BUXTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, June 23, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's. Tenor 12 cwt.

*STEPHEN BULLER	...*Treble*	WALTER ALLEN	4
GEORGE FURROW	2	*CHARLES E. NEWLAND ...	5
*ALBERT TAYLOR	3	WALTER C. MEDLAR	...*Tenor*

Conducted by W. C. MEDLAR.

* First peal.

The peal of Stedman Triples rung at Wood Green, Wednesbury, on June 5th, was conducted by S. J. Tyler.

THE WINCHESTER GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, at Winchester, on Monday, was attended by about a hundred members. The President (Mr. J. P. Stillwell), the Master (the Rev. C. E. Matthews), the hon. secretary (Mr. G. Williams), the hon. treasurer (the Rev. W. E. Colchester), the auditor (Mr. H. White), and the recorder of peals (Mr. Fairey), were re-elected.—It was decided that district secretaries unable to attend the Central Committee meetings should in future be allowed to send the assistant secretary, with full power to vote. — The Master gave a resume of the Central Council meeting, and referred particularly to the warm welcome given to the Southerners at Newcastle. He pointed out that the next meeting of the Council was to take place at Winchester, and said they came back from Newcastle with the determination to do all they could to give the Northerners an equally warm welcome in the south.—A committee, consisting of the President, the Master, the Hon. Secretary, the Hon. Treasurer, and Mr. W. J. Elkins, was appointed to carry out the necessary arrangements.

The usual service was held in the Cathedral, the special preacher being the Rev. De Boulay Hill, one of the founders of the Guild 33 years ago. At that time, the Guild started with seven towers in union, and it now had 89.

The tea took place in St. Maurice's Hall, and afterwards the usual votes of thanks were accorded.

We hope to give a fuller report of the proceedings next week.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

A well-attended meeting of the Wotton-under-Edge and district branch was held at Wickwar on Saturday last, when nine towers were represented. A tea and meeting were held at the White Horse Inn, where Mr. F. G. Ansell, one of the churchwardens, presided over a gathering of 28 members. Previous to the meeting, a few of the members visited the Rector (the Rev. Canon Lyon), who, owing to his age, was unable to meet them, he being over 90 years of age. He gave them a hearty welcome to his church, and hoped they would spend a pleasant afternoon. — Mr. F. K. Howell (chairman of the branch), on behalf of the members, thanked the Rector for granting them the use of the bells.

The meeting passed off very successfully, and included the election of Mr. F. E. Ward as an hon. member of the district. Mr. Ward is a past master of the Association, and for some years acted as hon. treasurer. He has lately come to reside in the district, but owing to ill-health has been obliged to give up ringing.—It was decided to hold the next meeting at Slymbridge, on July 26th.—The bells, a nice peal of six, were kept going during the afternoon and evening in Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

SWANMORE.—The Winchester Guild.—On Sunday afternoon, April 6th, at the residence of Mr. W. Linter, three 120's of Grandsire Doubles, on handbells: Miss May Linter 1, Miss Ethel Linter 2, Fred Linter 3, Roy Linter 4, W. Linter 5—6. In the evening, three 120's, Walter Linter 1, remainder as above; and 108 Grandsire Minor: Miss May Linter 1, Miss Ethel Linter 2, Roy Linter 3, Fred Linter 4, Walter Linter 5, W. Linter (conductor) 6.

A 20th CENTURY PILGRIMAGE.

The parochial records of Christ Church, Mitcham, contain an unique entry for Saturday, 14th June, for although the bells "given by Wm. Jno. Harris and Fanny his wife," have been hung for 29 years, it is the first occasion that the ringers there have emulated the example of their elder brethren of the Parish Church in the felicity of a sunny summer's day ringing tour.

The members of the band, with the Vicar and both wardens and five staunch friends of ringing fame, met in the belfry at 7.30 a.m., and joined as a devoted body of Church workers in Common Prayer ("if the prayer be good, the Commoner, the better"). Short opening touches were rung by the local band, and then by the visitors without a "stand." They then grouped, with their various insignia of office, under the tower in the churchyard where a camera made a permanent record of form and feature of the pilgrim band. Meanwhile a well-appointed saloon motor (Tillings, Ltd.) had arrived at the churchyard gate, which the 16 Pilgrims quickly boarded, decorating it with a symbol of their art, and the Guildford Pilgrimage had commenced before the scheduled time of 8 o'clock.

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Being a six-bell band, six-bell towers were the objective points; therefore, Ewell, with its eight and Leatherhead with its ten, were passed by, and the Norman Church (and rebuilt Saxon Tower) of St. Andrew, Cobham, was made the first stopping place. The pilgrims being sufficiently numerous for division into two bands was a distinct advantage at all the towers throughout the day, for while one band were handling the ropes, the other band were able to inspect archæological features and appreciate the rural surroundings (so different to High Street, Colliers Wood), and to realise somewhat of the "Peace of God" that seems to brood upon these quiet resting places consecrated by the use of the hoary ages of antiquity. Half an hour was the allotted span at each church, rigidly adhered to; therefore, no stop was made for lunch, but a pilgrim's portion was handed round in passing through Wisley and Ripley—for early birds had had only time to catch just one early worm.

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The Onslow Churches of West Clandon, and then of Merrow, both of Norman origin, were next visited, and the county town of Surrey reached by 11.45 when the Pilgrim band was joined by an old friend, in the person of Mr. J. J. Jones, the hon. secretary of the local branch of the Winchester Guild. Plain courses of Doubles were well struck, and quickly brought round at Brett's Restaurant, and although Archbishop Abbot's Hospital was closed to visitors through fears of wanton damage, recently engendered by some of those who profess and call themselves Christians, the Jacobean Town Hall was opened (thanks to Mr. Jones), and here the famous 15th century gilt and silver mace, the finest in England, was inspected, together with its younger and larger Stuart brother.

The church and belfry (under repair) of Holy Trinity—the latter now being made famous throughout the ringing world by the wonderful feats of Mr. Pulling—and then the Anglo-Saxon castle ruins, with memories of the murdered sons of King Alfred, and of Stephen Langton of Magna Charta fame (15th June, 1215), came in for a hasty survey. Want of time alone prevented a visit to the Saxon and mediæval Church of St. Mary with all its interesting work, or a pull on the ten of St. Nicolas at the Ford.

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A charming walk along the tow-path of the Wey to the ruined Pilgrim Chapel on the summit of St. Catherine's Hill, brought the 20th century Pilgrims on to what is still known as "the Pilgrims Way," of the 13th century Winchester-Canterbury Pilgrims, who, in their day and time, only used what is probably the most ancient track-way in the country, viz., the prehistoric track-way along the southern slope of the North Downs from the Stonehenge Metropolis (possibly the old Tin way from the West) to the Kentish coast—some would even take us further on and longer back in this same track-way over the site of the English Channel to the stone circles of Brittany.

Crossing the Pilgrim Ford by ferry, the track-way was continued in (for although here covered by private golf links, it is still the ancient high way) till a slight detour brought the present pilgrims to Shalford Church, with its 19 cwt. tenor. It was hot work after dinner, and the tenor-man perspired; then re-boarding the car, Bramley belfry (more Norman work), with its outside stair, was soon tintinabulating with the bells—

"That ring so slow
So mellow, musical and low,"

and here the Pilgrim band were strengthened by Mr. and Mrs. Whittington, of county ringing fame.

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Wonersh, the church in the park, clearly "a case of the pious ancestor," who built the church for himself, his tenants, and fellow parishioners, on his own land and next his own house—the origin of so many of our ancient parish churches—a most interesting building, with a curious crypt and mortuary chapel, the whole place (save the ringing chamber!) both beautifully appointed and kept; and the bells, like those of Bramley, recently rehung.

Leaving the restored Norman Church (and erstwhile Pilgrim Chapel) of St. Martha, Chilworth, unvisited, high upon the summit of the North Downs, with its world-old traditional memories of human sacrifices on the site, and of Christian Martyrdoms in the dim early age of Christianity—of beacon fires—and of Mediæval Pilgrimage associations, the motor flew through Albury on to Shere, where the monthly combined practice of the Guildford district had been arranged to meet the Mitcham Pilgrims.

The church here is an exceedingly quaint mixture of Norman, Early English, decorated, churchwarden and Victorian Gothic—with its big heavy tower over the central crossing, and a beautiful ring of eight. The camera again played its part here as the "furthest extent" of the Pilgrimage.

The journey on through Gomshall and Wotton was chiefly associated with memories of "Jehu the son of Jehosophat, the son of Nimshi, for he driveth furiously," and tea at Dorking came as a welcome tonic to strained nerves. Buckland, with its quaint squat spire, was the scene of the only disappointment of the day, a recent death and present sore sickness in the village preventing ringing.

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Reigate and its hill were next negotiated, and then Kingswood, the finest six-bell ring in the county, was reached soon after 8 o'clock. The customary half hour was extended here till "Twilight and evening bell —and after that the dark" brought "one clear call for" home; the little incident of a tyre coming off in crossing Burgh Heath, while causing a little "bumping" to which ringers are not unaccustomed, did nothing to mar the content of a day well spent, and a visit to the Sutton Garage soon enabled the captain to call another "Go for Home"—yes Home—"poor benighted Mitcham"—the land of market gardens and of stinks—still, our home, the place of our trivial round and common task and the scene of deep-seated affections. At 10.45, tired out and virtuous, after 17 hours (for some left home at 6.0 a.m.), and 70 miles of pure enjoyment with ringing echoes of Grandsire (good old Grandsire), Bob Doubles, Oxford Single, Plain Bob, Canterbury, Stedman, and Kent Treble Bob.

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The programme issued to the Pilgrims enjoined on all Joseph's advice to his brethren on their journey, "See that ye fall not out by the way." It was obeyed literally, for on one occasion one Pilgrim was observed to be holding on like grim death, while Godly love and concord was the order, and memory, of a very happy day.

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The Pilgrims desire to publicly acknowledge and to express their gratitude to the Rectors and Vicars of the various parishes for the ready and kindly assents given, weeks ago, for the use of the bells; and to the local captains and steeplekeepers for their presence, their help, and for their kind and brotherly expressions of goodwill, and, last, but not least, to the chauffeur who made the running.

EXHIBITION OF CHANGE RINGING.

BOSTON GUILD DEMONSTRATE BEFORE AMERICAN ARCHITECTS.

The Boston (U.S.A.) Guild of Ringers, recently organised, having been honoured with an invitation to give a practical demonstration of their art before the Boston Society of Architects, met for this purpose on June 10th in the tower of the Perkin's Institution for the Blind. A full turnout of the society afforded a rare opportunity of illustrating to an intelligent and appreciative audience, not only the scientific character and superiority of change ringing, but also of directing attention to our reasonable requirements in the design and equipment of bell towers.

A useful object lesson was thus given in certain details of tower construction, wherein architects are not unfrequently delinquent, such, for example, as the relation of belfry floor to arches, and its height from the ground, the lighting, ventilation and furnishing of the ringing chamber, and location of hatchways. Especial interest was shown in watching, from the spiral stairway mounting from the bell deck, the rhythmical revolution of the bells, and the effect of their lateral thrust upon the stability of the stone walls.

It seems to be a wise policy to encourage in future similar visits of the laity to our towers as tending to develop more intimate relations between ringers, who are too little inclined to cultivate acquaintanceship outside their own numbers, and the members of other professions. Such inter-communication cannot fail to be helpful in stimulating the design of improved towers, the selection of better bells, the promotion of good ringing; and, what is of like importance, the advancement of the ringers themselves. Indeed it is by the vehicle of associations thus formed that certain members of our band have been already introduced to desirable employment.

It must be admitted that this proposition, directed less to the scoring of points than to the edification and education of the public, precludes the idea of prolonged ringing to which our communities are not habituated, and are less inclined to tolerate by reason of recent agitation against objectionable noises. Hence our English confreres must not look for the achievement of many complete peals in this region, which will be permissible only upon general holidays. Meanwhile we shall try to avoid the danger of incurring an unsympathetic rebuke like that administered to some unskilled performers upon one of our American chimes, viz., that they should suspend practice until they had learned to recognise the difference between harmony and assault and battery.

A. H. NICHOLS, M.D.

ON PLEASURE BENT.

A HUNDRED MILE MOTOR TRIP.

The ringers of St. John the Evangelist's, Bournemouth, had their annual outing on Saturday, when the party, numbering 13, and including the Vicar, visited Southampton. The journey was made by motor-car, in all a circuit of about 100 miles. Starting about 8.30 a.m., a short halt was made in the New Forest to inspect the Rufus Stone, and then Romsey was reached, where a brief inspection of the fine old abbey was made. Dinner was partaken of at Southampton, and afterwards the docks were visited, and the party were extremely lucky in getting a good view of the s.s. "Olympic," which had arrived during the morning. The next move was to Hursley, about nine miles away, where the Vicar, Curate and steeplekeeper met the party, and a few short touches were rung. Returning to Southampton for tea, a quiet hour's stroll was enjoyed, and then the journey home was made via Lyndhurst, a successful and enjoyable day finishing at 10.30 p.m. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar and Curate of Hursley for their welcome and kindness, and the steeplekeeper for having everything in readiness.

IN "ZUMMERSET."

A very pleasant afternoon was spent by eight members of the Gloucester and the Bristol Association, on Saturday. Leaving Bristol at 2.30 in a waggonette, a drive through some of the famous Somerset lanes brought them to Chem-Magna, where the band made a great effort to score the first 720 on the bells, which, with a tenor of 34 cwt., do not go very well. The bells were raised in peal and after ringing three courses of Plain Bob, an adjournment was made for tea. The party then returned to the tower, and after paying some small attentions to the bells, the extent on six was brought round in 28 minutes, by: R. J. Wilkins 1, W. Lansdown 2, C. H. Gordon 3, G. Wiltshire 4, H. Howell (conductor) 5, T. Long 6. After ringing a six-score and lowering the bells, the visitors proceeded to Winford, where there is a very pretty ring of six (tenor 16 cwt.), and upon these another 720 was rung, by: F. Price 1, W. Lansdown 2, A. Maggs 3, R. J. Wilkins (conductor) 4, H. Howell 5, G. Wiltshire 6. A couple of six-scores, in which two of the local men and W. Stafford, took part, followed. The ringers wish to thank the clergy for the use of the bells, and hope to pay several more visits to "Zummerset," which is noted for its towers and rings. The bells at Chem-Magna are a very fine peal of six, and with four trebles would run Wrington very close for first place as a peal of ten. A pleasant drive of seven miles brought the visitors to Bristol at 10.30, and everyone agreed that the outing had been much more enjoyable than ringing a 5040.—R.J.W.

THE BUSHEY SOCIETY.

The annual outing of the Bushey Society took place on Saturday week in pleasant weather. Meeting at the church at 8 a.m., a start was made by brake to Barnet, where, permission for ringing having already been obtained, a touch of Stedman Triples was first brought round, the tone of the bells being greatly admired. A plain course of Bristol and touches of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples finished the ringing here, one of the local men taking a rope in the latter. Adjourning to a neighbouring hostelry, a pleasant half-hour was spent in the company of Mr. J. Sumpter, the genial steeplekeeper, and the evergreen Mr. Dolton. Afterwards the party proceeded to Southgate, where a pleasant half-hour was whiled away in watching the cricket match between M.C.C. and Southgate. Dinner at the Cherry Tree was the next item, and the visitors were agreeably surprised when their Rector walked into the room, he having motored over from Bushey in order to be present. Having done justice to an excellent spread, the party were piloted to the church by Mr. J. E. Miller to have a pull on the famous peal, and two touches of Stedman Triples, three leads of Kent and of Oxford Treble Bob, and a plain course each of Double Norwich and Bristol were rung. After taking leave of the Rector, who had to return to Bushey to take a service, the party drove to North Mimms, where the church is pleasantly situated in a park embowered in trees. Here was found a grand little peal of six, upon which touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Kent Treble Bob Minor were tapped off, and a touch of Oxford, with Mr. A. Lawrence, who is instructing the local band, was lost in the last few leads. A charming, though rather rough road through the park, brought them to South Mimms, where tea at the Greyhound was very welcome. After tea the Secretary trotted the party off to the church, where they rang Stedman Doubles, Kent and Plain Bob Minor, the long draught and the huge ropes being rather too much for the nerves of some of the band, who preferred listening to ringing. Leaving at 7.45, a pleasant drive through undulating country brought the excursionists to Aldenham, where they spent a social hour with some of the local men at Host Jones', and reached Bushey soon after 9.30 p.m., after a most enjoyable day. The best thanks of the party are due to the various incumbents for the use of their bells, and to the steeplekeepers for having them ready.

IN THE LUNE VALLEY.

The first annual outing of the St. Mary's, Penwortham, Society, which was formed a year ago on the occasion of the bi-centenary celebrations of the erection of the bells, was a very enjoyable affair. Accompanied by the Vicar (the Rev. O. Burton), who is president of the society, a visit was paid to the Lune Valley. Driving from Lancaster, the first call was at Claughton to inspect the ancient bell which the church there possesses. Its date was unknown until 1853, but the inscription in Lombardic characters, then deciphered, appear to fix its casting at about 1296 A.D. It is considered to be the oldest dated bell in England in perfect condition. The visitors next proceeded to Hornby, where, by permission of the Vicar, touches of College Single and Bob Minor were rung, Mr. Norris, a native of Penwortham, taking a rope with the ringers from his birthplace. After dinner, the party went on to Melling and Lower Bentham, at each of which places, by the kindness of the Vicar, they were able to ring. At Lower Bentham they found a weight of metal which demanded their best efforts, but despite this, and the length of rope, the ringing was good. An interesting feature at this church is a spare bell about 15 cwt., hung in the church porch, and used for occasional purposes.

The final call was Burton-in-Lonsdale, the Rev. Reginald Stowell, who is a member of the Lancashire Association, having extended a hearty welcome, but owing to a prior engagement he was unable to be present personally. A 720 Bob Minor was brought round, and after tea further ringing was indulged in until time for the homeward journey, Preston being reached about 10.30, after a most enjoyable day in every respect. The members of the society desire to place on record their hearty thanks to the Vicars of the respective churches visited, for permission to use the bells, and also to the local ringers for their hearty welcome. Should they ever find themselves able to visit Penwortham, the ringers there will endeavour to give them a welcome equally as hearty and fraternal.

INTERESTING CEREMONY AT BURNHAM.

PRESENTATION AND UNVEILING.

Last Saturday's Surprise practice at this tower was considerably varied by two pleasing little ceremonies carried out in a quiet and prompt manner, under the secretaryship of Mr. J. J. Parker. At 7 p.m., a peal tablet was unveiled by the Vicar (the Rev. F. F. Penruddock, M.A.) with appropriate word and deed—a white ensign having previously obscured the record affixed to the belfry wall perpetuating peal No. 1965 for the Oxford Diocesan Guild—a 5056 Superlative rung last December being the first Surprise on the bells when most of the band earned their stars. Gathered in the belfry were a dozen well-known ringing faces from neighbouring towers in Bucks and Berks—Messrs. Welling, Garraway, Buckland, Mayne, Blackmore, Cox, Henley, and W. H. Fussell, also the Rev. H. J. S. Davis (Curate, late of Chalfont), and several past and present churchwardens, Messrs. H. A. Carter, W. H. Williams and G. Edney.

The second item of the evening, consisted of the presentation of an eight-day marble striking clock to Mr. George Martin, of Maidenhead, one of the most deserving members of the East Berks and South Bucks branch of the Guild, and a truly qualified instructor. This duty was also kindly undertaken by the Vicar, a list of the subscribers, with an address, forming part of the gift, being handed over with the clock, which bears a neat gilt plate in front, inscribed as follows: "Presented to Mr. George Martin, as a mark of respect, from a few ringing friends, Burnham, Bucks, 21st June, 1913."

In returning thanks, Mr. Martin was quite unable to give expression to all he wished to say to those who had very kindly thought so well of his endeavour to help on advanced change ringing in the branch. He was completely taken by surprise, and stood watching with unconcern the unpacking of a brown paper parcel, till the Vicar crossed the belfry floor and gently placed the timepiece in Mr. Martin's astonished hands.

A course of Cambridge Surprise then followed, six of the team being members of the Superlative band, and then came a few complimentary speeches, during which Mr. Parker proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for not only their presence with the ringers that evening, but also for the generous permission to practice at Burnham readily given during the past two years through the steeplekeeper, Mr. G. Allder.

These gentlemen having responded Mr. Churchwarden Williams took a spell on the 6th bell, when it was ascertained he began his ringing at Llandaff Cathedral, and many years since helped to restore Bedwas bells, a ring of six at his father's church. After a friendly good-night all round, the visitors were left to their practice, and several touches of Cambridge were attempted, one failing in the last lead, but one coming home in good style, and the belfry closed at 9 o'clock.

Facing the church gates stands "The Five Bells," an ancient house of refreshment, with its projecting sign well adorned with painted bells, their number coinciding with those of the church at one time, but it requires rehanging and augmentation to be up-to-date. To this house the company retired until 10 p.m., the reasonable hour of closing. Mine Host, with the surname of Frost, suffering from the heat of midsummer, was able to satisfy his guests with good supplies of Marlow ale, generally known locally as "donkey beer," and some wholesome bread, cheese, lettuce and spring onions. Here we voted "George" to the chair, arranged future practices for Farnham Royal, July 5th, and Beaconsfield on the 12th, and anent the history of the new peal board, learnt that it was originally an old table, one of its legs forming a cornice to the top of the panel. At parting time, all the ringers were found to have a two-wheeled steed in readiness, and were soon winging their aerial flight homewards like a bevy of aeronauts well satisfied with a good finale to the longest day of the year.

W. H. F.

NEWS FROM NEW ZEALAND.

By this week's mail, we have received the report of a quarter-peal rung at St. Matthew's, Auckland, New Zealand, on Sunday, May 4th, in honour of the visit of H.M.S. New Zealand to Auckland. It was rung for morning service, in 50 mins., by: J. Heather 1, N. Smallwood 2, S. C. Hamblin 3, O. Throssell 4, J. Davies 5, E. J. Hamblin 6, A. J. White (conductor) 7, P. W. Barringer 8. In the evening a touch of 672 Grandsire Triples was rung, by: J. Heather 1, N. Smallwood 2, O. Throssell 3, E. J. Hamblin 4, J. Davies 5, S. C. Hamblin 6, A. J. White (conductor) 7, P. W. Barringer 8.

At Christchurch, which has been the chief centre of ringing in the Southern island, the Exercise, according to latest accounts, is not so flourishing as one could desire, although, we hear, the prospects are bright. At the Cathedral there is a peal of ten, and another ring of five at St. Paul's, Papanni, a suburb of Christchurch. The bells at the Cathedral are a very melodious ring, tenor 32 cwt. The back eight, together with the tower and spire 219ft. high, were the gift of the Rhodes family, in memory of their father, and on the tenor is the inscription:—

We've crossed the seas to this fair chime
To do God all the honour,
From clime to clime,
We'll ring our chime
And tell of Rhodes the donor.

The two trebles were the gift of Mr. Miles, and on one is inscribed:—

We two little trebles to complete the chime
Were nearly left out too late,
When Miles to the rescue, but just in time,
Added us on to the eight.

The bells are by Taylor, and are hung in a very substantial oak frame. There have been three peals rung on them, one of Grandsire Doubles in 1900, one of Bob Triples in January, 1903, and one of Grandsire Triples in November, 1903. After these peals, several of the band left for other places, and there has never been a really good company there since, but at present things are somewhat more promising. Mr. J. S. Wilde, formerly of Hyde, Cheshire, although not residing in Christchurch, has visited the city, and several attempts for peals have been made with him, but, unfortunately, without success. Mr. Wilde has given great help to the ringers living in Christchurch, being ever ready to place his extensive knowledge at their disposal.

The Cathedral, however, is right in the centre of the business part of the city, and this would make it impossible to ring many peals there, although at holiday times attempts are possible.

Our correspondent, Mr. T. W. Biddle, of 107, Antigua Street, Christchurch, remarks in his letter that it is strange that so few ringers from the old country make for Christchurch, yet it is the largest manufacturing town in that country, and there is always a demand for skilled artizans in the building trade, cabinet makers, painters, etc. If any ringer desires information about the country, he will be glad to tell them what he can, based on the prospects six months ahead, but, he adds, "they must understand that they have to chance their luck, which is naturally the case when one makes a change."

Mr. Biddle has been up to Auckland, where he had plenty of ringing in the shape of short touches. Two attempts for quarter-peals of Grandsire Triples were lost, but nevertheless they had some excellent striking. Stedman Doubles and Bob Minor were also accomplished, whilst about a dozen courses of Grandsire Caters (the first in Auckland) were rung on handbells, by: E. Hamblin 1—2, O. Throssell 3—4, J. Heather 5—6, T. Biddle 7—8, D. A. White 9—10.

DEATH OF AN OLD COLLEGE YOUTH.

We record, with regret, the death, after several months' illness, of Mr. W. J. Sorrell, of Herne Bay. Mr. Sorrell was a talented ringer, and had 52 peals to his credit, which, with one exception, were rung during the years 1892-97. He was at this time residing in London, but on going to Herne Bay later, his opportunities for peal ringing were very few. He was, however, a regular Sunday ringer at St. Martin's, Herne, where there is a fine-toned ring of six. After these bells were rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank in 1905, he was instrumental in getting the local company to take up change ringing. He will be greatly missed by the band, as well as by all those who knew him, and deep sympathy is felt for his widow and children in their loss.

The funeral took place on Saturday week, and in the evening a few of his ringing friends from the neighbouring villages met at Herne Church, and a quarter-peal of Bob Minor was rung with the bells half-muffled, by: C. Holman (Herne Bay) 1, S. White (Wickhambreaux, conductor) 2, F. Jones (Chislet) 3, H. Smith (Wickhambreaux) 4, E. Hartop (Herne) 5, E. Slingsby (Sturry) 6. Messrs. J. Bubb and W. Curtis, of the local band, also took part in a touch.

Mr. Sorrell was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and it is worthy of note that he took part in the first peal of Duffield Major rung in London, at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on January 18th, 1896. A list of his peals is as follows: Grandsire Triples, 5; Caters, 3; Stedman Triples, 7; Caters, 4; Bob Major, 4 (conducted 1); Kent Treble Bob Major, 7 (conducted 2); Royal, 5; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 2; Royal, 2; Double Norwich Major, 5; Superlative Surprise Major, 5; Cambridge Surprise Major, 2; Duffield Major, 1.

HALIFAX ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING AND CONTEST.

The annual meeting and eight-bell contest of the Halifax and District Association was held at Ripponden on Saturday last, the bells and schools kindly being placed at the disposal of the members by the Vicar (the Rev. E. W. Easton, M.A.). Three companies of ringers entered for the contest, each set ringing a test piece of 608 changes Kent Treble Bob, preceded by three leads for practice. The judges for the occasion were Messrs. Broadley and Cundall, of Bradford, and Mr. Webster, of Ripponden. The draw for order of ringing took place at 3.15 p.m., and the contest was then proceeded with. During the afternoon about 70 members and friends did full justice to an excellent tea, kindly provided by the local branch.

At the conclusion of the ringing, the annual meeting was held in the Schoolroom, the President (Mr. J. Cotterell) being in the chair, supported by the Vicar and the society's officers.—Eleven new members were admitted, on the proposition of Mr. Rylands, seconded by Mr. A. Carter.—The Treasurer, Mr. Ambler, then presented the balance sheet, which had been previously audited, and this showed an increase in funds on the year's working of £1 13s. 4d., the balance in the society's favour being £19 10s. 10d.—The accounts were adopted, on the motion of Mr. Smith, of Halifax, seconded by Mr. Rylands.

It was decided that informal meetings for practice be held every four months, of which due notice will be given to each tower. These meetings are to be held at the place of the last contest.—The Vicar of Ripponden kindly granted the use of his bells for the first meeting of this kind.

There being no nominations of officers, the officers who did duty last year were re-elected.—A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells and schools.

The judges' decision was then announced as follows by Mr. Broadley: Halifax, 373 faults; Bughouse, 306 faults; Earlsheaton, 210 faults. Earlsheaton were, therefore, declared the winners.—The Vicar replied to the vote of thanks, and presented the cup to Mr. Hardy, the conductor of the winning team.

A vote of thanks to the local branch and the ladies for so kindly entertaining the visitors, was carried, and suitably acknowledged by Mr. Carter, a member of the local branch.—A vote of thanks to the judges and a similar compliment to the Chairman was carried, and duly acknowledged.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Ombersley, a village on the main road from Worcester to Kidderminster, was the venue of the quarterly meeting of the Western Branch of the Worcestershire Association on Saturday last. Members arrived about 3 o'clock, some by motor 'bus, most by cycle, and a few more fortunate ones by motor-car. Ringing commenced with two courses of Kent Treble Bob, and at the service at 4 o'clock, which was attended by about 40 members, the Association form of service was used, and the Rev. J. Webster (Vicar), gave a very practical address.

The local ringers kindly provided a tea, which was served under very pleasant conditions on the Vicarage lawn.—The business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding over an attendance of 50, representing nearly every tower of the branch.—Ombersley was chosen for the next quarterly peal, and Mr. L. Longney as conductor.—The next meeting was arranged for Powick, on October 11th. Two honorary and 18 performing members were elected, including the bands of Shrawley and Welland.—After the usual votes of thanks, the tower was again visited, and the bells kept going in various methods, bringing to a close a very pleasant and instructive meeting.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

At a ringing meeting, held at Bentley, Brentwood, the members were kindly entertained to tea on the Parsonage lawn by the Rev. W. Ripley. Afterwards, a little business was done. Seven new members at Bentley, four at Ingatestone, one at Fryerning, one at Shenfield, and one non-resident life member, were elected. At the three first towers there are five bells, and at Shenfield six.—Mr. Edwards, in proposing a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. W. Ripley for his kind invitation and hospitality, and to the ladies who served the tea, urged the members to remember they did not only go to ring the bells to call others to church, but to attend as regular as possible themselves.—The Rev. W. Ripley, in replying, assured those present that it gave him much pleasure to meet the Association on that their first visit to Bentley, and he would be pleased to see them there again whenever they chose to come.—The Vicar then piloted the visitors through the beautiful little church, pointing out some very interesting and most magnificent marble work.—During the evening, six-scores of Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Doubles were rung on the bells, all the new members taking part, and one sharing in the conducting. A course of Grandsire Caters, by: Messrs. Lincoln 1—2, Kirton 3—4, Edwards 5—6, Cooper 7—8, F. W. Edwards 9, and A. Rainbird 10, and a touch of Grandsire Triples by Messrs. Kirton, Edwards, Cooper and Lincoln, were rung on the handbells.

Shenfield was visited earlier in the afternoon, Bob Minor and Grandsire being rung.—The towers represented during the day were: Boreham, Chelmsford, Fryerning, Ingatestone, Shenfield, Writtle, and the local company.

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BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.—LINCOLN.

By J. R. Jerram.

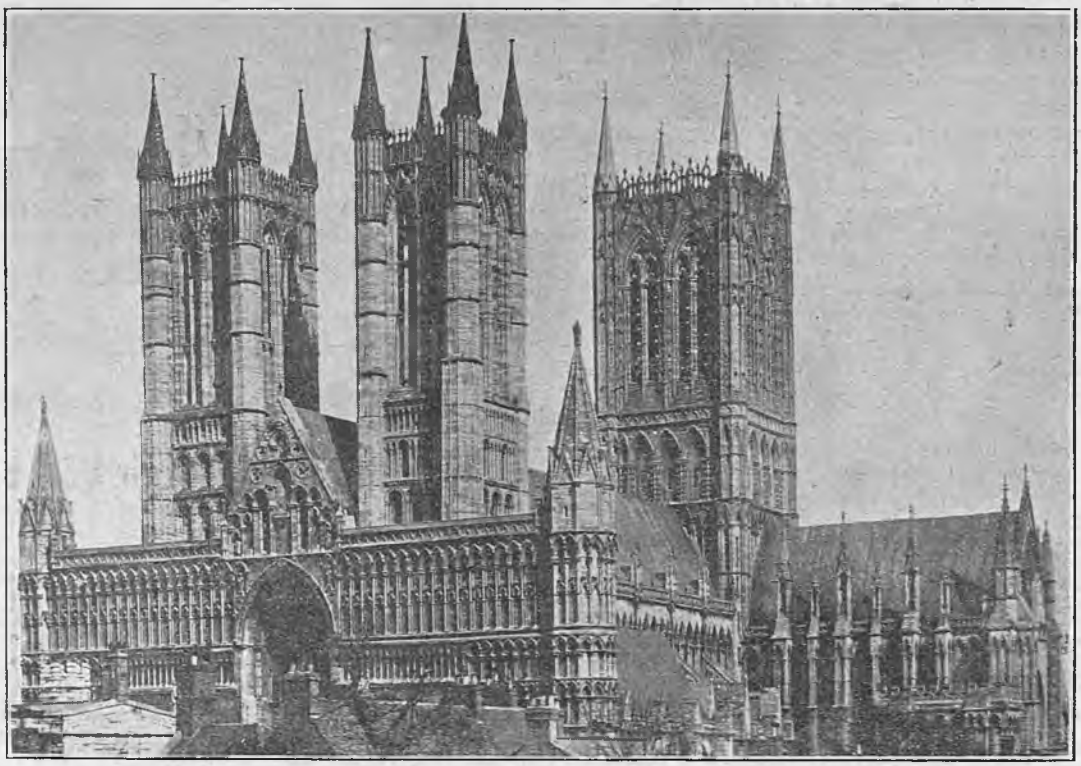
It would occupy too much space to enter into the early history of bells formerly in this Cathedral; but, to put it briefly, two bells were given by Robert de Chesney, fourth Bishop of Lincoln, about the middle of the twelfth century, and were hung in one of the western towers. Two more were placed in the central tower between 1307 and 1311. Others were added at various times, till in the eighteenth century we find a peal of six in this tower. These were commonly known as the "Lady bells," and were inscribed as follows:—

Tenor.

SVM ROSA PVLSATA MVNDI MARIA VOCATA. 1593. O

("I being struck am called Mary rose of the world.")

The four last bells bore the medallion of Robert Quernbe and Henry Oldfield—a shield in the centre with a bell thereon and round the border "+ MADE BI ROBERT QVERNB ET HENRI OVLFELD." At that time the old Great Tom hung in the north-west tower. This bell measured 75½ inches diameter and weighed 88 cwt. 1 qr. 10½ lbs., and was inscribed: SPIRITVS SANCTVS A PATRE ET FILIO PROCEDENS SVAVITER SONANS AD SALVTEM ANNO DOMINI 1610, DECEMBRIS 3 REGNI IACOBI ANGLIE 8o ET SCOTIE 44o, LAVRENTIVS STANTON DECANVS,



Lincoln Cathedral.

Treble.

JESVS BE OVR SPEED. 1633.

Second.

SOLI DEO GLORIA IN EXCELSIS. DANIEL HEDDERLY FOVNDER. 1737.

("Glory in the highest to God only.")

Third.

CVM VOCE SONORA THOMAM CAMPANA LAVDET. 1593. O

("Let this bell praise Thomas with loud voice.")

Fourth.

SVM ROSA PVLSATA MVNDI KATERINA VOCATA. 1593. O

("I being struck am called Katherine rose of the world.")

Fifth.

IN MVLTIS ANNIS RESONET CAMPANA IOHANNIS. 1593. O

("May the bell of John resound for many years.")

ROGERVS PARKER PRECENTOR ET MAGISTER FABRICIE, GEORGIVS ELAND CANCELLARIVS ET MAGISTER FABRICIE, RICARDVS CLAYTON ARCHIDIACONVS LINCOLN.

("The Holy Spirit proceeding from the Father and the Son sweetly sounding to salvation. In the year of our Lord 1610, December 3rd. In the 8th year of the reign of James, King of England, and 44th of Scotland. Laurence Stanton, Dean; Roger Parker, Precentor and Master of the Fabric; George Eland, Chancellor and Master of the Fabric; Richard Clayton, Archdeacon of Lincoln.")

This bell was cracked in 1827. Several authorities were consulted as to the cause of the disaster, and were asked to suggest a remedy. In 1831 Mr. Thos. Bishop, of Birmingham, cut off eight pieces of metal weighing together 3 cwt. 1 qr. 23½ lbs., with the idea of improving the tone. After this Mr. Poole, of Lincoln, cut off five pieces more, weighing 6 cwt. 3½ lbs., with the same idea. All these pieces were deposited in the closet on the staircase which leads out of the upper north transept. But all this was, of

course, to no purpose: so, after consulting Briant, of Hertford, Dobson, of Downham, and others, the Dean and Chapter accepted the estimate of Thomas Mears, of the Whitechapel Foundry, for casting a new Great Tom and two quarter bells from the metal of the old bell and the six Lady bells, then hanging in the central tower; all of which were shipped off to London on June 23rd, 1834.

The new Great Tom (measuring 82½ inches in diameter, and weighing 5 tons 8 cwt.) was cast on November 15th, 1834, and was brought to Lincoln by road, arriving there on Monday, April 30th, 1835, amid great rejoicings; and was hung in the central tower. The inscription on the new bell is as follows:—

SPIRITUS SANCTUS A PATRE ET FILIO PROCEDENS SUAVITER SONANS AD SALUTEM. ANNO DOMINI 1835. MARTII 25 REGNI GULIELMI QUARTI BRITANNIARUM 5° [Below]. GEORGIUS GORDON, D.D. DECANUS, RICARDUS PRETYMAN, M.A. PRECENTOR, GEORGIUS THOMAS PRETYMAN, B.C.L. CANCELLARIUS, THOMAS MANNERS SUTTON, M.A. SUBDECANUS ET MAGISTER FABRICIÆ. THOMAS MEARS, LONDINI, FECIT.

(The same as above, but "In the year of our Lord 1835, March 25th, In the fifth year of the reign of William the Fourth, King of Great Britain. George Gordon, D.D., Dean; Richard Pretyman, M.A., Precentor; George Thomas Pretyman, B.C.L. Chancellor: Thomas Manners Sutton, M.A., Sub-Dean and Master of the Fabric. Thomas Mears, founder, London.")

The two quarter bells were each inscribed THOMAS MEARS, FOUNDER, LONDON. 1835. In 1880 these were replaced by four bells arranged for the Cambridge quarters, inscribed as follows:—

First.

NOX NOCTI INDICAT SCIENTIAM. MARY SEELY ME FECIT FIERI. ANNO DOMINI MDCCCLXXX.

("Night unto night sheweth knowledge. Mary Seely caused me to be made, A.D. 1880.")

Second.

DIES DIEI ERUCTAT VERBUM. NATHANIEL CLAYTON ME FECIT FIERI. ANNO DOMINI MDCCCLXXX.

("Day unto day uttereth speech. Nathaniel Clayton caused me to be made. A.D. 1880.")

Third.

ME PROPRIO SUMPTU DENUO CONFLARI FECIT NATHANIEL CLAYTON, A.S. MDCCCLXXX°. VENIT HORA ET NUNC EST QUANDO MORTUI AUDIENT VOCEM FILII DEI.

("Nathaniel Clayton caused me to be recast at his own cost, in the year of Grace 1880. The hour cometh and now is when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God.")

Fourth.

ME VOCE FRACTA MALE CONCINENTEM PROPRIO SUMPTU LIQUIFIERI ET DENUO CONFLARI VOLUIT AELFREDUS SHUTTLEWORTH, A.S. MDCCCLXXX°. VIGILATE ET ORATE NESCITIS ENIM QUANDO TEMPUS SIT.

("Alfred Shuttleworth willed that I, sounding badly with broken voice, should be melted up and recast, in the year of Grace 1880. Watch and pray, for ye know not when the time is.")

The largest of the four new quarter bells weighs 27 cwt. 2 qrs. 7 lbs. Before concluding the account of Great Tom I may say that the old bell was cast by Robert Newcombe and Henry Oldfield in a temporary foundry erected for the purpose in the Minster yard, and replaced a still older bell, which was somewhat lighter. A full account of all the correspondence between the Dean and Chapter and Briant, Dobson and others; as well as the proposals of these founders relative to the old Great Tom, will be found in the late Mr. T. North's "Church Bells of Lincolnshire."

At this time there was a peal of eight, with a tenor 16½ cwt., in the south-west tower, the treble of which, being cracked, was recast by Mears in 1834. Previous to this the bells had not been rung for forty years. These bells were inscribed:—

Treble.

THOMAS MEARS OF LONDON, FOUNDER, 1834. TREBLE OF 8. LINCOLN CATHEDRAL, HUGH STEEPLE, 1834. GEO. GORDON, D.D. DEAN, RI. PRETYMAN, A. M. PRECENTOR, GEO. THOS. PRETYMAN, B.C.L. CHANCELLOR, T. MANNERS SUTTON, A.M. SUBDEAN.

Second.

R. WILLIS DEAN ꝏ IO. MANDEVILE CHANCELLOR ꝏ IO. INETT CHANTOR ꝏ 1702. IO. KNIGHTON SVBDEAN.

Third, Fourth and Fifth.

The same as on the second. The fourth was recast in 1895 and inscribed J. TAYLOR & CO. FOUNDERS LOUGHBOROUGH, E. C. WICKHAM, DEAN, H. R. BRAMLEY, PRECENTOR, E. T. LEEKE, CHANCELLOR, J. CLEMENTS, SUBDEAN, W. F. J. KAYE, ARCHDEACON. RECAST. 1895.

Sixth.

HENRY PENN FVSORE. 1717.

Seventh.

+ Sum Rosa Pulsata Mundi Maria Vocata. 160[illegible].

Tenor.

+ GOD SAVE THE CHVRCH OVR QVEENE AND REALME AND SEND VS PEACE IN CHRIST AMEN ꝏ 1593. O ♡ * [medallion of Robert Quernbe and Henry Oldfield as on Lady bells—also shield charged with letter R, a cross and bell, mark of Nottingham foundry, also a Tudor rose].

In 1912 these bells were taken down and sent to the Loughborough foundry to be recast into a heavier peal. The new peal has a tenor weighing 23 cwt. 3 qrs. 13 lbs., diameter 51½ in., and are inscribed as follows:—

Treble.

TE DEVM LAVDAMVS. ALEXANDER. 1913. O.

Second.

ALLELVIA, ALLELVIA, ALLELVIA. WORDSWORTH. 1913. O.

Third.

HOSANNA IN ALTISSIMIS. SANDERSON. 1913. O.

Fourth.

BENEDICTVS QVI VENIT IN NOMINE DOMINI. BVRGHERSH. 1913. O.

Fifth.

VIGILATE ET ORATE. SVTTON. 1913. O.

Sixth.

GRATIAS AGAMVS DOMINO DEO NOSTRO. GROSTESTE. 1913. O.

Seventh.

SVRSVM CORDA. HVGH. 1913. O.

Tenor.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO. REMIGIVS. 1913. O.

The new bells were opened on Whitsun Eve, May 10th, 1913. Each bell bears Taylor's medallion, an "Agnus Dei," and "TAYLOR, LOUGHBORO'" enclosed by a wreath.

The old seventh and tenor were retained to be used as service bells.

York Minster.

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ODD CHANGES.

The principal festival of the Church during July is St. James' Day, on the 25th.

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The peal of Kent Treble Bob Major rung at Pentre and recorded last week, was the first of Major in the method ever rung in South Wales. Royal has been rung, but it is not a little remarkable that, with all the peal ringing that is done nowadays, no peal of Kent Major had ever before been rung in the southern half of the Principality.

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In connection with the appeal for funds for the restoration of Talland Church, a sum of £25 has been promised by the Duchy of Cornwall. This brings the total to £135 out of the £350 required. Contributions should be sent to Captain C. F. Jerram, Royal Marine Barracks, Plymouth.

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Those who were disappointed at the meeting of the Central Northants Association at Isham in January by getting no ringing owing to a sudden case of illness near the tower, will be pleased to learn that a meeting will take place there on Saturday week. It has been privately arranged, but will be none the less welcome for that. Particulars will be found in our notices columns.

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The peal of eight (tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat) at Dalton-in-Furness were dedicated by the Bishop of Carlisle on Friday. The bells, which are the product of Messrs. Warner and Sons' foundry, at Spitalfields, have been tuned on Canon Simpson's five-tone principle, and are hung, with all the most modern fittings, in a steel frame, in which provision has been made for two more bells.

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The dedication of the bells of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, will take place on July 22nd by the Bishop of London. The bells will be either at the entrance to, or in the church, and will not be hung in the tower until after the ceremony, thus following the example of Surfleet in reviving the old custom of blessing the bells before they go up into the steeple. The four trebles have been recast and the whole peal of twelve tuned upon the Simpson principle. The work, as is, of course, well known, is in the hands of Messrs. Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry.

ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY.

A successful quarterly meeting was held at Stafford, on Saturday last, when more than forty members assembled from various towers; all the more satisfactory as the county town is situated somewhat out of the way from the populous district of the Black Country, where church towers (containing rings of bells) are more thickly studded. Beautiful weather prevailed, which tended in a great measure to make the gathering a happy one.

Ringing began soon after three o'clock, and continued during the afternoon, when some of the local band were able to take part in Grandsire Triples and Caters, and Stedman Triples—their first attempt, after having recently undergone a course of instruction. The Rev. L. Lambert (Rector) and Dr. Mitchell (churchwarden) visited the belfry, and gave the ringers a hearty welcome.

At the committee meeting, the Rector in the chair, the usual routine business was got through, including the election of one honorary and nine performing members.—A short service was held in church, when the Rector gave an interesting address, taking for his text: "The calling of assemblies," Isaiah i, 13.

After tea a summary of the business transacted in committee was given by the clerical secretary, followed by the usual votes of thanks. The visitors were then invited to a friendly game of bowls on the Rectory lawn, where the amateurs' efforts caused some amusement to the onlookers.—A return to the tower for more ringing ended a pleasant half-day's outing.

It is hoped by the authorities to be able to turn their attention, ere long, to the much-needed rehanging of the bells at Stafford.

SUSSEX AND KENT COMBINED.

MEETING OF THE TWO ASSOCIATIONS AT RYE.

The joint meeting of the Sussex Association (Eastern Division), the Kent Association (Ashford District), and the Romney Marsh and District Guild, held at Rye, Sussex, on Saturday, was extremely successful, and brought together a large assembly, proving that combined meetings of neighbouring associations, in places on the borders, not only show the good feeling existing between the members of the societies, but that much can be done thereby to uplift the tone of the ringing. Twenty towers were represented, the company numbering nearly sixty, coming from Aldington, Appledore, Ashford, Battle, Benenden, Biddenden, Brabourne, Christ Church, Eastbourne, Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastings, Hawkhurst, Hythe, Iden, Mersham, New Romney, Pevensey, Rolvenden, Rye, Salehurst, Stone-in-Oxney, and Tenterden.

The ringing consisted of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major, many touches being brought round. A course of Double Norwich was expected to have been attempted, but as several were obliged to leave by early train, it was impossible to practice that method. A party from Tenterden, Rolvenden and Benenden made use of the Iden tower in the afternoon, and rang several 120's of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, arriving at Rye in time for service.

The Vicar (the Rev. A. P. Howes) officiated, and the organist (Mr. W. Sprigg Walker) kindly presided at the organ. The hymns, "We love the place, O God," and "Praise my soul, the King of Heaven," were sung, and special lessons were read.

THE VICAR'S WELCOME.

In his address, the Vicar said he was glad to welcome so many of them that afternoon to that noble church with its beautiful peal of bells. He reminded them that bell ringers were an order of ministers, but they were not ordained for the office they held. They were appointed by the incumbent, and they regarded themselves as ministers of lower degree than the clergy, who were specially ordained for the work of the ministry. As time had gone on, bell ringers realised their position in the organisation of the church, hence they could look with thankfulness on the bell ringing community. It was always a pleasure to meet bell ringers, and the work they did was highly appreciated. They did not come under the eye of the congregation in the execution of their work, but the sound of the bells went far and wide, conveying a message of invitation to worship, and now that the art of change ringing had become universal, he considered they wanted encouragement. He spoke of the only two allusions made to bells in the Bible, and in conclusion reminded his hearers that they should practice reverence in performing their duties as bell ringers.

BUSINESS MEETING.

After the service, tea was partaken of in the Monastery, by kind invitation of the Vicar, who presided. At the business meeting, several new members were admitted into the Sussex Association, and it was decided that the quarterly peal of the Eastern Division should be Stedman Triples at Rye, under the conductorship of Mr. Keith Hart, of Brighton.

The Romney Marsh Guild resolved to meet at Aldington on the third Saturday in July, and the Rector (the Rev. Nunn) has consented to entertain the company to tea.

Mr. G. H. Howse moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his address at the service, and for his generous hospitality.—Mr. C. Tribe seconded, and mentioned that the Rev. Canon Helmore, general secretary of the Kent Association, had intended to be present, but was prevented attending at the last moment.

In response to the vote of thanks, which was carried with applause, the Vicar said that ringers were a very united set of men. There was a brotherly feeling existing among his own ringers, and he believed that was in general existence among the bell ringing community. It gave him great pleasure to entertain them that day.

After the meeting, a photograph of the party was taken on the Monastery lawn, and we hope to publish one shortly, probably next week.

Ringing was continued until nine o'clock and everyone concluded that the meeting was a huge success.—The best thanks of the members is due to Mr. G. Billenness for the excellent arrangements made by him for the pleasure and comfort of those attending the meeting.

LADY RINGER'S WEDDING.

An interesting wedding was solemnised at Bradfield Parish Church on Tuesday of last week between Miss Edith Vaughan and Lieut. Charley, R.N.

After the ceremony, touches of Minor and Doubles were rung by the local band (of which three are women), assisted by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, and Mr. A. E. Reeves, the secretary.

In the evening the bells were kept going merrily, with further touches of Minor, and the most hearty good wishes were expressed for the future happiness of the bride, who is a general favourite, and who is one of the original band of the Bradfield women ringers.

ANOTHER PEAL OF EIGHT FOR SUSSEX.

MEMORIAL BELLS AT MAYFIELD.

To commemorate the fifteen years' faithful service of the Rev. John Henry Reginald Kirby as Vicar of the parish, two treble bells have been added to the ring of six at St. Dunstan's Parish Church, Mayfield, and Sussex thus possesses another octave, with a tenor over a ton. It is curious that, while in the county there are nearly a hundred peals of six and upwards, there are but ten where the tenor scales 20 cwt., and the heaviest that can be found is 26 cwt. Mayfield's tenor is 21½ cwt., and the augmentation is a valuable acquisition to the peals of eight. The project came about through the desire of the parishioners to place on record their deep appreciation of the labours of their late Vicar, who, with his wife, had endeared himself to all sections of the community, and as Mr. Kirby had expressed the hope that no personal testimonial should be presented to him, it was decided to commemorate his services in a lasting form. The first proposal was to erect new and more ornate entrance gates, but funds came in so readily, from Nonconformists as well as Churchmen, that the larger scheme of augmenting the bells was taken in hand, and the cost, £160, has been completely met. The dedication of the new bells was performed by the Archdeacon of Hastings, who preached an appropriate sermon from the text, "There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them is without signification" (1 Cor. xiv, 10).

A peal of Grandsire Triples was afterwards attempted, but unfortunately came to grief, the ringers being: A. R. Miles (Mayfield) 1, G. H. Howse (Eastbourne) 2, H. R. Butcher (Rotherfield) 3, H. W. Smith (Rotherfield) 4, C. Causley (Buxted) 5, E. Gower (Eastbourne) 6, A. J. Turner (Lewes) 7, J. Bagley (Mayfield) 8. The bells and their weights are as follow:—

Treble.—"Glory to God in the Highest"—Taylor, Loughborough, 1913 (weight 6 cwt.—Eb).

2.—"On earth, peace, goodwill toward men."—Taylor, Loughborough, 1913 (6½.—D.).

3.—"The gift of John Baker, Esq., 1724. I. W. Fecit." (7½.—C).

4.—"John Waylett made me, 1724. R.F., J.M., C.W." (9—Bb).

5.—"J. G., 1602" (11.—Ab).

6.—"Brianus Eldredge, me fecit. W.W., R.W., 1629" (12½.—G).

7.—"Cast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1893. Mr. John Sands, John Merchant, Churchwardens. Peter Baker, D.D., Vicar. R. Phelps made me, 1712. Recast 1898. J. H. R. Kirby, Vicar. E. Coppard, J. B. Powell, Churchwardens" (16—F).

8.—"Gloria in excelsis Deo.—Brianus Eldredge, me fecit. R.W. 1630" (21½—Eb).

OLD DEVON BELLS RESTORED.

The fine old peal of bells of Burrington Parish Church, Devon, which date as far back as 1788, have been re-opened after rehanging, the ceremony being performed by the Lord Bishop of Crediton. In conjunction with the event, was held the annual festival of the Chulmleigh Deanery Bell Ringers' Association, and the day was made a red-letter one for the parish, large numbers of people from the surrounding villages joining with the parishioners in the celebrations. The work of rehanging the peal has been carried out at a cost of about £131, by the firm of Messrs. Stokes and Son, of Woodbury, in a manner that has given every satisfaction. Parishioners and friends responded nobly to the appeal made for subscriptions to enable the work to be taken in hand, and up to the time of opening a sum of £157 had been raised. With the balance it is hoped to carry out some very necessary repairs to the historic tower. From an early hour in the morning and onwards at intervals through the day, the bells sounded in merry strain o'er the hills, the ringing being carried out by teams from the various parishes in the Chulmleigh Deanery. Those represented, in addition to the local ringers, were Lapford (2 sets), Atherington, High Bickington, Ashreigney, East and West Worlington, Chulmleigh, and Chawleigh.

An attendance of about 100 sat down to luncheon in the Schoolroom, presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. M. D. Buckingham), who, after the loyal toast had been honoured, proposed "Success to the Deanery Association," which he was pleased to welcome to the parish for its festival. The Vicar referred to the work carried out in connection with the bells, which, he interestingly remarked, were cast, together with those of Atherington and Landkey churches, by Pennington in Atherington Churchyard in the year 1788. Both Atherington and their bells were repaired in the same year, 1884, while there was only one year's difference in the dates of their rehanging, the work at Atherington having been undertaken last year.

The Rev. H. A. Hill, hon. secretary of the Association, responded, and expressed the Association's pleasure at joining in the proceedings that day.

"The health of the Bishop of Crediton" was cordially received, and the toasts of "The Contractors" and "The Chairman" were also honoured.

After the dedication by the Bishop, there was a public tea, which was largely attended.

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NOTICES.

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LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD. — The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at Walton-on-the-Hill, Liverpool, on Saturday, June 28th. Full particulars by circular.—Rev. W. S. Bulpit and W. Bentham, Honorary Secretaries.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea will be provided at 6 o'clock. All ringing friends are welcome. — H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The annual general meeting will be held at Warwick on Saturday, June 28th. Short service at St. Mary's at 4.45 p.m. Preacher, Rev. Canon Baillie. Committee meeting in Vestry at 4 p.m. Tea at the Globe Hotel, 9d. per head, after service. Business meeting to follow. St. Mary's tower will be open at 3.30 p.m. and St. Nicholas' by arrangement. All subscriptions in arrears should be forwarded at once to the Treasurer.—Rev. C. C. Cox, Hon. Sec., Shottery.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION (South Western Division).—The next meeting will be held at Hornchurch, on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea and business meeting at the Bull Inn at 5.30. All ringers and friends invited.—H. Rumens, Hon. District Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Dunstable on Saturday, June 28th, 1913. Bells available from 3.30 p.m.—A. King, Honorary Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Lyminster on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Tea at the Parish Room 5.30, by kind invitation of the Vicar. Business to follow.—H. Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

A peal board commemorating the "John" peal of Stedman Cinques is to be unveiled at St. Giles' Church, Cripplegate, on Saturday, June 28th, at 4 p.m. Ringers, and particularly members of the Waterloo Society, are invited to be present. The bells will be available until 6 p.m. Handbells, etc., afterwards at The Crown, Crown Court, Fleet Street.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Established 1637.—A district meeting will be held at Croydon on Saturday, July 5th. Ringing from 4 to 5 o'clock at St. John's, and from 6 to 8 o'clock at St. Peter's. By the kind invitation of Messrs. Johnston, tea will be provided at 5.30 p.m. in St. Peter's Hall for all who send their names to me by July 1st. A social meeting will be held at 8 o'clock at the Greyhound Hotel.—William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Moorside Church, Oldham, on Saturday, July 5th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. Business important. A good attendance is requested.—J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Taunton on July 5th, 1913. Dinner in St. Mary's School, Church Square, at 1.30. Business meeting to follow. Service in St. Mary's Church at 6 p.m. The following bells are available: St. Mary's (10) after 12 noon, St. James' (8), Wilton (6) all day.—E. E. Burgess, Secretary, 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next meeting of this society will be held at North Wingfield on Saturday, July 5th, and not, as arranged at the annual meeting, at Eckington on June 28th (the Eckington bells being uncompleted). Church of St. Laurence, 8 bells, tenor 16 cwt., available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. A free tea will be provided, and members who intend being present are particularly requested to inform Mr. J. P. Tarlton, Hepthorn Lane, North Wingfield, of their intention, not later than June 30th. — J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 11, Havelock Street, Sheffield.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS. — A special ringing meeting will be held here on Saturday, July 5th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m., and a short service at 4.45. Tea in the Rectory Grounds at 5 o'clock. Those wishing to have tea provided for them are requested to inform Mr. W. T. Wilson, Isham, of their intention to be present.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Southern Branch).—The next meeting will be held at Edenham on Saturday, July 5th, bells (6) available all day, service in the church at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided at the Five Bells Inn at 4.45 p.m., business meeting following. It is hoped that ringers and friends will turn up in large numbers, and so make this meeting a very successful one. — S. Proctor, Secretary, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).—The quarterly meeting of the association will be held on Monday, July 7th, at the church of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury, W.C. Tower open from 8 to 9.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at Ash-next-Sandwich, on Saturday, July 12th. Bells available from 3 p.m. All ringers and friends heartily welcome.—E. Trendell, Hon. Secretary, Worksop.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. — Summer quarterly meeting at Harworth, near Bawtry (6 bells), Saturday, July 12th. Tea at 5 p.m. Tickhill (8 bells), by the kind permission of the Rev. H. E. Booty, will also be at the disposal of ringers during the day. Ladies and gentlemen of kindred associations will be heartily welcomed. A good attendance is desired. — H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, Worksop.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Bicentenary of bells at Goosnargh on July 12th. All members of the Preston Branch are invited by the Vicar of Goosnargh to attend on the above date. Service at 3.45. Preacher, Rev. H. J. Elsee, President of the Association. Tea will be provided afterwards. The bells will be available before service from two o'clock, and after tea till 9 p.m. Members who intend being present must let me know by July 7th. — E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will be held at Wokingham, on Saturday, July 19th. Service in the Parish Church at 11.30. Preacher: the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey (President of the Cambridge University Guild of Change Ringers). Business meeting in the Church House at 12.20. Dinner in the Drill Hall at 1.30. Dinner tickets at 2s. 3d. each (ale or minerals included) will be forwarded to those members only who send the money, with the order, to me *on or before Saturday, July 12th.* One Shilling will be refunded to each member present at the dinner, but members failing to send for their tickets must pay 2s. 3d. at the door and have no refund.—Albert E. Reeves, Guild Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. W. Latter, Honorary Secretary of the Tonbridge District of the Kent Association, has removed to 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

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MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

MEETING AT OAKHAM.

The first quarterly meeting of the year was held at Oakham, on Saturday last, and a very enjoyable time was spent by those who attended, the weather being all that could be desired, and the bells being a good peal of eight in first-rate ringing order. The one drawback to the belfry is the fact that no daylight can enter the ringing chamber, nor is there any ventilation other than by the door. Tea was partaken of in the Church Room, and afterwards the general meeting was held, the vice-president (Mr. J. W. Taylor) taking the chair. Amongst others present were: The Rev. C. J. Sturton (Orston), Messrs. C. J. Phillips (churchwarden), W. C. Wakley (hon. treasurer), W. E. White (hon. secretary), J. J. Jackson, R. W. Baker, etc. The Vicar of Oakham (Rev. J. H. Charles) gave the company a hearty welcome, and was sorry that owing to a prior engagement he could not stay for the meeting.—One honorary and twelve ringing members were unanimously elected.—The Chairman briefly reviewed the peals rung since the annual meeting (25 on tower and five on handbells), and drew attention to the peal of St. Clement's Triples rung at Darley Dale, which was the first in the method by the Association. He also gave a short account of the recent meeting of the Central Council at Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Thanks were accorded to the Oakham ringers for making the arrangements, and to the clergy and churchwardens for the use of the bells and churchroom.—Replying, on behalf of the clergy and churchwardens, Mr. C. J. Phillips said they were pleased to welcome the Association to Oakham, and to do all they could to make the meeting a success. With respect to the lighting and ventilating of the ringing room, he would bring the question before the Church Council, and he hoped they would be able to do something to remedy the defects in the near future.

An adjournment was then made to the tower, where the company, having been reinforced by Mr. J. H. Shepherd, the bells were inspected, and touches rung in various methods until about 8.30.

MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

ULVERSTON.—On April 27th, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor (18 bobs and two singles). Also 120 Bob Minor: T. R. Jackson 1, J. Huddleston 2, T. Watson 3, T. Suart 4, T. King (conductor) 5, J. Burrows 6. T. King hails from London, and the rest from Dalton-in-Furness.

BOLTON, BRADFORD, YORKS.—At St. James' Church, on April 27th, 1008 Stedman Triples, in 38 mins.: A. Ainge 1, S. B. Norfolk 2, F. Palframan 3, A Gill 4, J. Palframan 5, F. Hopwood 6, B. E. Howe (conductor) 7, S. Palframan 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to S. Palframan and J. Nichols.

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.—At the Parish Church, recently, for evening service, 518 Stedman Cinques.—On April 20th, for morning service, 789 Stedman Cinques, and for evening service, 921 Stedman Cinques: W. Woodhead 1, A. Naylor 2, H. Tomlinson 3, J. Hutchinson 4, H. Lockwood 5, J. Teale 6, J. Matthews 7, G. Mehale 8, G. Tingle 9, F. Barker 10, W. Ash (conductor) 11, H. Smith 12.

FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS.—On May 4th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: J. Snuwings 1, J. J. Parker 2, W. H. Fussell 3, G. Basden 4, J. Elderfield 5, H. Barton 6, J. Bavington 7, W. Clarke 8

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.—At All Soul's Church, on May 4th, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: F. Markland 1, A. Holden 2, J. Nuttall 3, T. Knowels 4, P. Nuttall 5, G. Pincott 6, W. Pennington (conductor) 7, J. E. Markland 8.

UPPER CLAPTON.—On May 4th, for evening service, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, in 62 mins.: C. F. White 1, H. J. Sudell 2, H. J. King 3, C. Gray 4, H. J. Cantor 5, W. J. Kemp (conductor) 6, S. H. R. Cooper 7, S. S. Dunwell 8.

COLCHESTER.—At St. Peter's Church, in commemoration of St. George's Day, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1280 changes): Messrs. G. W. Dixon 1, H. T. Pye 2, F. L. Bumpstead 3, G. Burch 4, H. Evers 5, S. Hull 6, W. Chalk 7, W. J. Schofield (conductor) 8. Also 1088 in the same method, with R. W. Stannard 7, the rest as before; 504 and 672 Grandsire Triples, conducted by R. W. Stannard; 224 and 560 Bob Major, conducted by W. Chalk; and 576 Oxford Treble Bob, W. Kemp also taking part.

CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.—On Sunday, May 4th, for evening service, a 720 of Bob Minor, by: W Shilvock 1, G. Popnell 2, C. Boughton 3, F. Breakwell 4, C. Sheriff 5, J. Barber (conductor) 6.

SELSTON, NOTTS.—On May 4th, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: J. Dobbs 1, W. J. Sevier (conductor) 2, T. Wharmley 3, C. Cottam 4, A. Elliott 5, W. Wharmley 6.

BOLSOVER.—On April 29th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: R. Coupe 1, F. W. Bemrose (first 720) 2, G. W. Bemrose 3, C. Mason 4, T. Riley 5, J. Flint (conductor) 6.—On May 4th, for evening service, 720 Bob Major: T.Riley 1, A. V. Moore 2, J. Moss 3, F. W. Bemrose 4, C. Mason 5, J. Flint 6, R. Coupe 7, G. W. Bemrose (conductor) 8.

WESTON FAVELL.—Central Northants Association.—On May 5th, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1260 changes), each six-score called differently: W. Law 1, C. Haines 2, W. T. Law 3, A. Richardson 4, T. Law (conductor) 5. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd, it being his first quarter-peal.

WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE. — On April 30th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: A. Wallwork (Pendlebury) 1, J. Worthington 2, A. Potter 3, J. Welsby 4, S. Oakes 5, Jas. Denner 6, John Potter (conductor) 7, A. Burton 8. Rung, with the bells deeply muffled, for the funeral of Mrs. Barlow, who has been connected with the church for over 60 years.—On May 4th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins.: J. Potter (conductor) 1, T. Barlow 2, A. Potter 3, T. Worsley 4, J. Welsley 5, M. Berry 6, Jos. Ridyard 7, A. Burton 8. Rung for the Sunday School Anniversary.

BATH.—At St. Saviour's Church, for evening service, on Ascension Day, and as a birthday compliment to the conductor, 1260 of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: "Joey" Bell 1, John Taylor 2, Charles Goodenough 3, James Fussell 4, Frodk. C. Rich 5, Charles Densley 6, Chas. W. Bell (conductor) 7, H. Merrett 8.

DARGATE. — On Sunday, April 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Roy Trendell 1, E. Trendell 2, Cyril Hadlow 3, E. E. Foreman 4, F. Elsey 5, A. Bones (conductor) 6, H. Gilbert 7, P. Price 8.

WISBECH.—At the Parish Church, for morning service, on April 20th, 720 Bob Minor, tenor covering: T. Banham 1, H. Piggins 2, T. Haines 3, H. Banham 4, G. Piggins 5, R. Narborough (conductor) 6, H. Cheesewright 8. First 720 on tower bells.

HILLINGDON, WEST.—On Sunday evening, April 20th, at St. Andrew's Church, 1260 Oxford Bob Triples: K. G. Hawkins 1, P. E. Jones 2, H. Waite 3, G. H. Gutteridge 4, H. Gosden 5, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 6, R. Carter 7, W. Foster 8.

TONBRIDGE.—On Sunday, April 20th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes), in 47 mins.: C. Cooke 1, G. H. Stonestreet 2, Joe Milner 3, A. Laurence 4, A. E. Headey 5, W. Steed 6, S. J. Perkins, junr. (conductor) 7, S. Corke 8. This was arranged for Mr. Perkins, of Tunbridge Wells, who was sailing for Boston, U.S.A.

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