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THE NEXT COUNCIL.

The time is rapidly approaching when ringing organisations throughout the country, if they have not already done so, will have to choose representatives for the Central Council, which begins its new triennial period next year, and under which the new rules, adopted two years ago, come into full operation. For many of the affiliated societies there will be no change in the existing arrangements; they have all along been entitled to elect the maximum number of four members and have always done so; but for some of the rest a review of their position will be necessary. The new rules more closely define the basis of affiliation, notably for territorial and diocesan associations that their representation shall be based upon the actual number of annual subscribing honorary and ringing members and resident life members, and affiliation fees have to be paid upon this basis whether the full number of representatives is elected or not. There are some societies very near the numerical border lines which determine the amount of representation to which they are entitled, and a count of heads may be necessary before they can settle the number of Council members they are entitled to elect. In some cases they may have qualified for increased representation; in others it may happen that figures will show they are not entitled to as many representatives as they have hitherto elected.

In the past, in an endeavour to secure the representation of all societies, there have been just a few cases in which representation has been given to organisations which strictly, perhaps, were not entitled to elect a member; but, be that as it may, the representation for the future is plainly laid down. A society must have at least 75 members, as previously specified, before it can find a place on the Council; 150 members before it can have two representatives; 300 before it is entitled to three; and 450 before it can send four members. This may affect some of the smaller organisations, and we are calling attention to the new requirements at this early stage so that the committees and officials may be reminded of the new position and not find themselves up against any unexpected position when they come to elect, or have elected, representatives to the Council. It is going to be a little difficult, perhaps, for some societies to know exactly where they stand. There is an association, for instance, with a territorial name, which charges one sum on admission and no annual subscription. In such a case it is going to be somewhat troublesome to arrive at the qualifying strength, for losses from death and removals from the area must, in the course of years, have complicated things not a little. But there are the facts. The next Council

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is to be elected on the new basis, and it is the business of the associations to overhaul their affairs, if necessary, so that accurate statistics are available and their correct representation settled.

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LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Friday, October 18, 1935, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY 1	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE ... 6
HARRY R. PASMORE 2	EDWIN H. LEWIS... .. 7
HENRY G. MILES... .. 3	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM ... 8
WILLIAM H. PASMORE 4	HERBERT LANGDON 9
JAMES C. E. SIMPSON 5	ALFRED B. PECK Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDWIN H. LEWIS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Pennington-Bickford. First peal of Royal in the method ever rung. First peal in the method by all except the conductor.

CULLOMPTON, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(EXETER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

JOHN C. OKE 1	CHARLES G. GLASS 6
*JOHN R. SANDOVER 2	CHARLES R. LILLEY 7
JAMES E. LILLEY 3	*ARTHUR MITCHELL 8
THOMAS LAVER 4	*EDGAR GLASS 9
WILLIAM H. HOWE 5	*RICHARD WILMINGTON ... Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON. Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.
* First peal on ten bells.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5018 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILFRED WILLIAMS 1	*MISS DORIS E. LIDBETTER ... 6
HARRY HOSKINS 2	HORACE BELCHER 7
WILLIAM H. HEWETT... .. 3	CHARLES W. GRIMWOOD ... 8
JAMES E. DAVIS 4	REUBEN SANDERS 9
EDWIN F. PIKE 5	HARRY A. FOLKARD... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY HALVY. Conducted by W. H. HEWETT.
* First attempt for a peal of Stedman Caters.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 5, 1935, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

DAY'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

WILLIAM CROSS 1	WALTER GORTON... .. 5
ROBERT E. EASTHAM 2	WILLIAM BAXENDALE 6
HAROLD GORTON... .. 3	PETER CROOK, SEN. 7
EDWARD BENTLEY WEBSTER ... 4	RICHARD WILLIAM MOSLEY Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD GORTON.

Rung to celebrate the golden jubilee of the church. The ringer of the 5th rang the same bell on the opening day.

DUNMOW, ESSEX.
THE NATIONAL GUILD OF POLICE RINGERS,
On Thursday, October 10, 1935, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Table listing ringers for Dunmow: Police-Sergt. GEORGE SCHLEDDER 'G', Ch.-Insp. WILLIAM BOTTRILL 'T', Ex-Insp. FRED RIDGWELL 'D', etc.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHIEF-INSP. W. BOTTRILL
Rung in honour of the birth of a son and Prince to T.H. the Duke and Duchess of Kent.

BURGHILL, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5068 CHANGES;

Table listing ringers for Burghill: WILLIAM E. WILLIAMS, CHARLES L. SADLER, JOHN J. WEBB, WILLIAM T. POSTON, WILLIAM H. SYMONDS, IVOR J. RAWLINGS, ROBERT E. SUMMERS, WILLIAM POSTON

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by W. POSTON.
* First peal of Major. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. T. O. Charteris, who has resigned after serving 25 years as Vicar of the parish. W. E. Williams has now rung each bell in this tower through a peal.

CREDITON, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
(EXETER BRANCH.)
On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Table listing ringers for Crediton: GEORGE LAXTON, WILLIAM H. HOWE, REGINALD TRUMAN, HENRY CORRY, THOMAS J. BARTLETT, ARTHUR TRUMAN, CHARLES R. LILLEY, THOMAS H. POOK

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.
First peal on the bells since they were rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, October 16, 1935, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Table listing ringers for Crawley: JAMES LAKER, REGINALD V. JOHNSON, MISS FLORRICE WYMAN, CECIL NICE, LEONARD LAKER, KENNETH SNELLING, OLIVER SIPPETTS, NELSON ELLIOTT

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by O. SIPPETTS.
* First peal on eight bells.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Wednesday, October 16, 1935, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Table listing ringers for Framsden: WILLIAM WHITING, GEORGE PRYKE, LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN, LESLIE G. BRETT, GEORGE BENNETT, WILLIAM J. BUTTON, JAMES BENNETT, JUN., ALBERT E. WHITING

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by L. G. BRETT.
Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Harry T. Long, of Winston Hall, to Miss Sybil Harvey, of Framsden Hall, which took place earlier in the day.

CANTERBURY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, October 17, 1935, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, HACKINGTON.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Table listing ringers for Canterbury: WASHBROOK'S No. 1, FREDERICK G. BRETT, EDWARD E. TRENDLELL, WILLIAM E. PITTMAN, H. RICHARD FRENCH, REGINALD A. BALDOCK, FREDERICK R. WELLER, HARRY PARKES, GEORGE KENWARD

Rung with half-muffled clappers as a token of deep respect to Mr. E. H. Spice, who was laid to rest in the churchyard on the same day.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Table listing ringers for North Stoneham: EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN., GEORGE PULLING, HAROLD P. REED, WILLIAM T. TUCKER, CHARLES J. FRAY, EDWARD WHEELER, GEORGE WILLIAMS, RONALD CLARK

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.
* First peal of Stedman. 100th peal together. Rung as a welcome home from their honeymoon of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. H. Connelly, of the local band.

KINGSTON, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Table listing ringers for Kingston: THURSTANS' FOUR-PART, CHARLES H. JENNINGS, WILLIAM M. STONE, FRANK BENNETT, REV. R. P. FARROW, WILLIAM G. YOUNG, LOUIS J. LOCKYER, WILLIAM C. SHUTE, JAMES H. SHEPHERD

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.
* First peal of Stedman. Rung to welcome to Dorset the Rev. R. P. Farrow, who has recently been inducted to the living of East Lulworth.

HEADCORN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Table listing ringers for Headcorn: PHILIP HODGKIN, CHARLES H. SONE, TOM SAUNDERS, LUTHER J. HONEST, WILLIAM WENBAN, GEORGE KENWARD, WILLIAM J. WALKER, THOMAS E. SONE

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.
* 50th peal together. Birthday peal for Audrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Sone. The composition, No. 222, is now rung for the first time.

GRAVESEND, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Table listing ringers for Gravesend: HERBERT E. AUDSLEY, JOHN H. CHEESMAN, ROLAND PARK, EDWIN A. BARNETT, HENRY T. WILSON, HARRY HOVERD, EDWARD J. BEER, GEORGE J. BUTCHER

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by H. E. AUDSLEY.
* First peal in the method. Rung with the bells half-muffled for Edward H. Spice, of Canterbury, a former member of the local band.

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CHESHUNT, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th observation). Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb.

GEORGE W. DEBENHAM ... Treble	STANLEY A. CARTER 5
LILIAN M. WHEELER 2	JOSEPH LADLEY 6
GEORGE GRAY 3	GEORGE B. COLLINS 7
FREDRICK C. PERRIN 4	ERNEST PICKETT Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE B. COLLINS.

First peal as conductor.

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Lawrence.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

FREDRICK G. BAILEY ... Treble	ERNEST MORRIS 5
GEOFFREY W. CLAYFIELD ... 2	LEONARD W. JOHNSON ... 6
JOSEPH W. COTTON 3	GEO. STEDMAN MORRIS ... 7
ERNEST W. BEADSMOORE ... 4	*EDWARD TALBOT Tenor

Transposed by ERNEST MORRIS. Conducted by G. STEDMAN MORRIS

* First peal. A birthday compliment to the daughter of the 6th ringer. Rung after meeting short for Stedman, the 2nd ringer filling the breach at the last moment.

HALSTEAD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S. Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

SAMUEL WARNE Treble	FRANK CLAYDON 5
MISS HILDA SNOWDEN 2	LEWIS W. WIFFEN 6
FREDRICK RIDGWELL 3	ARTHUR SAUNDERS 7
*CLAUDE SNOWDEN 4	ALBERT WIFFEN Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WIFFEN.

* First peal of Cambridge 'inside.'

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

FREDRICK G. BIGGS Treble	*WILFRED EDWARDS 5
DOROTHY R. FLETCHER 2	ROLAND BIGGS 6
KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER 3	GEORGE MARTIN 7
WILLIAM HENLEY 4	HARRY WINGROVE Tenor

Composed by J. PAGETT. Conducted by H. WINGROVE.

* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

EGERTON, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 changes of Original, 1,440 of Plain Bob, 480 Stedman and 2,400 of Grandsire. Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

*A. JAMES SMITH Treble	ALEXANDER WADDINGTON ... 4
MRS. D. PACK 2	JOSEPH T. PACK 5
GEORGE C. HILL 3	S. VINCENT PACK Tenor

Conducted by A. WADDINGTON.

* First peal. All members of the local company with the exception of the ringer of the 3rd, who comes from Charing. Rung to celebrate the harvest festival.

WRANGLE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EASTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Mary and Nicholas.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Court Bob, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. (approx.)

GEORGE W. BORRELL ... Treble	HAROLD BARSLEY 4
WILLIAM WILKINSON 2	CYRIL R. BORRELL 5
HARVEY E. BORRELL 3	WILLIAM E. CLAREE Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. CLAREE.

LEADENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Swithin,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

One extent each of Double Bob, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Single Court. Tenor 15 cwt.

FREDRICK W. STOKES ... Treble	WALTER TOMLINSON 4
MISS ADELINE A. STOKES ... 2	HARRY CARTER 5
MOSES BILLINGS 3	JOHN WALDEN Tenor

Conducted by JOHN WALDEN.

LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 14, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. John,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge. Tenor 13 cwt.

ERNEST J. BOTLER ... Treble	ALFRED PRIOR 4
*EDWIN H. LEWIS 2	GEORGE DAWSON 5
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... 3	EDWARD D. SMITH Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD D. SMITH.

* First peal in seven Surprise methods and rung at the first attempt.

CHEW STOKE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 15, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

(1) Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and York; (2) London and Cunecester; (3) Ipswich; (4) Wearmouth; (5) Lightfoot; (6) Wells; (7) Cambridge. Tenor 12 cwt.

DAVID MACEAY ... Treble	FREDRICK TARGETT 4
JOHN A. TARGETT 2	RONALD G. BECK 5
LEONARD DUNFORD 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

First peal of Minor on the bells. First peal in 11 Surprise methods as conductor.

BENTLEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5160 CHANGES;

Being 13 extents of Plain Bob (four callings) and 30 extents of Grandsire (ten callings). Tenor 6 cwt. (approx.)

*JAMES E. STEPHENSON ... Treble	*HARRY GOODALE 3
ERNEST COOPER 2	*FOORD NEWTON 4
*WILLIAM FAY Tenor	

Conducted by E. COOPER.

* First peal. First peal on the bells. Rung to mark the retirement of G. W. Tuplin, for nearly 30 years captain of this tower.

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On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's, viz.: (1) Allendale and Westminster; (2) Lightfoot, Stamford, Rossendale and Wearmouth; (3) Northumberland, Carlisle and Sandiacre; (4) Beverley, Berwick, Durham, Hexham, York and Surfleet; (5) Chester, Newcastle, Alnwick and Munden; (6) London, Cuneastre and Wells; (7) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne.

ALBERT E. SCOTT Treble	THOMAS A. COOPER 4
CHARLES W. WOODS 2	CUTHBERT T. H. BRADLEY ... 5
HORACE M. DAY 3	THOMAS L. BAINBRIDGE ... Tenor

Conducted by HORACE M. DAY.

There were 122 changes of method. First peal in 28 methods by all and for the Guild. Thanks are due to Mr. Scott for standing in at short notice. The attempt was arranged only two days before by Mr. Bradley.

FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(SONNING DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of Single Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

*BERNARD C. CASTLE Treble	†REV. A. G. G. THURLOW ... 4
†WILLIAM J. BROOKS 2	WILLIAM J. PAICE 5
MARIE R. CROSS 3	REV. C. ELLIOT WIGG ... Tenor

Conducted by C. E. WIGG.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor. Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. Walter E. Lewington and Miss Patricia Holloway, which took place at the Church of St. Lawrence, Reading, earlier in the day. Also a birthday compliment to the daughter of the ringer of the 5th.

BARCOMBE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 19, 1935 in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, ten callings. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb.

*HENRY V. TURNER Treble	*ALBERT TURNER 4
*WILLIAM SMITH 2	ARTHUR J. HART 5
ARTHUR F. LEWRY 3	*ERNEST R. HAZELDEN ... Tenor

Conducted by A. J. HART.

* First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Thomas Bellingham, of Fletching, Sussex.

OTLEY, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 720 each of College Exercise, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

WILLIAM G. WEITING ... Treble	GEORGE BENNETT 4
GEORGE PRYKE 2	JAMES BENNETT, JUN. 5
WILLIAM WOODS 3	ALDERMAN LING Tenor

Conducted by A. LING.

RIPPINGALE, LINGS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 19, 1935, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in F sharp.

*ARTHUR WILLSON Treble	†CYRIL PICKERING 4
STEPHEN LAXTON 2	ROBERT C. CHALLAND 5
HARRY GIBBARD 3	GEORGE BOOTH Tenor

Conducted by H. GIBBARD.

* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' Ringers of 1, 2, 4 and 5 belong to the local band. This peal was rung to enable them to take part in the first peal on the bells since they were rehung and a new treble added by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

FOR BEGINNERS.

CALLING THE BELLS ROUND.

It is a very useful thing to know how to call bells round, particularly if they have gone wrong in a touch or it is found necessary for any reason to shorten it.

If you are ringing a touch of Grandsire Triples, in which 6.7 are kept together, that is, in their proper coursing order, as in the many touches which we have dealt with recently, there are various ways in which the bells can be got home without much trouble.

One way is to get the 4th into the hunt at the earliest moment, and call it out the lead after the 6th comes Before. If it doesn't bring up rounds, the 6th In and Out either once, or twice, will put the bells in the plain course.

Or, get the 5th into coursing order after the 7th. If there is one bell between the 7th and 5th, call the 5th Before, then, if the 2nd is not in the hunt, call the three bells, 5.6.7, at Home, until rounds is reached. If the 2nd is in the hunt, of course, the bells, with 5.6.7 at Home, must come round, unless there has been a shift course. If the 3rd is in the hunt, the 7th called In and Out will put the bells into the plain course; if the 4th is in the hunt, a bob with the 7th at 'Home' will bring them round.

We speak of 'putting the bells into the plain course,' because there may be a lead to run after the last bob before the bells come round.

If you want to bring the bells round when 6 and 7 are not in coursing order, the usual thing to do is to get them there as soon as possible. If their coursing order is 6.7 with one bell between them, and there is time to do it, call the 7th Before, otherwise call the first one available into the hunt. Then, if the 7th is in the hunt, call the 6th Before, or if the 6th is in the hunt, call a bob the lead after the 7th has been Before. You then proceed to 'collect' the other bells as described above.

Or you can begin the other way, and if you have 6 coursing 4, get the 7th into position by treating it as the 5th is treated above; or if the 5th is coursing 7, bring the 6th into position as the 4th is, in the earlier paragraph. A little study with pencil and paper will help the beginner a lot, and he will pick up many hints from this, as well as from practice in the tower.

But before we leave the subject, we must say something about the alternative way of bringing bells round, namely, at handstroke, which sometimes can be quicker done than getting them round at backstroke. The bells come round at backstroke if the 2nd is in the hunt and the other bells are coursing in the cycle 4.6.7.5.3. The bells come round at hand if the 3rd is in the hunt and the other bells are in the reverse coursing cycle of 5.7.6.4.2. Now this cycle cannot be obtained unless the bells are 'out-of-course,' and in order to put them out-of-course, either you must have had an odd number of singles or two bells must have 'changed course.'

In order to get the bells round you do it on the plan explained above by treating 6 for 7 and 7 for 6, 5 for 4 and 4 for 5. If you want deliberately to bring them round at hand when they are 'in-course,' call a single with 6.7 on the front, sending the 7th into the hunt, and out next lead with a bob. If 4.6 are coursing, you can, if you like, turn this pair over instead. Then you must put the 7th in front of the 6th, by calling it 'In,' and 'Out' after the 6th has come Before.

Just one thing to be on your guard against. Do not aim at getting the bells round at hand with a bob. If you do, you will find you have rung at least the first lead of your touch over again, but backwards. You want to produce the lead-end 357264, either plain or bobbed, and come into rounds the next time the treble gets down to lead.

Here are one or two short touches, reversing 6.7 and coming round at hand—the change immediately before 325476:—

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234567	1	2	3	234567	1	2	3	4	234567	1	2	3
354267	—	—	—	423576	—	—	S	—	423576	—	—	S
435267	—	—	—	253476	—	—	—	—	253476	—	—	—
325476	—	S	—	543276	—	—	—	—	543276	—	—	—
				435276	—	—	—	—	354276	—	—	—
				325476	—	—	—	—	435276	—	—	—
									325476	—	—	—

The figures above the bobs indicate, as explained last week, the leads in the courses at which the bobs and singles are called. There are four leads in every course.

HASLEMERE BELLS BROADCAST TO AMERICA.

On the 43rd anniversary of the death of Lord Tennyson, the Victorian Poet Laureate, a special broadcast to America was arranged by the Columbia Broadcasting Company of America, in conjunction with the B.B.C., from Tennyson's old home at Haslemere. A feature of the broadcast was the introduction of the 'distant' Haslemere bells, which inspired many beautiful lines. It is not often that English bells are heard in America, but in this respect Haslemere joins with Boston, Lines, in its distinction.

The touch broadcast was 336 Grandsire Triples, rung by: R. Hayes 1, F. Bowden 2, B. Elliott 3, E. J. Ayliffe 4, A. J. Bartlett 5, H. Smithers 6, J. H. B. Hesse (conductor) 7, F. W. Wicks 8.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**BRANCH MEETING AT DEAN PRIOR.**

A quarterly meeting of the Mid-Devon Branch of the Devonshire Guild was held at Dean Prior, near Buckfastleigh, on Saturday last, when ringers and friends were present from Bramford Speke, Sidmouth, Exeter, Kenn, Christow, Newton Abbot, Cockington, Paignton and Buckfastleigh, as well as from the local tower. The fine peal of six bells were well utilised during the afternoon, touches of Grandsire Doubles being rung as well as rounds for the less experienced ringers.

A service was later held in church, and attended by a number of parishioners, in addition to the visitors. Canon the Hon. R. J. Yarde-Buller, Vicar of Dean Prior, officiated, and based an excellent address on the inscriptions on the first two bells of a neighbouring peal of bells, viz., 'I lead' and 'I follow.'

The visitors afterwards adjourned to the Schoolroom for tea, and the president of the Guild (the Rev. E. V. Cox) occupied the chair at the subsequent business meeting, in the absence of the branch chairman through indisposition.

It was reported that the best thanks of the branch had been sent to the late secretary for his past services.

A copy of 'A Great Adventure' was also produced for inspection.

It was reported that two honorary members and five performing members had resigned, and another honorary member had asked to become an ordinary ringing member.

The election prior to peal attempts of Mr. F. E. Collins, of Thornton Heath, Miss K. M. Bradford and Mr. T. J. Lock, of London, as life members, was confirmed.

It was resolved to hold the annual meeting of the branch at Paignton on Saturday, February 8th.

The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Dean Prior for the use of the bells, for conducting the service and for the use of the Schoolroom. He congratulated the parish on its young ringing members. He also proposed a vote of thanks to the lady organist, the organ blower, the Ladies' Committee for the tea arrangements, and to the local ringers for having everything in readiness.—This was seconded and carried with acclamation.—The Vicar expressed thanks on behalf of the parish.

This concluded the business and the visitors returned to the tower, where touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles were rung. Some of the visitors afterwards availed themselves of the opportunity to ring at Buckfastleigh Parish Church.

STOWING'S YOUNG BAND**ADMITTED TO KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

Ringers from Ashford, Brabourne, Cheriton, Little Chart, Hythe, Newington, Sturry and Willesborough met at Stowing on Saturday, October 12th, to try the newly-augmented peal and to elect the local ringers as members of the Kent County Association. The bells, which were recently increased from four to six, are a very light ring (tenor 6 cwt. approx.), but everyone seemed well pleased with both 'tone' and 'go.'

About an hour and a half of useful practice was enjoyed before the short service, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. A. G. Hamilton Dicker). Tea was generously provided by the Rector and Mrs. Dicker in a large room at the Rectory.

Following this seven practising members of the local band were elected to the association, and the Rector was made an honorary member.

Mr. Ruck thanked the Rev. Hamilton Dicker for his invitation to Stowing and for so kindly providing tea. He said he was pleased to see a Stowing company join the association, because this village had contributed some exceptionally good ringers to the Exercise, namely, the Chesman family.

Before returning to the tower handbells were brought out and a few good touches rung on them.

Stowing has a young and keen band of beginners, and it is, therefore, hoped that anyone who can help them will do so. The practice night is Monday, 7-9 p.m. (winter only), and Sunday ringing at 10 a.m.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 21st, a very successful meeting of the Peterborough Branch was held at Maxey. Ringers were present from Staverton, Wymondham, Eggleton, Peterborough (St. Mary's and St. John's), Laughton Market Deeping, James Deeping, Littleworth, Bourne, Morton, Kingham, Wittering, Stamford and the local band. Methods from Plain Bob to Cambridge Surprise were rung before the service, which was conducted by the Vicar, who also gave the ringers a hearty welcome. Tea was served at the Blue Bell Inn, 27 sitting down.

A short business meeting was held, the Master of the Guild (the Rev. E. T. Powell) presiding.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Crowland. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells.

The tower was again visited and further ringing enjoyed until the bells were lowered at 9 p.m., bringing a very enjoyable gathering to a close.

STOURBRIDGE BELL RESTORATION.**ANONYMOUS DONOR'S GENEROUS GIFT.**

By the generosity of an anonymous donor, as a thankoffering for the first 25 years of the King's beneficent reign, the bells of Stourbridge Parish Church have been restored by Messrs. Taylor and Co., who recast four of them and have rehung the whole eight. The bells were originally cast in 1759 by Lester and Pack, and the seventh recast in 1901. The restoration now carried out has effected a great improvement. Alterations have been also made to the louvre windows of the tower to moderate the sound in the vicinity of the church and to give the bells greater carrying power. The tenor is about 19 cwt.

The bells were rededicated at a largely attended service, the Archdeacon of Dudley (the Ven. A. P. Shepherd) performing the ceremony. He gave a striking address, in the course of which he said that a ringer had to be perfect in his work, and not let down other ringers or the whole team. He needed obedience, and must be a man who was patient and would take time to learn, and that was why in these times of attractions and amusements it was difficult to find men who were prepared to spend the time or undertake the discipline required. There had to be discipline, and a man had to be unselfish and good tempered; in other words, he had to be well tuned. The speaker referred to the appropriateness of the rededication of the bells on the day before they began the dedication festival of that church, and added that the 'metal' of our characters in life must be flawless as in the case of the metal of bells, and that we must let God run us in His mould, to shape us. Our impulse must come from within, and it was through the influence of God that we were transformed, shaped and moulded, and made to sound to His glory and His service.

After the members of the local band had rung the bells, visiting ringers tried them and were very gratified with the improvement effected. Afterwards the clergy, ringers, members of the choir and others had tea in the Church Hall. Among those present were the Vicar, the Revs. R. C. Garrett and E. G. Klee, Messrs. A. W. Farr and W. A. Horne (warden), C. W. Cooper (secretary of the ringers), A. E. Whatmore (leader), J. P. Fidler (representing Messrs. John Taylor and Co.), Mr. H. Mason and others.

The Vicar said they were delighted to see the visitors, ringers and the representative of Messrs. Taylor and Co., and he would like to express gratitude to the firm for the way in which they had done their work so expeditiously and satisfactorily (applause). They were more than grateful to the generous anonymous friend who had borne the whole cost (applause). They owed a great debt to some of the ringers, who had put in hours of work in the belfry in the improvements which had been made, and he knew it had been a labour of love. It had saved a lot of money. He thought that the ringing chamber would compare with any in the diocese, indeed in England, and that was largely owing to the care and devoted labours of some of the ringers.

MODIFICATION OF SOUND.

Mr. Fidler, who was invited to speak, thanked the Vicar for the words of appreciation, and said the sound of the bells in the churchyard had been modified, and to hear the full beauty of the bells one had to get a mile away. The modification of sound near to the church would cut away the ground for complaint by some people. The Stourbridge ringers seemed to act together as a team in the way spoken of by the Archdeacon, and such team spirit was fairly typical of ringers.

Mr. H. Mason (Hagley) spoke of his interest in the scheme for the restoration of the bells, and of the gratitude that must be felt by the generous gift of the cost. He said he was sure that the ringers were pleased with the sound of the bells, and he had heard them that afternoon from a good many angles. Stourbridge was fortunate in the good work which had been done, and he was sure all would be perfectly satisfied. In conclusion, he referred to his ringing experience of over 50 years.

Mr. Cooper thanked the Vicar and Miss Newland for the provision of the tea, and the Vicar thanked the ladies who had prepared it.

Mr. Farley said the beauty of the bells could not be heard in the ringing chamber so well as previously, and Mr. Fidler, in reply, said he thought the lessening of sound would be an advantage when the ringers got used to it, as they would be less distracted and would be able to follow the sound of their own bell better. If thought necessary, later on, a tube could be fixed to bring more sound from the bell chamber to the ringing chamber.

Mr. A. J. Skelding pointed out that the silence of the bells, during the time that they had been away for restoration, must have been noticed, when people realised that the clock quarters and hours had not been sounded, in the absence of the bells on which they were struck. He was sure their old friend Mr. Pageitt would have been delighted to see the renovation of the bells. In conclusion, he expressed satisfaction with the work of Messrs. Taylor and wished the ringers success in their service.

Mr. W. Green (Old Hill) referred to the fact that it was 52 years ago since he rang his first peal, which was at St. Thomas' Church.

WESTERHAM, KENT.—At St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples for harvest festival: Miss M. Cosgrove 1, J. Igglesden 2, W. Cosgrove, jun. 3, P. Nicholas 4, L. Bunn 5, G. Steer 6, J. Weller (conductor) 7, W. Cosgrove, sen. 8.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**DEVIZES BRANCH AND LACK OF INTEREST.**

Warminster was the venue for the quarterly meeting of the Devizes Branch, to which 14 towers sent representatives. Some good practice was put in, in methods up to Double Norwich. The Vicar (the Rev. A. R. Bellars) welcomed the members and conducted the Guild service, delivering a short address from the text II. Chronicles v., 3. He quoted an extract from the novel, 'The Nine Tailors.' The choir was in attendance, the organist being Mr. Siminon. After tea, held in the Magnet Cafe, the usual business meeting was presided over by Mr. E. F. White (branch chairman). The Vicar said the Guild would be always sure of a welcome to his tower, and asked the members to work in unity and continue the good work of the Guild.

Mr. S. Hillier, Mr. F. Green, together with the chairman and secretary, spoke on the lack of interest which seemed to have arisen in respect of meetings, and suggestions were made to remedy this state of affairs.

Bishop's Cannings was decided upon for the November meeting, with Holt or Hilperton for December, and Devizes for the annual meeting in January.

With the usual votes of thanks, the meeting closed, the members returning to the tower, where they were joined by friends from Stourton and Bath. Mr. E. Linber, from the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild, was a welcome visitor to the meeting.

**SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD
SOUTHERN DISTRICT AT BAGLAN.**

A very enjoyable meeting of the Southern District was held at Baglan, when about 20 members attended. The bells (6) were rung before the service, which was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. H. C. Morton), the choirboys and organist being in attendance. A splendid tea was provided by the Parochial Church Council, which was very much appreciated.

At the business meeting Swansea was chosen as the place of next meeting.

A donation of two guineas was voted towards the late William Pye memorial.

Votes of thanks were accorded to all who helped to make the visit so pleasant.

The ringing included rounds for the learners, Doubles, Plain Bob and Treble Bob Minor and Cambridge Surprise Minor. This is the first occasion that Cambridge Surprise Minor has been rung at a meeting of the Southern District. It was rung by the Cadoxton men of 'Ringing Shield' fame.

FOUR ASSOCIATIONS HOLD JOINT MEETING.**WHERE THE LADIES SCORE.**

The joint meeting of the Essex, Herts and Middlesex Associations and the Ladies' Guild, which was held at St. Mary's Church, Woodford, Essex, on Saturday, October 5th, was a success in every way. Ringers came from places as far apart as Chelmsford, Little Munder and Hillingdon, and from dozens of places in between. Each association was officially represented, amongst the 70 or more ringers present being Mr. L. J. Clark (general secretary), Mr. A. Prior (District Master) Mr. E. J. Butler (district secretary), of the Essex Association; Mr. W. H. Lawrence (district secretary), Herts Association; Mr. G. W. Fletcher (vice-president), Mr. A. W. Coles (Master), Mr. C. T. Coles (joint secretary) and Mr. G. R. Goodship (assistant secretary), of the Middlesex Association; and Mrs. E. K. Fletcher (hon. secretary), representing the Ladies' Guild, besides several well-known members of each society. The service at 4.30 was taken by the Rector (the Rev. W. T. Ison), who preached an extraordinarily interesting sermon, of a kind seldom heard at ringers' meetings. Mr. Ison had been inducted to the living at Woodford only a few days previously, and this was his first sermon at that church. He also joined the party at tea, but, unfortunately, had to leave immediately afterwards.

The speeches which came later were short and to the point. Mr. Butler (Essex Association) thanked the Rector for his very fine sermon and for the use of the bells, Mr. C. Morss for arranging the meeting, and the ladies who had prepared tea. He also welcomed the members of the other three associations who were present.

Mr. G. W. Fletcher replied on behalf of Middlesex Association members, and identified himself with the vote of thanks. Mr. W. H. Lawrence expressed the pleasure of Hertfordshire ringers who were present; whilst Mrs. Fletcher added a few words for the ladies, saying that whilst there were probably several male ringers present who were members of three associations, it was left to some of the ladies to be members of all four.

Mr. C. T. Coles called attention to the William Pye memorial scheme, details of which had been published in 'The Ringing World.' He urged all present to support it and to press the scheme upon others.

After a little handbell ringing, some of the party returned to the bellry, whilst others went to St. Mary's Church, Walthamstow. Ringing was kept up at both towers for some time, at Woodford the methods rung ranging from Grandsire Triples to Spliced Surprise Major, and at Walthamstow from Grandsire Caters to Cambridge Surprise Royal.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

Yes, the fat is in the fire. Will correspondents do their best to help the Post Office find 'The Ringing World' office by addressing their communications to Lower Pyrford Road, Woking, Surrey. It will save delay when some new official, who is not a ringer, gets hold of the letters, in that very mixed business which, we believe, is called 'sorting.'

The new edition of 'A Great Adventure' will shortly be ready. Those who wish to reserve a copy should send a postcard to 'The Ringing World'—don't forget—Lower Pyrford Road, Woking, Surrey.

A new ring of eight bells with a 15 cwt. tenor is to be installed by Gillett and Johnston in the tower which is being added to Fairwarp Church, Sussex.

Sir Alfred Parker, Lord Mayor of Sydney, who gave the English bellringers a civic reception on their arrival in Sydney last November, died last Friday.

The order has been placed with Messrs. John Taylor and Co. for a comprehensive scheme of restoration and augmenting of the peal at Codsall Parish Church, near Wolverhampton. The existing six bells are to be recast and rehung in a new frame and two new trebles added to complete the ring of eight.

A peal rung at North Stoneham, Hants, on Saturday, was the one hundredth peal together by Messrs. G. Williams and C. J. Fray. It is 15 years since the latter last rang a peal of Stedman Triples. That peal was on March 4th, 1920. It was conducted by the late Mr. W. H. George on his birthday, and was the last peal he rang.

With a peal on the tenor at Headcorn, Kent, Mr. T. E. Sone has now 'completed the circle' in seven towers. He has also conducted 75 different one-part peals and 50 different compositions by Mr. Arthur Knights.

On Saturday next, Mr. Philip Hodgkin celebrates his 53rd wedding anniversary, his 58th year as a ringer and 44th year as a member of the band at Headcorn. Last Saturday he rang the treble at this tower to a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major.

The Rev. R. P. Farrow, formerly of Stoney Stanton, Leicestershire, has recently been inducted to the living of East Lulworth, and on Saturday he was welcomed to Dorset with a peal of Stedman Triples, at Kingston, in which he took part. This particular Kingston, which has a fine peal of bells, is somewhat 'off the map,' and the band desire to thank Mr. A. F. Martin Stewart for the transport arrangements.

Wigan is to have a peal of ten bells. Two trebles have been given to augment the old eight, which are to be recast. The new tenor will be about 30 cwt. The work is to be carried out by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.

The names of the ringers of the 5th and tenor in the peal rung at South Weald on September 28th are Edward T. Sitch and John Sitch respectively, and not Stitch. In the peal of Bob Major at Brentwood on October 12th, John Sitch rang the 5th.

A service will be broadcast from Newcastle Cathedral on Sunday at 7.55 p.m. Ringing will start about 7.45.

HOOTER PREFERRED TO BELLS.

MIDDLESEX CLERGYMAN WANTS SOMETHING MODERN.

The modern tendencies for speed and noise have crept into the church. On Saturday week, the Bishop of Kensington dedicated a church at Cranford, Middlesex, which has been built in three weeks, and which the Rev. Maurice Child, who will be in charge of it, talks of equipping with a hooter, because, he says, 'I want something more modern than bells.'

Well, as this is a £1,000 job rushed up in three weeks, there would be no place to put the bells anyhow, so we will not deny him his hooter. The hooter may be not the only thing that will blast when it is operated.

If the hooter does appear we can well believe that when anyone first hears it they will exclaim in no very enchanted tones, 'What the dickens is that?'

But, seriously, what about the demands of the Church's rubric, which requires a bell to be rung before service?

If this is a publicity stunt on the part of Mr. Child, he may have succeeded in gaining what he sought. To us it seems rather childish.

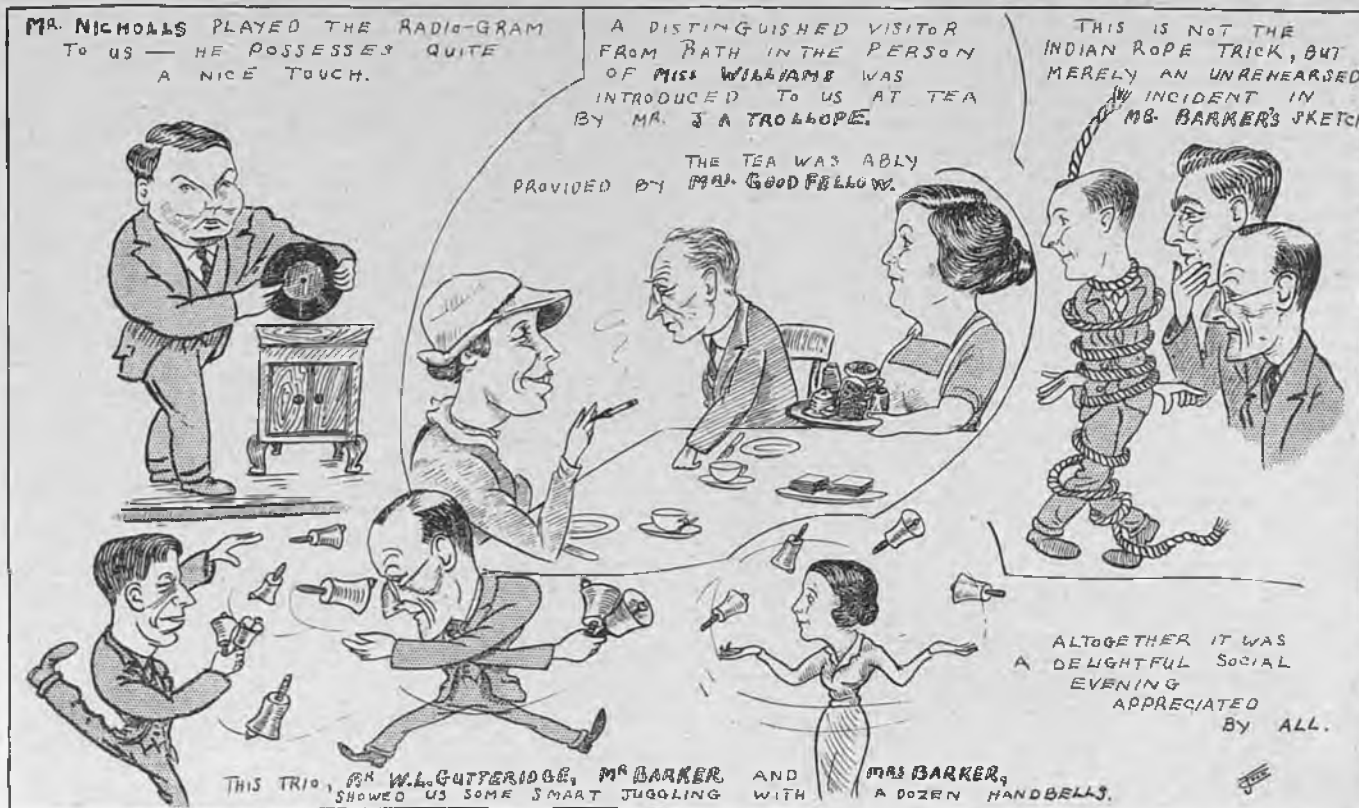
RINGER'S GOLDEN WEDDING.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM LATTER'S JUBILEE.

Congratulations will be offered to Mr. and Mrs. W. Latter, of Tunbridge Wells, who celebrated their golden wedding on Friday, October 11th. They were married at St. Leonards-on-Sea in 1885. They are both 69 years of age, have four sons and three daughters, all married, and 13 grandchildren.

For a great many years, until recently, Mr. Latter was secretary of the Tonbridge District of the Kent County Association. He has been closely connected with St. Peter's Church, Tunbridge Wells, since its consecration, and has just had the pleasure of helping the church celebrate its diamond jubilee. He has recently made a remarkable recovery from a serious illness, and is now able to ring and take up his occupation again.

GAY GATHERING AT UXBRIDGE.



THREE GUILDS MEET.

Another large gathering of ringers attended a joint meeting, sponsored by the South and West District of the Middlesex County Association, on this occasion at Uxbridge. The Ladies' Guild and the neighbouring branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild were invited to take part, and it is gratifying to report that members and friends of the three Guilds totalled nearly eighty.

The ten bells of St. John's, Hillingdon, were handled by many ringers during the afternoon, as were those of St. Andrew's both before and after tea. The methods rung were not revealed to the writer, but, judging from the ringers present, it could have very well ranged from rounds to Spliced Surprise.

The Vicar of St. Andrew's, the Rev. R. Home, conducted shortened evensong, in the course of which he addressed a few earnest remarks to a large congregation concerning the true meaning of church work in its connection with the spiritual life.

The vice-president of the Middlesex Association (Mr. J. A. Trollope) read the lesson. The church was tastefully decorated in readiness for harvest thanksgiving on the morrow. The occasion may have been responsible for the inspired singing of the hymns.

A large tea party was successfully catered for in St. Andrew's Hall by ringers' wives and friends, under the direction of Mrs. Goodfellow. At the conclusion of the meal, which was presided over by the Vicar, Mr. Trollope thanked all who were responsible for the excellent arrangements made and extended a welcome to the visiting Guilds.

Mrs. Humphrey, for the Ladies' Guild, and Mr. A. D. Barker, for the Oxford Diocesan Guild, briefly replied, expressing their pleasure at the success of the gathering and thanking the Middlesex County Association for the opportunity to fraternise.

Mr. Trollope also referred to the proposed memorial to William Pye, details of which had appeared in 'The Ringing World,' and appealed for a generous response towards a very worthy object.

After an hour's ringing on St. Andrew's bells, the party reassembled and spent the next three hours in frivolous abandonment.

The tune ringing by the three B.Y.P. fairly brought down the house. Indeed, it could be said that their two 'turns' proved to be the most popular items of the evening. The present holders of the handbell cup of the London County Association kindly came down from Rochester Row and demonstrated their 'winning ways in hand.' Stanley Holloway's understudy from Clewer told us of the adventures of Sam at t' Palace. Arthur Bray's violin solo rendering of Handel's 'Largo' was much appreciated, as were songs by Mrs. Humphrey and Mr. Fowler.

There was much speculation as to the purpose of a bell rope hanging in the centre of the stage. There was something macabre about it. Was it true that the Methods Committee were at last to be punished for their sins? Or was Charlie going to perform on a one-string instrument? (with apologies to the 'Daily Sketch'). No, all wrong! It was just an accessory in a sketch 'composed and conducted' by A.D.B., humorously illustrating 'what happens' in the belfry. Alas, this has created jealousy! It is asked why cannot the Middlesex Nares and Cowards go one better and depict the thrilling scenes of a secret meeting of the Me-Thods gang in the depths of Lanmas Park? Imagine the cold shudder that would run through the audience as the crafty Armiger mutters his plans to his hirelings, those innocent babes snatched from their cradles and spliced to a life of crime! Yes, rehearsals must commence immediately.

Another innovation was a series of table tennis matches. First the Bray brothers and then Ealing v. Uxbridge. Pity the poor secretary who, after skilful and patient negotiations between the principals, announced an all-star doubles match, to find that there were only two bats available! Games, under the direction of 'our Ernest,' from Heston, were carried out in that noisy jolly fashion that shows an Englishman is enjoying himself, while dancing gave the romantic an opportunity to dream. Especially when 'Corkie' was galloping around!

Altogether a very jolly evening, thanks to some hard work on the part of the organisers. Best not to mention individuals, perhaps, but no one can begrudge special thanks to Mrs. Goodfellow and her helpers and to Stage-Manager Charlie.

EIGHTY-FIVE BUT STILL ACTIVE.

On Sunday, October 13th, at the Parish Church, Watford, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) by: Alfred R. Dawes 1, A. W. Dix 2, F. Bullock 3, S. H. Hoare (conductor) 4, W. Norris 5, A. Brunton 6, H. G. Cashmore 7, W. G. Paul 8. First quarter-peal by treble ringer and rung to mark the 85th birthday of Watford's veteran but still active ringer, Mr. E. Jones.

MUFFLED BELLS.

At Fressingfield, Suffolk, on Monday, September 16th, 1924 Kent Treble Bob Major was rung in one hour and ten minutes. Rung with half-muffled clappers to the memory of James Riches, a member of the local company, who was interred the same afternoon: E. Whiting (conductor) 1, A. Head 2, G. Howlett 3, D. Cracknell 4, G. Gower 5, W. Platt 6, R. Riches 7, C. Looms 8.

'LEGENDS O' THE BELLS.'

A NEW BOOK ON BELL SUPERSTITIONS AND CUSTOMS.

Mr. Ernest Morris, F.R.Hist.S., of Leicester, hon. secretary of the Midland Counties Association, has made another valuable contribution to the bibliography of bells. There has been published this week by Messrs. Sampson Low, Marston and Co., 'Legends o' the Bells,' which Mr. Morris has written, and it covers a gap in the story of bells and ringing which was left after the publication of those two other volumes, 'Bells Through the Ages,' by Mr. J. R. Nicholls, of Stamford, and Mr. Morris' 'History and Art of Change Ringing.'

The legends connected with bells are innumerable and of great variety, and Mr. Morris has brought together in his book a singularly interesting collection, which admirably illustrates the strange superstitions attached to bells and the even stranger supernatural powers credited to them in almost every part of the world. Few of the legends find credence in these days, but there are apparently still to be found in the world people with beliefs in the witchery of bells.

As most ringers know, bells have had many uses, quaint and peculiar, in addition to the main purpose for which they are rung in Christian churches, namely, the calling of people to worship, or as a reminder that a service is in progress. Many of these uses are purely local customs, which have had their origin deep in the past, and Mr. Morris, in his book, quotes legends, traditions and, often, more authenticated stories, which shed much light on the quaint ringing customs, not only in this country, but in foreign lands as well. He has obviously been at great pains to collect his material, and he has given it to the public in an interesting style.

From very earliest times, as Mr. Morris points out, much superstitious feeling hung around bells, and many pretty and curious legends are known respecting them. A number of them point to their power of punishing wrongdoers; many of the legends are connected with water; others speak of their power of driving away evil spirits, thunder and lightning; while others tell of their ringing unaided in times of great disaster or rejoicings.

Of their power of driving away evil spirits, for example, Mr. Morris quotes from Latimer, who, in the days of the Reformation, exposed it as 'foolery.' 'If the holy bells,' he wrote, 'would serve against the devil, or that he might be put away by their sound, no doubt we would soon banish him out of all England; for I think that if all the bells in England should be rung together at a certain hour, there would be almost no place but some bells might be heard there, and so the devil should have no abiding place in England.' Showing, at any rate, that even in those far off days England was well supplied with church bells.

Mr. Morris has done his work well and adequately, and he has given us a book which will be of interest not only to ringers, but to the general public. The publishers, too, have issued it in a very tastefully got up manner. Its price is 15s.

There are a number of artistically produced illustrations, among those who have contributed pictures being Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., Messrs. Mears and Stainbank and Mr. F. E. Dawe.

Ringers should send their orders direct to the author, whose address is 24, Coventry Street, Leicester, and those who cannot afford to purchase outright should see that their local public library gets a copy. This can usually be done by placing it on the 'Readers' Suggestion List.'

MISS PAT HOLLOWAY MARRIED.

READING RINGERS WEDDED.

The wedding took place last Saturday, October 19th, at St. Laurence's Church, Reading, of two well-known local ringers—Mr. W. E. Lewington, of St. Peter's, Caversham, and Miss Pat Holloway, of St. Laurence's, Reading. The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lewington, of Caversham, and the bride is the daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. G. Holloway, of London Street, Reading.

A large congregation had assembled in the church to witness the ceremony, which was conducted by the Rev. Canon G. F. Coleridge, Vicar of Crowthorne and Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, assisted by the Rev. N. J. Raper, of St. Laurence's.

During the service the hymns, 'Lead us, Heavenly Father' and 'O perfect love,' were sung. Mr. Sidney Lodge, himself a ringer at the church, was the organist and played appropriate music both before and after the ceremony.

The ringers also welcomed the bridal couple to the church with a merry peal, and again rang while the register was being signed. The bells were also fired as a special token.

The bride was given away by her uncle, Mr. F. C. Pike, of Reigate, and the bridesmaids were Miss W. Holloway (the bride's sister), Miss E. Lambden and little Mary Lewington (niece of the bridegroom). The best man was Mr. F. Lewington.

A reception was afterwards held in St. Laurence's Hall, nearly 80 guests being present, including the Master, Deputy Master and Secretary of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Many of the ringers from St. Peter's, Caversham, and St. Laurence's, Reading, were also present.

The bride and bridegroom have been the recipients of many valuable wedding gifts, amongst them being a clock from the ringers at St. Laurence's and a bedside table from the ringers at St. Peter's, Caversham.

Later the bride and bridegroom left for their new home at Burghclere, Hants.

THE WILLIAM PYE MEMORIAL.

FIRST LIST OF DONATIONS.

There has been a prompt and widespread response to the appeal for funds to erect a memorial to the late Mr. William Pye. As will be seen by the list below, donations have been received from many parts of England, as well as from Scotland, Ireland and Wales. Such a widespread response is very gratifying to those promoting the memorial scheme, and it is sincerely hoped that the whole of the sum required will soon be forthcoming.

It is estimated that about £250 will be needed to carry out the scheme, which includes the addition of two trebles to the existing six bells at St. John's Church, Leytonstone, in the parish where Mr. Pye lived for over 30 years, and to erect a suitable tablet in the church porch. It will generally be agreed that such a memorial will be the only fitting one for so great a ringer.

Further donations are solicited, and should be sent to any of the undersigned. Cheques and postal orders should be crossed and made payable to Mr. W. H. Hollier. All donations received will be acknowledged by post and through the pages of 'The Ringing World.'

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ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY.

DEATH OF THE PRESIDENT.

A successful meeting of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford was held at Kinver. Although the weather was not very kind, a number exceeding expectation put in appearance. After a stiff climb up to the church, the bells were raised and soon set in motion to various methods. Upon hearing the bells, the Vicar (the Rev. J. A. Mercer), who is learning to ring, entered the belfry and gave the members a hearty welcome. A short service was held in church, conducted by the Vicar, who also delivered an interesting address. Adjournment was then made to the village cafe, where a splendid tea was served. This over, reference was made to the forthcoming edition of the 'Ringers' Directory,' to be issued by the Bristol United Ringing Guilds. Members were urged to support the project by filling in the forms that were at hand.

It was resolved to hold the intermediate meeting, for general practice, at Pattingham, on Saturday, November 2nd. Further particulars will be published in 'The Ringing World' later.

The next quarterly meeting is provisionally arranged to take place at St. Luke's, Wolverhampton, on January 11th.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for his address and use of bells, etc., and to the organist for his kindly assistance was received with applause.

Handbell ringing was indulged in by a few, while others made tracks for the tower, where Cambridge Surprise and Double Norwich were among the methods rung.

At St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, on Monday, October 7th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes) was rung half-muffled for the Venerable Hugh Bright, late Archdeacon of Stafford and president of the society, the funeral service being held earlier in the day at Lichfield Cathedral: C. Griffiths 1, T. Smith 2, R. Pickering 3, G. A. Baker 4, J. Whatmore 5, N. H. Smith 6, H. Knight (conductor) 7, F. Brotherton 8, W. H. Lawley 9, G. Langley 10.

A WORCESTERSHIRE RESTORATION.

REDEDICATION OF THE REGAST PEAL AT NETHERTON.

Saturday last was a 'red letter day' in the annals of the parish of St. Andrew, Netherton, when the peal of bells which have been recast and hung in a new iron frame by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of the famous Loughborough foundry, were rededicated by the Bishop of Worcester. Long before the service commenced large numbers of parishioners and others made their way to the church, which was crowded before the service began. Netherton Church choir was augmented for the occasion by the choirs of St. Peter's Church, Darley End, and St. John's Church, Dudley Wood. The clergy present included the Vicar of Netherton (the Rev. E. L. Warren), the Rural Dean of Dudley and the Ven. Archdeacon of Dudley (Dr. A. P. Shepherd, D.D.). The representatives of the bell-founders (Messrs. G. Harrison and H. Stubbs), the ringers of Netherton Parish Church and visiting ringers took part in the procession of choirs and clergy to the church. The inspiring service began with the hymn, 'We love the place, O God,' in which the congregation heartily joined. Psalms 121 and 122 were followed by the short lesson, read by the Archdeacon of Dudley. During the singing of the hymn, 'Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven,' the Lord Bishop, attended by the Archdeacon, the Rural Dean, the Vicar, the churchwardens and parish clerk, made their way to the west porch underneath the tower, where the Bishop received one of the bell ropes from Mr. Albert Prestige, the leader of the Netherton ringers. His lordship solemnly dedicated the bells, after which he placed the rope in the hands of the Vicar to receive them as a sacred trust for all time, to be 'for ever and only used in God's service and for His glory.'

The bells then rang out while the Bishop and clergy returned to their stalls. The Bishop offered prayers for the worshippers, the ringers, for wedded folk, for the sick and for the absent, and then after the hymn, 'When morning gilds the sky,' his lordship gave an interesting discourse upon the uses of bells from their earliest days. The concluding hymn was 'Hark, hark, my soul,' during the singing of which a collection was taken, as a thankoffering, for the general fund of the church.

As the great congregation were leaving the church the bells again sent out their beautiful music, and thus ended a great day for the parishioners of Netherton.

The bells, which are a vast improvement upon the old peal in tone, are slightly heavier, and are all that can be desired. Messrs. John Taylor and Co. are to be congratulated upon the work that they have carried out so successfully, considering unexpected obstacles that were met with.

After the service the visiting ringers from various bellfries round the district, including two old Netherton ringers who learnt their ringing at St. Andrew's—Mr. Harry Price, of Stratford-on-Avon, and Mr. William Talbot, of Leeds—together with Mr. John Swinfield, of Burton-on-Trent, Mr. Harry Withers (Selly Oak), that old warrior, Mr. John Jagger, and others to the number of about 80 assembled at the house of Mr. Albert Prestige, where a substantial meat tea was in readiness, generously provided by the churchwardens (Messrs. J. Jordan and W. Cole). The meal had been ably prepared by Mrs. Prestidge, assisted by her two daughters and other ladies.

At the close of the tea Mr. Churchwarden Jordan thanked Mr. and Mrs. Prestige and their assistants for preparing and serving the tea, and he also congratulated Mr. Prestige upon having served 35 years as a ringer at St. Andrew's.

Mr. Churchwarden Cole seconded the vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Prestige for what they had done, and said he was pleased to meet so many ringers there that day.

Mr. Skelding (Stourbridge) proposed that the best thanks of those present be given to the wardens for their generous hospitality, and this was carried with acclamation.

The rest of the evening was spent in a social gathering, interspersed with tunes and changes upon the handbells. Netherton has now got a peal of bells of which the Vicar, parishioners and all concerned ought to be justly proud.

A YORKSHIRE PEAL REHUNG.

COTHERSTONE BELLS REOPENED.

The bells of the Church of St. Cuthbert, in the beautiful village of Cotherstone, Yorkshire, have been recently rehung on ball bearings by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, and, as is usual with their work, the bells 'go' splendidly.

At the invitation of the Rector (the Rev. C. Snushall), the bells were rung the first time after the rehanging by the ringers of St. John's, Darlington, on the occasion of the harvest festival on Thursday, October 10th.

A short touch of Kent Minor was rung before service, and after service a 720 of Kent Minor, the ringers being William Broadley (conductor) 1, J. Taylor 2, W. Coates 3, A. Coates 4, J. Farey 5, W. Dawson 6.

The ringers were afterwards entertained to a real 'Yorkshire supper' by the Rector and churchwardens, who are keenly interested in their ringers and bells. They will also be pleased to welcome visiting hands to the tower, and are desirous of being connected with some ringing association.

A DEVON CONTEST.

BARNSTAPLE DEANERY RINGERS IN COMPETITION.

A feature of the annual festival of the Barnstaple Deanery Bell-ringers, held at St. Peter's Church, Fremington, was a competition for a shield. Nearly all the towers in the deanery were represented and a notable number of young ringers participated. The bands which took part were from Moreover, Atherington and West Down (which entered two teams each), Barnstaple, Bishopstawton, Georgeham, Brainton, Marwood, Heanton, Runchardon, Tawstock, Pilton and Westleigh.

Service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. H. C. F. Burrowes), who gave an appropriate address.

Tea was provided in the schoolroom, and votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for his address and to Mrs. Burrowes and the friends of the church who had acted as hostesses. The festival was attended by the Rev. F. L. Nicholas (Vicar of Bishopstawton) and the Rev. T. H. Germon (the new Vicar of West Down).

Mr. J. Gayton (foreman of ringers at Fremington) acted as time-keeper and steward for the competitions, and the judges were Messrs. A. Darch (Torrington), R. G. Pidler (High Bickington) and A. Clappie (Barnstaple). Mr. E. E. Withycombe (churchwarden at Fremington) and Mr. F. W. Newcombe (Pilton ringers) helped with the arrangements in company with the hon. secretary of the association, Capt. W. B. Incedon Webber, J.P. The awards of certificates were as follows: 1 Atherington (Messrs. S. Down, capt., W. Clarke, J. and T. White, F. Loosemore and A. Down); 2 West Down; 3 Marwood; 4 Barnstaple.

Mr. Darch remarked that had West Down had a better 'rise,' nothing could have prevented their gaining the first prize, as their striking was as good as any that he had ever heard in his life.

Rules were adopted at a meeting of the association that followed tea, and it was decided to consider the question of holding the festival before or between the hay and corn harvest, instead as now, in late autumn, and to keep clear of yeomanry training and the Devon Ringers' Festival. It was also agreed to ask the Rector of Georgeham (the Rev. A. E. Worsley) for his tower next year. The eight bells at Georgeham are mostly by the celebrated Rudhall, and their recent restoration is the work of Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough. The ringers' festival was held there in 1926 with the late Bishop of Crediton (Dr. Trefusis) to celebrate the new peal.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

LEWISHAM DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.

The Lewisham District of the Kent County Association held its annual meeting at SS. Peter and Paul's Church, Bromley, on Saturday, October 12th. Ringing was continued throughout the afternoon and evening, with an interval for service, tea and business meeting.

The Rev. Canon E. B. Kelton conducted the service and gave a very interesting address.

After service some 60 ringers were the guests of the Vicar and churchwardens at tea in the Central Hall.

The Vicar presided at the business meeting, when three ringers were elected members of the association.

The district secretary read a report of the year's activities, which was favourably received.

The retiring officers were all re-elected, viz.: Mr. A. G. Hill, hon. district secretary; Messrs. E. Barnett and W. Smith, district representatives on the General Committee; and Mr. T. Groombridge, sen., Ringing Master.

St. John's, Eltham, was chosen for the next quarterly meeting, in January.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for the service and address, to the Vicar and churchwardens for their generous hospitality, and to the organist for his services, was carried enthusiastically.—The Vicar responded.

All the business on the agenda had been dealt with in the space of 25 minutes. Would that all chairmen were so efficient!

A BOLTON CHURCH JUBILEE.

LIVING LINKS WITH FIFTY YEARS AGO.

Mr. Walter Gordon, of Bolton, took part in the opening of the bells at the Church of the Saviour 50 years ago. He has now rung the same bell to a peal in celebration of the church's jubilee.

The first peal on the bells was rung on May 24th, 1890, conducted by Mr. A. E. Wreaks, now of Paisley, Scotland. Prior to the church jubilee celebration service on September 29th, Mr. Wreaks took part in a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, rung by F. Abbott 1, H. Gorton 2, A. E. Wreaks 3, A. Heywood 4, T. B. Worsley (conductor) 5, H. Wahnsley 6, W. Halliwell 7, R. W. Mosley 8.

5,000 ST. CLEMENT'S BOB ROYAL.

Last Friday, a peal of St. Clement's Bob Royal, the first ever rung, was rung at St. Clement Dances' Church, Strand. It was composed and conducted by Mr. E. H. Lewis, the following being the composition:—

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56342	S	S	S	S	3

Nine times repeated, S half-way and end.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**WITNEY AND WOODSTOCK BRANCH.**

The autumn meeting of the Witney and Woodstock Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Witney on Saturday, October 5th, in glorious weather.

Ringling during the afternoon was followed by a service in the Parish Church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. R. Unsworth). A most instructive address was given, in the course of which he pointed out the collective duties of ringers, and their work in calling others to worship.

After service the members retraced their steps to the tower and several touches were rung by various bands. Thirty sat down to tea in the Church Room. Visitors present included Mr. E. M. Green (churchwarden), the Rev. F. J. Perry (curate), Mr. Walter Judge (Oxford) and Mr. S. R. Roper (of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Croydon).

A short business meeting was held, and, owing to the branch's chairman being unavoidably absent, the Rev. R. Unsworth presided.

The branch secretary (Mr. W. Evetts) intimated that a new form had been printed for all towers in the Guild, and requested that the questions therein should be carefully and clearly answered.

Coombe was selected for the next meeting.

Mr. S. R. Roper was heartily elected an hon. ringing member of the branch.

All the members were exceedingly pleased to see old friends amongst them, especially the Rev. R. Unsworth and Mr. Green, his churchwarden, who always gives ringers a warm welcome and is ever ready to help them.

Mr. John Monk (late secretary of the branch) was in his usual jovial form, and his many friends were glad to see him looking so well.

After tea, members returned to the various towers thrown open for their use, including Cassington, Northleigh and Coombe.

The branch secretary, with Mr. H. Floyd, journeyed to Northleigh and spent a very happy time there. The secretary wishes to thank the Vicar of that parish (the Rev. W. J. H. Wright) for his kindness, and hopes that his tower will shortly join the branch and thereby reap the benefits and help of the Guild.

VALE OF WHITE HORSE BRANCH.

The autumn meeting of the Vale of White Horse Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Stanford-in-the-Vale on Saturday, October 5th. A few touches were rung before the service, which was conducted by the Vicar, Canon E. Farmer, who also gave an interesting address.

Tea was served to 19 ringers at the Institute, and a short business meeting followed. The chairman of the branch (the Rev. A. J. de D. Denne) presided, supporting by Mr. R. Gilling (branch secretary) and members from Faringdon, Stanford, Shellingford and Buckland, with visitors from Beedon, Peasmore, Childrey and Harwell.

Three ringers of the Shellingford tower were elected members of the branch.

It was proposed that the next by-meeting should be held at Buckland on a Thursday evening about the end of November, and that the spring meeting should be at Longcot in February.

The Chairman thanked Canon Farmer for conducting the service and for his address.

The ringers then made for the belfry, where touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Bob Minor were rung.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**NORTHERN DIVISION AT COWFOLD.**

A Northern divisional meeting of the Sussex Association was held at the pretty village church of Cowfold on Saturday week. The peal of six bells are a mixed lot by Eldridge and Mears, with a tenor reputed to weigh 8½ cwt. About 25 members attended from Brighton, Bolney, Billingshurst, The Beedings (Upper and Lower), Crawley, Slangham, Warnham and West Grinstead. Service was held, and the Vicar, after welcoming the association, gave an appropriate address.

Tea was partaken of at the Red Lion Hotel, at the kind invitation of the Vicar, who, unfortunately, could not be present owing to a prior engagement.

Mr. W. Charman presided at the business meeting and made reference to the loss the division had sustained by the tragic death of Mr. H. Tomsett, of Lindfield, who was a regular attendant at these meetings.—The members stood for a few moments in silence as a mark of respect.

Mr. J. Charman, of Wallington, was elected as a non-resident life member. The divisional secretary (Mr. O. Sippetts) called attention of the members to a mid-week meeting to be held at East Grinstead on Wednesday, October 23rd, and asked for support.

The usual votes of thanks were passed, and the members adjourned to the tower for further ringing.

During the day the following methods were rung: Stedman, Bob Minor, Oxford Bob, Double Oxford, Kent and Oxford, Woodbine, Violet, College Exercise, Cambridge, Carlisle, Norwich and London Surprise.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

WOOLWICH, KENT.—On Sunday, October 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): C. Crome 1, B. W. Aldridge 2, F. Johnson 3, A. F. Petrie 4, H. Blackett 5, A. P. Cannon 6, A. S. Richards (conductor) 7, H. McCabe 8. First attempt to call a quarter-peal on eight bells by the conductor, and rung as a 21st birthday compliment to him.

HEAVITREE, DEVON.—On October 13th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: J. R. Sandover 1, J. E. Lilley 2, C. R. Walker 3, J. C. Oke 4, C. G. Glass 5, A. Mitchell (first quarter-peal of Stedman Triples) 6, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 7, W. Bedford 8.

PORTSMOUTH.—On Sunday, October 6th, at St. Mary's, Portsea, for harvest festival, 1,280 Superlative Surprise Major: Miss J. Pearce 1, J. D. Harris 2, L. Pearson (first touch in the method) 3, J. Topp 4, T. R. Taylor 5, R. J. Store 6, P. W. Rogers 7, A. T. Greenwood (conductor) 8.

TRING, HERTS.—At the Parish Church on Sunday, October 6th, for harvest festival evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: G. Eeley 1, F. J. Reeve (conductor) 2, R. Hearn 3, H. Bishop 4, F. C. Reeve 5, H. Brackley 6, C. Badrick 7, N. Brackley 8. First quarter-peal for ringers of 1 and 3.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.—On Sunday, October 6th, after evensong, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major: W. F. Ellingham 1, W. Godfrey 2, H. C. Chandler 3, W. Lewis 4, F. J. Cattermoul 5, C. S. Bird (conductor) 6, D. F. May (first quarter-peal in the method) 7, E. R. Gladman 8. Rung in honour of the annual visit of the Mayor and Corporation to Heston Church.

SHENFIELD, ESSEX.—On Sunday, September 29th, for harvest festival matins, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. Stith 1, L. Thrift 2, L. Camp 3, C. Pryke 4, B. Hines 5, H. Turner (conductor) 6. For evensong, 720 Grandsire and Bob Doubles: A. A. Brackley (first 720) 1, E. W. Palmer 2, A. E. Brackley 3, L. Thrift 4, H. Turner (conductor) 5.

MARKET HARBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.—On Sunday morning, September 29th, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. Hector 1, L. Rudd 2, Miss F. Hart 3, R. March 4, J. C. Chester 5, A. Manning (conductor) 6, F. Wallington 7, W. Kilsby 8. First quarter of Stedman by Miss F. Hart, at first attempt.

NEWPORT, MON.—On Sunday, September 29th, at All Saints' Church for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F. Corke (conductor) 1, E. Bainham (first quarter-peal) 2, E. Hancox 3, T. Ford 4, L. Bainham 5, G. Day 6, J. W. Jones 7, W. S. Childs 8. The ringers of 1, 3 and 8 hail from Uxbridge, Middlesex.

LITTLE HORKESLEY, ESSEX.—On Sunday, September 29th, for harvest festival morning service, 720 Grandsire Doubles (six extents called differently): J. Edwards 1, E. Leggett (conductor) 2, B. Leggett 3, Corporal V. B. Leggett (R.A.F.) 4, W. Gusterson 5. All are of the local band.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Under distinguished patronage, the Annual Dinner and Social will be held in the Bath's Assembly Rooms, Library Street, Wigan, on Saturday, October 26th. Dinner at 6 p.m. prompt. Seating capacity 300. The following towers will be open for ringing from 10.30 a.m. until 1.30 p.m.: St. James', Poolstock; St. Wilfred's, Standish; St. Peter's, Hindley. All intending visitors are requested to meet in the National and Blue Coat Schools, Hallgate, situated behind the Parish Church, not later than 2.30 p.m. By kind invitation of the Earl of Crawford, the beautiful gardens and library at Haigh Hall will be open for inspection. His Lordship cordially invites all visitors to partake of afternoon tea with him. Under the guidance of the civic heads of the town, all places of interest, both ancient and modern, will be visited. Good food, a first-class entertainment under the direction of Mr. Norman Brown, and a full and interesting day is assured. Tickets, 4s. each, may be had from the following: Mr. A. Parker, 145, Gidlow Lane, Wigan; Mr. N. Brown, 11, Cygnet Street, Poolstock, Wigan; Mr. W. O. Farrimond, 293, Ormskirk Road, Spring Bank, Wigan, and any member of the committee.

EDINBURGH, ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL.—Re-opening of the bells on Saturday, Oct. 26th, at 4 p.m. Preacher, Rev. Canon Phythian-Adams, D.D., Canon Residentiary of Carlisle Cathedral and Hon. Chaplain to the King. Ring of ten restored by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Andover District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary Bourne on Saturday, October 26th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5, for which please notify Mr. A. H. White, Barford, St. Mary Bourne. Business meeting follows.—Rev. F. S. H. Marle, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The next practice has been arranged at Warfield (8 bells) on Saturday, October 26th, at 3.30 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Meeting of Southampton District at Bishopstoke on October 26th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.—G. Pullinger, 17, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Hants.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Chatham on Saturday, October 26th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea in the School-room. Business meeting at which the election of officers will take place.—Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham, Kent.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Arksey on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Will all those requiring tea please notify Mr. G. Clark, Dawood Villas, Bentley.—E. Cooper, 33, Church Street, Bentley, Doncaster.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—A practice meeting will be held at Old Wolverton (6 bells) on Saturday, October 26th. Ringing at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome, especially learners.—Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bourne on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (6) available during afternoon and evening. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. All welcome.—C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham, Lincolnshire.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Everton on Saturday, October 26th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. Please come and make the meeting a success.—C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A special meeting is to be held to-morrow (October 26th) at Wolvey as a farewell to the Rev. Stanley Morris. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at 5, to be followed by a short service in church. All ringers and friends are cordially invited to attend.—Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., The Cottage, Ansty, near Coventry.

EWELL, SURREY.—The ring of eight bells restored by Gillett and Johnston will be rededicated by the Rev. Canon C. R. Pattison Muir, R.D., Vicar of Epsom, on Saturday, October 26th, at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome. Ringing till 9 p.m.

BLANDFORD, DORSET.—The bells will be rededicated by the Bishop of Salisbury on Sunday, Oct. 27th, at 6.30 p.m. Ring of eight restored by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 31st, *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 29th (nomination night) at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. Annual dinner at the London Tavern on November 9th.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts Branch.—A meeting will be held at St. Neots on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock in Church Room. Please advise Mr. H. Fields, St. Neots, for tea.—H. Parker, Dis. Sec.

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ST. MARY'S, NOTTINGHAM.—The new ring of 10, restored by Gillett and Johnston, Ltd., will be dedicated in the ringing chamber by the Vicar, the Rt. Rev. Bishop N. S. Talbot, D.D., M.C., on Saturday, November 2nd, at 3 p.m. The Vicar desires a real ringers' opening, and invites all ringers attending to tea in the Institute, Barker Gate, at 4 p.m. Admission to service and tea is strictly by ticket and for ringers only, which must be obtained from Mr. A. Coppock by Monday, October 28th. No ticket, no tea. Owing to limited space, tickets for the tower service will be allotted in proportion to members of towers applying. Other members will be accommodated in the church. The tower will be open for ringing after tea until 9 p.m.—A. Coppock, 33, Hazelwood Road, Nottingham.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—Next meeting at All Hallows', Tottenham, on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Short service at 5. Tea at 5.30, 1s. to members, 1s. 6d. to non-members. Please advise me by October 30th. All members and friends welcomed. Nearest station, Bruce Grove (L. and N.E.).—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—Meeting at Merrow, Saturday, November 2nd. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Room 5.15. Please send me numbers for tea by October 28th. Nominations for district officers for 1936 must be made at this meeting.—G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon, near Guildford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.—A meeting will be held at St. Cuthbert's Church, Lytham, on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 35, Berwick Road, Blackpool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Crossens Parish Church, near Southport, on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells ready at 3 p.m.—Wm. Farrimond, Branch Sec.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—A meeting for practice in various methods will be held at Pattingham on Saturday afternoon, November 2nd. Bells (8) from 3 o'clock. Bus leaves Railway Street (top of L.M. and S. Railway Drive), Wolverhampton, at 2.30. All are heartily welcome.—H. Knight.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Madley on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) available 3.30 to 8.30. Service 5.45 p.m. Tea, 6.15 p.m., 6d. each to those notifying me not later than October 30th.—R. H. Stickley, Dis. Sec., The Lodge, Fownhope, Hereford.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Sunderland on Saturday, November 2nd. Bishopwearmouth bells available at 3 p.m., and tea at 5 p.m. in Parish Hall. Please send postcard to Mr. J. Pickering, 12, Rainton Street, Sunderland. St. Ignatius' bells available after tea. All ringers welcome.—F. Robson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 13, Grainger Street, West Hartlepool.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Eckington (8 bells) on Saturday, November 2nd. For tea please notify Mr. Davies, White Hart Inn, Eckington, near Sheffield, without fail.—M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 221, Hanover Street, Sheffield 3.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Peterborough Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Crowland on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) available during afternoon and evening. Usual arrangements. Good bus service from Peterborough. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec., 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Wellington on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. All requiring tea to notify me by Tuesday, October 29th.—R. R. Pole, Hon. Sec., 88, North Street, Castle Fields, Shrewsbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Nelson St. Phillip on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody invited.—F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Wisbech.—The next meeting will be held at Wisbech on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (10) available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome.—Edward Barker, Dis. Sec., Shouldham, King's Lynn.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guilborough Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Long Buckby on Saturday, November 2nd. Usual arrangements. Please notify Hon. Sec. not later than Tuesday previous of those requiring tea.—Geo. A. Hollick, Hon. Branch Sec., West Street, Welford, Rugby.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd.—Meeting at Bushey Heath and Oxhey. Ringing at Bushey Heath 3.30 till 5.30. Tea, etc., Parish Hall, then ringing from 7 till 8.30 at Oxhey. Bushey nearest station. Coaches and buses stop at church.—C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. Tel. City 4270.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Thurleigh on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.—Frank C. Tysoe, Bromham, Bedford.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—A meeting of the Lincoln District will be held at Scothern on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. (Dunholme bells (6) also available.) Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Names for

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—The 298th anniversary dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 9th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 7s. each, may be obtained up to Tuesday, Nov. 5th, from Messrs. C. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, E. P. Duffield, E. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J. S. Hawkins, R. T. Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, E. H. Lewis, F. M. Mitchell, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, C. W. Roberts, W. Rough-ton, A. Walker, C. F. Winney, E. A. Young or W. T. Cockerill, Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4. Towers open for ringing from 2.30 to 4.30: St. Andrew's, Holborn; St. Clement Danes', Strand; St. Magnus', Lower Thames Street; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside. Service at St. Michael's, College Hill, at 5 p.m. Preacher, the Rev. R. French, Rector of Stepney.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton and Wigan Branches.—The joint meeting arranged for October 26th has been postponed to Saturday, November 9th, at Leigh Parish Church. Bells available from 3 p.m. No business meeting.—P. Crook and W. O. Farrimond, Hon. Secs.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—A meeting will be held at Stoke-by-Clare on Saturday, November 9th. The six newly-hung bells will be available from 2.30. Tea (free to all sending me word by November 5th) in The Barn at 4.30. Meeting follows.—H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch, for Newport Pagnell Deanery.—November 9th, at Great Linford. 2.30 begin. Service 4. Tea 4.45. Please send notice to the Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, R.C., Chorley, on Saturday, November 9th. Bells ready 2.30 p.m. Meeting 5.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—J. Charnock, Branch Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-West Division.—A meeting will be held at Epping Green on Saturday, November 9th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.—H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 73, Rye Street, Bishops Stortford.

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