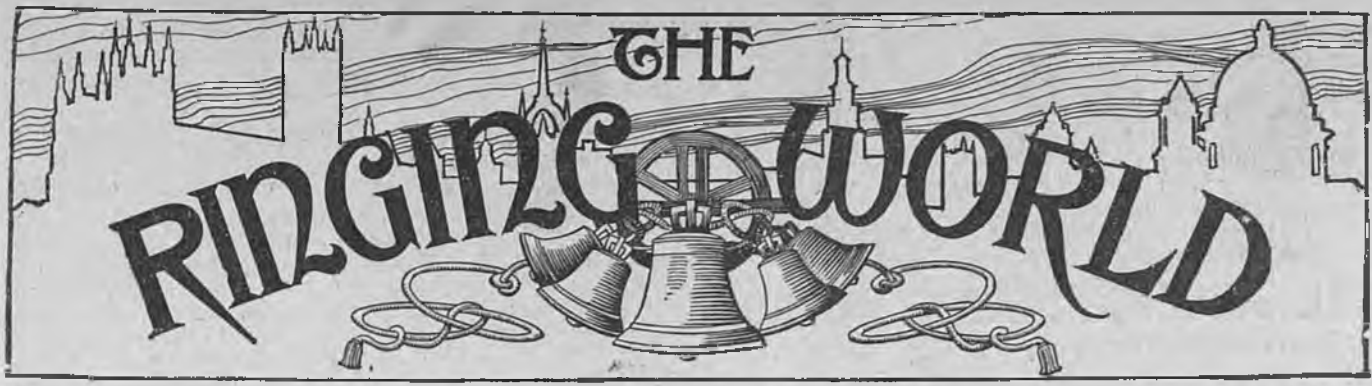


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Seldom, if ever, we imagine, has there been a more representative gathering at the festival of the Ancient Society of College Youths than was present in London last Saturday for the celebration of the 298th anniversary of the foundation of the organisation. It was almost, if not quite, a record in numbers, an indication, perhaps, of a growing increase of interest with the approaching tercentenary. Certain it is, that country members and friends rallied to the support of their metropolitan confreres and helped to make the gathering one of the most memorable in all the long series. Another factor which gave an added interest was the presentation to the society, made by surviving past masters and officers, of a very fine new silver badge of office for the Master, the first official event in connection with the tercentenary. It was a happy gesture that it should have been used for the first time on this occasion, so that the originator of the project might have the honour of being the first to wear it. Mr. E. P. Duffield has been a popular Master and his personality and tactful conduct have given an added prestige to the society.

There must have been a great deal in Saturday's proceedings to give encouragement to those who are anxious to see the expansion of the College Youths into something of a national society, just as it has been looked upon by ringers in the past as a kind of national institution, for all the somewhat parochial outlook which at one time characterised its members when it was almost a purely London society. The coming tercentenary will doubtless give the society a great filip, and those who have its interests closest at heart look forward to an expansion of its activities. And in this connection is it not time the society reconsidered its attitude towards the admission of ladies—if not as members, because they can never be 'Youths' in the strict sense of the term, at any rate as 'associates'? We feel quite convinced of this, that if a decision were left to a poll of the whole of the members, instead of to those present and voting at a meeting of the society—which so few can attend—there would be no doubt about the result. The innate objection to lady ringers, which some members appear to have, has placed the society in a position of 'icy isolation.' We admire the courage of the one lady who, having stepped into the society when the door was open for a short period, has refused to make her exit and claims her right as a member to attend the annual dinner. We believe the vast majority of country members would welcome the admission of ladies to the society and the coming tercentenary offers a fitting opportunity to the 'ancients' to show themselves 'moderns,' and that, despite their antiquity, they can move with the times.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

FRED HAYES ... .. Treble	REV. C. ELLIOT WIGG ... 7
MISS MARIE R. CROSS ... 2	F. DONALD BOREHAM ... 8
MRS. A. E. LOCK ... .. 3	EDWARD R. COLES ... .. 9
JAMES W. WILKINS ... .. 4	J. HOWARD R. FREEBORN ... 10
FRANK WEST ... .. 5	GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. 11
RALPH COLES ... .. 6	EDWARD R. CROXFORD ... 12 Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED HAYES.

\* First peal on 12 bells and first attempt. Rung in honour of the marriage of the Duke of Gloucester and the Lady Alice Montagu-Douglas-Scott.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt. 20 lb.

ROBERT J. DAVE... .. Treble	EDWARD J. CHARMAN ... .. 6
HENRY J. TOCKER ... .. 2	FREDERICK PAGE ... .. 7
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 3	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 8
STANLEY E. ARMSTRONG ... 4	JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... .. 9
ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 5	JAMES A. HART ... .. 10 Tenor

Composed by H. W. HALEY.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

This peal was arranged as a welcome to the Rev. L. Norman Phillips, who was inducted to the living of St. Nicholas', and was rung prior to the service.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. in D.

JOSEPH F. CHATLBY ... .. Treble	* HERBERT G. MASON ... .. 6
FREDERICK J. SPICER ... .. 2	GILBERT E. DEBENHAM ... 7
GEORGE B. COLLINS ... .. 3	* ROBERT KERR ... .. 8
BEN JARMAN ... .. 4	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM ... 9
THOMAS J. HULL ... .. 5	HAROLD V. FROST ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by HAROLD V. FROST.

\* First peal in the method. F. J. Spicer has 'circled' the tower. Rung in honour of the royal wedding.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;

SAMUEL J. HUGHES ... .. Treble	HERBERT SHEPPARD ... .. 6
GILBERT T. GIBST ... .. 2	WILLIAM GREEN ... .. 7
RONALD GOODMAN ... .. 3	FRANK G. BURLEIGH ... .. 8
HENRY GOODMAN ... .. 4	WILLIAM C. COOPER ... .. 9
JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. ... .. 5	HARRY HUBBLE ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. MICKLEWRIGHT.

Conducted by J. GOODMAN, JUN.

This peal was specially arranged and rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. John Goodman, sen. (parents of the ringers of the 4th and 5th), in honour of their diamond wedding. Also to Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Hughes on the 45th anniversary of their wedding day. Mr. H. Hubble has now completed the circle in this tower.

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**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, November 2, 1935, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6058 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 16 cwt.

NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. Treble	GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 5
*JACK PILGRIM ... .. 2	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	T. WILLIAM LAST ... .. 7
LESLIE G. BRETTE ... .. 4	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by L. C. WIGHTMAN.

\* First Surprise peal and first peal on eight tower bells.

BIDEFORD, DEVON.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, November 2, 1935, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

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

HOLI'S TEN-PART. Tenor 17½ cwt.

CHARLES SANGWIN ... .. Treble	FREDERICK SANGWIN ... .. 5
A. WILLIAM MYERS ... .. 2	THOMAS G. MYERS ... .. 6
AUBREY L. BENNETT ... .. 3	CHRISTOPHER R. WALKER ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. SHEARS ... .. 4	JOHN W. SANGWIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. G. MYERS.

ROTHWELL, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, November 2, 1935, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE WM STEEL... .. Treble	THOMAS WM. STRANGWAY 5
ARTHUR G. WOOD ... .. 2	ALBERT WORMALD ... .. 6
*JOSHUA WORMALD ... .. 3	PERCY MASSAM ... .. 7
JOSEPH THACKRAY ... .. 4	*HARRY HOMER ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by T. W. STRANGWAY.

\* First peal in the method.

RAINFORD, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(WIGAN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 2, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

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

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt.

ALBERT PARKER... .. Treble	†STANLEY MAJOR... .. 5
RICHARD FORSHAW ... .. 2	GEORGE T. JENKS ... .. 6
*PETER SHAW ... .. 3	SIDNEY FORSHAW ... .. 7
†GEORGE MILLS ... .. 4	†SIDNEY CLOUGH... .. Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY FORSHAW.

\* First peal away from tenor. † First peal on eight bells. † First peal and first attempt. First peal as conductor.

NORTHAMPTON.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, November 4, 1935, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 12½ cwt.

HERBERT RAINBOW ... .. Treble	WILLIAM PARKER ... .. 5
THOMAS LAW ... .. 2	†GEORGE VALENTINE... .. 6
ARTHUR ROBINSON ... .. 3	TOM TEBBOTT .. .. 7
*JOSEPH C. DEAN... .. 4	†GEORGE TANNER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TOM TEBBOTT.

\* 50th peal. † First peal of Stedman. Rung in honour of the new Rector (the Rev. W. M. R. Chaplin), who was inducted on November 2nd. It was a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 4th and 5th, and to Mrs. Rainbow, wife of the treble ringer.

WINDSOR, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes.

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

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

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in E flat.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. Treble	LEONARD STILWELL ... .. 5
KATHLEEN M. BRADFORD... .. 2	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM ... .. 6
WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 3	ALAN R. PINK ... .. 7
*JOHN S. GOLDSMITH ... .. 4	EDWARD S. T. FARR ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. G. DRIVER.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

\* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the wedding of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester and Lady Alice Scott. First peal in a Surprise method on the bells.

CHURCH, LANCS.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JAMES PARR... .. Treble	LESLIE J. WILLIAMS... .. 5
RICHARD BOLDBRSTONE ... .. 2	†JACK CLEGG... .. 6
*HERBERT HOLDEN ... .. 3	FRED READ... .. 7
LEONARD SCHOLES ... .. 4	LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by L. J. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Treble Bob. Specially rung to commemorate the wedding of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester to Lady Alice Scott.

WOKINGHAM, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

JOHN RANCE... .. Treble	*WILLIAM J. BROOKS ... .. 5
RICHARD T. HIBBERT... .. 2	REV. A. G. G. THURLOW.. 6
CHARLES PULLEN ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. PAICE ... .. 7
EDGAR HUMFREY... .. 4	PERCY J. DYKE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by WILLIAM J. PAICE.

\* First peal in the method away from the treble. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung for the patronal festival and in honour of the marriage of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester and Lady Alice Scott.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

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

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*HENRY G. W. COOPER ... .. Treble	†DONALD F. MAY ... .. 5
WILLIAM A. LEWIS ... .. 2	*WILLIAM T. GODFREY ... .. 6
*FREDERICK J. CATTERMOUTH ... .. 3	CHARLES S. BIRD ... .. 7
HENRY C. CHANDLER ... .. 4	ERNEST R. GLADMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN REEVES.

Conducted by CHARLES S. BIRD.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt. † First peal and first attempt. Rung in celebration of the wedding of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester and Lady Alice Scott.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... .. Treble	FRANK SADLER ... .. 5
J. WILLIAM HEATH ... .. 2	*JOSEPH E. NEWMAN ... .. 6
MISS AMY R. JOHNSON ... .. 3	RALPH HARRIS ... .. 7
JAMES HEMMING ... .. 4	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON.

Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

\* First peal of Major. Rung in honour of the wedding of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester to Lady Alice Scott.

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HERTFORD, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF BRINGE.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES; Tenor 7½ cwt.

FREDERICK C. PERRIN ... Treble	STANLEY A. CARTER ... 5
GEORGE MAXIM ... 2	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM ... 6
REGINALD DORE ... 3	JOSEPH LADLEY ... 7
GEORGE GRAY ... 4	ALFRED J. HOUSE ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (420). Conducted by A. J. HOUSE. Rung in honour of the marriage of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester and Lady Alice Scott. This composition is now rung for the first time.

COALBROOKDALE, SALOP.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt. in D.

E. DENNIS POOLE ... Treble	WALTER LAGO ... 5
WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... 2	WILLIAM P. DEANE ... 6
*GEOFFREY F. D. PRATT ... 3	EDWARD V. RODENBURST ... 7
*ALLAN JONES ... 4	CHRISTOPHER GUDGEON ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by C. GUDGEON. \* First peal of Major. Rung, after meeting short for Royal, in honour of the royal wedding.

BROMLEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 17½ cwt.

ALFRED JAMES ... Treble	JACK DAFTERS ... 5
WALTER F. TYLER ... 2	ISAAC EMERY ... 6
ALLISON PURDON ... 3	PERCY J. SPICE ... 7
WILLIAM G. GRACE ... 4	EDMUND MOUNTER ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by EDMUND MOUNTER. \* First peal as conductor and first attempt. Rung in honour of the wedding of the Duke of Gloucester and Lady Alice Scott.

REDHILL, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt.

*AMBROSE T. SHELTON ... Treble	*FRANK B. JEAL ... 5
*RONALD A. TUFFIN ... 2	*ARTHUR G. WILLET ... 6
NELSON ELLIOTT ... 3	WALTER CLAYDON ... 7
KENNETH SNELLING ... 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by O. SIPPETTS. \* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells. Rung in honour of the royal wedding.

SWINESHEAD, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, November 7, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

*HARVEY E. BURRELL ... Treble	*HAROLD BARSLEY ... 5
MRS. R. RICHARDSON ... 2	*CYRIL R. BURRELL ... 6
JOHN THOMAS ... 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 7
*WILLIAM E. CLARKE ... 4	*GEORGE W. BURRELL ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS. \* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Three Hours, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES; Tenor 17 cwt.

CHARLES LOOME ... Treble	GEORGE GOWER ... 5
ALBERT RICHES ... 2	WILLIAM FLATT ... 6
ROBERT RICHES ... 3	RUSSELL RICHES ... 7
*ROBERT RAYNOR ... 4	ERNEST WHITING ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN COX. Conducted by ERNEST WHITING. \* First peal of Oxford.

PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt. 9 lb.

HARRY NICHOLS ... Treble	ARTHUR J. FARR ... 5
JOHN CURRY ... 2	*ARTHUR GROUND ... 6
WILLIAM H. HOLLING ... 3	GEORGE LADD ... 7
CHARLES WM. SMITH ... 4	JOHN G. AMES ... Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by JOHN G. AMES. \* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a compliment to George Ladd, who has completed 50 years as a ringer at this church. C. W. Smith is from Cambridge.

REDDISH, LANCASHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELISABETH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; WASHBROOK'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

*ALFRED BARNES ... Treble	HIRAM MEAKIN ... 5
HAROLD JACKSON ... 2	A. ERNEST JONES ... 6
JAMES W. WASHBROOK ... 3	*ALLEN F. BAILEY ... 7
†G. LEONARD BURGESS ... 4	PETER LAFLIN ... Tenor

Conducted by A. F. BAILEY. \* 100th peal together. † First peal in the method. Rung as a compliment to Alderman M. M. McGregor on his election to the Mayoralty of Stockport.

MONK'S KIRBY, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDITH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... Treble	ERNEST STONE ... 5
CHARLES H. WEBB ... 2	JOHN THOMPSON ... 6
JOSEPH B. FENTON ... 3	DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE ... 7
LEONARD TREVOR ... 4	THOMAS PITTHAN ... Tenor

Conducted by DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE. Rung for Armistice Day.

LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; A TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

CHARLES L. SADLER ... Treble	WILLIAM A. FARMER ... 5
WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... 2	WALTER LAGO ... 6
WILLIAM J. BENIAMS ... 3	EDWARD V. RODENBURST ... 7
*GEOFFREY F. D. PRATT ... 4	ARTHUR C. NASON ... Tenor

Conducted by E. V. RODENBURST. \* First peal in the method 'inside.' Rung on the occasion of the re-election of Alderman T. J. Bryan as Mayor of Ludlow.

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On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 21½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL... .. 1	... Treble	REV. C. ELLIOT WIGG ... .. 5
DOROTHY R. FLETCHER ... .. 2		WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 6
WILFRED EDWARDS ... .. 3		HARRY WINGROVE ... .. 7
JESSE HARRISON ... .. 4		TONY PRICE ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by HARRY WINGROVE.  
This is the 100th tower in which T. Price has rung a peal. W. H. Fussell rang a peal at Beaconsfield 50 years ago.

MARSDEN, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
AND LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 26½ cwt. in D flat.

WILLIAM WOODHEAD ... .. 1	... Treble	ALBERT J. HUGHES ... .. 5
CHARLES E. LAWSON ... .. 2		GEORGE ROBINSON ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. SENIOR ... .. 3		FREDERICK SEAGER ... .. 7
WILFRED HALLIWELL... .. 4		LESLIE W. G. MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by LESLIE W. G. MORRIS  
First peal of Double Norwich on the bells. Mr. C. E. Lawson's 100th peal for the Yorkshire Association. Rung for the 17th anniversary of the Armistice.

GREAT STANMORE, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**  
HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.  
Tenor 12 cwt. 19 lb.

FREDERICK A. J. STEWARD ... .. 1	... Treble	JOHN E. ROOTES ... .. 5
CHARLES DIKE ... .. 2		*FREDERICK W. ALLEWAY ... .. 6
MISS ELSIE K. FULTON ... .. 3		EDWARD ASHEY ... .. 7
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4		GEORGE A. HUGHES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.  
\* First peal in the method. Rung with the clappers half-muffled in memory of all who fell in the Great War.

TUNSTALL, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 9½ cwt.

TOM SAUNDERS ... .. 1	... Treble	GEORGE KENWARD ... .. 5
WILLIAM WENBAN ... .. 2		WILLIAM J. WALKER ... .. 6
CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 3		THOMAS E. SONE... .. 7
WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 4		LUTHER J. HONESS ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.  
Rung in honour of the wedding of the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester. The band wish to extend their thanks to Mr. and Mrs. W. Spice for their kind hospitality after the peal.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**  
MATTHEW'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

*CYRIL A. BURGESS ... .. 1	... Treble	JOHN E. TAYLOR ... .. 5
GORDON W. LIMMER... .. 2		GEORGE H. LIMMER ... .. 6
†THOMAS BURTON ... .. 3		GEORGE GILBERT... .. 7
EDWARD T. BARRETT ... .. 4		PHILIP H. TOCOCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEO. GILBERT.  
\* First attempt for a peal. † First attempt away from treble. Rung half-muffled 'in remembrance.'

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

TRYSULL, STAFFS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, November 2, 1935, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 10 six-scores of Stedman (10 callings), 12 six-scores of Plain Bob (four callings), 20 six-scores of Grandsire (10 callings). Tenor 11 cwt.

*THOMAS HILL ... .. 1	... Treble	BARNABAS G. KEY ... .. 4
HAROLD SMITH ... .. 2		*HENRY L. LANGLEY... .. 5
HOWARD HOWELL ... .. 3		JOHN H. STOKES... .. Tenor

Conducted by B. G. KEY.

\* First peal of Doubles. Rung to commemorate All Saints' Day. First peal in three methods by all the band and on the bells.

ROTHLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 2, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

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

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

Being 720 Oxford Treble Bob and three 720's each Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb.

A. NORMAN GEARY ... .. 1	... Treble	J. GREGORY GEARY ... .. 4
RONALD RUSSELL ... .. 2		GEORGE T. H. WALKER ... .. 5
*PERCY AMOS ... .. 3		ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First in three methods. First peal on the bells since augmentation by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.

LIMPSFIELD CHART, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 2, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different extents. Tenor 10½ cwt.

*ALFRED E. EVEREST... .. 1	... Treble	*HORACE EDWARDS ... .. 4
ALFRED J. BULL ... .. 2		JOHN O. WELLER ... .. 5
H. F. HYLTON TIDY... .. 3		LEONARD A. TIDY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD A. TIDY.

\* First peal of London. Quarterly peal for the association.

STISTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(St. Andrew's Guild, Earls Colne.)

On Sunday, November 3, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Being 720 Cambridge Surprise, two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt. in A.

GEORGE R. TOWNES ... .. 1	... Treble	REGINALD G. SIMMONDS ... .. 4
ALBERT L. DIXEY ... .. 2		CLAUDE SNOWDON ... .. 5
MISS HILDA SNOWDEN ... .. 3		ALRC M. GENERY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. R. TOWNES.

FULMER, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, November 4, 1935, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

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

Being a 720 each of Ipswich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Norwich Surprise, Netherseale Surprise, College Exercise Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt. in A.

LEONARD STILLWELL ... .. 1	... Treble	*REV. C. ELLIOT WIGG ... .. 4
GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE ... .. 2		*WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM ... .. 5
EDWARD S. T. FARR ... .. 3		ALAN R. PINK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Minor in seven methods 'inside.' Rung, at the request of the Vicar, to mark the 325th anniversary of the dedication of the church. The conductor's 50th peal for the Guild.

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## BURITON, HANTS.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, November 4, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being eight six-scores of St. Simon's, twelve six-scores each of Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, each with four different callings, and ten six-scores of Grandsire, each called differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*MERVYN G. PALMER... ..Treble	ARCHIBALD J. GARRATT ... 4
†PERCY L. WRIGHT ... .. 2	CHARLES E. BASSETT ... 5
CYRIL S. WEST ... .. 3	*ROBERT A. BUDD ... ..Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. BASSETT.

\* First peal away from tenor. † First peal 'inside.' † First peal. First peal in four methods by all the band. First peal on the bells, which have recently been rehung by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough.

## NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 5, 1935, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven extents called differently. On the front six. Tenor 4 cwt. 8 lb.

WALTER G. ROWE ... ..Treble	CHARLES J. FRAY ... .. 4
*REGINALD C. H. CONNOLLY 2	†HAROLD P. REED ... .. 5
†REGINALD A. REED ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER... ..Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM T. TUCKER.

\* First peal of Minor 'inside.' † First peal of Minor. Rung half-muffled as a last token of deepest respect to Mrs. George Williams, who passed away on November 1st and was laid to rest on the south side of the tower in the afternoon.

## LANGPORT, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

G. R. MILLS... ..Treble	J. I. LOCK ... .. 4
H. J. LUCAS ... .. 2	H. WESTLAKE ... .. 5
G. LOCK... .. 3	*F. I. LOCK ... ..Tenor

Conducted by F. I. LOCK.

\* Re-elected a member previous to starting. First peal in the method on the bells by a band attached to the tower.

## FOOTS CRAY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 16 extents of Plain Bob (four variations of calling) and 26 extents of Grandsire (10 variations of calling). Tenor 3 cwt. 2 qr. (approx.).

A. PATRICK CANNON ... ..Treble	*MISS RENE REDPATH ... 3
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS ... .. 2	*GEOFFREY V. MORPHY ... 4
*JOHN E. LYDDIARD ... ..Tenor	

Conducted by A. P. CANNON.

\* First peal on five bells. First peal in two methods on the bells, being only the second peal rung. The bells are possibly the lightest peal in the county. Rung in honour of the royal wedding.

## WARKTON, NORTHANTS.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

(KERRING BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being eight six-scores each of St. Simon's, Chase, Canterbury and Plain Bob, and 10 six-scores of Grandsire. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.

*DAVID BUSSEY ... ..Treble	LEONARD G. TOSELAND ... 3
HERBERT T. EASTBROOK ... 2	ARCHIBALD S. TOSELAND ... 4

BURLY P. MORRIS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by BURLY P. MORRIS.

\* First attempt for a peal. First peal in five methods of Doubles by all, and rung on the occasion of the wedding of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester to Lady Alice Christabel Montague-Douglas-Scott.

GOTHAM, NOTTS.—On Sunday, September 29th, for the harvest festival evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes): H. Maltby 1, J. Booth 2, W. Dakin 3, G. Hill 4, S. Adams (conductor) 5.

## TAXAL, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Being seven extents in nine methods, viz.: (1) Charlwood and Neasden Delight; (2) St. Albans Delight; (3) Wragby Delight; (4) Capel and Sandal Treble Bob; (5) London Scholars' Pleasure; (6) Kingston Treble Bob; (7) Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

*ARTHUR HIBBERT ... ..Treble	ADAM T. MARSLAND ... .. 4
†FRED MARSDEN ... .. 2	KENNETH LEWIS ... .. 5
JAMES A. MILNER ... .. 3	†ARTHUR WHITING ... ..Tenor

Conducted by KENNETH LEWIS.

\* First peal and rung at first attempt. † First peal in nine methods. First peal as conductor. Rung in honour of the royal wedding.

## WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, November 8, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

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

THOMAS R. MOGG ... ..Treble	CHARLES L. SMITH ... .. 4
EDWARD J. DIXON ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. LANCEFIELD ... 5
EDWARD S. RUCK... .. 3	*HERBERT G. CARLTON ...Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD S. RUCK.

\* First peal. Rung with half-muffled clappers as a mark of deep respect to Mrs. Symonds, wife of the Rev. W. H. Symonds, Rector of Willesborough.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, November 7, 1935, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes.

AT 20, ABERDORN CRESCENT.

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor size 17 in B flat.

ALFRED BARNES ... .. 1-2	ALLEN F. BAILEY... .. 5-6
*JAMES W. WASHBROOK ... 3-4	PETER LAFLIN ... .. 7-8
HAROLD JACKSON ... .. 9-10	

Composed by G. HAYWARD.

Conducted by A. F. BAILEY.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. Jackson.

## OXHEY, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, November 8, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes.

AT 28, FIELD ROAD,

## A PEAL OF SPLICED LONDON AND CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE

MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

HENRY HODGRITS ... .. 1-2	HAROLD G. CASHMORE ... 5-6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3-4	FREDRICK W. BRINKLOW ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by H. G. CASHMORE.

Umpire—Stephen H. Hoare.

The peal consisted of 3,392 London and 1,696 Cambridge, each course being called L.C.L. The umpire checked every lead-end throughout the peal. This is the first peal of Spliced Surprise rung on handbells.

## MANCHESTER POLICEMEN'S DAY OFF.

The Manchester members of the National Police Guild and their wives spent a pleasant half-day at Liverpool on Saturday, November 2nd. Leaving the Central Station, they crowded into a railway compartment containing a solitary male, reading 'Mother and Home.' To their dismay, it was discovered that smoking was 'prohibited.' However, this did not deter the members from 'lighting up,' and soon a haze filled the carriage. The other male occupant then asked to have the window closed, and in an enraged manner drew attention to the prohibition sign. This was received with subdued hilarity—and from policemen breaking the law, too!

On arrival at Liverpool a visit was paid to the magnificent Cathedral, which inspired the visitors with awe and wonderment, and it was with regret that they had not more time to explore its wonders.

No visit to Liverpool would be complete without a journey through the Mersey tunnel, one of the greatest wonders of the age. Taxis were engaged to take the parties through, and amazement grew as they proceeded along the route to the end, and then returned.

Tea was then enjoyed, after which the company parted. The ringers went to St. Nicholas' Church to meet Liverpool friends, and touches in various methods were rung. Later, escorted by Liverpool colleagues to more convivial haunts, the party rang changes of a different kind, and the brothers Eye were to be found enjoying their pipes!

**A BLANDFORD TRANSFORMATION.  
DORSET PEAL TUNED AND REHUNG.**

Ringers visiting Blandford Parish Church will in future find that a wonderful transformation has taken place with regard to the going order of the ring of eight bells. For many years the bells have had an unenviable reputation, due in the main to excessive tower movement and weak frame. Thanks to the enterprise of the Rector and Church Council and the skill of Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, those bad conditions in the belfry are now a thing of the past, and the bells are not only a delight to handle, but also, due to their improved tone after being tuned, a treat to the ear.

Sunday, October 27th, saw the culmination of this fine piece of restoration work, when the Lord Bishop of Salisbury rededicated the restored tower and bells at evensong. As could only be expected on such an occasion, the church was packed to its full capacity, the Mayor and Corporation, attending in state, adding great dignity to the occasion.

Ringling arrangements were in the hands of Mr. W. Shute. Many well-known ringers from the surrounding districts were present. The Rev. C. A. Phillips brought a party, and Capt. Cann, of Pirbright, being in camp nearby, was present.

After the service the bells were kept going until about 9.30 p.m. Some very good ringing was heard, and Mr. John P. Fidler, who represented the founders, was heartily congratulated by all on the vast improvement carried out by his firm.

On the conclusion of the night's ringing, a light supper was kindly provided by the Rector, a gesture that was very much appreciated by the visitors.

The peal is one of eight bells, with a tenor of approximately a ton. They were cast by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. in 1882 from the metal of a former ring of eight, and at that time the peal was hung in the old frame. Now the bells have been tuned and provided with entirely new fittings of the latest design, including ball bearings. The new metal frame has been specially designed, and great care must have been given to its construction and erection in the tower in order to have reduced so effectively the tower movement which previously took place under the action of the bells.

**WEDDING BELLS**

At Lytchett Minster, Dorset, Parish Church, on Saturday, November 9th, to welcome the captain of the local ringers, Mr. William M. Light, and his bride from their honeymoon, a half-peal (2,520 changes) of Grandsire Doubles, in 10 different callings, was rung: Miss Winifred Dance (longest touch) 1, Lionel H. Pink 2, Harold E. White 3, Henry W. Saunders 4, Francis G. Blake (conductor) 5, Walter F. Loader 6. Rung after an attempt for a peal had come to grief.

**PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE 'IN HAND.'  
OXHEY RINGERS' GREAT PERFORMANCE.**

A new stage in the progress of ringing was reached last Friday, when the talented handbell band at Oxhey rang a peal of Spliced Surprise Major, the first ever accomplished. It consisted of London and Cambridge, the composition being by Mr. H. G. Cashmore. This success is one upon which the ringers will receive the hearty congratulations of the Exercise. It is a great performance.

The record of the peal will be found in its appropriate column. Here are the figures of the composition:—

**5,472 SPLICED LONDON AND CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE.**

By Harold G. Cashmore.

23456 M W H

65432	—	—	—
36452	—	—	—
53462	—	—	—
24365	—	—	—
32465	—	—	—
54263	—	—	—
25463	—	—	—
45362	—	—	—
35284	—	—	—
42563	—	—	—
52364	—	—	—
43265	—	—	—
56234	—	—	—
25634	—	—	—
62534	—	—	—
53624	—	—	—
65324	—	—	—
36524	—	—	—
23564	—	—	—

Twice repeated.

Each course is called L.C.L. Reduced to 5,088 by omitting 3 bobs H, twice.

**FISH FESTIVAL.**

On Sunday, November 3rd, for morning service at St. Dunstan's-in-the-East, London, for the fish harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. Rea (first quarter-peal) 1, J. P. Keat 2, W. Berry 3, T. H. Taffender 4, J. W. Euston 5, J. G. A. Prior 6, A. P. Cannon (conductor) 7, H. Taylor 8. For the afternoon service, about 900 of London Surprise Major was rung. After both services numerous touches in Plain and Surprise methods were rung by 20 other ringers who attended.

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As an appropriate opening to the proceedings at the College Youths' dinner on Saturday, a course of Duffield Major was rung on handbells—a compliment to the Master, Mr. Edward P. Duffield.

Mr. William Judd, a well-known Prittlewell ringer for 35 years, died on November 7th. A peal in his memory was rung at Prittlewell on Saturday with the bells open according to his own expressed wish.

The ring of eight bells of Christ Church, Pendlebury, Manchester, is to be rehung by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

Two of those who took part in a peal in the Royal Borough of Windsor in honour of the wedding of the Duke of Gloucester and Lady Alice Scott rang in peals in Melbourne and Sydney when His Royal Highness visited those cities a year ago.

It is over fifty years since Mr. W. H. Fussell previously rang a peal in Windsor Parish Church.

Two light rings come into the news in the peal columns this week. A peal of Minor on the front six at North Stonham, Hants, is a reminder that these are the lightest six in the county, and the peal at Fooks Cray recalls that they are possibly the lightest ring in the county of Kent. The tenor is 25 inches in diameter.

The peal of 5,165 Grand sire Caters at Ossett, Yorks, by the Leeds and District Society on November 2nd was rung in 3 hours and 33 minutes, and not 2 hours and 33 minutes as stated. The tenor is 27½ cwt.

The treble ringer in the peal at Norbury, Cheshire, on October 5th, was Kenneth Lewis, not Kenneth Worth as printed.

The report of a peal at Capenhurst, Cheshire, has been sent without the date.

The ringer of the 2nd in the peal at Egremont, the report of which was published last week, was George W. Tembey.

The article for Beginners will be found on page 735.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

### SECRETARY COMPLETES 25 YEARS IN OFFICE.

The old Parish Church of All Hallows, Tottenham, was the venue of a successful meeting of the North and East District of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild on Saturday, November 2nd. Ringing from 3 to 5 o'clock preceded a short service, which was taken by the Rev. Hinde, in the regrettable absence of the Rector (the Rev. F. Denton Jones) through illness.

Tea and the usual business meeting followed. Mr. G. W. Fletcher (vice-president) congratulated the hon. secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles) on completing 25 years in office, and, in the name of the members, thanked him for the large amount of work he had put into the association.

Mr. Coles expressed his great pleasure at being able to do something for his fellow-ringers, and hoped he would be able to continue for some time to come.

Attention was drawn to the collection of records of old peal boards, which was being undertaken by Mr. Hollier for the Central Council, and ringers at towers where there are records of old peal performances were asked to send in particulars as soon as possible.

The William Pye Memorial Fund was also referred to, and a hope was expressed that prompt attention would be given to this, to enable the committee to complete the memorial scheme early next year.

The hon. secretary congratulated the members of the Harrow Weald band on ringing the first peal on the eight bells, especially those who had rung their first peal, and wished young Reg. Goodship, son of the assistant secretary, every success in his career in the Royal Air Force, which he had just joined.

These sentiments were echoed by all present, and Mr. G. R. Goodship briefly acknowledged them.

St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, was chosen for the next meeting on December 14th.

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells; to the curate for taking the service, and to Mr. H. W. H. Strickland for making all arrangements, in addition to taking the organ at the service.—This was carried unanimously.

Ringings to suit all tastes and abilities continued under the guidance of the Master (Mr. A. W. Coles) for some considerable time until the last of the company of 40 or more ringers had taken his departure.

## A SUFFOLK TRANSFORMATION.

At a meeting of the Suffolk Guild on Saturday, November 9th, at Stoke-by-Clare, 720 Bob Minor was rung by B. Cornell 1, F. W. Wilkin 2, W. Head 3, J. F. W. Wilkin 4, A. P. Ballard (conductor) 5, E. W. Ambrose 6. This was the first 720 on the bells since rehanging by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich. The bells, which have been in a shocking state for years, are now a delightful little peal (tenor 12 cwt.). The local band are hoping soon to ring 720's themselves.



# ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

## GREAT GATHERING IN LONDON.

### Master Invested with New Badge of Office.

The Ancient Society of College Youths celebrated the 298th anniversary of their foundation on Saturday, the event bringing together one of the largest gatherings in the long history of the society. The proceedings, which began with ringing at various city churches, included a service at St. Michael's Church, College Hill, and dinner at the London Tavern.

St. Michael's Church was filled for the service, which was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. Canon Douglas), and at which the address was given by the Rev. R. French, Rector of St. Dunstan's, Stepney. Church bells, he said, were as the voice of God, and he would like ringers to remember that, not only when they were ringing on Sundays, but when they were practising. He was certain that if they remembered that fact it would help them to improve in their ringing and would give their work on Sunday an added zest.

In some countries, and in some churches in our own, he said, the custom of sounding the Angelus was observed. He wished it could have a wider practice in England, for it was one of the things that look men's minds for a few moments from mundane things, and led them, when they heard it, to make the sign of the Cross, or to breathe a prayer to God.

Two things, he proceeded, he would ask of ringers. He had said they were acting as a voice for God, but he hoped that their service to Him would not end with the ringing of the bells and then clearing off. If, however, they did not want on occasion to go into church, he hoped they would not form a knot at the church gates and stay there as the congregation came in. That hardly added respect to their profession either as ringers or Christians, but he often saw it happen. If they could not come into church, they might go round by the back way where people could not see them—that would not be as bad as standing at the church gates after ringing the bells and calling others to church. He would like some ringers to hear what non-churchgoers said about those who did this kind of thing. It was not complimentary, and in Stepney they did not put too fine a point upon their words.

In the north country they sometimes used an expression for a signpost that did not reflect very creditably on the profession of which he was a member. They sometimes called a signpost a 'parson,' because it pointed the way but did not go. He hoped that was not true of ringers, although he was afraid that it was true of some ringers who rang people to church, but did not themselves go to the services. He asked the older ringers, and especially the steeple-keepers, to set a good example. If it was not possible to devote time for ringing for Sunday morning service and attending the service afterwards, because other duties demanded that they should go back home to help their wives—if they had been well trained, perhaps they did that—he suggested they should start their ringing with a prayer. It was not always possible for the clergy to go up into the tower before ringing began for that purpose, but it would be nice if the leader were to say, 'Come on, chaps, we are going to say a prayer before we start.' If they did that they would be ringing to the glory of God and not merely because they were interested in that particular form of pursuit.

In place of the usual hymn before the address, a course of Stedman Triples was rung on handbells, the ringers, Messrs. E. H. Lewis, C. F. Winney, T. Groombridge, jun., and T. Groombridge, sen., standing in the chancel.

### A REPRESENTATIVE GATHERING.

A distinguished company, numbering over 250, assembled at the London Tavern, under the genial chairmanship of the retiring Master, Mr. E. P. Duffield. Among those present were Sir Gurney Benham (High Steward of Colchester), the Rev. Canon Mozley (St. Paul's Cathedral), the Rev. Canon G. F. Coleridge, the Rev. E. C. Bedford, the Rev. Canon Douglas, the Rev. H. J. Fynes-Clinton, the Rev. R. French, the Rev. W. Pennington-Bickford, the Rev. A. G. Thurlow (Wokingham), the Rev. E. G. Turner, Mrs. Wilkins (Bristol), Mr. E. H. Lewis (president of the Central Council), Mr. G. W. Fletcher (hon. secretary of the Central Council), Major J. H. B. Hesse, Major Yorke (Tunbridge Wells), Mr. W. D. Caroe (architect to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners), Capt. H. J. Cann, Dr. E. L. Taylor (Sevenoaks), Messrs. J. T. Dyke (hon. secretary, Bath and Wells Diocesan Association), E. Guise (hon. secretary, Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association), F. E. Haynes (Ringing Master, St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham), W. Hollier (hon. treasurer, Middlesex Association), J. Holman and E. Thorpe (Sheffield Cathedral Society), J. W. Jones (hon. secretary, Llandaff and Monmouth Association), C. H. Kippin (hon. secretary, Surrey Association), F. M. Mitchell (hon. secretary, Kent County Association), S. Palmer (hon. treasurer, Yorkshire Association), F. W. Rogers (hon. secretary, Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild), W. H. Shaker (hon. secretary, Lancashire Association), A. J. Wright (hon. treasurer, Oxford Guild), W. A. Cave (Bristol), P. W. Cave (Leicester), S. Armstrong (Brighton), W. L. Duffield (Norwich), E. Foster and W. Hibbert (Reading), A. D. Cullum (Caversham), A. Greenwood (Portsmouth), P. J. Johnson (Leeds), T. King (Bath), W. Nevard (Great Bentley), W. Melville (Guildford), C. W. Denyer (Aldershot), H. Marcon (Lincoln), J. Parker (Edmonton),

F. W. Perrens (Coventry), G. Popnell (Swansea), J. F. Smallwood (Bath), O. Sippetts (Crawley), C. E. Smith (Godalming), M. R. Taylor (Hobart, Tasmania), E. Taylor (Newbury), J. A. Trollope (Ealing), A. Walker and R. Daniels (Birmingham), A. H. Ward (Derby), T. B. Worsley (Manchester), etc.

The vice-chair was taken by Mr. E. Alex. Young, and there were many other past masters of the society present, including Messrs. J. W. Rowbotham, F. E. Dawe and W. D. Smith, who served in the office over forty years ago. Mr. Tom Benney, another member for over 50 years, was present, and, in addition to those already mentioned, there were among the officers present Mr. W. T. Cockerill (the hon. secretary), Mr. A. A. Hughes (hon. treasurer), Mr. C. W. Roberts (senior steward), and Messrs. C. F. Winney and H. R. Newton (trustees).

### NEW BADGE PRESENTED.

After the Master had made his formal entry into the room and candles had been lighted, in accordance with custom, with the historic candlesticks which the Duke of Wellington used in the Peninsular campaign, an interesting ceremony took place. An imposing badge of office, wrought in silver, and provided by the past masters and officers of the society, to mark the approaching tercentenary, was presented, and the Master invested with this new insignia of his office. The vice-chairman explained the origin of the emblem, and, at his request, the investiture was made by Mr. W. D. Smith, in the absence at the moment of the senior past master, Mr. J. W. Rowbotham.

In accepting the emblem, the Master said he believed that all who, following after him, would wear the badge would always do so only to the honour and prestige of the society (applause).

Speaking after dinner and after the loyal toast had been honoured, the Master referred to the provision of the new badge. Some months ago, he said, it occurred to him that with the near approach of the tercentenary of the society, it was time they thought out ways and means of celebrating the event, and since, as far as they knew, they had never possessed a Master's badge, he thought it would be fitting if one were provided. They had, and they treasured very much indeed, the medal struck nearly a hundred years ago by the then Master, Richard Mills, presumably to commemorate the bicentenary. Realising, of course, that such an undertaking was quite beyond his own capacity in several respects, he thought it best to call to his assistance the past masters of the society, and invitations were accordingly issued to the 20 surviving. One and all responded to the invitation in the very best way, and, from the first, the success of the project was assured, and even the greater part of the money was forthcoming. They naturally supposed they would have to consult a designer, but they counted without one of their own number, and he was proud to tell them that the designer of the badge was their vice-chairman that evening, Mr. Young (applause). Other past officers besides the past masters expressed a wish to be associated with the gift, and the badge was now presented to the society by all the past surviving officers of the society (applause). He could not tell them how much satisfaction it gave him to see the venture brought to such a successful conclusion. It had not been his intention that the badge should be worn there that evening, but it was a very kindly gesture on the part of the donors that he should be permitted to wear the badge on that occasion, two years before the event which it was to commemorate (applause).

### PROSPERITY TO THE CHURCH.

Proceeding, the Master proposed the toast of 'The Church,' a toast, he said, which must be very near and dear to the hearts of all assembled there that evening. What kind of prosperity did they wish the Church? As ringers, they hoped that the fabric of the ecclesiastical buildings, and the towers, especially those which contained bells, would be preserved in first-class condition. They knew that here and there there were individuals who would like to see the towers collapse on the ringers while they were ringing the bells (laughter). They, at all events, were very few, and for every one of them there were countless numbers who delighted to hear this old English practice of bellringing. They wished the Church all material prosperity, although that was not to say that material prosperity had always been a good thing for the Church. They would remember only a year or two ago they celebrated the centenary of that splendid and inspired movement, the Oxford Movement, which was called into being to remedy the serious condition into which the Church, in times of considerable material prosperity, had drifted. But if the spirit within the Church was right, temporal prosperity would not be far away. They could assure Mr. Caroe, who was architect to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, that they as ringers were as keenly alive as anyone to the necessity for preserving the priceless possessions which they had in their churches. They were second to no one in their desire that bells should be in a condition in keeping with the safety of the ancient towers (hear, hear), although they did at times differ from some of their friends, the architects, as to what was the best condition for a tower, especially when it came to the question of the preservation of an old bell frame. It might be a thing of art, perhaps, and of value, but they as ringers said its place was not in the bell chamber (hear, hear). Either the bells must hang dead for the sake of the tower or the old frame must be replaced by one which would maintain

rigidity and protect the tower from being battered about by a moving bell frame. It was the old, old conflict, the æsthetic versus the utilitarian. The ringers were on the side of the latter.

They were proud of the part they played in ringing the bells and calling people to worship, continued the Master, and he would like to assure the Rector of Stepney that the great majority of ringers did attend the services for which they rang. He would not say it had never been known for ringers to discuss burning questions of campanology outside the church gates on a Sunday morning (laughter), but he was happy to think it was the exception and perhaps due to the over-enthusiasm of the ringers, which, in itself, was not a bad thing.

The Master went on to discuss some of the problems which are facing the Church to-day, such as that of tithes and the attitude towards peace and war. Proceeding, he referred to the little jealousies and rivalries which sometimes creep in among ringers and occasionally got a little bit out of hand. Rivalries were good when they led to progress, but they should be only superficial, and it should never be beyond all ringers afterwards to shake hands and be the best of good friends (applause).

#### LAITY'S OPPORTUNITY.

Canon Mozley, who replied, said he regarded that as one of the most remarkable occasions in his experience. He would not say that he did not realise there were so many bellringers in England as he saw there that night, but he had no idea he would have to face such a number. There were many real difficulties, said Canon Mozley, confronting the Church to-day, and the question was whether there was sufficient spiritual power and Christian energy and faith in the Church to meet all those difficulties, but when they read the lives of two such men as Bishop Gore and the late Archbishop Randall Davidson—two very different types of men, different in temperament, different in outlook, different in ideas—and realised the immense influence they had and the way in which they had each stamped their mark in various ways in the Church of England, he felt it was right to take courage to believe that there were resources upon which they could draw, and that the future would find them not ill-equipped to meet the demands that would be made upon them. Laity and clergy were to-day realising with increasing certainty their own unity. The laity had a much fuller opportunity of contributing to the counsels and work of the Church. All the clergy in that assembly would, he was sure, be fully in agreement as to the value of the sincere and devoted assistance which the clergy gained to-day from the laity. 'There are,' said the speaker, 'difficult laity. We all know that. There are difficult clergy, you know that (laughter), but, taking us all in all, we might be a great deal worse than we are (laughter and applause).'

#### SPIRIT OF THE BELLS.

Sir Gurney Benham proposed the toast of 'The Ancient Society of College Youths.' He said it was very pleasing to find oneself among so many fellow-youths. He congratulated them one and all upon their youthful appearance. He knew how it was done. There was only one secret for preserving health and happiness and youth—it was cheerfulness and hard work (hear, hear). He knew bellringing meant hard work, and, in spite of what their Master had said about occasional little jealousies and rivalries, his experience of bellringers was that they were always cheerful and happy in their work. They had a splendid motto, 'Vivamus Unanimiter'—let us live in unity. It was a magnificent motto for their own family, for their own society, for their own town, for their own nation and for their own great Empire (applause). Bellringing led to a spirit of comradeship, co-operation, good humour and goodwill. That was the spirit of the bells.

Continuing, Sir Gurney said although he had never been a 'practitioner,' he had always been extremely interested in bells. It had been a great pleasure to him to attend the service at St. Michael's that afternoon and to listen to the discourse, which was one he was sure they would all take to heart. There were, perhaps, difficult ringers, as there were difficult clergy. He would like to see that church completely filled, as he supposed it could be, with difficult clergy (laughter), and that one of their members—he did not know anyone better fitted for it than their Master—should give them a sermon, like they had heard that afternoon, which was not a sermon; a lecture that was not a lecture. He was sure they would take it good-humouredly and afterwards live in greater unity than they did now (laughter and applause). His interest in church bells, he added, had been chiefly in going up into the belfries, looking at the old bells and their wonderful inscriptions. He found them enormously interesting. He did not know which he liked best, the pre-Reformation or the post-Reformation inscriptions. Both had their charm, but he thought, perhaps, he liked best the simple piety of the pre-Reformation bells.

'I do wish this society the utmost possible success,' added Sir Gurney Benham. 'I look upon bellringing as a joyful, a necessary and a desirable part of the amenities of our life, both in town and country. I think that all people who have any real good in them enjoy hearing bells rung. When I hear some small-minded person objecting to the noise of bells, I feel it is not because it gives pain to him, but because it gives pleasure to other people (laughter and applause). Your society is the most ancient of its kind in the world. That is a great thing to remember. Mr. Cockerill, your secretary, is

a prince of secretaries; he is the backbone of your society (applause). I do rather hope that in the next world there may be some special reward for honorary secretaries (laughter). I don't think they get much reward in this—they do not get all they deserve anyhow (laughter and applause).'

#### A YEAR'S ACTIVITIES.

The toast having been honoured, Mr. Cockerill replied and first mentioned the apologies for absence which he had received. They included one from Alderman J. S. Pritchett (Master of St. Martin's Guild), who had hoped to be present to celebrate the 60th anniversary of his membership of the society.

While the company stood as a mark of respect, the hon. secretary read the list of members who had died during the year, as follows: Edward Percy Debenham, William A. Alps, Richard Hims, Robert Brett Smith, Capt. A. E. Reeves, Alfred J. Trappitt, Ernest Bishop, Jess B. Tyler, Edward H. Spice and William E. Judd. Twenty-eight new members had been elected and there had been 75 meetings for practice, attended by 114 members at one time or another. They would like to see increased attendances at St. Magnus', where members would be heartily welcomed by those who regularly meet there. During the year 18 peals had been rung: Grandsire Triples 1 and 1 on handbells, Stedman Triples 2, Stedman Caters 1, Stedman Cinques 3, Bob Major 4, Kent Treble Bob Major 1, Yorkshire Surprise Major 1, Double Norwich Major 1, Bristol Surprise Major 1, London Surprise Major on handbells 1, St. Clement's Royal 1. In conclusion, Mr. Cockerill offered congratulations to Canon Coleridge on his birthday on the following day, when he would complete his 78th year (applause).

Mr. W. Roughton proposed 'The Visitors' in a felicitous speech, particularly welcoming the clergy from the London churches, Sir Gurney Benham and Mr. W. D. Caroe.

(To be continued.)

#### THE MASTER'S BADGE.

##### NEW EMBLEM LINKING PAST AND PRESENT.

The handsome new silver badge worn for the first time at Saturday's function was presented to the society by the twenty past masters and other officers. It originated from a desire of Mr. E. P. Duffield to mark in some way the approaching 300th anniversary of the society, which will be celebrated in 1937.

Mr. Young has been good enough to supply the following description of the badge:—

The design embodies the idea of the past (1637) linked with the present (1937). Two figures, the one a cavalier of the Court of Charles I. and the other a figure of to-day, join in supporting a replica of the medal presented by R. Mills, Master at the bicentenary in 1837, and worn by subsequent masters. On a scroll, over, is the society's title and date 1637, and poised as a crest above is the figure of Campanologia, from the Bartolozzi certificate designed for the society in the 18th century. The two ribbon clasps are taken from the design of the silver mace of the same period, and here appear shields, three on each side, giving the 'arms' of St. Paul's and Southwark Cathedrals, also those of Lord Breerton (founder), Whittington (for his college), Sir Henry Tulse (Master and Lord Mayor, 1684), and those of the City of London.

On the podium below is the date 1937, scrolls with the mottoes of the society, and pendant is a harp to denote the musical side of our art and also the harmony which should subsist amidst its members.

When finished the badge will have engraved on the back a suitable inscription and will probably be gilded.

**THRUMPTON, NOTTS.**—On Sunday, October 6th, for the harvest festival evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: F. Priestly 1, C. Towers 2, L. Shaw 3, S. Shaw 4, S. Adams (conductor) 5.

**BASINGSTOKE.**—On September 29th (St. Michael's Day), at St. Michael's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: F. Butler 1, R. Flew 2, H. Balaam 3, C. W. Munday (conductor) 4, F. A. Munday 5, E. Austin 6, W. S. Langdon 7, E. Ockenden (first quarter-peal) 8.

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**HEAVY EIGHT AT TOTNES.****TOWER ROOF AND BELLS RESTORED.**

The Parish Church of Totnes is one of the most beautiful in Devon, and its setting is in a district that is unrivalled for scenery in England. The townsfolk are justly proud of it, and have always been jealous for the preservation of this heritage of the past, and all that it possesses, and no one more than the Vicar, the Rev. Prebendary F. Heywood Waddington.

For a long time the condition of the woodwork of the tower has been a cause of anxiety, and at the beginning of this year the Vicar, himself no mean authority on bells and towers, consulted experts in these matters, with the result that it was found that the roof of the tower and the beams which carried the bell frame were in a state of collapse, owing to the ravages of the death-watch beetle.

Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, in collaboration with Messrs. Morgan and Co., builders, drew up a scheme for the entire restoration, which consisted of a new roof, gantry beams for hoisting the bells, and a general scheme for rehanging the bells and restoring the frame.

The bells, a ring of eight, with a tenor of 23 cwt., were rehung in an iron frame about 40 years ago, but the old supporting beams had been allowed to remain. These old beams have now been removed and replaced by a heavy grillage of girders, and the frame securely bolted down to it.

It is on record that the whole peal has been rung twice each Sunday without a break since 1918, and it is a remarkable fact that all the present ringers took an active part in the Great War.

The bells have been rehung on ball bearings and sundry other fittings renewed, and the clappers refitted to ensure accurate striking, whilst No. 2 bell has been recast.

The rededication of the bells was performed by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Crediton on October 12th in the presence of a crowded congregation, which included the Mayor (Councillor Holdsworth), members of the Corporation, the Fire Brigade and 100 ringers from all parts of Devon.

After the usual prayers, the Bishop, clergy, Mayor and others proceeded to the tower, and Mr. Windcatt, who defrayed the cost of recasting the second bell, asked the Vicar to accept the gift in remembrance of his father. The Bishop then dedicated the bell, and a short touch was rung, followed by an address by the Mayor, who related the history of the clocks in the tower, dating from the 16th century. His Worship finally set the existing clock in motion once more.

The Bishop, in his sermon, spoke of the uses of bells, and urged the ringers to be in tune with the other branches of church work, so that the whole of the church's activities might resemble their beautiful peal, all in tune with each other.

The service will live long in the memory of all those who were privileged to be present, whilst a large crowd waited outside the tower to hear the first peal rung by the local band. All the ringers who attended were entertained to a splendid tea by the Vicar and his friends. The Vicar, addressing the company, congratulated himself on having the inspiration to place all the ringers together at the service. He said that they prided themselves on the singing in his church, and he was delighted that the ringers augmented this by their excellent part singing. He was sure that most of the ringers must be choristers also. He was sure, too, that they would all agree that a first-class contract had been carried out, and he congratulated Mr. S. R. Roper, who was representing Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, on the way that a most difficult and, to some extent, dangerous work had been carried out.

Teams of ringers kept the bells going until a late hour, and although most of the bands were used to much lighter peals, they soon acquired the right 'touch' on the ropes, resulting in some wonderful striking on this heavy ring of eight.

All spoke in high praise of the ease of ringing and the accurate clapping. The Vicar, who used at one time to take part in ringing, will welcome visiting bands of ringers.

**SYDNEY RINGERS' ACTIVITY.****A VISIT TO FARRAMATTA.**

On September 28th, St. Mary's Basilica Society, Sydney, Australia, paid a visit to All Saints' Church, Parramatta. The bells were placed at their disposal by the Rector, the Rev. G. F. B. Manning. The programme opened with three six-scores of Grandsire Doubles, conducted by A. R. Botting, and followed by another three six-scores of Doubles, conducted by E. B. McDonald. Following a course or two of Grandsire Minor, it was decided to attempt a 720. The ringing at this point had reached a high degree of excellence, the striking being all that could be desired. The conductor brought the bells round at half-way in order to give time for a touch of Stedman, and in this the ringers were also successful. This was the first attempted on the bells. Those taking part in the ringing were, in the Grandsire Minor, A. Connor 1, Mrs. Lumley (Twyford, England) 2, E. R. McDonald 3, H. Hough 4, J. Smith 5, A. R. Botting (conductor) (Betchworth, England) 6. The Stedman Doubles were rung by Mrs. Lumley 1, E. B. McDonald 2, J. Smith 3, H. Hough 4, A. R. Botting (conductor) 5, A. Bennett 6.

The local ringers were given an opportunity to ring 'Queens' and call changes, and two six-scores were tapped off in great style, which brought a very pleasant afternoon to a close. Mrs. Lumley, of Twyford, Berks, is the only lady change ringer in New South Wales.

**FOR BEGINNERS.****SIMILAR METHODS.**

Once or twice in this series of articles we have mentioned the similarity between methods, particularly in Minor, and we have given some examples in the hope that beginners will realise that there is something worth studying and ringing besides just Plain Bob. If the other members of a company ring only this method and show no ambition to move on, the beginner will have to be very circumspect in the manner in which he approaches his seniors. These old ringers, with conservative ideas, dislike suggestions from youngsters, so, young folks, be very wary how you broach the subject.

But there is a good deal of scope for young ringers, and the not-so-young, if they have any enterprise, to do something which will increase their interest in ringing.

In some earlier articles we showed how, as in the case of St. Clement's and College Minor, illustrated a fortnight ago, a different method can be got by using the same figures for a 'lead,' but linking the leads together in a different way. You will remember, perhaps, that a 'lead' of St. Clement's was exactly the same as a 'lead' of College, but whereas in the former the leads were linked by 2nd's place, the leads of the latter were linked by 5th's place, when the treble does its whole pull in front.

Similarly when the treble lies its whole pull behind, a method can be changed by what may be termed the link at the half-lead. In Bob Minor, as you know, when the treble lies a whole pull behind half-way through the 'lead,' another bell leads a whole pull. In Reverse Bob, as you have also seen in an earlier article, when the treble lies a whole pull behind, another bell makes 5th's place immediately below it, which does away with the whole pull at lead and causes the bells below 5th's place to dodge.

A different half-lead link will give a different method to ring, but produce, in a course, the same changes. By way of experiment write out a full course of each of the following, and when you check them over you will find they contain the same changes. Then draw a diagram through each, notice how different they appear, and yet how the interior work bears a similarity. What actually happens is that you get the same pieces of work linked up in a different order, the 2nd's place when the treble leads, or the 5th's place when the treble is behind inserting an extra dodge as compared with the work when these places are absent.

And having checked the changes and drawn your diagrams, learn them, get the others of your band to do likewise, and then go into the tower together and ring them.

A.	B.	C.
London Bob.	Double Oxford.	Hereward Bob.
123456	123456	123456
214365	214365	214365
241356	241356	241356
423165	423165	423165
243615	243615	243615
426351	426351	426351
243651	243651	462531
426315	426315	645213
246135	246135	465123
421653	421653	641532
412635	412635	614523
146253	146253	165432
164523	142655	164523

Observe that the first half-lead is the same in each case. A and B have the same second half-lead, but the leads are joined together: A by 5th's place (which you will notice above and below the second line), B by 2nd's place. As a result, the bells in A continue hunting when the treble leads, but in B, those above 2nd's place have to dodge.

A and B have 5th's place made when the treble lies its whole pull behind (which you will observe above and below the first line). C, however, has no 5th's place, but, like Bob Minor, has a bell leading, while the treble lies. The result is that the bells continue hunting instead of dodging, as in A and B.

**NEW TREBLE AT ESSEX CHURCH.  
THORPE-LE-SOKEN BELLS RESTORED.**

On Saturday, a red-letter day in the parish history of Thorpe-le-Soken, Essex, the dedication took place of the restored bells of the Parish Church and an additional treble bell. The bells had been unringable for many years, and only now, through the kind generosity of Mr. R. Clarke, who has lately come to reside in the parish, has it been possible to have them rehung. They have now been placed in a new steel and iron frame with all modern fittings, and the new treble completes the ring of six. The framework has been arranged so that two other bells may be added at some future time.

The work has been carried out by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich. Everyone expressed great satisfaction at the opening ceremony, which was carried out by the former Bishop of Colchester, in the absence of the Bishop of Chelmsford, who was unable to be present.

About 40 ringers from 20 towers attended and were entertained to tea by the donor afterwards. Among the ringers present were several lady ringers from Ipswich, Tendring and Chelmsford.

## NEW BELLS AT ENNISKILLEN CATHEDRAL

NORTHERN IRELAND GETS A PEAL OF TEN.

Dedication by Bishop of Clogher.

Northern Ireland has gained a great acquisition in bells by the installation of a ring of ten at St. Macartan's Cathedral, Enniskillen, Fermanagh. Originally there was a ring of eight bells, and these have been in part recast and the others tuned. Two new trebles have also been added, and together they form a fine peal of ten bells with a tenor 21 cwt., the work having been carried out by Messrs. Taylor and Co. Two of the former bells, known as 'William and Mary,' are said to have been manufactured from cannon captured at the Battle of the Boyne, and afterwards given for the purpose by William III. to Enniskillen.

The bells were opened on October 23rd, when the dedication was performed by the Bishop of Clogher, who also dedicated a new clock, installed by Messrs. Smith and Son, of Derby.

It is estimated that well over a thousand people attended the service, the congregation representing not only the Church of Ireland, but all the sister Protestant Churches in the district. The service was conducted by the Very Rev. the Dean of Clogher and a large number of clergy were present.

After the dedication had been performed, the Bishop pressed an electric bell, and at once was heard a short chime on the bells, followed by the clock striking eight.



ENNISKILLEN CATHEDRAL.

The Bishop, in his address, spoke of the history of the bells in the Cathedral and of their use in the Christian Church. The gifts to God's House and for the help of His people, which had just been dedicated, would, he said, remind those who came after of the attachment and love of those who had gone before. So far as he could express an opinion, continued his Lordship, the great firm of John Taylor and Co., bellfounders, Loughborough, England, who were responsible for recasting and retuning the old bells and manufacturing the new bells, had done their work splendidly, and had added to their reputation in this part of the country not only amongst people of the present generation, but amongst generations yet to come. And he must not forget to say that Messrs. John Smith and Sons, of Derby, who had supplied and erected the splendid new clock which now beautified the tower, had also carried out their work in a manner which not only gave entire satisfaction at the present time, but which would continue to do so for many years to come. He hoped that as the people of this district listened to the lovely chimes of that clock they would often say to themselves, 'It is time to start for church and we shall not only go ourselves, but bring others with us.' Thus living, acting, praying and pressing forward, they would go from strength to strength until they appeared before their God.

### GENEROUS DONORS.

At the conclusion of the service visiting clergy, members of the Select Vestry and a number of other friends were entertained to supper in the Parochial Hall by the Dean and Mrs. MacManaway.

Subsequently the Dean said they had expended of sum of £1,310 in connection with the various articles which had been dedicated that evening, and he was glad to say that practically the whole of that sum had already been received (applause). It had been found necessary to have the Cathedral rewired on account of the change in current from D.C. to A.C., and for this purpose a sum of about £60 was still required.

Continuing, the Dean explained how his attention had originally been drawn by a Dublin visitor to the dangerous condition of the old oak beams supporting the bells, and told how this opinion had been corroborated by experts called in to examine them. It was, consequently, essential to have the bells rehung in a new frame, and it was decided to have this work done.

The question of procuring a new clock then arose, but there were some very cautious men on the Vestry, and they did not seem very keen about undertaking this additional expenditure. Later on, however, he asked them to pass a resolution to the effect that if he procured the money for the purpose they would sanction the purchase of a clock and they agreed to that (laughter). After a while he approached a parishioner who had intimated that he was going to put up a memorial to his family and asked him if he would agree to this memorial taking the form of a new clock in the church tower. The gentleman in question said he would consider this proposal, and a couple of weeks later said, 'I am going to give you that clock' (applause). The price quoted for the clock was £240, but afterwards he (the Dean) discovered that the addition of a Chard, or Guildford, chime, which was the most beautiful of the lot, would cost another £15, and the donor of the clock generously agreed to give this extra sum (hear, hear).

As time went on the Vestry made up their minds to procure two new bells so as to complete the ring of ten, whether these were presented to them or they had to raise the money by subscriptions. These bells were, thereupon, ordered and had actually been cast in the foundry when the Vestry were offered one in memory of the late Capt. Anthony Maude, and subsequently the other was presented by Mr. John Dane, London, as a memorial to the late Mr. James Whiteside Dane. It should be borne in mind, however, that these extra bells would have been procured even if these kindly donors had not undertaken to provide them (hear, hear).

### TRIBUTE TO BELLFOUNDERS.

The contract for recasting and retuning the old bells and manufacturing the two new ones was given to Messrs. John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, England, and he had no words to express his thanks to that firm for the manner in which they had done their work (hear, hear). They possessed a wonderful reputation and always endeavoured to live up to it. When given the contract they stated they would have the eight old bells completed and rehung in the last week in September, and although the order for two extra bells was afterwards given, the whole ten bells were hanging in the Cathedral tower ready for use, in the time originally stipulated (applause). That was a great achievement. He wrote thanking the firm, and they replied stating that when they gave an undertaking they always strove to fulfil it (hear, hear). They had done their work most satisfactorily and were most courteous throughout.

Continuing, the Dean said the new clock had been supplied and installed by Messrs. John Smith and Sons, Derby. This was a wonderful clock, unique of its kind in Ireland, so far as its chimes were concerned. The Westminster chime had only four notes, whereas the Chard chime, now installed in Enniskillen, had eight notes. Messrs. Smith had fulfilled their contract to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. They had sent across Mr. J. B. Warden, their chief clock erector, to do the work, and he had done it splendidly; a more obliging man he (the speaker) had never met. When Mr. Warden's work was done in the evenings he spent a considerable time teaching a number of young men how to ring the bells properly, and their thanks were due to him, personally, for all he had, voluntarily, done for them (applause).

Other speeches were made during the evening, Mr. J. P. Fidler acknowledging the congratulations to the bellfounders, and Mr. J. B. Warden replying for the clockmakers.

### BELLS AND THE ARMISTICE.

#### EX-SERVICE BAND RING NEW BELLS AT NOTTINGHAM.

At many churches on Sunday, touches were specially rung in connection with the Armistice.

At St. Mary's, Nottingham, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples by the following, all ex-Service, band: Miss I. B. Thompson 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, L. Chadburn 3, F. Blood 4, F. Bradley 5, F. A. Salter 6, R. Narborough 7, W. Nicholls 8. First quarter-peal on the bells.

At St. Mark's, Worsley, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: W. Grundy 1, R. Welsby 2, R. Allred 3, W. Jones 4, T. Allred 5, E. Yates 6, F. Grundy 7, P. H. Derbyshire 8, J. H. Ridyard (conductor) 9, R. Jones 10. First quarter-peal of Caters by all except the conductor; also the first quarter-peal on the bells since they were augmented to ten.

At Uckfield, Sussex, for the Armistice service, at the Church of the Holy Cross, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples with half-muffled bells: C. J. Hart 1, E. Eade 2, A. Richardson 3, F. Weller 4, R. Playford 5, F. Miles 6, J. A. Hart (conductor) 7, J. Baldoock 8.

At St. Bartholomew's Church, Haslemere, Surrey, for Armistice evening service, a half-muffled quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. H. B. Hesse 1, B. Elliott 2, R. Moore 3, E. J. Ayliffe 4, W. Eldridge 5, H. Smithers 6, F. Bowden (conductor) 7, F. W. Wicks 8.

For the evening service of remembrance, thanksgiving and prayer, at Bromsgrove, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples with the bells half-muffled: Miss Copson 1, A. O. Lewis 2, F. Whitworth 3, H. F. Martin (conductor) 4, F. B. Martin 5, S. J. Jones 6, R. Lewis 7, H. Norbury 8.

**FUNERAL OF MRS. GEORGE WILLIAMS.****REPRESENTATIVE GATHERING AT LAST RITES.**

At the foot of the tower, on the south side, at North Stoneham, the mortal remains of Mrs. Martha Emma Maria Williams, wife of Mr. George Williams, the greatly respected Master of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, were laid to rest on Tuesday of last week. For over 30 years the deceased lady had worshipped at the Church of St. Nicholas, and it was to celebrate their golden wedding that the deceased and her husband gave the two trebles to augment the peal into the lightest ring of ten in any church in the county.

The ceremony was of a simple but very impressive nature. The funeral cortege was met at the lych gate by the choir, with cross-bearer, and the Rev. F. H. J. C. Chambers, priest-in-charge. As the coffin was conveyed into the chancel it passed through a large congregation of ringing friends of the deceased lady and her husband. Among those who were present were the Rev. G. T. Tritton (Rector of Dibden and chairman of the Southampton District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild), the Rev. Evan Jones (Vicar of Hedge End and treasurer of the Guild), the Rev. E. Bankes James (chairman of the Portsmouth District of the Guild), Mrs. G. W. Fletcher (hon. secretary of the Ladies' Guild), Mr. W. H. Fussell (Oxford Diocesan Guild), the Rev. R. H. Gundry (Master of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild), Mr. G. Pullinger (secretary, Southampton District), Mr. J. H. Shepherd (Swindon, representing Gloucester and Bristol Association), Mr. G. Noice and Miss Noice (joint secretaries of the Winchester District), Mr. E. J. Harding, sen. (Portsmouth), Mr. W. Brooker (Leatherhead), Mr. W. Linter (Swanmore), Miss Joan Wheeler (Bishopstoke), Mrs. Faithfull and Mrs. Brown (St. Mary's, Southampton), Mr. D. C. Williams, Mus.Bac., F.R.C.O. (organist and choir-master, St. Mary's, Southampton), Mr. H. S. Smith (St. Mary's, Southampton), Mr. W. Andrews (Winchester Cathedral), Mr. J. W. Elkins (senior verger, Winchester Cathedral), Mr. G. Preston (Christchurch Priory), Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bayley (Titchfield), Mr. A. F. Martin-Stewart (Wimborne Minster), the Rev. C. Phillips (Bournemouth), Mr. W. T. Tucker, Mr. R. C. H. Conolly (St. Nicholas', North Stoneham), Mr. F. Townsend (Poole), Mr. W. Linter (Fareham) and others.

Mr. Leslie Smith presided at the organ, and the choir led the singing of the hymns, 'How bright those glorious spirits shine' and 'Abide with me,' as well as the 23rd Psalm.

The family mourners were the widower, Mrs. A. Scardifield (sister), Mrs. Upsdale (sister-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. V. P. A. G. Scardifield (nephew and niece) and Mr. H. P. Scardifield (nephew).

The committal prayers were said in the presence of the greater portion of the congregation, and the coffin was lowered into the earth with the bright beams of the autumn sunshine pouring over the grave. So we left all that was mortal of a lady who had played a very prominent part in the ringing history of this country; indeed, one can faithfully say, the mother of the lady ringers of the world, for was it not her who in 1892 was the first lady to ring a peal? She led the way for others to traverse, and although in these days many may have outstripped her in the race, yet her memory will be revered by the ladies as the one who showed the way.

There were many beautiful floral tokens to the memory of the deceased lady, and, apart from the personal wreaths, tributes were sent by the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild; the Southampton District; the Portsmouth District; the Christchurch District; the Ladies' Guild; the ringers of St. Nicholas', North Stoneham, etc.

Immediately after the service the ringing friends of the deceased and her husband rang the bells half-muffled as a token of respect, and a touch of Stedman Caters was rung by the following band: Mrs. G. W. Fletcher, Edmonton (conductor) 1, D. C. Williams (St. Mary's, Southampton) 2, W. Linter (Fareham) 3, W. T. Tucker (North Stoneham) 4, W. H. Fussell (Slough) 5, the Rev. E. Bankes James (Portsea) 6, F. S. Bayley (Titchfield) 7, A. F. Martin-Stewart (Wimborne) 8, G. Preston (Christchurch) 9, E. J. Harding (Portsmouth) 10.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.****DEVIZES BRANCH.**

The November meeting was held at Bishop's Cannings. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m. and continued until 8.15, with a break at 4.30 for the service, tea and meeting. The Vicar (the Rev. S. S. Sharp) officiated at the service, Miss Wright being the organist.

Mr. E. P. White, branch chairman, presided at the meeting, at which a short discussion took place as to the best way to help the young ringer and conductor.

Six new members were elected from Christ Church, Bradford.

Votes of thanks were proposed to the Vicar and organist and carried with acclamation, the Vicar replying. Handbells were then produced, some good touches being rung.

The branch were pleased to welcome Messrs. W. B. Kynaston, C. J. Gardiner and L. Allnatt, from Swindon, also representatives from Bishop's Cannings, Chirton, Devizes (St. John's and St. Mary's), Rowde, Potterne, Warminster, Seend, Southbroom and Melksham. The methods practised included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich and Cambridge.

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In addition to the peals rung in various parts of the country in honour of the wedding of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester and Lady Alice Montagu-Douglas-Scott, touches were rung in many places. Here are the reports of some of them:—

In the Old Norman Campanile at Chichester Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: H. Stoveld 1, W. Falconer 2, T. A. Doick 3, W. E. Ticehurst 4, H. J. Tucker (composer and conductor) 5, G. Marshall 6, J. H. Blake 7, F. Arthur 8. This quarter-peal contains the twelve 7-4's, twelve 4-6's and twelve 6-7's.

At Chester Cathedral, 1,568 of New Cambridge Surprise Major: H. Lewis 1, R. Sperring 2, J. Griffiths 3, G. Jones 4, J. Swindley 5, J. Morgan 6, S. Jones 7, P. Swindley (conductor) 8.

A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung by the St. Mary's Society, Dover, at the Parish Church: L. Leach (Devonshire Regt.) 1, T. Durham 2, H. J. Saunders 3, H. Whitehead 4, C. R. Millway (conductor) 5, R. T. Clark 6, C. Turner 7, E. T. Ellender 8.

After a peal attempt had failed, a quarter-peal of Bob Royal (1,260 changes) was rung at St. Mary's, Southampton: J. W. Faithfull (conductor) 1, D. Cecil Williams 2, L. J. Lockyer 3, W. Linter, jun. 4, E. Whiteman 5, Walter Linter 6, W. Houlton 7, F. S. Bayley 8, A. V. Davis 9, E. J. Harding, sen. 10.

At St. Mary's-without-the-Walls, Chester, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: A. Jones 1, J. Best 2, M. Harris 3, T. Griffiths 4, W. Griffiths 5, J. Hayes 6, W. Hopwood (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7, E. Price 8.

At St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, Westminster, 504 Grandsire Triples: \*A. Scott (age 16) 1, Mrs. A. D. Barker 2, \*G. Kemp (age 16) 3, \*C. Meyer 4, T. Wyatt 5, \*P. Carter 6, A. D. Barker (conductor) 7, \*R. Kemp 8. \* Sunday service ringers.

Twelve hundred of Plain Bob Doubles were rung at St. Andrew's Church, Marlesford, Suffolk, by Louis Carter 1, George R. Finch (conductor) 2, George Berry 3, William Cooper 4, P.C. Henry J. Vince 5.

At Rotherfield, Sussex, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: R. Mitchell 1, W. A. Kitchenside 2, A. J. Hart 3, A. F. Lewry 4, F. H. Hicks 5, F. Hammond 6, C. Brasier (conductor) 7, E. Bishop, sen. 8. This was also a birthday compliment to E. Bishop, jun., and was the first quarter of Stedman Triples for treble and third ringers.

On Thursday, November 7th, at St. Michael's Church, Lyme Regis, Dorset, after an attempt for a peal of Bob Major, which failed when nearing the half-way, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes): F. Hiscock 1, J. E. Philbrick 2, O. W. H. Powell 3, H. G. Keesley 4, the Rev. C. C. Cox (conductor) 5, G. H. Whitmore 6, F. Blackmore 7, F. Price 8.

At Wrexham Parish Church, on Wednesday, November 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: T. Millington 1, J. Copper 2, P. Cross 3, F. Evans 4, W. Cathrall 5, T. Cathrall 6, A. Lea, jun. (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7, A. Lea, sen. 8.

At Burnham, Bucks, a quarter-peal of Bob Triples: Miss S. M. S. Fleming (first attempt) 1, G. Gilbert 2, W. Cyster 3, J. Reedy 4, J. E. Taylor (age 14, conductor, first attempt) 5, J. D. Taylor 6, George Limmer 7, C. A. Burgess 8.

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**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 28th, \*St. Mary-le-Bow on the 26th at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards. — William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Hemel Hempstead, November 16th. Bells available 3 p.m. Usual arrangements for service, tea and meeting. A postcard to let me know you are coming would help with arrangements. Everyone given a cordial welcome. Subscriptions are overdue.—W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The annual meeting of this division will be held at Bocking on Saturday, November 16th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. This is most essential.—F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chertsey District.—Next meeting at Hershaw, instead of Weybridge, Saturday, Nov. 16th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting in Church Room 5 p.m. Nominations for district officers for 1936 must be made at this meeting. All ringers welcome.—F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec., 4, Temperance Cottages, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Radcliffe on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Tower open for ringing at 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. All members are earnestly requested to make an effort, and non-members are cordially invited to attend.—D. Brown, Hon. Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A meeting of the above will be held at Felpham on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Tower open 2 o'clock. Service 4 o'clock. Tea in the Church Hall, Limner Lane, 4.30.—A. W. Groves, Amherst, Dominion Road, Worthing.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Marshfield on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Bells (8) available during the afternoon. Service at 4.30. Meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Alteryon View, Newport, Mon.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—A combined meeting of the Maidstone District and the Guild will be held at Leeds (10 bells) on Saturday, November 16th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at the George Inn 5 p.m. Plenty of room in the belfry for a large gathering. Please send a card if you are coming.—A. Waddington, Malthouse Farm, Egerton; and P. Page, 110, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Hon. Secs.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northern Branch.—A meeting of the Gainsborough District will be held at Upton on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Bells (5) available during the afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, 1s. 6d., at 5 p.m. A whist drive will be held at 6.30 p.m. Charge, 9d., including refreshments. A hearty invitation to all ringers and their wives or friends to attend and enjoy a pleasant evening at Upton. Visitors for tea kindly advise.—H. Morgan, Dis. Sec., 22, Grey Street, Gainsborough.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western District.—The next meeting will be held at All Saints', Benhilton, Sutton, on Saturday, November 23rd. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting at the Rendezvous Cafe. Those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, November 20th.—D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newbury Branch.—The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Newbury on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (10) available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Preacher, the Deputy Master (the Rev. C. E. Wigg). Tea, 5 p.m., at 1s. All ringers welcome. Intending visitors please let me know by Wednesday, Nov. 20th, for tea.—H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The mid-quarterly meeting will be held at Syston (8) on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells available from 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for same to me, please, by Wednesday previous. Frequent buses from Belgrave Gate, or L.M.S., London Road.—Ernest H. Bagworth, Dis. Sec., 36, Turner Road, Leicester.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Burton District.—The last meeting of the year will be held at the Parish Church, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Will all those who intend to be present please notify me by Wednesday, Nov. 20th? All ringers are cordially invited. Let us have a good meeting in this fine old church.—J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseal, Burton-on-Trent.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Nov. 23rd, Annual Hitchin meeting. Bells ready 3 p.m. Learners welcome. Handbells also available. Tea arrangements as usual. Shortened evensong 6.30 p.m. Excellent rail and bus services—so no excuse this time! It is hoped that a photograph of the company will be taken, which will doubtless prove a pleasant reminder of our 'Jubilee Year' meeting. Rally round.—Don Mears, Hon. Sec., Fritton, Moormead Close, Hitchin.

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**LADIES' GUILD.**—Central District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea to follow. Will those requiring tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, 19th. Gentlemen cordially invited. — M. L. Cross, Hon. Sec., 9, Beverley Road, Barnehurst, Kent.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Bury Parish Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells ready from 3.30 p.m. Meeting in the tower 6.30. Anyone who can pull a bell welcomed at this meeting.—J. Porter, 11, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—To mark the date of the Guild's foundation, which was on Nov. 23rd, 1907, the next meeting will be held at Chilvers Coton and Nuneaton on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Ringing from 3 p.m. at Chilvers Coton, followed by tea at 4.45 in the Church Hall. Ringing after tea at Nuneaton. It is hoped that everyone will try to attend and thus make this meeting a success; a special invitation is extended to the older members of the Guild.—M. Melville, Exhall, Coventry.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at St. John's, Darlington, on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Ringers requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Nov. 20th.—R. Jeff, Dis. Sec., 29, Reid Street, Darlington.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—The next practice has been arranged at Bray (6 bells) on Saturday, Nov. 23rd, at 3.30 p.m. Tea, at 1s. per head, for those who notify me not later than Nov. 18th.—A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Daventry Branch.—A special meeting will be held at Willoughby (6) on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Usual arrangements. Joint meeting at Whilton held over.—W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — North Bucks Branch (Newport Pagnell Deanery).—A meeting will be held at Emberton (6) on November 23rd, at 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Please send numbers for tea to the Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstoke Vicarage, Olney, Bucks.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Elmley Castle on Saturday, November 30th. Service 5 p.m. Arrangements for tea will be made, and it is important that those who intend to be present should notify as early as possible, and not later than Tuesday, November 26th.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Godstone on Nov. 30th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers heartily welcome. Please send me numbers for tea not later than Tuesday, Nov. 26th.—W. Claydon, 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate, Surrey.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—The district annual meeting will be held at Barking on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at Jones' Café to follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly advise me without fail.—E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Mawneys Road, Romford.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.** — Aylesbeare Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Topsham on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Preacher, Rev. W. M. Mitchell, Rector of Clyst St. George. Tea at 4.45 p.m., free to members. Meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Monday, Nov. 25th.—R. Brook, Hon. Sec., 3, Greatwood Terrace, Topsham.

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (Farnham District), **LADIES' GUILD** (Southern District).—A joint meeting will be held at ALDESHOT on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Choral service 5 followed by tea and business meetings in Parish Hall. All welcome. Please notify for tea by Wednesday, Nov. 27th.—H. F. Mills, Hon. Sec., Ladies' Guild, C. W. Denyer, Hon. Sec., Farnham District, 120, Ash Road, Aldershot.

**NORTH MUSKHAM, NORTH NOTTS.**—On Monday, Dec. 2nd, at 7 p.m., the Bishop of Southwell will dedicate the new tenor bell which has been installed by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, to complete the peal to six bells.

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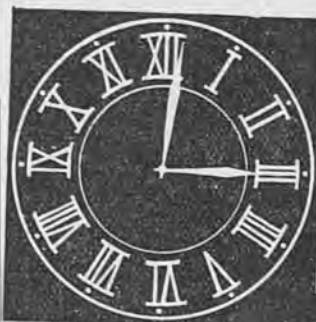
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