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VICTORY PEALS.

Most ringers had for some time been looking forward to much extra ringing when the glad news came that the horrible war in Europe was at last at an end, but few, we are sure, expected it would be possible to ring so many peals as actually were accomplished during the victory celebrations. It is a most excellent and striking sign of life and enthusiasm in the Exercise, and the more the records are studied the greater appear the reasons for satisfaction. These peals were not rung by selected persons collected from the most skilful bands. They were rung almost entirely by local bands attached to the churches where the performances took place, and we are safe in assuming that they represent a much larger number of attempts, some of which, by reason of bad luck and the accidents and vicissitudes which beset peal ringing, came to untimely ends. There are many names in the records that one always expects to see there, but there are also many newcomers, and not a few of men whose ringing careers began after the ban on church bells was lifted.

The methods rung are significant. Almost all the peals were in the simpler Standard methods, and the comparative absence of the Surprise methods, so far from being (as it well might have been in normal times) evidence of decline, is, in the present circumstances, a sign of general progress. For we may hope and expect that many of those bands and individuals, who now experience for the first time the fascination of peal ringing, will not rest content until they have explored more complex regions.

We have yet to welcome home a large proportion of the men who formed the skilled peal ringers of pre-war days, and when they are added to the newcomers there need be no fear that peal ringing, and all it stands for, has suffered any serious set-back through the war.

From now onwards a large increase in peal ringing may be expected. The great activity of the last few weeks will not, of course, be maintained, but almost certainly many more peals will be rung than at any time during the five and a half years of war. That creates the problem for this journal at which we hinted some time back. The size of 'The Ringing World' is no greater than it was during the ban on ringing, when no peals were rung. Every peal must be reported in all its essential details, and equally every notice of a meeting must appear giving all the information really necessary. But unless the greatest economy is exercised in these reports and notices there will be no room for other and equally important things,

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and those features which kept the paper alive during the dark days, and were of interest to so large a proportion of the readers, will have to be sacrificed. We are anxious to avoid that, and are quite sure our readers do not wish to have it so. Correspondents should remember that items of news, peal footnotes, and the like, which to them seem important, are not necessarily of interest to the general reader, and if they are omitted it is because the space is wanted for other things.

VICTORY PEALS.



BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., May 8, 1945, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 21½ cwt.

ALFRED LEVETT Treble	GILBERT R. GOODSHIP ... 5
DOROTHY R. FLETCHER... 2	WALTER TOMLINSON ... 6
WILLIAM WELLING ... 3	WILFRED EDWARDS ... 7
WALTER LEE 4	HARRY WINGROVE ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by H. WINGROVE.

ACTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., May 8, 1945, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Grandsire, April Day and Plain Bob.

Tenor 14 cwt.

STANLEY SUTTON Treble	FRANK OLLIER 4
FRANK BARNARD 2	JOHN E. BROUGH 5
FREDERICK S. SUTTON ... 3	JOHN YOUNG Tenor

Conducted by J. E. BROUGH.

NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., May 8, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 2,400 Plain Bob and 2,640 Grandsire.

*L. C. PARRIS Treble	W. WEDLOCK 4
A. B. KING 2	H. KING 5
H. S. KING 3	W. PEARCE Tenor

Conducted by W. WEDLOCK.

BRAY, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., May 8, 1945, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 14 six-scores each of Grandsire, Plain Bob and April Day.

Tenor 27 cwt.

*MISS PEGGY FISHER ... Treble	*ROBERT C. HOWER ... 4
*MALCOLM C. UPSTONE... 2	FREDERICK J. RUSSELL... 5
*GEORGE MITCHELL ... 3	*REV. E. S. C. LOWMAN Tenor

Conducted by F. J. RUSSELL.

* First peal.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Wed., May 9, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Tenor 11½ cwt.

WILLIAM HENLEY Treble	ALFRED LEVETT 5
NORMAN HARDING 2	REV. R. F. R. ROUTH ... 6
DOROTHY R. FLETCHER ... 3	HARRY WINGROVE 7
WALTER LEE 4	WILLIAM WELLING Tenor

Composed by F. HOLDEN. Conducted by W. WELLING.

OVERTON, HANTS.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. F. Harris 1, Miss E. J. Taylor 2, C. B. Taylor 3, Miss M. G. Wadley 4, B. Garrett (conductor) 5, A. G. Taylor 6.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 9, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

MRS. P. BILLINGTON ... Treble	JOHN GIBBONS 5
EDWIN I. MARTIN 2	LEONARD TREVOR 6
ARTHUR H. BEAMISH ... 3	JOHN E. MORETON 7
JAMES DRAYCOTT 4	FRANK TROTMAN Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by A. H. BEAMISH.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS.

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On Wed., May 9, 1945, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt.

W. STANNARD Treble	C. STANNARD 5
*S. STURGEON 2	*P. EVERETT 6
*A. W. ROLFE 3	W. GOODSHIP 7
*R. SIMMONDS 4	*F. BUCKLE Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by W. STANNARD.
* First peal.

DARTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., May 9, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

HARRY RAYNOR Treble	NORMAN SUMMERHAYES ... 5
GEORGE LARGE 2	JAMES E. BAILEY 6
JOHN H. WHEADON ... 3	EDWIN BARNETT 7
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 4	HARRY HOVERD Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by HARRY HOVERD.

WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 9, 1945, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different extents.

Tenor 6 cwt.

GEORGE E. PORTER ... Treble	FRANK OLLIER 4
FRANK BARNARD 2	JOHN E. BROUGH 5
FREDERICK S. SUTTON ... 3	ALBERT CRAWLEY Tenor

Conducted by A. CRAWLEY.

WRENBURY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 9, 1945, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Ten different callings.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*SYDNEY KING Treble	FRANK OLLIER 4
FRANK BARNARD 2	JOHN E. BROUGH 5
FREDERICK S. SUTTON ... 3	JOHN YOUNG Tenor

Conducted by J. E. BROUGH.
* First peal.

* First peal.

WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., May 9, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Double Bob, St. Clement and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

RICHARD NEWTON Treble	MARK LANCEFIELD 4
JOHN W. IRELAND 2	WILLIAM J. LANCEFIELD... 5
ALBERT J. LANCEFIELD ... 3	EDWARD S. RUCK Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD S. RUCK.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Wed., May 9, 1945, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

ARTHUR D. FELLOWS ... Treble	ALBERT D. COLLINS ... 4
CHARLES WM. COOPER ... 2	CLIFFORD SKIDMORE ... 5
NORMAN G. LEECH 3	JOHN W. SMITH Tenor

Conducted by CLIFFORD SKIDMORE.

LEIGH-ON-SEA, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., May 11, 1945, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 2,400 Bob Doubles and 2,640 Grandsire Doubles.

*FRANK HOWARD Treble	WILLIAM PERRY 4
BERNARD SADLER 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN 5
RICHARD DIXON 3	*CHARLES R. CHAMBERS... Tenor

Conducted by F. B. LUFKIN.

* First peal.

MARKET DRAYTON, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 12, 1945, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*BERNARD MADELEY Treble	GEORGE A. PACKER 5
WILLIAM J. CHESTER 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST 6
HARRY F. HOLDING 3	RICHARD D. LANGFORD... 7
*WILLIAM TYLER 4	ARTHUR PRITCHARD ... Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by ARTHUR PRITCHARD.

* First peal.

DARLINGTON.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 12, 1945, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. E. BANKES JAMES' 18-PART.	Tenor 18 cwt. in F.
WILLIAM OLIVER Treble	ROLAND PARK 5
ROBERT T. SIMPSON 3	JAMES T. TITT 6
RICHARD BUSBY 3	W. NORMAN PARK 7
GEORGE F. NEWTON 4	ROLIAN VENUS Tenor

Conducted by ROLAND PARK.

RAINHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 12, 1945, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.	Tenor 18½ cwt.
*GEORGE AVIS Treble	GEORGE KENWARD 5
FRANCIS J. CHEAL 2	CHARLES E. J. NORRIS ... 6
BERT W. MAY 3	WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT ... 7
WILFORD L. RAYNOR 4	FREDERICK C. MACEY ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT.

* First peal.

ROSS-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 12, 1945, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.	Tenor 24½ cwt.
HARVEY H. WINNEY ... Treble	ROBERT E. SUMMERS ... 5
ARCHIBALD MORRIS ... 2	ALFRED T. POULTON ... 6
PERCY BIRD 3	WILLIAM POSTON 7
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... 4	JOHN J. WEBB Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

ALDINGTON, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 12, 1945, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different extents.	Tenor 15 cwt.
EDWARD S. RUCK Treble	THOMAS R. MOGG 4
JOHN W. IRELAND 2	WILLIAM J. LANCEFIELD... 5
MARK LANCEFIELD 3	SGT. A. J. LANCEFIELD ... Tenor

Conducted by A. J. LANCEFIELD.

HARESFIELD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 12, 1945, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Ten callings.

*GERALD TOWNSEND ... Treble	*FRED BROOKING ... 4
*BETTY SMITH 2	ERNEST WILKES 5
THOMAS PRICE 3	*RICHARD BARNETT ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS PRICE.

* First peal.

WOOL, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 12, 1945, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROOD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten callings. Tenor 11 cwt.

*J. CAIN Treble	*L. WILLIAMS 4
E. A. ENTICKNAP 2	SERG. P. TOCOCK 5
F. PRECEY 3	*A. DOREY Tenor

Conducted by SERGT. P. TOCOCK.

* First peal.

LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., May 13, 1945, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WOOLTON,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

THOMAS LEE Treble	GILBERT PENDLETON ... 5
THOMAS W. HESKETH ... 2	WILLIAM ROBINSON ... 6
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... 3	FREDERICK S. ALMOND ... 7
ARTHUR LINTOTT 4	FRANK VARTY Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEO. R. NEWTON.

BISHOP'S CANNINGS, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., May 13, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th the observation). Tenor 16½ cwt.

*MISS JOAN GRANT ... Treble	FREDERICK W. HALE ... 5
WILLIAM G. MORTIMER 2	FREDERICK A. WILSHIRE 6
*JOAN ROMAIN 3	SIDNEY G. GRANT 7
JOSEPH S. WEEKS 4	GEORGE ORAM Tenor

Conducted by S. G. GRANT.

* First peal.

HODNET, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., May 13, 1945, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F.

JOSEPH CAPPER Treble	GEORGE BERRY 4
WALTER LYCETT 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST 5
FREDERICK LEECH 3	*CHARLES HAYES Tenor

Conducted by E. V. RODENHURST.

* First peal.

DINDER, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., May 13, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten different callings. Tenor 14 cwt.

*RONALD MORGAN ... Treble	PERCIVAL H. HULL ... 4
*J. FRANK HARVEY ... 2	*HENRY E. HORLER ... 5
*STANLEY L. R. VOWLES 3	*CHARLES DINHAM ... Tenor

Conducted by PERCIVAL H. HULL.

* First peal.



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TEN BELL PEAL.

CREWE, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 28, 1945, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt.

HARRY F. HOLDING ... Treble	WILLIAM J. CHESTER ... 6
RICHARD T. HOLDING ... 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... 7
GEORGE A. PACKER ... 3	ANDREW THOMPSON ... 8
WILLIAM P. DEANE ... 4	CHARLES H. PAGE ... 9
RICHARD D. LANGFORD ... 5	ARTHUR PRITCHARD ... Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by ARTHUR PRITCHARD.
In memoriam to James H. Riding and George H. Crawley, late members of this tower.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SWINDON, WILTS.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 28, 1945, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART.

MISS N. DAVIS ... Treble	C. J. GARDNER ... 5
W. W. T. DANIELL ... 2	W. CARTER ... 6
F. J. DANIELL ... 3	NEIL I. ALLNATT ... 7
C. J. HATHAWAY ... 4	W. M. GREENWAY ... Tenor

Conducted by NEIL I. ALLNATT.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, CO. DURHAM.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 5, 1945, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND CUTHBERT.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;
Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM J. SHERITON ... Treble	FRANK AINSLEY ... 5
*CHRIS HETHERINGTON ... 2	ROBERT L. PATTERSON ... 6
JOHN ANDERSON ... 3	DENNIS A. BAYLES ... 7
JOHN A. BROWN ... 4	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

SIX BELL PEAL.

ACCRINGTON, LANCs.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., May 6, 1945, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different extents.	Tenor 9 cwt.
LEONARD WALSH ... Treble	RICHARD BLAKEY ... 4
*CHRIS M. JOHNSON ... 2	ROGER LEIGH ... 5
STUART SMITH ... 3	LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... 6

Conducted by L. J. WILLIAMS.

* First peal.

HANDBELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 5, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE TAMWORTH ARMS, MOOR STREET,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor size 17 in B flat.

FRANK W. PERRINS ... 1-2	FRANK E. HAYNES ... 7-8
ALBERT WALKER ... 3-4	GEORGE F. SWANN ... 9-10
FRANK E. PERVIN ... 5-6	GEORGE E. FEARN ... 11-12

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by A. WALKER.

BOCKING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., May 6, 1945, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
AT 83, CHURCH STREET,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different extents.

*REGINALD RIPPINGALE ... 1-2	THOMAS BIRD ... 3-4
RONALD SUCKLING ... 5-6	

Conducted by RONALD SUCKLING.

* First peal on handbells.

(Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.)

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Last Tuesday a meeting of the Central Council was held at Birmingham. As this journal is printed on Wednesday, it was not possible, with the present postal services, to get any report in time for this issue, but we hope to give an account of the proceedings next week.

DEATH OF WILLIAM STRICKLAND.

The death is announced of Pte. William Strickland, of the Green Howards, who died in Horton Hospital, Epsom, on May 4th, from extreme malnutrition after being liberated from Stalag 8b.

Pte. Strickland joined the Forces in January, 1943, and served in Italy. Wounded in the early part of last year, he was in hospital until May, and was taken prisoner on the Anzio Beachhead on June 1st. He had been associated with the ringing at St. John's Church, Blackpool, for 18 years. A regular service ringer, he did not take part in many peals.

The funeral was at Carleton Cemetery on May 9th. Canon W. Yates, Vicar of St. John's, conducted the service, and, in addition to the family mourners, the ringers of St. John's were present.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

About 55 ringers from 16 towers joined the local band on May 12th, when a joint meeting of the Preston and Fylde Branches of the Lancashire Association was held at Layland Parish Church. The ringers were entertained to tea by the Vicar, the Rev. L. C. Peto, who took the chair at the business meeting which followed. Various methods of Royal, Caters, Major, Triples and rounds were rung during the afternoon and evening.

An accident in the tower on VE-Day required continuous work day and night from Thursday morning to Saturday noon to enable the bells to be used for the meeting and for service ringing on Thanksgiving Sunday.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

There was a large attendance at the annual meeting of the Yorkshire Association, held on May 5th at Leeds. Service in the Parish Church was followed by tea and the business meeting, at which the chair was taken by the president, Canon C. C. Marshall, who presented the annual report.

He said they stood on the threshold of a great victory, the triumph of right over might; of good over the most formidable evil that the world had ever witnessed, and it was with thankful hearts they assembled for this possibly last war-time annual meeting. It was most satisfactory to record a net increase in membership of 30. Thirteen members had lapsed and 20 had passed away during the year, but 63 new members had been elected, and the aggregate membership now stood at 1,165. Thirty-nine peals had been rung during the year, 35 on tower bells and four on handbells, and nine members had rung their first peals. The association was entitled to congratulate itself on the balance sheet and to hold it out as an example for emulation. It showed a net gain for the year of £26 8s. 5d., and that the total worth of the association now stood at £397 6s. 7d. There were only nine unpaid subscriptions, and these incidentally had since been recovered by the treasurer. Mr. S. F. Palmer was thanked for his work as treasurer.

An invitation to Doncaster for the next meeting was accepted. Canon C. C. Marshall was re-elected president. Mr. W. Barton moved that the peal secretary should be appointed by the annual meeting, instead of by the general committee as hitherto, and this was agreed to.

A motion to extend the qualifying date for life membership from 1900 to 1905 was also agreed to.

Twenty-one new members were elected on the motion of Mr. D. Smith, seconded by Mr. W. Barton.

W. C. LUKIS.

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It is not my intention here to enter into the intricacies of change ringing, nor to explain the mysterious terms in use to express the method of effecting changes. 'The Art of Change Ringing,' by Benjamin Thackrah, and 'The Elements of Campanalogia,' by Henry Hubbard, which to the uninitiated look like books of logarithmic tables, will be found very useful by those who desire to know more of this delightful subject. It may be sufficient to describe to you the manner in which a bell moves and the clapper acts during a peal. . . . The velocity of the pull which sets the bell in motion, and consequently in peal ringing the time in striking is regulated by the good ear of the ringer, who should have perfect command over his bell. If he do not pull evenly, the intervals will be uneven, and the music bad; and an even pull can only be attained by frequent steady practice.

I need hardly state that bellringing requires extreme care to prevent accidents. Anyone who has handled the ropes knows this, and accidents have frequently occurred. In June, 1778, a man of the name of Lilley was drawn up by the rope at Doncaster, and killed by the fall. In 1812, a boy sitting near a ringer was caught by the rope and so seriously injured that he died, and was buried in the same grave with a brother who was drowned. On the gravestone there is this quaint couplet:—

'These 2 youths were by misfortun serounded,
One died of his wounds, and the other was drowned.'

It is a very curious circumstance, and yet, I believe, purely accidental, that the keystones of the several peals in Oxford form nearly all the notes of the chromatic scale. *E.g.*:—

Christ Church	D (vocal D).
St. Mary's	D (concert pitch).
Merton	E flat (rather flat).
New College	E flat.
Magdalen	E natural.
Carfax	F.
St. Mary Magdalen	F.
St. Michael's	F sharp (rather flatter than St. Giles').
St. Giles'	F sharp.
St. Aldate's	A flat.
St. Peter-in-the-East	A natural.
Holywell	B flat.

Oxford possesses three fine peals of ten bells, viz., at Christ Church, New College, and Magdalen; and in the last century, and up to 1827, had a corps of gallant youths who took intense delight in the science of ringing. I have the record of a series of their musical exploits, ranging over the space of one hundred and twenty years, with the name of every man who took part in each performance, and the time in which it was accomplished. Such deeds deserve to be immortalised. There are few arduous works in the present day to be compared with that of ten stout-hearted men undertaking to ring six thousand or seven thousand, or even ten thousand changes without a mistake.

On May 20th, 1734, six thousand eight hundred and seventy-six changes were rung at New College in four and a quarter hours. On April 19th, 1742, at Magdalen,

ten thousand changes were started for but, after ringing seven thousand in fine style, the bob-caller by mistake brought the bells round in a little more than four hours. On Easter Monday, March 27th, 1815, at New College, ten thousand and eight Grandsire Caters were rung in six hours and forty-two minutes. Highworth, in Wiltshire, produced some good ringers at that time, and in 1787, December 29th, they rang the whole peal of five thousand and forty changes, Grandsire Triples (Holt's method) in three hours and fourteen minutes, which was the very first time they ever attempted to ring this peal.

It is recorded that forty thousand three hundred and twenty changes were performed at Leeds, Kent, by thirteen men in twenty-seven hours, one man ringing eleven and another nine hours; and eight Birmingham Youths rang fourteen thousand two hundred and twenty-four changes in eight hours and forty-five minutes. Records of remarkable performances are preserved in many Wiltshire belfries, as at Aldbourne, Bradford, Trowbridge, etc., but why should there be no memorials there of recent exploits?

It is calculated that seven hundred and twenty changes can be rung on twelve bells in one hour, and that it would require, at this rate, seventy-five years, ten months and ten days to ring all the possible changes (viz., 479,001,600) on the same number of bells.

I desire to add one or two remarks by way of caution and advice to ringers in parishes where there exists a good ring of bells, properly clappered, which are often rung. You cannot bestow too much care upon them. Very frequently examine the condition of the stocks, iron-work, gudgeons, frame, wheels and clappers. Do so every month, if not every week, and particularly in those cases where there has been any new work done to them. New gear requires much more constant watching than old. A month's neglect may cost the parish many pounds.

As regards chiming for service, which is sometimes practised in the country on Sundays, unless you have a proper apparatus for it, let me beg of you to discontinue the practice of tying the clappers. Incalculable mischief is done by this method of chiming. You know that a clapper is suspended from the staple in such a manner as to move backwards and forwards and strike the bell each way in the same place. If you tie the clapper and pull it directly towards the striking place all well and good; but if you pull it sideways from the ground-truck you strain it and injure it greatly. Yet this is the common mode of chiming in the country, and parishioners wonder why the bells are so soon out of order, and ringers cannot account for the clappers not striking as they used to. If you must have chiming, the only way to have it without injury to the clappers is to have a small block fixed in the floor in the direct line of their motion, with a second rope to be used for this purpose only.

(To be continued.)

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.

MEETING AT KINGSCLERE.

A meeting of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild was held at Kingsclere on Saturday, April 28th, when 45 members attended. The service was conducted by the Rev. F. S. H. Marle, of Deane, and tea and business were in the Swan Hotel. Six new members were elected, and the next meeting was arranged to be held at Odiham.

Ringing was at Kingsclere and Wolverton, and the methods ranged from Grandsire Doubles to London Surprise Minor.

VICTORY BELLS.

RUNG ON TUESDAY, MAY 8th.

OVERTON, HANTS.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. F. Reed 1, P. G. Holmes 2, Miss M. G. Wadley 3, C. B. Taylor 4, B. Garrett (conductor) 5, A. G. Taylor 6.

BASINGSTOKE.—1,260 Grandsire Triples: Robert Toms 1, John Ballard 2, Gordon Cooper 3, Robert Flew 4, Jack Weaver 5, Ernest Warner 6, David H. Anstey (conductor) 7, John B. Woodley 8.

SWINDON.—At Christ Church, 1,269 Stedman Caters: C. J. Gardner 1, W. W. T. Daniell 2, G. W. Townsend 3, F. J. Daniell 4, H. W. Bishop (conductor) 5, S. Palmer 6, T. Cullingworth 7, A. G. Wells 8, T. Townsend 9, W. A. Bullock 10.

ASTON.—1,260 Stedman Triples: E. Weaver 1, A. Short 2, Morris J. Morris 3, Fred Price (conductor) 4, W. Pettigrew 5, F. W. Rishworth 6, W. Davies 7, A. Inett 8.

TAUNTON.—At St. James', 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Walker 1, H. Floyd 2, P. Morris 3, A. Walker 4, W. Priddle 5, H. Bungay 6, W. Gigg (conductor) 7, T. Jeanes 8.

BULWELL.—1,260 Bob Minor: Miss R. Harrison 1, T. Jennison 2, A. Harrison (conductor) 3, J. Hayes 4, F. Smith 5, T. V. Jennison 6.

DAVENHAM, CHESHIRE.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Muskett 1, Miss N. M. Evans 2, Miss D. Osborn 3, Albert H. Booth 4, Harry Parker (conductor) 5, J. Tiley 6.

BRAINTREE.—608 and 1,280 Double Norwich Major and 832 Superlative Major: E. Jennings, R. Felton, W. Hammond, H. Hammond, B. Redgwell, G. Lindridge, S. Warne, G. Wiffen, A. Wiffen, R. Martin and L. W. Wiffen.

FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKS.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Gardner 1, J. Mason 2, R. N. Elliott (conductor) 3, P. Mason 4, D. Mason 5, A. Powell 6.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.—1,280 Bob Major: P. Mellor 1, Joyce Hearn 2, Mary Pemberton 3, Jean Broomfield 4, Freda Murkitt 5, G. W. Limmer 6, G. H. Limmer 7, G. Gilbert (conductor) 8.

CHILDE OKEFORD.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Young 1, A. Haughton 2, A. Hart (conductor) 3, R. Harris 4, F. Winter 5, A. Dunn 6.

RUNG ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 9th.

SALISBURY.—At St. Martin's, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. E. J. Maidment 1, J. E. Figgures 2, T. Price 3, L. Harris 4, F. W. Romaine (conductor) 5, E. J. Maidment 6, W. Theobald 7, W. Chalk 8.

STAPLEGROVE, SOMERSET.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Mathews 1, E. Elson 2, H. Thorn 3, A. H. Reed (conductor) 4, D. Fear 5, F. Cobham 6.

SOUTH NEWTON.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. E. Manns 1, L. Harris 2, S. Macey 3, R. E. Turner 4, W. A. Theobald (conductor) 5, G. Smith 6.

HARLOW COMMON.—1,260 Stedman Triples: V. Tipton 1, L. Whitby 2, F. Whitby 3, R. Springham 4, L. Cordell 5, W. Wheeler 6, S. Clark (conductor) 7, W. Horsnell 8.

RUNG ON SATURDAY, MAY 12th.

SHIPLAKE-ON-THAMES.—1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Cook 1, E. Smith 2, C. Polden 3, W. Wicks 4, E. Nash (conductor) 5, J. Hiscock 6, N. E. Tanner 7, J. Smith 8.

RUNG ON SUNDAY, MAY 13th.

STONY STRATFORD.—1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Clark 1, H. E. Tomkins 2, E. C. Lambert 3, H. C. Edwards (conductor) 4, E. Yates 5, W. Dillow 6, J. Chance 7, A. Yates 8.

STAVERTON, NORTHANTS.—1,260 Bob Minor: Mrs. E. S. Powell 1, Miss N. Jackson 2, Miss P. Jackson 3, H. Haynes 4, Rev. E. S. Powell 5, D. C. Birkinshaw (conductor) 6.

ADLINGTON, LANCS.—1,316 Grandsire Triples: B. Dickenson 1, F. Rigby 2, J. Blackburn 3, T. Turner 4, J. Hill (conductor) 5, D. A. Carpenter 6, J. Gartside 7, W. Hough 8.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, CO. DURHAM.—1,260 Bob Minor: J. W. Robson 1, Miss M. A. P. Bertie 2, C. A. Benn 3, J. A. Brown 4, S. C. Walker 5, D. A. Bayles (conductor) 6.

CHELMSFORD.—At the Cathedral, 1,344 Grandsire Triples: R. Parker 1, H. Devenish 2, E. Runter 3, A. Hume 4, H. Bradley 5, R. C. Thrift 6, A. L. Simmonds (conductor) 7, G. Cooper 8.

STAINES.—1,945 Grandsire Triples: G. Walmsley 1, W. A. Goldstone 2, W. C. Parker 3, E. W. Morey 4, R. J. Andrews 5, W. A. Peck 6, J. B. Hessey (conductor) 7, E. Ryder 8.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.—1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Bryant 1, F. Tindall 2, W. Welling (conductor) 3, F. H. Hicks 4, R. Franklin 5, R. Wood 6, C. A. Levett 7, A. Cross 8.

WORSLEY.—1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss Barbara Smedley 1, Allen Trevor Royle 2, Charles Ridyard 3, Robert Allred 4, Benjamin Budd 5, Fred Grundy (conductor) 6, Percy H. Derbyshire 7, Robert Jones 8.

BELGRAVE, LEICESTER.—1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Smith 1, F. Sharman 2, O. Castleman 3, G. Tillson 4, L. Mason 5, A. Skinner 6, R. Barrow (conductor) 7, F. Lieut. Lawson 8.

CAMPSALL, YORKS.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles, 7, 6, 8 covering: W. E. Critchley (conductor) 1, Betty Butterfield 2, Laura Mottishaw 3, Lucy Mottishaw 4, F. Short 5, F. Reed 6, E. Padgett 7, H. Bradley 8.

EXETER.—At St. Thomas', 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. J. Ryall 1, J. Hosgood 2, Eric Pilley 3, R. Truman 4, A. W. Searle 5, W. Fairchild 6, E. W. Biffin (conductor) 7, H. Wills 8.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Bell Foundry, Whitechapel, E.1, Saturday, June 2nd, 3 p.m.—A. B. Peck.

MIDDLESEX ASSN.—Feltham, Saturday, May 26th, 3 to 5 and 6 to 8. Meeting in belfry, 5 p.m. No tea.—J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec. Perival 5320.

KENT ASSN.—Canterbury Dis.—St. Stephen's, Canterbury, May 26th, 2.30. Service 4.15.—B. J. Luck, 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury.

GUILDFORD GUILD.—Annual, Guildford, May 26th. Ringing: Cathedral 3-4, St. Nicolas' 3, and in evening. Service, St. Nicolas', 4.30. Tea and meeting, Ayres Cafe (next St. Nicolas').—G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon, Surrey.

LINCOLN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—Annual, St. Giles', Lincoln, Saturday, May 26th. Service 4.15. Tea 5.—J. Bray, Hon. Sec.

SOCIETY OF CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND MIDDLESEX ASSN.—Christ Church, Manchester Road, Isle of Dogs (near Greenwich Tunnel), Saturday, May 26th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—T. J. Lock and G. W. Steere, Hon. Secs.

ESSEX ASSN.—South-Western Division.—Leyton, Saturday, May 26th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business at Russell Mission Hall 5.15 p.m.—P. H. Crampton, Hon. Sec., 14, Wellesley Road, Wanstead, E.11.

SUSSEX ASSN.—Eastern Division.—Practice, Bexhill (8), Saturday, May 26th.—John Downing, Hon. Sec., 2, Hughenden Road, Hastings.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.—Handsworth Parish Church (8), Saturday, May 26th, 3 p.m.—T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec.

LINCOLN GUILD.—Sleaford District.—Heckington (8), Saturday, May 26th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Long Melford (8), Saturday, May 26th, 3 p.m. No tea. Business in belfry.

LINCOLN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—Frampton (6), Saturday, May 26th, 2 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m.

HERTFORD ASSN.—Northern District.—Baldock, Saturday, May 26th, 3 p.m. Service and usual tea arrangements.—A. E. Symonds, Dis. Sec.

OXFORD GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Monks Risborough (6), Saturday, May 26th, 3 to 7.30 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough, Bucks.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSN.—Kingsley (6), Saturday, June 2nd, 3 p.m. Cups of tea will be provided. Please bring own food.—Andrew Thompson, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSN.—Blackburn Branch.—Whalley, Saturday, June 2nd, 2.30.—Charles W. Blakey, Branch Sec., 133, Ormerod Street, Accrington.

SALISBURY GUILD.—Devizes Branch.—Quarterly, Urchfont, Saturday, June 2nd, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Meeting to follow. Advise me early numbers for tea.—W. C. West, Hon. Sec., 584, Semington Road, Melksham.

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Guilborough Branch.—Welford (8), Saturday, June 2nd. Names for tea by May 29th.—C. Green, Sec., Murcott, Long Buckby, Rugby.

LANCASHIRE ASSN.—Wigan Branch.—Christ Church, Southport, Saturday, June 2nd, 2.30 p.m. Tea free for those who send in their names to Mr. J. Ridyard, 16, Vaughan Road, Birkdale, Southport, by Wednesday, May 30th.—S. Forshaw, 55, Poolstock, Wigan.

DEVON GUILD.—South-West Branch.—Tamerton Foliot, Saturday, June 2nd, 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m., and meeting after. Names for tea by May 26th. Half-hour bus service.—E. W. Marsh, Grandison, Moreton Avenue, Crownhill, Plymouth.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSN.—Loughborough District.—Wymeswold, Saturday, June 2nd, 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m.; bring own food. Frequent bus service from Loughborough.—A. E. Rowley, Hon. Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN AND SHROPSHIRE GUILD.—Crewe Branch.—Joint meeting, Market Drayton (8), June 2nd, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Cups of tea; bring food.—R. D. Langford and E. D. Poole, Hon. Secs.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSN.—Biggleswade District.—Maulden (6), Saturday, June 2nd, 3 p.m. Tea at 5.—C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Towcester Branch.—Quarterly, Helmdon, Saturday, June 2nd. Service 4 p.m. Please bring food; cups of tea provided.—Rev. E. V. Fenn, Hon. Sec.

DERBY CATHEDRAL (10).—Open practice, Saturday, June 2nd, 2.30 to 7 p.m.—James Pagett, 35, Jackson Avenue, Mickleover, Derby.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.—Gorseinon (8), Saturday, June 2nd, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Business meeting after.—E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 21, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

OXFORD GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Annual, Newport Pagnell (8), Saturday, June 2nd, 2.30. Service 3.30. Tea and meeting, Church House.—R. H. Howson, 19, Greenfield Road, Newport Pagnell, Bletchley.

ESSEX ASSN.—Northern Division.—Pebmarsh (6), Saturday, June 2nd, 2 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, G. Trendell, Pebmarsh.—H. G. Snowden, Hon. Div. Sec.

SUSSEX ASSN.—Southern Division.—Aldrington (6), Saturday, June 2nd, 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Notify by May 30th to Mrs. E. L. Hairs, The Oaks, Theobalds Road, Burgess Hill.

ESSEX ASSN.—Maldon, All Saints', Saturday, June 2nd, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. St. Mary's also available. Numbers for tea to Mr. H. Mansfield, 4, Park Road, Farnbridge Road, Maldon, by May 31st.—H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LINCOLN GUILD.—Lincoln District.—Nocton (6), Saturday, June 2nd, 2.30. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. H. Jackson, Nocton, by May 25th.—Kenneth W. Mayer, 4, Carline Road, Lincoln.

KENT COUNTY ASSN.—Goudhurst, Saturday, June 2nd. Service 4.15 p.m. Half travelling expenses up to 2s. Names for tea May 30th.—T. Saunders, East Peckham, Tonbridge.

KENT COUNTY ASSN.—Maidstone District.—Snodland, June 2nd, 2.30. Names for tea to Mr. Wanstall, The Rookery Snodland, Kent.—C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec.

LEYTONSTONE.—Practice every Monday, starting June 4th, 7.30 p.m.

ST. MARY MAGDALENE, HOLLOWAY, N.7.—Practices will recommence on Tuesday, June 5th, 7.30 p.m.—R. Newman, Hon. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Annual, Winscombe, on Saturday, June 9th, 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea by June 6th, please.—N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Bath.

KENT COUNTY ASSN.—Ashford District.—Hythe, Saturday, June 9th, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Numbers for tea by June 6th.—P. Page, Dis. Sec., 110, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

BECCLES.—Norfolk and Suffolk joint practice meeting (10), Saturday, June 9th, 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5. Please notify for tea by Monday, June 4th, to E. R. Goate, 47, Smallgate, Beccles, Suffolk.

SUSSEX ASSN.—Northern Division.—Turners Hill (8), Saturday, June 9th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15. Notify by June 6th.—A. E. Laker, 4, Barnfield Cottage, Balcombe, Sussex.

GUILDFORD GUILD.—Farnham District.—Bentley (6), on Saturday, June 9th, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. For tea, please notify Mr. A. Raggett, Church Lane, Bentley, by June 5th.

BATH AND WELLS ASSN.—Preliminary. General meeting, Wrington, Monday, August 6th.—J. T. Dyke.

PEAL-RINGING TOUR of Kent, August 18th to 28th. Ten peals arranged. Accommodation at Folkestone, 5s. per night, bed and breakfast. Ringers wishing to be included write me at 66, Coronation Road, Aldershot, Hants.—F. C. W. Knight.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING AT REIGATE.

The annual general meeting of the Surrey Association took place at Reigate on May 12th, the attendance numbering 45. Ringing took place during the afternoon and evening, and the service was conducted by the Vicar of Reigate. The meeting was at the Church Hall and followed an excellent tea arranged by Mr. W. Claydon, of the Reigate band, and several lady helpers.

In the absence of the master, Mr. D. K. C. Birt, Mr. Dan Cooper was elected as chairman. Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Messrs. Birt, C. F. Johnston, C. H. Kippin and L. Tidy. The financial statement was considered satisfactory. Mr. C. de Sfe. C. Parks read the annual report, which referred to the four peals rung by the association during the year, and recorded the death of the following members: Mr. C. Read, of Ewell, Mr. F. C. Pearmain, of Wimbledon, and Messrs. J. E. Davis and J. R. Mackman, compounding members.

Mention was made of the help given by experienced ringers from Horley, Reigate and Merstham at the practices at Redhill, and it was hoped that similar assistance might be extended to other towers in the association. Nine new members were elected, including four compounding members and one hon. life member.

The officers were elected en bloc with the exception of Mr. Kippin, who had reluctantly sent in his resignation, as he had left the county. Messrs. F. E. Collins and Dan Cooper spoke of the excellent work Mr. C. H. Kippin had done for the association, very often behind the scenes, and the assistant secretary was requested to write to him expressing the association's regret at his leaving them and their gratitude for all that he had done in the past.

Mr. Charles Dean proposed that a pamphlet be issued giving the days and times of practices at the various towers in the association and very kindly offered to defray the cost.

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