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BELLS,

CLOCKS,

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At St. Michael's Parish Church,
Ashton-under-Lyne,

The Record Long Peal of
Treble Bob Maximus (12,240 Changes)
was rung on Easter Monday, 1911, by
the Ashton-under-Lyne Society in
8 HOURS and 39 MINUTES.

In November, 1910, all the 12 bells were
repaired and the Tenor (27 cwt.) com-
pletely rehung by:—

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CHURCH BELLS AND THE LAW OF NUISANCE.

A Nottingham daily paper has published an article upon the subject of church bells and the law of nuisance. It was laid down 60 years ago, says the writer, in the case of *Soltan v. De Held* (1851), that the excessive ringing of church bells may be a nuisance which the Courts can restrain by injunction. But in that case (says the *Law Journal*) the bells were attached to a Roman Catholic church, and Vice-Chancellor Kindersley expressly distinguished the position from that which would arise if there were complaint of the ringing of the bells of a parish church. The latter are regarded by law as an appendage to the church, and their ringing before service is prescribed by the ecclesiastical law, and sanctioned by the State.

Recently, however, an Australian judge has granted an injunction to restrain the ringing of bells of a Church of England place of worship between 7.30 and 8 a.m. on Sunday mornings. The plaintiff in the case (*Haddon v. Lynch*), which was tried in the Supreme Court of Victoria, complained, with several of his neighbours, that the ringing had the effect of awakening his family, and was an unjustifiable interference with his comfort. And the judge, applying the rule as to nuisance propounded by *Knight-Bruce, V.C.*, in *Walter v. Selfe* (1850), held that to be roused from sleep on Sunday morning at half-past seven by your neighbour's bell was an inconvenience materially interfering with the ordinary comfort physically of human existence; and, further, that the laudable purpose for which church bells are rung afforded no excuse. Churches are not exempt from the application of the maxim, "*Sic utere tuo ut alienum non lædas.*"

We doubt, however, whether an English Court would be so regardful of the late slumberer on the Sunday. Apart altogether from the right of the Established Church to ring bells before each service for the purpose of summoning the people to prayer, an injunction would probably be refused on secular grounds. For unless there were something excessive in the ringing, the position would seem to be covered by the remark of Lord Selborne in *St. Helen's Smelting Company v. Tipping* (1865). "Are not church peals in the early morning a necessary incident of life in a village or town to which the inhabitants must subject themselves?" The Australian judge thought that they were not, and forbade the ringing at an earlier hour than 9 a.m. "Perhaps," concludes the article, "some sympathetic judge here may be found to follow his example,

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TESTIMONIAL.

John O. Sager, Todmorden,
Solicitor, December 10, 1910.
Messrs. Charles Carr, Ltd.,
Bell and Brassfounders,
Smethwick.

Dear Sirs,—As a Church Officer of St. Paul's, Cross Stone, Todmorden, and one who has taken a great interest in the Peal of 8 Bells which you recently hung in the Church Tower, I am pleased to be able to tell you that the bells are giving the utmost satisfaction, in fact I hear nothing but the highest praise and recommendation on all sides.

The day after you completed the work, a peal of 5040 changes was rung on the bells. This of course was a creditable performance on the part of the Ringers, but it also proves how well balanced and how accurately the bells must be. I am sure the tone and the workmanship leave nothing to be desired. All our people and neighbouring ringers too have a good word for them.

I understand you will be over here when the bells are consecrated and you will have the satisfaction of hearing this letter verified.—

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) JOHN O. SAGER.

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and restrain night-chimed or early morning peals as useless sounds against which a man may have protection if they disturb his repose, though a hundred other men may not be disturbed by them."

We are not told whether the Australian action related to a church with a peal of bells or to one where there was but a single bell. It can easily be understood how residents might take exception to the monotonous ringing of a ting-tang. Some of the instruments which do duty as bells are sufficient to get on anyone's nerves, and those who have to endure the noise of such a bell rung for half an hour at a time may well be pardoned if they seek means of lessening the mental torture inflicted by the clanging of a bell without a particle of music in it, and more like the rattling of an old tin bucket. We seldom, however, hear of complaints about the proper ringing of peals of bells for services. Now and again an individual is to be found who takes exception even to service ringing, but generally such a one is a person of cranks and crochets. As a rule the public welcome the sound of bells on Sundays—in fact all the world looks upon the tuneful pealing of the bells as a characteristic feature of the English Sabbath. We do not think the ringing of bells for Sunday services in England is in any serious danger of being suppressed, merely for the sake of, here and there, some weak nerved individual who desires to see the world governed on lines to suit his special temperament and convenience.

TEN BELL PEAL.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT CHARLES CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANCES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

JOSEPH WOODLEY Treble	REGINALD DOBSON 6
HAROLD W. BENNETT 2	WILLIAM D. JAMES 7
WILLIAM G. HISCOTT 3	ERNEST W. MARSH 8
WALTER H. MARSH 4	WILLIAM FORD 9
WILLIAM RUNDLE 5	FRANCIS PURSE Tenor

Composed by JOHN COX, and
Conducted by WILLIAM D. JAMES.

First peal in the method as conductor.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LYMINGTON, HANTS.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD,

On Thursday, September 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

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

Tenor 19½ cwt.

Rev. H. S. T. RICHARDSON Treble	Rev. E. B. JAMES 5
E. M. ATKINS 2	W. D. JAMES 6
*R. O. STREET 3	†Rev. W. W. C. BAKER 7
*Rev. A. G. LANGDON 4	Rev. H. LAW JAMES Tenor

Composed by the Rev. E. B. JAMES, and
Conducted by the Rev. H. L. JAMES.

* First peal in the method.

† First in the method on an inside bell.

BRADING, ISLE OF WIGHT.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Friday, September 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

Rev. A. H. F. BOUGHEY...Treble	R. O. STREET 5
E. M. ATKINS 2	W. D. JAMES 6
Rev. H. L. JAMES 3	Rev. E. B. JAMES 7
Rev. A. G. LANGDON 4	Rev. H. S. T. RICHARDSON Tenor

Composed by W. ROYAL, and Conducted by the Rev. E. B. JAMES.

First peal ever rung in the method. Reference elsewhere.

ASHTON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT Treble	HENRY CORBETT 5
JOHN HOYLE 2	CHARLES E. READ 6
ALFRED H. WINCH 3	WILLIAM S. SMITH 7
JOHN BEAMS 4	DAVID ANSCOMBE Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Tuesday, September 12, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

HERBERT STANSFIELD Treble	ISAAC SIDEBOTHAM 5
CHARLES BOWER 2	SAM BOOTH 6
JOHN HARROP... .. 3	SAMUEL WOOD 7
JOSEPH GODDARD 4	BEN THORP... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by B. THORP.

Rung to celebrate the 67th birthday of Mr. C. H. Hattersley, the ringers wishing him "many happy returns."

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, September 12, 1911, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qrs. 26lbs., in G.

ERNEST DUMPER Treble	ALBERT MARKS 5
WALTER G. ROWE 2	ALFRED MEARS 6
HENRY W. WILKES 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS 7
CHARLES J. FRAY 4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. G. T. Mercer, who was interred in North Stoneham Churchyard the same day.

PUDSEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE
LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Wednesday, September 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt., in F.

PRATT CORDINGLEY... .. Treble	†ERNEST MANN 5
WILLIAM BIRKS... .. 2	†WM. FREDK. THORPE 6
†SAM WARD... .. 3	†ERNEST HOYLE... .. 7
†RONALD C. MATHERS 4	†FREDK. WM. JONES... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. BEEVOR, and Conducted by ERNEST MANN.

* First peal. † First peal in the method.

† First peal in the method on tower bells. First peal as conductor on tower bells.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 14, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

At the Church of St. Remigius.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE H. CROSS Treble	ALFRED GOODRUM 5
WILLIAM A. HEMPEL 2	ALBERT G. WARNES 6
BERTIE J. HOWCHIN 3	ROBERT BLAKE 7
GEORGE DAWSON 4	FRED. J. HOWCHIN Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEO. CROSS.

The ringer of the fourth hails from Leytonstone, and was proposed a member of the Association previous to starting.

ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 14, 1911, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17 cwt. 0 qrs. 9 lbs., in E.

ISAAC HULTON Treble	ERNEST POXON 5
JOSEPH HALL 2	CECIL J. BAKER 6
EDWARD C. GOBEY 3	HENRY HARRISON 7
SAMUEL BURGOYNE 4	ALFRED T. BAKER Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD C. GOBEY.

First peal on the bells and by the local band.

ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, September 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 27 cwt.

SAMUEL JONES Treble	GEORGE JONES 5
*ALBERT E. RICHARDS 2	HENRY W. WILDE 6
ROBERT SPERRING 3	JAMES MORGAN 7
*FREDERICK J. USHER 4	JOHN THOMAS Tenor

Conducted by HENRY W. WILDE.

* First peal. Rung as a farewell peal to Mr. F. J. Usher, who is leaving the neighbourhood for Corsham, Wilts.

EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At Christ Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FIVE-PART. Tenor 8½ cwt.

JAMES LIVERMORE, JUNR. ... Treble	GEORGE PENFOLD 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER 2	ERNEST GOWER 6
ALBERT J. C. HARFFEY 3	EDWARD W. BRAY 7
GEORGE H. HOWSE 4	BENJAMIN HOBBS Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

QUEENSBURY, NEAR BRADFORD, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOSEPH BROADLEY Treble	EDGAR WHITELEY 5
JAMES COTTERELL 2	SAM GLEDHILL 6
CHARLES JACKSON 3	GEORGE NAYLOR 7
JONAS S. AMBLER 4	FRED SALMONS Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

This was the conductor's 150th peal.

HODDESDON, HERTS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Paul,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

FRED C. MAYNARD Treble	ISAAC CAVILL 5
GEORGE H. BARKER 2	WILLIAM SHEPHERD 6
HAROLD W. CLARK 3	REUBEN SANDERS 7
CHARLES T. COLES 4	HENRY G. ROWE Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

SKIPTON, YORKS.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

At the Church of Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 18½ cwt.

*JOE HARDCASTLE Treble	ALBERT C. FEARNLEY 5
JAMES COTTERELL 2	CHARLES JACKSON 6
CLEMENT GLENN 3	JOSEPH BROADLEY 7
ARTHUR GILL 4	GEORGE NAYLOR Tenor

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung on the morning of the Association Meeting at Skipton.

GLODWICK, OLDHAM.

THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mark,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 8 cwt.

ISAAC SIDEBOTHAM Treble	ISAAC SCHOFIELD 5
JOHN J. PEMBERTON 2	SAMUEL HILL 6
JOSEPH GODDARD 3	JAMES W. TAYLOR 7
SAMUEL STOTT 4	CHARLES H. MARSLAND Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and

Conducted by I. SIDEBOTHAM.

Rung as a birthday compliment to I. Schofield. J. W. Taylor was elected a member of the Society before starting for the peal.

STANSTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

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

Tenor 13 cwt.

*ARTHUR JORDAN Treble	WILLIAM T. PRIOR 5
GEORGE JORDAN 2	*ARTHUR B. WIFFEN 6
THOMAS JORDAN 3	THOMAS J. WATTS 7
WALTER PRIOR 4	WILLIAM WATTS Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and

Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

* First peal in the method. P. C. Wiffen, for whom this peal was arranged, belongs to Rickling.

SIX BELL PEALS.

BOLTON, BRADFORD, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

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

Tenor 15 cwt.

CHARLES JACKSON Treble	FIRTH HOPWOOD 4
JAMES COTTERELL 2	JOSEPH BROADLEY 5
WILLIAM E. WALAND 3	THOMAS B. KENDALL ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

Chas. Jackson's 200th peal for the Association, a list of which appears elsewhere. Rung after meeting short for Grandsire Triples.

SANDIACRE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of College Pleasure, Duke of York, Woodbine, New London, Violet, Oxford and Kent.

Tenor 16½ cwt., in F.

CECIL J. BAKER Treble	ARTHUR FREEMAN 4
WILLIAM HALFORD 2	EDWARD C. GOBEY 5
JOSEPH HALL 3	*CHARLES WILKINSON ... Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD C. GOBEY.

* First peal. This is the first peal in seven Treble Bob methods by all the band and by this Association on tower bells.

GREAT WELDON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qrs.

REV. T. BUSWELL Treble	GEORGE A. BLAXLEY 4
ALBERT E. FOURT 2	ALBERT V. INNS 5
FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT ... 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

This is the first peal ever accomplished on the bells and it was rung on the eve of the harvest festival.

WOLVERLEY, KIDDERMINSTER.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB AND GRANDSIRE MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

HENRY J. BROOKES Treble	ERNEST J. BROOKES 4
GEORGE DAVIES 2	CHAS. H. WOODBERRY ... 5
WILLIAM SMITH 3	JOHN SMITH Tenor

Conducted by CHAS. H. WOODBERRY.

Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect for the late Mr. William Perry, who was a ringer at the above church for 57 years.

COLNE ENGAIN, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

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

Tenor 10 cwt.

JAMES FLEUTY Treble	FRANK CLAYDON 4
OLIVER LAVER 2	JAMES FRENCH 5
*FREDERICK RIDGWELL ... 3	ERNEST RIDGWELL ... Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST RIDGWELL.

* First peal of minor.

HANDBELL PEALS.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

ALFRED H. PULLING 1—2	MAURICE SMITHER 5—
CHARLES WILLSHIRE 3—4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD 7—8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

WOKING, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, September 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. F. E. DAWE, "WALTON," ST. JOHN'S.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANCES ;

FRANCIS E. DAWE 1—2	CHARLES WILLSHIRE 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING 3—4	MAURICE SMITHER 7—8
JOHN S. GOLDSMITH 9—10	

Composed by G. T. DALTRY and

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: J. HUNT.

The first handbell peal and the first peal of Stedman Caters in Woking.

The band wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Dawe for their kind hospitality after the peal.

KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.—On Sunday, September 10th, for morning service, 960 Kent Treble Bob Major, J. Withers conducting.

BRISTOL.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evening service, 252 Stedman Triples: E. J. Ridler 1, R. J. Wilkins 2, W. A. Cave (conductor) 3, W. Knight 4, H. Pring 5, J. Hemming 6, G. Condric 7, G. Seward 8.—On Tuesday, Sept. 12th, at St. Nicholas' Church, 531 Stedman Caters: F. G. May (conductor) 1, C. Perry 2, A. Stowell 3, H. Stowell 4, S. Phillips 5, J. Hemming 6, J. Richardson 7, G. Wiltshire 8, J. Long 9, W. White 10. First touch of Stedman Caters, by J. Hemming, who hails from Evesham, Worcester.

THETFORD.—Norwich Diocesan Association.—On Monday, Sept. 11th, 720 Bob Minor: G. Green 1, R. Skipper 2, A. Macro 3, H. C. Gillingham (Ipswich) 4, R. Shinn 5, T. Fitzjohn (conductor) 6.

AUGHTON.—The Lancashire Association.—On Monday, Sept. 11th, for practice, at Christ Church, a quarter peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: C. Sharples 1, H. Fyles 2, T. Gilmour 3, H. H. Baker 4, W. Rimmer 5, J. Martin 6, J. Marsh (conductor) 7, W. Gibbons 8.

FULBOURN, CAMBS.—At All Saint's Church, on Monday, Sept. 11th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: A. Knowles 1, H. Badcock 2, J. Stalley 3, T. R. Dennis 4, W. Scotcher 5, B. D. Buttress (conductor) 6. Also 240 Double Court Minor: H. Hall 1, H. Badcock 2, B. D. Buttress 3, T. R. Dennis 4, J. Page 5, J. Stalley (conductor) 6.

WESTERHAM, KENT.—On Tuesday, Sept. 12th, 504 Grandsire Triples: R. Stone 1, G. B. Selby 2, G. A. Selby (first 504) 3, J. Heath 4, A. J. Lewis 5, G. Steer 6, H. J. Selby (conductor) 7, T. Ford 8.

THE RECORD OF THE SOUTH WALES TOUR.

The following peals were the result of the ringing tour in South Wales, which concluded on Saturday :

LLANGIBBY, MON.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, September 10, 1911, in Three Hours.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. CYBI,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES ;

Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST PYE	Treble	GEORGE DENT	5
THOMAS T. GOFTON	2	JOHN HOLMAN	6
BERTRAM PREWETT	3	JOHN FLINT	7
ISAAC G. SHADE	4	WILLIAM PYE	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells and by the Association.

CAERLEON, MON.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. CADOC,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES ;

Tenor 7½ cwt.

JOHN HOLMAN	Treble	ISAAC G. SHADE	5
REV. A. T. BEESTON	2	WILLIAM PYE	6
BERTRAM PREWETT	3	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	7
ERNEST PYE	4	JAMES GEORGE	Tenor

Composed by NATHAN PITSTOW, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal in the method on the bells and by the Association. Mr. W. W. Gifford's 400th peal.

NEWPORT, MON.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ALL SAINTS' CHURCH,

ON HANDBELLS.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES ;

BERTRAM PREWETT	1-2	ERNEST PYE	5-6
WILLIAM PYE	3-4	THOMAS T. GOFTON	7-8
JAMES GEORGE	9-10		

Composed by JAMES GEORGE, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpire: Isaac G. Shade. First peal on handbells by the Association.

TREVETHIN, PONTYPOOL, MON.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. CADOC,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	Treble	JOHN FLINT	5
BERTRAM PREWETT	2	WILLIAM PYE	6
GABRIEL LINDOFF	3	JAMES GEORGE	7
JOHN HOLMAN	4	ERNEST PYE	Tenor

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal in the method on the bells and by the Association.

NEWPORT, MON.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 12, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES ;

Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE DENT	Treble	GABRIEL LINDOFF	5
ISAAC G. SHADE	2	ERNEST PYE	6
REV. A. T. BEESTON	3	JOHN FLINT	7
THOMAS T. GOFTON	4	WILLIAM PYE	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells and by the Association.

MARSHFIELD, MON.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES ;

Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	Treble	BERTRAM PREWETT	5
REV. A. T. BEESTON	2	JOHN HOLMAN	6
ISAAC G. SHADE	3	WILLIAM PYE	7
GEORGE DENT	4	ERNEST PYE	Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal in the method on the bells and by the Association.

LLANDAFF, GLAM.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

At THE CATHEDRAL OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES ;

Tenor 22 cwt.

JAMES GEORGE	Treble	BERTRAM PREWETT	5
ISAAC G. SHADE	2	JOHN FLINT	6
GABRIEL LINDOFF	3	ERNEST PYE	7
THOMAS T. GOFTON	4	WILLIAM PYE	Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.
First peal of Bristol rung in Wales.

PENTRE, GLAM.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES ;

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs.

JOHN FLINT	Treble	THOMAS T. GOFTON	5
REV. A. T. BEESTON	2	WILLIAM PYE	6
ISAAC G. SHADE	3	JAMES GEORGE	7
BERTRAM PREWETT	4	ERNEST PYE	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal of Major on the bells.

CARDIFF, GLAM.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANCES ;

Tenor 27 cwt.

GABRIEL LINDOFF	Treble	GEORGE DENT	6
BERTRAM PREWETT	2	JOHN HOLMAN	7
ISAAC G. SHADE	3	JAMES GEORGE	8
WILLIAM PYE	4	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	9
REV. A. T. BEESTON	5	JOHN FLINT	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal of Stedman Caters on the bells.

LLANBRADACH, GLAM.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor, 12 cwt. 0 qr. 21 lbs.

ISAAC G. SHADE Treble	REV. A. T. BEESTON ... 5
THOMAS T. GOFTON 2	BERTRAM PREWETT ... 6
ERNEST PYE 3	JOHN FLINT 7
GEORGE DENT 4	WILLIAM PYE Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal on the bells.

CAERPHILLY, GLAM.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 1 lb.

ISAAC G. SHADE Treble	JOHN FLINT 5
JOHN HOLMAN 2	JAMES GEORGE 6
WILLIAM PYE 3	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ... 7
GABRIEL LINDOFF 4	ERNEST PYE Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal of Major on the bells.

CHEPSTOW, MON.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt.

REV. A. T. BEESTON ... Treble	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ... 5
WILLIAM PYE 2	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... 6
JOHN W. JONES 3	JAMES GEORGE 7
BERTRAM PREWETT 4	ERNEST PYE Tenor

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On Sunday, August 6th, for evensong, a quarter-peal (1260 changes) Oxford Bob Triples, in 42 mins.: W. A. Jeavons 1, A. Baker 2, W. Grinsell 3, S. Pearce 4, W. Fisher (conductor) 5, S. Baker 6, B. Gough 7, R. Dunn 8. Longest length in the method on the bells, and by all except the conductor.—On Thursday evening, August 31st (for practice), ringing friends from Wednesbury, Blackenhall, and Willenhall, visited the belfry, and with the local band rang touches of Grandsire, Oxford Bob, Darlaston Bob, Erin and Stedman Triples, and Plain Bob Major, conducted by Geo. Hughes (Wednesbury) and W. Fisher.—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for Matins, 352 Bob Major: W. A. Jeavons 1, A. Barnett 2, Leonard Barnett 3, S. Pearce 4, J. Roberts 5, W. Fisher (conductor) 6, B. Gough 7, R. Dunn 8. For evensong, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples, in 41 mins.: W. A. Jeavons 1, A. Baker 2, W. Grinsell 3, S. Pearce 4, W. Fisher 5, S. Baker 6, B. Gough (conductor) 7, A. E. Law 8.

ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.—The Chester Diocesan Guild.—On Thursday, September 14th, 1911, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: *W. Morgan 1, A. E. Richards 2, H. W. Wilde 3, *F. J. Usher 4, *W. Dunning 5, E. H. Lewis (conductor) 6, P. Smith 7, J. Thomas 8. *First quarter-peal.—On Sunday, September 10th, for morning service, 322 Grandsire Triples: S. Jones, junr., 1, W. Morgan 2, S. Jones, senr., 3, F. J. Usher 4, W. Dunning 5, H. W. Wilde 6, G. Lindoff 7, J. Thomas 8.

LONGCOTT, BERKS.—On Sept. 9th, 720 Bob Minor: J. M. Brinkworth (first 720) 1, T. Moulden 2, R. W. Hyner 3, F. Looker (first 720) 4, G. Lancaster 5, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 6.

ROMSEY.—Winchester Diocesan Guild.—At the Abbey, on Sunday, Sept. 10th, for morning service, 336 Grandsire Triples: J. Smithers 1, E. B. Hinton (Christchurch) 2, F. Parkins 3, F. Hand 4, J. Walker 5, T. Cole 6, W. G. Fowler (Christchurch), conductor, 7, W. Payne 8. Also 504, J. Elcombe 2, the rest as before.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 48 mins.: J. Smithers (first quarter-peal) 1, J. Elcombe 2, F. Parkins 3, F. Hand 4, J. Walker 5, T. Cole 6, W. G. Fowler (conductor) 7, W. Payne 8.

LITTLE BOB MAJOR.

At Brading, in the Isle of Wight, the first peal of Little Bob Major has been rung. The method was produced about 25 years ago by the Rev. E. Banks James, but it has had to wait until now for the first 5000 to be accomplished. The peal was rung by the Cambridge University Guild, and, appropriately enough, was conducted by the inventor of the method. We give a lead of the method, and it will be noticed that the treble goes up to 4th's place only and then down again:—

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21436587
24163857
42618375
46213857
64128375
61482735
16847253
16482735
18642735 Bob

CENTRAL NORTHANTS MEETING.

The Thrapston District of the Central Northamptonshire Association held a meeting at Twywell on Saturday week. Ringers were present from Thrapston, Raunds, Woodford, Lowick, Higham, Cranford, and Keyston, together with the local men. During the afternoon various methods of Doubles were rung, including Stedman, Grandsire, St. Simon's, and Plain Bob. Tea was served on the rectory lawn to a company numbering about 30, after which a short business meeting was held, the Rector (the Rev. F. H. Lang) presiding, supported by the Rev. W. St. George Coldwell (Islip), Mr. Fred Wilford (gen. secretary), Northampton, and Mr. Fred Stubbs, of Raunds, district secretary.—The Rector having been elected an hon. member of the Association, Mr. F. Wilford brought to the notice of the members the illness of a well-known ringer, Mr. W. Newman, of Rushden, and a collection was taken for his benefit.—Islip having been chosen as the next meeting place, Mr. F. Wilford proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, to the ladies who helped at the tea, and to the local ringers, and spoke of the advantage of such gatherings. The Rev. W. St. G. Coldwell having seconded and given the Association a hearty welcome to Islip, the Rev. F. H. Lang suitably replied.

Twywell bells are a light peal of five, the tenor being 6 cwts. 3 qrs. 23 lbs.

A PRESENTATION.

An interesting presentation took place at Canhampton, on Wednesday of last week, when, at an open practice, the local hon. sec. (Mr. G. Stacey) was the recipient of a birthday gift from his fellow members of the tower. The Vicar (the Rev. A. A. Bockington) made the presentation, and on behalf of himself and the other ringers wished Mr. Stacey "many happy returns of his birthday." Anyone who knew anything about secretarial work, he said, knew that to make an association successful, the secretary must be energetic, tactful, and genial, and he was glad to say that Mr. Stacey possessed all these qualities. He had been asked to present him with a silver-mounted walking stick, and silver-mounted tobacco pouch, as a token of the members' respect and appreciation of the way in which he carried out his duties.—Both stick and pouch were engraved with the following inscription: "Presented to G. Stacey, by his band of ringers, Sept. 13th, 1911."—Mr. Stacey, in acknowledging the gift, said he had been taken by surprise. It was very good of the ringers to think of his birthday, and the Vicar for coming to present such beautiful and useful gifts. He thanked them all most heartily for their good wishes and nice presents, which he should value very much. He felt that he did not deserve such attention, and he was sorry that he had not more time to devote to the work.—Afterwards some touches of Treble Bob and London Surprise Minor, and Stedman Doubles were rung on the bells.

WEDDING BELLS.

At Canford (Wimborne), on Saturday, on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. George Robert Clarke Ayling, of Bournemouth, to Miss Mabel Kate Ford, of Canford, 720 Bob Minor and 120 each of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles were rung by the following: Miss Edith K. Parker, C. Goodenough, J. G. Bennett, C. Forfitt, — Poore, E. Waters and M. Stewart. This was the first 720 on the bells, and the first in the method by Miss Parker and Mr. J. G. Bennett.

The bridegroom has been a regular member of the St. Peter's, Bournemouth, Choir for the past 18 years, and the bride belongs to an old Canford family. After ringing, an enjoyable time was spent in the grounds of Canford Manor, the residence of Lord Wimborne.

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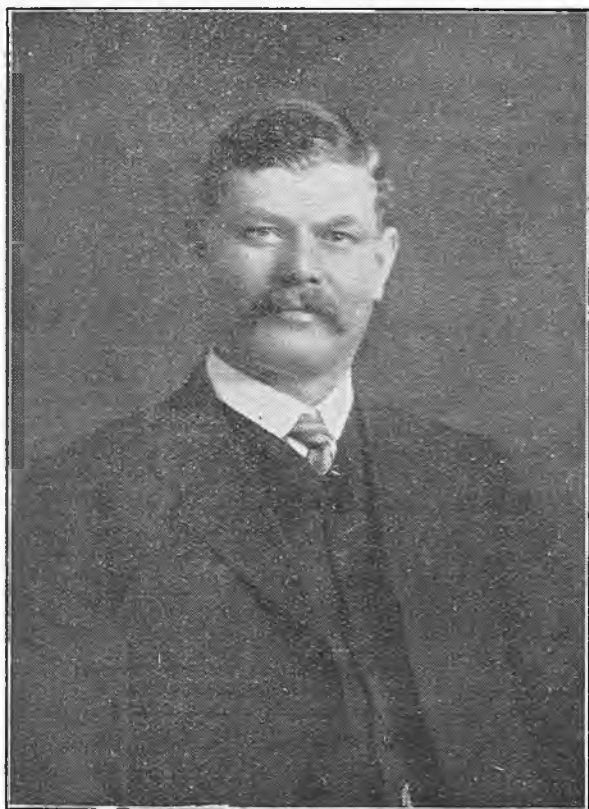
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OUR ILLUSTRATION.

THE HONORARY SECRETARY OF THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Ringling in South Wales owes a great deal to the enthusiasm and untiring energy of the honorary secretary of the Llandaff Diocesan Association. Many bands owe their progress to his fostering care, many towers possess an octave of bells that would not have had them but for his persistent advocacy with the church authorities. It is, perhaps, not inappropriate that we should this week sketch the career of Mr. John W. Jones, for the successful ringing tour in South Wales concluded last Saturday was made possible by the excellent arrangements for which he was responsible, and doubtless the result of the



MR. JOHN W. JONES.

week's ringing under the auspices of his Association is a matter of gratification.

Born at Tidenham, Gloucestershire, on December 5th, 1865, Mr. Jones removed, at the early age of two years, with his parents to Caerleon, Monmouthshire. Although his father, in his young days, had been a ringer at Alvington Church, Gloucestershire, it was not until 1888 that Mr. Jones started to handle a bell, which he did at Caerleon tower, under the instruction of the leader, Mr. Evan Davies, who is, it may be said, the "father of change ringing" in that corner of the Principality. On September 16th of that year Mr. Jones rang his first 720 of Bob Minor, and on November 8th his first quarter-peal of

Grandsire Triples. His first peal followed soon after, Grandsire Triples at Caerleon—the first peal on the bells and the first by all the band. Just afterwards Mr. F. E. Ward, of Cheltenham, removed to Newport, and found his way to Caerleon. His able services as conductor were quickly requisitioned, and peals soon followed, Mr. Jones ringing his first peals of Plain Bob and Treble Bob Major. Stedman was practised regularly, and several quarter-peals were rung. Attempts were made for the peal as many as 16 times in 16 consecutive weeks, but without success, although several times the end was nearly reached. Strangely enough, owing to the perverseness of fortune, Mr. Jones did not ring his first peal of Stedman until August 29th this year, this being at St. Stephen's, Bristol, where in 1901 he rang his first touch of Stedman Caters.

On February 10th and 13th, 1890, Mr. Jones took part in two melancholy peals at Caerleon and Pontypool respectively, as a mark of respect to the 177 lives which were lost in the Llanerch colliery explosion, one of the Pontypool ringers being numbered among the victims of the terrible disaster. In 1892 Mr. Jones removed from Caerleon to Newport. At that time there was only one ring of six in the town—at St. Woolos Church—and he responded to an invitation to join that band. The suggestion was already being considered of rehanging the bells and adding two more, but it was not until 1894 that this became an accomplished fact. The first peal was rung on the bells on November 12th, 1895, and was conducted by Mr. R. T. Hibbert, now of Caversham. In August, 1897, the building of All Saints' Church was commenced, and a decision to put a set of tubular bells in the tower had almost been come to, when Mr. Jones approached the authorities, and the result was that instead one proper bell was fixed which was to be the treble, later on, of a ring of eight. The church was opened on All Saints' Day, 1898, and on March 5th, 1902, Mr. Jones had the opportunity of calling a touch and hearing for the first time the new ring of bells. He began at once teaching a new band, and it was not long before they were able to ring rounds, followed later by a course of Triples. Under Mr. Jones this band continued to progress. He has each year been re-elected their leader, and also acts as steeple keeper. In 1906 Mr. Jones offered to get them a conductor for their first peal, but the band would not hear of this. He had taught them, they said, and he should call their first peal. And this he did on October 25th, 1906, it being the first peal by all except the conductor. Since then one of the band has called Holt's original and another has made a good bid for Thurstans' four-part.

Teaching new bands is, indeed, a pet hobby with Mr. Jones. He has voluntarily given his services as instructor at a great many towers in his district during the past twelve or fifteen years, and at the present time has two new bands in hand at Caerphilly and Llanbradach. Moreover, Mr. Jones is always on the alert to secure the rehanging, where necessary, and the augmentation of bells, and several eight-bell towers in the Llandaff Diocese owe the possession of the two trebles to his energy and persuasion. Mr. Jones possesses several presents, which he much cherishes, from towers where he has taught, and which have been given him to mark the ringers' appreciation and thanks.

Mr. Jones was elected Master of the Llandaff Association in 1898. In 1904 he was elected assistant honorary secretary, and in 1909 honorary secretary of the Association, which he also represents on the Central Council. A

member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, the Gloucester and Bristol Association and the Worcestershire and Districts Guild, he has rung 61 peals (of which he has conducted 18) in the following methods: Grandsire Doubles, Grandsire Triples, Grandsire Major, Grandsire Caters, Stedman Triples, Bob Triples, Bob Major, and Kent Treble Bob Major. Although he has done but little on handbells, a ringer making a call at Mr. Jones' house can be obliged with a course of Triples, for his three young daughters can take a pair each. A compliment which Mr. Jones much appreciated was paid him by the Cardiff ringers on his 43rd birthday, when they visited All Saints', Newport, and rang a peal in honour of the event. Mr. Jones' interests have not been entirely confined to ringing, for he was at one time a very keen cricketer of more than average ability, playing regularly for Newport and Monmouthshire, but he has now dropped the game, and his only hobby is in the church tower.

ODD CHANGES.

Collected from all Quarters.

Owing to the great pressure on our space this week, several letters to the Editor have had unavoidably to be held over, and other matter, including the "Beginners' Corner" and many miscellaneous performances, has also been crowded out.

The tour in South Wales must be looked upon as a huge success, for in the seven days over which the excursion extended eleven tower bell peals and one handbell peal were rung and only two peals were lost. It has given the Llandaff Association a great fillip, for, in addition to the fact that the first peal of Bristol in Wales was rung, the first peals by the Association in the following methods were also recorded: Superlative, Cambridge, Bristol and London Surprise Major, Stedman Triples and the first handbell peal.

The ringers who took part in the peals were: W. Pye (London) 12, conducted 7; E. Pye (London) 11, B. Prewett (Bushey) 10, conducted 5; I. G. Shade (Greenwich) 9, J. Flint (Bolsover) 8, J. George (Rugby) 8, Rev. A. T. Beeston (New Mills) 7, T. T. Gofton (Newcastle) 7, J. Holman (Sheffield) 6, W. W. Gifford (Salisbury) 6, G. Dent (Harlow) 5, G. Lindoff (Dublin) 5, J. W. Jones (Newport) 1.

The Ashton-under-Lyne Society have rung a peal to celebrate the 67th birthday of Mr. C. H. Hattersley, of Sheffield, and ringers throughout the country will join in their wish of "many happy returns." It is to such men as Mr. Hattersley, who have given so much time to the scientific side of change ringing, that the Exercise largely owes its high position of to-day.

The late Mr. G. T. Mercer, to whose memory a half-muffled peal of Bob Major was rung on Tuesday week at North Stoneham, Hants (recorded in another column), was largely responsible for providing the peal of eight that at present hangs in the tower. In 1893 the deceased gentleman had the three then existing old bells recast and

three new ones added, making a peal of six, which were hung in a new frame. He also gave a handsome contribution to the fund for increasing the peal from six to eight in 1908-9.

Messrs Warner and Sons, Ltd., have been awarded the Grand Prix for their exhibit at the Festival of Empire Exhibition at the Crystal Palace.

We have received an anonymous letter referring to a "ringers' strike" at St. Mary's (R.C.) Church, Clapham, but as it is not accompanied by the name and address of the sender we are unable to publish it.

Change ringers who intend to visit Stoke-on-Trent for the Church Congress, October 2-6, and who wish to ring, should communicate with Mr. S. Churton, 24, Lonsdale Street, Stoke-on-Trent, who will gladly make the necessary arrangements.

On account of the noise of the bells in the immediate neighbourhood of All Saints' Church, Nottingham, the ringers have received a quarter's notice of the intention of the church authorities that their services will no longer be required. It has been decided to instal a chiming apparatus.

It having been pointed out that a peal of Minor in seven methods had been previously rung in Rutland, the footnote to the peal at Langham, recorded a fortnight ago, is withdrawn by the band, with apologies to the previous company.

Most methods—legitimate methods that is—get rung sooner or later, but Little Bob has had to wait twenty-five years for a peal. The credit for the first performance goes to the Cambridge University Guild, one of whose members produced the method, and has now had the satisfaction of conducting it.

Woking, known to most ringers as the place where "The Ringing World" is produced, and to others as the town where the first crematorium in England was established, has not a great campanological repute, but although it lacks attractions as a spot where much tower bell ringing can be obtained, the first peal of Stedman Caters has been rung in the parish. This was accomplished on handbells on Sunday. The attempt was first made beneath the apple trees in a beautiful old orchard, of which Mr. F. E. Dawe is the fortunate possessor, but the vagaries of the sound in the open air together with the fact that the light of September days would not have held out, resulted in the peal eventually being rung indoors.

Mr. H. Wilde writes: Kindly allow me to withdraw my name from the 5088 of Superlative Surprise Major, published in "The Ringing World" for September 8th, as my friend, Mr. Lindoff, informs me it is not original, as it is a reverse variation of a peal published by Mr. Pitstow, some years ago.

STREATHAM.—The Surrey Association.—On Tuesday, Sept. 5th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 48 mins.: J. A. Lambert 1, L. Attwater 2, G. Grimwade 3, I. Attwater 4, E. R. J. Dunk 5, R. Grimwood 6, C. Daniels 7, A. G. Freeman (conductor) 8. Also touches of Stedman and Oxford Bob Triples, conducted by L. Attwater.

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RINGERS' OUTINGS.

WEST GRINSTEAD.

On Monday week the West Grinstead ringers had their annual outing, joining forces with the choirs of West Grinstead and Partridge Green. The party, numbering about 50, including the Rector and Curate-in-Charge, visited the Festival of Empire at the Crystal Palace, and had a most enjoyable day, being favoured with glorious weather. Luncheon and tea were provided at Messrs. Lyon's Restaurant, and between the meals the grounds were thoroughly explored, and most of the shows visited. At 6.30 a move was made for Penge station, and the party arrived home about 9.30 p.m., well pleased with their day's outing.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES.

Rotherfield, with one of the finest peals in the county of Sussex, is a charming spot for which the members of the Southover, Lewes, Guild, have a great partiality. On Wednesday week they paid another visit to the village, and spent a most enjoyable half-day. In the afternoon and evening touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung, some of the local men joining in. An excellent meat tea was partaken of at the King's Arms, where later in the evening a smoking concert took place, the songs being interspersed with handbell ringing.—On the motion of Mr. F. Sturt, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded two of the best friends of the Guild for their kind hospitality.

STANSTED.

The annual outing of the Stansted band took place on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Tottenham was first visited, and the morning was spent in looking round the town. Dinner at the Red House Temperance Hotel followed, and full justice was done to the excellent repast prepared by Host Allin. Afterwards a move was made to St. Mary's, Walthamstow, where the party were met by Mr. Rumens, but owing to a wedding being in progress no ringing could be done, as the visitors were timed to be back to St. Ann's, Tottenham, at 3 o'clock. Mr. Ringrose had the bells ready here, and they were soon going to Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor, while a 240 Cambridge, the first on the bells, was also rung. Afterwards a visit was paid to All Hallows, where they were met by Mr. Barnard, and a short touch of Stedman Triples was tapped off.

The next move was to Edmonton, where the Vicar had kindly provided an excellent tea in the Parish Hall. Mr. J. Parker, Mr. G. Paice, Mr. H. Dains, and the rest of the local band joined the party, and after tea the Vicar, in a happy speech, said he was always pleased to give ringers a warm welcome to Edmonton.—Mr. W. Prior proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for his kindness in providing tea, and also for the use of the bells, and this was heartily accorded. The tower was then visited, and touches of Cambridge, Bristol, London, Superlative and Stedman were rung on the fine peal of bells, which go like the proverbial tops. The conducting during the day was shared by W. Waits, G. Jordan and H. J. Tucker.

The members wish to thank the various Vicars for their kindness in giving permission to ring, and also the steeple keepers for having everything ready.

NUNEATON SOCIETY.

On Saturday last, ten members of the Nuneaton Parish Church Society paid a visit to Polesworth, which was reached by a pleasant drive of ten miles. They were met by two of the local ringers, and the bells, a good ring of six, with a tenor of about 16 cwt., were turned to touches of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Bob Minor, and Stedman and Grandsire Doubles. On leaving the belfry, the visitors were met by the Vicar, the Rev. Canon Trotter, who gave them a hearty welcome, and invited them to tea, a kindness that was greatly appreciated. Afterwards courses of Grandsire Caters, Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung on handbells, and a hearty vote of thanks accorded to the Vicar for his kindness and to local ringers for their attention.

APSLEY END, HERTS.

On Saturday afternoon the ringers of St. Mary's Church, Apsley End, Herts, paid a visit to Ivinghoe, Bucks. The party, including friends, numbered 21, and made the journey by brake, by way of Hemel Hempstead and Dagnall. By kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. T. Harvey), a few touches of Grandsire Doubles were rung by H. Holmes (conductor) 1, A. Cutler 2, H. Cutler 3, L. Latchford 4, W. Latchford 5, C. Godman 6. A substantial meat tea was partaken of at the Bell Inn, Mr. F. Cowper presiding. Afterwards, under his genial chairmanship, a musical programme was carried out. Selections on handbells were given, and songs contributed by Messrs. W. Woods, W. Negus, T. Whitehouse and H. Holmes. Mr. S. Woods officiated as accompanist. The company was swelled by the Ivinghoe ringers and friends, and the enjoyable gathering terminated with the National Anthem and "Auld Lang Syne," sung to handbell accompaniment. The return journey was made by way of Aldbury, Northchurch and Great Berkhamstead, the party arriving home about 10.30, after a most enjoyable outing.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

PEAL BOARD UNVEILED.

A successful meeting was held at Penkridge on Saturday, when some forty members put in an appearance. In connection with this meeting an interesting little ceremony took place, viz., the unveiling of a peal board, which the Vicar (the Rev. J. H. Kempson, M.A.) had very kindly presented, recording a peal of Double Norwich Major—the first in the method on the bells. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. V. Cox, who, in the course of his remarks, expressed the hope that the record would be an incentive to others.—The Rev. J. H. Kempson, in reply, said it gave him pleasure to do what he had done, and he hoped the time was not far distant when his own band would be successful in scoring a peal, which would no doubt be recorded in a similar way.

The lettering on the board is in black, with red initials, enclosed in an Oxford frame, and surmounted by a cross—all of oak. The wording is as follows:—

"Society of Change Ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. On Tuesday, April 18th, 1911, the following members rang a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (consisting of 5024 changes), in 3 hrs. and 5 mins.: John Perry 1, W. D. James 2, Herbert Knight 3, John C. Adams 4, Rev. E. V. Cox 5, William Fisher 6, George Pigott 7, Joseph Pigott 8. Composed and conducted by Joseph Pigott. J. H. Kempson, M.A., Vicar. C. J. Tildesley and C. P. Russell, Churchwardens. Frank Fowke, Head Ringer."

At the service which followed, the Vicar gave a warm welcome and an encouraging address to his hearers, taking his text from Numbers x., 2. He reminded them that although they might be keen in the Art, they should not forget their duty of worship.

A substantial tea was subsequently partaken of, and at the meeting the Rev. A. T. S. Talbot was elected an honorary member. The representatives on the Central Council—Messrs. S. Reeves and R. Cartwright—were re-elected. It was proposed that a sum of two guineas be handed over to the fund for augmenting St. Peter's bells, Wolverhampton, to a peal of twelve. The next meeting is to be held at Bilston, on January 13th, 1912.

A vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for his address, for presiding at the meeting, and for the use of the bells. Thanks are also due to the organist and choir for their valuable assistance. The ringing included touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Erin Triples, Plain Bob, Kent, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major.

SALOPIANS ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Salop Archidiaconal Guild was held at Shrewsbury, on Saturday, members being present from Coairbrookdale, Crewe, Shifnal, Malins Lee, Dawley, Ludlow, Wem and Whitechurch. Ringing commenced at 2.30, and the bells at the following churches were open to visitors during the day: St. Chad's (12), St. Mary's (10), St. Alkmund's (8) and St. Julian's (6). Touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob were rung.

The business meeting was held in St. Alkmund's parish room at 4.30. The Archdeacon of Salop was in the chair, and the Secretary read his annual report, which was confirmed.

After the meeting a short service was held in St. Alkmund's Church, and was very well attended. The lessons were read by Archdeacon Maude, and an appropriate address was given by the Rev. F. H. Roach.

Tea was held at St. Alkmund's parish room, at the kind invitation of the Shrewsbury ringers, and a party of 38 sat down. Subsequently a hearty vote of thanks was passed by Mr. Bowers Cooke, of Crewe, for the kind way in which the local ringers had entertained the visitors, and a vote of thanks was also passed to the ladies who waited at the tables.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Wem, early in December.

TOWCESTER ASSOCIATION.

The Towcester and District Association had a very enjoyable meeting at Pottishall, by kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. G. Gibson). About 20 ringers were present, and were entertained to a splendid tea by Mr. E. Groom, one of the churchwardens. In the regretted absence of Mr. Groom, who had been called to London on business, Mrs. Groom presided, and was supported by the Vicar. The towers of Easton Neston, Bradden, Wicken, Leckhampton and Pottishall were represented, and after tea a short business meeting was held.—It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Greensnorton, and cordial votes of thanks were passed to Mr. and Mrs. Groom for their kind hospitality, and to the Vicar for the use of the bells and of the schoolroom for tea.—A collection was made for Mr. Newman, a ringer who is at present laid aside by illness, and realised 10s.

CARHAMPTON.—The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—At St. John the Baptist Church, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor, in 42 mins.: W. Manning 1, J. Farmer 2, J. Sully 3, E. Parker 4, J. Watts 5, H. Moore (conductor) 6.

THE SOUTH WALES TOUR.

TWELVE PEALS IN A WEEK.

Ideal weather prevailed during the tour, and contributed considerably to the enjoyment of those who took part. A few arrivals early in the evening of Saturday, September 9th, enabled an impromptu arrangement for an attempt at Newport to be made. Unfortunately for the local men who stood in—one of whom was at the helm—the peal ended prematurely. Most of the visitors had arrived e'er the night set in, and after a good night's rest they met at All Saints' on Sunday morning in excellent spirits, and rang for the service. A drive to Llangibby in the afternoon resulted in an excellent peal of London being rung. More additions were made to the band during the day, and the last appeared early on Monday morning. Thus completed, the band is seen to be made up of men residing within an imaginary line drawn from Salisbury to London, thence into Essex and on to Sheffield, Newcastle, Dublin, and Stockport to Newport, a splendid testimony to the enthusiastic interest of change ringers in their Art.

the bells or the ringers were not in good order, for it would not "go," and Stedman was substituted with success. The incumbent most kindly entertained the visitors to lunch, and subsequently joined them and some of the local men in being photographed. The return to Newport was then made, and a good peal of Bristol at All Saints' was scored.

Headquarters were moved on Wednesday to Cardiff, Marshfield being visited on the way for another "go" at "Cambridge," which this time proved successful. After depositing their impedimenta at Cardiff, the party hurried off to Llandaff Cathedral, under orders to finish ringing before 5.45. Much had been told of the excellence of the ring here, and "when we came and our ears had heard," while we could not say, "the half had not been told us," yet we could say, "report had not been exaggerated." Those who rang and those who listened much enjoyed the "first peal of Bristol rung in Wales," on these bells. Thursday morning found us amongst the collieries in Pentre, where a heavy ring by Taylor (tenor 27 cwt.) hangs. Superlative was on the order sheet, and was tapped off in an enjoyable manner. There was just time for a snack before returning to Cardiff, where it had been arranged for us to make the next attempt.

The Church of St. John contains the only ring of ten in the Llan-

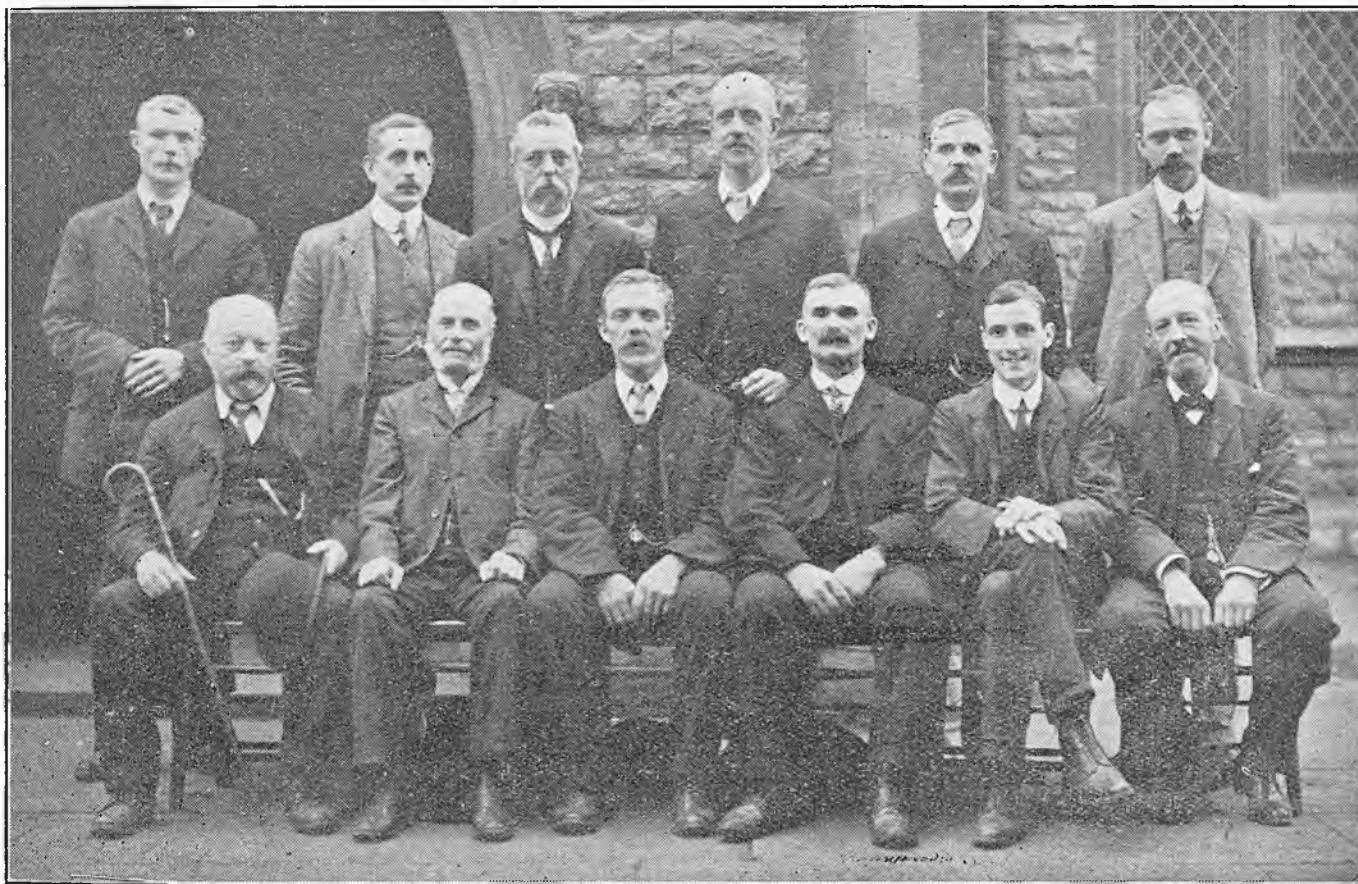


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THE COMPANY THAT TOURED IN SOUTH WALES.

ERNEST PYE (London).	GABRIEL LINDOFF (Dublin).	GEO. DENT (Harlow).	REV. A. T. BEESTON (New Mills).	JOHN FLINT (Bolsover).	THOMAS T. GOFTON (Newcastle).
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The arrangements of the tour had been placed in the capable hands of Mr. J. W. Jones, the hon. secretary of the Llandaff Association. These were now tackled in earnest. Caerleon was first visited, and a merry peal of Superlative resulted. Those not engaged, amused themselves with an inspection of the interesting contents of the local museum, under the guidance of Mr. Davies, the local schoolmaster, and brother of the well-known ringer of that name in Liverpool. St. Woolos, Newport, was the next objective, and "Bristol" the tune called. It soon became evident that to score a peal under the conditions obtaining would be a difficulty, and ultimately the attempt was abandoned. To compensate this a peal of Stedman Caters on handbells was arranged and completed in the belfry of All Saints'. "Cambridge" was called at Trevechin on Tuesday morning, but either

daff Association, and in consequence all were eager to score here. "Go" was called for Stedman Caters, and in due time the welcome, "That 's all," was heard. The bells are an excellent ring, and in good order, and the ringing gave much pleasure to the critics outside. Prior to the start the band were photographed, an event which, happening at the south entrance to the church and in a busy centre, excited a wonderful amount of public interest. Friday morning found us at Llanbradach, where Bristol was secured on one of Taylor's new rings, and then came our visit to Caerphilly. Here was to take place an event of great moment to a conspicuous member of the company, viz., the attempt to score his first peal of London. The conditions were favourable: the bells, a new ring by Taylor this year; the band, a reliable one. "Go" was called, but our friend soon showed

signs of realising a material difference between London in theory, and in practice. Placed between the only brothers in the company who rendered him vigorous assistance in times of difficulty, he struggled on gamely for an hour, when a shift perforce ended the effort. Our colleague naturally was disappointed, but by no means disheartened, for it is "try again" with him.

Not to be denied a peal on this fine ring the band embarked on "Superlative," which was landed in safety after an average interval. All the company afterwards partook of the hospitality, kindly provided by the Vicar, whose kindness thus shown was much appreciated. Caerphilly possesses a fine old castle which afforded unlimited interest to the "out-of-work" members of the company. Saturday, our last day, began with packing and paying, which business done, we commenced our homeward journey, taking Caldicot on our way, where the only failure of the arranged peals was experienced. A shift well over half-way in an attempt at London brought it to an untimely end. The final effort was made at Chepstow. It was only fitting that some mark of recognition for his services on our behalf should be made to Mr. J. W. Jones, so it was decided to ask him to join us here in an attempt at Stedman. He did so, and it was a pleasure to

LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL



Where the first peal of Bristol Surprise in Wales was rung.

all that we scored. Thus ended another of those gatherings which have a charm and a pleasure peculiar to themselves, and which are instrumental not only in cementing friendship, but also in confirming ringers in finding one of their hobbies "among the bells." A pleasing fact, noticeable in all the places visited, was the care bestowed on the bells and belfries. The pleasure and success of the tour, apart from the ringing, were conspicuous, and were due to the kindness of incumbents and ringing friends in the respective localities generally. Such kindness is gratefully acknowledged.

STOKE COVENTRY.—The Warwickshire Guild.—On Friday, Sept. 8th, 540 Stedman Triples: J. H. White 1, C. Freeman 2, H. Argyle 3, W. Cox 4, E. Johnson 5, F. Pervin 6, A. Roberts (conductor) 7, W. Maund 8.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evening service, 448 Kent Treble Bob Major: E. Johnson 1, J. H. White 2, W. Brunsdon 3, W. Wiles 4, W. Cox 5, C. Freeman 6, A. Roberts (conductor) 7, F. Pervin 8.

WALSgrave-ON-SOWE, WARWICKSHIRE.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for morning service, 240 Grandsire Doubles: E. Johnson 1, J. H. White (conductor) 2, W. Maund 3, A. Roberts 4, W. Cox 5. Also 120 with F. Pervin 3 and A. Roberts (conductor), and 120, conducted by F. Pervin. These are the first six-scores ever known to be rung on these bells, which are an old peal (tenor about 8 cwt.).

A DAY'S CYCLING TOUR.

Members of the Sonning Deanery branch of the Oxford Guild have had an enjoyable cycle tour to towers in the Bradfield Deanery. The expedition took place on Saturday week, cyclist ringers turning up from Binfield, Easthampstead (2), Hurst, Farnham, Sandhurst (2), Wokingham and Yateley. Theale (the first tower on the list), was reached soon after 10.30 a.m., and the fine ring of six bells were soon going to Kent Treble Bob, a 240 being brought round. This was followed by a short touch of Oxford, two six-scores of Stedman Doubles, and 120 Grandsire Doubles, the latter being for the benefit of the veteran steeple keeper, Mr. H. Stevens, who helped to lower the bells in peal, his striking being an example to many a young ringer. It seems a great pity that this fine church should only possess six bells. Two good trebles would make it one of the finest eighties in the county.

The next stop was at Englefield, one mile distant. This very pretty church stands in the beautiful park of Mr. Herbert Benyon, and possesses a musical ring of six bells. The party were met here by Mr. J. Abery, and an excellent 720 of Bob Minor was rung, conducted by Mr. J. Paice. A 240 Cambridge Surprise was lost in the last lead. Light refreshments were partaken of at the Working Men's Club, and then the cyclists made their way to Bradfield, an old-fashioned village famous for its college. The church is a quaint old building, with a tower capable of holding a ring of twelve. The visitors were informed by one of the local ringers that he could ring the tenor for a quarter of an hour with one hand, an opinion not entirely endorsed by the ringer who turned her in to a 720 of Kent. Owing to a wedding taking place no more ringing could be done here, so the rest of the time at disposal was spent under the church tower, while one of the number did his best to produce the group on the plate in his camera.

A cross-country ride of some four miles to Beenham, followed. The foreman of the local band, Mr. J. Hatto, was at the church to welcome the party, and helped to raise the bells in peal. A 240 of Woodbine was tapped off, followed by a touch of Plain Bob and a six-score of Stedman Doubles. During the ringing, the Vicar visited the belfry and expressed his pleasure at seeing the visitors at his church. At the People's Refreshment House, on the Bath Road, the party stopped for tea, a rather unfortunate mishap having occurred on the road. The right pedal of Mr. W. Horne's bicycle snapped off, and he had to be pushed along by two of his brother ringers.

After tea the party made their way to Padworth, and found a tiny church, snugly tucked away in a corner of the park. The ropes hang in a semi-circle round the font, the treble and tenor ringers being almost hidden from each other by a huge monument. A touch of Oxford Treble Bob was the first on the programme, followed by 240 of Cambridge Surprise. A touch each of Plain Bob and Kent concluded the ringing on this handy little peal, everyone remarking upon their smoothness of running and sweetness of tone.

Dusk was falling as the cyclists started on the five-mile run to Burghfield, the sixth and last tower on the list. They found here a rather peculiarly built church with a fine ring of six bells (tenor about 12 cwt.), upon which 360 Oxford Bob, conducted by Mr. W. Horne, was tapped off, followed by a six-score of Stedman and 240 of Kent. The falling of the bells in peal concluded the ringing for the day.

The unanimous opinion of all, as they gathered outside the church to wish each other good-night, was that it had been a most enjoyable and successful day, and hopes were expressed that it would be succeeded by many more. The last "pull" came when Mr. Horne disappeared in the darkness, towed away, not by a bell-rope, but a clothes line. The thanks of all are due to Mr. J. Moth for suggesting the idea, the various Vicars for granting permission, the steeple keepers for having everything ready, and last, but by no means least, to Mr. J. Abery for making the necessary arrangements, and for acting as pilot through the country lanes and by-ways. It is interesting to note that although all the towers visited contained six bells only, the company comprised a Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major band.—W. J. F.

200 YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION PEALS.

Mr. Charles Jackson's 200 peals for the Yorkshire Association are made up as follows:—

	Rung.	Conducted.
Stedman Caters	12	8
Stedman Triples	23	17
Grandsire Caters	4	4
Grandsire Major	1	1
Grandsire Triples	85	73
Grandsire Triples on Handbells	1	1
Treble Bob Royal	6	1
Treble Bob Major	36	21
Treble Bob Minor	1	1
Bob Royal	1	—
Bob Major	23	19
Yorkshire Court Major	2	2
Superlative Surprise Major	2	—
Peals on Six	3	1
Totals	200	149

One peal of Grandsire Major, and one of Grandsire Triples, which are false, are not included. Rung in 42 towers.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MEETING AT SKIPTON.

The September meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held at Skipton, on Saturday last, in response to a kind invitation from the Rector and local branch put forward at the last meeting. The writer and a fellow officer arrived the previous evening, and enjoyed in the morning a pre-breakfast walk under the willing escort of Mr. Hillary. The weather was lovely, with just a touch of frost, and the beauties of the walk, in which were blended scenes of rough crag, open moor, shady wood, and running stream, were enjoyed to the full.

A peal of Stedman Triples was successfully brought round by 1 p.m. by early arrivals. It was the first in the method on the bells, and is duly recorded in its proper place. Thereafter the bells were going throughout the day in various methods by the visitors.

A large company, including a good number of ladies, sat down to a bountiful tea at 4 o'clock in the Church Schools. The weather being fine, the business meeting followed in the open-air in the courtyard of Skipton Castle, kindly lent for the occasion by Mr. R. B. Barrett, J.P., the agent for Lord Hothfield. This novel and historical meeting-place was much appreciated by the visitors, as also was a walk through the castle under the guidance of the Rector, who explained its many points of interest.

The Castle dates back to Norman times, but the raiders from across the border are believed to have almost destroyed it, and it remained in a semi-ruined condition until about 1311, when Lord Clifford, the first of that line, rebuilt it. The western doorway of the inner building is the only portion left of the original structure. There are in this stronghold seven massive round towers, with a splendid courtyard surrounded by buildings of great beauty. The yew tree in the centre is reputed to be 500 years old. A natural precipice protects this castle on the north. On the other sides were a moat and drawbridge, and at the principal gateway a portcullis. Much more might be said, did space permit, of this fine old castle and its owners—of the Sailor Lord, who won the admiration of Queen Elizabeth for his gallantry in the times of the Armada, and many others.

The Rev. C. C. Marshall, president, took the chair at the meeting, supported by the hon. secretary, Mr. C. Glenn; the hon. treasurer, Mr. J. Cotterell; and the principal officers and committee. The Rector (Canon Cook) was also present. To enter into all details would be tedious, but we may mention that no less than three invitations were put forward for the annual meeting, from Calverley, Guiseley, and Holbeck.—On being put to the vote, Holbeck was carried by a large majority.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the use of the bells, vestries and schools, also to Mr. R. B. Barrett for so kindly placing at the Association's disposal the courtyard, and granting members the privilege of looking over the castle and grounds.—The Rector, in reply, said how pleased both Mr. Barrett and himself were to be able to again welcome the Association to Skipton. He always liked to hear the bells ring, and expressed his pleasure at listening to the peal in the morning.

We must not omit chronicling the vote of thanks to the local branch, under the secretaryship of Mr. W. Billows, for their admirable arrangements, and to the ladies who assisted at the tea-tables, a motion which was carried with acclamation.

Skipton Parish Church, which contains a peal of eight bells, with tenor 18½ cwt., was founded about eight centuries ago, but the only part left of the original Norman edifice appears to be the Sedilia consisting of four stone seats with pointed arches and cylindrical columns in the South wall of the nave. The elegant oak screen is believed by some to have been brought from Bolton Abbey at the dissolution. Within the altar rails are three tombs of the Cumberlands. Standing at the West end the visitor is able to admire the magnificent roof—one of the finest in the country. It was erected partly at the expense of Richard III. Over the South door there is an old poker-work picture, the work of one Smith, a native of Skipton (who also painted the Royal Arms on the South wall).

MEETING AT KENDAL.

The annual meeting of the Furness and Lake District Branch of the Lancashire Association was held at Kendal, when ringers from Ambleside, Braithay, Broughton-in-Furness, Burton, Hawkshead, Crothwaite, Kirby-in-Furness, were present, together with the local band. The ringers were kindly entertained to tea by the Kendal ringers, and afterwards the business meeting was held, Canon Laforne (Vicar of Kendal) being in the chair. One new member was elected, and Kendal was again chosen for the next half-yearly meeting, to be held in March. Before and after the meeting touches of Bob Minor, Bob Major, Grand sire Triples, Grand sire Caters and Stedman Triples were brought round. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, and the Kendal ringers for their kindness in entertaining them to tea.

CLIFTON, BRISTOL. — On Thursday, Sept. 14th, at the Parish Church, 504 Stedman Triples: W. Apperly 1, H. Brownjohn 2, R. Clark 3, L. Moore 4, G. Gale 5, J. Hemming (longest length in the method) 6, R. J. Wilkins (conductor) 7, J. A. Burford 8.

NOTICES.

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual general meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, September 23rd. The bells at Heston, Norwood Green, and Hounslow will be available for ringing from 3 p.m. Short service, with sermon by the Rev. F. W. A. Wilkinson, at 5.30. Tea 6d., at 6.15, to be followed by meeting. Those desirous of having tea provided for them are requested to notify either of the honorary secretaries not later than the 20th inst. Four representatives will be elected to serve on the next Central Council.—C. T. Coles, 173, St. John's Road, Walthamstow, and H. C. Chandler, 1, Church Road, Heston, Honorary Secretaries.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Derby Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at Crich, on Saturday, September 23rd. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. All ringers and friends invited (Ambergate and Whatstandwell stations).—Bart Mitchell, Honorary District Secretary, 68, Douglas Street, Derby.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—The annual meeting of the above district will be held at Headcorn on Saturday, September 23rd. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea will be arranged at 5 o'clock, 1s. each, for all those who notify me not later than Tuesday, September 19th. There will be a short service in the church at 6 o'clock, to be followed by a business meeting for the election of officers, etc. An allowance of one penny per mile (single journey) will be paid to all members attending. Turn up, brothers, either by road, rail or sea! —C. Tribe, Honorary District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—The half-yearly meeting of the above will take place at Grimsby on Saturday, September 23rd. Peal attempt at St. James' 11 o'clock. Bells available in afternoon and evening. At St. Andrew's in afternoon. Service at St. Andrew's at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided at the Albert Cafe (one minute from the Grimsby Docks Station) at 5 o'clock. Visitors cordially invited. For further particulars see Association circular.—J. W. Seamer, Honorary Secretary, 9, Augustin Street, Grimsby.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Drighlington on the 23rd inst. Peal attempt at 2.30, business meeting in the Church School at 7.30.—Frank R. Cundale, Secretary, 24, Recreation View, Holbeck, Leeds.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The next meeting will be held at Aston Manor (10 bells) on Saturday, September 23rd. Bells ready at 4 p.m.—Rev. C. C. Cox, Hon. Sec., The Parsonage, Shotton.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Emberton, Bucks, on Saturday, September 23rd. Service at 3.30 p.m.—F. W. Booth, Honorary Secretary.

HERTS ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Bennington on September 23rd, when the bells will be available during the afternoon and evening. A free tea will be given by the Rev. W. Mills (Rector), in the parish room at 5.30. It is hoped that many will attend the meeting at this picturesque old-world village. All members and friends will be made welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Sec., Little Munden.

NOTICES (continued).

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at West Grinstead, on Saturday, September 30th. Tower open from 3.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Members intending to be present please notify the undersigned by Thursday, September 28th.—H. Evans, Hon. Div. Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chaddesly Corbett, on Saturday, September 30th. Service in Church at 4.15. Tea, kindly provided by the Vicar, at 4.45 in the Schools. Business Meeting to follow. A Brake will leave the residence of Mr. T. J. Satter, Bromsgrove St., Kidderminster at 2.45. Return Fare 1s. Will all those intending to be present at the Tea, or go by brake from Kidderminster please let me know on or before Wednesday, September 27.—E. J. Dowler, Hon. Sec., 54, Tiverton Rd., Bournbrook, Selly Oak, Birmingham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Darley Dale on Saturday, September 30th. Tower (8 bells) open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting at 4.15. Tea at 5 (1s. each), both in the Grouse Inn. Those who intend being present for tea must please notify Mr. William Taylor, Northwood, Darley Dale, by Thursday morning, September 28th.—W. E. White, Honorary Secretary, Cotgrave, Notts.

"WILLIAM VERRY" COMMEMORATION DINNER.—The seventh annual dinner will be held at the Red Lion Hotel, Soho Road, Handsworth, on Saturday, September 30th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Dinner 6.30 sharp. Tickets, 2s. 6d., may be had from C. Starkey, Honorary Secretary, 23, Tudor Street, Winson Green.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Blackpool on September 30th, when the bells at Lytham, St. Anne's, and Blackpool will be available all day. Further particulars by circular.—W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Honorary Secretaries.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Woburn on Saturday, October 7th.—A. Rust, Hon. Sec.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. B. Prewett's address is now Alderbury, Oxhey Avenue, Watford.

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