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MODERN WORK.

SUNDAY SERVICE RINGING.

The question discussed at the Central Council meeting with regard to ringing for the Sunday services was emphasised at the Winchester Guild meeting on Saturday, when the Master asked the members to keep the resolution of the Council before them as an ideal. It is difficult to imagine that any ringer with a true love of the art could overlook the fact that his first service should be to the Church. The primary object of church bells, in whatever numbers they are hung, is to call people to worship, and it is to fulfil this purpose that ringers hold their office. We all rejoice at the increasing recognition which is given by those in authority to ringers as church workers, a recognition which has only become general in recent years, through the efforts of the associations. At the same time, however, there is a duty upon the ringers to see that the bells duly take their place in the service of the church. We are convinced that in these days it is only quite a small minority of ringers who fail to appreciate the first call which the bells should have upon them, but while that few remain it is the duty of those who seek to uphold the dignity of the ringer's office, to lose no opportunity of impressing the correct view upon those who for the moment fail to see it. As one speaker at Winchester aptly put it, give Sunday ringing its proper place, and then, if in the week bells can be got for the pleasure of the ringers, they will be justified in getting all the enjoyment they can out of them. This is an eminently sensible view to take. Most ringers gladly give their services in ringing the bells on Sundays, and when they do so they are entitled in return to ring occasional peals for their own interest. That is happily the condition now prevailing in most places, and its absence generally betokens a selfishness on one side or other, either on the part of the ringers who neglect the Sunday work, or on the part of the incumbent who cares nothing so long as the congregation are summoned to worship. Ringers should give of their best when ringing for services. It is a mistake, as the Rev. H. A. Cockey pointed out at the Central Council meeting, to look upon these occasions as merely opportunities for further practice. As a matter of fact those companies who meet and ring regularly on Sundays are generally the best and most useful units of an association. Regular Sunday ringing usually means regular practice nights and a regular attendance, without which progress cannot be made. Thus it is that while furthering the object for which the bells are erected, ringers will also be advancing their own interests if they put their Sunday ringing first.

This is a matter which must not be lost sight of and ringers can do much to maintain their status by keeping the ideal before them.

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TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.

On Saturday, June 22, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5081 CHANCES;

Tenor 26 cwt.

*FREDERICK DAVIS Treble	FRANK I. HAIRS 6
FREDERICK G. PERRIN 2	FRANK BENNETT 7
ALFRED GRIMES 3	ERNEST BRETT 8
ARTHUR N. HARDY 4	JAMES E. DAVIS 9
WALTER G. MATTHEWS 5	SAMUEL SOUTHEY Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

* First peal in method.

PLYMOUTH.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Tuesday, June 25, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT CHARLES' CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANCES;

Tenor 23½ cwt., in D.

*WILLIAM HOOPER Treble	WALTER H. MARSH 6
*WARREN HORN BROOK 2	ERNEST W. MARSH 7
JOSEPH WOODLEY 3	GEORGE R. STROUD 8
ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD 4	WILLIAM FORD 9
REGINALD A. DOBSON 5	FRANCIS PURSE Tenor

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and
Conducted by ERNEST W. MARSH.

* First peal on ten bells. Arranged for A. F. Shepherd, of Hersham, Surrey.

BRISTOL.

THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD.

On Friday, June 28, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANCES;

FRED G. MAY Treble	WILLIAM WHITE 6
CHARLES PERRY 2	GILBERT WILTSHIRE 7
ALBERT STORBELL 3	ALFRED E. REEVES 8
FREDK. W. WADE 4	HENRY HOWELL 9
NORRIS WAY 5	ISAAC LONG Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

This peal was rung on the occasion of the visit of their Majesties, King George V and Queen Mary, to Bristol, to open the new wing of the Bristol Royal Infirmary.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 21, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, GARSTON,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

J. WILLIAM RAWLINSON ... Treble	GEORGE R. NEWTON 5
JOHN ALLEN 2	GEORGE WOODHALL 6
*THOMAS JENNION 3	JOHN TURNER 7
HENRY FYLES 4	EDWARD CAUNCE Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and
Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

* First peal in the method. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a last tribute of respect to the late Mr. Robert Singlehurst, a great benefactor to the above Church.

NORWICH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 25, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER MANCROFT,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ROBERT H. HAYWARD ... Treble	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 5.
CHARLES E. BORRETT ... 2	ALBERT ROUGHT 6
GEORGE HOWCHIN 3	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON ... 7
BERTIE J. HOWCHIN 4	ALBERT G. WARNES Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and

Conducted by ALBERT G. WARNES.

Rung on the Gabriel ring of eight.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

ROBERT E. STAVERT ... Treble	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 5
THOMAS L. SIMMONS 2	WILLIAM HEWITT 6
FRANK T. MARTIN 3	CHRISTOPHER MURRAY ... 7
BERTRAM PREWETT 4	WALTER B. BENNETT ... Tenor

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

Arranged for C. Murray who hails from Dublin.

STANSTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

A TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

WALTER PRIOR Treble	THOMAS WATTS 5
WILLIAM WATTS 2	THOMAS JORDAN 6
GEORGE JORDAN 3	WILLIAM T. PRIOR 7
FRANK M. BUTLER 4	ARTHUR JORDAN Tenor

Conducted by FRANK M. BUTLER.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thursday, June 27, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

*THOMAS HILL Treble	GEORGE SMITH 5
*EDGAR T. SMITH 2	*EDWIN J. TYLER 6
GEORGE HUGHES 3	WILLIAM FISHER 7
*GEORGE PEATE 4	THOMAS J. ELTON Tenor

Composed by HENRY W. WILDE, and

Conducted by GEORGE HUGHES.

* First peal of Double Norwich. First peal of Double Norwich on the bells. Mr. George Smith was elected a member previous to starting for the peal.

BLACKBURN.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 27, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

TOM WILSON Treble	WILLIAM E. WILSON 5
EMMANUEL DUTESON 2	JOHN WATSON 6
WILLIAM BRIGGS 3	*ARTHUR TOMLINSON 7
FREDERICK HINDLE 4	JAMES ASHTON Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR TOMLINSON.

* First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. E. Wilson, and Samuel Tomlinson, father of the conductor.

WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, June 27, 1912, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

ERNEST E. BARBER ... Treble	JOSEPH BRETTELL 5
ABRAHAM WINTERTON ... 2	WILLIAM C. JONES 6
*GEORGE HINTON 3	WILLIAM PAGE 7
*ALBERT HILL 4	*WILLIAM H. JOHNSON ... Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES, and

Conducted by W. PAGE.

* First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Treble Bob as conductor. This is believed to be the first peal of Treble Bob Major in Worcester for 48 years, the last known record being Feb. 7, 1864.

THETFORD, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 27, 1912, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 18½ cwt., in E.

*WILLIAM C. DUFFIELD ... Treble	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... 5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ... 2	ERNEST WHITING ... 6
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... 3	GEORGE POINTZ ... 7
JAMES MOTTS ... 4	WILLIAM STEELE ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

* First peal in the method. This is the first peal in the method upon the bells.

NOTTINGHAM.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 27, 1912, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

NEVILLE WIDDOWSON ... Treble	THOMAS HORTON ... 5
JOSEPH WOOLLEY ... 2	SAMUEL WESLEY ... 6
HARRY WHITTLE ... 3	FRANK JOHNSON ... 7
ALBERT COPPOCK ... 4	H. ROBERT COBBIN ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Mr. Neville Widdowson. S. Wesley's 300th peal.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, June 28, 1912, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Leonard,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

THOMAS J. BARKER ... Treble	SYDNEY CARTER ... 5
*ALBERT A. HUGHES ... 2	ARTHUR HARDING ... 6
BERTRAM PREWETT ... 3	*JOHN H. B. HESSE ... 7
GEORGE SPENCER ... 4	WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

* First peal in the method.

BAMPTON, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WITNEY AND WOODSTOCK BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 29, 1912, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt.

NOBLE SPINDLOW ... Treble	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, Junr. ... 5
ALBERT BROOKS ... 2	JOHN MONK ... 6
ERNEST BROWN ... 3	JOSEPH GARDNER ... 7
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, Senr. ... 4	JOHN TANNER ... Tenor

This peal was arranged for Messrs. Gardner and Tanner.

ORMESBY.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 29, 1912, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*THOMAS MACFARLANE ... Treble	JOHN G. HALL ... 5
GEORGE W. ATKINSON ... 2	ALEXANDER MACFARLANE ... 6
†WILLIAM LETTY ... 3	WILLIAM J. JACKSON ... 7
WILLIAM HOLMES ... 4	THOMAS METCALFE ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN G. HALL.

* First peal and first attempt. It is only twelve weeks since T. Macfarlane first commenced to pull a bell. † First peal on an inside bell.

BRISTOL.

THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD.

On Saturday, June 29, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matthew, Kingsdown,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

WILLIAM H. WERRETT ... Treble	HENRY HOWELL ... 5
ALFRED E. REEVES ... 2	*HENRY B. BURT ... 6
FRED G. MAY ... 3	ISAAC LONG ... 7
FREDK. W. WADE ... 4	*FREDK. PEPWORTH ... Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER, and
Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

* First peal in any method. Rung as a welcome home to the Vicar, the Rev. F. Glanville, who had been away to recuperate his health.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 29, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALBERT D. STONE ... Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... 5
WILLIAM HEWETT ... 2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... 6
*JOHN CAPP ... 3	ALFRED W. GRIMES ... 7
EDWIN F. PIKE ... 4	KEITH HART ... Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON, and
Conducted by KEITH HART.

* First peal in the method. This peal was rung on the Patronal Festival. Messrs. Grimes, Hewett, Hairs and Pike were elected members of the Association previous to starting.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 29, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
At Bishop Ryder's Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

J. CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

S. COLEY ... Treble	J. T. PERRY ... 5
G. A. TAYLOR ... 2	†A. T. SCRIVENS ... 6
J. B. COLLETT ... 3	W. G. ELLIS ... 7
W. F. WEBB ... 4	*T. PEARCE ... Tenor

Conducted by A. T. SCRIVENS.

* First peal. † First peal as conductor, and to whom this peal was rung as a birthday compliment. T. Pearce was elected a member of the Association before starting for the peal.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 29, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Remigius,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 10 cwt. 0 qr. 16 lbs., in E.

BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON ... Treble	ALBERT G. WARNES ... 5
BERTIE J. HOWCHIN ... 2	GEORGE HOWCHIN ... 6
JOHN F. WILSON ... 3	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 7
ALFRED FUNNELL ... 4	WILLIAM STEELE ... Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM WILLSON, and
Conducted by WILLIAM STEELE.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 30, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM CLOVER ... Treble	WILLIAM ROSE ... 5
GEORGE HOWCHIN ... 2	PETER LAFLIN ... 6
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 3	ALBERT G. WARNES ... 7
BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON ... 4	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... Tenor

Composed by SIR A. PERCIVAL HEYWOOD, BART., and
Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 29, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Church of St. Saviour,

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

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE B. LUCAS, Junr...Treble	GEORGE R. PYE 5
GEORGE B. LUCAS, Senr... 2	GEORGE DENT 6
GEORGE F. MARGETSON ... 3	GEORGE A. CARD 7
GEORGE H. JAYE 4	GEORGE PAICE Tenor

Composed by GEORGE CONYARD, and
Conducted by G. R. PYE.

HUNSDON, HERTS.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 30, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Dunstan,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES ;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE A. BLACKTreble	GEORGE FAULKNER 5
GEORGE RADEY 2	GEORGE DENT 6
GEORGE F. MARGETSON ... 3	GEORGE B. LUCAS, Senr. 7
GEORGE R. PYE 4	GEORGE CARTER Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

This peal and the peal of Double Norwich at Walthamstow were rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. G. B. Lucas, Senr., G. R. Pye, G. A. Black and G. Carter.

SIX BELL PEALS.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 21, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

CHARLES NUNN... ..Treble	ALPHAUS BERRY 4
*ERNEST F. POPPY 2	LEONARD LAST 5
*WALTER LAST 3	WILLIAM ROSE Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

* First peal of Minor.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 22, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB AND SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of London Surprise, Beverley Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, College Bob IV, College Exercise, Kent Treble Bob, and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

ROBERT C. CLIFFORD...Treble	GEOFFREY J. STONELEY... 4
WALTER J. HORTON ... 2	ALBERT P. WAKLEY ... 5
THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... 3	E. HARRY STONELEY ... Tenor

Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

BISHOPS CASTLE, SHROPSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, June 23, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. John,

A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES ;

Tenor 9 cwt.

*CHARLES MINTONTreble	HARRY HALL 4
*EMMANUEL BEDDOES ... 2	JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... 5
WILLIAM SHORT 3	*CHARLES DAVIES Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

* First peal. C. Minton and E. Beddoes belong to the local band. First peal on the bells, which have been rehung by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich. The "go" is splendid.

GLASBURY, BRECONSHIRE.

On Tuesday, June 25, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES ;

42 six-scores each called differently. Tenor 15 cwt., in F.

*EDWARD PUGHTreble	J. P. HYETT 4
†JOHN N. VIZOR... .. 2	EDGAR R. JONES 5
LEONARD LEWIS 3	THOMAS TURNER Tenor

Conducted by E. R. JONES.

* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. First peal as conductor. Rung to commemorate the first visit of King George and Queen Mary to South Wales.

WOLLASTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, June 25, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

CHARLES E. PERKINS...Treble	FRED BRACE 4
THOMAS J. SALTER 2	WALTER J. BRETHERTON 5
ROBERT MATTHEWS 3	CHARLES F. WHITE ... Tenor

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

NEWTON-IN-THE-ISLE, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE DUFFIELDTreble	GEORGE PIGGINS 4
STANLEY ANDREWS 2	HORACE BANHAM 5
THOMAS HAINES... .. 3	RALPH NARBOROUGH ... Tenor

Conducted by RALPH NARBOROUGH.

First 5,040 by the ringers of 1, 2 and 4, and first on tower bells by all. R. Narborough's first peal as conductor. This is believed to be the first peal ever rung on these bells, which have lately been rehung by Messrs. Taylor & Co., of Loughborough, the "go" being excellent. It was rung as a birthday compliment to Thomas Haines. S. Andrews was proposed a member of the Association before starting.

BOREHAM, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 27, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Double Court, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, New London Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt., in F.

*JOSEPH ROOTETreble	†HENRY W. KIRTON... .. 4
PERCY LETCH 2	WILLIAM ALLEN 5
JOHN WOOD 3	ARTHUR EDWARDS Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR EDWARDS.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor. This peal was arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to H. W. Kirton.

GREAT BARTON, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND
THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS.

On Friday, June 28, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

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

HORACE W. FOULGER ...Treble	OLIVER BULLMAN 4
FRANK J. LEVITT 2	FREDERICK DEWELL 5
R. WILDING 3	CHARLES WOODCOCK ... Tenor

Conducted by H. W. FOULGER.

BLO NORTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 29, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently.

FRED CHAPLIN Treble	SOLOMON MOULE 4
FRED SALTER 2	WILLIAM MEARS 5
ALFRED MACRO 3	SIDNEY ANNISON Tenor

Conducted by S. ANNISON.

First peal as conductor.

MALDON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
(MALDON AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, June 29, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, New London Pleasure, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 13 cwt.

EBENEZER W. FINCH... .. Treble	ALFRED SOUTH... .. 4
HAROLD FINCH 2	HORACE J. MANSFIELD ... 5
FRED WHITE 3	FRED CHALK Tenor

Conducted by HORACE J. MANSFIELD.

Rung with the bells muffled in memory of the late Mr. E. A. Fitch, J.P., who had been churchwarden of the above church since 1874.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 29, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise and Woodbine, and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

CHARLES NUNN Treble	ALPHAUS BERRY 4
EDWARD YOUNGS 2	ARTHUR BAILEY 5
GEORGE BAILEY 3	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ... Tenor

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

NEWDIGATE, SURREY.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, July 1, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Kent, London Scholars' Pleasure, Violet, College Pleasure, Woodbine, College Exercise and Oxford. Tenor 8½ cwt.

ALBERT HILLS Treble	OLIVER SIPPETTS 4
JOHN AKEHURST 2	ARTHUR W. TULLETT ... 5
PERCY F. WELLER 3	ALBERT ELLIS Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT ELLIS.

FLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH.)

On Monday, July 1, 1912, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Single Court, Double Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Single Oxford, Double Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor 15 cwt.

H. V. FLETCHER Treble	ARTHUR J. FARR 4
REV. C. J. STURTON 2	GEORGE R. TRUSS 5
JOHN B. HALLIFAX 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

Rung to celebrate the recovery of J. B. Hallifax from the accident which befel him in February last.

HANDBELL PEALS.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, June 26, 1912, in Two Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. A. H. PULLING,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S ODD-BOB ONE-PART.

ALFRED H. PULLING ... 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER 5-6
JAMES HUNT 3-4	FRANK BLONDELL 7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpires: T. W. and S. RADFORD, and W. E. MAULDEN.

This is the first time this composition has been rung by the Winchester Guild and in Surrey. All the bobs and course ends were checked by the umpires.

ENFIELD.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, July 2, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,
AT 97, EDENBRIDGE ROAD, BUSH HILL PARK,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION.

WILBY J. HAZELL ... 1-2	MISS EDITH K. PARKER... 5-6
JOHN THOMAS 3-4	JAMES PARKER... .. 7-8

Conducted by MISS EDITH K. PARKER.

Umpire, WALTER J. BOWDEN.

The ringer of the 3rd in the peal at Wiveliscombe, on June 22nd, was Robert Scott, and not Herbert, as printed.

AN INQUIRY. To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—May I ask through your columns if No. 12 4th's place Delight Minor Method in the 'Collection of Legitimate Methods' has been rung and named? If not, a band who rang it last Saturday would call it "Didsbury" from the place at which it was rung.—Yours faithfully,

June 28th, 1912.

A. T. BEESTON.

FROM STEDMAN CINQUES TO DOUBLES.

It has been argued, we believe, that a man who can ring Stedman Triples can ring Stedman Cinques. Be that as it may, it sounds a bit queer to learn of regular Stedman Cinques ringers getting into difficulties over Stedman Doubles. Yet that is what occurred at Shirley. The incident happened during a "missionary" outing by some members of St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham. Mid-week excursions of this kind have just been inaugurated, and at Shirley the visitors found a nice peal of five with tenor just over 6 cwt. After the bells had been raised, Mr. W. Short was installed as ringing master, and two six-scores of Grandsire Doubles were rung to the delight of the local men. "Then," writes our correspondent, "'go, Stedman,' was called by the conductor. 'Wait, a bit Bill,' said the Cinques men, 'What about this single?' After explanations by the worthy Bill, off we went, but oh! that single. We did manage a couple of 120's, but we hope to do better another time. Here let me extend my sympathy to the five-bell ringer, and add the opinion that a peal of 5040 on five deserves as many points as a peal of Cinques."

After a touch with the local men, the visitors (Messrs. Short, Walker, Shepherd, Neal and Russam) made tracks for home, well pleased with the outing, which they hope to be the first of many to neighbouring towers. They wish to thank the Vicar for his kindness. By-the-way, there is no truth in the statement that a five-bell band intend visiting St. Martin's on a missionary tour to instruct some of the Cinques ringers in Stedman Doubles.

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PRESENTATION TO A LANCASHIRE SECRETARY.

MR. G. MARIES' WORK RECOGNISED.

The monthly meeting of the Fylde District Branch of the Lancashire Association took place at Singleton, near Poulton-le-Fylde, on Saturday week. Singleton is usually called the garden village of the Fylde, and is situate inland, about four miles distant from Blackpool. The bells of the Parish Church were placed at the disposal of the members, by kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. C. Strange), who has recently been appointed to the living, which was rendered vacant by the death of the Rev. L. C. Wood, who passed away at the ripe age of 93 years.

The bells, which have recently been rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, London, were kept going during the afternoon by members and friends from St. John's, Blackpool; the R.C. Church of the Sacred Heart, Blackpool; South Shore Parish Church, St. Annes-on-the-Sea; Lytham, and Singleton.—Tea was served at the house of Mr. Fisher, about sixteen sitting down to an excellent repast. The Vicar of Singleton presided, and also took the chair at the subsequent meeting which was held in the garden. The Vicar extended a very hearty welcome to all, and in the course of his remarks, contrasted the present day belfries with those in days gone by, when the belfry was not considered as being part of the church.

It was decided to postpone another peal attempt until September.—The Rev. C. Strange was enrolled an honorary member, and Mr. Frank Hill, of South Shore, a performing member.

At the conclusion of the business, the Chairman announced that he had a very pleasant duty to perform, viz., on behalf of the clergy and ringers of the Fylde branch, to present to Mr. George Maries, the branch secretary, a 400-day timepiece, as a token of respect and esteem, for his labours as committeeman for 20 years and as secretary for seven years. In making the presentation, he expressed the hope that when looking at it, it would be to Mr. Maries a reminder of that day's event, and of the many happy hours which he was sure the ringers of the Fylde branch had spent together, at the monthly meetings and on other occasions.—Mr. Maries, in acknowledging the gift, said he was somewhat taken by surprise, but thanked the Vicar for the kind remarks that had been made, and the clergy and ringers of the Fylde branch for the gift of the beautiful timepiece. His work in connection with the branch had been to him a labour of love, and he was thankful that he had given satisfaction to all.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding, and for the use of the bells. The ringers afterwards returned to the belfry, where a 720 of Kent Treble Bob brought one of the best meetings of the branch to a close. The bells are a nice light ring of six, and all the ringers expressed their satisfaction with the "go," etc., and with the work carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel foundry.

NORTHAM BELL RESTORATION FUND. SUCCESSFUL CONCERT.

A further sign of the activity being displayed in order to secure sufficient funds to restore the peal of six at the Church of St. Mary, Northiam, East Sussex, was in evidence on Wednesday evening in last week. Col. E. Frewen, C.B., D.L., J.P., C.C., having kindly granted permission for a promenade concert to take place in the picturesque grounds of his Elizabethan mansion, Brickwall Place. This historic house was visited by "Good Queen Bess," who, by accident or design, left behind her a pair of shoes, which are in the mansion at the present day. The arrangements for the concert were in the capable hands of Mr. G. A. Wenban, the organist at Beckley Church, and the proceedings commenced with several selections by that gentleman's Silver Star Band. In addition to those selections, a long and attractive programme was presented. The band took a prominent part, and all the items, both vocal and instrumental, were much enjoyed. Among those who contributed were a group of the Northiam Church Sunday School children, who were sweetly attired, and carried baskets of roses. They sang the flower girls' song, "Who'll buy my roses," and subsequently sold the flowers, the proceeds going towards the funds. A tug-of-war took place between the Brede and Northiam ringers, the former being victorious. Col. Frewen acted as referee.—Mr. G. A. Wenban moved a vote of thanks to the colonel for placing his grounds at their disposal; to those who had contributed to the programme, and to the general public for their patronage.—Cheers were given for Col. and Mrs. Frewen.—The Colonel briefly replied, and thanked Mr. Wenban for arranging the concert.—The undertaking was a great success, and the profits must have amounted to a good round sum.

LEEDS SOCIETY AT COLLINGHAM.

The monthly meeting of the Leeds and District Society was held at Collingham, on Saturday, and was attended by ringers from Holbeck, Headingley, Rothwell, Shipley, and Tadcaster, and the local company. Touches were rung on the bells in the afternoon and evening by the visitors.—The business meeting was presided over by the President.—Mr. A. Sharman, of Headingley, was elected a member of the society, and the arrangements for a peal attempt at Calverley on July 27th were left in the secretary's hands.—A vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens of Collingham, and to the local company, was carried, on the motion of Mr. G. A. Jowett, and seconded by Mr. A. Sharman. The tower bells and handbells were afterwards utilised.

RUTLAND COUNTY ASSOCIATION. SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT BELTON.

The quarterly meeting of the above was held at Belton on Saturday, St. Peter's Day (Saint Peter being the Patron Saint of the Church) by invitation of the Vicar, the Rev. G. J. Pattison. The proceedings commenced early in the day with an attempt for a peal by the following band, who are also members of the M.C.A.: John Grocock, junr., 1, C. Reeve 2, F. Bindley 3, W. G. White 4, J. J. Jackson (conductor) 5, Alban Jarman 6. The peal, however, was unfortunately lost after an hour and forty minutes' good ringing, and during which 720 Oxford Treble Bob, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, and 720 Oxford Bob were successfully brought round.

A short service was held in the church at 4 o'clock, when the Rev. — Jones, of Ridlington, gave a suitable address. There were ringers present from Oakham, Uppingham, Billesdon (Leicestershire), Ridlington, Preston and Braunston, in addition to the local band, and these, with friends, numbering altogether about 50, sat down to an excellent meat tea at the Vicarage, kindly provided by the Rev. G. J. and Mrs. Pattison.—After a smoke and a chat in the beautiful vicarage gardens a return was made to the church, and ringing continued until 8.30. During the day, touches of Bob Singles, Doubles and Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Double Court were brought round.—A vote of thanks to the Rev. and Mrs. Pattison, to whom the success of the meeting was entirely due, was proposed by Mr. G. H. Towell, Oakham, seconded by Mr. G. Wright, Uppingham, and heartily supported and endorsed by all.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild was held at Walton-on-the-Hill, on Saturday week. There was an excellent muster from Ormskirk, Aughton, Walton, Standish Crossens, Southport, Crosby, Bootle, Sefton, Tuebrook, Wigan and Grassendale. Several of the ringers took a delightful stroll through the Rectory grounds, which were in excellent condition, whilst others were ringing on the tower bells.—A short service was held in the Church, the prayers being read by the Venerable Archdeacon Spooner, and an excellent address given by the Rev. C. Wright. The members were afterwards entertained to tea by the Archdeacon. The business meeting followed, the Archdeacon presiding, supported by the Rev. W. T. Bulpits, E. C. Collier, M. W. Larcombe, B. H. Watts, F. A. Bartlett, C. Wright, and several other honorary members. The Archdeacon gave the Guild a hearty welcome to Walton, and expressed regret at the absence of the warden, Canon Howson, and the treasurer (Mr. J. Martin), through indisposition.—The Rev. W. T. Bulpit and E. C. Collier also addressed the members.—Several new members were admitted, and the usual votes of thanks brought an excellent meeting to a close.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.

The seventh meeting of the year was held at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, Appledore, on Saturday. Representatives attended from Ashford, Rolvenden, Rye, Stone-in-Oxney, Tenterden, and the local tower, and a good practice, consisting of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major, was much enjoyed.—The President (the Rev. A. O. Scutt), Vicar of Appledore, presided at the business meeting held in the belfry, and intoned a suitable prayer before the members discussed the items on the agenda.—It was decided that the annual outing of the Guild should take place at Eastbourne on the third Saturday in July.—The Master (Mr. G. Billenness) referred to the excellent financial condition of the Guild, and considered they could allow 2s. to each member attending the outing. He moved that allowance be made.—Mr. G. Johnson seconded, and it was agreed to.—It was also decided to attempt two peals of Grandsire Triples, one at Tenterden on Wednesday, 10th July, and the other at Appledore on the 13th July. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the President for presiding, also for granting the use of the bells that evening, and for the peal on the 13th inst.—The Vicar suitably responded, and several more short touches were rung, after which the bells were lowered in peal, and the proceedings concluded.—The Vicar readily consented, on being approached, to become an hon. member of the Kent Association, and his name will be submitted at the next meeting of the Ashford Division.

BISHOPS CASTLE BELLS REHUNG.

The ring of six bells at Bishops Castle, Shropshire, have been entirely rehung on modern principles, with steel headstocks, oak wheels, and all new fittings. The framework has been strengthened with new timber and long vertical bolts, and a massive steel girder has been placed under the centre of the floor which carries the bell frame. The work was placed in the hands of Mr. Alfred Howell, bell founder, of Ipswich, who has completed the contract to everyone's satisfaction. On Sunday week the bells were opened with a peal of 5040 Grandsire Doubles, recorded in another column. The peal was conducted by Mr. W. Short (instructor to the Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers), and was the first ever rung on the bells. Mr. Howell's patent for lubricating is an excellent appliance, and the ringers are greatly pleased with the easy and smooth running of the bells.

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Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the College Youths.
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BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS— ST. PAUL'S, LONDON.

By J. R. JERRAM.

Very little is known about the bells of old St. Paul's before the Great Fire of 1666. Stow, in his "Survey of London," mentions a fire caused by lightning which



THE NORTH-EAST TOWER OF ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL,
WHICH CONTAINS THE FAMOUS PEAL OF TWELVE.

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occurred June 4th, 1561, and destroyed the spire and bells. He also mentions a bell-house standing in the east end of the churchyard. He says that it contained four bells, and adds: "These were called Jesus' bells, and belonged to Jesus' chapel, but I know not by whose gift: the same (i.e., the bell-house) had a great spire of timber covered

with lead, with the image of St. Paul on the top, but was pulled down by Sir Miles Partridge, Knight, in the reign of Henry VIII. The common speech was that he did set a hundred pounds upon a cast at dice against it, and so won the said clochiard and bells of the king; and then causing the bells to be broken as they hung, the rest was pulled down. This man was afterwards executed on Tower Hill for matters concerning the Duke of Somerset, the 5th of Edward VI."

When the present Cathedral was completed after the Great Fire only one *service bell* was provided, and hung in the north-west tower, which I shall describe more fully later on. This bell did duty alone up to 1878, when the present peal of twelve was put up.

About the same time the old *Great-bell* was brought from Westminster to be hung in the south-west tower. But as it was passing under Temple Bar it fell off the trolley, and was so much damaged that it had to be recast. This was done by Philip Wightman. The old bell weighed 82cwt. 2qrs. 21lbs., and after recasting only 73cwt. 3qrs. 11lb. It was then inscribed as follows:—

TERCIVS APTAVIT ME REX EDWARDQVE
VOCAVIT
SANCTI DECORE EDWARDI SIGNANTVR
VT HORÆ.
MADE BY PHILIP WIGHTMAN 1708
BROUGHT FROM
THE RVINES OF WESTMINSTER.

From this inscription it will be noticed that the original bell was given to Westminster Hall by Edward the Third for the clock to strike upon, and was dedicated to St. Edward. After being recast by Philip Wightman it proved such an abominably bad bell that Richard Phelps, of the Whitechapel Foundry, was employed to recast it a second time. This he did, and it now weighs a little over five tons, and measures 6 feet 10½ inches in diameter, Note A. It is simply inscribed:—

RICHARD PHELPS MADE ME. 1716.

About the same time Phelps cast two quarter-jack bells for the clock, each of which is inscribed thus:—

RICHARD PHELPS MADE ME. 1717.

The smaller one weighs 13 cwt., being Note A, an octave above the Great Bell; and the larger one weighs 35 cwt. being Note D.

The old service bell in the north-west tower is 49½ inches in diameter, and weighs about 21 cwt. She still hangs there, above the present peal of twelve, and is used as a call-bell. The inscription on her is:—

MADE BY PHILIP WIGHTMAN. 1700.

The above were all the bells the Cathedral possessed till 1878.

In the year 1876 a proposal to have a heavy peal of twelve was considered. The Lord Mayor and Corporation promised to give the tenor, and several of the City Livery Companies, together with Baroness Burdett Coutts, the other bells. It ended in the work being entrusted to Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, who have certainly produced a magnificent peal of twelve with a tenor in B flat, 69 inches in diameter, and weighing 62 cwt. Considering that the founders were pestered with many critics and advisers, most of whom knew nothing about bell-founding, the work does them great credit. The inscriptions are as follows:—

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D (Arms of Dean and Chapter). U (Arms of Draper's Co.)

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[The same as on the treble.]

Third.

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EDWARD CAFFIN ESQ : MASTER.
BY FAITH I OBTÉIGNE.
D B[]C (Arms of Burdett Coutts). U (Arms of Turners' Co.).

Fourth, Fifth and Sixth.

[The same as on the third.]

Seventh.

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SAL SAPIT OMNIA.
D U (Arms of Salters' Co.).

Eighth.

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CONCORDIA RES PARVÆ CRESCUNT
D U (Arms of Merchant Taylors' Co.).

Ninth.

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JAMES WYLD ESQ : MASTER.
MY TRUST IS IN GOD ALONE.
D U (Arms of the Clothworkers' Co.).

Eleventh.

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GOD GRANT GRACE.
D U (Arms of the Grocers' Co.).

Tenor.

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BOROUGH.
DOMINE DIRIGE NOS
D (Arms of the Dean and Chapter). U (Arms of City of London).

THIS TENOR BELL WAS PRESENTED BY THE
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LORD MAYOR. SEPTR. 14th, 1876.

The bells were dedicated on All Saints' Day, November 1st, 1878, when a touch of Stedman Cinques, was rung by members of the Ancient Society of College Youths.

In 1882 *Great Paul* was hung in the south-west tower. This bell, the heaviest in England, was brought from Messrs. Taylor and Co.'s foundry at Loughborough to London by road, drawn by two traction engines; the railway companies having refused the responsibility of carriage by rail, and the diameter of the bell being too great for any ordinary railway truck, viz. : 9 feet 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches, the

weight being nearly 17 tons. Note, lower E flat. It is inscribed as follows :—

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MDCCCLXXXII " (Arms of Dean and Chapter)
VÆ MIHI SI NON EVANGELISAVERO.

The bell is rung about half up for the last five minutes before service on Sundays and great festivals.

ODD CHANGES.**Collected from all Quarters.**

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The attempt for the 14,336 Bob Major on handbells at Norwich, unfortunately failed after only 3,000 changes had been rung.

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What a lot of Georges there are among ringers. "George" peals are not quite a novelty, but it is certainly unusual to have to record two in one week. They were scored on Saturday and Sunday, and twelve ringers took part in them. The Johns, who are also numerous, will have to look to their laurels. We hear they have an interesting performance in view.

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The King has subscribed £25 towards the restoration of the tower and bells of the ancient Portsmouth Church of St. Thomas à Becket. The church contains a peal of eight, tenor 27 cwt.

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Any ringer about to spend a holiday in the neighbourhood of Tenby should communicate with Mr. R. Jenkins, Trafalgar Street, Tenby, who will be glad to arrange for any ringing.

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Mr. H. R. Cobbin, of the St. Peter's company, Nottingham, an amateur swimmer of more than local fame, has just been elected to the committee of the Nottingham Forest Football Club.

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Recently, Mr. Sam Thomas, the popular conductor of the Ranmoor Society, Sheffield, lost his father, who passed away at the age of 78 years. Mr. Thomas, senr., had a record which it would be hard to beat. For something near 70 years he was a chorister at Wath-on-Dearne, and for over 50 years sexton and clerk, in addition to being conductor of a band of prize ringers in the '60's.

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At Cookham, Berks, where at present only "stony" is rung, Dr. Batchelor is endeavouring to get the local men to take up change ringing. Recently, to provide an object lesson, he invited a small party of Oxford Guild ringers to the tower. A 720 Plain Bob and other touches were rung, and the Cookham men enjoyed the ringing. The visitors, who included the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, and Messrs. Hibbert, G. Martin, A. Walker, C. Smith, J. Eldridge and L. W. Copsey, were entertained by Dr. Batchelor, and it is hoped that "the method" will now find its way into Cookham tower.

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WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

THE ANNUAL FESTIVAL.—CHANGE OF SECRETARY.

"THE RINGING WORLD" SPECIAL REPORT.

The annual festival of the Winchester Guild, at Winchester, on Saturday, brought together a representative gathering of ringers from all over the extensive diocese, which covers Hampshire, the Isle of Wight, and a large portion of Surrey. Members began to assemble during the morning, when ringing took place on the fine peal of ten (32 cwt. tenor). The Guildford contingent were early on the scene, having travelled the 40 odd miles between the county towns by motor. Among those who participated in the ringing were Miss Stilwell, the President's daughter, and Mr. John Heathorne, the Guild's oldest member, who is in his 89th year. The methods rung varied from Grandsire to London Surprise.

The business meeting was held at the Town Hall, the President (Mr. J. P. Stilwell) being in the chair, supported by the Master (the Rev. C. E. Matthews), and the hon. secretary and treasurer (the Rev. W. E. Colchester). The last-named presented the balance sheet and report. The financial statement showed a balance in hand on the general fund of £57 8s. 1d.—an increase of £12 0s. 2d. on the year—and a credit balance of £22 5s. 2d. on the special purposes fund.

The report stated that the balance sheet showed that financially the year had been most satisfactory. The result of the new rule, that members attending annual district meetings receive 1s. for tea, could not be estimated until next year. There were now 52 life, 119 honorary, 905 ordinary, 160 compounding and unattached members in the Guild, making a grand total of over 1,230 members. The hon. secretary, on ac-



THE NEW SECRETARY OF THE GUILD—MR. G. WILLIAMS.

count of an increased amount of parish work, felt compelled to resign office, and offered his hearty thanks to all the officers and members of the Guild for their hearty co-operation which had made his work in the Guild easy and happy. The report of the Recorder of peals showed the good work that had been done in ringing in the past year. They had a right to be proud of their conductors, by whose genius they had attained the highest place in the ringing world in the past year. The number of peals rung was 123. — The report and balance sheet were adopted.

Mr. J. P. Stilwell was re-elected President, and the Rev. C. E. Matthews, Master.

REV. W. E. COLCHESTER'S RESIGNATION.

The Master, in explaining that it was necessary to make a change in the secretaryship, said their sincere thanks were due to Mr. Colchester for his past services (applause). They had had several secretaries during the foundation of the Guild, but he thought he might say that no secretary had filled the office more worthily or had taken more pains and trouble over the general work of the Guild than Mr. Colchester. The suggestion had been made that they should divide the offices of secretary and treasurer, and if they decided to do so Mr. Colchester was willing to continue to act as hon. treasurer (hear, hear).

The Rev. W. E. Colchester said he felt keenly giving up the secretaryship. He took up the work, knowing that there was something to be done, and he had tried to do what he could. The demands of his parish work were now so much increased that if he continued in the

secretaryship he would have to neglect the work of the Guild, or leave undone some of the work in the parish. He also felt that they ought to have a secretary who could attend the district meetings, and as these were generally and rightly held on a Saturday, it would be difficult to get a clergyman to act as secretary, who could do this. With two sermons at least to preach on a Sunday, a clergyman needed a quiet Saturday to prepare for the next day. For the sake of his parish work and for the sake of the work of the Guild, he felt he could not keep on with the office any longer, but if they elected him he would be ready to go on with the work of treasurer. This would enable him to keep in touch with the central work of the Guild and to do what he could for it (applause).

On the motion of the Rev. F. G. Hume, it was decided to separate the offices of secretary and treasurer, and the Rev. W. E. Colchester was elected treasurer.

Mr. J. Hunt (Guildford) moved the election of Mr. George Williams as hon. secretary. Mr. Williams, he said, had had some splendid experience as one of the district secretaries of the Sussex Association, and he was a first class change ringer, which was essential if a secretary was to carry on in a capable manner the work of a Guild of that size. Clergymen had carried on the work very well indeed in the past, and he much regretted that Mr. Colchester could not continue, but at the same time the clergymen as a rule did not stop long with them.—Mr. W. H. George (North Stoneham) seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried.

Mr. H. White (Basingstoke) was re-elected hon. auditor, and Mr. A. M. Kennett (Camberley), hon. solicitor. Two names were submitted for the office of Peal Recorder, viz., Mr. T. W. Fairey (Camberley) and Mr. C. Wiltshire (Guildford), and the former was re-elected, with thanks for his past services.

It was decided to hold the next annual meeting on the last Monday in June, 1913, the place, Winchester, being fixed by rule.

A GENEROUS GRANT.

The Central Committee recommended a grant of five guineas to the fund for rehousing the bells at Holy Trinity, Guildford.—The adoption of the recommendation was moved by Mr. J. Jones (Guildford), who said that the Holy Trinity band had themselves got together £23, while the members of the C.E.M.S. had raised about £40. Men who worked like that deserved help. There was a sum of £425 to be raised, and there had been very heavy calls in Guildford lately, so that money came in slowly, and five guineas would be very acceptable.

Mr. A. H. Pulling (Guildford) said the Rector of Holy Trinity had announced that he had promises of £50 and £25, on condition that he got another £50 by a certain date. He, therefore, appealed to the Guild to vote this sum, as it would help the fund immensely. There could be no doubt that since they had been unable to ring Holy Trinity bells, tower bell ringing had gone down in Guildford.

Mr. H. White seconded the recommendation, which was carried, Mr. Pulling thanking the Guild.

The Master brought forward a matter which had been before the Central Committee, namely, that of a band going to Winchester, claiming their railway fares, and then going on to spend the day at the seaside, without attending the annual meeting. Under the rules they were only entitled to the money when they attended the meeting, and if the district secretaries did not ask the different bands a lot of questions, it was simply because they were men of honour themselves, and trusted to the honour of the other members. It would be a very sad thing if they had "rotters" daring to take the money practically under false pretences, because that was what it really amounted to (hear, hear).

It was suggested that only those who signed the roll at the meeting should be entitled to draw expenses.

THE RINGER'S IDEAL.

The Master reported on the Central Council meeting, which was attended by himself and Mr. J. Whiting, representing the Winchester Guild. They had a long and interesting meeting, and a very full and excellent report had been published in "The Ringing World." Under the circumstances, he felt there was only one subject upon which he need to say a word, and that was the question of ringing the bells for service. He hoped there were not many towers in the Winchester Diocese where the bells were not rung on Sundays for service. Bells were placed in the churches for the honour and glory of God, and speaking for himself, and he hoped for many of the members present, he considered that the tone of any band of ringers a very poor one where the bells were merely used for practice on week-nights and only chimed on Sundays. The bells should be rung and not chimed, and he hoped the members would keep that before them. It was not always possible to get a band for every service, and it was not always possible, perhaps, for the men to attend the services for which they rang, but they should have an ideal.

Mr. Pulling said it seemed a peculiar thing that this motion should have been brought up the first year the Winchester Guild got to the top of the Analysis. So far as Guildford was concerned, the bells were rung at both towers on Sundays so long as the bells were ringable.

The Master said, in making his few remarks, he had not the slightest suspicion he was going to say anything to effect anyone in the Winchester Guild. He brought it forward as the most interesting subject at the Council meeting, so far as it related to them as churchmen. The

resolution was held up to everyone as an ideal, and he thought every Guild should adopt that ideal.

The Rev. F. G. Hume (Oakley) spoke in support of the resolution adopted by the Council, emphasising the fact that bell ringing was distinctly a part of their church work. They all looked with admiration on the success of those who studied intricate methods of ringing. They knew what a fascination it was, but they must all recognise that the real object of their bells was for the Worship of God.

Mr. A. T. King (Southsea) endorsed what the Master had said. Mr. Pulling could disabuse his mind of there being any sort of reflection on anything which the Winchester Guild had done. Personally he would not belong another hour to an association which did not think of Sunday ringing in the proper way. He had said so to his own colleagues before, and they were quite in agreement with him that their first duty was to the Church, to ring for service on Sunday, and then on a weekday, if they could get a clergyman to let them have the use of the bells to ring for their own pleasure, he thought they were entitled to ask for the permission. He was sorry to say that in the neighbourhood where he came from was a church where six bells were "clocked" on Sundays, and when he spoke to the churchwardens about it they replied that they did not see there was any difference in ringing and that which they had always been accustomed to. Really, added Mr. King, amid laughter, the specific density of some churchwardens is immeasurable.

Mr. Ingram (Portsmouth) disagreed with Mr. King as to the "clocking" of six bells, but hoped there would soon be great alterations at the tower alluded to, and that it would before the next annual meeting be affiliated to the Guild (applause).

The Rev. W. E. Colchester said the committee had had before them a resolution that they should consider the advisability of a benevolent fund for assisting necessitous members of the Guild, and report to the next annual meeting. The committee would go into the matter, and would like the district secretaries to have the matter discussed at the district meetings, so that the committee might know the views of the members when they met in February.

The business concluded with a vote of thanks to the President for presiding.

Afterwards the members attended the Cathedral service, at which Canon Vaughan was the preacher.—At the tea, which followed in the Town Hall, about 120 sat down, and votes of thanks to the Dean and Chapter for the use of the bells and to the officers for their services, were carried.

Mr. A. H. Pulling writes: At the annual meeting of the Winchester Guild, on Saturday last, I stated there were several printer's errors in the Annual Report. I have since seen the copy which he received, and find it was not the printer's fault, so I take the first opportunity of apologising to him.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

The Warwickshire Guild visited Polesworth for the first time on Saturday week. The bells—a musical ring of six in good order, with a tenor about 15 cwt.—were raised soon after 3.30, and touches in various methods were rung until a halt was called for tea at 6 o'clock. A beautiful spread, kindly provided by the Rector (Canon J. G. Trotter) awaited the members, and on the proposition of the Master (Mr. James George), seconded by Mr. Hessian, the reverend gentleman was accorded a very hearty vote of thanks for his hospitality. About fifteen ringers were present, the places represented being: Nuneaton, Tamworth, Sutton Coldfield, Rugby, and the local company. Several of those present expressed a desire to become members of the Guild, and their names will be put forward for ratification at the annual meeting.—After tea, courses of Grandsire Caters, Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung on handbells belonging to the local company, and the tower was again visited, and the bells kept going till after eight o'clock. The methods rung were: Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob and Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Several of those present had the opportunity of ringing Minor for the first time.

THE LINCOLN GUILD.

A meeting of the Eastern Branch of the Lincoln Guild was held at Algarkirk on Saturday week, when members attended from Stickney, Freiston, Boston, Skirbeck, Frampton and Kirton, together with the local band. Service was held in church at 4.30, when the office for the Guild was used, and a valuable address given by the Rector, who took for his text, "Walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace," Eph. iv. 1-3.—After service, tea was provided by Mr. S. Chamberlain, of Market Place, Boston, on the Rectory lawn, and was much enjoyed.—Afterwards a short business meeting was held, the President (the Rev. W. T. Jennings), Rector of Skirbeck, taking the chair.—Touches of Grandsire Stedman, Plain Bob and Canterbury were rung in the evening. Some of the members visited the adjoining Church of Kirton, where there is a ring of eight. The members wish to thank the Rector of Algarkirk for the use of his grounds and bells, and the Vicar of Kirton also for the use of the bells at his church.

NEW PEAL OF EIGHT AT WALDRON.

SUSSEX VILLAGE BELLS DEDICATED.

Four founders of different periods had a hand in casting the peal of eight, which until recently hung in the tower at Waldron, Sussex. Five of the bells were originally cast by Richard Phelps in 1732, but the tenors were recast in 1887 by Messrs. Warner and Sons to commemorate Queen Victoria's Jubilee. The 3rd and 6th were castings by Thomas Jannaway in 1773, and the treble and 2nd came from the Whitechapel foundry in 1780 and 1779 respectively. The whole lot, forming an indifferent peal, have now passed through the melting pot, and, with added metal, have come out of the moulds a ring worthy of their place in any village tower. Messrs. John Warner and Sons have carried out the renovation, and have hung the bells in a new steel frame, the whole of the work being a lasting credit to the firm. Owing to the little time available in which to carry out the contract, the work had to be much expedited, and although some of the bells, which, by-the-way, are splendid examples of the founder's art, did not leave the foundry until the previous Monday, all was in perfect readiness for the dedication which took place on Thursday in last week. The Bishop of Lewes performed the ceremony, and the old-world village was en fete. The church would not contain all who sought admission, and to many, even beyond the walls, the pealing of the new bells sent a thrill of pride in the new possession. The Rector's daughter was one of the local band who rang the first rounds on the bells. The service included the hymn:—

Now once more our bells are lifted
To their hallowed place on high,
To fulfil their sacred mission
Midway 'twixt the earth and sky.

The Bishop gave an impressive address on the message of the bells, and the concluding hymn was: "Mid desert wanderings sore, the trumpets silver call."

After the service, touches in various methods from Grandsire to Superlative were rung by members of the Sussex Association from Brighton, Lewes, Buxted, Mayfield, Rotherfield, and other neighbouring towers, visitors from London also taking part, as well as three of the foundry staff.

The Bishop and clergy, who had taken part in the service, together with a large number of congregation, afterwards attended a garden party at the Rectory, and from the lawn heard to advantage the pealing of the bells, upon which ringing was kept up during the afternoon and evening. Mr. Robert Warner, who represented the founders, received many congratulations upon the admirable way in which the firm had carried out the work of restoration.

The new peal, which have been tuned according to modern methods, have the old inscriptions reproduced upon them. The bells are now worded as follows:

- Treble (new inscription):
I call the living, mourn the dead,
I tell when days and years are fled.
- (old inscription). Cast by subscription. William Mears, London, fecit.
- 2nd (new inscription):
For grief and gladness, prayer and praise,
To heaven a tuneful voice I raise.
- (old inscription). Cast by voluntary subscriptions. Mears, fecit, 1779.
- 3rd (new inscription): Glory be to God on High. (old inscription) The Rev. Wm. Delves, Rector. Jno. Thatcher and Henry Johnson, Churchwardens. 1773. Thos. Janaway fecit.
- 4th (new inscription):
Ad vivos clango
Nuptias pango
Defunctus plango
- (old inscription). Richard Phelps made these five bells 1732.
- 5th (new inscription): Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. (old inscription) Richard Phelps made me 1732.
- 6th (new inscription):
Vox ego sum vitæ
Voco vos, orate, venite.
- (old inscription): The Rev. Wm. Delves, Rector. Jno. Thatcher and Henry Johnson, Churchwardens, 1773. Thomas Janaway fecit.
- Each of these six bells is also inscribed: "Recast by John Warner and Sons, London."
- 7th. Cast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1887. Recast 1912. (old inscription). This and the tenor bell cast 1732, were recast 1887 in commemoration of Queen Victoria's Jubilee. W. J. Humble-Crofts, Rector. J. A. Warner, Curate. N. Kenward, J. G. Boucher, Churchwardens. (New inscription): Vivat rex, floreat grex.
- Tenor. Recast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1887 and 1912. (Old inscription):
Joy and sorrow, joy and sorrow,
Yesterday, to-day, to-morrow.
- (New inscription). W. J. Humble-Crofts, Rector. P. R. Ferris, Curate. N. Kenward, C. F. Francis, Churchwardens.

WINCHESTER.—At the Cathedral, in one hour, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: Rev. W. E. Colchester (first in the method) 1, G. Noice 2, W. C. Lampard 3, F. Smith 4, J. W. Elkins 5, W. H. Crute 6, C. H. Russell 7, C. Russell 8, W. Andrews (conductor) 9, D. Froome 10. Rung on the 70th birthday of Mr. D. Froome.

NOTICES.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on July 18th; at St. John's, Hackney, on the 9th and 23rd; at St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 9th; at Southwark Cathedral on the 16th; and St. Paul's Cathedral on the 23rd. All at 8 p.m. —William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. — The next monthly meeting of this society will be held at Bolsover, on Saturday, July 6th. Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence, 8 bells, tenor 15 cwt., available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.—J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 504, Ecclesall Road, Sheffield.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meeting of the Maidstone district will be held at Boxley on Saturday, July 6th, 1912. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service 5 p.m. Tea on the Vicarage lawn 5.30 p.m. Business meeting after.—G. Moore, District Secretary, 71, Florence Road, Maidstone.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Thomas', Newhey, on Saturday, July 6th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—J. H. Bastow, Branch Secretary, 13, Norman Street, Northmoor, Oldham.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—A cycle run will take place to Pattingham (8) on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available at 3.30.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Honorary Secretary, 6, Upper Forster Street, Walsall.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—The next meeting will be held at Walberton, near Arundel, on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available from 4 p.m. Tea at 5.30. Business to follow.—H. Evans, Honorary Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Martley on Saturday, July 6th. Service in church at 4.30. Tea and business meeting at the Rectory at 5.15.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Secretary, Madresfield, Malvern.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—A district meeting of the N.W. Division will be held at Wenden on Saturday, July 6th. Littlebury, Rickling and Clavering towers will be open. A brake will leave Stansted at 2 o'clock for Rickling and Clavering. Business meeting immediately after tea.—W. Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—A meeting of the above will be held at Colsterworth on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available all day. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. at the George Inn. All members and friends are earnestly requested to attend.—A. Markwell, District Secretary.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Potton, on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available from 5 to 9 p.m. Meeting in the schoolroom.—F. Blood, Branch Secretary.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).—A quarterly general meeting of the Association will be held at St. Boltoph's, Bishopsgate, E.C., on Monday, July 8th. Tower open at 8 p.m. Business meeting 9.30 p.m. All members should endeavour to attend.—F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—The monthly practice will be held at St. Martin's on Wednesday, July 10th, at 8 o'clock. There will also be ringing on Sunday morning, July 7th, at 10 o'clock.—F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary, 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July 13th, special service in the Cathedral at 11.30. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. Business meeting in the Chapter House at 12.20. Dinner in the dining hall at Christ Church at 1.30. Dinner tickets at 2s. each will be forwarded to those members only who send their money with the order to me on or before Saturday, July 6th. One shilling will be refunded to each member present at the dinner, but members failing to send for their tickets must pay 2s. at the door, and have no refund.—Albert E. Reeves, Guild Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meeting at Ashted on Saturday, July 13th. Tower open at 3. Short service at 5. Tea at 5.45. Business meeting after.—Cyril F. Johnston, Honorary Secretary, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at East Markham on Saturday, July 13th. Tuxford bells will also be at the disposal of ringers during the afternoon. Tea will be provided, 1s. per head, to those who notify William Freeman, London Road, East Markham, Newark, by July 10th.—H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chidingly (8 bells) on Saturday, July 13th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30, 6d. each to members. Members wishing to be present at tea must let me know by Tuesday, the 9th inst.—George H. Howse, Honorary Divisional Secretary, Kenilworth, 132, Latimer Road, Eastbourne.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 13th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Honorary Secretary.

LAVENHAM.—The re-opening of the Church Bells takes place on July 17th. Tower open for ringing, 7 a.m. till 7.15 p.m. Dedication Service 7.30.—A. Symonds.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Pendlebury, July 20th. Bells available from 5 p.m. Meeting at 7.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District).—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, July 20th, at All Saints, Isleworth. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 7.45 p.m.; business meeting at 8 p.m. All members and friends invited.—Frank A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-West Division.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary, Woodford, on Saturday, July 20th. Service in the church at 5 p.m., tea (free, by kind invitation of the Rector) at 5.30 to members notifying me by July 17th.—H. Rumens, Honorary Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—In order to facilitate the publishing of future reports, conductors of peals are requested to send particulars of peals called by them within seven days of such performance to T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport, Assistant Honorary Secretary. N.B.—Will conductors of peals since 1st January, 1912, also oblige?

VISITORS TO BRISTOL will find every convenience and moderate charges at Mrs. Walker's, Admiral Duncan, Nicholas Street, Bristol Headquarters of the Bristol Ringers.

SITUATIONS VACANT.

FITTER AND TURNER.—Improver required; must be good change ringer.—Apply "Cyclops," c/o "Ringing World" Office, Woking.

WANTED at once a **WHEELWRIGHT**, one just out of time. Change ringer preferred.—Apply, stating age, reference, etc., to W. Baggeley, Town End, Bolsover.

THE BEGINNERS' CORNER.

Our contributor "Conductor," will be glad to reply to the inquiries of beginners through this column. Communications should be addressed to him, care of The Editor.

At various times a number of books have been published to aid the beginner, and one of the most useful is that known as Troyte's "Change Ringing." Published originally in 1869, it has gone through four editions, and been brought up to date each time. It was penned in the first place, because at that time there was no work which in simple language elucidated the mysteries of the Art for beginners. It is still to-day just the book to be in the hands of the novice, for it begins with teaching him how to handle a bell and to strike it in rounds, and carries him on through the simplest instances of change ringing, viz., on three or four bells, to Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Triples, Bob Minor and Major, and Treble Bob Minor and Major. Each is lucidly explained, so that the veriest tyro can understand. In addition there is a chapter upon "in and out of course," and conducting. Several compositions of peals are given, and an index and glossary is also provided. The beginner will find all he requires to enable him to become proficient in the standard methods, and it is a volume that ought to be in every ringer's library. It is published by Messrs. Eland Bros., of High Street, Exeter, at 2s. 6d. in cloth covers, the section up to and including six-bell ringing being also obtainable in paper covers at 1s.

"W. M." recently inquired for the figures of some methods of Doubles. One of them was "London Doubles." This is exactly the same as Grandsire ringing, with the plain lead work substituted for the bob leads and vice versa. Thus at a plain lead a Grandsire bob is made and when a bob is called a Grandsire plain lead is rung. Singles are the same as in Grandsire, and the calling of the 120's is the same.

CONDUCTOR.

MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

EAST TYTHERLY.—The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—On Saturday, June 1st, at the Church of St. Peter, 1344 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: L. Harris 1, A. R. Macdonald 2, J. S. Rumming 3, C. H. Russell 4, L. H. Page 5, G. Williams (conductor) 6, W. H. George 7, W. T. Tucker 8. Rung after an unsuccessful attempt for peal of Treble Bob.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES.—Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.—On a recent practice night, the following touches were rung: 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Letty 1, W. Newton 2, J. G. Hall 3, R. Greenwood 4, T. Stephenson (conductor) 5, T. Metcalfe 6. The tenor is 27½ cwt. 504 Stedman Triples: O. W. Layng 1, W. Stephenson 2, R. Alcock 3, J. G. Hall 4, T. Metcalfe 5, R. Greenwood 6, T. Stephenson (conductor) 7, W. Newton 8.

WORCESTER.—Worcestershire and Districts Association.—On Monday, April 29th, at the Cathedral, 725 Grandsire Cinques: B. S. Hill 1, G. Hinton, junr., 2, B. Hill 3, J. Hill 4, W. Page 5, G. Hinton, senr., 6, W. Banks 7, W. C. Jones 8, J. Morris 9, A. Hill (conductor) 10, W. H. Johnson 11, J. R. Newman 12. Longest length of Cinques, by G. Hinton, junr., and W. Banks.—On Sunday, May 12th, at St. Helen's Church, 576 Oxford Treble Bob Major: W. Page (conductor) 1, G. Hinton, senr., 2, G. Hinton, junr., 3, W. C. Jones 4, W. Ranford 5, J. Brettell 6, A. Hill 7, E. Watkins 8. Also 288 Oxford Treble Bob.

BATHWICK.—Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, May 12th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 40 mins.: R. J. Cousins 1, R. E. Waterson 2, J. H. Odey 3, A. E. Alexander (conductor) 4, T. Hogsflesh 5, C. Densley 6, A. E. Seers 7, H. Davis 8.

KEA, CORNWALL.—On April 22nd, at the All Hallows' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 47 mins.: H. Chegwidon 1, W. Greet 2, W. Davey 3, H. Harris 4, A. D. Sowell 5, P. Harfoot 6, J. Thomas (conductor) 7, C. Gallehawk 8.

HARLOW COMMON.—On Sunday, May 19th, for morning service, 688 Bob Major: L. Cordell 1, W. Morris 2, G. Dent 3, C. Peacock (longest touch in the method) 4, W. Wheeler 5, H. Botttrill 6, J. Cordell 7, H. Smale 8. For evening service, 352 in the same method conducted by G. Dent; and 576 Kent Treble Bob Major, with J. Wheeler standing in.

GUISELEY, YORKS.—On May 26th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: W. Dixon 1, A. Hardwick 2, C. E. Waite 3, W. B. Smith (conductor) 4, C. Stephenson 5, J. B. Jackson 6.

BELTON, RUTLAND.—720 Double Court, the first in the county by a local band.—On May 26th, for evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. After service, 720 Oxford Bob: J. Grocock 1, C. Reeve 2, F. Bindley 3, T. Atkins 4, J. Jackman (conductor) 5, A. Jarman 6.

LEICESTER.—At 4, Keythorpe Street, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, on handbells: W. Willson 1—2, W. Shepherd, Hershaw (conductor) 3—4, S. Cotton 5—6, A. Mason (first quarter in hand) 7—8.

WORKSOP.—On Whit-Sunday, a quarter-peal of Bob Major: F. Hind 1, H. H. Cartwright 2, C. Hudson 3, A. Johnson 4, H. Haigh (conductor) 5, C. E. Peck 6, J. S. Wilson 7, T. Bartholomew 8. First quarter-peal by all except the conductor.—On May 19th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Haigh (conductor) 1, Miss Evelyn Steel 2, C. Hudson 3, A. Johnson 4, T. Bartholomew 5, C. E. Peck 6, T. Wilson 7, F. Hind 8. First quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples rung by Miss Steel on an inside bell.

LITTLE HEATH, ESSEX.—A quarter-peal of Grandsire and Bob Doubles, for morning service, on May 26th: *C. Weaver 1, A. Pye (conductor) 2, *L. Pye 3, *A. Stroud 4, W. A. Pye 5. *First quarter-peal.

THORNABY-ON-TEES.—For evening service, on May 26th, 688 Bob Major: G. Thompson 1, J. Sinclair 2, W. Addison 3, R. Chisholm 4, N. Addison 5, G. Cattle 6, N. Kidd 7, J. H. Pinkaey 8.

SUDEBURY, SUFFOLK.—On Whit-Sunday, 546 Grandsire Triples: J. Campin 1, W. Heard 2, G. Tatum 3, A. Perry (first touch) 4, C. Lee 5, W. Lee 6, C. Clarke 7, W. Cross 8. Also 820 Grandsire Triples, with A. Scott 3.

ISHAM.—In memory of John Mitchell, for many years sexton, 720 Bob Minor, followed by whole pull and stand: R. T. Buswell 1, G. A. Blaxley 2, A. E. Fourt 3, F. H. Talbutt 4, J. Forby 5, E. M. Atkins (conductor) 6.

HENBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—On Whit-Sunday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. Busby 1, H. Harvey 2, W. White 3, E. Devenish 4, J. Martin 5, F. Pepworth (first quarter) 6, J. Gould (conductor) 7, C. Jeffries 8.

MONKSILVER, SOMERSET.—On Whit-Sunday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: H. Watts 1, A. Snell 2, A. J. Barker 3, W. Bennett (conductor) 4, H. J. Hole 5.

SALISBURY, WILTS.—At St. Martin's Church, on May 19th, 504 Stedman Triples: F. W. Romaine 1, H. C. Marsh 2, S. Macey 3, L. Harris 4, G. Neale 5, R. P. Knight 6, F. Precey (first as conductor) 7, J. S. Rumming 8.

URCHFONT, WILTS.—On May 6th, 504 Stedman Triples: F. W. Romaine 1, S. Macey 2, F. Precey 3, L. Harris 4, J. S. Rumming 5, A. F. Martin Stewart 6, R. P. Knight (conductor) 7, G. Webb 8. First 504 Stedman on the bells.

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