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St. Peter's Collegiate Church,  
Wolverhampton.  
Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12.

WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,  
MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1912.  
Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,  
Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

## MODERN WORK.

### HONORARY MEMBERS.

The Bath and Wells Association, which has done good work in a district where the implanting of change ringing has been no easy task, discussed more than one topic of general interest at the annual meeting of members at Taunton, reported on another page, and not the least important was that of bringing in more honorary members. The question of swelling the general funds of the organisation by securing a larger honorary role is one to which not only the Baths and Wells Diocesan Association, but many other similar organisations might well turn their attention. As a rule the low figure at which the annual subscription of the ordinary member of an association is fixed is such that a society could not exist if it continued to give the advantages which are now often offered, and received no pecuniary aid from any other source. Teas at reduced prices, allowance on travelling expenses and other facilities, such as, in the case of young bands, free instruction, more than account for the annual contribution of a member if he chooses to avail himself of them. The help, therefore, which comes from hon. members is not only welcome, it is often absolutely essential to the financial solvency of an association.

There are very many cases, however, we believe, where local secretaries might do more for the benefit of their association in this direction if they gave the matter thought. Pretty generally, no doubt, efforts are made to get the Rector or Vicar to become an honorary member of the association to which his band is affiliated, though by no means all incumbents are thus brought into direct contact with the various organisations. But there are others beside the clergy. Most churchwardens, we believe, would give their support if they were approached, but, as these gentlemen are frequently changed, there are a great many lapses and all too few are replaced by the newcomers into office.

To reach these folk is surely the duty of the local secretary. It is impossible for the secretary of an association or even of a district to keep in touch with all the changes that take place in the various parishes. The man on the spot, however, has the opportunity, and would not, as a rule, have to approach a parishioner as a stranger, as a general secretary would have to do. Then, again, the personal request is always more effective than application by way of letter. If our associations, therefore, are to substantially increase their hon. membership, it seems obvious that the best way is through the local secretaries. At any rate, where the honorary membership is weak, the associations might do well to get those connected with the individual towers to exert themselves in the matter. We feel sure it would have good results.

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Yours truly,

CHAS. EDMUNDS,  
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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday, July 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 36 cwt., in C.

WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 7
MISS MARGERY F. SAMPSON ... 2	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 8
THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 3	ERNEST MANCELL ... .. 9
FREDRICK DICKENS ... .. 4	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 10
JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 5	JOHN NEAL ... .. 11
ERNEST C. ALLAWAY ... .. 6	WILLIAM DAVIES ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY JOHNSON, and  
Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

This is Miss Sampson's first peal on twelve bells.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt., in E flat.

ALFRED H. PULLING ... Treble	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 6
HENRY HUTTON ... .. 2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 7
EDWARD RADDON ... .. 3	† GEORGE STEER ... .. 8
* WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... 4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 9
CHARLES WILLSHIRE ... .. 5	EDWARD G. HEATH ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and  
Conducted by SEPTIMUS RADFORD.

\* First peal of Caters on tower bells. † First peal of Caters on an inside bell. First peal of Caters on the bells since rehanging. Arranged as a birthday compliment to S. Radford.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 cwt. 3 qrs.

* HOBART E. SMITH ... Treble	* WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... 5
GEORGE WHITING ... .. 2	GEORGE WIGHTMAN ... .. 6
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN ... .. 3	* T. WILLIAM LAST ... .. 7
ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM WIGHTMAN, and  
Conducted by GEORGE WIGHTMAN.

\* First peal in the method.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD, S.E.,

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

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE ... Treble	ERNEST BRETT ... .. 5
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... .. 2	* RICHARD N. RUNHAM ... .. 6
ALFRED W. GRIMES ... .. 3	HARRY FLANDERS ... .. 7
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 4	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and  
Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

\* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the marriage of the Rev. C. B. H. Knight, M.A., and Miss Jessie G. W. Hope, which took place at Wanstead on the above date.

TAMWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wednesday, July 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDITHA,

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

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

ROBERT P. BRINDLEY... ..Treble	JOSEPH H. CHAPMAN ... 5
ALBERT E. YOUNG ... .. 2	CHARLES CHAPMAN ... .. 6
MISS MARGERY F. SAMPSON ... 3	JAMES PRATT ... .. 7
JOSEPH W. TIMMS ... .. 4	ALFRED J. CHAPLIN... ..Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. YOUNG.

This peal was rung in honour of The Millenary of Tamworth Castle, and it is the first occasion in which a lady ringer has taken part in a peal in this tower. It was also A. E. Young's first peal as conductor.

DOVER, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

*RICHARD H. STEVENS ...Treble	*JOHN TRINDER ... .. 5
CHARLES TURNER ... .. 2	HERBERT C. SAYWELL ... 6
FREDERICK A. HOLDEN ... 3	*PERCY GIBBS ... .. 7
WILLIAM E. PITMAN ... .. 4	HENRY C. CASTLE ... ..Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FREDERICK A. HOLDEN.

\* First peal of Major. Calling in K.C.A. Report for 1913, page 92.  
Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Arthur Roberts, a valued member of the Dover band.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Wednesday, July 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT ST. CHAD'S CATHEDRAL (R.C.),

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

Tenor 15 cwt., in F.

*GEORGE GARRISON ...Treble	THOMAS MILLER ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE... .. 6
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 3	*PERCY O. LAFLIN ... .. 7
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 4	JOHN NEAL... ..Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and

Conducted by PERCY O. LAFLIN.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to T. Miller. This composition has the 4th and 6th only in 6th's place at course ends.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

WILLIAM C. HART ...Treble	RICHARD STREDWICK ... 5
*ARTHUR H. WHITE ... .. 2	*ALFRED W. GROVES ... 6
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ... .. 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 7
JOHN CAPP... .. 4	KEITH HART ... ..Tenor

Composed by JAMES PARKER, and

Conducted by KEITH HART.

\* First peal in the method. A. D. Stone's 200th peal.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Thursday, July 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

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

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ...Treble	HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 5
MISS MARGERY F. SAMPSON ... 2	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... 6
JOSEPH W. TIMMS ... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE... .. 7
ERNEST STONE ... .. 4	JAMES F. CLARKE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by ADOLPHUS ROBERTS.

This is the first peal for the above Guild in which a lady has taken part. Miss Sampson was heartily congratulated on the success at the completion.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(DARLEY DALE SOCIETY.)

On Friday, July 11, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

JOHN SIDDALL, JUNR. ...Treble	THOMAS WHITE ... .. 5
DAVID BREARLEY ... .. 2	EDWIN BLACKWALL ... .. 6
HENRY GREGORY... .. 3	JOHN W. DERBYSHIRE ... 7
WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. 4	ALFRED C. WRIGHT... ..Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and  
Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT.

CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT ...Treble	VICTOR WHITE ... .. 5
*FRANK CALDWELL ... .. 2	JOHN BASS... .. 6
ROBERT MATTHEWS... .. 3	WILLIAM H. WEBB ... .. 7
GORDON CHECKETTS... .. 4	JACOB WILLIAMS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

\* First peal.

HORWICH, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

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

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qrs.

TITUS BARLOW ...Treble	GEORGE PINCOTT ... .. 5
FRED ABBOTT ... .. 2	WILLIAM PENNINGTON ... 6
JOHN WELSBY ... .. 3	JOHN POTTER ... .. 7
THOMAS WORSLEY ... .. 4	ROBERT ALLRED ... ..Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and

Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

This is the first peal on the bells, which were dedicated on June 28th. The tone and "go" are all that can be desired, and reflect great credit on Messrs. John Taylor & Sons, the founders. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the local company for providing them with such a splendid tea before the peal, and for having everything in readiness. Rung in honour of the birthday of Mrs. Welsby, the wife of the ringer of the third.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOMAS RILEY ...Treble	*JOHN C. DICKEN ... .. 5
JOHN HOLMAN ... .. 2	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 6
CHARLES MASON ... .. 3	GEORGE W. BEMROSE ... 7
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 4	JOHN FLINT ... ..Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and

Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

\* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. B. Prewett and Miss Ida Elton.

KELSEA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM FLEMING ...Treble	HARRY PHILLIPS ... .. 5
JOHN SPENCER ... .. 2	CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. 6
CLAYTON PARNELL ... .. 3	GEORGE HARDY... .. 7
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ...Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN, and

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

The ringers of 1, 5 and 7 belong to the local company, 2 and 8 to Wrentham, 3 to Beccles, 4 to Knodishall, 6 to Ufford. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Bertram Prewett and Miss Ida Elton.

EVERCREECH, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
*On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

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

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.  
HENRY J. TRIM ... .. Treble | \*WILLIAM FLOWER ... .. 5  
FRED G. MAY ... .. 2 | HENRY BURT ... .. 6  
A. MARTIN DANIEL ... .. 3 | WALTER FARLEY ... .. 7  
SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. 4 | BARRY W. WEBB ... .. Tenor  
Conducted by F. G. MAY.

\* First peal with a bob bell. H. Burt was elected a member of the Association before starting for the peal.

ILKLEY, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
*On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION. Tenor 18 cwt.  
JOHN B. JACKSON ... .. Treble | WILLIAM B. SMITH ... .. 5  
SAMUEL B. NORFOLK ... .. 2 | FREDERICK W. DIXON ... .. 6  
JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 3 | FRANCIS WOODHEAD ... .. 7  
ARTHUR GILL ... .. 4 | JOHN W. WRIGHT ... .. Tenor  
Conducted by FREDERICK W. DIXON.

LONDON.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.  
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. Treble | REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 5  
ERNEST PYE ... .. 2 | WILLIAM PYE ... .. 6  
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3 | JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7  
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4 | JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor  
Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and  
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung to celebrate the marriage of Mr. B. Prewett to Miss Ida Elton. This was R. Sanders' 200th peal.

SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)  
*On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

CARTER'S No. 47. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lbs.  
ARTHUR CHAMBERS ... .. Treble | CHARLES DICKENS ... .. 5  
FRANK WITHERS ... .. 2 | JOHN WITHERS ... .. 6  
THOMAS J. BRATTON ... .. 3 | SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7  
WILLIAM PALMER ... .. 4 | JAMES E. GROVES ... .. Tenor  
Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

This peal was rung on the anniversary and in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Grove, the parents of the conductor, to whom the band offer their congratulations and hearty wishes. Mr. S. Grove, senr., was for many years a ringer and chorister at the above church, and is now a sidesman. It was also a birthday compliment to the son of Mr. C. Dickens.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
*On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,  
**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt., in F.  
WILLIAM GOBBETT ... .. Treble | ROBERT RAYNER ... .. 5  
ROBERT RICHES ... .. 2 | CHARLES F. WOODS ... .. 6  
JACOB FELBY ... .. 3 | ERNEST LINCOLN ... .. 7  
JAMES ADAMS ... .. 4 | ALBERT RICHES ... .. Tenor  
Composed by the late THOMAS HUSSY, and  
Conducted by A. RICHES.

BUSHEY, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(THE BUSHEY SOCIETY.)

*On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.  
WILLIAM SEELEY ... .. Treble | WILLIAM I. OAKLEY ... .. 5  
RICHARD DARLOW ... .. 2 | FREDERICK EDWARDS ... .. 6  
THOMAS R. SCOTT ... .. 3 | MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. 7  
FRANCIS A. SMITH ... .. 4 | ROBERT E. STAVERT ... .. Tenor  
Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and  
Conducted by ROBERT E. STAVERT.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. Bertram Prewett (master of the Bushey Society) on the occasion of his marriage to Miss Ida Elton, which took place at Bushey the same day.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.)

*On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.  
THOMAS WRIGHT ... .. Treble | FRANK COLE ... .. 5  
CHARLES WEST ... .. 2 | ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6  
AUSTIN GWINNETT ... .. 3 | WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 7  
WILLIAM HALE ... .. 4 | WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. Tenor  
Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

Rung as a compliment to Austin Gwinnett, who is on a visit to Painswick from Canada.

BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

*On Monday, July 14, 1913, in Three Hours,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

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

ROBERT DAVIES ... .. Treble | JAMES W. WASHBROOK ... .. 5  
JOSEPH LOWE ... .. 2 | SAMUEL GREENHALGH ... .. 6  
WILLIAM HOLBROOK ... .. 3 | HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 7  
HARRY WASHBROOK ... .. 4 | JAMES DARBYSHIRE ... .. Tenor  
Composed and Conducted by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Rung on the occasion of the royal visit of the King and Queen to Birch Park, Manchester.

**SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.**

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

*On Tuesday, July 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Being 720 each of Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble: Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

HENRY CARTER ... .. Treble | ALBERT LAWRENCE ... .. 4  
ARTHUR WOOLSTON ... .. 2 | ALBERT CARTER ... .. 5  
ERNEST OVERALL ... .. 3 | WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

Arranged for A. Lawrence, who was home on holiday.

ALVASTON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
*On Thursday, July 10, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Seven different 720's. Tenor 18 cwt.  
\*FREDERICK W. STONE ... Treble | \*JOHN W. GLEW ... .. 4  
\*JOHN HAYNES ... .. 2 | ARTHUR OVERTON ... .. 5  
\*WILLIAM J. DAVIES ... .. 3 | JOSEPH LORD ... .. Tenor  
Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

\* First peal of Minor.



## DENFORD, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's of Woodbine, two of Oxford and three of Kent Treble Bob, each called differently. Tenor 7 cwt.

*LESLIE GROOM ... .. Treble	JAMES M. NICKERSON ... 4
FRED ARNOLD ... .. 2	THOMAS JERVIS... .. 5
DANIEL REDHEAD ... .. 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

\* First peal and first attempt. This is the first peal of Treble Bob Minor by all and is believed to be the first peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

## COGENHOE, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

*JOSEPH C. DEAN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 4
HERBERT RAINBOW ... .. 2	WILLIAM FAREY ... .. 5
J. WILFRED SHARP ... .. 3	FRED HOPPER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED HOPPER.

\* First peal.

BARROWBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's each of Double Oxford and Single Court, and 720 each of College Single, Reverse Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

JOHN PEEL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM G. THORPE ... 4
REV. C. J. STURTON... .. 2	ALBERT C. DARNELL ... 5
HARRY THORPE ... .. 3	SIDNEY PROCTOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY PROCTOR.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Albert C. Darnell.

NORBURY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(BOWDON AND STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB AND DELIGHT MINOR, 5160 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of:—i, Braintree; ii, Killamarsh; iii, Coventry; iv, Duke of Norfolk, Islington, Norbury and Trowell; v, Bocking, Willesden, Poynton and Old Oxford; vi, Wragby, Grove, Neasdon and College Bob IV; vii, Overton, Sandal, London Scholars and Kingston; and 120 Wragby. Tenor 9 cwt.

WILLIAM FERNLEY ... .. Treble	HERBERT WILLIAMSON ... 4
REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. 2	JAMES FERNLEY ... .. 5
HARRY LANGLEY... .. 3	JOHN W. HARTLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by REV. A. T. BEESTON.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. Harold Hallworth, a member of the local band; as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the tenor; and in connection with the annual Sunday School Treat.

A reference to unpublished methods included in the above will be found elsewhere.

## BARTON SEAGRAVE, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 42 Six-Scores each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

ARCHIE HENMAN... .. Treble	FREDERICK KILBORN ... 3
MATTHIAS HOBBS ... .. 2	CHARLES COOPER ... .. 4
PEARL INSKIP... .. Tenor	

Conducted by MATTHIAS HOBBS.

## HARRINGWORTH, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAM MACE ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT... 4
CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 2	ROBERT F. TURNER ... 5
J. EDWARD CHAPMAN... .. 3	DAVID J. NICHOLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID JOHN NICHOLS.

First peal on the bells, which have recently been rehung and a new treble added by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, the "go" of the bells being all that can be desired.

## CHICHELEY, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 12, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

HARRY SEAR ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. MYNARD ... 4
CECIL A. VALENTINE... .. 2	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS ... 5
WILLIAM JACQUES ... .. 3	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, July 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT 129, BRUNSWICK STREET, HAGGERSTON,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5051 CHANCES;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 1-2	BERTRAM PREWITT ... 5-6
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 3-4	JAMES HUNT ... .. 7-8
ALFRED W. GRIMES ... 9-10	

Composed by GEORGE T. DALTRY, and

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpire: T. KING.

## SHEFFIELD.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT 31, BURGESS STREET,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5111 CHANCES;

ARTHUR HAGUE ... .. 1-2	WILLIAM J. THYNG ... 5-6
CLEMENT GLENN ... .. 3-4	*ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... 7-8
ALBERT C. FEARNLEY ... 9-10	

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Umpire: JOSEPH ATKIN

\* First handbell peal of Caters.

## WISBECH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 9, 1913, in Two Hours,

AT "YORK VILLA," WISBECH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

THOMAS S. COLLISON... .. 1	STANLEY E. ANDREWS... 3-4
ARTHUR WM. WENLOCK ... 2	RALPH NARBOROUGH ... 5-6

Conducted by RALPH NARBOROUGH.

This peal was rung as a welcome home to Mr. S. Collison, who was proposed a member of the Association before starting, and it was his first 5,000. All the ringers received their entire instruction in bell ringing from the ringer of 5-6.

**LATE PEALS.**

DERBY.

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, July 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

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

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

FREDERICK W. STONE ... Treble	WILLIAM POYSER ... 5
SAYWELL VICKERS ... 2	JOSEPH LORD ... 6
*WILLIAM J. DAVIES ... 3	JOHN W. GLEW ... 7
JOHN HAYNES ... 4	†ARTHUR B. STONE ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

\* First peal in the method with a bob bell. † First peal.

LONDON.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, July 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT 3, HART'S LANE, NEW CROSS, S.E.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

MISS ELSIE L. BENNETT 1—2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... 5—6
WALTER S. WISE ... 3—4	FRANK BENNETT ... 7—8

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Umpires: MR. H. BEVAN and MR. A. BENNINGTON.

**A BICENTENARY CELEBRATION.**

On Saturday last, about 40 ringers of the Preston branch of the Lanes. Association visited Goosnargh at the invitation of the Vicar to take part in the celebration of the bicentenary of the bells. The village is about seven miles distant from Preston, and is rather badly situated to reach by train, this being responsible for the comparatively small attendance. There was little ringing previous to the service, which commenced at 3.45 p.m., and to which the general congregation were invited. A special form of service had been prepared, and the prayers were intoned by the Vicar of Goosnargh (the Rev. T. Bingley Boss, M.A.). The sermon was preached by the Rev. H. J. Elsee (President of the Lancashire Association), who gave an interesting and instructive discourse, which was listened to with rapt attention by all present. Doubtless many of the congregation were surprised at a complete stranger coming amongst them and telling them more about their own village bells than ever they were aware of. In the first place, he asked his hearers to try and picture in their minds the state of the country 200 years ago, and the contrasts between then and now. How in the same year as the bells were hung England was in the throes of a great war with France, and the two countries seemed to regard each other as natural enemies. But now all that was changed, and no two European nations were as friendly as England and France. Then again, in 1714, when King George I came to the throne, they had a Sovereign who cared very little for the church, and very little for his subjects, but only the last week they had had the present King of the same name up and down Lancashire, learning something of the lives of, and getting into close touch with, his Lancashire subjects. Changes like these they could thank God for. Passing on, Mr. Elsee explained the uses of the bells, and how in the old days people had to rely on the bells far more than at the present time, clocks and watches being then a rarity. In conclusion, several inscriptions to be found on bells up and down the country were quoted, and the truths of them pointed out.

Service over, the bells were fired and rung in changes for a short time. Then a move was made to the school for tea.—Afterwards, Mr. Elsee rose to move a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Goosnargh for inviting them to be present on that occasion, and for providing them with such a bountiful tea. He was quite aware that the Preston branch was capable of a greater muster, but he could instance several causes which had kept many from coming, such as local field days and haymaking.—The Vicar of Goosnargh, in responding, said that if any thanks were due it was to Mr. Elsee, who had come from Bolton and given them such an instructive sermon. He, as Vicar, could not find words suitable to express his gratitude. He hoped all had spent a pleasant afternoon, and would make good use of the bells before they left for their various homes. Ringing was afterwards kept up till 8 p.m., the methods mostly rung being Plain Bob, Kent and Woodbine Treble Bob, and College Single.

The inscriptions on the bells whose bicentenary was celebrated are as follows (all are in good condition, though the frame is sadly in need of replacing with a new one):—

- Treble.—God preserve the Church and Queen Anne, 1713.
- 2nd.—Wm. Lancaster, Edwd. Edmonson, Ralph Milner, Jno. Grinsbaldstone, Churchwardens, 1713.
- 3rd.—Abr. Rudhall cast us all, 1713.
- 4th.—Prosperity to the Church of England, A.R., 1742.
- 5th.—Christopher Swainsen, A.M. Minister, 1742.
- Tenor.—I to the Church the living call,  
And to the grave do summon all. 1753.

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**

ANNUAL FESTIVAL AT TAUNTON.

**REPRESENTATION OF LADIES' GUILD DISCUSSED.**

About 60 members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association assembled at Taunton on Saturday week, on the occasion of the annual festival. During the morning the bells of St. Mary Magdalene's and St. James' Churches were kept going in various methods. At dinner, the Master (the Rev. C. C. Parker) presided, supported by the Rev. D. H. Spencer (Winsham), the Rev. de St. Croix (Holy Trinity, Bridgewater), the Rev. C. Carew Cox (Shotton, hon. secretary of the Warwickshire Guild), and the Rev. E. V. Cox (Walsall, hon. secretary of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford). The following towers were represented: Bath Abbey, Batheaston, Bathford, Bridgewater, Burnham, Cheddar, Chipstable, Congresbury, Ditchat, Emmore, Ilminster, Midsomer Norton, Old Cleeve, St. Decuman's (Watchet), St. James' (Taunton), St. Mary's (Taunton), Trowbridge, Twerton, Wells, and Wembdon.

The toasts of "The King" and "The Church" were honoured, the latter being proposed by Mr. W. J. Prescott (Bath), who, referring to the disestablishment of the Church in Wales, said he thought it was only the thin end of the wedge to disestablish the English Church, and he feared that disestablishment would be a step leading towards the non-recognition of the Sabbath day. It would be an unhappy day for the people, the Church, and the nation, if there ever came a time when the Sabbath Day and religion were disregarded.

**THE CHURCH AND ITS WORK.**

The Rev. D. H. Spencer, in reply, said he believed no efforts from without would depose the church from that position to which God had called her. Even supposing, in course of time, the Church should be disestablished, that was to say, if its position of recognition as the National representative of religion were to come to an end, the Church would have to stand even more firmly in the work that God had given her to do in this world. While God blessed her in her work he feared no harm from the outside (applause).

The toast of "Other Ringing Associations" was submitted by Mr. G. Stacey (Minehead), and acknowledged by the Rev. E. V. Cox, who said that as a clergyman one was inclined to feel sometimes that the Church had not got such hold of the men as she ought to have, and it was enormously encouraging to come to a meeting like that which made one feel that there were a great number of men who were heart and soul with the Church (hear, hear). Men felt in taking up ringing they must not consider themselves ornaments of the Church—there was no room for such—but real Church workers, who took an active interest in the Church, and were with her in word and deed. He had attended an annual meeting of ringers at Hereford, and it was most encouraging to see the large number of men who turned up, and he felt that with regard to those associations the more they could meet together and know one another, the more they would through those associations realise the unity of the Church. The more they met together the more they realised that they were all members of one body, and that body the Church (hear, hear), and at a time when the Church was attacked it was for them to show their strength (applause).

**RAPID GROWTH OF THE ASSOCIATION.**

At the business meeting, the Master, who was in the chair, presented his annual report, in which it was recorded that the progress of the Association during the last year was very satisfactory. Thirteen new towers had become affiliated, and there was now on the list 135 towers and a membership of 1,450, inclusive of honorary members. There was also an increase of peals, 50 having been rung against 40 of the preceding year. In referring to the certificate issued by the Association, the Master pointed out that more than half the new members had not obtained a certificate. He thought the purchase of a certificate should be made an essential of admission to the Association. The report next emphasised the importance of maintaining and increasing the number of honorary members, and urged the deanery secretaries to keep up the contributions to the general fund as high as possible. The report proceeded: "It has been decided by the committee that in the future the expenses of each member in attending committee meetings should be paid from the general fund. It is hoped, therefore, that special efforts will be made to increase the amount sent annually by each deanery. Mr. Coles will bring before you an interesting point raised at the meeting of the Central Council. It appears that the lady ringers desire to be represented on that body. If the lady ringers have an association of their own, and are sufficiently numerous, they certainly ought to have the same kind of consideration that any other body of ringers would receive. In our own diocese we have some very capable lady ringers, and, therefore, we ought to form an opinion to guide the delegate who attends the next meeting of the Central Council. I rarely say much about our secretary in the report, but I think I should be failing in my duty if I did not sometimes give honour where honour is due. I hope that all members recognise the valuable work he has done during his tenure of office. The Association has nearly doubled in number since he was first appointed, and consequently the clerical labours have greatly increased. The honorarium received by him is, of course, quite inadequate, if regarded as pay for the work done, and he could occupy his time far more profitably, as far as money is concerned, in other ways; but he is full of

enthusiasm for the progress of the Association, and glad to devote his energy to its interests, although it be at the cost of some sacrifice to himself. I consider that we are particularly fortunate in our secretary, and I trust that he may long continue in his important office to forward the welfare of the Association." After detailing the meetings held and the peals rung during the year, the report added thanks to the local secretaries, and to the instructors for their excellent work for the Association.

#### THE QUESTION OF CERTIFICATES.

Mr. I. B. Holmyard (Midsomer Norton) thought that the purchase of a certificate should be made essential to membership, and would increase the subscriptions, and said he would like to propose a resolution to that effect.—Mr. Coles thought it not possible under the present rules to carry out such a suggestion. No one was entitled to a certificate until he was proficient in ringing, but he could become a member.—Mr. D. G. Taylor said that a man should not be allowed to have a certificate until he became a full member, and he thought it would be an advantage if it was made a *sine qua non* that to be a full member he must possess a certificate.—The Rev. de St. Croix suggested that as there was a good balance in hand members might have the certificates presented gratis.

Mr. W. J. Prescott suggested that the matter be held over for the present. He thought that possession of certificates should not be made compulsory, or it might have a bad effect on getting new members. If it was held over, the branch secretaries might try to do what they could to get members to take certificates, and they would see what the result was in twelve months' time. With regard to the honorary members' subscriptions, he advised branch secretaries to try and get them paid in advance, which was the plan he followed.—The suggestion was agreed to.

Mr. Burgess presented the balance sheet for the year ending June 1st. The year had commenced with a balance in hand of £80 6s. 10d.; and the receipts had been £53 4s. 7½d., making a total of £133 11s. 5½d. The expenditure had amounted to £58 15s. 4d.; and there was a balance in hand of £74 16s. 1½d.—The balance sheet was adopted, with thanks to the auditor (the Rev. J. Hook, Glastonbury).

The meeting voted an honorarium of ten guineas to the hon. secretary (Mr. E. E. Burgess), and the following officers were re-elected: Vice-presidents, the Very Rev. Dr. Jex Blake, the Ven. the Archdeacons of Wells, Bath and Taunton, the Rev. Preb. Bothamley and Lady Smyth; Master, the Rev. C. C. Parker; hon. secretary, Mr. E. E. Burgess; auditor, the Rev. A. J. Hook.—Eighty-eight new performing members and nine hon. members were elected.

Evercreech, Barrow, Gurney and Frome were selected for the quarterly meetings.

#### LADIES' GUILD AND THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

Mr. A. E. Coles presented a report upon the Central Council meeting at Newcastle, which he attended as a representative of the Association. One particular point which arose, he said, was with regard to the Ladies' Guild being represented on the Central Council. It seemed, however, that after the agenda was printed the ladies withdrew their request, as they were not large enough in membership to really demand representation, according to the rules, but it was intended to bring up the matter next year, when they hoped to be of sufficient strength to be entitled to representation. If that was the case, it seemed to him that representation could not be denied them, but the Central Council, in the meantime, wished the branches to discuss the question among themselves, so that when the time came the Council might have some sort of instruction how to deal with it. There seemed to be some feeling against ladies being in the tower at all, and what was asked now was that every branch secretary should bring the matter before his branch and ascertain the feeling of the members upon it, so that next year the Central Council, which was to meet at Winchester, would be able to deal with the subject according to the wishes of the associations. His own opinion with regard to it was that the Bath and Wells Association must follow the opinion of the branches as a whole. They had had, he reminded them, a lady who had conducted a peal, and they had been very proud of it and had given her a testimonial. One bright point that had struck him in connection with the meeting was the great good fellowship shown by the Newcastle Association with regard to the whole proceedings.

In the course of discussion, Mr. Coles said the ladies wanted to be represented as a Guild, and, as he understood it, they had a right to be represented if they numbered 75 members.—Mr. Prescott pointed out that though the Associations had lady members, of whom they were proud, the ladies were now represented through the delegates elected by their own Associations.

Some further discussion took place on the subject, the general feeling being that no special representation was required at present, and the ladies must wait until of sufficient membership to ask for representation.

#### THANKS.

The Chairman said that, before the meeting closed, he would like to voice the thanks of the Association to Canon Corfield for the use of the church bells, and for having a service held, at which he would give an address; also their thanks were due to the Rev. Dr. Dixon for the use of St. James' bells, and the Rev. J. M. Bastard for the Wilton bells, and Mr. Merson, of Bishop's Hull, for arranging for the use of

the bells there. The members of the Association owed them a debt of gratitude for the very kind welcome they had had at Taunton, where they had been very glad to come, because it was the secretary's home, and they thanked those who had received them so hospitably.—The vote of thanks was carried by acclamation.

A vote of thanks to the Master terminated the business, and many of the members once more went back to the church towers to ring touches until service time. The towers open to the Association were: St. Mary's (10 bells), St. James' (eight bells), Taunton; Wilton (six bells); and Bishop's Hull (six bells).

In the evening a service was held in St. Mary's Church, when an address was given by the Rev. Canon Corfield.

#### AXBRIDGE DEANERY BRANCH.

A quarterly meeting of this branch was held at Mark on Saturday last, about 40 members being present from Burnham, Bridgwater, Brent Knoll, East Brent, Cheddar, Congresbury, Winscombe, Wrington, Weston-super-Mare, Uphill, Huntspill, and others. Service was held at 4.30 in the Parish Church, and a capital address given by the Rector (the Rev. G. L. Fitzmaurice).—Tea was partaken on the Rectory lawn, and was much enjoyed. The Rev. G. L. Fitzmaurice presided at the meeting, in the absence of the President.—One honorary and seventeen performing members were elected. Blagdon was chosen for the next quarterly meeting, and Worle for the intermediate meeting.—A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the use of bells, his able address, for the tea, and presiding at the meeting.—The reverend gentleman suitably responded.—Votes of thanks were also accorded to the ladies and the organist. During the afternoon and evening several touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles were rung, also a 720 Bob Minor: J. Coram 1, B. Thorpe 2, F. Iley 3, A. G. Coles 4, G. Chamberlain 5, J. Sykes (conductor) 6.

#### BICESTER CHURCH BELLS RESTORED.

On Thursday of last week, the town of Bicester, Oxon, was en fete, on the occasion of the dedication of the Parish Church bells.

During the past three years the bells of the old tower have been silent through dilapidation, but they are now able again to send forth their notes of warning, welcome, joy and sadness. A hearty word of congratulation must be given to the people of Bicester for the very keen and ready response made by them in order that their town should once more have the pleasure of the sweet and melodious tones which none but bells can produce.

The ringing arrangements were left in the hands of the Oxford Society of Change Ringers and members from Oxford and Kidlington, and visitors from the district around were present. Following the service of dedication, some very good touches of Stedman, Grandsire and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung.

The recasting and rehanging of the present peal of bells has been very ably and excellently carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and also those present testified to the very sweet tone produced by the latest, up-to-date, and scientific method of casting and tuning.

The work of rehanging is so excellently done that critics are more than satisfied with what has been done by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, who have made such efficient strides in the method of casting and hanging bells.

In addition to those mentioned above, ringers also present included Mr. Coles, (of Bridgwater, Somerset), and Mr. Shepherd (Swindon), whilst Mr. Cyril Johnston (of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston), and Mr. L. F. Taylor (also of the Foundry) took part in the ringing.

The eight bells were all recast, tuned on the five-tone Simpson principle, and hung in a new steel and iron frame, and supplied with new fittings throughout. The chime hammers were also renovated and reconnected with the clock. The weights of the peal are as follow:—

Treble, Note F, weight, 3 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lbs.; No. 2, Note E, 3 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lbs.; No. 3, Note D, 4 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.; No. 4, Note C, 4 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lbs.; No. 5, Note B flat, 6 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lbs.; No. 6, Note A, 7 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lbs.; No. 7, Note G, 10 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lbs.; No. 8, Note F, 15 cwt. 0 qr. 7 lbs.; total weight, 56 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lbs.

Each of the bells bears the inscription: "Recast by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon, 1913." and on the tenor is added: "The whole peal of eight bells recast A.D. 1913. Walter O'Reilly, M.A., Vicar; Thomas Costar Finch, Robert Watts, Churchwardens."

#### BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Biggleswade branch was held at Willington, on Saturday, when an attendance of about 30 members was present from Clifton, Sandy, Potton, Old Warden, Everton, Blunham, Northill, and Roxton, augmented by members from Bedford, Husbourn Crawley, and Elstow.—At the business meeting, presided over by the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt Drake, two new members were elected, one from Northill, and one from Blunham. Several other matters were discussed and left over until the next meeting. The following meetings were also arranged: August 11th, Biggleswade; September 6th, Everton; October 4th (quarterly), Sandy.—A vote of thanks to the Rev. F. W. Kingston for granting the use of the bells was unanimously passed.—Practice was obtained upon the bells in various methods from Doubles to Surprise Minor, this being one of the best meetings held by the branch.

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Stedman Cinqus by the Middlesex Association.  
Cambridge Surprise Maximus by the College Youths.  
Stedman Cinqus by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th 1912.  
Stedman Cinqus by the Middlesex Association, June 1st.  
Stedman Cinqus by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.  
Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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## THE MIDDLESEX MEETING AT HESTON.



### ODD CHANGES.

The bells of Shoreditch are not, after all, to be dedicated on Tuesday next, as had been announced. The Vicar-designate has decided that it will be better to wait until the bells are finished and have a good opening ceremony, when the Borough Council will attend.

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We hear that there is an unfortunate state of affairs existing at St. Mary's, Willesden. A correspondent writes:—

"In years gone by there was a church in the City of London, dedicated to St. Peter-le-pore, which has long since been demolished. The bells were deposited in St. Paul's Cathedral, and any church could have had them for the asking. Eventually they were given to the authorities of St. Mary's, Willesden, who had them recast and hung to make up the octave in their tower, a little over twelve months ago. The Bishop of the Diocese, however, refuses to dedicate them, and the authorities refuse to have them rung, because the casting and hanging has not been paid for. About £80 is owing, of which, I believe, they have £15. If any of the readers of 'The Ringing World' could assist in any way to wipe off the debt I am sure they would feel most grateful. Contributions would gladly be accepted by the Rector of St. Mary's, Willesden."

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A large number of ringers throughout the country know the church of St. Peter, Brighton, for many hundreds of visitors to this famous resort have been to the belfry and joined in touch or peal. The bells, however, are but a poor ring, and certainly not worthy of so fine an edifice. The announcement will, therefore, come with particular interest to the Exercise that at last the question of improving them has been raised.

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In connection with a presentation made in the belfry to Mr. Keith Hart last Saturday, the Vicar of Brighton referred to the question, and although he did not hold out hope of the scheme being put in hand immediately, an-

nounced a generous offer in regard to the proposal by Mr. J. T. Rickman, of Lewes. With this behind him the Vicar has great encouragement to go forward with the scheme.

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On the point of going to press we learn that the Caversham band, on Tuesday evening, rang the first peal in that most intricate method composed by Mr. J. W. Washbrook, and known as Surprise Principal. Full details will be published next week.

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Members of the St. Martin's Guild should note that the meeting at Yardley, advertised last week, has been postponed.

### MARRIAGE OF MR. B. PREWETT.

St. James' Church, Bushey, was the scene of an extremely pretty wedding on Saturday, when Mr. Bertram Prewett, only son of Mr. J. Prewett, of Bushey, and a ringer well known throughout the country, was married to Miss Ida Elton, third daughter of the late Mr. Francis Elton and Mrs. Elton, of Kensington. The service was attended by a large number of friends and well-wishers, and the ceremony was performed by the Rector (the Rev. G. M. Hall), assisted by the Vicar of Oxhey (the Rev. J. W. Lewis).

After the service, the happy pair left the church to the pealing of the bells, and subsequently a reception was held at Bush's Restaurant. Mr. Prewett's fellow ringers at Bushey Church afterwards rang a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major in honour of the event. The Middlesex Association scored a peal of Cambridge for the same purpose, and at Eolsover, Derbyshire, and Kelsale, Suffolk, peals were also rung to celebrate the occasion.

The happy couple were the recipients of a large number of handsome presents, among them being a marble chiming clock from the members of the Middlesex Association, a beautiful marble clock and ornament suitably inscribed from the members of the Hertford County Association, and a barometer from the Bushey company.

### THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION'S GIFT.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I have received a magnificent chiming clock from members and friends of the Middlesex County Association of Change Ringers, on the occasion of my wedding, and I desire, through the medium of your columns, on behalf of my wife and myself, to thank all the kind friends who contributed towards it.

Its sweet chimes will always serve to remind me of the very many happy hours I have spent in the belfry, and of the numerous friends I have made during the 15 years I have been connected with the Association.—Yours faithfully,

BERTRAM PREWETT.

## NEW MINOR METHODS.

In the peal rung at Norbury, Cheshire, on Saturday, four hitherto unpublished legitimate methods were included in the spliced 720's. They were the following:—

Overton 123456	Trowell 123456	Poynton 123456	Grove 123456
214365	214365	214365	214365
124356	124356	124356	124356
213465	213465	213465	213465
231645	231645	231456	231456
326154	326154	324165	324165
321645	321645	321456	321456
236154	236154	234165	234165
263514	263514	243615	243615
623541	623541	423651	423651
265314	265314	246315	246315
263541	263541	243651	243651
625341	625341	426351	426351
623514	623514	423615	423615
265341	265341	246351	246351
625314	625314	426315	426315
652134	652134	462135	462135
561243	561243	641253	641253
562134	562134	642135	642135
651243	651243	461253	461253
615423	615423	416235	416235
164532	164532	142653	142653
614523	614523	412635	412635
165432	165432	146253	146253
156342	164523	142635	164523

These methods are the work of Mr. E. H. Lewis, of Frodsham. They are legitimate, but do not appear in the C.C. Collection.

The calling of the spliced extents.

Duke of Norfolk. Islington. Norbury. Trowell. 23456 D. of N.	Wragby. Grove. Neasden. College Bob IV. 23456 W.
— 23564 2 I.	— 64235 1 G.
— 45236 3 N.	— 26435 3 N.
— 45362 2 T.	— 63542 2 C.B.
— 34562 5 D. of N.	— 63425 5 W.
— 25346 3 I.	— 46325 3 G.
— 25463 2 N.	— 62534 2 N.
— 42563 5 T.	— 62345 5 C.B.
— 35426 3 D. of N.	— 36245 3 W.
— 35264 2 I.	— 64523 2 G.
P.L. 23456	P.L. 23456
Bocking. Willesden. Poynton. Old Oxford. 23456 B.	Overton. Sandal. London Scholars. Kingston. 23456 O.
— 23564 4 W.	— 64235 4 S.
— 45236 1 P.	— 26435 2 L.S.
— 45362 4 O.Ox.	— 63542 3 K.
— 34562 5 B.	— 63425 5 O.
— 25346 1 W.	— 46325 2 S.
— 25463 4 P.	— 62534 3 L.S.
— 42563 5 O.Ox.	— 62345 5 K.
— 35426 1 B.	— 36245 2 O.
— 35264 4 W.	— 64523 3 S.
P.L. 23456	P.L. 23456

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

A very successful meeting of the Stroud and District Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association was held at Horsley, 23 members being present from Avening, Minchinhampton, Stroud, Painswick, Horsley and Dursley. On the fine peal of six bells some good touches of Plain Bob and Grandsire were rung. Service was held in the Parish Church, when the special hymns and prayers from the service of the association were used.—The Vicar (the Rev. C. H. Badcock) gave an excellent address, in which he emphasised the fact that the ringing of the church bells was a definite piece of church work, and heartily welcomed the Association, which was doing such an excellent work in belfry reform. After the service, by the kindness of the Vicar, an excellent tea was provided at the Institute, 24 sitting down.—A business meeting followed, with the Vicar in the chair.—Two new members were elected, and Frocester was selected for the quarterly meeting in September, monthly meetings at Cranham and Painswick in July, and at Stroud in August, being also arranged.—A hearty vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. J. Singleton, and seconded by Mr. E. Tribe, to the Vicar for his kindness and the excellent, practical address, to Miss Smith for presiding at the organ, the ladies who attended to the ringers at the tea, and the local ringers for arranging everything so well for the meeting. The tower was again visited, and touches of Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stelman, St Dunstan's and Treble Bob were rung.

## PRESENTATION TO MR. KEITH HART.

## SUSSEX RINGERS ACKNOWLEDGE GREAT SERVICES.

An interesting ceremony took place in the belfry of St. Peter's Church, Brighton, on Saturday evening, when Mr. Keith Hart, whose name is one of the best known in the Exercise to-day, was presented with a solid gold English lever watch, as a mark of esteem from his friends and admirers belonging to the Sussex County Association, and in commemoration of the performance of 500 peals under the auspices of that organisation.

The Vicar of Brighton presided over the gathering, and, after a few introductory remarks, called on Mr. J. T. Rickman, of Lewes, who said his association with campanology dated from 1885, and what he had done in the way of peal ringing was almost entirely due to St. Peter's band. Mr. Hart was a man whom it would be a credit for any band to possess. Of all the peals the speaker had rung, Mr. Hart had conducted three-fourths, and it was their earnest wish that he would continue long with them.

Mr. Edward C. Merritt said it was twenty-five years ago when he first took part in change ringing in the town of Brighton, and the St. Peter's band had succeeded in ringing all the advanced methods. Mr. Hart had given his services for the advancement of change ringing, and he also possessed all the qualifications of a conductor. It was most essential that they should have a man who, when a ringer let his thoughts temporarily wander, could put them back again in their proper place. Mr. Hart had striven his hardest to improve the quality of the striking of the band, and ringers knew what an essential part this played in the ringing world. If all of them only put as much energy into their work as Mr. Hart did, there would not be so many complaints of people being annoyed by the sound of the bells.—Letters of apology for non-attendance were read from Mr. F. B. Tompkins, Master of the Association; Mr. G. Watson, the general secretary; Mr. G. Howes, divisional secretary, Eastern Division; and Mr. George Williams, a former leader of the St. Peter's band.

## ST. PETER'S GUILD'S PROUD POSITION.

In making the presentation, the Vicar said he had the greatest admiration for men who understood the art of ringing. He was not going to pretend that he was an expert, but he had noticed that when a man took up the art it possessed him with a love of it which never seemed to leave him. He was quite aware that the Guild of St. Peter's held a position second to none in the diocese, and it had produced a number of men who were tremendously keen in this work, and had produced most admirable results. It was quite unnecessary to paint the lily, for they all knew the reputation they possessed, and as Vicar of the parish he felt extremely grateful for the position they had maintained for so many years. For the last six years that position had been due to the splendid leadership of Mr. Hart (hear, hear). Before he became their leader the band had risen to a high standard, and it was not everyone who could have maintained that standard, but Mr. Hart had more than maintained it. The Vicar then presented Mr. Hart with the watch, amid loud applause.

In his acknowledgment, Mr. Hart said he had been connected with St. Peter's all his life, and for the last 22 years had been a ringer. The ringers' band sustained a great loss when Mr. George Williams left Brighton, and it was to him that he (the speaker) owed all his ability. He had tried to follow in his footsteps with all humility, and in no way jealous of the great success attained by his predecessor. He felt that he possessed their confidence, and all the while that feeling prevailed he was prepared to lead them.

## SUGGESTED NEW PEAL FOR ST. PETER'S.

The Vicar said that when he was talking with Mr. Rickman before the meeting, that gentleman mentioned the idea of having an entirely new peal of bells for St. Peter's, so that they would be the best in the diocese (applause). Mr. Rickman had made a most generous offer, but he (the Vicar) did not want to raise their hopes too high. The parish was a poor one, and there were a lot of people who would perhaps call the expenditure a luxury. Mr. Rickman's generous offer made it possible to think of a peal of ten or twelve bells in the future, but he was afraid it could not take place in the near future unless someone came forward to supplement Mr. Rickman's offer. They had some very heavy debts in the parish, the total amount being £2,000. There was £1,400 still owing on the chancel fund, and some £350 on the organ. However, he would not say it could not be done, and they were all extremely grateful for Mr. Rickman's generous offer.

Mr. Rickman said they should have a peal with a tenor about 26 cwt., and then they would have the heaviest tenor in the county. Unless they had such a bell they would not know what the bells could do. Now he had taken the matter up, he could assure them he did not intend to let it drop.

Mr. Hart said it was characteristic of Mr. Rickman that when he once took up a subject there was no holding him. He could assure them that the bells at St. Peter's were not fit for such a church, and it seemed a pity that now the church was finished it should be spoilt by such poor bells.—The gathering concluded with a vote of thanks to the Vicar.

GESTINGTHORPE.—On May 25th, 720 Kent Treble Bob, arranged for Mr. J. Bowell, of Great Bromley; E. Pearson 1, A. Catterwell 2, J. Bowell 3 F. Cansell 4, W. Nice 5, G. Pannell (conductor) 6.



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## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

### A CITY GUILD'S OUTING.

On Saturday, the ringers of the St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, Guild had their fourth annual outing, and visited Waltham Abbey, Essex. Half of the ringers went by tram in the morning, and the others, with visitors, left Liverpool Street shortly after one o'clock. The Green Dragon was made the headquarters for the day, and here the party were met by Mr. W. A. Alps (Master, Waltham Abbey Society) and Mr. D. Tarling (steepkeeper). The Abbey was visited in the morning by the early arrivals, and the bells set going. Subsequently, a company, numbering 23, sat down to dinner, among those present being Dr. Beswick and Mr. Pridmore (vice-presidents), churchwardens of Bishopsgate; Rev. J. A. S. Bullock, B.A. (captain), Messrs. T. Walker, W. Arnold, G. E. Edwards, W. J. Nelder, W. Kirby, H. G. Laver, A. H. Jaynes (treasurer), A. S. Pettett and A. V. Marsh (stewards), V. Sones, and the hon. secretary (Mr. T. V. Horner) of the Bishopsgate band, Messrs. T. Mash, and E. Wallace (Southwark), W. A. Alps and D. Tarling (Waltham Abbey), and the following guests: Messrs. R. Pridmore, J. Laver, E. Nightingale, Major W. Dennison, and Mr. J. Crow. Afterwards, the party proceeded by brakes to Cheshunt, where the Vicar, to whom thanks are due, had kindly loaned the use of the bells for a short period. The return was made via Worley, and after reaching the Green Dragon, the party were photographed, and then adjourned for tea. Subsequently Messrs. A. G. Thompson, T. Adams, G. Cole, L. G. Thurgood (Waltham Abbey), F. Jelt, H. Cornell, H. Symonds, H. G. Rowe, G. Maxin, H. Tucker (Cheshunt ringers), joined the party.—Mr. A. E. Pridmore, on behalf of the Bishopsgate Guild, expressed thanks to Mr. Alps, and the other gentlemen who had assisted and made such a pleasant day.—Mr. W. A. Alps and Mr. Tarling (steepkeeper) responded.—Mr. Laver and Mr. Robert Pridmore thanked the Guild on behalf of the guests.—Thanks were accorded to the churchwardens and visitors for their presence, and a similar compliment was accorded the host and hostess. It was with regret that the following gentlemen were unable to be present: The Rector of St. Botolph's (the Rev. W. Hudson Shaw, M.A., President of the Guild), the Rev. A. R. Hedley, Messrs. F. Andrews, N. E. Jauralde, W. Lindley Jones, C.C., A. C. Stanley Stone, C.C., and Lieut. F. E. Sellers. The singing of several well-rendered songs brought a very pleasant and successful outing to a close.

During the day some good ringing took place, in which was included several well-struck touches of Stedman Triples, Grandsire Triples, and Oxford Bob Triples, on both Waltham Abbey and Cheshunt bells.

### BISHOP RYDERS, BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, the ringers of Bishops Ryder's Church, Birmingham, and their wives, journeyed to Stourbridge for their annual outing. At St. Thomas', Stourbridge, they were met by the tower keeper, and touches of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples were rung. After tea, at Giles' Restaurant, the Vicar expressed his pleasure in being with the ringers, and welcomed the tower keepers who were present. He expressed his thanks to the Vicars of the other churches for the use of their bells, and hoped the party would have an enjoyable time.—Mr. Carrod thanked the Vicar for his kindness in providing tea for them, and also for the interest he took in their meetings.—Mr. Heathcote (local tower keeper) said he was pleased to see the Vicar of Bishop Ryder's with his ringers, and thought how much better things would be if more of the Vicars were like him.—The ladies then visited the "sights" of the district, and the ringers wended their way to Oldswinford tower, where Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung. Afterwards they adjourned to the bowling green, and the handbells were brought into requisition until the time for departure.

### A LANCASHIRE OUTING.

The ringers of Colne, Lancashire, for their annual outing journeyed by brake to Heptonstall. The party mustered 13, but despite the unlucky number, everything was in their favour. The first stop was Todmorden Parish Church, where they were given a hearty welcome by the local ringers. It pleased everyone to see Mr. Heaton, Colne's veteran (better known amongst his brother ringers as "Owd Bill"), who is now in his 81st year, pull the 23 cwt. tenor to a touch of Grandsire Triples. At Heptonstall, the party were met by Mr. Robertshaw, who had kindly made arrangements for an excellent dinner at the White Lion Hotel. Here the visitors were introduced to "Old Roger" Shackleton, the oldest inhabitant in the village, who greatly interested them by giving his reminiscences of Colne sixty years ago. After dinner, the party went to the Church to try the new peal. They were welcomed by the Vicar and the local ringers, and short touches of Grandsire and Stedman were rung. Everyone was delighted with the tone and "go" of the bells. Next the party were shown round the ruins of the old church by Mr. Armstrong. It keenly interested them to see two churches in one churchyard. After a four hours' stay, in Heptonstall, the party journeyed to Keighley. Although rather pushed for time, six of the younger members managed to get a short pull at Grandsire with two of the local ringers. Home was reached safely at 10 p.m. The Colne ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicars and wardens for the use of the bells, and also to the ringers and friends who made the outing a pleasant and successful one.

### AT BLACKPOOL.

The ringers of Milnrow Church, with their wives and friends, had their annual outing on Saturday, when St. Anne's and Blackpool were visited. At St. Anne's they were met at the church by Mr. Rushworth and two of his band, who took part in a pull with the visitors. After tea, the remainder of the day was spent at Blackpool. The outing was a most enjoyable one.

### A DORSET TRIP.

The Wyke Regis (Weymouth) Guild for their first annual outing visited Bridport, and were driven thence to West Bay, where all were delighted with the still primitive aspect of the place, and the lovely view of the Dorset and Devon coast, which the glorious day seemed to have lit up for their special benefit. On their return to Bridport they were met at the fine old Parish Church by Canon Farrer, who kindly conducted them over the interesting edifice. They then went to the tower, and rang three courses of Grandsire Triples and two six-scores of Doubles. Dinner was partaken of at the Greyhound Hotel, Host Trump catering in his well-known style. Next a move was made for Broadwindsor, "the fine scenery en route being greatly admired," and some Grandsire Doubles were rung on the six bells of that Church; then on to Beaminster, where several touches of Grandsire Triples and Doubles were rung on the magnificent peal there. Tea was served at the White Hart Hotel, and the company was joined by Mr. A. E. Coles, of Bridgwater. Afterwards Netherbury was visited, and the peal of six were set going to Grandsire Doubles. En route to Bridport, the tower of Bradpole claimed the ringers' attention, and some touches of Grandsire Triples and Doubles were rung on the light peal of eight in that tower. The Bradpole ringers being away upon their own annual outing, had left fraternal greetings in the tower. The party left for home by the last train, after a most enjoyable outing, in which they gained much experience in strange belfries. The Guild expressed their pleasure at the courtesy they received at each place visited. All the arrangements were made by the hon. secretary (Mr. C. H. Jennings). Mr. W. Rose, the captain, was in charge of the party of thirteen, and Mr. L. W. Wiffen conducted the various touches.

### ECKINGTON.

For the third year in succession, the ringers of the Eckington Parish Church were invited by the Rector to join the choir on the occasion of the annual trip, and they had a most enjoyable excursion to Scarborough, despite the fact that the journey was rather long. No ringing was indulged in, as, most of the party being novices, they did not care to put themselves forward. This they hope to remedy in the not far distant future, however. A very happy day was spent, thanks to their esteemed friend, the Rector (the Rev. W. R. Hewson) and the churchwardens.

### MR. REUBEN SANDERS' 200 PEALS.

Doubles, 2; Minor, 2; Grandsire Triples, 12; Caters, 1; Double Norwich, 2; Stedman Triples, 35; Caters, 34; Cinques, 16; Bob Major, 4; Kent Treble Bob Major, 7; Royal, 4; Maximus, 2; Superlative Major, 28; Cambridge Major, 6; Cambridge Royal, 12; Cambridge Maximus, 1; Bristol Surprise, 21 (including the record 15,264); London Surprise, 11; total, 200.

### FUNERAL OF MR. F. A. NUNN. PATHETIC GRAVESIDE SCENE.

The mortal remains of the late Mr. F. A. Nunn, of London, who was drowned in the river at Boreham, Essex, and whose sad death was recorded in our last issue, were laid to rest in the quiet little churchyard on Wednesday of last week. The following members of the Essex Association, Messrs. Edwards (district master), Cooper (district secretary), Kirton, Head and Walden, preceded the mournful procession to the church, where it was met by the Vicar, the Rev. D. N. Yonge, who conducted the service both in the church and at the graveside. After the service, a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells over the grave by Messrs. Kirton 1—2, Edwards 3—4, Cooper 5—6, Head 7—8. Sad as it was, it was sadder still when just as the ringing ceased, the widow and sister of deceased who had travelled from London to attend the obsequies arrived. Owing to some misunderstanding as to time, the service was at an end, and the poor widow was heart-broken. She swooned on taking a last look at the coffin, and was afterwards assisted to the Vicarage by Messrs. Edwards and Cooper, where she received tender care from the Vicar's wife (Mrs. Yonge). The sorrowing couple subsequently returned to London to join the three young children, who are left fatherless.

The pathetic scene moved men and women alike to tears. Wreaths were sent from the widow, two little nephews, the firm, and employees of Messrs. Warner and Sons, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Groombridge.

As a token of respect to the late Mr. Nunn, who was a ringing member at St. Ann's Church, Tottenham, the bells were half-muffled on the day of the funeral. The whole pull and stand was rung by T. Groombridge, junr., 1, A. Howell 2, E. Davidson 3, W. Powell 4, C. Ross 5, C. Davidson 6. A 720 of Bob Minor followed: E. Davidson 1, C. Ross 2, A. Howell 3, W. Powell 4, T. Groombridge 5, T. Scarlett 6. And 240 Grandsire Doubles: H. Stubbs 1, T. C. Ringrose 2, E. Davidson 3, A. Howell 4, C. Ross (conductor) 5, C. Davidson 6.



## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

The summer quarterly meeting of the North Notts Association was held at Harworth on Saturday last. By the kind permission of the Rev. F. d'Arbley Burney (Harworth) and the Rev H. E. Booty (Tickhill), the bells of both churches were placed at the disposal of ringers during the afternoon and evening, and were soon pouring out their melodious notes. The following towers were represented: Anston, East Markham, Ordsall, East Retford, Workson and Hanworth, and Mansfield. A cordial invitation had been given through "The Ringing World" to ladies and gentlemen of kindred associations, and whilst ringing was in progress at Harworth, the party were favoured with the presence of Mr. C. Glenn, secretary of Yorkshire Association, Mr. A. and Miss Winfred Hague from Rotherham, and others who had cycled over in response to the invitation. The Vicar received the visitors, and whilst ringing was in progress, with his usual kindness, escorted them through the interior of the church, explained the history and the many beautiful antiquities which the building contains. Touches at this place were brought round in the following methods: Grandsire Doubles, Stedman, Plain Bob, Violet, Woodbine, and 720 Cambridge Surprise, whilst Mr. Glenn and his skilled company of artists delighted the village onlookers in the churchyard with touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples on a small but musical ring of hand-bells, Miss Winfred Hague handling the trebles most skilfully in the Stedman, to the intense delight of all present.

Tea was served in the Harworth School Room, and, in these days of increasing demands upon the time of the parish clergyman, it was a pleasure to have the Vicar presiding over the proceedings, and the business meeting which followed. The tea, to which about 34 sat down, was splendidly arranged by the Vicar, and the catering was most ably carried out by Messrs. Stabler and Beeson, of Bauty.

One new member was elected, and Everton was selected as the next place of meeting.—Votes of thanks to the Rev. F. d'Arbley Burney and the Rev. H. E. Booty, Vicar of Tickhill, for granting the use of the bells and the former gentleman for presiding at the tea and business meeting was proposed by Mr. H. Wanburton, and seconded by the secretary (Mr. H. Haigh).—The Vicar said it was a real pleasure to him to welcome the members to Harworth, and as it was nine years since last the Association met there, he was delighted to see them present in such a large number. He had only a little knowledge of change ringing, but was always pleased to hear a peal of bells when skilfully rung. They had had difficulties in keeping a change ringing band in their tower, but as they had now got a new supply of John Nicolls' ropes, and the bells were in capital going order, he hoped, with the assistance of the Association and their energetic captain, Mr. Harrison, to have a band capable of ringing in the proper way very shortly. As unity was an important factor in the advancement of the art of change ringing, all should and must, if success was to be achieved, work together.

At Tickhill, for which place all the members made after the meeting, touches in Grandsire, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Stedman and Duffell, were rung, and at 8.45 the bells were lowered, and a tune on the carrillon played.

## CARILLONEURS AT LOUGHBOROUGH.

## AN INTERESTING AFTERNOON AT THE FOUNDRY.

A most interesting afternoon was spent at the Loughborough Bell Foundry on Saturday afternoon, when a large gathering of members of the Incorporated Society of Musicians listened to a lecture on "The Carillon and its music," given in the tuning room by Mr. W. W. Starmer, F.R.A.M., the famous English authority on the subject, and subsequently listened to a performance by two of Belgium's most celebrated carillon artists. On the foundry carillon of 40 bells, M. J. van Beers, of Scharbeck, and M. Josef Denyn, of Mechlin, each performed a programme, comprising pieces of great variety in character, with all the wonderful skill for which these bell musicians are so justly famed. The performance was a remarkable one, and quite a novelty for an English audience, who were delighted with the effects which were obtained by these masters of the carillon art. The pieces selected ranged from English songs like "Old King Cole," the Welsh "March of the men of Harlech," to extracts from Schubert, and the sonatas of Nicolai and Richter. The lecture and performance were preceded by the casting of bells in the foundry, an operation which the visitors watched with the greatest interest, and during the afternoon, Messrs. Taylor and Co. kindly provided tea.

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## HENFIELD'S PROUD POSSESSION.

## SUSSEX TOWER'S FINE OCTAVE DEDICATED.

St. Peter's Day was an eventful day in the history of Henfield Church, for not only was it the Patronal Festival, but also the occasion of the dedication of the newly recast peal of eight bells in the afternoon, and of the confirmation of fifty-seven candidates in the evening, the Bishop of Chichester officiating at each. For the dedication of the bells, the Bishop, with the Vicar (the Rev. Reginald J. Lea, R.D.), the Rev. L. W. Miles, and the Rev. E. G. W. Foote, with the choir and Sunday School children wended their way in procession from the Vicarage to the church, while the hymn, "The Church's one foundation," was sung. At the church they were met by the churchwardens (Messrs. J. Eardley Hall and J. Baines). After short evensong, the Bishop, clergy and churchwardens proceeded to the tower, where the Bishop pronounced the words of Dedication.—A few rounds were then rung on the bells, and the Bishop afterwards preached from Numbers x, 2, and his interesting sermon touched upon the history and the messages of church bells.

The ringers in the Dedication service were L. Payne, W. Lish, C. Roberts, S. Burt, G. Gander, E. Lish, G. Payne and A. Hodges. At the conclusion of the service, a 504 Stedman Triples was rung by: W. Markwell 1, W. Lish 2, E. Lish 3, S. Burt 4, G. Payne 5, J. W. Alliss 6, L. Payne (conductor) 7, A. Hodges 8. Another 504 Stedman Triples was rung for the confirmation service in the evening, with Messrs. E. D. Taylor, W. Billingham and W. Smith, of the Loughborough firm taking part. Another 504 was rung after the service by the local band.

The recast peal are tuned on the late Canon Simpson's principle, and, taking weight of metal into consideration, could not be surpassed for richness and depth of tone. The bells have been hung in a new A section iron frame, built upon four substantial steel girders, with all new fittings of modern design, the work having been carried out most successfully by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough.

The tenor bell was recast as a memorial to the late Vicar, and bears the following inscription:—

"To the Glory of God. And in grateful memory of William Wakeford, B.A., Priest. Vicar of this parish, 1899—1912."

The diameters, weights and notes of the bells are as follows:—

	ft.	in.	cwt.	qrs.	lbs.	Notes.
Treble	2	2	3	3	27	E
2nd	2	3½	4	0	27	D sharp
3rd	2	5	4	3	26	C sharp
4th	2	7½	5	3	9	B
5th	2	10½	7	1	11	A
6th	3	0½	8	3	17	G sharp
7th	3	4	12	0	21	F sharp
Tenor	3	9½	16	2	7	E
			64	0	5	

A ringing meeting is to be held at Henfield on the first Monday in August.

The first quarter-peal on the new bells was rung on Sunday, 1260 of Stedman Triples being brought round for evening service, in 50 mins., by: W. Markwell 1, W. Lish 2, G. Payne 3, E. Lish 4, L. Payne 5, J. W. Alliss 6, C. Tyler (conductor) 7, A. Hodges 8.

## HERE AND THERE.

The monthly district practices established in Goole and district about a year ago, are giving satisfactory results. On Saturday week an attempt was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples at Hatfield, and after good ringing for 2 hrs. 15 mins., the treble rope broke. The following took part: G. Wilburn 1, T. Smith 2, E. Purdy 3, C. W. King 4, D. England 5, H. Ludkin (conductor) 6, D. Carmichael 7, J. Drake 8. Afterwards, with other ringing, a touch of 836 was rung with R. Davis on the 6th, this being his longest touch.

On Wednesday week, at St. Mary's Church, Dover, the wedding took place of Mr. Arthur Roberts and Miss Ethel Harmer, the officiating clergyman being the Rev. E. C. Heel. There was a large number of friends in attendance, and as the bride and bridegroom left the church, the "Wedding March" was played on the organ by Mr. W. E. Pitman, organist of Lymington Church. The local ringers also rang 336 Bob Major. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts left later for Tunbridge Wells, where the honeymoon is being spent.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have just completed the rehanging of the eight bells at St. John's, Redhill. New steel gudgeons and gun-metal bearings have been supplied, and the fittings generally overhauled. The bells have been tried round by the local company, and the "go" was pronounced excellent.

PORTISHEAD, SOMERSET.—On May 20th, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 44 mins.: \*Miss D. Coles 1, E. Goldstone 2, Miss N. Gillingham 3, Miss M. Jukes (conductor) 4, \*W. Watts 5, Miss E. Hole 6, W. Gillingham 7, A. Colbourn 8. \*First quarter-peal.—On May 26th (Queen Mary's birthday), two 120's of Grandsire Doubles: Miss B. Mitchell 1, Miss D. Coles 2, Miss N. Gillingham (conductor) 3, Miss E. Hole 4, Miss M. Jukes 5, Miss E. A. Tippet 6. All the ladies are members of the local band. Believed to be the first local band of ladies to ring 120.

## NOTICES.

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**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, July 19th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is earnestly requested. — J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Derby District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Brasington, near Worksworth, on Saturday, July 19th. Bells (6) ready at 2.30 p.m.—B. Mitchell, Honorary District Secretary, 149, Leacroft Road, Derby.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Farningham on Saturday, July 19th. Tower open at 3.30 p.m. Service at 5.30, address by the Vicar (the Rev. F. W. Smith). Half rail fares up to 2s. paid at this meeting. Eynsford tower will be open after the meeting.—T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—A meeting will be held at St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, July 19th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea at the Vine Inn at 5.30, 9d. each. Friends heartily welcome. — F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary, 3, Hart's Lane, New Cross, S.E.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held at Wokingham, on Saturday, July 19th. Service in the Parish Church at 11.30. Preacher: the Rev. A. H. F. Boughy (President of the Cambridge University Guild of Change Ringers). Business meeting in the Church House at 12.20. Dinner in the Drill Hall at 1.30.—Albert E. Reeves, Guild Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Rayleigh on Saturday, July 19th. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting follow. The Rev. A. G. Fryer is kindly providing tea.—Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Northern District.—The next meeting of this District will be held on the 19th July at St. Matthew's, Church Row, Bethnal Green. Tower open at 4.30 p.m. Business meeting at 7.45. All members and friends welcome.—J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at Hadley on Saturday, July 19th. Bells available from 3.30. Barnet bells will be available from 4 to 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45, 6d. each. Members and friends cordially invited.—C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Sudbury District.—A district meeting will be held at Sudbury on Saturday, July 19th. Tea at the Bull Inn, at 4 p.m. The bells of All Saints' and St. Peter's will be available, the latter for short periods only. — Secretary, Rev. R. L. Gardner, Lavenham, Suffolk.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—A meeting for combined

practice will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, July 19th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Methods: Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major.—E. J. Dowler, Branch Secretary.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July 19th, at Egham. Tower open at 3 p.m. Short service at 5. Tea at 5.30, in the Church Room. Business meeting after.—Cyril F. Johnston, Honorary Secretary, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Grappenhall Branch.—Next meeting will be held at Lymm on Saturday, the 19th inst., at 4 p.m. Tea 9d. each.—J. E. Ashcroft, Honorary Secretary.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on July 22nd; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 31st; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 22nd; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, July 26th, at St. Margaret's, Rainham. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged at 5.30 (at 9d. each) in the Church Hall. The bells of this church are being rehung in a new iron frame, the old six tuned on the Simpson principle, with an addition of two trebles, making eight, with a tenor about 23 cwt., by Taylor, of Loughborough. Will those intending to be present let me know not later than Tuesday, July 22nd? All ringers and friends are heartily welcome.—Edward A. G. Allen, Honorary Secretary, 77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, July 26th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m. — J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The 26th annual festival will be held at St. George's Church, Stockport, on Saturday, July 26th. Service at 3.45 p.m. Preacher, the Rev. H. J. Elsee, M.A., Vicar of St. George's, Bolton. Full particulars by circular.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Honorary Secretary, New Mills.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The next South and West District meeting will be held by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. H. Wilson) at Harlington, on Saturday, July 26th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea at a small charge, 5.45. All ringing friends welcome. — H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Harwich on Saturday, July 26th. A tea will be provided at 5 o'clock for those sending notice to A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Sandpit Road, Braintree.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The monthly meeting of the above society, will be held at Calverley for practice, on Saturday, July 26th. Bells will be ready from 3 p.m. Business meeting will be held at the Thornhill Arms at 7 p.m.—F. Hopwood, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Barrow Gurney on Saturday, July 26th. Bells

available at six o'clock. — George Yeo, Honorary Local Secretary.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—The bells at Hatfield will be available for ringing from 4 to 9.15 p.m. on Saturday, July 26th. Tea can be had in the Park for 7d. per head.—F. R. Bacon, District Secretary.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Rochdale Parish Church on Saturday, August 2nd, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.—Joseph Ogden, Branch Secretary, 135, Salts Street, Shaw, Oldham.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Summer festival at Woburn, on August 4th. Bells available after 11 a.m. Tea at 5. Service at 6.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—A meeting of the Guildford and Leatherhead Amalgamated Districts will be held at Ranmore on August Bank Holiday. The beautiful peal of eight bells will be available from 2 o'clock. Service at 4.15. Preacher, Canon E. A. Chichester, Vicar of Dorking. Tea at 5. Tickets 6d. to members; 1s. to visitors. By kind permission of the Hon. Henry Cubitt, C.B., the gardens of Denbies will be open to members and friends from 2 to 4.—John J. Jones, District Secretary, North Street, Guildford.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Henfield Branch.—The bells of the above tower (which have recently been recast and rehung) have kindly been placed at the disposal of the association on August Bank Holiday, and all members of the association will be heartily welcome. Tower open from 3 till 9. Short service at 6. Tea in Parish Room at 5, as guests of the Vicar, to all who send word by July 31st to Mr. E. Lish, 2, North Cottages, Henfield.

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#### MARRIAGE.

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