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 Your faithtally, w. T. Dinc,

Aralifuat, Dlonmisy Marviynr.

## ARE THE BELLS READY?

Peace has come appreciably nearer within the last ten days. With Turiey and Austria following Bulgaria out of the war, the final collapse of our chief, and now sole enemy, can be not far distant. It may be a few weeks, it is possible even that it may be a few months, but it is not beyond hope that a few days may see the end of the fighting, for history-making events are following one another in breathless succession. The last month or so has been crowded with military successes in every field of operation, successes which would have justified the ringing of joy bells almost daily. But the nation is restraining its emotions, and the bells are silent until the moment when the people's outburst of joy must come. May we, however, urge ringers to be ready for the great day when peace shall once again reign in the world.

We seriously doubt whether there are anything like complete plans for the ringing of peace bells. Here and there associations or companies may have prepared their schemes, but we hope that the general and district secretaries, where they have not already done so, will at once take steps to organise ringing companies in their areas, so that when Germany, like her allies, is compelled to acknowledge herself beaten, the bells in as many towers as possible in this country may taike their part in proclaiming the joyfal news. When that day will actually arrive we cannot foretell, but it does not seem possible that it can be long postponed, and we want to see the ringers of this country organised to play their part when the news is flasted over the wires. Subsequently there is certain to be something in the nature of national thanksgiving, and it is in connection with this that we hope the Central Council will take steps to secure, as far as can be, united action in regard to ringing throughout the country.

With the coming of peace, not only will there be a great revival of ringing, but there will doubtless be a rapid resuscitation in the bell-founding trade. Peace memorials are certain to be discussed, and nothing can be nore appropriate for this purpose than bells. We always associate bells with peace, and as they are themselves articulate, they can be an effective as well as a constant reminder of the great epoch which will mark the triumph of right over might. Already at Rochester the Cathedral ringers have approached the authorities with a view to celebrating peace by the addition of two more bells to the presen: eight, and doubtless ringers in other parts of the country will not fail to represent to those concerned the apprepriateness of similar action. This and the restorations that will be necessary to existing bellis, through the neglec: which war bas caused, ought to give an early and substantial stimulus to the bell-founding industry.

## CHARLES CARR, $\frac{\text { IIP }}{}$



## OPINION OF OUR MODERN MORK,

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A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOE MASOR, BOB8 CNANOEE ;
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Composed by William Maleinson.
Conducted by Tom Rrdman.
Rung with the bells deeply muffed as a laut sarark of respect to the deceased composer of the above peal ; the ringers representiog Blackburn, Burntey, Oswatdtwistle and the local band.

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[HE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, Nowrmbty 2, 1918 in Three Hows and Thrae Minures, At the Churce of St. Mary and All Saints,

## A PEAL OF CRANOSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCE ;

Groybs' Variation of Parker's Twilve-Part. Tenor 25t cwt. Thomas J. Salter ... ...Tpibif| Williah Ranpord ... ... 5 John Ehidn... ... ... ... $\quad$ z John Woodrerry ... ... 6 William Short ... ... ... 3 , Robert G. Knowles... ... 7 Charles Camm ... .... ... 4 Chararg Beabari ... ...tonoy Conducted by William Short.
Rung for the Dedication Festival.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The amulul meating of the Lewichans District of the Fout, County Askociation was Jeld on Suturdiuy, October 18th, at St. Johu's, Lewis ham High Road, and the wasthor being favourable, over 50 ringers. itucluding risitors, puri in an apperance buring the afternoon. The tower was open at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, and the bello were kepl going to Grandsiro and Stedman Triples, Bol Major, Treble Boh Major, Double Nowwich. Superlative, Cambridge, and London Surprise Major, by various bands tit 6 p.m. Service was then attonded, the Association form being ased, and a very instructivo address was delivered by the ker. W. P. Jepson (Vicar).

The business moeting followed in the Vesiry, the Vicar presiding. J. Turvey, of Will Hall, Etham, was elected a membor. Ohrist Church, Drith, whs selected for the next meeting, ind, friling thert, St. Luke's, Bromley Common, on the third Saturday in Janualy. 1919. The District Secretary then gave his annual repori, which was adopted. Messrs. T. Groombridge, sonr, and W. J. Jeffries were re-elected district secretary and representative, both thanking the members for re-election.
Mr Fi. W. Richardaon nexi; brought forward the question of raising and falling belle enther singly, in chords, or im pead, and efter digcussion, in which Mr. W. Wilford (Northants) took part, the representative was asked to bring the eame before the Central Commituce. and try to got the hon. secretary to bring the matter before the riagers in general.
The Vicar, who liad to leave, then gave the members a bearty welcome to St. Join's. He was soriy they could not entertain the members th tea as beforg, owing to the alificulty in catering. - A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the thells, Fise address, and for presiding. Mr. Jeffries then took the chair, and it was resolved that the allowance for tea by the Association be sent ic the hon. secvetary as a donation to "The War 3femorial Tund.'
Mr. J. Eaw put a room at the Whidbourne Institute at the disposal of the prembers, and a pleasant hour was enent with tho bandbells.

## THE LATE MR. J. W. WATSON.

On Saturday week, itt St. Tamos' Church, Grimsby, 1050 chainger of Gramisire Triples were rung by: J. W. Senmer (conduntor) 1 P. Pigk 2. A. W. Long 3, W. H. Foyhoe 4. A. S. Hili 5, Sergt. R. Loug (Stafiotdshire) 6, O. Tasler 7, T. Brown 8. Also fanarter-peal, wilk A. B. stepherd in plece of A. R. Hill. These touches were rung with the bellis half-muffled, as a tritrete of respect to the memory of hif. J. W. Wratson, of Lincoln, one of the founders of the Association, it 1884, find at one time semptary. also for the last twenty-seven yearis hoth auditor, who died Tuesday. October 15th. On Sunday. Optober 27th, for Divite service, 504 Grundsice Triples: F. T. Howden 1, J. W. Seamer 2, P. Pigg 3, Sergit, R. Long (8th Staftordst 4, W. H. Heylioc 5. A. S. Hil 6, O. Taylor (conducter) 7. J. Lamb 8. Also 168. willa A. B. Shopherd ead Pte. Goodrich (Coldatream Guards) taking part.

## CAPTAIN R. E. STAVERT.

## BUSHEY'S DOUBLE LOSS.

Tho double loss which the Busiley band has sustained liy the deatirs uf Bertuin Prowett and Robert E. Stavert, is a blow wheh few ring ing companies lave received. Of Bortram Prewelit we wrote last week.
Captain Robert E. Stavert, although not so widely known as his colungue, was never theloss a ringer of considenable accomplishments. He commenced his ringing at Buskeg in 1903, with had been a mromitent mamber ever since. lie liad riug about 150 joals aliogether, ringing frou Grandsire Triples to Bristol Suryrige and Stedman Cinques. He was a safe and capuble ringer, and greatly ressinected by all the bund
The deceased joined uf? in the ranks it the early day of the war and after being wounded came home and obtaned a commission, the fell in inction in France on Augusi 25 th.
He lonves a goung widow und one child, with whon the greateat ampaily is felt, also for his widowed mother, this being the thint on the has loot in the war, while a fourth was killed ist a railway uceident it 1909, of Willesden Jtuction. Touches of Grandsire and stedman Teinles wero rung at Busliey on Saturday, Ociober 28th, wisi the beills half-mufflea, as a last token of respeet by a mixed band from Hushey and Watford, R.I.P.

## ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY, CLUN

## A PEACE PEAL TO BE RUNG

The fourth annual meeting of St. George's Socjety. Clun, Salop. was held in the ringing room of St. Gearge's Chureh, on Octaber 31st when the Rev. R. D. Machen (president) presided over a good attendnete of mentbers and probationers.
Mr. W. Mead (hon. secretary and head ringer) presegted the report aud balance sheet. He said, although they continned to make progress, if only slowly, they bad for unother year of the war managed to keep the bellis going regularly for servies. The wimer practices had, howcyer, afain been stopped by D.O.R.A. Their funds once more showed smitl increase they hasing begun the year with a balance ju hand f $31 \mathrm{~s} .$, and ended wilh 33s. At the last annual meeting they dee ded 10 procure a seh of hamdbells, and they had been very fortanate in rotting a very musical set of 13 , size 20 in E fat. by Mears, from a anted ringer, Mr. W. Newell, of Reading. These had been paid for bs sulbscriptions, and they were now indebierl to one of their members, Mr. Rd. Morris, for the neat stam! on which the bells hung. It was made from murt of an old oak bell wheel, which mast be over 250 years add. The stand was quite an ornament to the room. Euring the ear they hald lost one of their probationers, the Rev. F, S. Duttan, who ball taken up duties in the Oxford Diocese. aand would mour bave greater opportunities of makiug tprogress. Of tineir members on ective service they had to mourn the loss of Sergi. J. W. Lewis, M.M.. (6) whose memory they rang a half-mufled quarter-peal. Two onkers, fifcond-Lient. Jame Luma and Ple. Frio Morris, had been taken prisoners of war, and were in Germany. Sergt. E. E. Gr:ffith has been nuomoterl to Second-Lieutenant, and has joined the Flying Corps. The members had neain paid their Guild subseriptions. and sent them Christmas parcels. With regard to the Diocesan Guild he had nothiug to report. No mecting had been held this year or ans report publighed. They had paid the subseriptions regularly, and so far had eceived very hitle in returnt. He houklit it was a great mistake for itse Assosation to get out of touch with the mambers, which meant ereater efioris to get the organtsation going again after the war.
The Vicar in oromosing that, the report and balance shee, be acpted, sakid they were again fortunate in making progrese all round. Te would ask the Rer. H. J. Scote to again act as chaplain.
Mr. G. W. Toberts proposed, and Miss IL. Cooke seconded, that ir Nead be re-elected hon. secrelary and head ringer for the fifth seaf, which was carried unanimously.-The Hon. Secretary, its reply. tirl he though, the honour sloula go round a little but he guite appreciated the honour rlone him. - A hearty vote of thanks was acordet Mr. Mr. SHorris for the time he hatd given in making the and for the handbells.-It was again deeited to pay tho Guild suht sintions of the three menabers on active service, and to send them "hristimas parcels.
The Hon. Secretary broughl forwarit the ftestion of a ' Peace Penl,' Hich wnuld be the first on the bells. Jie said he hoped they were haw in aght of neace, and the time wis mar for making arrangewhts for the mal which shonick be rune na soon as possihle after the Cularalinn of noave. He pronoeen than a hand of competent chante
 tarne their visit, the band to arrive as carly ns possible in the vering previons, and to ring a short ticuch, the peal to he atemente the rext mornine after a short spectul service in the churcha onen to all. This was seconded by the Viear, sudi carriad inanimousity. the nis angements to he left in the hands of the hon, secretnes.
It wns decidert that a tomation should be piven from the fund to Mr. J. S. Golramith's testimonial, and that prantices he resummi on the hanthells. ne tower bell pructice was pronhibited. |This clased it


## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## WESTEINN DIVISION MEPTING.

On Saburday last, a Westeru Division meeting wa lield at Shorahum, members attendiug from Brighon (St. Peter's), Sterring. Warhham, Sliufold, Henfield, Angmering, and Heene, together with members of the local band, and several soldiers from the Eastern Command Depot, Shoroham. Touches of Stadman Triples, Bob Major, Treble Bob and Double Norwich were rang during ths afternoon and epening. at five o'clock, the nembers adjounmed to the Town Hall, where nhout 20 eat down to a very enbswantial tea.
At the business meeting, which followed, a welcome was extended to the visitors by Mr. B. Ghallen, ou behale of the Viear. - Mr. Fi, Merritt was voted to the chair, and il was proposed to hold the next areetitu some time in March.
The testimonial to Mr. d. S. Goldsmith was laid before the meating: which expressed sympathy with him in his long illnces, and resolved that the secrelary should send the stabseription list to each iower in the disfrict.
Mr. Markwell jroposed at wote of thanks to the Vicar (the Rov, G. 3n. A. Towert for the use of the bells, and to Mr. L. Merrit for preaiding, and this was heartily accorderl.

## OXFORD GUILD.

Frourteen ringers enjoyen two hours" practice on the ring of ten af St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday afternoou, Octaber 26th. The longest touch was 468 Grandsire Gaters: Miss D. Feltham 1. G. H. Gutteridge 2, TF. S. Smith (Slough) 3, W. Henley 4. Miss G. Bateman 5. W. Lawrence 6, J. Pratit (conductor) 7. W. Honor 8, H. H. Chandler $9, F$. Leader 10 . This was the frst touch in the method brye the ringer of the thicd. Both Grandsire and Sterman Triples were rung, Miss Nova Williams and C. Exwards (West Ealing) taling part. After the ringing foum ' mere men " inviled the ladies to tea, anc? those who were ablo to stay accepted: Miss T. Gudgin presided, and the tea was rendered the more enjoyable because the goad jostess supplierl the party with loot buttered tonsi, any one of the fair aex had brought a bok of eugar. Which proved to be 'fuller' than was expected.

## IN MEMORY OFETHE*FALLEN

An impressive ceremony took place at Weybriage, on Satnrday lasi (Al] Soals' Day), when a $\overline{\text { apecial commemoration serrice was beld in }}$ aemory of the Weybridge men who had given their lives for their cotintry. The proceediags commenced at 6.45 p .m., when a selected party of the Wincliester Guild accomplished at quarter-peal of Grandsite Trimps ( 1260 changes), in 52 mins., with the bells lialf-mnffled: I Enery (Hersham) 1, 0. Radkon (Devizes) 2. A. Woodrow (Hersham) 3. F. J. Shepherd (conductor), Hersham, 4, D. A. Howe (Weybrikgel 5. W Shepherd (Tiershami 6, I. Emery (Bromaley) 7. W. C. Anstead (Weybridge) 8. Afterwazds further ringing topl place in Major and Triple Methorls, ringers from Chertsey augmenting the party. "Che church was draped with Jaion Jacks, and a bugle band sounded the LaEt Post

## WHERE BELLS ARE PLENTIFUL

## To the Editor.

Doar Sit:-0n a recent Sunday eveuiug, before ascending the tower at Twyford to ring, I heard two ouher peals of bells ringing ount, and tha thought came to my mind what a large number of peals there were in this country district. Taking Twyford as a centre there are three other peals of eight in a radius of two miles, and if if, extended o five miles there are one peal of ten bells, ten peals of eight, zlireo peals of sism and one of five. I should line to know if ady ollier parish is similarly placed.- Yours faithfully.
Chureh Street, Twyfort, Berks.

## FREDERICK DENTRY.

## DEATH OF ANOTHER ISLEWORTH RINGER.

The Islewortl band have to record the dentib of another ramger, Pie. W. J. New. $2 / 5$ th Durhan Lights Infantry, who died at the Salonic: Hospital on the 19 ths October, of Dneumonia. fithe deceased wis the son of the lata ML: Now, for many years a ringer at the Parish Chumb of Leigh, Dorset, who died last jear. Pto, Now was a very keen ringer, nud a gond couducior, and hat rung eeverai peals of Minor. Grantikire, Oxford Rob, and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Doulle Norwich Court Bob, and T'reble Bob Major. He had conducted a peal of Stedman Triples, ind was also an expert at hatadbell riaging, his Jast performance in this divection being to ring $3-4$ and conduce a $10 \%$ sisscore of Grandsire Donbles, ench six-score called differently, juth nreriously to heing called up.
The clevensed ioined the colours in August, 1916, ated was maryied shorly affer. Ho wns immediately sent to salonica, where be has reanpined ever since. The smpathy of the ringers will go watic bereavod w rlow find $t_{0}$ lis aged mother.
On Sunday last, the beils of Eleworth were rung, unufled, for morning and evenine service. In the morning tal attempt wis mode far al quarler-neat of Grandsive Priples, hut this came fo srien after rigesme ahout 40 minutes

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At the Hundell Contest held annually in Manchestey the First Prize for the last 16 years has been awarded to bands wsing our bells, and onfourteen of those occasions they have gained the Sacond Prize also.

## LEAD ENDS.

## To the Editor

Sir,-White I thank the Rev. C. D. P. Davies for that trotblo ne twok to reply to my incultries, I ams sure he will forgive me it 1 say he has not quite convinced me by his aggument. Is it teally a fael. ass he gays, Lhat Grandsire nnd Plain Bob are diferent methoda? let Huy render write out at lend or two of Grandsire 'Puiples, iad gtrike out the bell in hunt; when examue whut remains and soe what he makos of it. fancy he will fand it as tunch like Plain Bob as phaj Bols itself. That is a pructical test; if wo want history to bear us out we can go bark to Snowdon, who, sulter his patient, researches, tells as that Giramise has always been known as Graudsire, but that Plain Bob was, ind the earjy days, kuown as Grandsire Bob. But whatever we may accept from history. the lest which I hive suggesied seems to me to be the best that ann be applient. At ary mate, it proves, as conchavely as theres con show, that the 3rd's place in Grendsire w the equivalent of the 2nd's in Plain Bob.
Athother point which makes me hesitate to accent Mr Davies theory is this: In Plaju Bob if is the 2nd's place which prevents the jepetition of the rows; and in Grandsire it is the 3rd's plned, anli] not the 7th's. which is introduced for this purpose. The 7th's place can have nothing to do with extending the method from one loud to another, anal therelore, I fail to see bow thern be called the connecting link.
I take il that Mr. Davies argues that the 7th's is the conneetine link, because the 3 ri's place in these two rows is sabstitated for thr 7 th's when a bob is made; but I fancy the inventor of Grandsire foumf himself forced into this additional third's place for fis bob, not because he looked unon the row, in which the treble etrikes its nrst blow in front, as the firsi row of the tead, but in orter to cliange the hell in the hurt.

If wou can spare me the space. I shouth like to use anthluer methor ns an illustration of my contention that the bob row in Gundsire iz nat necessarily the first row of the lead. There are alternalive plares in whigh the bols may ize mate in Double Norwich Caters, viz., 3 url s 414 7 thes:-

| Plain Leal. | 3 rrl 's Place $\mathrm{Bob}^{\text {d }}$ | Th's Place Boh. |
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| 689142753 | 689142753 | 689143725 |
| 861929735 | 861924735 | 861934752 |
| 816097453 | B16297453 | 816397425 |
| 182694735 | 186924735 | 183694752 |
| 128967453 | 168297453 | 138967425 |
| $218876543^{\circ}$ | 612879543 | 319876245 |

Now, if Mr. Deries is right, with regard ta Grandsire, it gught to follow that there are two different divisions between ibe leads in Double Norwich Caters-according to whether the bob is in 3rd's ot 7h's-ane in front of the Lreble's first blow at lean, and the other in front of the treble's blow in 5th's on the wny down. Bith Double Norwich Caters, whether the bob is in 3rd's or 7iln's, is the enme method, therefors there cannot the two dividing lines. To be consistent, in the three sets of filures above there can be only one division, and that is between the leads of the trebte and whe well in the hunt. And if this applies to Double Nowwich Caters, bow can fuly other argument be applied to Grandsire? Perluaps Mr. Dawies will enlightien us.
As to ilhe symmetry of Grandsire, if the contention is admitted that the dividing line is ctfer the treble's whole pull at lead, ther surely the method is symmetrical, for I cannot eec how the bob has anything to do with the structure off the method itself. In his reply to me, Mr. Davies suys that even if the lends were divitled helwoen the rows in which 3uds place appears, finnalsire would still be unsymmerticn for the reason that * shain lead and a boh are equally the mothoth. Fine Mr. Davies forgollen that on pafe 152 of that 1888 edition of - Gramdsire ' he wrote, in "riticism of peals with n call at every learl. - Where there are no plain leads the method simply ceases to be Grumatsire. Perhaps Mr. Davies will tell us how the reconeiles thege two absolutely rlivergent slalements, Yours faithfully,
D. SMITH

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The antutal meeting of the South East diqurict was held on Salutday weak. at the Cathedral, CBelmsford, members uttenting from Rorelam. Bromffeld. Writtle. Maldon, and the local compuny, with several visitors, ineluding Q.-M.-Sergt. Cave, of Bristol. The methods rung during the aftermen ineluded Stedman and Crondsite Caters. Grandsire Cinques, Bob Roybl, and Superlative Surprise Major.
The business mesting was held in the tower, presided over by the District Master, Mr. W. Lincoin.-A vole of sympathy to Mr. 11. W. Kirton in his sad bereavement, wis passeff, and the saccelury was instructed to convey this to lim, and also to wish him anfe and speceit refurm.
Mr. W. Lincoln was re-electen Distriet Master, ancl Ms. F. W. Fit warda hoo. secreiary.-It was decided to holf the weyt meeting no. Wiat. ford.

TREBLE BOB AND THE LAW OF SUCCESSION BY J. A. TROLLOP玉.
In a recont article in * The Ringiug World, I made tie statement that in Treble Bols Mathod which broaks the law of regular succeasian will probably be a betker methot than one that keejs it. MFr. Davies, in words whith are not over courteous, challenges me to give my reilsous.

In the first place you nust rememiser that thers is no ubsolute standura by which You can judge the goorlness of a method. There are mang qualities which go 10 make a goorl method, and some of them ure contradictory, so that different opinions may reasonably be held by different people about the same methorl. I arrived at the conelusion is question after writiog out and examining many humateds of methotis. nad that is by fur the best way in which to test the terith of my statement. Obviongly. of course. I cannot give this reason in ank article. Mr. Davies nusit if he wants to go to the frouble of writing out and examining the methods for himself. But there are toro or three qualities which are recognised by all as necessary for a good method, and I can show how the peculiar nature of Treble Bob geaerthly afiects them. They are, first, the keeping of the tenors well together: secoud, the keeping of the second away from the temor 111 Mujor lueals; and, thire, the amaunt of interest the method gives in actual ringag.
The first two qualities really amount to the game thing. If Fou keen 7-8 always together bejund you necessarily also keep 8-6 together betined in tha Plain Course, and if you keep $8-6$ bogether hohind in the Plain Course you probably will be able to theep B-2 anart in your peals. It, howevar, you have $8-4$ Lehind in the Plain Courge Fou will not be sable io call a trob $R$ withont geting g-2's.
The keoping of the tenor together depends entirely on how much you break the coursing order in the Plan Course. On eight hells there are only sixtcen vows in the same collsing order, snd only 112 rows in which the seven working bells are in the same noursing order. Therefore, since as course of Treble Bob hajor consists of 224 rows. you mast treat the coursing order to some extent; that is, Fon must part the tenors to come extent.
If you kept the conrsing order unbroken you would get the following-

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| 24163857 |
| 69618375 |
| 24163857 |
| 42618375 |

You have ovars two rows repeated. which, of course, wilh mot do. To ulear this falseness you must Juve other work. Now it is obvious that if you break the coursing order and regain it at once your tenors will not be parted so windely they would be if you break it and regain fi. at some distane Just compare Oxford and fient. Tn the firsf, Yau break the coursing order in the following way-

> 12345678 21436587 1243578 21356587

Fou do not regain the coursing ogder till the end of the lead. As a resull you get ine temors winlely parted far Iwn leads, and inewitalile B-2's in your perl.

Ln Kenl you havo instead tho following-

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The third reason for my statement is that methosls which break the regular succession will probably be more interesting to ring. This is not an absolute stalement. There are many exreptions. But the general experience of adivalced ringers will bear me out when I saj that methods like London and Bristol, which have hand stroke places and backward as well as forward hunting, are in practice more interestimg than those which have smpler work. If yoth alont Mr. Davies standard you rule out all these as illegitimate.
In the Fielr, Sept. 29th. 1918.

## WEDDING BELLS.

At the Parish Church of St. Woollos, Newnot Mon, on Momitas, Oct 21st. one of those little incideats occurred, which zo aptly show the good feeing which exists among ringers generally for their fellow members. It was the occasion of the werlding of the oldest daughter (Helen) of that genial old ringer, Mr. Johu Butler, to Private W. C. Fry. A.s.C., home on leave from France. All the ringing members assemblet, and after congratulations to the bapay couple, al splenfil quartcr-peas of Grandsire Triples was rung, conductert by Mr, Jon? Butler. The ringers stood as follows: John Godlard 1. F. Atwell 2 Tom Butler 3, W. Phillips 4, A. Brooks 5. John Butler 6. J. Pippin 7. F. Stansbury 8.

## ACCIDENT TO MR. JAMES GEORGE

Mr. Janues George, of Birmingham, met with an aceident last went. While walking on Tuesday evening he feti on his face. and was pickel un unconscious, with slight injury to his ohin and loft leg. Fis many friend throughout the country will be glad io hear that ise is secorerirges satisfuctorily.

## ROCHESTER'S PEACE MEMORIAL PROPOSALS

ltochester Cathedral ringer's have metitioned the Dean and Chapter bo sanction the addition of two new bells to she existing peal of eight to pernetuate the declaration of peuce when it takes place.

## RING YOUR BELLS.

The following lilies were writion by Mr. W, H. Fulwardes on the ovenaian of a Chester Guild mecting at Birkenhead:King oni your music. sweet old bells Ring out aloud! Your message telis! Ring onל your sumuons far and free
That calls men forth to hear the Word.
Yours is a service for the Irorl, Yours is a sacred ministry.
Up there within the belfry's lower Yeu call to praycr, you tell the hour. And bid the negligent to pray.
Fling torh your message full and clear That all within your sound may henr And wake to know tis Sabbath Das.

Ynur lumble spirit Gord must. please. Ye rey aloud, yet no one sees Withity your belfry witnes there
May God who soes yon make you sirone To pull and make a loud dius dong. And bring folk to the house of prover.
Thus witnesses for God you bo Shut in where only He may see. Yoil lumbly ring and seek not fame.

In Gol's own day will be revealed
Nuch that from us is now concealert Of ministry fone in His Name.

Gnd bless the music of the lells As in the aip the echo ewells. And every ringer may He bless.
Good ringers, puil and pull away.
With every effort fumbly pray
Your zeal may tend to righteousness.
HEADCORT, FINNT-On August 23 rd, at the Church of SS Peter and Paul, an altemptea peal of Gramsire Triples faited. after one hour's ringiag: C. Triber 1. P. Horlakm? E. I. Pannett 3. J. Arthurs 4. F. R. Cinwder 5. F. Pairheapd 6. A. E. Edmards (conduetor) 7. O. Hnriges 8.

## AN ENJOYABLE OUTING.

The Wycombe ringers, by requese of some " brother strings," arranged a successful rimging meeting at the historio Cliusch of Braty on a recem Roturdas It was tholaght that, with the decreasing light, hese meetings would have to be postponed: but as 50 much apprectation 15 evenced by mambers of Lowors whose mumbers are depleted, for the limpire's veeds. a few more gatherings are being arranged. kor Saturiasts meening the orter wes-by train to Maidanhead sthank ${ }_{5}$ Lo Bras. The walk, in a typical October afternools, with the sun glinting on the euturnual foliage, calising ever-changiug hucs, wns enjogen to the full. On reaching the Clurch, the pirty were welmomed by the Yicar of the farish. and the foreman of the local bat it ( $\$ 1 \mathrm{r}$. Sears), who had everyching a goon trim. The proreetings ammenced with 180 of Grimilsire Doubles, in which three of the lade 'iagers took part. followerl by a similar wumber of Sterlman Donthos A well-struck toueh of Kent Treble Boh was the next item, followert hy touches of Oxford Bab ant Plain Bob Minme. The Eo of the hells was excellent, and crealit is Ane to those responsible for their yan? entudiunn. The conduetors were Messrs. Jas. W'. Wilkins, Ralph Coles, W'illitm Henley. Gearge F. Gutteridge, aud Geo. Twitchen. A tour af the ald Church. with its striking display of stainerl glass windows. amil the massive tower. etc., paoved highly interesting. After a wellstruk toluch of Oxford Boh the bells were lowered in peal. Here cam a plensan surprise-the ringers were invided to ten by Mrs. Woorl louse, of "Alegn.' Werybinirg possible wist foge by the charming hastiess for the combort of the risitors, and the meal proved most eniozable. The satics of a fine cockatoo, 82 Jears of age, were very droll. and eatased some fon. The anpreciation of the visitors wate expresed by the Wycombe secretary, and responden to with a rent good ringers" "Ave,' and the proceedings termanated.
On Monday afternoon, an the ocension of the wetditic of Mise Uester liegnolds and Mr. John Eyre, at the Parish Churel, Wycombm a well-struck gharter-peal of Stedman Catars was sheedsfinly necom mished on the ten belk. The number of changes whs 1.265 , nand Mr. J. W. Wilkins efficiently couducted. The ringel's were as follows: Wm-
 Mises, 4: George H. Gutteridge, 5; Georye Twitehen, \&. Frank Bore-
 Coles, temor. Messrs. Wm, Henley and G. H. Gutter dige hail from toke Poges and Fulmer, the others being local men.

## SILVER WEDDING.

On Oct. 7ih, 1893. Fra.. is Frlwand Dawe of Londm, anti Mise Elizin , eith Wright, of Tenbuis. Worcestershire, wcre married ut St. Rrile"s Clantich. Fleet sitreet, Jondon. hy the Jev. F', Fi. Robinsan. al that time hit. Dawe was in office als Master of the College Youthas. find so far as luing momory went, he was the first Master to the msirier dhr-

 weal of 5019 Stedmat Cir
ducted by faner Peititt.
Mr. and Mrs. Dawe have thum just celelyrated their silver wedrin an.1 we are sure all ringens will fois in wishing then what naer health a-d happiness. Doubtles, but for fhe present resituictions on rincine Ird the diffirulty of getting a bond, a pas woula have heen rina to momenorafe tile auspicious event.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES

DALIUN-NN-FURNESA.-At the Parish Guurch. on Monday. Augusi 5th. 720 Boh Minor: FR. Snterthwnite 1, Miss E. it Suart 2. W RCbinson lconductory 3. J. Home 4. T. Suarl 5. J. Burrows 6. Also 120 Kent Treble Boh, first in the methorl for Miss E. B. Suart. Also 168 Grands re Triples: R. Satterthwaite 1.J Braithwaite 2. W AikinEwn 3. J. Holme 4, B. Walkea (conductar) 5. J. Burrews 6. T. Suari 7. W. Salmon 8. Also 462 Grandsire Triples: W. Colline 1, Míss E M
 Shirt 6. J. Burrows 7. R., Satterthwaite B.
 769 of Oxford Bob: 1 F. Porler. 2 Rev, C. I. Sturton 3. ET. V. Fletches H, C. Whits 5, f. Trises 6. J. B. Hnalifix cenduetori 7.-in Anguat Gedney. Lines. ne fith of Oxford Boh. The ringrat otinaling as hove, and two 3ers of Plain Hobs. with $W$. Hatranla ringing the Jrd. I. Elumge the 2nd. The above ringing was arrangerl by Mr IIlifix for the Rev. C. . Sturton, who was payitg in short viait is oud parisis

 Te Triples (1960 changes), it 48 mins. : Mi tawdin 1. S. Proctor 2. A.

 ind 6. A. Mackeers (combuctnri 7. F. Spmeer 8. The pisilom or sh fhank the Rector for the use of the luells,
ACTON. - On Augusf 25th, for evening wroife. at sil. Muspe (burch A quarter-penl of Kent Tweble Bolt Maior, ip 45 mins.: J. W. Fruin (Aeton) 1. A. Jones (Fulham) 2. A. Digrens iSunbary 5. C. Derti (Croxxion) 4. A. W. Darlimeton (Pitney) 5. G. R. Farmon miknherd = Finsh) 6. F. Slevingtou (Hammermith), conductor, 7. A. Therl tre Ealiag) 8 .

## NOTMCES.

The Editorial Ofrice of the 'Ringing World,' to which all communications should be sent, is 9, Com mercial Road. Woking.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD....Newbury Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Newbury to-mortow (Nov. 9th). Evensong 4.30; tea and business meeting at 5-E. M. Thorp, Branch Hon. Sec.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Yorktown District. - The annual meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, Novemlser gth. Lells (3) available from 3.15 p.an.; service 5 p.m., to be followed by tea and business meeting. All ringers welcome, but those intending to be present at tea are asked to notify me in grood time. - F. J. Shepherd, Assist. Hon. Sec., $!$, West Carr's Lane, Hersham, Walton-on-Thames.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch. -The next meeting wil! be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, on Saturday, Novenber gth. Bells available fronn 3.30 till 7 p.m.; meeting to follow; reports ready. Subscriprions due from all members. - W. Wolstencrolt, Branch Sec., $\mathrm{n}_{3}$, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.(Estab. 1637).-Meetings at the Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, E.C.. on Tuesdays, Nov, 12 th (handbel! practice), Nov. Igth (election of officers and presentation of balance sheet), Nov. 26 th (bandbell practice), all at 7.30 Pp.m. Willian T. Cockeril!, Hon. Sec, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wincherter Districu-The annual meeting of the Winchester Districi will be neld at Southampton on Saturday, Nov: 6 6th. The bells of St Mary's Church will be availahle during the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided in St. Mary's School at $5 \cdot 30$; the business meeting will be held imme diately after. Members intending to be present at the tea should let me know not later than Nov. I4th.-]as. W. Elkins, District Sec., 20, Culver Road, Winchester.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Diocesan Guild.- $A$ meeting will be held at $S$ t. Nicholas", Liverpool, on Saturday, Now, i6th. Bells ready at 3 service at 5.30 ; meeting at 6.-Rev. E. C. Collier and Waiter Huyhes, Secs.

WORCESTERSHIRE \& DISTRICTS ASSOCIA. TION.-Southern Btanch.-The next meeting will be lield at Bengeworth, Evesham, on Saturday, Nov. 16 h. Ser. vice in Church at 4.30 p.m., at which all members attending the meeting are requested to bepresent Tea will be provided, and will those who intend being present please let me know by the 「uesdity previous (one delivery only) The bells (6) will be available.- J. Hemming, liranch Sec. 29, ChurchBank, Gr. IFampton, Fvesham.

WINCHESJER DIOCESAN GUHLD. - Guitlford District. -The annual meeting will be held at Guildfort on Saturday, Nov. isth. Bells ( 8 and ro) availalile from 3 p.m. Service in Holy Trinity Church at 5.30 p.rा. Preacher: Rev. P. Cunningham, Rector of Cranleigh. Tea at 6.15 wild be provided free for members who advise me by Nov. I2th,--John J. Jones, Hon. Sec., 3, Bridge Street, Guildford.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.The next meeting of the above will be held at High Halden, Kent, on Saturday, Nov. I6th. Bells (6) available from 2 o'clock until sunset.-H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Bristol Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Abbots Leigh on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Beils available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.; tea and business meeting to follow.-W. Staford, Hon. Sec, i6, Queen's Road, St. George, Bristol.

LADIES' GUILD.-A practice meeting will be held at Desborough (Northants) on Saturday, Nov. z6th. Bells available from 2.30. Those intending to be present are requested to communicate with Mr. Fred Kilburn, 14, Victoria Street, Desborough, Market Harborough, who will inform them whether tea can be provided. It is hoped that arrangements can also be made for ringing at Rothwell from $2-3 \cdot 30$, and Rushton from 6- $\%$.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District -The next meeting will be held (by kind permission of the Vicar, Rev. G. H. Vincent) at St. Andrews', Hillingdon, on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells available from 3 till 4, and from 4.30 till dusk. All ringing friends welcome.-H. C. Cbandler, Hon. See., Church Road̉, Heston.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch.-The next branch meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom, on Saturday, Nov. r6th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Ringing to cease at 7 ; meeting after ringing hours. Subscriptions are now due. Reports to hand. A good attendance is requested.-John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 3r, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION,-A ringing meeting will be held at Leek on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Members are requested to bring their own rations owing to the Food Control. -J. Johnson, Hon. Sec., 5 I, Dunrobin Street, Longton.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Nov. 3oth. Bells ready at 3 o'clock.-J. Watson, Branch Sec.

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