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PLANNING FOR PROGRESS.

Now that the autumn is drawing on and 'summer-time' will soon be banished, the longer evenings will enable ringers to devote more attention to the belfries, and it is now that those who hope to do something more than merely mark time should lay their plans. Unfortunately, in the majority of cases, ringing companies are very prone to leave progress more or less to chance. They very seldom set out on a preconceived scheme of making headway. With the practice season coming on, it would be a good thing if bands would seriously draw up a plan of campaign for the winter. Not only could they determine upon what they will set out themselves to accomplish, but they could do a great deal of valuable work by arranging exchange of visits with neighbouring towers, and particularly with towers not so well advanced as themselves.

Where schemes for combined practices have been carried out excellent results have been obtained. Equal good would be the outcome of inter-tower visits by bands whose belfries are within walking or cycling distance. It would not only help to raise the standard of ringing, but would promote good fellowship. A visiting ringer is always welcome in a tower, but there are very few places where any systematic attempt is made for such an interchange as here suggested. It is not for lack of goodwill or desire, but merely because no attempt is made to organise. What is required is a definite objective. There should be a determination on the part of each band to progress themselves and to assist some less advanced company to get over one more stile. If there is the will to do it, a way will be found, but the step should be taken now. It should begin among those well up the campanological ladder and it can extend to those on the lowest rung. Even the band that can ring only Grandsire Doubles can advance to Bob Minor—or another Doubles method if they have not got six bells—and can help into the art the ringers at some other tower who have not got beyond the limits of call changes. Indeed, the greatest of all services that can be rendered to the Exercise is to bring in those who are outside it.

There are many bands whose practices fall away badly, and sometimes are ultimately abandoned, because of all absence of endeavour to get on. Now that the time of year is advancing when the belfry holds out more attractions than in the long hours of daylight and the heat of the summer, there is opportunity for the leader of a tower to show real leadership, to lay his plans for a progressive programme, and to instil into his men who lack keenness a feeling that, if only as a point of honour, it is up to them

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to do their best to enable the company as a whole to go forward. Then, while they plan advance for themselves, they should not overlook those around them in need of a helping hand, and by means of a prearranged programme of exchange of visits stir up in others a spirit of real enthusiasm for change-ringing.

TWELVE BELL PEALS.

NORWICH.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 23, 1921, in Three Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER MANCROFT,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 43 cwt. 1qr.

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| GEORGE H. CROSS Treble | FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 7 |
| FRANK R. COPEMAN 2 | JOHN E. BURTON 8 |
| THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 3 | FREDERICK H. KNIGHTS ... 9 |
| GEORGE P. BURTON 4 | RICHARD F. DEAL 10 |
| CHARLES E. BORRETT 5 | GEORGE MAYERS 11 |
| BEN S. THOMPSON 6 | HARRY CHAPMAN Tenor |

Composed by the late CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Messrs. T. H. Taffender and R. F. Deal were elected members of the above Association previous to starting the peal.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD, SHOREDITCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 5016 CHANGES;

Tenor 28½ cwt.

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| REGINALD BROUGH Treble | RICHARD BEVAN 7 |
| *BENJAMIN FOSKETT 2 | GEORGE CARD 8 |
| ARTHUR J. NEALE 3 | *HARRY SEAR 9 |
| JOHN W. CORNFORD 4 | ERNEST E. DAVIS 10 |
| †WILLIAM ROGERS 5 | *FRANK SMITH 11 |
| THOMAS NEWMAN 6 | JOHN D. MATTHEWS Tenor |

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by FRANK SMITH.

* First peal of Bob Maximus. † First peal on 12 bells, and hails from Northampton. 200th peal by A. J. Neale. 100th peal by H. Sear, who hails from Bletchley. E. E. Davis belongs to Gloucester.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HORSHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 20, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5036 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. approx.

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| JOHN T. RICKMAN Treble | ALFRED W. GROVES 5 |
| HERBERT J. SKELT 2 | ALBERT HARMAN 6 |
| EDWIN F. PIKE 3 | OLIVER SIPPETTS 7 |
| GEORGE ELLIS 4 | KEITH HART Tenor |

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, August 21, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHIAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART

Tenor 16½ cwt.

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| HENRY CHANCE Treble | WILLIAM RANFORD 5 |
| WILLIAM NIBLETT 2 | CHARLES CAMM 6 |
| FREDERICK STANTON 3 | ERNEST GIBBS 7 |
| ERNEST E. BARBER 4 | ALBERT RICHINGS Tenor |

Conducted by CHARLES CAMM.

Rung with the bells half-muffled 'in memoriam' of the donors of the bells.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.—On August 19th, 720 Bob Minor: W. H. Lambert 1, R. E. Lambert 2, F. J. Lambert 3, E. C. Lambert 4, B. T. Lambert 5, F. J. Lambert, senr., 6.

BASFORD, NOTTINGHAM.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 25, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

ON THE WAR MEMORIAL BELLS

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEODIGARIUS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt.

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| FRANK JOHNSON Treble | J. CHARLES DICKEN 5 |
| ALBERT COPPOCK 2 | SAMUEL WESLEY 6 |
| GILBERT R. GOODSHIP 3 | THOMAS H. KIRKBY 7 |
| WILLIAM A. JAMES 4 | WILLIAM J. SEVIER Tenor |

Composed by F. ROBINSON.

Conducted by A. COPPOCK.

First peal on the bells.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

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| WILLIAM C. SCRIVENS ... Treble | GEORGE F. SWANN 5 |
| JAMES GEORGE 2 | ALBERT T. SCRIVENS 6 |
| GEORGE T. MITCHISON 3 | ARTHUR GARDINER 7 |
| WILLIAM J. MEERS 4 | JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... Tenor |

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by A. T. SCRIVENS.

This is the first peal by the ringer of the treble, son of the conductor, it being rung on his 14th birthday, and the band wishing him many happy returns. He was elected a member of St. Martin's Guild prior to starting for the peal.

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

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| ARTHUR NEWELL Treble | GEORGE R. JONES 5 |
| ROBERT SPERRING 2 | JAMES MORGAN 6 |
| EDWARD HARRISON 3 | JOHN W. DAVIES 7 |
| HENRY W. WILDE 4 | FRANK FOX Tenor |

Conducted by J. W. DAVIES.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Right Rev. Francis John Jayne, D.D., Bishop of Chester and President of Chester Diocesan Guild. Several of the band were confirmed by the late Bishop.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

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| *MAURICE SWINFELD ... Treble | JOHN OLDHAM 5 |
| JOHN H. SWINFELD 2 | *JOSEPH T. DYKE 6 |
| ALBERT H. WARD 3 | HARRY BROUGHTON 7 |
| PRYCE TAYLOR 4 | FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor |

Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

The ringers of Treble and 2nd are members of St. Paul's Society, 3rd hails from Derby, 4th and 5th Loughborough, 6th Midsomer Norton, 7th and Tenor, Leicester. * First peal of Cambridge Major.

BRITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt.

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| EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Treble | HERBERT AUDSLEY 5 |
| FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 2 | ERNEST B. CROWDER 6 |
| JOHN BURLES 3 | GEORGE H. DAYNES 7 |
| FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN. 4 | WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... Tenor |

Composed by W. HARRISON. Conducted by E. BARNETT, SEN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. J. Jeffries, and also to the mother of Mr. G. H. Daynes on her eighty-second birthday.

HINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

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| GEORGE WHITEHAND ... Treble | JOHN A. GODFREY 5 |
| FREDK. J. HOWCHIN 2 | GEORGE H. CROSS 6 |
| DOUGLAS HARRIS 3 | ARTHUR E. SHARMAN 7 |
| EDMUND J. HOBBS 4 | WILLIAM E. BASON ... Tenor |

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Messrs. Sharman, Hobbs and Harris were elected members of this Association previous to starting for the peal.

SIX BELL PEALS.

NEWHALL, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 23, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently.

Tenor 11 cwt.

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| JOHN H. SWINFELD ... Treble | JOHN HODGH, SEN. 4 |
| MAURICE SWINFELD 2 | *HERBERT HERDMAN 5 |
| JOHN HOUGH, JUN. 3 | JOSEPH T. DYKE Tenor |

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

* 50th peal. Rung as a farewell peal to the ringer of the 3rd, who is going to Canada.

DENBY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

being three 720's of Single Oxford Bob and four of Plain Bob,

Tenor 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

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| *PERCY WESTON ... Treble | WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... 4 |
| J. ARTHUR ORGILL 2 | WILFRID H. BUXTON 5 |
| HERBERT G. FRETWELL ... 3 | JOSEPH LORD Tenor |

Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

* First peal.

EMBERTON, BUCKS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 20, 1921, in Two Hours Forty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

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| CHARLES COCKINGS ... Treble | FREDERICK G. MYNARD ... 4 |
| HERBERT ROBINSON 2 | WILLIAM STOCK 5 |
| HENRY W. GAYTON 3 | CHARLES W. CLARKE ... Tenor |

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

BURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

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| CHARLES ABLITT ... Treble | CHARLES E. FISHER 4 |
| JOSEPH LAST 2 | FRANK L. FISHER 5 |
| GEORGE PRYKE 3 | GEORGE W. ABLITT ... Tenor |

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

This peal was rung after meeting short at a neighbouring tower for Major.

ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.—On Tuesday, August 9th, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes) was rung at the Parish Church as a compliment to Mr. Fred Hancock (Eckington's oldest ringer), who attained his 73rd birthday on that day. Mr. Hancock has been a ringer at the above church for 56 years. The quarter-peal was rung in 55 mins. by the following ringers. (Tenor 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.): Fred Hancock (Eckington) 1, *A. Johnson (Eckington) 2, H. Greaves (Killamarsh) 3, J. Humphries (Eckington) 4, J. Morton (Eckington) 5, J. Howes Smith (Eckington) 6, P. Jervis (Eckington) 7, H. Turton (Killamarsh), conductor, 8. Conducted by H. Turton. * First quarter-peal.

BITTESWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Grandsire and four 720's of Plain Bob, each differently called. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb.

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| *WILLIAM HECTOR Treble | *ARTHUR CATTELL 4 |
| †FRED COTTON 2 | †HAROLD POOLE 5 |
| *ARTHUR MANNING 3 | ERNEST MORRIS Tenor |

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

Quickest tower bell peal by the Association. A birthday compliment to the 3rd ringer. * First peal in two Minor methods. † First Minor peal.

BICTON, SHROPSHIRE.
ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY, SHREWSBURY.

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Being two 120's of Canterbury Pleasure, twenty of Plain Bob and twenty of Grandsire. Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

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| *FRANK NEWBERRY Treble | DENIS J. BOUCHER 4 |
| JAMES E. LILLEY 2 | CHARLES R. LILLEY 5 |
| REGINALD R. POLE 3 | *RICHARD R. FAULKNER ... Tenor |

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

* First peal. First peal on the bells, which were put in by J. Warner & Son in 1889. Rung as a birthday compliment to R. H. Faulkner, of Ightfield Rectory, Salop, who belongs to the local band. The rest are from St. Chad's.

HANDBELL PEALS

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION
 (ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY).

On Thursday, August 25, 1921, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
 IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5004 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

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| ALLEN F. BAILEY 1-2 | JAMES M. BAILEY 7-8 |
| ERNEST S. BAILEY 3-4 | FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 9-10 |
| CHARLES F. BAILEY 5-6 | EDGAR H. BAILEY 11-12 |

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by C. F. BAILEY.
 Umpire: H. PEARSON. Witnesses: I. TITTERTON and L. EDWARDS.

First peal of Stedman Cinques by all. First peal 'in hand' in the method in the county, and for the above Association. The umpire ticked off every course end.

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

On Thursday, August 25, 1921, in Three Hours and One Minute,
 IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 6007 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

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| ALBERT WALKER 1-2 | THOMAS RUSSAM 7-8 |
| FRANK W. PERRINS 3-4 | ALBERT E. NORMAN 9-10 |
| GEORGE F. SWANN 5-6 | MORRIS J. MORRIS 11-12 |

Composed by J. E. GROVES. Conducted by A. WALKER.
 Referee: J. NEAL.

HARWICH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
 AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5600 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by the Performer.
 Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

Witness: LEWIS WISEMAN, Sible Hedingham.

This is the first peal in the method to be tapped on handbells in the history of ringing. The performer had only on one occasion rung the treble to London before.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The following peals were rung, during a week's holiday at Surfleet, Lincolnshire, for the Lincoln Diocesan Guild:—

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Saturday, August 20, 1921, in Two Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,
 ON THE LAWN AT GLYN GARTH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Size 17 in A.

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| KATHLEEN A. JUTSON 1-2 | RUPERT RICHARDSON 5-6 |
| ALFRED H. PULLING 3-4 | GEORGE W. STEERE 7-8 |

Composed by J. HUNT. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.
 Witness: MISS L. RICHARDSON.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Sunday, August 21, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
 AT GLYN GARTH, -

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 16½ in B flat.

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| MRS. FRANK I. HAIRS 1-2 | RUPERT RICHARDSON 5-6 |
| ALFRED H. PULLING 3-4 | WALTER AYRE 7-8 |
| FRANK I. HAIRS 9-10 | |

Composed by E. FRANCIS. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.
 Umpires: REV. E. BANKES JAMES and GEO. W. STEERE.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Sunday, August 21, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
 AT GLYN GARTH,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 15 in C.

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| KATHLEEN A. JUTSON 1-2 | RUPERT RICHARDSON 5-6 |
| ALFRED H. PULLING 3-4 | ALFRED H. PULLING 7-8 |
| GEORGE W. STEERE 9-10 | |

Composed by E. FRANCIS. Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.
 First peal of Royal 'in hand' as conductor. These peals of Royal were rung as a birthday compliment to Rupert Richardson.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Monday, August 22, 1921, in Two Hours and Twenty Nine Minutes,
 AT THE VICARAGE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Size 11 in G.

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| REV. E. BANKES JAMES 1-2 | ALFRED H. PULLING 5-6 |
| RUPERT RICHARDSON 3-4 | *CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 7-8 |

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Witnesses: MISSES JUTSON and BUTTERS, and MESSRS. G. W. STEERE and W. AYRE.

* First peal of Stedman.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Monday, August 22, 1921, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
 ON THE LAWN AT GLYN GARTH.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5059 CHANGES;

Size 15 in C.

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| KATHLEEN A. JUTSON 1-2 | WALTER AYRE 5-6 |
| RUPERT RICHARDSON 3-4 | GEORGE W. STEERE 7-8 |

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by WALTER AYRE.
 Umpires: F. I. HAIRS and ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MISS C. L. BUTTERS.

First peal 'in hand' as conductor.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Tuesday, August 23, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,
 AT GLYN GARTH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Size 11 in G.

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| MRS. FRANK I. HAIRS 1-2 | ALFRED H. PULLING 5-6 |
| RUPERT RICHARDSON 3-4 | KATHLEEN A. JUTSON 7-8 |

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

LINDFIELD, SUSSEX.—On Tuesday, August 9th, at All Saints' Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: W. W. Watts 1, W. Watts (conductor) 2, A. Cooper 3, H. Tomsett 4, A. Tomsett 5, G. Tomsett 6, F. Willie 7, E. Patching 8. Rung in honour of the conductor's birthday.

HECKINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Wednesday, August 24, 1921, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

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

Tenor 20 cwt.

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| WALTER H. WOOD 5 | TREBLE | TOM TREBUTT 5 |
| ALFRED H. PULLING 2 | | REV. E. BANKES JAMES 6 |
| MRS. FRANK I. HAIRS... .. 3 | | WALTER AYRE 7 |
| GEORGE W. STEERE 4 | | RUPERT RICHARDSON Tenor |

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by R. RICHARDSON.

This is A. H. Pulling's and R. Richardson's 50th peal together. They live 140 miles apart and rang their first peal together on August 13th, 1919.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

On Thursday, August 25, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,
AT ST. MARY'S SCHOOL HOUSE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Size 13 in E.

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| KATHLEEN A. JUTSON... .. 1-2 | RUPERT RICHARDSON 5-6 |
| ALFRED H. PULLING 3-4 | MRS. FRANK I. HAIRS... .. 7-8 |

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpires: Miss E. B. BRANDON and W. AYRE.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Friday, August 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,
ON THE LAWN AT GLYN GARTH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

Size 14 in D.

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| MRS. FRANK I. HAIRS... .. 1-2 | REV. E. BANKES JAMES 5-6 |
| ALFRED H. PULLING 3-4 | WALTER AYRE 7-8 |
| GEORGE W. STEERE 9-10 | |

Composed by J. ROGERS. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: Mrs. and Miss RICHARDSON and Miss BUTTERS.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Friday, August 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,
AT GLYN GARTH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Size 14 in D.

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| RUPERT RICHARDSON 1-2 | *KATHLEEN A. JUTSON 5-6 |
| ALFRED H. PULLING 3-4 | GEORGE W. STEERE... .. 7-8 |

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: FRANK I. HAIRS.

* First peal on an inside pair.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Saturday, August 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
AT GLYN GARTH,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 18 in G.

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| KATHLEEN A. JUTSON... .. 1-2 | RUPERT RICHARDSON 5-6 |
| ALFRED H. PULLING 3-4 | WALTER AYRE 7-8 |
| GEORGE W. STEERE 9-10 | |

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire: FRANK I. HAIRS.

Witnesses: Mrs. RICHARDSON, Mrs. PULLING, Mrs. F. I. HAIRS, Miss RICHARDSON and Miss BUTTERS.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The Southern District of the London County Association held a pleasant meeting at Isleworth on Saturday, August 20th. Despite the fact that a good number of members are away on holidays, there was a numerous attendance of members and their wives and friends. Tea, for which Mr. T. Beadle had kindly made arrangements, was partaken of at the London Apprentice. The fine-tone bells were rung in various methods during the afternoon and evening.

MEMORIAL SERVICE TOUCHES.

At Tunstall, Kent, on Aug. 13th, after the unveiling and dedication of the tablet recording the names of the Tunstall men who gave their lives in the great war, and also the dedication of the new O.E.M.S. Hall, erected by Mr. Charles Homewood, the following touches were rung with the bells half-muffled: 720 Plain Bob, 720 Double Oxford, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, 720 Canterbury Pleasure, by: J. Webb, E. H. Spice, Tho. Jull, G. H. Spice, E. J. Dobbie, W. Walker, W. E. Spice, W. Nye and W. Spice, senr.

RINGERS' OUTING IN NORTH DEVON.

AMONG ISOLATED TOWERS.

The first outing (for ringing purposes) for at least 27 years of the Bampton (Devon) ringers took place on Saturday, August 13th. A most comfortable charabanc, appropriately named 'The Cosy,' was chartered from the Tiverton Motor Company, and at 8.15 a.m. a party of 15, consisting of the ringers (including the Vicar), their wives and friends, set off in pouring rain for a 50-mile round of six-bell towers, where only call changes are rung. Punctually on time, a halt was made at Stoodleigh, where some six scores of Grandsire Doubles were rung. The next call was Rackenford, where the Rector (the Rev. J. A. J. L. Beazor) welcomed the band. As the bells were being raised in peal, the eyes of one of the local 'stone' men were fixed on the ringer of the tenor, and he was not disappointed! However, the bells went excellently when once 'up.' A most picturesque spot awaited us at Roseash with its delightful church and village green. On entering the west door of the church, the floor struck us as quaint, and on inquiry we ascertained that it was made of slates set up on their ends in squares. The church is well worth a visit, if only for the purpose of seeing the exquisite pew-ends, the work of Meers. Clatworthy, of Witheridge, in 1888. The carvings represent emblems of the betrayal, denial, and passion of our Lord. After ringing here, we all assembled on the village green, seeing that the rain had quite cleared off, and enjoyed a picnic lunch, thanks to the seats provided on the green and the provision of hot tea from the one and only shop.

On leaving, we encountered the most thrilling part of the journey, for the only road to Romansleigh was exceedingly narrow, atrociously pot-hole, and culminated in a terrific descent of 400 feet to Odam Bridge, on the Witherbridge-South Molton main road. The driver compared the hill with the famous Countisbury Hill (Lynmouth). A little further on, we discovered that it would be best to get out and walk up to Romansleigh, as the ascent was both very steep and twisty. We were told that an old postman used to say of this hill, that 'it was three-quarter mile up and half-mile down!' It was well worth the climb, and the striking here was practically faultless throughout.

The church is dedicated to St. Rumon, who appears to have been a notable hermit or bishop of the sixth and seventh century, and much honoured in Cornwall and Brittany. Every legend of him connects him with a forest called 'The Nemeen,' or the forest of Nevet, a corruption of an ancient Irish word, Nemed, which was used to express a sacred grove. This accounts for the number of places in Devon and Cornwall, in which the prefix Nymet, or something like it occurs; as, e.g., Nymet Rowland, Bishop's Nemet (or Nympton), Kingsampton, etc. About the year 960, his bones were removed to the newly-built Abbey of Tavistock which was dedicated in his honour to 'the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Rumon.' The patron was changed later, but the name was retained in the county by the Church of Rumonsleigh, or Romansleigh, a little to the south of Bishop's Nympton. (Extracted from 'Studies in Church Dedications,' F. Arnold Forster.) 'Revel' Sunday is always the first Sunday in September, the village feast taking place on the following day.

The lack of sign-posts or their illegibility did not help to make the road to West Worlington any easier to find, and had it not been for Bartholomew's map we should have probably lost our way, especially so as grass-covered roads did not necessarily mean that we had struck the wrong route! On arrival we found the old sexton waiting to show us the way to the church of a beautifully situated village. With a list of rectors, dating from 1261, and very fine 15th century pew-ends, and some ancient screen work, the church well repays a visit. The treble and 4th ropes come down very near the wall here, a fact which handicapped us a little at first, but we soon settled down to some well-struck six scores. An adjournment was now made to the Stucleys Arms for tea. And what a tea! Some of us had heard of the real old Devonshire teas, but had never seen one till now. There was everything you ever saw on a tea-table, besides Devonshire cream and junket. Mr. and Mrs. Edworthy, who have only recently come to West Worlington, know how to make you want to revisit the place. Whilst we were at tea, the Rector's wife came round to give us a welcome and to invite us to have a pull on the East Worlington bells before we left. We had not included this tower, as a list of the church bells of Devon only gave four bells. We accepted the invitation gratefully, and made a short call there on our way to Thebridge. At this latter place, ringing unfortunately seems at a low ebb owing to the scattered nature of the parish. Despite the flatness of the treble and the roughness of the ropes, we finished the day's ringing with a good 360, which drew forth the remarks from an old ringer that he had not heard such ringing there since the Crediton men came 10 years ago. One of the churchwardens was outside to welcome us, and to offer some liquid refreshment before departing for home. The record for the day was 3,240 Grandsire Doubles, and not a single 120 attempted was lost. A good run through Tiverton brought the outing to a successful end at 9.15 p.m., and everybody went home with a firm resolve to repeat such an outing next year. E. V. O.

LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL.

MR. BAKER'S CLAIM FOR A NEW METHOD.

Dear Sir,—The Rev. E. B. James knows perfectly well that every Minor method must have equal numbers of odd and even changes in proper succession if the extent is to be obtained.

London Surprise Minor produces the extent; the Minor of Mr. James' method will not produce the extent, and it only needs eight changes of the method to prove this statement.

123456 Even
213546
125364 Odd
215634 "

251643 Odd
526143 "
521634 "
256134 "

Now, if we compare the succession of Even and Odd rows with the Royal, I do not think anyone will have the audacity to pretend the Minor and Royal are not the same method.

1234567890 Even
2135476980
1253749608 Odd
2157394068 "

2513790486 Odd
5231970846 "
5213798064 "
2531978604 "

It should be known to everyone who aspires to method composition that Treble Bob or Surprise methods of Minor or Royal never have more than one false row (the simple transposition row) to each lead, provided that the method is properly constructed and the Even and Odd changes are equal.

In presenting the following methods of Royal and Maximus to the Exercise, I do not pretend they are the same construction as London Surprise Minor and Major, but I do assert most strongly that they are nearer the mark than any others I have yet seen.

To begin with, there is no alteration at all from the strict method in either the Royal or Maximus until the Treble is striking her last dodging blow in 7-8 going up; and the succession of rows are such, that there are no false rows in the Royal beyond the simple transposition row until the Treble is in 9-10. Perhaps Mr. James will now understand that his method of Royal is not the same construction as London; the false rows of his method are in 3-4.

The extra work in 1-2 in Royal, and 1-2 and 3-4 in Maximus in the method here given is absolutely London work, as will be seen by anyone who will take the trouble to examine it, and there is no better way of doing that than by drawing a skeleton diagram of the plain course.

If I am asked why I have not presented these methods before, I have a good reason, they were only discovered to-day, the 28th August, 1921.

ROYAL.

1234567890
2135476980
1253749608
2157394068
2517930486
5271394068
5217930486
2571394068
5273190486
5723914068
7532190486
7352914068
3725941608
3279546180
2397451808
3284756180
3249576810
2345967801
2435698710
4236589701
2463859071
4268395017
4628930571
6429803517
6492083157
4690281375
6409823157
6048921375
0684912735

MAXIMUS.

1234567890ET
2135476980ET
1253749608ET
2157394068ET
2517930486ET
5271394068ET
5217930486ET
2571394068ET
5273190486ET
5723914068ET
7532190486ET
7352914068ET
3725941608ET
3279546180ET
2397451808ET
3284756180ET
3249576810ET
2345967801ET
2435698710ET
4236589701ET
2463859071ET
4268395017ET
4628930571ET
6429803517ET
6492083157ET
4690281375ET
6409823157ET
6048921375ET
0684912735ET

0864197253
8046912735
8406197253
4801892735
8410967253
8401692735
4810967253
4180692735
1486029375
4168203957
1462830597

1426385079

64827301597
46287035179
64278031597
64270813957
46272813957
64082713957
60481213957
06841213957
06841213957
80461213957
84061213957
48016213957
84106213957
84016213957
48106213957
41806213957
14860213957
41682013957
146283013957

1426385079ET

In conclusion, just a few words about the Double Norwich Royal and Maximus extensions: these have been known to me for the past seven years, and several experts have agreed with me that they are absolutely correct.—Yours faithfully,
GEORGE BAKER.

ANOTHER VARIATION.

Sir,—An examination of this half-lead will show that it differs only very slightly from Mr. Baker's apparently true extension. I hope to prove that the variations from Mr. Baker are vital and necessary for a correct extension to Royal.

This half-lead has equal numbers of odd and even changes, correct lead ends and all the working bells come to the lead in each lead, and in correct order, as in Minor and Major. Now for the variations from Mr. Baker.

First, in Minor, the 5th on its way down to lead, makes a place immediately before crossing the treble's path: it is prevented from making the place under the treble, as this would cause the 2nd to lead three blows. However, it overcomes the difficulty by striking a single blow in 2nd's as the treble completes its dodge in 3-4.

Secondly, in Major, the 5th works as in Minor, and in addition the 7th on its way down to lead make a place immediately before crossing the treble's path.

So, in Royal, the 5th and 7th work as in Major, and in addition the 9th must make a place immediately before crossing the treble's path.

Again in Minor, the 5th makes the place when the treble lies its whole pull behind: in Major it is the 7th, and in Royal it must be the 9th.

These shunts alone will not give correct lead ends. Now in Major a departure from the rule, that a place must be made, next to, and under the treble occurs when 7 is dodging with the treble in 3-4 with 5 leading; so in Royal a similar departure is made when 9 is dodging with the treble in 5-6 with 7 leading; in each case 2nd's place is made.

A peculiar feature to this extension is the dodging in the odd bell positions of 4-5 and 6-7 caused by the 9th making 3rd's place when the treble lies its whole pull behind. Having stated my case I leave it to the Exercise to judge whether this is the correct extension to Royal. In any case the musical properties should be of a high order, and give a method which is well worth ringing.

I have not been able so far to extend to Maximus. The 11th must, of course, take the part of 5, 7 and 9. This brings it to be the last to lead in the half-lead, and consequently unable to make the place as the treble lies its whole pull behind.

A possible solution might be obtained by making the 9th make a place at each side of crossing the treble in 4-5, thus taking up the work of the 3rd, at the same time bringing down the 11th to dodge with the treble in 5-6.—Yours truly,

Tower House, Penwortham, Lancs.

WILLIAM TAYLOR.

THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' PEAL.

With reference to the allusion in our leading article on August 19th to the fact that a method rung as London Surprise Royal by the College Youths was afterwards accepted as a new method and officially designated 'Stepney,' Mr. W. T. Cockerill writes that the peal, which was rung on November 11th, 1907, at St. Dunstan's, Stepney, was booked by the College Youths as London Surprise Royal.

We were writing from memory, but many of our readers will remember the discussion at the time, and while the College Youths may not have accepted the alteration of title, we believe the Central Council declined to recognise the method as 'London Surprise.' If, however, the College Youths' peal is to stand as 'London,' another phase of argument will enter into the present discussion: What is the Rev. E. Bankes James' method to be called?

HUDSON'S 'NEW LIGHT' ON TREBLE BOB.

Sir,—In your issue of July 22nd, Mr. Lomas, of Sheffield, writes saying that the Ilkeston Variation of Treble Bob is really the composition of William Hudson. Now, I beg to differ. The idea may be the same as regards keeping the tenors out of the slow. I do not dispute that, but as regards to the composition there is as much difference as between chalk and cheese. A hundred years ago people travelled to London by the old coach and horses, now we travel by motor-car and aeroplane. We cannot say that we all travel the same way, although we go to the same place. We go in a much better way nowadays.

In your issue of July 8th you will find that I stated what kind of conveyance I travelled by, but in the issue of March 18th, 1921, our Sheffield friend does not state what conveyance Mr. Hudson travelled by, whether by Kent Bobs or Double Norwich Bobs. I find out now, after studying Mr. Hudson's figures, that he travelled by the 6th's place bobs, also with bobs at the Oxford leads.

No doubt Mr. Hudson was the first to get the idea of keeping the tenors out of the slow, but when we get to the Worcester, Granta, Gonville, and the Ilkeston Variations, they are all great improvements on Treble Bob. We cannot let our Sheffield friend claim the whole lot. I should be very much obliged if he would allow the Editor to have Mr. Hudson's MS. for publication. Enclosed is the peal of Hudson's New Light put in order, OxB for Oxford Plain lead, being the 3rd lead of every course, and OxB for Oxford Bob lead, the bob effecting the three back bells as in Double Norwich. Compare these figures with the Ilkeston Variation.—Yours, etc.,

E. C. GOBEY.

5184 'NEW LIGHT.'

| 23456 | OxB | OxP | H | 34256 | OxB | OxP | H |
|-------|-----|-----|---|-------|-----|-----|---|
| 35426 | -- | | 2 | 45236 | -- | | 2 |
| 23564 | -- | | 1 | 46325 | -- | | |
| 64352 | -- | | | 25634 | -- | | |
| 52436 | -- | | | 34562 | -- | | |
| 56342 | -- | | | 62453 | -- | | |
| 42635 | -- | | | 53246 | -- | | |
| 45362 | -- | | | 56423 | -- | | |
| 62534 | -- | | | 23645 | -- | | |
| 34256 | -- | | | 25463 | -- | | |
| | | | | 63542 | -- | | |
| | | | | 42356 | -- | | |

Repeat the last eleven courses.

SITTINGBOURNE RINGERS' OUTING.

A KENT TRIP.

The following party of ringers had a very enjoyable and satisfactory charabanc trip in the Weald of Kent on a recent Saturday: Messrs. W. Spice, W. E. Spice, P. J. Spice, G. H. Spice, E. H. Spice, E. J. Dobbie, S. B. Dobbie, T. Jull, F. Hollands and S. Taylor. Most of the ringers were accompanied by their wives, Mrs. G. H. Spice being the only lady ringer of the party. Leaving Sittingbourne at 8 a.m., and picking up the 'Spices' at Tunstall, it was full steam ahead for Leeds—the resting-place of the famous James Barham. Here a halt was called, and after raising the peal of ten, a touch of Treble Bob Royal was tapped off, also a touch of Stedman on the back eight, and a well-struck course of Cambridge Surprise Major.

The next stop was Headcorn, where the party found their old friend, Mr. Phil Hodgkin, waiting to welcome them. Here another good course of Cambridge was rung, also Treble Bob, Stedman and Grandsire. After lowering this splendid eight in peal, tracks were made for Tenterden. Here Mr. Tribe had everything in readiness, and the first item at this pretty little country town was a good long touch of 'Knife and Fork Surprise' (not on the bells). After this the visitors were able to climb the fine old tower, and set the bells going to the tune of Stedman, Grandsire, Bob Major and Cambridge Surprise. Without a doubt this fine ring of eight deserves all the praise that visitors always have for it.

Next on the programme was Charing, the birthplace of the young 'Spices,' which was reached about 5 p.m. An excellent tea was partaken of at Mrs. Peakins' tea-rooms, and after a course or two of Grandsire Triples on handbells and a saunter round the village, the tower was visited, and touches of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge and Plain Bob Minor were brought round. Mr. Wallace Good, who had very kindly made arrangements here, joined in the ringing.

Leaving Charing about 7.30 p.m., the party's last stop was Lenham. Here the stay was short, it being the general opinion that a visit by bell hangers instead of bell ringers would be nearer the mark. The ladies of the party were pleased, anyhow, and many thanks are due to them for their patience and assistance at the tables.

Sittingbourne was reached at 9.30, and everyone agreed that it had been a very enjoyable and successful day. The ringers take this opportunity of tendering their thanks to the various incumbents for the use of the bells, and to those who made the necessary arrangements.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

Whatever may be the feeling of ringers as to whether peals tapped on handbells should be recorded by the associations for which they are performed, no one will deny the merit of such achievements, and Mr. Arthur T. Morris has now accomplished the unique feat of tapping a peal of 5,600 London Surprise Major. This is a most remarkable performance, and we should like to see it repeated in the presence of independently appointed referees. We have not the slightest doubt as to the genuineness of any of Mr. Morris's achievements, but such a peal as London Surprise tapped before officially appointed witnesses would at once and for ever silence any criticism upon the subject.

The Bailey brothers, of Leiston, have scored another success, by adding to their achievements a 'family' peal of Stedman Cinques on handbells. By this performance they have put up another record. They are the first band of brothers to ring a peal of Cinques, and they have now scored Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques, and Kent Treble Bob Major, Royal and Maximus.

There is not much left for this wonderful company of brothers to achieve, except tower bell peals in some of the higher methods, and these we have no doubt will all come in good time.

The Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques have all been rung within the last ten months, and would probably have been completed before but for the hot weather and the harvest. Some time ago three-quarters of the peal was rung, and then it was left alone until last week. These men have made ringing history.

Among the coming young men is undoubtedly Albert E. Norman, of Birmingham. Although only 19 years of age, he has just recently called a peal of Stedman Caters on handbells, and this, we learn, at only four hours' notice, prior to which time he had not even seen the composition. There are not many youths who could successfully take on a task of this kind. Among his other performances are peals of Cambridge Major, Royal and Maximus.

A correspondent (Mr. J. W. Moorhouse) informs us that the one part peal of Grandsire Triples by Mr. Louis Head, in our issue of August 5th does not contain any new feature. Peals were published in 1907 with only three bells 'before,' with the minimum number of calls with this quality.

In the quiet village of King's Norton, Leicestershire, an old ringer and churchwarden, Mr. W. Webster, has suffered a great loss by the sudden death, on August 12th, of his youngest son Walter, aged 30 years, so quickly after the death of Mrs. Webster (mother of three ringing sons). The fine tower containing a beautiful toned peal of eight, by Eyres, losses a regular service ringer, respected by all.

The peal rung at Bungay on August 4th, has appeared twice, sent up by two different correspondents.

There is a 'lock-out' of ringers at St. George's, Bristol, we read. The Vicar complains that the ringers failed to attend service, and dismissed them. It is stated that the ringers are submitting their case to the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.

A DEBENHAM STORY.

COMMITTED MURDER, THEN CALLED A LONG PEAL.

To the Editor.

Sir,—As you publish anniversary notices of long peals, first peals, etc., perhaps the following will be of interest:—

There is a peal board at Debenham on the east wall of the tower, well made, excellently written, but faded. It commemorates a peal of Bob Major rung in 1767 (six years after the bells were augmented to eight), 10,600 changes, in 6 hrs. 1 min. The tenor man called the peal, and his name was Jas. Wilson (I quote from memory). Would this peal be the longest length then rung in the method? I forget the rest of the account on the board, as it was always difficult to read the last few lines. Perhaps a Debenham friend would send it for publication.

The old blind ringer, the late John Brady, of Debenham, told me that in his young days this peal was commonly regarded as a unique performance, as the tenor man was supposed to have committed a murder on the road to Debenham to call the peal. It could not, however, be brought home to him at the time, for being arrested on coming home again, he proved an alibi, to the satisfaction of the court. His having been ringing at Debenham for six hours cleared him, but on his death-bed, years after, so the story goes, he confessed that he did commit the murder on his way, and managed to get to Debenham quickly enough to prove the alibi. A cool customer, I imagine. It would be interesting to know if all this is true. The man must have been known fairly well as a ringer. He was from Norwich, I believe. The rest of the band were local, I think.

Wishing 'The Ringing World' and the Exercise in general the best of luck.—Believe me, yours,
45, Innes Avenue, Toronto.

PETER LAFLIN.

BRISTOL AND SUPERLATIVE ROYAL.

A CHALLENGE TO MR. TROLLOPE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The Revs. Bankes James and Law James speak frankly in last week's issue; the former as to the surfeit of bluff, and the latter as to the wasting of space in your valuable columns. Perhaps these shafts have gone home to our honourable friend on the 'Opposition Bench'; or perhaps he is now conscious of the futility of his attempt to lay down a series of 'rules' for the production, ad lib., of complicated structures such as London; or perhaps, again, he has now realised that in the absence of practical illustration (preferably by means of the actual figures), it is purposeless to give vent to expression in vague phraseology and meaningless platitudes. But, whatever may be the reason for it, the fact remains that Mr. Armiger Trollope has not furnished an answer to the problem—(of the kind which he has already avowed himself capable of solving in 30 minutes)—the problem which I propounded in your issue of August 5th, as to the extension of Bristol; neither has he expressed his willingness to accept the challenge to prove that any one of the first three methods submitted to the Records Committee, C.C., has been produced previously; and yet (vide last week's issue) he still speaks of 'no such thing as a new method' and again 'no such thing as authorship of methods.' Pray, sir, how does Mr. Trollope reconcile this with the fact that the late Sir Arthur P. Heywood, Bart., M.A., was known to the Exercise as 'a skilled change ringer, conductor, composer and author,' and whose memory will ever be cherished by the Exercise as such?

But to revert to the Bristol problem; this is a question of such universal interest as to call for a ready answer; and Mr. Trollope claims to be able to settle such questions in a few minutes; therefore, we as in all seriousness, Can he produce Bristol Royal? Yes or No. And if his answer be in the affirmative, will he be kind enough to give us the figures of half a lead of his method, in preference to his somewhat uncertain 'Rules for extending'?

Perhaps he will give us also the true version of Superlative Royal, if he considers that to be possible, since he has proclaimed repeatedly his ability to do these things with ease.

In all fairness to the question, may I be pardoned for adding that I have already formed my own conclusions on these matters (and am prepared to publish them), but then I am only *E Pluribus Unum!* and meanwhile the Exercise awaits the evidence of Mr. Trollope's expositions.—Very truly yours,

A. YORK-BRAMBLE.

TAPPING OF PEALS.

MR. OLAVE BROYD'S OPINION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—My opinion of the peal which I umpired for Mr. A. T. Morris tapped on handbells, I consider a wonderful performance, and quite worthy of record. If two men rang a peal of Major with four handbells each, I suppose it would be recorded. It is impossible for Mr. Morris to ring eight handbells, so, therefore, he taps his peals. Judging by the splendid and confident way in which he tapped this peal, I look for Mr. Morris to come out with far more wonderful performances in the future.—Yours faithfully,

O. BROYD.

A WONDERFUL PIECE OF WORK.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I feel I cannot let pass without some reference the remarks of Messrs Bernard and Tayler, of Harwich, re the tapping of peals and non-bookings of same by the Essex Association. I, like them, cannot quite fathom the reason why the association decided not to book any further peals. I had the honour to umpire a peal tapped by Mr. Olave Broyd, of Gestingthorpe. I considered that performance a wonderful piece of work. The hobs were called by the performer, and ticked off by myself and my brother and compared with the composition at the end of the peal, and were found to be correct in every detail. Whether eight bells are more difficult to tap I do not know. Doubtless the performer has some method of doing it that I do not myself understand, but at the same time it must require a great deal of skill, and I for one certainly congratulate Mr. Morris, whether right or wrong from a campaniologist point of view. Perhaps those responsible for the booking, or rather the non-booking, of these peals think it might be possible to ring anything and just have the bells right when the hobs are called and course ends come up, but if anyone disputes the peals they are, as Messrs. Bernard and Tayler state, at liberty to witness a peal being tapped, and if they think it worth while can 'tick off' portions anywhere, apart from the actual calls and course ends, and then pass their own opinions. I hope that some steps may be taken to rightly recognise this most skilful bit of work.—Yours faithfully,

Belchampt Walter, Essex.

H. W. CATTERWELL.

THE POSITION IN SUFFOLK.

WEST SUFFOLK'S ATTITUDE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—After reading the two letters in last week's 'Ringing World,' under the heading 'Position in Suffolk,' I would make the following facts plain. West Suffolk, late Sudbury Branch of the Ely Association, left that Association not because of the 'neglect of the Parent Society'—the Ely Diocesan Association has never given West Suffolk cause to accuse it of 'neglect'—but because, Suffolk having become a diocese, and having its own Bishop, it was the opinion that there was a just claim for an Association for Suffolk; hence the separation, which our Ely brethren were quite expecting, and did accept in good faith. Not wishing to impair that faith, I emphatically state that at no time has West Suffolk entertained the idea of amalgamating with any other society. West Suffolk, having formed an Association, intends to carry it on as a separate society for Suffolk.

I ask our brother ringers in East Suffolk carefully to consider the matter, and trust they will see that the claim is right and proper, and to join with us in building up a society which will justify itself. Anyone who will carefully study the matter, will, I think, agree with Mr. Dennis that there is ample room for a separate society to be carried on in each of the counties of Norfolk and Suffolk.

Our appreciations are due to the two correspondents of last week for their manly attitude throughout their respective letters. I trust, whatever the outcome, nothing that has, or will be said, will alter that friendship which has hitherto existed between us as brother ringers.—Yours, etc.,

Lavenham.

S. H. SYMONDS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—As you say, the position is quite altered by the letters you have published from the representative members of the Ely Diocesan Association, and I quite agree with you that they ought to be consulted in any arrangements that are proposed.—Yours very faithfully,

H. DRAKE.

DRY WEATHER EFFECT ON BELL FITTINGS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—No matter how well seasoned timber is in a bell frame, or in the head stocks, during a period of dry weather—such as we have recently experienced—the timber will always shrink, and I do not think that there is any danger whatever of a bolt getting too much load to carry when wet weather sets in. Unless the bolt is very badly rusted and thin, the wet weather will not affect it. Great care should be taken in tightening up the gudgeon shoe bolts always to pull up the inside ones first, as when a bell is down the tendency is for the gudgeons to tip upwards; also when they are tightened up the inside ones should be considerably tighter than the outside, in order to keep the gudgeons lineable.

Care should also be taken to pull up equally the head stock bolts that hold the bell. If one side is pulled up more than another, the bell will become false struck.—Yours faithfully,

J. H. B. HESSE.

DEATH OF VETERAN EAST LONDON RINGER.

It is with much regret that the St. Mary, Bow, Middlesex, Society, record the death of an old and much respected member, viz., Mr. Thomas Cranfield, who passed away on Friday, August 5th, aged 71 years. Deceased was well known to East London ringers, and will be greatly missed at Bow, and also West Ham, where he was regular in his attendance.

The funeral took place on Friday, August 12th, and in the evening the 'whole pull and stand' and a touch of Treble Bob was rung with the bells half-muffled at Bow. The following ringers took part: G. Hayden, A. Neale, F. Newman, R. Sanders, A. Scambler, J. Scholes, W. Theobald, R. Turner and J. Waghorn.

BRISTOL RINGERS' WEDDING.

On Saturday, August 20th, the marriage took place at St. Anne's Church, Brislington, Bristol, of Mr. Edwin J. Brown and Miss Maud A. Jordan, two highly respected members of the St. Philip's Guild. The ceremony was performed by the Vicar of St. Anne's (the Rev. H. S. Urch), assisted by the Rev. M. E. Thorold, Vicar of St. Philip's, and Past Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Association. Mr. W. A. Cave, another P.M. of the Association, was also present.

After the ceremony the bridal pair proceeded to Bournemouth for the honeymoon, where a little programme of ringing had been arranged for them by Mr. W. A. Cave.

In the evening, in honour of the event, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples at St. Philip's unfortunately came to grief, and afterwards 816 Double Norwich was rung by: F. Poreh 1, Miss A. Brown 2, F. W. Wade 3, P. C. Williams 4, G. Wiltshire 5, H. T. Howell 6, J. Long 7, A. E. Reeves (conductor) 8. The Guild wish the pair every happiness in their married life.

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HORNCHURCH BELLS.**RINGERS ABUSED.**

Hornchurch, Essex, is having its turn with a storm in a teacup, stirred up by one who most vehemently protests against the 'intolerable nuisance' of the 'nerve-racking tintinabulation of the bells.' The correspondence has appeared in the 'Romford Recorder,' and the gentleman who finds his peace disturbed goes to the length of nearly half a column of sheer abuse. Among other suggestions for ending the ringing he suggests that the ropes might be used by the ringers to hang themselves with.

The ringers have responded with vigour, and, as might only be expected when an attack of this virility is launched, have hit out pretty strongly. They reciprocate by offering the gentleman an old rope to enable him to take a short cut in escaping from the torture which he seems at present to be enduring, and they make other kindly suggestions. Mr. Dale, the captain, adding, by way of encouraging him, we imagine, that he is arranging a peal of 20,160.

If the gentleman who objects to the bells thought that abuse of the ringers was the way to get his grievance (whether real or imaginary) given serious consideration, he must have other opinions by now. At any rate, if the correspondence is still going on, the public of Hornchurch are having some entertaining reading.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A successful meeting of the Bedford District was held at Willington on Saturday, August 27th. Members were present from Bedford, Kington, Elstow, Biggleswade, Great Staughton, Roxton, Clapham, Dunstable, and the local company. At the business meeting, held in the tower, with Mr. F. Webb in the chair, it was proposed to hold the next meeting at Elstow on Saturday, Sept. 24th.—A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for use of the bells, and to the local company for having everything in readiness, was accorded.

BARNSELY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

A meeting was held at Monk Bretton on Saturday, August 13th. The bells at this tower are very good. The ringing room, although small, is neat and nice, and the whole is a credit to all concerned. Ringing went on merrily from 4 to 9 p.m. The outstanding feature of the meeting was the welcome given to the association by the Vicar (the Rev. John E. A. Mercer), who presided at the business meeting held in the vestry. He gave an address, outspoken yet eloquent, and rich in tender appeal. He praised and admired the bells and their music, and said he held great regard for their influence on men at early morn or dewy eve. He besought change ringers with earnest pleading to aspire to the very highest in their art. By doing this their sounds would travel far, and ascend to the Great Creator of all that is divine. Merit is sometimes slow to be recognised by the National Church, but if ringers are any judge this young clergyman must attain higher rank in the church he serves so well.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens and local company for all arrangements made, ended the meeting.

Members were present from towers near and far. The next meeting is to be held at Wragby, near Wakefield, on Saturday, Sept. 10th.

WALLASEY RINGERS ENTERTAINED AT LIVERPOOL.

At the invitation of the local band, ringers from St. Hilary's, Wallasey, Cheshire, visited St. James' Church, West Derby, Liverpool, for an afternoon's ringing. A well-struck 720 of Bob Minor was first rung, followed by other touches. The party then adjourned for tea, at the conclusion of which Mr. Walters thanked the St. James' ringers for their kind hospitality in providing them with tea, which they had all enjoyed.

Mr. Hargreaves replied for the St. James' ringers, and referred to the friendly feeling which had grown up between the two towers as a result of the efforts of Mr. George Rogers. That was the second year of these social meetings, and he hoped the friendship which had been established would last for years to come.

Mr. G. Rogers also spoke, and referring to the intimate relations which had sprung up between the towers, said he could not realise how it had been brought about, but he hoped it would long continue. After tea the visitors inspected the relics to be seen in the old village, and then returned to the tower where several touches in various methods were rung until eight o'clock.

Mr. Donnelly, of Liverpool, and Mr. H. Ashton, of Ramhill, were present also at the gathering.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**ROCHESTER DISTRICT MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Rochester district of the Kent County Association was held at Rochester, on Saturday, August 20th, and from the point of numbers was highly successful, although the ringing never reached a very high standard. At 3 o'clock a good party had mustered outside the Cathedral, where the new ring of ten by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, had been placed at the disposal of the district through the kindness of the Dean. Some of the visitors, whose first visit it was to Rochester, were very interested in the approach to the belfry, and more than one had cause to remember it through a sore head—caused by coming into contact with the low beams. Ringing took place until 4.45, when a halt was called for tea, which was served in the beautiful gardens of the Tea Table Cafe, and 53 sat down.

The business meeting followed, and was of a hasty character, owing to the service being fixed for 6 o'clock.—The District Secretary (Mr. Fred M. Mitchell, Milton-next-Gravesend) was unanimously re-elected, and thanked for his services during the past year, one member returning thanks for the 'buckshee' teas he had been instrumental in getting the district.—The representatives on the Central Committee (Messrs. E. A. G. Allen, Frindsbury, and W. Spicer, Tunstall) were also re-elected.—Swanscombe was chosen for the next quarterly meeting, on Saturday, December 3rd, and the meeting terminated with a hearty vote of thanks to the Dean of Rochester for the use of the bells, also to the Vicars of St. Margaret's, Rochester, and Frindsbury for allowing their towers to be open, and to Mr. W. Haigh for presiding over the meeting.

The ringers' service followed in the Cathedral. The service was not definitely fixed until the forepart of the week, so could not be advertised, and it was a very small congregation of ringers that listened to an excellent address by Canon Arnott, who took his text from 1 Corinthians x. 31, 'Whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.' He reminded the ringers that their service in the church was as important as the choristers' or the clergy's, and said that the service to the church should also be followed by service to God. He remarked on the large number of ringers that had, during the afternoon, passed through that ancient Cathedral on their way to the belfry to ring, but how few had attended to pay their service to God.

It certainly was not very encouraging to the organist, who attended, and to the clergy, and a little excuse can be offered for those ringers who had to leave to catch an early train.

Ringers who afterwards again indulged in until 9 o'clock, when the bells were lowered, and a successful meeting terminated.

During the evening, the towers at St. Margaret's, Rochester, and Frindsbury were open for ringing, and the district is to be congratulated in having such a fine peal of ten, as the Cathedral now possesses, which is the only peal of ten in the district.

In addition to the ringers from the towers of the district there were visitors from Canterbury, Lewisham and Maidstone districts, Lancashire, Yorkshire, Croydon, Staines, and Prittlewell.

VICAR'S WIFE AS PRACTISING MEMBER.

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham District was held at Farningham, on Saturday, August 6th. The tower was open at 3 p.m., and the bells, a ring of six, were set going to Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, College Single, Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Minor. Service was conducted by the Rev. F. N. Snaith (Vicar), who also gave an interesting address, taking for his text the words, 'A three-ply cord is not quickly broken,' illustrating life with the colour of the sally, red, white and blue.

The Vicar very kindly entertained the company to tea at the Lion Hotel, and over forty sat down, including several ringers' wives.

The business meeting followed, presided over by the Vicar, who was unanimously elected an hon. member. Nine practising members of Farningham tower were also duly elected. They include Mrs. Snaith (the Vicar's wife) and Capt. and Mrs. Sheldon.

St. Luke's, Bromley Common, was chosen as the place for the annual district meeting in October.

A hearty vote of thanks was then accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, his address, and the tea; also for presiding.—The Vicar, replying, said it had been a great pleasure to him to have the association there, also to hear the bells ringing again. Any time they were that way, and would like to ring on the bells, he should be most happy for them to do so.

A course of Grandsire Triples and Caters, and Stedman Triples, was then rung on handbells, after which the tower was again visited.

LEEDS & DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The usual monthly meeting was held at Calverley, on Saturday, August 27th, ringers being present from Leeds, Burley, Idle, Pudsey, and the local company. Touches of Grandsire Triples, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Major were indulged in in the evening. At the business meeting, in the absence of the secretary, Mr. Gerald Moorhouse, his brother, performed the necessary duties.

A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

CLAPHAM, BEDS.—On Sunday morning, for Divine service, several 8-scores of Doubles were rung with the bells half-muffled for the Vicar's warden who met with a fatal accident owing to his motor bursting into flames. The ringers were: P. Dawson 1, H. Smith 2, S. Smith 3, Bland 4, R. Shimmans 5, H. L. Harlow 6, who went to Clapham to help the local company on this sad occasion.

PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.—On Sunday, August 28th, for morning service, 546 Grandsire Triples: V. Corden 1, S. Stone 2, C. A. Greenfield 3, R. W. Picton 4, P. H. Doick 5, E. Elliott 6, A. Greenfield (conductor) 7, H. J. Doick 8. Messrs. E. Elliott and R. W. Picton were on a visit from Watford.

WOLVERHAMPTON.—At St. Peter's Collegiate Church, for morning service, on August 28th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters, consisting of 1,299 changes, in 53 mins.: H. Knight 1, F. W. Perrens (conductor) 2, C. Beech 3, G. Tudor 4, T. Roden 5, H. Farlow 6, W. A. Cooper 7, E. F. Mitchell 8, W. H. Lawley 9, T. Smith 10.

FULHAM.—At All Saints', on Sunday, August 28th, 1,260 Stedman Caters: H. Belsher 1, W. H. Wood 2, W. H. Hoilier 3, W. H. Joiner 4, A. Cutmore 5, J. W. Driver (conductor) 6, A. R. MacDonald 7, G. C. Iles 8, A. Hawling 9, M. A. Smith 10. Rung as a compliment to M. A. Smith on his 67th birthday.

DARTFORD.—Kent County Association.—At Holy Trinity Church, on Sunday, August 28th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: H. Audsley 1, F. Ellis 2, R. Morgan 3, E. Brown 4, J. H. Cheesman (conductor) 5, E. Bates 6, J. Wheadon 7, H. Simmons 8.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.—At the Church of St. Mary, on Sunday, August 28th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 48 mins.: F. J. Trappitt 1, *C. Kippin, junr., 2, T. Talbot 3, A. J. Plowman 4, J. W. Trappitt 5, W. H. Hewett 6, A. J. Trappitt (conductor) 7, R. Whittington 8, C. W. R. Grimwood 9, J. Fowler 10. * Longest length in any method.

DEPTFORD, KENT.—On Sunday, August 28th, at St. John the Evangelist's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: J. Law 1, J. Crowder 2, T. A. Easterby 3, G. Simmonds 4, H. Norgate 5, A. Bradley 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, C. H. Macklin 8.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.—On Sunday, 28th August, at St. Margaret's Church, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. J. Lambert, senr., 1, J. L. Harris (Halling) 2, R. T. Lambert 3, F. Butchers 4, F. J. Lambert 5, E. G. Lambert (conductor) 6. Also 720 of Canterbury Double Bob and Oxford Bob: R. E. Lambert 1, J. A. Lambert (Merton) 2, R. T. Lambert 3, E. C. Lambert (conductor) 4, F. J. Lambert 5, F. J. Lambert, senr., 6.

MARKET DEEPING, Lincs.—At the Parish Church, for evening service, on August 28th, 360 Cambridge Surprise: A. Riggall 1, E. Wright 2, H. M. Day (conductor) 3, H. Holmes 4, W. A. Day 5, G. Wells 6. Also 360 of Double Court: A. E. Sneath 1, A. Riggall 2, H. M. Day (conductor) 3, G. Wells 4, J. Landon 5, E. Wright 6.

HULL.—Yorkshire Association.—At Holy Trinity Church, on Sunday, August 21st, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): E. C. Field 1, A. B. Cook 2, G. F. Williams (conductor) 3, J. Highfield 4, J. Chamberlain 5, J. H. Howell 6, T. Morton 7, A. M. C. Field 8. Also a short touch for matins. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a mark of respect and esteem to the late Mr. O. Jackson, for over 50 years a ringer in this tower.

BREWOOD, STAFFS.—On Sunday, August 28th, after evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (being 10½ six-scores each called differently), in 48 mins.: F. Wakelam 1, G. Walford 2, N. Wakelam 3, H. E. Wakelam 4, J. Perry (conductor) 5, L. Swift 6, E. Speake 7, A. G. Hunt 8. Rung, with 7, 6, 8 covering, to celebrate the golden wedding of the Rev. Prebendary and Mrs. Dunkley.

LLANDUDNO.—At Holy Trinity Church, on Sunday, August 28th, for evening service, in 49 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): A. Appleton (first quarter) 1, T. Barrow 2, T. Lodge 3, R. W. Thompson 4, S. Brown 5, A. Fairlie 6, S. A. Cullington (conductor) 7, T. Lowe 8. First quarter-peal by local band.

FOLKESTONE.—On Sunday, August 28th, for evening service, at the Parish Church of SS. Mary and Eanswyth, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. Copins 1, W. Lawrence (Ealing) 2, E. E. Bridges 3, A. G. Kedwell (conductor) 4, N. E. Hope 5, J. Henley 6, T. Farley 7, W. Knight 8.

CIRENCESTER, GLOS.—On Sunday, August 21st, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): F. W. Bond 1, W. C. Cuss (conductor) 2, W. G. Cook 3, H. Lewis 4, F. J. Lewis 5, J. Hope 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8. Composed by H. G. Miles, and taken from 'The Ringing World.'

ASHCHURCH, GLOS.—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Sunday, August 21st, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: G. Taylor 1, A. Taylor 2, H. Wakeford 3, R. Harris 4, E. Wallace 5, W. Crooks (conductor) 6.

HERTFORD.—Hertford College Youths.—On Sunday, August 21st, at St. Andrew's Church, for Divine service, 640 Kent Treble Bob Major: V. Neale 1, A. E. Creasey 2, R. Dore 3, A. Wright 4, H. J. Gray 5, G. Gray 6, J. Ladley 7, Col. H. Baker 8. Conducted by the Master (Colonel Baker), who is to be congratulated on the band's progress in this method, after two months' tuition. All the ringers are resident members of the society.

BRABOURNE, KENT.—On Sunday, August 21st, for evening service, 120 of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles: S. Finn, L. Finn, E. Cheeseman, A. Castle (Elham), H. Parker (Mersham), G. Cheeseman.

SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD, OXON.—For evening service, on Sunday, August 14th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: V. G. A. Bartlett 1, H. Coombes 2, W. E. Coombes 3, F. R. Coombes 4, A. Miles 5, R. G. Miles 6, H. Miles (conductor) 7, G. Bartlett 8. For evening service, on Sunday, August 21st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: Miss Eva N. Belcher 1, V. G. A. Bartlett 2, W. E. Coombes 3, F. R. Coombes 4, G. Bartlett 5, A. Miles 6, H. Miles (conductor) 7, Evans Mace 8.

LIVERPOOL.—On Sunday, August 14th, at St. Nicholas' Church, 352 Bob Major, 168 Grandsire Triples, 305 and 216 Grandsire Caters: J. Megan, G. W. Tembey, W. Fisher, T. Gilmour, E. Bounphrey, E. Counce, T. Hammond, junr., J. Martin, Claude Davies, W. Davies, A. Lindsay taking part. Arranged for Mr. Tembey, of Cumberland; he also rang on the new peal of eight at St. Francis Xavier's several courses of Grandsire Triples with the local band, for morning service.

MIDDLETON, LANCASHIRE.—At the Church of St. Leonard, for evening service, on Sunday, August 14th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins.: J. Hollows 1, J. H. Haydock 2, W. Berry (conductor) 3, T. K. Driver 4, F. Berry 5, T. Ogden 6, S. Holt 7, D. Renshaw 8. Rung as a compliment to J. H. Haydock, who hails from Ramsbottom. The composition was taken from 'The Ringing World.'

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NOTICES.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice:—St. Martin's, first Monday in the month, at 7.30 p.m.; St. Bride's, second Saturday, 5 p.m.; Shoreditch, 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Services, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

(established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on September 1st, 15th and 29th; *St. Paul's Cathedral on September 6th; Southwark Cathedral on September 13th; *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on September 20th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on September 22nd, all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards at headquarters. —William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.

—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at Wye, by kind permission of the Vicar, Rev. Edgar Lambert, on Saturday, Sept. 3rd. Ringing commencing at 2.30. A Special service in the Church at 4.30. Business meeting after tea for the election of officers, &c. Ringing again till 8 o'clock.—C. Tribe, Hon. Dist. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.

—Next meeting at Seend, September 3rd, at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—H. F. Brown, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.

—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, September 3rd, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. All ringers invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—A meeting

of the Northern District will be held at Royston on Saturday, Sept. 3rd. Bells (8) available 2.30. Service in Church 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Thrapstone District.

—A Special meeting will be held at Sudborough on Saturday, Sept. 3rd. Bells ready 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. A good attendance requested.—J. Nickerson, Dist. Sec., Halford St., Thrapstone.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.

—The next meeting will be held at Prestwich on Saturday, Sept. 3rd. Bells ready 3.15. Meeting at 7.15 p.m. A good attendance is requested as the business is important.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.

—The next meeting will be held at New Church, near Warrington, on Saturday, 3rd Sept. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Rd., Bolton.

HERTS ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at

Aldenham (8 bells) on Saturday, Sept. 3rd. Bells available at 3 p.m. Meat tea at the "Three Compasses" at 5 p.m., 2s. per head. All ringers welcome. Those attending would greatly oblige by notifying me previously.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec., Western District, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Ely.

—A district meeting will be held at Fulbourn on Saturday, September 3rd. Bells (8) available afternoon

and evening.—A. E. Austin, District Sec., 4, Hill View, Great Shelford, Cambridge.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wimborne Branch (North and South).—A quarterly meeting will be held at Shroton on Saturday, September 3rd (6 bells). Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4.30; address by Rev. R. H. Gundry. Tea at 5, followed by business meeting. A quarterly meeting will be held at Swanage on Saturday, September 10th (8 bells). Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4.30; address by Rev. W. R. Parr. Tea at 5, followed by business meeting.—C. A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Dorchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Buckland-Newton on Thursday, September 8th. Bells from 2 p.m. Guild service at 4.30, followed by tea (kindly provided by the Vicar) and business meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

SELBY ABBEY.—Unveiling of Ringers' War Memorial will take place on Saturday, Sept. 10th. Service at 4 p.m. Ringers are invited to this service. Tea (2/- each) can be arranged for those who make application not later than Tuesday, Sept. 6th, to the Secretary—W. Arthur Hall, 34, New Lane, Selby.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Great Brickhill on Saturday, Sept. 10th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 3.30 p.m. All those intending to be present please notify me not later than Sept. 5th, so that arrangements can be made for tea.—W. Sear, Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Middleton on Saturday, September 10th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 1, Church Street, Middleton. (Please note change of address.)

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—Meeting at Sherfield on Saturday, September 10th. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4. Tea at 4.45, followed by business meeting. Sixpence towards tea allowed to all members informing me by September 3rd.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. District Sec., Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Hampton on Saturday, Sept. 10th. Ringing from 3.15. Will arrange tea for all who let me know by the 6th.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Sheffield on Saturday, Sept. 10th. The bells of the Cathedral (12) and the peals of 8 at All Saints', St. John's and St. Maries will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Wolstenholme Hall, beside the Cathedral, at 5 p.m., at a charge of 1s. 9d. per head, and applications for same must reach Mr. C. Harrison, 53, Baltic Road, Sheffield, not later than first post Tuesday, Sept. 6th. Members are hereby reminded that annual subscriptions of 1s. 6d. are due from all resident ringing members, and should be paid before Sept. 30th.—P. J. Johnson, General Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wraxall, near Bristol, on Saturday, Sept. 24th. Bells available from 3 o'clock.

Service at 4.30, followed by tea and the annual business meeting, at which it is hoped all members will be present, and any subscriptions still owing should be paid. All ringers are welcome, and, if requiring tea, should please notify me not later than Sept. 19th.—Edith Smith, Sec., 16, West Park, Clifton, Bristol.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Summer Outing, Saturday, September 10th, at St. Albans.—St. Michael's, 2 p.m.; the Abbey, 3 p.m. and 6.30 p.m.; St. Stephen's, 4 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at The Creamery, Chequer Street. Names for tea to be sent in by September 3rd.—A. D. Barker, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The postponed annual meeting will be held at Ripon on Saturday, September 10th. Committee meeting will be held at the Black Bull Hotel at 3 p.m. sharp. Business as in previous circular. Tea will be provided at the Black Bull Hotel at 4 p.m. sharp. Members, 2/-; non-members, 3/-. Those intending to be at tea, please notify the Secretary not later than Tuesday, September 6th.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Central District.—A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Epsom, on Saturday, September 10th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar, Rev. Neville G. J. Stiff, at the Church Room, West Hill. Will those intending to be present at tea please inform Mr. J. Crawford, 2, Woodcote Side, Epsom, not later than Wednesday, September 7th?—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. District Sec.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Harworth (Bawtry Station) on Saturday, September 10th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Visitors welcome. Tea at 5 p.m., 1/- per head to members, 1/9 to non-members, who advise Mr. O. Revill not later than Wednesday, September 7th.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—Woodbridge District.—A practice meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Ufford, on Saturday, September 10th. Bells (8), by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. H. Drake), available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. All ringers invited.—Chas. E. Fisher, District Sec.

BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Wragby, near Wakefield, on Saturday, September 10th. Bells ready early. Tea, 1/- each, to those applying before Tuesday, September 6th, to Walter Jackson, Old Engine House, Nostell, near Wakefield. A good meeting is desired by local company. Members please note and apply early for tickets.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Desford on Saturday, September 10th. Bells (6) available from 4 till 7 p.m.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—A meeting will be held at St. Martin's Tower, Leicester, on Thursday evening, September 15th. It is hoped that as many members as possible will attend. Ringing from 7.30 p.m.—H. E. Norman, Local Sec., 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Bolsterstone on Saturday, September 17th. Bells (8) open all day. Short service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.30 at a nominal charge

on the Vicarage Lawn, if fine. Business meeting after. Nearest station is Deepcar (G.C.). Also a motor bus service from Middlewood Tram Terminus to Moor Hall Lane or Deepcar.—F. Clark, Hon. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Peering on September 17th. Service, with address, at 4 o'clock, followed by tea at the Bell Inn at a moderate charge. Will members kindly notify me of their intention of being present not later than Monday, September 12th?—Bert Redgwell, Rayne, near Braintree.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bewdley on Saturday, September 17th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Members requiring tea will be able to get same close to church. Election of officers will take place at this meeting.—A. Davies, Branch Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Worcestershire.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the above will be held at Crowland on Saturday, September 17th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Those requiring tea please inform Mr. A. Holland, Abbey Cottage, Crowland.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Hadleigh on Saturday, September 17th. Bells ready at 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. Symonds, Hon. Sec., 41, Market Lane, Lavenham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Hinckley on Saturday, September 24th. Ringing from 2 o'clock. Committee meeting in Schools at 4 o'clock. General meeting after tea. Mr. F. Cotton, 4, Gladstone Terrace, Hinckley, will arrange for tea at the Tea Rooms, Market Place, at 2/6 each, for those who advise him by September 21st.—Alfred C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—I shall be glad to have particulars of any 1921 peals not already rendered as soon as possible. In every case either the composition (if new) or the M.C.A. number should be given. Peal report forms provided free.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Sidney J. Lawrence has removed to 60, Harlestone Road, St. James's, Northampton.

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A most enjoyable meeting of the Blackburn branch was held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, last Saturday, over 40 members, many of whom brought their wives, attending. Ringing in the afternoon was followed by tea provided in the Sandgate School. At the subsequent meeting, the Rev. T. H. Foulds, curate of Holy Trinity Church, presided, and gave the ringers a hearty welcome to Holy Trinity. He hoped before long he would have the pleasure of seeing them again in Burnley.

Mr. Rennie Hartley was elected Branch President and Ringing Master for the ensuing 12 months.—Mr. Wm. Aaron, of Church Kirk, was elected a performing member, and the Rev. T. H. Foulds was elected an honorary life member.

The following members were elected as nominees for the various positions in the Lancashire Association: Vice-president, Mr. W. E. Wilson, Blackburn; ringing secretary, Mr. J. H. Banks; auditors, Mr. Greenhaigh and Mr. Barnes.

Accrington was chosen as the place for next meeting, to be held the week following the annual meeting of the Lancashire Association.

During the evening, a presentation took place to Mr. Tom Redman, of Burnley, in recognition of his long and devoted services to the branch. The gift took the form of a divan easy chair, and was presented, on behalf of the branch, by Mr. W. E. Wilson, who spoke of Mr. Redman's many excellent qualities, and of the high esteem in which he was held by all the ringers of the association, and particularly of the Blackburn branch.—Mr. Redman suitably responded.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar and wardens for the use of the bells, also to the Rev. T. H. Foulds for presiding.



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