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### 'PERFORMANCES' AND 'RECORDS.'

The long peal at Appleton has been the centre of much controversy by those who would compare its merits with the previous Loughborough record, and in private debate as well as in published correspondence sides have been taken according to the point of view of the speaker or writer. In this issue we publish a letter from 'Once a Beginner,' which contains what is, we think, a well reasoned argument, and goes deeper into the pros and cons than any previous correspondent. He points out the difference between what he terms a record performance and a record peal, the performance having relation to the physical side of the achievement, as against the length of the peal as a record. Everyone, we think, will agree that, judged in this way, the Loughborough performance stands unbeaten, while the Appleton length cannot be disputed as a record in the number of changes. It has not yet been pointed out what, we think, is in justice due to the band, that the men who rang the peal at Appleton have made no claim to anything. There was not a single footnote about length, or time, or anything else added to the report of the peal in our issue of April 28th, so that all the controversy has been raised from outside.

The two peals stand individually upon their merits, and unbiassed ringers are able to make their own comparison fairly upon the various points at issue. At the same time, what is it that is officially recognised? Not weight of metal, not length of time. So far as official statistics are concerned, all that counts is length. A five thousand at Bow or York counts for no more, officially, than a five thousand in the same method at, say, Painswick. Over and over again it has been pointed out that the official records can recognise none of the many points which, apart from the method and number of changes, go to the merit of a peal. These records for what they are worth (and we have noticed that with some ringers they are considered valueless or otherwise according to the question at issue) provide a scale by which all peals are judged. No one claims that scale to be perfect, but by it the Appleton peal will be appraised as a greater peal than that at Loughborough. The only thing that will really put an end to the question is a longer peal than 21,363, rung on bells as heavy, or heavier, than Loughborough. Such bells are not readily available for record breaking, and as time goes on they will doubtless become less so. It is not likely that the record will long stand where it does at present, if the bells can be found; but those who will beat both the Loughborough 'performance' and the Appleton 'record' have no mean task before them.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thursday, July 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 6103 CHANGES:**

*JAMES WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	*ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... 7
HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 2	HARRY A. FARLOW ... .. 8
THOMAS O'CONNOR ... .. 3	GEORGE HARRIS... .. 9
WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 4	THOMAS SMITH ... .. 10
*THOMAS RODEN ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. LAWLEY ... 11
†EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... 6	*ROBERT THOMPSON ... Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH PIGOTT. Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung in honour of a visit of H.R.H. the Duke of York to distribute prizes at the Royal Orphanage. \* First peal on twelve. † First peal of Cinques with a bob bell.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES:**

Tenor 38½ cwt.	
EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Treble	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 8
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 3	WILLIAM PYE ... .. 9
WILLIAM H. HEWITT... .. 4	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 10
WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 5	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 11
JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 6	JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES:**

Tenor 30½ cwt.	
*G. STEDMAN MORRIS ... Treble	*REIVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 6
†WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. 2	†HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 7
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3	*ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 8
ERNEST MORRIS... .. 4	*JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 9
*FRED STANFORTH ... .. 5	*LAURIE JACKSON... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

Rung on the festival of St. Mary Magdalene. \* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Caters 'inside.' † First peal of Grandsire.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 9½ cwt.	
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. Treble	SAMUEL COTTON ... .. 5
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 2	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... 6
REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 3	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 7
EPHRAIM W. RANDE ... .. 4	*ALFRED CUFFLIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK H. DEXTER.

\* First peal peal of Stedman. Quickest peal on the bells.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT EMMANUEL CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.	
*H. ASHTON ... .. Treble	W. S. HORN BROOK ... .. 5
*H. BURNER... .. 2	W. RUNDLE ... .. 6
W. HAMLYN ... .. 3	W. RICHARDS ... .. 7
*J. O. POOK ... .. 4	*S. SYMONS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. RUNDLE.

\* First peal.

**EASTBOURNE.**  
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
(ST. SAVIOUR'S GUILD.)

On Tuesday, July 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Saviour,

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

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

WILLIAM D. SMITH ... .. Treble	JOSEPH SHARP ... .. 5
GEORGE H. HOWSE ... .. 2	GEORGE W. STOKES ... .. 6
ARTHUR K. GOWER ... .. 3	ERNEST GOWER ... .. 7
ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... 4	JOHN H. SHARP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST GOWER.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Mary Gwendolen Nicholls to the Rev. Nigel Mackenzie Morgan-Brown, Rector of Bishop's Cleeve, Gloucester, and Hon. Minor Canon of St. Paul's Cathedral.

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

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. in A.

LEONARD P. BAILEY ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 2	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 3	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 7
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method on the bells.

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

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Margaret,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. Treble	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 5
FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 3	CHARLES SAMPSON ... .. 7
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 4	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method on the bells and in the borough of Ipswich. The two peals were rung on the Society's annual outing.

**WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

WALTER MILLER ... .. Treble	DAVID G. WIGHTMAN ... .. 5
HARRY HALL ... .. 2	VICTOR E. KERRIDGE ... .. 6
JOHN GARRETT ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... 7
JOHN HALL ... .. 4	ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by DAVID G. WIGHTMAN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to Mr. Fred Day, of Eye. For calling see 'Shipway,' page 217.

**FULNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Monday, July 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

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

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*CHARLES S. H. STILES ... Treble	†ARTHUR RIGGALL ... .. 5
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 2	ARTHUR J. FARR ... .. 6
JOHN T. BROWN ... .. 3	†WILLIAM WALKER ... .. 7
JOHN G. AMES ... .. 4	†HORACE M. DAY ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by HORACE M. DAY.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major.

**MIDDLESBOROUGH.**  
**THE OLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
On Tuesday, July 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM JONES ... .. Treble	JOHN C. POLLARD ... .. 5
WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... 2	REV. A. SIMPSON ... .. 6
WILLIAM T. HOLMES ... .. 3	THOMAS METCALFE ... .. 7
JOHN W. PASSMAN ... .. 4	THOMAS LANCASTER ... Tenor

Composed by D. PRENTICE. Conducted by THOMAS LANCASTER.

The peal was arranged for the ringers of the 3rd who hails from Cockermouth, Cumberland; also to commemorate the 40th year of service of Mr. Felix Corbett as organist at this church.

**BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Tuesday, July 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in F.

GEORGE GRANT ... .. Treble	*ERNEST J. AYLIFFE ... .. 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 2	†D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... .. 6
†GEORGE POLLINGER ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. 7
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... 4	CHARLES AYLIFFE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER. Conducted by D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O.

\* First peal in the method away from treble. † First peal of Grandsire Triples; also first as conductor.

**WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Wednesday, July 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mark,

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

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILFRED GRUNDY ... .. Treble	ALLAN F. BAILEY ... .. 5
JOSEPH RIDYARD ... .. 2	PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE ... 6
JOSEPH H. RIDYARD ... .. 3	JOHN POTTER ... .. 7
FRED GRUNDY ... .. 4	STANLEY HARRISON ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. EARLE BULWER. Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

**LONDON.**  
**THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, July 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,

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

Tenor 18 cwt.

*P. SGT. JAMES BENNETT ... Treble	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 5
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... .. 2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 6
CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 3	ERNEST BRETT ... .. 7
CHALLIS WINNEY ... .. 4	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRED MOLDEN. Conducted by WILLIAM H. HEWETT.

\* First peal. The conductor's 200th peal.

**BEDFORD.**  
**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Thursday, July 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb.

*STANLEY G. HARLOW ... Treble	HARRY TYSOE ... .. 5
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 2	PEARL INSKIP ... .. 6
HERBERT J. HARLOW ... .. 3	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. 7
CHARLES CHASTY ... .. 4	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

\* First peal on eight bells. Rung with the bells half-muffled after the unveiling of the war memorial by the Lord Lieutenant of Bedfordshire, and as a token of respect to the Rev. Canon Speck, late Vicar of St. Paul's, who was interred on the 14th inst.

**MAIDSTONE.**—On Tuesday evening, June 27th, at the Church of All Saints, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, taken from Carter's Odd and Even Bob One-part: T. Mannering 1. L. Head (conductor) 2. H. Coast 3. H. Way 4. L. Newman 5. E. Spiller 6. L. Mannering 7. F. Randall 8. This was L. Newman's first quarter-peal of Stedman.

### ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF SPLICED TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

JOHN HUMPHRIES... .. Treble	WILLIAM BIGGIN... .. 5
HARRY GREAVES... .. 2	T. A. HOWES-SMITH... .. 6
A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS... .. 3	WILLIAM H. TURTON... .. 7
PERCY J. JERVIS... .. 4	CHARLES SEVERN... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. SEVERN.

In this peal there are no bobs, Oxford places being made at lead ends 1, 3, 5; it is believed to be the first peal rung on this plan, also the shortest peal possible on these lines.

### CHESTER.

#### THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALL,

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

Tenor 14 cwt.

*SAMUEL MEADOWS... .. Treble	GEORGE R. JONES... .. 5
ROBERT SPERRING... .. 2	*JOHN W. DAVIES... .. 6
HENRY W. WILDE... .. 3	*SAMUEL JONES, JUN... .. 7
JAMES H. RIDING... .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY W. WILDE. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal in the method. Quickest peal of Major on the bells.

### IDLE, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN DIVISION.)

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr.

*RALPH UMPLEY... .. Treble	ARTHUR GILL... .. 5
JOSEPH BROADLEY... .. 2	FIRTH HOPWOOD... .. 6
ERNEST H. SIMPSON... .. 3	THOMAS B. KENDALL... .. 7
JOHN PALFRAMAN... .. 4	*HARRY DAVIDSON... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS B. KENDALL.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

### PULHAM MARKET NORFOLK. THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 14 cwt.

FREDK. R. BORRETT... .. Treble	BEN S. THOMPSON... .. 5
CHARLES BAKER... .. 2	GEORGE MAYERS... .. 6
ERNEST WHITING... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS... .. 7
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN... .. 4	JAMES BOUGHTON... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

100th tower bell peal as conductor.

### HARTLEBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, July 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

#### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 22 cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD... .. 5
ROBERT MATTHEWS... .. 2	SIDNEY T. HOLT... .. 6
JOHN BASS... .. 3	WILLIAM PAGE... .. 7
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

First peal in the method on the bells; also W. Short's 350th peal as conductor.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

### SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

#### PIPE-CUM-LYDE, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

10 different callings.

Tenor 10 cwt.

*WILLIAM DOWNES... .. Treble	WILLIAM C. YOUNG... .. 4
*FRANK DOWNES... .. 2	JAMES P. HYETT... .. 5
PERCY H. YOUNG... .. 3	*GEORGE SOLEY... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

\* First peal.

#### KIRKBY MALLORY, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores called differently.

Tenor 8 cwt.

G. MARK COB... .. Treble	HAROLD WHITEMAN... .. 3
WILLIAM COPE... .. 2	ARTHUR WATERS... .. 4
FREDERICK E. WILSON... .. Tenor	

Conducted by F. E. WILSON.

This is the youngest band to have rung a tower bell peal for the Hinckley District. The ages of the ringers are: treble 16 years, 2nd 18, 3rd 17, 4th 20 and tenor 17. Rung at first attempt.

#### MARDEN, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

10 different callings.

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr.

WILLIAM DAVIES... .. Treble	CHARLES H. SPARKES... .. 4
WALTER S. EVANS... .. 2	JAMES P. HYETT... .. 5
WILLIAM H. SYMONDS... .. 3	ALBERT WEAVER... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

Arranged for A. Weaver, who was visiting his native parish. Special mention should be made of the way the treble man rang throughout the peal, he being in his 72nd year.

#### LEONARD STANLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE. THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTAN'S DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

*NORMAN K. COX... .. Treble	*CHARLES KING... .. 4
†THOMAS BAILEY... .. 2	FRANK COLE... .. 5
ALBERT WRIGHT... .. 3	*STANLEY KING... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

\* First peal. † First peal on an 'inside' bell. Rung as a birthday peal for the ringer of the tenor.

#### FINCHAM, NORFOLK. THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in A.

JOHN RODWELL, JUN... .. Treble	*BERT GOGLE... .. 4
WALLACE COUSINS... .. 2	CLAUDE COUSINS... .. 5
*FRED WIGMORE... .. 3	TONY PRICE... .. Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

Rung in honour of the induction of the new Rector. \* First peal and first attempt.

TENTERDEN, KENT.—On Monday, June 26th, on the occasion of a visit to the tower by Mr. F. Fairbeard, of Canterbury Cathedral company, a 720 of Plain Bob Minor: H. Baker 1, C. Tribe 2, L. Hones 3, E. Burgess 4, B. Baker 5, F. Fairbeard (conductor) 6, W. Button 7, E. Want (covering) 8.—Also a 518 of Grandsire Triples: Mrs. Baker 1, E. Burgess 2, H. Baker 3, C. Tribe (conductor) 4, B. Baker 5, L. Hones 6, F. Fairbeard 7, W. Bishop 8.



## SHORNE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

FREDERICK A. MITCHELL ... Treble	GEORGE MORRAD ... 4
HARRY ARGENT ... 2	*THOMAS BEAUMONT ... 5
JOHN BURLS ... 3	CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. Tenor

Conducted by CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M.

\* First peal of Minor. Rung as a fifth anniversary birthday compliment to the son and heir of the ringer of the 3rd.

## SOUTH CERNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

AT ALL HALLOWS CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

WILFRED G. COOK ... Treble	WILLIAM C. CUSS ... 4
JAMES BUTLER ... 2	SIDNEY R. HICKS ... 5
FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... 3	ARTHUR PAINTER ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.

First peal of Minor by all except 2nd and 3rd. First peal of Minor on the bells.

## FOY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 9 cwt.

ARTHUR J. LLEWELLYN ... Treble	*WILLIAM SHAW ... 4
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... 2	JOHN J. BEVAN ... 5
FRANK VOYCE ... 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

\* First peal.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

## TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-One Minutes.

AT 48, WOOD STREET,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

†JESSE B. TYLER ... 1-2	JAMES HUNT ... 5-6
JOHN THOMAS ... 3-4	*JOSEPH MADDOCK ... 7-8

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal on handbells. † First peal on eight handbells. First peal on eight handbells by the Association and in the county. Messrs. Thomas and Tyler are engaged in erecting a new frame and increasing the peal at St. Mary's to 12.

## DEATH OF MR. ARTHUR PILGRIM.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Arthur Pilgrim, of Ely, who held the office of district secretary in the Ely Diocesan Association for some years. He was parish clerk at St. Mary's, Ely, for about half a century, and at that church numerous men, including many of the Ely Theological students, learnt the art of ringing under his tuition.

Mr. Pilgrim was buried on July 14th.

## DEATH OF MR. FREDERICK DAY.

## A SUFFOLK BELL HANGER.

There will be general regret felt in the Exercise, especially in Norfolk and Suffolk, at the news of the death of Mr. Frederick Day, who died at his residence, Wellington Road, Eye, on Saturday, July 8th, in his 69th year. Mr. Day came of an old Eye family, being the son of the late Mr. George Day; and was associated with him for many years in the firm of George Day and Son, church bell hangers, which was established in 1802, the firm being well known throughout the country. Mr. Day was an original member of the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association of Ringers, his election dating back to its foundation, in 1877. He was also, from 1893 to 1919, secretary of the Eye district, and a member of the Ely, Royal Cumberland Youths, Gloucester and Bristol, Essex, Hereford, and other associations, and was Master of the Eye company, and a sidesman of the Parish Church. Sympathetic, sincere and helpful, the deceased was liked by everyone who came in contact with him, either in business or private life.

The deceased never seemed to recover from the shock of the death of his eldest son, Sergt. George E. Day, of the 5th Suffolks, who was killed in the great war on August 12th, 1915, in the landing at Suvla Bay, Gallipoli. He leaves a widow, three daughters and one son, Mr. Hubert J. Day, who assisted him in the business.

The deceased had a fine record of 118 peals, and rung on all numbers from six to twelve bells, and of his total 95 were rung for the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, his first association peal being rung on Easter Monday, March 29th, 1880, and his last on July 6th, 1914. It is interesting to note that this was also the late Sergt. George E. Day's last peal before the great war. The event of his ringing career was that of ringing the tenor to the peal of 10.272 changes of Kent Treble Bob Major at St. Mary's, Debenham, on October 16th, 1880.

With regard to his professional career, the following are a few of the noted rings of bells hung by Mr. Day; St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich (12), St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich (12), Bury, St. James' (10), Bury, St. Mary's (8), Lavenham (8), Leiston (8), Framlingham (8), Ross, Herefordshire (8), Monmouth (8), Clun, Shropshire (8), Birmingham (11), Prestbury, Gloucestershire (8), Barking, Essex (8), Pulham St. Mary (8), St. Margaret's, King's Lynn (10), Aylsham (10), Stonham (10), and many others.

The interment took place on Thursday, July 13th, at Ely Cemetery. The first part of the service was held at the Parish Church, the cortege being met at the west door by the surpliced choir, and the Vicar (the Rev. J. P. Oakley) and the Rev. A. H. Parker Smith (curate), who acted as cross bearer. Mr. F. W. Bray presided at the organ; the hymns, 'Days and Moments' and 'On the Resurrection Morning,' were sung, and the Psalm, 'The Lord is my Shepherd,' was chanted; the choir rendered very impressively the anthem, 'I heard a voice from heaven,' and at the conclusion of the service the Nunc Dimittis was sung. The mourners were: Mrs. Day (widow), Mr. Hubert J. Day (son), Miss Day, Mrs. Audiss and Miss Dorothy Day (daughters), Mrs. Garlick (sister), Master Fred Day (grandson), Mr. C. Audiss (son-in-law), Miss A. Murton, Mrs. James and Miss Hilda Dade (cousins). Others present included: Mr. F. W. French, Mr. E. O. Read, the Rev. F. J. H. and Mrs. Damant, Mr. J. A. Armstrong, Mr. E. A. Oryon, Mr. A. H. Burrows, Mr. F. Day, Mr. W. Tuffs, Mr. O. Oakes, Mrs. Cann, Miss Maude Tacon, Miss Woolnough, Miss Self, Miss Wallis, Mrs. Poppy (Stoke Ash), Mr. and Mrs. Weatherall, Mr. J. Crisp, Mr. Potter, Mr. G. Murton, Mrs. Bilham, Mr. A. E. Bilham, Mrs. Rush, Mr. W. Ford, Mr. W. Woods, Mr. F. Saunders, Miss Gedy. The Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association was represented by the following members: Mr. Arthur L. Coleman (general secretary), Mr. F. R. Borrett, Mr. W. Ireland, Mr. W. C. Duffield, Mr. J. Souter, Mr. C. J. More, Mr. A. J. Berry, Mr. S. Moule, Mr. F. Callum, Mr. W. Rose, Mr. E. F. Poppy, Mr. E. Youngs, Mr. W. Cutting, Mr. F. Brunning, and other members. The oak coffin bore the inscription: 'Frederick Day, died July 8th, 1922, aged 69 years.'

After the committal, Messrs. J. Souter, E. F. Poppy, W. Rose and W. Ireland rang a touch on the handbells over the grave, and, later, muffled touches were rung on the bells of the Parish Church, followed in the evening by a muffled peal of Bob Major. Four members of the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association of Ringers (Messrs. E. Youngs, W. Cutting, F. Brunning and E. F. Poppy) acted as bearers. Among the flowers were wreaths sent by the Eye and Thornham companies of ringers.

At St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, on Tuesday, July 18th, 414 Stedman Caters: Claxton 1, Miss H. Bil 2, Miss F. Bil 3, J. Brettell 4, R. Hardy 5, D. T. Potter 6, F. Davey 7, G. H. Cross 8, F. R. Copeman 9, Capt. Dale 10.—Also 845 in the same method by: Miss H. M. Durrant 1, Miss H. Bil 2, Miss F. Bil 3, G. Claxton 4, R. Hardy 5, B. J. Howelin 6, G. Mayer 7, F. R. Copeman 8, G. H. Cross 9, P. H. Davey 10. These touches, conducted by G. H. Cross, were rung half-muffled as a just token of respect to the late Mr. Frederick Day.

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## BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL MEETING AT WELLS.

The annual meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association was held in Wells, Somerset, on Saturday, July 8th, when there was a large attendance of ringers, many towers being represented, including Taunton (St. Mary's and St. James), Bridgwater, Frome, Wedmore, Mark, Wells, Chewton Mendip, West Pennard, Leigh-on-Mendip, Long Ashton, Bristol, Corston, Midsomer Norton, Radstock, Shepton Mallet, Bath, Glastonbury, Cheddar and Ilminster. Mr. A. Walker, Ringing Master, St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, and Mr. J. Thomas (Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, bell founders, London) were also present. The local arrangements for the gathering had been very efficiently made by Mr. Walter Farley. The members attended the afternoon service at the Cathedral, the preacher being the Rev. E. S. C. Lock, Vicar of West Pennard, who founded a short address on the words, "For we are members one of another."

The visitors were afterwards conducted round the Cathedral.

Following a tea the annual business meeting was held. The Master of the Association (the Rev. Claud C. Parker, Rector of Corston) presided over a large attendance.

### A REVIEW.

The Master, in a review of the year, said it was a great satisfaction to hold their annual meeting in the Cathedral city, and they were grateful to the Dean and Chapter for the facilities given them, and especially to Mr. Walter Farley, to whose energy and careful arrangements its success was mainly due. It was a disappointment that circumstances had prevented the Bishop, their President, from being present. They respectfully offered him their congratulations on his appointment, and expressed the hope that he would take as keen an interest in their association as his predecessor, the late Bishop Kennion. They could assure him that his Lordship would find in the association a very loyal body of church workers. There had recently been a meeting of the Central Council at Lincoln, which gathering was attended by Mr. Hunt, of Taunton. It was suggested at that meeting that a fund should be formed by each association to assist in providing and restoring bells in poor parishes, but he personally thought they might find it doubtful whether the amount that could be granted to any parish would be sufficient to make the formation of such a fund worth while. Turning to the affairs of their own association, the most important event was the restoration this year of a full annual report. Owing to the war and consequent financial difficulty, it had been impossible for the last six years to have an annual report printed, but he hoped for the future they would have one every year, as in pre-war days. The lapse of so long a period had made the task of their secretary one of exceptional difficulty, especially as all the returns from the towers had not yet been received. The association was recovering from the effects of the war, and was making real progress. The number of members and towers had increased and they were able to put on record a moderate list of peals. He urged district secretaries, to whom they owed so much, to seek to recover lapsed towers, and all members to great activity in the coming year, especially in the recruiting and training of new members. In regard to the financial position, they had in the last few years seen their reserve gradually diminishing, but this year there was a satisfactory increase. This was due to several reasons. First there was the special means taken to increase their income. The grants towards providing tea at the meetings were withdrawn, and secretaries were only allowed to expend a third of the subscriptions for local expenses. An affiliation fee of 2s. was required from every tower. The last provision resulted in a sum of £8 being received; but inasmuch as many towers sent in 5s., and one at least 10s., and as there were 106 towers belonging to the association, there must be a considerable number which had failed so far to comply with this provision. The hope expressed was that the affiliation fee should be paid by an application to the incumbent, churchwardens, and parochial church council, and he asked that such application should be made by all towers. He was certain that it would rarely be refused, in view of the great advantage to a parish of the ringers being attached to the Diocesan Association. These provisions had undoubtedly helped them to increase their reserve, but they had to recollect that an additional economy was effected by only printing the Master's report, and the balance sheet last year. Nevertheless, the balance sheet on the whole was a favourable one, and the members might think it wise to continue another year without any further expedient for increasing income. The details of the year's working was as follows: Members, hon. life, 6; hon. members, 79; performing members, 882; non-resident life members, 150; non-resident ringing members, 7; unattached, 49. Meetings had been held at Bath, Dulverton, Long Ashton, and Ditchat during the year, whilst 18 peals had been rung, viz., Grandsire Caters, 2; Bob Major, 1; Stedman Triples, 4; Grandsire, 3; Doubles in four methods, 1; three methods, 1; two methods, 2; Grandsire Doubles, 4. They would notice that there were 49 unattached members. The reason why members were unattached were variable and for the most

part justifiable, but at the same time most of them would agree that it was desirable where possible that every member should be attached to some tower. He was glad to see that there was variety in the list of peals, and he hoped next year's report would record not only an increased number of peals, but also of methods. He trusted that under God the association would continue to make progress and fulfil its useful purpose during the coming year in the diocese (applause).

On the motion of Mr. Taylor (Ilminster), seconded by Mr. Holmyard (Midsomer Norton), the Master's report was adopted.

### BALANCE SHEET.

Mr. E. Burgess (hon. secretary and treasurer) presented the balance sheet, which showed that during the year the reserve had increased from £67 ls. 7d. to £86 16s. 8d.

The Master, in moving the adoption of the financial statement, extended thanks to Mr. Taylor for auditing the accounts. He considered it distinctly creditable that their association had been able to get through trying times so well. Their thanks were due to Mr. Burgess, who had conducted the affairs of the association with such economy that they had been able to increase their reserve.

The Rev. J. E. W. Honeywill (Leigh-on-Mendip) seconded the motion, which was supported by Mr. Taylor, who pointed out that they would in the immediate future have to find £20 for printing the annual report, whilst their stock of stationery was low, and would soon need replenishment.—The motion was carried.

### RINGERS' MEMORIAL.

Mr. Burgess also presented the accounts relating to the fund for providing a memorial to Somerset ringers who fell in the war, and which tablet had been erected in Bath Abbey.

The Master congratulated Mr. Burgess upon the energetic and successful manner in which he had carried through the memorial scheme.

It was unanimously decided to grant an honorarium of £10 10s. to the secretary and treasurer for his services.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Bishop is president of the association, and the three Archdeacons of the Diocese and Preb. Boyd were re-elected vice-presidents, with the addition of the Rev. J. E. W. Honeywill.

Mr. Taylor proposed the re-appointment of the Rev. Claud C. Parker as Master of the Association.—Mr. T. Griffin (Radstock) seconded, and the re-election was approved by hearty applause.

The Master, in acknowledgment, said he had been the Master for many years, and whilst he felt a change was desirable, he particularly desired to see the association embarked upon a successful career after the war, and for that reason he would be pleased to continue in the office for another year.

Mr. Holmyard proposed the re-election of Mr. Burgess as hon. secretary and treasurer, and said if they searched the diocese they could not find a better man.—Mr. Maddock (Taunton) seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried.—Mr. Burgess said he would be pleased to do the best he could for the association for another year.—Mr. Taylor was re-elected auditor, and Mr. A. S. Bore (St. James', Taunton) was elected a member of the association.

The meetings of the association were fixed to be held at Burnham, Corston, Ilminster, and Yeovil (annual meeting).

Mr. Hunt mentioned that arrangements had been made to increase the number of bells in the tower of St. Mary's, Taunton, to twelve, and suggested that one of the quarterly meetings should be held at Taunton so that members might be able to try the new bells.—Mr. Coles (Bridgwater) deprecated the idea of interfering with the approved sequence of meetings. The association decided to adhere to the original programme in regard to meetings.

Mr. Hunt, as a representative of the association at the Central Council meeting at Lincoln, gave an interesting resume of the proceedings.

The Master proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. E. S. C. Lock for his sermon, the Dean and Chapter for affording the association facilities in regard to the annual meeting at Wells, the Dean for his address to them after the service, Canon Davis and Canon Alcock for showing them round the Cathedral, and to Mr. Walter Farley for making the local arrangements.—The vote having been heartily endorsed, the Rev. E. S. C. Lock and Mr. Farley replied.

After the meeting various members visited the towers of the Cathedral and St. Cuthbert's, and enjoyed short touches. Two courses of Stedman Caters were also rung on the handbells by Messrs. E. Brown (Bristol), A. Walker (Birmingham), J. Thomas (London), J. Hunt (Taunton), J. T. Dyke (Midsomer Norton).

WITNEY, OXON.—On Whit Monday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Rev. R. C. L. Newhouse 1, M. Smith 2, J. Butler 3, J. Monk 4, R. G. Rice (conductor) 5, G. F. James 6, N. Spindlow 7, R. Keen 8. It had been intended to attempt a peal, but owing to unavoidable delays two of the band could not arrive in time. The band represents eight different parishes: Buckland, Banbury, Hagbourne, Witney, Harwell, Blewbury, Ducklington and Southleigh.

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25436	—	—	—	56432	—	—	—
32546	—	—	—	45632	—	—	—
23546	—	—	—	34562	—	—	—
52346	—	—	—	63542	—	—	—
45236	—	—	—	36542	—	—	—
26534	—	—	—	53642	—	—	—
32654	—	—	—	45362	—	—	—
23654	—	—	—	64352	—	—	—
52364	—	—	—	46352	—	—	—
65324	—	—	—	34652	—	—	—
56324	—	—	—	53462	—	—	—
24365	—	—	—	42365	—	—	—
				64235	—	—	—
				46235	—	—	—
				24635	—	—	—
				32465	—	—	—

Repeated.

In this peal there are no bobs, Oxford places being made at lead ends 1, 3, 5. The 7th and tenor are never in the slow, the course is reduced to one of 160 changes. The peal contains the 60 course ends.

The real is reduced to 5760 by adding a call at 1 and 5 in the 14th course of each part, which brings up the 26th and 56th course ends respectively. It is reduced to 5120 by omitting the call at 1 in the 11th course of 1st part, which brings up the course end 64235 and adding a call at 1 and 5 in the 14th course of 2nd part, which brings up the 56th course end 43256.

First rung as a 5120 at Eckington on July 22nd, 1922. Conducted by the composer.

**FALSE COMPOSITION.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I beg to inform you that the peal of Double Norwich Major rung at St. John the Baptist, Tuebrook, Liverpool, on Feb. 27th, 1908, is false. Recently (if I am correctly informed) Mr. H. W. Wilde turned up this particular composition, and found that in the

reduced form (5,072) which was rung repetition occurs; in its original form (as a 5,184) it is quite true.

I can only say in extenuation that at the time I had not thought to question the truth of the author's (the late John R. Pritchard) compositions, and offer my sincere apologies to the surviving members of the band who took part.—Yours faithfully, J. MARTIN.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A successful meeting of the Biggleswade District was held at Clifton on Saturday, July 8th. The ringing during the afternoon and evening included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Major and Bob Major. Members and friends were present from Hitchin, Dunstable, Barton le Clay, Bedford, Turvey, Walthamstow, Biggleswade, Northill, Sandy Roston, and the local company.

At the business meeting which followed tea, provided at the Vicarage, Mr. G. P. Lucas, of Walthamstow, was elected a life member, and Roston was chosen for the next place of meeting.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Bishop for the use of the bells and providing such a splendid tea (to which 22 sat down); to the ladies and churchwardens for assisting at the tea; and to the local company for having everything ready.—Mr. Revitt, in responding, said what great pleasure it gave the Bishop and churchwardens to welcome so many ringers from so many different towers. He hoped the time would not be long before they paid another visit.

During the evening, several touches of Plain Bob were rung for the benefit of learners.

**COLLEGE SINGLE DOUBLES.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Will you please allow me to point out both to Mr. Hammond and Mr. Matkin that the figures they each publish are not Doubles at all? Three changes in every lead are Singles which would, of course, mean at least 38 out of the 120. Also, the eight blows behind are inadmissible. In conclusion, I would advise each of these gentlemen to stick to Snowdon's standard methods, wherein the best collection of Doubles is to be found.—Yours faithfully,

Walton-le-Dale, Lancs.

E. R. MARTIN.

PONTEFRAC, YORKS. — On Monday, June 19th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: B. Moody 1, W. Pearson 2, W. Hawley 3, A. Walker, junr. (conductor), 4, A. Walker, senr., 5, J. Jackson 6, H. C. Walters 7, T. Williams 8.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank are recasting four of the bells at St. Mary's, Lambeth, and rehanging the whole peal. The church first had eight bells in 1723, and the inscription on the treble records that 'these eight bells and frames and all appurtenances were new made, and a considerable weight of metal added to the old bells. A.D. 1723.'

The inscription adds: 'The cost near 250 pounds was defrayed by the gifts of many gentlemen and other inhabitants of this parish.' The distinction between the gentlemen and the other inhabitants is amusing.

There were bells at St. Mary's, Lambeth, more than four hundred years ago, for in the churchwardens' accounts for 1514-15 is a record as follows: 'Item for the fastening of iij belles yt wer lowese in the stoks & a stei to the gret bell lijs.'

The Whitechapel Foundry's connection with them is an ancient one, for the following appears in the accounts for 1586-87, the bell founder being obviously Robert Mot, the first of the long line of proprietors: 'It, to Mote for ye bell bringinge home and for ye clapper and bawdricke xvjs. viijd. and, in 1598-99: 'Item paid to Mr. Mote's man for bringing ye greate bell clapper from Whitechappell to Lambeth, vjd.'

There are other items paid to Mr. Mote, including in the year 1599-1600. xiiijli. xis. viijd. for a new bell.

Even in those days they used mats in the belfry, for in 1604-5 there is an entry: 'Item payed for matts for safegarde of the bell ropes, xvijjd.'

The bells now to be recast are the 2nd, 4th, 7th and 10th.

A village fete, in aid of the restoration fund of the parish church bells, is to be held at Sutton-on-Trent on Bank Holiday. Among the events will be a ringers' tug-of-war, and we hope there may be seen many doughty teams at the rope ends. This is an event in which ringers ought to excel, although they will doubtless find the hand-stroke much better than the back stroke for this purpose.

The Hertfordshire ringers have made a ringing raid into Buckinghamshire, three parochial companies of change ringers from St. Albans, Tring and Bushey, visiting Beaconsfield, Slough and Windsor during July.

All Saints' tower, Boyne Hill, Berks, is an unfortunate one. When the first octave of bells was put up the 7th fell from top to bottom of the tower, passing through a circular opening in the groining of the ceiling of the ground floor with only an inch to spare. The bell fell quite plump, and was not injured in any way. The steeple caught fire some years afterwards, and melted the bells, which necessitated a new peal. They have not been rung for several years past, and are now in the hands of the bell hangers. Last week the 5th bell fell into the pit, the chain by which it was suspended having snapped. The 'hanger' had only just vacated the pit, and was standing on the framework at the time.

Yesterday was the jubilee anniversary of the first peal in Ireland. This was Holt's Original at Christ Church Cathedral, Waterford, and there were some famous old ringers in this band of College Youths: W. Cooter 1, J. Pettit (conductor) 2, J. R. Haworth 3, G. A. Muskett 4, C. Lee 5, M. A. Wood 6, A. Hayward 7, W. Greenleaf 8.

On July 30th, 1792, the then longest peal of Grandeira Major was rung at Aston by St. Martin's Youths. The length was 7,552.

Last week we recorded a peal rung at Southover, Lewes, on Saturday, July 15th, in celebration of the birthday of Mr. R. J. Dawe and his father. We regret to record that Mr. Dawe, senr., who had been ailing for some time, died on the following day.

The Midland Counties Association meeting announced for Newark next Saturday, will be held instead at Mansfield.

A peal of Cinques, at Waltham Abbey, Essex, on Saturday evening, and a peal of Major in Worcestershire on Sunday afternoon, is the latest bustle of Mr. James George.

## CAMBRIDGE ROYAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—If Mr. Pye will read my letter again, he will see that I simply stated that I had composed the peal in 1910; in the same issue he stated that he had composed it in 1908; to my mind, that settles the matter, and I did not write to you because I do not see the use of using up your valuable space unnecessarily; with me silence gives consent.

Mr. Burford is mistaken in thinking that Nos. 907 and 343 in the Gloucester and Bristol report are the same; 343 is a perfect five-part reduced, and 907 is not.—Yours, etc.,  
H. LAW JAMES.  
Surfleet.



## THE RECORD PEAL.

'LENGTH' 'TIME' AND 'PERFORMANCE.'

To the Editor.

Sir,—It would be as well if your correspondents, when they write on this subject, would first of all take each case on its merits, and not try to compare the peal they have in mind with peals which obviously come in another class. It is impossible to compare the Loughborough peal with the Appleton peal as a 'performance.' The Loughborough peal set up three distinct records, viz., the greatest number of changes; the greatest length of time, and the heaviest weight of metal rung to a long peal by one set of men, and Mr. Pye is correct when he says that the peal as a 'performance' has not been beaten. But the 'time' has gone, and the number of changes has gone with it. So we have to look at the matter from two points of view.

Are we to understand that to beat a record peal we must pick out bells of equal or heavier weight and 'go,' and ring a longer length? Because, if so, the Wigston peal did not beat the Kidlington peal; neither did the Painswick peal of Grandsire Cinques beat the Ashton peal of Cinques; nor did the Painswick peal beat the 'Bull Ring' peal. Neither did the Ashton peal of Royal beat the Shoreditch peal, nor did the 18,800 at Mottram beat the Debenham peal. If a band rang 18,000 of Treble Ten at Evesham, how would it compare with the Loughborough peal? We must, therefore, come to the conclusion that Mr. Willson was wrong when he said that the Appleton peal could be beaten at Loughborough Bell Foundry. The number of changes and the time could be exceeded, but the peal 'as a performance' could not be beaten there. So it seems as though we must stipulate that rules be laid down, as in all other sports; weight for age, and handicaps for tried long pealers. It will be easy for Mr. Pye to let the Loughborough peal stand as a 'performance,' for he has no necessity to beat his own 'performance.' If he picks a peal of ten, with a tenor of 15 cwt., and rings a 22,000 of Stedman Caters, he will then have beaten the Appleton peal in time, number of changes 'and as a performance.' To beat the Loughborough peal all round, 19,000 will be required at Evesham, or 22,000 at Evesham to set up a combined record in regard to time, number of changes and 'performance.' But 19,000 of Royal would not beat the Loughborough peal of Caters, even if rung at Loughborough. It would merely set up a new record, for how can a Royal record beat a Caters record?

All the squabbling in the world will not wipe away the fact that the Appleton peal men have rung the greatest number of changes, and the longest time (if it is only a few minutes longer) ever rung by one set of men, and I don't remember having seen any claim put in by them to anything else but that. No 'performance' was mentioned in their footnote. No excuses should have been made for that or any other long peal as regards the 'go' of the bells. The peal as rung should stand on its merits. Excuses may be all right as crutches, but they are a bad pair of legs for anything to stand on.

As regards the compositions of these, or any other peals, it has been suggested that all compositions be submitted to a committee for proof. Now, if the gentlemen who write on this subject would only use the modicum of grey matter which their parents had vouchsafed unto them in the way it was intended to be used, they would never suggest such things; for if a committee was formed these very gentlemen who write on this subject would, indirectly, elect as a committee the only persons available who are fitted for the work of proving these peals, viz., the composers themselves. It is proved that these gentlemen, who have the best of intentions, are only mortals like ourselves; for there are very few composers who have not issued at some time or other a false composition, and even the committee appointed by the C.C. to deal with the proving of the peals that were intended for publication were so frail that some of them allowed false compositions to be issued to the Exercise in the C.C. publications, to say nothing about passing over peals of merit and the inclusion of countless compositions which have 'nowt abahit 'em,' and when asked why they had included so many of their own compositions, replied that 'they could not see anything better.' Some of us quite realise that the statement that 'they could not see' is all too true. However, until the Exercise comes under Soviet rule, and God spare us from that, we shall never compel any composer to submit his compositions to a committee before they are rung. He will bestow his good work, the jewels of his thoughts, created by years of patient study and application to that which is his hobby, where he likes; and the Exercise, if it is wise, will be content to let it rest at that, unless we want to wipe out the very splendid rivalry which exists among composers, and which indeed has existed since the first peal was composed.

In conclusion, may I point out to the 'Great Ones' of the Exercise that no one has a sole monopoly of the fount of knowledge? The said great ones may have amassed a greater store of knowledge than their humbler brethren. No doubt, all of us in our time have tried 'to teach our grandmother how to suck eggs'; and found out to our cost that, although we knew that 2 and 2 made four, she knew that as well as we did. The possession of a great amount of know-

ledge alone is not sufficient to raise any individual to the top of the tree. It is the striking personality which commands a respect for his ability to put to judicious use, for the good of the community, his immense store of knowledge which raises a man to the 'upper rooms' at the feast, leaving the humbler brethren content to worship at his shrine. But woe betide him if his followers find that their idol has only feet of clay after all. I know that a certain humble member of the Exercise was once on the edge of the desert at Sidi-bel-Abbas, and during the awful silence which comes in the hour before dawn, remarked to a camel driver how impressive the silence was. The reply he got was 'the voice of silence speaks louder than any voice,' especially the silence which precedes the day of great things.—Yours sincerely,  
ONCE A BEGINNER.

## 'A LONDON RINGER'S' REPLY.

Dear Sir,—Had I any suspicion when I wrote to you about the Appleton record peal that it would be replied to by Mr. W. Pye my letter would never have been written. I quote from experience, and it is under the exceptional circumstances that I have allowed myself to be drawn into this again.

My letter did not contain anything, either directly or indirectly, to belittle the Loughborough peal in any respect. Therefore, Mr. Pye's accusation is entirely misplaced, and he could have saved the uncomplimentary remarks I have heard from various ringers in respect of the tone of his letters.

I may say the object of my letter was to contest Mr. Willson's remarks, which would, if not replied to, give a false impression to those of the Exercise who were without knowledge of the conditions that actually existed, and it jarred on my nerves when explanations were not forthcoming.

Taking into consideration the nature of previous controversies, I am rather confident that Mr. Pye does not care to see any of his numerous records beaten, especially the Loughborough peal. He will, no doubt, for argument's sake, differ from me, but why doesn't he recognise the Appleton peal? Mr. Willson did not think the Appleton peal as good a performance as Loughborough. But why, then, did he say, 'It will come unstuck if given a place suitable'?

I am in absolute agreement with Mr. George William's letter, and I am glad when I see a gentleman of repute back my statement in respect of light bells.—Yours faithfully,  
A LONDON RINGER.

## MENTAL FAILURE.

Sir,—In his letter respecting 'Record Lengths,' in your issue of July 21st, Mr. W. Pye says: 'I have never seen a ringer collapse under mental strain, but I have seen many do so under physical strain, which is sufficient proof that physical strain is the most trying.' Has Mr. Pye never known peals or touches come to grief owing to mistakes on the part of one or more ringers? If he has, I would ask, what is this but mental failure? In my opinion there are many more ringers who could sustain the physical strain of a peal, of whatever length, than there are those equal to the mental strain. In ringing generally mental failure is common, while physical collapse is very rare.—Yours faithfully,  
G. A. PECK.

Saltburn-by-Sea.

## SPORTING ETIQUETTE.

Dear Sir,—As an ordinary ringer may I be allowed to make a suggestion re the long peal controversy? Firstly, I think for leading ringers to write such letters as some that have appeared on the subject is setting a very bad example to the Exercise, and not giving a very good impression to those who may have just begun to take an interest in ringing.

In cricket, for instance, when Prince Ranjitsinhji, C. B. Fry, Hobbs, and others have broken records, the sporting Press has not been flooded with letters from previous holders of such records, such as the late Dr. W. G. Grace, E. M. Grace, etc., claiming that the feats were not done on such big grounds or against such good bowling, or such things as that.

Surely there should be some etiquette amongst first-class ringers, as there undoubtedly is with the majority.

The long peal band at Appleton is to be commended for not being drawn into a controversy in such bad taste. Perhaps Messrs. Pye, Willson and Co., will go and beat the 21,363 at Appleton; doubtless they would be made welcome there. It is only six miles from Oxford Station. G.W.R.—Yours,  
'A COMMON OR GARDEN RINGER.'

Sir,—I do not remember that I have ever troubled you with correspondence before, and it would be an excellent thing if some others followed my example.

I have never met Mr. Pye, and am unwilling to believe him as conceited as his letters to your paper make him appear. He has made himself a wonderful reputation at the end of a rope, but is rapidly spoiling this by his peunmanship. Let Mr. Pye stick to his rope, where he is an acknowledged leader, and leave newspaper correspondence to those who have the training for it.—Yours, etc.,  
HOWARD FREERORN.

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# RINGERS' OUTINGS.

## ESSEX RINGERS IN KENT.

On Saturday, July 15th, the Woodford and Loughton companies had their annual outing, and were accompanied by Mr. G. F. Margetson and Mr. H. T. Scarlet, and other friends, the party numbering 28. Starting from Loughton at 8 a.m., a lovely ride, by charabanc, was enjoyed. At Erith, Kent, ringing took place at St. John the Baptist's and Christ Church. The next place of call was Northfleet, and then the party went on to Milton-next-Gravesend, where, after several touches on the bells, dinner was partaken of. On the return journey Swanscombe was visited, and afterwards Dartford and Crayford. During the day touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich Major were brought round. A most enjoyable day was spent, and the ringers wish, through 'The Ringing World,' to thank their Kent friends who helped to make the outing a complete success.

## A TRIP INTO SALOP.

The ringers of St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, had their annual outing on Saturday, July 15th, starting from St. Peter's Church by motor charabancs at 12.15 p.m. for Bridgnorth, which was reached after an hour's delightful run. The party, numbering 23, were met by Mr. John Overton, the genial captain of the Bridgnorth band, and the bells of St. Leonard's Church were soon going merrily to Stedman Triples, nicely struck with successful results. A plain course of Double Norwich Major was brought round, but some of the party being novices in this method the striking was none too good. After a short touch of Grandsire Triples and a touch of Bob Major the bells were dropped, and a start was made for Coalbrookdale by way of Much Wenlock, a very ancient and interesting place, said to be 'one of the oldest boroughs in the country.' After a look round the ruined Abbey the party continued their journey by way of Buildwas. This was really the prettiest part of the journey. Going down some very steep hills, the valley opened up before them in all its splendour, with the beautiful green foliage of the trees lining the hills on either side, 'surely one of England's beauty spots.'

At Coalbrookdale the visitors were welcomed by the locals (who, on seeing them approach, struck into a touch of Stedman Triples, the striking being excellent). After joining in further touches of Stedman, an adjournment was made to the Commercial Hotel, where an excellent knife and fork tea, laid out in first-class style by the host, was enjoyed. Following another short visit to the tower, the party restarted for Shifnal at about 6.30, where they arrived about 7.10, and had about 45 minutes' ringing, Bob Major being the method. After cooling the engines they started for home, which was safely reached at exactly 9 p.m., giving the Birmingham friends who accompanied the party time to catch their trains.

Thus ended a very enjoyable and successful outing. The company wish to thank all the friends who met them at the respective places; the incumbents for granting the use of the bells, without which a ringers' outing would be spoilt. The whole of the party voted it an ideal outing, and hoped for a repetition at some future date.

## THROUGH THE FYLDE DISTRICT.

On Saturday, July 15th, the annual outing of the Penwortham (St. Mary's) Society was held, when a tour of the Fylde district of Lancashire was made. After a good run in delightful sunshine (for St. Swithun was in gracious mood), the party first stopped at Great Singleton, where they were met by Mr. Mapp, of the local band. The bells were raised, and touches of Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Double Court were rung. Probably the most notable feature about Singleton is the beautiful condition of the churchyard which speaks volumes for the amount of good work which must be spent on its care.

At Poulton-le-Fylde, the unveiling of the war memorial was taking place, and on completion of the ceremony the local ringers invited the party to ring a 720 in celebration of the occasion, which offer was gladly accepted, and a well-struck extent of Kent Treble Bob Minor brought round.

A rollicking ride over the potholes to Cockerham then followed, and the male portion of the party were quite ready for the tea which awaited them (the ladies had made emergency arrangements at Poulton). After tea, it was pleasant to linger on the hillside and to see the view across the bay to the mountains of Furness and Cumberland beyond, out of the cluster of which Black Combe, the Langdales and Coniston Old Man, stood in grandeur, mute reminders of time. A move was then made to the tower, where touches of Plain Bob and Oxford Single Minor were rung: an attempt at a 720 of Double Court, however, proved unsuccessful.

Then the return and all that it means. The party wish to take this opportunity of expressing their thanks to the Vicars and ringers of the various churches visited for permission to use the bells and for having everything in readiness to make the trip a success.

## CHELMSFORD DISTRICT RINGERS' EXCURSION.

On Saturday, July 15th, the annual outing of the Chelmsford district of the Essex Association took place, ringers from Boreham, Broomfield, Chelmsford, Springfield, Widford and Writtle, taking part. Leaving Chelmsford at 7.30, picking up a party of nine at Writtle, including the church organist, St. Mary's Parish Church, Harlow, was the first objective, and here the party were met by Mr. Tucker. The bells were raised and soon going, but ringing had to be curtailed owing to the stranding of the second rope. At the next place, Sawbridgeworth, Mr. Tarling was in waiting, and each ringer had a touch upon this heavy ring. After about an hour a move was made to Saffron Walden, where the travellers were welcomed by Mr. F. J. Pitstow, general secretary of the association. After dinner a move to the fine old tower, where Stedman Triples, Caters and Grandsire Cinques were brought round. Then on to Finchingfield, by way of Thaxted, where a call was made to view the church, but not to ring. Finchingfield was reached in time for tea, and ringing took place afterwards, Bob Major, Treble Bob, Grandsire and Cambridge Surprise being brought round on the fine going bells. The last place for ringing after a splendid country ride was Sible Hedingham, where Mr. L. Wiseman and several of the local company were waiting. The bells were used in Cambridge, Stedman, Treble Bob and Double Norwich, some of the local company joining in. At 9 o'clock a move was made for home. The company wish to thank the various incumbents for the use of their bells, and to the local ringers who were kind enough to meet them, and especially Mr. F. J. Pitstow, who made the excellent arrangements for the dinner and the towers.

## ST. ALBANS CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.

On Saturday, July 15th, St. Albans Cathedral Society made a charabanc tour through South Bucks. The party left St. Albans at 9 a.m., and made their first call at Denham, where the bells were found to 'go' very heavily. Riding through delightful scenery including Burnham Beeches, they next reached Slough where they were met by Messrs. Leader, Fussell, and others, who joined in ringing Stedman Triples and Superlative Surprise Major. Touring via Maidenhead, Great Marlow was reached, where luncheon was enjoyed by all. The visitors were met by Mr. J. C. Truss and others, the belfry was visited, and touches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Superlative were brought round. The next place on the programme was High Wycombe and its twelve-bell tower. Here Mr. R. Coles awaited the travellers, and assisted in ringing a course of Stedman Cinques. A touch of Stedman Caters was also successfully brought round, and then a course of Double Norwich on the back eight brought the visit to a close. After tea, a ramble through the town was followed by a further move to Woodburn, where several of the local ringers were met, and further ringing indulged in. The last place of call was Beaconsfield. Here the party were met by several of the local band, and Mr. C. A. Bennett, who was a probationary member of St. Albans Cathedral Society some years ago. Ringing included touches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major. The journey was then continued, and home was reached at 11.30 p.m., after a most enjoyable day. The best thanks of the members are due to the various incumbents for the use of the bells, the towerkeepers for arrangements made, and other friends who kindly assisted.

## NEWBURY MEN IN EAST BERKS.

The St. Nicholas' ringers, Newbury, devoted their annual holiday to a tour of towers in East Berkshire. The first call was Wokingham, and very soon the bells of All Saints' were tapping off Grandsire Triples. Going on through Bracknell and Ascot, and after a delightful ride through the Great Park, Old Windsor was reached. Here the party were met by Mr. Harman, who had charge of the arrangements in the Royal Borough. Stedman and Grandsire were the methods tried on the delightful peal, and some nice touches were brought round. The next move was to the Castle, Mr. Harman having previously obtained permission for the party to visit the State Apartments and Royal Mews. After dinner, a move was made to the Parish Church, where several of the local ringers welcomed the Newburians. About half an hour's nice ringing completed a most enjoyable and interesting time. At Farnham Royal the party were welcomed by Mr. J. J. Parker. Further ringing took place here, and then the excursionists set off once again through beautiful country, and Burnham, famed for its beeches, was reached in time for tea. More ringing at the village church, and it was time to start on the return journey. Passing through Maidenhead and Twyford, a call was made at Sonning, where the last ringing of the day took place on a grand peal of eight recently rehung in a steel frame. Ringing completed, a start was made for home, which was safely reached after a most enjoyable excursion. The ringers wish to thank the various incumbents for the use of the bells, and the foremen at the towers for having everything in readiness.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**GLASGOW.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for evensong, at St. Mary's Cathedral, 360, 360 and 240 Stedman Doubles: J. E. Sykes 1, T. O'Hara 2, R. J. G. Thoms 3, W. N. Ashby 4, N. W. S. North 5, G. Hague 6.

**PETERBOROUGH.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for evensong, at the Church of St. John the Baptist, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), in 49 mins.: V. Butler 1, W. Cross, junr., 2, T. Vaughan 3, J. Wright 4, F. Davis 5, H. Beechley 6, F. Cooke (conductor) 7, C. T. P. Brice (Pulham St. Mary) 8.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, at the Parish Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: J. Copping 1, A. Binfield 2, Miss E. Jarvis 3, E. Bridges 4, J. Henley 5, S. Binfield (conductor) 6, T. Farley 7, W. Knight 8.

**APPELDRE, KENT.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: Mrs. H. Baker 1, H. Want (first quarter inside) 2, A. Johnson 3, H. Baker 4, G. Billenness (conductor) 5, E. R. Burgess 6, B. Baker (first quarter inside) 7, G. Johnson 8. Composed by A. P. Wakley.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: Mrs. H. Baker 1, H. Want 2, H. Baker 3, C. Tribe 4, H. Parkes 5, E. R. Burgess 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, G. Johnson 8.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At Emmanuel Church, for evening service, on Sunday, July 23rd, in 26 mins., 720 Bob Minor, with 7-8 covering, after meeting short for Grandsire Triples: J. Pook 1, A. Kentfield 2, W. Hobbs 3, G. H. Myers 4, H. Burner 5, J. Woodley (conductor) 6, A. Symons 7, A. Hobbs 8.

**PUTNEY.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, 700 Grandsire Triples, in 25 mins.: H. Harding 1, E. Walsom 2, P. Norton (longest inside) 3, Robt. Fardon (conductor) 4, H. Belcher 5, C. Edwards 6, A. Harding 7, — Edwards 8. Arranged to oblige the local ringers on the occasion of their annual outing.

**CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for Matins, 720 Bob Minor: W. Shillock 1, W. Boughton 2, C. Boughton 3, A. Short 4, W. Short (conductor) 5, W. C. Boughton 6. Arranged for A. Short on a visit from Shrewsbury.

**CHELSEA.**—At St. Luke's Church, on Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters: W. Dean 1, H. Burton 2, H. Franks (first quarter-peal of Stedman Caters) 3, C. Mitchell 4, A. Newman 5, H. Good 6, E. Reeve 7, W. Essey 8, H. Mance (conductor) 9, W. Hawson 10.

**BREWOOD, STAFFORD.**—On Sunday, June 18th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 47 mins.: H. J. Balcombe 1, F. Birks 2, H. E. Booth 3, A. G. Hunt 4, H. Knight 5, H. Wakeham 6, J. Perry (conductor) 7, L. Swift 8. First quarter-peal of Stedman by the ringers of the 2nd, 6th and 8th.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted, but which came to grief through the breaking of one of the ropes. These were rung during a week-end visit of Messrs. H. Knight and H. J. Balcombe, of Wolverhampton. An attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples on the previous day coming to grief, after which a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung in 49 mins.: H. J. Balcombe 1, C. Wallater 2, H. Knight 3, T. Perry (first of Stedman) 4, J. J. Taylor 5, E. J. Mitchell 6, J. Perry (first as conductor) 7, A. G. Hunt 8.

**EAST CROMPTON.**—At St. James' Church, on Sunday, July 16th, for evening service, in 26 mins., 720 Violet Treble Bob: J. Whybrow 1, S. Wareham 2, W. Oates 3, C. Howarth 4, J. R. Buckley 5, J. Butterworth (conductor) 6.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—On Sunday, July 16th, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): J. E. Waters 1, — Edwards (Tenterden) 2, W. G. Cook (conductor) 3, W. Hayward 4, F. J. Lewis 5, J. Butler 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.

**BARKING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, June 25th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), was rung in 46 mins.: R. Fenn 1, W. Beard 2, F. Russell 3, H. E. Parker 4, E. H. King 5, C. Fenn 6, G. W. Faulkner 7, E. G. Cottis 8. Composed by A. J. Troup. Conducted by C. Fenn. Taken from 'The Ringing World.'—Also, in the evening, 1,008 of Stedman Triples: C. Fenn (conductor) 1, G. W. Faulkner 2, F. Russell 3, H. E. Parker 4, W. G. Jackson 5, E. H. King 6, R. Fenn 7, E. G. Cottis 8.

**BUCKLEBURY.**—At the Parish Church of St. Mary on Sunday, June 25th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: Emma Franklin 1, William Wigmore 2, George Davis 3, Sidney Chapman 4, Fred Freeman 5, Stella Davis 6, James Hazel 7, William Matthews (conductor) 8. Composed by R. T. Hibbert.

**WINDSOR.**—At the Parish Church, on July 2nd, 550 Grandsire Triples, for evening service: Crofts, Fussell, Smith, Farr, Harman, Copsey (Boyne Hill), Stillman (conductor), Cronley.

**HEAVITREE, EXETER.**—On Sunday, June 25th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. R. Sandover 1, W. S. Lethbridge 2, T. G. Bartlett 3, T. Laver 4, A. G. Betts 5, C. G. Glass 6, R. F. Deal (conductor) 7, F. Rogers 8.

## SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL BELLS.

## THE REOPENING.

It was decided a few months ago, that the peal of twelve bells in Sheffield Cathedral should be thoroughly overhauled, and this commission was entrusted to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the White-chapel Foundry, the founders of the peal. The original 7th and 10th bells were cracked, consequently these were recast, and the whole peal have been put into proper tuning notation, and rebung with modern fittings, whilst the old oak frame has been considerably strengthened.

In order to meet the wishes of the Cathedral Vicar, it was arranged that the dedication ceremony should take place before he left Sheffield to take up his new duties as Bishop of Coventry, consequently this event took place on Sunday morning, July 2nd. The Bishop, with his attendant clergy and churchwardens, visited the ringing chamber, where the dedication of the two recast bells was carried out, the choir singing appropriate hymns on the adjoining leaden roof, after which the bells were rung for service.

The ringers' 'official' opening took place on Saturday, July 22nd, when there were visitors from the local towers, and also from Chesterfield, Bolsover, Worksop, Rotherham, Manchester and Derby.

Ringing which commenced shortly after 3 p.m., with various touches on 8, 10 and 12 bells, and a course of Superlative Surprise Major on the back eight (tenor 40 cwt.), showed to a marked degree the great and effective improvement wrought by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

After a substantial tea at the Exchange Restaurant ringing was indulged in until 8.30, after which an adjournment was made to the local headquarters, where social intercourse and handbell ringing, consisting of plain courses and touches of Grandsire Triples, Caters, and Cinques, Stedman Triples and Caters and Bob Major, brought to a very fitting close an enjoyable and red-letter day in the history of the Cathedral bells.

There is no doubt at all that the firm of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have worked wonders with the old peal, and in the opinion of those well qualified to judge, there is in Sheffield not only a fine peal of twelve, but also a very musical front eight for Triples and Major peal ringing.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A Guildford district meeting was held at Cobham on Saturday, July 15th, and was well attended by ringers from Clandon, Cobham, Cranleigh, Godalming, Guildford (St. Nicolas and Holy Trinity), Ockham and Shere. A service was held in the church conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Canon Grane), who also gave a capital address. Tea was served in the Institute, presided over by the Vicar, about 30 sitting down. A business meeting followed, at which the Ringing Master (Mr. A. C. Hazelden) presented his report.

The usual vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the church and bells, and to the organist for presiding at the organ. Many touches were rung during the afternoon and evening on the six bells.

## PEAL TABLETS AT STAVELEY.

Two peal tablets have been erected in St. John the Baptist's Church, Staveley, one commemorating a peal of Bob Major rung on November 3rd, 1919, for the 77th birthday of the Rector (Canon Molineux) and his 32nd anniversary at Staveley; and the other a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major on August 3rd, 1920, in honour of the conferring of knighthood upon Dr. Josiah Court, J.P., of Staveley.

They have been affixed one each side of the tower archway in the church, where they can be seen by people outside of the ringing fraternity. The tablets are of Welsh slate, with letters carved and gilded, and are a credit both as to design and execution to Mr. C. G. Jones, of Rugby, with whom the order was placed.

## THE WRONG BELL.

The following amusing story was recently told by a clergyman: During a summer holiday I took a Sunday's duty for a brother parson. Just before the service began I asked the churchwarden if there were any notices to be given out.

'You might just rub it into them about the Bell Fund,' he whispered. 'It's going pretty slow. Only twenty pounds so far.'

I rubbed it in all right. I pointed out that 'sweet chiming bells' were a great asset to a church. They stirred consciences, revived memories, and made the air fragrant with the call to worship. I urged the congregation to support the Bell Fund, and I thought I had done pretty well, despite the fact that I sensed an atmospheric change. People coughed, smiled, whispered.

Said the warden after the service, 'Ye-es,' sir, what you said was all right—in its way. Unfortunately the Bell Fund was not to get any more bells. It was to help the widow of Mr. Bell. He was organist here for twenty years.'



## NOTICES.

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**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

—The Annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available—Cathedral (10) 3 to 3.45 and 6 to 7.30; St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3 o'clock. Service in Cathedral at 4. Tea at Lloyd's restaurant at 4.50—to fully paid members 1/-, to others 1/9; general meeting to follow.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.**

—An extra Meeting will be held at Ardleigh, on Saturday, the 29th July. Service at Parish Church 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., when all ringers will be entertained by the kind invitation of H. R. Neuth, Esq.—R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 12, Ireton Road, Colchester. Will all Secretaries of Companies note the change of address?

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Summer meeting will be held at Hexham and Corbridge, on Saturday, July 29th.—E. E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**LEEDS & DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**

—The next Monthly meeting will be held on July 29th, at Rothwell. Peal attempt 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—C. E. Lawson, Hon. Sec., 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A Special meeting will be held at Old Duston, on Saturday, July 29th. Usual arrangements.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A Special meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Liverpool, on Saturday, July 29th, at 5 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—Walter Hughes.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The Annual General meeting of the Guild, will be held at Warwick, on Saturday, July 29th. The bells of St. Mary's (10) and Emscote (8) will be available from 2.45 p.m. Service in St. Mary's Church, at 4 p.m. Address by the Rev. C. A. H. Russell, Vicar of Whitnash. Tea and business meeting (election of officers) to follow.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—The next meeting will be held at Royston and Barkway, on Saturday, 29th July. Royston bells will be

available all the afternoon. Tea and meeting will be held at the 'Wheatsheaf,' Barkway, at 5 p.m. Buses run from Barkway on Saturdays. All ringers heartily welcome.—F. R. Bacon, District Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at MANSFIELD, on Saturday, 29th July. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—A District meeting of North-Western Division will be held at St. Mary's, Stansted, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available during afternoon and evening.—F. Dench, District Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Wedmore, on Saturday, 29th July. Service at 5 o'clock, tea and meeting to follow. Eight bells afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—The Wickwar Meeting of the Wootton Branch has been postponed for a week, to July 29th, owing to the Rector's inevitable absence on July 22nd.—W. A. Lewis, Hon. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Milverton, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., tea and meeting after. Tea will be provided at the 'White Hart' at 1s. per head.—P. Merson, Branch Sec., Bishops Hull.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting will be held at Darwen on Saturday, July 29th. Ringing 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—A quarterly meeting is to be held at Shaftesbury on Saturday, July 29th. Ringing from 2.30. Service in Holy Trinity Church at 4.30. Tea at 5 followed by business meeting.—A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Horsell, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.40. Tea and meeting to follow. Gentlemen welcome.—Hilda F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**SALTBURN.**—Jubilee of dedication of Parish Church. Special services July 30th and August 6th. Ringing from 9.30 a.m. and 5 p.m. The tower will also be open for ringing from 2 p.m. on July 29th and August 5th. All ringers welcome. Tea (1/6) arranged for all who give notice beforehand.—G. A. Peck, Eden Corner, Saltburn.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. Bishopsgate, July 31st and August 28th. St. Clement Danes, August 21st. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th at 5.15 p.m. Send your name in for the Summer outing on Saturday, Sept. 9th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A Meeting will be held at Richmond Parish Church, on Wednesday evening, August 2nd, by the kind permission of the Rev. I. F. Kendall (Vicar). Ringing from 7 to 9.15 p.m.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 3rd, 17th and 31st; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 8th; Southwark Cathedral on the 15th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 22nd; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodlingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Tring on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. A short service will be held in the Parish Church. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers and friends welcome.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Dis. Sec., Clifton House, Tring.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch. —A Ringing meeting will be held at Halsall (near Ormskirk), on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) available all day. Will ringers please turn up in good numbers? Visitors welcome.—John Halsall, Branch Sec.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Next meeting at Wentworth, August 5th. Six bells. Meat tea at 5.30 p.m., 2/- each; please send notice to Mr. Wadsworth, Rockingham Arms, Wentworth, Rotherham, by August 3rd. Permission granted to walk through gardens at Wentworth House. Bells lately put in order.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec., Clergy House, Chesterfield.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the Association will be held at East Dereham, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church will be available. Luncheon will be served at the King's Head Hotel, at 1 o'clock, tickets 3s. per head, followed by the general business meeting. Members intending to be present at the luncheon, please notify the Secretary not later than Thursday, August 3rd.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—There will be a General Meeting of the Branch at Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, on Monday, August 7th (Bank Holiday), when all will be welcomed by the Vicar to celebrate the restoration of the bells. There will be a Service at the Parish Church, All Saints', at 4.30 p.m. Tea will be served on the vicarage lawn at 5.15 (weather permitting). Those intending to be present will please advise the Secretary by 31st inst. A charge of 1s. each will be made to cover part of the cost of same. A business meeting will follow at 6 o'clock. My Committee rely upon foremen of Towers notifying all members and ringing friends in their respective districts of this fixture and placing the notice in the belfry. The following towers have been kindly placed at the disposal of the Guild by the clergy: Burnham, 10 to 11 a.m.; High Wycombe, 10 to 11 a.m.; Old Windsor, 12 to 1 p.m.; Wooburn, 12 to 1 p.m.; Boyne Hill, 3 p.m.—Alfred J. Harman, Hon. Sec., 2, St. Mary's Cottages, Grove Road, Windsor.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual Festival will be held at Lymm, on Monday, August 7th. Service 11 a.m., preacher, the Rev. W. R. Ingham, M.A., Vicar of Middlewich. Other particulars by circular.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills, Stockport.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at Peterborough, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The bells of St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), Woodton (6) available during the day. Service at the Parish Church at 4 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Donnington, Spalding, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea in Church Institute, at 4.15 p.m. Bells available all day.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The reopening of Boyne Hill Bells, Maidenhead, will take place on August Bank Holiday. Evening service and tea, see further notice of details.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Sutton-on-Trent, Crowe Park Station, G.N. Railway, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. A new peal of six bells (tenor 12½ cwt.) will be available for ringing from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The village sports and gala will be held in the Football Field at 2.30 p.m.; the proceeds of 'gate' will be in aid of the restoration of the church bells. Twenty events including ringers' tug of war, and fishing in the Trent. Admission to grounds 1/- adults, 6d. children. Teas provided on the Sports Grounds near the church from 3.30 onwards in Marquee, adults 1/-, children 6d. A meat tea will be provided for ringers in the Church Hut at 1/6 per head to members, 2/- to others, who notify Mrs. Bartley, The Vicarage, Sutton-on-Trent, Newark, not later than Tuesday, August 1st. This is important. A hearty welcome will be given to members of kindred Associations.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The annual summer meeting will be held at Ranmore on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. By the kind permission of Lord Ashcombe, the beautiful grounds of Denbies will be thrown open during the afternoon to ringers and friends. Tea and refreshments may be had near the church. The bells at St. Martin's, Dorking, will also be available from 7.30 to 9. All ringers welcome.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**NORTHWOLD (8 bells) and METHWOLD, Norfolk (6 bells),** by kind permission of incumbents, will be open for ringing on August Bank Holiday. Visitors are recommended to bring lunch with them.—Fred R. Borrett.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes.

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A Meeting will be held at Crofton, near Wakefield, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready early, in splendid order. Tea will be provided strictly for those sending their names before August 5th, to Mr. E. Stead, 4, Park View, Crofton, near Wakefield. A cordial invitation is offered to all ringers.—C. D. Potter, Sec.

**ARKSEY, DONCASTER.**—A combined practice has been arranged at this tower, every second Saturday in the month. All visitors welcome.—G. Clark, Sec.

**THANKS.**

Mr. Frank Willey and family wish sincerely to thank all friends for their sympathy and condolence received during their sad bereavement, and for floral tributes.—F. Willey, 110, Petrie Street, Sheffield.

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**LATE NOTICES.**

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leominster and Presteign District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Staunton-on-Arrow, on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) available 3.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea 6 p.m., free to those notifying me not later than August 2nd.—A. Talbot, District Sec., Staunton-on-Arrow, Tenbridge.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—A meeting will be held at Eastnor, near Ledbury, on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Church service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting at the Somers Arms after service.—Richard Thomas, Dist. Hon. Sec.

**RINGERS' OUTINGS.**

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**A SUNDAY TRIP.**

On Sunday afternoon, July 16th, six members of the Stanton-on-Hine-Heath band cycled to Edmond, where they were met by Mr. Rodenhurst, of Hodnet. They found a handy ring of six bells with a tenor of about 10 cwt., rung from the ground floor.

Owing to the bad weather, one of the band failed to turn up, and Minor could not, therefore, be attempted; however, a well-struck 720 of Grandsire Doubles was rung by H. Clay 1, W. Lycett 2, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 3, S. France (first 720 on a bob bell) 4, W. Clay 5, H. Edwards 6. The party were afterwards entertained to an excellent tea by Mr. Morris, wife of a local ringer.

For evening service, another 720 was rung, conducted by W. Clay, with T. Lycett on the tenor. The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, for altering the time of children's service so that the band could ring; also Mr. Morris for having the bells ready. It was intended to ring at Chetwynd after service, but this had to be abandoned owing to the weather.

**STEVENTON, BERKS.**—On Wednesday evening, July 19th, at the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 50 mins. being ten and a half six-score called differently: R. C. Smith 1, J. Nobes (conductor) 2, F. W. Bunce 3, J. L. Betteridge 4, A. P. W. Fletcher 5, A. Breakspear 6. This is the longest length ever rung on the bells, and by all the band, who are the first local company to attempt method ringing. They began in 1921.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****ROCHESTER DISTRICT AND THE WAR MEMORIAL.**

The quarterly meeting of the Rochester District of the Kent County Association was held at Rainham, on Saturday, July 15th, and was well attended. The association service was held in St. Margaret's Church, conducted by the curate-in-charge, the Rev. W. Walton, and the organist and choir brightened the service by their voluntary attendance. Over 30 members listened to an interesting address by the Rev. W. Walton, who spoke of the fine work that ringers were doing for the church, but reminded them that often they called people to the House of God and neglected to go themselves.—A collection at the close for the Association War Memorial realised 10s. 7d.—Tea followed in the Church Hall, and was admirably served by Mr. F. Ockwell, one of the local ringers. The Rev. W. Walton presided, supported by Mr. Coomber (churchwarden) and Mr. Bone (organist).

The business meeting which followed was of short duration, the principal business being to decide the place for the annual district meeting, and Sittingbourne was unanimously chosen for October 7th.

The District Secretary reminded the members that the subscription cards to the war memorial were slow in coming in, as during the past three months he had only received two—Swanscombe 23s. and Sittingbourne 10s. He urged members to do their best and hurry on with the lists, as he did not wish the district to be all behind.

On the proposition of Mr. F. M. Mitchell (district secretary) a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the curate-in-charge, and the churchwardens for the use of the bells, to the former for his address to the organist and choir for their attendance.—The Chairman, in responding, said he was sorry the bells could not be rung at the appointed time, owing to the funeral of one of their oldest inhabitants.—Messrs. Coomber (churchwarden) and Bone also responded.

Methods up to Superlative were rung during the afternoon and evening, and the six-bell enthusiasts took advantage of a 'pull' at Hartlip, where Cambridge, Oxford and Plain Bob were rung.

In addition to the district members, visitors attended from Ashford and Canterbury districts.

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