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# CILLETT\& JOHNSTON CROYDON, sURREY. 



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.
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## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

## STEPS TO THE HIGHER METHODS

The letter of a correspondent which we pubiish in another column, asking for advice as to which Surprise method is easiest for a band to start upon and how long it should be before the first plain course is rung, opens up an avenue for a wider discussion than that which strictly applies to the questions raised. Here is a company able to ring Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major. They desire to go on to Surprise ringing ; what are the proper stepping-stones? It is quite certain that here is ground upon which ringers will be not all of one mind. The limited number of methods practised until recently, made the choice a very restricted one, and Superlative and Cambridge were practically the only route by which one could reach the bigher level of London or Bristol, the former being still looked upon as the limit of intricacy in Major ringing.

Nowadays, however, there is a wider range of methods, and it is probably only the innate conservatism of the Exercise that retains in general practice Superlative as the first stage after Double Norwich and Treble Bob. We are not going to say that this method and Cambridge do not form the best steps of progression, but, while ringers of only a generation or so ago, had to rely solely upon these, ringers of to-day have a more varied choice of pathways to fame. There is an opening for some accomplished and unbiassed exponent of the art to write a treatise upon the subject of campanological progression, showing alternative routes from Plain Bob to London Surprise. The shortest may not necessarily be the easiest, for all ringers are not of equal ability. There are some men who need weeks of practice before they can thoroughly sraspa strange method, others who are gifted evough to start confidently for a peal with only a paper study of it. Our point, however, is this. The usual stage from Double Norwich to Superlative, with the change from regular coursing which is involved, or to Cambridge, with its omitted dodges and other pitfalls for the beginner, is too much for some ringers, and forms a stumbling-block to progress which they never surmount. It may be lack of confidence, it may be want of ability, but, whatever it is, there it is.

What we want is a treatise which will enable the least gifted to proceed step by step without difficulty to the higher methods, and such a thing is possible now, when there are quite a number of good methods available between the two extremes. It is not always a simple matter for a man who is a competent ringer, able to assimilate a new method with ease, to put himself in the place of a less able man and realise the difficulties which
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he finds in venturing into new fields. To many ringers who have done quite well, up to a stage, there is a very wide and a very real gulf between Double Norwich and Treble Bob and the Surprise methods, and it is for that reason we have said that Associations ought seriously to consider the question of sending out instructors to help bands with higher methods, just as now some of them send out men to teach Grandsire Doubles and Bob Minor.


Mr. Frank Cole's Iooth peal.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYKE ASHTON-UNDER-ITNE, SOCIETY,
On Satreday, Der. 2, 1922, in There Howrs and Twenty-Five Minutes, At ier Chorch of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;
Joszpa Meilor ... ... ...Tyeble | Herbert Barlow ... ... 6


 Camorl M. Buterivorthi 5
Composed by Arther Knights. Conducted by Ben Thorp. This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Join Harrison, one of the local company, on his 7oth birthday.

## II VERPOOL

THE LANCASEIRE ASSOCTATION
On Thesday, Dec. 5, 1922, in Thee Hours and Tanty-Fite Minates, At the Cborch of St. Nicbolas,
A PEAL OF gTEDMAN CATERS, 6081 CHANCE8; Tenor 30 cwt. 3 gr . 10 lb .

ERNEST JONES .... ... ...TTCble $\mid$ CLADDR I. Davies ... ... 6 John WILkinson... ... .... 2 James Martin ... Reginald-O. Sireet..... .4 3 Edwin Breeze.... | Thomas Hammond, jun. | . .4 | 4 | Edward Cadnce... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George R. Newton | ... | ... | 9 |
| Cgarles Pacier... | ... | 5 | ... | George R. Newion ..... .5 5 Cearles Packer... Composed and Conducted by James Martin.

Specially arranged and rung on the eve of St. Nicholas' Day. First peal of Stedman Caters by all the band. First ten-bell peal on the bells with the temor rusg single-handed, and Grst peal of Stedman Caters in this tower. It was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. G. Fisher and on the 28th anniversary of the conductor's wedding-day.

## LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twetvs Minuter At the Churce oz St. Dunsian, Stepagy, E.,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER8, 5007 CHANGES;

## Tenor 3 c cwt.

Challis F. Winney ... James Scholeg ... ... Eredehick G. Symonds Witson Rushtan … ... Thomas Langdon $. . . \quad . . .4$ Charles W. R. Ghimwodod 9 Herbert Langion ... $\cdots . .5 \quad 5$ James H. Romley ... ...temar Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Herbert Langdon.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Emanuel Hall, of Toronto, Ontario, also to Mrs. A. Symonds, of Lavenham, Rung on the anniversary of the birth of Mr. John Cox, born 1813 .

SOETHGATE, MIDDLESFX
TEE MIDDIFSEX COUNTY ASSOCIAJION AND IUONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
(The Christ Church, Souteghte, Socirty.)
On Saturday, Dec, 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourtien Minetes, Af Christ Chorch,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES;

 Tenor 25 cwt .Alfred R. Glasscock ...Tyeble Willlam Pickworth... ... 6 Norman Tomlinson ... ... 2 Harry Miller ... ...... Grorge W. Fletcher ... 3 John E. Miller ... ... ... 8 Edward J. Tomlinson … 4 |Sidney Wade ... George Bester ... ... ... 5 Alfred G. Crane ... .... 5 . Herwood. Conducted by Sidney Wade.

Rung as a birllday peal to the conductor, also to the ringers of the 5th and tenor. First peal of Caters as conductor.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## LIVERSEDGE.

On Smaday, Nov, 26. 1922, in Thre Howrs and Twadye Minutes, At Cerist Church,
A PEAL OF KEHT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt.
W. H. Mifchell ... ...Treble|G. Scholay ... ... ... ... 5


 Composed by G. H. Hardy. Conducted by W. Thomas. WARWICK.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUIIsD.
On Saturday, Deg. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Hinula, At the Cutrch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES

Parker's Twelverari
William Male... ... ...Tteble Edward H. Adams ...... William T. Cox ... ... 3 Adolphus Roberts -Thomas Harris..Wiciam
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Wilelam Collezi } & . . . & . . . & 5 \\ \text { Frask Pgrvin }\end{array}$ Teror Conducted by Frank Prrvin.
*First peal. IRung as a welcome to the Rev. E. S. Savage, late Canon of Neweasile, who was inducted Vicar of St. Nicholas on the previous Thursday

BRADING. ISLE OF WIGHT. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUIID (Isle of Wighi Districz.) On Monday, Dic. 4, 1922, in Thre Hows ama Two Minules, At ihe Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES Hollis's Five-fart, No. 2. Ariger P. Brading... ...Treble Peilif S. Parker ... ... 2 + Edgar Spdibb ... ... ... 3
 Conducted by A. Riceard Ward.

- First peal. 4 First peal "inside.' Rung in honour of the wectiding of Mr. Frank Chafley, who lias been a local ringer for many years, and Mrs. A. Barton, who were married in the afternoon. The ringers of the treble, 2nd, 6th and 7 th hail from $\mathrm{I} y \mathrm{de}$, Isle of Wight, the others are local men.

WTDNES LANCASHIRE
THE LANOASHIRE ASSOCTATION.
On Satur day, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hows and Fifty-Four Minutcs, At the Church of St. Padl.
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANE ES; Tenor 10 cwt 3 get
 Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by George R. Newton.
*First peal in the method, also first peal in the method on the bells.

## BUCKLAND, BERKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULD. (North Berks Branch.)
Ca Sadmyay, Dec. 2, 1922, in Thre Hours and Sewen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES:

Brooks' Variation.
Harry Holifized ... ...Tyelle
Mrs. A. E. Lock. Th. A. E. Lock... ... ... 2 Alberi E. Lock
James S. Napper.
$\cdots . \quad . . .3$
.... $\cdot \cdots \frac{4}{}$ Francis Carter
Conducted by Albert E. Lock.
First peal of Stedman on the bells.
TONBRIDGE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATYON.
On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Howrs and Twelte Hinutes, At xer Ceurch of SS. Peter and Pael,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 21 cwt.
Harry Harrington ... .
..Tyeble Harry Goodwin...
Tom Sadmders ... ... ... 2 ... $\quad$ George Edwards
George Newman $\quad . .$.
Grorge Bell ... ..... .4
Composed by J. A. Trollope.
LEwIS NEWMAN
 Conducted by C. H. Sose.

## SAMLESBURY, TAN゙CS

THE LANCASHIRE AESOCIATION.
On Saturday, Dee. 2, 1922, it Three Howrs and Fourten Mimates,
At the Ceorch of St. Leonmrd-tme-Less,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

 Tenor igt Cwt . in E .Benjamin A. Knigris ...Treble E Roger Martin
Alec. Martin ... ... ... 2 Frederick Harwood...

- Jogn T. Bimson...

3 William Tayloz
... 6
Willam Sharples $\qquad$ EDWARD ARAStrong...
Composed by George Lewis. Conducted by B. A. Ksighis.

* First peal of Major.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLE
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH DIOCESAS ASSOCIATION.
On Satwday, Dec, 2, 7922, in Threc Howrs and Tzu Mimites, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAUOF, $50 B 8$ GHANGES; Tegor 12 cwr.
Willam 1. G. Brown
Treble Harry Hall
David G. Wightnan...
Vicior E. Kerridge .... ....
Joan Garritt
3
4
Composed by T. Lockwoon.
Charles Bution
Joben Hall.... ... ... ...Thor

* First peai in the method.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.
THE MDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCISAN GUILD.
On Tucsday, Der. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Thity-Eight Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

## Tenor io cwt.



| Grorge M. Kiley | $\cdots$ | ..- | 3 | William J. Nodds | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Crcie V. Ebierson | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |  |  |



## BICENTENARY PEAL.

 STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHERETHE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Un Monday, Dic. 4, 1922, in Three Hours. At the Chdrch of St. Lawremce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5060 CHANGER; Parker's One-part.

 Conducted by Albert Wright.
Rung to commemorate the sooth anniversary of a peal in the same method on Dec. 4th, 1722 . "First peal. ifirst peal " insice."

## FORESTERS' PEAL.

DEPTFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATTON.
On Welnesiay, Dec. 6, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minate, At ehe Chorch of St. John the Evangelist.
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES: Tenor 14 cwl. o qr. 18 lb .
Bro. Edwin Barnett, sen. Tyeble $\mid$ Bro. Richard Morgan ... , 5
(Court ' Pride of the City,
No. 3357, London United District)
Bro. Johs J. Lamb, P.C.R. 2
(Court 'Prince of Wales, No. 3334, London United District)
Bro. Edwin Barnett, jox. 3 (Court ' Bowman's Lodge, No. 2085. West Kent District)
Bro. Herarrt E. Audsley 4
(Court ' Bowman's Ladge, No. 2085, West Keni District)
(Court ' Lord Faraborough, ${ }^{\text {, }}$ No. 4132, London United District)
Bro. Spencer Marshall...
(Court ' Bowman's Lodge,' No. 2085, West Kent District)
Bro. George h. Daynes (Court ' Lord Byron,' No. 3565, Greenwich and S.E. District)

Bro. Willuam J. Jeffries...Tenot (Court 'England's Queen.' No. 3243, Greenwich and S.E. District)

Composed by Bro. Ediwin Barnett, sen.
Conducted by William J. Jefrries. All are members of the Ancient Order of Foresters' Friendly Society.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCS.
THE LANCASHME ASSOCIATION.
On Wedimesday, Dec. 6, 1922, in Three Howrs and Four Minules, At the Parisy Cuurcb.
A peal of deuble norwigh gourt bob major, 5024 chances; Tenor in cwt.
Alfred T. Hotedsworth...Treble William Riley ...
Frank Suaw... ... $. . . \quad . . .2$ Ruseton Grimshaw
Miss Ellen Seaw $\quad . .-$... 3 William Barnes
Jonathan Whewell... ... 4 James Shaw ... ... ... ... 7 Composed by A. Kaigers (No. 159). Conducted by Jas Sur Tenor Rugg on the day of the consecration of the Memorial Chapel.

BINGHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHJRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCTATION.
On Tharsday. Dee. 7, 1922, in Three Flowes and Three Hinutes, At the Church of St. Mary and hll Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANISIRE TRIPLES, sOLO CHANGES; Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frank Spencer ...
William E. White
Rav. C. J. Sturion
Walter White
Composed by $. .1 . \dddot{H}, \ldots{ }_{4}$ Arther W. Ward... First mented by Messrs. Mears \& Stainbank, the 'go' and tone being excellert.
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## WITLEY, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Cherch of Ale Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, GOAO CHANGES:

Holt's Ten-part.
Arthor J. Bartlett.... ...TYedie David Ayling Edwin Gaie $\quad . .$. William Moorey

Tenor is cwt, in F sharp.
 Conducted by Artaer J. Bartlett.

- First peal. fFirst peal 'inside' by the ringer of the 3 rd, for whom it was rung as a farewell, and who is leaving in the New Year for Western Australia and wit] cary with him the best wishes of his brother ringers.

ECCLESTON. CHESHERE.
THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Nim Minues,
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin
4 PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE HASOR, 5056 CHANEES;
Henry Jognsos's Variation.
Tenor $26 \mathrm{cwt}, 3 \mathrm{qr}, 3 \mathrm{lb}$.

- Percy H. Smith ... ...Tveble Joan E. Brbyy ... ... ... 5

Whelias Bibby... ... ... 2 Edward Jenkins... ... ... 6
Gborge H. Randles ... 3 James Morgan ... ... ... 7

Composed by C. Middeeton. Conducted by Henry W. Wilde.

- First peal in a Treble Bob method. First peal of Cambridge Surprise on the bells, also first in the method as conductor. H. W. Wilde's 200th peal.


## LINCOLN

THE LINGOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northers Branch)
Or Sathedry, Def. 9. 1922, in Three Hours and Twnty-Oni Minutes.
In St. Hugh's Tower at tee Cathedral,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOA, 5184 GHANGEs; Tenor 2,4 cwt in D.

| Isabc Vickers | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ redile | George Chbster | ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

George Flinteam ..... .2 Stanford J. Wolfe ... $\quad . .$.
Tom Pyle $\ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . \quad 3$ Cbarles IV. P. Clifion .... 7
Cgarles H. Cerster ... 4 Johan A. Frebman ... ....Tenoy
Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Joasi A. Freman.
First peal in the method upon the bells and rung solely by the Cathedral company.

## ROTRWELL, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSETHE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturdiy, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hows and Nine Minutis,
At the Cherch of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, $505 B$ CHAMGES, Tenor zicwt.


 Archie Henman ... .... 4 David J. Nithols .... ...Tchor Composed by C. Midoleton. Conducted by David J. Nichozs.

- First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.


## GUILDFORD. SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GLILD.
On Satruday, Der. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelte Minutes,
At the Ceqref of the Holy Trinizy,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;
Tenor $23 \mathrm{cwt} .3 \mathrm{gr} .8 \mathrm{tb} . \mathrm{in} \mathrm{D}$.


## BIDDENDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOGLATION
On Sathrday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Mintes, At the Church of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:
Dr. A. B. Carpenter's Variation of Holts' Original. Tenor 25 cwt.

Mrs, H. Baker George Billeshess ...
...Treble Harry Baker
(... 2 EdWard R. Burgess ... 6
 Conducted by George Bilernness.

- First peal and first attempt.

STEYNING, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSUCTATION
On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fift.-Nine Minutes, At the Cegreg of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, G040 CHANGES;
Pitsiow's Variation.
Frank Bennety


 "James Burdejeld Conducted by Frank Benneti.

- First peal of Stedman. + First peal.

PENERE RHONDDA, GLAMORGANSHIRE
THE TALANDAFE ASD MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION On Salmaday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Thee Howrs. At the Church of St. Peier,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGESI
Thorstans' Four-part.
 Tom Page ... ... ... ... 7 Albert J. Pitman .... ... 4 William Page ... ... ...tenoi Conducted by Tom Page.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saltrday, Dec. 9, 7922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minures, At the Cherch of All Salnis,

## A PEAL DF SUPERLATIYE SURPRI8E HAJOR, b120 EHANCES

 Tenor $26 \frac{7}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.William Taytor...
Willam Iamagri Charles Mason.. $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Charles Mason ... } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 3 \\ \text { Thobas Riley } & . . . & . . & . . & 4\end{array}$ Composedi by Arthor Kwighis,

Fred W. Hice

First peal of Major on the bells.

## LEICESTER

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Dee. 9, 1922, in Thyee Hours and Elewen Minutes. On the Royal Memortal Belle of St. Jobn the Divine,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5036 CHANEES;

## Midileton`s.

Tenor 21 cwt.


- Miss Hilda Willson.- .963 E. Harry Sioneley... Condugted by William Wileson.
- First peal of Cambridge Surprise.

TUNBRIDGE WELES, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOLATIUN
On Satcyday, Dec. 2. 1922, in Three Houys and Four Minutos, At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB MASOR, $505 B$ CHANGES!

## Tenor 14 cwt.



## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTEF DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Branch.)
On Wednesday, Nou. 29, 1922, in Three Hous and Seten Minutes At the Parish Chorch.
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's Sob, Oxford and Keat Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and two 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor is cwt. 3 qr.
-Eric H. Lloyd ... ... ...Treble | James R. Griffin ... ... 4

Conducted by James R. Griffin.

- First peal and first attempt. local band. Rung on the Irth ganiversary of the comsecration of the church and belis.


## PRISTON, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOGESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Thursday, Nov. 30. 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutcs. At the Cerper of St. Loke,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob \& 30 of Grandsire. Tenor $\mathrm{I}^{2} \mathrm{~d}$ cwt.
-Clifford Briable ... ...Tieble William Rosewell... ... 4
Gilaert Dando... ... ... 2 Frank F. Flower ... ... 5
Aebert E. B. Hear... ... 3 : FWilliam Wincsor .... .... Temoy
Conducted by Frank F. Flower.

- First peal. First peal as conductor.

OFERBERY, WTORCESTERSHIRE
THE WOREESTETSHIRE' AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(Sodthers Branch.)
On Sahtaday, Dec. 2. T922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minwtes, Ay the Chorch of Si. Falte,
A PEAL OF MINOR, ge40 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Singie, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{3}$ cwi.
Olivgr Atiwnod Treble James Hemming ...
-Gedrfrey J. Hemusag . 2 Wilcism Rivion
Sidney T. Holt ... .... 3 Chareqs Cabm ... .... ........ 5 Conducted by C. Camm.

* First geal in seven methods "irside.'

BREDONS NORTUN, WGRCESTERSHIRE
THE WURCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. [Sadihera Branch.]
On Saturday, Dec. 2. 1922. in ] wo Hours and Forty-One Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, GOGO CHANGE8;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford. Oxford \& Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford BoD, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt . Oliver Atiwood ... ...Treble |Joseph D. Johnson ... ... 4 Gegrfrey 1. Hembing ... 2 Sidezy T. Holt... ... .... 5 William Ranford ... ... 3 Charles Camm ... ... ...Temor Conducted by S. T. Holt.

## KILMERSDON, SOMERSETR

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Suturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Howrs and Ten Minutes, At the Cherch of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, $\overline{6} 40$ CHANGES;

Being seven different 72a's.
Tenor 21 cwt.

- Eric Chivers ... ... ...Tredío

Frank F, Flower.... Gbrald F, Griffis ... .... 3 Josejh T. Dibe ... ... ...Temor Coaducted by 1. T. Drik.
First peal on the bells. First peal of Minor.
DEPTFORD, KENT.-At the Church of St. Johm tie Erangelist, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, on Oct. $91 \mathrm{~h}: \mathrm{H}$. Jaines (Lce) $1, G$. Simmonds (Lewisham) 2, J. Hurrell (Eltham) 3, T. Dafters (Lee), first quarter, 4, J. J. Lamb (Greenwioh) 5, W. J. Jefiries (conductar) 6, E, B. Crowder 7, T, A. Easterby 8.

EPPTNG, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Dee. 2, 1922, in Two Howrs and Foriy-Six Minules, Ai the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGEB!

Being seven different 7zo's.
William Wedcock ... ...Tpebie
Stanley Clark ... ... ... 4 Lewis Cordill ... ... .... Vincent Tipton ... ... ... 3 Harry Smale ... ... ...Temor

Conducted by Harry Smale.
First peal in the methed by all.
KILNDOWN, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASBOCTATION
On Saturday, Dec. 2. 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Feur Minves, At Christ Chorch.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGE:
Being 720 each of Fent Treble Bob, College Single and Oxford Bob and two each of Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
Franie Pattender

Robert T. Lakeery. .. ...Truble Andrew Marstacl | ... | 2 | GEORGE Waghorn |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ... | 3 | JAMES Wagrorn ... |

$\begin{array}{lll}\text {... } & \text {... } & 4 \\ & \end{array}$ Albert Relfe Conducted by A. Felee
Rugg as a birthday compliment to the condactor.
REFPHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH, SE EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSBICH ASSOCTATION
On Monday, Dec. 1, 1922, in Twa Hours and Forty Minkter, At tee Churge of St. Miceael and All Angels, Hackford,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 50an GHANGES;
Being seven 720 's each called diferentiy.
Tenor git cwt. in $A$
Materw Timbers ... ...Tredí| William J. Wasey ... ... 4 William B. Duncan... ... 2 Waltbr J. Ford... .. ... 5 Frederici J. Barber... ... 3 Tony Price ... ... ... ...tenor Conducted by Tony Price
IHTLE WALDINGFTELD SUFFOLK
THE ST. EDMUNDSBURT AND INFWICE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tmesday, Dec. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minules
At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, to40 GHANGES;
In 10 different callings
B. Cornele... $\qquad$ ...Treble W. Fayers
J, Martin
J. Martin -...
Martin.
W. Head

Rung with the beils deeply muffed after the funeral of Colonel A. St. Leger Glyn (Churchwarden), and in deep and respectful sympathy.

## ITINCOLN

THE LINCOLN DIOGESAN GULLD. (Northern Branch.)
On Wedmestay, Dec. 6. 1922, in Two Flours ami Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Botoleh,

## A PEAL OF BOE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's.
Tenor 9hewt
William H. Lloyd ... ...Treble James Watierson ... ... 4 Gedrge Crometon ... .... 2 Wiletam Beitees - Frederick W. Walker ... 3 Riceard T. Sharee ... .................... Conducted by Wilclas H. Lloyd.

- First peal

PATRINGTON, YORES

## THE YORKSHERE ASSOCTATION

(EAstera District)
On Thursday, Dec. 7. 1922, in Thiee Hours and Six Minutes,
AI the Parise Chbice,

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

Being 720 of inillamarsi and three $720^{\circ}$ s each of Oxford and Kent. George Dowling ... ...Treble | Harry Rodmell.. ... ... 4 Geo. F. Williams $\quad . .$. James S. Calveri ... ... 3 Aryhor E. Wbst ... ... Tamo

Conducted by Leonard Rodmell.
First peal on the bells. The band wish to tahe this opportunity of thanking the Vicer for the use of the bells, and the steeploleeper for taving everything in readiness.

## SANDHUHET, BERKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
(Sonning Deanery Branch.)
万r Thursday, Dec. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Thrce Minutes, At tee Cherch of St. Micharl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHAFGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge, Canterbury, York \& Londan Surpr
Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bol.


First peal in seven methods by all except ringer of the grd and : conductor. Aill belong to the loca! band

## WADHURST, SUSSEX

THE KENT COUNF'Y ASSOCIATION
On Friday, Dec. 8, 7922, is Two Hours and Fifly Minules,
At the Chorce of SS. Peter and Pabla,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 50\&D CHANEES;
Being seven 720's each called differently-
Tenor tacwl. Richard B. Lambert ...Tyejle Frederick J. Lambert, Jen. Robert T. Lambeft ... 2 Sampal T. Wazlis ... ... 5 Frederick J. Lamberi ... 3 | Albert E. Edwards ... ...femor

Conducted by Albert E. Ebwhads.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

OLD HITL, STAFFORDSHIRE,
THE WOROESTE日SHIRE AND DLSTHICTS ASSOCIATJUN On Saturday, Det. 2, 1922, in Tiug Hours and Fifty-Six Minu! s,

At the Residence of Mr. A. E. Pahsons
A PEAL OF STEDBAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANEES;
Tenor 17 size in B flat.


## GUILDFORD SURREX.

THE FINCZDESEER DYOCESAN GULLD.
(The Holy Trinity Socety.)
On Monday, Dee 11, 1922, in Tuw Hours and Twenty-Sewen Ninmies, At I7, Bedford Road, ehe Residence of Mr. W. IR. Melvilie,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, $\bar{\sigma} 40$ CHANGES; Tenor size it in D .
William R. Melvifee ... f-2|Geonge W. Steere ... ... 5-6 Alpred H. Pulling ... .... 3-4 Mrs. W, R. Melvllee

Witnesses: Miss Jessie Melvioin, Niss P'hyelis Cos and Mirs. A. H. Pulling
Rung on the 25 th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Melvile's waddingday.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A mecting of the Ashford District was Jeld at Bidemen on Saturday, Nov. 251 h, ahout 30 nembers ntiending, iucluding a silrong contingent from Brabourne. Touches in the four slandard methods were braught yound, the striking being * pat exacllence.' Tho Rector wite Rew. Collis) officiaten at the service, and ter was served at the Jed Lion Hotel, the Rector presiding. - In reply ta a vote of thanks, ha gave a cordial welcome to all, and hoped they had fomad their newly restored peal satistantory, both as to tolle and " go.'-It was worthy of note fhat three lady members of the district took junt is touches of Grandsire Triples, viz, Mirs, Gatehouse, Mrs. Hater, Misa Thomas, The members were sorry to miss their ald friend, Mr. L. Honess. There were sigus that he is sadly missed and wanted, as he did so much for tho canse at Biddenden, where there appears to be no Elista to take his place, but it is hoped Biddenden's loss will be Winglames gain.

## BIRTHDAY RINGING.

At Wooburn, Buchs, on Saturday, Dec. Rnd, au altempt for a pal of Stcdman Triples was matle, bat wafortuaztely, after about 20 minutes' good striking, the peal failed. The ringing hart been arranged for a birthday conpliment to A. Hoing and F . Boxall. A quarter-peal of Boh Major (1,264 clanges) was afterwards rung by A. Hoing I. J, W. Wikins (composer and conductory 2, G. Twilchen 3. F. Boxal] 4, E. Marklam 5, D. R Coles 6. J. Blackmare 7, O. Mayne 8. First, quariorpeal by the ringere of 6th, fth and aroble.

## LADIES' GUILD.

SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT BRISTOL.
The quartesty meting of the Western Branch of the Ladies' Gnild was held at St. Michael's (City), Bristol, on Saturday, wheu ther: was a large atteudauce, including Miss E. K. Darker (gegeral hou. fecvethry), and visitors from Devizes, Cardiff and Burnhara-on-Siea, twonly towers being represented. During the afternoon touches of Grandsire, Sledman and Bob Minor werc rung. The service was conducted by the Rector (thic Rev. W. G. Arrowsmith), atad jmmediately after the visitors adjourued lo the Boys' Club for tea.
The Rector sind how much pleasure it gave to them in Sl. Miehnel's to welcome the members of the fuild and their friends, and he hoped they woutd all come again.-Mr. W. A, Cave, ou bolanif of the Guild, proponed a liearty vote of thanks to the Rector, and to the organist and choirboys for their scrvices.

Daring the evening a large numher vistled Si. Philip's aud rang toucles of Cambridge, Stedman and Double Norwich
Misz Firker presided at the business meeting. and expressed her pleusure at being with them in Bristol once more. The secreiary and committe of fout were re-elected, and Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. Wilkins were ehasen to represent the Western District on the general cammittee.
Miss Parker sain stro very much hoped flat representatives of the district would be able to attend the next anmual general meeting, which would probably he in London in July.
Portishear and Mangotifield were both proposed for the mext guarterly meeting. aud, Mangotsfield being chosen, it was left to the secrelary to arrange this if possible on either the first or second Snturday in March.-One new member was Elected. viz., Miss Nellie Monlding, of Stratton St. Murgaret's. Miss Williams, who has intely come to live in Bath, was given a bearty welcome to the district.

## KELVEDON RINGER'S DEATH.

The Kelvedon, Essex, company lave lost by death one of their Foung members, Mr. E.J. Dale, who passert away at the age of 20 vears. The funeral took place on Saturday, and on Sunday evening, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Boh Minor was rugg with the bells halfmufted: G. Mayes 1. W. Keeble (condictor) 2. G. Hayward 3. J. Elliott 4, L. W. Wiftin 5. W. Elliott 6. This was followed by 360 in the same method. with F. Bone 5, and the ringing concluded with the " whole pull ann! shand " rung twenty times. Nuch sympathy is felt. with the deceased's family. His father and brother are ringers at St. Mary's Chureh.

## MEDIAEVAEELLS AND THEIR FOUNDERS.

## A BELL LEOTURE TO SHEFEIELD C.E.M.S.

At. Whe mecting of the Handsworth (Sheffield) branch of the C.E.M.S. on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3rd, when about 50 members and friends attended, a paper on Mudizval Bells and their fomders was given by Mr. A. T. Biaker, who dealt with the subject in a very interesting and comprehensive manner, the lecture being illustrated by a number or skctehes of ald bells, founder's marks, shields, erosses, stops, types of lettering, and decorations. He described the evolution from line long-waisted hemispherieal bell of the 13 th contury; to the more compact form of bell in the 20th century, pointing out that this change carae about very slowly and unobsorvedly from the lith century, and Jani been achifeved ahmosi unconscionsly. It was undoubtedly causen by the introduction of scientife change ringing, for which bells of present form were more adapted than the ald longwaisted bells.
Mr. Baker showed how an approximate date could be given to bebs wilkous inseription or other distinguishing marks, and explained how, by a knowledge of the Farions marks used by the hetropolitan aud provincisl mediaval founderis, we may with safety attributa a bell to its origin, and obtain an approximaic date of founding. The style of type used on 13 th, 14 th and 15 t ] centrury hells, respectively, Roman, Lombardic, and hlack letter, were excelient criteria in allocating bells to their proper period, though averlapping caused some little trouble to the uniniliated. For example, at Whaston, where there are two genuine medieval specimens, cast by Jahn Danyeld, of London, and royal bell founder (1450-1451), these bells proudly displayed the royal cont-af-arms. On the ofher liand. coufusion sometimes existed, as $\cdot n$ Whe 4th at Thrybergh, which bear the royal fiead stamps used by Joln Rufford. of Toddington. who was appointed bell foumder to Edward III. in 1367 , but this bell was cast by Henry Dand. of Sottinglam, 181586 , who seems to have used any of the old stampe that had come into his possession from lis predecusors, for on this same belt wins also the shield of the last of the medinval founders in Nofs, i.e., Mellows. The chief tell-tale characteristic. however, was the initials of Dand, 'H'..,' in fme Lombatdic capitals. \&hich goes to prove oanclusively whinh of the these was the actual founder. The speaker also went on to sliow low Dand's work was probably mistaken for pre-Reformation mose llan alay other founder"s, owing, no doulte to his habit of usiug any scrap of medieval ajplabet, etc., that he could lay his hands on to decorate fis bells.
The lecture was greatly enjoved by all presenf, and proved tho importanl part bells ladf played in our church for many generakions and the priceless value of same of these old relics.

## MEATS \&

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BELL ROPES. MUFFLES,

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

A two-lundredth anniversary is a cero occurrence in the history of change ringing -wo have not yet got to the period when bicentenaries are freguent-and it is interesting to hear thai the early Stroud performance was commemorated by a peal in the same method. But for the attention called to the anniversary in these columns, we belive the event would have passed umbaticed.
A peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus on Saturday completed it very interesting sequence for the Hertford County Association, which hus now to its credit peals of Minor, Major, Royal and Minimus in this method. Can any other association clam a similar performance? We have doubts.

As will be seen from our notice columns, the Midellesex Association meeting at Stanmore, which was to have teen held on Saturday, has been postponed. It had been interadod to bold it in conjunction with the reopening of the hells, which hum been incroased from six to eight, bat it now appears that one of the old bells was found to be cracked, and is to to be recast, so that the dedication could note take place on the date fixed. It in loped that the wort will be completed before Cliristmas.
The order to recost and hang in a new cast-iron frame, tho peal of eight at Gravesend, Kent, has ten placed with Mess ra, Taylor and Ca., of Loughborongl. Congratulations to Mr. 'Teal' Hallow, who las been suonessful in collueting $\boldsymbol{X} 400$ towards tho Restoration Fund. It is hoped to have the new peal in by Easter.
In the effort to set up record lengths, one of the earliest twelvebell achievements, was at St. Saviour's, Southwark, where on Monday. December' 15th. 1735, a pal of B,008 Grandsire Cinques, "being the longest peat that lias ever been done on 12 helle. was rung in 6 hours 25 ins. There were three nan to the tenor, and Benjamin Amble called the bobs.
At Christ Church, Spitalields, where there are now only eight bells, a meal of 5,886 Stednant Cinques was rung on Dee, $451 \mathrm{~h}, 1806$. The peal of lwelvo perished in the fire that destroyed tho church.
The first peal in South Africa was rung at Woodstock on Dec. 15th. 190 t.

A peal of Canterbury $L$ censure Major was rung for the first rime on December 17th, 1888, at Warmham, Sussex, where in the following $M_{u r e h}$ a 13,40 in the same method was rung.
On December 19th, 1853, the first pal of Stedman Triples ever rung double-handed, was accomplished at the "Three Kings, Clockerwell, by John Cox 1-2, Thomas Powell 3-4, H. W. Haley 5- F, Thomas Britten 7-8. rt, was witnessed by 19 members of the Colloge Youths and the Gumborlands, hut the composition was afterwinds, we believe, condemned as false.
The six bells of Benington, Lines, are rung for boil servines on Sundays by six members of the same family, consisting of Mr. If. W. Latin (father), three sons and two daughters, one abed 14 and tho other 12 years. Tie girls have only been taught to handle a bell during the last six weka, bul ring rounds and queens quite creditably, fud, as the father and broilers are change ringers, no doubt i we shall hear there about the rn in the fulthe.

A dimer to honour the memory of William Doubleday Crofts, who Was a pioneer of change ringing in Nothing uam, and who died in 1809, is to be held in Nottingham on January 27 th.

A peal of Stadman Caters, the first on the bells, was rung at St. Nicholas' Church, Liverpool, an Tuesday week. The previous peal in the method in Liverpool was rung at St. Peter's Church on March 13th, 1888. The peal last week wis the more noteworthy from the face that it was the first in the method by all the hand. The belly lave never had an enviable reputation, but the peal was excellently rung.

A curiosity almaty the old bells at St. Nicholas" Clutch, Brighton, Which Messes. Gillette and Jolantion lave just rochet, was that tho Fth was a heavier bell than the Eth. They were both cast by Thomas Rudhall at Gloucester in 177 F , the Fth being 9 cwr . 0 qq. 4 lb ., and the 8 lh 8 cwt. 3 qr .
We understand the two now bells for Exeter Cathedral have already been cast at the Loughborough Foundry, but it is doubtful if it is possible to get them open hefore Christmas.

## PAINSWICK RINGER'S CENTURY.

Mr. Frank Cole completed his one-huadredth peal on Saturiay, December, 91 h, 1922 . He lias rung all the bells at Painswick to a peal. He also rang the tenor to the first peat of Bob Maximus on the bells, and took part in 6,335 ranges Grandsire Cinques in 4 hrs. and 27 minutes, another of 7,325 in 5 hours, and the record of 13,001 Grandsire Cinques in 8 hours 45 minutes. By a coincidence he rang his one-hundredtin peal on the same le ll se lis first. His peals are: Grandsire Doubles, 8: Triples, 38; Caters, 25: Cinches, 14; Bob Minor, 5; Major, 4; Royal, 3; Maximus, 2; Btedran Cinģes, 2.

## BRIGHTON'S NEW PEAL OF TEN.

 REVIVAL OF AN OLD CUSTOM.The dedication of the recast peal of fen bella at St. Nicholas Ghureh, IBrighton, took place on Tuesday in last week, aud the tower is now in possession of a very fine ring.
The bells, which have all been recast on the 5 -tone Simpison prin ciple, the temor havigg been increased in weight to 18 ewt ., note E , have been rehung in a steel and iros framo with new fittings through out, ineluding hall bearings to the gudgeons and rope rollers and serew eap greasers to the slapper tops. Nessts. Gillett and Jolunston, who luve carried out the work in a chathateristically efficient manner, are to be congratuiated on the "go of the bells, while the perfect musical tone is much appreciated.

Following an old custon, the bells have been named, and old in seriptions thave benn reproduced upon them

Treble: GIORIA IN EXCEISIS DFO
2nd: GABRIFL, Ave Maria.
3 ril MARY. Magnifical.
4rit: ST: IOTIN. In principio.
Feat Grad, Honollr the King-
$51 h_{1}: S T$. ${ }^{2}$ ETER Tu es Chistus,
Feace and Good Neighbourhood.
6th: ST. PAULL Gratias Deo.
Ith: ST. GRORGE. Pray for England
8t1: STR WILFRTD. Pray for Sussex
9th: ST'. RICHARD. Pray for this Diocese.
Tenor: ST. NICHOLAS. Fray for our Chaldren. Pray for our Sailors. Pray $\overline{\text { for }}$ this Town.

I to the Church the lising call,
It, is interesting to noto the origin of the three last names. St. Wifricl brouglat the Gospel to Sussex in 681. St. Richard was Bishop of Clieliester, 1245. St. Niclolas, Bishop of Myrt, 325, is the patron saint of clildret, of sators, and of the ehurch. which for centuries was the parish church of Brighton (formerly Brighthelmston) until this abigity whs transferred to the more motern and larger chureh of St. Peter.

## THE DTDTCATION.

The dedication service on St. Nicholas' Eve was preceded by evensong, and an address loy the Bishop of Lewes, who told of the mesauge of the liells. "Aut what a mesage they have for this modern town of Brighiont" said his lordship. "Ti is splendid that the hells should share in the revival of Church life, for I am old enongly to ramember when belfy and ringers were often a scandal to tlie Clhurch.' All that is changed (oday, hul the leells still have their message. In this church of the saint of the sailor, the children and the poor-the oldest landmark in Brighton-the bells have looked down though the ages. They hare looked down through the centuries upon tha little fishing village that has grown into a modern town of pleasure-aye, of pain, loo. No doulve when Erighton was altacked in $15: 3$, anit again in 1545, the bells of St. Nicholds Jang atit the alarm to call the people from the countryside. They alsa called the old fisherfolk 10 priyer and worship, and slared in the joys and solrows of the Brightion of that day. A city seb an the hill cannot be hid, and foy all time Si. Nichalas will stand as the olid historic church of Brighton, and as slie bears witness to the faith of ages, so must the lives of those who worship there bear their witness too. "Pod give us grace to ocho back the messige of the bellsglory to God on high, and on eardi peace and goodwill to men.' The opening touch was rung by the St, Nicholas Society: W. Palmer 1. A. Yark Bramble 2, R. Stredwick 3, H Rant 4, F. Tindall 5. G. Ades 6, F. Bemnett 7. F. Palmer 8, C. Palmer 9, J. Jay 10; and after the service the bells were rung by wisitors from rarioug parts of the country, the methods including Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Treble Bob Royal
The following das, being St. Nicholas' Day, a peal of stedman Cafers was attempled, hat came to grief after two thours' good ringing. The ringers were: W. Palmer 1, J. Jay 2, R. Stredwich 3, FI. Ram 4. G. Ades 5, Cyril F. Johnston Croydons 6, F. Bennett (conductor) 7, A. J. Turner (Lewes) 8. C. Palmer 9. G. Bleach 10: and in the evening further ringing took place by the local company and visitors.

## MR. F. W. CLARK'S 100 PEALS.

Cambridge Surpise Maximus, 7; Treble Bob Maximus, 1; Stedman Cinques, 9; Middlesex Surprise Royal, 2; Camhridgo Surprise Roval, 4; Treble Bob Royal. 3: Sfedinan Caters, 8: Iondon Surprise Major, 7; Briktol Surprise Major. 5: Cambridge Surprise Maior. I: SuperIative Surprise Major, 3; Doublo Norwich Major, 2; Troble Boh Major, 5: Stedman Triples, 28: Grandsire Triples, 15; total, 100.

EXFTTER.At St. David's Church. on Monday. Nov. 27tl. 504 Girandive Triples: Miss Knight 1, Mr. F. Davey (conductor) 2,0 . Carter 3, W. Arberry 4, T. Oke 5, W. Lethbridge 6. J. Moss 7, F. Gardner 8.

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS.
PROPOSED RESTORATION AND REGASTING
The monthly meeing of the Manclester branch of the Lazashire Association was held at the Twwn Hall, Manclester, on Saturday, Deember 2nd, when a large body oi ringers was present. methods rung included Lambridge Surprise Royal
At the business meefing, Mr. J. W. Wastbvook, senr, was voted to the chair, and strongly impressed upon those present to go in for good striking, as mothing appeated to the pubitiontside more than to hear bells well rung.
The Cathedral was selected for the next meeting. on Salurday, January 13 th, but it was pointed out by Mr. W. C. Bridgeford that, owing to the bells going badty, they were on the point of being rehung and possibly recast. It was, thorefore, proposed that, failing their being available, the meeting be beld at Jities Platting.
Votes of thanks to the authorities, the lacal riwgers, and the chairman, brought the meeting to a close, and touches on the handbells were indulged in till a later hour.

## A 'TAX' ON PEALS.

## THJ: NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICI

## ASSOLIATION'S POSITION

When the article in our last issue on the above subject was written, We had not before nis anj particulats relating to the circumstances which led up to the discussion of the suhject at the district meeting of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Jpswich Association. By the kinduess of the hon. secretary (My. A. L. Coleman) we have since been furnished with a copy of a circular issued to the memhers of the association. The reasons advanced for suggesting a charge of a slilling per peal were put forward on the very grounds which we discussed in our artiele, fiz., the large inscrease in the gumber of peals which throws a heavy financial strain upon the association in printing the records in detail in the anmual report.
The comraitee of the association have decided to retain tho present form of prinfing peals in the annual report, but to mect the risficit on the accann which is likely to result the decision to impose the charge was come to. The circular amouncing the fecision con-clades:-

At the moment if is left to the goorl feeling of men who have rurg peals, whether they pay for those already scored this year, but after the receipt of this eircular wo hope they mill help us in the way indieated, by supporting is in the liabilities we have accepted in continuing the printing of peal records as hitherto.'

## TEE WAY TO SURPRISE RINGING.

## Ta the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I should lite to ask your advice aboul the taking up of a Surprise methar? I suppose it would have to lie either Cambridge o. Superlative. Now, which of the two would you consider to be the easier for an ordinary compary, who ring for two serwices on each Sundey, have a welky practice, and who already ring Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Treble Bols and Deuble Norwich Major? After deciding on whicln method to aim at, there would ho at leasli some written instructions handed to each member to digest at home before anything could be done in the belfry: Now, specially, $?$ want to ask, how long should it be, after receiving what instructions can be given, before practice is attempted : and how long ought it to be, after this first practice, before the first "plain course" is achieveri?

Any advice that carn be offeref will be gratefully received by
Opinions will probably difter as to wheh is the easier method to learn, Superlative or Cambridge, although the former is the ane 11suilly first tackled. Personally, we think fhere is wery little to choose. Fach has its dificulfies and piffalls for the beginner, and especially for a band comprising men entioly mew to Surprise ringing. Our adrice, for what it is worth, is, fix upon one-no matier which-study not only the work of one bell, but the manner in which ithe work of eacli bell fits witly rest: in other words, get a koowledge of the whole plan of the method.
As to how long it should he beforo practice begins, and befora a plain course is achicved, that, surely, is a matter whicl depends ontirely upon the human factor: upou the mental canacity. and the reennoss of the ringers. If they mean husimess, o week's study, and, say, a couple of evenings' practice ought to see them through course, if they will apply all their knowledee of Treble Bob, and especially of Double Norwiel to the fresh method, and not look upon it as a thing which has no relation to that which they have rung before.-Ed. "R.W."

## A LONG DELAYED ACHIEVEMENT.

Some of the bells at Ringwood, Hants, date from 1763, but the first quarter-peal on the hells by a local hand has only just been rung. This was Grandsirg Triples, on December 5 thi, and it was rung in 48 minutes by W. Johnson 1, F. Green 2, G. Street 3. £ Hendley 4. E. Whitfield 5, F. Green 6. Wr. Chnater (conductor) 7. E. Bradford 8. Fint quarter-peal by the riugers af the 2nd and 3rd (age 16).

## G GLLETI <br> \& <br> JOHMSTON



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

# THE BELL FOUNDRY 

## WHY NOT A REFERENDUM?

## NORWICH CLAIM TO OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF SUFFOLK RINGERS <br> To the Edifor.

Sir,--Your correspondent, the Rev. H. B. Woolley, in his letter in last week's issue, entirely misrepresents the casc. "Norwich ' docs not, of course, claim to be the St. Eimundsbury and Ipswich Dio cesan Atsociation; but tho Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocessn Associntion, which is a tunion of two separate diocesan-as-sociations-llte Norwich, and the St. Edmundshary and Ipswich-docs chain to be entitled to style bolls its branches diocesan.

And what right have the Suffolk members of the Norwich, 8 t Edmundshury and Ipswich Association to this tite? The right, that they embraco in their diocesan branch the majority of the ringers of ilat discese. In your interesting leading article of the ist inst. you suggested it referendum, of which Mr. Woolley apparently is siraid. For all practical purposes, that referchdum has aircady been taken. It suffees to take the membership rolls of the two associations concerned to see how overwhelming a majorits of the ringers in Suffolk claim allegiance to the St. Edmundsbury sund Ipswich Diocesan branch of the Norwich and St. Edunundslury and Ipswich Association.
If Mr. Woolley's pian of sorting up ringers into separated diocesan organisations were to be armitted, if must be applicahle elsewheriz than in Suftolk. Thus it wothd follow that such well-known sociations as the Yorkshire, the Lancashire, the Midland Counties, tur Durham and Neweastle, thic Cloucester nut Bristol, to take the lead ing examiles, would have to be dismembered. And what would happen to London ringers? To what diocese would they belong?
Another point. There is in your correspondent's letter the assump. tion Liat hame menns the Norwich Diocesan branch has actenf arbitrarily in imposing its will on the members of the St. Fedmunts bury and Ipawich brancls. A little reflection would have shown him diat there could indeed be no such compulsion. Membership of any association yests cmifrely on a voluntary basis, and it must, therefore he presumed that the individual ringers who have elected to belong to the Sit, Fitmandsberv and Ipswich branch of the Norwich, St. Edmundshary and Ipswich Associntion know their own business. All decisions that lave been tnken, and all rasolutions that bave bech passer, as regards Suffolk, have been constitufionally carried ai their own hrancls meetings ia Suffolk, and, thacefore, must be taken to represent the wisles of the majority of the Sufolk ringers.-Yours very truly
Xinnor House, Dracondale, Norwieh.

## QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S BIRTHDAY.

At Farmham, Surrey, on Fridsy. Dee, 1st, at St. Andrew's Church. for the biriludey of F.M. Queen Alexamira, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 chandes), in 50 mins.: R. Knott (1st quarter-peal 1. II. Prior 2, A. T. Le Clerce 3, G. UTpshall 4. J. Clapshaw 5, T. ETrshall 6, ue, Hasteri, senr. conductor), 7, A. F. King 8.
Peals were rung at in number of towers in celabration of the royal ambiversary.

## MR. G. F. SWANN'S 300 PEALS



## DIPLOMAS OF MERIT.

## 2'o the Editor.

Sir, -I am puzzled fo understand the liysterical letter iu pour last issue over the name of Ernest Morris, 24, Coventry Street, Leicester. When the writer of in las recavered, 1 will be glad to learn wherd the personalities occur in my prevous leters, ateither your readers of adult age, nor myselt, require to be taught the Jiteral meaning os phrases to be 10 und in any dictionary. to accuse me of being * personal, and in the same breath advise me what and what now to do, betrays the ract that as far as lie is concerned a little knowledge is a dangerous thing.' Whoever ativised him to 'butt in ' in this foolish fashion may tave been bis tatterer, tut not his triend.
Either lie is incapable of understanding humorous colloquialism, or the abnormal desire to see bis mame and address in print on every conceivable opportunity impels him to attract attention to binself by a womout device of 'personality' where none exists.
This is a discussion of it possiblo policy where 'personalities ' have no part, but if any feel that the cap fits their particular heads, fley would be toolish to 'give themselves away.' If Elnest Dorris, or abyone else, can add to the discussion pro or con, they sliould do so by urgument, but parrot cries are simply a waste of good postage stamps. - Yours, etc.

December 10th, 1922.

## GOOD WORK ITG OWN REWARD

Dear Sir, When I opened my copy of the * Ringing World ' hsis morning, I really was most awfully bucked to see all the splendid diplomas it ecutained for various members of the art and science which we profess. Not to mention my own particalar award of merit: yes, there it was; all newly dond in gilt and adormed with sugarplums, with a present for a good hoy, ou top like my birthday eakes used to bave. I really was delighted to discover that J lad so many good qualities and so many implied compliments. Coming. as they do, now I huve yeached the 'suar and yellow leaf' 'stage (nud the white heather has long bloomed on my biltopl, makes me
 my gratituele; but why "no flowers, my irjend? I had thought that distributing largesse in the garland and laurel wreath line was your long suite just at present. Howevor, I tender my lumblest if I am wrong. William, you didn't specify in your leter (page 679, date Oot. 27thy thaz you did not intade the maltiple method peals. You should have been explicit, then we shouldn't lave had a chance to infer things. All howour to you, or angoge else, who goes a long disfance so help a young band; and if you did say you were ${ }^{5}$ on husiucss," Was it not the truth? And very good ' biz ' at that. Now, if you just tip me the wink, on the strict Q.T., of coluse, who is 'our pet "flea that trowbleth " in the Bob Finor line? He slinll bo bsiled in oil, and has head shall adorn the fop brick of the winson keep and for ever grin deliance to those who dare to please themselves and 50 ringing to perpetrate more peals in one mettod only. It really is disconcerting, after a good supper, to bave the thought fiash across one's mind that perhaps in one's own parish someone inight he foistimg upon the society, which is one's own particular pride, hin 100th peal of Plain Bob Doubles, an it were in order to get saneone rhrough his first peal is no excuse. However, that is no reason why fiplomas should not he issued to those who are so wainglorious as to wish to pay for them. But we camot class ringing with music for this puppose. The great inspiration oi ringing is its service to the church, and I believe it slould be done with no thought of reward. and if diplomas were granted for various stages in ringing, atid our good lditor sarted aut the wheat from the tares, giving Surprise r front seat, it would obuse more strife 5 till, and it would to same extent do away with that equality which shoula exist in our tanks. No, good Mr. Willson, let us do our ringing with no thought of reward other fhan the knowledge of good work well done, I don"t remomber that the Master in His charge to His disciples mentionedi anything about the diplomas thes were to acquire. Nor did the wilow ask one when slee dropped her raits into the plate. Were ringing mot an miJunct to the worship in our churels, and were our experts bilted to appear in so and so fown as concerf stars are, then I should agree with Mr. Wilison, give em all they want in that line. But I don't agree that diplomas will encourage young ringers to aspire to the top of the tree. 1 believe that 90 per cent. Wish to get there now, with no thought of reward. The olfer 10 per cent. are not an ornamont to the Exercise, I beliers that the very besi dipiama any man could bave it for his fellows to say of him, when he has gone to his rest, tlat. he did his nimost to bring others up to his own standard. and did not scorn the humblest methons as a means fo a glorious ent. T do not think, nor liave I ever sain, that wain repefition of in thing ande 10 its glory. It camot do; it is the great reason why the thing is repeated tirne and again that is the peculiar glory of ringing. It is not merely the intricncy of the methad which is the attraction. There are many who put their heart and soul into Plain Rob Minor beanse they love flie sonnd of their bells and the service they are offering No. Willam, you cant place the Surpsise methots in the first class " category: vou can't plece them anvwhere but where thay have already pland themselves. Thes are ala
easy first now. I note, with pleasure, your remarks re the 59 peals of Doubles and Minor rung by your association in 1921-22. I should have thought it was a sure sugn of progress, and itat somene was ut work among the hedgerows. I noled that the Surprise peals werc also in evidence, and good young blood ringing sem, but you are on the spot, and should be alile to put the honse in order if any one the spot, and I shonldn' discourage those six bell lowers, their membership counts for more than a little to all socjeties, and are the backbono of mare than one. Anyliow, you lave my good wishes in the work before you, and sharld yous succeed in substikuting for the peals of Minor you object to. ofhers in seven Surprise methods, will be first to say you lave ermed the highest honours the M.C.A cau bestow. But if you are the real heartwhole ringer I take you to be you won't want a paltry thing you can hang on your wall. Your reward will le in the approval of your compeers. Real ringers do not want paper puffs. Would-be-but-can't ringers are not entitled to such norice. Only iliose piffed with conceif would taka them up. The real stuff lets its actions speak louder than the diplamas on the parlour walls.-Yours merrily,

ONCE A BEGTNNER.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY.

ROYSTON, HERTS-For eveming service, on Remembrance Day, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, 1,262 changes (Thurstans), with the bells half-muffled: A. Gilbert I, S. Reed 2 , J. W. Ward 3, W. 3. Manning (conductor) 4, C. S. Gouldthorpe 5, R. G. King 6, s. is. Roberts 7, A. Roberts 8 - On Sunclay morning, Nov. 12th, 504 Stedman Triples, W. L. Darlow (conductor)
CHURCHKIRK, LANCS.-On Noy. IIth, 1,260 Bob Minor, in 45 mins, with the bells falf-muliled, in memory of the three ringers of this tower who fell in the war ( $P$. Lomax, $J$. J. Moseley and $\mathbb{R}$. Bevins) : A Chadwicke 1, A Ingham 2, W Aaron 3, J. Marsh 4, W Aspinall (longest length) $5, \dot{\tilde{L}}$. J. Willians (conductor) 6.

CAERPHILLE.-Llandaff and Monmouth Association. - On Nov. 1lth, at St. Martin's Chureh, 420 Grandsire Triples, balf-muffled, and with the bells open, the first hale of Holf's 10 -Part pess in 590 clangez) : S. Addicott 1, A. Addicott (conductor) 2, G. Cooke 3, P. Jones 4, W, Pike 5, w. Dare 6, F. Boucher 7, T. Love 8, Rung for those who fell in the war, and the half peal for St. Martin's Day.
MATLOCK.-At the Phish Church, on Armistice Dey, 306 Grandsire Triples, with bells halt-mufled, also a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: R. Greatorex 1, L. Stathem 2, F. Knowles 3, J. Taplis 4, J. E. Paulson (conductor) 5, G. II. Paulson 6, F. Paulson 7, E. Holmes 8.
KEITERING, NORTRANTS, An attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples, with the bells half-muffled, was lost owing to a shift course, after ringing 2 bours and a quarter: A. W. Inns 1, M. Hobbs 2, R. Black 3, B. Saddington 4, C. Bird 5, A. Henman 6, D. J. Nichols (conductor) 7, li W. Lamport 8 ,
BRIDGtwD, GLAM.-At St. Illty's Church, 532 Grandsire Triples: A. W. Wright 1, A. Jones 2, B. J. Toby 3, R. Erans 4. C. H. Perry (consuctor) 5. H. Jenkins 6. D. R. James 7, C. Greedy 8. Also 406 changes in the same method by the same band. These tourhes were rung linlf-muffled.
WIESETT, SUEFOLK. - At Si. Andrew's Clurch, 1,260 changes Grandsire Doubles, in 44 mins: F C Lambert fconductory 1. W Kerrison 2, W. Kemp 3, J. Foward 4, L. Hammond 5. J. Tolly 6. The ringers of the treble, 5 th and tenor each lost a son in the late war, end the ringer of the 3 rd bell lost two sons and two sons-in-law.
HALESWORTRH, SUFFOLK. At tho Parish Church. touches of Bob Triples and Bob Minor were rung. and for Sanday morning service, 336 Grandsire Triples, and 576 Kent Treble Bob Major: W, Pieres 1. E. Hall 2, F. C. Lambert (conductor) $3, R$. Thompson 4, J. Larter 5. 3. Howard 6. C. Moss 7, A. Lee 8.
SOLJHULL. WARWICKSHTRE - At the Parish Church, in 57 minutes, with the bells half-mnfled. a quarter-pal of Grandsire Caters (1,277 changes) : J. Bragg 1, C. Bragg 2, G. A. Martineau B, H. Bragr 4, S. Bragg 5, E. C. Shepherत (composer and conductor) 6. H. Shepherd 7, Sam Bragg 8. R. Bragg 9. A. Bragg 10. In the inverted tittums and handstroke liome nositions.
HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.-An attempt was made for a peal of Stedman Triples, but it unfortunately came to grief, afterwards 800 Bob Major was rung. Also, for memorial service, arranged by the local lianch of the British Legion, on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 12tiny. a iftarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 ehanges), in 45 mins.: W. Godden 1. Miss E. Mopkin 2, J. Taylor 3, H. Wilson 4. J. Gartl 5. W. H. Taylor 6, F. Watkinson (condictor) 7, F. Gardwell 8. First quarter su tho method he all except conductor
CADOXTON, GLAM.-For the unveiling of two memorials, one in church and one in the village, q quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, half-muflied: Frank Fatton 1. Harry Bovce 2, J. E. Bloxham (conductor) 3, Idris Bowen 4, 1 . Rees 5, A. Hatton 6. Ringers 1. 2 and 6 are from Neath.-In the evening, after failing for a peal of Bob Minor, 720 Job Minor, half-mufled, iz 26 mins : IZ. Jones I, I. Bowen 2, D. J', Lewis 3, A. Devould 4, R. Rees 5, J. 空. Ploxham (conductor) 6, by the local hand. At. Neath the same night, several touches of Bob Minor and Grandsiva Doubles, half-mufted, with tho above ringers, excepting H. Boxce and R. Jones.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

HARLOW COMMON, LGSEX.-On Sunda̧, Dec. IOth, for Chorai Eucharist, 832 Double Norwich: H. Morris 1, H. Simale $Z, V$. Tipton 3, L. J. Cordell 4, G. Dent (conductor) 5, \$. Clark 6, I. Cordell 7, W. Whecler 8.For evensong, 800 Bob Major: W. Liplon 1, G. Dent 2, F. Whilby 3, W. Wedlock 4, V. Tjpton 5, S. Clark 6, J. Cordeli 7, W. Wheelor 8.

BEVERLEY, YOLES.-At the Blinster, on Sundny, Nov. 51 h , for morning service, 163 Stodman Triples; for evening sorvice, 648 Grandsire Caters: R. Owen 1, W. Gibson 2, II. Rnagrose 3. J. Braithwaite 4, F. Osgerby 5, C. G. Constable 6. A. E. Sellers 7, J. E. Constable 8, W. iliddlieton (conductor) 9, A. Botham 10
CAVENDISH, SUFFOLK. - On Sunday, Nov. $121 \mathrm{~h}, 720$ Oxford Treble Bob, half-muffled, for remembrance tay: A. Caterwell 1, A. Maxim 2. B. W. Pettelt 3, Albt. Maxim 4, G. Moore 5, T. Slater (conductor) 6.-Wor evening service, 720 Double Court: W. Underwood (conductor) 1, H. Perkins 2, B. W. Jotteti 3, A. Ince 4, A. Catterwell 5, T. Slater 6.
WITHAS, ESSEX. -02 Surday, Nov, 12ift, at the Parish Clurch. fo = morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: W. J. Butler I, A. Chalk
 Butler 3, H. Dorking 4, A. Evers 5, E. Bright (conductior) 6.

KETTERING.-On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for e.enirs sorvice, 1,080 Cambridge Surprise Royal: A. V. Inns 1, E. M. Atkins 2, D. J. Nichols (conductor) 3. H. Heet 4, k. Iurner 5 , w. Rogers bi C. W. Bird 7, J. B. Williamson 8, J. E, Chapman 9, F. W. Sawfoot 10,
1SLEWORTXL.-For morning service, on Nov. 1211, at the Church of All Saints, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: G. Spencer 1, A. Beckensale 2, F. G. Goddard 3, J. Mitner 4, W. H. Hollier 5, IH. W Lidoetter (conductorl 6, A. Harding 7, H. Brooks 8 . Itung as birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th.-For evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major. in 50 mins. : Tom Beadle 1, T. G. Goudard 2, G. Spencer 3, J. Miner 4, R. A. Watts 5, A. Harting 6, A. Eeckenssle 7. W. H. Hollier (conductor) 8.

ST. LAURENGE, THANET.-On Remembrance Suaday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, half-mulled, in 47 mins.: H. Foster 1, L.J. Twyimen 2, T. Scotit 3, W. J. Jirman 4. W. G. Birch 5, H. W. Moody, R.A.T., S, A. E. Jarman (conớuctor) 7, J. Jarman 8. Eiret as conductor; also first quarter by the treble and by the 2ud with a bob bell.
FDERING, ESSEX. - For evening sorvice, on Sinday, Nov, 12th, 720 Oxfori Treble Boh Minor: G. Mayes 1, J. Newman 2, J. Sadler 3. G. Hayward 4, C. Ragers 5, W. Keeble (conduclar) 6.

HILLINGDON, MJDDLESEX.-On Sınday, Nov. 12 ith, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: Miss G Baker 1, Miss D. G. Feltham 2, G. Gutteridge 3, J. J. Pratt 4, E. Joner 5, ES. Honor (first quarter of Grandsire Caters) 6, E. Hancox (conductor) 7, Li. Carter 8, W. Henley 9, W. Howor 10.
HITCHIN, HERTS.-At the Parisli Church of St. Mary. on Sun(iay Navember Sth, in 50 mins, a quarler-peal of Grandsire Trinles 4 , E. J. NeweIt conductor) 5 , II. Fise 2, C. Cannon 3, W, J Crolt 8.-On Sinday Nou 12tl J, Jare 6, (x. T. Croft 7, H. E. Day Double Norwich Court Bob Major to evensong, a quarter-peal of Else 1, L. Firler 2, E. \%. Newell 3, H. E. Dey 4, G. Wolfe 5, . Hare 6, G. T. Groft 7, W. J. Croft (conductor) 8. Ruvg with the bells half-muffled on tho ogcasion of a British Legion Charch T'arade 111 comnertion with Armistice Day.
HARBORNE-On Sunday, for moruing service, on Nov, $12 \mathrm{~h}, 720$ Bob Minor, in 27 mins.: A. Atkins 1, C. Simkiss 2, H. Stanley $\overline{3}, G$. Figott iconductory 4, K. Russell 5, E. Rose 6.
NUNEATON.-On Sunday, Nov. 12ih, for marning service, on the occasion of the Mayor and Corporation attending Divine service at the Parizh Clurch, 448 Superlative Surprise: F. Brassilagton 1, E Martin 2, O. Draper 3, A. Wilkerson 4, W. Martin 5. E. Stone 6, J. F. Clarke 7, T. W. Chapman 8.-For evening service, 576 London Surprise: C. Draper 1, J. F. Clarke 2, H. Argyle 3, W. Horton 4, D. H. Argyle 5, E. Stone 6, J. F. Clarke, senr., 7, T. W. Chapman B MARKET DEEPING.-On Sunday, Nov. $12 t h$, for morning service, 360 Coilege Single: F. Simpson 1, H. M. Day (conduetor) 2, A. Riggatl 3. W. A. Day 4. J. Landon 5, G. H. Wells 6. Also 240 of Primroke Surprise and 120 of Canterbury Pleasurc, with H. Fayes treble. -For evening service. 720 Single Court: F. Simpson 1, H. Hayes (iirst in the method inside) 2, II, M. Day (conductor) 3, A. Riggall 4, W. A. Day 5, G. H. Wells 6

LINTON-On Sunday, Nov, 20th, for evening service, 530 Stedman Truples: F. M. Mitchel 1. L. Mannering 2, C. H. Sone 3, L. Head (conductor) 4, Ti. Head 5, T. Hend 6, 2, E. Sone 7. G Found 8 Longest touch in the methor by $H$. and J. Head. Also touches of Bots Major and Grandsire Triples by the same band, and Mr. B. Bater.

## NOTICE.

Reports of peala rung during next week should be forwarded for publication immediately after the performance. Christmas Holidays will otherwise prevent their appearanco in the issue of Dec. 29th

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

HLACKBURN RRANCH MTETTKG.
Sahurday last was a red-lolter day in the Jhackbarn Branch of the Lamashire Association, when a meeting, held at the Church of St, Michaed and All Angels, Bleckturn, was mate notewortiy by fhe turveiling of is peal tahlel in the ringing elamber. It contuins the record of first peals rung by the local company in five differont methods, viz., Grandsire Triples, Bobs Major;, Stedman 'Triples, Kent 'freble Hob Major and Double Norwisin Court Bob Majar
The cercmany was performed by the Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee, Vicar of 51. George's, Belton, and Fresident oi the Laneashire Association, the Hev. E. Hanson, Yicar of St. Michrel's, and the Rev. H. L. burnilly (curates also taking part in the ceremony
Ration Eisee, in a short address, paid a high tribute to the work of the lowal company, and also spoke very encouragingly to ald present, puthing special stress on the importance of goad striking and of al! ringers giving of their very best for Sunday gervice ringing. On the invitalion of the Fiear and ringers, ter was partaken in Lhe Chureli Institute, an excellent meat baing aerved to between 60 and 70 ringers and friends.
The husiness meeting was held afterwards, the Rex. Hauson presindig, supprorted by the Rev, Canon Eisee, the Rev. H. C. de Tharathy, Messis. Sharples nud Rlackslonw (churchwardens), Mr. I. It Braks (ringing steretary of the Lancashile Association), etc, - Fihe Rev, E. Hanson spoke of the grent interest taken by Canon Fisoc in the agseciation, mat also of his kinduess in coming from Bolton to wrveil the tahlet. Mr . A. Tomlinson, on thedrulf of the locul ringers, Habzked Canan Elsee for the tribute he had paid them, and for his gooduess in coming to perform the ceremony. He also thanked the Rev. Ts. Fansan, ihe Rev. J. C. Barathy, Megere. Sharples anr? Blacksluw for the kindly interest they lad taken in the procedings. He also said how grateful ther were to the visitors from other bratuches who hatl come over and helped to make the day so en joyable.
If was proposef to hold fhe mext meethag at Aecrington on Jan. 13 hi.
A lithe mom junging was indulgeti in hefore the members disperged. Nio jess than 13 towers were represented at the meeting.

## GLOUCESTER $\&$ BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

## FOREST BRANCH SECRUTARYSHTP.

The anmal mecting of the Forest Branch was held at Weatbury onsevern on Sinturday. Tho bells, a beauliful heavy peal of six, nere raised at 3 p-m., and kept going till 4.15 , when gervice was hell in the church, conducted by the Yical the Rev. A. Kelleyt. A splendid tea was riferwirds partaken of al the Lion Hotel, the Vicar being in the chair, and 25 ringers, includine two ladies, were present Wr. Colchester Weanys und Wr. Catlie were also present

The furitues meeting followed, at which the Rev. A. Kelley was clected prosident for ilue ensuing year--Mr.J. Wiliams, who had held the secretaryship for several years, notified the meeting that he should like to relinguish that office if anyone else would tako it on, ind Mr. Wialtel Gleed, of Festbury-an-Severn, was unanimously elected to fill the office.
It was doeided to appoint an assistant seerotary, the district being a rery large ane. Mr. J. Williams offered to thl the post and look afler the northern part of the district.-This was carried, and Mr. Willimes was thanked for his past services.
The nsual rotes of thanks concluded a very successful meeting. "he towers represented were Westbury, St- Michacl's, Gloucester : Lituleriean, Blaisdon, St. Briavels and Newent.
Will ringers bindly note that the mew secretary's address is West hury-on-Severn, near Newnlarm, Gloucester?

## THE ARTHUR T. KING MEMORIAL FUND.

## To the Editor.

Dęr. Sirr-The following amounts, received from tho gentlemen uramed towarts the abore fund, are gratefally acknowledged: $P$. A.
 Peploe, 5s.: E. S. Poll, 5s.: E. Brynett, 5 . : E. Brarmett, junr., 2s fid. : Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, 10s. : IN. T. Ludsley, 4 s : : J, George, 5 s J. E Sykes, 35. $\operatorname{E}$. Bennett, 1s: $T$ IT. Donnis, 2s. 6d. A. W. Brighton, 5s.; Y, Rainbird, 2s. 6d.: W. Watson, 2s. 6d.; E. J. Butler, 2s. 6d.; A, Pye, 2s.; H. F, Dawkins, 2s. 6d.; A. C. Chaplin, 2s, 6d.; J. H. B. Hesse, 10 s. 6d.; C, T. Coles, 5s.; Sir Wm. Turpin, 5s, ; W. G. Whitehearl, 2s, 6n.; M. F. R. Eiblert, 2s.: G. 12. Pre, 10s. : Wm. Pye, 10s.; total, 410 13s.
Further sums for the fund will be thankfully received by any Member of the Memorial Comaittec, Messrs. T, Beacile, 17, Perey Gardens, Isleworli, WY. II. Hollier, 29, Duke Road. Ghiswiek, W.4; F. A. Milne, Summerlill. Barnet; or by rours truly, C. T. COIJES. ITon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, Walinmstow, E. 17.

## EXETER BELL RESTORATION

The bells of St. Perrock's Church, Exeter, have been restored as u patoclial war memorial. Un Sunday week they were reopened and dedioated, together with a handsomely desigued marble tablot, containing the names of the Iwelve men from the parish who gave their lives in the war. The tablet is nlso inscribed: "To the Glory of God and in wer-loving and grateful ramembrance of the men of St. Perrock's and St. Kerrian's who gave their lives for right and freedom in the greaf war, $191+1918$, this tablet was erected and our ancient hells restored." F"he dedication was performed by the Sherit of Lixeter the Rev. Canon D. HeLaren, and the tablet was wnveiled the Mayor
At the conclusion of the ceremony, a short touch was rung on the restored bells. some of which date back to the reign of Heary Whe " Last Fost ' ahd 'Reveille' were sounded by buglers of the Exeter Cador Jattaliont, and the service, which had been rery impressive, concluded with the Xational Anthem and the Beuediction. Tho work of restoring the beils has been very satisfactorily carried out by Jlessrs. T. Doljle and Sons, of Taunton, to the contive approval of the bell commitee, and of the ringers, who, after the conclusion of the service, rang sereral six scores of Grandsire and Sicdum Doubles, the bands representing the local towers of St. David's, St. Sitwell's and Heavitree. Every hope is expressed that a new band will soon be torfhcoming to take over the tower and hells, as they are a nice light ring. Temor $5 \frac{\mathrm{f}}{\mathrm{f}} \mathrm{ewt}$.
The urw ropes were given by Mr. W. J. Southrood, of Exeter.

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

A rely successful meetiag of the Ladlow district was held at Tenbur' $\mathrm{H}_{\text {an }}$ December 2nd, those preseut includiug the Diowsan Ringing Master (Mr. Clias. Edwards), the Dfirict Ringing Master (the Rev. H. S. T, 㗉iclardson, local figgers, and visilors from Bredenbury, Bronfield, Kimbolton, Ludlow and Staunton-on-Arrow. On arriqal at the belry the risitors were met by fle Ficar (the Rev. E. E. Winningron infrim), who extended to lhem a hearty melcome. Good iorhume frvoured the company, as in addition to a bright service (with organ accompanimend, and an adress fanl of interest and encouragenzent, the Fiear entertainerl the party to an excellent tea in the Frarish Hall, witill local ladies to wait upon their needs.
While the tables werc being cleared. courses of Grandsire Triples and Caters were rung upon the Rev. Richardson's sweet-roned haudbells.
The Ficar presided at the business meetha, and afted that he would glady bocome an honorary member, and the district secretary reported that the Bromfield and Tentury ringers liad decided to join the Guild in the New Year.-It was proposed by Mr. C. Euwards, and carried, that the ammual district meeting take place at Bromfeld on Jinuary 20;h next.
After a hearts vote of thants to the Ficar lady helpers, organist and Tenbury ringers, the company again adjourned to the rower: when touches of Oxford and Plain Bob Minor, Grandsire ata Plain Bob Doubles were indulged in.

## DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

A Quarterly meeting of this Guild was held at Bilston on Dec. 2nd, when members from valious towers, and facluding fre lady ringers from Smethwich. kepr the bells going in Farious methorls fill. five o'clork, when the Ficar \{the Rev. G. C. Ford conducted sorvice, and gave an inspiring address,
Tea and meeting followed, and Mr. George Eugland occupict the chair-Four new ringiug members were elected. and Dữley was chosen for the nexs meeting, which wild be the anmal.
A vole of thanks was passed to the Vicar, organist, and ladies, who lad arraged for comforts of the ingers by providing a splendid tea. It was also resolved to seud a lettar of congratulation to lae veteran rigger, Mr. W. R. Small, upon atnining fis $83 r d$ birthday.

## CHIPPENHAM BAND'S FINE PROGRESS.

At Chipponlam Farish Chureh, for evening service, on St. Andrew's Day, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 42 minutes: E. Perry 1, E. Trueman 2. W. Fulhurt 3. C. Iavelock 4. L. Amblase 5, S. Wiitshire 6, F. Lambeth (eonductor) 7, II Powell 8.
Since the Armistice. the ahove band, together with R. Pearce and A. Dale, all local and Sunday Service ringens, hate learned to ring Kent and Oxford Treble Boh, Plain Bols and Dobble Norwich, and ame now tackling superlative, to be followed by Cambridge in the New Year. Tliey have no help froms oulside, and their progress spans volumes for their keemess and perseverance.

LONDON. - At St. Olare's. Hart Street. on Wednesday Nov. 29th. T20 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. E. Hewett 1 , F. Haira 2 C. W, R, Grimwood 3, C. V. Fhergen A, if A. Trollape 5, R. San-

## NOTICES.

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## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON-

 DON DIOCESAN GUILD.-The Nortt and East District meeting arranged for Dec. 16th at Stanmore has been unavoidably postponed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Joseph's Church, Ansdell ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3 p m . Business meeting 5.30.-C. Sharples, Branch Secretary, 3, Rutland Gate, North Promenade, Blackpoo!.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 15th. Bells ready at 3 . Meeting, 6.30. All ringers welcome.-T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 31, Bamuel Street, Middleton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Soutb-Western Division.The Annual meeting of this Division will be beld at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow ( 8 bells), on Saturday, Dec. I6th. Bells ready at $30^{\prime}$ 'clock. Service at 5 ; tea and meeting to follow in Hall adjoining church. Will members requiring tea kindly advise me by the irth inst., and oblige? W. H. Theobald, Hon. District Sec., 49, The Portway, West Ham, E. 5 .

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-Nortb East Branch. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Tivertun, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells available at 2.30 . Service and address by the Rector at 4.45 . Tea, i/ each, in the Institute at $5 \cdot 15$. Will those requiring tea notify me by the previous Tuesday? -Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Bulwell, on Saturday, December I61b. Ringing from 4.30 to 8.30 p.m. Business meeting 6 o'clock.-T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Nottingham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. -The annual meeting of this District will be held at Dunstable, on Saturday, December 16th. The bells will be available at 2.45 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 p.m. It is hoped all members will try and attend this meeting. Visitors heartily welcomed.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.
DRIGHLINGTON, St. Paul's Church.-Reopening of the Bells.-By the kindness of the Rev. T. M. Turnbull, Vicar, the Churchwardens and Ringers. The ring of bells (8) will be reopened on Saturday, December I5th. Originally cast by Messrs. Warner and Sons, of London, 40 years ago, have now been retuned and rehung on the latest principle by Messrs. J. Taylor \& Co., of Loughborough. The bells will be available for ringing from 2 to 9 p.m., and a hearty invitation is given to all ringers on this occasion. Tea will be provided at 5 p.m., at a charge of is. 3 d . each. The order for ringing will be arranged as applications are received, so send in early. A. Gascoigne, Sec., Cross Roads, Drighlingtos

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-Next meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. r 5 th, at St. Mary's, Whitecbapel. Ringing from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service. Tea kindly provided by the Rector. To make the necessary arrangements, will all who intend coming let me know by the 14 th? Business meeting after. Wel. come to all--E. C. Russell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 57, Market Street, W. 2.

LADIES' GUILD. - Northamptonshire Branch.-A meeting will be held at Cranford, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells (6) ready 2.30. Service $40^{\circ} \mathrm{clock}$. Tea 4.30. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Dec. I3th. Gentlenten cordially invited.-Cecil E. Hepburn, Hon. Sec., The Pines, Isham.
bath and wells diocesan association.A meeting will be held at Corston, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.nn. Tea and meeting to follow.-E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; Bistopsgate, Dec. i8th; Sundays, 8t. Clement Danes, ist and 3rd, at ro a.m. ; Bishopsgate, 2nd and $4^{\text {th }}$, at 5.15 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

 (Estab. 1637)- -The subscription (f I/8, whick enables members who have not attended 20 tines in the past year. to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meeting for practice will be held at SI. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Dec. 21 st, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Annual meeting will be held at Llandaff on Tuesday, Dec. 26th. Bells (io) available. Eervice in the Cathedral at $40^{\circ}$ clock. Tea and business meeting to follow. St. John's bells, Cardif, available from about midday until 3 o'clock, and after the meeting J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Isle of Wight District.- The annual meeting will be held on Boxing Day at Newport. Bells available 2 p.m., at St. Thomas', Newport, and St. Mary's, Carisbrooke. Service at 4 p.m., addressed by Canon Thompson, M.A., Vicar of Newport. Tea at 4.45 . Business meeting after. All intending to be present at tea please notify Secretary by 22nd inst.-W. Upton, 10 , Elm Grove, Newport.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bo!ton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Bolton, on Saturday, 30 th Dec. Bells available 3 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Meeting 7.30 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Secretary, 204, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A Quarterly meeting will be held at Chichester on Saturday, Dec. 3oth. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service at the Cathedral at 4. Tea at Cowley's Restaurant at 5 . All those intending to be present kindly advise not later than Dec. 26th.-A. W. Groves, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Loughborough District.-The annual meeting of the above will be held at Loughborough on Saturday, Dec, 3oth. Bells at All Saints' and Bell Foundry will be available for ringing from 3 o'clock. Business: election of officers for the year. All ringers invited to attend.-W. Pervin, Local Hon. Sec., 25, Ratcliffe Road, Loughborough.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The Annual meeting will be held at Doncaster on Saturday, Dec. 3oth. The tower will be open early for ringing. A short service will be held at 5 oclock, at which the President the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford) will give an address. Tea in the Memorial Hall at 5.30. Will all those who intend being present notify me, without fail, before Dec. 27th ?-Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-A Quarterly meeting will be held at Northfleet on Saturday, Jan. 6th, 1923. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5 , conducted by the Rev. W. Hurwood (curate-in-charge). Tea in the Church Schools at cost price per head; business meeting to follow. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Jan. $3^{\text {rd }}$ ? All ringers welcome.-Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., II4, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

MIDLAND COUNTIESASSOCIATION.-Thenext Quarterly meeting will be at Mansfield on Saturday, Jan. 6th, 1923. Tower open 2 o'clock. There will be a meeting of the sub-committee at 4 o'clock, and of the general committee at 4,15 . Tea will be ready at 5 o'clock and will be followed by general meeting. Will those requiring tea kindly advise Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, Church House, Mansfield, by Thursday, Jan. $4^{\text {th } ?-A . C . ~ W r i g h t, ~}$ Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District. -The meeting at St. Neots, proposed for Dec. gth, will be held on Jan. I3th. Further notice will be given.-Rev. H. B. Woolley, Dist. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Notting. ham District.-Preliminary Notice.-A dinner will be beld at the Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham, on Jan. 27th, 1923, to honour the memory of William Doubleday Crofts (1737 - 1809), practically the founder of change ringing in Nottingham. Further particulars later.-Thos. H. Kirkby.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-Mr. Arthur E. Pegler has removed to 7 , Clarence Street, Euston Road, Bangor, North Wales.

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