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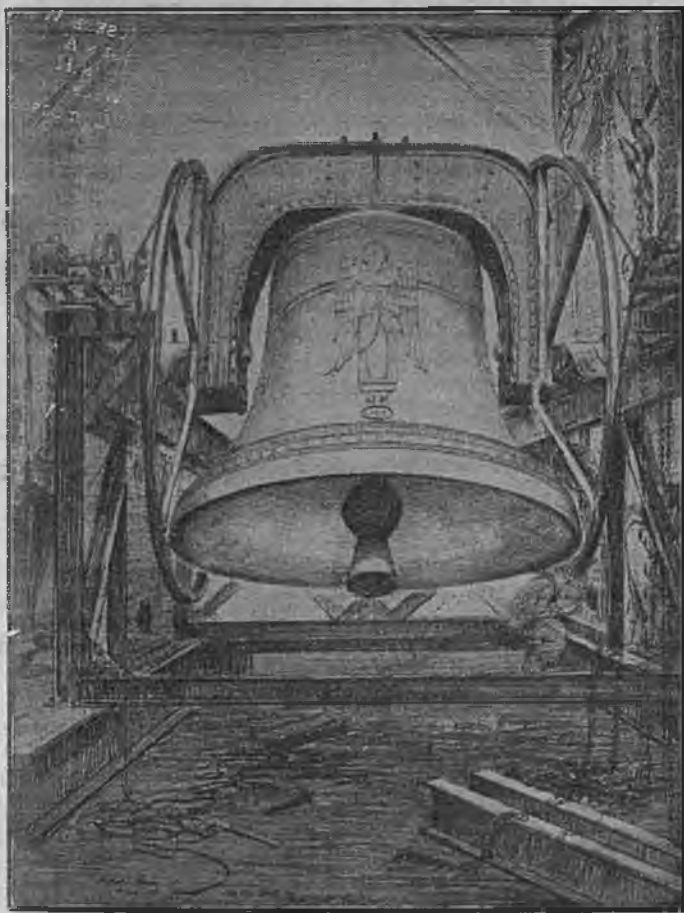
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THE CHOICE OF METHODS.

Why do ringers 'take' to some methods and discard others? We do not include in the latter methods which, by their nature, fail to comply with the standards of these days, and are therefore really 'taboo,' but methods which may, broadly, be said to be as interesting to ring and as musical, or, if you like, as unmusical, as some of those which may be termed popular. The point raised last week by a correspondent regarding 'Duffield' brings this matter again to the front, and one is still left wondering why. Let us look for a moment at some of the facts. In 1913, the year in which the greatest number of peals was rung—viz., 2,359—the four most practised Surprise Major methods accounted for 177 peals, with 13 other Surprise peals divided between five methods. Of other peals of Major, 566 were either Treble Bob, Double Norwich or Plain Bob, with 18 peals divided between eight other methods. In 1929, when 1,665 peals were rung, the four popular Surprise Major methods produced 204 peals, and seven others produced 18 peals (apart from five 'Spliced'). In other Major methods Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Plain Bob accounted for 370 and 11 other peals were rung in eight other methods. These figures go to show that ringers' tastes and practice generally have changed but very little in the last 16 years. Triples and peals on the higher numbers exhibit very much the same characteristics; ringers cling tenaciously to the old and well known methods. Here and there a band experiments with something new; but nothing seems to take the popular fancy in plain methods any more than in the more advanced. Indeed, in the last thirty years only one new method can be said to have really made a wide appeal, and that is Bristol Surprise, which won its place on its own merits, both in its construction and its musical qualities.

How is it ringers, as a whole, show so little desire to ring fresh methods? They have them in plenty, so it cannot be for lack of material. Neither can it be for lack of skill, for there are many ringers to-day who, given a few hours to study a diagram, could make quite a good show at ringing any method of ordinary construction. Is it lack of initiative, or is it that in the great majority of towers a complete band cannot be kept together long enough to get over the stages of laying the foundation? Quite a lot depends upon this latter element. Unless the foundations have been well laid, it is impossible to build properly, but once a band is established and has properly grasped the principles, there is,

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given opportunities, nothing to prevent them from going on from method to method almost indefinitely.

Whatever the cause, it does seem strange, on reflection, that so many of the good methods that exist should go unringed. For those ringers who have got no further than plain Major there are vast and interesting possibilities in the Central Council's Collection, which offers easy steps to the more complicated things. For example, many ringers, if they want to get away from Plain Bob, are turned straight on to Double Norwich. The work in the latter is many stages removed from the former and months are often spent in trying to learn the fresh method; whereas in the Council's Collection is a series of methods which would take the learner by easy and comparatively quick stages, giving him a constant new interest instead of blunting the keenness of his ambition against a rock which he finds tantalisingly difficult to surmount. Yet it seems as if all except a very few limit themselves to the well established methods and make little or no effort to explore what may be termed the by-paths, and it is, we believe, more because of this than of any difficulties or demerits in the vast bulk of other methods that so little is done away from the beaten track and ringers cling to what everyone else is practising and put aside the rest.

TWELVE BELL PEALS.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE
ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Three Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5060 CHANGES;

JAMES CARTER Treble	*SAMUEL HOLT 7
SYDNEY MARSHALL 2	*ARTHUR RIDYARD 8
*DONALD BROWN 3	W. W. WOLSTENCROFT 9
*WILLIAM BRAMMER 4	*FRED R. WILLIAMS 10
*JACK RAWLINSON 5	BENJAMIN THORP 11
*HERBERT BARLOW 6	ALBERT ADAMS Tenor

Composed by SAMUEL WOOD.

Conducted by BENJAMIN THORP.

* First peal of Cinques.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Tuesday, November 25, 1930, in Three Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 37 cwt. in C.

WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT Treble	JOHN NEAL 7
HENRY H. FEARN 2	*WILLIAM WEBB 8
ALBERT H. WARD 3	WILLIAM C. DOWDING 9
FRANK E. HAYNES 4	ALBERT WALKER 10
GEORGE E. FEARN 5	JAMES GEORGE 11
SYDNEY T. HOLY 6	WILLIAM T. FROGGATT ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

* First peal at first attempt on twelve bells. This peal and the handbell peal on November 20th, recorded elsewhere, were rung in honour of Mr. James George's 77th birthday, which was duly celebrated.

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TEN BELL PEALS.

GUDHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;

Tenor 9½ cwt.

CHARLES W. ROBERTS Treble	WILLIAM R. MADGWICK ... 6
WILFRED WILLIAMS 2	ISAAC EMERY 7
EDWIN F. PIKE 3	FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON 8
WILLIAM H. HEWETT 4	JAMES E. DAVIES 9
HORACE BELCHER 5	*ARTHUR BYGRAVE Tenor

Composed by C. CHARGE.

Conducted by W. H. HEWETT.

* First peal on ten bells and re-elected a member of the association. First peal in the method on the bells.

WHITBY, YORKSHIRE.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 26, 1930, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

*CHARLES FORD Treble	GEORGE WHITE 6
ALBERT HUNTER 2	WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... 7
JOHN WALLER 3	HARRY SHORT 8
ALBERT V. COATES 4	JOHN W. WATERS 9
ALFRED E. OXLEY 5	RICHARD HANSELL Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by W. A. BRECKON.

* First peal. † First peal on ten bells. Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Canon F. M. Sykes, M.A., who was instituted to the Rectorate of Whitby by the Archbishop of York on Monday, November 24th.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

ROBERT J. DAWE Treble	HENRY STALHAM 6
ROBERT W. E. DAWE 2	JAMES A. HART 7
*STANLEY E. ARMSTRONG ... 3	JACK M. CRIPPS 8
HERBERT RANN 4	ALFRED J. TURNER 9
FRANK BENNETT 5	†FREDERICK H. DALLAWAY Tenor

Composed by JAMES GEORGE.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal on ten bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the composer.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

HARRY OVERTON Treble	†ALFRED S. BAYLEY 6
HARRY F. HOLDING 2	RICHARD T. HOLDING ... 7
*WILLIAM J. CHESTER 3	EDWARD V. RODENHURST 8
JAMES H. RIDING 4	J. WILLIAM EDGE 9
RICHARD D. LANGFORD ... 5	WILLIAM SAUNDERS Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by J. H. RIDING.

* First peal of Bob Royal. † First peal of Royal. First peal of Bob Royal on the bells.

DERBY.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, LITCHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS Treble	ALBERT H. WARD 6
JESSE J. MOSS 2	JOHN H. BROTHWELL ... 7
JOHN H. SWINFELD 3	JOHN FLINT 8
CHARLES E. HART 4	ARTHUR BRAINES 9
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... 5	*JAMES GEORGE Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

* 1,100th peal. This was the conductor's fiftieth peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal, and was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. James George, also a birthday peal for Miss Margaret Ward, daughter of the ringer of the 6th.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCs.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 16, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF IMMANUEL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

MRS. J. WHEWELL Treble	ALFRED V. WILLIAMS ... 5
*HARRY HOWARTH 2	THOMAS HOWARTH 6
LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... 3	*EDWARD BILSBOROUGH ... 7
W. F. KENDALL 4	LEONARD SCHOLES Tenor

Conducted by L. J. WILLIAMS.

* First peal in method. Arranged for ringers of 4th and 5th, who hail from Bacup.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, November 21, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FIVE-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

INSPR. WILLIAM BOTTRILL Treble	P.C. JOSEPH C. DOEL ... 5
P.C. FREDERICK DIGBY ... 2	P.C. NORMAN S. BAGWORTH 6
JAMES E. DAVIS 3	P.C. CHARLES DAVIS ... 7
P.C. CHARLIE ELLIOTT ... 4	*P.C. CHAS. WILMINGTON Tenor

Conducted by INSPR. WILLIAM BOTTRILL.

* First peal on eight bells. Rung in honour of the silver wedding of P.O. Elliott.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JAMES MARSH Treble	JOHN BROWN 5
FRED HINDLE 2	JOSEPH RIDYARD 6
THOMAS WILSON 3	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... 7
WILLIAM E. WILSON 4	*EDWIN JENNINGS Tenor

Composed by REV. H. L. JAMES. Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

* First peal in the method on an 'inside' bell, and hails from Kendal.

UPPER CLAPTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM G. ELLIS Treble	JOHN G. NASH 5
JOHN H. CRAMPION 2	JAMES BENNETT 6
GEORGE M. KILBY 3	JOHN T. KENTISH 7
GEORGE R. PYE 4	WILLIAM PYE Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

HIGHCLERE, HAMPSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

SAMUEL QUINTON Treble	WILLIAM HENLEY 5
*REGINALD W. REX 2	D. CECIL WILLIAMS 6
GEORGE PULLINGER 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 4	GEORGE GILBERT Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

* First attempt for a peal of Surprise Major. First peal in the method on the bells. Mr. D. Cecil Williams' 100th peal. He is the first F.R.C.O. to reach this total. First Surprise peal by the treble man, and rung on his 68th birthday. The Rector, the Rev. G. D. Dunlop, M.A., kindly gave the visitors a substantial tea, which was much appreciated; and their thanks were suitably conveyed to him.

GREAT BARDFIELD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5312 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

JOSEPH JENNINGS 2	BERNARD W. PETTITT ... 5
ARTHUR PIPER 2	OLAVE BROYD 6
WILLIAM KEEBLE 3	ALBERT CATTERWELL ... 7
*GEORGE PIPER 4	ERNEST TOWNSEND Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a farewell to the Vicar, the Rev. K. E. Carlwright, who was leaving the parish; also as a birthday compliment to B. W. Pettitt.

HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 12 cwt.

WINIFRED M. RYDER ... Treble	ALBERT NASH 5
L. NOEL CAWTHORNE ... 2	FREDERICK CARDWELL ... 6
*GRACE BURCHNALL 3	T. COLIN RYDER 7
*KATHERINE BURCHNALL ... 4	FRED WATKINSON Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by F. WATKINSON.

* First peal in the method.

WILBY, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, November 23, 1930, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

ALPHAUS J. BERRY ... Treble	†DAVID CRACKNELL 5
DAVID WHITING 2	†CHARLES F. GOODMAN ... 6
NOLAN GOLDEN 3	ERIC G. BENNETT 7
*JOHN NOLLER 4	GARNHAM A. BLAXCELL ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

* First of Oxford for thirty-three years. † First peal of Major.
† First of Oxford Treble Bob Major.

GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 24, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE GREEN Treble	DR. SPENCER PHILLIPS ... 5
GEORGE R. PYE 2	ROBERT HEAZEL 6
*PERCY GREEN 3	ERNEST J. BUTLER 7
WILLIAM KEEBLE 4	ALBERT PRYKE Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

* First peal in the method.

DERBY.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 26, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

JOHN H. SWINFELD ... Treble	JAMES S. HUTCHESY 5
MAURICE SWINFELD 2	BENJAMIN GREATORREX ... 6
JOSEPH BAILEY 3	JAMES GEORGE 7
CHARLES DRAPER 4	JOHN CURTIS Tenor

Conducted by M. SWINFELD.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. James George. One hundredth peal of Triples as conductor for the M.C.A. Each one has been a different composition.

EPSOM, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, November 27, 1930, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Martin,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

DAVIES' FIVE-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt. in E.

*LEONARD P. COOPER ... Treble	JOHN CRAWFORD 5
JOHN BEAMS 2	†ARTHUR WOOD 6
EDWARD T. GROVE 3	THOMAS A. SHRUBB 7
J. T. M. FLETCHER 4	JAMES SHRUBB Tenor

Conducted by JOHN BEAMS.

* First peal. † First peal inside. Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a tribute to the late Mr. A. J. Warren, churchwarden at the above church, through whose generosity the bells were recast and rebung.

ROMFORD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 27, 1930, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Edward,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST J. BUTLER ... Treble	ROBERT HEAZEL 5
*CHARLES PRYKE 2	ALBERT PRYKE 6
FRANK G. RINGE 3	ALFRED PYE 7
GEORGE R. PYE 4	JAMES BENNETT Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by J. BENNETT.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a farewell to the Vicar, Rev. H. C. Robins, who is leaving Romford for Barking.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew, Wells Street, W.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... Treble	WILLIAM E. JUDD 5
ARTHUR CUMORE 2	ARCHIBALD F. HARRIS ... 6
PERCY E. CLARK 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 7
JOSEPH S. HAWKINS 4	EDWARD J. SAMPSON Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.

This peal was rung for evensong and the patronal festival of St. Andrew, and on the 50th anniversary of the opening of the bells.

THORVERTON, DEVONSHIRE.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Thomas,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE LUXTON ... Treble	HENRY J. CORRY 5
MRS. E. S. POWELL 2	REV. E. S. POWELL 6
RICHARD GRATER 3	FRED NEWCOMBE 7
FRANK VINEY 4	SIDNEY RIDGEWAY Tenor

Conducted by F. NEWCOMBE.

THATCHAM, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 23 lb. in F.

WILLIAM E. TAYLOR ... Treble	REGINALD W. REX 5
JAMES ABERY 2	PERCY J. DYKE 6
MISS STELLA DAVIS 3	HARRY W. SMITH 7
*MISS RUBY M. HAZELL ... 4	GEORGE GILBERT Tenor

Composed by the late I. G. SHADE. Conducted by GEORGE GILBERT.
* First peal in the method. First peal of Major on the bells.

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WARNHAM, SUSSEX
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

*NORMAN V. HARDING ... Treble	*JOHN S. GOLDSMITH ... 5
*CHARLES N. BURDOCK ... 2	*WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 6
GEORGE WILSON ... 3	*C. ERNEST SMITH ... 7
WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... 4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.
* First peal in the method. First peal in the method by the Guild and on the bells. Rung as a compliment to Mr. Cyril F. Johnston, of the Croydon Bell Foundry, a life member of the Guild, and Miss Mary Evelyn O'Leary, on the occasion of their marriage.

DENHAM, BUCKS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

PERCY E. JONES ... Treble	WILLIAM HONOR ... 5
EDGAR HANCOCK ... 2	EDGAR G. SWIFT ... 6
JAMES H. LUCAS ... 3	FRANK CORKE ... 7
*RICHARD WARNETT ... 4	WILFRED S. CHILDS ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK CORKE.

* First peal. † First peal in the method. Rings of 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 7 hail from St. Andrew's, Uxbridge, 5 from St. John's, Hillingdon, tenor local. Great credit is due to all of the band for the way in which they rang the bells.

SHEPHERD, SALOP.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt. in E flat.

ALFRED FALLON ... Treble	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... 5
JOSEPH FLAVELL ... 2	ALBERT D. COLLINS ... 6
HAROLD L. FLAVELL ... 3	HARRY BOSWELL ... 7
HERBERT E. BOOTH ... 4	JAMES SHAW ... Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED FALLON.

Rung on the eve of the festival of St. Andrew, and also as a birthday compliment to Mr. James Shaw, the ringer of the tenor.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HAYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THORSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JONATHAN PRESTON ... Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... 5
*MISE O. MURIEL SANDERS ... 2	JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 6
GEORGE F. SWANN ... 3	WILLIAM DAVIES ... 7
FRED PRICE ... 4	WILLIAM C. RHODES ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble.

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 29, 1930, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HAYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THORSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 22 cwt.

FRANCIS E. TAYLOR ... Treble	WILLIAM SIMMONDS ... 5
WALTER V. WEBB ... 2	RICHARD A. POST ... 6
HUGH J. BALCOMBE ... 3	WALTER F. JUDGE ... 7
RICHARD G. RICE ... 4	HARRY BISHOP ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE.

Rung for the patronal festival.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

RIPPLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 10, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 24 six-scores of Plain Bob, 12 callings, and 18 of Grandsire, 10 callings. Tenor 13 cwt.

*CHARLES HAYTINGS ... Treble	CHARLES CAMM ... 4
FRANK LAWRENCE ... 2	FRED HAWKES ... 5
CHARLES YOUNG ... 3	HENRY BISHOP ... Tenor

Conducted by FRED HAWKES.

* First peal. First peal of Doubles on the bells.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 11, 1930, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

EDWIN BROMLEY ... Treble	ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... 4
*ROBERT COLLINS ... 2	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, SEN. ... 5
ALAN BROMLEY ... 3	REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT T. LAMBERT.

* First peal of Surprise Minor. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of those who gave their lives in the Great War.

BADGEWORTH, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 12, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 10 six-scores of Canterbury Pleasure, 10 six-scores of Plain Bob, and 22 of Grandsire. Tenor 17 cwt. (approx.).

ALBERT NEWMAN ... Treble	GEORGE KILMINSTER ... 4
THOMAS DAVIS ... 2	ALBERT WILLIAMS ... 5
WILLIAM OAKLEY ... 3	CHARLES STAITT ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM OAKLEY.

First peal by all and on the bells in three methods by entirely local band.

BARRINGTON, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 17, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's. Tenor 11½ cwt.

MISS KITTY WILLERS ... Treble	CHARLES W. COOK ... 4
ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... 2	FRANK HARPER ... 5
JOHN W. WARD ... 3	EDWARD H. FINCH ... Tenor

Conducted by A. E. AUSTIN.

BURSTOW, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN DISTRICT.)

On Monday, November 17, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob, two 720's of Canterbury, and two 720's of Plain Bob.

*JOHN BRADLEY ... Treble	*LESLIE W. PENFOLD ... 4
†ERNEST RAZZELL ... 2	*HAROLD KEW ... 5
*HENRY H. PARSONS ... 3	ALFRED J. BULL ... Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED J. BULL.

* First peal of Minor in three methods. † First peal of Minor.

RICKINGHALL SUPERIOR, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 18, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Comprising one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court and Oxford Treble Bob, and two each of Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

PERCY L. JOHNSON ... Treble	GARNHAM A. BLAXCELL ... 4
NOLAN GOLDEN ... 2	ERIC G. BENNETT ... 5
ALPHAEUS J. BERRY ... 3	WILLIAM C. ROMSEY ... Tenor

Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

SOUTH NORMANTON, DERBYSHIRE.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 19, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 changes each of Double Court, Single Court, College Single, Single Oxford, Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, and Kent Treble Bob.
Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr.

CYRIL M. HEATHCOTE Treble	ARTHUR B. JUDGE 4
HAROLD DOUGHTY 2	*ERNEST W. RILEY 5
FRED W. KNOWLES 3	JOHN W. ENGLAND Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. ENGLAND.

* First peal on an 'inside' bell. First peal in seven methods by all the band. The last occasion on which a seven-method peal was rung for this association was at Tibshelf on June 19th, 1909.

CHARLWOOD, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN DISTRICT.)

On Wednesday, November 19, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Comprising 720 of College Exercise and two 720's each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*RAYMOND WICKENS Treble	*WALTER TOPPEN 4
*EDWARD ILLMAN 2	HORACE EDWARDS 5
ARTHUR KNAPP 3	ALBERT ELLIS Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT ELLIS.

* First peal. First peal on the bells since they were rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. All are Sunday service ringers at the above church. Quarterly peal for the district.

HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 20, 1930, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise and two 720's each of Oxford, Kent and Plain Bob. Tenor 18½ cwt.

HARRY FLEET Treble	WILLIAM PEACOCK 4
CHARLES W. SMITH 2	EDMUND J. HOBBS 5
ALBERT FLEET 3	HORACE H. SMITH Tenor

Conducted by E. J. HOBBS.

Rung with clappers half-muffled in memory of 'our friend and president,' the Rev. Canon W. W. C. Baker.

HANLEY CASTLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 24 six-scores of Plain Bob, with 12 callings and 18 of Grandsire with 10 callings. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES HAYLINGS Treble	CHARLES YOUNG 4
FRED HAWKES 2	CHARLES CAMM 5
FRANK LAWRENCE 3	HENRY BISHOP Tenor

Conducted by FRED HAWKES.

BLACKWELL.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Werrburgh,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 720 changes of Chase, 1,200 Grandsire, 960 Old Doubles, 1,080 changes of Bob Doubles. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*ALAN WOODWARD Treble	HUBERT BAILEY 3
ARTHUR SMITHSON 2	BERNARD BAILEY 4
W. RILEY 3 Tenor

Conducted by B. BAILEY.

* First peal and proposed a member of the association before the commencement of the peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the treble and tenor ringers, the Vicar of Blackwell and the mothers of the 3rd, 4th and tenor ringers.

LONDON.—On Sunday, November 23rd, at the Church of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, for evensong, 1,248 Bristol Surprise Major: H. Belcher 1, J. A. Waugh 2, E. F. Pike 3, J. H. Crampson 4, W. H. Hewett 5, W. R. Madgwick 6, C. W. Roberts 7, J. E. Davis 8.

BARLEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet. Tenor 8 cwt.

WALTER MANSFIELD Treble	ALBERT E. AUSTIN 4
MISS KITTY WILLERS 2	EDWARD H. FINCH 5
JOHN W. WARD 3	ROBERT HOWARD Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT HOWARD.

GREAT MUNDEN.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob, and four of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

*CECIL SHEPPARD Treble	HENRY WALLACE 4
MISS NORA WELCH 2	JACK WELCH 5
SIDNEY CARTER 3	BARNARD PATMORE Tenor

Conducted by BARNARD PATMORE.

* First peal.

RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 24, 1930, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes, 2)

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of Double Court, and two each of Oxford Bob, Single Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 13½ cwt.

ALEC MUNDY Treble	RONALD G. BECK 4
FREDERICK TARGETT 2	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN 5
HERBERT W. PEARCE 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

HANDBELL PEALS.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Tuesday, November 18, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At No. 1, SALTER'S ROAD,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

*JOHN ANDERSON 1-2	WILLIAM J. DAVIDSON 5-6
WILLIAM H. BARBER 3-4	ROBERT S. ANDERSON 7-8
ADAM DEAS 9-10	

Composed and Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

* Fiftieth peal. First peal of Bob Royal 'in hand' by all the band.

LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, November 19, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

At 56, MOORLAND AVENUE,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

*HARRY CARTER 1-2	JACK BRAY 5-6
CHARLES MCGUINNESS 3-4	HAROLD MARCON 7-8
FRANK LORD 9-10	

Composed by WALTER AYRE.

Conducted by J. BRAY.

Witnesses: Mrs. J. BRAY, Miss S. NORTON and Mrs. C. MCGUINNESS
* First peal of Royal.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thursday, November 20, 1930, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At 81, BAKER STREET, SPARKHILL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor size 17 in B flat.

GEORGE F. SWANN 1-2	ALBERT WALKER 7-8
FRANK W. PERRENS 3-4	FRANK E. PERVIN 9-10
PERCY J. JOHNSON 5-6	JAMES GEORGE 11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

Referee, W. A. Best and others. The conductor's 400th peal.

(Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.)

SURREY ASSOCIATION.**NORTH-WESTERN DISTRICT'S SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT MITCHAM.**

A meeting of the North-Western District was held at Mitcham on Saturday, and proved, as all who attended will agree, the most enjoyable meeting of the year. About sixty ringers attended during the afternoon and evening from Banstead, Beddington, Benhilton, Brockley, Bushey, Chelsea, Croydon (St. John's and St. Peter's), Ealing, Erith, Ewell, Hillingdon, Merton, Mersham, Mitcham (Christ Church and Parish Church), Streatham, Sutton and Woodford. The light peal of six at Christ Church were open from 3 p.m., and were kept going in various methods until five o'clock, when a very enjoyable service was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. D. G. Matthews). Tea had been prepared at the Welfare Centre, through the kind generosity of the Christ Church company, a party of 52 sitting down to a meal that only ringers really know how to enjoy, but even this large company could not quite clear the tables of eatables.

The Vicar presided at the business meeting, supported by Mr. D. K. C. Birt (Master of the Association). Four new ringing members were elected, and the District Secretary reported that the new certificates were now ready and could be obtained from him at the price of 1s., and he hoped all members of the association would apply for one.

It was proposed to send a letter of congratulation and good wishes from the meeting to Mr. Cyril Johnston, of the Croydon Bell Foundry, and an honorary member of the association, who was married earlier in the day.

The Master, in a short speech, said how pleased he was to see so many young ringers joining the association, and he urged the ringers in all towers to do their utmost to teach the younger ringers to come on, and so keep the bands at full strength.

A very hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar of Christ Church for the use of the bells and conducting the service, to the Vicar of the Parish Church, whose bells were available during the evening, also to the captain and band of Christ Church for their kind generosity in providing the tea, and to the ladies who waited at the tables.

The Vicar, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Reading, of the local company, suitably replied.

The bells in both towers were kept going during the evening in methods ranging from rounds to Cambridge Surprise Minor and Major, and Spiced Surprise Major. The secretary finds he made an error in giving out the date of the district annual meeting at St. Peter's, Croydon. It is to be held on January 24th, not the 31st.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHELTENHAM BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the Cheltenham Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association took place at Prestbury on Saturday, November 22nd, when the nice ring of eight were set going at three o'clock, and soon a good number of ringers were waiting to take their share in the ringing.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Bagot de la Bere), Canon F. W. Sears, of Leckhampton, reading the lesson.

After service, members adjourned to the Church Room, where a splendid tea was in readiness, given by the Vicar, who had the help of many lady friends. Before he left, a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for all he had done that day, and, in reply, he said how very pleased he was to welcome the branch to his church.

The business meeting followed with Canon F. W. Sears (chairman of the branch) in the chair, supported by Rev. E. G. Benson, of Tewkesbury, and forty members from the following towers: Dumbleton, Alderton, Swindon, Cheltenham (St. Mark's), Badgeworth, Charlton Kings, Tewkesbury, Gloucester, Burford, Leckhampton and the local tower.

The Secretary gave a short report of the year's work, and congratulated the bands that rang the Double Norwich at Leckhampton and the peal of Doubles at Badgeworth.

Two new members from Prestbury and two from Swindon were elected.

Mr. J. Austin praised Mr. Albert Wright and his band on their great performance of the previous Saturday at Painswick, and Mr. J. Ballinger, who rang the 11th, replied.

Mr. Walter Rose, of Prestbury, was elected on the special sub-committee which is to consider the question of reaffiliation to the Central Council.

The following were re-elected officers of the branch for the coming year, and thanked for their past services: Chairman, Canon F. W. Sears (Leckhampton); representative, Mr. G. H. Walters (Prestbury); hon. secretary, Mr. Walter Yeend (Swindon).

Withington was selected for the next meeting in the late spring, the arrangements being left to the secretary.

A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the meeting.

During the afternoon and evening the following methods were rung: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Little Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich, as well as rounds for the beginners.

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The Editor of 'The Ringing World' will be glad to receive photographs of churches, with a view to their future publication when suitable occasion arises.

The photographs should be accompanied by brief particulars of the bells, with their inscriptions and dates if possible, and any other interesting information about them.

Pictures should, for preference, be photographic post-cards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

BELFRY GOSSIP.

Congratulations are offered to Mrs. F. M. Mitchell, wife of the hon. secretary of the Kent County Association, who has returned to ringing after a few years' absence, on ringing a quarter-peal on Sunday evening last. Mrs. Mitchell, as Miss Ethel Goodship, was in the first attempt for a ladies' peal, which unfortunately came to grief.

Composers of peals of Triples will soon have to get busy and produce something new, or Maurice Swinfield, of Burton-on-Trent, will have exhausted the supply of compositions. Last week he rang his one hundredth peal of Triples for the Midland Counties Association, as conductor, and every one has been a different composition!

Mr. James George seems, at last, to have 'got going' with peal ringing. Having had a bit of practice down at Painswick the other day, he is now ringing peals so fast that we are losing count of them. It is fortunate, therefore, that the report of a peal rung last Saturday at Derby reminds us that it was his 1,100th! Some people may say he ought to be ashamed of such a record, but, there, what can you do with these irrepressible boys?

A peal of Stedman Triples was rung at St. Michael Coslany, Norwich, on December 6th, 1731. Six weeks before, there had been a peal of Stedman rung at Mancroft, and it led to a great deal of feeling between the rival bands. The St. Michael's band claimed that theirs was 'the first time that ever it was rung,' thus casting doubts on the Mancroft peal.

According to contemporary records, before the peal at St. Michael's was begun, the Mancroft company employed a bellman to 'cry about the streets the following scandalous verses':—

This is to give notice to all sorts of people,
That the ringers that practise at St. Michael's steeple,
Have crazed their brains by setting forth false pretences,
That it is to be feared they have quite lost their senses.
Therefore let 'em repair to John Foster's, and 'tis plain
There's those that can help them to their senses again.

The 'five ones' (11,111) of Stedman Caters was rung at Fulham on December 8th, 1883.

It was at Painswick on December, 1833, that the 10,224 of Trolle Bob Maximus was rung, which stood as the longest in the method until the Ashton-under-Lyne peal in 1911.

The first peal on the bells of St. Paul's Cathedral was rung on December 10th, 1881. Mr. Ted Horvex was the last survivor of that band.

In the two hundred and more years that have elapsed since the first peal on record, there have not been many peals of 'Real Double Caters,' but George Gross composed one and conducted it at St. Magnus, London Bridge, on December 10th, 1770—just 160 years ago next Wednesday.

The peal at Ilkeston, recorded last week, was rung on Wednesday, November 19th, not Thursday, the 20th, as reported.

On St. Cecilia's Day, November 22nd, the bells of St. Paul's Cathedral were rung from 3 to 4 p.m. The ringing took place at the instigation of Mr. E. Alexander Young (secretary of the Central Council), prior to a service for the musical fraternity, whose patron saint is St. Cecilia.

MARRIAGE OF MR. C. F. JOHNSTON AND MISS M. E. O'LEARY

CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY'S WEDDING.

The marriage took place on Saturday, at St. Mary's Church, Cadogan Gardens, London, of Mr. Cyril Frederick Johnston (head of the firm of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of the Croydon Bell Foundry, and son of the late Mr. A. A. Johnston and of Mrs. Johnston, of Broadwater, Addiscombe Road, Croydon), and Miss Mary Evelyn O'Leary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Evelyn O'Leary, of Sydney House, Bedford Park, London.



MR. CYRIL F. JOHNSTON.

[Photo: Peter North.]



MISS MARY E. O'LEARY.

[Photo: Peter North.]

From his intimate connection with the bell world, Mr. Cyril F. Johnston is widely known to ringers all over the country. The work which his firm has done in hundreds of belfries has brought him into personal contact with members of the Exercise in every corner of England and beyond, and Saturday's event is, therefore, one of unusual interest to a very large circle of ringing friends.

There was a picturesque setting for the wedding ceremony at St. Mary's, the church being decorated with lilies and pink and white chrysanthemums. Miss O'Leary made a charming bride in a dress of parchment satin, with a train of old Brussels lace and tulle veil. She carried a sheaf of lilies. The bridesmaid was Miss Nannette O'Leary (sister), who wore a dress of turquoise blue georgette, and carried a bouquet of deep pink roses. The small train bearers, Master John Norman (nephew of the bride) and Miss Xenia Cox, were attired in parchment satin. The bride's mother wore a dress of wine satin, with black hat and fur coat. Mrs. Johnston was gowned in blue velvet and georgette, with a toque to match; while Miss Nora Johnston wore a dress of red georgette trimmed with beige fur.

The bridal party was met at the entrance to the church by the officiating clergyman (the Rev. C. E. Sutton) and the choir, and the bride advanced up the aisle leaning on the arm of her uncle, Mr. H. O. Serpell, J.P., who, owing to the illness of her father, gave the bride away. Mr. Highmore King, son of the late Sir George King, was the best man. The service was fully choral, and was attended by a large gathering of friends of both families and by many members of the Croydon Foundry staff.

Unfortunately there is no peal of bells at St. Mary's, Cadogan Gardens, and it was impossible, therefore, at this church, to give the happy pair the customary ringers' salute upon their marriage, but arrangements were made for ringing at St. Luke's Church, Chelsea, in honour of the occasion, and the bride and bridegroom, on the way to the reception, drove to St. Luke's and listened for a short while to the wedding bells.

About a hundred guests were present at the reception given at Hans Crescent Hotel, and later in the day Mr. and Mrs. C. F.

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A CHIME OF TWELVE BELLS. ADDITION TO A SURREY CHURCH.

On Wednesday of last week, the Bishop of Guildford dedicated a chime of twelve bells and a new clock at the Parish Church of St. Peter, Frimley, Surrey. The bells, which consist of ten in the diatonic scale and two half notes, have a tenor of 12½ cwt., and have been cast and installed by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. There was formerly in this tower one bell, a recast in 1872 of a bell by Bryan Eldridge, of Chertsey, dated 1654. The tower is of small dimensions, and is too frail to carry a peal hung for ringing, but by the generous gift of Caroline Lavinia Johnson, as a thankoffering, Frimley is in possession of a delightful chime.

Despite a drenching evening, the spacious church was filled for the service, and many of the congregation lingered afterwards to hear the recital on the bells given by Mr. Harry Withers, of Birmingham, who, immediately after the dedicatory prayers, played the hymn, 'We love the place, O God.' Subsequently his recital included a perfectly tapped course of Erin Caters, a selection of hymn tunes, and Welsh, Irish, Scotch and English melodies, in which he brought out all the beauties of the chime. The large audience was delighted, both with the excellence of the playing, upon which Mr. Withers afterwards received many congratulations, and the beautiful tones of the bells, which are typically fine specimens of Loughborough work. The bells are, of course, hung 'dead,' and are operated by a clavier.

The clock, by Messrs. Smith, of Derby, is of the electric self-winding type, which chimes the Westminster quarters and strikes the hours.

A tablet in the church porch, under the tower, records the gift, and on the waist of the tenor bell is the inscription: 'Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam Dedit Donum Caroline Lavinia Johnson. A.D. 1930.' Round the inscription band is: 'Taylors, Founders, Loughborough.'

Mr. J. P. Fidler represented the founders at the opening ceremony.

THE HINTON BELLS APPEAL. *To the Editor.*

Sir,—The appeal for contributions toward the rehanging, etc., of the bells at Hinton-on-the-Green, near Evesham, which you published in your last issue, should have the sympathy of all interested in bells. A peal of eight would be of great help to many ringers in this district, but it is impossible, in these times, for an agricultural parish of this size to raise the money without outside assistance. Mr. Johnson, who makes the appeal, is a native of the parish, and he and his father have been of very great assistance in this district in helping and teaching others.

We in Worcestershire are grateful for the support you have given to the appeal, but to remove any misapprehension may I state that a donation was contributed from the funds of the Worcestershire Association of just double the amount previously given to any other parish, and a collection was made at the service on the occasion of the annual meeting. In addition, many members have privately helped, so that your readers will see that we have already given this appeal our practical and most sincere support.

In conclusion, may I personally thank you for calling attention to and supporting this scheme for a ring of eight at Hinton-on-the-Green. I sincerely hope it will be successful.—Yours truly,

JAMES R. NEWMAN,
Hon. Secretary, Worcestershire Association.

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Johnston left for Paris, where the honeymoon is being spent. The bride travelled in a coral pink dress and hat, and squirrel coat.

They were the recipients of a large number of handsome and valuable presents from, among others, the Right Hon. Sir William Mitchell-Thompson, M.P., the Bishop of Croydon and Mrs. Woods, Mr. Montague C. Norman (governor of the Bank of England), Mr. H. O. Serpell, J.P., Lady King, Mr. Highmore King, Sir Claude and Lady Morrison-Bell, Lady Eldridge, etc.

On Thursday of last week Mr. Johnston was presented with a silver tea and coffee service, as a token of esteem by the staff and employees of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. The presentation was made by Mr. W. Steer, who has been in the employ of the firm for over forty years, and was suitably acknowledged by Mr. Johnston.

Immediately after the ceremony at St. Mary's, 504 Stedman Triples was rung at St. Luke's, Chelsea, by D. Wright (conductor) 1, R. H. Dove 2, F. E. Larbey 3, B. N. Newson 4, J. W. Trappitt 5, E. J. Trimmer 6, C. H. Kippin 7, W. Essery 8. With the exception of the ringers of 7 and 8, all the band are employees at the Croydon Bell Foundry. At Croydon Parish Church (where Mr. Johnston first learned to ring) a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung to celebrate the event by R. Loveland 1, F. E. Mitchell 2, H. Skelt 3, G. H. Humphries 4, J. E. Cooper 5, J. Rumble, jun., 6, D. Cooper (conductor) 7, J. Cawley 8. The same afternoon members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, of which Mr. Johnston is a life member, rang a peal of Norfolk Surprise at Warnham, in honour of the occasion.

A peal was also to be attempted by members of the Surrey Association, with which Mr. Johnston has long been closely connected, at Christ Church, Epsom, on Wednesday, illness near the church preventing a similar attempt at St. Peter's, Croydon.

THE LONGEST PEAL ON FIVE BELLS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Replying to 'Extremes' query regarding the longest peal on five bells, my records show that 7,080 Doubles were rung at Wrentham, Suffolk, January 3rd, 1824, in 4 hours. A greater length is recorded, however, on a tablet at Whapload, Lincolnshire, thus:—

'Feby. 27th, 1775,
Was rung 10,080 changes of 84
Peals by Wm. Jackson, Richd. Har-
wood, Wm. Money, Stepn. Davis &
Richd. Pottenger. Raised & settled the
Bells in 7 hours & 25 minutes.'

Unfortunately there is no mention of method or methods rung.

The longest peal on five bells in Leicestershire or by the M.C.A. was 6,600 changes, rung at Billesdon, conducted by yours sincerely,
ERNEST MORRIS.

Leicester.

TWO SOMERSET PEALS.

Dear Sir,—In answer to 'Extremes' re long peals of Doubles, on February 2nd, 1901, in 4 hrs.-12 mins., 7,440 of Bob Doubles was rung half-muffled for Queen Victoria, and on May 20th, 1910, in 4 hrs. 30 mins., 8,160 (68 six-scores) of Grandsire Doubles, rung half-muffled for King Edward VII.'s funeral. These two peals were rung at Norton Fitzwarren by members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, and conducted by the late Mr. T. Creed. Both peals were rung with the tenor covering.—Yours truly,

J. HUNT.

Taunton.

ROMNEY MARSH GUILD. MAYOR ELECTED A MEMBER.

In spite of the inclement weather, members from all parts of the district turned up at the meeting of the Romney Marsh Guild at Tenterden for a pull on this fine peal of bells, and, incidentally, to pass an opinion on Messrs. Bowell's work in rehanging the seventh. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m. with a short touch of Stedman Triples, and was followed during the afternoon and evening by Grandsire, Superlative, Kent, Oxford, Cambridge and Double Norwich, with rounds for the learners. The Vicar and two churchwardens paid an early visit to the belfry. The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar, who gave an address. Mr. W. E. Pitman, Mus.Bac., presided at the organ. The ringers then adjourned to the Temperance Hotel for tea. The Vicar presided, supported by the two wardens, the Guild Master (Mr. C. W. Everett), and the hon. secretary (Mr. A. J. Batten), the company numbering 38. The Vicar also took the chair at the business meeting which followed, when Charing was chosen for the next meeting on December 20th. The Master proposed the election of the Rev. M. L. Man as an hon. member, and, in thanking the members, the Vicar expressed his pleasure at meeting and welcoming so many churchworkers to Tenterden. He assured them that the clergy really did appreciate the time and energy they gave to the church.

The Hon. Secretary then proposed that the two churchwardens be elected hon. members, and said he felt sure the Guild would be pleased to have them, especially as the Vicar's warden, Col. Findlator, was now Mayor of Tenterden. He could assure them from a ringer's point of view they were ideal wardens. He (the speaker) happened to be secretary of the local band, and lately they seemed to want a good deal in the belfry, but their wardens never made any trouble of it. It was, 'Oh yes, certainly,' and they got on with the job (applause).—Mr. C. Ballard seconded, and the elections were carried with acclamation.

Lt.-Col. Findlator thanked the members for the great honour they had done him, and said, although he did not understand their art, he loved to hear the bells, and he was very pleased to be among them and to associate himself with their work. He also welcomed them to Tenterden.—Mr. Hipposly Smith also briefly replied.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Pitman having been accorded, the Vicar, in concluding the meeting, said he was sure they would all like him to express their pleasure at being able to meet under the roof of their oldest ringer, Mr. G. Cramp, and their appreciation of the splendid way Mrs. Cramp had catered for them.

A return was then made to the tower until 8.30 p.m. All who had previously experienced the bad 'go' of the 7th were satisfied that Messrs. Bowell had completed another successful job.

A YOUNG CORNISH RINGER.

At Kenwyn Parish Church, Truro, on Friday, November 28th, in 48 minutes, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Cyril Lanxon (aged 12, first quarter-peal on eight) 1, J. Sedgley 2, W. E. Minors 3, Miss E. J. C. Angwin 4, A. M. Thomas 5, A. S. Roberts (conductor) 6, F. W. Marshall 7, H. Williams 8. The treble ringer is the youngest to ring a quarter-peal in Cornwall. All are members of the Truro Cathedral band, except the ringer of the fifth, who is the son of the Vicar of Kenwyn, this being his first quarter-peal of Triples 'inside.' The touch was a compliment to a nephew of the fourth ringer on his birthday.

THE PAINSWICK PEAL

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The Maximus peal at Ashton-under-Lyne and the Cinques peal at Painswick has disturbed the minds of a few. The Central Council will not recognise peals rung on seven, nine or eleven bells only. Being odd-bell methods, the Council will recognise them when an additional bell is added as a covering bell, and therefore they come under the heading of 8, 10 or 12 bell peals, and twelve bells were necessary at Painswick. Those who rang at Ashton-under-Lyne should be satisfied with their peal of Maximus, and those at Painswick with their peal of Cinques. I agree with Mr. Ernest Morris that ringers should know the difference between Cinques and Maximus, and the bands of each record be content with each performance.

Mr. A. E. Reeves has been described in these pages as 'a level-headed' ringer, or words to this effect, and I agree, but I cannot conceive that his letter is his own considered thoughts.

After the Painswick peal, I anticipated a letter to 'The Ringing World' from Mr. C. T. Coles, and in this he did not disappoint.—Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR PRINCE.

Bath.

RECORDS ARE 'CHANGE RINGING' RECORDS.

Dear Sir,—My reason in asking the question, Can an 18,000 of Minor, with 6-8 or 7-8 covering, be called an eight-bell record? was this: Now and again peals of Doubles are rung with 4-6-8 covering. I admit eight bells are not essential for a peal of Minor, neither are three covering bells to a peal of Doubles. And peals of Doubles rung thus are recognised by their associations, and also published as eight-bell peals. But I quite agree with your opinion, 'Certainly not.' If a band were successful in ringing such a peal as I described, it would certainly not be recognised, and probably laughed at, but the fact remains that it would be a six-bell record, as all the Minor changes could only be rung by six bells. And that is my point in regard to the Painswick peal. Our records are records of change ringing, and as the change ringing at Painswick was done on eleven bells, my opinion is that it is the eleven-bell record. With regard to Mr. Morris' letter, 'Why Worry?' I don't think there is any reason to worry much. All we are trying to get at is this: Is the Painswick peal the twelve-bell record?—Yours faithfully,

A. E. REEVES.

Bristol.

HOW LONG COULD THE TENOR MAN HAVE CONTINUED?

Sir,—I, in common with all other twelve-bell ringers, have been much interested in the correspondence, and your excellent 'leader,' together with the circumstances generally, that have appeared in your valuable paper since the success of the record peal of Grand-sire Cinques at Painswick recently. Technically, it was, of course, an odd-bell method on an even number of bells, the tenor finishing each successive change, without which it would have been impossible to have attained it. The performance has been duly recorded in your paper under the usual heading of 'Twelve-bell peals,' which definition has obtained without question for many years. There are no entries for 9, 7 or 5 bell peals.

Now, as we all presume, and it goes without saying, that a tablet will be placed in the ringing chamber recording the performance, I have a strong presentiment that it is extremely unlikely they will omit the name of the tenor man, therefore it certainly becomes a twelve-bell peal. At the same time, we, as ringers, know that there is no comparison, from the scientific point of view, between the Cambridge Maximus and the Grand-sire Cinques.

By the way, speaking of the 'tenor man,' everyone, of course, knows him—not to know Jim George is to argue one's self unknown—and I have enjoyed the privilege of his personal acquaintance for nearly fifty years. We are all fully aware of the wonderful ability of this genial personality, his enthusiasm and marvellous 'staying' powers; nothing seems to 'knock him up'! I have had the pleasure of taking part in many performances in which he has astonished the band by his 'fresh' condition at the finish. I can recall some wonderful instances such as 'the big bell at Bow' for Treble Twelve in, the tenor bell at Worcester Cathedral (surely one of the greatest performances), and many others too numerous to mention.

As the peal at Painswick occupied over 1½ hours, it now occurs to me that it would be a matter of very great interest to the ringing Exercise generally to be furnished with a reasonable estimate as to actually how long 'Sir' James could have rung the bell on this occasion, and 'as the onlooker sees most of the game,' I respectfully suggest that all the band furnish their own idea on the subject to our esteemed friend, Mr. Albert Wright—the able and capable conductor, who will transmit the result to you for the benefit of 'each and every' of us, who will gladly take off our hats to this wonderful and energetic old man, who has the audacity to appear only half the age he actually is!—Yours, etc.,

FRANCIS E. DAWE.

(Other letters on this subject are held over.)

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The society's November meeting was held at Headingley. Ringing took place in the afternoon at St. Chad's Church, and a very good muster took tea together before proceeding to St. Michael's in the evening.

The business meeting was held in St. Michael's tower. The president was unable to be present, and Mr. Strangeway (vice-president) took the chair. Four new members were elected.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Pudsey on January 24th.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicars of the respective churches for the use of the bells, and to the local companies for the necessary arrangements. During the day the following methods were attempted: Plain Bob Major, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Major, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Superlative and London.

THE 26-SURPRISE METHOD PEAL.

On November 29th, a peal tablet, placed in the belfry of St. Mary's Church, Lamberhurst, by the church authorities, recording the peal in 26 Surprise methods, rung last May, was dedicated by the Vicar, Rev. E. Salisbury Jose. The Vicar, in a short address, said the church authorities had placed that tablet in the belfry to show their appreciation of the work done by the ringers, also with the hope that it would be an incentive to future ringers to give of their best in the belfry.

The ringers were afterwards entertained to tea at the Chequers Hotel, and the tower was again visited, and touches in various methods were rung until 8.30.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the South-Eastern Division was held at Writtle on Saturday, forty-four members being present from Braintree, Broomfield, Blackmore, Brentwood, Chelmsford, Galleywood, Great Baddow, Maldon, Rettendon, Springfield and Writtle. The service was conducted by the Vicar, who gave an inspiring address. The lesson was read by Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the association). Tea was served at the Rose and Crown, presided over by the Vicar, supported by Mr. C. H. Howard and the District Master.

A business meeting followed, Mr. C. H. Howard presiding. Mr. G. Green was re-elected District Master, and Mr. A. E. Coombes hon. secretary.—Three new ringing members were elected.

It was arranged to hold the next meeting at Rettendon on Saturday, February 21st.

Mr. C. H. Howard proposed a vote of thanks to the officers for their services during the past year, and also to the Vicar for the use of the bells.

A POSTPONED MEETING.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The meeting of the Ilchester Deanery Branch of the Bath and Wells Association, advertised to take place at Norton-sub-Hamdon on November 29th, had to be postponed at the last moment to December 6th owing to two deaths in the parish.

Every effort was made to advise all who had promised to attend, but in case of any turning up, the Vicar of Martock, who is president of the branch, kindly offered the use of his bells. One ringer from Sherborne and another from Yeovil came on to Martock, and with the help of the local ringers rang some Grand-sire, Stedman and Plain Bob. They heard that a ringer from Swindon had been to Norton, but that gentleman did not arrive at Martock.—Yours faithfully,

F. FARRANT,

Branch Secretary.

A JUBILEE.

A peal rung at St. Andrew's, Wells Street, London, on November 29th, commemorated the fiftieth anniversary of the bells, which were dedicated after evensong on St. Andrew's Eve, 1880. They are a ring of eight, cast by Lewis, of Brixton, a famous firm of organ builders. They are a 'maiden' peal, hung just as they left the mould, the tenor being 21 cwt. In the opinion of many good judges they are a fine peal, and, writes a correspondent, retaining their virgin purity, ring as true to-day as when Ted Horrex and C. F. Winney listened to them on that Monday night fifty years ago. The bells were the gift of Susanna Imbert Terry in memory of her daughter, and were opened by the Royal Cumberland Youths. The bells bear Latin inscriptions, one portion being two verses from St. Bernard's hymn, 'Jesus dulcis memoria,' and the other relating to the circumstances of the gift.

DARLEY DALE.—On Wednesday, November 26th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: J. Taylor 1, W. Blagshaw 3, E. Blackwell 4, H. Taylor 5, B. Allsop 6, G. H. Paulson (conductor) 7, R. Allsop tenor covering. First 720 of Oxford for 1, 3, 5, 7, 8. Also a plain course of Cambridge Surprise Minor.

A WEST COUNTRY DINNER.

AXBRIDGE DEANERY'S SUCCESSFUL VENTURE.

Enthusiasm and enterprise made a huge success of the venture undertaken by the Axbridge Deanery of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, when, at Weston-super-Mare, they organised a dinner and social. The company numbered nearly 200, and they spent a thoroughly enjoyable evening, thanks in large measure to the efforts of the hon. secretary, Mr. L. G. Tanner. Dinner was served at the Cairo Hotel, and the company, which was presided over by the Rev. E. S. C. Locke, Master of the Association, included ringers from Weston-super-Mare, Burnham-on-Sea, Bristol, Bath, London, Uphill, Kewstoke, Bauwell, Cheddar, Congresbury, Bleadon, Lymsham, East Brent, Brent Knoll, West Pennard, Compton Martin, Churchill, Shipham, Compton Bishop and Chew Magna.

After the loyal toast had been honoured, the Rev. J. H. H. Doorbar (Kewstoke) proposed that of 'The Axbridge Deanery.' He said he thought the branch was second to none in the Archdeaconry of Wells and in the diocese (hear, hear). It owed its excellent position to the extraordinary list of very eminent presidents—he happened to be one of them (laughter). The excellent position of the branch was also due to the extraordinarily energetic secretary. They must admit that the very fact they had met together was due to that lump of human energy known as Len Tanner (applause). His work as secretary was known to all ringers. Mr. Tanner thought that the ringers should get 'oiled' at least once a year (laughter). He objected to their getting oiled at any other time, especially when they were ringing! 'To-night he has tried to oil the bearings of our friendships,' the speaker continued, 'to marshal us as a unit; to teach us that we are part of a great organisation; and to get a little oil into our wheels so that the comradeship and good feeling which ought to exist among ringers shall be cemented at least once a year.' The ringers represented a very important piece of church work, he added. He was told there was a preparation used on a very large scale by rural, urban and municipal authorities, which was supposed to keep Council houses together—they wanted it! (laughter). He was told it would mend leaks in roofs, stop floor-boards from dissolving partnership, stop shutting from leaking, and if freely applied would double the life of a Council house—a very necessary thing indeed. He was told on the best authority that the people who used that stuff called it 'bunkum' (laughter). Mr. Tanner must know something about that stuff! Some people might be ringing the changes, but ringers would stick to change ringing, and they hoped the branch would grow. The ringers met together to call people to prayer and worship; to send happy couples along their happy voyage of life; and to close the door behind the departed with a muffled peal. Ringers had very important duties indeed. He saw from the 'Diocesan Gazette' that the Axbridge Deanery was very well off in the matter of towers with six and eight bells, and if the Axbridge Deanery was not second to none in the archdeaconry and in the diocese, it was the ringers' own fault. They had a wonderful supply of towers with six bells, and counting the tubular bells at Hewish—(laughter)—there were five towers with eight bells.

Responding, the President (the Rev. L. T. Powys David) remarked that he was no bellringer. 'Ask some of the Bleadon boys,' he said amid laughter. 'I get the bell a little bit too much over, and I have to work as hard as I can to keep up with the rest, and the whole thing ends up in a crash. Time, perhaps, will mend all that. I am told that if I come to the practices I will make quite a good ringer in time.' His experience as president during the past year had taught him that for real enthusiasm in bellringing the members of the Axbridge Deanery Branch would take a lot of beating (hear, hear). They rolled up in large number at all the meetings, and they were always enthusiastic gatherings.

The President also submitted 'The Visitors,' saying he was pleased to know that there were so many guests from places as far away as Bristol and Bath. That gathering was the first of its kind in their Deanery, but they were living in hopes that it would not be the last by a long way: that they would meet together for equally pleasurable gatherings for many more years. The success of such a venture as that depended to a large extent upon the number of visitors they had. They looked to the visitors for propaganda. They wanted to stimulate interest and keenness for bellringing everywhere. They wanted wives and sweethearts to stir up their men-folk to come along and help.

Mr. W. Thomas, of Bristol, suitably responded.

The toast of 'The Press and "The Ringing World"' was submitted by Mr. L. G. Tanner, who spoke of the power of the Press, and appealed for support for 'The Ringing World.'

Mr. W. A. Cave, of Bristol, responded to the toast.

The artistes were thanked on the motion of the Rev. S. R. Hosbons.

Mr. H. Minifie, who replied, remarked that the young men of today were not fond of hard work, like their ancestors were. 'I was speaking to a young fellow the other day,' he said, 'and asked him, "Why don't you take up ringing?" "Ringing is too much like hard work," he replied. "Your dad did before you," I reminded him. "I don't care," he said, "I'm not taking up any ringing."'

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DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Eastern District was held at Houghton-le-Spring on Saturday. There were only a fair number of members present, and the methods rung were Kent and Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Double Norwich.

After a splendid tea in the old Kepier School, a short meeting was held, Mr. R. L. Patterson being in the chair. Mr. J. W. Parker proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector and churchwardens for the use of the bells, which was carried with acclamation. Mr. Parker went on to say that although the meeting was short in numbers, there had been some good ringing, and it was a great pleasure to come and give the learners a hand.

It was proposed that Gateshead be the place for the next meeting, which was to be held on Saturday, January 17th.

The ringers after the meeting brought their chairs round the fire, and some handbell ringing took place, after which they went back to the belfry and kept the bells going until 8.30 p.m.

It was a very happy meeting, and all who were there thoroughly enjoyed it.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

EASTERN DISTRICT.

A meeting was held at Hertford on Saturday, when the peal of ten bells at All Saints' Church and the eight at St. Andrew's were open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Members and friends were present from Harlow Common, Broxbourne, Edmonton, Ware, Hertford, Ipswich, Beddington, Rickmansworth, Nazeing, Bushey, Waltham Abbey, Benington and St. Albans, together with the district secretary.

A bright and earnest address was given at the service by the Rev. Randolph Smith, and the organist kindly gave his services, the hymns being heartily sung.

Mr. G. Gray, of Hertford, was voted to the chair at the meeting which was held after tea, and a short discussion upon the benevolent scheme took place.

The Vicar was heartily thanked for his address, and a vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. T. N. Gardner, Rector of St. Andrew's, for allowing the ringers to use the bells at that church.

'TOAST TO THE PRESS'

To the Editor.

Sir,—In the report appearing in your issue of November 21st, of the toast to 'The Press' at the College Youths' Dinner, Mr. R. T. Hibbert is quoted as having said that, 'all editors were sons of Ananias.' To give a bare statement of this kind without the context in which it appeared, gives a false impression of the meaning of the speaker, and I ask you, sir, to publish this letter giving the statement referred to in full. Mr. Hibbert said: 'If you read the "Daily Herald," the "Daily Mail," and the "Daily Sketch," you are in a maze, and you come to the conclusion that all editors are sons of Ananias.' Possibly others who were present noticed this point, and I think it is one that is best corrected, as it is liable to misinterpretation as published.—Yours faithfully,

G. N. PRICE.

[No one who knows Mr. Tom Hibbert will take him too seriously on this subject, but since Mr. Price is anxious there should be no false impression, and yet has misquoted both 'The Ringing World' and Mr. Hibbert, let us remove all doubts and give exactly what was written and what was said. 'The Ringing World' report of Mr. Hibbert's speech (on page 750) was that Mr. Hibbert 'summed up all newspaper men as "sons of Ananias."' What Mr. Hibbert actually said on this point—and we take it from the shorthand note of his speech—was: 'I know there are some journalists in the room, but if you read the "Daily Herald," and then you read the "Daily Mail," and then the "Daily Mirror," you are in a maze, and you will find, as I have said before, that all journalists are sons of Ananias.'—Ed., 'R.W.')

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That is our trouble,' Mr. Minifie said. 'We have to convince the young men round the diocese that it is a real pleasure.' It was a delightful pastime, bringing out the best characteristics in a man—and sometimes the worst, he added, amid laughter.

The health of 'The hostess' was drunk on the proposition of Mr. G. H. Fruen (Burnham-on-Sea), and the chairman was thanked for presiding, on the motion of Mr. Tanner.

The speeches were interspersed with enjoyable entertainment, provided by the following: Miss Evelyn Urch, Miss Price, Mr. L. G. Tanner, Messrs. C. Grinfield and H. Minifie, and the Uphill Quartette. The function concluded with a dance, which was kept up until midnight, and in this connection special thanks are due to Mr. H. Minifie for so kindly obliging at the piano for certain dances which the gramophone records would not supply.

Many of those who attended were late in their application for tickets, and several came without having given any notification: as a result three tickets are still unpaid for. Should this meet the eye of those who overlooked this important part of the arrangements, will they kindly send their remittances to the hon. secretary?

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

OXFORD.—At St. Ebbe's Church, on Sunday, November 30th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 42 mins., by the following members of the Oxford University Society and of the Oxford Society: F. Dickinson (Merton) 1, W. H. B. Wilkins 2, G. Horwood 3, F. Taylor (conductor) 4, H. Miles (St. Catharine's) 5, F. W. Wilkins 6, S. Taylor (Merton) 7, C. E. Wigg (Keble) 8. First quarter-peal by the ringer of the treble.

BANBURY, OXON.—On Sunday, November 30th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,295 changes) in 54 mins.: W. F. Judge (conductor) 1, R. R. Lewis 2, W. Tandy 3, R. A. Post 4, F. Baldwin 5, F. Selwyn 6, T. Impey 7, J. Simons 8, H. Impey 9, R. Higham 10. First quarter-peal of Caters by all except ringers of 1, 4 and 8; also longest length on the bells.

CHESHUNT, HERTS.—On Sunday, November 30th, for evening service, 2,504 of Grandsire Triples: H. C. Tully (longest length) 1, A. J. House (longest length 'inside') 2, E. Pickett (longest length 'inside') 3, H. Warner 4, D. Tucker 5, W. S. Newnham 6, G. Maxim (conductor) 7, H. Chadwick (longest length) 8.

HOUNSLOW.—On Sunday, November 30th, at St. Paul's Church, for evensong, 742 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original) in 28 mins.: F. E. Hawthorne 1, S. Stilwell 2, W. F. Ellingham 3, C. F. Winney 4, W. H. Stevens, I.S.O., 5, C. J. Tricker 6, J. Kent (conductor) 7, C. Gash 8. Ring, after meeting for quarter-peal, as a farewell touch to Mr. S. Stilwell.

LONDON.—At the Church of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green, for evensong on Sunday, November 30th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: W. W. Stevens 1, W. H. Theobald 2, J. H. Parrott 3, J. Martin 4, F. Smith 5, H. Hills 6, E. D. Smith (conductor) 7, H. C. Taylor 8.

DARLEY DALE.—On Sunday, November 30th, 1,022 Grandsire Triples: J. Taylor 1, B. Allsop 2, W. Blagshaw 3, E. Blackwell 4, H. Taylor 5, E. Holmes (Matlock) 6, G. H. Paulson (conductor) 7, R. Allsop 8. This was an attempt for a quarter-peal, but had to be called round owing to shortage of time, and was the longest length for ringers of 1 and 8, and longest 'inside' for 3 and 5.

BOZEAT, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.—At St. Mary's Church, on November 23rd, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes) in 48 mins.: W. Fern 1, H. W. Gayton 2, J. J. Partridge (conductor) 3, E. Stanton 4, S. Corby 5. First quarter-peal rung for eighteen years; also first as conductor. All are regular Sunday ringers, except the ringer of number 2, who hails from Harrold.

WILTON, SOMERSET.—On Sunday, November 23rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 45 mins.: S. A. Wyatt 1, A. J. Wyatt 2, S. G. Coles 3, H. E. Causley 4, S. P. Merson 5, D. F. Sheldon 6, W. H. Coles (conductor) 7, H. J. Mogridge (first quarter-peal) 8.

ELLESMERE, SHROPSHIRE.—On Sunday, November 16th, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples in 19 mins.: R. Biggs 1, G. H. Edwards 2, A. Allen 3, A. Haynes 4, T. Butler 5, W. S. Higginson 6, T. R. Butler (conductor) 7, W. Higginson 8. Also 420 Stedman Doubles for men's service in the afternoon, with R. Lloyd taking part.

SWANMORE.—At St. Barnabas' Church, on Sunday, October 19th, for evening service, a 720 of Grandsire Minor, with 34 Bobs and 2 Singles: E. Jacobs, jun., 1, A. Millard 2, W. Allen 3, E. Jacobs, sen., 4, H. Ainsley 5, W. Linter (conductor) 6. This was rung as a 30th birthday compliment to Roy Linter, late local ringer, now living at Bath.

DEDDINGTON'S REHUNG BELLS

On the newly rehung peal of six bells at Deddington, Oxon, on Thursday, November 27th, a 720 of Grandsire Doubles: J. Clark 1, H. Gunstone (first 720 'inside') 2, F. Neale 3, A. E. Clifton 4, W. Searrott (first 720 as conductor) 5, H. Hatfield 6. Ringers of 1 and 2 hail from Islip, the rest from Bicester.

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(Established 1637).—The subscription of 1s. 8d., which entitles members who have not met twenty times to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Dec. 18th; *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 9th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 11th (8 p.m.); *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 23rd; at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. — William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch. —The next branch meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew's, Colne, on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome.—F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's Church, Swansea, on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., with tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 21, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

LADIES' GUILD.—Northern District. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, Manchester, on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells open 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15, at a reasonable charge. Cars No. 20, 21 or 24, from Stevenson Square, Oldham Street, to the Osborne Theatre. Gentlemen cordially invited.—N. Cawthorne, Dis. Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—The next by-meeting of the district will be held on Saturday, Dec. 6th, at Chilham. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at the Woolpack.—Percy W. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—A meeting will be held at St. Matthias', Burley, Leeds, on Saturday, Dec. 6th. The augmented peal of 8 (tenor 8 cwt.), recently recast and rehung, will be available from 2.30 p.m.—F. Hutchinson, Dis. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Colchester, on Saturday, Dec. 6th next. Bells will be available at 3.15 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting at 5.15 p.m., 1s. each.—R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 12, Ireton Road, Colchester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch. — The monthly meeting at St. Chad's, Poulton, has been altered to Dec. 6th, at the request of the Vicar and wardens. Bells ready 3 p.m. Business 6 p.m. — C. Sharples, Branch Sec., Fylde.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Leonard's, Bilston, Staffs, on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.30. Business meeting afterwards.—Herbert Sheppard, 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

DEVON GUILD.—Exeter Branch.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Service, Heavitree Church, 4.15. Tea (free to members) and business meeting at Constitutional Club Rooms, Heavitree, 5 p.m. Towers available: Cathedral (12), St. Sidwell's (10), Heavitree (8), St. Thomas' (8), St. David's (8), St. Petrock's (6).—E. Lomas (Miss), Hon. Sec., Whimble, near Exeter.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Beeston on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells (8) ready from 3.30. All ringers welcome. There are a few subscriptions for 1930 not been paid yet. Will these members kindly pay up and besports?—E. C. Gobey, Dis. Sec., 23, Shaw Street, Ilkeston.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting of above branch will be held at Bletchley on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 4.15 p.m. Those requiring tea please send along in good time. All ringers welcome.—Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A meeting at Fen Ditton (5) on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells available at 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. The tower of St. Andrew's, Chesterton (6) open from 6.30.—K. Willers, Dis. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Dunster on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Tower open for ringing 2 p.m. (8 bells). Service, 3.45. Preacher: Preb. A. C. Harman, R.D. Tea at the Memorial Hall, 4.30. Business meeting to follow.—Geo. Stacey, Hon. Sec., 6, Park Street, Minehead.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, Dec. 6th. The bells will be available from 3 p.m.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Marlborough Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Great Bedwyn on Saturday, Dec. 6th, at 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30.—Cyril Hussey, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wigan Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6. A good attendance is requested.—James Grounds, Branch Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Huntingdon.—A meeting will be held at St. Ives on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5.—D. Clarke, 36, Cromwell Gardens, St. Neots.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—The last meeting of the year will be held at Elstow on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells (6) available at 2.45. Tea at 5 p.m. John Bunyan used to ring here. Visitors welcome.—Percy C. Bonnett, Dis. Sec., Stagsden, Bedford.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wimborne Branch.—The annual meeting is to be held at Wimborne Minster on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Ringing from 3.15. Service 4.30. Address by Vicar (Rev. Canon Keith). Tea in Church House 5.15, followed by business meeting.—C. A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Stoke-on-Trent on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Tea will be provided for all who notify Mr. S. Churton, 11, Lonsdale Street, Stoke-on-Trent, not later than Dec. 3rd.—C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wednesday Afternoon Guild.—The annual meeting will be held at Chester-le-Street on Wednesday, Dec. 10th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.—G. Siddle, Sec.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Clement's, Hastings, on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. The bells of Christ Church, St. Leonards, will be available after the meeting.—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Preston Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells available from 2.30. A good attendance is requested. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due.—Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—The quarterly meeting will be held jointly with the Barnsley, Doncaster and Sheffield District Societies at Rawmarsh, near Rotherham, on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock, at 1s. per head. Please notify Mr. F. C. Wilson, 131, Wheatcroft Road, Sandhill, Rawmarsh, by Dec. 10th for tea.—F. Clark, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Selby on Saturday, Dec. 13th. The Abbey bells (10) will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. onward. Service in the choir at 4 p.m. Tea served in Mrs. Smith's Café, Finkle Street, at 5 p.m., at a charge of 1s. 6d. per head. Those requiring same are requested to notify Mr. W. A. Hall, 12, Newport Avenue, Doncaster Road, Selby, not later than Thursday, Dec. 11th. The business meeting will be held in the Sacristy of the Abbey immediately after.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division.—The annual meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford on Saturday, Dec. 13th, at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea in the Parish Room at 5.30 p.m., to be followed by business meeting. Ringing in the evening from 7 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.—C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Preacher: Canon Raven, D.D. Tea and meeting to follow. A good attendance is especially requested, as a further discussion will take place on 'How to make the monthly meetings more attractive.' Names for tea to Mr. W. Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston, by Wednesday, Dec. 10th.—Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec. If it's a 'RING' try WATFORD, Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells open from 3.30. Tea 5.30, number for tea by 9th please.—C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. Tel. City 4270.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Burton District.—The next meeting to be held at Overseal on Saturday, Dec. 13th, will take the form of a special meeting in order to welcome the new Rector of Seals (Rev. Fitzherbert). Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Tea provided for those who notify Mr. J. W. Cotton, Moira Road, Overseal, by 11th at latest. Will members please make a special effort to come? Thank you.—John Leach, 4, Vernon Terrace, Burton-on-Trent.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Loughborough District.—A meeting will be held at Castle Donington on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells (6) ready at 3.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District. — A meeting will be held at Bletchingley on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea and business meeting to follow. Tea only for those who notify me by Wednesday, Dec. 10th.—A. J. Bull, Hon. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—North-East Branch. — The annual meeting will be held at Tiverton on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells available 2.30. Committee meeting 4. Service 4.45. Tea, 1s. each, 5.15, business meeting following. Agenda: Report, balance sheet, election of officers, etc. Notify me for tea by Dec. 9th. — A. G. Selley, The Square, Silvertown.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — West Dorset Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Bridport on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting at 5.15 p.m. Notification for tea to E. F. Brooks, Beaminster.

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District. — A meeting will be held in Bristol on Saturday, Dec. 13th. St. Peter's bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at St. John's-on-the-Wall at 4.30. Tea at St. Michael's Parish Hall 5.15. Will those requiring tea kindly let me know by Dec. 10th? — N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.

MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—The next meeting will be held at Croft on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells available from 3.45 p.m. Tea provided in Schoolroom, at 5 p.m., for all those who notify Mr. A. Warwick, Orchard Street, Croft, near Leicester, by Thursday, Dec. 11th. A good meeting is requested. All ringers welcome.—W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Upton-on-Severn on Dec. 13th. Service at 4 prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Election of officers. The branch secretary should be notified how many to expect by the Wednesday previous.—J. Rowlett, Branch Sec., Old Street, Upton-on-Severn.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Deanery.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Taunton, on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Meeting to follow. Wilton (8 bells) available from 3 to 4 p.m.—P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Rochdale Branch. — A meeting will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Subscriptions are now due. Reports to hand.—William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Central Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Winslow on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells 6. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea at 1s. each and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. Please send numbers for tea to E. F. Gibbard, Hon. Sec., 92, High Street, Winslow, Bucks.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION. — The quarterly meeting will be held at South Normanton on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m., 1s. each, to those who notify Mr. E. W. Riley, New Street, by Wednesday, Dec. 10th.—J. W. England, Sec.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—A general meeting will be held at Holbrook on Dec. 13th. Bells (6) available at 2 p.m. and at Stutton (6). Tea, 4.30, at the Church Room.—H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Chertsey District.—A meeting will be held at Chobham on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells (8) at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Meeting after tea. Nominations for district officers must be received at this meeting. All members and friends of the Guild are invited to come and lend a helping hand at this gathering. Frequent buses from Woking Station (north side). Numbers for tea by Wednesday next. — H. Hancock, Hon. Sec., 3, Chobham Road, Ottershaw, Chertsey.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—North Norfolk Branch.—A meeting will be held at Salle on Saturday, Dec. 13th, at 3.30 p.m.—W. B. Duncan, Branch Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. — Swindon Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Wroughton on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Bells (5) available at 3 p.m.—S. Hopper, Hon. Sec., 79, Edinburgh Street, Swindon, Wilts.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Manchester Town Hall on Saturday, Dec. 20th. Bells from 3 p.m. Meeting 7 o'clock. Subscriptions due. Reports ready.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom, on Saturday, Dec. 20th. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Meeting in the Schoolroom at 6.30. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend. Reports to hand.—J. Bracewell, Hon. Sec.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The next meeting of the Guild will be held at Charing on Dec. 20th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden, Kent.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—Next meeting at St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, on Saturday, Dec. 20th. Bells from 3.15. Service at 5.15. Tea in St. Andrew's Hall, Wells Street, on usual terms, at 6 o'clock. Please advise me if you are coming.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—A dinner will be held at the Prince of Wales Hotel, Guildford, on Saturday, Jan. 10th, 1931.—Tickets 5s. 6d. each. Early application should be made, as accommodation is limited.—J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover, Hockering Gardens, Woking.

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