



No. 1,150. Vol. XXVIII.

FRIDAY, APRIL 7th, 1933.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

# GILLETT AND JOHNSTON

LTD

CROYDON

Founders  
of the  
heaviest bells  
cast  
in England.

## HOW NEW RULES AFFECT ASSOCIATIONS

We referred last week to the proposed alteration in the rules of the Central Council by which it is hoped to bring the Council into closer relationship with the associations. This week the detailed proposals are published, and as the county and diocesan organisations are directly affected it is well that they should be studied by them. The three principal changes are set out in the report of the committee, and with the first, we think, few will be inclined to quarrel. Hitherto the Council has been a loosely woven fabric consisting of individuals; the intention of the new rules is to make it in fact the central and representative organisation of all the ringing associations.

The second of the important alterations lays down for the first time the basis upon which representatives shall be elected. Numerical strength has always governed the proportion of representation up to certain limits, but there has been no definition as to what is implied by 'membership' for this purpose. The result has been a certain amount of dual representation, where non-resident members have been included for the purpose of counting heads. The rule as now proposed defines the members to be included for the purpose of representation, and while it does not entirely eliminate overlapping, because to do so is a practical impossibility, it goes a long way towards securing equal representation, within the limits of a four-member maximum.

It is on the third of the proposed changes that there may at first be some division of opinion, although we believe there will be found no association which, on serious thought, will offer opposition. This alteration has to do with the payment of affiliation fees. Up to the present associations have paid a fee for each representative elected. That is right while the Council is constituted of individuals, but the financial question will be on a different footing if the status of the Council is changed to a Council of affiliated societies. We believe that the vast majority of ringers will agree with the committee that the payment of fees should then be on the basis of the representation to which an association is entitled, even if, for any reason, the full number of representatives is not elected. As a matter of fact, there are very few instances indeed where this is not already done, and if it is made a rule it is but a trifling step towards ensuring that associations shall pay proportionately for the unquestioned advantages which the existence of a Central Council brings to the Exercise. After all, the cost of the affiliation fee to an association is only a halfpenny per member per annum, while to those societies whose membership is greatly in excess of

(Continued on page 210.)

# WM. POTTS & SONS. LTD.

(ESTABLISHED 1833).

## CATHEDRAL, CHURCH AND TOWER CLOCK MANUFACTURERS

Makers of many of the largest and most important Clocks in the World.

CLOCKS REPAIRED AND DIALS RESTORED.

Also Makers of SMALL CLOCKS of every description for all purposes.

Illustrated Catalogue, Specifications, Designs and Estimates on request.

### 'THE GUILDFORD CLOCK WORKS,'

Bankfield Terrace, Burley, Leeds.

and at 9, Adelphi Chambers, Shakespeare Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

19, Cannon Street, Manchester.

and 96, Carver Street, Moorhead, Sheffield.

## THE RINGER'S BADGE,

Supplied as Stud for Buttonhole, Brooch or Pendant

With name of your Association engraved (as illustration).

9ct. HALL MARKED GOLD .. 30/-

plus the increased cost of gold.

HALL MARKED SILVER .. 7/6

GILT OR WHITE METAL .. 4/-

Names or Presentation Inscriptions can be engraved on the reverse side at a small extra charge.



Exact size

GEO. STACEY, JEWELLER AND ENGRAVER,

6, PARK ST., MINEHEAD, SOMERSET

## CHARLES MEE,

STONE AND MARBLE MASON

SPROUGHTON, IPSWICH

## PEAL TABLETS

in Marble or Stone to any design, also Ecclesiastical and General Masonry.

Estimates Free

ESTABLISHED 1760

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope Manufacturer,

64, LEWISHAM PARK, LONDON, S.E.13

Late of BERMONDSEY and PECKHAM.

Maker to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin, St. Patrick's, Manchester, Durban and Worcester Cathedrals, etc., etc.

Mufflers, Ringing Mats, Matting, Flag Lines, etc., etc.

the number entitled to four representatives the amount is very much less. This is a small sum to pay for the advantages which the Council provides in return, and without which the associations would largely lose the services of many of the best brains of the Exercise, and would operate as so many isolated units with no organisation to co-ordinate their work or voice with the authority of unified purpose, their objects or their rights. There is, in fact, every reason why the proposals to make the Council a stronger and more integral part of the ringing organisation should receive the full support of all the associations.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt.

JOHN C. ADAMS ... ..	... Treble	THOMAS HILL ... ..	7
BERT HORTON ... ..	2	ARTHUR T. DUTTON ... ..	8
WILLIAM FISHER ... ..	3	EDWARD V. RODENBURST ... ..	9
DANIEL T. MATKIN ... ..	4	FRANCIS BROTHERTON ... ..	10
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... ..	5	THOMAS J. ELTON ... ..	11
GEORGE W. HUGHES ... ..	6	WILLIAM WALKER ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by T. J. ELTON.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN-THE-MARTYR,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

SYDNEY E. ROMANS ... ..	... Treble	ALBERT L. GALE ... ..	6
ALFRED E. REEVES ... ..	2	F. CECIL MOGFORD ... ..	7
MRS. R. J. WILKINS ... ..	3	HENRY PRING ... ..	8
HERBERT W. KNIGHT ... ..	4	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..	9
WILLIAM KNIGHT ... ..	5	WILLIAM H. THOMAS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN A. BURFORD.

Conducted by ALFRED E. REEVES.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SEPULCHRE, SNOW HILL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

EDWIN F. PIKE ... ..	... Treble	DANIEL COOPER ... ..	6
CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... ..	2	CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... ..	7
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... ..	3	HORACE BELCHER ... ..	8
CHARLES W. GRIMWOOD ... ..	4	REUBEN SANDERS ... ..	9
JOSEPH MARKS ... ..	5	RICHARD F. DEAL ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. W. ROBERTS.

Rung as a 78th birthday compliment to Mr. A. Linstead, tower-keeper of the above church.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

FULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 20, 1933, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

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

Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT FULCHER ... ..	... Treble	JAMES ELDRIDGE ... ..	5
CHARLES BAKER ... ..	2	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... ..	6
FREDERICK ROOPE ... ..	3	RUSSELL RICHES ... ..	7
WILLIAM FLATT ... ..	4	ERNEST WHITING ... ..	Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

## LONDON.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 25, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-le-Bow, Stratford,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*GEORGE HAYDEN ... .. Treble	ERNEST W. FURBANK ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	JOHN MOULE ... .. 6
ERNEST J. KING ... .. 3	EDWARD D. SMITH ... .. 7
GEORGE DAWSON ... .. 4	ROBERT MOLTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD D. SMITH.

## WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1933, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*SAMUEL EELES ... .. Treble	RAYMOND WOOD, SEN. ... .. 5
†MISS H. M. DARVILL ... .. 2	PETER CHARMAN ... .. 6
†RAYMOND WOOD, JUN. ... .. 3	JOHN COOK ... .. 7
WALTER CHARMAN ... .. 4	WILLIAM STANFORD ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by W. STANFORD.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal.

## HALSTEAD, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(St. Andrew's Guild, Earls Colne.)

On Saturday, March 25, 1933, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

FRANK CLAYDON ... .. Treble	†ALEC GENERY ... .. 5
ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. 2	WALTER ARNOLD ... .. 6
*MISS HILDA SNOWDEN ... .. 3	THOMAS BIRD ... .. 7
*CLAUDE SNOWDEN ... .. 4	ERNEST BOWHILL ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by W. ARNOLD.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal of Major. 250th peal by Frank Claydon. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Hilda Snowden, also to Mr. P. Curling, second son of Canon Curling, Vicar of St. Andrew's, Halstead.

## BROMLEY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 28, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

*ALISON PURDON ... .. Treble	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 5
JOHN LYDDIARD ... .. 2	†SYDNEY HUMPHREY ... .. 6
*WILLIAM GRACE ... .. 3	CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... .. 7
THOMAS I. KNIGHT ... .. 4	EDMUND MOUNTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. ROBERTS.

\* First peal of Stedman. † First peal of Stedman away from tenor.

## GORTON, MANCHESTER.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 28, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At Brookfield Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

CHARLES OLLIER ... .. Treble	*JOHN FEARNHEAD ... .. 5
WILLIAM BRAMMER ... .. 2	ERNEST SEDDON ... .. 6
PERCY ROUGHTON ... .. 3	FREDERICK PAGE ... .. 7
EDWARD F. MAWBY ... .. 4	ARNOLD S. FEARNHEAD ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by F. PAGE.

\* First peal in the method away from the tenor. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as the monthly peal for the Manchester Branch. Rung in honour of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. E. Seddon, also a birthday compliment to A. S. Fearnhead. This is the first peal in the method at this church by local ringers.

LLANDUDNO.—On Friday, March 31st, 720 Bob Minor at Holy Trinity Church in 28 mins.: Mrs. Owen 1, Jack Flood 2, Miss Doris Brown 3, A. E. Pegler 4, Sydney Brown (first 720 as conductor) 5, Allan Fairlie 6. This is the first 720 by all except the ringer of the 4th.

## FULBOURN, CAMBS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 31, 1933, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Vigor and All Saints,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

*HARRY MARTIN ... .. Treble	†SIDNEY BROWN ... .. 5
MISS VIOLET SHORTER ... .. 2	T. REGINALD DENNIS ... .. 6
MANSFIELD GINN ... .. 3	FRANK WARRINGTON ... .. 7
SAMUEL TWITCHETT ... .. 4	ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by ERNEST G. HIBBINS.

\* First attempt for a peal. † First attempt for a peal on eight bells.

## CRAYFORD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 31, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Paulinus,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

HERBERT E. ADDSLEY ... .. Treble	JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. ... .. 2	*THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... .. 6
EDWIN A. BARNETT ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 7
MRS. G. H. CROSS ... .. 4	*STAFFORD H. GREEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by E. A. BARNETT.

\* First peal of New Cambridge. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. E. R. Stoneham, J.P., Rector's warden of Crayford, who passed away suddenly on March 27th.

## NETHERSEAL, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

GEOFFREY W. CLAYFIELD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. CURSON ... .. 5
WILLIAM E. CLAYFIELD ... .. 2	ARTHUR E. ROWLEY ... .. 6
JOSEPH W. COTTON ... .. 3	ERNEST W. BEADSMORE ... .. 7
WILLIAM G. BROOKER ... .. 4	*WILLIAM WOODWARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. COTTON.

\* First peal. This peal was specially arranged and rung as a compliment to the ringer of the treble on attaining his 21st birthday.

## HANDBRIDGE, CHESTER.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-without-the-Walls,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

*WILLIAM HOPWOOD ... .. Treble	†JAMES SWINDLEY ... .. 5
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 2	JAMES MORGAN ... .. 6
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 3	†PERCY SWINDLEY ... .. 7
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 4	†SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by R. SPERRING.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Gilbert Gerrard, of Chester.

## LONDON.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE B. COLLINS ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 5
JOHN G. NASH ... .. 2	JOHN T. KENTISH ... .. 6
JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
JOSEPH WAGHORN ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

## BELL ROPES

MADE FROM ITALIAN HEMP OR ITALIAN FLAX.

SOFT AND PLIABLE IN HAND. ALL ROPES SENT

CARRIAGE PAID AND ON APPROVAL.

Cheap Quotations. Established 150 years. Phone 203.

DAVID MAXON, ROPE WORKS, GRANTHAM

## MOORSIDE, OLDHAM.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH AND OLDHAM &amp; DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Friday, March 31, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HRYWOOD'S No. 1.

FRANK LAWTON ... .. Treble	IVAN KAY ... .. 5
ARTHUR F. TAYLOR ... .. 2	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT 6
FRED DUNCKERLEY ... .. 4	CHRISTOPHER GUDGEON ... 7
STEPHAN L. PARRY ... .. 3	*HARRY MELLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. GUDGEON.

\* First peal of Triples. Rung as a token of respect to the late Mr. Samuel Stott, of Glodwick. The band also wish to couple with the peal the name of the Rev. J. H. Garnett, by whose kind permission the use of the bells was granted.

## HUGHENDON, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS &amp; SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

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

Tenor 12 cwt.

FRANK BUCKLAND ... .. Treble	GEORGE MARTIN ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 2	HARRY WINGROVE ... .. 6
ROLAND BIGGS ... .. 3	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 7
*PERCY NEWTON ... .. 4	FRANK CORNE ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.

## WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFS.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, BLAKENHALL.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th observation). Tenor 10 cwt. (approx.).

NORMAN H. SMITH ... .. Treble	ALBERT D. COLLINS ... .. 5
*CHARLES R. COLLINS ... .. 2	W. HAROLD JONES ... .. 6
*THOMAS G. MARTIN ... .. 3	HARRY BOSWELL ... .. 7
HAROLD L. FLAVELL ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. LOWE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT D. COLLINS.

\* First peal. 50th peal together by A. D. Collins and H. Boswell. Rung as birthday compliments to H. L. Flavell and A. D. Collins.

## RATBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,

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

Tenor 9 cwt, 3 qr, 18 lb.

*GEORGE E. PRIESTNALL ... Treble	*WILLIAM BALL ... .. 5
ERNEST H. BAGWORTH ... .. 2	*J. HAROLD SPENCER ... .. 6
HARRY L. SMITH ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... .. 4	*PERCY B. INGRAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM HUDSON. Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. They belong to the local band and great credit is due to them for the manner in which they rang this peal.

## BRENCHELY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Tenor 18 cwt.

*ALAN B. BROMLEY ... .. Treble	FREDERICK WHITE ... .. 5
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... .. 2	ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 6
*ERNEST J. LADD ... .. 3	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT ... 7
A. WINGFIELD DURHAM ... .. 4	STAFFORD H. GREEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by S. H. GREEN.

\* First Surprise peal. † First peal in the method. A birthday compliment to Mrs. F. White and Master Peter White.

ECKINGTON.—At St. Andrew's Church on March 26th for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 43 mins.: N. Asher 1, H. Connell 2, W. Woods 3, N. Brown 4, W. Asher 5, J. Clark 6, A. Dixon (conductor) 7, F. Warrington 8.

## BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Treble	JACK M. CRIPPS ... .. 5
KEITH HART ... .. 2	ALFRED T. GREENWOOD ... 6
KENNETH SNELLING ... .. 3	ROBERT SWIFT ... .. 7
WILFRED WILLIAMS ... .. 4	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

## SOUTH ANSTON, YORKSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION,

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY)

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

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

Tenor 13½ cwt.

A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS... Treble	FREDERICK A. ADAMS ... 5
ARTHUR KNIGHTS... .. 2	*AMBURN WILSON ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. THYNG ... .. 3	NORMAN C. LEWIS ... .. 7
JOHN W. SYKES ... .. 4	WILLIAM BIGGIN ... .. Tenor

Composed by AMBURN WILSON.

Conducted by N. C. LEWIS.

\* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob.

## GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-THE-ARCHANGEL,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt. in G.

HAROLD E. PENNICK ... Treble	WILLIAM CHALK ... .. 5
*GEORGE RASEBROOK ... .. 2	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 6
THOMAS LINCOLN ... .. 3	CHARLES W. BURTON ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. 4	GEORGE GREEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE

\* First peal in the method.

## GAWSWORTH, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM GAYES ... .. Treble	JOHN WORTH ... .. 5
JAMES A. MILNER ... .. 2	*HAROLD DEAN ... .. 6
WALTER LONGMAN ... .. 3	GEORGE W. BIDDULPH ... 7
WILFRED STEVENSON ... .. 4	JACK WAUMSLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. C. E. SIMPSON.

Conducted by JOHN WORTH

\* First peal of Major.

## CHESHUNT, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th observation). Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE MAXIM ... .. Treble	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 5
MRS. E. K. FLETCHER ... .. 2	JOSEPH LADLEY ... .. 6
MISS L. WHEELER ... .. 3	ALFRED J. HOUSE ... .. 7
WALTER J. NEWNHAM ... .. 4	ERNEST PICKETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED J. HOUSE.

First peal as conductor and first attempt.

## BUCKLEBURY, BERKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

ANNABLE'S THREE-PART.

MISS RUBY HAZELL ... Treble	*WILLIAM EDWARDS ... .. 5
MISS STELLA DAVIS ... .. 2	RICHARD T. HIBBERT ... 6
JAMES ABERY ... .. 3	*CYRIL J. HIBBERT ... .. 7
CHARLES H. PULLEN ... .. 4	WILLIAM HIBBERT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by R. T. HIBBERT.

\* First peal of Major.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 19, 1933, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 16 cwt.

OLAVE BROYD ... .. Treble	ARTHUR RIPPINGALE ... .. 4
MISS CONSTANCE I. CLARK ... 2	THOMAS BIRD ... .. 5
BERNARD PETITT ... .. 3	ALBERT CATTERWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by O. BROYD.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor on tower bells by all except the conductor. Rung to commemorate the unveiling of a peal board, kindly presented by the Rev. H. M. Greening (Vicar).

BARTON ST. DAVID, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. David,

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

Ten different callings. Tenor 10 cwt. (approx.).

EDMOND T. BARRINGTON ... Treble	SIDNEY A. RICKETTS ... .. 3
WILFRED P. LAMBERT ... .. 2	WILLIAM C. SHUTE ... .. 4
THOMAS J. SETTER ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by WILLIAM C. SHUTE.

Rung to celebrate the treble ringer's parents' golden wedding.

BURTON-IN-KENDAL, WESTMORLAND.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Parish Church of St. James,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being four 720's of Kent Treble Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob.

JOHN MCLEAN ... .. Treble	FRED DUNKERLEY ... .. 4
NICHOLAS NEWBY ... .. 2	EDWIN JENNINGS ... .. 5
ALAN W. CASSON ... .. 3	GEORGE E. BRAITHWAITE ... Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN JENNINGS.

The conductor's 100th peal for the Lancashire Association.

LYTCHETT MATRAVERS, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIMBORNE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Forty-two six-scores, ten different callings. Tenor 7½ cwt.

*WILFRED A. WAYLEN ... Treble	MISS MARCIA WHITE ... .. 4
J. IVON DAVIS ... .. 2	CYRIL F. TURNER ... .. 5
ARTHUR G. ROSE ... .. 3	*EVELYN HEAD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. F. TURNER.

\* First peal. First peal of Grandsire Doubles by all the band. First peal of Doubles on the bells. Credit is due to the treble ringer upon the way he rang throughout the peal.

FULMER, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

**A PEAL OF SURFLEET SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 7½ cwt.

EDGAR G. SWIFT ... .. Treble	EDWARD C. AYRES ... .. 4
GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE ... .. 2	ERNEST G. STEVENS ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. BOLTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM E. REDRUP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. E. REDRUP.

First peal in the method by all the band, and first for the Guild. These extents contained no 6-5's at backstroke.

**BELL ROPES**  
BEST QUALITY LOWEST PRICES

**FLAGS AND  
BUNTING**

**HERBERT J. GRAY, LTD.**

(Incorporating JOSHUA C. CLOGG & CO.)

Rope and Flag Works - EXETER, DEVON

KEMPSEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 1, 1932, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent

Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single and Plain Bob.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

THOMAS W. LEWIS ... .. Treble	SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 4
DENIS R. MORRIS ... .. 2	CYRIL TANSELL ... .. 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY T. HOLT.

SEAVINGTON ST. MARY, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Three Hours,

At the Parish Church,

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

Being three 720's of Oxford and four of Kent. Tenor 7 cwt.

*VICTOR CRABB ... .. Treble	PERCY MERSON ... .. 4
ALFRED J. WYATT ... .. 2	S. GEORGE COLES ... .. 5
DAVID G. TAYLOR ... .. 3	ARTHUR H. REED ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. H. REED.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Double Oxford,

Double Court, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt.

HERBERT C. FORDHAM ... Treble	HARRY D. LISTER ... .. 4
PERCY L. JOHNSON ... .. 2	GARNHAM A. BLAXCELL ... 5
KEITH W. WHITTELL ... .. 3	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GARNHAM A. BLAXCELL.

First peal in seven methods by all the band except the conductor. This band represents six different parishes.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

COLCHESTER, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, March 29, 1933, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,

At the Residence of Mr. G. RASHBROOK,

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

GEORGE RASHBROOK ... .. 1-2	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 5-6
WILLIAM CHALK ... .. 3-4	WILLIAM DENT ... .. 7-8

Composed by F. HOGGOOD.

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

Rung to celebrate the 55th birthday of the conductor.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Friday, March 31, 1933, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,

In St. Martin's Belfry,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER, 5067 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

FRANK E. PERVIN ... .. 1-2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 5-6
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 3-4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 7-8
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 9-10	

Composed by J. E. GROVES.

Conducted by FRANK E. PERVIN.

OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 31, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

At 28, FIELD ROAD,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER, 5007 CHANGES;**

FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... 1-2	*HAROLD G. CASHMORE ... 5-6
HENRY HODGETTS ... .. 3-4	GEORGE E. HOWCHIN ... 7-8
CHARLES N. LEMAN ... .. 9-10	

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by H. G. CASHMORE.

Umpire—Stephen H. Hoare.

\* First peal on ten bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. F. W. Brinklow, wife of the ringer of 1-2.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL RULES.

### THE SUB-COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

The report of the sub-committee appointed to consider the Rules of the Council has been presented in the following terms:—

The sub-committee has again met during the course of the year to consider the re-drafted rules submitted to the Council at the last meeting and the suggested amendments thereto, and recommends the Council to adopt the rules as set out in the following schedule.

The sub-committee would specially call attention to the fact that the rules as re-drafted make (*inter alia*) the following alterations:—

(1) The constitution is changed in principle from a Council of individuals to a Council of affiliated societies;

(2) Representation of territorial and diocesan societies will be in future on a definite limited numerical basis of membership; and

(3) Societies' affiliation fees will be based on membership and not upon the number of representatives elected to the Council.

### SCHEDULE.

1. The Council shall be known as the 'Central Council of Church Bellringers.'

2. The Council shall consist:—

- (1) Of Representative Members elected by affiliated societies.
- (2) Of Honorary Members, not exceeding fifteen in number, elected by the Council.

Any recognised Society, Association or Guild of Church Bellringers (hereinafter referred to under the general term 'Society'), numbering not less than seventy-five members, shall, upon application, if eligible, be affiliated to the Council, and shall subscribe to an undertaking loyally to abide by the rules and decisions of the Council.

Affiliated Societies shall be entitled to elect representatives in the following proportion:—

A Society, the number of whose members is 75 or over, but does not exceed 150, one Representative; exceeds 150 but does not exceed 300, two Representatives; exceeds 300 but does not exceed 450, three Representatives; exceeds 450, four Representatives.

Four Representatives shall be the limit of representation allowed any one Society.

For the purpose of this rule the basis of the calculation of membership for territorial and diocesan societies shall be the number of annual subscribing honorary and ringing members, and resident life members.

No representative member shall be eligible as an honorary member. The voting powers of honorary members shall be equal with those of representative members.

(Note.—Here and elsewhere in these Rules the word 'member' shall be taken as meaning 'member of the Council'.)

3. The election of representative members shall take place triennially, at least four weeks before the commencement of each triennial session, and the names and addresses of those elected shall forthwith be forwarded to the Secretary of the Council. In the event of a vacancy the new member shall be elected only for the unexpired period of the triennium.

4. Honorary members shall be elected for three years and, on retiring, shall be eligible for re-election (retirement and election taking effect as from the end of the annual meeting), provided that any honorary member who during his term of office may be elected a representative member shall, ipso facto, vacate his honorary membership. The Council may fill a vacancy among the honorary members at any annual meeting of the Council.

5. All societies returning representative members to the Council shall contribute annually, in January, 5s. on behalf of each representative member to which they are entitled, to meet the expenses of conducting the business of the Council, and no representative member shall be entitled to speak or vote at an annual meeting of the Council until the subscription of the Society he represents be paid.

6. The Council shall meet once annually, about Whitsuntide, in some convenient centre, as agreed upon at the previous meeting, but the Meeting following the Triennial Election shall always be in London. Any meeting of the Council may be extended to additional meetings on the same or the following day on a motion for adjournment being put and carried. The President shall have power, in case of emergency, to call special meetings of the Council, and he

shall at any time summon such a special meeting on receipt of a requisition signed by twelve members.

7. At the Annual Meeting next after each Triennial Election a President, an Honorary Secretary, who shall also act as Treasurer, and an Honorary Librarian shall be chosen from among the members to serve for three years. In the event of the President, Honorary Secretary or Honorary Librarian vacating office before the expiration of the three years, the ensuing meeting shall elect a member to fill the vacancy during the remainder of the period. The retiring President, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Librarian shall be eligible for re-election at the expiration of their term of office. The President shall retire from the chair immediately his successor in office is elected, but the Honorary Secretary shall continue in office till the business of the meeting is concluded. All nominations for these offices shall be sent to the Honorary Secretary, signed by two members of the Council, not less than two calendar months previous to the meeting, and such nominations shall appear on the agenda paper. The next business after the election of the President and Honorary Secretary shall be the election of honorary members.

8. The Council shall triennially appoint at its London Meeting two Auditors who shall audit the Annual Accounts of the Council and report to each Annual Meeting.

9. The Council shall appoint a Standing Committee and shall have power to appoint Committees for any purpose for which it may appear desirable; and also, if the state of the funds permit, to allow the necessary expenses of holding the Committee Meetings. Each Committee shall appoint a convener and shall report annually to the Council. All reports, except that of the Standing Committee, shall be made in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least 14 days before the meeting. Such reports as have not previously been published or circulated shall be read at the meeting.

10. All resolutions to be proposed shall be sent to the Honorary Secretary in writing, signed by two members of the Council, not less than two calendar months previous to the meeting, and shall be placed by him on the agenda, together with the names of the proposer and seconder of the resolution. But it shall be competent, on a vote of the majority of the meeting, for the Council to discuss a subject not upon the agenda paper, providing such subject does not affect the Rules or Constitution of the Council.

11. At the meetings of the Council the President shall take the chair, and in the event of his absence the members present shall elect a Chairman for that meeting. The Chairman shall have a casting vote. Twenty members shall form a quorum. Every new member, whether representative or honorary, shall, before taking his seat, be introduced by a member to the President, or, in the absence of the President, to the Chairman of the meeting.

12. Each member shall have one vote.

13. Full notice of the date, arrangements, and agenda for each meeting shall be advertised in the ringing papers approximately seven weeks previous to such meeting; but it shall not be incumbent on the Honorary Secretary to send notice to each member. The names of the members present and the business transacted at each meeting shall be entered in the minute book and reported to the ringing papers. Copies of the resolutions passed by the Council shall be forwarded to the affiliated societies as soon as is convenient after the meeting.

14. At each Annual Meeting the Honorary Secretary and Treasurer shall submit the audited statement of accounts for the previous year for adoption by the meeting.

15. Alterations in the Rules of the Council shall be made only at the Annual Meetings, and every notice of a proposed alteration shall be sent to the Honorary Secretary, as laid down in Rule 10. All alterations in the Rules of the Council shall be passed by a majority of two-thirds of those present and voting.

### AN INTERESTING REPORT.

This year's report of the Midland Counties Association, which has just been published, is of more than usual interest, for, covering as it does the jubilee year of the association, it contains much material of an historic character, which recalls some of the great performances of the past. There are photographs of all the five presidents of the association, a review of the early days of the organisation, a retrospect of 50 years' peal ringing and a record of the jubilee celebrations.

In addition, of course, there is the usual full information on the past year's work, and the report is also specially valuable for the large number of compositions which it gives, particularly those of Stedman Triples called during the year by that enterprising conductor, Mr. Maurice Swinfield, who called over 30 different compositions in this method.

**DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.**—At the Parish Church of St. Thomas on Wednesday, March 22nd, on the occasion of the visit of the Bishop of Worcester for the Confirmation service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Brooks') in 47 mins. F. G. Burleigh 1, G. Hughes 2, H. Goodman, sen., 3, N. Williams 4, W. Fisher 5, C. Winwood 6, N. G. Leech (conductor) 7, G. Guest 8.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.****DEVIZES BRANCH MEETING AT WARMINSTER.**

The quarterly meeting of Devizes Branch was held at the Minster Church of St. Denys, Warminster, on Saturday. There was a splendid attendance, and the bells, a fine ring of eight, tenor 28 cwt., were made good use of.

During the afternoon the Vicar (the Rev. A. R. Bellars) conducted the Guild office, Mr. Johns, from St. Boniface College, being at the organ. Tea was partaken of at the Magnet Restaurant, to which 40 sat down.

A short business meeting followed, Mr. C. D. Heginbotham presiding. The Chairman voiced a welcome to the visitors, and then asked the Vicar to address the members.

The Vicar said he was indeed pleased to see such a large gathering of ringers, and the Guild would always receive a welcome whenever Warminster was visited. He thanked the members for attending.

It was suggested that a joint meeting with the Salisbury Branch be arranged, Heytesbury being the venue, and the date provisionally April 22nd. Steeple Ashton was decided upon for May, Bromham for June and Trowbridge, as usual, for the half-yearly meeting, July 1st.

This closed the meeting; the tower was again visited and ringing continued until 9 p.m. During the evening Longbridge Deverill bells were available, and several parties were arranged to visit this tower, and some good practice was put in.

The following towers were represented at the meeting: Devizes (St. John's and St. Mary's), Southbroom, Westbury, Urchfont, Rowde, Trowbridge, Corsley, North Bradley, Bratton, Melksham, Longbridge Deverill and Warminster, methods being rung up to London Surprise. The branch were pleased to welcome visitors from Buckland Newton, Bath, Kingston Magna, Swindon and Stourton. One of the visitors, a well-known figure in the West Country, was missed during the service. Afterwards a search was made and he was eventually found locked in the belfry. The question arose, did he arrange this to 'dodge' the service, or was he 'in the hunt' after 'Copper'?

A lecture was given by Mr. C. F. Andrews in the belfry of All Saints', Westbury, on Tuesday evening, March 21st. This was well attended and evidently much appreciated. Mr. Andrews emphasised the need of good striking, the proper handling of the rope being necessary to attain this. It is good to know that these lectures are to continue, and Westbury tower has again been offered, subject to the convenience of Mr. Andrews. It is hoped that all interested will make an effort to attend. Notices will be sent in due course.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION 'AT HOME.'**

A very enjoyable practice meeting took place at St. Mary's in the Cathedral City of Ely on Saturday last. The Vicar (the Rev. Elliott-Simpson, M.A.) welcomed the members there by meeting them in the tower on the stroke of 3 p.m. Nearly 30 members were present, the towers represented being Cambridge, Chatteris, Great Staughton, Littleport, Exning, Fenditton, Sutton, Strelham, Wilburton, Over and members of the local band. The bells were kept going well, the first seven touches coming home, which speaks for itself. The methods rung included Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Kent and Oxford Spliced, Oxford Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major. A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar, who is not a ringer, but showed his interest by being in the belfry during the several periods of ringing and at the finish. The Vicar, in acknowledging the thanks, welcomed the members, but was sorry to have to ask them to leave the ringing at 7.30 p.m. He wanted, as far as possible, he said, to stop any complaint that might be made, as the church is surrounded by schools and houses.

**A JUBILEE PEAL.**

At Raunds, Northants, where the Raunds, Wellingborough and District Society (the forerunner of the Central Northants Association, which has since developed into the Peterborough Diocesan Guild) was formed in 1883 by the Rev. H. Bryant, a peal was rung on Saturday week to celebrate the jubilee of Mr. Alfred H. Martin, who was admitted a member of the first society in the year of its foundation. Mr. Martin took part in the peal, with which the band wish also to associate Mr. F. Gilbert, of Kalamazoo, Mich., U.S.A., who was made a member of the society at its formation in 1883, and was a ringer and, part of the time, conductor at Raunds Church from 1880 to 1911.

**PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.**

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I should like heartily to endorse the Rev. E. S. Powell's suggestion re Parker's Twelve-Part.

It seems ridiculous to credit anyone with a simple transposition of any composition, as a child could easily produce all of them if shown the way to write out the lead ends of any peal of Grandsire. We frequently rang the peal in question at Dorchester Abbey over 25 years ago, having produced it ourselves, and always published it as 'A transposition of Parker's Twelve-Part.'

R. G. RICE.

Harwell, Berks.

# John Taylor & Co.

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

.....

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

# MEARS & STAINBANK.

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders &  
Bellhangers.**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD,  
LONDON, E.1.**

Telephone **Bishopsgate 8849**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging**

**HANDBELLS**

in sets of any number.

**BELL ROPES MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Correspondents are reminded that as Good Friday falls in next week, 'The Ringing World' will go to press a day earlier, and all reports, notices, etc., intended for insertion must be received by Monday. It is particularly requested that reports of peals rung up to Saturday will be sent in time for next week's issue.

Mr. Edwin H. Lewis, president of the Central Council, has sustained a severe loss by the death of his mother, which took place at Seven-oaks on Wednesday week. Mrs. Lewis had a seizure about fifteen months ago and had been a complete invalid ever since. She had reached the advanced age of 77 years. The sympathy of the Exercise will go out to Mr. Lewis in his bereavement.

The ring of ten bells at Ripon Cathedral, which have been recast by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, will be dedicated on Saturday at 4 p.m. The preacher at the service will be the Rev. Canon Marshall, Vicar of St. Chad's, Far Headingley, Honorary Canon of Ripon Cathedral, and president of the Yorkshire Association. Following the dedication, there will be ringing from 5.15 to 5.55 p.m., and from 6.45 to 9 p.m. It is hoped, however, to arrange a date later on for ringing for the benefit of those ringers who are unable to stay for the evening.

Another dedication which takes place to-morrow is that of the bells at Westbourne, near Emsworth, on the Sussex western border. Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have recast two of the old six and added two trebles, making an octave, which have been hung in new frame and fittings. The service is at 2 p.m.

Not far away yet another new ring is to be opened. At the famous Church of St. Mary, Portsea, the recast peal of eight will be dedicated. Additional metal has been added to increase the weight, the tenor being now 17½ cwt. The bells have been lowered about 30ft. in the tower, making for much easier handling. Previously the draft was over 70ft. The work has been carried out by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.

Mr. E. Scrivener, of Dunmow, Essex, has just completed 50 years as a Sunday service ringer at Dunmow Parish Church, having joined in the year 1883. He was also a member of the choir of St. Mary's for 56 years, retiring two years ago, when he reached the age of 70 years.

The report of a peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Oldham has been sent without the date or the name of the sender.

Mr. G. H. Combes, of Ryde, Isle of Wight, who celebrated his 90th birthday on March 28th, is not, after all, quite the oldest member of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, for Mr. Joseph Waghorn, son, of New Southgate, who is a member of the Guild, reached the age of 90 last January, and is still on the active list. Mr. Waghorn sends his greetings to his 'old rival' and wishes him 'all the best.'

Will any ringers who wish to ring an 'Ernest' peal please forward their names to Ernest E. Holman, 61, Ruby Road, Walthamstow, E.17, stating method required. The tower will be within the London area.

## THE LAW JAMES MEMORIAL.

### OPPORTUNITY FOR ASSOCIATIONS TO CONTRIBUTE

There must be many ringing associations which would like to share in the memorial to the late Rev. Henry Law James, which has been provided by the addition of two bells at Surfleet Church. About £55 is still required to pay for the scheme, and the numerous associations which hold their annual meetings at Easter and in the following weeks will have the opportunity of helping the fund. Mr. James' services were rendered to the whole Exercise, and the Exercise, through the associations, will, we feel sure, desire to join with the Lincoln Guild in making the memorial a national one. Donations should be sent to Mr. Rupert Richardson, Master of the Lincoln Guild, Surfleet, Spalding.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE LORD HARRIS.

As a memorial to the late Lord Harris, the famous cricketer, the bells of Throwley Church, near Faversham, Kent, are to be completely restored, and two trebles added to complete the octave; the whole to be hung with completely new fittings in new framework.

The work is to be carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Foundry.

## LITTLE ALBION TREBLE BOB.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—With reference to the question of the authorship of Little Albion Treble Bob, raised after the peal of Maximus in that method at Ipswich, there is no doubt that the late Mr. H. W. Wilde was one of the discoverers, if not the first. I believe he found it about the year 1909.

During a conversation with him some years ago on Little methods, he told me that Mr. Edwin H. Lewis had evolved a system which enabled him to compose all the possible Little methods. Perhaps Mr. Lewis could confirm this? E. JENKINS.

## NEWBURY'S NEW BELLS.

### BERKSHIRE GETS ANOTHER RING OF TEN.

There was a large gathering of ringers at Newbury, Berks, on Sunday afternoon, when two new treble bells, augmenting the ring of ten, were dedicated and opened. Newbury got its eight bells when rings of eight were rare. It has been in possession of an octave for over 250 years. The massive tower was completed in 1532, and from the earliest date has contained bells. There were five bells and a sanctus bell in 1552, and in 1602 the records show that there were six bells. In the Civil War the Parliamentarians occupied Newbury, but those who had authority over the bells were not only royalist at heart, but defiant in spirit. During the Civil War and even while the Cromwellian forces occupied the town and the church was served by Presbyterian ministers, the bells were rung on the anniversary of the accession of King Charles I., and this continued up to the time of his execution. In 1646 the bells, together with the lead on the roofs of the church and the weathercock on the tower, were redeemed by the inhabitants from the hands of the Parliamentary soldiery. In 1680 the six bells were recast into eight by Henry Knight, of Reading, and in 1803—the tenor having broken and been recast in 1724—the bells were recast by James Wells, of Aldbourne.

upon the parishioners for a sum of something like £5,000 for the repair of the church roof, for which purpose £1,400 is still required. The offertories throughout last Sunday were devoted to the bell fund and at the close of the day the collections amounted to £19, leaving £10 still to be raised to clear the fund of debt. Contributions towards this will be gratefully received by Mr. H. W. Curtis, of Church Road, Shaw, Newbury.

### BIG GATHERING OF RINGERS

Considerably over a hundred ringers were present at the dedication service, coming from London, Oxford, Winchester, Reading, Caversham, Croydon, Portsmouth, Swindon, Abingdon, Appleton, High Wycombe, Andover, Wootton and other towers in the nearer neighbourhood. Mr. A. A. Hughes represented the founders. The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. W. L. Cooper, R.D.), and took the form of evensong. The lessons were read by the Rev. Kingsley Kefford, of Shaw, who is chairman of the Newbury Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. At the end of the service Bishop Shaw, Archdeacon of Oxford, accompanied by the clergy and churchwardens, followed the local ringers up into the spacious ringing chamber, where the actual dedication was performed, while the large congregation waited expectantly below to hear the ten bells for the first time.



THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, NEWBURY.

### THE AUGMENTATION.

This octave is still doing duty, having in 1929 been greatly improved by tuning. The addition of two treble bells has made them into a fine ring of ten (the tenor is 21½ cwt.), which should serve a very useful purpose, not only by adding to the dignity of the peal, but by encouraging the practice of change ringing on ten bells in this district, as there is no other peal of this number within a radius of about 20 miles. Before the restoration of four years ago the eight bells were in a timber frame which filled the bellry, and one bell had to be carried in a cage above the rest. An iron frame was installed with the bells all on one level, and this frame has now been so rearranged that not only are the new bells 'on the floor' with the rest, but an excellent circle has been obtained—and there is still room for more. Such is one of the advantages of modern bell hanging. The admirably tuned trebles blend perfectly with the other bells, and Newbury has a ring of ten to be proud of. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, with the characteristic efficiency of the Whitechapel foundry.

The augmentation was made possible by a bequest of the late Mrs. Peerless, who left the sum of £100 to the Newbury ringers to do what they liked with. They generously resolved to utilise it for the provision of the two bells and appealed to ringers in the Oxford Diocese and elsewhere to make up the balance of the cost involved, a local appeal for funds being out of the question, in view of the demand

The new bells bear, in addition to the record of the gift, the names of the ringers as follows:—

Treble:—		NEWBURY RINGERS	
		GAVE ME, 1933.	
		H. W. CURTIS, CAPTAIN.	
		W. H. ADKINS.	C. POOLE.
		A. BARBER.	A. POOLE.
		E. A. CROCKER.	R. W. REN.
		C. CRAWFORD.	
		W. L. COOPER, M.A., RECTOR.	
		C. A. HAWKER, J.P., R. MARTIN, CHURCHWARDENS.	
2nd:—		NEWBURY RINGERS	
		GAVE ME, 1933.	
		E. CROCKER, SUB-CAPTAIN.	
		W. H. Y. ADKINS.	E. A. PALMER.
		R. BUTCHER.	E. W. SMITH.
		H. T. E. CURTIS.	A. J. WHITTLE.
		W. L. COOPER, M.A., RECTOR.	
		C. A. HAWKER, J.P., R. MARTIN, CHURCHWARDENS.	

In addition to dedicating the bells, the Bishop unveiled an oak tablet recording the augmentation. This tablet was the work and gift of Mr. Alfred J. Whittle, one of the local ringers, and is worthily executed. The oak itself is of a striking grain, and two bells are

carved below the quotation, 'Praise Him upon the loud cymbals.' Then follows the inscription: 'St. Nicholas', Newbury. The two trebles to complete the peal of ten were given by Newbury Ringers and installed with the help of friends in the year 1933 A.D. Rev. W. L. Cooper, Rector; C. A. Hawker, R. Martin, Churchwardens; H. W. Curtis, Captain of the Tower.

When the ceremony in the tower had been completed and while the Bishop and others were returning to the chancel, the ten bells were rung in rounds by the local ringers.

#### A REMINDER OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.

Bishop Shaw, in his address, said they had in Newbury a long and splendid tradition of churchmanship. The spirit of the church, the beauty of its equipment and its adornments spoke of the love which the people of Newbury had had for several generations for their church, and an addition such as had just been made strengthened still further the love and affection they had for it. The Bishop went on to point out that the highest form of love was shown in service, and there were many who ministered in the church in addition to those who were ordained. Among them were the choir, the clerk, the sexton and the bellringers. All ought to have a high ideal before them; they were servants of the sanctuary, and were privileged to take a special part in the worship of the King of Kings. The dominating thought in connection with church bells was joy and praise. They who listened might well think at times how much they owed to those who added to the joy of life in these days, when there was so much that was dull and gray, so much that was grave and sad in life. They might be quite sure that the Will of God was that they should be cheerful and that their religion should be a religion of praise and thanksgiving, bringing them comfort and consolation and lifting them out of depressing surroundings. Above all, the note of the bells was the note of gladness, and the bells also reminded them of their freedom. In the early days religion had to be carried on in secret, for fear of persecution. Bells could not be rung because it was desirable to avoid publicity. The people were true to their faith, but they held their services in seclusion, and they suffered that we might enjoy freedom. As they heard the bells, therefore, they might thank God that they had freedom to worship according to their conscience. This did not mean freedom to do as they liked; it did not mean freedom from offering praise and thanksgiving; but freedom to do what was right and freedom to offer praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God. The bells were a perpetual warning to be free indeed and not to neglect God's call to worship. Thus were ringers ministers and servants. There were, proceeded the Bishop, other things in ringing. It was an interesting art which might also, to some extent, be regarded as a pleasant exercise. The ringer had to be alert of eye and ear, and he ought also to be a man of Christian character. When a bell was cast, if a flaw was found in it, it was melted down again and put into a new mould. When they found a flaw in their own character it was well that they should melt it down. A cracked bell spoils the tune of the whole ring; a ringer insincere in his Christianity spoils the harmony of the belfry. They might indeed be thankful that the ringers' guild in these days held such high ideals before them. No longer were the bells rung by careless and indifferent ringers, but by those who were striving according to their ability and opportunity to contribute something to the worship of God and to help to add to the joy and praise of life and to stir up something of that emotion which brings to our minds thoughts of the holiest kind.

After the service an opening touch of 395 Grandsire Caters was rung, conducted by Mr. G. Holfield, jun., of Appleton. Thereafter touches in various methods were rung by visiting ringers up to the time of evening service. Meanwhile tea was served in relays in an adjoining hall, the Bishop and the Rector being among the first party. There was further ringing after the service.

This report would not be complete without an acknowledgment of the welcome given to visitors by the local ringers and the kindness of Mr. H. W. Curtis, captain of the tower and hon. secretary of the Newbury Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, in his successful efforts to accommodate everyone, not only in regard to opportunities for ringing, but also in the provision of tea, for more than twice as many attended as notified their intention of being present.

#### CAMBRIDGE ROYAL AT OXFORD.

At New College, Oxford, on March 25th, 1,440 of Cambridge Surprise Royal in 59 mins.: F. May 1, Miss M. Reynolds 2, W. H. B. Wilkins 3, F. E. Taylor (conductor) 4, W. Collett 5, V. Bennett 6, F. A. H. Wilkins 7, W. F. Judge 8, R. A. Post 9, W. Simmonds 10. First quarter-peal of Cambridge Royal rung in Oxford, and the first touch by all the hand except the ringers of 8th and 9th. All are resident members of the Oxford Society.

#### VICAR FOR FIFTY YEARS.

At Thorne, Yorks, on Tuesday, March 28th, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor was rung as a 79th birthday compliment to the Vicar (Rev. Canon J. J. Littlewood), who has now been the Vicar of Thorne for 50 years: H. Cooper 1, T. Leask 2, W. Sleight 3, A. Coates 4, J. Thorley 5, C. Thorley (conductor) 6. This is the first 720 in the method on the bells, and also first by ringers of treble and second.

#### GLOUCESTER RINGERS AT DINNER.

##### CITY'S CONNECTION WITH BELL FOUNDING.

The fifth annual dinner of the Gloucester Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held at the Spread Eagle Hotel, Gloucester, on Saturday week, when a company of about sixty was presided over by the Mayor of Gloucester (Mr. W. L. Edwards). He was supported by the Rev. E. C. Prichard (Rector of St. Stephen's and Mayor's chaplain), the Rev. E. D. S. Camus (Rector of St. Mary-de-Crypt), the Rev. F. E. Walters (Rector of Minsterworth), Councillor W. R. Eggleton, Mr. Edgar Guise (hon. secretary of the Gloucester and Bristol Association), Mr. S. Romans (chairman of the Gloucester Branch) and Mr. W. H. Harris (branch secretary). Ringing visitors were present from Croydon, Swindon, Newport, Bedwelly, Mangotsfield, Bristol, Ross and Newent.

After the loyal toast had been honoured, the Mayor submitted 'The Church and State,' and said that all through the ages Gloucester had been closely associated with bellringing. The city had been definitely connected with bell-making, and the firm of Rudhall in the 17th century was quite a famous one. When the firm ceased, books were found containing entries for 4,521 bells which had been made. A bellringing society which was named the Ancient Society of Crypt Youths was founded in Gloucester in 1710. There were 31 members, and in 1749 they subscribed for two new treble bells for St. Mary-de-Crypt Church, making eight in all. Churches that had been built in recent years, added the Mayor, lacked a peal of bells, and he, for his part, thought they were no better for it. In the olden days churches were never complete without their peal, and he knew nothing better than to hear them.

The Mayor also emphasised the importance of the State being linked closely with the Church. There was a time, he said, when there was some disturbance in this country between the State and the Church, and there were many people who thought it would be better if there were a separation between the two. That, he was pleased to say, had now 'blown over,' and everyone realised that the Church played a very important and very necessary part in the life of the State (applause).

The Rev. E. C. Prichard, in response, said it would be a very sad occurrence if the Church should be disestablished. Of course, the Church would be free to do as it liked, but to the State he thought would come very considerable harm. It would no longer be definitely connected with religion, and that would be disastrous, as nothing in life could go on successfully without the help of God. That movement had fortunately died down now, and he wished to stress the fact that the link between the Church and State should never be lost (applause).

The Rev. F. E. Walters also responded.

Councillor Eggleton, in proposing the toast of 'The Chairman,' paid a warm tribute to the work that the Mayor was doing for the welfare of the city. He referred specially to three things: his Worship's efforts for the unemployed, the war memorial, and, lastly, to his success in obtaining from the National Gallery the loan of a priceless collection of pictures, which would shortly be brought to the city.

An appeal to young people to take up the art of ringing was made by Mr. John Austin in proposing the toast of 'The Gloucester and Bristol Association.' He said that there were many peals of bells in the country, but frequently they were unable to get anybody to ring them. Young people were very badly needed, as the present ringers could not carry on for ever.

Mr. E. Guise responded, and said that Gloucester was one of the mainstays of the association.

A hearty welcome to the visitors, which included friends from many parts of the county and from Newport and Monmouth, was made by the Rev. E. D. S. Camus, and Mr. J. Jefferies (chairman of the Bristol Branch) responded.

The toast of 'The Ringing World' was entrusted to Mr. J. Williams, and a vote of thanks to the chairman, secretary, committee and artistes was proposed by Mr. Camus.—Mr. S. Romans replied.

Musical items were given by the Tuffley Revellers, Mr. J. Clark, Mrs. Cobb, Mr. H. Newman, Miss Baldwin, Miss Merriman, Mr. Cobb, Mr. J. Gillett, Miss D. Harris and Mr. Hayward.

#### WEDNESDAY GUILD'S SECRETARY'S DEATH.

Members of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association and of the Wednesday Guild in particular will learn with regret of the sudden death of Mr. George Siddle, of Chester-le-Street. Mr. Siddle joined the association in 1884 and rejoined in 1900, and it was largely owing to his initiative that the Wednesday Guild was formed in December, 1929.

A regular ringer at SS. Mary and Cuthbert's, Chester-le-Street, he was also a member of the choir. The funeral service on March 28th was fully choral, and several of his fellow-ringers and the secretary of the association (Mr. G. S. Taylor) attended. Of a quiet and happy disposition, Mr. Siddle will be much missed, and there were many expressions of sympathy with his two daughters in their bereavement.

On March 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at Chester-le-Street with the bells half-muffled in memory of the deceased: Miss M. J. Crawford 1, J. A. Brown 2, W. F. Pattison 3, F. Sheraton 4, W. Brown 5, R. W. Parkinson (conductor) 6, W. Sheraton 7, T. C. Robson 8.

## WHERE TO SPEND EASTER MONDAY.

### A VISIT TO ST. ALBANS IS WORTH WHILE.

Bellringers who wish to spend a pleasant Easter Monday, or a weekend, could not do better than attend the annual meeting of the Hertford County Association on Bank Holiday, April 17th, at St. Albans. There are four bell towers in the city, which will be open at noon for practice, and onwards up to 4 o'clock. At 4.30 there is to be a ringers' service in the choir of the Cathedral, where the Vicar of St. Stephen's, St. Albans, will be the preacher. Immediately following this service, tea will be served and the business meeting will follow. All ringers are welcomed to this gathering, provided they have previously notified their intention to be present. Those ringers who would like to diversify their holiday will find much to interest them in the antiquities of the ancient city.

St. Albans has been much in the public notice recently, through the discoveries of the Verulamium Excavation Committee. Verulamium was the ancient Roman name for St. Albans. Unlike other cities, notably York and Colchester, the site of the Roman city has not been built over; it lies about a quarter of a mile away from the Cathedral, on the other side of the River Ver. The Excavation Committee is entering the third year of its activities, and much of general and scientific interest has been discovered. Last year three magnificent mosaic pavements, some of the finest of the kind ever found, and easily the finest in England, were laid bare. Two of these have been lifted intact, and may be seen in the museum on the site, together with many other deeply interesting objects.

built by Wulsin, Abbot of St. Albans, in the 10th century; it was altered and enlarged in the 15th century, and the earliest remaining parts, the arcades of the nave and the south aisle, are of that date. The central tower was built 1801-3. St. Peter's is interesting as being the burial place of many gentlemen slain in the battles of the Wars of the Roses.

St. Michael's, just across the ancient ford on the River Ver to the west, is noteworthy for its monument to Sir Francis Bacon, Lord Verulam, the celebrated Chancellor and national philosopher of King James' reign. The original church, like St. Peter's and St. Stephen's, was founded by Wulsin, in the middle of the 10th century. The chancel and nave both contain detail which is evidently of pre-Conquest date. The north and south aisles were added towards the end of the 12th century, and the south chapel and nave clear-story early in the 13th century. The whole building is of intense interest, and the tower contains a peal of six, recently put into ball bearings by John Taylor & Co.

St. Stephen's, to the south, on the ancient Watling Street, is a quaint old church. Its early history is in many respects the same as that of St. Michael's Church, but the building has been less restored. Among the fittings, the 15th century font and the 16th century lectern are especially noticeable. The lectern has been the subject of much controversy between English and Scots. It was part of the loot from Melrose Abbey brought back by a local magnate after Flodden Field. The tower contains an excellent peal of six.

With the exception of the Abbey Church, the clock tower is the most prominent architectural relic of antiquity in St. Albans. His-



THE HISTORIC ABBEY AT ST. ALBANS.

Besides the remains, many other antiquities await the observant visitor. The town wall, dating A.D. 102, has been cleared of debris, and the removal of some 30,000 tons of soil from the south corner has revealed a feature of architectural interest and importance, which, in detail, it is difficult to parallel. At this south corner will be seen the remains of a tower with solid rounded front and a square internal chamber. After the Romans left England in 410 A.D., the city languished until with the foundation of the great Abbey of St. Albans on the hill opposite Verulamium, it grew again in importance.

St. Albans was one of the richest and most powerful ecclesiastical foundations. Its abbots vied with those of Westminster in their magnificence. After the dissolution of the monasteries in 1539, the monastic buildings (unfortunately for the antiquary) were demolished and the materials helped to build many of the citizens' private houses. There is a sort of poetic justice in this, since the Abbey itself was largely built with ransacked Roman bricks from Verulamium.

The Cathedral has survived a restoration by the late Lord Granthorpe in the 80's of last century, and remains one of the most interesting edifices in the country. It has an immense nave, the longest in England, and a magnificent massive central tower. Inside the student of architecture will find examples of all the periods of mediæval architecture, from Saxon to Tudor. There are two celebrated Chantry tombs of former abbots. They are usually considered the finest examples of their kind.

The Chantry of Abbot Rawryge, 16th century, calls for special mention. In the south aisle of presbytery will be seen the 13th century iron grates and tomb of Humphrey, Duke of Gloucester, 15th century. The Chamber of the Feretrar, 15th century, a wooden structure of two stages, contains the watching chamber, and is also of considerable interest.

There are also three other ancient churches in the city. St. Peter's, on the east side of St. Peter's Street. No traces remain of the church

torians and antiquaries have been puzzled, not only as to the actual date of the clock tower, but also the object of its erection, but it is generally considered to be late 13th or early 14th century. The first battle of the Wars of the Roses was fought at St. Albans on 22nd May, 1455, and the alarm for it was rung from the clock tower there, which, with its original bell, still exists. But come and see the building.

There is much else of interest that may be discovered by the lover of antiquity, which space forbids to mention, so to save the editor's blue pencil I will conclude by saying, 'Come and see.' G. W. C.

### A LANCASHIRE VETERAN'S BIRTHDAY.

At Flixton, Lancs, on Thursday, March 23rd, the local band rang 1,204 Grandsire Triples: Miss E. Collier 1, D. Vincent (conductor) 2, S. Rickard 3, P. Williams 4, G. Mason 5, J. H. Collier 6, H. Collier 7, R. Thomas 8. Rung, after an attempt for a peal had failed, on the eve of the 81st birthday of Lt.-Col. S. Stott, V.D., J.P., who has been a member of this tower since 1888, and up till about four years ago took an active part in the ringing.

**SOUTHGATE.**—On March 23rd, for Confirmation service, 1,321 Grandsire Caters in 52 mins.: A. G. Crane 1, A. R. Glasscock 2, J. Armstrong (conductor) 3, S. Wade 4, W. Pickworth 5, W. Bowden 6, J. E. Miller 7, H. Miller 8, N. Tomlinson 9, G. Plater 10.—On March 26th, for morning service, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: W. Pickworth 1, Miss M. Pack (first quarter-peal in the method) 2, G. Plater 3, S. Wade 4, J. Armstrong (conductor) 5, H. Miller 6, J. E. Miller 7, N. A. Tomlinson 8.—For evening service, 1,263 Stedman Caters in 51 mins.: J. Armstrong (conductor) 1, Mrs. Tomlinson 2, Miss G. Pack 3, D. Ovington 4, J. D. Nash 5, G. Plater 6, J. E. Miller 7, E. H. King 8, W. Pickworth 9, A. G. Crane 10.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## EASTERN DISTRICT.

The annual meeting of the Eastern District of the Yorkshire Association was held at Goole on Saturday, March 25th, and was attended by about 40 ringers from Beverley Minster, Hull, Howden, Eastrington, Hemingbrough, Kirk Ella, Pontefract (St. Giles' and All Saints'), Selby, Thorne, Withernsea and the local company. Ringing in the standard methods took place on the peal of eight during the afternoon and evening. The Vicar gave a most interesting address at the service in church, which was followed by tea in the Schoolroom and the meeting, over which the Vicar presided.

Three new members were elected, viz., Messrs. E. Newham, C. Sherburn and K. R. Smith, of St. Peter's, Howden.

An invitation to hold the next meeting at Eastrington was accepted, the Vicar of Eastrington being anxious that the meeting should be held there to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the opening of the bells.

Mr. F. Cryer was re-elected vice-president for another period of three years, and Messrs. A. Walker and J. Drake were re-elected to the committee, Mr. A. E. Sellers being elected in place of Mr. W. Gibson, resigned. Mr. A. Walker was further elected to serve on the General Committee for three years.

A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells and to the Vicar for his address in church and for presiding at the meeting. In his reply, the Vicar said how very pleased he was to have the association at Goole, and said they would be welcome there at any time they cared to go. The local company were also thanked for the arrangements made.

Further ringing concluded a very good meeting, held on a perfect springlike day.

## DEATH OF MR. SAMUEL STOTT.

## AN OLD OLDHAM RINGER.

One of Oldham's oldest ringers, Mr. Samuel Stott, passed away at his residence, 16, Kersley Street, Oldham, on March 24th. He was 76 years of age and had continued ringing up to last Christmas, when failing eyesight caused him to retire. He was always regular at Sunday service ringing.

Mr. Stott learned to ring at St. Mark's, Oldham, at which church he rang his first peal on May 18th, 1878. He has rung a considerable number of peals, and was one of the band who rang the then record peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (16,800 changes) at Mottram in 1906. Mr. Stott afterwards joined the band at St. Mary's Parish Church, Oldham, and held the office as conductor and master for over 50 years.

The interment took place on Tuesday, March 28th. His brother ringers acted as bearers and rang a plain course of Triples over the grave.

## PEAL GRABBERS v. PEAL GROUSERS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I was rather amused to read Mr. Amos' letter in your issue of March 31st, and can only come to one conclusion: a dog in the manger sort of business. If he chooses to remain outside his own local Guild, that is his business and does not concern the Exercise as a whole, and my advice to him is, after a very varied experience, not to wash dirty linen in public. It does no good and often creates false impressions. As Mr. Leech has not condescended either to apologise or withdraw, we must assume he has withdrawn from the contest, possibly a sadder but a wiser man. In conclusion, I would like to thank several ringing friends who have either written me on the above subject or have thanked me personally, and shall not trouble you further on this correspondence.

W. KEEBLE.

Feering.

Sir,—What an amount of interest is caused by the letters headed 'Peal Grabbers,' but what a lot of linen can be washed in public! As one who knows Mr. Amos, I am disappointed, for whenever I have been in the Wellingborough district I have always come back with more knowledge than when I went. Moreover, the very best ringers in this district like peals; I do, and, to be quite candid, it is my second love, but (without bragging) I ring for service twice on Sundays, and so do nearly all the 'peal grabbers.' Without being personal, I think Mr. Amos can learn and ring all he requires if he will accept the teaching, 'Except ye become as little children,' etc. I know, and can see by my own experience, that somebody put up with a lot to help me on, and I thank them.

F. WARRINGTON.

Over, Cambs.

**SOUTHWELL.**—At the Minster, on Tuesday, February 21st, 1,264 Little Bob Major: E. H. Clulow 1, G. E. Foster 2, F. G. Hooper 3, F. Pickard 4, E. Foster 5, E. H. Clulow 6, A. J. Chamberlain (composer) 7, J. F. Milner (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method on the bells and first by all except the conductor. Rung on the occasion of the christening of the son of the ringer of the second bell.

## HOYLANDSWAINE BELLS REOPENED.

## A BIG TEA PARTY.

The bells of St. John's Church, Hoylandswaine, which have been rehung, were rededicated and reopened on Saturday last by the Bishop of Pontefract in the presence of a large assembly of ringers and parishioners, together with clergy from other parishes. Nineteen towers were represented, drawn from five counties, which shows the spirit of comradeship that exists among ringers, who are out to encourage good ringing and striking. It was noteworthy that while only nine sent orders for tea, 150 sat down. The ladies who catered for tea are worthy of great praise for the way in which they coped with the demands of such an unexpectedly large party. The towers represented were Shelley, Wath, Sandal, Darfield, Royston, Cawthorne, Norbury, Norton, Rotherham, Meltham, Horbury, Stockport, Ashton-under-Lyne, Treton, Handsworth, Sheffield Cathedral, Leek and Peristone. Mr. Fidler represented Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., who have been responsible for the work of rehanging and overhauling of the bells, and have carried out their work splendidly. The local company wish to thank all ringers and friends who helped and supported them at the opening, for there were many who came from a great distance.

The bells were deeply muffled for Sunday morning service, and six members of the local company rang a 720 Oxford Treble Bob, conducted by R. Crossland, as a token of respect for an old church member who was laid to rest whilst the bells were dismantled. The ringers themselves have undertaken to raise the money for the work which has been done, and funds are still required, so that any donation, however small, will be thankfully received by the hon. secretary, Mr. E. Brookes, Hall Lane, Hoylandswaine, Sheffield.

## BELL RESTORATION AT THORNABY-ON-SEA.

For some considerable time the peal of eight bells at Thornaby-on-Tees have been almost unringable. The bearings were completely worn out and some of the gudgeons broken. The Vicar, with the assistance of the ringers and the Church Council, set to work to raise sufficient funds for the rehanging of the whole peal, and, in spite of the serious trade depression, which has hit Thornaby very hard, energetic action to raise the money necessary to carry out the work soon had the desired result. Tenders were received from three different bell firms, and the contract was entrusted to the well-known firm of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Ltd., of Croydon. The work has included the strengthening of the wood frame, which is in two tiers, by angle plates and bolts, taking off the canons and reboring the bells for the reception of new iron headstocks, quarter turning and hanging the bells on the latest principle with ball bearings and with entirely new fittings. The work has been carried out with the celerity and excellence of workmanship always associated with the Croydon firm.

The rededication took place on Sunday, March 12th, and all the ringers who were present were unanimous in their praise of the great improvement that had been made, and congratulated Messrs. Gillett and Johnston upon a fine job and the easy 'go' of the bells.

## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## 'NAVY' WORK AT REDBOURN.

The Western District had a very successful meeting at Redbourn on Saturday last, district members and others from St. Albans, Watford, Springfield, Bushey and Harpenden accomplishing 'steam-navy' work in Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Plain, Oxford, Double Oxford, Hereford, St. Clement's Bob, Double Court, Cambridge and even London Surprise.

The Vicar (the Rev. W. H. Berry) held the service and gave a very interesting address, the hearty singing being accompanied on the organ by Mrs. Berry. Tea, kindly provided by the Vicar, was swiftly put 'out of course,' after which the brief business meeting was kept in order by the same kind friend.

Hemel Hempstead was chosen for the next meeting, to be held early in May.

The usual hearty votes of thanks were accorded to friends and helpers. A vote of condolence was passed expressing sympathy with Mrs. Hollis (Great Gaddesden) in her sad loss. This concluded the meeting, the members adjourning for more 'navy' work (in methods, not hard work).

## BOLTON RINGER'S DEATH.

On Sunday, April 2nd, for evening service at Bolton Parish Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. Frank Morris, a ringer at this church, who was interred at St. Mary's, Deane, on March 28th.

For 20 years he was a chorister and ringer at Deane, and when he left the district he joined the Parish Church band.

The following took part in the quarter-peal: F. Morris 1, E. Webster 2, W. Newman 3, E. Cutsforth 4, P. Nuttall 5, P. Crook, sen., 6, J. Nuttall (conductor) 7, J. Leather 8.

## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with the minimum charge of 1/6.

Notices must be received not later than Tuesday.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

All communications should be sent to **THE EDITORIAL OFFICE** of 'THE RINGING WORLD,' WOKING, SURREY.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 20th, at 7.30 p.m., \*The Coffee Pot on the 18th (8 p.m.) and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 27th, at 7.30. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Springfield on Saturday, April 8th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting at 5.15. All ringers welcome.—A. E. Coombes, Hon. Sec., 8, Council Houses, Galleywood, Chelmsford.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A meeting will be held at Barwell on Saturday, April 8th, from 3 till 8 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. All members and friends heartily invited.—A. E. Rowley, Local Hon. Sec., Station Road, Higham-on-the-Hill, Nuneaton.

**EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.**—A ringing meeting of the above Guild will be held at Worth on Saturday, April 8th. Tower opened 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Samlesbury on Saturday, April 8th. Bells available from 3 p.m.—Fred Rigby, Hon. Branch Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Loughborough District.—The next meeting will be held at Kegworth on Sat., April 8th. Bells (6) will be available from 3.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. F. Sutton, Market Place, Kegworth.—D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Sefton on Saturday, April 8th, to re-open the bells after rehanging. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea (small charge) 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow.—Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A meeting at Guilden Morden on Saturday, April 8th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. It is hoped to make usual tea arrangements.—K. Willers, Dis. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Andover District.—Combined practice at Amport, Saturday, April 8th. Bells from 5.30.—Rev. F. S. H. Marle, Hon. Sec., Newtown, Newbury.

**RIPON CATHEDRAL.**—The dedication service of the recast bells will be held on Saturday, April 8th. Service at 4 o'clock, conducted by the Dean of Ripon. All ringers welcome.—F. Tingle, 31, North Street, Ripon.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A by-meeting will be held at Hernhill on Saturday, April 8th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Rev. Canon G. R. Blackledge has kindly offered to entertain the ringers to tea.—Percy W. Smith, Hon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The bells of Westbourne, near Emsworth, augmented to eight, and rehanged in a new frame, by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon, will be dedicated on Saturday, April 8th, at 2 p.m. by the Ven. B. G. Hoskyns, Archdeacon of Chichester.—A. D. Stone, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Heywood on Saturday, April 8th. Tower open for ringing 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Meeting in the tower at 6.30 p.m.—H. Hamer, 4, Nall Street, Milnrow.

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Coalbrookdale on Saturday, April 8th. Bells (10) available 2.30 p.m. Meeting and tea 5.30 p.m. in Trinity Hall.—R. R. Pole, Assistant Hon. Sec., 88, North Street, Castlefields, Shrewsbury.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Newchurch, on Saturday, April 8th. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Meeting in the tower at 6.30. Subscriptions due.—J. Bracewell, Hon. Sec., 8, Regent Street, Bacup.

**PORTSEA.**—The recast peal of eight bells, hung in a new iron frame by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., will be dedicated to-morrow (Saturday) at 3.30 p.m. by the Archdeacon of Portsmouth. All ringers welcome.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting, Easter Monday at Nottingham. Bells of St. Mary's (10), St. Peter's (10) open from 10.30 a.m. Daybrook (8), 10.30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Basford (8) 6 to 8 p.m. Committee meet 2.45 p.m. Tea (1s. 9d. each) 4.30 p.m., followed by annual general meeting, all at Co-operative Hall, Parliament Street (Derby Road end). Towers closed at 4 p.m. till after meeting. Those requiring tea must advise Mr. W. E. White, Cotgrave, Notts, not later than April 13th.—Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The 53rd annual general meeting will be held at Chislehurst, on Easter Monday, April 17th. Tower open at 10 a.m. Committee meeting at the Rectory at 11 a.m. Association Service at 12 noon. Preacher, the Rector, Rev. O. Hardman. Luncheon in the Church Hall, at 1 p.m., followed by business meeting. The following towers will also be open during the day: St. Luke's, Bromley (8); SS. Peter and Paul, Bromley (8); Eltham (8); Beckingham (8); St. Mary Cray (6). Application for luncheon tickets (1/- to members, 3/6 to non-members, including moderate refreshments) must be made to the undersigned before first post Tuesday, April 11th. Remittance must accompany application.—Fred M. Mitchell, Gen. Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The ANNUAL MEETING will be held at ST. ALBANS on EASTER MONDAY, April 17th. Abbey bells from 12 noon, St. Peter's bells open at 2 p.m. Those desiring to ring at St. Michael's or St. Stephen's Churches must notify me not later than April 15th, first post. Service in the Cathedral 4.30 p.m. Address by the Rev. H. O. Cavalier, Vicar of St. Stephen's, St. Albans. Tea in the Abbey Institute at 5.30, price 1s. 6d., followed by annual business meeting. To enable satisfactory arrangements to be made for tea, please notify me not later than April 15th. Notice of motion, Mr. C. H. Horton to move: 'That the association year ends on December 31st, instead of Easter Monday.'—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Duffield, St. Albans.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS' ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 17th. Business meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2.15 p.m. prompt. Chairman: The Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., President. Service, with address, by the Bishop in the Cathedral at 4.15 p.m. Tea will be provided at 5.30 p.m. for all those who notify me before Wednesday, April 12th. Bells available: Cathedral (12), 12.30 to 2, St. John-in-Bedwardine (8), All Saints' (10), St. Nicholas' (6) and St. Swithin (6). Subscriptions should be paid and reports obtained in St. Helen's Church House between 11.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. — J. R. Newman, Hon. Sec., Sheepcote, Severn Stoke, Worcester.

**EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Crich on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Members requiring tea, please notify W. Piggin, Crich, Matlock, by Thursday, April 13th, latest.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Whitby on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells (10, tenor 17 cwt.) will be available for ringing during the day. Dinner will be provided at Abbs Cafe, Khyber Pass, at 1 p.m. Members 2s., non-members 2s. 6d. It is hoped that members and friends will make a special effort to attend this meeting. Those intending to be at dinner please notify the secretary not later than Wednesday, April 12th.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., Hewick House, Ormesby Road, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Norwich on Easter Monday, April 17th. The bells of St. Peter Mancroft (12), St. Giles' (8), and St. Michael-at-Coslany (8) and All Saints' (5) will be at the disposal of the members from 10 a.m. Divine service will be held in the Church of St. Peter Mancroft at 12.30 p.m., when the address will be given by the Rev. R. E. V. Prichard, M.A., Vicar of Knapton with Paston. Luncheon will be served at the Bell Hotel, Orford Hill, at 1.30 p.m. Tickets, 2s. 6d. per head. The annual business meeting will follow immediately after the luncheon.—Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday. The bells of St. Paul's (10) will be available from 10.30 a.m., and St. Peter De Merton (6) later. Luncheon will be at 1 p.m., to be followed by the usual business meeting. Visitors heartily welcomed.—Arthur E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

**GLOUCESTER AND DISTRICT DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Gloucester on Easter Monday, April 17th. Ringers' service, St. Mary-de-Crypt, at 2.30 p.m. Business meeting at 3.15 p.m. in the Spread Eagle Hotel. Tea (1s. per

head) after meeting. The Mayor of Gloucester will arrange (if possible) to welcome the association. Bells available: Barnwood (8), Quedgley (8), St. Mary-de-Lode (6), and possibly St. Michael's, St. Mary-de-Crypt, as also Gloucester Cathedral. Every member should endeavour to attend. Important business includes: Memorial to the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. Please notify for tea by April 12th. — Edgar Guise, Gen. Hon. Sec., 48, Jamaica Street, Bristol 2.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wellingborough Branch. — A special meeting will be held at Wellingborough on Easter Tuesday for the joint purpose of meeting the present Vicar, and in honour of the Raunds, Wellingborough and District Society of Church Bell Ringers, founded in 1883. Bells will be available at 2 o'clock, and the service will be at 4, conducted by the Vicar, who will also give the address. Tea will be provided in the Church Hall at 5 o'clock for those who notify me not later than Thursday, April 13th, price 1s. each.—F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at South Anston on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells (8) available all day. For tea please notify Mr. H. Stenton, South Anston, not later than Saturday, April 15th.—M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 221, Hanover Street, Sheffield (3).

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western District. —The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Croydon (10 bells), on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., tea and meeting following at the Swan and Sugar Loaf Hotel. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, April 12th. All ringers are heartily welcome.—D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—East Devon Branch.—The annual meeting will be held on Easter Monday, April 17th, at Ottery St. Mary. Bells (8) available 11 a.m., also Honiton (6). Service, St. Mary's Church, 4.30. Tea and meeting 5, Church Institute. All ringers welcome.—John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Ottery St. Mary.

**NEWBURY, BERKS.**—Newbury tower will be open for ringing on Easter Monday, April 17th, from 3 p.m. till 8 p.m. Tea 5.30 at 1s. Now ringers is your chance to come and have a ring on Newbury ten. You will be made welcome, but please reply for tea by Wednesday, April 12th, to H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Guildford on Saturday, April 22nd. Cathedral bells (8) 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.; St. Nicolas' (10), 3.15 to 4.15. Service in the Cathedral 4.30 p.m. Tea, 5.15 p.m., in Holy Trinity Parish Hall, 1s. each; business meeting afterwards. Numbers for tea by Tuesday, April 18th.—J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover, Hockering Gardens, Woking.

## TOWER CLOCKS,

Weight Driven or Electric, By the WORLD'S OLDEST MAKERS,

# J. B. JOYCE & CO., LTD., WHITCHURCH, SALOP.

Established 1692.

Illustrated Art Catalogue on Request.

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Ipswich on Saturday, April 22nd. Towers open all day: St. Mary-le-Tower (12), St. Margaret's (8), St. Clement's (6), St. Matthew's (6), Rushmere (6). Committee in St. Matthew's Vestry at 4 p.m. Service in St. Matthew's Church 4.30. Tea (1s. each) in St. Matthew's Church Hall, 5.15. Meeting follows.—H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual general meeting at Clerkenwell, April 22nd. Service at 5 p.m., with organ recital. Preacher, the Bishop of Kensington. Tea at 5.45, followed by business meeting. Ringing at Cripplegate (12) from 3 to 4.30 p.m., at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (8) from 7.30 to 9 p.m., and at St. James, Clerkenwell (8), from 3 to 5 p.m., and after meeting. Please advise either of undersigned for tea by April 19th without fail. A charge of one shilling will be made.—C. T. Coles, 21, Vincent Road, E4; F. W. Goodfellow, 98, Pole Hill Road, Hillingdon Heath, Hon. Secs.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT.**—A quarterly meeting and eight-bell contest will be held on Saturday, April 22nd, at Northowram (near Halifax). Draw 3 p.m. Those requiring tea, 1s. each, send not later than April 19th to L. Hargreaves, Hon. Sec., 30, Bankfield View, Halifax.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Preliminary Notice. The annual committee meeting will be held in Reading (D.V.) on Saturday, April 22nd. Will all branch secretaries and representatives please note? Details later.—Richard T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec., 69, York Road, Reading.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Bampton on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Monday, April 17th? Oakford (8), Morebath (6), and Huntsham (8) also open.—R. Harris, Hon. Sec., Park, Silverton, nr. Exeter

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Overton on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available from 2.30. All requiring tea please notify Mr. A. Taylor, Church Road, Overton, by April 18th.—J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Sec., Yateley, Hants.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Great Holland on April 22nd. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Will all those attending please notify me not later than the 20th inst.?—James R. Sparling, Hon. Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—A meeting will be held at Lewes on Saturday, April 22nd. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at the Church Hall, 1s. 3d. each, 5.15 p.m., followed by business meeting. Bells available again afterwards.—J. M. Cripps, Div. Sec., 4, Hooper Cottages, Old Shoreham, Sussex.

**DEDICATION OF RECAST DUFFIELD RING OF 10 BELLS**  
SATURDAY, JUNE 3rd, at 3 p.m.

Will Midland Counties Association Change Ringers try to be present at Duffield Church, as above, when the Lord Bishop of Derby has promised to dedicate the bells, after which ringing will take place? By the kindness of the President of the association and the Vicar and churchwardens of Duffield, a free meat tea will be provided to all ringers and their families or friends. So make it a Whitsuntide outing, and do honour to this old change ringing Mecca!

### FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—Two peals of 12, C 15 size, tenor, cheap.—T. Miller, 70, Mott Street, Birmingham.

### PUBLICATIONS.

'GRANDSIRE DOUBLES AND TRIPLES, Simply Explained'; also 'Bob Minor and Major, Simply Explained,' for beginners. 6½d. each, post free; 5s. 9d. a dozen post free; from I. Roe and M. Broome, Byways, Hurst, Berks.

CAMBRIDGE MINOR AND MAJOR, Simply Explained, each 7½d. post free; ½ dozen 3/6 post free; dozen 6/9 post free: to be obtained from K. Quick, 17, Broad Street, Bath.

### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

SEDBERGH.—For evening services since January 1st the following touches have been rung: Two 896's Bob Major, three 1,024's Superlative Surprise, two 1,008's of Double Norwich, 1,024 Kent Treble Bob Major, 504 Stedman, 504 Little Bob. Ringers taking part: H. Dawson, Miss N. Harrison, E. Jennings (Kendal), E. Pennington, J. Smith, T. Sisson, H. Haresnape, J. W. Pennington, G. Braithwaite (Burton) and G. F. Woodhouse (conductor).

NEWPORT, MON.—At All Saints' Church on Sunday, April 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): H. Bullock 1, F. Millard 2, W. Millard 3, T. Ford 4, F. Bullock 5, G. Day 6, J. W. Jones (conductor) 7, W. Hall 8. Rung on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of Mr. T. Ford's wedding day.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.—On Sunday, March 26th, for the special Mothering Sunday afternoon service, 1,152 Kent Treble Bob Major in 40 mins.: E. Stone 1, B. Beebe 2, J. E. Morston 3, Mrs. D. E. Beamish 4, J. Draycott 5, A. H. Beamish 6, J. Gibbons 7, H. Harris 8.

ISLEWORTH.—At All Saints' Church on March 26th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss Olive Ashbrook (first quarter) 1, W. F. Ellingham 2, Miss Doris Lidbetter (first quarter 'inside') 3, A. Cutmore 4, C. F. Winney (conductor) 5, F. G. Goddard 6, H. W. Lidbetter 7, H. Harding 8. Rung for evening service and as a birthday compliment to A. Cutmore.

### THE RINGERS' HANDBOOK

by E. S. and M. POWELL.

Containing full and complete instruction from the first handling of a bell to the ringing and conducting of Peals of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob.

A large selection of Compositions included.

Price:—Complete edition, to 8 bells, cloth, 120pp, 2/9 (6 copies for 15/-). 6 bell edition, sewn, paper covers, 64pp., 1/2 (6 copies for 6/-).

Also **CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE**

by W. A. CAVE.

Minor to Maximus, new and old variations with full instructions and diagrams of Royal and Maximus, and Peal Compositions, price 1/3.

All post free from Rev. E. S. Powell, Clyst St. George Rectory, Exeter, or from Came & Cave, 29, Victoria Street, Bristol.

## TOWER CLOCKS



JOHN  
**SMITH & SONS**

Over 100 years' experience and knowledge places us in a position to be of great assistance to you regarding new clock installations, restorations or renewals.

We have installed many World Famous Clocks, including those at St. Paul's Cathedral, and Trinidad Cathedral, British W. Indies

Send for our booklet 'Time & Chime.'

**MIDLAND CLOCK WORKS,**  
QUEEN STREET, DERBY.

# 'Change Ringing'

— BY —

Charles A. W. Troyte.

THREE TO EIGHT BELLS

208 pages, with 3 illustrations.

Cloth 3/6, post free 3/10.

THREE TO SIX BELLS.

Sewn 1/6, post free 1/3.

INDISPENSABLE TO ALL RINGERS.

EXETER:

HENRY S. ELAND, 236, HIGH STREET

## ALFRED BOWELL,

*Church Bell  
Founder*

## IPSWICH

### The Jasper Snowdon Series

REVISED PRICES.

'ROPE-SIGHT,' 1s. 10d.; seventh ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

'GRANDSIRE,' 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

'STANDARD METHODS,' 8th edition, 2s. 10d.

'STEDMAN,' 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the late Rev. G. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

'TREBLE BOB,' 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 pages.

'SURPRISE METHODS,' 2s. 10d. A book by the late Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., F.R.A.S. Contains a tabulated list of peals, 10 diagrams, 126 pages.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire

### The Central Council Publications

to be obtained Post Free from the Hon. Librarian,

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading.

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	1	8
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL AND AN ACCOUNT OF ITS WORK	1	3
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section I. (Odd-Bell Treble-Dominated Methods)	1	6
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section II. (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	1	2
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section III. (Double Norwich)	1	6
COLLECTION OF PLAIN MAJOR AND CATER METHODS	1	9
COLLECTION OF DOUBLES AND MINOR METHODS	3	0
Packets of ten copies	7	6
CORRIGENDA LEAFLET, showing false peals, the set of three	2	2
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY (Revised)	6	6
REPORT OF CONFERENCE WITH S.P.A.B.	6	6
CARD OF INSTRUCTIONS IN THE CARE AND USE OF BELLS	1	9
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS (Revised Edition)	1	0
Ditto, Stiff Covers	3	3
THE LAW AFFECTING CHURCH BELLS	3	3
METHOD SHEETS—Stedman and Grandsire Triples	3	3
Cambridge Surprise Major	3	3
Double Norwich and Cambridge Court	3	3
Bristol Surprise Major	3	3

### 'THE WORLD'S BEST BELLROPE'S'

NOTED FOR EASY HANDLING AND NON-STRETCHING

## JOHN PRITCHARD,

BIGGIN STREET,  
LOUGHBOROUGH

Clock and Chiming Ropes,  
Flexible Ends, Splicing and Repairs.

Est. 1830

Tel. 630

Price List of the  
Sole Maker

### Suitable for Presentation or Wedding Gift

Correctly Modelled BELL INKSTAND (Regd. Design) in Solid Silver



Diameter	2 1/2 in.	3 1/2 in.	4 1/2 in.	5 1/2 in.	6 1/2 in.	7 1/2 in.	8 1/2 in.	9 1/2 in.
Price	14/6	17/6	22/6	27/6	35/-	42/-	50/-	57/6

The 5 in. size is also made to hold 50 cigarettes.

Initials and Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charge

**T. E. RUSSELL,** Jeweller  
and Optician,  
Woking  
Telephone 276

### METHOD SPLICING

THE NEWEST AND MOST  
INTERESTING DEVELOP-  
MENT OF CHANGE RINGING

Study this latest phase of  
the Art and learn how to  
practise it.

The system is fully explained in  
'METHOD SPLICING,' price 1/3 (post free) from  
'The Ringing World' Office, Woking.

Printed for the Proprietor by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guildford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's Buildings, London, E.C.