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These famous bell-founding firms have kindly consented to this adaptation of their advertisements to meet the pressure on our space, due to the compulsory reduction in the number of our pages this week.

## GREAT PAUL

THE question raised by Mr. J. E. Bailey as to the occasions on which 'Great Paul,' the massive bell in St. Paul's Cathedral weighing 16 $\frac{3}{4}$  tons and which was cast by John Taylor and Co. in 1881, is rung has brought forth a number of interesting replies. Twenty tons of metal were melted down and the bell cost £3,000.

Mr. A. B. Peck, the secretary of the Ancient Society of College Youths, writes: 'The bell is rung every day except Sunday at 1 p.m. for about four minutes. It is rung frame high and then lowered gradually. Great Tom is tolled or clocked once a minute for two hours on the death of a Monarch. Great Paul weighs 16 tons and Tom 5 tons. The last named is the hour bell.'

Mr. R. F. Deal, of East Ham, adds this interesting information: 'This bell may be heard on week-days (except two or three days in the year) at one o'clock. It is raised about half-way up by four members of the Cathedral staff, who time their pulling with great precision, the first stroke of Great Paul being heard within a second or two of the clock striking. The clock bell is tolled for a death in the Royal Family, for a Bishop of London, the Lord Mayor, or the Dean. This bell, by Richard Phelps, 1716, weighs 92 cwt. 14 lbs. With the two big bells in the south tower are two quarter bells of about 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  and 24 $\frac{1}{2}$  cwt. by Phelps, 1707, and hanging above the twelve in the North Tower is the Five Minutes' or Service Bell (about 22 cwt.) by Philip Wightman, 1700—seventeen bells in all.'

Mr. E. M. Atkins finds an inspiration in Great Paul. His letter states: 'Great Paul is rung every day at 1 o'clock. When I hear it from my office, which is about half a mile away, I am reminded of its inscription: "Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel," and it is an inspiring thought that this message is sent out day by day to the multitudes working within earshot. On the great festivals, like Ascension Day, the 12 bells are rung earlier in the morning, and I have been able to do my little bit by explaining when asked why the bells are ringing.'

The concluding note is from the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, of Kington Magna, who confirms that the bell is rung daily at 1 o'clock for five minutes, and gives this footnote: 'I have on one occasion—with a party of three Dorset boys—taken part in ringing it myself.' An experience truly memorable, and which would rejoice the heart of any young ringer.



**TEN BELL PEALS**

ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 1, 1948, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

J. EDWARD CAWSEY ... Treble	† W. ERIC CRITCHLEY ... 6
NORAH M. BIBBY ... 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES ... 7
* EDNA F. BEDFORD ... 3	GEORGE LEDSHAM ... 8
JOHN E. BIBBY ... 4	JOHN WORTH ... 9
WALTER ALLMAN ... 5	RALPH G. EDWARDS ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKE. Conducted by JOHN E. BIBBY.

\* First peal of Royal. † First peal of Cambridge. Tenor 34½ cwt.

DALTON-IN-FURNESS, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 1, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt.	
* JAMES METCALF ... Treble	† NICHOLAS M. NEWBY ... 6
* WILLIAM LANGHORNE ... 2	FRANK E. PERVIN ... 6
* JOHN WOODS ... 3	* STANLEY RICHARDSON ... 8
* SYDNEY USHER ... 4	† BRIAN D. PRICE ... 9
* FRANK POSTLETHWAITE ... 5	THOMAS METCALF ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JAMES E. BURLS.

\* First peal of Caters. † 50th peal. † First peal in the method.

HATFIELD, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ETHELDREDA,

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

Tenor 23 cwt.	
* JOHN T. KENTISH ... Treble	ALAN WHITE ... 6
† BERNARD H. SWINSON ... 2	† DONALD C. PRICE ... 7
† DONALD C. MEARS ... 3	THOMAS J. SOUTHAM ... 8
† ALAN F. CULL ... 4	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM ... 9
† ROBERT A. COCHRANE ... 5	ALBERT LAWRENCE ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by ALAN WHITE.

\* 400th peal. † First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal. First peal of Caters as conductor. First peal of Grandsire Caters in the bells.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb.	
ENID M. WAYMAN ... Treble	* P. MICHAEL FREEMAN ... 6
MARGARET FIDELL ... 2	JOHN FREEMAN ... 7
MADELINE M. LYON ... 3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... 8
BETTY BROWN ... 4	† KENNETH S. B. CROFT ... 9
JEAN A. SOUTHERST ... 5	STANLEY E. BENNETT ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN FREEMAN.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † 50th peal for the Guild.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Tues., Jan. 6, 1948, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF BELGRAVE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 37 cwt. in C.	
H. JAMES TURNER ... Treble	LEONARD TUFFREY ... 6
EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... 2	HENRY H. FEARN ... 7
ALBERT WALKER ... 3	HERBERT C. SPENCER ... 8
FRANK E. PERVIN ... 4	JOHN PINFOLD ... 9
* ARTHUR D. COOK ... 5	GEORGE E. FEARN ... Tenor

Arranged by CHAS. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by FRANK E. PERVIN.

\* First peal of Royal. First peal of Belgrave Royal for the Guild and by all the band.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 1, 1948, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

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

Tenor 9 cwt. 74 lb. in G.	
CEDRIC CURSON ... Treble	ALBERT E. BRACEY ... 5
ERNEST G. SHORTING ... 2	RAYMOND G. LOFTY ... 6
RUSSELL W. CURSON ... 3	GEORGE SAYER ... 7
CHARLES H. MOORE ... 4	NOLAN GOLDEN ... Tenor

Composed by A. P. KNIGHTS. Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

A farewell peal to the Rev. S. J. Titterton.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Jan. 2, 1948, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

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

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
OSWALD CLAYBROOK ... Treble	WALTER ALLMAN ... 5
MARGARET L. TUTT ... 2	DENNIS MADDOCK ... 6
FRANCIS BIBBY ... 3	CYRIL VALENTINE ... 7
JOHN E. BIBBY ... 4	CECIL RADDON ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. MIDDLETON. Conducted by JOHN E. BIBBY.

WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.	
HAROLD A. MAY ... Treble	CHAS. W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 5
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 2	H. WILLIAM BARRETT ... 6
EDWARD J. LINDLEY ... 3	G. WILLIAMS MORRIS ... 7
ERIC T. LEE ... 4	HERBERT G. ANDREWS ... Tenor

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

EDGBASTON, BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

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

Tenor 10 cwt.	
JOHN SCOTT ... Treble	JOHN PINFOLD ... 5
EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... 2	FRANK E. PERVIN ... 6
* GEORGE E. LARGE ... 3	HENRY H. FEARN ... 7
HERBERT C. SPENCER ... 4	GEORGE E. FEARN ... Tenor

Composed by GEORGE BAKER. Conducted by GEORGE E. FEARN.

\* First peal in the method.

KIRTLINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF LONCNEY BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.	
PHILIP WALKER ... Treble	FREDK. A. H. WILKINS ... 5
HERBERT H. ALEXANDER ... 2	WALTER F. JUDGE ... 6
MARIE R. CROSS ... 3	WILLIAM JUDGE ... 7
WILLIAM C. PORTER ... 4	ALAN R. PINK ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

\* First peal to be rung in this method, No. 55 in the Collection of Plain Major Methods.

STOKE-MANDEVILLE, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 9½ cwt.	
ROLAND BIGGS ... Treble	* SYLVIA COKER ... 5
DOROTHY R. FLETCHER ... 2	JESSE HARRISON ... 6
KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER ... 3	HARRY C. JONES ... 7
WALTER LEE ... 4	HARRY WINGROVE ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by HARRY WINGROVE.

\* First peal of Major.

BROADCLYST, DEVONSHIRE.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

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

Tenor 22½ cwt.	
ALFRED LOVERING ... Treble	GEORGE SKINNER ... 5
* JACK SALWAY ... 2	CHARLES TURNER ... 6
* FRED WREFORD ... 3	* JOHN L. S. GLANVILL ... 7
BRIAN PIDGEON ... 4	JOHN ARBURY ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by J. L. S. GLANVILL.

\* First peal in the method.

NORTHWRAM, HALIFAX, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

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

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in E.	
* W. GEORGE TURNER ... Treble	ERNEST H. SIMPSON ... 5
ERNEST B. BETTS ... 2	FRED HODGSON ... 6
* FRED DAVIDSON ... 3	ALFRED SMITH ... 7
LESLIE W. G. MORRIS ... 4	EDWARD JENKINS ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by LESLIE W. G. MORRIS.

\* First peal of Surprise.



STANMORE, MIDDLESEX.  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,  
**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 13 cwt.

*EDWARD J. LEVERSUCH ... 2	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... 5
PHYLLIS M. MAYNE ... 2	HAROLD G. CASHMORE ... 6
JOHN R. MAYNE ... 3	CECIL C. MAYNE ... 7
JOHN E. ROOTES ... 4	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by H. G. CASHMORE.  
\* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.

PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-OF-CANTERBURY,  
**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 25½ cwt. in E flat.

WILLIAM A. THEOBALD...Treble ... 2	JOHN H. HUNT ... 5
TOWER R. TAYLOR ... 2	FREDK. W. BURNETT ... 6
TOM PAGE ... 3	FREDK. W. ROGERS ... 7
ALFRED T. GREENWOOD 4	WILLIAM T. BEESON ... Tenor

Composed by JAMES TOPP. Conducted by FREDK. W. ROGERS.

EAST TYTHERLEY, HANTS.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,  
**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 14 cwt.

*JACK MUSSELL ... Treble ... 2	JOHN HARTLESS ... 5
†DAVID R. REED ... 2	COLIN W. REED ... 6
FRANCES A. EDGAR ... 3	*PETER ANGER ... 7
*RONALD MARLOW ... 4	FRANK L. HARRIS ... Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.  
\* First peal of Treble Bob Major. † First peal of Major. ‡ First peal on eight bells. First peal of Treble Bob Major as conductor.

BEXLEY, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation). Tenor 7½ cwt.

*MRS. E. ROSCOE ... Treble ... 2	C. BRETT-SMITH ... 5
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS ... 2	ALFRED G. WILLIAMS ... 6
GEOFFREY V. MURPHY ... 3	HARRY HOVERD ... 7
HERBERT A. HOLDEN ... 4	EDWIN A. BARNETT ... Tenor

Composed by ALFRED G. WILLIAMS.  
\* First peal. † First peal as conductor and 25th peal.

DOUGLAS-IN-PARBOLD, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,  
**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
Johnson's Variation. Tenor 11 cwt.

JAMES MARSH ... Treble ... 2	RONALD KENRICK ... 5
JOHN LUNHAM ... 2	TOM MARSHALL ... 6
ARTHUR MAWDESLEY ... 3	NORMAN HEAPS ... 7
THOMAS W. HAMMOND ... 4	JOSEPH RIDYARD ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH RIDYARD.  
First Surprise peal on the bells.

CONDOVER, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,  
**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 13 cwt.

G. LEONARD HEWITT ... Treble ... 2	WILLIAM A. FARMER ... 5
*A. EDWARD REEVES ... 2	*FREDK. G. BEDDOW ... 6
*JOHN F. BUTLER ... 3	*CLIFFORD BARRON ... 7
F. HECTOR BENNETT ... 4	ARTHUR PRITCHARD ... Tenor

Composed by S. WOOD. Conducted by ARTHUR PRITCHARD.  
\* First peal in the method.

DESBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,  
**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 10½ cwt.

ARTHUR H. IDLE ... Treble ... 2	WILLIAM HECTOR ... 5
HARRY BAXTER ... 2	DENIS YEOMANS ... 6
BRIAN AUSTIN ... 3	*GEORGE F. BURTON ... 7
LEWIS W. KILBORN ... 4	RAYMOND H. IDLE ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by RAYMOND H. IDLE.  
\* First peal of Major. First peal as conductor.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,  
**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

*SYDNEY HOUGH, JUN. ... Treble ... 2	C. KENNETH LEWIS ... 5
ALAN A. POTTS ... 2	PETER LAFLIN ... 6
REV. R. D. ST. J. SMITH ... 3	JOSEPH WHITTAKER ... 7
JAMES FERNLEY ... 4	JOHN WORTH ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.  
\* First peal of London. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., Jan. 4, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ANNUNC. B.V.M., PRITTLEWELL,  
**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

*CHAS. R. CHAMBERS ... Treble ... 2	PHILLIP SADLER ... 5
†DONALD COOMBS ... 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN ... 6
WILLIAM PERRY ... 3	ROY BROWN ... 7
FREDERICK SOITER ... 4	JOHN E. FOWLER ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN. Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.  
\* First peal on a working bell. † First peal 'inside.' In memoriam John Ernest Philbrick. Tenor 18½ cwt.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Mon., Jan. 5, 1948, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,  
**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 15½ cwt.

*NORMAN NIGHTINGALE Treble ... 2	ALBERT HEYWOOD ... 5
WILLIE AARON ... 2	EDWARD IDDON ... 6
CHARLES W. BLAKEY ... 3	PETER CROOK, SEN. ... 7
ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... 4	PETER CROOK, JUN. ... Tenor

Composed by E. BAKER. Conducted by ARTHUR TOMLINSON.  
\* First peal in the method.

WEST MALLING, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Tues., Jan. 6, 1948, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,  
**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation). Tenor 12 cwt.

*EDNA M. SILLS ... Treble ... 2	REGINALD L. SILLS ... 5
BETTY SPICE ... 2	ROBERT PALMER ... 6
KATHLEEN HIGGINS ... 3	†PETER C. WRIGHT ... 7
E. S. JOHN HATCHER ... 4	C. JOHN DICKINSON ... Tenor

Composed by PETER C. WRIGHT.  
\* First peal of Triples. † First in the method.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS

LEICESTER.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., Dec. 26, 1947, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,  
**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being eight 120's each of Plain Bob, Canterbury and April Day, sixteen 120's of Grandsire and two of Stedman.  
JEAN M. WARD ... Treble ... 2
 ALAN CATTELL ... 4 || SIDNEY HARRISON ... 2 | GORDON OLIFFE ... 5 |
| JOHN B. BRAMLEY ... 3 | \*PHILIPP R. BLEASY ... Tenor |

Conducted by ALAN CATTELL.  
\* First peal.

MARKSBURY, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,  
**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Being 42 six-scores (10 callings). Tenor 12 cwt.

*RONALD SMITH ... Treble ... 2	GILBERT HASSELL ... 4
*MISS HILDA PRESCOTT ... 2	SEALY S. WOODBURN ... 5
*MISS AUDREY TIBBOTS ... 3	WILLIAM A. PRESCOTT ... Tenor

Conducted by SEALY S. WOODBURN.  
\* First peal. For the induction of the Rev. E. Wells.

BOBBING, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,  
**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*TREVOR A. CROSS ... Treble ... 2	BERT W. MAY ... 4
FRANCIS J. CHEAL ... 2	*CHARLES E. J. NORRIS ... 5
WILLIAM A. WOOD ... 3	*WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT.  
\* First peal in three methods.



NEWCHURCH-IN-ROSSENDALE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

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

Seven extents, called differently. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qt. 18 lb. in F.  
COLIN MILTHORPE, R.N....*Treble* | CHRIS. M. P. JOHNSON... 4  
D. SANDERSON, R.A.F.... 2 | CHARLES W. BLAKEY ... 5  
A. VICTOR WILLIAMS ... 3 | ROGER LEIGH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. BLAKEY.

First peal as conductor.

HARDWICKE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

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

Being 10 six-scores of Grandsire, eight of St. Dunstan's, eight 240's of Morris' and four 240's of Pitman's arrangement. Tenor 15 cwt.  
\*DEREK TOCKNELL ...*Treble* | HAROLD HOBBS ... .. 4  
TREVOR PRITCHARD ... 2 | LESLIE BARRY ... .. 5  
OLIVER HILL ... .. 3 | \*BERNARD TUDOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LESLIE BARRY.

\* First peal.

ALFORD, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

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

Being 30 six-scores of Grandsire and 12 six-scores of Plain Bob.  
Tenor 12½ cwt.

\*HARRY SCOFFIN ... ..*Treble* | JOHN I. SMITH ... .. 4  
SAMUEL H. SUTTON ... 2 | WILLIAM E. CLARKE ... 5  
KENNETH KETTERINGHAM 3 | \*WILLIAM HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. CLARKE.

\* First peal. To commemorate 50 years as a ringer at Alford by the treble ringer, aged 64 years.

HITCHAM, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Nicholas', Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 11 lb. in B flat.  
\*MISS GWEN E. MURKITT *Treble* | NORMAN V. HARDING ... 4  
\*MISS MARY R. JAYCOCK 2 | \*A. JAMES GLASS ... 5  
\*MISS FRED A. D. MURKITT 3 | GEORGE GILBERT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE GILBERT.

\* First peal in seven methods.

RAVENINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

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

Being six extents each of April Day, Grandsire, St. Nicholas', Winchendon Place, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and St. Simon's. Tenor 9 cwt.

\*ALBERT I. WALPOLE ...*Treble* | KENNETH L. BROWN ... 3  
\*JACK KING ... .. 2 | GODFREY G. WALPOLE ... 4  
\*ERNEST A. LONG ... .. Tenor

Conducted by KENNETH L. BROWN.

\* First peal of Doubles.

COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

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

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

Being 42 six-scores (10 callings).

FRED BRINE ... ..*Treble* | \*CHARLES FORD ... .. 4  
WILLIAM STOWELL ... 2 | JOHN OWEN ... .. 5  
\*FRED DAY ... .. 3 | \*EDWARD VEALE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN OWEN.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First peal.

SEAVINGTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

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

Ten callings. Tenor 6 cwt.  
S. GUPPY ... ..*Treble* | G. W. RENDELL ... .. 4  
\*A. ATYEO ... .. 2 | \*R. W. WHITE ... .. 5  
\*R. C. GILES ... .. 3 | \*J. HIGGINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. W. RENDELL.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside.'

KING'S BROMLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

On Sat., Jan. 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Being 12 extents of Plain Bob and 30 Grandsire. Tenor 11 cwt.  
\*JEFFREY B. WEBB (15)...*Treble* | FRANCIS A. SEDGWICK... 4  
GEORGE E. OLIVER ... 2 | WALTER J. COPE ... .. 5  
MISS JOAN BREESFORD 3 | \*MARK N. CULLING ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. OLIVER.

\* First peal. First peal of Doubles in two methods by all.

LONGPARISH, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Jan. 7, 1948, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

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

Seven extents. Tenor 9½ cwt.  
GEORGE W. J. BROWN...*Treble* | \*ARCHIBALD L. MITCHELL ... 4  
JOHN HOLLOWAY ... .. 2 | JAMES HOLLOWAY ... .. 5  
FRANK TONGE ... .. 3 | NORMAN V. ANDREWS... Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN V. ANDREWS.

\* First peal.

WITHINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 8, 1948, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Seven different extents. Tenor 16 cwt.  
WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ...*Treble* | JOHN D. ROCK ... .. 4  
CHARLES L. SADLER ... 2 | MICHAEL P. MORETON ... 5  
LESLIE EVANS ... .. 3 | WILFRID F. MORETON ... Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL P. MORETON.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells and for the Guild.

## HANDBELL PEALS

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Tues., Dec. 30, 1947, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes.

AT VICTORIA VILLAS,

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

OLAVE E. BROYD ... .. 1-2 | ALBERT CATTERWELL ... 5-6  
ERNEST W. PYE ... .. 3-4 | EDWIN JENNINGS ... .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST W. PYE.

HEVINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Jan. 2, 1948, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT MR. W. C. MEDLER'S HOUSE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 15 in B.

\*JACK KING ... .. 1-2 | NOLAN GOLDEN ... .. 5-6  
†REV. E. WM. BLYTH ... 3-4 | WALTER C. MEDLER ... .. 7-8

Composed by C. CHARGE. Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

\* First peal on handbells. † First peal of Major.

EPSOM, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Jan. 4, 1948, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

AT 74, HOOKFIELD,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16 in B flat.

GEOFFREY DODDS ... .. 1-2 | EDWIN J. LINDLEY ... .. 5-6  
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4 | HAROLD A. MAY ... .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by EDWIN J. LINDLEY.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Jan. 6, 1948, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.

IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

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

Tenor size 15 in C.

HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 1-2 | ALFRED BALLARD ... .. 5-6  
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 3-4 | \*ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 7-8

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First Surprise peal on handbells.

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 8, 1948, in 2 Hours and 9 Minutes.

AT VICTORIA VILLAS,

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

EDWIN JENNINGS ... .. 1-2 | ALBERT CATTERWELL ... 5-6  
ERNEST W. PYE... .. 3-4 | OLAVE E. BROYD ... .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST W. PYE.



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**BELFRY GOSSIP**

Mr. A. H. Pulling rang his 400th peal of Stedman on New Year's Eve.

Mr. Harold A. May has joined the long list of those who have 'circled' Warnham tower.

In honour of the 39th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. Holden was the peal at Bexley, Kent, on January 3rd.

A golden wedding peal was rung at Douglas-in-Parbold, Lancs, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Santus, the donors of the treble bell.

Another golden wedding similarly remembered at Norbury (Hazel Grove), Cheshire, was that of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wolstencroft.

No fewer than 30 quarter-peals were rung at St. Mary Magdalene's, Holloway, during 1947 for services.

Mr. Peter C. Wright, of West Malling, called his coming-of-age peal in his own tower on January 6th.

Now that Mr. Harry Scoffin has been a ringer at St. Wilfrid's, Alford, for 50 years, he has rung his first peal.

Mr. Donald G. Clift, of 21, The Chine, Stapleton, Bristol, would like to hear from other Donalds interested in a name peal.

Mr. J. Higgins, an old age pensioner at Seavington, Somerset, has decided to change from call changes to method ringing. His first peal is recorded.

The peal of Belgrave Surprise Royal at St. Martin's, Birmingham, was a compliment to Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd upon the eve of his 50th birthday.

For 30 years a ringer at Lyme Regis, the late Mr. John Ernest Philbrick had spent the last two years at Southend, ringing most regularly at Prittlewell, although at times unwell. A peal to his memory was rung there on Jan. 4th.

A company of 150, including the Mayor and Mayoress of Aldershot, attended St. Michael's (Aldershot) ringers' social on January 24th. The sum of £21 was raised towards the cost of overhauling the bells.

Ringers, especially in the Oxford Diocese, will congratulate Mr. A. R. Pink upon his appointment as secretary of the Oxford Diocesan Board of Finance and Dilapidations Board. Mr. Pink's progressiveness and enthusiasm are well known.

Long service from Longparish, Hants, is to band this week. Mr. L. W. Andrews, aged 88, has rung at this tower for 72 years. The peal on January 7th was a compliment to him and Mrs. Andrews on the 56th anniversary of their wedding.

Mr. Frank C. Knight, of Cambray Road, Orpington, Kent, is planning another ringing tour of Kent this year between August 7th and 16th. He hopes that as many as possible of those who came on his other tours will again be available.

Another Christmas Quiz afterthought from prize-winner Harold V. Frost. 'Re the question of a 5,001 of Major, I think it is possible to get a peal of Original Major to come round at hand at that number as bobs and singles can be called at every handstroke, although I'm not proposing to sit down and compose one!'

Messrs. G. H. Paulson and H. E. Taylor, of St. Helen's Church, Darley Dale, took part in a short broadcast in 'In Town To-night' programme last Saturday. Mr. Paulson spoke as churchwarden and bellringer and Mr. Taylor as ringer and conductor.

**Ringling Master at 17**

Frederick William Grocott commenced learning to ring in June, 1933, at St. Mary's Church, Bucknall, Staffs, under his father. In December, 1943, he rang his first 720, and from that moment there was no holding him back; before he was 14 years old he had mastered London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Not content with six bells, he went further afield, and before long he was quite at home in eight and ten bell towers. He has not missed a ringing meeting since he joined the North Staffordshire Association in 1945. He is also a member of the Cheshire Guild.

The new Master did not ring his first peal until he had been ringing for three years, not because he could not; he just felt that it was worth waiting until he was really capable. His present record of peals consists of four peals of Major; one of Grandsire Doubles, which he conducted with a band average age 15 years; and a peal of Surprise Minor in seven methods, which he also conducted.

In December last, at the annual meeting of the Association, he was unanimously elected Ringing Master for six-bell towers for his brilliant ringing capabilities, and also for the very valuable help he had given to young ringers in various towers. He is also a very promising handbell ringer.

Recently his ringing was temporarily curtailed, as he had to undergo an operation, which he came through quite successfully. At present he is attending meetings and assisting the learners at his own tower.

**TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD**

The Penzance Branch monthly practice was held at Helston on January 24th. About 20 attended from Madron, Gulval, Camborne, Carbis Bay, Redruth, and L. E. M. Dear, of Hertfordshire, at present stationed in Cornwall. Progress was evident by the fact that Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Minor were rung. The local captain, Mr. Willey, rang the tenor to several touches of Grandsire.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD**

Meeting at Winhill on January 17th. The Midland Counties Guild admitted seven new members from Ashby, Burton St. Modwen's and Winhill.

Mr. F. G. Fretwell was appointed Ringing Master for the next meeting at Netherseale on March 6th.

Mr. J. W. Cotton (hon. secretary) thanked the Vicar (the Rev. E. L. Redfern) for conducting the service and the local members who had prepared tea. He said it was 10 years since the last ringing meeting had been held at the church, which was a landmark in the Burton area.

**LETTERS****SISTERS' RECORD**

Dear Sir,—In answer to your query in this week's 'Ringing World,' I thought I would send you word that my twin sister, Grace, and I have rung all our peals (147) together. We should like to congratulate the Misses Fletcher on their achievement.—Yours sincerely,

(Miss) KATHARINE BURCHNALL.

Sutton-on-Trent.

**TOWER SNATCHING**

Dear Sir,—In 1947 I rang in 158 towers, 118 of them being new ones in 14 different counties.

Owing to the bad winter weather, an accident at work in April, which put me out of action for three weeks, and a fall on December 6th, which fractured both feet, which I am still nursing, I cannot record a Sunday ringing record.

I have no doubt many of my friends reading this will say, 'That's stopped him.' To them I would say, 'Yes—and the basic too.'—Yours sincerely,

ERIC NOBLES.

Duston, Northants.  
Question.—Can he do the hat-trick, 300 new towers in three years?—Editor.

**AN ORPINGTON EXPERIMENT**

Dear Sir,—I note with great interest that Mr. T. S. Williams, of Kingsland Grange Preparatory School, Shrewsbury, has formed a ringers' guild from a number of his young pupils. May I take this opportunity, through the medium of your columns, to wish him every success in what will prove a very difficult task. It is very gratifying to hear that such an interest is being taken in these young boys. Mr. Williams' efforts are bound to prove invaluable to the Exercise in later years, but in the meantime he must expect many disappointments.

Although not in exactly the same position as Mr. Williams, I am a schoolmaster and teach in a school containing 630 boys, whose ages range from 11-17 years. My subject is music and I invariably include some elementary campanology in certain of my lessons. This 'sideline' certainly has proved popular with the majority of the classes. So much so that I decided five months ago to recruit a dozen or so of the boys (average age 12 years) and teach them the art. Fortunately I had recently heard that a certain tower in the neighbourhood contained a fine ring of eight bells by Taylor, tenor 20 cwt., which had been silent for some years through lack of ringers. This was an opportunity not to be missed, and on approaching the Vicar we were welcomed with open arms. In five months these boys have learned to handle their bells and to ring rounds and 'stoney' with reasonably good striking. We are now just starting on Grandsire. Handbells have played an important part in learning method ringing. Grandsire and Plain Bob have been mastered reasonably well by most of the band on these, and by next Easter I feel sure all the boys will be capable of ringing a six-score and a 720 on tower bells. Sunday ringing takes place regularly each week.

I am happy to be able to include among my campanologist friends a number of schoolmasters, who, I'm sure, would find it very interesting and very useful to the Exercise to embark upon a similar venture even if only as an experiment.

If ever Mr. Williams is down this way I should be very happy to make his acquaintance and perhaps to ring in a peal with him.—Yours very truly,

FRANK C. W. KNIGHT.

Senior Music Master,  
Orpington County School.

WILBURTON, CAMBS.—On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Bob Minor: O. Needham 1, M. Thurmott (cond.) 2, J. Rowsell 3, F. Yarrow 4, C. Gimbert 5, R. Bullen 6. First quarter for 1 and 2.



## OBITUARY

### MR. WM. H. LAWRENCE.

By the passing of Mr. Wm. H. Lawrence, of Little Munden, Herts, on Jan. 17th, we have lost a very sincere friend. For over 46 years I had the pleasure of his great friendship, and I shall never forget that wonderful handshake and cheerful smile with which he first greeted me. No stranger ever set foot in his belfry without receiving the same welcome.

For 37 years he was district secretary, and but for a serious affliction he would have carried on for a much longer period. He bore his years of illness with fortitude and cheerfulness.

A devoted churchman, he took an active part in the Church's well-being and of his own village. The sympathy of many is extended to his wife and two daughters. He lived a life for others and one that was well and truly spent.—G. Radley.

The funeral service on January 21st was taken by the Rev. H. G. Thompson (a former Rector), the congregation filling the church. After the committal service at the graveside a course of Grandsire Triples was rung upon handbells by Messrs. L. Fidler (president, Herts Association), W. Ayre (secretary), Albert Coles and Sidney Carter. There were many ringers present, viz., Messrs. Barnard, Patmore (Great Munden, Groom (Standon), G. Radley (Hoddesdon), F. W. Elliott (Rickmansworth), Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Carter (Hertford), Gilbert Debenham, G. W. Cartmel and the Rev. R. G. Cartmel (St. Albans), besides the local ringers, who rang a half-muffled touch immediately after the service, and again in the evening.

### MR. GEORGE A. CARTER.

Farnham has lost an enthusiastic ringer by the death of Mr. George Carter (36), of Wrecclesham, as the result of a fall from a lorry. Although not a peal ringer, he had several quarters to his credit during his 20 years' association with the Parish Church.

The funeral was on January 21st, local ringers attending being Messrs. C. W. Denyer, W. Buller, C. Wells and T. Upshall. In the evening the bells at Farnham Parish Church were rung half-muffled to his memory.

## CANADIAN RINGERS AND THE ROYAL WEDDING

The bells of the Holy Rosary Cathedral, Vancouver, B.C., were rung on November 20th in honour of the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth to touches of Grandsire and 'fired' with the Royal Salute. The fact was communicated to Her Royal Highness by Mr. Limpus, who received the following gracious acknowledgement:—

'Dear Mr. Limpus,—I am desired by the Princess Elizabeth to express to you Her Royal Highness' most sincere thanks for your very kind letter, which the Princess was most interested to read, and hear of the ringing of the bells. Her Royal Highness was most touched by this, and I am once again to express to you their Royal Highness' most sincere thanks for your very kind thought in writing.—Yours truly, Margaret Reynolds, Lady-in-Waiting.'

## KIDDERMINSTER MEMORIAL WINDOW

Ringers from four associations joined together at the Church of St. Mary and All Saints, Kidderminster, on January 19th, to ring a half-muffled peal as a token of respect to the men of Kidderminster who fell during the war. After the peal a memorial service was held, and a window, donated by Mr. G. S. Chadwick as a memorial to his only son, Ian Ross Chadwick, killed in the war, was unveiled.

The four associations represented were the Chester Guild, Lancashire Association, St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, and Worcestershire and Districts Association. The band's thanks are due to Mr. K. Salter and Mr. Chadwick for making the necessary arrangements.

## Southwell Guild

The newly formed Newark Branch held its first annual meeting at Sutton-on-Trent on January 24th, when about 60 per cent. of members attended. Mr. A. Chilton was elected Ringing Master for the ensuing year.

The secretary's report showed that membership numbered 42, and that two peals of Rob Minor and one each of Cambridge and Bristol Surprise Major had been rung. There is plenty of scope for pioneering work in this widely scattered agricultural district, and the aim is to train as many recruits and get as many towers on their feet as possible during the coming year.

The district suffers through lack of higher numbers of bells, there being but two eights (one of which is rather a curiosity) and a ten upon which opinions differ!

A very healthy spirit prevails in the area, and by the end of another year it is expected that progress will have been made in all directions. The newly born infant will have cut its teeth!

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN.

Despite very bad weather, a successful meeting, attended by 30 members, was held at Brentford on January 17th, a special welcome being accorded to Miss N. Williams, of Bath, and Lieut. J. D. Richards, R.N., after service in the Far East.

At the business meeting, Mr. W. H. Coles (vice-president) was in the chair, and elections or confirmations were: Mr. Squire Croft (Richmond), non-resident life member; Miss Beryl J. Denton and Miss F. Hopwood (Isleworth), ringing members.

The Vicar (the Rev. R. M. Pitt) conducted a short service, and tea was kindly provided by the church authorities.

## STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

A quarterly meeting was held at St. Leonard's Church, Bilston, on January 24th. The bells were set going soon after 3 p.m., and at 4.45 a short service was held in church, with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. J. C. Ayling. Tea was provided at the Parish Hall, kindly provided by the Vicar. Three new members were enrolled: W. Reynolds (All Saints', West Bromwich), J. N. Linden (Birmingham) and D. J. Charnley (Isleworth, Middlesex). A vote of thanks to the Vicar for his address and hospitality was passed.

## GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

The Mid-Devon Branch has just concluded another successful year's working. Several meetings were held during 1947, and despite somewhat heavier expenditure, the finances increased. A permanent memorial was erected to Mr. C. R. Walker.

The holding of weekly practices in the Newton Abbot area had been of considerable benefit to the less experienced members. Practices were resumed again on January 7th after the Christmas holidays, when some good touches of Grandsire Doubles with 4-6-8 covering, Plain Bob Minor and a couple of courses of Grandsire Triples were rung. The branch is indebted to the church authorities at Highweek for the use of their bells, and to Mr. J. E. Lilley, of Newton Abbot, for his work as instructor.

## SOUTH-WEST BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the South-West Branch at Plymouth, Emmanuel, on January 17th, was a great success—ringing in Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman and Kent, a service conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. N. B. Chapman) and a magnificent tea.

The branch chairman (the Rev. H. B. Bennett) presided at the business meeting, supported by Mr. G. H. Myers (vice-president) and Mr. F. C. Smale (Guild secretary), the attendance numbering over 50. The retiring officers and General Committee were re-elected and the next meeting fixed for April 3rd at Plympton St. Mary (if permission is granted).

## QUARTER PEALS

**BATTERSEA, LONDON.**—On Jan. 11th, at St. Mary's, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Hart 1, F. Bush 2, E. Copley 3, B. Smith 4, R. Stallibrass 5, E. Dodds 6, R. Hart (conductor) 7, R. Randell (first quarter) 8.

**BURTON-ON-TRENT.**—On Jan. 11th at St. Paul's a quarter-peal Grandsire Caters: P. Foster (first quarter) 1, D. Roden 2, N. Brain 3, H. Harrison 4, W. J. Leach 5, G. Harrison 6, B. C. Key (cond.) 7, E. J. White 8, G. L. Roden 9, L. Chamberlain 10. First quarter 'inside' for 2, 4 and 8.

**CHIPPING NORTON, OXON.**—On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. F. Cook 1, J. Kevte 2, Miss P. Francis (first inside) 3, I. Harris 4, R. H. Jarvis (cond.) 5, F. Perry 6, J. Jarvis 7, H. Francis 8.

**GUISELEY, YORKS.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. N. Shaw 1, J. D. Armistage 2, A. Wear 2, G. Dixon 4, H. M. Heaton 5, A. C. Walsh 6, B. D. Price (cond.) 7, W. Dixon 8. First quarter for 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

**HELLINGLY, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Bob Doubles: M. G. Collins (13) (first in method) 1, B. Stepney (first inside) 2, W. M. Stepney (12) 3, F. H. Hicks 4, G. Beeny (first in method as cond.) 5, A. Ellis 6.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,368 Bob Minor: J. P. Stocker 1, G. L. Perkins 2, G. Nicholls (first inside) 3, F. Warrington (cond.) 4, F. Nichol's 5, J. Perkins 6.

**HOLLOWAY, LONDON.**—At St. Mary Magdalene's on Jan. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: N. G. Hollingworth 1, Miss M. Prockton 2, A. H. Russell (first quarter inside) 3, A. F. Lancaster 4, R. Newman (cond.) 5, G. Charge 6, R. H. Begrie 7, H. W. Barnard 8.

**HUNTINGDON.**—On Jan. 10th, at St. Mary's, 1,344 Bob Major: C. Young 1, W. Young 2, S. Gilbert 3, P. Border 4, W. Seekings 5, F. W. Lack 6, H. Fields 7, F. Warrington (cond.) 8. First quarter Major 1, 2 and 3.

**KENWYN, TRURO, CORNWALL.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Harper 1, Miss Ruth Arthur 2, Miss Mary Matthews 3, A. F. Burley 4, A. Carveth (cond.) 5, D. Cavill 6. First quarter of Doubles by all.

**LAMBETH, LONDON.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. A. F. Dunn (first quarter) 1, T. H. Taffender 2, Miss A. M. Castle (first Grandsire inside) 3, C. A. Hughes 4, E. Furbanks 5, W. D. Grainger 6, J. Bullock (cond.) 7, C. W. Ottley 8.

**LLANTRISANT, GLAM.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Collins 1, W. Huish 2, J. Evans 3, T. Yeoman 4, Gwyn Westcott 5, R. Westcott 6, F. Rowell (cond.) 7, B. Rees 8.

**MESSINGHAM, Lincs.**—On Jan. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Parkin 1, Mavis King 2, F. Nash 3, J. W. Toyne 4, R. Travis (first as cond.) 5, J. Blackbourn 6. First quarter by a local band.

**MULBARTON, NORFOLK.**—On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (600 Plain and 660 Grandsire): M. D. Goodman (first quarter, aged 11) 1, H. Nicholls 2, Mrs. F. C. Goodman 3, F. W. Middleton 4, F. C. Goodman (cond.) 5, H. Hall 6.

**RINGWOOD, HANTS.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. Tiller 1, D. Reed 2, R. Marlow 3, R. Tiller 4, J. Hartless 5, C. Reed 6, W. Cheater (cond.) 7, C. Drayson 8. First quarter of Stedman for all except 7.

**SHIPLAKE-ON-THAMES, OXON.**—On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Povey (first quarter) 1, E. Smith 2, G. Cleave 3, D. Neate 4, N. E. Tanner (cond.) 5, W. Wicks 6, J. W. Cook 7, J. Smith 8.

**SELY OAK, BIRMINGHAM.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: T. L. Elliott 1, Ed. Large 2, J. Pinfold 3, H. J. Turner 4, N. J. Goodman 5, H. W. Haslam 6, Wm. B. Cartwright (cond.) 7, F. H. Walters 8. First quarter in method by all except 2 and 7.

**TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. H. Harding 1, Mrs. F. A. Penn 2, Sgt. F. P. Wright (first in method) 3, R. O. Fry 4, F. A. Penn 5, H. Marsh 6, C. F. Andrews (cond.) 7, S. Francis 8.



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## BIRTH

PERCY.—On Feb. 1st, 1948, at the Connaught Nursing Home, Eastbourne, to Betty (nee Rayfield), wife of Robert Percy, the gift of a daughter (Janet May). 3047

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## MEETINGS

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—By-meeting, Sellindge (6), Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. 2962

LADIES' GUILD.—Central District.—Meeting, St. Mary Magdalene's, Holloway, Feb. 7th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5.—E. E. Davis, District Sec. 2961

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Annual divisional meeting, Crawley (8), Feb. 7th, 3 p.m. Tea. Names to G. T. Jennings, 5, Malthouse Road, Crawley. 2994

SWANSEA & BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—Annual branch meeting, Brecon St. Mary's (8), Feb. 7th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. 2999

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—I.W. District.—Annual meeting, Ryde, Feb. 7th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Notifications for tea to Mrs. Guy, Merriemeade, Watergate Road, Newport. 3000

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—District annual meeting, Watford (10), Saturday, Feb. 7th, 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. For tea at St. Mary's Hall 5.30 p.m. please advise S. Hoare, 56, Acme Road, Watford. 2985

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford Branch.—Hereford, Feb. 7th. Service, Cathedral, 4.30. Tea Garrick Hotel, 5.30. 2992

CUMBERLAND AND N.W. ASSOCIATION, W.B.—Annual meeting, Cleator Moor, St. John's (8), Feb. 7th. Bells available 2.30. Tea 4.30. Meeting 5.30. 3003

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, Feb. 7th, Southwark. Ringing, St. Mary's, Lambeth (8), 2.45 to 4 p.m.; Cathedral (12), 4.15 to 5 p.m. Service 5. Tea, business and handbell contest, 5.45, in Chapter House. Ringing at Cathedral in evening. Names for tea early, please.—H. W. Rogers, 14, The Grove, Isleworth. 2980

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—Meeting, Shrivensham, Feb. 7th. Bells (6), 2.30. Service 4.30.—R. F. J. Gilling, Fernham, Faringdon. 3005

OXFORD GUILD.—Newbury Branch.—Speen (6), Feb. 7th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Shaw tower (6) after tea. Hungerford bus, Newbury Wharf, 3; Speen turning 3.8.—S. Davis, Bucklebury Village, Reading. 3006

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Meeting, Poolstock, Feb. 7th. Bells (8) ready 2.30. Service and tea. Rounds to London. 3015

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—North Forest Branch.—Meeting, Westbury-on-Severn (6), Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Notify by Feb. 10th.—A. J. Gibson, Byeways, Westbury-on-Severn, Glos. 2956

LADIES' GUILD.—Southern District.—Ewhurst, Feb. 14th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea, Bull's Head. Numbers by Feb. 10th to Miss W. A. Oliver, 36, North Place, Guildford. 3009

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Bury St. Edmunds District.—Annual general district meeting, Ixworth, Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Good tea for those who notify Mrs. Meek, The Rectory, Ixworth, by Feb. 11th.—A. Gilling, Dis. Sec., Horringer. 2987

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—General meeting Loughborough, Feb. 14th. Ringing 2.30, Parish Church and Bell Foundry. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting, Fearon Hall, 5. Names by Feb. 10th to Mr. J. H. Grundy, Limehurst, Bridge Street, Loughborough. 2995

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Annual general meeting, Feb. 14th, at St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Bells 3 p.m. Service 5.15. Names for tea must reach me by Feb. 9th.—G. W. Steere, Hon. Sec., 46, Milton Avenue, Sutton, Surrey. 3004

BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Wentworth, Saturday, Feb. 14th, 2.30 p.m. Those requiring tea must notify Mr. G. West, 25, The Square, Wentworth, near Rotherham, not later than Feb. 10th.—D. Smith, Hon. Sec., 28, Chapel Street, Shafton, near Barnsley. 3022

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield Branch.—Monthly meeting, Old Brampton, Feb. 14th. Bells from 2.30. Names for tea to G. C. Briggs, 32, Franklyn Drive, Staveley. 3023

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—South Marston (6), Feb. 14th. Cups of tea provided.—W. B. Kyriaston, 37, Vicarage Road, Rodbourne Cheney, Swindon. 3021

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coventry and Nuneaton Districts.—Joint meeting, Bulkington Feb. 14th. Names for tea to Mr. L. J. Hinde, 15, Church Street, Bulkington, near Nuneaton, by Thursday previous. 3014

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Next meeting will be at All Saints', Hamer, on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Names for tea to Mr. A. Smith, 9, Grasmere Street, Rochdale, for Wednesday, Feb. 11th.—I. Kay, Sec. 3016

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—Annual meeting at Darley Dale (8), Feb. 14th, 3 p.m. Bring own food.—H. E. Taylor, Darley Dale. 3034

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting, All Saints', North Ferryby (6), Feb. 14th, 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea (3s.) Duke of Cumberland Hotel for all who notify by first post Feb. 12th, Albert Seiders, 3, Elwell Avenue, Beverley. 2993

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Southill on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Tea at 5.—C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy. 3026

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Ilkeston District.—Monthly meeting, Spondon, Feb. 14th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to J. Bailey, 89, Nottingham Road, Spondon, by Feb. 10th. 3038

OXFORD GUILD.—Reading Branch.—Annual meeting at Titchurst, Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. and after meeting till 9 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea, 1s. 6d. per head, at 5, followed by meeting. Names to me by the 9th.—E. G. Foster, Hon. Sec. 3027

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.—Tonbridge (8), Feb. 14th, 3. Tea 5, Carlton Cafe. Committee will meet after. Names to Mr. H. Trummer, 2, Mill Crescent, Tonbridge.—C. A. Bassett. 3036

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coventry and Nuneaton Districts.—Combined monthly meeting at Bulkington, Feb. 14th. Names for tea Mr. L. J. Hind, 15, Church Street, Bulkington, by the 12th certain.—L. Trevor, District Sec. 3037

SOUTHWELL GUILD.—North Notts annual meeting, Saturday, Feb. 14th, East Retford (10), West Retford (6) and Ordsall (6). Tea at 5 p.m. in Ebsworth Hall for those who notify O. Street, 61, Cobwell Road, Retford, by Feb. 11th.—H. Denman. 3033

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Tewkesbury Branch.—Meeting, Tewkesbury Abbey, Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells (12) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.30. Notify for tea by 10th.—T. E. Newbury, Hon. Sec. 3032

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Annual meeting, Saturday, Feb. 14th, Good Shepherd, Brighton. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Notifications by 11th to Mrs. Hairs, The Oaks, Theobalds Road, Burgess Hill. Phone 3293. 3031

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Darlington, Feb. 14th, 2.30 p.m. Names for tea by Feb. 11th.—J. T. Titt, 54, Newlands Road, Darlington. 3029

LANCASHIRE AND CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATIONS.—Furness and Lake District and West Cumberland Branches.—Combined practice meeting will be held at Millom on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells (6) available at 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. Ullock, 23, Wellington Street, Millom, Cumberland.—N. M. Newby, Miss M. Johnson, Branch Secs. 3043

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Emmanuel Church, West Derby Road, Liverpool, on Saturday, Feb. 14th. The tower will be open at 2.30. Service at 5, followed by tea and meeting. Will those intending to be present kindly notify Mr. E. Radcliffe, 8, Radnor Place, Tuebrook, Liverpool.—G. R. Newton, Branch Sec. 3042

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.—Ringing meeting at the Cathedral Church, Birmingham, on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells (10) available from 3.30 p.m.—T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec. 3040

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Chorley Parish Church, Feb. 14th, 2.30 p.m. Cafes nearby.—L. Walmisley, 5, School Lane, Leyland. 3044



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**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**— Maidstone District.—Yalding (6), Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names to Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Kimmeridge, Ditton, Kent. 3045

**RINGERS' 'AT HOME'** and service at St. Anne's, Stamford Hill, on Sunday, Feb. 15th. Ringing 5 to 6.30 p.m. followed by special ringers' Evensong. Ringing after service. We need your support. Will tower secretaries please note and send representatives?—Ernest J. Rowe, Hon. Sec. 2989

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Annual meeting, Chichester, Feb. 21st, 2.30. Service and tea. Names (by 19th) to E. Treagus, 78, Kyoto Court, Bognor Regis. 3028

**GUILDFORD GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Annual meeting, Guildford, Saturday, Feb. 21st. Service 4.30. S. Nicolas'. Tea at the Prince of Wales Hotel, limited to the first 70 names received by A. C. Hazelden, 109, Grange Road, Guildford. 3020

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—Meeting, Widford (8), Saturday, Feb. 21st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Numbers for tea to A. H. Everett, Rose Cottage, Boreham. 3018

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—South and West District.—Annual district meeting, Heston, Feb. 21st. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Committee meeting 4 p.m. Tea, Church Hall, 5 p.m., followed by annual meeting. Names for tea to Mr. H. C. Chandler, 44, New Heston Road, Hounslow, by Feb. 19th.—J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., 1, Listoke, Edgehill Road, W.13. Perivale 5320. 2997

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary notice, annual, Wells, Easter Monday. Service 12 noon. Lunch 1 p.m., 4s. 6d. per head. Names essential early. It is hoped to arrange ample ringing facilities in Wells and district.—J. T. Dyke, Hon. Gen. Sec., Chilcompton, Bath. 3035

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.**—The 60th annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will take place on Saturday, March 6th, at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham. Dinner 6.30 p.m. prompt. Tickets to fully paid up ringing members 4s. each, to other members and friends 8s. 6d. each. Early application essential, with remittance, to T. H. Reeves, hon. sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham, 11. 3041

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