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A SADLY NEGLECTED COMPOSITION

Merits of J. J. Parker's Famous One-Part

By W. BIRMINGHAM

THERE is a natural tendency for the productions of a composer to be revered by the ringers of his locality as long as his memory remains green; thus peals by J. J. Parker (of Twelve-part fame), of Farnham Royal, near Slough, are likely to appear in South Bucks for some time to come. 'Old Joe,' as he was affectionately known, is always associated with peals of Triples, as Major ringing was not the vogue in his day. He has, however, one or two first-class Major compositions which would probably be rung if conductors knew of them: but he admitted that his interest was centred on Triples.

Recently the schoolteachers' peal at Hughenden gave his famous One-part peal of Grandsire Triples an airing, with a resultant inquiry from a Midlands ringer as to its calling. The writer has long wondered why conductors invariably choose Holt's 'Original' in preference to Parker's One-part when they elect to call a one-part peal of Grandsire. No one would suggest there is little merit in calling Holt's peal, but one is surprised that Parker's much easier composition is virtually ignored. Probably few have studied the peal and therefore ringers have no idea of its virtues. We hope that, by acquainting ringers with some details of the peal many average Grandsire conductors will try their hand at calling it.

Undoubtedly the chief merit of Parker's One-part is its simplicity. W. H. Thompson established that there must be a minimum of 90 calls in a peal of Grandsire Triples, and that singles are inevitable. In Parker's peal this minimum was achieved, and the writer knows of no other similar success in Grandsire Triples. Having the minimum of calls there is, of course, much less to memorise than in Holt's peal. This also means that calls are far apart, giving the conductor ample time to recapitulate. The bells likewise remain coursing in a given order for whole courses, making the correction of trips much easier. Though some would disagree with this contention, the writer feels that the One-part is the ideal peal for a youngster tackling his first peal of Grandsire 'inside' as, for long spells, he rings complete courses and can fasten on to his course-bell.

In the 'Original' the last four leads are S — — S, whilst in Parker's peal the singled-in B-block sets it going, whence no further singles are encountered. One has heard of the ease with which an unscrupulous conductor could force

up the Plain Course in Holt's Original which occurs about 700 changes from the end. A falsification of that nature is avoided in the One-part as the last four leads of the Plain Course occur at the end of the peal, and it would be instantly detected.

Another great virtue of the peal is that it is impossible to go far if there is a 'shift-course.' A conductor not very adept at reading lead-ends need never worry about going on with the bells 'wrong.' If a 'shift-course' has occurred it isn't long before the bell one wishes to call 'Before' is found to be 'in the hunt,' and one can go no further! The peal is, of course, called by the bells 'Before.' The writer for years shrank from this method of calling until he was unexpectedly called upon at a moment's notice to take charge of a 'quarter' of Grandsire Triples. Knowing the well-known 'quarter' by Rev. E. W. Carpenter (see p. 19 of the 'Ringers' Diary, 1957'), which is called by the bells 'Before,' he diffidently undertook the task thrust upon him. Its successful conclusion brought new heart, and the desire one day to call 'Old Joe's' peal. Let no young ringer, therefore, be deterred by the fear of gremlins wrecking his attempt to call by the bells 'Before.'

The qualities mentioned make this an excellent composition for a non-conducted peal. The writer recently participated in an attempt which lasted for 2½ hours, when one word (Bob) would have saved the peal.

The peal, by the nature of its figures, can be conveniently arranged in four parts. The marked similarity of certain parts makes learning easy. Only three 'Doubles' (except in the four opening leads) occur throughout the peal, so they are memorised as such. Thus, except for three leads, there are always at least two leads in which to recapitulate, and generally five. The whole peal can be recited in 20 seconds! Each 'quarter' is read downwards, and the lead-end produced is given below (in case the conductor would like to make an occasional check). It will be noted that the Plain Lead following the lead-end at the end of the third 'quarter' is easier to memorise.

S — — S

3	4	5	3 — (4)2
4	4	5	2 — 7
5 — 6	2 — 7	5 — 6	2 — 7
(5)2	5	2	2
5	4	(2)2	4
3 — 7	3 — 6	3 — 6	3 — 7
5 — 2	4 — 2	4 — 6	5 — 2
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TWELVE BELL PEAL

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Tues., Oct. 1, 1957, in 3 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 36 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in C.

STELLA HUGHES Treble	NORMAN J. GOODMAN 7
JOAN BERESFORD 2	JOHN PINFOLD 8
FRANK E. HAYNES 3	STEPHEN IVIN 9
JACK L. MILLHOUSE 4	PETER BORDER 10
BRYAN PATTISON 5	FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. 11
GEORGE E. FEARN 6	WILFRED WILLIAMS Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

TEN BELL PEALS

KETTERING, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

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

On Mon., Sept. 30, 1957, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in D.

STEPHEN IVIN Treble	JOHN PINFOLD 6
DIANA J. PERRINS 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 7
JOAN BERESFORD 3	GEORGE E. FEARN 8
CLIFFORD SKIDMORE .. 4	PETER BORDER 9
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 5	WILFRED WILLIAMS Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Oct. 4, 1957, in 3 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

HENRY H. FEARN Treble	CLIFFORD SKIDMORE 6
JOAN BERESFORD 2	BRYAN D. A. WOOLLEY .. 7
MRS. PHYLLIS POOLE .. 3	JOHN PINFOLD 8
DIANA J. PERRINS 4	FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. 9
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 5	GEORGE E. FEARN Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

NORTON-LE-MOORS, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 28, 1957, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

FRANK TRINER Treble	JAMES WALLEY 5
ANNETTE M. GRATTON .. 2	DAVID JACK 6
LESLIE SHENTON 3	OWEN WILLIAMS 7
ALBAN J. JACK 4	CHARLES S. RYLES Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by CHARLES S. RYLES.

Rung as a welcome to the new rector, the Rev. William O. A. Passmore, M.A., and also a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Annette Gratton.

STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 28, 1957, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*DEREK FOWLES Treble	STEWART F. KIMBER 5
J. DESMOND PAINTER .. 2	HUGH NEILL 6
FREDERICK A. FINCH .. 3	WILLIAM T. COOK 7
R. JAMES COOK 4	FRANK C. PRICE Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by WILLIAM T. COOK.

* First peal of Major. First of Surprise Major as conductor.

WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 28, 1957, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt.

ALAN F. THIRST Treble	ALICK CUTLER 5
ROBIN G. LEALE 2	PHILIP MEHEW 6
*ALAN J. FROST 3	MICHAEL P. MORFON .. 7
*PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. 4	WILFRED WILLIAMS Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

* First peal in the method 'inside.'

BRETTFORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Oct. 2, 1957, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

JOHN PINFOLD Treble	JACK L. MILLHOUSE 5
JOAN BERESFORD 2	*HENRY H. FEARN 6
DIANA J. PERRINS 3	GEORGE E. FEARN 7
CLIFFORD SKIDMORE .. 4	FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

SALFORD PRIORS, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Oct. 2, 1957, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW.

A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 14 lb. in F sharp.

FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. Treble	GERALD C. HEMMING .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD 2	STEPHEN IVIN 6
CLIFFORD SKIDMORE .. 3	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 7
GEORGE E. FEARN 4	JACK L. MILLHOUSE Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Oct. 3, 1957, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb.

EILEEN FEARN Treble	LESLIE BOUMPREY 5
SHIRLEY HARRIS 2	BRIAN HARRIS 6
ROBERT SMITH 3	BASIL JONES 7
JAMES FERNLEY 4	PETER LAFLIN Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by JAMES FERNLEY.

First peal for ringer of the treble.

PENN, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thurs., Oct. 3, 1957, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lb. in A.

CLIFFORD SKIDMORE .. Treble	HENRY H. FEARN 5
JOHN PINFOLD 2	GEORGE E. FEARN 6
JOAN BERESFORD 3	FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. 7
DIANA J. PERRINS 4	JACK L. MILLHOUSE Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Fri., Oct. 4, 1957, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. in F sharp.

DIANA J. PERRINS Treble	BRYAN D. A. WOOLLEY .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD 2	JACK L. MILLHOUSE 6
JOHN PINFOLD 3	GEORGE E. FEARN 7
CLIFFORD SKIDMORE .. 4	FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

MANCHESTER, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1957, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME.

A PEAL OF 5040 ASHBOURNE COLLEGE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb.

DEREK TAYLOR Treble	TREVOR TAYLOR 5
JOAN CORDWELL 2	ROGER LEIGH 6
HAROLD LONYON 3	DEREK OGDEN 7
GEOFFREY D. FEARNEHOUGH 4	ALAN WARD Tenor

Composed by HORACE HOWLETT.

Conducted by ALAN WARD.

First peal in the method by all the hand, on the bells, and for the Lancashire Association.

Rung to mark the centenary of Edwin Burroughs, born 25th August, 1857, a ringer and member of Birch-in-Rusholme. Also as a 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of the fourth, and a birthday compliment to the conductor.

OAKHAM, RUTLAND. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1957, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt.			
DONALD G. CLIFT Treble	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. . 5		
DOREEN DUTTON .. . 2	S. ANTHONY JESSON .. . 6		
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. 3	DEREK P. JONES .. . 7		
WILLIAM T. COOK .. . 4	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. . Tenor		

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

RINGWOOD, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1957, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In five methods, comprising 1,056 Cambridge, 1,024 each of Yorkshire, Pudsey and Lincolnshire, and 960 of Superlative, with 126 changes of method and all the work of the five methods for each bell.

Tenor 18½ cwt.			
*LEWIS F. COBB Treble	JOHN HARTLESS .. . 5		
MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY .. 2	WILLIAM E. CHEATER .. 6		
*†DOROTHY T. GARDINER .. 3	FRANK L. HARRIS .. . 7		
MICHAEL J. BEST .. . 4	RONALD N. MARLOW .. . Tenor		

Arranged by E. A. BARNETT

* First peal of Spliced. First peal of five Spliced by the remainder of the band. † 50th tower-bell peal.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Hartless, on the birth of a son.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1957, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb. in E flat.			
BASIL JONES Treble	C. KENNETH LEWIS .. . 5		
EDWARD JENKINS .. . 2	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. . 6		
PETER LAFLIN .. . 3	BRIAN HARRIS .. . 7		
JOHN WORTH .. . 4	JOSEPH W. WHITTAKER .. Tenor		

Composed and Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

BEDFORD.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Oct. 7, 1957, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 29 cwt.			
ROBERT L. PIRON Treble	PHILIP MEHEW .. . 5		
BRYAN S. COPE .. . 2	DENNIS KNOX .. . 6		
RONALD J. SHARP .. . 3	C. EDWARD JEFFRIES .. 7		
ANDREW C. SINFIELD .. 4	STEPHEN IVIN .. . Tenor		

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. Edward Jeffries on their 16th wedding anniversary.

GATESHEAD, COUNTY DURHAM.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Oct. 7, 1957, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt.			
*ROBERT F. TELFORD .. Treble	*THOMAS SEWELL .. . 5		
CAROL HALL .. . 2	GEORGE S. DEAS .. . 6		
MARION S. CAPEY .. . 3	KENNETH ARTHUR .. . 7		
CHARLES MCGUINNESS .. 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. Tenor		

Composed by JAMES TOPP.

* First peal in the method. The conductor has now 'circled the tower.'

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Oct. 8, 1957, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt.			
ROSEMARY PARKINSON .. Treble	PHILIP DUNDERDALE .. 5		
ARTHUR TOMLINSON .. . 2	ROGER LEIGH .. . 6		
GEOFFREY S. MILLS .. . 3	NORMAN SMITH .. . 7		
*GEOFFREY CHEETHAM .. 4	PHILIP J. H. HUDSON .. Tenor		

Composed by GEORGE W. DEBENHAM. Conducted by NORMAN SMITH.

* First peal in the method.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Oct. 9, 1957, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

A PEAL OF 5024 BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in C.			
*G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Treble	*CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. . 5		
BRIAN G. WARWICK .. . 2	JOHN A. ACRES .. . 6		
*MRS. PHYLLIS POOLE .. 3	ERNEST J. JELLEY .. . 7		
*ARTHUR E. ROWLEY .. . 4	BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. . Tenor		

Composed by ERNEST W. TIPLER (No. 26).

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

* First peal in the method.

ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Oct. 9, 1957, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENYS,

A PEAL OF 5056 SOUTHWELL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt. 23 lb. in D.			
*BERNARD V. COLLISON .. Treble	*STANLEY G. PONTING .. 5		
*COLIN A. TESTER .. . 2	*W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 6		
*†ERNEST J. LADD .. . 3	*FRANK H. HICKS .. . 7		
*WILLIAM ROGERS .. . 4	*ARTHUR J. HART .. . Tenor		

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

* First peal in this variation. † 275th peal. ‡ First peal of Surprise Major 'inside.' The conductor has 'completed the circle' for the fourth time.

Specially arranged and rung for the Patronal Festival.

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Oct. 10, 1957, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EBBE.

A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.			
CYRIL H. KINCH Treble	PHILIP WALKER .. . 5		
EDGAR J. SMITH .. . 2	CHARLES COLES .. . 6		
DONALD H. NIBLETT .. . 3	*ROBERT A. REEVES .. . 7		
*CHRISTINE M. WOODWARD .. 4	ALAN R. PINK .. . Tenor		

Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN. Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

* First peal in the method. † First peal of Surprise.

BURNHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1957, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in F. sharp.			
GEORGE GILBERT Treble	GEORGE COUSSINS .. . 5		
*FRED A. GREAVES .. . 2	HOWARD OGLESBY .. . 6		
MARY R. JAYCOCK .. . 3	GORDON W. LIMMER .. . 7		
MICHAEL GATHERCOLE .. 4	NORMAN V. HARDING .. Tenor		

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by NORMAN V. HARDING.

* First peal of Major 'inside.'



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THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1957, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation of Middleton's. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.
MARGARET E. L. BEAMISH Treble JAMES DRAYCOTT .. 5
FRANK W. PERRENS .. 2 DAVID A. CARPENTER .. 6
PERCY STONE .. 3 JAMES F. CLARKE .. 7
DOROTHY E. BEAMISH .. 4 L. MICHAEL CALLOW .. Tenor

Conducted by MARGARET E. L. BEAMISH.

Rung on the occasion of the Guild's jubilee dinner.

ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE LADIES' GUILD

AND

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1957, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. in G.

JOYCE DODDS .. Treble GLADYS MANCHIP .. 5
MARY ANDREWS .. 2 FRANCES M. WELCH .. 6
AUDREY M. BAILEY .. 3 CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 7
PATRICIA DOORN .. 4 KATHLEEN M. LOCK .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY.

First peal by a band of ladies resident in the county of Hertfordshire.

FAREHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1957, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt.

*MARION NOBES .. Treble HAROLD A. NOBES .. 5
RENEE STURGESS .. 2 ALAN H. STURGESS .. 6
JOHN A. BALL .. 3 FREDERICK W. BURNETT .. 7
†DAVID S. M. JONES .. 4 E. KEITH JORDAN .. Tenor

Composed by G. WILLIAMS. Conducted by FREDERICK W. BURNETT.

* First peal. † First peal of Major.

KIRTON-IN-HOLLAND, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1957, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

J. W. Washbrook's variation of Thurstans' Four-part.

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

NORA M. BIBBY .. Treble FRANK G. BLOOMFIELD .. 5
MRS. F. G. BLOOMFIELD .. 2 GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 6
A. HAROLD WORBOYS .. 3 JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 7
STANLEY E. BENNETT .. 4 JOHN WALDEN .. Tenor

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1957, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5072 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

GORDON J. BLOWER .. Treble *ROY D. TOMLIN .. 5
GERALD D. J. SANDWELL .. 2 MARK F. HATCH .. 6
A. HAROLD WORBOYS .. 3 LAWRENCE J. BEAL .. 7
FRANK C. MAY .. 4 ALFRED J. HOUSE .. Tenor

Composed by G. W. SLACK. Conducted by A. J. HOUSE.

* First peal in the method. A 36-course composition with 4-5-6 only in 5-6 at course ends.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1957, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THÉ-VIRGIN AND THOMAS-A-BECKET,

A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. in D.

WILFRID SAUNDERS .. Treble ALBERT C. HARRISON .. 5
THOMAS SIMMONS .. 2 FRANK C. J. ARNOLD .. 6
FRANK C. W. PHILLIPPO .. 3 LEWIS E. ETHERIDGE .. 7
CHARLES CATCHPOLE .. 4 WILLIAM J. FLATT .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM J. FLATT.

Rung by the South Norfolk Branch on the occasion of the 850th anniversary of the Church. Also the 28th anniversary of the wedding of the ringer of the fifth.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

BRANSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Sept. 24, 1957, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

*JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. Treble JOHN F. PEARSON .. 4
†JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 2 *LOUIS WILLIERS .. 5
WILLIAM R. PARKER .. 3 GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. Tenor

Composed by H. L. JONES.

Conducted by GEOFFREY R. PARKER.

* 25th peal together. † First peal of London Minor. First peal in the method on the bells.

MELDRETH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Sept. 26, 1957, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 12 cwt.

CHRIS. M. P. JOHNSON .. Treble EUSTACE W. BULLMAN .. 4
*JOHN SIBSON .. 2 JOHN G. GIPSON .. 5
DEREK E. SIBSON .. 3 WILLIAM J. RIDGMAN .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. RIDGMAN.

* First peal.

STAGSDEN, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 28, 1957, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Comprising three extents of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb.

*BRUCE GRAINGER .. Treble JOHN B. LONG .. 4
JENNIFER M. DAVIES .. 2 PETER SHIPTON .. 5
ANNE E. AMOR .. 3 STEPHEN IVIN .. Tenor

Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

* First peal.

HARTFORD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1957, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 12 cwt.

MARRY W. HOWARD .. Treble ERIC HORNBY .. 4
*JAMES STEADMAN .. 2 REGINALD W. WORRALL .. 5
DAVID A. GODFREY .. 3 HENRY PARKER .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY PARKER.

* First peal. H. W. Howard has 'completed the circle.'

Rung for the Harvest Festival.

HITCHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1957, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

An extent each of Double Oxford Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's College, Single Oxford Bob, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 11 lb. in B flat.

ALLEN D. RIVERS .. Treble *HOWARD OGLESBY .. 4
GORDON W. LIMMER .. 2 WILLIAM BUTLER .. 5
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 3 GEORGE GILBERT .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BUTLER.

* First peal in seven Minor methods.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Audrey and William Butler.

LAMAS, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Oct. 6, 1957, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 21 six-scores of Grandsire and 21 six-scores of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

*PEGGY WILLIAMSON .. Treble HERBERT G. SMITHSON .. 3
WALTER C. MEDLER .. 2 D. E. RUST ANDREWS .. 4

WILLIAM R. CATCHPOLE .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM R. CATCHPOLE.

* First peal in two methods.

Rung for the Harvest Festival.

LITTLE CHART, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1957, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being one Pitman's 240, three Morris' 240's, and 22 extents of Grand-sire (eight callings) and 12 extents of Plain Bob (four callings).

Tenor 6½ cwt.

*ELIZABETH ROGERS Treble	†CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. 4
†PEGGY SKINNER 2	†JOHN R. COOPER .. 5
JOSEPH J. BATCHELOR .. 3	*IRIS E. BURFORD Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. COOPER.

* First peal. † First peal of Doubles and first 'inside.' ‡ First peal of Doubles. The first peal of Doubles on the bells.

Rung to mark the first anniversary of the consecration of the Church.

LITTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1957, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 11 cwt.

*GILLIAN PERRY Treble	*WILLIAM HOWLETT 4
PERCY BRAY 2	ERNEST E. BRAY 5
W. JOHN PHIPPEN 3	FREDERICK H. ANDREWS .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST E. BRAY.

* First peal.

MOUNTSORREL, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1957, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt.

B. STEDMAN PAYNE Treble	ROBERT S. G. HANDFORD .. 4
ERNEST MORRIS 2	ROYSTON WILMORE 5
DEREK SAWYER 3	GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY M. BREWIN.

Rung to mark the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. Martin, of Birstall, grandparents of the conductor.

POLESWORTH, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 5, 1957, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDITHA,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

RODNEY RICHARDSON .. Treble	GRAHAM T. BALL 4
*PATRICIA HARPER 2	*HARRY HARPER 5
JOAN BERESFORD 3	LEONARD TREVOR Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD TREVOR.

* First peal.

ASHILL, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Oct. 6, 1957, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven 720's. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

ROY OWEN Treble	TONY OWEN 4
SAMUEL H. WATERFIELD .. 2	H. JOHN LARWOOD 5
ALBERT E. DIXON 3	JOHN E. COUZENS Tenor

Conducted by TONY OWEN.

EUSTON, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Wed., Oct. 9, 1957, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GENEVIEVE,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 9 cwt.

*HENRY IVINGS Treble	ARTHUR W. ROLFE 3
†JOE PETTITT 2	KENNETH G. BROWN .. 4

DOUGLAS H. ROOKE .. Tenor

Conducted by KENNETH G. BROWN.

* First peal on a working bell. † First peal 'inside.' Believed to be the first peal on the bells.

WROUGHTON, WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Oct. 9, 1957, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST AND HELEN,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 19 cwt. in E flat.

*PETER PERKINS Treble	ROBIN MARCH 4
PETER J. SHIPTON 2	JAMES C. TAYLOR 5
RAYMOND G. SMITH .. 3	JOE E. G. ROAST Tenor

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

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

Rung by an all-R.A.F. band.

COWLEY, OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Oct. 10, 1957, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 40 extents (ten callings) and one 240. Tenor 5 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

*MRS. W. F. HOLLOWAY .. Treble	CECIL BENNETT 4
WALTER F. HOLLOWAY .. 2	*DAVID NORRIS 5
MRS. L. H. BUSBY 3	WALTER FERN Tenor

Conducted by WALTER F. HOLLOWAY.

* First peal.

Rung as a tribute to Lord Nuffield on his 80th birthday, on behalf of the parish of Cowley.

WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Thurs., Oct. 10, 1957, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 1,440 each of Double Oxford and Plain Bob, and 720 each of St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt. 6 lb.

*MICHAEL J. STOKES .. Treble	EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. 4
C. JACK GIBSON 2	†TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. 5
PETER S. BEDFORD 3	JOHN W. BLYTHE Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. BLYTHE.

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

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1957, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-A-BECKET,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In four methods, being 1,440 Plain Bob, 1,320 each of St. Simon's Bob and St. Martin's Bob, and 960 Grandsire (two 240's and four extents), rung alternately, with 25 changes of method.

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

*JOHN R. KENNETT Treble	FRANK OSBALDISTON .. 3
BERNARD GROVES 2	WILLIAM H. DOWSE .. 4
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor	

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

* First peal of Doubles and in four methods.

FRYERNING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1957, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*IAN R. PANTON Treble	DAVID HODGSON 4
BRIAN J. HOWARD 2	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 5
ERNEST E. S. JOHNSON .. 3	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE.

* First peal.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. William Mellor, who was inducted as Rector of this parish on Wednesday, October 9th, 1957.

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

On Sat., Oct. 12, 1957, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Double Oxford, and two extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt.

GLYN F. JENKINS Treble	DERMOT J. ROAF 4
*RICHARD A. JACKSON .. 2	ROBIN A. HODGSON 5
ROBIN N. PITTMAN 3	DONALD H. NIBLETT .. Tenor

Conducted by DONALD H. NIBLETT.

* First peal in six Minor methods 'inside.'

HANDBELL PEAL

FALLOWFIELD, MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Sept. 29, 1957, in 2 Hours,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

*GEOFFREY TAYLOR .. 1-2	TREVOR TAYLOR 3-4
DEREK TAYLOR 5-6	

Conducted by TREVOR TAYLOR.

* First handbell peal.

QUARTER PEALS

ALVASTON, DERBYS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss L. P. Hydes 1, Miss D. A. Mosedale (first 'inside') 2, Miss B. A. Manning 3, B. R. Manning 4, D. K. Walklate (cond.) 5, D. Roberts 6. For Michaelmas.

BARKINGSIDE, ESSEX.—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Runchman (first quarter) 1, J. Attwater 2, L. Prior 3, J. Barrance 4, L. Bullock (cond.) 5, G. Lonsdale (first quarter) 6. For harvest festival.

BATH, SOMERSET.—At the Abbey, on Sept. 29th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: H. Merrett 1, W. J. Prescott (cond.) 2, Mrs. D. Evans 3, A. Read 4, H. Taylor 5, R. Stubbs 6, J. Hallett 7, J. Owen 8, T. Jones 9, W. Hurford 10. First quarter peal on the bells after rehangings. A 21st birthday compliment to T. Jones.

BEKHILL-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. Pankhurst 1, Miss A. Eldridge 2, C. Verdon 3, Miss D. Lester 4, E. Fellows (first on eight bells) 5, C. Driver 6, E. Bryant (cond.) 7, J. Carr 8. For harvest festival Evensong. First quarter peal on the bells after rehangings.

BISHOP'S CLEEVE, GLOS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Pearce 1, Miss W. Bird (first of Triples 'inside') 2, D. C. Field 3, Miss C. Eustace 4, C. A. Wratten (cond.) 5, L. Aston 6, P. Baker 7, J. W. Taylor 8. First of Triples for 3 and 8. For patronal festival.

BLACKBURN, LANCs.—At the Cathedral, on Oct. 10th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: A. Tomlinson 1, G. Wignall 2, J. Skeats 3, A. Swindhurst 4, T. Wilkinson 5, F. Heyes 6, J. Halliwell 7, H. Anderton (cond.) 8. As a compliment to the Provost (the Very Rev. Wm. Kay) on completing 21 years as Provost.

BOLTON, LANCs.—At the Church of the Saviour, on October 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Gorton 1, R. Hurst 2, D. Young 3, J. Boyle 4, A. Moss (first as cond.) 5, H. Molyneux 6. First of Grandsire Doubles for 3 and 4. For harvest festival, and as a tribute to H. Gorton, who has completed 54 years of ringing at this church, and as a farewell well to A. Moss, who is leaving to attend University.

BRISTOL.—At St. Mary's, Redcliffe, on Oct. 6th, 1,349 Grandsire Caters: J. Griffiths (first quarter) 1, F. G. Leaker 2, J. Stallard 3, M. Downs (first of Grandsire Caters) 4, E. F. Hancock, jun. 5, D. Smith 6, E. F. Hancock, sen. (cond.) 7, D. Mann 8, F. Hansford 9, S. Gillett 10. First quarter peal of Grandsire Caters by the St. Mary's, Redcliffe, Guild of Ringers. Rung after Evensong for harvest festival.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFS.—At the Church of St. Paul, on Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Painter 1, A. G. Foster 2, G. L. Roobottom 3, Mrs. B. G. Key 4, W. J. Leach 5, E. J. White 6, B. G. Key (cond.) 7, B. Dawson 8. For dedication festival.

CAMPTON, BEDS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: Vivienne M. Horton 1, Jill Mayes 2, K. Ballington (13) 3, D. P. Jones (cond.) 4, C. M. R. Orme 5. First of Stedman for 2 and 3. Rung to welcome home Michael Orme from R.A.F. service in Malaya.

CLERKENWELL, E.C.—On Oct. 6th, at St. James' Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Stanyon 1, R. Newman 2, Miss D. Deverell 3, Miss S. Sherwood 4, G. Parsons 5, W. Prockson 6, J. Euston (cond.) 7, H. Barnard 8. For Evensong.

CORSTON, SOMERSET.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Parsons (first of Triples) 1, Mrs. M. J. de Jong 2, S. G. King 3, Mrs. H. L. Parfrey (first of Triples as cond.) 4, L. R. G. Taylor 5, H. L. Parfrey 6, C. J. A. Brown 7, F. Pike (first of Triples) 8. For harvest festival Evensong.

COWBRIDGE, GLAM.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mary Burnage (first quarter) 1, T. Hutchins 2, H. Blick 3, B. Thomas 4, R. E. Col's (cond.) 5, R. Lee 6, E. Carter 7, R. Brown 8. Rung with 4, 6, 8 covering for harvest festival Evensong, also a compliment to Mr. Trevor Williams on his appointment as Mayor of Cowbridge.

CROSCOMBE, SOMERSET.—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (120 each of St. Nicholas', Reverse Canterbury, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Plain Bob and Grandsire and 540 Stedman): T. Harris 1, V. Roberts 2, M. Rose (cond.) 3, D. Lee 4, G. Salmon 5, N. Henderson (first quarter) 6.

CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mr. K. Snelling 1, G. Apps 2, R. Johnson 3, K. Snelling 4, J. Jeffery 5, J. Herbecq 6, F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, E. Brett 8. For harvest festival.

DERBY.—At St. Andrew's Church, on Sept. 24th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Miss P. J. Pearson 1, D. K. Walklate 2, W. A. Morley 3, Miss E. Foulks 4, A. R. Wright 5, G. Freebrey (cond.) 6, J. F. Murfin 7, H. Letts 8, F. R. Lowe 9, H. Bridges 10. First on 10 bells for 3, 7 and 10.

EDGBASTON, WARWICKS.—On Oct. 6th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. E. Fearn 1, M. E. Fellows 2, H. H. Fearn 3, E. Fletcher 4, S. O'C. Holloway 5, V. M. Horten 6, B. D. A. Woolley 7, R. G. Edwards (cond.) 8.

FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Limmer 1, Miss R. Lund 2, A. Birch 3, A. R. Gale 4, W. H. Eastwell 5, K. Walters 6, W. Henley (cond.) 7, B. Matthews 8. For morning service.

FULHAM, S.W.—On Sept. 29th, 1,279 Stedman Caters: H. Belcher 1, Mrs. C. Watts 2, James Phillips 3, J. Allsop 4, W. Langdon 5, B. Lunn 6, W. Cook 7, D. Randall 8, John Phillips (cond.) 9, J. Bell 10.

GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHANTS.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Hall 1, C. Webb 2, F. Hall 3, C. Hall 4, G. Atkins (cond.) 5. For harvest festival.

HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.—On Oct. 6th, 720 Spliced Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise and 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: C. J. Young 1, D. F. Murfet 2, J. R. G. Spicer 3, D. E. R. Knights 4, F. R. Nichols 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

HENBURY, BRISTOL.—On Oct. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Gray 1, Mrs. P. Gray 2, H. Lovell 3, G. Locke 4, N. Maggs (first 'inside') 5, C. Abbott 6, A. Cleaver (cond.) 7, C. Rugman 8. First quarter for 3, 4 and 6. Rung in honour of Canon E. C. Davey's induction as Vicar, September 14th.

HEREFORD.—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Oct. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. D. Wright 1, T. H. Young 2, W. A. Kitson (cond.) 3, H. Johnson 4, S. Bowyer 5, W. Adams 6. For harvest festival Evensong.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.—On Oct. 4th, 1,280 Plain Bob Minor: Mary Maddison 1, Sheila Barker 2, G. Sayer (cond.) 3, R. Loftly 4, C. Moore 5, C. Bird 6. Rung in honour of the silver wedding of the parents of Mary Maddison; also her first quarter peal.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.—On Oct. 6th, 1,280 Droitwich Surprise Major: A. Foxall 1, Mrs. A. E. Cox 2, A. Newton 3, R. Biggs 4, D. Cornwall 5, A. E. Cox 6, P. Newton 7, J. D. Kane (cond.) 8. First in the method for all. Rung by the Sunday service band.

HUNTINGDON.—At All Saints' Church, on Sept. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. A. Howes 1, Miss B. Spicer 2, J. R. G. Spicer 3, S. E. Dyer 4, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 5, A. T. Howes 6. For harvest festival morning service.

IGHTHAM, KENT.—On Sept. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: G. T. Acott 1, H. Wolley 2, B. Sutton (first 'inside' and in the method) 3, A. Wenban (cond.) 4, S. King 5, G. Miles 6. Rung as a 71st birthday compliment to Mr. F. Acott.

KINGSTONE, SOMERSET.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Monckton (first quarter) 1, F. Welsh (cond.) 2, J. Cornelius 3, T. Hill 4, G. Monckton 5, R. Hebdict 6. Rung after harvest festival Evensong, and as a compliment to W. Monckton and Miss S. A. Rider on their recent marriage.

KIRK ELLA, YORKS.—On Oct. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss N. Bond 1, R. Ducker (cond.) 2, K. Kirk 3, K. Goldthorpe 4, D. Johnson 5, I. Goldthorpe 6. First quarter for 3 and 6. For harvest festival, and also as a farewell to I. Goldthorpe on going to Jamaica with H.M. Forces.

LYTCHETT MATRAVERS, DORSET.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Doubles (360 Reverse Canterbury, 360 Grandsire and 540 Plain Bob): Miss V. Fry 1, T. Belben 2, Miss J. Maitland 3, P. Cumberland 4, L. Pink (cond.) 5, F. Laslett 6. For harvest thanksgiving Matins.

LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.—At St. John's Church, on Oct. 6th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. A. Crampion 1, J. Crampion 2, Miss V. Hester 3, L. Batley 4, H. Neill 5, R. Smith 6, C. Willmington (cond.) 7, E. Smith 8. For harvest festival.

LODERS, DORSET.—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. J. Scott 1, J. T. Barrett 2, H. R. Vine 3, H. D. Bishop (cond.) 4, J. Davis 5, H. G. Crabb 6. Rung for the 85th birthday of the father of the ringers of the tenor.

MARCH, CAMBS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob: W. Leeden 1, Mrs. K. Jennings 2, R. Taylor 3, T. A. Bevis (cond.) 4, W. Moore 5, F. S. Parsons 6. For harvest festival.

MUCH WENLOCK, SALOP.—On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Evans 1, V. Hollinshead 2, J. E. Fox (cond.) 3, H. Edge 4, L. Longlands 5, H. Perks 6, H. G. Childs 7, A. G. Mathews 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. Pennell, mother of the Vicar (the Rev. T. E. N. Pennell).

ROTHLEY, LEICS.—On Sept. 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. Stone 1, R. Handford 2, N. Bishop 3, R. A. Brewin 4, R. Wilmore 5, B. S. Payne (cond.) 6. First in the method for 1, 2 and 3.

ST. LEONARDS, SUSSEX.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: R. G. Bailey 1, Miss C. Whitfield (first of Triples) 2, Miss K. Stisted (first of Triples) 3, J. Ridd 4, S. C. Driver 5, G. S. Piner 6, E. F. P. Bryant (cond.) 7, C. Hankinson 8. First in method for all except 6.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Hook 1, G. King 2, J. H. Edwards 3, A. Hoad 4, A. Smith 5, J. Harris 6, W. H. Hoad (cond.) 7, A. B. Alcorn 8. Also 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Hook 1, F. J. Lambert 2, J. H. Edwards 3, A. Hoad 4, G. King 5, J. Harris 6, W. H. Hoad (cond.) 7, A. Smith 8. Both for harvest festival services.

SHOREDITCH, E.—At St. Leonard's Church, on Sept. 29th, 1,311 Stedman Cinques: Miss M. Prockson 1, A. R. Ling 2, Mrs. R. F. Deal 3, B. Howard 4, H. Egglestone 5, W. Prockson 6, R. Tomlin 7, A. J. Boyack 8, C. A. Hughes 9, R. F. Deal 10, T. H. Francis (cond.) 11, B. F. Baker 12. First of Cinques for 4, 5 and 7. For harvest festival.

SOUTHGATE, N.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Doubles (600 Grandsire, 660 Stedman): Pam Miller 1, Ann Aldridge 2, J. Wallman (cond.) 3, S. G. Peck 4, C. Aldridge 5, M. Stanyon 6. For Parish Communion.

SOUTH SHIELDS, CO. DURHAM.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. A. Softley 1, Miss M. Simpson (from Cumberland) 2, Miss L. J. Hagan 3, Miss J. B. Softley 4, Miss E. Softley 5, C. N. Lea (cond.) 6. For harvest thanksgiving service.

SOUTH WIGTON, LEICS.—On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: V. Norman 1, Glenys Bodcote 2, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 3, R. S. Morris 4, T. I. Roper 5, E. J. Jelley 6, P. Norman (cover) 7. For harvest festival.

STANDLAKE, OXON.—On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (10 callings): Judith Coggins (first quarter) 1, Bernard J. Coggins (first 'inside') 2, B. J. Coggins (cond.) 3, E. J. Hill 4, D. J. Smith 5, B. Costar 6. For harvest festival.

STAVERTON, NORTHANTS.—On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. C. Hall 1, Miss M. Clarke 2, Mrs. C. E. G. Glasodine 3, Mrs. S. Webb 4, P. I. Chapman (cond.) 5, B. J. Lewis 6. For harvest festival.

THORLEY, HERTS.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. Foreman 1, R. Hayden 2, P. Warboys (cond.) 3, F. Bird 4, T. Camm 5, H. Bird 6. For harvest festival Evensong.

WELDON, NORTHANTS.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Lyons (first quarter) 1, F. A. Ginn 2, R. Shaw 3, D. Urquhart 4, R. W. Spencer (cond.) 5, R. Webster 6. For harvest festival Evensong.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.—On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: M. P. Moreton 1, A. Bishon 2, Anne Garnett 3, J. Tomsett 4, Susan Jacobs 5, P. Devenish 6, F. Corfield (cond.) 7, E. Jacobs 8. Twenty-fifth quarter on the bells this year.

YATTON, SOMERSET.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. N. Price 1, Mrs. G. A. Beechey 2, L. W. Pullin 3, E. A. Price 4, R. H. Brice 5, P. H. Marshall 6, H. A. Price (cond.) 7, J. K. Baker 8. Rung as a compliment to the Vicar's warden, Mr. A. P. Royle, and his wife on the occasion of their golden wedding.

GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS**Branch Meeting at Buckfast Abbey**

The Mid-Devon Branch held its quarterly meeting at Buckfast Abbey on Oct. 12th, but for various reasons, which included the influenza epidemic, the attendance was smaller than usual.

Ringing took place on the various combinations throughout the afternoon to suit all tastes, and a service was later held in the Violet Evelyn Institute, conducted by the Rev. J. W. Timms, Vicar of Buckfastleigh, who, in an eloquent address, recalled a similar visit 12 months ago, when there was some plain speaking at the business meeting.

An excellent tea was enjoyed at St. Mary's Parish Hall, among the guests being the Lord Abbot of Buckfast (Don Placid Hooper), Rev. Fr. Oswald Mowan, captain of the Abbey ringers, and the Vicar of Buckfastleigh. A hearty welcome was extended to the Lord Abbot, and a comprehensive vote of thanks was passed to him for allowing the use of his magnificent bells, and to Rev. Fr. Oswald for having everything in readiness.

At the business meeting, among the apologies for absence was one from the Rev. N. F. D. Coleridge, of Dartmouth, who was shortly leaving the county for Somerset.

A programme of meetings for 1958 was adopted: this is to commence with the annual meeting at Chudleigh on January 18th, subject to the necessary permission.

The question of whether the Guild annual meeting should be held on Whit Monday or a Saturday is to be discussed.

Hearty votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar of Buckfastleigh, to Mrs. F. P. Walters (the organist) and to the ladies for the tea arrangements.

Ringing took place at Buckfastleigh Parish Church in the evening. A. L. B.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD**Saxmundham District**

A meeting of the Saxmundham District was held at Tunstall and Blaxhall with ringers attending from many parts of Suffolk. The service at Tunstall was taken by the Rector, where the lesson was read by the churchwarden, whose wife played the organ. A collection in aid of the Guild Restoration Fund amounted to 16s. A very nice tea was arranged by the lady ringers of Tunstall and enjoyed by all.

At the business meeting Mr. R. Clouston took the chair. Mr. Bryan Lawrence, a junior member of Leiston, was made a full ringing member, and Mr. R. Crowe, of Tunstall, an honorary member. A vote of thanks was passed for the use of the bells and to all who helped to make the meeting a success. Next meeting at Benhall and Saxmundham on November 23rd. A. R. B.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**Devizes Branch**

The quarterly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held on October 5th at St. Michael's Church, Melksham, and the church was decorated for the harvest festival. Ringing commenced at 3.30, after a wedding.

The service was conducted by the assistant priest (the Rev. A. T. Johnson) and the Vicar (the Rev. C. A. Witcomb) was the organist. Tea was served in the Church Room by the Young Wives, to which 40 ringers sat down, with visitors from Chippenham, Damerham, Ross-on-Wye and Salisbury. Three new members were elected, and the chairman welcomed the visitors. Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar and the Young Wives, to which Mr. Witcomb replied.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD

The autumn meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held on October 5th at Solihull Parish Church.

The Guild's Form of Service was conducted by the curate, who gave a short address in which he welcomed the members of the Guild to Solihull.

Such is the hospitality of Solihull ringers that the members of the Guild found themselves in the unusual position of having two separate halls reserved for their meeting. However, as the members met at the Parish Hall, as advertised in 'The Ringing World,' the meeting was held there, with the Master (Mr. Frank E. Haynes) in the chair.

The life-membership of the following ringers, who were elected prior to peal attempts, were duly notified: Stephen J. Ivin, of Houghton Conquest, Bedford, and J. Neville Parkin, of Halifax.

It was decided to hold the annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner on March 1st next, the secretary being authorised to invite the usual guests.

The next meeting will be the annual, which, in accordance with the practice of many years, will be held in the city, on the first Saturday in the New Year. At the Master's suggestion an eight-bell tower will be available for ringing, in addition to the 12 of St. Martin's, on the occasion of this meeting.

The Master welcomed Mr. F. E. Collins, of Croydon, and called upon the Ringing Master (Mr. J. Pinfold), who proposed a vote of thanks to the Solihull ringers for making local arrangements, and to the Vicar for the use of the fine ring of ten bells.

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Mr. S. Hardy, now 80, who had not rung a quarter peal for 20 years, rang one at St. Mary Cray, Kent, in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. H. Bevan, sen. Mr. Bevan was a ringer and towerkeeper at St. Mary Cray for 33 years until 1952, when ill-health forced his retirement.

Thirteen peals were rung during Mr. T. J. Lock's party's tour of Wiltshire.

The new secretary of the National Guild of Police Ringers is P.C. John Smith, of the Leicestershire and Rutland Constabulary. His address is 75, Leicester Road, Syston, Leicester.

After the peal of Doubles in three methods at Honington, Lincs, rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Carter, the band were entertained to tea by them, which was much appreciated.

The peal of Plain Bob Major rung at Wellington on September 4th and published in 'The Ringing World' of September 27th, was of 5,056 changes. The initials of the composer are 'T. B.'

St. Mary Redcliffe Guild of Ringers are to be congratulated on ringing their first quarter of Caters at the first attempt. They look forward to further attempts and possible successes in the future.

The peal at Polesworth, Warks, was notable for the fact that it was the first time since 1910 that a Polesworth ringer had rung a peal. Harry and Pat Harper (father and daughter), who scored their first peal, had only been ringing 18 months.

Mr. J. E. Lewis Cockey, who now lives at 6, Argyll Avenue, Stirling, has reason to believe that, owing to the casual attitude of the Canadian postal authorities, letters addressed to him at Winnipeg have gone astray. He apologises to anyone who has written to him and received no reply.

BELFRY GOSSIP

'News of the Diocese,' the monthly magazine of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich for September and October, contains an interesting article by Mr. R. W. M. Clouston on the care of bells. Mr. Clouston is undertaking an engineering inspection of bells in Suffolk and has already visited 88 towers.

According to an article in 'The Times' dealing with Borstal Institutions, at one of these there is a waiting list for the bellringing class conducted at the Parish Church.

Pictures of the veterans' gathering at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, may be obtained from Mr. Richard A. Deal, 118, Sarsfeld Road, Balham, S.W.12. (Price 2s. 6d.)

We are happy to state that the new postal charges do not affect us as seriously as anticipated. By taking advantage of the printed paper rate instead of the newspaper rate, the additional cost has been curtailed, but there is naturally a substantial increase in our ordinary overheads. We sincerely thank those who have sent donations.

After the Bishop of Southampton had dedicated the new ring of eight bells at the Church of the Ascension, Bitterne Park, Southampton, on October 19th, opening rounds were rung by members of the Southampton University Guild. The opening touch was rung by Ruth Carey 1, R. Reed 2, W. Theobald 3, A. Hughes 4, R. Finch 5, D. Jackson 6, C. Kippin 7, S. Sharland 8.

In celebration of his 65 years as a ringer, Mr. James Marsh, captain of Christ Church, Aughton, Lincs, band, has been presented with a cheque from the Parochial Church Council and a smoking outfit by his fellow ringers. He joined the Liverpool Diocesan Guild in 1894 and was one of the earliest members of the Lancashire Association.

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ELY ASSOCIATION'S DIAMOND JUBILEE DINNER

THIS year's Ely Association Dinner was made the occasion of commemorating the Diamond Jubilee of the Association. More correctly it marked the 60th anniversary of its 'reorganisation,' since there were attempts at organising a ringing society in the Ely Diocese two or three years before 1897, but the present constitution was drawn up and the first annual report published in that year.

Ringling took place in all the Cambridge towers during the afternoon and the more serious business began at the Brunswick School at 7 p.m., when some 60 members and friends sat down to dinner under the chairmanship of Canon A. L. Woodard, president of the Cambridge District.

After the loyal toast, Canon Woodard introduced the guests, who included Harry Sharp, a founder member of the Association, now in his 84th year, and still very active; in fact he is intending to ring another peal shortly.

The toast of 'The Ely Association' was proposed by the Rev. D. M. Maddox, Vicar of Trumpington. Mr. Maddox declared that ringers were doing a great service to the Church by regularly ringing bells and he thought that anyone who objected to the ringing of bells must have something wrong with their internal mechanism. He was pleased to note that in his parish such people were very few in number, since when collecting recently for the restoration of his bells, very few had refused to subscribe. However, his churchwardens had had an offer of £5 towards the restoration from one parishioner on condition that the bells were never hung.

Mr. Maddox was able to announce that his bells had now returned from the foundry and were being installed. Also he extended a welcome to all ringers to attend the rededication service, which will be conducted by the Bishop of Ely on November 16th. In the bellfounder's considered opinion Trumpington bells would be the best eight for miles around (even better than their recent effort at St. Andrew's, Cambridge).

Finally, Mr. Maddox reminded us that Christian worship was a joyful thing and should be undertaken joyfully, not with long, miserable faces; what better prelude to a happy service than the joyful ringing of bells. He, therefore, very sincerely wished the Association every success in their efforts at promoting change ringing throughout the Diocese.

ALL STRATA OF SOCIETY

Mr. Donald Knights, the secretary of the Ely District, replied on behalf of the Association. He said that in his experience the success of a ringing Association came because of the very sincere sense of brotherhood among ringers. There were very few organisations which embraced such a wide variety of men and women and which welded them together in such a unity. By way of example he pointed out that if he were suddenly taken ill, there was present a doctor to attend him, if hospital treatment was necessary there was an ambulance driver who could take him, a radio-grapher could be called on from the dinner; if drugs were necessary there was present a dispenser. If the ministrations of these failed there was present an undertaker and he could call on another who was a regular gravedigger. Needless to say there were a number of clerical gentlemen present capable of performing the last rites.

Mr. Knights expressed the Association's deep gratitude to the stalwart veteran members like Harry Sharp, whose wisdom had formed a Society and kept it going in its early years, and pointed out that younger members like himself could often still benefit from their wisdom. One story which was apposite to the somewhat inordinate emphasis laid on the time taken to ring peals came from one of their ancient members. After a peal at his tower the conductor was proclaiming loudly in the 'local' that it was the fastest peal on the bells by a good five minutes; the veteran gentleman quietly said: 'What will you do with the time you've saved?'

Mr. Chris Johnson proposed the toast of 'The Church.' He pointed out how dependent on the Church ringers were for the facilities necessary for the art. He therefore thought that we should have a proper appreciation of what was involved. How many of them would be gratified if someone rang up and asked if he and seven of his friends might come and use their television for three hours on Saturday evening? And yet how much did that differ from asking the Vicar for the use of his bells? In fact, ringing was worse because everyone within a considerable distance of the church was forced to listen. Mr. Johnson emphasised that ringers should at all times consider ringing as a service to the church and conduct themselves accordingly. By so doing they could assist in ensuring the health of the Church.

£200 Legacies Found in Oak Settle

An antique dealer who purchased an oak settle for 15s. found in the panelling five packets containing legacies totalling £200 addressed to the three sons, daughter and daughter-in-law of the late Mr. Harry Chapman, of Manchester Road, Clifton, Manchester.

Mr. Chapman, who died in 1949, was a member of the Central Council for 26 years and a celebrated heavy-bell ringer in the North of England. Among his achievements were to ring the old tenor at Manchester Town Hall to Grandsire Caters and Treble Ten single-handed in 1899, the treble to the then record peal of London, 14,112 at King's Norton in 1903 (a record which stood for over 40 years), and the 11th to the record peal of Kent Maximus, 12,240, at Ashton-under-Lyne in 1911.

The Rev. Mansfield Williams, Vicar of Harston, who replied, pointed out that the Church had been going for a very long time and that although the clergy were often so prominent as to appear the main representatives of the Church there were really many more members known as laity who unfortunately tended to keep themselves in the background. To ensure the health of the Church these lay members must join in all the Church's activities and one of the very important ways they could join in was by becoming ringers. He did not worry overmuch when ringers asked if they could ring a peal on his bells as he considered that bells were peculiarly useless things if they were not rung, and he thought that every opportunity should be taken of ringing them. Not only should they be rung for service but it was proper to ring them at all times for the pleasure of man to the glory of God.

CHELSEFIELD, KENT.—On Sept. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Smith 1, Miss V. Cotte (first 'inside') 2, J. Pannell 3, D. Parker (first 'inside') 4, N. Martin (cond.) 5, S. Mauger 6. For Evensong. Also on Sept. 29th, 1,000 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Outhwaite 1, J. Parker 2, J. Pannell 3, D. Mauger 4, N. Martin (cond.) 5, A. Smith 6. For Evensong.



The 1957 vintage of veterans who forgathered at St. Botolph's, London, on Sept. 28th. Organiser Mr. A. W. Coles is seen in the back row. [Photo: R. A. Deal, 118, Sarsfeld Road, Balham, S.W.12.]

NATIONAL GUILD OF POLICE RINGERS

THE annual meeting of the National Guild of Police Ringers was held at Leicester on September 21st, when a good company of members and their friends from Manchester, London, Yorkshire, Bristol, Liverpool, Cornwall and Bedford attended.

Leicester, regarded as the birthplace of the Guild, offered its many and varied rings of bells for the use of the visitors. On this occasion ringing started at All Saints', Wigston Magna, and the Cathedral Church of St. Martin in the morning; St. Mary de Castro, St. Margaret's, All Saints' and St. John-the-Divine during the afternoon; and the Cathedral bells to conclude the day's ringing.

At the business meeting, held at the City Police Headquarters, the president, ex-Sgt. H. G. Jenney, welcomed the members to Leicester and spoke of his advancing years and hoped his faculties would allow him to carry out the duties of the office and uphold the honour which had been bestowed upon him. He expressed his gratitude to the secretary, who had relieved him considerably in making the arrangements for the day.

The secretary reported that during the year one peal attempt was made at Loughborough, but was not successful. No practice meetings had been held. Four new members had joined the Guild, and two of the oldest members, ex-P.C. W. Robinson, of Northampton, and ex-P.C. F. Wilson, of Leicester, had been called to their rest.

The funds of the Guild were satisfactory, although subscriptions were slightly down. Expenses had been light and the year ended with a balance in hand of £28 3s. 10d.

The Central Council delegate, ex-Sgt. E. C. Birkett, of Liverpool, gave the meeting a vivid account of the Central Council meeting at Chelmsford, and pointed out the expense which would be incurred by many Guilds next year in holding the meeting in Ireland, and for that reason many members felt they could not commit their Guilds to the expense without previous knowledge. The company present approved his actions and thanked him for his attendance.

NEW OFFICERS

When the election of president was considered, Mr. Jenney expressed his deep gratitude for the honour which had been done to him, but felt strongly that his advancing years prevented him from doing what he would have liked to do.

It was proposed by P.C. R. Benson that in view of ex-Sgt. C. Wilmington's enthusiastic support of the Guild, he be elected president of the Guild. Mr. Wilmington declined and proposed ex-Sgt. Frank Hansford, of Bristol. Ex-Sgt. Hansford declined and suggested the election of president be taken after the election of a secretary.

The hon. secretary reminded the meeting of his intention to relinquish the office last year, and although he had carried on another year he felt that in view of his impending retirement a secretary who was a serving member would be more appropriate.

The president then proposed P.C. John Smith, of Leicestershire and Rutland Constabulary, be elected secretary, seconded by

ex-P.C. N. Bagworth; this was carried unanimously. It was proposed by P.C. Smith that ex-Sgt. E. C. Turner be elected president for 1958 and carried.

Sgt. Lawson was elected hon. auditor in the place of the late ex-P.C. F. E. Wilson.

P.C. Sydney A. Warwick was elected a member of the Guild, and now, having completed his military service, was appointed to the Metropolitan Force.

After some discussion it was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Bedford if necessary accommodation could be arranged.

The secretary spoke of a letter received from ex-Chief Insp. W. Bottrill expressing his wish to retire from the committee. The meeting paid tribute to his long association with the Guild, and this is to be conveyed to him by letter.

In view of the unfortunate circumstances which had befallen ex-Insp. A. B. Wilson in the loss of a leg and which made it impossible for him to continue his active ringing, the meeting unanimously elected him to life membership.

The president reminded the meeting of the loss through death of ex-P.C. Walter Robinson, of Northampton, and ex-P.C. F. E. Wilson, of Leicester, both members since the Guild was formed, and also of that most charming character, Harry G. Wayne, a very regular supporter of the Guild, who passed away shortly after the last meeting. The meeting stood in silence as a tribute to their memory.

THE DINNER

A dinner had been arranged in the comfortable surroundings of the Lord Mayor's Rooms.

The guests of honour were the Lord Mayor (Alderman F. J. Jackson) and the Lady Mayoress (Councillor Mrs. Jackson). The Chief Constable of Leicester (Mr. Robert Mark) and Mrs. Mark and a company of over 90 guests sat down to an excellent meal. Beautiful floral decorations, provided by the City Parks department, added splendour to the occasion.

The president, in introducing the Lord Mayor, thanked him for his kindness and generosity in granting the use and facilities of these beautiful surroundings for dinner.

The Lord Mayor welcomed the Guild to Leicester and spoke of his and his wife's long association with the police as members of the Watch Committee.

The Chief Constable suitably replied on behalf of the guests and spoke of his first ideas of campanology, only to be reminded it was not the scientific art of sleeping out, but a unique reason for certain members of Manchester City at appropriate times to ascend to the lofty heights of the Town Hall.

A social evening followed with songs and items by individual members of the City Police. Mr. Arthur Berridge, the compere, was supported by Billy Wilson and Mr. Syd Harrison and his handbell ringers. There was also change ringing by members of the company present.

To conclude the evening the president thanked the artistes, the secretary and all those who had contributed in no small measure to make the day a success. C. H. F. K.

JOINT MEETING AT ROTHWELL

A very successful joint meeting of the Yorkshire Association (Western District) and the Leeds and District Society was held at Rothwell on September 28th. The bells were available from 3 p.m. and very soon the belfry was filled to capacity, those unable to gain admittance finding accommodation in the church porch whilst awaiting their chance to ring. The 50 members present later enjoyed an excellent tea served in the Parish Hall by the local ringers' wives.

Only one business meeting was held, the officers of the Leeds and District Society having decided to forgo theirs in order to reduce formalities to a minimum and allow more time for ringing. A comprehensive vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens, local company and ladies acknowledged the ready hospitality extended to the visitors, and a formal welcome by the Vicar of Rothwell was received with applause.

Mr. John Rhodes, of Calverley, was elected to membership of the Yorkshire Association. A request was made for full support for the Snowden Commemoration Dinner on October 26th, at Rotherham.

The next meeting of the Leeds and District Society is to be held at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, on November 2nd. The Western District hope to hold their next meeting at Queensbury on December 14th.

30 YEARS IN WARKTON TOWER

A farewell quarter peal was rung at Warkton, Northants, on October 7th, to the Ringing Master, Mr. B. P. Morris, who has been appointed postmaster at Ashbourne, Derbyshire. During his 30 years' association with the tower he has trained many young ringers and it is due to his hard work and enthusiasm that Warkton has never lacked a Sunday service band. All those taking part in the quarter peal had been his pupils.

After the ringing Mr. Morris was presented with a travelling case as a token of appreciation from the tower. In reply, Mr. Morris wished the band, now under the leadership of Mrs. D. Porter, every success in the future.

Taking part in the quarter peal of 1,260 Grandsire Doubles were: T. J. Turner (first quarter) 1, D. Issitt 2, Mrs. D. G. Porter 3, Miss P. J. B. Lumbers 4, B. P. Morris (conductor) 5.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The Witney and Woodstock Branch, at their meeting at Stanton Harcourt on October 5th, discussed the proposal to raise the Guild subscription to 5s. After a long discussion a motion was passed that the present subscription should remain but that if the Guild needed extra money then an appeal should be made to each tower in the Guild. Canon Bale, of Witney, presided, and 27 new members were elected from Bampton, Clanfield, Northleigh, Northmoor and Witney.

Ringling took place in the afternoon at Southleigh, where some found difficulty with the long draught. The service was conducted by the Rev. H. Cutler, and 47 members and three visitors sat down to tea at the Harcourt Arms. In the evening there was ringing at Stanton Harcourt and Northmoor.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'RINGERS I REMEMBER'

Dear Sir,—It is really such readings which we enjoy from the pen of Ernest Morris that make 'The Ringing World' to me worth its sixpence. Perhaps it is because most of these characters he mentions are local names, many of whom have passed on, and whose names are easily forgotten.

The reference to the old pre-war Wednesday afternoon band of the old M.C.A. days and mention of my father brings back nostalgic memories of boyhood days. My father had to cycle to and from Stoke Golding station for his trains to the 'Seals' and Measham, where most of the peals were rung, and we waited anxiously for his return with 'Did you get it?' Usually if there was a failure in these Stedman peals the excuse would be that it was an odd-bob calling.

One could always rely on a 'tale' after these excursions, usually involving James George, who had, or so it seemed, considerable authority over the Midland Railway in those days, and very often told a station master in no uncertain terms that the train was not to leave until he was aboard.

He often stayed at our house at Barwell after peal ringing and we used to think he missed his bus purposely to spend an evening with us. There was no doubt James George was highly respected. I remember he went to St. Mary's, Lichfield, for a peal, and one of the band, a stalwart farmer, had no success in keeping up a badly-going tenor, in spite of his strong physique. James George set his bell and went over to him and showed him how to keep it up. 'It wants a man on this, that's all!' He was over 70 in those days.

Another of the Wednesday band was Harry Stoneley, of Stoke Golding, when they had a Spliced Surprise Minor band in that village. Harry was, and still is, a familiar figure in his shorts and khaki shirt. I never saw him in long trousers. He was a scoutmaster and as fit as any man—always a pleasure to ring with him. He still lives in Stoke Golding but has not rung for several years. I'm sorry to say.

Maurice Swinfield, who called all these hundred or more compositions of Stedman, came to Barwell for a ring for Sunday service very often after he left for Burton-on-Trent and was a very great friend of my grandfather. The last touch he called was at Barwell one Sunday evening. As he called 'bob' he leaned over to my father and said 'The last bob, Dick.' He died two days later!

I feel Ernest Morris is right when he says that we are poorer through the passing of these stalwarts. Is it my imagination or are we a little less particular these days as to the standard of good striking? These chaps were banded together because each had confidence in each other's ability to strike well.

To-day, Wednesday afternoons are very much different. Temporary ill-health prevents father from ringing peals, but I'm glad to say that three members of the family are carrying on (through a fourth generation) faithful service in choir and belfry.

I look for quite a few more contributions from Ernest. His storehouse is still very full.—Yours faithfully, TOM C. BELTON.
Birstall, Leics.

'A FAIR SNATCH'

Dear Sir,—In reply to your correspondent, Mr. Brian Buswell, I should like to say that I feel that the case in question constitutes a fair 'snatch.' Even though one bell was silent, five bells were being rung, and surely that is the most important factor in the matter. If the band took the trouble to raise the bells and ring methods with one bell silent they deserve to have 'snatched' the tower.—Yours faithfully, J. E. WASHBOTTLE (MISS).

Grantham, Lincs.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AND NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Dear Sir,—The announcement regarding the new territorial association, the South Derbyshire and North Leicestershire Association, on page 643 of 'The Ringing World,' and the reports of its first peal, rung at Alfreton, Derbyshire, on September 18th, have stirred me into making a few observations.

Alfreton is some 14 miles to the north of Derby, one of the Districts of the Derbyshire Association and within ten miles of Chesterfield, another flourishing District of the Association. If the inaugural peal had been rung within the limits of the area implied by the new Association title perhaps it would not have given cause for comment, but there! the announcement did not define the precise area of activity of the new territorial Association. If this new Association is a breakaway from the Derbyshire Association and the Leicester Diocesan Guild it is regrettable that it should have come into being at all. The objects of the Society out of which the new organisation grew (i.e., to help the large number of learners in the District) is excellent, but to set up another organisation which probably weakens two existing Associations is to be deprecated, as I feel sure that the whole of the territory of the new Association comes within the confines of one or other of the territorial Associations into which the old Midland Counties Association was divided.

I, personally, would like to see the Derbyshire Association change its title to the Derby Diocesan Guild and incorporate, where necessary, areas of the East Derbyshire and Notts Association and the Midland Counties Guild, as, so far as I can tell, the whole of its territory falls within the Diocese of Derby, and I feel that the diocesan authorities would welcome a change of name, and, unlike the Lancashire Association, there are no Roman Catholic towers which make the use of an Established Church title impracticable.

Could not this suggestion be debated at the next Derbyshire Association annual meeting? Perhaps others with more accurate knowledge of territories than I could comment on this idea.—Yours sincerely,

ARTHUR HIBBERT.

Chapel-en-le-Frith.

THE LATE MR. C. J. GARDNER

Dear Sir,—Mr. C. J. Gardner was my oldest ringing friend and it was with great regret I was unable, owing to illness, to pay my last respects. He came to Swindon from Beenham in 1895. I came from Devon in 1897. As there was no method ringing at Wootton Bassett I migrated to Christ Church, Swindon, and met Charlie for the first time. He was one of the quiet sort, but ever ready to help one to progress in the art, and was a stickler for good striking.

I rang most of my peals with him here at Wootton Bassett over a period of 50 years until ill-health intervened. Now I feel I am all alone, being the last of the old band at Christ Church. I rang with them for practice and on Sundays for 50 years and was one of the band here at Wootton Bassett for a first peal of Superlative Surprise in the county, on March 17th, 1923, which he conducted.

I must now say goodbye to old Charlie, and may he rest in peace with the great company of his brother ringers passed before at Christ Church. He was 85. I am 82.—Yours faithfully,

LOUIS A. WILSON.

Wootton Bassett,

J. J. PARKER'S ONE-PART

(Continued from front page)

The peal runs thus:—

Single, Bob, Bob, Single: 3, 3, 4: 5 to 6, 2 to 6: 5 with a double, 5: 3 to 7, 5 to 2: etc. 5 to 6 means 'Call the 5th Before till the 6th goes into the hunt.' 3 — (4)² is translated 'Call the 3rd Before till the 4th goes into the hunt with a double'; i.e., another Bob the lead following that in which the 4th becomes the hunt bell.

'TRYING YOUR HAND'

If anyone would like to 'try his hand' at calling by the bells 'Before' and, at the same time, get in some practice at calling Parker's One-part, below are two quarter peals taken from it. The figures will explain the arrangement of the peal as set out above. It will be noted that in the One-part the 6th and 7th are never called 'Before' except in the B-Block at the start).

The writer acknowledges his indebtedness to Mr. Bill Welling, of Old Windsor, a friend of J. J. Parker for many years, who has called the peal a number of times, and who introduced the writer to it. He also arranged the quarter peals here given.

HOLT'S OR PARKER'S?

The writer is probably inviting 'brickbats' by suggesting that Parker's is a much better peal than the 'Original' for anyone wishing to call a one-part peal. There seems little point in learning something difficult when something much simpler is available. Apart from satisfying a personal ambition, or seeking kudos, there seems little excuse for attempting Holt's Original in preference to Parker's One-part—and the writer hopes that he is not alone in holding this view.

QUARTER PEALS FROM J. J. PARKER'S ONE-PART PEAL

1,260 (from the first quarter)	1,274 (from the last quarter)	
234567	234567	FALSE
S 572634 1	S 762453 2	
465372 1	347562 1	
234765 1	763425 3	
S 752634 1	547263 1	
	765432 3	
237546 3	S 427365 1	
532674 5		
745263 2	654732 2	
457263 4	326475 2	
254376 5	423567 5	
352647 5	524736 5	
653724 5	725643 5	
326547 3	547236 3	
523764 5	245673 5	
725436 5	642357 5	
427653 5	346725 5	
624375 5	743562 5	
756432 2	627354 2	
247356 1	546732 2	
752463 3		
637245 2	635427 3	
236574 5	436752 5	
532467 5	734265 5	
435726 5	657423 2	
	456372 5	
234567 4	354267 5	
354726 4	253746 5	
423567 3		

Round at 4.

CLEWER, BERKS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. Shuttle 1, Miss J. Shuttle 2, A. Bird 3, K. Buckingham 4, J. Brooks 5, W. Butler (cond.) 6. First of Minor for 1 and 2. For harvest festival, and the birth of a son to Audrey and William Butler.

CHESTER GUILD AT DINNER

THE annual dinner of the Chester Diocesan Guild was held in Chester on October 12th, when there was an attendance of 112. The guest of honour was the Rev. J. S. Gamon (Rector of Tattenhall), who, in proposing the toast of 'The Guild,' said that he felt it a great honour to be invited to do so. He referred to the objects of the Guild set forth in the rules and thought that they were very worthy objects indeed. In his previous parishes he had been lucky to have good bands of ringers and he was glad to see that they continued to flourish. His present parish only appeared in the annual report under the heading 'Towers not in union,' but they were busy training a band and he had high hopes that they would soon be in the Guild.

As a parish priest he was grateful for the work which the ringers did. Ringing was really part of the church worship. He wished the Guild all the best for its progress in the future. Bell ringing was a particular part of our British way of life and as old as our towers (Tattenhall tower dates from 1512), and we should carry on in the high tradition which was something good which we must not let go.

In his reply the Master of the Guild (Mr. J. W. Clarke) expressed thanks for the toast and the manner in which it had been proposed. Seventy years ago, in a few weeks time, the Guild was formed, and in calling the first meeting Archdeacon Barber invited both ringers and clergy. The objects referred to by the composer had in some measure been achieved. Ringers were now recognised as church officers. Change ringing had now made great strides and the Guild numbered among its members men and women who were leaders in the theoretical and practical aspects of the art.

Belfry reform, continued the Master, was now a term which was obsolete. For the

benefit of their guest, he mentioned that at the time the Guild was formed the belfry was not considered to be part of the church and was, in fact, a place to which a parson did not go. Often smoking went on and they could see up and down the county various types of ringers' jugs, now, alas, empty. There was co-operation between ringers and clergy now, and ringers were found to be taking a full part in the service of the church.

He referred to the passing of Clement H. Taylor (of Chelford, the Rev. J. S. Gamon's previous parish), who had been for 70 years a ringer, for 64 years clerk and had never been absent or late for 60 years. We could have no finer example. No member was left who attended the first meeting and we were carrying on the tradition to the best of our ability. We had one black spot, the number of towers out of union and we could not rest until all were in union. He had recently visited a tower which was out of union and found the belfry in a deplorable condition and he felt sure that membership of the Guild would have prevented this.

Mr. Clarke concluded by saying he recently took a non-ringing friend to see some ringing being performed and the comment was: 'Why do they all look so glum?' He replied that he should see them at play and he would now allow their guest to witness the spectacle of ringers at play.

Entertainment was provided by Messrs. Taylor and Boyer, of Chester, with songs at the piano, tune ringing by the Wirral Handbell Ringers and method ringing on handbells by a band drawn from three branches of the Guild. Before the close of the proceedings the Master expressed the thanks of all to the organiser, the Rev. J. Kingdon, for all the work he had put in to ensure the success of the function. C. K. L.

CHANGE RINGING ON FOUR BELLS

By PETER B.-KNIGHTS

(Continued from page 660)

III. METHODS WITH TWO HUNTS

1. Grandsire	2. Reverse Grandsire
1 2 3 4 The Bob	1 2 3 4 The Bob
2 1 3 4	2 1 4 3
2 3 1 4	2 4 1 3
3 2 4 1	4 2 3 1
3 4 2 1	4 3 2 1
4 3 1 2	4 3 1 2
4 1 3 2	4 1 3 2
1 4 2 3	1 4 2 3
1 2 4 3	1 2 4 3

Extents and True and Complete Blocks of Grandsire and Reverse Grandsire.

48	48	48	24
2 3 4	2 3 4	2 3 4	2 3 4
B 3 4 2	B 3 4 2	2 4 3	B 3 4 2
B 4 2 3	3 2 4	B 4 3 2	B 4 2 3
4 3 2	B 2 4 3	B 3 2 4	B 2 3 4
B 3 2 4	B 4 3 2	3 4 2	
B 2 4 3	4 2 3	B 4 2 3	
2 3 4	B 2 3 4	B 2 3 4	B = Bob.

The lead-end numbers in Reverse Grandsire will be different to the above numbers.

IV. PRINCIPLES USED AS METHODS

1. Erin	2. Reverse Erin	3. Stanton	4. Reverse Stanton
1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4
2 1 4 3	2 1 4 3	2 1 3 4	2 1 4 3
1 2 4 3	2 1 3 4	1 2 4 3	2 1 3 4
1 4 2 3	2 3 1 4	2 1 4 3	2 1 4 3
4 1 2 3	2 3 4 1	2 4 1 3	2 4 1 3
4 2 1 3	2 4 3 1	2 4 3 1	4 2 1 3
2 4 1 3	2 4 1 3	2 3 4 1	4 1 2 3

5. Original	6. Reverse Original	Extents of Original
1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	1. 1 2 3 4
2 1 4 3	1 3 2 4	1 4 3 2 — 4
2 4 1 3	3 1 4 2	4 3 1 2 — 1
		4 2 1 3 — 4
4 2 3 1	3 4 1 2	1 2 3 4 — 3
4 3 2 1	4 3 2 1	
		2. 1 2 3 4
3 4 1 2	4 2 3 1	4 1 2 3 — 2
3 1 4 2	2 4 1 3	3 4 1 2 — 2
		4 1 3 2 — 1
1 3 2 4	2 1 4 3	4 2 3 1 — 4
1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	2 3 4 1 — 1
		1 2 3 4 — 2
The Bob	The Bob	
2 4 1 3	3 1 4 2	
4 2 1 3	1 3 4 2	

Each of the above callings can be started in 12 different places. From these two callings 24 different extents are obtainable.

Extents of Reverse Original.
Make bob every time treble, 2, 3, or tenor lies behind. There are three bobs in an extent, and four different extents.

No bobs are needed for extents of Erin, Reverse Erin, Stanton, and Reverse Stanton.

BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.—On Sept/ 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: 1. Patten (first quarter) 1. D. A. H. Talbot 2. W. Glover 3. R. Groves 4. G. Nicholls 5. H. Bradley (cond.) 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Nicholls on the birth of a daughter (Janet Mary), born August 28th.

COGGESHALL, ESSEX.—On Sept. 21st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. Turner 1. W. Wade 2. W. J. Wade 3. F. Claydon 4. G. Everett 5. A. Beckwith (first of Major) 6. K. Morse 7. W. Arnold (cond.) 8.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT

The October meeting was held jointly with the Derbyshire Association (Chesterfield District) and the Ladies' Guild in the very best 'meeting weather' on October 12th at Bolsover, where we were pleased to welcome friends from Leeds and Cheshire. Ringing was in a variety of methods and at five o'clock a break was made for tea, when a crowd of about 50 sat down to enjoy the famed food of Bolsover.

A business meeting then took place during which four new members were elected. After a welcoming speech by the Vicar, to which Mr. Brunt replied, the company returned to the tower for further ringing, which lasted almost to the time of the last bus back to the 'metropolis.'

The general opinion seemed to be that it had been a good meeting but that the standard of striking was not as high as usual, and in spite of various courses of Surprise the whole repertoire had not been exhausted. I. H.

OBITUARY

MR. A. H. LINTOTT

A staunch member of the Lancashire Association, Mr. Arthur Henry Lintott, of Liverpool, died in hospital on Oct. 16th, aged 73.

Born at Horsham, Mr. Lintott spent his early days ringing in East Grinstead and district. He came north in 1914 and, after service with H.M. Forces, settled in Liverpool and joined the Parish Church band. With them he rang many peals, but kept no records. His last peal was in 1953 and since then, owing to health reasons, he took no further part in active ringing. A keen striker, he would not tolerate poor ringing, especially for Sunday service.

E. C. B.

GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS

The first London meeting of the Guild took place on October 12th, the towers visited being St. Olave's, Hart Street, and the two churches of St. Botolph, at Aldgate and Bishopsgate. Led by the president, Dr. P. J. Spencer-Phillips, and directed and encouraged by the Master, Dr. R. E. Price, members and their guests enjoyed some good—and some varied—ringing. Among the guests, whom we were happy to have with us, were the secretary of the Ladies' Guild and several members of the University of London Society, some of them we hope—members to be. The ringing at Hart Street and at Bishopsgate was of a fairly normal character; Aldgate was voted an interesting experience, but perhaps not quite the tower for the Guild's next peal attempt!

After a short business meeting, when it was agreed to try to arrange a week-end visit to Dorset next summer, to see some of the Western members, if they will have us, the evening concluded with a pleasant dinner, and a resolve to meet again in town. The secretary's thanks are due to the incumbents concerned and to the London members who did so much of the arranging beforehand.

D. L. G.

NORTON SUBCOURSE, NORFOLK.—On Oct. 6th, 1,440 Treble Bob Minor (being one extent each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob): J. W. Forder 1. M. J. Stokes 2. G. G. Walpole (cond.) 3. T. N. J. Bailey 4. B. Barber 5. E. A. Long 6. First of Treble Bob for 2 and 4. For harvest thanksgiving.

OLNEY, BUCKS.—On Sept. 27th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: A. Stapleton 1. B. Grainger 2. W. Cook 3. R. Perkins 4. P. Newing (cond.) 5. M. Hooton 6. I. Pett 7. A. Butcher 8. Rung as a farewell to Mr. B. Grainger, now in H.M. Forces, and to Miss A. Grainger, now at Bristol University.

OUTINGS – SOME WITH ADVENTURES

NORTHAW, HERTS

On October 5th, despite the leading article in the previous day's issue of 'The Ringing World,' the Northaw ringers, augmented by friends, set out on their second annual outing. Like last year, a fairly intensive programme had been arranged, visiting nine churches in all.

Nazeing (6, 9½ cwt.) was reached at 9 a.m., where we were met by several members of the local band who were busy preparing the church for harvest festival. We then moved to Epping Upland (6, 12 cwt.) and to Bobbingworth (6, 13 cwt.), where we felt that ringing in the open porch could be uncomfortable in mid-winter. Our last call before lunch was at Moreton (6, 9½ cwt.), where we were impressed by the tone of the tenor (17th century).

After lunch came Fyfield, a very pleasant six (tenor 7 cwt.) and the only 'non-ground floor' ring of the day. The last six-bell tower of the outing was North Weald (tenor 11 cwt.), where we were joined by another member of the band, who had been unable to be with us earlier due to business reasons, and our Vicar (also a ringer).

After an early evening dinner at the Chequers, Old Harlow, we had our first eight-bell ringing of the day at Harlow Common (Potter Street), where a good course of Double Norwich was rung, despite there being no stay on the sixth bell of this excellent ring (tenor 12 cwt.). Ringing at Hunsdon (8, 14 cwt.) was unfortunately rather short as, before we could start, a minor repair to the clock hammer mechanism had to be made. However, this was made up for at Much Hadham (8, 10½ cwt.).

Methods rung during the day included rounds and call changes. Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Major, Stedman, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire Triples; Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Little Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob Minor; Stedman, Grandsire, St. Simon's, Plain Bob and Original Doubles.

We should like to express our thanks to the various Rectors, Vicars and local ringers who made it possible for us to have such an enjoyable day.

BOLSOVER RINGERS HAD A WET DAY IN DERBYSHIRE

Bolsover Parish Church ringers, with friends from Chesterfield, Creswell, Staveley, Warsop and Worksop, had a second outing on September 28th and visited four towers in the Peak District of Derbyshire.

As the coach left Bolsover the weather was very pleasant but when the party reached Hayfield rain fell heavily and continued for most of the afternoon and evening. The light eight at Hayfield were rung for an hour to various methods up to Superlative Surprise Major. At Glossop some difficulty was experienced with the ropes. Boxes were in great demand and the learners found it difficult to strike the bells with satisfaction.

Tea was taken at Glossop and in driving rain the journey was continued to Buxton, where Mr. Ellison was waiting to welcome the party at Fairfield. This tower is well known to several members of the band and some excellent ringing was enjoyed on the lively eight.

Following the custom established last year, the outing ended with an excellent evening meal, provided in very comfortable surroundings at the Bull i' th' Thorn Hotel at Hurdlow. After dinner Mr. A. B. Cooper thanked all those who had made up a very happy party, and Mr. H. T. Rooke replied on behalf of the visitors. Mr. Cooper was thanked for the arrangements made for a very satisfactory tour. A. B. C.

CHARLTON KINGS, GLOS

A very enjoyable half-day was spent on September 28th by ringers from St. Mary's, Charlton Kings, and friends from Cheltenham, among eight-bell towers in south-east Gloucestershire.

Towers visited were Watermoor, Tetbury, Malmesbury, Dursley and Bisley. The visit was not without adventure as an anonymous muscle-man broke a stay at Dursley, and through lowering the eight at Bisley the writer is still painfully aware of the bruise resulting from the treble rope breaking as he called 'Hold them' at the end, and being deposited in a rather untidy heap in the corner, to the great delight of the rest of the band.

The work being over, the party adjourned to the Rose, in Stroud, where a most welcome and enjoyable meal was waiting (but not for long!). Afterwards the Rev. T. C. R. H. Deakin (Vicar of Charlton Kings) announced that it was hoped to place an order for the rehanging of St. Mary's bells in the very near future. Mr. G. Simmonds then expressed the thanks of all to those responsible for the arrangements. C. A. W.

IXWORTH, SUFFOLK

Ringers from Ixworth and surrounding towers had an interesting tour of the Leicester area on September 21st. The first tower was the eight at Thrapston, after some had made an unsuccessful attempt to grab Huntingdon during a stop for refreshments. Ringing at Desborough preceded lunch at Lutterworth, and then followed Bitteswell, Aylestone and, after tea, Lutterworth, where we were met by Mr. E. J. Tipler. Mention should be made of 'the deserters,' who left in the afternoon to ring at Leicester Cathedral, and apologies to Bitteswell for the broken rope. Thanks are due not only to incumbents and local ringers but to Kenneth G. Brown, the organiser. L. N. M.

BARKING, SUFFOLK

St. Mary's ringers with friends from the district visited the Sudbury area on October 5th, and glorious weather added to the afternoon's pleasure. Towers visited were Assington, Wormingford, Earls Colne, Colne Engaine, Pebmarsh and Gestingthorpe. Tea was taken at Earls Colne, and a fair standard of ringing was maintained in a variety of methods. R. E. L.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Eastern Branch at Carlton Colville

The autumn meeting of the Eastern Branch at Carlton Colville on September 28th was the first since the tuneful ring of five was rehanged, and the bells were rung for a wedding and then for the meeting proper.

The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. R. S. Phillips), the lesson being read by the Master of the local company (Mr. B. J. Gorrod).

Once again a huge tea was provided, a feature of Eastern Branch meetings. A cordial welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Hibbert, of Reading, was given.

Several new members were elected, including the local company en bloc and one from another five-bell tower, Aldeby. Acle was chosen for the next meeting, on December 7th, subject to satisfactory local arrangements. Votes of thanks were accorded the Rectors of Carlton Colville and Pakefield, the lady organist and Mr. Gorrod, together with the lady helpers who served tea.

There was further ringing after tea and some members went to Pakefield, where the handy eight were put through a variety of methods.

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ROMSEY, HANTS.—On Oct. 6th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Allen 1, Miss S. Morey 2, G. Northway 3, M. Northway (cond.) 4, A. Frv 5, K. Jacobs 6, J. Page 7, C. White 8. For harvest thanksgiving.

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WITHIN SEVEN MILES OF WALSALL

Within seven miles of this Midlands town with its fine 12 lie a number of 6-and 5-bell towers, which can easily be 'got through' in a day, as was proved on August 28th.

Blakenall Heath was the assembling point, a 5-bell tower now surrounded by dismal rows of houses. The church itself has a certain grace though, unlike its red-brick neighbour, Bloxwich. The tower here has a rather odd top to it, and contains an M and S eight on which we didn't aspire to anything great.

Then out of Walsall to the well-kept church of Shreshill, where a very active young band operates under Mr. Harry Butler. Here the long-lost 'Colonel Nutt' found us, which made a considerable difference to ringing henceforth.

After the usual fluid lunchtime, Norton Canes was reached, and as when N.C. was 'grabbed' by S. H.'s original victims in early 1955, our visit coincided with a local burial. The time had to be filled in and so 'Warrilow Special' was rung on handbells in the heights of the tower and produced amusing results.

Pelsall came next, a light six which, with all due respect to Warner's, are somewhat reminiscent of Santa Claus' sleigh bells. In contrast to Pelsall there is little music in Rushall bells, the forlorn ring of six whose sorry state has earned them a place in the writer's heart.

Again we shot out of Walsall, this time to the east and to Little Aston. Everything is in perfect order here and consequently all went well. Finally, a crawl over Barr Beacon brought us to our last tower, Great Barr, which is miles from today's Great Barr, as was recently discovered by Ladies' Guild ringers. Nothing survived here, so it was decided that we should give up and make a dive for No. 3, where it was rumoured food and drink would await us.

Everything ended well when we squeezed into St. Matthew's belfry to attend practice. And so another day was over and another corner of the world 'finished off.' S. H.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

It was a perfect autumn day when the Northern District met at St. Ippolyts on October 5th, and they were privileged to have as visitors the secretaries of the Eastern Division of the Association and the Cambridge District of the Ely Diocesan Association. Also present was Mr. M. Orme, who was just finishing his National Service, Miss K. Willers, who cycled from Trumpington, and a senior scout on his way to a camp at Hitchin.

The new Vicar (the Rev. E. Quinn) conducted the service, and in his address made the point that although most of their time ringers were following the bell of the man in front, in life, as in change ringing, a time came for each to take the lead, and they must know how to do it properly. Miss C. Taylor acted as organist.

After an ample tea two non-resident life members and two ringing members were elected at the business meeting. They were Messrs. G. Bagley (Coalbrookdale) and M. Major (Henlow), A. Leggett and J. Varney. Norton was selected for the next meeting, on November 2nd. The special method for the meeting was Trinity Sunday Treble Bob. J. S.

ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.—On Oct. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (600 Reverse Canterbury, 660 Plain Bob): Margaret E. Perry 1, I. C. Forrest 2, Pamela R. Gough 3, H. W. Brown 4, R. D. Brown (cond.) 5, S. W. Brown 6. First in two methods for 1, 2 and 5. For the harvest festival.

BRIGHTWALTON, BERKS.—On Oct. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. J. Sayers 1, G. Hedgess 2, J. K. Sherman 3, J. F. Bracey 4, A. Sayers (cond.) 5, W. J. Sayers 6. Rung by the local band for harvest festival service.

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KINGSBURY, WARWICKSHIRE.—As from Friday, Oct. 25th, weekly practices will be held on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. All visitors are welcome.—G. H. Lane. 1201

ST. DENYS', ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.—All ringing suspended from Nov. 4th, 1957, for approximately six months owing to the laying of a new floor.—W. Rogers, Vine Cottage, Rotherfield, Sussex. 1223

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MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Cary Branch.—Quarterly meeting at North Cadbury, Saturday, Oct. 26th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please.—J. Badman, Evercreech. 1161

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Meeting at Bishop's Lydeard (8), Saturday, Oct. 26th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 3.45 p.m. Names for tea, please.—A. H. Reed, George Street, Taunton. 1157

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Monthly meeting, West Hallam Saturday, Oct. 26th. Bells 3 p.m. Trent or Fehoe bus to Ilkeston. All welcome.—Vivienne Horton, Dis. Sec. 1179

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Orwell, Saturday, Oct. 26th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Barrington (6) after tea.—E. W. Bullman. 1130

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Ash (6) on Saturday, Oct. 26th, from 6 to 9 p.m.—C. J. Beadle. 1182

HALIFAX ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meeting and six-bell contest, Brighouse, Oct. 26th.—A. Farrand, Sec. 1145

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Meeting, Tewin, Saturday, Oct. 26th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, Rose and Crown, 5 p.m. Please note change of date.—S. Huckle, Dis. Sec. 1144

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—Annual district meeting at Milton-next-Gravesend on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Please note change of date. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. A. Mitchell, 21, Lamorna Avenue, Gravesend, as early as possible.—Cyril S. Jarrett, Hon. Sec. 1146

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—West Wycombe, Oct. 26th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. 1177

QUEDGELEY, GLOS.—Dedication of bells on Saturday, Oct. 26th, at 3 p.m., followed by ringing. Bells have recently been rehung on ball bearings and in a steel frame. 1209

READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.—Open Universities' ringing meeting at Reading on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Ringing arrangements: St. Mary's (8) and St. Giles' (8) 2.45-4.30 p.m.; Caversham (8) 6.30-9; Tilehurst (8) 7.30-9. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names for tea, by Oct. 25th, to Mrs. A. Discrens, 18, Manchester Road, Reading. All University ringers and friends welcome.—Lucy Allen, Hon. Sec. 1052

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.—Monthly meeting at Nottingham, St. Peter's (10) at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Non-members very welcome.—J. K. Wagstaffe, Sec. 1198

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting, Oct. 26th, Sedlescombe (6). Hourly buses from St. Leonards. Look up London. All 'furriners' welcome. Names for tea.—H. Reynolds, Sec., 10, Eastern Avenue, Polegate. 1162

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.—Annual general meeting at St. Olave's, Hart Street, E.C.3, on Oct. 26th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m.—D. Priestley. 1153

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—Quarterly meeting at Kingsclere, Saturday, Oct. 26th. Bells 2.45. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke. 1167

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Jasper Whitfield Snowdon Commemoration Dinner, Co-operative Restaurant, Westgate, Rotherham, Saturday, Oct. 26th, at 6.40 p.m. Ringing at the Parish Church (10) 3.15-6.15; Eastwood (8) 11-12, 2-3; Rawmarsh (8) 11-12.30, 2-3; Thrybergh (6), 11.30-1, 2-3.30; Whiston (8) 2.30-4. Ringing on Sunday at the Parish Church, 8.45-9.30, 10.15-10.55, 5.15-6.25.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—The 320th anniversary dinner will be held at Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge, S.E.1, on Saturday, November 2nd, at 6 for 6.30 p.m. Tickets 18s. 6d. Latest date for application for tickets is Tuesday, October 29th. Ringing at Southwark Cathedral, 1.30-2.30; St. Michael's, Cornhill, 2.30-3.30; St. Lawrence Jewry, 3-4; St. Giles', Cripplegate, 3.15-4.15; St. Olave's, Hart Street, 4.30-5.30.—A. B. Peck. 1122

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD.—Next meeting, Almondbury (8), Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells 2.30. Cups of tea provided 5 p.m.; please bring own sandwiches. Business meeting to follow and bells afterwards. 1210

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District. — Meeting at Biddenham on Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, by Thursday, please, to Miss E. Steel, King's Close, Biddenham. — Phyllis Gray, Hon. Dis. Sec. 1204

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern District. — Next meeting at Bidford-on-Avon on Saturday, Nov. 2nd, at 3 p.m. Tea 5. Service 6 p.m. Names for tea by Oct. 30th, please.—H. M. Windsor, The Bakery, Long Itchington, near Rugby, Warwickshire. 1184

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—Meeting at Tideswell (8) on Saturday, Nov. 2nd, 3 p.m. own tea arrangements.—H. E. Taylor, Dis. Sec. 1189

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting at St. George's Church, Jesmond, Newcastle, at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Names for tea to Mr. L. J. May, 160, Osborne Road, Jesmond, Newcastle-upon-Tyne 3 1202

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting at Cottenham (6), Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—D. E. R. Knights, Dis. Sec. 1192

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South Eastern Division.—Meeting at Widford (8), Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Numbers for tea to A. H. Everett, Cornerway, Plantation Road, Boreham. 1170

GUILDFORD GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Meeting at Capel, Nov. 2nd. Bells from 3. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 in the King's Head. Numbers for tea should be sent as early as possible to Mrs. Penfold, 6, Greenside, Capel, Dorking. 1206

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bridgnorth District.—Quarterly meeting at Worfield, Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, before Wednesday, Oct. 30th, to H. Edge, 10, The Crescent, Much Wenlock, Salop. 1185

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Norton, Nov. 2nd. 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. in the school. Special method—Rutland Surprise.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 1187

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District. — Meeting, Rickmansworth (10), Saturday, Nov. 2nd, 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15.—K. R. Dunstan, Dis. Sec. 1196

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting, Rishton, Nov. 2nd. Ringing at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. Cups of tea provided.—Charles W. Blakey, Branch Sec. 1208

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—Meeting at Cockerham, Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Ringing 2.30-7.30. Tea (approx. 2s. 6d.) at 4.30. Names for tea, by Friday, to R. F. Eccles, 22, Walton Avenue, Morecambe. 1217

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch. — Meeting, Hindley, Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30. Make own arrangements for tea.—M. E. Ridyard, 16, Vaughan Road, Southport. 1217

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—St. Chad's, Headingley, Nov. 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting 7.30 p.m. Names, please, to Alfred Johnson, 7, Weetwood Lane, Leeds 6. — J. F. Hodson, Hon. Sec. 1216

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual dinner and social at Co-op Cafe, High Street, Leicester (near Cathedral), Saturday, Nov. 2nd, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets (price 10s. 6d.) available from District secretaries or undersigned. Peals arranged for morning—please contact general secretary. Bells available: St. Mary's 2-3; St. John's 3-4.30; Cathedral 4.30-6.15.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec., 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Parva, Leicester. 1166

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Horbling (6) on Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Meeting 5 p.m. Bring own teas; no catering available.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 1164

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Amended notice of Southern Branch meeting to be held at Horbling on Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Gaytime Snack Bar, Billingham. Names for tea to me by Oct. 29th.—F. G. Vickers, Ermine Street, Ancaster, Grantham, Lincs. 1197

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Bucknall on Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea, not later than Wednesday, Oct. 30th, to R. Preston, 76, Ruxley Road, Bucknall, Stoke-on-Trent. Annual committee meeting 4 p.m.—E. H. Edge, Hon. Sec. 1207

OLDHAM.—An open meeting will be held at Oldham Parish Church on Saturday, Nov. 2nd, to celebrate the 80th birthday of Mr. H. Barlow. Bells available from 3 p.m. Free tea. Names for tea, by Wednesday, Oct. 30th, to Mrs. Sanderson, 26, Greenhill Road, Middleton Junction, Manchester. 1199

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—A monthly meeting at Maids Moreton, Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells (6) at 5 p.m. All welcome.—R. H. Howson. 1195

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Handsworth, Nov. 2nd, 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. L. Gilbert, 56, Glencoe Road, Sheffield 2. All welcome.—J. Seager, Sec. 1220

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District.—Meeting at Daybrook on Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Names for tea, by previous Tuesday, to Mr. P. E. Ball, 9, Nelson Road, Daybrook, Nottingham. — C. W. Towers. 1181

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Practice meeting at Merstham on Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, by Wednesday, Oct. 30th, to Mr. A. Streeter, 4, Maple Road, Earlswood. 1171

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—A special general meeting will be held at Southampton on Saturday, Nov. 2nd. Bells available (St. Michael's, 10) 2.30-4 and after tea. Service, in St. Michael's Church, 4, followed by general meeting in St. Michael's Hall at 4.30. Tea follows the meeting. Names for tea, by previous Wednesday, to Rev. K. W. H. Felstead, St. Michael's Vicarage, Bugle Street, Southampton.—J. A. C. King, Gen. Sec. 1158

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Practice meeting, Rusper (8), Nov. 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea, by previous Wednesday, to I. Butcher, 14, Withypitts, Turner's Hill. 1211

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Combined practice at St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Wednesday, Nov. 6th. Bells (12) available 6.30-8 p.m. All very welcome.—P. N. Bond, Hon. Sec. 1213

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 9th, at Great Berkhamsted. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, by Wednesday, Nov. 6th, to Mr. H. Porrett, 18, Cowper Road, Berkhamsted. No names, no tea.—J. Good, Dis. Sec. 1190

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District. — By-meeting, Saturday, Nov. 9th, at Barming. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5.—R. L. Sills, Dis. Sec. 1186

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Woodchurch on Saturday, Nov. 9th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mrs. D. J. Russell, 63, Front Road, Woodchurch.—C. T. H. 1203

LADIES' GUILD.—Sussex Division.—Meeting at Hastings on Nov. 9th. All Saints' 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Christ Church, Blacklands, 6-8 p.m. Ladies please support. Gentlemen cordially invited.—Daphne Lester, Hon. Sec. 1191

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Davenport Branch.—Meeting, Staverton, Saturday, Nov. 9th. Names for tea, by Monday previous, to Mrs. C. Hall, Church Street, Staverton, Daventry.—F. W. Hancock. 1194

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Wellington, Saturday, Nov. 9th. Bells (8) at 3. Service 4.30. Names for tea, by Nov. 6th, to Mr. A. Pritchard, 51, Hadley Park Road, Hadley, Shropshire. 1214

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Annual dinner at Castle Hotel, Tamworth, Nov. 9th at 6 p.m. Ringing at Tamworth Parish Church during the afternoon. Dinner tickets (11s. each) from Fred Bennett, Pool House Road, Wombourn. 1219

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Last quarterly meeting of the year at Rammoor, near Sheffield, Nov. 16th. Details later.—J. J. L. Gilbert. 1215

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—Preliminary notice at annual dinner to be held Saracen's Hotel Nov. 30th, 6.30 p.m. for 7 p.m. For tickets (11s. 6d.) apply H. Newman, 161, Barnwood Road, Gloucester. 1200

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Annual dinner, Saturday, Feb. 1st, 1958, at the Old Bell Restaurant, Holborn, 6 for 6.30 p.m. Tickets (price 13s.) now available from Mr. J. L. Morris, 25, Lancing Road, Orpington, Kent. 1212

QUARTER PEALS

BATH, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 29th, at St. Michael with St. Paul's Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. W. Perry 1, Mrs. G. Plank 2, Miss B. Russell 3, L. W. Moses 4, J. G. Davis 5, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 6. For harvest festival and the ancient custom of the attendance of the Mayor and Corporation.

BUCKINGHAM.—On Sept. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. A. Vickers 1, F. Townsend 2, W. Townsend 3, F. C. Case 4, C. Gough 5, G. W. Holland 6, W. A. Yates (cond.) 7, W. H. Yates 8. Rung for the wedding of Mr. D. Styles and Miss A. Kelley.

FULHAM, S.W.—At All Saints' Church, on Sept. 29th, 1,279 Stedman Caters: H. Belcher 1, Mrs. C. Watta 2, James Phillips 3, J. Alison 4, W. H. Langdon 5, B. K. Lunn 6, W. T. Cook 7, D. R. Randall 8, John Phillips (cond.) 9, J. Bell 10.

MOUNTSOREL, LEICS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (10 callings): D. A. Lindsay 1, R. Handford 2, G. V. Harrauld 3, J. Handford 4, R. Wilmore (cond.) 5. Rung by the local band for morning service.

NUTFIELD, SURREY.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (480 Bob and 780 Grandsire): E. Carvell 1, Nancy Kempell 2, Freda Hankey 3, A. Streeter 4, G. Olliver (cond.) 5, S. Smith 6. For harvest festival.

OXENDON, NORTHANTS.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Swann 1, F. Maguire 2, Miss M. Wilford 3, M. Mesam 4, D. Griffin (cond.) 5. For harvest festival.

STANDLAKE, OXON.—On Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. J. Roaf (cond.) 1, R. A. Jackson 2, Margaret Wynn 3, C. Coles 4, A. H. Gearing 5, A. Costar 6. For harvest festival.

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SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Hough 1, M. Gartside 2, B. Hough 3, Olive Moxon 4, Grace Burchnell (cond.) 5, Katharine Burchnell 6, N. Moxon 7, J. Wilson 8. For harvest festival. Also on Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (6, 7, 8 covering): Lavina Hulford (first away from cover bell) 1, Katharine Burchnell 2, Grace Burchnell (cond.) 3, Olive Moxon 4, M. Gartside 5, R. Mumford 6, J. Wilson 7, D. Hough 8. Rung to celebrate the engagement of Lavina Hulford and Roger Mumford.

SWINDON, WILTS.—At Christ Church, on Oct. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Dr. C. G. Roworth 1, R. G. Townsend 2, G. W. Townsend 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, T. Townsend 5, A. G. Wells 6, E. Sutton (cond.) 7, R. E. G. Lutton 8. Also at St. Mark's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. Warner 1, P. Anger 2, A. T. Collins 3, W. A. T. Carter (cond.) 4, C. A. Cavalot 5, R. E. G. Lutton 6, E. Sutton 7, W. Boden 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Charles J. Gardner, a ringer at Christ Church for 62 years.

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