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## THE HUNT RIGHT AND WRONG Or An Echo Of Old Berkshire

**I**N September, 1891, the 'Reading Mercury' carried a description of the restoration of Blewbury Church; it contained a history of the bells and their founder, of whose sad end it told . . .

'A new bell was cast by a man named Hunt, who placed upon it the following inscription:—

Three times run and twice cast,  
Blewbury tenor was made at last.

It is said that Hunt threatened if he did not succeed in making the bell in three castings he would destroy himself. He did commit suicide some time afterwards, and was buried with a stake driven through his body at the crossroads outside the village, at a spot still known as Hunt's grave.'

A few days later, the correspondent found himself under fire from a reader who indignantly contradicted 'this unfounded statement': The bell alluded to was cast at the foundry at Cholsey by Mr. John Hunt, in the year 1825, and was filled with beer in the yard of the foundry. Mr. Hunt was the founder of several church bells, two of which are in the tower of Cholsey Church at the present time. Some time after casting this bell, Mr. Hunt left Cholsey and took the foundry at Bow, called Clay Hall Ironworks, which he carried on for some years, and on his retirement went to live at Bardon villa, where he died in 1868, aged 81 years; 'His end was peace.' Suffice it to say he was not buried with a stake through his body at the crossroads. After the final paragraph of hurt feelings, the writer signs himself 'Charles Hewett Hunt, The Elms, Cholsey. 5th Oct., 1891.'

Explanation and apology came ten days later: 'I am sorry I was not sufficiently precise to prevent the error of confusing the old bell and the new bell,' wrote Mr. Lowsley. 'There are two Blewbury tenors, so also two Hunts who made them. If Mr. Hunt had considered, he must have discovered that his beloved relative of Cholsey, who had recast the bell in 1825, could not be identified with Mr. Hunt of Blewbury, who made the bell in 1558, inscribed—

"J. Hunt made mee, Blewbury tenor for to be;  
Three times runne and twice caste,  
Blewbury tenor was made at laste."

'My father told me he was walking in his orchard when he heard such discordant clangs that he went to see what was the matter, and found the bell split—this ended the bell made in 1558 by J. Hunt who, tradition says, hanged himself, and was buried at the crossroads. Everyone must know that this practice has been discontinued for a century, therefore this man could not be Mr. Hunt's relative (the custom now being burial at midnight without religious service).

'Now for the new bell (1825) made by J. Hunt, I cannot say what was done before the bell came to Blewbury; but once here it was slung up under the yew tree in the churchyard, and filled with beer contributed by the farmers, publicans and other inhabitants of the parish. None was tasted until the bell was full, and then it was distributed by my father, some of which I now have (66 years after). The bell was then hung and tuned. A man by the name of Bosley walked to and fro on the footpath by the Cleeve for days while the chipping was going on, with the bell rung at intervals for him to declare when it was in tune.

'I have great regard for this bell, for when a boy some 60 years ago (i.e., 1830), I have lain in bed counting the strokes of the curfew, rung at 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. The clerk, who rang the curfew, was remunerated with a small payment—said to have been left by a person who was lost on the adjacent downs and was guided home by these bells. One other incident of the bell permit me to give: When a boy, I was playing near the church when the bell was being rung; all at once there was a noise like thunder—the man in charge rushed out of the belfry terror-stricken. We ran to see what had happened, and found the clapper had fallen out. The bells are heavy and good, as a local poet once described them as—

"Blewbury great rollers,  
And Hagbourne fine bells"

Mr. L. Lowsley concludes his letter with a recital of Blewbury's old buildings, prehistoric monuments, and local worthies—the Rev. Acres Wentworth, the friend of Wesley, Huggins, Ludlow, and Parson Jones the miser. But to me the most interesting figure is the lonely Mr. Bosley listening by the Cleeve.

VICTOR SHEPPARD.  
(Cape Town.)



## SOUTH HAMPSHIRE PEAL RINGING TOUR

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

## HAMBLEDON, HAMPSHIRE.

On Sat., Aug. 30, 1958, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 lb. in A flat.

THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. Treble	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. 4
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 2	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. 5
*RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 3	DENNIS KNOX .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DENNIS KNOX.

\* 150th tower for a peal. First peal in seven methods on the bells.  
Rung as a wedding compliment to Barbara A. Mitchell and Hendrik O. van Asselt, in Rotterdam.

## SOBERTON, HAMPSHIRE.

On Sat., Aug. 30, 1958, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in G.

C. EDWARD LANKESTER .. Treble	KENNETH ARTHUR .. .. 5
*MRS. K. ARTHUR .. .. 2	LEONARD STILWELL .. .. 6
MARGARET E. L. BEAMISH .. 3	WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 7
ALICK CUTLER .. .. 4	WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

\* First peal of Surprise 'inside.'

## LOCKERLEY, HAMPSHIRE.

On Tues., Sept. 2, 1958, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

MRS. T. J. LOCK .. .. Treble	KENNETH ARTHUR .. .. 4
C. EDWARD LANKESTER .. .. 2	RONALD H. BULLEN .. .. 5
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 3	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS J. LOCK.

First peal of Surprise on the bells.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kippin.

## SHERFIELD ENGLISH, HAMPSHIRE.

On Tues., Sept. 2, 1958, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

## A PEAL OF 5120 HAMPSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. in A flat.

LEONARD STILWELL .. .. Treble	ALICK CUTLER .. .. 5
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 2	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. 6
WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 3	WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 7
ARTHUR V. PEARSON .. .. 4	DENNIS KNOX .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by DENNIS KNOX.

First peal in the method for the Guild and by all, except the ringer of the fifth.

## ALVERSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.

On Wed., Sept. 3, 1958, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in F sharp.

LEONARD STILWELL .. .. Treble	*KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. 5
RONALD H. BULLEN .. .. 2	DENNIS KNOX .. .. 6
ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 3	WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 7
FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. .. 4	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

\* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.

## CURDRIDGE, HAMPSHIRE.

On Thurs., Sept. 4, 1958, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in D.

PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Treble	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 5
ARTHUR V. PEARSON .. .. 2	WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 6
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 3	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. 7
DENNIS KNOX .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN L. MORRIS.

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

## SHEDFIELD, HAMPSHIRE.

On Thurs., Sept. 4, 1958, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in G.

MRS. K. ARTHUR .. .. Treble	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. 5
RONALD H. BULLEN .. .. 2	FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. 6
PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. 3	KENNETH ARTHUR .. .. 7
DENNIS KNOX .. .. 4	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by KENNETH ARTHUR.

## BRADING, ISLE OF WIGHT.

On Fri., Sept. 5, 1958, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 2,880 London, 640 Bristol, 960 Cambridge and 640 Superlative, with 110 changes of method. Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

C. EDWARD LANKESTER .. Treble	ALICK CUTLER .. .. 5
DENNIS KNOX .. .. 2	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. 6
MRS. T. J. LOCK .. .. 3	ARTHUR V. PEARSON .. 7
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by ARTHUR V. PEARSON.

First peal of Spliced in the Isle of Wight.

## RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT.

On Fri., Sept. 5, 1958, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 26½ cwt. in D.

LEONARD STILWELL .. .. Treble	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. 5
RONALD H. BULLEN .. .. 2	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 6
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 3	WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 7
WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 4	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by THOMAS J. LOCK.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.

On Sat., Sept. 6, 1958, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5216 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in F sharp.

C. EDWARD LANKESTER .. Treble	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. 5
MRS. T. J. LOCK .. .. 2	ALICK CUTLER .. .. 6
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 3	LEONARD STILWELL .. .. 7
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 4	DENNIS KNOX .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by DENNIS KNOX.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

On Sat., Sept. 6, 1958, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lb. in G.

FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. Treble	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 5
RONALD H. BULLEN .. .. 2	WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 6
REGINAED A. REED .. .. 3	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. 7
WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

## LEICESTER.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Nov. 3, 1958, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

## A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

*HERRICK B. BOWLEY .. Treble	RICHARD F. PRIME .. 7
AVRIL THACKRAY .. .. 2	JOHN BRAMLEY .. .. 8
ERNEST RAWSON .. .. 3	†JOHN A. ACRES .. .. 9
JOHN R. SMITH .. .. 4	*ALAN E. JACQUES .. .. 10
BRIAN MARTIN .. .. 5	G. STEDMAN MORRIS .. 11
†SHIRLEY BURTON .. .. 6	WILLIAM J. ROOT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HERRICK B. BOWLEY.

\* 75th peal together. † 50th peal together.

Rung as a welcome to the Very Rev. Richard J. F. Mayston, C.B.E., M.A., upon his installation as Provost of Leicester.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## WEST HARTLEPOOL, CO. DURHAM.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 25, 1958, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in E.

*MRS. J. A. AINSWORTH .. Treble	KENNETH ARTHUR .. .. 6
KENNETH LAWSON .. .. 2	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 7
*CHARLES N. LEA .. .. 3	EDMUND P. CROWDY .. 8
ROLAND PARK .. .. 4	W. NORMAN PARK .. .. 9
*MRS. K. LAWSON .. .. 5	DENIS A. BAYLES .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. CAWSE.

Conducted by KENNETH LAWSON.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal. First of Cambridge Royal as conductor.

## RIPON, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND WILFRID,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 23 cwt. 24 lb. in E flat.

LESLIE W. G. MORRIS .. Treble	WILLIAM BARTON .. .. 6
M. VIVIEN COPPING .. 2	ALEXANDER E. MARSH .. 7
*SHEILA M. TAYLOR .. 3	†ROBERT E. MOULDS .. 8
ALFRED SMITH .. .. 4	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. .. 9
MAURICE J. THURMOTT .. 5	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN. Conducted by LESLIE W. G. MORRIS.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First of Surprise Royal. First peal by a resident West Riding band.

Rung on the 12th anniversary of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. G. A. Chase, D.D., as Bishop of Ripon.

## BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF 5080 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. Treble	*DAVID CUBITT .. .. 6
FREDERICK A. MUNDAY .. 2	FREDERICK SEAGER .. .. 7
ROY BETTLEY-COOKE .. 3	†FRANK RAYMENT .. .. 8
MAX P. PAGE .. .. 4	SAM LONGBOTTOM .. .. 9
*B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 5	J. MARTIN THORLEY .. Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by FREDERICK A. MUNDAY.

\* First peal of Kent Royal. † 50th peal for the Yorkshire Association. First as conductor in the method and on ten bells.

Arranged and rung to commemorate Armistice Day.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

## BALLAARAT, VICTORIA.

## THE ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL (MELBOURNE) SOCIETY.

On Sat., Sept. 27, 1958, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

ON THE ALFRED MEMORIAL BELLS OF THE CITY HALL,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

PETER G. RICHARDS .. Treble	ARTHUR H. FISHER .. .. 5
MRS. GEO. W. PIPE .. .. 2	GERALD WESTON .. .. 6
BARBARA J. BEESON .. 3	JOHN J. F. ROPER .. .. 7
GRAEME W. HEYES .. .. 4	GEORGE W. PIPE .. .. Tenor

Composed by EDWIN H. LEWIS. Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

First peal of Major on the bells, the only other peal being Stedman Triples in 1934, conducted by George Martin.

## MELBOURNE, VICTORIA.

## THE ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.

On Fri., Oct. 10, 1958, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

AT THE R.C. CATHEDRAL OF ST. PATRICK,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Tenor 13 cwt. (approx.) in F.

MRS. GEO. W. PIPE .. Treble	ARTHUR H. FISHER .. .. 5
BRENDA L. SHEPPARD .. 2	GRAEME W. HEYES .. .. 6
GEORGE W. PIPE .. .. 3	JOHN J. F. ROPER .. .. 7
ERNEST H. HUGHES .. 4	PETER G. RICHARDS .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. GROVES. Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

First peal ever rung on these bells which were cast in 1851 by Murphy, of Dublin.

Rung with muffled clappers in memoriam Pope Pius XII.

## SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA.

## THE NEW SOUTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Oct. 20, 1958, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY'S BASILICA,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Tenor 13 cwt. (approx.) in F.

Parker's Twelve-part.	Tenor 26 cwt.
ROBERT W. FERRAS .. Treble	EDWARD J. FOWELL .. .. 5
LAWRENCE R. CURRAN .. 2	JOHN J. CUMINS .. .. 6
JOHN C. SHEEHY .. .. 3	THOMAS W. GOODYER .. 7
JOHN S. CLARK .. .. 4	*EDWARD J. SHEEHY .. Tenor
	G. KENNETH STACEY

Conducted by THOMAS W. GOODYER.

\* First peal. First of Triples on the bells and first on bells by local band.

Rung fully-muffled in memoriam Pope Pius XII.

## TUXFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 25, 1958, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

GEORGE CHALLANS .. Treble	HAROLD DENMAN .. .. 5
JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 2	DENNIS COOPER .. .. 6
DEREK P. JONES .. .. 3	DOUGLAS H. ROOKE .. .. 7
*KENNETH BALLINGTON .. 4	HERBERT T. ROOKE .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.

Conducted by HERBERT T. ROOKE.

\* First touch in the method.

## BERKHAMSTED, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TRIPLES**

Consisting of 2,520 Oxford Bob, 1,680 Grandsire and 840 St. Clement's, with 96 changes of method.

BERTIE A. CORNELL .. Treble	GERALD PENNEY .. .. 5
ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. 2	DEREK E. LATCHFORD .. 6
THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. 3	BERTRAM C. JOHNSON .. 7
FREDERICK ELLIS .. .. 4	RICHARD A. PORTER .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

First peal of Spliced Triples in three methods by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

## HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

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

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

Comprising 1,920 London, 960 Rutland, 640 Bristol, 640 Superlative, 640 Cambridge, 320 Yorkshire, with 119 changes of method.

Tenor 17 cwt. in E flat.

NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. Treble	TERRY R. HAMPTON .. .. 5
*RUTH M. BORDER .. .. 2	PETER BORDER .. .. 6
†BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3	ARTHUR V. PEARSON .. 7
JOHN PINFOLD .. .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

\* First peal of 6-Spliced. † First of Spliced Surprise Major.

## HEADINGLEY, LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

*BRIAN J. WITHILL .. Treble	MAX P. PAGE .. .. 5
JOHN RHODES .. .. 2	F. KEITH WILLIAMSON .. 6
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. 3	PETER F. WINDLEY .. .. 7
GEORGE ROBINSON .. .. 4	ROY BETTLEY-COOKE .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

\* First peal on a working bell.

A golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson.

## LONG ASHTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 3 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 30 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in D flat.

*DAVID G. YEO .. Treble	PATRICK J. BIRD .. .. 5
ELIZABETH A. G. BOWDEN .. 2	DONALD E. COBB .. .. 6
RONALD G. BECK .. .. 3	PHILIP M. J. GRAY .. .. 7
ANTONY W. T. CLEAVER .. 4	JOHN H. GILBERT .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

\* First peal of Surprise.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

## PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, PORTSEA,

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. 7 lb. in F.

ROBERT WAKE .. Treble	E. WINIFRED KEYS .. .. 5
S. KATHLEEN M. KNIGHT .. 2	FREDERICK W. ROGERS .. 6
TOWER R. TAYLOR .. .. 3	WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 7
WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 4	FRANK H. HICKS .. Tenor

Composed by H. G. CASHMORE (No. 2 C.C.C.).

Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.



## SHALFORD, SURREY.

## THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in F sharp.

MRS. A. DISERENS .. .. Treble	5	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 5
ALBERT DISERENS .. .. 2	6	CYRIL E. LEWINGTON .. .. 6
JOHN N. DISERENS .. .. 3	7	RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. 7
FRANK W. LEWIS .. .. 4	Tenor	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by NOEL J. DISERENS.

A wedding compliment to Hazel L. Hancock and Bryan C. Stirland.

## SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. in F.

JACK PILGRIM .. .. Treble	5	C. JACK GIBSON .. .. 5
RAYMOND PECK .. .. 2	6	RICHARD S. PAYNE .. .. 6
ERNEST G. PEARCE .. .. 3	7	PETER S. BEDFORD .. .. 7
L. EDWARD ETHERIDGE .. 4	Tenor	JOHN W. BLYTHE .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by JOHN W. BLYTHE.  
Rung for the birthdays of Mrs. Jarvis, of Southwold (90), and Mr. Pearce (son of the ringer of the third).

## SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE OXFORD COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb.

WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. Treble	5	HERBERT T. ROOKE .. .. 5
KATHERINE BURCHNALL .. 2	6	GEORGE CHALLANS .. .. 6
GRACE BURCHNALL .. .. 3	7	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 7
HAROLD DENMAN .. .. 4	Tenor	DOUGLAS H. ROOKE .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE (C.C.C. No. 14).

Conducted by DOUGLAS H. ROOKE.

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

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

## WARBOROUGH, OXFORDSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 3 Hours,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt.

REGINALD TUCKWELL .. Treble	5	FRANK GODDEN .. .. 5
*KENNETH TIMBURY .. .. 2	6	JAMES BLOND .. .. 6
JAMES GODMAN .. .. 3	7	FRANK ABSALOM .. .. 7
HARRY BADGER .. .. 4	Tenor	ROBERT BLOND .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by ROBERT BLOND.

\* First peal in the method.

## WITTON, NORTHWICH, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt.

*SANDRA HAYDOCK .. .. Treble	5	DOUGLAS LOWE .. .. 5
A. GORDON LAWRENCE .. 2	6	HENRY PARKER .. .. 6
REGINALD W. WORRALL .. 3	7	JOHN RYDER .. .. 7
MRS. D. LOWE .. .. 4	Tenor	HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by HENRY PARKER.

\* First peal.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## WOOTTON BASSETT, WILTSHIRE.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's Transposition.

Tenor 19 cwt.

*ERNEST F. BROOKS .. .. Treble	5	†ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 5
RAYMOND C. WESTNEY .. 2	6	W. BERTRAM KYNASTON .. 6
†PETER V. SPACKMAN .. .. 3	7	†ERIC SUTTON .. .. 7
†DR. C. G. ROWORTH .. .. 4	Tenor	*JAMES AMOR .. .. Tenor

Conducted by W. BERTRAM KYNASTON.

\* First peal. † First of Triples. † First of Stedman Triples.  
Rung on All Saints' Day and to commemorate the 325th anniversary of the installation of the back five bells.

## SOUTHPORT, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Nov. 3, 1958, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

At CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

*LEONA WILSON .. .. Treble	5	THOMAS W. HESKETH .. .. 5
†MARGARET FORREST .. .. 2	6	CYRIL CROSTHWAITE .. .. 6
DOREEN DUTTON .. .. 3	7	RONALD KENRICK .. .. 7
PETER COXALL .. .. 4	Tenor	JOSEPH RIDYARD .. .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Conducted by JOSEPH RIDYARD.

\* First peal. † First in the method.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Jean Marshall, of Parbold.

## WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Nov. 5, 1958, in 3 Hours,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*R. STUART MALLABURN .. Treble	5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. 5
WILLIAM L. GOFTON .. .. 2	6	KENNETH ARTHUR .. .. 6
RICHARD A. GOFTON .. .. 3	7	ERIC N. HARRISON .. .. 7
R. ALDER GOFTON .. .. 4	Tenor	DENIS A. BAYLES .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by DENIS A. BAYLES.

\* First peal of Major.

Rung to celebrate the 81st birthday of the ringer of the fourth (October 21st, 1958).

## LANE END, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Nov. 6, 1958, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Bruerton's Twelve-part.

Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM CARTER .. .. Treble	5	G. ARNOLD MOORE .. .. 5
ALBERT LAWTON .. .. 2	6	WILLIAM TALBOT .. .. 6
*JEFFREY DAVIS .. .. 3	7	ERIC YOUNG .. .. 7
*CHARLES WEBB .. .. 4	Tenor	†FREDERICK HULME .. .. Tenor

Conducted by G. ARNOLD MOORE.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples. † First peal.

Rung as a 74th birthday compliment to Albert Lawton.

## ERITH, KENT.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Fri., Nov. 7, 1958, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF 5040 ERIN TRIPLES

Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

*ALFRED J. HOUSE .. .. Treble	5	†GEORGE J. BUTCHER .. .. 5
*ARTHUR G. MASON .. .. 2	6	*FRANK J. MATTHEWS .. .. 6
*MRS. T. H. FRANCIS .. .. 3	7	*THOMAS H. FRANCIS .. .. 7
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY .. 4	Tenor	FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. SEGAR, JUN.

Conducted by THOMAS H. FRANCIS.

\* First peal of Triples in the method. † First in the method.

In memoriam David Priestley, also Frederick J. Cullum, sen., who died November 7th, 1931.

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## ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt.

VIVIANNE M. HORTON .. Treble	ANTHONY AGER .. .. 5
PETER BERESFORD .. .. 2	IAN M. HOLLAND .. .. 6
JOHN A. ANDERSON .. .. 3	PAUL J. RIGBY .. .. 7
H. DAVID HOLLAND .. .. 4	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

## BANSTEAD, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 21 cwt. 27 lb. in E flat.

MICHAEL V. CHILCOTT .. Treble	HAROLD N. PITSTOW .. .. 5
KATHLEEN E. CHILCOTT .. 2	DAVID E. PARSONS .. .. 6
JILL R. PARSONS .. .. 3	JOHN E. CHILCOTT .. .. 7
FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 4	RAYMOND I. F. PARSONS .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID E. PARSONS.

Rung to welcome Paul John, born October 15th, 1958, to Joyce and David Parsons.

## BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in F sharp.

*STELLA M. KNIGHT .. Treble	WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 5
ARTHUR J. HART .. .. 2	GEORGE FRANCIS .. .. 6
LEONARD STILWELL .. .. 3	WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 7
FRANK H. HICKS .. .. 4	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX (No. 8). Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Major.

Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Day.

## BURNHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Hubbard's. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

*GEORGE J. GIBBS .. Treble	*JAMES R. A. MULLER .. 5
†GEORGE COUSSINS .. .. 2	GORDON W. LIMMER .. .. 6
†RICHARD E. DEAN .. .. 3	GEORGE GILBERT .. .. 7
†HOWARD OGLESBY .. .. 4	RONALD I. SHEPHERD .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE GILBERT.

\* First peal. † First of Bob Triples.

Rung half-muffled for Armistice, remembering Peter Blamey, Martin Blamey, R.A.F., Bryan O'Neil (all Burnham local pre-war band) and Eric G. Gilbert, R.E.M.E.

## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. in D flat.

CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. Treble	JACK S. DEAR .. .. 5
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 2	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. 6
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 3	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 7
PATRICIA M. BOURN .. .. 4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER (No. 31).

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

## LONDON, N.W.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE, KILBURN.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. in A.

*DESMOND G. MITCHELL .. Treble	*JOHN V. TEMPLE .. .. 5
MICHAEL ROSE .. .. 2	*DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 6
ROGER KEELEY .. .. 3	†MARTYN HAWKES .. .. 7
PHILIP G. K. DAVIES .. 4	J. MICHAEL LAKIN .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by J. MICHAEL LAKIN.

\* First peal of Major. † First of Surprise 'inside.'

## OLD SAWLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5088 JERSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb.

BURLEY P. NORRIS .. Treble	HAROLD TAYLOR .. .. 5
PATRICIA A. M. FORSTER .. 2	FRANCIS R. LOWE .. .. 6
DENIS R. CARLISLE .. .. 3	*GORDON A. HALLS .. .. 7
ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 4	DEREK P. JONES .. Tenor

Composed by DENIS R. CARLISLE and GORDON A. HALLS.

Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.

\* 100th peal for the Association. First peal in the method for the Association

## WATLINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt. 8 lb. in E flat.

CHRISTINE M. WOODWARD Treble	JOHN W. SINFIELD .. .. 5
ERNEST J. MUNDAY .. .. 2	FRANK A. BARRETT .. .. 6
ALBERT DISERENS .. .. 3	EDGAR J. SMITH .. .. 7
DONALD H. NIBLETT .. .. 4	ALAN R. PINK .. .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE MARRINER.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

Rung for the Feast of St. Leonard.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Oct. 24, 1958, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM Treble	HAROLD DENMAN .. .. 4
*†KENNETH BALLINGTON .. 2	DOUGLAS H. ROOKE .. 5
WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. 3	†DEREK P. JONES .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

\* 25th peal. † 25th peal together.

## CUCKNEY, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 25, 1958, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in five methods: (1), (2), (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Kent Treble Bob, (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

KENNETH BALLINGTON .. Treble	DENNIS SMEDLEY .. .. 4
JAMES T. ROOKE .. .. 2	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 5
RICHARD HOBBS .. .. 3	DEREK P. JONES .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

## WEST RETFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Oct. 26, 1958, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 WATH DELIGHT MINOR

(C.C.C. 3D 11.) Being one 2,160 and four different extents.

Tenor 9 cwt.

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. Treble	RICHARD HOBBS .. .. 4
KENNETH BALLINGTON .. 2	DOUGLAS H. ROOKE .. 5
HAROLD DENMAN .. .. 3	DEREK P. JONES .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

First peal of Wath Delight Minor.

## OTTERSHAW, SURREY.

## THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different 720's.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

ELISABETH LOVELAND .. Treble	EUNICE A. HILEY .. .. 4
JILL M. LANE .. .. 2	JOHN KING .. .. 5
ROY COLLINS .. .. 3	DOUGLAS A. R. MAY .. Tenor

Conducted by DOUGLAS A. R. MAY.

A wedding peal for Hazel Hancock and Bryan Stirland, married at Ottershaw earlier this day.



**SHELFANGER, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being ten extents and two Morris' 240's of Grandsire, 12 extents of St. Simon's and 16 extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

FREDERICK C. ROPER .. .. Treble	FRANK C. J. ARNOLD .. 3
C. FRANK W. PHILLIPPO .. 2	CHARLES R. CATCHPOLE .. 4

\*ARTHUR E. COOK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. FRANK W. PHILLIPPO.

\* First peal of Doubles.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**TILSTON, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Nov. 1, 1958, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being 720 each of Double Bob, St. Clement's, Childwall, Double Oxford, Thelwall, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

GEORGE F. SPERRING .. .. Treble	EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 4
JOHN W. GRIFFITHS .. .. 2	GEORGEY PARTING .. .. 5
JOHN S. DEAN .. .. 3	PERCY SWINDLEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

**HECKFIELD, HAMPSHIRE.**

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sun., Nov. 2, 1958, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 21 extents each of Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Tenor 15½ cwt.

FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. Treble	WILLIAM S. DEASON .. 3
DAVID A. S. HAWKINS .. 2	ROBIN G. LEALE .. 4

GEORGEY K. DODD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK R. SCOTT.

**MARSHFIELD, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**

**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Mon., Nov. 3, 1958, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,*

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

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent of Single Oxford Bob, and two extents each of Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. in A.

JACQUELINE S. KING .. Treble	WILLIAM E. THOMPSETT .. 4
JAMES DANIELS .. .. 2	DONALD G. CLARKE .. 5
DAVID J. KING .. .. 3	GEORGE DAVIS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE DAVIS.

**SULGRAVE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.**

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Mon., Nov. 3, 1958, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being one extent each of Primrose, York, Carlisle, Beverley, Wells, London and Cambridge. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr.

J. GEORGE SHELLARD .. Treble	MONTAGUE SAUNDERS .. 4
WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. 2	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. 5
WILLIAM J. CHESTER .. 3	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.

**BERGH APTON, NORFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

*On Fri., Nov. 7, 1958, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF 5040 STAMFORD SURPRISE MINOR**

(Four variations of calling.) Tenor 8 cwt. 99 lb. in G.

ARTHUR G. BASON .. Treble	STANLEY W. COPLING .. 4
TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. 2	GEORGE SAYER .. .. 5
NOLAN GOLDEN .. .. 3	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

First peal in the method by all, and for the Association.

Rung in honour of the 80th birthday of Mr. Sydney Flint, of Maghull, with congratulations and best wishes from his friends in the Norwich diocese.

**WINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.**

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

*On Fri., Nov., 7, 1958, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and three extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 20 lb. in F.

ERNEST WHITING .. Treble	LEONARD J. MINNS .. 4
GEORGE FILBY .. .. 2	GEORGE FILBY, JUN. .. 5
*ALBERT LAWES .. .. 3	L. EDWARD ETHERIDGE .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

\* First peal in three methods.

A compliment to the third ringer on his silver wedding anniversary.

**ABBOT'S ANN, HAMPSHIRE.**

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 WINCHENDON PLACE BOB DOUBLES**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in G.

*A. PATRICK CANNON .. Treble	GEORGEY K. DODD .. 3
ROBIN G. LEALE .. .. 2	DAVID A. S. HAWKINS .. 4

PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN G. LEALE.

\* 50th different treble rung to a peal.

Rung with the bells fully-muffled in memory of Mr. Alfred Wimpey, late local captain.

**ACLE, NORFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven spliced extents: (1) London Bob and Double Court, (2) Cambridge and Ipswich Surprise, (3) St. Clement's and Double Oxford, (4) Reverse Plain Bob and College Bob, (5) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Childwall and Thelwall Bob, (7) Plain and Double Plain Bob, 96 changes of method. Tenor 9 cwt. 47 lb. in G.

*DORIS E. LIDBETTER .. Treble	NOLAN GOLDEN .. .. 4
ARTHUR G. BASON .. .. 2	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. 5

†BEVAN W. WILLGESS .. 3	GEORGE SAYER .. .. Tenor
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Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

\* First to 'complete the circle' here. † First peal in more than seven methods.

Rung in honour of the 86th birthday of Herbert W. Lidbetter.

**BOBBING, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 240 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, 480 April Day, 720 Plain Bob, 3,600 Grandsire. Tenor 9½ cwt.

MRS. FRANCIS J. CHEAL Treble	WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT .. 4
*FRANCIS J. CHEAL .. .. 2	CHARLES E. J. NORRIS .. 5
ALBERT DUNK .. .. 3	†KENNETH B. WILLIAMS .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT.

\* 175th peal. † First peal and first attempt.

**BROUGHTON, HAMPSHIRE.**

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being 720 each of Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Cambridge, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. Treble	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. 4
DAVID A. S. HAWKINS .. 2	ROBIN G. LEALE .. .. 5
GEORGEY K. DODD .. .. 3	A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

First peal on the bells.

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## CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., St. Clement's, Double Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt.

MICHAEL J. PALMER .. Treble	R. JAMES COOK .. .. 4
*H. MICHAEL WILLIAMSON .. 2	ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. 5
GRAHAM MACKAY .. .. 3	WILLIAM T. COOK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM T. COOK.

\* First peal of Minor.

## LITTLE CHART, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 6½ cwt.

E. PATRICIA LEWIS .. .. Treble	JOSEPH J. BATCHELOR .. .. 4
*ELIZABETH ROGERS .. .. 2	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. .. 5
KEITH BURBRIDGE .. .. 3	PETER F. T. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

\* First peal of Minor, and first 'inside.'

Rung as a compliment to the priest-in-charge, the Rev. D. P. Lury, prior to his formal induction as rector of the new church combined with the benefice of Charing.

## LOCKERLEY, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one 720 of Cambridge Surprise, one 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, one 720 of Kent Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. in G.

DAVID A. S. HAWKINS .. Treble	WILLIAM S. DEASON .. .. 4
GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 2	A PATRICK CANNON .. .. 5
ROBIN G. LEALE .. .. 3	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN G. LEALE.

## MORETON PINKNEY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF 5040 ST. LEONARD'S DOUBLES

Being 42 six-scores, three variations. Tenor 12 cwt. (approx.).

PATRICIA F. CURTIS .. .. Treble	PERCY AMOS .. .. 3
MICHAEL R. BENNETT .. .. 2	JIM C. RAINBOW .. .. 4

GEORGE F. ROOME .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. ROOME.

First peal of St. Leonards ever rung.

Rung within the octave of the Festival of St. Leonard, Confessor.

## NEWTON HALL, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven 720's, viz.: Surfleet, Beverley, Cambridge, York, Durham, Wells and London. Tenor 12 cwt.

J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. Treble	*KENNETH ARTHUR .. .. 4
KENNETH LAWSON .. .. 2	W. NORMAN PARK .. .. 5
BRYAN PATTISON .. .. 3	ROLAND PARK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROLAND PARK.

\* First peal in seven Surprise methods. First of Surprise on the bells.

## PENHOW, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 6 cwt.

PATRICIA H. JONES .. Treble	REV. IVOR J. RICHARDS .. .. 4
JACQUELINE S. KING .. .. 2	GEORGE WARD .. .. 5
*BRYAN J. JOHNS .. .. 3	DAVID J. KING .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID J. KING.

\* First peal of Minor.

A compliment to the Rev. Ivor J. Richards on his appointment as Rural Dean of Raglan. Also a wedding compliment to his cousin, Miss Joan Smith, and Mr. Norman Townsend, who were married prior to the peal.

## SHERBORNE, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 12 extents of Plain Bob (four callings) and 30 of Grandsire (ten callings). Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

*PHILIP FAULKS .. Treble	FREDERICK KINCHIN .. .. 4
†SHIRLEY STROUD .. .. 2	JOHN SLACK .. .. 5
WILLIAM H. MALE .. .. 3	FRED C. LYNE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. MALE.

\* First peal on a working bell. † First 'inside.'

Rung as a welcome to the Ven. J. H. Proctor, M.A. (Archdeacon of Warwick), who was inducted the previous evening as Vicar.

## STANWELL, MIDDLESEX.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 88 methods, viz.: Reverse St. Simon's, Union, Uffington and Reverse St. Nicholas, Reverse St. Simon's, Reverse New and St. Alphege; Reverse St. Osmund, St. Julian, Datchet and Reverse St. Remigius; St. Gregory, Reverse St. Vedast and Reverse St. Osmund; Reverse St. Martin's, St. Faith, Stowe Place and Reverse Winchendon; St. Andrew's Place, Reverse Huntspill and Reverse St. Martin's; Canterbury, Reverse Bob, Reverse Shipway, Reverse All Saints, St. Bartholomew and St. Sebastian; Coxwell, Stedman S.C., Reverse Bob and St. Botolph; Shepperton Alliance, Stanwell, Kempton and Hanworth Little Bob; Chalvey Alliance, Clewer, Spital and Dedworth Little Bob; Horton Alliance, Hampton, Ickenham and Northolt Little Bob; Astleham Alliance, Ashford, Twyford and Greenford Little Bob; New Bob and Itchingfield; Fornett and New Bob; St. Vedast and Chipstead; Bedingham and St. Vedast; Huntspill and Oakley; Ellingham and Huntspill; Shipway and Tandridge; Colnbrook and Shipway; Westminster II and Chesham; Knapton and Westminster II; St. Hilary and Ockham; Intwood and St. Hilary; Blackburn and Broughton; Lyng and Blackburn; Reverse Canterbury and Dorton; Raveningham and Reverse Canterbury; St. Nicholas and Longford; Fundenham and St. Nicholas; St. Remigius and Hascombe; Harpley and St. Remigius; Winchendon and Thornborough; Haddiscoe and Winchendon; Plain Bob and Boxford; Candlesby and Plain Bob; St. Simon's and Rugby; Braywood and St. Simon's; St. Osmund's and Merton; Longworth and St. Osmund's; St. Martin's and Slapton; Welford and St. Martin's; 340 changes of methods and no bobs used. Tenor 13 cwt.

MONICA M. BLAGROVE .. Treble	MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. 4
MALCOLM S. CLOKE .. .. 2	FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. .. 5
WILLIAM BUTLER .. .. 3	ALLEN D. RIVERS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

The greatest number of regular individual plain course Doubles methods yet rung to a peal.

Rung on the eve of Remembrance Sunday.

## YARDLEY-HASTINGS, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Wellingborough Branch.)

On Sat., Nov. 8, 1958, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten different callings). Tenor 14 cwt.

*PATRICIA THOMPSON .. Treble	EDWARD SMART .. .. 4
HARRY WOODING .. .. 2	*TIMOTHY WOODING .. .. 5
*ANNE FOWLER .. .. 3	SIDNEY ELLIOTT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY WOODING.

\* First peal at first attempt.

Rung as a farewell to the Rector (Rev. L. J. Thompson) and Patricia, his youngest daughter, the ringer of the treble.

## HANDBELL PEAL

## BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Thurs., Oct. 30, 1958, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT 66, MELTON ROAD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 21 extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire.

Tenor size 19 in F.

DEREK M. SAWYER .. .. 1-2	*ERNEST MORRIS .. .. 3-4
B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 5-6	

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

\* First peal in two Doubles methods 'in hand.'



# QUARTER PEALS

**ABERAVON, GLAM.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Pat Jones 1, Mrs. D. J. King 2, E. Philips 3, T. M. Roderick (cond.) 4, T. Yeoman 5, A. Hannington 6, R. E. Coles 7, D. J. King 8. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Nevill James and Miss Jill Birch, both ringers at Llandaff Cathedral.

**BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Bradder 1, C. Godfrey 2, B. Elliott 3, H. Wood 4, B. Matthews (cond.) 5, R. Elliott 6. A farewell to the ringer of the 3rd, who leaves for national service in the R.A.F.

**BLEWBURY, BERKS.**—On Nov. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Corderoy 1, H. W. Dunsden 2, Claude Corderoy 3, E. J. Grace 4, A. R. T. Greenough 5, R. B. Blond (cond.) 6, J. P. Blond 7, Cecil Corderoy 8. In memoriam Maria Prior, aged 93. Also on Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Marion J. Eland (first quarter, aged 13) 1, H. W. Dunsden 2, A. R. T. Greenough 3, E. J. Grace 4, C. B. Aldridge 5, R. B. Blond (cond.) 6, J. P. Blond 7, Claude Corderoy 8. For Remembrance service. Also on Nov. 11th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Claude Corderoy 1, H. W. Dunsden 2, A. R. T. Greenough 3, E. J. Grace 4, C. B. Aldridge 5, J. P. Blond 6, R. B. Blond (cond.) 7, Cecil Corderoy 8. On Armistice Day. All rung half-muffled.

**BRAADFELD, YORKS.**—On Oct. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Barber 1, Rev. A. King (first quarter) 2, B. Holland 3, T. Senior 4, R. Birch 5, D. Holland (cond.) 6.

**BRISTOL.**—On Nov. 7th, at the Church of Emmanuel, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Molly P. Smith 1, Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 2, Monica E. Horseman (first of Yorkshire 'inside') 3, D. E. Cobb (first of Yorkshire as cond.) 4, R. G. Hooper (first of Yorkshire Major) 5, D. J. Hunt 6, M. J. Horseman 7, J. Brain 8. First of Yorkshire 1, 6 and 8.

**BROMYARD, HEREFORDS.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. G. Clinton 1, R. J. Tomkins 2, J. H. Thomas (cond.) 3, F. J. Bedford 4, G. H. Corbett 5, W. Turner 6. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**BROUGHTON, STAFFS.**—On Oct. 7th, quarter peal of Plain Bob Major: A. White 1, Elizabeth Roberts 2, H. Roberts 3, A. Lawton 4, E. Young 5, W. Talbot 6, H. White 7, G. A. Moore (cond.) 8. First quarter in method 1 and 2. For harvest festival.

**CHIPPENHAM, WILTS.**—At St. Paul's Church, on Nov. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Martin 1, C. Lovelock 2, J. Trout 3, R. Tigwell 4, H. Fell 5, H. Heath 6, W. Page (cond.) 7, F. Hunt 8. Rung fully muffled in memoriam Malcolm W. Martin.

**COLCHESTER, ESSEX.**—On Oct. 18th, at St. Peter's Church, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Brenda M. Balls 1, E. P. Duffield 2, D. Whent (first in method) 3, F. G. Oliver 4, B. W. Fairhead 5, E. E. Davey 6, H. J. Millatt (cond.) 7, T. Earle 8. A welcome to Rosemary Ann Millatt, daughter of the conductor, born the previous day.

**CONGLETON, CHESHIRE.**—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Riley (first quarter) 1, G. Armit (first 'inside') 2, R. Cartledge 3, V. Stonier 4, R. Worrall (cond.) 5, H. Aidley 6. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Mr. Roy Worrall to Miss Cynthia Grey, both ringers at Astbury Parish Church.

**CONISBROUGH, YORKS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. J. L. Gilbert (cond.) 1, M. C. Fowler 2, Miss Kathleen Mallender (first in method) 3, H. Scott 4, H. Wagstaffe 5, H. D. Holland 6, W. E. Critchley 7, J. Thorley 8.

**CRANFORD, MIDDLEX.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Goodfellow 1, T. S. Baker (cond.) 2, Barbara Marchant 3, P. J. Woodgyer 4, D. Fowles 5, J. Goodfellow 6. For Evensong. Also on Nov. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (480 Plain Bob, 780 Grandsire): Susan Goodfellow 1, June Richardson 2, T. S. Baker 3, P. J. Woodgyer 4, D. Fowles (cond.) 5, J. Goodfellow 6. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday Evensong.

**EALING, MIDDLEX.**—On Nov. 2nd, at Christ the Saviour Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Miss E. Palmer 1, Mrs. M. M. Price 2, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 3, G. M. Harvey 4, Miss J. Scrutton 5, F. A. Ranson 6, S. H. Price 8. For Evensong, and a farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Price, who are retiring to Somerset.

**EAST BEDFORD, MIDDLEX.**—On Nov. 1st, 2,160 Plain Bob Doubles: M. G. Lane 1, T. S. Baker 2, C. B. Fynes (cond.) 3-4, A. D. Grant 5, D. J. Evans 6.

**EDINBURGH.**—At St. Cuthbert's Church, on Nov. 2nd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. I. Whitson 1, M. S. Taylor 2, Lois Bevers 3, Marion Park 4, Margaret Wilson 5, J. Martin 6, C. Brown 7, R. Wilson (cond.) 8. First in method for 7.

**EXNING, SUFFOLK.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss H. Cross (first quarter) 1, A. Benstead 2, J. Gentleman 3, E. Jaggard 4, A. R. Mann (cond.) 5. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On Oct. 6th, at the Church of SS. Mary and Eanswythe, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. Wratten 1, Miss E. Hough 2, G. L. Webb 3, A. Berry (first as cond.) 4, R. French (first of Triples) 5, Miss A. N. Banks 6, A. Jackson 7, J. Wellard 8. Rung for All Souls and All Saints.

**FULHAM, S.W.**—At All Saints' Church, on Nov. 2nd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. M. Tyler (cond.) 1, T. P. Edwards 2, R. G. Hooper 3, R. J. Bowden 4, T. E. Marks 5, T. W. Look 6, D. Burnett 7, John Phillips 8, T. E. Settle 9, F. E. Hansford 10. For Evensong.

**HARROLD, BEDS.**—On Oct. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: F. Payne 1, Mary Tysoe 2, R. J. Harrison 3, R. Walker 4, C. M. Payne (cond.) 5, C. Lovell 6. A birthday compliment to Rodney Walker, of Harrold. Rung by Young Ringers of Bedfordshire.

**HERSHAM, SURREY.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Chinnery 1, Miss P. Drury 2, Miss J. Smith 3, H. Colcombe 4, J. Maybrey 5, J. Martin 6, J. King (cond.) 7, D. George 8. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: R. Biges 1, Sheila Wallace 2, A. Foxall 3, D. Knox (cond.) 4, W. Avery 5, E. D. Poole 6, S. M. Bailey 7, G. Harrison 8, L. J. Young 9, D. Cornwall 10. First in method for 2, 3, 9 and 10. For All Saints' Day.

**HINTON WALDRIST, BERKS.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Moland (first quarter) 1, M. Edney 2, R. Hayden (first 'inside') 3, N. Leslie 4, D. Leslie (cond.) 5, A. Ralph (first quarter) 6. First quarter by resident band. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**KEMERTON, GLOS.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Payne 1, F. Wood (cond.) 2, J. Firkins (first quarter) 3, C. Brazier 4, D. Devereux (first 'inside') 5, P. Warren 6. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells by the local band for at least 30 years. For Remembrance Sunday.

**KENILWORTH, WARWICKS.**—On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): A. Webb 1, C. Morris 2, P. Merry 3, J. Voyce 4, J. Webb (cond.) 5, J. Royal 6. First quarter in two methods by all the band. For Evensong.

**KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.**—On Oct. 31st, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: T. Greenacre 1, E. Greenacre 2, Freda P. Greaves (first of Kent Major) 3, L. W. Houghton 4, C. Tovell 5, J. Wilson 6, W. Rose 7, N. V. Harding (cond.) 8. In honour of the 100th birthday of Mrs. C. Winlow Smith.

**LEICESTER.**—At St. John-the-Divine Church, on Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: K. Townsend 1, R. Pratt 2, P. Chilton 3, B. Hebborn 4, G. Hebborn 5, V. Pratt (cond.) 6, S. Harrison 7, A. Cooke 8. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday Evensong.

**LONDON.**—At St. Giles-in-the-Fields Church, on Nov. 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. Prockson 1, G. Parsons 2, W. Prockson 3, D. Sibson 4, M. Williamson 5, F. Shorter 6, J. Euston (cond.) 7, W. Wilson 8. For Remembrance Sunday.

**MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA.**—On Oct. 26th, at St. Paul's Cathedral, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: K. J. Minchinton 1, A. H. Fisher 2, Mrs. G. W. Pipe 3, J. J. F. Roper 4, G. W. Pipe 5, P. G. Richards 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Dr. H. W. K. Moule, Archbishop of Sydney and Primate of Australia. Rung on 1, 2, 3, 6, 8 and 10 of the back ten.

**PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Pamela M. Turner (first quarter) 1, J. K. Foot 2, R. E. Tallis, jun. (first 'inside') 3, R. E. Tallis, sen. (first in method as cond.) 4, M. C. Hughes (first 'inside') 5, Vivienne A. Neal (first quarter) 6. First quarter on the bells since they were rehung. For Remembrance Sunday.

**PENN, STAFFS.**—On Oct. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Stutch 1, J. A. Roden 2, C. Griffiths 3, Annette Frost 4, G. Smallwood 5, A. Williams 6, E. G. Bowyer (cond.) 7, C. F. W. Eyre 8. Rung in honour of the ordination as priest of the Rev. David Sutcliffe (curate), and the visit of the Bishop of Stafford for Penn St. Bartholomew's mission week.

**PORTSMOUTH.**—At St. Mary's Church, Portsea, on Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. T. Macey (first away from tenor) 1, T. R. Taylor 2, J. Handford 3, R. W. Wake 4, F. W. Rogers 5, L. D. Duguid 6, E. F. Salmons (cond.) 7, E. Winifred Keys 8.

**ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS.**—1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: P. I. Chapman 1, A. Gibbs 2, Miss D. Lawless 3, Miss S. Collins 4, M. Coleman 5, W. J. Whitmore 6, G. E. Watson 7, B. Austin (first in method as cond.) 8. First in method for 3 and 5.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKS.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: W. Leeson 1, C. Dale 2, T. J. Warner (cond.) 3, V. W. Rigg 4, R. Cann 5, C. W. Bragg 6, G. E. Fearn 7, J. Bragg 8, E. C. Shepherd (comp.) 9, T. R. Hayward 10. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**SOUTHWARK, S.E.**—At the Cathedral, on Nov. 2nd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Miss P. Hutton 1, Miss J. Peacock 2, S. Penfold 3, M. Bland 4, J. Fowler 5, F. V. Gant (cond.) 6, A. J. Salisbury 7, D. M. Salisbury 8, T. East 9, L. Woods 10. In memoriam Canon G. D. Barker, 50 years a priest, Canon Residential at the Cathedral, died November 1st, 1958.

**STANFORD-IN-THE-VALE, BERKS.**—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. I. J. Pearce (cond.) 1, N. Leslie 2, J. Strawford 3, M. Edney 4, D. Leslie 5, C. Timms 6. First known quarter on the bells.

**STANWELL, MIDDLEX.**—On Sept. 7th, 1,260 St. Martin's Bob Doubles: Miss P. M. Spackman 1, C. B. Fynes (cond.) 2-3, C. G. V. Burgess 4, M. G. Lane 5, J. R. Boyd 6. For Evensong. Also on Oct. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, St. Martin's Bob, St. Simon's Bob, St. Nicholas' Bob, Winchendon Place Bob): D. G. Pickett 1, C. B. Fynes (cond.) 2-3, C. G. V. Burgess 4, M. G. Lane 5, J. R. Boyd 6. For Matins. Also 1,260 Doubles in nine methods: Miss D. A. Evans 1, C. G. V. Burgess 2, M. G. Lane 3, A. D. Grant 4, C. B. Fynes (cond.) 5, J. R. Boyd 6. For children's service. Also on Nov. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (600 Plain Bob, 360 Grandsire, 120 St. Simon's, 120 St. Martin's, 60 Stedman): M. Seymour 1, M. J. Palmer (cond.) 2, C. B. Fynes 2, T. S. Baker 4, A. D. Grant 5, Josephine Pole 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam David Priestley.

**STREATHAM, S.W.**—On Nov. 9th, at St. Leonard's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss D. Crowe 1, Mrs. R. Sanders 2, R. Sanders 3, J. W. Chapman 4, J. W. Rea 5, W. G. Wilson 6, M. Williamson (cond.) 7, J. W. Euston 8. For Remembrance Sunday.

**TURRAMURRA, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA.**—On Oct. 29th, 1,260 Doubles: W. Knight 1, W. Smith 2, B. Rainsford (first as cond.) 3, L. McQueen 4, K. Stacey 5, P. Holland (first quarter) 6. Rung half-muffled on the evening of the funeral of Dr. H. W. K. Moule, formerly of Dover, Archbishop of Sydney, and Primate of Australia.

**TWYNING, GLOS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,320 All Saints' Doubles: G. A. Payne 1, F. E. Wood 2, Nadine Price 3, E. W. Penn 4, M. Hawkes (cond.) 5, P. D. Warren 6. First quarter of All Saints by all the band except the conductor. Rung on the Feast of All Saints.

**WALSOKEN, CAMBS.**—On Oct. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: N. Greenacre 1, T. Greenacre 2, E. Greenacre 3, C. Tovell 4, G. Mason (cond.) 5, M. R. Reed 6.

**WAPLEY, GLOS.**—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. G. King 1, B. W. Metcalfe 2, J. M. Stallard 3, J. W. Sprules 4, A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 5. First quarter on the bells.



**ALLESLEY, WARWICKS.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: 1. Garvie 1, C. S. Aylett 2, P. Stone 3, R. Harris 4, F. W. Perrens (cond.) 5, G. Gardner 6, H. Sear 7, R. Winter 8.

**ASFORDBY, LEICS.**—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Minor (720 St. Clement's, 540 Oxford Bob): T. Templeton 1, J. H. Cook 2, H. T. Bonshor 3, G. A. Bowcutt 4, A. E. Hinman 5, R. H. Cook (cond.) 6. A compliment to Asfordby's veteran ringer, Mr. Evander Littlewood, on his 85th birthday, also to mark his 70 years as a ringer.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCs.**—At the Church of St. Michael, on Sept. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Helen Wright (cond.) 1, A. Taylor 2, D. Malloch 3, F. Shallcross 4, D. J. Marshall 5, D. Lamont 6. For the wedding this day at this church of Miss Joan Carter (ringing master) to Mr. W. Harrison, of St. Peter's Church. Also on Sept. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (840 Grandsire, 420 Plain Bob): D. J. Marshall 1, Helen Wright 2, R. M. Edwards (cond.) 3, D. Malloch 4, F. Shallcross 5, M. Gibson 6. First quarter in more than one method for 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6. Also on Sept. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Wright 1, Helen Wright 2, D. Thompson 3, D. Goodwin 4, F. Shallcross 5, D. Malloch 6, R. M. Edwards (cond.) 7, M. Gibson 8. For harvest thanksgiving and as a 12th birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

**MICKLETON, GLOS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. J. Hemming (cond.) 1, G. C. Hemming 2-3, Mrs. D. H. Niblett 4, D. H. Niblett 5, G. E. Evenden 6, R. Woodyatt 7, T. W. Lewis 8. Rung after meeting short for Yorkshire Major.

**NASEBY, NORTHANTS.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Gillett (first quarter) 1, F. Lane 2, S. Brown 3, W. Copley 4, W. Brown (cond.) 5. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**RAWMARSH, YORKS.**—On Nov. 4th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Miss M. Atkinson 1, Miss C. Rodgers (first 'inside') 2, I. Tilling 3, Miss S. Chaddock 4, Miss M. Mills 5, Miss E. A. Wardill 6, N. Chaddock 7, J. N. D. Chaddock (first as cond.) 8.

## QUARTER PEALS

**ROADE, NORTHAMPTON.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (Canterbury, All Saints, Plain Bob): Miss M. Davis (first quarter) 1, Miss P. Neesham (first as cond.) 2, Miss F. Curtis 3, H. Curtis 4, A. C. Cozens 5. For Evensong.

**SHIPLEY, SUSSEX.**—1,440 Minor (720 Kent Treble Bob, 720 Plain Bob): B. C. Burroughs 1, D. R. Mitchell 2, E. Jane Langton (first touch of Kent T.B.) 3, June M. Clements 4, P. H. Langton (cond.) 5, G. Francis 6.

**SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS.**—On Oct. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Stephens 1, B. Wakefield (cond.) 2, E. H. Jefferies 3, A. H. Painter 4, P. Wakefield 5, R. Cook 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the Vicar (the Rev. W. H. B. Houghton), who died on October 20th.

**STANWELL, MIDDLEX.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss D. A. Evans 1, C. B. Fynes (cond.) 2-3, M. G. Lane 4, D. G. Pickett 5, J. R. Boyd 6. For Matins. Rung half-muffled in memory of the Fallen.

**STOCKTON-ON-TEES, CO. DURHAM.**—On Oct. 31st, 1,260 Doubles (60 Stedman and 1,200 Grandsire): Mrs. S. Sharp 1, Mrs. E. P. Rock 2, R. E. Cox 3, F. R. Addison 4, E. P. Rock (cond.) 5, S. S. Rutter 6. First quarter 2 and 6. Rung for All Saints and the fifth anniversary of the restoration of the bells.

**WARMINSTER, WILTS.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): D. Aven 1, P. Roynon 2, H. Tudgay 3, A. Bull 4, N. Kneec (cond.) 5, L. Hawkins 6, T. Mallard 7, J. Titt 8. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**WARWICK.**—On Nov. 2nd, at St. Mary's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Faulks 1, W. Collett 2, J. Price 3, W. S. Oakley 4, H. Huxley 5, W. H. Male (cond.) 6, R. Andrews (first of Triples) 7, W. Clement 8. A compliment to Mr. W. S. Oakley on the occasion of his silver wedding.

**WATERLOO, S.E.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss D. Deverell 1, T. H. Taffender 2, H. G. Andrews 3, J. A. Hales 4, C. W. Ottley 5, L. Batley 6, W. Grainger (cond.) 7, L. W. Bullock 8. For the 124th anniversary of St. John's Church, also a birthday compliment to J. A. Hales.

**WELLAND, WORCS.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Rev. C. J. Kay 1, F. Lawrence 2, Miss J. M. Price 3, D. Price (cond.) 4, L. Dovey 5, A. Davies 6. For Evensong and a birthday compliment to the tenor ringer.

**WENDOVER, BUCKS.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob): B. Evans 1, R. Wright 2, M. Stracey 3, J. Young 4, W. Lee (cond.) 5, A. Hammond 6. First containing Stedman for 1, 2, 3 and 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**WHITTLEBURY, NORTHANTS.**—On Nov. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. A. Yates (cond.) 1, Mrs. W. A. Yates 2, R. Hinton 3, P. Foster 4, J. Linnell 5. First quarter since rehangina.

**WILLINGHAM, CAMBS.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,440 Bourne Surprise Minor: A. Denson 1, N. Robinson 2, D. Murfet 3, G. E. Crisp 4, D. E. R. Knights 5, M. Ginn (cond.) 6. For Sung Eucharist.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Susan Rawlings 1, Anne Garnett 2, A. Bishop 3, T. Tomsett 4, M. Sinden 5, Susan Jacobs 6, F. Corfield (cond.) 7, E. Jacobs 8. For Remembrance Sunday.

**WINDSOR, BERKS.**—On Nov. 9th, at the Church of St. John, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Monica M. Blagrove 1, K. Buckingham 2, F. T. Blagrove 3, G. F. Jenkins 4, A. J. Glass 5, A. C. Wenban 6, E. S. T. Farr (cond.) 7, A. J. Painter 8. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**WROUGHTON, WILTS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. M. Court 1, R. Clothier 2, R. Johnston (cond.) 3, R. J. Court 4, F. Cook 5, C. Moore (first quarter) 6. Rung on the 80th birthday of Mr. W. Ricketts, a regular ringer at this church.

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Mr. E. J. Fowell, in forwarding copy of a peal rung at St. Mary's Basilica, Sydney, writes: 'Just can't understand why any ringer coming out here to settle selects Melbourne to Sydney. Excuse me if I sound biased, but we not only have more variety and greater number of towers, but excellent weather, beaches, sunshine and no snow.'

The peal rung at Overseale, Derbys, on Saturday, October 4th, and published on page 684 of 'The Ringing World,' was a peal of Biddenden, not Biddenham.

Congratulations to the three first pealers at Yardley-Hastings, also thanks to Edward Smart, of Bozeat, who stood in at short notice to make the peal possible.

Mr. H. C. Spencer informs us of a slight error in the peal report of Plain Bob Major at Wolborough, Newton Abbot (page 719), in which his initials were given as H. W.

A veteran of the North Staffordshire Association, Mr. Albert Lawton, took part in a peal at Lane End on November 6th for his 74th birthday. Happy birthday!

Ringling at Knowle, Warwickshire, for Guy Fawkes Day, dates back to 1672, when the ringers were paid 2s. 6d. and also given gunpowder. The Fifth was honoured again this year with a quarter peal.

With the peal of Erin Triples at Erith on November 7th, five members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths have rung Erin to Triples, Caters and Cinques. They are Mrs. T. H. Francis, Messrs. Alfred J. House, Arthur G. Mason, Frank J. Matthews and Thomas J. Francis. Mr. Francis has conducted all three.

We have a number of carol tunes for eight bells available for copying, mainly from the collection of the late John Armstrong. These will be forwarded on receipt of a stamped addressed envelope.

## BELFRY

## GOSSIP

The Rev. John Draper, of St. Paul's Church, Durban, is shortly sailing for England on the 'Carnarvon Castle' and arrives at Southampton on January 2nd. He is taking a six months' course at Canterbury. While he only rings the treble, he is hoping through contact with members of the Kent County Association to improve his ringing.

The ringer of the fourth bell in the peal at Addington (see page 737) was Andrew M. Macve and not as printed.

Latest description of a ringers' tea to reach the Editor—'a gargantuan gastronomic spread. Perhaps the ladies would not appreciate such a Rabelaisian reference.'

The ringers of the peal at Burgess Hill, Sussex, on November 8th, wish to congratulate Mr. Arthur Gravett, of St. Peter's, Brighton, and for many years a ringer at Burgess Hill, on his 78th birthday. They also thank Mrs. Stella Knight for standing in at the last minute and also for the wonderful tea she provided.

In 1913 Mr. William Abraham, of Bristol, rang his first peal 'inside,' the conductor being the late Mr. Fred G. May. Forty-five years later Mr. Abraham has arrived in Cape Town, and has made his home near the house where Mr. May lived until his death in 1956. Five days after landing he was in St. Mary's, Woodstock, tower, where his regular attendance is of great help to the band.

There were four 'firsts' in the half-muffled quarter peal of Grandsire Triples at St. John-the-Divine's, Leicester, on Remembrance Sunday. First on eight by 13-year-old Keith Townsend and 11-year-old Roger Pratt. First 'inside' on eight by 13-year-old Peter Chilton. First on eight as conductor by Vernon Pratt, aged 15. The band consisted of one deputy churchwarden, three choristers, two servers and one sidesman.

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## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION AT DINNER

THE fifth annual dinner of the Essex Association was held at the Shire Hall, Chelmsford, on October 11th. The Master (Mr. R. C. Heazel) presided over a company of 100, and supporting him on the top table were the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford, the Bishop of Colchester, the Provost of Chelmsford and Mrs. G. E. Gordon, the Archdeacon of Southend, the Master of the College Youths (Dr. P. A. F. Chalk), Dr. Armstrong Gibbs and Dr. P. J. Spencer-Phillips.

The Master, in proposing the toast of 'The Church,' said the Church in Essex was faced with a task so vast that it was frightening to think about. Those people who lived in country districts with well-established parish churches looked questionably at the contributions made to the Diocesan Quota, and which were earmarked for the provision of churches and parsonages in the new towns. They asked why should the existing parishes subsidise the New Towns. This was an entirely wrong attitude to take.

In the New Towns there were great opportunities to get to the people, and these opportunities could not be missed. One only had to talk with New Town clergy to realise what they had to deal with. Baptisms every Sunday, Sunday Schools with 500 or more scholars, parishes filling up with 80 or 90 new people each week, and so on. Ringers could help by seeing that the bells of churches within the New Towns were rung regularly for services.

The Lord Bishop of Chelmsford in replying said that he was very conscious of the debt the Church owed to ringers. Ringing was practically peculiar to the British Isles, although there were certain overseas territories where it was practised.

The Church in Essex had a real task to face in the New Towns, but he was confident that it could be overcome if all sections of the diocese pulled together. It was essential for the Established Churches to realise that they had a part to play in providing churches in the New Towns.

Dr. Allison concluded his reply by exhorting the Association to provide such a witness in their ringing and lives that other people might be moved to come and worship.

### ESSEX ASSOCIATION AND COLLEGE YOUTHS

The Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths proposed the toast of 'The Essex Association.' Dr. Chalk said that it was an honour to him to be asked to propose this toast as he was an Essex man. When he was born, he was expected to progress in the following manner: first, walk; secondly, talk; and thirdly, learn to ring. It was while his family was living at Maldon that he learnt to ring at the parish church there. After a while, they moved to Stansted Mountfitchet, where he came under the eye of Walter Prior. Dr. Chalk described in humorous vein the graduated procedure of being admitted to the band for service ringing.

The 'Controller of the Feast,' namely the secretary and treasurer of the Association, replied. Mr. Gant said that they were very pleased to have Dr. Chalk and his wife with them, and drew attention to the fact that quite a number of the past Masters of the Ancient Society had been Essex men, either by birth or adoption, among whom were Messrs. E. P. Duffield, J. Bullock, G. Cecil and T. G. Fox.

### CONFIRMATION SERVICE RINGING

Dr. P. J. Spencer-Phillips proposed the toast of 'The Vice-Presidents,' and the Bishop of Colchester, who replied, said at the last dinner of the Association at which he had been present he had appealed for an effort to be made by the Association to ring for weekday Confirmation services when these were held at churches possessing a ring of bells. He was thrilled to be able to report that his request had been carried

out. Not only were the bells being rung, but in one case—St. Michael's, Braintree—a peal had been rung before the service! Such a response was so encouraging to the clergy.

The Archdeacon of Southend proposed the toast of 'The Guests and Artistes,' to which Dr. Armstrong Gibbs replied in suitable terms.

During the evening, the company was entertained by Miss Joan Edwardes, who sang enchantingly, Dr. Armstrong Gibbs, who gave his usual immaculate performance on the piano, and by handbell ringing. Part songs were sung by the Danbury Beaux and Belles, who also led the company in community singing.

### Rang London Major For His 81st Birthday

*Some of the former glories associated with the name of Gofton and St. Paul's, Whitley Bay, were revived on November 5th when another peal of London at St. Paul's included Goftons on 2, 3 and 4. But this was not just another to add to a long list, for it was in celebration of the 81st birthday of R. Alder Gofton on October 21st.*

*This may or may not be a record, but it is certainly a remarkable feat of physical and mental endurance, and all the band congratulated him heartily on his splendid performance before enjoying his hospitality in drinks all round.*

*R. Alder Gofton is now the sole survivor of the band that rang the first London Major 'in hand' by four brothers on November 3rd, 1920. The two performances were linked by the use of the same 5,024 by Lindoff. Billy and Dick are the sons of R. Alder Gofton.*

*James E. Gofton, another of the famous four brothers, died earlier this year in Newcastle, although his death was not reported at that time to 'The Ringing World.'*

### TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD Penzance Branch At Phillack

The annual meeting of the Penzance Branch was held recently at Phillack, and was splendidly attended by over 100 members, including Mr. Douglas Burnett (Ringing Master), the Rev. W. H. R. Trewhella (diocesan secretary), Miss E. Symons (Branch chairman). Mr. Robert Cochrane (Bishop's Hatfield) was a welcome visitor. The Rector (Rev. D. C. Mercier) conducted the service and gave an address. The Rev. A. S. Roberts (Branch secretary) read the lesson.

A splendid tea was served by local ladies, and at the business meeting the officers of the Branch were re-elected. A balance in hand of £13 12s. 2d. was reported. It was agreed to contribute £2 2s. to the Constantine Bells Fund: the three bells were being augmented to six and would be dedicated in December, and as the tower was on the border it would probably belong to the Truro Branch.

A vote of thanks was expressed enthusiastically to the Rector, local ringers and helpers for the success of the meeting, and also to the Tuckingmill ringers, who had very much augmented the male section of the choir at the service. Never before had such a choir been heard at a meeting.

Good use was made of Phillack's grand eight during the afternoon and evening, and many present also enjoyed ringing at the nearby towers of Gwinear (6), Lelant (6) and Carbis Bay (8). Landewednack (The Lizard), the most southerly tower in the British Isles, was chosen for the spring meeting.

## RECORDED BELLS FOR TWO N. STAFFS TOWERS

Faculties were granted with 'great reluctance' by the Chancellor (Judge Connolly H. Gage) at a Special Consistory Court held at Stoke-on-Trent on November 11th for the use of recorded bells in churches at Ashley, near Market Drayton, and at Bagnall.

The applications were opposed by the Rev. H. Bayles, secretary of the Lichfield Diocesan Advisory Committee, who said bellringing was an English art it would be a pity to lose. 'These recorded bells are artificial and do not accord with the Book of Common Prayer.'

The Rector of Ashley (the Rev. David H. N. Wells) said bellringing was a dying art, and the Advisory Committee would have to face that fact sooner or later. His church had been presented with £300 to install recorded bells, and the Parochial Church Council were in favour.

### CRACKED 16th CENTURY BELL

Mr. Tom Bailey, solicitor, representing Bagnall Parochial Church Council, said the only bell in St. Chad's Church, Bagnall, dated back to the 16th century. It was cracked, 'rather hideous,' and its only recommendation was its antiquity.

Mr. Bailey added that he had been authorised by the Archdeacon of Stoke-on-Trent to say there was no objection to the recorded bells from the Archdeaconry.

The Rev. Eustace Kenneth Victor Pearce, Rector of Bucknall-with-Bagnall, said there was no space on the ground floor at St. Chad's for bellringers and there would not be sufficient space to erect a staircase to a bellringers' loft if one were built.

### LOCAL CHURCH RECORDINGS

The Rector said a recording could be made of some local parish church bells for use at St. Chad's.

A petition of 90 signatures from parishioners supporting the application was submitted to the court.

It was submitted that both church towers were unsuitable to support a genuine ring of bells.

The secretary of the Advisory Committee submitted that recorded bells could lead to recorded sermons and choirs.

In giving his decision, the Chancellor imposed a condition in the case of Ashley that the bell apparatus should be locked, be used only on Sunday and nothing but a village chime should be used on the instrument. He concluded: 'I sincerely hope those interested in the good of the Church will think twice before these applications are made, and search their hearts and consciences to see if it is not possible to have a ring of bells in their towers.'

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Witney and Woodstock Branch

The Branch autumn meeting was held at Northleigh, where members and visitors were greeted by fair ringing, cheerful faces and 'Welcome to Northleigh' written on the tower blackboard. Ringing started at Freeland, where some trouble was experienced with the very light bells. An excellent touch of Plain Bob Minor preceded the service, which once again was an experimental one (embodying material collected for the Guild Office Book Revision). The full Northleigh choir turned out to help with the excellent singing.

This Branch seems unusually fortunate in its teas. The provision this time was up to the highest standards that anyone can hold. After the short business meeting and a showing of coloured slides there was more ringing at Northleigh and Stonesfield.



## SOUTH HAMPSHIRE PEAL RINGING TOUR

‘There’s ringing and “grabbing,” arranging and touring,  
Composing and striking and hunting and [dodging];  
Each mate must excel in some principal part,  
The Pentathlon of Greece could not show so much art.

The parties are met and arrayed all in white,  
Famed Ellis ne’er boasted so pleasing a sight.  
Each nymph looks askew at her favourite

And views him half stript both with pleasure [swain,  
and pain.’

**I MISQUOTE** from the Rev. Reynell Cotton’s ‘Hampshire Cricket’ without qualms, for was not its author a cleric, and did not T. J. Lock’s team visit Hampshire this year on their annual tour?

We came into the county as most people do, from the north-east, and found as most people do that it is a very unexciting way of entering the shire. Not that the fault is Hampshire’s—it is the Army’s, for the Army does not improve the districts that it takes over, as most people in Britain realised during the war. Soon we were to pass through the large and hideous conglomeration of buildings that is Aldershot; but before this, Don, our driver, found us an extremely pleasant way to spend an hour-and-a-half. This was to take lunch at the Queen’s Hotel, Farnborough—during which we faintly heard jet planes practising for the air show.

Aldershot behind, we reached the most attractive main street of ‘Oldtown’ or Alton, where the Beeson family joined us, and turned into the Meon valley. Passing through some eight or nine villages we reached Soberton and left a band to attempt Cambridge Major. Before ringing a peal of Surprise Minor at Hambledon a visit was made to Broadhalfpenny Down, where the first cricket club proper came into being in 1750. Standing on opposite sides of the crossroads, both the signpost and the historic inn are named the Bat and Ball! Two unusual things were seen here. The first was that whilst the inn’s front door is in Hambledon, the rest is in the village of Catherington; the second was the narrow elliptical shadow cast on the gently-swaying inn sign—this was moving from the bowler’s hand to the bat and back again!

With two peals to our credit we soon reached our admirable H.Q. for the week—the Cotswold Hotel, Southampton—here to find dinner almost ready. It was rumoured that three people later tried to establish an all-night conversation record, breaking up (or down) at 4 a.m.!

Our Sunday morning walk took us over the Itchen to ring and attend service at Bitterne Park, the site of the first permanent Roman settlement in Britain. After viewing the fine modern glass, some of us adopted ‘shirt-sleeve order’ during the walk back to lunch. A scenic tour through Winchester and the fringe of the New Forest, relieved by tea at Lyndhurst, was followed by ringing at St. Michael’s, Southampton, our welcome by the Rev. K. W. H. Felstead and the Kippin family being most friendly.

### BLACK MONDAY

I am sure that the term ‘Black Monday’ originated on a ringing tour—I think we all felt this, after losing two safe peals. However, the fact that the two Rons swapped smoothly and unnoticed between two wrongs did enable us to

take coffee amid the ruins of Old Southampton, instead of completing our peal of Yorkshire Royal at St. Michael’s. A quick visit to Lynton was followed by two hours’ good Bristol at Milford-on-Sea, until our conductor, exulting in the music of the 65’s, could not resist calling three wrongs. Bill Rogers and several of the ladies added to our grief by describing to us the delights of their swim, for it was a glorious afternoon.

We redeemed ourselves by well and successfully ringing Hampshire Surprise at Sherfield English, which has a fine light ring in the octagonal tower of its modern and pleasing church. Joined by the equally-successful band from Lockerley, we moved on hurriedly to the sleepy town of Romsey for lunch, and after an all-too-brief look inside the South of England’s finest church—to wonder at its progression from Saxon through peerless Norman to perfect Early English—we began our attempt for 4-Spiced Surprise Major. Our longest incomplete ring this, the end coming suddenly and inexplicably after 2 hours and 50 minutes’ good striking on these impressive bells.

Ken Dunstan had to return home on the first day and so we were pleased to see him back again when we reached Alverstoke on Wednesday morning. Fred Scott had also motored from Slough to meet us there, and it was not long before our attempt for Rutland had settled down to striking that was only slightly maculate. Once more we broke down in a sudden and bewildering manner, but being pleased with the preceding ringing and determined to do better, we sought and obtained permission to try again after lunch, and rang the peal without further incident.

The rest of the party were granted permission to ring at Fareham, and after lunch attempted, and lost, Portsmouth Surprise at Portsea, again ringing nearly two hours.

Returning to our H.Q. for an early dinner we were pleased to find George Pullinger waiting to meet the party. Some of us were very generously taken to Ringwood for practice night by Mr. and Mrs. Kippin and Roger Savory, to whom we are most grateful. The writer was very pleased to fulfil a long-standing desire—to meet Ron Marlow, and to ring at Ringwood. On arrival at the Cotswold we found that Philip Corby had arrived as planned, making the party almost complete.

As expected, we were beaten to Curdridge on Thursday morning by our remaining member from Birmingham—he modestly admitted to leaving at 4 a.m. and breakfasting in Southampton! A good peal of London was rung here, and opinions varied widely about the bells—the writer thinks that the higher harmonics are irritatingly loud, piercing and painful, and as a result did not enjoy the peal at all, especially as the tuning is inaccurate. In the afternoon we left a band to ring Cambridge at Shedfield, where the local band are all ladies, and were pleased when Miss Daysh came with us to ring at Swanmore. Another early dinner, and three of us, joined by Margaret for the last of several times, drove to Portsmouth for the Cathedral practice—a deceptively long and discouraging drive, too. Our welcome and ring on this very fine ten more than compensated us, and we were glad to meet Kathleen Knight, Roger Baldwin, York-Bramble and Fred Burnett.

### THUNDERSTORM

On Friday we changed for a while to floating transport, leaving for the Isle of Wight, with a cool breeze gradually dispersing the light mist. The first bell-buoy that rang evoked nostalgic memories of the Mersey for Ralph, and we learnt that these bells are all harmonically tuned to a rigid specification—bell collectors note!

The fine but little-rung bells at Carisbrooke proved odd-struck, but with new ropes would be enjoyable to ring for a peal. Lunch was found in Newport and a carnival encountered in Ryde, where everyone had a quick ring before the procession reached the church. Eight of us then left for Brading to attempt 4-Spiced Surprise. At first the bells sounded inside like ‘a series of muffled explosions,’ but gradually seemed to become more and more pleasant, and a very good peal was rung—followed by a dash to Cowes for the last ferry boat.

As we passed Ryde Church we could hear! Cambridge being very well rung, and it was thought that, with one course to ring, the band might just catch the boat—they did, with minutes to spare! The morning’s heatwave developed into a terrific thunderstorm which caused prolonged failures of the electric lighting in both towers during the peals, though it had ceased by the end of the Brading attempt. Mary Hall joined us (for the next two days) at supper time, after which Alick presented Tom and Kath with a camera, expressing our gratitude for all their hard work in making the tour as successful and happy as it was.

### AT NORTH STONEHAM

Yorkshire Royal on Saturday morning at North Stoneham was abandoned in favour of Major, in which we were joined by Reginald Reed, a good peal resulting. Dennis Knox called 5,216 Lincolnshire at Bishopstoke, after which Len Stilwell (who has now rung 600 peals) admitted to this being his longest length for a peal! This band, and the non-peal ringers, wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. George Pullinger for entertaining them, and for providing refreshment in their home.

In the afternoon Stedman Caters was attempted on the magnificent ten at St. Mary’s, Southampton, but we were sorry to lose this after one-and-a-half hours, sorry because it would have been a wedding compliment to John Chilcott and Eileen Ricketts. So ended the last peal attempt, but we still had the evening and following morning to indulge in pleasant social intercourse.

Guildford was the stopping place for lunch on Sunday—here we saw Mark White on the bridge, and here also Mrs. Corby strengthened the case for lady drivers by arriving to meet Philip within a minute of the planned time.

Many greetings and then farewells were exchanged before we left on the last stage of our journey to London; and now it remains for me to say thank you—to, once again, Kath and Tom, all incumbents and tower captains, and to Don, our keen and helpful driver.

### CALLIGRAPH.

**WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 9th, 1280 Kent Treble Bob Major: A. J. N. Boyack 1, R. J. Chapman 2, F. C. Maynard 3, B. R. Downes 4, E. E. Holman 5, F. W. Sykes 6, W. Dowler 7, T. Hawkins (first in method as cond.) 8. First in method for 6 and 7. For Evenson.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### DOUBLES AND VARIATIONS

Dear Sir,—The letter from Mr. Blagrove seems to me a very fair example of the brotherly love between Doubles ringers mentioned by one of your correspondents a few weeks ago.

Might I suggest two far more satisfactory techniques for revealing such lapses.

First, a very simple idea tried out last year at the C.C. meeting in Dublin. The Peals Analysis Committee present their report which is duly adopted and then at some later stage in the meeting it is pointed out that a peal accepted in this report is irregular—chaos then ensues! The net result is that everyone accepts that it is irregular, but lets it stand.

The alternative procedure is to leave the matter for some years until the Peals Analysis Committee wake up of their own accord—this experiment has also been tried with some success!

In a more serious vein, when I look at the masses of methods in the Doubles Collection which contravene all traditions on method structure I feel that those who ring so called variations of the better methods show good taste and should not be discouraged by all this rubbish about methods with different work at the lead-end only being variations. — Yours sincerely,

RICHARD F. B. SPEED.

Stretton-on-Dunsmore.

### STEDMAN CINQUES WITH WHITTINGTONS

Dear Sir,—Replying to Mr. Jack L. Millhouse's letter (page 694), I have no knowledge of any earlier Whittington peals other than those he mentions at Lincoln Cathedral in 1931 and Surfleet, 1933.

We rang some of it in Birmingham, but did not like the 'music' between the course-ends.—Yours sincerely,

ALBERT WALKER.

Birmingham 28.

### HESTON'S CHALLENGE

Dear Sir,—Congratulations to St. Leonard's, Heston, band on ringing two quarter peals with two separate bands for their harvest thanksgiving services. Recently the Allesley, Coventry, ringers attempted two quarters with entirely different bands. Plain Bob Major was successful, but Spliced Surprise Major in six minutes was lost after about half an hour's ringing.

FRANK W. PERRENS.

Coventry.

### TWO CORRECTIONS ?

Dear Sir,—I have two queries I should like cleared up. The first occurred in your publication dated October 31st, in the article, 'Cambridge University Guild's Week in Bristol.' Do you or, indeed, would any member of the ringing fraternity consider Congresbury, Somerset, bells, tenor 35 cwt. to be a light ring of eight as stated in the above mentioned article?

The second occurs in your issue of November 7th. Since when has the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Nottingham, had a tenor of only 25 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in C? Surely this should read tenor 35 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in C sharp.—Yours truly,

PETER J. ROBERTS.

Barry, Glam.

### MINIMISE TIED BELL INSTRUCTION

Dear Sir,—Reference B. M. Willmott Dobie's letter ('Ringing World,' page 694) the teaching of rhythm and striking should form a major part of the instruction given to learners, but I think it is one which is not only sadly neglected but is in some cases never mentioned. There are several reasons for this, I suppose, and I give below some of the causes of bad striking together with my opinions, for what they are worth, if anything.

In many cases instruction starts with a 'tied' bell and continues until the learner is considered proficient enough to ring in rounds with an 'open' bell. This has much to commend it except for the fact that by the time ringing in rounds has started the habit of listening for the sound of each bell has not been established and is generally considered of less importance than style of ringing and ability to control the bell. I think the ideal method is to limit the 'tied' bell practice to a minimum and provide instead very short touches of rounds on varying numbers of bells from two to six, always with an instructor at hand, until a stage has been reached when the instructor is dispensed with and the 'tied' bell practice further limited to ringing up and down, and for the correcting of individual faults.

After this, experience should be gained in ringing on different numbers of bells to prevent specialisation, my own particular cross, as I find it difficult to maintain a good rhythm on 8, 10 or 12 bells without undue concentration.

Two much emphasis on the musical qualities of ringing provides an attractive but unnecessary red herring, as until the change ringing on eight bells stage is reached the field is narrow. A more worthwhile qualification than being able to tell whether the tenor is E flat or D sharp is to be able to carry the rate of striking in one's head. Here the Head Noddies and the Adam's Apple Wobblers are to the fore. It may be argued that this is also a fundamental qualification for the appreciation of music, but surely this is as far as one's musical training should go.

Lastly, I must rebel at allowing a learner to ring either a Principal or a twin-hunt method until he has mastered the method of Plain Bob and has an appreciation of its importance in the fields of method construction, proof and composition. Plain Bob is the simplest possible method and it allows the learner relatively more time to listen to his striking and the general ringing rhythm.

To sum up, I think 'tied' bell instruction should be minimised; that choristers make no better ringers than people of the same calibre as myself, whose musical repertoire is limited to the National Anthem, 'Rule, Britannia' and 'Land of Hope and Glory,' all slightly off key; and that the Grandsire and Stedman fiends cause much bad striking by the learner, who is worrying whether to go in quick, in slow, in the hunt or in the local.—Yours etc.,

MICHAEL HATCHETT.

Rickmansworth.

### PEAL RINGERS AND SUNDAY SERVICE RINGERS

Dear Sir,—I, for one, entirely agree with Mr. Ring ('Ringing World,' November 7th). Why draw a distinction between service ringers and peal ringers? It's a distinction without a difference. All peal ringers in the Essex Association are service ringers and in some cases leaders of their own band.

One very useful purpose served in peal ringing is the experience gained in the way of confidence and better striking by the beginner in his or her early peals which cannot be obtained in any other way.

The publication of peals and their compositions and new methods makes interesting copy for our periodical; without such it would have a precarious existence.—Yours sincerely,

LEWIS W. WIFFEN.

Braintree.

### 'SERVICE RINGERS OR SELFISH PEAL RINGERS?'

Dear Sir,—I have no doubt what the thoughts of our Mr. William Ring are, although I do not know whether he is a 'ring' on his own or not, for he appears to support the peal ringer yet mentions the word selfish towards him, so where are we — service ringers, selfish peal grabbers or he?

I suggest to him, so as to satisfy and defend himself, that he takes a scrutiny of the 22 peals which were rung in or above Major in which approximately 177 ringers took part, published in the same issue as his letter, and find out how many of those 177 ringers rang in Major or above for the morning service at their own recognised church.—Yours, etc.,

J. BURGESS.

Friesland.

### THE GUIDE — AN APOLOGY

Dear Sir,—Will you please allow me to make a very humble apology to Mr. Dove re my reference to Wetheringsett being quoted as six. I had to make a last-minute change in our programme and hurriedly scanned 'Dove's' for details, like as not without my spectacles and read six for five. I regret any embarrassment I may have caused.

I have, however, discovered an omission and, rather than put my foot in it again, made a second and thorough investigation on Nov. 8th.

The church at Shimpling, Suffolk, contains a ring of five not mentioned in the Guide; 1-2-3-4 are by Thomas Newman 1735, tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in A by Mears 1843. They were apparently rehung on the addition of the tenor and they appear to have had very little ringing done on them. The balls of the clappers are well worn on one side due to chiming, the other side is as round as new as the bells on that side are hardly worked. Two wheels are broken, three intact. I think they could be rung if the wheels were made good.

The bells would be very noisy if rung from a floor just below. If rung on the ground there would have been approximately 25 ft. of rope without guide. There's no sign of guide fixings; maybe this accounts for their disuse.

The church stands well back from the road and remote from the parish it serves.

ARCH A. FITCH.

Sudbury, Suffolk.

## TOWER CLOCKS

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## LETTERS—Continued

## UNRINGABLE BELLS

Dear Sir,—There have been a number of letters quite recently on unringable bells in various parts of the country, but has anyone stopped to think why these bells have been classed as unringable in the first place?

In some cases where cracks have suddenly appeared in the tower or the bells are going really badly and in need of rehanging the reports are genuine, but in many other cases it is neglect, not only by the vicar and churchwardens but also by the ringers in the surrounding area.

I feel that if our forefathers had bothered a little more about the bells in the churches in their neighbourhood many of these rings of bells could be rung to-day instead of being in their present state of neglect.

Surely it is the business of the district secretary to make inquiries about these towers and to try and make periodical visits every five years or so if only after a meeting at a nearby tower.

Even to-day towers after a few years' silence are gaining the reputation of being unringable. A recent case of this was at Beedon, Berks, where the local captain had spent many hours caring for the bells. He has now been dead eight years, since which the bells had not been rung until a month ago when local ringers paid a visit and found them as good as ever.

The same thing applied at Farnborough, Berks, well off the beaten track, and the Oxford Guild Report gives Midgham as unringable, although I am informed by the district secretary that a local ladies' band ring them twice on Sundays.

But the strangest experience that I have had with unringable bells is at Chute Forest, an isolated tower in Wiltshire. Here there is a modern ring of six bells by Mears and Stainbank, which I am informed by the Vicar were installed when the church was built, this being less than 70 years old. The tenor bell here is 6 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb., and the Vicar is positive that the bells have never been rung as a chiming apparatus was installed with the bells, the pulleys for this being fixed over the holes in the ringing chamber ceiling.

The woodwork and wheels are still as new, but there is the usual amount of twigs, the belfry floor being about a foot deep. The fate of the church is in the balance, the Vicar wishing to have it pulled down and sell the bells, whilst the villagers are fighting to keep their church. Our visit was only the second to the belfry during the present Vicar's incumbency. If the church is to remain, a complete restoration of the roof costing £2,000 is required—an impossible sum for such a small community. However, it is hoped we can ring the bells before their removal.

One wonders what the local ringers of those days were thinking of allowing bells to be hung for ringing without visiting or trying them. Can anyone dispute the Vicar's statement?

It is only since Mr. Dove had his excellent Guide printed that ringers realise that there are bells in some of these churches, and I think the tower grabbers are doing more than anybody to keep these bells ringing, if only on very rare occasions.

I therefore appeal to district secretaries to keep the bells in their area ringing. It rests with the individual ringer as to how long a ring of bells will stay silent before they qualify as being unringable.—Yours sincerely,

GEOFFREY K. DODD.

Highclere.

**EVESHAM, WORCS.**—On Nov. 9th, at the Bell Tower, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (on the back eight): W. Pomeroy 1, M. G. Selby 2, Miss B. M. Smith 3, R. W. Selby 4, Rev. A. Webb 5, G. C. Hemming (cond.) 6, G. J. Hemming 7, G. R. J. Hemming (first quarter, aged 16) 8. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

## WIVELISCOMBE TENOR'S WEIGHT

Dear Sir,—In reply to your correspondent's query regarding the weight of Wiveliscombe tenor, I quote the following from an old book based on the history of 'Wifela's Combe' (and going back to the 12th century) published by Barnicott and Pearce, The Wessex Press, 1911, and edited by F. Hancock, Vicar of Dunster and Prebendary of the Cathedral Church of St. Andrew, Wells:—

'No. 8. Tenor (weight 23½ cwt.). "By Winter's gift I measure time for all; to mirth, to grief, to church service to call." Robt. Winter of Bishop's Lydeard, Esq., donor. John Tyler and J. C. Timewell, Churchwardens. W. A. and D. C. T. Pannell, Cullompton, 1829.'

If 'Correspondent' would like to 'turn it in' we shall be pleased to meet him (or her) on any practice night (Thursdays) at 7.30.—Yours, etc.,

WILLIAM NURCOMBE.

Wiveliscombe.

## We Had The Kitty!

*After an enjoyable ringing meeting held at Great Budworth, Cheshire, on November 8th, several of the ringers, together with wives, visited the local hostelry. Ten o'clock came all too soon and 'time' was called. All the 'kitty' had been used with the exception of a small amount of 4s., and our correspondent adds he was instructed to send this amount to 'The Ringing World' and give it the nom-de-plume 'Great Budworth Kitty.'*

*Our correspondent's footnote reads: 'The company consisted of 14 ringers and four wives. All the 14 ringers take "The Ringing World." If we had more 100 per cent. gatherings our problems would be solved.'*

## CORRECTIONS FOR NEXT EDITION OF GUIDE

Dear Sir,—'A Bellringer's Guide to the Church Bells of Britain' is unfortunately incorrect in several instances besides that of Heydon, Cambs.

(1) The weight of the tenor at Gretton, Northants, is stated to be 9½ cwt. I have a letter from Messrs. John Taylor and Co. written several years ago, giving its weight as 8 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb.—rehung by them in 1924.

(2) Whiston, Northants, is stated to be 14½ cwt. About 1931 Messrs. John Taylor and Co. gave me its weight as 15 cwt. 4 lb.—rehung by them in 1896. This weight is clearly stated on a peal board recording a peal rung in 1936.

(3) Castle Ashby tenor is E flat—not E as given in 'Dove.'

(4) Adstone, Northants, has but one small bell in a west-end gable (there's not a tower). The first Guide gives five bells, tenor 16 cwt.

(5) Nussington, Northants. This tenor is 9 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb., and the weight is clearly printed in the belfry by the firm who last rehung these bells, which are a minor five. The tenor is not 11 cwt.—Yours faithfully,

P. AMOS.

Northampton.

## SUNDAY SERVICE RINGING

Dear Sir,—Bethersden, Kent, is a fairly small village and has a fine old church with six good bells. Last week when in the village I was talking of the bells to a lady and she said, 'We have no ringers here now.' I believe there are five or six peal ringers in this village and maybe a few call change ringers, and yet Sunday service ringing is by arrangement. I am not an anti-pealer but a service ringer of many years.—Yours faithfully,

REG PELLETT.

Woodchurch, Kent.

## NEWS FROM VICTORIA

Ever since an attempt for Major at Ballarat in March of this year came to grief our appetites have been whetted to score a peal on this noble octave (cast in 1867 by Mears and Stainbank). But on September 27th, armed with spanners, ropes and oilcans, reminiscent of 'Great Adventure days,' we doctored the notorious 7-8 of the City Hall ring and were lucky this time. A very good peal of Bob Major came round in 3 hours 17 minutes.

As can be imagined, there was much rejoicing after the attempt and the party were royally entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Heyes (parents of Graeme W.) in Ballarat City—thus Eureka Stockade was again fought and won! The band would like to associate this peal with Mrs. Richardson, of Lincoln, and Charles Sharples, of Lancashire, together with Frank Oakshott, of Leatherhead, who was in the March attempt.

Bells are pitifully scarce in Victoria, and it has saddened many hearts that the octave in the magnificent R.C. Cathedral of St. Patrick in Melbourne has been in very poor repair. Led by Peter Richards (late of Hamilton, N.Z., and still later of Tunstall, Kent), Ken Minchinton, Diana and George Pipe have put in many hours' work up in the bell chamber and belfry. They were made pealable a month or so ago, but an attempt was stopped after 1 hour due to a cathedral service. As a gesture the St. Paul's Cathedral Society offered to ring the bells muffled for His late Holiness Pope Pius XII on October 10th, and were asked by the authorities to attempt a peal. Thus the first 5,000 ever was brought round on this rather unmelodious but unique octave, cast in 1851 by Murphy, of Dublin—a space of 107 years. The press made much ado of this and recordings were taken of the ringing.

The idea then occurred to us (hardly peal-grabbers!) that we might be able to attempt at St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral a peal within the following fortnight to complete the three ringable towers in Victoria for peals in the month. Luck was against us—a great disappointment—but we lost Stedman after about 1 hour. However, we rounded off proceedings with a non-conducted quarter of Stedman Doubles on the 'pretty six' (1, 2, 3, 6, 8 and 10) of the back ten, which readers can imagine would sound splendid with a 3½ cwt. tenor. PILGRIM.

P.S.—Rouse up, chaps! You who are thinking of making Great Adventure II. We're looking forward to making you very, very welcome here in Melbourne, and indeed all over Australia—the lure of another 12, too!—P.

## A REVIVAL AT STAINES

St. Peter's Guild of Change Ringers, Staines, was revived after being in abeyance since 1935 at a meeting on November 10th, presided over by the Rev. R. W. Carter, Vicar. Officers elected were: Ringing Master, Ronald I. Shepherd; secretary and treasurer, John L. Taylor; steeple-keeper, Gordon Walmsley; chairman, Miss Jenny Tydeman. A tower and belfry improvement fund has been opened, and fund-raising activities proposed include a jumble sale in the New Year.

Arrangements have also been made with the Rev. C. D. R. Sharpe (Vicar of St. Mary's, Staines) for regular practices on Mondays from December 1st onwards. With the exception of peal ringing by visiting bands, this tower has been virtually silent since the war, and although there are no regular service ringers attached to the church as yet, it is hoped that with the assistance of St. Peter's Guild and members of the S.W. District of the Middlesex Association a regular service band can be built up.



## WALTHAM ABBEY JOINT MEETING

Welcome autumn sunshine and the beautiful old Abbey, with its lovely ring of 12, made a fine setting for the joint meeting of the Essex Association (S.W.) and Middlesex Association (N. and E.) held at Waltham Abbey on November 8th. Such meetings are now annual events shared by many Associations. A company of 100 were reminded that the Abbey was the venue chosen for the first-ever joint meeting of any Associations when these two companies held such a meeting way back in 1920. The back-room boys responsible for that event were 'Bill' Hewett and the late 'Ernie' Butler, who shared a city office.

At 3 p.m. a full company set a high standard with a course of Grandsire Cinques, and it was pleasing to note that throughout the day methods from Caters to Maximus made pleasant listening.

Canon A. V. G. Cleall was very sincere in his welcome to a large congregation, and his address was delivered in his usual forthright and inspiring manner. He revealed his love of the Abbey bells and recognition of their service to the church.

The sight of everyone enjoying a sumptuous tea paid great tribute to the work and organisation of the local ladies, led by 'Auntie Grace' (not half of the company had notified their intention to attend). It also confirmed that ringers' wives and mothers do secretly love to play their part in our meetings.

The respective Masters—Mr. J. Crampion and Mr. G. Hart—paid tribute and thanks to Canon Cleall and all who had contributed to making the meeting so pleasant and successful.

In the hush of eventide when numbers had dwindled the meeting was closed, and the full beauty of the back eight was heard in a touch of Spliced Surprise, which was obviously enjoyed both by those listening and those fortunate enough to take part. C. E. W.

## JOINT MEETING AT SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD

Between 60 and 70 ringers, representing 28 towers, attended the joint meeting of the East Derbyshire and Notts Association and the Mansfield Branch of the Southwell Diocesan Guild at Sutton-in-Ashfield on October 18th.

Ringing commenced at 3.15 p.m. and continued until 5 p.m., when an excellent tea was had in the Rectory, kindly provided by the local ladies.

After tea, Mr. T. Radford, a vice-president of the East Derbyshire and Notts Association, gave a very warm welcome to all present and said that the meeting had enabled him to renew some old friendships. Mr. S. Fossey, chairman of the Mansfield District, replied to this welcome and expressed the hope that the two Associations would continue working together. He also moved a vote of thanks to the ladies for providing the tea. Mr. B. A. Sollis, on behalf of the local ringers, said that they had enjoyed entertaining everyone.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Greasley on December 27th as a joint meeting with the Society of Sherwood Youths.

Four new members were elected; they were Mr. C. Hodgkinson, Mr. R. Pedley and Miss S. Fitzpatrick, of Greasley, and Mr. W. Iball, of Mansfield.

The bell fund collection realised £1 1s. 6d. Mr. H. T. Rooke proposed and Mr. G. Challans seconded that this sum be divided equally between the two Associations: this was carried unanimously.

Methods rung during the day included rounds and call-changes for the beginners, Grandsire Doubles, London Surprise Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Little Bob, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Major. D. H. R.

## ROPE MAKING FOR BRISTOL CATHEDRAL'S BELLS



The bells of Bristol Cathedral are to ring out again. Not the original bells, which remain relatively unused through risk of damage to the central tower, but the bells of ancient Temple Church, burnt out in the blitz. These have been retuned by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough and rehung in the north-west tower of the Cathedral.

The new bell ropes have been presented by Joseph Bryant, Ltd., makers of 'Poulard' church bell ropes. The Dean of Bristol, the Very Rev. Douglas Harrison, expressed his interest in seeing them made, and our photograph, reproduced by courtesy of the 'Bristol Evening Post,' shows him watching the final stage in the making of the set of eight ropes with which the bells will be rung again after a lapse of many years.

The sally of the tenor rope is being given a final trim by the foreman ropemaker, Mr. George Woodman, who takes a personal pride in seeing that every rope is as perfect as can be made. A touch of interest is added by the fact that Mr. John Bryant, shown standing in the foreground, is the eighth generation of this well-known Bristol family of ropemakers.

## JOINT MEETING AT GREENWICH

The combined meeting of the Lewisham District of the Kent County Association and the Northern District of the Surrey Association held at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, was a very happy occasion. In a church beautifully decorated for the harvest festival, the Vicar (the Rev. J. Higgs) conducted the service, and the young ladies of the local band, assisted by Mrs. Dafters and Mrs. Jones, of Lewisham, prepared a most satisfying tea for the company of 50 present. A cordial welcome to Surrey friends was offered by Mr. J. Dafters.

## NORTHAW RINGER SHIPWRECKED

Mr. John Beale, Second Officer of the 5,000-ton freighter, 'Forresbank,' whose home tower is Northaw, Beds, was in the tragedy when the 'Forresbank' was destroyed by fire off the South African coast.

On Sunday, November 2nd, John took part in the ringing at St. Mary's, Woodstock, and he was able to join the band again for practice on the following Tuesday and demonstrated he had not lost his interest and skill in ringing although he had been away from home for over a year. The following day he had lunch with Mr. V. Sheppard and sailed for Durban an hour later.

Four days later the news was received on the mid-day radio at Cape Town 'Forresbank' abandoned and on fire. It was subsequently learned that the crew had taken to the boats, and were picked up by the 'City of York' and were safe in Durban. The hull is on the rocks, having burned fiercely, and salvage is out of the question.

Mr. Cyril Chambers, the well-known Durban ringer, contacted Mr. Beale, and the news he gives is that the crew had lost all their possessions. They expected to be in Durban for two weeks.

## TO HAMPSHIRE FROM HERTFORDSHIRE

On Saturday, November 1st, a small party of ringers left St. Albans for a tour of Hampshire and Berkshire. For the first ring of the day we were joined by two Ashted ringers, and with our numbers increased to eight had a very enjoyable ring at Arborfield. We were warmly welcomed by members of the local band, two of whom joined us for the rest of the tour. The next tower was Heckfield (5). The tenor has been reported to weigh from 15 to 20 cwt.; we will only confirm that it took some expert muscle-work to turn it in to Grandsire Doubles. We enjoyed ringing there, however, and appreciated the welcome.

After an excellent lunch we moved to Strathfieldsaye, another five, hung in a dome. After a head-first entry into the belfry by means of a ladder and trap door, we managed to light the oil lamp and find the dark rope circle. We were surprised at the excellent 'go' of the bells.

As we had a little time in hand, a visit to the local Roman remains at Silchester was suggested. The Vicar was very co-operative and allowed us to ring on the light five (tenor 6 cwt.) in the church nearby. The next call was the highlight of the day—the well-kept eight at Bramley. Another five at Swallowfield concluded the ringing.

Our thanks are due to the incumbents and tower captains who made possible a most enjoyable day. C. C.

## BARNSELY & DISTRICT SOCIETY

The Society's monthly meeting on November 8th at Wath-on-Dearne was attended by representatives from 14 towers. Presiding at the business meeting, the Rev. J. H. Oser gave the Society a hearty welcome. The next meeting will be a special one—the first visit to Wakefield Cathedral, with Sandal bells from 2.30-4 p.m., tea in Brook Street School, Wakefield and the Cathedral bells at 5.30. Paul Thompson, of Hoyland Common, was elected a new member. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. John S. Seager, who mentioned specially Miss Vera Parish and the local company for the arrangements and the ladies responsible for the tea.

Mr. Harold Chant said 1959 would be the Society's jubilee year and he had tried to put together the history of the Society. (We hope to publish extracts from this in 'The Ringing World.'—Editor.)



## A WEEK IN LINCOLNSHIRE

IT was a fine Sunday afternoon when four young ringers from Mid-Essex were joined by one from Kent at Chelmsford railway station on August 31st, all set for a week's ringing in Lincolnshire. The transport was a Vauxhall Victor hired for the week, with the wheel in the capable hands of Dick Harrison, of Broomfield, the rest of the band at that stage being Ivan Saunders (Danbury, the organiser of the tour), Bert Brinkley (Springfield), Ian Oram (Chislehurst) and Tom Roast (Danbury). At Colchester we picked up Philip Erith, of Ardleigh, who completed the band.

Our first tower was at Chatteris, where we rang for evening service. North again via Peterborough to Market Deeping, just over the border in Lincolnshire. Eventually we arrived at the Queen Hotel, Lincoln, at 9.30 p.m., which was to be our headquarters for the remainder of the week.

Ringling began on Monday at Branston, where we were met by Mr. John Cook. A bell-rope had now been strapped over the bonnet of the car with the sally across the radiator as our mascot. On to Dunston, our first five, where the Vicar provided refreshment. Martin, Timberland and Ruskington followed; at the last-named the ropes hang in two parallel rows of three. After lunch at Sleaford came Silk Willoughby, Folkingham with its noble tower, and the leaning tower at Horbling, where Philip was presented with the tenor to ring at his 100th tower. After an early tea at Donington we were ringing Little Bob at Wigtoft, and another chancel ring at Algarkirk, an anti-clockwise six. At Frampton we were met by the local ringers and a course of Cambridge was rung. On to Tattershall, Wellingore and Navenby, where the incumbent met us in each case.

### NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE.

Tuesday we headed north to Saxilby for our first tower, and then to the fine Norman church at Stow. On to Willingham, Upton and Lea to be met by Mr. G. Lunn, the local District secretary. After lunch in Gainsborough we crossed the border into Nottinghamshire to ring at North Wheatley, where the bells have recently been in the hands of the founders. Back into Lincolnshire to Corringham, Blyton and Messingham, where we were met by the Rev. Michael Freeman who rang with us, before going on to Appleby (probably the worst six of the week). At Winterton the local captain met us, and with him we rang a touch of Cambridge.

Tea was in Barton-on-Humber before going to Thornton Curtis, where entry to the belfry is over a coke heap. At Elsham a new method was discovered—Bastow Little Court—which became popular later in the week. On leaving Elsham we failed to conquer a hill, but eventually arrived at Brigg for a course of Single Court. The sexton at Broughton had gone out with the belfry key and so we made our way to Kirtorn-in-Lindsey, only to find a choir practice on; but soon the west-end was competing with the east-end in a course of Bastow.

Wednesday dawned sunny and remained so all day. Bardney started the day, followed by the excellent six at Horncastle, West Keal, East Keal and its fine Early English tower, and Stickney. The fifth at West Keal was so slow that one could set it up before hearing it speak. Lunch was at Boston, where Dick excelled himself by reversing into a narrow parking place in the crowded market place.

### A WELL EFFECT

After lunch we visited Fishtoft, Freiston, Benington and Old Leake. At Wrangle we were told that at our next tower, Friskney, the bells were almost unringable; but on arrival found that apart from descending six steps to the belfry, which gives the effect of ringing in a well, and the walls green with damp, the 'go

of the bells was quite good. Here we introduced Forward into our method repertoire. On to Wainfleet's very pleasant six, and after tea to Halton Holgate, where Dick, eager to ring the tenor at his 200th tower, found that a previous band had broken the tenor rope, but made up for it with a run of 75 m.p.h. along a disused air strip to Candlesby, with its miniature five in a miniature church. Willoughby followed, and finally to Alford, to be met by the local ringers and to end the day on this excellent six.

(To be continued)

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The Eastern Branch held its autumn meeting at Pakefield on October 11th. Fine weather greeted ringers and friends to this extremely eastern tower and the eight bells were soon ringing to a variety of methods under the capable guidance of the Branch Ringing Master (Mr. E. T. Chapman).

The choral service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. K. Wilkinson Riddle, who incidentally is also Vicar-elect of St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, to which church he will be inducted early in the New Year.

The short business meeting was presided over by the branch chairman, Mr. E. R. Goate, who was supported by the association president, Mr. F. Nolan Golden, and other officers. Two new members were elected, viz., Rev. G. C. Galley, newly-appointed curate at Great Yarmouth, and Mr. P. M. Shipley, a probationer, of Kessingland. The next meeting will be held on Dec. 6th at Acle.

The branch chairman welcomed Mr. W. B. Duncan 'back to the fold'—he has recently retired to live at Gorleston—and congratulated him on attaining 50 years' membership of the Association.

Mr. Ben Thompson presented to Mr. Golden a copy of Shipway's 'Campanologia,' dated 1816, for inclusion in the Association's library. On behalf of the Association, Mr. Golden suitably thanked Mr. Thompson.

The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Rector, organist, also to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kindred and the lady helpers for the magnificent tea which has become part of the Pakefield welcome.

## HARLINGTON LEG OF PORK SUPPER

The traditional leg of pork supper was held this year again at the Red Leaf Restaurant, Hayes. The ringers of Harlington rang at 7 a.m. and at 7 p.m. in accordance with the will of the donor in the year 1605. This dinner has always been held, as the will reads, on November 5th.

The Rev. A. F. Morgan presided at the supper. With him was Major L. F. Ellis, Rector's warden, with a company of 35 ringers and visitors. Mr. L. Grice, captain of the Harlington ringers, said he was pleased to have in the company Mr. W. A. Coles (vice-president of the Middlesex County Association), Mr. F. W. Goodfellow, Mr. T. G. Bannister (captain of Hillingdon), Mr. M. J. Palmer and Mr. C. A. Ashpool. During the evening handbells were put to good use.

Mr. Grice said that he was pleased with the ringing at Harlington during the last year. Harlington had always been a call change tower but he now had an enthusiastic band ringing methods who hoped to advance. Practice nights were well attended.

**WICKEN, NORTHANTS.**—On Oct. 18th, 1.440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: F. C. Case 1, L. Smith 2, W. F. Eyden 3, J. Linnell 4, W. A. Yates 5, G. E. Green (cond.) 6.

## OBITUARY

### MR. WILLIAM GAYES

The death of William Gayes on October 28th, at the age of 85, took from the Macclesfield area one of the real old timers, who was known as 'Old Bill.'

He started to ring at St. Michael's, Macclesfield, in 1890, and during the 1890's was one of the band who developed change ringing in the town. He maintained his interest until 1914, when he was called up to serve with His Majesty's Forces. Coming home, he did not go back to the tower, but kept in touch through W. Matthew, who worked next door to the blacksmith's shop where William Gayes was employed.

In 1927 Christ Church tower was in danger of having a chiming apparatus fitted. Mr. Gayes was approached and agreed to take over the tower. There were then only four ringers left, but a full band was trained. From the small beginning of a peal of Grandsire Doubles in June, 1929, has been developed a band ringing Stedman and Cambridge regularly for Sunday service. Of the original four ringers, Messrs. John Worth and Wilfred Stevenson went on to ring hundreds of peals and long lengths of Bristol and Cambridge. Of the band which rang the peal on November 3rd no less than nine were taught by him. He had not done any regular ringing for about five years, but whenever there was a peal on at Christ Church he was always walking round the church listening.

As the Rev. S. May said during the funeral service in church: 'Well done, Old Bill, for a good and useful life.'

### MR. WALTER LITTLE

Mr. Walter Little, who died on November 5th at his home, The Ford, Great Dunmow, Essex, aged 74, had a commendable record as a Sunday service ringer. He had suffered from an internal complaint for a long time.

He started his ringing career at Great Dunmow in 1903 when he assisted to form a change ringing band. Upon moving to Stebbing he became a keen Sunday service ringer with the local company. His quiet and unassuming manner endeared him to all who knew him.

The funeral took place at St. Mary's, Stebbing, on November 10th, the Vicar, the Rev. F. Boykett, officiating. Many friends attended. Dr. L. Castleden and Mr. H. W. Smith represented Great Dunmow and Mr. H. W. Moore represented Bocking. He leaves a widow and a large family, several of whom have learned to ring. His son, Alfred, is the present captain of the Stebbing tower.

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## GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. A. Gorrings, of 261, Price Street, Birkenhead, wish to thank, in connection with their golden wedding, the ringers of St. Saviour's, Oxtou, Cheshire, for their gift of flowers and card which came as a great and happy surprise. They also desire to thank the Wirral Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild for their gift of flowers, and also other friends for gifts and good wishes for their future years.

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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

After completing detached duty in Cumberland, Mr. D. Mottershead has returned to Wilmslow, Cheshire.

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## A NORTH HAMPSHIRE TOUR

Ringling at Sherborne St. John at 9 a.m. on November 1st, said the programme, and about a quarter of an hour late the first touch was on its way on the poor six in the tower with the green spire, reminiscent of Hertfordshire. The bells at Church Oakley were also of indifferently tone and produced peculiar rumblings for good measure. Our visit to Dean was most unsatisfactory, as several of the clappers were very stiff, especially that of the fourth, so that method ringing was pointless. A short drive brought us to the pretty village of Laverstoke, with St. Mary's tower housing a good Mears six (tenor 11 cwt.), and a course of London was rung.

The bells of Hurstbourne Priors had been thought to be unringable until recently, but we found their 'go' fair, the chief trouble being the tendency of the third to drop suddenly. Cambridge went quite well. Our final call before lunch was the excellent Taylor ring at Longparish (6, 7½ cwt.), easily the best six of the day.

Two ex-R.A.F. members of the party, who were stationed at Middle Wallop, were able to satisfy long-standing ambitions to ring at Over Wallop on the odd-toned five. Prior to ringing at Goodworth Clatford we were invited to a cup of tea by the Vicar (the Rev. S. A. Gidlow). The bells at Abbot's Ann were muffled in memory of the late captain, Mr. Whimpey, but as three and four were muffled the wrong stroke, a most usual effect was produced. Another cup of tea awaited us after a pull at Ampot—a chancel ring—thanks

## MISCELLANEOUS

ST. MARY'S (Parish Church) STAINES (8). Regular practice Mondays from Dec. 1st. Same arrangements as for St. Peter's. All welcome. Additional special method or handbell practices by arrangement with Ronald I. Shepherd, 5, Kenilworth Gardens, Staines. Tel. Staines 5389.

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ST. PETER'S, STAINES (8). Regular practice Tuesdays commencing Dec. 2nd, 7.30 to 9 p.m. tower bells; 9 to 10 p.m. handbells.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Practice has now resumed on Fridays at 7.30 p.m. at Stebbing. All visitors will be made welcome.

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TO CONDUCTORS.—Make a point of presenting a copy of 'The Ringing World' to those who ring their first peal or quarter peal. Send 6d. with report.

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## MEETINGS

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Stockport Branch.—Meeting at Ashton-under-Lyne, St. Peter's, Saturday, Nov. 22nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.

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DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Monthly meeting will be held at Ockbrook on Saturday, Nov. 22nd, at 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—W. A. Morley, Dis. Sec.

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ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Terrington St. John, Saturday, Nov. 22nd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—Meeting at Epping Upland (6) on Saturday, Nov. 22nd, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names, please, to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex.

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to the generosity of the Vicar (the Rev. R. J. H. Cholmeley).

Our arrival at Tangley was delayed by a herd of cows, but soon the merry five were away to Stedman. Mr. Webb welcomed us at East Woodhay, where the bells are of a pleasant tone but are very odd-struck and, being very quiet as well, are tricky to strike accurately. The only eight of the day followed. Highclere (tenor 11 cwt.); despite the fact that we were a mixed band our ringing was of a high standard and included a course of Bristol on this good octave. A pleasant drive through the nearby park brought us to Burghclere, where we were pleased that Mr. Gosling had a pull with us.

Our final tower, Sydmonton, was perhaps the main attraction of the day. Only within the past few months had the bells been rung for the first time for almost 70 years, and so we were wondering what the 'go' would be like. Before ringing, however, a most complicated chiming apparatus had to be disconnected and a new rope fitted to the third. Then, by torchlight, the bells were raised singly and some rounds attempted. These being successful, Bob Minor and Cambridge came round without much difficulty. The bells are a very pretty ring, and it is a pity they are so noisy in the ringing chamber.

So ended another enjoyable outing, and the thanks of the party are extended to all those who met us, particularly to the incumbents of Goodworth Clatford and Ampot for their kind hospitality, and not least to Geoff Dodd for all his useful local information.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Cheltenham Branch.—Swindon Village (5), Saturday, Nov. 22nd, 6 to 9 p.m. A.G.M., St. Mary's, Cheltenham (12), Saturday, Dec. 13th.—Mary Bliss.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Meeting, North Myms, Saturday, Nov. 22nd, at 3 p.m. Bells (8), Service and tea.—S. Huckle, Dis. Sec.

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LADIES' GUILD.—Beds and Northants Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, Nov. 22nd, at Clifton. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss J. Mayes, 75, Broad Street, Clifton, Beds.—Anne E. Amor.

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SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Practice meeting, Shoreham (8), Saturday, Nov. 22nd. Please note change of date. Bells 3 p.m.

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UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.—Practice meeting on Saturday, Nov. 22nd, Chislehurst, Annunciation, 2.30 to 3.30 p.m.; Bromley Parish Church, 4 to 5 p.m. and after tea.

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SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Combined evening practice at Reigate (10) on Tuesday, Nov. 25th. Bells 7.30 p.m. All welcome.

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Kettering Branch.—Practice, Desborough (8), Friday evening, Nov. 28th. Bells recently returned and rehung. Visitors welcome.—S. R. Collins.

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DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—Meeting at Burbage (6), Buxton, Saturday, Nov. 29th, 3 p.m. Cups of tea only. All welcome.—H. E. Taylor, Dis. Sec.

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DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Campsall, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Rev. Key, The Vicarage, Campsall, near Askern, Doncaster.—G. Watson, Hon. Sec.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—North Forest Branch.—Annual meeting at Huntley (6) on Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Canon J. G. Lister, Huntley Rectory.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Saturday, Nov. 29th, St. Werburgh's (6), 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Annual meeting, Dec. 20th, St. Ambrose.—F. Hussey, Branch Sec.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Tewkesbury Branch.—Annual meeting, Tewkesbury Abbey (12), on Saturday, Nov. 29th, 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15 p.m. Numbers for tea by Nov. 26th to The Sacristan, Tewkesbury Abbey. No notification, no tea.—G. H. Burrows, Branch Sec.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Nomination meeting at Worplesdon (8) on Saturday, Nov. 29th, from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. S. Petter, The Laurels, Fox Corner, Worplesdon.—C. J. Beadle, Hon. Dis. Sec.

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HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—Quarterly meeting, Lugwardine, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea, please, to A. T. Wingate, Huntington House, Hereford.

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LADIES' GUILD.—Central District.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, Nov. 29th at Bethnal Green. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea, business meeting and further ringing. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mrs. S. Bullock, 35, Walmer Close, Romford, Essex. Nearest station Bethnal Green, or bus from Liverpool Street to St. Matthew's Row. Gentlemen cordially invited.

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**LADIES' GUILD.**—Sussex District.—Meeting at Burgess Hill on Saturday, Nov. 29th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, please, to Mrs. Knight, 17, The Gattons, Burgess Hill.—D. Lester, Hon. Sec. 3367

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—Meeting on Saturday, Nov. 29th, at St. Bartholomew's (6). Tea (free) 5 p.m. Names by previous Wednesday to Mr. B. Cooper, 123, Plover Street, Bolton. Holy Trinity (8), evening only from approximately 6.15.—Thornley. 3364

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—Meeting at Holy Trinity, South Shore, Blackpool, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Cups of tea provided.—John F. Turner, Sec. 3370

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at St. Chad's, Headingley, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells available 3 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Thursday to Mr. A. Johnson, 7, Weetwood Lane, Leeds, 16. 3343

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Meeting, Anstey, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Wednesday, Nov. 26th, please, to Mr. R. Elkington, 24, High Street, Anstey, Leicester. 3387

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting, Algarkirk, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea in Schoolroom 5 p.m. All requiring tea please notify me by Monday, Nov. 24th.—W. E. Clarke, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston. 3382

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—General meeting, Marsham, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, Nov. 25th, to Mr. H. Carter, Clovelly, Buxton Road, Aylsham. Presentation to the Rev. H. G. Lillingston after tea.—W. Love, Gen. Sec. 3330

**NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY AND SHERWOOD YOUTHS.**—Joint meeting, Bulwell, Saturday, Nov. 29th, 3 p.m. All welcome. Names for tea by Nov. 26th.—D. R. Taylor, Societies' Room, The University, Nottingham. 3372

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Olney, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Please notify for tea by Nov. 24th.—R. H. Howson, 19, Greenfield Road, Newport Pagnell, Bucks. 3376

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—Evening practice, Fulmer (6), Nov. 29th, 6 p.m.—W. Butler, Hon. Sec., Windsor 1484. 3590

**PENN.**—St. Bartholomew's Change-Ringers' Guild.—Advent Sunday, Nov. 30th. Special ringers' service, Evensong, 6.30 p.m. Ringing 5.30 p.m., also after the service until approximately 8.45 p.m. Light refreshments. All welcome. 3349

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Meeting at Kingsthorpe, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Tuesday previous to Mr. S. F. Earl, 42, Foxgrove Avenue, Kingsthorpe, Northampton.—G. F. Roome. 3347

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—West Dorset Branch.—Annual meeting at Bridport, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please.—Barrett, 120, Gerrards Green, Beaminster. 3359

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salisbury Branch.—Wilton, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing at South Newton from 6 p.m. Names, please, by 25th to Miss Eloie, 8, Albany Road, Salisbury. 3338

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Advanced practice, St. John's, Crawley, Saturday, Nov. 29th, at 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Look up Rutland. 3354

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Nomination meeting, Mitcham, Saturday, Nov. 29th. Christ Church, Colliers Wood, bells 3 p.m. Service at Parish Church 5 p.m. Tea and meeting in Parish Rooms after. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mrs. F. E. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath. Parish bells after meeting.—W. Parrott, Hon. Sec. 3328

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Winchester District.—The annual dinner will be held at the Westgate Lodge Hotel, Winchester, on Saturday, Nov. 29th, at 7 p.m. Licensed bar. Tickets now available from the secretary, price 12s. 6d. each. There will be a short Evensong at St. Lawrence's Church at 5.15 p.m.—P. Dickinson, Sec., Riverbank Cottage, Cheriton, Hants. 3339

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Alton and Petersfield District.—Quarterly meeting at Liss on Saturday, Nov. 29th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by 26th.—C. E. Bassett, Warsash, Southampton. 3379

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Branch.—Annual meeting, Milverton (8), Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea.—A. H. Reed, Mimosa, George Street, Taunton. 3360

**DEVON GUILD.**—Aylesbeare Branch.—Annual general meeting at Topsham, Saturday, Dec. 6th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Dec. 2nd to Mr. R. W. Berry, 45, Retreat Road, Topsham. 3326

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leatherhead District.—Nomination meeting, Banstead, Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Lady Neville Pavilion, followed by business meeting. Further ringing until 8 p.m. Names for tea by Dec. 4th to H. N. Pitstow, Saffron, High Street, Banstead.—A. H. Smith. 3377

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Monmouth Branch.—Meeting, Sat., Dec. 6th, at Magor. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Dec. 2nd.—J. S. King. 3358

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting, Acle, Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Dec. 3rd, to Mr. H. W. Lidbetter, South Walsham Road, Acle, Great Yarmouth.—P. G. W. Newstead, Branch Sec. 3388

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Joint meeting on Saturday, Dec. 6th, at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, 2.30 p.m. Tea at Fanmakers Hall 5 p.m. St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, available after tea. 3378

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Saturday, Dec. 6th, Bulwell. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify S. Adams, 54, Wilford Road, Ruddington. 3383

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—District meeting at Woodbridge, Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Notify C. W. Pipe, Grundisburgh. 3371

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Nomination meeting at Redhill (8) on Saturday, Dec. 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please notify for tea by previous Wednesday Mr. A. Streeter, 4, Maple Road, Earlswood. 3361

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The annual dinner will be held on Saturday, Feb. 7th, at the Old Bell Restaurant, Holborn, 6 for 6.30 p.m. Tickets (price 15s. 6d. each) still available from the undersigned. Numbers strictly limited, so apply now!—P. N. Bond, 33, The Drive, Hedge Barton, Fordcombe Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 3351

## QUARTER PEALS

**AYLESTONE, LEICS.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: C. Powdrill 1, Christine Wakefield 2, Rev. P. Blackman 3, Patricia A. Wardle 4, A. J. Poyner 5, T. I. Roper 6, R. S. Morris (cond.) 7, P. Martin 8. For Remembrance Sunday Evensong.

**BIRKENHEAD, CHESHIRE.**—On Nov. 4th, at St. Saviour's Church, Oxtou, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss J. Eastwood 1, W. A. Boote 2, Mrs. A. J. Martin 3, Miss J. M. Richmond 4, W. A. D. Griffiths 5, A. Gorringe 6, A. J. Martin (cond.) 7, M. J. Begley 8. First quarter for 2 and 8. First of Triples for 1, 3, 4 and 5. Rung by members of the local band as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. Gorringe on their golden wedding anniversary.

**CALVERLEY, YORKS.**—On Nov. 5th, 1,260 Minor (720 Kent, 360 Oxford, 180 Plain): Ruth H. Appleby (first quarter) 1, W. Lee 2, Joan M. Dawson 3, P. Wheatley 4, P. M. Dawson (first as cond.) 5, R. Waddington 6. Rung as part of the traditional 'Plot Night' ringing by members of the local band.

**CHELSEFIELD, KENT.**—On Sept. 28th, 1,320 Grand-sire Doubles: A. Smith 1, Jennifer George 2, D. Parker 3, N. Martin (cond.) 4, D. Manger 5, C. Rowe 6. For harvest festival. Also on Oct. 19th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: A. Smith 1, D. Manger 2, J. Pannell 3, N. Martin (cond.) 4, J. Parker 5, C. Rowe 6. A farewell to the Rector (the Rev. N. J. Woodhall), who becomes Rector of Basingstoke.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: M. P. Barton (first quarter) 1, Judith A. Harding (first quarter) 2, R. Keeley 3, T. A. Easterby 4, J. M. Lakin 5, D. Martin 6, M. Hawkes (first as cond. on eighth) 7, H. D. Wilson (first on eighth) 8.

**DERBY.**—At St. Andrew's Church, on Nov. 6th, 1,259 Grand-sire Caters: C. Walklate 1, Miss P. Forster 2, Miss E. Foulk 3, S. Walklate 4, H. Letts 5, G. Freebrey (cond.) 6, F. R. Lowe 7, M. R. Bloor 8, B. P. Morris 9, F. Disney 10. Rung on the Festival of St. Leonard.

**GREAT MARLOW, BUCKS.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. D. Kape 1, Miss J. Cooke 2, Miss H. Bonner 3, Mrs. E. Mead 4, R. E. Dean 5, E. D. Poole 6, L. J. Young (cond.) 7, M. Spracklen 8. For Evensong and All Saints.

**HORSELL, SURREY.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Priestley 1, Miss H. Pugh 2, Miss P. Drury 3, Miss E. Hiley 4, F. Lewis 5, J. Martin (cond.) 6. First of Plain Bob Minor 1 and 2. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Drury on their silver wedding anniversary.

**KIRK ELLA, YORKS.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,280 Grand-sire Doubles: Miss Bond 1, D. Johnson 2, K. Kirk 3, J. Rank 4, K. Goldthorpe (cond.) 5, J. Perrett 6. A farewell to the Rev. R. Foord on his retirement after 27 years as Vicar.

**OVERBURY, WORCS.**—On Sept. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Plain Bob, Grand-sire, Stedman and April Day): G. A. Payne 1, Pauline F. Sprackling 2, M. Hawkes (cond.) 3, F. E. Wood 4, P. D. Warren 5, E. W. Penn 6. First quarter in six methods by all the band.

**READING, BERKS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Nov. 2nd, 1,280 London Surprise Major: R. K. Russ 1, Jennifer M. Davies (first in method) 2, A. Diserens 3, E. J. Munday 4, R. H. Begrie 5, J. N. Diserens 6, R. F. Diserens (cond.) 7, N. J. Diserens 8.

**WEST WICKHAM, KENT.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Bob Minor: R. Maddy (first quarter) 1, A. B. Skinner (first 'inside') 2, A. S. Richards 3, J. Faircloth 4, L. W. G. Skinner (cond.) 5, J. E. Cannell 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. S. Ruck 1, Miss P. Lowes 2, M. S. Lancefield 3, L. C. Smith 4, C. T. Hillis (cond.) 5, L. T. Pope 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Seymour 1, G. Balls 2, E. Leggett (cond.) 3, F. Clarke 4, B. Gibbons 5, J. Leggett 6. First quarter on the bells by an all-resident company. A wedding compliment to Mr. A. Webb and Miss D. Leggett, who were married at this church on All Saints' Day.



# FIRST PEAL PERFORMANCES

By F. T. BLAGROVE

(Continued from page 699.)

There are 11 regular twin-hunt pure Triples methods, all of which have been rung to peals. These 11 methods have also been spliced together in one peal.

**Grandsire Triples.**—A peal board at St. Peter Mancroft records a peal rung on August 26th, 1718, and also refers to previous false peals. Grandsire Triples and Caters had been practised in London since 1684, and although the Norwich peal is the first known, it is extremely unlikely that it was the first rung. Grandsire has also been rung under the titles Hick, Hank and Garthon's Triples.

**Double Grandsire Triples.**—Peals of Double Triples were rung on November 17th, 1765, at Spitalfields, and on January 4th, 1766, at St. George's, Southwark, by the College Youths. These may have been Grandsire Double Triples, however, and not Double Grandsire Triples. Similarly, a peal at Richmond, Surrey, on January 4th, 1767, by the Richmond Society. The Society of All Saints' Youths rang a peal of Double Grandsire on December 31st, 1779, at Wakefield.

**Reverse Grandsire Triples.**—The peal at Hackney on March 9th, 1782, by the Cumberland Youths, was probably the first in the method.

**Single Oxford Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on May 14th, 1788, by the All Saints' Youths, under the title 'Wakefield Surprise Triples.' Also rung at Benenden, Kent, on March 7th, 1821, and at Horsham, Sussex, on February 7th, 1882.

**Double Oxford Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Chester on November 20th, 1908, by the Chester D.G.

**Single Court Triples.**—5,040 at Warnham on September 18th, 1886, by the Sussex C.A.

**Double Court Triples.**—5,040 at Christ Church, Ealing, on October 2nd, 1933, by the Middlesex C.A.

**St. Clement's College Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Chester on February 24th, 1911, by the Chester D.G.

**College Triples.**—5,040 at Chester on February 24th, 1911, by the Chester D.G.

**London Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Bridgend on March 5th, 1927, by the Llandaff and Monmouth D.A.

**Hereward Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Chester on October 5th, 1935, by the Chester D.G.

**Spliced Two Triples.**—5,040 at Bridgend on January 27th, 1926, by the Llandaff and Monmouth D.G. Grandsire and Single Oxford.

**Spliced Four Triples.**—5,040 at Hastings on March 13th, 1948, by the Sussex C.A. Two plus Double Court and St. Clement's.

**Spliced Six Triples.**—5,040 at Kingswinford, Staffordshire, on October 31st, 1953, by the Worcestershire Association. Four plus Double Grandsire and Hereward.

**Spliced Eleven Triples.**—5,040 at Brierley Hill, Staffordshire, on June 10th, 1954, by the Worcestershire Association. The first peal in all 11 regular twin-hunt Triples methods.

A few irregular twin-hunt Triples methods have been rung to peals.

**New Grandsire Triples.**—5,040 at Horsham on November 16th, 1777, by the Horsham Society.

**Union Triples.**—5,040 at St. Lawrence Jewry on February 17th, 1728, by the College Youths.

**Double Union Triples.**—5,040 at Leeds, Yorks, on March 1st, 1771, by the Leeds Society.

**Darlaston Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Darlaston on October 10th, 1891, by the Stafford Archdeaconry Society.

**Spliced Grandsire and Union Triples.**—5,040 at Bridgend on May 16th, 1925, by the Llandaff and Monmouth D.A.

**Spliced Grandsire and New Grandsire.**—5,040 at Eccleston on July 14th, 1932, by the Chester D.G.

**Spliced St. Eltydd and Single Oxford.**—5,040 at Bridgend on February 21st, 1934, by the Llandaff and Monmouth D.A.

The following three-lead course pure Triples methods have been rung to peals.

**College Single Triples.**—5,040 at St. Olave's, Southwark, on March 23rd, 1728, by the College Youths.

**Fulham Triples.**—5,040 at Harrietsham, Kent, on January 14th, 1749, by the Lenham Society.

**St. Dunstan's Triples.**—5,040 at St. Dunstan's, Fleet Street, on January 27th, 1728, by the College Youths.

**Spliced Three Triples.**—5,040 at Leeds, Yorks, on September 22nd, 1769, by the Leeds Society. College Single, Fulham and Single Oxford Bob Triples.

The following are irregular six-lead course methods which have been rung to peals.

**Plain Bob Triples.**—5,040 at St. Sepulchre's, London, on January 17th, 1690, by the College Youths (A.S.C.Y. Records). 5,040 at St. Peter Mancroft on May 2nd, 1715, by the Norwich Scholars (peal board). See page 253.

**St. Simon's College Bob Triples.**—5,040 at St. Bride's on April 12th, 1732, by the College Youths.

**Middlesex Triples.**—5,040 at Twickenham on January 21st, 1733, by the Twickenham Scholars.

**Cumberland Imperial Place Triples.**—5,040 at Hackney on February 17th, 1801, by the Cumberland Youths.

**Oxford T.B. Triples.**—5,040 at Huddersfield on November 5th, 1821, by the Huddersfield Society.

**Kent T.B. Triples.**—5,040 at Liversedge on November 5th, 1842, by the Liversedge Society.

**Kent and Oxford T.B. Triples.**—5,040 at Shifnal on January 23rd, 1844, by the Shifnal Albion Society.

**Canterbury Pleasure Triples.**—5,040 at Warnham on February 3rd, 1887, by the Sussex County Association.

The following regular six-lead plain methods have been rung to peals.

**New Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Shoreditch on March 28th, 1750, by the Cumberland Youths.

**Penning's Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Stansted on April 13th, 1907, by the Essex Association.

**Stansted Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Stansted on October 26th, 1907, by the Essex Association.

**Waterloo College Bob Triples.**—5,040 at St. Giles', Norwich, on January 14th, 1953, by the Norwich D.A.

**St. Edmundsbury College Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Hethersett on February 4th, 1953, by the Norwich D.A.

**Carshalton Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Salle on February 11th, 1953, by the Norwich D.A.

**Hawkhurst Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Aldermaston on November 15th, 1955, by the Oxford D.G.

**Mulbarton Imperial Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Hethersett on December 12th, 1956, by the Norwich D.A.

**St. Stephen's Imperial Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Hingham on January 16th, 1957, by the Norwich D.A.

**Paston Imperial College Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Hingham on May 29th, 1957, by the Norwich D.A.

The figures of the following methods are not known. In some cases they may have been local names for standard methods.

**Richmond Triples.**—5,040 at Richmond, Surrey, on March 10th, 1742.

**Royal Triples.**—5,040 at Dover on November 11th, 1750.

**London Union Triples.**—5,040 at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on December 28th, 1782.

**Wakefield Pleasure Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on February 15th, 1756.

**Vauxhall Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on September 23rd, 1761.

**Merry Wakefield Delight Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on December 25th, 1762.

**Wakefield Royal Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on May 14th, 1763.

**Wakefield Evening Delight Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on May 14th, 1763.

**Barnsley Evening's Pleasure Triples.**—5,040 at Barnsley on February 23rd, 1773.

**Wakefield Delight T.B. Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on May 14th, 1788.

**Coronation Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on September 20th, 1805.

**Morning Pleasure Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on January 1st, 1789.

**Sheffield Triples.**—5,040 at Rotherham in April, 1782.

**Wakefield Royal Double Bob Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on January 29th, 1771.

**Five Shillings to Drink Triples.**—5,040 at Wakefield on January 15th, 1789.

**Wakefield Surprise Triples.**—See Single Oxford Bob Triples above.

**Royal Union or Crown Bob Triples.**—Spliced College Single, Fulham and Single Oxford Bob Triples, see above.

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## OUR BELLS

Handed to a ringer at St. James' Church, Grimsby, after a particularly unsuccessful practice.

The citizens take their nightly walk  
In our tree-lined avenues,  
Perhaps to spoon or maybe talk  
About the latest news.

They listen enthralled to the song of a bird,  
The girls are misty eyed;  
'Tis the sweetest music ever heard  
From one of the feathered tribe.

Alas! Alack!! 'Twill end too soon,  
The bird will desert his perch,  
When furtive figures are seen to loom  
Converging on our church.

Silence falls o'er this old town  
Of grime and fishy smells,  
As word is passed with many a frown  
'Tis Practice Night at the Bells.'

Hark to the sound of scurrying feet,  
They are rushing helter skelter.  
Our brave policemen keep to their beat,  
But the population take shelter.

The cause of this is plain to see,  
Should you care to climb the tower;  
But take a warning, friend, from me,  
Be prepared to meet a shower.

You enter quietly, take a seat,  
No doubt 'twill take some believing,  
But really, friend, you're in for a treat  
When this flipping lot get weaving.

You sit in a daze, your tongue is tied,  
Your senses are dulled with fear.  
There's no mistake you have qualified  
For the 'Bravest Deed of the Year.'

Away, brave friend, before 'tis too late,  
As far as you can away from it.  
Away, brave friend, from that tower of hate,  
Book a seat in the 'Jet Propelled Comet.'

Peace descends, the practice is o'er,  
The police are calling 'All Clear.'  
At every window, at every door,  
Terror-struck faces begin to appear.

Our feathered friend with throat so sore  
Tries to trill his beautiful call,  
But bless my soul he is beaten once more  
By the din from 'The Hole in the Wall.'

You culprits eight, take heed I say,  
Next time your skill you try,  
I beg of you, I beg, I pray,  
Spare a thought for the passer-by.



**5,088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

By STEPHEN IVIN				
2	3	4	5	6
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2	3	6	4	5
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Repeat twice.

First rung at Daventry July 5th, 1958.

**5,088 CHELSEA SURPRISE MAJOR**

By JOHN R. MAYNE				
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6	3	2	5	4
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2	5	6	3	4
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3	2	5	4	6
X	—	—	—	—
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3	6	5	2	4
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2	3	6	4	5
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Two times repeated.

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