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# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, Surrey.

BELLS,

CLOCKS,

CARILLONS.

At St. Michael's Parish Church,  
Ashton-under-Lyne,

The Record Long Peal of  
Treble Bob Maximus (12,240 Changes)  
was rung on Easter Monday, 1911, by  
the Ashton-under-Lyne Society in  
8 HOURS and 39 MINUTES.

In November, 1910, all the 12 bells were  
repaired and the Tenor (27 cwt.) com-  
pletely rehung by:—

GILLETT & JOHNSTON.

The Ringer of the Tenor in the Record  
Peal wrote:—

"Your work to this Bell is a **SPLENDID  
CREDIT** to you."

James George,  
April 18th, 1911.

## AN UNIQUE GATHERING.

A gathering absolutely unique in the annals of ringing was that which took place at the Crystal Palace on Saturday. There have been big assemblies of ringers in the past, brought together for purposes of varying character, but the biggest, as it certainly was one of the happiest, that has ever met under one roof, was drawn together on the occasion of "Ringers' Day" at the Festival of Empire. Arranged by "The Ringing World," we take pride in the fact that we were privileged to promote a gathering which from every point of view was so extremely successful, and which, we think, marks a new step forward in spreading that spirit of freemasonry and good fellowship which exists among ringers. District, county and diocesan associations have their own pleasant meetings, but they are almost parochial in their character compared with the extended scope of last Saturday's assembly. Ringers came from almost the four corners of the kingdom to join in this remarkable gathering, which from beginning to end was one long round of pleasure. The almost inexhaustible attractions of the Palace, of course, assured visitors of a generously full programme of entertainment, but we were able to add other features which appealed specially to ringers, and we believe that everyone who took advantage of the opportunity fully enjoyed themselves. One thing is certain that no greater centre of amusement than the Crystal Palace now provides could have been found for such a gathering, and if one fact above another stands out as the result of this innovation in the history of the Exercise, it is that the ringers themselves have appreciated the opportunity of meeting in this way to demonstrate the common bond of friendship which exists in the Exercise the country over. It was, perhaps, a bold undertaking on the part of a young journal to arrange such an assembly, but events have fully justified our action in endeavouring to provide, for all those ringers who cared to participate in it, a day of united enjoyment. We cannot let this opportunity pass without giving our sincere thanks to those who so wholeheartedly supported the undertaking, including particularly Messrs. John Warner and Sons, Ltd., who generously entertained the whole of the visitors to tea, the incumbents of the various churches in London where ringing was permitted in the morning, Mr. Haley, the organist, whose recital during the afternoon was so much enjoyed, and others who gave their assistance in making the day the huge success that it was. We may, perhaps, be permitted to add that we have received numerous letters of congratulation upon the event, and we can only say that it has given us the greatest pleasure to know that such a large number of ringers participated in the day's pleasures.

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## TESTIMONIAL.

John O. Sager, Todmorden,  
Solicitor, December 10, 1910.  
Messrs. Charles Carr, Ltd.,  
Bell and Brassfounders,  
Smethwick.

Dear Sirs,—As a Church Officer  
of St. Paul's, Cross Stone, Todmor-  
den, and one who has taken a great  
interest in the Peal of 8 Bells which  
you recently hung in the Church  
Tower, I am pleased to be able to  
tell you that the bells are giving  
the utmost satisfaction, in fact I  
hear nothing but the highest praise  
and recommendation on all sides.

The day after you completed the  
work, a peal of 5040 changes was  
rung on the bells. This of course  
was a creditable performance on  
the part of the Ringers, but it also  
proves how well balanced and how  
accurately the bells must be. I am  
sure the tone and the workmanship  
leave nothing to be desired. All  
our people and neighbouring ringers  
too have a good word for them.

I understand you will be over  
here when the bells are consecrated  
and you will have the satisfaction  
of hearing this letter verified.—

Yours faithfully,  
(Signed) JOHN O. SAGER.

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**TEN BELL PEAL.**

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.*On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5147 CHANCES ;**

Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS WRIGHT ... .. Treble	ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6
ALFRED WAITE ... .. 2	ARTHUR WAITE ... .. 7
HUBERT SCRIVENS ... .. 3	JOSEPH WAITE ... .. 8
FRANK COLE ... .. 4	WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 9
WILLIAM HALE ... .. 5	HUBERT HANKS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and  
Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.Rung in honour of the coronation of their Most Gracious Majesties  
King George V and Queen Mary.**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

SAXLINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Thursday, July 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES ;**

Tenor, 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

FREDK. BORRETT ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STEELE ... .. 5
ALBERT G. WARNES ... .. 2	BERTIE J. HOWCHIN ... .. 6
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. 3	EDWIN WHITING ... .. 7
*GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 4	C. T. P. BRICE ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and  
Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\* First peal in the method.

HOLBECK, LEEDS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

*On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES ;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

ALFRED WINDSOR ... .. Treble	JOSHUA WOODHEAD ... .. 5
*PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. 2	FRANCIS WOODHEAD ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. H. ASH ... .. 3	DAVID YORKE ... .. 7
WILLIAM WOODHEAD ... .. 4	ROBERT BINNS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and  
Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.\* First peal in the method as conductor. This peal was a birthday  
compliment to Mr. R. Binns and it was the fiftieth peal to which he  
has rung the tenor. The peal was also rung as a farewell to the  
brother of the conductor who left on the previous day for Queensland,  
Australia.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

*On Tuesday, July 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

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

Tenor 12 cwt.

{WALTER HOBBS ... .. Treble	HENRY J. TUCKER ... .. 5
GEORGE DENT ... .. 2	JOHN SMITH ... .. 6
8HARRY SWALE ... .. 3	JOHN CORDELL ... .. 7
HARRY BOTTRILL ... .. 4	HENRY F. COOPER ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS, and  
Conducted by G. DENT.This composition, published in "The Ringing World" of March 31st,  
1911, contains eleven 8—6s, ten 8—6—7s, and the 6th the extent W  
and R in 5—6.

PINNER, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.*On Wednesday, July 12, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES ;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALAN R. MACDONALD ... Treble	JOHN J. PRATT ... .. 5
BERTRAM PREWETT ... .. 2	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 6
FRANCIS J. RUMENS ... .. 3	GEORGE SHIPP ... .. 7
*CHARLES N. LEMAN ... .. 4	ROBERT E. STAVERT ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and  
Conducted by ROBERT E. STAVERT.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

*On Wednesday, July 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA.

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES ;**

Tenor 15 cwt., in G.

WILLIAM E. PITMAN ... Treble	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 5
EDWIN G. BUESDEN ... .. 2	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 6
*FREDERICK G. BRETT ... .. 3	WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. 7
EDWARD F. COLE ... .. 4	ALFRED W. GRIMES ... Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH, and  
Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal in the method with a bob bell.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Thursday, July 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN DE SEPULCHRE,

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

Tenor 10 cwt.

FREDK. J. CROSS ... .. Treble	W. W. GOODBOURN ... .. 5
†WILLIAM A. HEMPEL ... .. 2	FRANK PHILIPS ... .. 6
*ALBERT HARVEY ... .. 3	WILLIAM MAYERS ... .. 7
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 4	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS, and  
Conducted by F. J. CROSS.

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

SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

*On Thursday, July 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES ;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lbs.

WILLIAM PALMER ... .. Treble	ARTHUR CHAMBERS ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 3	JAMES DOWLER ... .. 7
FRANK WITHERS ... .. 4	*CHARLES H. WOODBURY Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and  
Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.\* First peal of London. Arranged for Messrs. T. J. Salter and C. H.  
Woodbury, of Kidderminster.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 13, 1911, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 17 cwt., in F.

JAMES MOTTS ... .. Treble	WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... 5
REV. WM. C. PEARSON ... 2	CHARLES T. P. BRICE ... 6
ROBERT H. HAYWARD ... 3	WILLIAM L. DUFFIELD ... 7
FREDERICK C. LAMBERT ... 4	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	GEORGE HITCHMAN ... .. 5
J. W. TILLEY ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
*HAROLD PRATT ... .. 3	ALBERT BEECHAM ... .. 7
ARTHUR CHAMBERS ... .. 4	†ALLAN J. CARTWRIGHT ... Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

\* First peal of Stedman. † First peal. William Short's rooth peal of Stedman Triples.

TURVEY.  
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 19 cwt.

*MISS EVELYN STEEL ... Treble	HERBERT SHARP ... .. 5
JOHN W. BARKER ... .. 2	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... 6
WILLIAM T. LIGHTFOOT ... 3	HARRY TYSOE ... .. 7
FRANK WEBB ... .. 4	HENRY STAPLETON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER, and Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

\* First peal. Miss Steel is the first lady-ringer to ring a peal in the county of Bedfordshire.

LONDON.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

HAROLD BURTON ... .. Treble	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
*WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 3	HARRY FLANDERS ... .. 7
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lbs.

FREDERICK L. PASKINS ... Treble	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ... 5
LIONEL H. PAGE ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. GEORGE ... 6
HENRY W. WILKES ... .. 3	EDWIN J. HARDING ... 7
WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. 4	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

NEWPORT PAGNELL, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 22 cwt.

JOSEPH MARKS ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... 5
HARRY SEAR ... .. 2	*FREDERICK C. TOMPKINS 6
CECIL A. VALENTINE ... 3	WILLIAM WEBB ... .. 7
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 4	*WILLIAM F. SMITH ... Tenor

Conducted by HARRY SEAR.

\* First peal on eight bells. Also first peal on the bells since being recast and rehung in a new steel frame by Messrs. Gillett & Johnston, Croydon. The band were perfectly satisfied with the splendid tone of the bells, while the "go" of them was perfect.

**SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.**

STOKE MANDEVILLE, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Sunday, July 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

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

Seven different 720's.

PHILBERT W. WILKINS ... Treble	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 4
FREDERICK G. BIGGS ... 2	ROBERT YOUNG ... .. 5
RICHARD BUCKLAND ... 3	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

The Vicar (the Rev. F. J. Winterton) kindly entertained the ringers to tea after the peal.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Being 720 changes each of Woodbine Treble Bob, Kent Treble-Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Double Court Bob, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr.

GEORGE A. BLAXEY ... .. Treble	J. EDWARD CHAPMAN ... 4
DAVID J. NICHOLS ... .. 2	WALTER T. WILSON ... 5
WILLIAM C. LEWIS ... .. 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... Tenor

Conducted by E. MAURICE ATKINS.

The peal was rung to celebrate the conductor's 21st birthday.

GREAT LINFORD, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

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

Being 720 each of Violet, New London Pleasure, College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Oxford and Kent.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

FREDERICK W. BOOTH ... Treble	ERNEST G. MYNARD ... 4
WILLIAM SHARP ... .. 2	FREDERICK J. MYNARD ... 5
JOHN LOVELL ... .. 3	EDWIN S. MYNARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. J. MYNARD.

First peal of Treble Bob on the bells, also the quickest.

RUSHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
*On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

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

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor  $7\frac{1}{2}$  cwt.

*JOHN WALKER ... .. Treble	*GEORGE PEATE ... .. 4
REV. E. V. COX ... .. 2	†EDGAR T. SMITH ... .. 5
†EDWARD J. STAFFORD ... 3	WILLIAM D. JAMES... .. Tenor

Conducted by the REV. E. V. COX.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor. ‡ First peal of Minor on a bob bell.

**HOSE, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

*On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,*  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

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

Being 14 six-scores of St. Dunstan's, six each of Canterbury, Plain Bob and Old Doubles and ten of Grandsire.

R. CAUNT ... .. Treble	A. HOUND ... .. 3
W. SHARPE ... .. 2	E. WILFORD ... .. 4
H. CAUNT ... .. 5	

Conducted by H. CAUNT.

**HARDINGSTONE, NORTHANTS.**

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
*On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

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

Being 42 Six Scores.

FREDERICK ROWLEDGE ... Treble	FRED. HOPPER ... .. 3
CHARLES HAINES ... .. 2	THOMAS LAW ... .. 4
FRANK ROLLINGS ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by FRANK ROLLINGS.

First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells since being rehung by Mr. A. Bowell of Ipswich. The "go" is excellent.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

**GUILDFORD, SURREY,**

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Friday, July 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,*  
IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANCES;**

MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 1—2	CHARLES WILLSHIRE ... 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3—4	JAMES HUNT ... .. 7—8
FRANK BLONDELL ... .. 9—10	

Composed by G. T. DALTRY, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.  
Umpire, S. RADFORD.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to the wife and son of Mr. F. Blondell.

The Coronation peal rung at Chester on July 1st should be placed to the credit of the Chester Diocesan Guild.

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the most approved principles, Old Bells Re-cast, New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make. Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-bells in sets, Chromatic or Diatonic.

**COMPOSITIONS.**

6561 STEDMAN CATERS.  
By CHARLES HENRY HATTERSLEY.

231456			261435	4	16
*465312			265134		16
564213	5	16	365421	4	5 16
463215	5		361524		16
365214	5		163425	5	16
563412	5	16	165324		16
362415	5		164523		16
265413	5		461325	5	16
			465123		16
563124	4	16	564321	5	16
263451	4	5 16	561423		16
261354		16			
264153		16	163254	4	16
462351	5	16	164352		16
461253		16	162453		16
463152		16			
364251	5	16	562314	4	5 16
361452		16	264315		5
362154		16	462513	5	16
			263514		5
264531	4	16	364512	5	
364125	4	5 16	462135	4	16
465231	4	16	365142	4	5
564132	5	16	563241		5 16
562431		16	361245		5
561234		16	165243		5
165432	5	16	561342	5	16
162534		16	162345		5
164235		16	265341		5
461532	5	16	562143	5	16
362541	4	5	263145		5
			463521	4	5 16
			261543	4	5
			163542		5

Round at 2, 3, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13.

\*Produced with calls at 2, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18.

This composition contains the 60 course-ends with an increased number of interchangeable calls.

**DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120.**

By C. CHARGE (Fulham).

23456	1	4	5	6
53624	—	—	—	—
36254	—	—	s	—
23465	—	—	—	—
34265	—	—	—	—
46235	—	—	—	—
63245	—	—	—	—
42365	—	—	—	—
34526	—	—	—	—
42536	—	—	—	—
35246	—	—	—	—
52346	—	—	—	—
23546	—	—	—	—

Three times repeated, calling bob in place of single in the second and fourth parts.

If a bob at 4 is added in the third course of any one part the fourth course end is produced instead and the peal is reduced to 5008.



## THE BEGINNERS' CORNER.

Our contributor "Conductor," will be glad to reply to the inquiries of beginners through this column. Communications should be addressed to him, care of The Editor.

After the digression of last week in the more advanced side of method construction, let us return to the principles of Plain Bob and their practical application in the tower. I am glad to find that my attempts to give some simple instruction is bearing fruit, and it is encouraging to hear that a young band in London is making progress by the aid of my humble contributions. It is not always easy to explain one's points, in the small space available, in such a way that they may be clearly understood, and, therefore, I shall only be too glad to give any of my readers further help if they find themselves unable clearly to follow my explanations.

But to resume, let me give a hint or two to the young conductor, who, with his equally inexperienced band, is trying to get through that first 120 of Doubles, success in which gives so much encouragement. Now what I am going to write is not particularly easy of accomplishment for the beginner, who usually has as much as he can manage to look after himself, but in a band there is one generally to be found who grasps the practical side of method ringing quicker than the rest. If there be such an one, he is the man who should be made conductor, for his powers of perception will often help others over a stile. A timely word when a trip occurs in the ringing will frequently set the bells on the right track again and save a "breakdown."

In my last article on Bob Doubles I explained where the bobs should be called. This must be well remembered, and while the bob may be put in at any lead of the course, so long as it is repeated in the same place in subsequent courses, it will be well to study first of all the illustration which I gave, a bob at the last lead of each of the three courses required for the complete 120. In the example we find that the call is made at the lead when the 5th, after passing the treble in 3-4, lies four blows behind. The result is, that being above 4th's place, the fifth is unaffected by the bob, and, in the 120, rings just three plain courses. That constitutes what is termed a "fixed" or "observation" bell, because it does throughout a work unaffected by bobs.

But, in addition to knowing where his own bell should be, the conductor, to be successful, must know something about the positions of the others. It should be noticed that when bobs are not called the bells come to lead, and turn each other from behind, in the same rotation (except when the treble intervenes), the only change in the sequence being caused when the bell which makes 2nd's leads again. Examine the plain course, and you will find the order of the bells as they come to lead is 2, 4, 5, 3. Then, after the treble has led, it is 3, 2, 4, 5. Again, after the treble, it is 5, 3, 2, 4; and once more, after the treble, 4, 5, 3, 2. Now the same sequence (which is called coursing order) in which the bells come to lead, is the same order in which any of them will pass the others either in hunting up or down, and this knowledge, coupled, of course, with the ability or "rope sight" to see what is going on as the ringing proceeds, is of great assistance. It will only come with practice, but what I want my young friends to do is to try and see further than their own rope, as it were.

A knowledge of this coursing order is a great help in finding one's path up and down among the rest, and as a beginning note particularly your "course bell," which is

the one coursing immediately in front of you, and your "after bell," which is the one coursing immediately after you. Recollect next that the order of the work comes in a cycle. With the 5th it is: 1st lead, dodge 3-4 up; 2nd lead, make 2nds; 3rd lead, dodge 3-4 down; 4th lead, four blows behind; after which the whole cycle is repeated. Knowing this, you can help your after bell, for when you are in one dodging or place making position, he must be in the next behind you; and you can help your course bell, for he must be in the position next in front of you. That is, if you are dodging in 3-4 up, your after bell is making 2nd's, and your course bell is lying four blows behind; if you are making 2nd's, your after bell is dodging in 3-4 down and your course bell in 3-4 up. Prick out a plain course, and examine it for yourself, and when next you go into the tower try to observe it as you are ringing.

"Plain Bob."—After Plain Bob try some of the other Plain Minor Methods; they are interesting. Personally I think it is a mistake to go on to Treble Bob without giving some attention to other plain methods.

CONDUCTOR.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL AND THE RINGING WORLD.

MR. W. PYE REPLIES.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Judging from Canon Papillon's remarks in your last issue, I take it he thinks he was rather hard hit in my last letter. What I said was nothing but the truth, and as I mentioned no names there is no necessity for anyone to wear the cap if it does not fit. He says I hold decided views and want to convince others, and also that I want to grind my own axe; there is no need to convince others, as they are already convinced, and I wish to inform him that my axe needs no grinding; if it did I should not take it to Council meetings to grind at someone else's expense. He says the members are all practical ringers. I have been to several churches where councillors have been after the meetings, and I have never yet heard them ring a decent touch unaided. The Council have been in existence over twenty years, and have done nothing yet that is anyway beneficial to the Exercise, and surely we are justified in complaining when they start upon evil.

Yours truly, W. PYE.  
P.S.—Mr. James is by no means the first with his scheme for Minor methods. The Leytonstone ringers used to ring 720's of Minor in three Surprise methods years ago for practice before attempting peals.

A "LIVE" RINGING PAPER.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have no intention of prolonging the discussion upon the attitude of the Central Council towards your paper, but there are one or two points that have arisen in the discussion that I should like to draw ringers' attention to. It has been said that to seek to get your paper recognised by the Central Council was a little premature. I entirely fail to see how this can be, for there is only one "live" ringing paper, and that is "The Ringing World." I think the Central Council should be a little more progressive and help ringers in obtaining news fresh and regular. Moreover, all this talk about being premature seems to be quite an afterthought. It was not thought about at the meeting, and looks like a mere excuse—at least that is what many ringers think. It would be interesting to know whether some of the outspoken remarks at the Council meeting would have been reported except through your paper, seeing that the Council employ their own shorthand writer, and send for publication just what they choose. Is it that comments of the same character in the past have been withheld from publication?—Yours truly, J. HUNT.

## VISIT TO SHAKESPEARE'S TOWN.

The Aston Manor ringers held their annual outing at Stratford-on-Avon on Saturday week. The party, numbering 29 (with visitors) arrived at Stratford at 3 p.m., and after a walk round the Shakespearian town made their way to the Crown Hotel, Tiddington, where tea was served. Afterwards Mr. John Paulton, on behalf of the party, thanked the churchwardens, through Mr. W. Fisher, the verger, for their kindness, and expressed regret at the absence of Mr. John Carter and Mr. W. Godden (through ill-health), who had always been welcome visitors in previous years. The party then returned to Stratford, and, the bells not being available, boating and bathing were indulged in and places of interest visited. Special thanks were accorded to Mr. John Harborne, who had made the arrangements, everyone having thoroughly enjoyed the delightful outing.

## RINGERS' DAY AT FESTIVAL OF EMPIRE.

### Great and Successful Gathering.

#### A BIG TEA PARTY.

"A huge success." This phrase by no means exaggerates the result of "Ringers' Day" at the Festival of Empire, organised by "The Ringing World." It was, we venture to think, the largest ringers' gathering that has ever been held, and, while it was essentially a day for the rank and file of the Exercise, the party was none the less representative in its character. Ringers travelled from all parts of the country to participate in the unique event, for never before had they had the opportunity as ringers of joining in so large and popular a gathering arranged for their special benefit. To the Crystal Palace they came in ones and twos and larger parties, and when we say that ringers were present from places as far apart as Cardiff and Norwich, as Sheffield and Brighton, our readers will appreciate how widespread was the interest shown in the occasion. A large proportion of those present made it the occasion of a full day's excursion, such as, for instance, the company from Bridgend, in Glamorganshire, who left home on Friday midnight, and departed from London on the return journey at 1 a.m. on Sunday. Others from a distance took advantage of the trip to spend Sunday in London, while many from the nearer districts made just a half day's excursion of the occasion. During the morning the bells of St. Sepulchre's, Holborn Viaduct; St. Clement Danes, Strand; and St. John's, Wilton Road, had been kindly placed at the disposal of visitors to the metropolis by the respective incumbents, and at each of these churches full advantage was taken of the privilege to ring. At St. Sepulchre's, Mr. Dan Lovett was in attendance to welcome visitors; at St. Clement Danes, Mr. J. D. Matthews (the Master of the Cumberlands), and Mr. H. Simpson were responsible for the arrangements; while at Wilton Road, Mr. Humblethorpe kindly undertook the management of affairs.

Some of the visitors were early at the Palace seeing the sights, and during the afternoon the numbers rapidly swelled, until, wherever one went, one met the familiar satin buttonhole badge, with its bell, the passport to an exchange of greetings among those who previously had been strangers. Most of the afternoon was spent in inspecting the All-British Exhibition, and the magnificent Colonial pavilions, which illustrate in such a striking fashion the resources of the Empire, or in enjoying the innocent pleasures of a ride round the "All red route," a trip in the aerial roundabout, a mad whirl on the Eddystone ride, an exciting rush and a mighty splash down the watershoot, or the frantic merriment of the joy wheel. Happily, the torrid heat of the preceding week was tempered by cloudy skies and a cool breeze, which made the day a perfect one for pleasure seeking, and the picturesque grounds were all the more tempting.

Throughout the afternoon the ringers found their way to the large concert hall, kindly placed at their disposal by the Palace authorities, and here, while the organ played, or handbells were kept going, old friends met and many new acquaintances were made; north greeted south, and west and east met in friendly intercourse. There were several lady ringers among the party, and Miss Elsie Bennett took part in some of the handbell ringing. It is also particularly interesting to note that the gentleman who delighted the party with his recitals upon the magnificent organ bore a name which is one to conjure with in ringing, he being no other than a grandson of the late Henry Haley.

Tea, generously provided for all the ringing visitors by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, Ltd., whose stand in the exhibition was one of the centres of attraction for ringers all through the day, was partaken of in the spacious Garden Hall, overlooking the grounds, and commanding magnificent views of the beautiful country beyond. Between 300 and 400 sat down at the tables, and never a happier party took tea together. It had been determined that the day should have no formalities, but it was impossible to let the occasion pass without thanking Messrs. Warner and Sons for their great kindness in entertaining so large a party, and this was done by the Editor, whose motion was seconded by Mr. Francis E. Dawe, and, needless to add, carried by acclamation, Mr. Robert Warner replying. Before the party separated, the photographer secured a permanent record of this great gathering of ringers.

Afterwards many of the visitors hastened to the pageant ground, where they witnessed Part II. of the scenes, which, as a reproduction of historic events, are without parallel in this country. The pageant itself almost defies description. Into a couple of hours are pressed eight or ten scenes of important events of history, produced upon a vast natural stage, rendered gorgeous by the striking beauty of the colour schemes, and surpassing anything of the kind hitherto attempted by the multitude of performers engaged. Saturday afternoon's scenes dealt with mediæval days, and included the start of the Canterbury Pilgrims from the Tabard Inn at Southwark, the return of Henry V. from Agincourt, the departure of Richard III. from London and the entry of Henry VII.; the return of Cabot from his voyage of discovery; a May Day festival in Tudor times; the Field of the Cloth of

Gold; and concluded with events in the spacious days of Queen Elizabeth; the Knighting of Drake, and the review at Tilbury after the defeat of the Armada. The picturesqueness of the scenes delighted everyone. In the evening the various side shows were again a source of attraction, while many ringers returned once more to the Concert Hall, where there was handbell ringing, and later they gathered at Messrs. Warner's stall, where there was further ringing. As the time for departure came, one heard on every hand expressions of pleasure at the great success of the gathering, and at the enjoyment which it had given. It only remains for us to express our heartiest thanks to all those who assisted us in making the event such a success, and in contributing to that enjoyment. Among the places represented were: Abbey Wood, Benthilton, Beddington, Brighton, Birmingham, Bromley, Beckenham, Barkstone, Bridgend, Bushey, Bishopsgate, Barnsbury, Chadwell Heath, Clandon, Clapton, Chapham, Cardiff, Croydon, Deepcar, Edmonton, Erith, Farnham, Fulham, Greenwich, Gloucester, Hough (Grantham), Horsmonden, Haslemere, Hoddesdon, Hackney, Hornchurch, Hersham, Ipswich, Ilford, Islington, Ickleton, Leatherhead, Ludlow, Mitcham, Norwich, New Cross, Oxhey, Prittlewell, Penge, Reigate, Streatham, Sunbury, Stebbing, Southwark, Southall, Sheffield, Shepperton, Twyford, Walworth, Woking, Walthamstow, Woburn, Willesden, Wrexham, etc.

#### "THE PRIDE OF THE PEAK."

The annual outing of the ringers of Erdington Parish Church—joined on this occasion by two of their campanological brethren from St. Thomas' Catholic Church—was held on Saturday last. They left Erdington at an early hour in the morning, and proceeded via Lichfield, Burton, and Uttoxeter, to the old-world town of Ashbourne in the Lower Peak of Derbyshire. After a little preliminary refreshment they visited the beautiful Parish Church, so conservatively restored in recent years under the guidance of the late Sir Gilbert Scott. This is the noble fane of which "George Eliot" (Marianne Evans), in her life, writes: "Father indulged me with a sight of Ashbourne Church, the finest mere Parish Church in the kingdom." The spire, from its beauty and grace is widely known as "The Pride of the Peak," and is conspicuous for many a mile around Ashbourne. One of the first things the ringers naturally did was to visit the belfry. Here there are eight bells, cast in 1815, whose tuneful pealing led Thomas Moore to write the well-known poem, "Those evening bells." Speaking of Tom Moore, the following lines were written by the witty poet in a prayer book upon a former Vicar of Ashbourne:—

"Our Vicar prays he may inherit  
The Hinspiration of the Spirit.  
Oh! grant him also 'oly Lord  
The Haspiration of Thy Word."

After a touch on the bells, the ringers proceeded to the Ashbourne Hall Hotel, where they partook of an excellent dinner, admirably served. Afterwards they proceeded in brakes to Thorpe, where some ascended the hilly slopes of "The Cloud," whilst others disported themselves in the valley. A delightful walk was then taken through Dovedale, and welcome tea was partaken of at the New Inns, Tissington—a village famous for the well dressings which are held here every Whitsuntide. The train was taken at Alsop-en-le-Dale, and after a splendid day's enjoyment, Erdington was reached in such reasonable time that the ringers were all at their posts in the belfry of the Parish Church on the following morning.

#### OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

At the annual meeting of the Oxford Diocesan Guild at High Wycombe on Wednesday week, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn was re-elected master, the Rev. R. H. Hart Davis was appointed hon. treasurer, and Mr. A. E. Reeves (of Reading), hon. secretary. On the motion of the Rev. R. H. Hart Davis, seconded by Mr. J. Moth, it was unanimously resolved "That in the opinion of this meeting, 'The Ringing World' should receive the same facilities from the Central Council as are accorded 'Bell News.'" The meeting, which was preceded by service in the Parish Church, was followed by luncheon at the Swan Hotel, several toasts being honoured.—A full report will appear next week.

ISHAM.—On Feast Sunday, for flower service, 720 of Double Oxford Bob (42 bobs and 2 singles): R. T. Buswell 1, A. E. Fourt 2, W. T. Wilson 3, G. Blaxley 4, D. Mallett 5, E. M. Atkins (conductor) 6. First 720 in method by ringers of treble and 3rd.—For evensong, 720 of Double and Single Oxford Bob: R. T. Buswell 1, F. Andrews 2, A. E. Fourt 3, G. Blaxley 4, M. Norton 5, E. M. Atkins (conductor) 6. This is the first true 720 in two methods by all the band and on the bells.

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## OUR WEEKLY ILLUSTRATION.

### A Popular Lancashire Ringer.

Among the front rank of ringers in Lancashire is Mr. Harry Chapman, whose record is one of which any ringer might well be proud, for among his performances there are some of pre-eminent interest. Beginning his career in a six bell tower, Mr. Chapman, by his characteristic trait of perseverance, has advanced until he is to-day one of the most experienced twelve-bell ringers, and his peals include the record length of Treble Bob Maximus, 12,240 at Ashton-under-Lyne on Easter Monday last. And this is not the only record he has participated in, for he took part in the 14,112 of London Surprise rung at King's Norton in 1903, and the total number of his peals is now approaching the third century.



MR. HARRY CHAPMAN.

Born at Bythorn in Huntingdon, on November 12th, 1863, Mr. Chapman commenced to pull a bell at the age of nine years, his father being then parish clerk. It was not, however, until he was 19 years of age that he began to take up change ringing. He visited the neighbouring tower of Raunds, Northants, for this purpose, and was taken in hand by Mr. Henry Stubbs and the Brothers Gilbert, who gave him his first lessons in the art. He rang his first 720 of Bob Minor on March 13th, 1886 (conducted by F. Gilbert), and soon after this made his way to Bedford, where he quickly came into contact with Mr. C. W. Clarke, and at Cardington, Beds, on August 14th, 1886, Mr. Chapman rang his first peal, Bob Triples, on the tenor. Peals in seven Minor methods followed, and in 1888 Mr. Chapman went to reside at Manchester, where he has lived since, and where he found ample scope for advancement.

His first peal in Manchester was Treble Ten at the Cathedral, where he has since rung many peals. He took part in the first peal of Stedman Triples by the Lancashire Association, and conducted the first peals of Oxford Treble Bob, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise in Lancashire. The Stedman was rung at Eccles on December 28th, 1891, and the other three peals at Pendleton. Coming into touch with the Ashton-under-Lyne Society Mr. Chapman has rung many peals of Cinques and Maximus at the famous church of St. Michael and All Angels, including the record mentioned above. In 1909 he took part at the same church in the first peal of Bob Maximus in the North of England. He was the first also to ring Manchester Town Hall tenor single handed to a peal. This bell weighs 52 cwt., and after ringing her behind, to Grandsire Cater, he, a month later, turned her in to Treble Ten. In contrast to this big task it is interesting to mention that Mr. Chapman has also rung a peal on the lightest ringing eight in the country, at Lye, in Worcester, where the tenor is 3½ cwt. and the treble 60lbs. In 1904 he took part in one of the famous Irish tours, when the first peal was rung in the counties of Armagh, Down and Antrim, and the first peal of Major in County Louth, in all of which Mr. Chapman rang, while in the subsequent year he stood in the first peal of London in Ireland, which was rung at Waterford Cathedral. Another interesting incident which is worthy of mention is that at Witton Church, Northwich, he took part in a peal of Treble Bob which was rung through a christening, a marriage and a burial service, surely a record in its way!

Mr. Chapman has been on the committee of the Lancashire Association for 16 years, and a representative of that association on the Central Council for six years. He is also a member of the following: The Bedfordshire, Central Northants, St. Martin's, Birmingham; Midland Counties, Norwich, Devonshire, Chester, Yorkshire, Irish, Cumberland, North Wales and Ashton-under-Lyne Associations.

Mr. Chapman's 276 peals are made up as follows:—

	Rung	Conducted
In seven Minor Methods ...	6	
Bob Triples ...	1	
Bob Major ...	14	
Bob Royal ...	1	
Bob Maximus ...	1	
Grandsire Triples ...	11	1
Grandsire Caters ...	21 (including 6011)	1
Grandsire Cinques ...	9	
Stedman Triples ...	25	
Stedman Caters ...	11 (including 6591)	
Stedman Cinques ...	3	
Kent Treble Bob Major ...	76 (including 6080)	28
Kent Treble Bob Royal ...	15	3
Kent Treble Bob Maximus ...	20 (including 12,240)	1
Oxford Treble Bob Major ...	2	2
Oxford Treble Bob Royal ...	1	
Darlaston Bob Triples ...	1	
Forward Major ...	1	
Duffield Major ...	1	
Double Norwich Major ...	8	
Superlative Surprise ...	34 (including 9312)	18
Cambridge Surprise ...	1	1
New Cambridge Surprise ...	2	
London Surprise ...	10 (including 14,112)	
Bristol Surprise ...	1	
Total ...	276	55

## ODD CHANGES.

### Collected from all Quarters.

The dedication of the new ring of eight bells at Llanbradach, Glamorganshire, will take place on Saturday, July 29th, at 5 p.m., by the Bishop of Llandaff. The ringing will be carried out by eight members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association.

Mr. A. W. Osborne, 17, Dorothy Street, Reading, desires Mr. Lewis Green to communicate with him.

The Milborne Port church bells (tenor 28 cwt. 2 qrs. 25 lbs.), on which the peal of Superlative Surprise Major (Mr. B. Prewett's 700th peal) was rung on June 22nd, were rehung in a massive oak frame, and with all new fittings about 2½ years ago, by Harry Stokes and Son, church bell hangers, Woodbury, Devon.

The Painswick Youths rang their Coronation peal on July 8th. They made the first attempt on June 23rd, but were unsuccessful; on the 27th they met short, but on Saturday week, as the peal records show, they accomplished the task.

So near and yet so far. A peal is never rung until "that's all" is called, and on Sunday evening a handbell peal in which a lady was taking part was lost after 4912 changes in 2 hrs. 15 mins., just when success seemed certain. The attempt was made at the residence of Mr. F. Bennett, at New Cross, by Miss Elsie Bennett 1-2, W. Shepherd (conductor) 3-4, F. Bennett 5-6, F. G. Woodiss 7-8.

Another disappointment! Mr. Arthur Knights writes to apologise to the band who rang the Double Norwich Caters at Chesterfield, as it has been pointed out to him that the peal is false in the interior. "When I composed the peal," he adds, "I had no idea that a repetition could occur in the interior of the leads."

A capital meeting for combined practice was held at the Abbey, Romsey, on Wednesday week. Good practice was had in Double Norwich, Treble Bob and Stedman. Those present included Messrs. Gifford, Harris, Precey, etc. (Salisbury), Williams, George, Tucker (North Stoneham), Wilkes (Southampton), Messrs. Elcombe, Paskins, Hands and Walker, of the local band, Mr. Stevens (Hammer-smith), etc. The next meeting is on August 17th at 7 p.m. Will any ringers in the neighbourhood who are available for ringing on Wednesday afternoons or evenings kindly write Mr. George Williams, West End, near Southampton.

A joint practice of the Cleveland members of the Yorkshire Association was held at Saltsburn-by-the-Sea on July 12th, when upwards of twenty ringers assembled to try their skill in various methods. The weather being excessively hot, long lengths were out of the question, but the following touches were rung: 448 Superlative Surprise, 420 Stedman Triples, 288 Kent Treble Bob Major, 224 Bob Major. Ringers attended from Thornaby, Middlesbrough, Marske, Redcar and Skelton. The practice, being a great success, it is intended to have another such gathering shortly.

We are swindlers in sentiment, says in a writer in the daily Press. Let that be confessed at once to the correspondent who has noticed that the "Bells of Aberdovey" was sung at the Investiture of the Prince of Wales. He learned the music of the song 50 years ago, and then in old age made the pilgrimage to hear those famous bells. And he found only one church in Aberdovey, and that one church had only one bell.

It appears that we are deceiving thousands of American visitors who go to Aberdovey for the sake of the bells, and come away disappointed. As a mere matter of international courtesy, it should be explained that when we say "bells" we are usually singular or evasive. Do not—dear, credulous stranger—be too expectant as to the "Bells of Haslemere."

And when that most delightful of phrases strikes on your ear, "The Bells of Ouseley," remember that this is merely the name of certain licensed premises on the border of the Thames.

The daily newspaperman may be right about Aberdovey and Ouseley, but he is on the wrong track about Haslemere, which boasts of a nice little musical peal, augmented not so very long since from six to eight.

In connection with the recent rehanging of the peal of twelve at St. Nicholas', Liverpool, it is interesting to note that the first peal of Stedman Cinques in Lancashire was rung on these bells in 1828.

### A PEAL WITHDRAWN.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—With regard to the peal of Stedman Caters at Loughborough on July 1st, on reconsideration, I think it best to withdraw it. Although a well struck peal a nasty scramble occurred in the last four sixes, the bells not coming round sufficiently clear to warrant it being actually called round.—Yours truly,

E. READER.

### PRESENTATION AT LEINTWARDINE.

An interesting presentation took place at Leintwardine on Thursday evening, July 6th, the Vicar, the Rev. J. W. Colvin, M.A., on behalf of the Guild of Saint Mary Magdalene and parishioners of Leintwardine, handing to Mr. Charles Large Sadler a silver epergne, in recognition of his untiring and successful efforts in introducing change ringing in Leintwardine. The Vicar spoke of Mr. Sadler's zeal in bringing up the ringers to their present high standard of efficiency, and also of the general church tone of the company.—Mr. Sadler suitably responded.

The epergne, which was designed and made to the order of the local guild, is fitted with three cut glass receptacles for flowers. The candle holders are in the form of church bells at "set," while in the centre is a magnificent silver model to scale of a church bell, complete with fittings (which enables it to be rung or chimed), and it is inscribed: "Presented to C. L. Sadler by the bellringers of St. Mary Magdalene and parishioners of Leintwardine in recognition of his services in the formation and training of the above company. Easter, 1911."—During the evening touches in various Minor methods under the conductorship of Mr. John Evans were rung on the tower bells.

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## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

### SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT WYKE REGIS.

A very successful meeting of the Dorchester branch of the above Guild was held at Wyke Regis on Thursday week. Despite the very hot weather, a good number of members put in an appearance, representatives attending from Dorchester St. Peter's, Fordington St. George's, Christchurch, Wimborne, Milton Abbey, and the local band. Before commencing to ring, many of the visitors ascended to the top of the tower to enjoy the lovely views which are to be obtained. To the south, Portland Harbour (with its fleet of battleships) and Portland Bill was to be seen; eastwards, Weymouth Bay (the Naples of England), the "White Horse" with King George III. cut in chalk, and the beautiful cliffs as far as St. Alban's Head, 20 miles away. To the west, the famous Chesil Beach (the longest in the United Kingdom), the West Bay and cliffs below Bridport and Lyme Regis, and the Devon coast for about 40 miles, were to be seen, while, when the weather is very clear, Start Point is also visible. Inland to the north is the Monument to Hardy, Nelson's Flag Captain; and the long range of hills around Dorchester. The glorious scenery was greatly enjoyed by the visitors.

The bells were raised at 2 p.m., and kept going till 3.30, when the Rector (Canon Davies), accompanied by his daughter (Miss Mabel Davies) and friends, visited the tower, and Miss Davies unveiled the two beautiful peal boards which have been lately fixed in the ringing-chamber. The boards, which were dedicated by the Rector, bear the following inscriptions:—

"Salisbury Diocesan Guild, All Saints', Wyke Regis. A true and complete peal of Grandsire Triples (Holt's ten-part), containing 5040 changes (being the first peal on the bells), was rung by the members of the above Guild, September 23rd, 1905, in 2 hrs. and 55 mins.: Charles H. Jennings treble, William J. Benger 2, William J. New 3, Albert Best 4, Charles B. Hurst 5, George T. White 6, George Preston 7, Alfred J. Rose tenor. Conducted by Mr. George Preston. The Rev. Canon S. E. Davies, Rector. Captain E. Payne Galwey, F. W. Dodd, Esq., Churchwardens. Tenor, 16 cwt. 3 qrs. 18lbs., in F."

"Salisbury Diocesan Guild, All Saints', Wyke Regis. A true and complete peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, containing 5024 changes (being the first peal in the method in the county, and first peal of Major on the bells), was rung by the members of the above Guild, September 22nd, 1909, in 3 hrs. and 15 mins.: William H. Fussell treble, Henry Hodgetts 2, Rev. A. T. Beeston 3, Rev. H. S. T. Richardson 4, A. F. Martin Stewart 5, George Williams 6, James Parker 7, John Thomas tenor. Composed by Mr. Henry Dains. Conducted by Mr. George Williams. The Rev. Canon S. E. Davies, Rector. F. W. Dodd, Esq., A. E. Dowding, Esq., Churchwardens."

After the unveiling, and in the presence of the Rector, Miss Davies and friends, a well-struck touch of 500 Grandsire Triples was rung, conducted by Mr. Martin Stewart (Master of the Guild), and in which Miss Carrie Sparshott, of Christchurch, took part.

Subsequently the special service of the Salisbury Guild was held in the church, at which all the ringers and a good many friends attended, a suitable address being delivered by the Rector, who took his text from Numbers x., 1, 2, 3 and 10 verses. He pointed out the many parts the bells played in the life of the nation, and how last year they gave forth their dull muffled tones for the dead Monarch, while just lately they pealed forth their joyful notes for the Coronation of the new King.

Afterwards the members and friends, numbering about 40, adjourned to the Memorial Hall, where a high tea was provided by the members of the Women's Union, and was much appreciated. The chair was taken by Mr. R. N. Dawes, of Dorchester, chairman of the branch, who was supported by the Rector and churchwardens, Mr. Martin Stewart, Mr. Geo. Preston, Mr. Geo. White (Ringing Master of the Branch), and Mr. C. H. Jennings (hon. sec. and treas.). At the close, the Rector welcomed the Guild to his parish, and remarked that while Weymouth was one of the largest parishes in the diocese, it had no ringing bells, and it was necessary to come to the Mother Church of Weymouth (Wyke Regis) for that meeting.—Mr. Martin Stewart proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for his admirable address, and for the use of the bells, and also to the organist and choir for their attendance at the service. This was seconded by Mr. R. N. Dawes, the company rising and singing "For he's a jolly good fellow."—Mr. Jennings proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Davies for her kindness in coming to the ringing chamber and unveiling the peal boards, and this having been carried, the Rector proposed a vote of thanks to the members of the Women's Union for their kindness in making arrangements for the tea.—The Chairman said he could not let the event pass without asking them to accord a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Jennings, the enthusiastic secretary, who was not only responsible for the admirable arrangements of the day, but was also instrumental with his friends in providing for the tea, the new peal boards, and other improvements to the belfry.—The motion was seconded by Mr. Martin Stewart, and carried with acclamation, and Mr. Jennings returned thanks.

A short business meeting was then held. It was agreed to hold the next quarterly meeting at Wool. The Fordington St. George band were elected members of the Guild. Afterwards another visit was

paid to the tower, and the bells were kept going till eight o'clock, several well-struck touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples being brought round. The conductors taking part were: Mr. Martin Stewart, Mr. George Preston and Mr. George White.

### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The first quarterly meeting of the above was held at Melbourne on Saturday last, in glorious weather, and was well attended by ringers from Ashby, Burton, Cotgrave, Coventry, Derby, Duffield, Eastwood, Etwell, Grantham, Long Eaton, Loughborough, Leicester, Ilkeston, Netherseale, Newhall, Stoke Golding, Wirksworth, etc. The pretty ring of eight, with a tenor of about 16 cwt., was at the disposal of the ringers from 2.30 p.m., and touches in all the Standard methods were brought round. Tea and meeting were held at the Blue Bell Inn, and at the meeting, the vice-president (Mr. J. W. Taylor) took the chair, being supported by Mr. W. E. White, hon. secretary; Mr. W. C. Wakley, hon. treasurer; and Mr. W. Worthington, while the two wardens of Melbourne Church, Messrs. W. Briggs, J.P., and A. Snape, were also present. The total record of peals for the quarter amounted to the fine number of 52, owing, of course, partly to the Coronation rejoicings, and partly to the meeting of the Central Council at Leicester. Seven life members and 14 ringing members were unanimously admitted.—A vote of thanks to the churchwardens for their presence and for the use of the bells, closed the meeting. The visitors were afterwards shown over the beautiful Hall Grounds, which looked at their best in the afternoon sunshine. The local arrangements were efficiently carried out by Mr. Earle.

### NEW PEAL AT BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH.

A most successful district meeting of the Essex Association was held on Saturday last, at Burnham-on-Crouch, on the occasion of the opening of a new ring of six at the Parish Church. Situated in a remote part of the county it was necessary to journey by brake from Maldon, a distance of twelve miles. Among those present were: Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the Association), the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre (hon. secretary), Mr. A. Edwards (District Master), the Rev. H. Jordan (Senior Curate of Booking), and ringers from Maldon, St. Mary and All Saints, Goldhanger, Harwich, Bentley and Nayland. The bells are a nice handy ring, with tenor 10 cwt., in A flat. They have been recast, and a new treble added, and hung in an iron frame, constructed in a manner to make it possible to hang two trebles on the same level at some future date. The tone and "go" is a splendid testimony to excellent workmanship of the noted firm of Messrs. Warner and Sons, of London, who have carried out the contract.

Tea was provided by the Vicar (the Rev. H. W. Watson), who at the meeting following was elected an honorary member of the Association, together with his warden, Dr. Downmann. Mr. W. Radcliffe, of South Tottenham, was also elected a non-resident life member.—The Vicar and his wardens are taking the greatest interest in the bells and ringing. The services of Mr. J. Wallock, of Oricksea, have been secured as instructor to the young band, and there is a good prospect of planting the Art in this delightful yachting village.—The Vicar was thanked by the hon. secretary for his hospitality, and the Master addressed a few words of encouragement to the prospective band. During the day touches of Cambridge, College Exercise, Treble and Plain Bob were rung, upwards of thirty ringers being present and taking part.

### RINGERS' ENTERTAINED.

By kind invitation of the Misses C. and A. Airey, daughters of the late Sir G. Biddell Airey, K.C.B., the famous Astronomer Royal, the ringers of St. Alphege, Greenwich, met at the White House, Blackheath, on Friday week, and spent an exceedingly enjoyable evening. After an inspection of the historical records, with which the residence abounds, and a stroll round the garden, during which time the Rev. G. J. Bayley, M.A., Vicar, Holy Trinity, Woolwich; the Rev. S. R. Sturges, St. Alphege; Messrs. H. L. Kerdel and Parker, old friends of the ringers, arrived, an adjournment was made indoors, where ample justice was done to the splendid repast provided. Subsequently a couple of songs were given by the hostesses, and recitations by Miss Carr and Mr. H. Kerdel. All too soon "Father Time" put an end to one of the most pleasant evenings the ringers have experienced. They take this opportunity of tendering their sincere thanks to the Misses C. and A. Airey for this and their many past kindnesses.

### SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

The first quarterly meeting of the Society's year was held at Lichfield, on Saturday, July 8th. The bells at the Cathedral and at St. Mary's and St. Michael's Churches were made good use of. Fewer put in an appearance at tea than were expected—quite the contrary to most meetings.—The Rev. Preb. Bolton kindly presided at the meeting which followed.—Apologies for absence were received from the Revs. O. W. Steele, W. Solly, and E. V. Cox, also from Mr. W. R. Small. Seven new members were enrolled. August 19th is the date fixed for a day's outing by brake, starting from Stourbridge, and including Kingswinford, Wordsley, Wollaston, Kinver, Cookley, Enville, Old Swinford, and Hagley. The next quarterly meeting will be at Pentridge on September 16th.



## AN EIGHT-BELL CONTEST.

The annual meeting and eight-bell contest of the Halifax and District Association was held at Low Moor, on Saturday, July 8th. Six companies entered for the contest, each set ringing 672 changes Treble Bob, preceded by three bob leads for practice. The bells and schools had been kindly placed at the disposal of the Society by the Vicar (the Rev. T. H. Flynn), and the judges for the occasion were Mr. Broadley, of Bradford, and Mr. Dracup and Mr. Simpson, of Low Moor. The draw for order of ringing took place at 2.30 p.m., the competition being completed about 8.0 p.m.; and during the afternoon a splendid tea was served to the visitors, who numbered about 100. The annual meeting and election of officers was held in the Schoolroom at the completion of the contest, the President (Mr. Lawson) being in the chair, supported by the Vicar and the society's officers. A grant of £1 was allowed for a board recording a peal of Bob Major. The report and balance sheet were read, and showed an income of £5 15s. for the year, with a balance in hand of £17 2s. 9½d.—A vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens, and the ladies, proposed by Mr. Lawson, and seconded by Mr. Cotterell, was heartily carried. The result of the contest was then announced:—

1, Earlsheaton .....	225 faults.
2, Calverley .....	464 "
3, Halifax .....	363 "
4, Pudsey .....	413 "
5, Brighouse .....	418 "
6, Bradford .....	381 "

Earlsheaton were, therefore, declared the winners.

The Vicar, in responding to the vote of thanks, and in making the presentation, expressed his pleasure in placing the bells and schools at the Society's disposal. He had, he said, sat in the garden all the afternoon listening to the bells, and thought how well they had been rung. At the same he would not care to have judged the ringing, for he knew little about faults, and might have declared the wrong company the winners. He then handed the cup to Mr. Hardy, the conductor of the winning team, and expressed the hope that it would be filled with nothing stronger than tea.—Mr. Hardy suitably replied, and proposed a vote of thanks to the judges who, he thought, had made no mistake.—Mr. Broadley acknowledged the compliment, and a vote of thanks to the chairman brought another successful meeting to a close.

## RINGERS' OUTING.

On Saturday week the ringers of the Saltsburn Parish Church had a most enjoyable outing to Carlton-in-Cleveland, where the peal of eight bells, tenor 15 cwt., was placed at their disposal by the Rev. J. L. Kyle. During the afternoon touches of Bob Major (3424), Treble Bob Major, Bob and Stedman Triples were rung, and the go and tone greatly admired. Tea was partaken of at the Fox and Hounds, after which a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for use of the bells, to Mr. Mellanby, the head ringer, for having all in readiness, and to the Rev. R. L. B. Oliver, the enthusiastic secretary of the Saltsburn band, for his generosity.

## IN THE PEAK DISTRICT.

Through the kindness and generosity of the Vicar, church officials, and other gentlemen, the ringers of the Parish Church of St. James', Whitfield, accompanied by their wives, had their annual outing on Sunday week. Leaving home at 6 a.m. the party, numbering 18, had a lovely run through the woodlands to Hathersage, where breakfast was partaken of at the Station Hotel. After a look through the village, a visit was paid to the church where, in the burial ground is the grave (9ft. long) of "Little John," who is credited with being the founder of the Order of Foresters. The party next proceeded to Eyam, where the historic church was inspected, and then went on to Tideswell, where tea was served, and the visitors had the pleasure of ringing for service at what is termed the "Cathedral of the Peak." On the good ring of six, touches of Kent, Oxford and Bob Minor were rung, and the return journey commenced, home being reached after a most enjoyable day.

## ST. BOTOLPH'S, BISHOPSGATE, GUILD.

The parishioners of St. Botolph congratulate themselves that they are called to church in the good old English way, and the members of the Bell Ringers' Guild, who perform this good office, can congratulate themselves in turn in receiving parochial encouragement at the hands of Mr. Churchwarden Pridmore, who provided them with a day of right royal entertainment, on Saturday week. Mr. Pridmore is keenly interested in all that pertains to the good of St. Botolph's,

and has actively supported the Guild from its foundation a short time ago. Sixteen members were able to accept his kind invitation, and the party, together with the Rev. T. L. Bullock, the Rev. C. A. Spencer, and Mr. Goss, journeyed by train and tram to Whitechurch, from whence a short round was made through shady lanes and pleasant fields to Stanmore. A splendid repast, well worthy of good trenchermen, was served at the Crown Hotel. Afterwards the party drove by brake through some of the prettiest scenery in Middlesex, as the following itinerary will show, by Harrow, Weald, skirting Pinner, through Batchworth Heath, and thence by way of Northwood, Oxhey, Bushey, and Bushey Heath, back to Stanmore, where tea was thoroughly enjoyed amid the delightful surroundings of an old English garden. Following tea the church was visited, and the bells kept going for an hour. Then, after light refreshments, there were various toasts, which were received with whole-hearted approval, and suitably acknowledged. In the cool of the evening the return journey was entered upon, and the St. Botolph ringers arrived safely home, after spending a day which was made completely enjoyable, by reason of such a perfect combination of good things; and, above all, by the splendidly genial welcome from Mr. Pridmore, who had seen to it that there should be nothing wanting, which could add to the success of the day, and whose health was enthusiastically received at dinner.—With the support of the churchwardens and other friends, the eight bells of St. Botolph's will not fail to sound Sunday by Sunday, and perhaps dumb warriors of the past, in the city, may once again ring out loud and clear, through their example.

## SIX TOWERS IN A DAY.

The Fen Ditton ringers had their annual outing on Wednesday week, and in the course of the day visited no fewer than six towers. They began upon their own peal of five, with 120 each of St. Simon's, Stedman Slow Course, and New Doubles, and then proceeded by brake upon the day's tour, the party numbering twelve. At Old Chesterton they were joined by one of the local men, and on the fine ring of six, brought round a touch of Bob Minor. Streatham, on the Ely Road, was the next place of call, and on this ring of five, 120 each of New Doubles, Grandsire, Stedman Slow Course, Stedman and Bob Doubles was rung. After picnicing by the roadside, Wilburton was visited, and 360 Bob Minor rung upon this light six. The heavy peal at Haddenham was next tried, but 720 Plain Bob was lost near the end. After dinner the journey was continued to Ely, where the party visited St. Mary's Church, and on the back six brought round a well-struck 504 of Bob Minor, which concluded the day's ringing. The return journey was commenced about 7.15, and Fen Ditton was reached about three hours later, after a most enjoyable day. The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking the vicars at the various churches for the use of the bells.

## ST. LUKE'S (CHELSEA) SOCIETY.

The annual outing of this Society took place on Saturday and Sunday, July 8th and 9th, the party, consisting of twelve members, making their headquarters at Marlow, where, at "The Two Brewers," Host Truss made them quite at home. After an admirable lunch, it was decided to make Hurley the destination, and, boats being requisitioned, the journey was thoroughly enjoyed by all. After a short stay at Hurley the return journey was made by easy rowing, and at dinner the party were augmented by the welcome presence of Messrs. Ted O'Meara, Jim Davies, and Alf. Grimes. Dinner being disposed of, some of the party went for a quiet ramble, and others for further exercise, in the shape of rowing. In the evening there was an enjoyable smoking concert, at which the Marlow ringers gave a selection on the handbells, which called forth much admiration from all present. On Sunday, arrangements had been made for the party to ring for service in the morning at High Wycombe Church, but this had to be abandoned owing to the late arrival of the brake, and instead, a circular drive through Woodburn Green and Bourne End was decided upon. The visitors returned to town after an enjoyable excursion, for Marlow is a delightful centre for a "week-end"; and Host Truss, himself a ringer, is to be congratulated upon his splendid catering.

**BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: G. Lines 1, J. Pettit 2, A. Henman 3, J. Hendry 4, A. Pettit 5, C. W. Clarke (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: J. Hendry 1, J. Pettit 2, H. Meadows 3, G. Lines 4, A. Pettit 5, C. W. Clarke (conductor) 6.

**GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.**—The Essex Association.—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: A. Tarbun, junr., 1, H. F. Cooper 2, H. Richell 3, A. Whight 4, H. B. Dawson 5, H. W. Kirton (conductor) 6, G. Green 7, W. J. Rice 8. Rung to welcome Mr. Kirton back to the district.

**GARGRAVE.**—Yorkshire Association.—At St. Andrew's Church, for morning service, on July 2nd, 1288 of Grandsire Triples: J. Langstroth 1, W. H. Birtwhistle 2, J. Lofthouse (conductor) 3, J. McKell 4, W. Townson 5, G. Staff (Rochdale) 6, A. R. Jones 7, H. Birtwhistle 8.

**SHIPLAKE, OXON.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by Messrs. Mance, Watkin, Essery, Burton, Porter, Cleane, Hiscock and Goodyer.



## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**LEATHERHEAD.**—On June 18th, for evening service, 1259 Grandsire Caters: W. Messam 1, A. C. Otway 2, A. H. Winch 3, W. Otway 4, E. Boniface 5, H. Boxall 6, W. Marks 7, G. Marriner 8, A. Dean (conductor) 9, E. Hull 10.—On Coronation Day, commencing 6.15 a.m., 1619 Grandsire Caters (90 leads), representing the combined ages of their Majesties King George and Queen Mary, in 62 minutes.—Also 719 Grandsire Caters for 11 a.m. service, conducted by W. Marks and A. Dean respectively, the band taking part as above.

**HORNSEY, MIDDLESEX.**—At the Parish Church, on Thursday, June 22nd, in commemoration of the Coronation, 720 Plain Bob Minor: H. Smith 1, C. Ross 2, W. Dixon 3, A. Howell 4, A. Jacob (conductor) 5, F. Fensom 6.—On Sunday, June 25th, 720 Bob Minor: H. Smith 1, A. Jacob 2, F. Fensom 3, A. Howell 4, W. Dixon 5, C. Ross (composer and conductor) 6.—On Sunday, July 2nd, 720 Bob Minor: J. Plumb 1, A. Jacob 2, F. Fensom 3, A. Howell 4, T. Langdon (conductor) 5, C. Ross 6.—In the evening, 720 Kent Treble Bob: A. Jacob 1, F. Fensom 2, C. Ross 3, A. Howell 4, W. Dixon 5, T. Langdon (conductor) 6.

**SHERFIELD, HANTS.**—On Coronation Day, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Ilsley 1, F. Pearman 2, G. Herbert 3, F. Draper 4, W. Bennett (conductor) 5.

**EWTHURST, SURREY.**—On June 23rd, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor, in 40 mins.: Mrs. R. Whittington 1, A. Francis 2, W. Tidy 3, J. Luff 4, R. Whittington 5, W. Denyer (conductor) 6. First quarter-peal by the ringers of 2 and 4. First of Minor by the treble ringer. Also W. Denyer's first as conductor.

**HOUGHTON, STAFFS.**—On June 24th, 1680 Doubles: T. Machin 1, A. Moreton 2, G. Booth 3, J. Perry 4, J. Taylor (conductor) 5.

**BURY ST. EDMUNDS.**—On June 24th, on handbells, 448 Superlative Surprise Major: R. Moore 1, E. Levitt 2, H. F. Moore 3, F. Dewell 4, F. Levitt 5, A. E. Moore 6, J. Levitt 7, H. A. Turner (conductor) 8.

**CHESTER.**—On June 24th, at St. Mary's Within-the-Walls, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: G. Bloor 1, R. Sperring 2, S. Landon 3, J. Tomlinson 4, C. Page 5, G. Gerrard 6, G. Woods 7, H. Austin 8. Arranged for the ringers of 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, who hail from Stoke-on-Trent, and who were on an outing. There was also with them Mr. S. Churton, who, to the regret of the ringers, was unable to climb the ladder to the belfry.

**TAMWORTH, STAFFS.**—On Sunday, June 25th, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples: C. Chapman 1, Miss M. F. Sampson 2, J. Pratt (conductor) 3, W. Chapman 4, R. P. Brindley 5, A. E. Young 6, W. B. Sampson 7, J. H. Chatterton 8.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, arranged for Mr. W. B. Sampson, of Edinburgh, who was on a visit to his daughter, who took part in the ringing: W. Chapman 1, Miss M. F. Sampson 2, A. E. Young 3, J. Pratt (conductor) 4, A. Chaplin 5, R. P. Brindley 6, W. B. Sampson 7, G. Chaplin 8.

**GOOLE, YORKSHIRE.**—On Sunday evening, June 25th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 47 mins.: J. Clarke 1, D. Carmichael 2, C. W. King 3, M. Tate 4, T. Smith 5, F. Tate 6, H. Ludkin (conductor) 7, G. Davis 8. First quarter-peal of Stedman by an entirely local company.

**BLAKENHALL.**—For evensong, on June 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 45 mins.: C. Bailey 1, W. J. Sevier (conductor) 2, G. Claybrook 3, A. Jones 4, B. V. Smith 5, W. Lawley 6, D. Jones 7, G. Dawkes 8. The first seven ringers belong to Wolverhampton, and the tenor ringer to Warrington.

**BRIERLEY HILL.**—On June 25th, at St. Michael's Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob, in 25 mins.: A. Whatmore, senr., 1, W. Potter 2, J. Whatmore 3, A. E. Whatmore (conductor) 4, V. Allen 5, J. Lloyd 6. Rung with the tenor (J. Williams) behind.

**GAWSWORTH.**—Chester Diocesan Guild.—On June 25th, for morning service, at St. James' Church, 350 Grandsire Triples: A. B. Lomas 1, F. Stoveley 2, A. B. Lomas, junr., 3, J. B. Lomas 4, S. P. Bayley (conductor) 5, T. B. Lomas 6, E. Johnson 7, Arthur Lomas 8.—For evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples, with Roy Proctor treble, and E. Johnson conductor.

**WEST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.**—On Sunday, June 25th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, for evening service: W. Denman, junr., 1, T. Adams 2, H. Tourle 3, G. Lucas 4, J. Bowels 5, W. Denman, senr. (conductor) 6.

**BIRMINGHAM.**—On Sunday evening, June 25th, for Divine service, at St. Chad's Cathedral (R.C.), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: J. Johnson 1, J. Corrigan 2, W. Brooks 3, T. Miller 4, T. Collinson (composer and conductor) 5, C. Mackenzie 6, E. Mullins 7, W. Hunt 8.

**BURSLEM, STOKE-ON-TRENT.**—At St. John the Baptist's Church, for Sunday School Anniversary service, on June 25th, 720 Bob Minor, being the first 720 of any Minor method rung on the bells by the local band, and the first 720 of any Minor method by the ringers of the treble, 2nd, 3rd and 5th: W. Matthews 1, L. Pennington 2, J. Hurd 3, T. Hurd 4, T. Hilditch 5, J. Farrell (conductor) 6.—On Saturday, June 17th, 720 Grandsire Doubles, the first on the bells by the local band: W. Matthews 1, L. Pennington 2, T. Hurd 3, T. Hilditch 4, J. Farrell 5, W. Bourne 6.

**RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Sunday, June 25th, at All Saints', for evening service, Brookes' quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 48 mins.: H. Jenney 1, H. Day 2, A. Bowmer 3, C. Pilcher 4, F. Hill 5, F. W. Hill 6, A. Hutchison (conductor) 7, H. George 8.

**CHERTSEY, SURREY.**—For evening service, on Sunday, June 25th, two six-scores each of Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: J. Terry 1, J. B. Hessey (conductor) 2, G. Warinton 3, W. Franks 4, H. Stevens 5, C. Hemms 6.

**NEWPORT, MON.**—On Sunday evening, June 25th, at All Saints' Church, 1008 Stedman Triples: C. Bowen 1, C. Greedy 2, J. Bullen 3, F. Morgan 4, S. Jones 5, J. Pippin 6, A. E. Morgan (conductor) 7, S. Baiss 8.

**RICHMOND, YORKSHIRE.**—Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.—On Sunday, June 25th, for morning service, 1120 Kent Major: H. Thorpe 1, T. Thirkell 2, G. Holmes 3, J. G. Kinchin 4, J. T. Frenchum 5, J. J. Peake 6, R. J. Todd 7, A. Morton (conductor) 8.—For evening service, 1440 Kent Major, in 50 mins.: H. Thorpe 1, J. J. Peake 2, G. Holmes 3, J. G. Kinchin 4, J. T. Frenchum 5, J. G. Woddy 6, R. J. Todd 7, A. Morton (conductor) 8.

**CHEDISTON.**—On June 26th, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Bob Minor, in 22 mins.: F. Peck 1, F. C. Lambert 2, J. O. Neil 3, H. G. Pratt 4, T. Crane 5, L. Hammond 6. Also 360, with E. Hurren 3.

**BULTH WELLS, BRECONSHIRE.**—The Hereford Diocesan Guild.—At St. Mary's Church, on June 27th, 1260 Grandsire Doubles, in 39 mins.: F. S. Sparkes 1, F. R. Sparkes 2, L. Lewis (conductor) 3, C. Powell 4, R. E. Sparkes 5, W. H. Bicknell 6.

**NORWICH.**—Norwich Diocesan Association.—At St. Peter Mancroft, on Tuesday evening, June 27th, 704 Grandsire Cinques: C. E. Borrett (conductor) 1, W. G. Mayers 2, Geo. Cross 3, H. J. Borrett 4, R. H. Hayward (Marlesford) 5, T. E. Burton 6, T. Freeman 7, F. H. Phillips 8, G. P. Burton 9, B. Thompson 10, Geo. Mayers 11, D. T. Potter 12 (tenor, 43 cwt.); and 385 Grandsire Caters and 360 Bob Royal. Also, on the Gabriel eight (tenor 19 cwt.), 334 Bob Major, and on the Harbord (D Minor) eight (tenor, 28 cwt.), 168 Stedman Triples.

**COSELEY, STAFFS.**—On Tuesday, June 27th, touches of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major, conducted by John Goodman, of Dudley, and Oxford Bob Triples and 120 Stedman Doubles, conducted by Wm. Fisher.—On Sunday, July 2nd, for Matins, 504 Oxford Bob Triples: W. Jeavons 1, A. Baker 2, B. Gough 3, S. Pearce 4, Wm. Fisher (conductor) 5, S. Baker 6, R. Dunn 7, A. Barnett 8. Longest touch in the method by all except the conductor, and on the bells.

**GAINSBOROUGH, Lincs.**—Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—On June 27th, at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 56 mins.: C. H. Baker 1, F. S. W. Butler 2, W. Ayre 3, J. C. Tinker 4, P. Ballance 5, J. T. Ladd (conductor) 6, H. Torr 7, R. S. Lakin 8. This quarter-peal, with other touches in the same method, was rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last token of respect to the late Dr. Slader, who was interred at Amruth, Pembrokeshire, on that day.

**CARDIFF.**—St. John's Guild.—At St. John's Church, on June 29th, 366 Bob Major: H. Day 1, B. Biss (conductor) 2, B. Heath (first touch) 3, S. Dawe 4, W. Millar 5, F. Chamberlain 6, W. Bolton 7, A. Rowley 8.—On July 2nd 336 Stedman Triples.

**CRANLEIGH, SURREY.**—On July 1st, in honour of Dominion Day, also in honour of the marriage of Mr. John Tidy and Miss Alice Fuller, both of Cranleigh, which took place on that day in Toronto, Canada, an attempt was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples (Grove's variation of Parker's twelve-part), but ringing came to grief in the tenth part, after 2½ hours (4200 changes): Mrs. R. Whittington 1, H. Charman 2, R. Whittington 3, W. Denyer 4, C. Charman 5, A. Charman 6, W. Charman (conductor) 7, H. Ledger 8.

**LECKHAMPSTEAD.**—Towcester District Association.—On July 2nd, for Divine service, 260 Doubles, consisting of Grandsire Antelope and Extreme, in 45 mins.: L. Carter 1, P. Warner 2, W. Carter 3, L. Smith 4, O. Carter (conductor) 5. First quarter-peal in three methods by all the band.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, July 2nd (for morning service), at St. Clement Danes, 560 and 336 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: C. T. Coles 1, H. J. Ranzetta 2, W. W. Worthington 3, W. Pye (conductor) 4, A. W. Coles 5, R. Sanders 6, H. Flanders 7, E. Pye 8.

**WESTMINSTER.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, at St. Margaret's Church, 540 Stedman Caters: A. W. Grimes 1, J. A. Trollope 2, H. Langdon 3, W. Pye (conductor) 4, W. W. Worthington 5, A. W. Coles 6, E. Sanders 7, H. Torble 8, H. Flanders 9, A. N. Hardy 10. Also four courses in the same method, in which F. Hairs, E. F. Pike, W. Hewett, F. Perrin and J. E. Davis (conductor) took part. These touches were arranged for Mr. W. W. Worthington, of Netherseale.

**SITTINGBOURNE.**—Kent County Association.—On Sunday, July 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: L. B. Grant 1, H. E. Simpson 2, E. J. Bottle 3, H. J. Tidy 4, F. S. Macey (conductor) 5, W. Spice 6, W. J. Walker 7, F. Holdstock 8.

**RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major (1248 changes), in 49 mins.: H. G. Jenney 1, F. W. Hill 2, H. Day 3, G. A. Haslem 4, G. A. Bowmer 5, F. F. Hill 6, H. George 7, J. Pagett (conductor) 8.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, for men's service: G. W. Coombes 1, H. C. Chandler 2, C. S. Bird 3, H. Stevens 4, J. P. Kent 5, H. Folkhard 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, E. Cassell 8.

**SAWLEY, DERBYSHIRE.**—The Midland Counties Association.—On July 2nd, at All Saints' Church, for evening service, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob: F. Guy 1, A. Hickton 2, J. Ward, senr., 3, R. Hickton 4, N. Widdowson 5, R. Drage (conductor) 6.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—On July 4th, at the Church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs, 559 of Grandsire Triples: W. B. Kempton 1, T. W. Dickerson 2, G. Taylor 3, J. Taylor 4, P. Taylor 5, B. Buttress 6, F. E. Kempton (conductor) 7, L. Schnider 8.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT (STAFFS).**—On July 4th, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: J. Woodward 1, G. Woods 2, A. Shufflebotham 3, E. Landon 4, D. Preston 5, S. Churton (conductor) 6, C. Page 7, H. Austin 8. Rung after a rope had broken in an attempt for a peal.

**CONDOVER (SALOP).**—The Salop Archidiaconal Guild.—On July 4th, at St. Andrew's Church, 350 Grandsire Triples: J. Gurney 1, W. Pasmore 2, G. J. Taylor 3, J. Young 4, E. R. T. Corbett 5, W. T. Ashton 6, T. W. Steadman (first touch as conductor) 7, H. Davies 8.—On Sunday, July 9th, 420 in the same method, standing as above, conducted by G. J. Taylor. All the above, except the ringer of the 3rd, only commenced to practice Triples last March, and are making splendid progress.

**GRAVESEND.**—On July 5th, at St. George's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, on the occasion of the birthday of the Rector (Canon E. L. Gedge): W. H. Gates 1, F. Mitchell 2, H. Davis 3, A. Constant 4, R. Tall 5, J. Constant 6, R. Constant (conductor) 7, J. Burles 8.

**BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.**—On Thursday, July 6th, at St. Michael's Church, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: W. Rickett 1, F. Bird 2, H. J. Tucker (composer and conductor) 3, H. M. White 4, H. Champness 5, P. Springham, senr., 6, W. Wilkinson 7, T. Newman 8. Rung on the anniversary of the wedding of their Majesties the King and Queen, and also of the Vicar of St. Michael's (the Rev. H. T. Lane).

**WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.**—The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—On Saturday, July 8th, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1260 changes), in 53 mins.: A. Chapman 1, W. B. Manning (conductor) 2, G. Grimwade 3, \*W. J. Cooper 4, H. Rumens 5, J. C. Adams 6, R. Maynard, senr., 7, F. J. Rumens 8, G. B. Lucas, senr., 9, \*O. Twist 10. \*First quarter-peal of Caters. The above was rung after meeting too late to start for a peal.—On Sunday, July 9th, at St. Mary's Church, after the evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: (1259 changes), in 50 mins.: W. Coakham 1, W. D. Smith 2, J. H. Wilkins 3, R. Maynard, senr., 4, F. J. Rumens 5, J. C. Adams 6, F. C. Maynard 7, H. Rumens 8, A. G. Freeman (conductor) 9, W. H. Freeman 10.

**CHORLEY.**—The Lancashire Association.—On July 8th, an attempt for Parker's twelve-part peal of Grandsire Triples came to grief, after ringing 1848 changes: \*A. Martin 1, E. R. Martin (conductor) 2, \*F. Rigby 3, R. J. Armstrong 4, \*J. H. Gartside 5, \*W. H. Hunter 6, A. E. Woodhouse 7, \*J. Robinson 8. \*Longest length.

**BIDSTON.**—Chester Diocesan Guild (Wirral Branch).—At the Parish Church, a date touch of 1911 changes, being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, 420 Plain Bob, and 51 of Bob Doubles: C. E. Wilcox (first date touch) 1, W. Wilcox 2, H. Rogers 3, J. Griffiths 4, S. Wood 5, C. Rimmer 6.

**LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 9th, at St. Lawrence Church, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: J. Harrison 1, J. R. Ward 2, J. Bailey 3, A. Hickton 4, N. Widdowson 5, R. Drage (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: R. Drage 1, J. Andrews 2, A. Hickton 3, J. Harrison 4, J. R. Ward 5, N. Widdowson (conductor) 6.

**PLYMOUTH.**—At Emmanuel Church, on Sunday, July 9th, for evening service, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: W. Davey 1, W. Hobbs 2, L. Osborne 3, W. J. Rundle (conductor) 4, W. Ford 5, J. Woodley 6, G. H. Myers 7, G. Kerswell 8. First quarter-peal by the ringers of the treble and tenor; longest length with a bob bell by the ringer of the 2nd. First quarter-peal by the Emmanuel Society, which has been recently formed.

**WISBECH.**—On 9th July, at the Parish Church, for morning service, 672 Bob Major, with 9—10 covering: H. Piggins 1, S. Goakes 2, A. Goakes 3, C. Goakes (conductor) 4, T. Haines 5, G. Piggins 6, R. Narborough 7, A. Neal 8, F. Holson 9, H. Cheesewright 10.—For evening service, 420 Bob Triples (420 changes): H. Piggins 1, H. Banham 2, T. Haines 3, S. Goakes (conductor) 4, R. Narborough 5, A. Neal 6, C. Goakes 7, Fred Holson 8.

**SOUTH TOTTENHAM.**—At St. Ann's Church, on Sunday, July 16th, 720 Plain Bob Minor: T. Sharman (first 720) 1, F. E. Ringrose (first 720 with a bob bell) 2, F. Fensom 3, T. C. Ringrose 4, A. Jacob 5, C. Ross (conductor) 6.

## NOTICES.

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**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Rothwell on the 22nd inst. Peal attempt at 2.30. Business meeting at the White Swan Inn at 7.30.—Frank R. Cundale, Secretary, 24, Recreation View, Holbeck, Leeds.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—The quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Linton on Saturday, July 22nd, 1911. Belfry open at 3.30 p.m.; short service at 5 p.m.; business meeting after service.—G. Moore, District Secretary, 71, Florence Road, Maidstone.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Norwood Green, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided by kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. H. E. St. John Macdonald) on the Rectory lawn at six o'clock.—H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Shoreham on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells at 4 p.m.; short service and address by the Rev. H. D. Madge (Vicar) at 5.30 p.m. Tea at the George Inn, 1s. per head. Business meeting after. Eynsford will be available 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., and after the meeting. Half rail fares up to 2s. paid at this meeting.—T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at All Hallow's, Tottenham, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. The bells of St. Ann's, South Tottenham, will be at the disposal of ringers from 6 to 8 p.m. Members and friends cordially invited.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 173, St. John's Road, Waltham-tow.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will take place at Northwich on Saturday, July 29th. Service at 3.45. Preacher, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, of Caversham. Other particulars by circular.—A. T. Beeston, Honorary Secretary, New Mills.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Leyland Parish Church on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting at 5.30. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**—Established 1755.—The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July 22nd, at Erdington. The Parish Church and Abbey bells will be available during the afternoon and evening. Service in Parish Church at 5 o'clock. Tea at Acorn Hotel at 6 o'clock, 1/- per member, to be followed by business meeting.—A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Caerleon on Saturday, July 22nd, at 4 o'clock.—Rev. Connop L. Price, M.A., and J. W. Jones (Piercefield, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.), Honorary Secretaries.

**NOTICES (continued).**

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—It is proposed to arrange a whole day's outing for Saturday, August 19th, starting by conveyance from Stourbridge, and to visit Oldswinford (8), Hagley (8), Clent (8), Kinver (6), Enville (8), Kingswinford (6), Wardsley (6) and Wollaston (6). Will those ringers who wish to join send their names to me at once, so that the necessary arrangements may be made?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Honorary Secretary, 6, Upper Forster Street, Walsall.

**THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held in St. May's Hall, Warwick, on Saturday, July 29th, 1911. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Unveiling at 4.20 p.m. (prompt) by the Lord Bishop of Worcester of the peal board of the first clerical peal of Stedman Caters. Evensong at St. Mary's Church at 4.45 p.m. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Worcester, followed by tea and the annual meeting. Tea will be arranged for those who send in their names to the honorary secretary not later than Wednesday, July 26th, 1911.—Arthur L. Colman, Honorary Secretary, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**A CRICKET MATCH** will be played at Newton-St.-Loe, near Bath, on July 29th between members of the Bath and Wells Association (Bath branch) and members of the Gloster and Bristol Association (Bristol branch). All friends are invited.—R. J. Wilkins, 84, Woodland Road, Bristol.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Killamarsh on Saturday, August 5th. Church of St. Giles. Six bells (tenor 12½ cwt.). Available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.—J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 504, Ecclesall Road, Sheffield.

**ASHTON-UNDER LYNE SOCIETY** will hold their next quarterly meeting on Saturday, July 29th, 1911, at Christ Church, Barlow Moor, Manchester. Bells available from 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. All ringers cordially invited.—Charles Bower, Honorary Secretary.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Branch. —A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Liverpool, on Saturday next, July 22nd. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.—Walter Hughes, Sec.

**CHESTERFIELD DISTRICT OF MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Ashover on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. It is hoped that all ringers will take this opportunity of visiting Ashover, an ideal place for summer meeting.—W. H. Peabody, District Secretary, 30, Alexander Road, Chesterfield.

**ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, DUDLEY.**—The practice night at the above church is discontinued until the end of September.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly meeting at Reigate on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (ten) at 2.30. Short service at 5. Tea at 5.45 at a charge of 6d. to members. The Vicar will preside. For special reasons it is particularly desired that members should turn up in good numbers. Representatives of towers and unattached members intending to be present kindly write not later than Wednesday, July 26th, to Cyril F. Johnston, Hon. Sec., Bell Foundry, Croydon.

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