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TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 26 cwt.

*THOMAS WALKERTreble	CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... 7
†CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES ... 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... 8
FREDERICK G. PERRIN ... 4	ALFRED B. PECK ... 9
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE ... 5	ARTHUR D. BARKER ...Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN, and

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Royal.

CANTERBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 12, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANCES;

Tenor 30 cwt.

HENRY G. FAIRBRASS ...Treble	EDWARD E. FOREMAN ... 6
EDWARD TRENDALL ... 2	CHARLES W. BRETT ... 7
FREDERICK G. BRETT ... 3	JOHN WILLIS ... 8
PERCY J. PAINE ... 4	EDWIN G. BUESDEN ... 9
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE... 5	GEORGE J. JENKINS ...Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and

Conducted by EDWIN G. BUESDEN.

Rung on the birthday of Mrs. Helmore, the wife of the hon. secretary of the Association.

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WULFRUM,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANCES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ...Treble	SIDNEY PROCTOR ... 6
HARRY THORPE ... 2	WILLIAM G. THORPE ... 7
ERNEST NIDD ... 3	ALBERT C. DARNELL ... 8
REV. C. J. STURTON... 4	FRED TURNER ... 9
J. FRANK PROCTOR ... 5	THOMAS H. HALL ...Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and

Conducted by SIDNEY PROCTOR.

This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 6th, the extent wrong in the tittums and inverted home positions.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ALBURGH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lbs., in G.

FREDERICK R. BORRETT ...Treble	RUSSELL RICHES ... 5
ROBERT RICHES ... 2	JOSEPH BOTWRIGHT ... 6
ALFRED G. BENNINGTON ... 3	WALTER RICHES ... 7
ERNEST LINCOLN... 4	FREDERICK SMITH ...Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and

Conducted by FREDERICK R. BORRETT.

This peal was arranged for Mr. A. G. Bennington, who hails from London.

METHERINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THE REV. E. BANKES JAMES' VARIATION OF HOLT'S TEN-PART.
Tenor 8 cwt.

FRANK DAWSON	Treble	HARRY GREEN	5
WILLIAM GREEN	2	ROBERT FINCHAM	6
GEORGE H. COOKE	3	JESSE DAWSON	7
FREDERICK W. STOKES	4	JOSEPH FOSTER... ..	Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. STOKES.

First peal by all except the conductor.

CHILHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 9, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 8 cwt.

CHARLES W. BRETT	Treble	ERNEST J. DOBBIE	5
WILLIAM E. PITMAN... ..	2	EDWARD TRENDALL	6
FREDERICK G. BRETT	3	JOHN WILLIS	7
EDWIN G. BUESDEN	4	WILLIAM J. WALKER	Tenor

Composed by FRED A. HOLDEN, and
Conducted by EDWIN G. BUESDEN.

First peal of Treble Bob on the bells. This, and the peal at Canterbury Cathedral, was arranged for J. Willis, of Peterboro'.

SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE	Treble	WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE	5
WILLIAM HEWITT	2	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	6
WILLIAM SHEPHERD	3	WILLIAM WELLING	7
WILLIAM J. NEW	4	WILLIAM WARNE	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

STREATHAM, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF EMANUEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT	Treble	JOHN STENTON DANIELS... ..	5
LOUIS ATTWATER	2	*FRANK N. ATTWATER	6
ROBERT GRIMWOOD	3	WILLIAM S. SMITH	7
ISAAC J. ATTWATER	4	GEORGE LIDDIARD	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

* First peal in the method.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tuesday, August 12, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*WILLIAM E. WATHEN	Treble	EDWARD HORTIN	5
†HARRY WARD	2	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER	6
FRANK WARD	3	FRANK W. PERRENS	7
DAVID APPLEBY	4	ARTHUR E. REED	Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER WALLATER.

* First peal, and elected a member of the Society previous to starting. † First peal with a bob bell. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a tribute of respect to the late Mrs. J. H. Sandford, wife of the Rev. J. H. Sandford, B.A., lecturer at Kingsbridge, Devon, and late curate of St. Giles' Parish. The above ringers are all members of the local band.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

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

Tenor 20 cwt.

EDWARD GRIMES... ..	Treble	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE	5
EDWIN F. PIKE	2	*FREDERICK J. HARDY	6
ALFRED B. PECK... ..	3	ALFRED W. GRIMES	7
HAROLD BURTON... ..	4	JAMES E. DAVIS	Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN, and
Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

* First peal in the method.

BEXHILL.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

JOSEPH SHARP	Treble	GEORGE H. HOWSE... ..	5
ERNEST GOWER... ..	2	EDWARD W. BRAY	6
FRANK MEDHURST	3	ALFRED J. TURNER	7
*WALTER ALCOCK	4	KEITH HART	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by KEITH HART.

* First peal in the method with an inside bell. The band wish, through the "Ringing World," to thank the Rector (Archdeacon Churton) for the use of the bells, and the local company for having everything in readiness for the peal.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

FREDERICK ATWELL	Treble	JOHN BUTLER	5
FRANCIS E. B. CHARLES	2	JOHN W. JONES	6
JOHN BULLEN	3	WALTER WALLACE	7
JOSEPH E. SYKES	4	FREDERICK STANBURY	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. JONES.

The conductor's 100th peal. Mr. Walter Wallace hails from Derby and was elected a member previous to starting. Mr. J. E. Sykes belongs to Huddersfield.

HALEWOOD LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 14, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 10½ cwt., in G.

HENRY FYLES	Treble	THOMAS MURRAY	5
MISS NELLIE GILLINGHAM	2	WILLIAM BIBBY	6
GEORGE R. NEWTON	3	WILLIAM DAVIES	7
*JAMES R. GRIFFIN	4	HENRY CROSBY... ..	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

* First peal in the method.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 14, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

ALBERT G. WARNES	Treble	GEORGE H. CROSS	5
JOHN F. WILSON... ..	2	DENISON HAYWARD... ..	6
WILLIAM STEELE	3	*GEORGE ORFORD	7
GEORGE HOWCHIN	4	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN... ..	Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS, and
Conducted by WILLIAM STEELE.

* First peal in the method. A. G. Warnes has now rung every bell in this tower to a peal. Arranged for Messrs. Hayward and Orford, of Great Yarmouth.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE Treble	CHARLES T. COLES 5
ALFRED W. GRIMES 2	ERNEST PYE 6
ISAAC G. SHADE 3	JAMES E. DAVIS 7
BERTRAM PREWETT 4	WILLIAM PYE Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

This composition, now rung for the first time, is the author's No. 43.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

*ALFRED R. ELKINS Treble	THOMAS MACK 5
ALFRED J. CROUCHER 2	*CORPL. G. GILBERT, R.E. 6
HERBERT CHAFFEY 3	*WILLIAM J. READ 7
MISS EVELYN STEEL 4	CHARLES EDWARDS Tenor

Composed by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE, and
Conducted by C. EDWARDS.

* First peal of Major. Arranged for Miss E. Steel.

KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM PALMER Treble	SAMUEL GROVE 5
FRANK WITHERS 2	ALFRED DAVIS 6
WILLIAM H. GODDEN 3	ARTHUR CHAMBERS 7
GEORGE SWANN 4	JOHN WITHERS Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR CHAMBERS.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Luke,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

ALFRED FALLON Treble	WILLIAM H. LAWLEY 5
HARRY FARLOW 2	BENJAMIN CLARK 6
HERBERT KNIGHT 3	DANIEL JONES 7
ANDREW JONES 4	CHARLES A. DARBY Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. C. A. Darby and Miss E. M. Prince, who invited the band to a sumptuous repast at the conclusion of the peal.

PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary, Portsea,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM WHEELER Treble	EDWIN J. HARDING 5
FREDERICK W. THORNTON 2	CECIL CREASY 6
FREDERICK BURNETT 3	FREDERICK A. HOLDEN 7
*JOSEPH WHEELER 4	*RICHARD STONE Tenor

Conducted by LANCE-SERG. A. HOLDEN, R.M.L.I.

* First peal. F. W. Thornton hails from Greenwich, Kent. This is his first attempt at a peal for five years.

ROTHERHAM.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Stephen, Eastwood,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

CLEMENT GLENN Treble	FRANK R. CUNDALE 5
*MISS WINIFRED M. HAGUE 2	*COLIN RYDER 6
ARTHUR HAGUE 3	JOHN H. BROTHWELL 7
GEORGE HALKSWORD 4	JOHN W. J. COTTAM Tenor

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

* First peal in the method; also first tower-bell peal by Miss Hague, who is the first lady to ring a peal of Stedman for the Association.

EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At Christ Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY Treble	LEONARD F. TAYLOR 5
WALTER S. WISE 2	RICHARD KENDELL 6
*WALTER G. ROWE 3	*WALTER FARLEY 7
DAVID WRIGHT 4	ROBERT ETHERINGTON Tenor

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

* First peal of Stedman on a working bell. Mr. W. Farley, for whom the peal was arranged, hails from Wells, Somerset.

DEVIZES.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. John,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

CHARLES D. HEGINBOTHAM Treble	GILBERT H. HARDING 5
THOMAS HOGSFLESH 2	HENRY W. BROWN 6
LOUIS A. WILSON 3	SAMUEL J. HECTOR 7
*FREDERICK C. RICH 4	SYDNEY HILLIER Tenor

Conducted by GILBERT H. HARDING.

* First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

DRIGHLINGTON, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Paul,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION. Tenor 16 cwt.

ALFRED NAYLOR Treble	WILLIAM E. ASH 5
WILLIAM B. SMITH 2	FREDERICK W. DIXON 6
WILLIAM WOODHEAD 3	FRANCIS BARKER 7
JOHN B. JACKSON 4	FRANCIS WOODHEAD Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. DIXON.

W. B. Smith's 50th peal. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Milton Gomersal and Miss Alice Fox. After the peal the band were sumptuously entertained.

EYE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

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

Tenor 24 cwt.

ALBERT G. WARNES Treble	BERTIE J. HOWCHIN 5
WILLIAM ROSE 2	GEORGE HOWCHIN 6
GEORGE H. CROSS 3	FREDERICK DAY 7
FRANK COPEMAN 4	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN Tenor

Composed by G. CROSS, and
Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

EYNSFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

HUBERT J. BLACKWELL ... Treble	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 5
FRANK I. HAIRS... .. 2	FRANK BENNETT 6
ISAAC EMERY 3	WILLIAM HEWETT 7
EDWIN F. PIKE 4	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and
Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.

YALDING, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 11, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and College Single.

FREDK. J. LAMBERT, Junr. Treble	JIM BEACH 4
GEORGE FULLER... .. 2	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, Senr. 5
ALBERT RELFE 3	EDWIN LAMBERT Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN LAMBERT.

First peal on the bells since their restoration by Messrs. Bowell, of Ipswich.

WICKHAM MARKET, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Delight, and Woodbine, and two each of Oxford and Kent, and 720 of Plain Bob.

LESTER L. GRAY... .. Treble	CHARLES E. FISHER ... 4
GEORGE R. FINCH 2	WILLIAM B. REEVE ... 5
DAVID LEGGETT 3	ROBERT G. MILES Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

EAST HADDON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

FREDERICK ROWLEDGE ... Treble	THOMAS LAW 3
FRANK ROLLINGS 2	GEORGE PARKER 4
HARRY CLARKE Tenor	

Conducted by HARRY CLARKE.

First peal as conductor.

EASTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Plain Bob, Oxford Delight and Woodbine, and two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

LESTER L. GRAY... .. Treble	CHARLES E. FISHER ... 4
GEORGE R. FINCH 2	ROBERT G. MILES 5
HENRY PUTTOCK 3	WILLIAM B. REEVE ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

HANDBELL PEAL.

FYLINGDALES, YORKS.

THE CLEVELAND & NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

MERVYN DUCK 1-2	GEORGE F. ALEXANDER ... 5-6
ALBERT COATES 3-4	F. PHILIP CHEETHAM ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by G. F. ALEXANDER.

Umpire: JOHN W. WILKINSON.

Mr. Cheetham, a member of the Cambridge University Guild, was elected a member of the Cleveland Association previous to starting for the peal.

The two peals of Minor rung at Blaxhall, Suffolk, and published last week, should be credited to the Norwich Diocesan Association. The sender omitted to supply this information.

MEMORIAL BELLS IN CORNWALL.

VICAR'S REMARKABLE RECORD.

At Gulval Parish Church on Friday week a large number of parishioners and others gathered to witness the dedication of an augmented peal of bells and a tower clock, in memory of the late Vicar, the Rev. W. W. Wingfield, who was in charge of the parish from 1839 to 1912. These expressions of appreciation have been subscribed for by the parishioners and a few outside friends. In the tower has been erected an automatic clock, with four 5ft. 6in. dials in black and gold, and controlled by batteries which require attention about once in twelve months. The hours and half hours are struck on a tenor bell which weighs 12½ cwt. The mechanism which drives the hands is entirely dissociated from the other mechanism, so that the time keeping qualities of the clock will not be in any way affected by adverse climatic conditions. Gulval can now claim the honour of possessing the first electric public clock in the county, as there is not one nearer than Torquay. Two treble bells have been added to the old ring of six, these having been supplied and hung by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, Ltd., of London. The bells are now a nice ring of eight, and the whole peal is a credit to the Spitalfields Bell Foundry. The excellent "splice" and the musical quality of the trebles, which are tuned upon Canon Simpson's five-tone principle, leave nothing to be desired. At a later date a suitable tablet will be placed on the walls of the tower, and a tablet for the little church at Tryhall is in course of preparation. The whole of the work has cost £364.

The dedication service was conducted by the Vicar, and the Rev. Canon Maddrell, Revs. W. B. Tremehere (Madron), A. T. Boscawen (Ludgvan), and J. T. Inskip (Vicar of Jesmond, Newcastle), who some years ago was Vicar of St. Paul's, Penzance. After a touch had been rung upon the bells, Mr. R. F. Blitho mounted to the ringing room and dedicated them to the memory of the late Vicar, who was their friend and guide for 73 years, and who was a man of the highest integrity, the soul of honour, and the memory of whom would always remain engraved on their hearts. A special form of service was used, the lessons being read by the Revs. A. T. Boscawen and W. B. Tremehere, and the prayers by the Vicar.

The address was given by the Rev. J. T. Inskip, who paid an eloquent tribute to the service which the late Vicar rendered to the parish, to his diligence, to his love, to his example and to his humility, his courtesy and his consideration. The preacher pointed out that Mr. Wingfield was born before Waterloo, lived in six reigns, and was Vicar of Gulval under seven Bishops.

A BOLSOVER PEAL.

There was an interesting ceremony at the Parish Church, Bolsover, on Saturday afternoon, when the Vicar (the Rev. F. H. Webb Peploe) dedicated a tablet erected to commemorate a peal of Superlative Surprise Major, rung at Bolsover on April 12th. in honour of the golden wedding of his parents, Prebendary and Mrs. Webb Peploe, London. In addition to the members of the Bolsover band, there were present visitors from Chesterfield, Ripley, Darley Dale and Mansfield. At the close of the service of dedication, the Vicar gave an impressive address on the words, "Ring out the false; ring in the true," which appears at the top of the tablet. Subsequently, touches of Double Norwich, Superlative, Norfolk and Cambridge, were successfully brought into rounds, and during the afternoon the ringers visited the Vicarage, where they were kindly entertained to tea by the Vicar and Mrs. Webb Peploe.

LEICESTER.

Keeps: Tyme: in: anye: case:
The: last: strayne: was: good:
Then: lett: us singe: it againe:
Excellent: well: sange: my: hartes:
4th bell, St. Mary's, Oxford.
Cast at Leicester, 1610.

The Bennett visit to this city was intended to be made at Whitsun, but was delayed till now, and became almost derelict at the last minute. I was fortunately able to help fill up a gap at short notice, and thus follow out a similar inclination of my own of long standing. In 1899 my only peal in Leicester was scored at St. Mark's—Kent Treble Bob Major, by Sottanstall—but the composition, well known to all experts for years, and published in Shipway, was afterwards found to be incorrect. When you capture a new tower and lose it again through no fault of the conductor or band, you're naturally eager to recapture it, and that is what I have done after an interval of 14 years. My tenor man on each occasion was the well-known W. W., of Leicester. I mention the town because we have another W. W. coming on at Netherseale—who in the meantime had not been idle with the bonds of matrimony, for the child of a few months old—little Hilda Willson—had now grown up with sturdy strength, and was destined to aid my second effort. The London men arrived in Leicester on Saturday, August 2nd, punctually at 3.35—were met by Mr. Willson, and at once conveyed with the rest of the team to Anstey Church, $\frac{3}{4}$ miles out of the town, by a waggonette that runs to and fro regularly, but I was not with them, having been lost in the crowds. I may tell you some 1,500 people left this station for Blackpool alone on the previous day, and several hundreds were refused bookings, so you will have some idea of a Leicester holiday season, and that is my excuse.

The first difficulty arose now. Seven men were at Anstey under the impression that one has missed his train, and that one was in Leicester without any knowledge of the other seven. "Headquarters near station" was all the hurried information I had by postcard, but after several inquiries of hotel keepers if a man, named Willson, had booked rooms for a party, I learned where we were to sleep, and that the others had gone on. My hope of standing in peal No. 1 was almost gone, till a generous farmer in the courtyard of the hotel offered me a ride in his dog cart, and this kindness allowed me to pop my head round the belfry doorway—which is on the ground floor—and inquire when they were likely to say "Go." My seven friends, knowing there was no means of my getting there in time, had given up their mate, and changed the method to suit a willing local man.

Of Anstey Parish Church, dedicated to St. Mary, I can say but little. It is none too handsome, and shows generally late decorated features. It is built of stone, with slated roof, and consists of a low square tower. The tower is without buttress or relief, and finished with a plain battlemented parapet. Now for the bells very little can be said in their favour—in Edward VI's time there were only three bells and there is no record of their departure. Later they were cast into a peal of five, tenor 38in. diameter, in 1723, and, with additional bells, made eight in modern times. The bells themselves tell us but little, as several are blank. The treble, however, bears an inscription of value to all those ringers who are able to help others, and though its nearly two centuries old, the reward still stands good for A.D. 1913. "God: reward: my: benefactors 1723."

Here some good instruction work was put in by Mr. Willson a decade ago. The local men mastered Standard methods, and on scoring Double Norwich, presented their tutor with a handsome marble clock, which I had the pleasure of inspecting later on. The progress of a change ringer is usually coupled with progress in his occupation, and this band, like many others, became broken by members leaving the parish for a higher standard of wages. Having conveyed our thanks to the Vicar, the Rev. J. Kerry Williams, M.A., and the local men for their hearty welcome, we called at a certain house licensed under the Act, previous to a pleasant walk back across the fields to London Road, Leicester, for supper and bed.

Sunday proved to be a day of heat, but very enjoyable nevertheless, and we were received at St. Saviour's tower by the remnants of the St. Saviour's Company, many having gone on holiday, two Nottingham friends, and Mr. J. Needham, the steeplekeeper, a 500 of Stedman Triples being rung for service on a grand modern peal of bells (tenor 26 cwt.), cast by the neighbouring Loughborough firm, and in excellent going order. This belfry partly resembles an old curiosity shop, with its quaint engravings of churches hung on the walls, its fine set of 200 cup bells, an old clock bell and a town crier's handbell—the collection of the aforesaid Joe Needham. One of the pictures I was tempted to pack off to Dr. A. H. Nicholls, of Boston, U.S.A., as a memento of Boston, was a view of Boston tower, Lincolnshire, published in 1715, giving particulars of this famous "stump" commenced in 1309. The length of that church and the altitude of its tower are equal 94 yards, and the number of steps (365), windows (52), pillars (12), equalling the days, weeks and months of the year. Concerning the cup bells some question may arise as to their ownership when we're all gone to rest, so here's the version. They were presented to St. Margaret's Society of Ringers, Leicester, in 1775, remaining in the care of successive representatives until the company's numbers were reduced in recent years to only five. Mr. Needham, following the long

observed rule, was allowed to hold them by virtue of being the oldest member. At this stage the bells were so dilapidated that they were never used; several were cracked; many handles were missing, and the clappers and springs were composed of a few scrag ends—the whole being worth only their weight as old bell metal, and being useless to the society. It was agreed by the five survivors that Joe should retain sole control of the bells if he had them renovated, which proved a costly business for him, and I would here say that Leicester ringers owe him a debt of gratitude for preserving to future generations an historical set of cup bells which were used by the first peal ringers of the town.

Mrs. Needham had to be called upon because Mr. N. thought his visitors needed something more than a peep at his ringing books, a touch of Treble eight or a course of Grandsire Caters on handbells. A set of three well bound volumes, the several parts of the Clavis, were in excellent preservation, and bear the well known signature "J. W. Snowdon" on the front pages. Strange to say, these were bought at Edinburgh, and the interesting point is, how did they get there from Ilkley after Snowdon's death? "Having seen all he'd got," to use our antiquarian friend's own words, we proceeded to Loughborough, from which a five mile motor bus drive was enjoyed, though under crowded and dusty conditions, but the 4d. fare was better than a 2s. 6d. conveyance or the bare road. This modern development of petrol propelled country transport permitted us to get to Shepshed, or "Sheepshead," as the name of the parish was formerly known, well up to time. One cannot pass the days of one's life without receiving constant reminders of the life hereafter. The very pursuit of change ringing brings the change ringer in touch, as it were, with the departed. Many a hamlet reveals the sleeping place of our forefathers who have left us those hallowed walls that hold those brazen bells we love to swing.

SHEPSHED AND ITS BELLS.

Shepshed Church, dedicated to St. Botolph, is erected on a knoll overlooking the village. Stone is greatly employed in building everywhere, as the neighbourhood abounds in suitable quarries. The nave of the church, with its side aisles, is rather short, and covered with a flat lead roof, and the chancel, somewhat large, has a steep slate roof. The whole of the church is stonework without parapet walls, and yet the nave is surmounted by battlements giving an eccentric outward appearance to the whole building. A square tower is finished with an octagonal stone spire of good proportions, and contains a musical ring of eight, tenor 13cwt. 2qrs. 10lbs. and 43in. diameter. This octave grew from a set of three bells of Edward VI's reign, subsequently made five prior to 1805, in which year Briant, of Hertford, cast a most musical ring of six, recently increased by Taylor and Co. They were used in former days as follows: The 5th as Curfew bell at 8 p.m. daily; the 4th as pancake bell on Shrove Tuesday, and the 3rd as ringers' call bell. The Vicar (the Rev. W. D. Gee-Clarke) kindly permitted a peal to be attempted, and furthered our welcome by coming to thank us for the peal—Double Norwich—afterwards, and offer congratulations at its successful termination. A very difficult position for the Vicar, that of doing justice to the living while carrying out one's duty to the departed, was thoughtfully overcome by arranging to take a funeral service that afternoon an hour earlier than originally intended.

We had the pleasure of hearing a well struck touch of Grandsire rung by local men, with Miss Lilian Willson standing in. Tea at the Black Swan was welcome. Mr. Whitworth, the licensee, and one of the Shepshed band, with his wife, attending our needs promptly in order to let us catch a certain motor bus. I would not be hurried, the charm of the village, its pretty bells and the distant woodland scenery all combined to draw one to the place and to check the haste that clamours for motor and locomotor carriages. Having abandoned my prospect of a pleasant evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willson, of Leicester, I was preparing for a five mile tramp back to Loughborough, and the last train up, when again something happened that I ought to tell you about. My companions, having made a good return journey, reached Leicester at nine o'clock. Sundry reflections as to how I was getting on with myself were made, disparaging to my ease and convenience, the opinion of several being that I would make straight for our roost at the County Hotel, as I could not get in before 10 p.m. Their surprise can be imagined when, on arriving at Keythorpe Street, they found me comfortably seated in Mr. Willson's arm-chair, Miss Willson playing the organ, and Mrs. Willson giving me a few private notes of her husband's hobby.

(To be Continued).

CORRECTIONS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I wish to make a correction to the foot-note of the peal of Minor rung at Maxey, on August 4th, 1913. There have been two peals rung there since 1849; one was in 1895, conducted by the Rev. H. Law James, the other in October, 1903, conducted by Mr. T. Murray. Both teams were from St. Martin's, Stamford. Many apologies to those concerned.—Yours truly, GEORGE JUTSON. Peterborough.

Dear Sir,—I wish to withdraw the claim to having rung first peal on Liss bells, as I find that the first peal on them was rung on April 13th, 1903, conducted by Mr. A. B. Bennett. C. EDWARDS.

THE "WILLIAM" PEAL AT SUNBURY.

The genial steeplekeeper at Sunbury has long had a desire to ring the tenor to a peal in which all the band bore the same Christian name, but it was not till Monday of last week that the attempt could be made, for it is a tall order to arrange such an undertaking. Mr. G. Spencer undertook the task of getting the band together, and he certainly deserves great credit for the able manner in which he carried out the various details. One of the "Bills" could not come owing to overtime duty, and almost at the last moment Mr. W. Weatherstone, who is now 72, was pressed into service. Before the peal was started the camera was brought into use, and the operation having been performed without injury to the lens, "Go, Stedman," was called at 7 p.m. After ringing 400 changes, however, it was necessary to stop and let two "Bills" change bells. But the second start proved better, and, after 2 hours



WM. WARNE (Sunbury).	WM. SHEPHERD (Hersham).	WM. FUSSELL (Slough).	WM. WELLING (Windsor).
WM. HEWITT (Camberwell).	WM. LAWRENCE (West Ealing).	WM. WEATHERSTONE (Greenwich).	WM. NEW (Isleworth).

and 53 minutes' ringing, the welcome "This is all" was heard. A good peal was rung, and on its completion several local ringers and the Curate complimented the team. The Conductor from previous experience found out a valuable hint to "namesake bands," viz., to go by numbers only when correcting an error. Had he asked "Bill" to do his last whole turn—well, there would have been some excellent "firing." Mr. Griggs, another "Bill," turned up at the convivial afterwards, and regrets were expressed at the absence of still another "Bill" who was to have had a finger in the "Pye." The band represented eight different towers, and altogether some hundreds of miles were travelled by the eight men. If rumour proves correct we shall soon see a peal board placed in the tower to record the performance.

THE OXFORD GUILD.

A combined practice of the Sonning branch was held at Sonning, on Saturday, members being present from Henley 2, Hurst 1, Wargrave 1, Caversham 2, Wokingham (All Saints) 1, Binfield 2, Sonning 1, Easthampstead 1, Twyford 1. The following methods were practised: Grandsire and Steadman Triples, and Plain Bob Major, and Treble Bob Minor and Grandsire Triples, on handbells.

OLDBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.—On Sunday evening, June 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: J. Johnson 1, H. Withers 2, S. Asbury 3, F. Burleigh 4, T. Collinson (conductor) 5, J. Bird 6, J. T. Bratten 7, J. Ford 8. Messrs. Bratten, Collinson, Johnson and Withers belong to Birmingham, the rest are local men.

MOORSIDE, LANCOS.—At St. Thomas' Church, on the 41st anniversary (May 25th), three 640's (called differently), and 288 of Kent Treble Bob Major, in which H. Lawton, P. Scholes, A. Wild, F. Taylor, H. Hampson, F. Wild, J. Ogden, F. Chapman (conductor), L. Hampson and C. Platt, took part.

MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

COWDEN, KENT.—On Whit-Monday, visitors rang 720 Kent Treble Bob, 720 Plain Bob Minor: G. Baker (Cowden), ringing his first 720. The local ringers rang some six-scores of Doubles, conducted by W. Ladd.

WRITTLE.—At the Parish Church, on May 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. E. Pellatt 1, C. Gray 2, H. J. Sudell 3, H. J. King 4, W. J. Kemp 5, S. H. R. Cooper 6, G. B. Lucas, senr. (conductor) 7, L. G. Hicks 8.

GREAT WALTHAM.—On May 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. E. Pellatt 1, H. J. Sudell 2, C. Gray 3, W. J. Kemp 4, S. H. R. Cooper 5, G. B. Lucas, senr., 6, W. Lincoln (conductor) 7, L. G. Hicks 8.

UPPER CLAPTON.—On Sunday, May 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. E. Pellatt 1, H. J. King 2, H. J. Sudell 3, W. J. Kemp 4, S. H. R. Cooper 5, Frank Bennett (conductor) 6, J. White 7, S. S. Dunwell 8.

WEST BROMWICH.—At All Saints', on Trinity Sunday, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins.: W. Reynolds 1, F. Bendall 2, W. Peart 3, T. Taylor 4, A. Caddick 5, E. Pagett 6, A. Mills (conductor) 7, H. Pagett 8.

BECKENHAM, KENT.—On St. George's Eve, at St. George's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 47 mins.: W. Smith (conductor) 1, J. Town 2, E. Tigwell (first quarter-peal) 3, G. W. Clarke 4, F. King 5, J. Lovell 6, F. Terry 7, W. Meek 8.

ISLIP, NORTHANTS.—On May 12th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Sharman 1, W. Hobbs 2, E. Chapman 3, C. W. Clarke 4, F. Sawfoot 5, W. Perkins (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method on the bells. Also 360 Woodbine.

METHERINGHAM, LINCOS.—On May 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: F. Dawson 1, W. Green 2, G. H. Cooke 3, F. W. Stokes (conductor) 4, H. Green 5, R. Fincham 6, J. Dawson 7, J. Foster 8. First quarter-peal on the bells, and by all except the conductor.

KENNINGTON.—On May 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original, in 44 mins.: H. D. Opher 1, A. Walton 2, H. J. Walton 3, T. W. Wyatt 4, Alec. Miller 5, Arch. Miller 6, G. W. Wild (conductor) 7, T. W. Welbourne 8.

CAMBRIDGE.—On May 12th, at Great St. Andrew's Church, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major: J. B. Williamson 1, W. B. Kempton 2, Rev. A. H. F. Boughey 3, J. Taylor 4, T. R. Dennis 5, A. Wilkerson 6, F. E. Kempton 7, F. Dench (conductor) 8.

CHEPSTOW.—On May 19th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: B. Tamplin 1, J. H. Prickett 2, J. Prickett 3, E. Rose 4, *I. Priest 5, W. Arnold 6, R. Thompson (conductor) 7, *J. Gregory 8. *First quarter-peal.

NEWCHURCH.—On May 21st, at St. Nicholas' Church, a half-peal of Grandsire Triples (2520 changes), in 1 hr. 19 mins.: J. H. Haydock 1, T. Harrison 2, O. Eastwood 3, R. Leach 4, J. B. Taylor 5, W. Taylor 6, J. T. Wright 7, J. W. Ormond 8. This half-peal from Taylor's was conducted by Walter Taylor, and rung as a birthday compliment to Lawrence Taylor, one of the Newchurch ringers.

DUMBLETON, GLOS.—On Trinity Sunday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1260 changes): A. Keyte 1, H. Cotton 2, W. Jones 3, T. Sallis 4, F. Johnson (conductor) 5, A. Colley 6.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD.—On Whit-Sunday, for morning service, at St. Michael's Church, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: W. Rickett 1, F. Bird 2, P. E. Springham 3, H. M. White 4, H. Champness 5, W. W. Tucker 6, H. J. Tucker (composer and conductor) 7, H. Dew 8. For evening service, 503 Grandsire Triples (Shipway).—On May 15th, 434 Grandsire Triples, H. Dew, conductor; and 593 Grandsire Caters: W. Rickett 1, F. Bird 2, P. C. Springham 3, H. M. White 4, H. Dew 5, H. J. Tucker (conductor) 6, H. Champness 7, W. W. Tucker 8, P. Springham 9, C. Ridgwell 10.—On May 24th, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: W. W. Tucker 1, F. Bird 2, P. C. Springham 3, H. M. White 4, H. J. Tucker (composer and conductor) 5, P. Springham 6, H. Dew 7, W. T. Prior 8.

STANSTED, ESSEX.—Recently, at the Parish Church, before service, 448 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. Gray 1, F. Housdon (Saffron Walden) 2, T. Jordan 3, W. Prior 4, J. Luckey 5, W. Watts 6, W. T. Prior 7, G. Jordan (conductor) 8. 704 Kent Treble Bob Major: W. Watts (conductor) 1, A. Prior (Leytonstone) 2, G. Jordan 3, H. J. Tucker 4, J. Luckey 5, T. J. Watts 6, W. T. Prior 7, T. Jordan 8.

BOLNEY, SUSSEX.—On May 8th, at the Parish Church, 1008 Bob Major: G. Packham 1, G. Walder 2, W. Wheeler 3, F. Stoner 4, T. Garson 5, G. Lewry 6, W. Vincent 7, W. Walder (conductor) 8. Longest length in the method by the local branch, and also by all the band.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.—At St. Andrew's Church, on May 11th, for evening service, and to celebrate the 21st anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Faulkner's wedding, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 41 mins.: W. Massey 1, J. Faulkner 2, H. Hill 3, H. Hubble 4, E. J. Garratt 5, W. Prestidge 6, A. Prestidge (conductor) 7, J. Massey 8.

KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.—On Whit-Sunday morning, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. Dowling 1, W. Palmer 2, J. Withers 3, T. Pritchett 4, J. S. Pritchett 5, F. Withers 6, A. Chambers (conductor) 7, W. Dowler 8.

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BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.— CHESTER.

By J. R. JERRAM.

There appear to have been only five bells previous to 1867. It seems from the inscription on the sixth (the only old bell remaining) that the old peal was cast by Henry Oldfield, of Nottingham. This bell bears his trade mark, a cross of calvary on three steps, surmounted by a crescent and star, with the initials H. O. on either side in Lombardic letters.

The inscriptions on the present peal of eight, which have been kindly obtained for me by Mr. W. Sconce, are as follows:—

Seventh.

REFUSUM, A.D. 1634. DENUO REFUSUM, A.D.
1827. I. RUDHALL, OPERANTE.

Tenor.

BENEVOLENTIA CIVIUM ERGA DECANUM,
F. ANSON, S. T. P. REFUSUM A.D. 1827.
J. WARNER ET FIL: LONDINI.

Call-bell.

+ GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO, 1626.

The augmentation of the peal from five to eight is certainly a success, and does the founders credit. The present tenor weighs 29 cwt. 0 qr. 11 lbs.

The word "fecerunt" on the sixth must of course be understood in the sense of "fieri fecerunt."



CHESTER CATHEDRAL.

Treble.

PRIMO FUSUM A.D. 1867. J. WARNER ET FIL:
LONDINI.

Second.

[Ditto].

Third.

[Ditto].

Fourth.

DENUO FUSUM A.D. 1867. J. WARNER ET FIL:
LONDINI.

Fifth.

REFUSUM A.D. 1604. DENUO REFUSUM, A.D.
1827. I. RUDHALL. I SWEETLY TOLING
MEN DO CALL TO TASTE ON MEATS THAT
FEEDS THE SOOLE.

Sixth.

H + O ☼ + NOS SVMVS CONSTRVCTE
AD LAWDEM DOMINI. [and on sound bow]
DECANVS ET CAPITVLVM CESTRIE ME
FECERVNT ANNO DNI. 1606.

[All this inscription is in Lombardic letters].

ODD CHANGES.

We understand that the scheme for replacing the bells at St. Peter's Church, Brighton, with a peal more worthy of the parish church of such an important town, has so far advanced that a peal of eight with a tenor of about 25 cwt. is assured. It is hoped, however, that it will be possible to make the ring into one of ten bells.

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A correspondent has sent us an account of a curious action which is taken in some Devon towers. The rope ends are cut so as to do away with the "tuck" and leave the ringer with a single rope with a knot in the end. This has many disadvantages.

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A single end is, of course, not at all comfortable for ringing and does not enable the ringer to get anything like the same grip, while there is, of course, no possibility of lenthening the rope for a short man, or when the weather causes it to shrink. In the course of a visit to some country towers our correspondent found that the cutting had been done in more than one belfry and he

thinks the attention of the incumbents should be drawn to the absurd action, with a view to putting a stop to it.

The Royal Assent has just been given to the Bill constituting the new Diocese to be formed in Essex, and St. Mary's, Chelmsford, has now assumed the dignity of a cathedral.

A large gathering of Essex ringers is expected at Chelmsford for the dedication of the new ring of twelve bells at the cathedral on September 27th. The dedication service is to be held at 3 p.m., the preacher being the Bishop of St. Alban's. At 4 p.m. there will be ringing by a special band, conducted by Mr. Faulkner, and after tea, to which the Rector and churchwardens are issuing invitations, there will be ringing until 8 p.m., when festal evensong will be held. The bells will again be open afterwards until 10 p.m.

BELLS AND THEIR USES.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I read with great interest Mr. Jerram's notes on the use of the six "lady" bells in Lincoln Cathedral. "Two were chimed for service on ordinary days, and four on the eves of Saints' Days, Saturdays and Sundays." This evidently ancient usage admirably illustrates the principle, for which I have consistently contended both in your columns and in the Central Council. It is true that the bells in question were only chimed, an eminently inferior substitute for ringing, but the principle was observed: namely, that of employing the bells to do special honour to Sundays and other Feast Days and of beginning such observance of each festival, including Sundays, the previous evening. Now that chiming has fortunately in most places given place to ringing on all such occasions, it is our part to keep regularly to the ancient usage by ringing on all feast days and their eves, and on Saturday as the eve of Sunday.—Yours truly,

F. LL. EDWARDS.

Kingston Magna Rectory.

SURPRISE PRINCIPLE.

MR. WASHBROOK'S REPLY TO THE LEGITIMATE METHODS COMMITTEE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In answer to the Legitimate Methods Committee allow me to say that I entirely differ from them. My method is a principle, because it fulfils all that is required and all that is possible in a Major Principle, which is, that every bell performs the same work in a course. It is not necessary to argue this point, I hope, that a system could not be allowed because the division ends are alternately "in" and "out."

We have no right to use the word "illegitimate," have we? Any method that fulfils the order of hunting, dodging, and place-making is legitimate in my opinion. It is not desirable from a musical point of view to ring methods with place-making in 1-2 and 7-8, and it is not fashionable to lie four blows in one place in the interior. I am afraid that we are getting too much science and too little art. Here we have a system fulfilling all the old laws of hunting, dodging and place-making in their best form, extremely interesting to ring, difficult (especially if the 6th is moved), and the finest of bell music, and four gentlemen would condemn it because it is not following out some new fangled theory, which not one ringer in a thousand would ever understand or care about. Perhaps these gentlemen would be so kind as to tell us in plain ringers' language what is the matter with the system.

I would also like to remind them that there is no law governing what a Surprise Principle really should be. I am glad to think that this may possibly lead to some opinions on the matter, and before I enter into points of theory on this subject I would be glad to see some outside opinions. But do let us look at things as they are in practice, and not throw some good things away for the sake of some stupid theory that the future generations will laugh at. Let us remember that some of our finest musical composers ignored the theory of music, and a good job they did, too, as we should have been short of some of the best if they had not.

J. W. WASHBROOK.

THE SUGGESTED APPEAL TO MR. CARNEGIE.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Is there any independent spirit left in these islands? In many villages and even in large townships one sees Carnegie Free (bless the mark!) Libraries. When a church needs a new organ an appeal is made to Mr. Carnegie, and now one is aghast to find the suggestion of an appeal, and that by a large and representative body, on behalf of church bells. In this despised country a Roman Catholic congregation some years ago had a wretchedly small and unsuitable place of worship. Many of the members had perforce to crowd round the door, the interior being packed. What did they do? Every Sunday for years collectors went round to their houses, and these poor people paid a penny or two of their hard-earned money with clockwork regularity. Now a large and handsome building stands where the former unsuitable one was.

Some grit here! But then Mr. Carnegie had not come back from America. I am sure these people got help outside their own parish, and I do not object to the principle of outside help for church bells, but the idea of relaxing all effort and depending on the gift of one wealthy man who may have no interest in or knowledge of the district is to me most objectionable.—I am, sir, yours, etc.

C. MURRAY.

Laurel Lodge, Blessington, Co. Wicklow.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.

PLEASURE AND BUSINESS AT MARGATE.

Ideal weather favoured the annual outing of the Romney Marsh and District Guild on Saturday, when Margate was visited. Arriving at this charming town fairly early, the party proceeded to St. Peter's Church, where touches of Grandsire Triples were rung under the conductorship of Messrs. C. W. Player and C. Tribe, Master J. Cobb Pitman, of Lyminge, ringing his first touch of Triples. The Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, of Cambridge, also took part in the ringing. Dinner was served at Austen's restaurant. In the afternoon St. John's was the rendezvous, and the company was augmented by the presence of Messrs. A. J. Saxby (Margate), J. N. Oxborrow (Brixton), and Selby (Westerham). Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were the methods rung, Messrs. J. N. Oxborrow and W. E. Pitman acting as conductors. After tea, which was partaken of at Austen's, the Church of St. Laurence, another peal of eight, were at the visitors' disposal, and some capital Grandsire Triples were rung, Mr. C. W. Player conducting.

Mr. C. Tribe presided at the business meeting which was held, and, on the proposition of Mr. C. W. Player, seconded by Mr. A. Johnson, the next meeting will be held at New Romney on September 13th, in conjunction with the annual assembly of the Ashford District of the Kent Association, which takes place there on that date. As to the monthly peal, the Master (Mr. G. Billenness) wrote stating that negotiations were in progress regarding the quarterly peal of the Sussex Association (East Division) at Rye. This would probably be on the 30th August.—It was decided to ask Mr. Keith Hart, of Brighton, who is conducting the peal of Stedman at Rye, to journey to Appledore to make an attempt for Stedman there on the same day.—Master J. Cobb Pitman was enrolled as a member, and Messrs. W. E. Pitman and G. J. Youngs voiced thanks to the clergy at the various churches for the use of the bells. They also expressed gratitude to Messrs. Saxby and Twyman for the splendid arrangements they had made and the cordial welcome they had extended to the visitors. The outing was a huge success, and a great source of enjoyment to all. The towers represented were: Appledore, Ashford, Lyminge, Rye, Salehurst, Stone-in-Oxney and Tenterden.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

At a well-attended meeting of the Bolton branch at Westhoughton members were present from Bolton, Leigh, Horwich, Walkden, Hindley and Manchester. Some very good touches of Stedman and Treble Bob were rung. It was proposed to hold the next meeting at Horwich (8 bells). The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for use of the bells, and also the local band for having the tower ready.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Further subscriptions to the fund for assisting the widow and three children of the late Mr. F. A. Nunn are acknowledged from Lough-ton ringers, per Mr. E. Wightman, 8s.; Rickling, Newport, Essex, ringers, per A. B. Wiffen, 4s. Contributions will be most thankfully received by "F.R.," care of the Rev. F. Rice, the Vicarage, St. Ann's Road, South Tottenham.



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RINGERS' OUTINGS.

NORTHANTS CYCLING TOUR.

A party of Central Northants ringers had a pleasant cycling tour last week. A start was made as early as 5 a.m., and the Northampton contingent picked up reinforcements on the way until at Towcester the band was complete, and the cyclists made their way to Brackley. Here Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Grandsire Doubles were rung, and then the party proceeded to Evenley, two miles distant. The journey was short, but eventful, as a pair of swerving horses caused the most nervous of the company to "run in quick" to the hedge. On the light ring of five, in good going order at Evenley, Grandsire and Stedman were rung, and then the Vicar very kindly invited the visitors to lunch on the Vicarage lawn, which was much appreciated. The host and his daughters were very interested in bells and bell ringing, and it would not be surprising to hear there were some more lady ringers soon. After doing full justice to lunch, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar and his daughters for their kind hospitality. A ride of about five miles through very interesting country then brought the party to Aynhoe, where they found a fine peal of eight in very good order, but very noisy in the ringing chamber. At King's Sutton, another ring of eight were tried, and Grandsire Triples rung. After the bells had been lowered, however, everyone wanted to know where the ropes came from, and when the local ringers said "Banbury," someone remarked that, "although Banbury had a world-wide reputation for making cakes, they had a lot to learn yet in making bell ropes." Middleton Cheney are a grand ring of six, with tenor 28 cwt., and here Bob Minor and Grandsire were rung. After ringing at Marston St. Lawrence, the Vicar invited the visitors to the Vicarage to drink his health, and not one asked to be excused. Tea had been arranged at the Rectory, Thenford, for four o'clock, and on arrival the party found a splendid repast ready for them. After tea, the captain was a little premature, when he proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. and Mrs. Crum for their kindness, for the Rector, in his reply, said it was not Mrs. Crum yet, but he hoped it would be soon. So best wishes for their future happiness were added to the vote of thanks.—At the church the nice light ring of five were set going to Stedman and Grandsire. Culworth, another ring of five, provided the last call of the day, for on arriving at Morton Pinkney a death in the village prevented ringing. The sixteen mile ride back to Northampton was safely accomplished, and everyone agreed it was a splendid day's outing. The band was as follows: F. Hopper, W. Allen, J. Dean (Northampton), H. Clarke (Kingsthorpe), A. Smeathers (Finedon), F. Rowledge (Moulton), A. Starmer (Flore), T. Law (Weston Favell), and they take this opportunity of thanking the clergy for giving permission, and the local ringers for having the bells ready.

A MIDDLESEX OUTING.

The members of the St. Mary's Guild, Acton, visited Hayes and Uxbridge for their annual outing. The first call was made at Hayes, where, by the kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. E. R. Hudson), the ring of six at St. Mary's was placed at their disposal. Before ringing, the ancient edifice, one of the oldest in the county, was inspected, and a visit was paid to the summit of the tower, where the magnificent view of the surrounding country rewarded those who delighted in the climb.

Mr. Bolton, the steeplekeeper, who had everything in readiness, joined the visitors in several touches of Grandsire and Stedman, which were brought round. The party then proceeded to Hillingdon West, where the beautiful peal of eight at St. Andrew's was kindly placed at their disposal by the Vicar (the Rev. F. O. Sutton, M.A.), who gave them a very hearty welcome. Mr. Waite, the steeplekeeper, having got things comfortably arranged, a course or two was rung, and then the visitors adjourned for a meat tea, at which they were met by the Rev. C. H. Shakespear, B.A., of St. Mary's, Acton, who presided, supported by Mr. J. R. Mackman, the instructor to the Guild.—Mr. H. W. Cotton (secretary) welcomed and thanked Mr. Shakespear for his presence, and the Chairman briefly replied.—Mr. R. Holloway (captain) said how very pleased he was to find that the Guild was entirely self-supporting, and he was also pleased to think that this outing did not necessitate them having to fall back upon the generosity of the parishioners. They had to thank Mr. Mackman, their tutor, for the fatherly manner in which he coaxed them along in the art of change ringing. He suggested that the next outing should be one extending over a week-end, and proposed Beaconsfield and High Wycombe, and adjoining neighbourhoods.—Mr. J. R. Mackman thanked the captain for his complimentary remarks, and said that the progress made by the individual members of the Guild had pleased him very well indeed, and he wished to impress upon all present that the only way to become proficient in the art of campanology was to stick to it, by attending and ringing for divine services, and getting as much practice as possible. One of the most important points was to listen to the "striking."—A vote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. C. H. Shakespear for presiding, and to the Rev. E. R. Hudson, M.A., and the Rev. F. O. Sutton, M.A., for the use of their bells.—The whole of the party returned to St. Andrew's, where many courses each of Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major were rung, with the kind assistance of Mr. H. H. Chandler and Mr. J. Pratt. As the party were leaving the tower they were met by the Vicar, who expressed the hope that all had enjoyed themselves, and that they would visit him at some future

date.—The best thanks of the Guild are due to both Mr. Waite and Mr. Bolton for all they did to add to the enjoyment of the outing.

ST MARY ABBOTS GUILD AT CHATHAM.

Chatham was the venue of the annual outing of the Abbot's Guild, Kensington, and the party, who numbered 12, were fortunate in including a valuable guide in Inspector Collins, who had made arrangements for a tour round the dockyards. Here, of course, were objects of extreme interest, the museum with its figure heads of old wooden battleships, the splendidly equipped fire station, huge workshops of various kinds, warships in construction and others in dry dock being overhauled, the miniature railway engines and carriages for conveying the staff, etc., about the yard. These engines had a wire covering over the funnels, but not, as one member suggested, to prevent flies from falling in. The party were also fortunate in being able to go on board the battleship 'Albion,' over which they were conducted by Warrant Officer Cook. The chief items of interest on board were the big twelve inch guns and turrets. The latter appeared to be arranged so as to turn wherever required, but whether in half turns or whole turns no information was given, or whether the gunners made a bob when the guns were fired is not known.

Gillingham was the first tower visited, where the ringers, in company with Messrs. Haigh and Cook, enjoyed touches of Stedman, Treble Bob, etc. After lunch the party, who were augmented by three more members, visited St. Margaret's, Rochester, but some difficulty was experienced in ringing owing to a long draft and trouble with a stay. The Cathedral was next on the programme, and the long and tortuous climb to the ringing chamber was well repaid with touches of Stedman, Superlative and London on this fine ring of eight. Tea and a walk round the castle and grounds, and inspection of various features of interest in Rochester, brought the visit to a close, votes of thanks having been duly accorded to Messrs. Haigh, Cook and all others who had contributed to the day's enjoyment, as well as to the various authorities for the use of the bells. On the return journey to town the party had a somewhat alarming experience, having selected compartments near the engine. After going for some minutes the carriage roof was subjected to a terrific bombardment, and, on looking out to see what was amiss it was thought at first that a cluster of shooting stars must have got in our way. However further investigation revealed the fact that it was only a South-Eastern and Chatham Railway Company's engine on its metal trying to make up lost time and throwing out lumps of red hot coal in its efforts. This company should take a tip from the dockyard engines unless they wish to cremate their passengers.

MISSIONARY OUTING.

A "missionary expedition" was indulged in by the Coseley (Staffs) Parish Church company for their annual outing, the villages of Trysull, Pattingham and Patshull being visited. Accompanied by Mrs. Gough and Miss Mullett, Messrs. Bayliss brothers, of Bradley, and Mr. and Mrs. D. Jones, of St. Luke's, Wolverhampton, the party had a pleasant drive to Trysull, where the fine-toned ring of six were utilised, and two six-scores of Grandsire Doubles and 720 Grandsire Minor were rung to the delight of the villagers. At Pattingham, where tea was partaken of, Grandsire, Oxford Bob, and Darlaston Bob Triples, Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure Major were rung. In the evening, Patshull Park, the seat of Lord Dartmouth, and the pretty little church were visited. In the newly painted and renovated belfry, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, and Canterbury and Plain Bob Minor were rung before the horses' heads were turned for home, which was reached at 11 p.m., after a most enjoyable outing.

BOYNE HILL.

On August Bank Holiday, the ringers of Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, held their annual outing, and visited Hurst, Twyford, Sonning, and Henley-on-Thames. Touches of Stedman, Double Norwich, Plain Bob and Grandsire being rung at each tower, and a most enjoyable day spent. The ringers wish, through the medium of the "Ringing World," to thank the clergy and foremen of the respective towers for having everything ready, and last but not least, the Vicar of Twyford for his kind invitation to lunch after the ringing at this tower. The Rev. R. W. Acworth was much delighted with the ringing of the handbells piloted by Mr. G. Martin, to whose share, as usual, fell the duties of conductor for the day.

The ringers of Loughton and Woodford, Essex, had their annual outing on Bank Holiday. Mr. Edgar Wightman and Mr. J. Rann are to be congratulated on the success of their arrangements. The places and towers originally selected were: Tottenham, Wood Green, High Barnet and Old Southgate, but owing to a business demand of 2s. 6d. for opening the belfry, Wood Green was left severely alone. The company numbered 14, and a brake was requisitioned at Loughton for the day. Various touches from Grandsire Triples to Forward and Double Norwich were successfully performed at each tower visited. Tune playing on the handbells by Messrs. Morse, Kimberley, Green and Wightman further enlivened the proceedings. Dinner was partaken of at the Church House, Barnet, where touches of Stedman and Grandsire were accomplished on the handbells by Messrs. Wightman, Carber, Freeman, Bacon and Rann. Thanks are due to Messrs. R. Roffey, Miller and Dart for their attentions to the comforts of the party, who spent a most enjoyable day.

BURNHAM REVISITED.

Once again the St. Ann's Guild, South Tottenham, paid a visit to Burnham-on-Crouch for their annual outing, and were favoured with splendid weather. On the journey down the handbells were brought into use, and several methods rung. They were met by Mr. Cook, captain of the Burnham band, and indulged in an hour's ringing. A ramble by the water was then enjoyed, and then lunch was partaken of at the Welcome Sailor. Afterwards 720 Bob Minor was rung by T. Groombridge, junr., 1, T. Ringrose 2, E. Davidson 3, J. Hunt 4, A. Howell 5, C. Ross (conductor) 6. Several touches of Grandsire Doubles were also rung, with some of the local men standing in. At tea, regret was expressed that the Vicar (the Rev. H. W. Watson) was unable to be present through illness, and that, owing to pressure of business, Messrs. R. and A. Warner were not able to join the party, although the visitors appreciated the presence of Mr. Mackney (Messrs. Warner and Sons' manager). Piano selections were given by Mr. Groombridge, and after votes of thanks to those who had made the arrangements the party returned to London after a most enjoyable day.

VISIT TO ORSETT.

On Saturday week, the Christ Church, Wanstead, Society, with Mr. H. Ruens, secretary of the S.W. Division of the Essex Association, paid a visit to Orsett Church, which was reached by motor-car, by way of Ilford, Hornchurch and Ockendon. The party was met by Mr. A. Keeling, and touches of Oxford, Kent and Plain Bob were indulged in till 5.15, when an adjournment was made for tea at Mr. Keeling's residence, where a most sumptuous repast was awaiting them. Returning to the church, a 720 of Plain Bob was rung, followed by an attempt for 720 of Kent, which unfortunately came to grief, after ringing 18 mins. Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were then indulged in, after which the bells were lowered, the time having passed all too quickly. An enjoyable evening ride brought the party back at Leytonstone at 10 p.m. Thanks are due to the Rector for the use of the bells, to Mrs. Keeling for providing tea, and Mr. Keeling for making the arrangements for the visit, which the band hope to repeat at some future date.

AT EVESHAM.

The ringers of Aston visited Evesham for their annual outing, and were accompanied by Messrs. Carter, Godden, Morris and others. They were met by Mr. Middleton, who conducted them to the tower, where Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob were rung on the fine peal of ten. Host Moreton, one of the local ringers, served up a splendid dinner, after which Mr. W. H. Godden proposed a vote of thanks to the churchwardens of Aston for their kindness and consideration in providing the ringers with an outing and supper every year.—Thanks were also accorded the tower keeper (Mr. James Jones) for his services, and mention was made of the regular attendance of the band at Sunday ringing.—Mr. M. J. Morris seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.—A pleasant evening was spent with handbells and singing.

NEWCASTLE GUILD IN DUBLIN.

HOLIDAY TRIP TO THE EMERALD ISLE.

"Dear dirty Dublin" was the destination of the Newcastle Cathedral Guild, on the occasion of their annual excursion. En route they made a call at Manchester, where they were met by Mr. Harry Chapman, who, after lunch, conducted the party to Pendleton, where short touches of Stedman and Forward were brought round on the fine ring of eight. After tea, a visit was paid to the Town Hall, where the party was increased by the presence of the Rev. A. T. Beeston, and Messrs. Catchpole and Atkins. A peal was to have been attempted, but instead, several touches were rung, as time was short and the weather very warm. Stedman Caters and Forward Royal were successfully brought round, and also a touch of Grandsire Caters on handbells. Between whiles the visitors were conducted round the tower, the remarks, humorous and otherwise, of the genial tower keeper, being much appreciated, and the general arrangement and equipment of the tower much admired. After a social half-hour with their Manchester friends, the party entrained for Holyhead, getting separated from each other in the process, owing to the tremendous crowd. However, all turned up safely at Holyhead, and embarked on the s.s. "Hibernia," which left at 2 a.m., and after a smooth passage, enlivened by handbell music (touches of Grandsire Triples and Caters, and the "Blue Bells of Scotland," being brought round, much to the delight of the passengers), arrived at Dublin at 5.30 a.m. After replenishing the furnaces, a gentleman not unknown in the ringing world, Mr. Lindoff, to wit, was sought out, and after introductions and a pleasant chat, the visitors were conducted to the well-appointed belfry, of the noble Cathedral of St. Patrick. The bells were not raised, the visitors being content with looking round and commenting upon the thought, care, and generosity, which was apparent on every hand. Then across to Christ Church, where the bells were soon going to Stedman Caters. After tea, the party quite accidentally encountered Mr. Richard Hibbert, of Caversham, and his brother, who stayed with them for the greater portion of the evening. The visitors were now feeling the effects of their long journey, but took the car for Dollymount, and had a pleasant walk along the pier there, from which many felt

tempted to bathe, but were afraid the tired frame would not stand it. Then a social half-hour and to bed after certain ceremonies, into which pillows entered very largely, had been gone through. Up betimes on Sunday morning, the party met the boat with their "master" on board. He had been prevented by business from joining them earlier, and now arrived looking happy and smiling. Two jaunting cars were chartered, and after a swift passage, the ham and eggs provided for breakfast disappeared in fine style. Tracks were next made for St. Patrick's, where the magnificent ring of twelve were soon going to Stedman Cinques, the music produced being much admired by the visitors. St. John's was next visited, and after a perilous climb up a flimsy looking helical staircase, which one of the party did not attempt, essayed to ring a touch of Stedman Caters, but found it impossible, owing to the bad going of the 9th. The return journey was safely accomplished, though not without some nerve tremors, on looking down on the worshippers far below. After dinner, St. Patrick's was again visited, and a well-struck touch of Erin Cinques was brought round for afternoon service. This augured well for the morrow, when a peal in this method was to be attempted. Preceding to Christ Church, the visitors brought round a touch of Erin Caters. After tea, a car ride was undertaken, and a pleasant evening spent at Dalkey (which is outside the five miles' limit).

MISFORTUNE IN PEAL ATTEMPTS.

Monday dawned, and hopes of a peal were high. The band was strengthened by the inclusion of Mr. R. Hibbert, and a start was made at St. Patrick's for a peal of Erin Cinques. But, alas, after 2 hrs. and 10 mins., something went wrong in the turning course, and what was to have been the first peal of Erin Cinques in the Emerald Isle, collapsed. The attempt was a brave one, and the striking beyond criticism. Misfortune dogged the steps of the party throughout the day, for in the evening, when a Cinques band could not be raised, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Caters at the same tower, was brought to an untimely end, after 2 hrs. and 40 mins. good ringing, owing to the composition having a wrong turning course. It is but fair to the conductor to mention, that he only received the figures of the peal of Cinques on the Saturday morning, and not being prepared for Caters, looked at the figures for ten minutes only, before starting, and had not time to prick them over to see that things were all right. The disappointment naturally was great, but the band consoled themselves with the thought that though beaten this time, they had given a good account of themselves.

On Tuesday morning a visit was paid to the famous brewery of Guinness, Mr. Lindoff having procured the party a permit. There the making of stout was followed with the keenest interest, and they were much impressed by the wonderful cleanliness of the brewery, and the enormous size of the vats in which the liquor is stored previous to export. These vats are circular oaken receptacles, capable of holding 1,700 hogsheads, an amount sufficient to supply every soldier in the British Army with 2½ pints.

In the afternoon Bray was visited. A peal was to have been attempted here, but again misfortune awaited the party, the stock of the 6th being cracked, and rendering the bell unsafe for ringing. So a long walk along the cliffs brought the visit to a close, and the party returned to Dublin in time to catch their steamer. Of how our conductor had a tooth drawn on Bray head, and how he fared on Monday evening, after retiring to bed 'tis best to draw a veil. Neither he nor the other members of the party are likely to forget it.

In conclusion, the Guild, through the medium of this paper, wishes to thank the incumbents and authorities who granted the use of the bells: Messrs. Lindoff and Townley, of Dublin; Messrs. Chapman and Beeston, of Manchester, and all others who so willingly co-operated, to make the outing such a successful and enjoyable one. The names of those who took part in the touches and peal attempts at St. Patrick's are as follows:—Morning service: Stedman Cinques: J. A. Townley 1, J. Kemp 2, C. L. Routledge 3, G. Booker 4, R. Tait 5, B. C. Dixon 6, G. Lindoff 7, A. F. Hillier 8, J. Keen 9, W. H. Barber 10, R. Richards 11, J. W. Townley 12.

Evening Service.—Erin Cinques: J. Kemp 1, G. Lindoff 2, C. L. Routledge 3, W. Lynch 4, R. Tait 5, B. C. Dixon 6, R. Lynch 7, A. F. Hillier 8, J. E. Keen 9, W. H. Barber 10, R. Richards 11, J. W. Townley 12.

Peal attempt.—Erin Cinques: J. A. Townley 1, J. Kemp 2, C. L. Routledge 3, R. Hibbert 4, W. H. Barber 5, B. C. Dixon 6, G. Lindoff 7, A. F. Hillier 8, J. E. Keen 9, J. W. Townley 10, R. Richards 11, J. Noblitt 12.

Peal attempt.—Stedman Caters: J. Kemp 1, C. L. Routledge 2, G. Lindoff 3, J. W. Townley 4, R. Lynch 5, A. F. Hillier 6, B. C. Dixon 7, J. E. Keen 8, W. H. Barber 9, R. Richards 10. Conductor throughout W. H. Barber.

In connection with the trip, it is interesting to note that touches were rung on handbells in every county through which the party passed.

ALDERSHOT.—At the Parish Church, on May 5th, in 23 mins. 720 Bob Minor: C. Edwards 1, J. Woolcott (first 720 with a bob bell) 2, A. Croucher 3, H. Chaffey 4, V. A. Jarrett (R.E. band), conductor, 5, Lee-Corpl. R. Keeble, R.E., 6.

BICTON, SALOP.—On May 11th, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Oxford Bob Minor, 360 Plain Bob and 360 Grandsire: J. Tudor 1, P. Brooks 2, E. R. T. Corbett 3, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 4, W. R. Stockdale 5, A. Fullick 6.

NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, August 23rd, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 prompt; a good attendance is earnestly requested.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at the Parish Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, August 23rd, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.; a good attendance is requested.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wellingboro' District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Mears Ashby on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock.—W. Perkins, District Secretary, 6 Addington Road, Irthlingborough.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Central Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Balcombe on Saturday, August 23rd. Tower open from 2 till 9. Short service 4.45. Tea 5.15 at the Half Moon Assembly Room, by kind invitation of the Rector. Business to follow.—A. D. Stone, Divisional Hon. Secretary, 29, Ashton Street, Brighton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Worsley, on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available at 4 p.m.; meeting at 7.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary, 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.—Established 1755.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Yardley, Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at Talbot Hotel, 9d. per head, at 5.30; to be followed by business meeting.—A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A monthly meeting will be held at Hatton on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells (6) available from 3.30 p.m.—Rev. C. C. Cox, Hon. Secretary, Shotton.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 28th, at 7.30; St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays, 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Womborne, Staffordshire, on Saturday, August 30th. Bells available at 3.30. Service in church at 5 o'clock, to be conducted by the Rev. E. P. Nicholas (Vicar). Business meeting afterwards.—Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North Western Division.—A district meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Harlow, on Saturday, August 30th, 1913. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea and business meeting at the Parish Institute at 5 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly notify me by Wednesday, August 27th.—William Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Evesham on Saturday, August 30th. Service in All Saints' Church at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting in the Parish Hall after service. Will all those intending to be present at tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, August 26th? The bells (10) will be available.—N.B.—All members are requested to try and attend service.—J. Hemming, Branch Secretary, 10, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—A cycle run will take place on Saturday, August 30th; 3 p.m. Aldridge (5); 4.15 p.m. Pelsall (5); 5.30 p.m. tea (free) and ringing at Rushall (6). Names for tea to be sent in by the 28th.—Rev. E. V. Cox, 39, Westbourne Road, Walsall.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Hoghton on Saturday, August 30th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 5.30. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Barton-le-Cloy on Saturday, August 30th, 1913. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. King, Hon. Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at New Mills on Saturday, August 30th.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Branch Secretary, New Mills.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Burton-on-Trent District.—A meeting will be held at Neatherseale, on Saturday, August 30th. Bells ready at 3.30. By the kindness of the Vicar tea will be provided for all those attending who send in their names not later than Wednesday, August 27th, to Harry Wakley, 160, Horninglow Road N., Burton-on-Trent.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Sunbury, on Saturday, September 6th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. P. C. West).—H. C. Chandler, Hon. Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP GUILD.—The annual meeting will be held at Shrewsbury on Saturday, September 6th, 1913. Ringing at St. Mary's at 3 p.m.; also at St. Michael's and, if possible, at St. Chad's, St. Julian's and St. Alkmund's during the afternoon. Service at St. Chad's Church 5 p.m.; preacher, Rev. E. V. Cox. Tea at St. Chad's Room 5.45 p.m. Business meeting after tea.—Rev. H. B. Beckwith, Hon. Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South Western Division.—The annual meeting will be held at Romford on Saturday, September 6th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Short service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and business meeting in the Parish Hall. Members will oblige by notifying me by Wednesday, September 3rd, their intention of attending the meeting. Several 1913 subscriptions have not yet been received, and members will oblige by sending same to H. Rumens, Hon. District Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.—The half-yearly meeting will take place at Portmadoc, on September 6th. Meeting in the Church Room at 3.15 p.m. Tea after

meeting. Those intending to be present kindly inform Mr. J. McMillan, 15, High Street, Portmadoc, not later than September 1st.—H. Moore, Junr., Wrexham, Hon. Sec.

LYMINGE, KENT.—Will ringers kindly observe that, with the full sanction of the Rector, the Rev. A. F. Rutty, M.A., all applications for the use of the bells (peals or otherwise) be addressed to the newly-elected captain of the local band, Mr. E. Fisher, Well House, Lyminge. Sunday ringing, 10.15 a.m. and 5.45 p.m. Practice nights on Thursdays at 8 p.m.—W. E. Pitman, Mus. Bac., F.R.C.O., Honorary Secretary.

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CHARLTON KINGS, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—On May 10th, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples came to grief after 2 hrs. 45 mins.: W. Shercliff 1, A. K. Harrison 2, C. Sanders 3, J. Austin 4, A. P. Wakley (conductor) 5, A. S. Boar 6, J. T. Dyke 7, J. Bastin (first attempt) 8.

DITCHINGHAM.—Norwich Association.—At St. Mary's Church, on May 11th, 360 Bob Minor: H. Barrel 1, C. Woods 2, W. Woods 3, T. Beckett 4, L. Hembling 5, H. Tarrhead (conductor) 6.

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