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St. Peter's Collegiate Church,
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Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12.

WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,
MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1912.
Gentlemen.

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F. T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

CHELMSFORD'S NEW BELLS.

The event at Chelmsford to-morrow—the dedication of the new peal of twelve at the Cathedral—is one of no small interest to ringers generally, while to the ringers of Essex it is one of considerable importance. The increasing of a ring of bells to twelve is not an every day occurrence, and if for that reason only the proceedings in the Essex county town are of special interest to ringers. Again, one of the first events of importance in the newly created diocese is to be one in which the bells are to play a primary part, and in which the ringers will have an important share. It is some years now, since an English cathedral provided a new peal of twelve. Speaking from memory, we believe Christ Church, Oxford, was the last, and, of course, in that case the bells are hung in an unconsecrated tower. The rarity of the occasion, therefore, is sufficient to arouse a special interest in the proceedings.

To the ringing community of Essex the matter is an important one, for it provides the county with its first ring of twelve bells. Moreover, the Essex Association has itself presented one of the treble bells, and the gift will provide a fitting testimony to the desire of ringers to contribute their share to this portion of the church's equipment. Unquestionably it is of great advantage to ringers to have within reach a peal of twelve to practice upon, and when those who will reap this advantage themselves contribute substantially towards it, they are giving proof of their readiness to help themselves in the advancement of the Art as well as to advance the higher cause for which bells are primarily erected. To-morrow should be a great day for Essex ringers, who may be relied upon to gather from the four corners of the diocese to share in the consummation of so grand an undertaking as that of the erection of a peal of twelve bells in their own Cathedral tower.

We have already remarked upon the rarity of new twelve-bell rings. Chelmsford will raise the total peals of this number to 33 in England, which is just 20 more than there were a century ago, when William Shipway published the list in his "Campanologia." London at that time contained seven of the thirteen, of which one—Christ Church, Spitalfields—was afterwards lost by fire. St. Paul's and Bow have since come into being. In 1816 Birmingham, Cambridge, Cirencester, Liverpool, Norwich and Shrewsbury were the only twelves in the provinces. The growth in the peals of twelve bells has been slow, in comparison with the pace at which the peals of eight and ten have grown, yet it cannot be considered altogether unsatisfactory, when one remembers that it means that one new peal of twelve has been provided on an average every five years, and this through a period in the early part of the 19th century, when bell restoration was very much neglected.

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Yours truly,

CHAS. EDMUNDS,

Vicar of Broomfield.

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TEN BELL PEALS.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANCES;

Tenor 23 cwt., in E.

*EDWARD RADDON Treble	*WILLIAM LOADER 6
*C. HENRY HUTTON 2	*CHARLES HAZELDEN 7
†THOMAS W. RADFORD 3	SEPTIMUS RADFORD 8
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN 4	FRANK BLONDELL 9
CHARLES WILLSHIRE 5	ALFRED H. PULLING ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and
Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

* First peal in the method. † First peal of Treble Bob Royal. First peal of Royal by the ringers of treble, 4th and 6th. This is the first peal of Treble Bob Royal for the Guild by a resident band, and all the ringers were Guildford men.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5101 CHANCES;

Tenor 24½ cwt.

GEORGE LEWIS Treble	THOMAS BETTISON 6
WALTER ALLWOOD 2	GEORGE HOLLIS 7
ARTHUR KNIGHTS 3	WILLIAM LAMBERT 8
REV. A. T. BEESTON 4	JOHN FLINT 9
JOHN HOLMAN 5	GEORGE W. BEMBROSE ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by GEORGE LEWIS.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANCES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

†CHRISTOPHER HICK Treble	†EDWIN J. TYLER 6
†EDGAR MARLOW 2	*BERT HORTON 7
*ALFRED ADAMS 3	†THOMAS HILL 8
†EDGAR T. SMITH 4	ALFRED ROWLEY 9
†THOMAS BLOORE 5	†THOMAS J. ELTON ... Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN, and
Conducted by THOMAS J. ELTON.

* First peal of Royal. † First peal of Treble Bob Royal. ‡ First peal of Treble Bob Royal as conductor. Rung on the eve of St. Matthew's Day, and to commemorate the 700th anniversary of the appointment of the first rector to this church.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BARROW GURNEY, NEAR BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN AND ST. EDWARD THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

*GEORGE TOMKINS Treble	HENRY PRING 5
*EDGAR GUISE 2	GEORGE CONDLICK, JUNR. ... 6
HARRY BROWNJOHN 3	JOHN A. BURFORD 7
*RAYMOND J. WILKINS 4	WILLIAM A. CAVE Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM SOTTENSTALL, and
Conducted by WILLIAM A. CAVE.

* First peal of Bristol. First Surprise peal on the bells. The band wish to thank the Vicar (Rev. E. M. Lance), for the use of the bells, and the steeplekeeper for meeting them and having everything ready.

MITCHAM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

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

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT Treble	ALFRED J. TRAPPITT 5
ALFRED H. WINCH 2	ROBERT GRIMWOOD 6
DAVID WRIGHT 3	ALFRED CLAYTON 7
BENJAMIN MORRIS 4	WILLIAM S. SMITH Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and
Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

KENNINGHALL, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lbs.

SIDNEY GASKIN Treble	FREDERICK A. SALTER 5
FREDERICK A. POULSON 2	THOMAS FITZJOHN 6
*HORACE HAYLETT 3	FREDERICK C. BURROWS 7
*JAMES FULCHER 4	WILLIAM MEARS Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS, and
Conducted by F. C. BURROWS.

* First peal of Major and first attempt.

LUTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 19 cwt.

*WALTER PAYNE Treble	ERNEST HERBERT 5
*MISS EVELYN STEEL 2	STANLEY DOBBIE 6
HERBERT L. HARLOW 3	*HORACE SMITH 7
ALBERT KING 4	JOHN W. BARKER Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

* First peal in the method.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 13, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

WILLIAM BIGGIN Treble	SAM THOMAS 5
JOSEPH ATKIN 2	JOHN THORPE 6
TOM O'HARA 3	RICHARD W. COLLIER 7
*GEORGE FREDERICK ALLEN 4	JOHN HOLMAN Tenor

Conducted by W. BIGGIN.

* First peal with an inside bell.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lbs., in A flat.

EDGAR PEMBERTON Treble	ERNEST F. POPPY 5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON 2	WILLIE ROUGHTON 6
WILLIAM J. NEVARD 3	JAMES MOTTS 7
GEORGE N. PRICE 4	*CHARLES A. WARD Tenor

Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

* First peal.

CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lbs., in F sharp.

WILLIE ROUGHTON Treble	WILLIAM J. NEVARD 5
GEORGE N. PRICE 2	ERNEST F. POPPY 6
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON 3	JAMES MOTTS 7
EDGAR PEMBERTON 4	CHARLES A. WARD Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

This was Charles Ward's second peal and it is believed to be the first occasion on which a ringer has scored his first two peals on the same day.

KIRTON-IN-HOLLAND.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, September 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

JOHN H. BROTHWELL Treble	*JOHN W. SEAMER 5
*ARTHUR ANDREWS 2	JOHN T. HOLMES 6
CLEMENT GLENN 3	*SIDNEY F. PALMER 7
*ALBERT H. WARD 4	REV. H. LAW JAMES Tenor

Composed by E. BARNETT, and
Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

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

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lbs.

*THOMAS FORD, JUNR. Treble	JOHN SNELLING 5
*FREDERICK SEAGER 2	GEORGE SNELLING 6
ERNEST WHITING 3	*HENRY GARNHAM 7
EDWIN WHITING 4	FREDERICK BORRETT Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN, and
Conducted by F. R. BORRETT.

* First peal in the method. First peal of Bristol in Suffolk.

UXBRIDGE, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, September 16, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOSEPH J. PRATT Treble	BERTRAM PREWETT 5
PERCY E. JONES 2	RICHARD BUCKLAND 6
WILLIAM HENLEY 3	HENRY H. CHANDLER 7
GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE 4	WILLIAM HONOR Tenor

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

H. H. Chandler's 50th peal of Stedman.

ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24½ cwt.

*E. BISHOP, JUNR. Treble	*F. HAMMOND 5
*A. HARMAN 2	*C. BRASIER 6
*O. HOLMWOOD 3	KEITH HART 7
H. R. BUTCHER 4	*E. BISHOP Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

* First peal in the method. All the ringers, except the conductor, are members of the local band.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt.			
EDWIN WHITING <i>Treble</i>		HENRY GARNHAM	5
GEORGE SNELLING 2		HARRY ADCOCK... ..	6
*FREDERICK C. M. SKINNER 3		ERNEST WHITING	7
BERTIE F. TURNER 4		FREDERICK SEAGER <i>Tenor</i>	
Composed by W. HARRISON, and			
Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.			

* First peal on eight bells. First peal as conductor.

LONDON.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD, S.E.,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 20 cwt.			
GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... <i>Treble</i>	FRANK BENNETT 5		
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 2	FRANK I. HAIRS 6		
ALFRED W. GRIMES 3	ALFRED B. PECK 7		
HAROLD BURTON 4	JAMES E. DAVIS <i>Tenor</i>		
Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and			
Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.			

Messrs. Peck and Burton were elected members previous to starting.

EPSOM, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.			
DAVID ANSCOMB	<i>Treble</i>	CHARLES E. READ	5
ALFRED BASSETT	2	THOMAS A. SHRUBB	6
ALFRED L. BROWN	3	ARTHUR DEAN	7
WILLIAM H. CORBETT	4	JOSEPH LAMPRIILL	<i>Tenor</i>
Conducted by A. L. BROWN.			

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of 6th and 7th. This was Arthur Dean's 100th peal for the Surrey Association. First peal in the method as conductor.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.			
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN	..Treble	*WILLIAM BURGESS ...	5
GEORGE N. PRICE ...	... 2	GEORGE WIGHTMAN ...	6
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN ...	... 3	THOMAS W. LAST ...	7
WILLIE ROUGHTON* ...	... 4	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN ...	Tenor

* First peal in the method.

LONDON.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)
On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH, BLACKFRIARS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.			
THOMAS WALKER	Treble	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD	5
*JOHN W. CORNFORD	2	ALFRED W. GRIMES...	6
CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES	3	FREDERICK J. HARDY	7
WILLIAM J. KEMP	4	ARTHUR D. BARKER	Tenor
Composed by T. DAY, and			
Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.			

* First peal in the method.

SAMLESBURY, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(PRESTON BRANCH.)
On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD-THE-LESS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.				Tenor 19½ cwt., in E.	
THOMAS ALMOND...	...	...	<i>Treble</i>	ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG	... 5
ARTHUR BAILEY	...	...	2	*JAMES ARMSTRONG	... 6
E. ROGER MARTIN	...	...	3	EDWARD ARMSTRONG	... 7
JOHN BAILEY	...	...	4	RICHARD BROUGHTON	... <i>Tenor</i>
Conducted by JAMES ARMSTRONG.					

* First peal as conductor and first attempt. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Rev. W. Scholes, who was for nearly 32 years Vicar of Samlesbury.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

ERNEST DUMPER	<i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM ROWE... ..	5
*OWEN H. GILES	2	CHARLES H. RUSSELL	6
WILLIAM T. TUCKER	3	WILLIAM H. GEORGE	7
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS	4	GEORGE WILLIAMS	<i>Tenor</i>
Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and			
Conducted by WILLIAM H. GEORGE.			

* First peal with a bob bell. First peal of Major as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Rowe.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

ARTHUR H. WHITE <i>Treble</i>	RICHARD STREDWICK 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN 2	ALBERT D. STONE 6
JOHN CAPP 3	WILLIAM C. HART 7
EDWARD C. MERRITT 4	KEITH HART <i>Tenor</i>

MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt.			
*FREDERICK KNOWLES	...Treble	JOHN H. PAULSON	... 5
ALFRED C. WRIGHT	... 2	HENRY GEORGE	... 6
WILLIAM FOX	... 3	THOMAS WHITE	... 7
REV. A. T. BEESTON	... 4	BENJAMIN GREATORIX	...Tenor
Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and			
Conducted by BENJAMIN GREATORIX.			

* First peal of Major.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 22 cwt.			
ARTHUR CHAPMAN	... .. Treble	ALFRED H. MARTIN	... 5
WILLIAM GILBERT	... .. 2	WALTER PERKINS	... 6
WALTER GILBERT	... .. 3	HENRY STUBBS	... 7
JAMES HOUGHTON	... .. 4	CHARLES W. CLARKE	... Tenor
Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE. Rang as a birthday compliment to A. Chapman.			

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Chapman.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*HERBERT A. MEAD Treble	GEORGE LAYZELL 5
HARRY J. WRIGHT 2	HENRY G. ROWE 6
*JOHN A. CHILDS 3	WILLIAM HEWITT 7
WALTER S. INWOOD 4	*ARTHUR T. FRANKLIN ... Tenor

Conducted by HENRY G. ROWE.

* First peal. Rung on the eve of St. Matthew's Day. Mr. Wright was re-elected a member of the Association previous to starting. He rang his last peal nearly 19 years ago. Mr. Rowe was on a visit from Cheshunt.

BROXBOURNE, HERTS.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

*WILLIAM SABAN Treble	ALFRED W. GRIMES 5
GEORGE RADLEY 2	WILLIAM PYE 6
ISAAC G. SHADE 3	REUBEN SANDERS 7
CHARLES T. COLES 4	ERNEST PYE Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and

Conducted by ERNEST PYE.

* First peal of Surprise. Rung as a compliment to the Vicar (Rev. J. Salwey, M.A.) on his retirement after 34 years' service. Also as a birthday compliment to the conductor, and to the wife of the ringer of the fifth.

METHERINGHAM.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 8 cwt.

FREDERICK W. STOKES ... Treble	CHARLES CHESTER 5
CLEMENT GLENN 2	GEORGE LADD 6
SIDNEY F. PALMER 3	*WILLIAM DICKINSON ... 7
EDWARD LLOYD 4	JOHN H. BROTHWELL ... Tenor

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

* 50th peal.

EPSOM, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

*CHARLES E. READ Treble	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, Senr. 5
WALTER S. WISE 2	HENRY L. GARFATH 6
WALTER G. ROWE 3	WILLIAM GROVES 7
*AMOS W. CLARK 4	ARTHUR DEAN Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WALTER S. WISE.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday-compliment to William Groves.

WALTHAMSTOW.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt., in E flat.

JOHN H. WILKINS Treble	*JOSEPH B. MARKS 5
ROBERT MAYNARD, Senr. ... 2	ALBERT A. HUGHES 6
WILLIAM J. KEMP 3	HENRY RUMENS 7
JAMES C. ADAMS 4	FRED C. MAYNARD Tenor

Conducted by HENRY RUMENS.

* First peal in the method. Rung, after meeting short for Grandsire Caters, as a birthday compliment to R. Maynard, Senr. J. H. Wilkins and F. C. Maynard were elected members previous to starting.

GATESHEAD, DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.
Tenor 15 cwt.

*JOHN ANDERSON Treble	ALFRED F. HILLIER 5
ARTHUR PAYNE 2	R. ALDER GOFTON 6
JOSEPH A. GOFTON 3	BENJAMIN C. DIXON 7
ROBERT W. FALCONER ... 4	JOHN STUART Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH A. GOFTON.

* First attempt to ring a peal in any method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Benjamin C. Dixon.

EYE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

WALTER LAST Treble	WILLIAM ROSE 5
*LEONARD LAST 2	HARRY MOSS 6
*WILLIAM CLOVER 3	ERNEST F. POPPY 7
GEORGE N. PRICE 4	WILLIE ROUGHTON Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

* First peal in the method. Walter Last belongs to Sibton. The composition of this peal and that rung at Helmingham has the 4th and 6th ten courses each in 6th's place (extent) with 4th and 6th reversed in 5-6 without recourse to bobs "Before." It is a modern constructed peal, and the first composed and rung on its general plan of calling.

GARGRAVE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. HERON, JUNR.'S, SIX-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

J. LANGSTROTH Treble	S. BATEMAN 5
W. H. BIRTWHISTLE 2	*A. R. JONES 6
J. LOFTHOUSE 3	C. LANGSTROTH 7
T. BANCROFT 4	H. BIRTWHISTLE Tenor

Conducted by A. R. JONES.

* First peal as conductor. This peal was rung as a farewell to the Ven. Archdeacon Kilner, M.A., who took his last service as vicar on the following day. His ordination as Bishop of Richmond will take place at York Minster on Monday next, September 29th. The Gargrave company wish to convey their thanks to Messrs. Bancroft and Bateman, of Keighley, for coming to help at the last moment to fill gaps caused by sickness.

NORWICH.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AT COSLANY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

EDWIN WHITING Treble	ERNEST WHITING 5
JOHN SNELLING 2	BERTIE F. TURNER 6
GEORGE SNELLING 3	FREDERICK SEAGER 7
GEORGE P. BURTON 4	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and

Conducted by EDWIN WHITING.

WIDFORD.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

HENRY W. KIRTON Treble	*HENRY HEAD 5
WILLIAM LINCOLN 2	WILLIAM KEEBLE 6
ARTHUR EDWARDS 3	FRANK CLAYDON 7
JAMES FLUEY 4	ARTHUR HEAD Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

* First peal in the method.

PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES ;

Tenor 25½ cwt.

JOHN W. WHITING Treble	*ALFRED H. WINCH 5
FREDERICK BURNETT 2	EDWARD REYNOLDS 6
GEORGE E. CHAPPELL 3	EDWIN J. HARDING 7
LIONEL PAGE 4	FREDERICK A. HOLDEN ... Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN, and

Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

* 150th peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. W. Whiting.

LEWISHAM.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 22¾ cwt.

ERNEST CROWDER Treble	FRANK BENNETT 5
EDWIN BARNETT, Senr. ... 2	HARRY WARNETT 6
REGINALD BROUGH 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES 7
FREDK. W. RICHARDSON ... 4	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

Quickest peal on the bells.

SIX BELL PEALS.

FINCHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being seven 720's each called differently.

Tenor 6¾ cwt.

H. PORTER Treble	E. BARKER 4
A. BACON 2	B. M. TARGETT 5
W. HAWES 3	O. STAINES Tenor

Conducted by B. M. TARGETT.

First peal on bells for Norwich Diocesan Association.

RUSKINGTON.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

SIDNEY F. PALMER Treble	CLEMENT GLENN 4
ARTHUR ANDREWS 2	JOHN H. BROTHWELL ... 5
JOHN T. HOLMES 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

First peal on the bells.

DITCHEAT, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

Consisting of Plain Bob and Grandsire.

Tenor 20 cwt.

THOMAS MERRIFIELD ... Treble	HENRY MILBOURNE ... 4
SIDNEY DAVE 2	ERNEST F. CREED 5
T. G. VINCENT, Junr. ... 3	*ROBERT V. LOOK Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST F. CREED.

* First peal. First peal on the bells.

CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

JOSEPH SADDINGTON ... Treble	HARRY MEADOWS 4
WILLIAM HAYS 2	THOMAS JERVIS 5
PEARL INSKIP 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

BERGH HAPTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, September 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being seven 720's each called differently.

Tenor 11 cwt.

GEORGE HOWCHIN ... Treble	*FRANK KERRISON 4
*HARRY ROYAL 2	*CECIL KERRISON 5
CECIL R. CHAMBERLIN ... 3	†GEORGE H. CROSS Tenor

Conducted by G. CROSS.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor. 50th tower bell peal.

HANDBELL PEALS.

ARKLOW, IRELAND.

THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 10, 1913, in Two Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT LAMBERTON LODGE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

Forty-two Six-Scores, ten callings.

RICHARD KEARON 1—2	ARTHUR HADLEY 3—4
CHARLES BENNETT 5—6	

Conducted by ARTHUR HADLEY.

First peal by the ringers of 1—2 and 5—6, who only commenced ringing six months ago.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.

On Friday, September 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF THE NORMAN TOWER,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES ;

ARTHUR E. MOORE 1—2	FREDERICK DEWELL 5—6
HARRY A. TURNER 3—4	FRANK J. LEVITT 7—8

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and

Conducted by A. E. MOORE.

Umpire: ALFRED ELY.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, September 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT COMMERCIAL HOUSE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

SEPTIMUS RADFORD 1—2	JOHN D. MATTHEWS 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING 3—4	FRANK BLONDELL 7—8

Composed by JOHN D. MATTHEWS, and

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: T. W. RADFORD (College Youths).

Rang as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Whittington, Cranleigh, E. Raddon and the conductor.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND

THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.

On Sunday, September 21, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF R. MOORE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANCES ;

FREDERICK DEWELL 1—2	HARRY A. TURNER 5—6
HARRY R. MOORE 3—4	ARTHUR E. MOORE 7—8

ROBERT MOORE, Senr. 9—10

Composed by the late H. C. HALEY, and

Conducted by ARTHUR E. MOORE.

Umpire: FRANK LEVITT.

First peal of Caters "in hand" by all, also by the above Association by a resident band.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

OFFICIAL MINUTES.

The second session of the eighth Council (twenty-third annual meeting) was held on Whitsun Tuesday, 13th May, at 11 a.m., in the Lecture Theatre of the Mining Institute of Newcastle-on-Tyne, when there were present 44 out of 96 representative members, and five out of 15 honorary members, making a total of 49 present out of 111. Of the 40 Guilds or Associations affiliated to the Council 11 were fully, and 16 were partially represented.

The President, Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., was in the chair.—The Hon. Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting, which, after one correction had been made, were, on the motion of Mr. A. T. King, seconded by the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, passed and signed.

The Hon. Treasurer then presented the annual statement of accounts, which had previously been audited in detail by the Standing Committee, and of which the following is a summary: Balance from last year, £71 12s. 6d.; affiliation fees, £12 2s. 6d., making a total of £83 15s. Against this there had been: Expenses of last year's meeting, £4 2s.; printing and postage, £1 19s. 6d., leaving in hand a balance of £77 13s. 6d. He further reported that though he had as usual reminded the Council's publishers of the present meeting in good time beforehand, and had written to them two or three times on the subject, and that though finally Mr. W. T. Cockerill, a member of the Standing Committee, had kindly, at his request, called on Messrs. Allen and Co., yet all these representations had failed to produce any response, and that consequently he had no statement of Sales of Publications to bring forward.—On the proposal of Mr. J. Griffin, seconded by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, the accounts were passed.—On the proposal of Mr. J. S. Pritchett, seconded by Mr. R. Narborough, the hon. treasurer was instructed to direct the bank to put £50 of the Council's balance on deposit account.

The Hon. Secretary having suggested the possibility of the appointment by the Council of one of their own members as hon. librarian to take charge of and sell the publications, mentioned further that he had broached the question to the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, who had intimated his willingness to accept the office if he were elected to it. The consideration of the subject was postponed till later in the proceedings.

On the proposal of the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, seconded by Mr. F. B. Tompkins, the following were unanimously re-elected as honorary members, viz.: The Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, Mr. J. W. Parker, and the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson.

The Hon. Secretary announced that two Guilds, viz., the Dudley and District Guild, and the Peterborough and District Association, had become affiliated to the Council.

The following new members were introduced to and shook hands with the president, viz.: Mr. C. Todd, of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association; Mr. F. W. Hopgood, of the Oxford Diocesan Guild; and Mr. R. Narborough, of the Peterborough and District Association.

The Hon. Secretary reported that copies of the resolution passed by the Council last year against the Welsh Church Disestablishment Bill had been forwarded to the Prime Minister, the Marquis of Lansdowne, and the Right Hon. A. Bonar Law, and read the replies received in acknowledgment.

Apologies for absence were announced as having been received from the Rev. H. E. Tilney Bassett, Mr. C. E. Borrett, the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, Dr. A. B. Carpenter, Mr. John Carter, Mr. W. T. Cockerill, Mr. H. Dains, Mr. R. A. Daniell, Mr. J. Evans, Mr. W. H. Godden, Mr. C. H. Hattersley, the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, the Rev. M. Kelly, Mr. J. D. Matthews, the Rev. Canon Papillon, Mr. S. Reeves, the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, Mr. J. R. Sharman, Mr. W. R. Small, Mr. H. White, Mr. J. W. Whiting, Mr. H. W. Wilde and Mr. G. Williams.

For the Peal Collection Committee, the Hon. Secretary, in the unavoidable absence of the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, who had of late been doing the bulk of the work, reported progress. Though not himself a member of the committee, Mr. E. H. Lewis was able to corroborate the report, adding that Part I of the Collection of Treble Bob could be published if desired. It was, however, agreed that it would be best to defer publication for another year.

As a member of the Literature Committee, the Rev. H. A. Cockey intimated that so far as he was aware there was no report to present, owing to indisposition on the part of Mr. R. A. Daniell, who had been doing the work. Later in the proceedings, a telegram to this effect was received from Mr. Daniell, and the hon. secretary was asked to communicate with him.

On behalf of the Legitimate Methods Committee, the Rev. H. Law James reported that the collection of Major Methods was practically complete, and that it was hoped that it would be ready for publication next year.—The Rev. A. T. Beeston having called attention to the unsatisfactory condition of some of the copies of the collection of Legitimate Minor Methods, proposed that the remaining copies should be regarded as waste. This was seconded by Mr. J. W. Parker, but on discussion was withdrawn, it being deemed better to leave the matter in the hands of the hon. librarian. At this point, on the motion of the Rev. C. E. Matthews, seconded by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn was unanimously elected to the office of hon.

librarian, and the Rev. C. E. Matthews and the Rev. G. F. Coleridge were appointed to assist him in an examination of the condition of the publications, the hon. secretary being at the same time instructed to take steps for their removal from the custody of Messrs. Allen and Co. and their consignment to the care of the hon. librarian.

The report of the Peals' Analysis Committee was presented by Mr. A. T. King, who, at the same time, after explaining the difficult questions with which the committee had had to deal, moved its adoption.—This was seconded by the Rev. E. W. Carpenter, and was carried after a long discussion.—The Rev. G. F. Coleridge moved and the Rev. W. W. C. Baker seconded, a proposal that the committee proceed upon the lines suggested in their report.—This was carried, together with a cordial vote of thanks to the committee for their labours.

In reporting for the Towers and Belfries Committee, the Hon. Secretary read a letter addressed by the President to the other members of the committee, in which he stated that for many reasons he had found it difficult to draft a rough copy of a pamphlet to form a groundwork on which the other members might graft their views. He, therefore, offered either to complete the pamphlet as his own work, and publish it with the sanction, but not necessarily with the concurrence, of the Council; or that he should give all the information in his power to some other member of the committee, and that it should be published by, and at the expense of, the Council.—The Hon. Secretary moved the grateful acceptance of the first proposal.—This, being seconded by Mr. J. Griffin, was carried unanimously.

The Rev. H. J. Elsee introduced a long and most interesting discussion on the possibility of an unfavourable change in the attitude of the general public towards bell ringing, as a result of the increasing number of peals annually rung. No motion on the subject was proposed.

It was moved by the Rev. H. Law James: "That the Council is of opinion that Superlative Surprise Royal, as published by Shipway, is the same method as Superlative Surprise Major."—This was seconded pro forma by the Hon. Secretary, but after discussion was postponed for consideration to next year.

The question as to whether the Ladies Guild of Change Ringers should be admitted to representation on the Council was ably introduced by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, his speech being followed by an animated discussion on the subject, which was then allowed to drop.

Mr. G. Bolland moved to call attention to the Council's recommendations regarding "record" peals as passed in 1902, and incorporated in "Rules and Decisions," but it was explained that there had been a mistake in supposing that there was any real call for the motion, which consequently was not seconded, and was withdrawn.

For the place of meeting next year, the President said that three places—Southampton, Portsmouth or Winchester—had been suggested. The last-named, proposed by Mr. J. Griffin, and seconded by Mr. R. Narborough, was put first to the meeting, and was adopted by a large majority.

The Hon. Secretary moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. C. L. Routledge, President of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association, for his great kindness and unsparing trouble in making all possible arrangements for the success of the meeting, and to the members of his Association for the very cordial welcome that they had extended to the Council. The President seconded the motion, which was carried amidst cheers.

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge then moved a hearty vote of thanks to the President, which was carried by acclamation, and the meeting adjourned.

NOTE:

Should any member of the Council have any comment to make on the minutes, he is requested to communicate without delay with the hon. secretary, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucester.

ERIN TRIPLES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The publication in "The Ringing World" of two peals of Erin Triples, by Mr. J. Segar, revives a rather interesting question which was discussed in the first year's publication of the paper. They contain, like all Triples peals in the method based on the twin-bob system, 360 bobs and 98 singles, no more and no less. And this does not complete the relationship between the various compositions, which is so close that I should have been hardly surprised if Mr. J. W. Parker had claimed that all peals on this plan (no matter what the number of the parts) were but variations of his Ten-part peal published in "The Ringing World," May 19th, 1911. Some time ago, a lively controversy raged between several of our best known composers on the value of a bob. Here it is simply a question as to how the singles should be employed, as the bobs look after themselves. Thus, in the case of Mr. Segar's 3 (or 6) part peal the moving of two singles and consequent shifting of bobs produces a peal published in "The Bell News," January 6th, 1912. I have no wish to claim that in consequence they are one and the same peal, but merely point out that nothing strikingly original can be obtained in Erin Triples on these lines, and on the other hand would endorse the contention of Mr. Lindoff that a slight alteration in calling is not to be condemned off-hand as mere piracy.—Yours, etc.,

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Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Surprise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th, 1912.
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Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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OUR ILLUSTRATION.

SURFLEET BELLS AND LEANING TOWER.

Surfleet, where the Rev. H. Law James is Vicar, claims some attention in the campanological world at the moment, for was it not at the church of St. Lawrence that the first peal of Treble Bob Caters was rung on Saturday week? It was a fitting inauguration to the peal ringing history of this tower—for we may anticipate history being made with a leader of the originality of Mr. James at the head of affairs. It was in May that the peal of ten was dedicated, the service being held while the bells were in the chancel. Formerly a peal of five, Mr. James found



SURFLEET CHURCH AND ITS LEANING TOWER.

the bells in a shockingly neglected condition, when he became Vicar of Surfleet some years ago, but he had them rung on the first Saturday he was in the parish, having, with the aid of the village carpenter, patched up the wheels, and begged old ropes from his former parish, cleaned out the bearings, and generally put things ship-shape. Soon he got a local band together, and the next step was the addition of a sixth bell. On the very day this new treble was placed in the tower a 720 of Minor was rung upon the bells. And now these six have been made into ten by the generosity of Mr. James. The peal is noteworthy for the fact that it is the lightest ring of ten in the country, and the tower has also its peculiar interest, for, as will be seen from our illustration, it has a decided leaning away from the church.

ODD CHANGES.

Few churches, ancient as is the history of a great many of them, are able to celebrate a 700th anniversary with any exactitude. But at St. Matthew's, Walsall, the ringers last Saturday commemorated the 700th anniversary

of the appointment of the first rector of the parish. This is a church with a history, if you like!

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Mr. W. A. Cave, the hon. secretary of the Gloucester the Bristol Association, referring to our article dealing with the ringing career of Mr. W. Short and to the statement that Mr. Short had taken part in the quickest peals of Major and Triples on tower bells, writes that whatever credit, or otherwise, attaches to the performance of quickest peals, belongs to the band who on March 29th, 1909, rang a peal of London Surprise Major, at St. Andrew's, Clifton (tenor 13 cwt.) in 2 hrs. 34 mins.; one having been rung previously in 2 hrs. 35 mins. at Quedgeley (tenor 9½ cwt.), where, also, what is believed to be the quickest peal of Triples was rung in 2 hrs. 22 mins. The conductor of the latter was the Rev. H. Law James, and of the London, Mr. Cave.

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The dedication of the Chewton Mendip peal of eight by the Loughborough Foundry took place yesterday (Thursday).

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The dedication of the Chewton Mendip peal of eight from are unavoidably held over.

THE LADIES' PEAL BOARD.

THE UNVEILING CEREMONY.

The arrangements with regard to the unveiling of the handsome peal board (executed by Messrs. Caspar and Co.) recording the ladies' peal at Cubitt Town have now been completed. The ceremony, which is to take place on Saturday October 4th, at 4 p.m., will be performed by Canon Simpson, of St. Paul's. The lady ringers and officials will assemble in the tower; the other visitors will take their place in church, and during the singing of a hymn, the clergy will proceed to the belfry, where the board will be unveiled with two short dedicatory prayers. All will then return to the church, where a short service will be held, and Canon Simpson will give an address.

Afterwards a neat tea will be provided in the schools, at a charge of 9d. per head. Those intending to be present must send a postcard to the Vicar, the Rev. Edward Hartley, Christ Church Vicarage, Cubitt Town, E., and they will pay on entrance. Subsequently the tower will be free for ringing from 6.15 till 9 p.m.

For the information of visitors, it may be stated that the nearest railway station for the tower is North Greenwich, on the Fenchurch Street (Blackwall) line, changing at Millwall Junction, sixth station out. Trams run every quarter of an hour. There is also a motor-bus every ten minutes from Walthamstow, via Plaistow and Poplar; and one from Tottenham, both of them stopping close by Christ Church. From South London the tower is reached in ten minutes from Greenwich Parish Church, through the Thames sub-way.

All ringers are invited to attend the unveiling.

DEATH OF A BURNLEY RINGER.

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of Mr. Thomas Mouncey, of Burnley, the sad event occurring with painful suddenness on Monday of last week. While at work he was attacked with an apoplectic seizure, and without regaining consciousness passed peacefully away the same day.

He was one of the original company of ringers at Holy Trinity, Burnley, when the bells were put in 25 years ago. He was a life member of the Lancashire Association, and was a most steady and reliable ringer. He had rung 32 peals in various methods from Minor to Major. He rang the tenor through the longest length of Oxford Treble Bob yet rung by the Lancashire Association, and took part in the first peals of Grandsire, Stedman, Bob Major and Oxford Treble Bob in Holy Trinity belfry. He was the president of the local branch of the C.E.M.S., and for the past five years had fulfilled the duties of sidesman at the Parish Church. He leaves a widow and five children, one of his sons being a ringer of Holy Trinity.

The interment took place on Friday last, when the bells were rung deeply muffled. The Vicar (the Rev. A. E. Rubic, M.A.) officiated, and four of the deceased's oldest ringing comrades bore him to his last resting place. The company sent a wreath in the form of a bell as a token of their sympathy.

WESTWARD HO!

-A WEEK'S RINGING IN DEVON AND CORNWALL.

This year the west country was the attraction for the annual ringing tour arranged by Mr. W. Pye. Saturday, September 6th, saw the same familiar faces as in previous years, with one or two exceptions, gathered at the rendezvous, which on this occasion was Plymouth. Punctuality is the essence of a good ringer, and it was not surprising, therefore, that, though coming from all parts of the kingdom, the party was complete within half an hour of the first arrival. For the evening we met at Charles' Church, receiving a warm welcome from Mr. Marsh and other members of the Plymouth company. Stedman Caters was attempted, and the first peal of our tour came round in good style.

On Sunday, St. Germans was our objective, but owing to an inconvenient train service, four good Cornish miles had to be done on foot, much to the disgust of our Haggerston representative, who, however, brightened up on reaching Antony, where we found we could complete our journey by motor. Antony bells, a ring of six, were tried, and, then, after some refreshment at the sign of the Ring o' Bells, we resumed our journey to St. Germans, where the Vicar (the Rev. C. Gott) and Admiral Haddy, his churchwarden, gave us a hearty welcome. Superlative was attempted and safely brought round, and after the peal we were entertained to tea at the Vicarage, Admiral Haddy acting as our host, when the Vicar was compelled to leave us for the evening service. We afterwards returned to Plymouth by train, some taking a stroll on the famous Hoe before turning in for the night.

Monday morning saw us early astir on our way to Liskeard. Here we found a magnificent tower, and a useful eight. After a half-hour spent on the ropes, a start was made for Cambridge, and a good peal was brought round—the first in Cornwall in the method. The tenor bobbing in and out somewhat puzzled the local ringers, who did not appear to have heard any Major before. Some rules on a board in the tower are worthy of reproduction:—

Let awful silence first proclaimed be
Then by consent let's make it our decree
What laws are best to keep sobriety
That peaceably we may begin our ring
And say God bless our church and save our King.
Who swears or dams or in a churlish mood
Quarrels or strikes although he draw no blood
Who wears his hat or spur or turns a bell
Or by unskilful handling mars a peal
Let him pay eximence for each single crime
'Twill make him cautious for another time.

November 12th 1816.

After partaking of the Barley Sheaf's "Market Ordinary," we made tracks for Fowey, reaching there nearly two hours late, owing to a misreading of the time-table. However, the first peal of Bristol in Cornwall was brought home in good style on Fowey's fine bells, and with the help of two motor-cars we were able to reach Truro the same night, Mr. Gully, one of the Kenwyn ringers, who was our host, giving us a cordial welcome.

On Tuesday morning, we made our way to Kea, Squire Daubuz and the Vicar being in waiting to welcome us. Here the first Cornish peal of London was rung. It was also A.W.G.'s eighth in the method, and in those eight peals he has managed to ring all round the tower.

Tuesday afternoon we were booked for Kenwyn, but owing to illness were unable to attempt a peal there, so time had to be killed in seeing the sights of Truro, and having our photo taken. But at 8.15 we were allowed to sample the Cathedral bells with a few touches, and managed a course each of Kent Royal, Grandsire Caters and Bristol Major, and also three courses of Stedman Caters. The bells came quite up to our expectations, and are worthy of the Cathedral. Our only regret was we were not allowed to attempt a peal on them. As we had been disappointed at Kenwyn, the Vicar of Kea kindly allowed us to attempt a second peal on his bells on Wednesday morning, and as we had to be back at St. Andrew's, Plymouth, to finish a peal before 5 p.m., our second peal at Kea commenced shortly after 6 a.m., and ran safely round two hours and 51 mins. later. The early rising did not appear to agree with our treble man, who seemed far from comfortable all through the peal, and quite upset our "heavyweight" on the tenor. After the peal, the Vicar kindly entertained us to light refreshments, which were very acceptable with such an early start. Then we retraced our steps once more to Plymouth, reaching there shortly after noon to attempt a peal at St. Andrew's. With W. D. James standing in, a start was made for Kent Royal, and all went well till eight leads from home, when the 9th lost her voice, owing to the ball of the clapper breaking off, much to the disappointment of all. This was our first failure, and ill-luck again attended us on the following morning (Thursday), when a peal of Bristol came to grief at Ashburton, after nearly two hours' ringing. In the afternoon we reached Totnes, finding a heavy eight with a tenor about 28 cwt. After trying the bells round, London was decided as the method, and came round safely, though not without giving the back-enders a run for their money. It was the first peal in the method in the county, and Haggerston Alfred's 100th Surprise peal.

On Friday morning we managed to pull off a good peal of Double Norwich at Berry Pomeroy. We arrived at Bovey Tracey in the after-

noon, finding a nice little eight by Taylor. We had been told that we should never ring a peal on them on account of the long draught, and some of us were quite interested to see bells "we could not ring." In spite of their reputation, we managed to bring off an excellent peal of Bristol on them, none of our party being troubled by the long draught. The Vicar kindly gave us tea after the peal, also insisting on our trying his home-made cider, which was very good. Any way, by this time some of us thought ourselves cider experts, and said so, but our connoisseur of the darker brew did not think much of it.

Friday evening found us at Exeter. On Saturday, the last day of our tour, St. David's was visited in the morning, and Cambridge attempted, but our luck was out, as our third man felt out of sorts, and had to give up, after an hour's ringing.

We could not get permission to ring on the Cathedral bells on Sunday morning, owing to the number of services, so we tried to get up and view the famous ten, but the red tape, with which many of the custodians of our Cathedrals are endowed, would not allow this, and the Dean not being available, we could not invoke higher power. Saturday afternoon saw the first break up of our party, our Greenwich and Bournemouth representatives being the first to leave. Those who remained attempted the last peal, Bristol, on the fine ring at Heavitree, but a shift course, after an hour and forty minutes' ringing, made things look serious. However, there was time for a second start, and then all went well, a good peal coming round in three hours and twenty-one minutes.

Five courses of Stedman Caters for morning service at St. Sidwell's, Exeter, concluded our ringing, and all then set out for home. Ten peals out of thirteen actually started for was not so bad, and we dispersed well satisfied with our week's ringing and the enjoyment we had had in the west. Our best thanks are due to the various clergy and all who helped to make the tour a success. A.R.M.

BELL RESTORATION.

CANADIAN READER'S SUGGESTION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have been very interested in your articles re "Funds for Bell Restoration," and should very much like to make a few suggestions touching on this particular subject, through the medium of "The Ringing World." Even if my arguments do not seem sound, they will at least open up a channel for further correspondence on this desirable subject, and surely a way to cope with the necessity of a fund will eventually be arrived at. Why appeal to Mr. Carnegie at all to set aside a sum, or subscribe towards the funds for restoration of bells, when, I am sure, it is in the hands of the large body of ringers in the British Isles to provide a fund that could be drawn upon for many other good causes besides being put to the most excellent use of bell restoration. Why cannot a general fund be founded amongst all ringers in the country? Supposing there are 24,000 ringers, and they subscribed one penny per week per man, think what it would be possible to do with this sum, which would amount to something like £100 per week? I am sure when ringers knew the uses to which the money would be put, none would begrudge this small weekly sum which I suggest should be collected by the captain of each individual tower on practice nights, and forwarded to a responsible person. With a fund of this sort, machinery for the administration of which could be devised, many other good causes might be relieved. Ringers who have fallen on bad times might have a grant made to them, or the families of those ringers who have departed from the ranks might be helped greatly. But principally this fund could be used for restoration of bells, and the outcome would be eventually, more towers available for ringing, and bells in a better state all-round, which must unquestionably produce a marked improvement in the Art. Perhaps amongst your numerous readers there are some who can improve on this scheme, or suggest a better way to cope with the necessity of a general fund that would provide for all matters appertaining to towers, bells and ringing. —Yours, etc.,

WILLIAM E. HOLLOWAY.

Montreal, late of St. Mary's Guild, Acton.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting was held at Evercreech on Saturday, when 50 members were present, representing 15 towers. Service was held in the Parish Church, the Vicar (the Rev. W. T. Dyne) officiating and giving an address. The organist and choir were also in attendance. Tea was served in the Institute, after which the business meeting was held, the Master (the Rev. C. C. Parker) presiding, supported by the Rev. W. T. Dyne, Mr. E. J. Allen (churchwarden), and others. Three new members were elected, on the proposition of Mr. A. E. Coles, seconded by Mr. W. J. Starr.—The Master announced that the next meeting would be held at Barrow Gurney, on December 20th, if possible.—On the motion of the Master, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for his very kind welcome, for arranging the service and giving the address, and for the use of the bells; also to the organist and choir for their services.—The Vicar responded, and hoped to have the pleasure of welcoming the members again at some future time.—Mr. E. J. Allen also replied.—A move was then made to the tower, where touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Grandsire Doubles were rung.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALBERT P. WAKLEY Treble	HERBERT HURDMAN... .. 5
HARRY KENDRICK 2	FRANK SHEPHERD 6
WALTER HAIR 3	W. W. WORTHINGTON 7
JOHN HOUGH 4	*ALBERT W. WAGG Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT P. WAKLEY.

* First peal. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, at the request of the Rector, for evening service.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

JOHN ALDIS, Senr. Treble	GEORGE HOWCHIN 5
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN 2	FREDERICK J. CROSS 6
FRANK R. COPEMAN 3	GEORGE H. CROSS 7
WILLIAM STEELE 4	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by WILLIAM STEELE.

This peal was rung with the bells half-muffled.

COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.On Saturday, March 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

*CHARLES BEECH Treble	BENJAMIN GOUGH 5
ARTHUR BAKER 2	SAMUEL BAKER 6
WALTER GRINSELL 3	†CHRISTOPHER WALLATER 7
EDGAR T. SMITH 4	RICHARD DUNN Tenor

Composed by GEORGE HUGHES, and
Conducted by CHRISTOPHER WALLATER.

* First peal of Major. † First peal of Major as conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Lord Bishop of Lichfield (Right Rev. the Hon. Augustus Legge, D.D.).

GUISELEY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALFRED NAYLOR Treble	WILLIAM JOYCE 5
FRANCIS WOODHEAD 2	WILLIAM E. H. ASH 6
JOSEPH BROADLEY 3	WILLIAM B. SMITH 7
CHRISTOPHER STEPHENSON 4	JOHN B. JACKSON Tenor

Composed by TOM LOCKWOOD, and
Conducted by WILLIAM B. SMITH.

EGHAM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE Treble	WILLIAM SHEPHERD 5
FREDERICK G. WOODISS 2	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD 6
JOHN HOWES 3	J. ARNIGER TROLLOPE 7
CHARLES J. HAMBLIN 4	JAMES N. FROSSELL Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

CHIPPING BARNETT, HERTS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

ALFRED W. GRIMES Treble	GEORGE R. PYE 5
ISAAC G. SHADE 2	JOHN ARMSTRONG 6
BERTRAM PREWETT 3	WILLIAM PYE 7
REUBEN SANDERS 4	ERNEST PYE Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal in the method on the bells.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE,**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE Treble	REUBEN SANDERS 5
GEORGE R. PYE 2	ERNEST PYE 6
ALFRED W. GRIMES 3	JOHN E. MILLER 7
JOHN ARMSTRONG 4	WILLIAM PYE Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

The above is I. G. Shade's and W. Pye's 700th peal together.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 23 cwt.

*EDWARD ETHERIDGE Treble	EDWARD RADDON 5
*WILLIAM LOADER 2	SEPTIMUS RADFORD 6
CHARLES WILLSHIRE 3	JAMES HUNT 7
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN 4	FRANK BLONDELL Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN, and
Conducted by FRANK BLONDELL.

* First peal of Major.

DURSLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
(WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE AND DISTRICT BRANCH.)On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lbs., in E flat.

*ALEC ROBINS Treble	*ALBERT BURCOMBE 5
EDWARD WHITTARD 2	HARRY JONES 6
JAMES PARKER 3	HENRY W. FUSSELL 7
FREDERICK OAKHILL 4	*ALBERT P. TILLEY Tenor

Conducted by H. W. FUSSELL.

* First peal. First peal in the method on the bells: also first peal by the above branch.

SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(HALESWORTH SOCIETY.)

On Monday, March 24, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

888882	THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.
FREDERICK C. LAMBERT Treble	*JOHN O'NEILL 5
*ARTHUR H. TOOK 2	*JAMES HOWARD 6
*JOHN LARTER 3	HARRY BARTON 7
WALTER LAST 4	*E. AUGUSTIN HEAD Tenor

Conducted by H. BARTON.

* First peal of Stedman Triples.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I would not have entered into this question, but as you have honoured the subject with a full column-leader, that two gentlemen are nameless; and also that the esteemed late Master of the Association has condescended to take note of the question, perhaps you will allow me a few lines. When the proposal for a brake for a bye-meeting was introduced, I strongly objected to the funds of the Association being used (I rather fancy that some of those present will remember it), and it was sanctioned only on the assumption that the funds would allow of it, and even then in a very half-hearted manner, very few voting at all—much the same kind of thing, in fact, as the "lively" meeting at Harlow gives, the seven-for-and-two-against style, with about 40 present. Question! Who were the non-voters? Who were the seven?

The general secretary had generously offered to pay part of the cost of the brake from his own pocket, but this was not accepted; the evident intention being to test the "officials' power." Now, I submit that Rule VI quoted by Canon Papillon, gives the questioned authority, and the fact of the Master and General Secretary being present at the meeting should not affect their decision when it was brought officially for their sanction. At any rate, if the Master and Secretary are not considered to have such power, it cannot reasonably be contended that any division of the county has been granted such a measure of Home Rule as to be able to rule, or ruin, the funds of all the other divisions. This were Home Rule with a vengeance (and would be an object lesson to Mr. Asquith).

Again, it could not be known, at the time, what number of members would take part in this afternoon outing (as, of course, it is open for all members of the division to attend if they thought proper to do so), and instead of one brake, ten might be needed, each starting from its own convenient point; and I maintain that this course would be justifiable. If not it could only be described, as "Essex" puts it, as an afternoon's outing for one particular party at the cost of the Association.

I am not an advocate for accumulating funds, although this may sometimes serve a desirable purpose, such as the gift of a bell, etc., and I am a firm believer in missionary work of any character; but I do most strongly advocate some loyalty for the opinion of persons in authority, and as I, in effect, said at the "lively meeting at Harlow," and as the last lines of your leader state, "it would have been wise to postpone the charter of a brake until they had vindicated their position at the annual meeting," and not to act (as it appears to me) in a spirit of defiance.

J. F. PENNING.

Sir,—I was pleased to read your comments, and also the Rev. Canon Papillon's letter on the above subject last week. I quite understand Rule VI, especially the part dealing with the hon. secretary's super-vising power. It is not that that has caused this little trouble. No one in this division questions his powers, it is the authority of others interfering. The respected Canon, or yourself, said nothing about Rule I, the especial object of the Association. The Elmdon meeting and others of the same kind are really what the Association was formed for. The Master of the Association, Mr. Howard, and the hon. secretary, the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, were both preseat at the meeting at Saffron Walden, and both spoke in favour of the meeting taking place. Mr. Wiffen, of Mickling, proposed it, and, I believe, did so, thinking he was carrying out the wishes of the chief officers. The arrangements were made accordingly, but we heard that we could not be allowed any funds from the Association, as they had incurred a very heavy printing bill, and at the Harlow meeting the hon. secretary was asked to explain this. It was decided to hold this meeting, which took place on Saturday last with the hon. secretary's consent, and the money for the brake has been paid. I think there is no possible grounds for anybody saying anything about defiance, as it never entered our heads. We very much respect our officers and try to work harmoniously with them. Our meeting was a most successful one, one hon. member, two life members, and seven probationary members were elected; a splendid tea was provided us by Mr. J. F. Wilkes, J.P. (one of our hon. members), who was most delighted to welcome us to Elmdon. With regard to "Essex," I can only say that we do not wish for any of his money for an outing. What we wanted was recognition and help from the Association towards helping defray the expenses that would be incurred in going to Elmdon to get members to join our Association. These outings are not undertaken free of cost, for each member who rode in the brake paid 8d. out of his own pocket, besides contributing to a collection for those who kindly saw to our wants at tea, and some had railway fares to pay as well. So you see it is not all done at the expense of the Association. It is not the first time that this most unjust insinuation has been cast at the Stansted company, but we take it from whence it came, and in the future I hope "Essex" will relieve the Stansted company of this not altogether very profitable source of occupation.—Yours faithfully,

"A BOB MEMBER."

BRENTFORD.—On July 16th, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor: F. G. Goddard 1, G. A. Ransom (conductor) 2, T. Beadle 3, H. W. Lidbetter 4, W. New 5, G. Spencer 6.

SALISBURY GUILD AT WOOL.

The anniversary of the dedication of the bells at Wool was held on Thursday week, and with it was combined a quarterly meeting of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisbury Guild. The towers represented included: St. Peter's and West Fordington; St. George, Dorchester; Wyke Regis, Puddletown, and West Lulworth, with the full muster of the Wool ringers. There was ringing during the afternoon, and tea was served in the Schoolroom, presided over by the Rector of Wool (the Rev. E. J. Tadman), who was supported by the churchwarden (Dr. Wright). The Rector of West Lulworth (the Rev. W. P. Schuster) was also amongst the company, which numbered over 30. After tea, the Rev. E. J. Tadman welcomed the ringers, and spoke of the good work the Salisbury Diocesan Guild had done.—The Rev. W. P. Schuster proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. E. J. Tadman, and this having been seconded by Mr. W. Hewlett, of Puddletown, was unanimously carried.

The business meeting of the Dorchester branch followed. In the absence of the Chairman (Mr. R. N. Dawes), the Rev. W. P. Schuster was voted to the chair.—The Secretary (Mr. C. H. Jennings) read apologies for inability to attend from the Rev. A. L. Helps, of Puddletown; the Rev. C. A. Phillips, of Bournemouth; the Rev. F. L. Edwards, of Kingston Magna; the Rev. H. C. Coate, of Dorchester; Mr. Martin Stewart, of Ferndown; Mr. J. T. Brake, of the Upwey band; Mr. W. H. Perkins, of Milton Abbey; Mr. H. Northover, of Hilton; Mr. J. T. Godwin, of Dorchester; and Mr. G. T. White, of Dorchester.

Miss Alice White, of Basingstoke, and Mr. W. New, of Isleworth, were elected life members, and Mr. P. Wiltshire and Mr. P. Dredge, of Wyke Regis, were elected as ordinary members. Miss White was the first lady ringer to ring in a peal on tower bells.

The next meeting will be held at Charminster, in January.—The Hon. Secretary said that he could not let the meeting pass without according a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. W. P. Schuster for his services as hon. secretary of the Guild. He had now felt compelled to resign owing to his increased work. — Mr. S. G. Hodges, of Dorchester, seconded, and the motion was carried.—The Chairman complimented the Dorchester St. Peter's band upon scoring their first peal of Stedman Triples, which was conducted by Mr. White. This concluded the business, and the ringers, having faced the camera, indulged in more ringing, Stedman and Grandsire being rung. Service was afterwards held in the church, there being a very good congregation. The Vicar of Wool officiated, the Rev. W. P. Schuster read the lessons, and the Rev. Rickman, of Powerstock, gave an interesting address dealing with the bells. The choir rendered an anthem, "Blessed be Thou," and the collection which was taken was for the bell fund at Wool.

MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT SECRETARY DESIGNS.

The Marlborough branch of the Salisbury Guild held its September meeting at Savernake St. Katharine's, on Saturday week. The Guild service was held in the church, and afterwards the ringers adjourned to the Parish Room, where a splendid tea had been prepared. A short business meeting followed. It was suggested that, when the meetings for the next three months were fixed at the next quarterly meeting, Burbage should be one of the places visited.—The secretary was requested to write to Mr. Slade, of Bremhill, and ask him to begin the instruction at Hilmarton as soon as he could make the necessary arrangements.—The President (the Rev. A. E. G. Peters) explained that the branch would have to find another secretary to fill the place of Mr. J. Butler, who was going to Cambridge to continue his studies. He had one member in mind whom he promised to ask to undertake the work. He then proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Butler for his past services.—This was seconded by the Rev. G. H. S. Frobisher, and carried.—The Secretary replied that he was very glad to have been able to do what he could for the branch, but regretted that he could not leave a far greater proportion of change ringers than there were in it at present.—Business concluded, the ringers returned to the tower. Ringing was enjoyed during the afternoon and evening. Ringers were present from Burbage, Collingbourne, Kingston and Marlborough St. Mary, besides those of St. Katharine's. Many thanks are due to the Rev. G. H. S. Frobisher and to Mrs. Frobisher for the excellent welcome which was prepared. The next meeting of the branch will very probably be held at Ramsbury on some Saturday in October.

RAYNE BELLS.

The amounts already to hand for restoration of Rayne (Essex) bells are as follow:—A. Prior, Leytonstone, 1s.; W. J. Nevard, Great Bentley, 1s.; Ringers Stebbing Church, 1s. 6d.; North Weald Church, 2s.; Maldon St. Mary's Church, 3s.; Dunmow Church, 8s. 6d.; Shenfield Church, 4s. 6d.; Bocking Church, 7s. 6d.; Braintree Church, 1s. 16s.; total, 45 4s. Further contributions, however small, will be most gratefully received by B. Ridgewell, Rayne.

MIDSOMER NORTON, SOMERSET. — At St. John the Baptist's Church, on Whit-Monday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: E. Chivers (first quarter-peal) 1, I. B. Holmyard 2, W. Farley 3, F. Speed (conductor) 4, F. Chivers 5, R. Jones 6, J. Hambleton 7, W. Keavill 8. Rung after meeting short for a peal.

KENT ASSOCIATION AT NEW ROMNEY. CRITICISM OF COMMITTEE.

The old Cinque Port of New Romney was the venue for the annual meeting of the Ashford District of the Kent Association held on Saturday week in conjunction with the monthly assembly of the Romney Marsh and District Guild.

The gathering, perhaps, was not quite so largely attended as is sometimes the case, but the hop-picking season being at its height, probably accounted for the absence of a fair number. New Romney, too, is an awkward place to get at, and the jovial secretary of the association (the Rev. Canon Helmore) aptly illustrated this when he remarked that in his opinion the world might be divided into six portions—Europe, Asia, Africa, America, Australia, and Romney Marsh. Despite the fact that it is so difficult to journey thither, altogether nearly forty were present, and the following towers were represented: Aldington, Appledore, Brabourne, Folkestone, Hawkhurst, Hythe, Lymington, Mersham, New Romney, Rye, Stone-in-Oxney, Tenterden, and Willesborough. Some excellent practice was obtained in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major, and it was very pleasing to note that several recruits rang Stedman very satisfactorily. This should tend to raise the standard of change ringing in the Ashford district.

A service was held in the church, the curate (the Rev. H. G. South) officiating. The Association's form of service, sanctioned by the Archbishop of Canterbury, was used, and the organist kindly gave her services at the organ. In his address, which was based on the words, "My Father's business," the Rev. H. G. South bade the ringers welcome to New Romney, and hoped the meeting would be a useful and encouraging one, not only to the Association to which they belonged, but also to their own band of ringers. Personally, he thought such a meeting was full of encouragement, and the clergy owed a great debt of gratitude to bell ringers, who laboured so zealously, and gave their services ungrudgingly in discharging their duties to the Church.

Subsequently, the company adjourned to a building at the rear of the Rev. H. G. South's residence. Here a splendid meat tea was partaken of, the cost being defrayed by the Association.

BUSINESS MEETING.

The annual meeting of the district followed, under the chairmanship of the Rev. H. G. South.—Mr. C. W. Player (Stone-in-Oxney) moved that Mr. C. Tribe (Tenterden) be re-elected hon. secretary for the ensuing year. Mr. Tribe, he said, put in a lot of time in attending to the manifold duties of the post, and he did his work very well.—Mr. Dixon (Willesborough) seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously, and with loud applause.—Responding, Mr. Tribe said he was very much obliged to them for the honour and privilege they had again conferred on him, for he did look on it as an honour to act in that capacity, although sometimes, when the gatherings were rather slack, he wished he had not got it. One, however, could not have all sweets and no bitters. There were times, such as the one that day, when he was very pleased to attend to the duties.

Mr. G. Paine (Mersham) was re-appointed to represent the district on the Central Committee of the Association. In discussing the doings of the committee, several members complained that the North Kent delegates had too much of their own way at their meetings.—Mr. Paine, in response, said he agreed with the allusions to the North Kent delegates, and he really thought sometimes it was not much good attending the meetings, but, after all, they did not get it all their own way. He had served on the committee for twenty years, and thanked them for granting him the privilege once more.

Meetings for 1914 were decided to be held at Tenterden, Saltwood, and Wye, while an extra meeting will take place at Willesborough in November of this year.—Mr. Percy Jones was elected a member of the Association.

As regards the business of the Romney Marsh Guild, the members agreed to meet at Iden on the second or third Saturday in October, and to attempt a peal of Bob Major at Rye on the first Saturday in that month.

On the motion of Mr. C. W. Player, seconded by Mr. P. H. Pierce (Aldington), a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. South for the use of the bells, arranging the service, and presiding at the meeting.—The reverend gentleman suitably replied, and a cordial vote of thanks to the Hon. Secretary for his services in the past concluded the business.

The tower was again visited, and ringing concluded about nine o'clock. The bells were found in perfect ringing order, and the ringers thoroughly enjoyed their visit to New Romney.

THE "NUNN" FUND.

Further contributions to the fund for assisting the widow and children of the late Mr. F. A. Nunn are gratefully acknowledged from: Mr. A. T. King, 10s. 6d.; Mr. C. T. Coles, 2s.; Clapton ringers, 5s.; Mr. J. Turner, 2s.; Mr. J. A. Milne, 2s. 6d.; Southgate ringers, 3s. 6d.; Mr. A. Hubbard, 2s. 6d. Donations should be sent to "F.R." care of the Rev. F. Rice, St. Anne's Vicarage, South Tottenham.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. NORTHERN BRANCH: CHANGE OF MASTER.

The quarterly meeting of the Northern branch was held at Ridditch, on Saturday last. Considering the difficulty of reaching this place, there was a very good attendance, members being present from Halesowen, Old Hill, Wolverley, Kidderminster, Brierley Hill, King's Norton, Northfield, Smethwick, Bromsgrove, Birmingham, Selly Oak, together with the local ringers. At the service, the address, which was given by the Vicar (the Rev. A. C. Grant) was very much appreciated. The Vicar said that he had been told that it would be best not to talk about bells on that occasion, as he had been led to understand that at their meetings they were always having the history of bells and bell ringing put before them. He was, therefore, going to get off the beaten track and talk about brotherhood. He went on to speak of the work of such societies as the Worcestershire Association, and the good work it was doing in helping the members, and as a brotherhood. There never was a time when they were more wanted to stand together than at the present. What, he asked, was the cause of the industrial unrest in the Empire? It was because men did not trust one another so much as they ought to do. If they would only place more confidence in one another much suffering would be done away with, and better conditions would result.

The meeting and tea, which was kindly provided by the Vicar, was held in the Institute, 44 members and lady friends sitting down to a splendid repast. Before the business began, the Vicar, on behalf of the churchwardens, the local ringers and himself, presented an illuminated address to Mr. W. Deane, on his 70th birthday, and on his retiring from the position of head ringer, after 40 years' service.—Mr. Deane very feelingly responded, and trusted that he would be spared many more years to hear the bells ring out.—The Vicar stated, in regard to the bad going of the bells, that he was going to take expert advice on them, so that they might be put into proper order for ringing.

The quarterly peal was arranged for Bromsgrove, and an offer from Smethwick to hold the next quarterly meeting there was gratefully accepted.

The Branch Master (Mr. R. Matthews) wrote apologising for his absence, and stating that he thought the honour of holding the position of Ringing Master should go round.—The meeting thanked Mr. Matthews very heartily for his services, and elected Mr. Samuel Grove as Branch Ringing Master.—Mr. J. Pigott was re-elected branch representative, and Mr. E. J. Dowler, branch secretary and treasurer.—The Vicar was elected an hon. member.—A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for his hospitality was moved by Mr. A. E. Parsons, seconded by Mr. T. J. Salter, and unanimously carried, the Vicar responding and apologising for the absence of his wife.

RINGING NEWS FROM OVER-SEAS.

PARAGRAPHS FROM NEW ZEALAND AND AMERICA.

The band at St. Matthew's Church, Auckland, New Zealand, hope shortly to accomplish the first peal in North Island. On Saturday, August 9th, they made their first attempt, when they started for Grandsire Triples, and had some very good striking for 2 hrs. 5 mins., when they broke down, after ringing 3,332 changes. Although naturally disappointed at losing the peal after ringing so long, the band were quite pleased with the attempt, which augurs well for success when they start again. The band stood as follows: C. Colgrove 1, W. Smallwood 2, J. Heather 3, O. Throssell 4, S. C. Hamblin 5, E. J. Hamblin 6, A. J. White (conductor) 7, P. Barringer 8.

The company at St. Matthew's will receive a welcome addition to their strength upon the arrival of Mr. C. Hamblin, formerly of Hershams, Surrey, father of Messrs. S. C. and E. J. Hamblin, who are already at Auckland. Mr. Hamblin, senr., is due to arrive in New Zealand about next Tuesday.

The art in New Zealand has sustained a heavy loss by the death of Mr. T. Biddle, of Christchurch. Mr. Biddle was Ringing Master at the Cathedral, where, in face of many difficulties, he did much to keep ringing alive in the South Island. A few months ago he visited Auckland, where there is a promising band, and took part in ringing at St. Matthew's Church. He then appeared in excellent health, but he has succumbed to an internal disease of some standing. The news of his death came as a shock to the ringers of Auckland, and they rang the bells half-muffled on the following Sunday.

The Boston (U.S.A.) Guild has accepted an invitation to give an exhibition of change ringing upon October 8th at Christ Church before the American Association of Bankers, which is to hold its annual convention at that time in Boston.

On Labour Day, which is September 1st, the Boston Guild rang 720 Kent Treble Bob, with tenor covering, at the Memorial Tower, Hingham: P. J. Allfrey 1, E. E. Randall 2, S. J. Perkins 3, R. Newton 4, J. F. Laker 5, W. Bashford (conductor) 6, G. Mackman 7.

NOTICES.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on September 30th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 30th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; all at 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meetings will be held at Castle Ashby on Saturday, September 27th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock.—F. Wilford, General Secretary.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A monthly meeting will be held at Dunchurch on Saturday, September 27th. Bells (6) available at 3.30 p.m.—Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shotton.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The September meeting will be held at Middleham on Saturday, Sept. 27th, 1913. Bells of the Parish Church, 8, tenor 18 cwt., are available for ringing all day.—T. Metcalfe, Honorary Secretary, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Southern Branch).—A meeting for practice will take place at Little Comberton on Saturday, September 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m.—J. Hemming, Branch Secretary.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Quarterly meeting at Penn on Saturday, September 27th. Bells available at 3. Service at 5.30, with address by the Vicar. Tea (9d.) at 6, at Rose and Crown. Trams leave Railway Drive, Wolverhampton, for Penn Fields (half way) every seven minutes.—H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Grappenhall Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stretton, Cheshire, on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 3.30. Tea 9d. each.—Jno. E. Ashcroft, Honorary Secretary.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.—Commencing October, meetings for practice of Caters and Royal will be held monthly at Hillingdon East on the first Tuesday at 7 p.m., and for Stedman and Major at St. Andrew's, Hillingdon West, on the third Monday at 7.30 p.m.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, October 4th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. All ringing friends will be welcomed. Members are reminded that all outstanding subscriptions should now be paid.—H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS.—The annual meeting will be held at Liverpool on Saturday, October 4th. Service at St. Nicholas Church at 4 p.m. Preacher: the Lord Bishop of Liverpool.—W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Honorary Secretaries.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—Quarterly meeting at Bramley, Saturday, Oct. 4th. Bells (6) from 4 o'clock. Service 5.30. Tea and meeting 6.—Francis G. Hume, Oakley, Basingstoke.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Shipley on Saturday, October 4th. Tower open from 4 p.m. Tea at the Parish Room 5.30. Business to follow. Members intending to be present at tea please let me know by Thursday, October 2nd.—H. Evans, Divisional Secretary, Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—A cycle run will take place on Saturday, October 4th, 3.30 p.m., Patshull (6); 5.15 p.m., Trysull (6). Names to be sent in by the 2nd.—Rev. E. V. Cox, 39, Westbourne Road, Walsall.

BRIGHOUSE, YORKSHIRE.—Re-opening of the bells.—The bells will be open for visiting ringers on Saturday, October 4th, from 3 o'clock until 9 o'clock. A hearty welcome to all.—George Drake, Secretary.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next monthly meeting of this society will be held on Oct. 4th at Doncaster, instead of Eckington, as the bells of the latter place are not yet ready. Church of St. George, 8 bells, tenor 30 cwt., available 4 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.—J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).—The eleventh annual grand Bohemian concert of the Association will be held on Saturday, October 11th, 1913, at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, City. Doors open 7.15 p.m., commence 7.45 p.m. Admission by programme, price sixpence, which may be obtained from all officers of the Association and others. Ladies specially invited.—F. J. Hardy, Hon. General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

KENT ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—The half-yearly meeting of the Maidstone district of the Kent County Association will take place at Lenham on Saturday, October 11th. The belfry will be open at 2.30, and the Association service will be held in the church at 5 p.m.—Kenneth W. Mumford, Honorary Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting of the Castle Cary Deanery Branch will be held at Castle Cary on Saturday, October 11th, 1913. Service in the church 4.15 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2.30 to 9 p.m. All ringers and friends cordially invited.—T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Powick on Saturday, October 11th, 1913. Service at 4 p.m. prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea provided only for those sending their names to me by the Wednesday previous.—R. G. Knowles, Madresfield, Malvern, Honorary Secretary.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Sudbury Branch.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Monk's Eleigh (four miles from Lavenham) on Saturday, October 11th. Tea will be provided at the Bull Inn at 4 p.m. Those requiring tea are asked to give notice to the secretary on or before Monday, October 6th, so that arrangements may be made.—R. L. Gardner, Lavenham, Suffolk.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Everton on Saturday, October 11th. Tea at 5.15 p.m., free to members, by the kind invitation of the Rev. A. Rose, Vicar, who advise G. W.

Stevenson, Field House, Everton Bawtry, not later than October 7th. Shall be glad to receive all unpaid subscriptions for 1913 at this meeting. — H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary, 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).—The quarterly meeting of this society will take place on Monday, October 13th, at the Church of St. Mary, Holloway, N. Tower open from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. J. Hardy, Honorary General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.—The bells at the Parish Church will not be available for peals until further notice.—J. Preston, Secretary, Holifast Road, Erdington.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. W. J. Nudds has removed to 102, Kilburn Park Road, N.W.

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THE LATE CAPT. GLEN KIDSTON.

To the Editor.

Sir, — Upon looking through the peal columns of "The Ringing World" of the last two issues, I am disappointed to find that only one muffled peal in the whole of the Hereford Diocesan Guild was rung as a last token of respect to the late Captain A. Glen Kidston, who passed away on the 2nd inst., at his residence, at Gwernyfed Park, Glasbury. This peal, I am happy to say, was rung by the St. Peter's band, Glasbury, on the day of his funeral.

I wonder if the members of the Hereford Guild realise what a friend they have lost, and have they yet found a gentleman who will step into the shoes of the late genial captain, and do so much good for them? I hope they have not forgotten the last two Empire days, when every ringer in the Guild was invited to Glasbury to take part in the competition, all the expenses of which were defrayed by the captain, without a single farthing coming out of the pockets of the ringers. To speak of all the good he has done would occupy by far too much space in your valuable paper. I trust that when the members realise what a friend they have lost, in the person of Capt. Glen Kidston, they will for ever regret not taking the opportunity of ringing for him a muffled peal (as the last token of respect) upon the bells which this kind-hearted gentleman loved so well.

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