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WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,
MESSRS. GILLET & 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.

MODERN WORK.

INTER-AFFILIATION.

The question of inter-affiliation is really taking definite shape and coming within the region of practical politics. As has been already recorded, the Llandaff Association will officially bring the matter to the notice of the Central Council, the Worcestershire Association have considered the subject, and now the Warwickshire Guild have debated it at one of their quarterly meetings and are to discuss it further at the annual meeting. This, of course, is the way in which to get the matter ventilated and to ascertain the real feeling of ringers on the subject, and doubtless now that the ball has once been set rolling other Associations will follow suit and weigh up the pros and cons in order that their representatives when they go to Winchester at Whitsun may have behind them the knowledge that they speak with the full authority of their members. Unless there is need of educating opinion on some special matter, the delay of a year, on account of the Central Council only meeting annually, is a thing to be avoided and might well be avoided in this matter.

A correspondent, "R. A. E.," has raised the question as to whom should go the credit for initiating the project of inter-affiliation. He says: "In this discussion you have attributed the origin of this idea to Mr. W. H. Godden, who spoke of it at St. Martin's Guild annual dinner two years ago. Surely memory is not so faulty! If there is any credit at all it belongs to Mr. William Willson, of Leicester, who advanced the question seven years ago in 'The Bell Ringer,' and in his article gave a complete scheme." Needless to say, we had no intention of detracting from any credit due to "W. W." as the first to ventilate the subject, although, of course, the matter is one which has long been a topic of discussion privately among the ringers. If we overlooked Mr. Willson's scheme of 1907 in commenting on the matter it is only because the question was publicly revived after a long break, during which it had been relegated to the limbo of schemes forgotten. But, as "R. A. E." adds, "Some men's views are usually in advance of their time, but the opinions of 'W. W.' once pooh-poohed, are now firmly growing in the minds of the Exercise as quite practicable." This applies to projects in all walks of life, but we think that had Mr. Willson, with his trenchant pen, had the continued opportunity of keeping things of this kind under the public notice his efforts would not have been altogether fruitless. At any rate, we hope that our efforts to stir up interest in things which concern the interest of ringers and the welfare of the Art, by returning to them again and again, as occasion warrants, have not been altogether lost.

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OPINION OF OUR
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Broomfield Vicarage,
Chelmsford.

Dear Sirs,

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We consider that the work reflects great credit upon your firm, and believe that your system of hanging the bells reduces the vibration of the steel frame supplied by you to a minimum.

The CHURCHWARDENS unite with ME in this expression of opinion. The BELLEINGERS are also unanimous in their praise of the alterations effected by you.

Yours truly,
CHAS. EDMUNDS,
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TWELVE BELL PEALS.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
AND ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Tuesday, January 20, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANCES;

SAMUEL WOOD Treble	SAMUEL GREENHALGH ... 7
CHARLES BOWER 2	JOSEPH RIDYARD ... 8
BENJAMIN GILL 3	JOHN HARRISON ... 9
CHAS. BROADBENT 4	ALBERT ADAMS ... 10
THOMAS JAKEMAN 5	SAMUEL BOOTH ... 11
JOSEPH MELLOR 6	HARRY CHAPMAN ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by SAMUEL WOOD.

First peal in the method on 12 bells for all the band. First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Maximus in the North of England.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANCES;

Tenor 50 cwt. 0 qr. 20 lbs.

ALFRED W. GRIMES Treble	FREDERICK PITSTOW ... 7
WILLIAM J. NUDDS 2	FREDERICK J. PITSTOW ... 8
BERTRAM PREWETT 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... 9
ISAAC G. SHADE 4	JOHN THOMAS ... 10
JOHN H. CHEESMAN 5	WILLIAM PYE ... 11
GEORGE R. PYE 6	ERNEST PYE ... Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5081 CHANCES;

Tenor 33 cwt.

*EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... Treble	ALBERT LITTLE ... 7
§ISAAC PURSER 2	†HERBERT JONES ... 8
†FREDERICK DARRALL ... 3	†WILLIAM H. LAWLEY ... 9
†HARRY HAWKSWOOD ... 4	§BENJAMIN CLARK ... 10
†HARRY FARLOW 5	HERBERT KNIGHT ... 11
†THOMAS O'CONNOR 6	†THOMAS SMITH ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

* First peal away from tenor, and first peal on twelve. † First peal on twelve. § First peal of Cinques. § First peal of Cinques away from tenor. First peal and first attempt by the tenor man. First peal of Grandsire Cinques on the bells. First peal of Grandsire Cinques by all (who are members of the local band), and was rung at the first attempt.

TEN BELL PEALS.

ROTHERHAM.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 20, 1914, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5004 CHANCES;

Tenor 32 cwt., in D flat.

SIDNEY F. PALMER Treble	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... 6
*LEONARD GARRISON 2	THOS. COLIN RYDER ... 7
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 3	†EDGAR C. GARRISON ... 8
†LEONARD BRIGHTMAN ... 4	CLEMENT GLENN ... 9
ARTHUR HAGUE 5	JOHN H. BROTHWELL ... Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS, and
Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

* First peal. † First peal on 10 bells. The conductor's 300th peal for the Yorkshire Association, and also his completion of the "circle" in this tower.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday, January 21, 1914, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5051 CHANCES;

Tenor 24½ cwt.	
FRED DAVIES Treble	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 6
SAMUEL WESLEY 2	GEORGE HOLLIS 7
CLEMENT GLENN 3	*JOHN H. BROTHWELL ... 8
*WILLIAM G. CHRISTIAN ... 4	ARTHUR KNIGHTS 9
GEORGE DAVIES 5	WILLIAM J. THYNG ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. Knights, wife of the composer.

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

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANCES;

Tenor 21 cwt.	
*MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... Treble	EDWARD F. COLE 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL 2	JAMES PARKER 7
JOSEPH J. PRATT 3	WILLIAM HORNE 8
RICHARD BUCKLAND 4	ROBERT H. YOUNG 9
JOHN GRANSBURY 5	HENRY H. CHANDLER ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and
Conducted by MISS E. K. PARKER.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. R. H. Young's 50th peal. This was intended to be a Cumberland peal, but the band meeting one short, Mr. Chandler kindly rang the tenor.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

STEYNING, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 10, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

SIR A. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.	
GEORGE GATLAND Treble	ARTHUR GROVES 5
EDWIN BRISTOW 2	GEORGE H. PHILLIPS ... 6
ARTHUR HUTCHINGS 3	ROBERT C. PRIDGEON ... 7
EDMUND LINDUP 4	ERNEST STURT Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT CONGREVE PRIDGEON.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 10, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 12 cwt.	
JAMES WHEELER Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE 5
HARRY BOTTRILL 2	WILLIAM WHEELER 6
WILLIAM DELLAR 3	JOHN CORDELL 7
*WILLIAM HEWITT 4	GEORGE DENT Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by G. DENT.

BIRSTALL, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1914, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 20 cwt., in E.	
JAMES COTTERELL Treble	JOSEPH BROADLEY 5
J. FRED CLAYTON 2	HERBERT DRANSFIELD ... 6
WILLIAM CLARK 3	EDWARD CROWTHER 7
FRED ROBINSON 4	HERBERT PEEL Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED ROBINSON.

After the peal the ringers were entertained to a "knife and fork" tea at the local ringers' headquarters.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 17, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 16 cwt.	
GEORGE ALLDER Treble	GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE ... 5	GEORGE MARTIN 6	
RICHARD BUCKLAND 2	GEORGE MARTIN 6	WILLIAM HENLEY 7	
*WILLIAM A. GARRAWAY ... 3	WILLIAM HENLEY 7	JAMES BLACKMAN Tenor	
JOSEPH J. PARKER 4	JAMES BLACKMAN Tenor		

Conducted by G. MARTIN.

* First peal in the method. Rung to welcome the Rev. T. B. Carter to the parish as vicar.

BURNHAM, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 22½ cwt.	
*JAMES CORAM Treble	FREDERICK ILEY 5	WALTER WORGAN 6	
ALFRED ROUTLEY 2	WALTER WORGAN 6	GABRIEL CHAMBERLAIN ... 7	
ALEXANDER EVANS 3	GABRIEL CHAMBERLAIN ... 7	†EDWARD REED Tenor	
*GEORGE H. PRUEN 4	†EDWARD REED Tenor		

Conducted by G. CHAMBERLAIN.

* First peal of Stedman. † First peal. First peal of Stedman on the bells by an entirely local band, and first attempt and first peal of Stedman as conductor. The ringer of the treble is nearly 67 years age, and only took up Stedman a short time ago.

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Saturday, January 17, 1914, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.	
EX-SERG. J. WILLIAMS ... Treble	GEORGE CONDICK, Senr. ... 5
JOHN AUSTIN 2	JOSEPH T. DYKE 6
ARTHUR E. MORGAN 3	JOHN W. DAVIS 7
JOHN W. JONES 4	ARTHUR S. BOAR Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and
Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

MIDDLETON.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Monday, January 19, 1914, in Three Hours,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
JOHN HOLLOWES Treble	*JAMES ARROWSMITH, Junr. ... 5
WILLIAM BERRY 2	TOM A. OGDEN 6
THOMAS OLDHAM 3	JAMES ARROWSMITH, Senr. ... 7
THOMAS K. DRIVER 4	TOM WELLES Tenor

Composed by W. SHIPWAY, and
Conducted by WILLIAM BERRY.

* First peal in any method, also at first attempt.

CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 20, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 24 cwt., 1 qt. 1 lb.	
WILLIAM T. PATES Treble	REV. H. A. COCKEY 5	REV. C. D. P. DAVIES ... 6	
GEORGE A. PHILLOTT 2	REV. C. D. P. DAVIES ... 6	REV. CYRIL JENKIN 7	
ALBERT W. HUMPHRIES ... 3	REV. CYRIL JENKIN 7	WALTER FARLEY Tenor	
REV. G. F. COLERIDGE ... 4	WALTER FARLEY Tenor		

Conducted by REV. CYRIL JENKYN.

This is the first peal on the bells, which are a new ring by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. It is a very musical ring and goes splendidly. The band wish to thank the Vicar for kindly granting the use of the bells, and Mr. Tucker for his kind hospitality after the peal.

BROMLEY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE
SOCIETY OF BROMLEY YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, January 20, 1914, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

*ALFRED JAMES, Junr. ... Treble	GEORGE HUXLEY ... 5
ISAAC EMERY ... 2	ARTHUR BYGRAVE ... 6
ERIC G. FILTNESS ... 3	ALFRED JAMES, Senr. ... 7
HUBERT J. BLACKWELL ... 4	GEORGE DURLING ... Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER, and
Conducted by GEORGE DURLING.

* First peal of Major.

READING, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, January 21, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 28 cwt.

CHARLES GILES ... Treble	AMBROSE OSBORNE ... 5
ALFRED T. REEVES ... 2	JOHN SWAIN ... 6
ALFRED WATMORE ... 3	ARTHUR W. PIKE ... 7
REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... 4	FRANK HOPGOOD ... Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON, and
Conducted by FRANK HOPGOOD.

First peal in the method on the bells.

BENHILTON, SUTTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, January 21, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 19½ cwt., in E.

GEORGE A. COOK ... Treble	ERNEST HOLLOWAY ... 5
ALFRED L. BROWN ... 2	ALFRED H. WINCH ... 6
RICHARD KENDALL ... 3	ARTHUR DEAN ... 7
WILLIAM H. CORBETT ... 4	WALTER SHERMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. CORBETT.

This is believed to be the quickest peal on the bells.

HATFIELD, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,
AND THE HATFIELD COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Wednesday, January 21, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ETHELDREDA,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt.

FREDERICK CULL ... Treble	ARTHUR SHEPHERD ... 5
JOHN SHEPHERD ... 2	RALPH SHEPHERD ... 6
WILLIAM J. ROMNEY ... 3	JOSEPH HOLLINGSWORTH ... 7
WILLIAM NASH ... 4	JOHN T. KENTISH ... Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH, and
Conducted by JOHN T. KENTISH.

First peal of Treble Bob by all except the conductor. First peal in the method by the local band, and first peal of Treble Bob as conductor.

RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, January 21, 1914, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

HERBERT DAY ... Treble	FRED W. HILL ... 5
*SYDNEY LANDER ... 2	FRANK F. HILL ... 6
G. ARTHUR BOWMER ... 3	WILLIAM C. PILCHER ... 7
ALEX. HUTCHISON ... 4	HENRY GEORGE ... Tenor

Composed by T. PLATE, and
Conducted by HENRY GEORGE.

* First peal. First peal in the method on the bells, and first in the method by all except the ringer of treble. Rung as a farewell to Mr. Harry Price, who has resigned his headmastership of Ripley St. John's Schools to read for Holy Orders.

EAST HAYBOURNE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, January 22, 1914, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

*WILLIAM E. NAPPER ... Treble	HARRY TUCKER ... 5
THOMAS EAST ... 2	HARRY SMITH ... 6
RICHARD G. RICE ... 3	REV. CYRIL W. O. JENKYN ... 7
EDWIN MENDAY ... 4	*JAMES S. NAPPER ... Tenor

Conducted by REV. CYRIL JENKYN.

* First peal in the method.

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 22, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HALEY'S VARIATION.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... Treble	JOHN WHEADON ... 5
GEORGE POVEY ... 2	REGINALD BROUGH ... 6
FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON ... 3	EDWIN BARNETT, Senr. ... 7
*DAVID BARNES ... 4	*WILLIAM AUDSLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, Senr.

* First peal of Stedman. F. W. Richardson's 50th peal.

NEWCHURCH, ROSSENDALE, LANCs.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, January 22, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES TAYLOR ... Treble	O. EASTWOOD ... 5
ROBT. LEACH ... 2	WALTER TAYLOR ... 6
J. H. HAYDOCK ... 3	J. B. TAYLOR ... 7
STANLEY PICKUP ... 4	J. W. ORMEROD ... Tenor

Conducted by W. TAYLOR.

This is the quickest peal on the bells, and was rung to celebrate the 70th birthday of Mr. John Kershaw, of Newchurch, who is an old ringer, and has taken an interest in ringing for 55 years. The ringers of 2nd and 3rd hail from Ramsbottom, and 4th from Bacup.

NOTTINGHAM.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 22, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

WHITTLE'S VARIATION.

Tenor 21 cwt.

LEONARD LEVERTON ... Treble	GEORGE WEST ... 5
JOSEPH WOOLLEY ... 2	FRANK JOHNSON ... 6
HARRY WHITTLE ... 3	EDWARD A. RIDGWAY ... 7
REV. C. J. STURTON ... 4	SAMUEL WESLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by HARRY WHITTLE.

The ringers of the treble and 5th were re-elected members before starting. E. A. Ridgway hails from Leek, Staffs.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

†THOMAS M. WHITEFIELD ... Treble	ROBERT GOFTON ... 5
R. ALDER GOFTON ... 2	GEORGE R. HARRISON ... 6
ARTHUR PAYNE ... 3	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... 7
ROBERT W. FALCONER ... 4	*HERBERT P. MUSGRAVE ... Tenor

Conducted by R. ALDER GOFTON.

* First peal. † First peal away from the tenor. This peal was rung on the eve of the Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul, and the first anniversary of the dedication of the bells. It was the eighth peal on the bells rung out of nine attempts.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(DARLEY DALE SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 17 cwt., n F.

JOHN SIDDALL, Junr. Treble	JAMES L. WRIGHT 5
ALFRED WALLACE 2	HENRY GREGORY 6
WILLIAM BARKER 3	WILLIAM TAYLOR 7
THOMAS WHITE 4	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY W. WILDE, and
Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT.

Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of the late Mr. Thomas Burnett.

DEANE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 12½ cwt.

FRED. ABBOTT Treble	THOMAS WORSLEY 5
ALFRED POTTER 2	ROBERT WALLWORK 6
THOMAS WALLWORK 3	TITUS BARLOW 7
THOMAS BRANDWOOD 4	JOSEPH RIDYARD Tenor

Composed by J. PRITCHARD, and
Conducted by J. RIDYARD.

* First peal in the method. Rung after meeting short for Superlative.

ASHSTEAD, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt., in F.

GEORGE MARRINER Treble	JOHN HOYLE 5
JOHN WYATT 2	ALFRED H. WINCH 6
JOSEPH A. LAMBERT 3	WILLIAM S. SMITH 7
WILLIAM H. CORBETT 4	ARTHUR DEAN Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN, and
Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

QUEENSBURY.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOMAS B. KENDALL Treble	EDGAR WHITELEY 5
FIRTH HOPWOOD 2	JOHN JOYCE 6
FRED HUTTON 3	JOSEPH BROADLEY 7
JOE HARDCASTLE 4	JOHN WM. WRIGHT ... Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH FLEMING, and
Conducted by JOHN WM. WRIGHT.

HORSHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FIVE-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

*ALFRED FRANCIS Treble	WILLIAM DENYER 5
PERCY H. DOICK 2	†WILLIAM STANFORD 6
RAYMOND WOOD 3	WILLIAM SHORT 7
JAMES BURDFIELD 4	JOHN COOK Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM STANFORD.

* First peal of Triples. † First peal of Triples as conductor. The ringer of the treble was proposed a member of the Sussex County Association previous to starting for the peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Lizzie Stanford, daughter of the conductor.

STONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

FRED CHELL, Senr. Treble	PETER PRESTON 5
EDWARD COPE 2	CHARLES PAGE 6
SIDNEY CHURTON 3	JOHN GOODALL 7
THOMAS CHELL 4	*FRANCIS CHELL Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY CHURTON.

* First peal.

ORMESBY, YORKS.

THE CLEVELAND & NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

JOHN H. JONES Treble	WILLIAM T. HOLMES 5
*MISS OLIVE LUMLEY 2	THOMAS METCALFE 6
FREDERICK LAVERICK 3	ALEXANDER MACFARLANE 7
JOHN GEORGE HALL 4	THOMAS LEYBOURNE ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN GEORGE HALL.

* First peal in any method on an inside bell.

WORKSOP, NOTTS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE PRIORY CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

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

Tenor 12 cwt.

SAMUEL WESLEY Treble	JOHN H. BROTHWELL 5
GEORGE HALKSWORTH 2	ARTHUR HAGUE 6
*HERBERT HAIGH 3	ROBERT RICHARDSON 7
ARCHIE BREARLEY 4	CLEMENT GLENN Tenor

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

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

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN H. SWINFELD Treble	GEORGE BULL 5
E. HARRY STONELEY 2	WILLIAM C. WAKLEY 6
W. W. WORTHINGTON 3	ALGERNON P. G. STONE 7
*CHARLES SANDERS 4	ALBERT P. WAKLEY Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and
Conducted by A. P. WAKLEY.

* First Surprise peal. First peal of Major on the bells.

HYTHE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*WALTER J. PREBBLE Treble	WILLIAM BIDNELL 5
FRANCIS A. VINCETT 2	STEPHEN T. BINFIELD 6
ALFRED R. MANNING 3	†SAMUEL A. GOWER 7
ARTHUR S. BINFIELD 4	THOMAS A. VINCETT Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL ALFRED GOWER.

* First peal. † First peal as conductor. Francis A. Vincett was made a member of the Association before starting.

MILNROW, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN MILLETT Treble	HERBERT DAVENPORT ... 5
*JOHN NASH... .. 2	EDMUND SCHOFIELD... .. 6
JOSEPH OGDEN 3	WILLIAM CRABTREE... .. 7
*HUGH REYNOLDS 4	*HARRY BUCKLEY Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM CRABTREE.

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

SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.

CODDINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, January 11, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

HENRY WEBLEY Treble	CHARLES WEBLEY 4
WILLIAM WEBLEY 2	WALTER GREENING 5
RICHARD THOMAS 3	FRED. PRICE Tenor

Conducted by C. WEBLEY.

Rung, with best wishes, on the day of the baptism in Burma of Denis Paul Bulkeley, grandson of Canon and Mrs. Bulkeley, the Vicar of Coddington.

BIDDENHAM, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of London and Cambridge Surprise, London Scholars', College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT L. HARLOW ... Treble	MISS EVELYN STEEL ... 4
*MISS DOROTHY STEEL ... 2	HORACE SMITH... .. 5
JOHN W. BARKER 3	HARRY TYSOE Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

* First peal of Minor (seven methods) inside.

SEAL, CHART.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, January 19, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Grandsire and Plain Bob, all called differently. Tenor 10 cwt., in G.

*ERNEST G. SANBY ... Treble	*JOHN P. COX 4
*HERBERT H. HARDING ... 2	JAMES FORD 5
*ARTHUR WENBAN 3	DENIS J. GOLDSMITH ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES FORD.

* First peal in four methods. Rung with the bells half muffled, as a token of respect to the late Admiral George Stanley Bosanquet, for many years Churchwarden of the parish, who was buried in St. Lawrence churchyard the same day.

LINCOLN.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, January 20, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AT GOWT'S,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 9 cwt.

W. PANNELL Treble	J. S. BETTS 4
G. COLLINS 2	R. H. HURST 5
*T. GREENWOOD 3	†E. LOYD Tenor

Conducted by J. S. BETTS.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor. Messrs. Pannell and Collins were elected members of the Guild before starting.

LAMBERMURST, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 20, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 360 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Double Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, and 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN BAILEY Treble	WALTER MARSHALL... .. 4
GEORGE FULLER... .. 2	HARRY PRICE 5
ANDREW MARSHALL 3	ALBERT RELFE Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW MARSHALL.

First peal in eleven methods by the Kent County Association.

COLD HIGHAM, NORTHANTS.
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 22, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Consisting of St. Simon's, Plain Bob, and Grandsire.

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 21 lbs.

*HAROLD FOLWELL ... Treble	†J. WILLIAM UNWIN ... 3
GEORGE W. BEESLEY ... 2	CECIL H. SLARKE 4
CHARLES S. FAULKNER	Tenor

Conducted by J. W. UNWIN.

* First peal. † First peal as conductor and first attempt. First peal on the bells

PRESTON, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being one 720 of Woodbine, and two 720's each of New London, Oxford and Kent.

STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... Treble	THOMAS HOLLOCKS 4
ARTHUR SYMONDS 2	WILLIAM R. J. POULSON ... 5
HARRY CRICK 3	HARRY POULSON Tenor

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

Rung to celebrate the birthdays of the ringers of the 6th, 2nd and 3rd, which occurred on the 22nd, 23rd and 26th respectively.

CALVERTON, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Chester, Canterbury, Beverley, York, London, Wells, and Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 11 cwt

WALTER W. BONHAM... Treble	ALBERT J. GREEN 4
HERBERT C. EDWARDS ... 2	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS ... 5
EDWIN YATES 3	CECIL A. VALENTINE ... Tenor

Conducted by C. A. VALENTINE.

First peal of Surprise by all, the first of Surprise Minor by the Guild and rung at the first attempt. It was a birthday compliment to H. C. Edwards, and the conductor's 50th peal of Minor.

* MONTFORD, SALOP.
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 42 Six-Scores called differently. Tenor 12 cwt., in G.

JAMES GURNEY Treble	ALFRED E. FULICK 4
*WILLIAM H. PASSMORE ... 2	†ISAAC MADDOX 5
CHARLES R. LILLEY 3	HARRY DAVIS Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

* First peal on a working bell. † First peal. I. Maddox, for whom it was arranged, belongs to the local company. The ringers of 1, 2, and 6 hail from Conover, and of the 3 and 4 from St. Chad's, Shrewsbury. First peal upon the bells.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 of Kent Treble Bob, two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, and four of Plain Bob called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE E. NAUNTON ... Treble	WILLIAM S. CLARK ... 4
ALBERT J. NAUNTON ... 2	JOHN SPENCER ... 5
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

Rung to oblige Master W. S. Clark, of Beccles, this being his first peal of Minor.

CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Double Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr.

JOSEPH SADDINGTON ... Treble	HARRY MEADOWS ... 4
ARTHUR SNEATHERS ... 2	*HERBERT SADDINGTON ... 5
MATTHIAS HOBBS ... 3	GEORGE LINES ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE LINES.

* First peal away from the treble and first attempt. Rung in honour of the birth of a son and heir to Lady and Sir Frederick Robinson, Bart., Sir Frederick being patron of the two churches of Cranford St. John's and St. Andrew's.

ST. MARY CRAY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, and College Single. Tenor 12 cwt.

JAMES HURRELL ... Treble	HENRY WILKES ... 4
FRANCIS FRASER ... 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 5
WILLIAM J. BROWNING ... 3	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, Senr. Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.

This is the first peal of Minor in seven methods on the bells, and was a birthday compliment to W. J. Browning.

ST. WEONARD'S, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WEONARD,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, called differently. Tenor 11½ cwt.

REV. V. A. CRESSWELL ... Treble	FRANK VOYCE ... 4
ALLEN GWYNNE ... 2	CAMPBELL KINGS ... 5
JOHN CLARK ... 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

First peal of Minor for the Vicar; and the first on the bells since Messrs. Barwell, of Birmingham, rehung the treble and second last autumn.

KILNDOWN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Three Hours,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Kent Treble Bob, College Single, and Oxford Bob, and two 720's each of Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, called differently.

*FREDERICK PANKHURST ... Treble	FREDERICK FOREMAN ... 4
GEORGE FULLER ... 2	JAMES WAGHORN ... 5
FRANK E. PATTENDEN ... 3	EDWIN LAMBERT ... Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN LAMBERT.

* First peal in five methods.

SHRAWLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, January 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Grandsire, Canterbury and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

ERNEST E. BARBER ... Treble	GEORGE HINTON, Junr. ... 4
WILLIAM C. JONES ... 2	WILLIAM EDGINGTON ... 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... 3	WILLIAM PAGE ... Tenor

Conducted by W. PAGE.

Rung on the Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul.

STOKE EDITH, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, January 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 16 Six-Scores each of Canterbury and Plain Bob, and 10 of Grandsire. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lbs. in E.

RICHARD GRIFFITHS ... Treble	WALTER TAYLOR ... 4
WILLIAM SHORT ... 2	HENRY TAYLOR ... 5
WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... 3	*SAMUEL HILL ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

* First peal. Also first peal in three methods by all except the conductor. Rung after meeting one short for Minor, the tenor-man making up the band.

HANDBELL PEALS.

HERSHAM, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, January 22, 1914, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT LEYLAND, QUEEN'S ROAD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor, size 11.

JOHN SPARROW ... 1-2	ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD ... 5-6
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... 3-4	JOHN LOVERIDGE ... 7-8

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Umpire: J. W. C. STEWART.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of 1-2 and 5-6.

SHEFFIELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, January 23, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT 31, BURGESS STREET,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

SIR A. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

*ARTHUR HAGUE ... 1-2	CLEMENT GLENN ... 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 3-4	*JOHN THORPE ... 7-8

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Umpire: SIDNEY F. PALMER.

* First handbell peal in the method.

LONDON.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1914, in Two Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT 130, CLONMORE ST., SOUTHFIELDS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD ... 1-2	JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... 5-6
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... 3-4	MISS ELSIE MATTHEWS ... 7-8

Composed by FRANK BENNETT, and

Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.

Witness: CECIL J. MATTHEWS.

ROTHERHAM.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, January 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT 24, GODSTONE ROAD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

MISS WINIFRED M. HAGUE 1-2	CLEMENT GLENN ... 5-6
*RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 3-4	ARTHUR HAGUE ... 7-8

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Witness: MISS RUTH RICHARDSON.

* First handbell peal in the method

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CUMBERLAND'S NEW MASTER.



Mr. J. D. Matthews, who has been elected Master of the Royal Cumberland Youths. He served in the same capacity in 1911-12.

BELL OPENING SERVICES.

The bells of the Parish Church, Amersham, Bucks, have lately been rehung and quarter-turned, and the tenor recast by Messrs. Nears and Stainbank. The Rev. Cyril Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford Guild) preached an excellent sermon at the re-opening service, and at the conclusion 720 Kent Treble Bob was rung in 28 mins., by: F. Hayes (High Wycombe) 1, J. J. Parker (Farnham Royal), conductor, 2, W. Horne (Chalfont St. Giles) 3, W. H. Fussell (Slough) 4, J. Blackmore (Beaconsfield) 5, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Caversham) 6. Mr. A. Hughes, of London; Mr. R. Coles, High Wycombe, and others, also took part in touches during the evening.

A LIGHT RING AT BROAD BLUNSDON.

A new light ring of six bells (tenor 5 cwt. 2 qrs. 21 lbs., in the key of E), was dedicated by the Venerable Ravenscroft Stewart, M.A., Archdeacon of North Wilts, at St. Leonard's Church, Broad Blunsdon, on Saturday last. The four existing bells were recast and two new trebles have been added by Messrs. John Warner and Sons. The bells were opened by a special band of ringers from Swindon and neighbourhood, under Mr. Ernest Bishop, and great satisfaction was expressed as to the tone and "go" of the ring, and the opinion was generally expressed that the bells sounded like a much heavier peal.

DORSETSHIRE PEAL AUGMENTED.

The Archdeacon of Dorset dedicated the treble bell which has been placed in Buckland Newton church tower, in memory of the late Canon Ravenhill, to complete the ring of six. The new bell weighs 6½ cwt., and bears the following inscription: "In memory of Canon H. E. Ravenhill, Vicar, 1860 to 1907, A.D., 1913." The work has been carried out in the most satisfactory way by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London, E.

RINGING AT WELLS CATHEDRAL.

A party of ringers, having assembled in Wells with a view to opening the new ring of eight installed by Messrs. Taylor and Co., at Chewton Mendip, with a peal on Tuesday of last week, had the opportunity of ringing on the heavy peal at Wells Cathedral on the preceding evening. A touch of 764 Grandsire Caters was rung by: W. T. Pates (conductor) 1, G. H. Phillott 2, A. W. Humphries 3, W. Farley 4, E. G. Lush (longest length) 5, J. W. Taylor 6, Rev. G. F. Coleridge 7, A. E. Mills (longest length) 8, Rev. H. A. Cockey 9, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn 10. On the back eight, 252 Stedman Triples was rung by: W. T. Pates 1, G. H. Phillott 2, A. W. Humphries 3, J. W. Taylor 4, Rev. F. G. Coleridge 5, Rev. H. A. Cockey 6, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (conductor) 7, W. Farley 8. The weight of the tenor is 57½ cwt.

THE NON-CONDUCTED PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES.

COLLEGE YOUTHS' PEAL BOARD UNVEILED.

In the presence of a good company of members of the Ancient Society of College Youths, including Miss Macalpine Leny, the umpires of the peal, Messrs. Dains and G. W. Wild, Messrs. A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes, J. H. B. Hesse, C. S. Burden, J. C. Adams, E. P. O'Meara, and ten of the band who rang the non-conducted peal on February 22nd, 1913, the tablet recording the performance was unveiled by the Rector (the Rev. J. H. Ellison, M.A., M.V.O.), on Saturday at St. Michael's, Cornhill. The absentees of the band were Mr. H. Springall, who is just recovering from a long illness and Mr. F. Dench, who had a previous engagement in Cambridgeshire.

As an explanation to the Rector, of the nature of the performance recorded on the tablet, the Master of the Society, Mr. T. Faulkner, read the following letter which had been addressed to him:—

Dear Mr. Master,—I have much pleasure in congratulating you and each member of the band upon the splendid peal of Stedman Cinques you rang on the bells of St. Michael's, Cornhill, on last Saturday night, the 22nd inst. I have, as you know, rung in many a twelve-bell peal, and have been a critical listener to the ringing of several others, but I have never heard a better struck peal upon twelve bells than this one. When it is taken into consideration that it was a non-conducted peal, and accomplished without the calling of either a bob or a single, and that each member of the band was calling and watching progress silently of the composition, it will be realised and acknowledged as a masterpiece of bell ringing, and well worthy the position it will take as a grand record peal. I am pleased to have been an umpire of it, and I was highly interested in watching the bells making the bobs and the consequent additional dodging of them, until they seemed to work almost automatically, which was highly amusing, and enables me to testify and give credit due for such an excellent performance by the College Youths.—I am, dear Mr. Master, yours very sincerely,

HY. DAINS,

Past Master of Royal Cumberland Youths,

47, Richmond Road, Barnsbury, N.

24th February, 1913.

The Rector then removed the covering and read the inscription on the board as follows:—

Established 1637. The Ancient Society of College Youths. On Saturday, Feb. 22nd, 1913, the following members rang in this steeple a non-conducted peal of Stedman Cinques (5002 changes), in 3 hrs. 52 mins.: Henry Springall 1, Challis F. Winney 2, Harry R. Pasmore 3, Herbert Langdon 4, Henry R. Newton 5, Thomas Faulkner 6, John N. Oxborough 7, Frederick Dench 8, Alfred B. Peck 9, John W. Golding 10, William T. Cockerill 11, William H. Pasmore 12. Composed by Fredk. Dench. Umpires, Henry Dains and George W. Wild. Churchwardens, Mr. H. H. Summers, C.C., Mr. E. Simmons, Mr. C. E. Atkins, C.C. Curate-in-Charge during vacancy, Rev. P. J. Daws. This board was erected in December, 1913. Rev. J. H. Ellison, M.A., M.V.O., Rector. Edwin Horrex, steeplekeeper."

In an excellent speech, eulogising the art of change ringing, he congratulated the society on the performance, and said that it was a great pleasure and pride to him to know that this record peal had been rung on his bells of St. Michael's, Cornhill. Turning to the donor of the board, Mr. E. P. O'Meara, the Rector thanked him for his great kindness and generosity in providing such a beautiful memento of the peal, to adorn the walls of the ringing room.

Three courses of Stedman Cinques were rung by the ten members of the band who were present, with Mr. O'Meara on the treble, and Mr. C. S. Burden on the tenor.

On the arrival of other members, another touch was rung, and after hearty votes of thanks to the Rector for his presence, and to Mr. O'Meara for his handsome gift, the proceedings terminated.

THE PEAL AT HOLBEACH.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir.—Referring to the footnote at the end of the account of the peal rung at Holbeach on January 15th last, allow me to state that this is not the first peal on the bells. The first peal on them was rung on Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 23rd. 1773, some three years after the ring was augmented from six to eight by Joseph Eayre. I am not aware that any other peals have ever been rung on them.—Yours, etc., J. R. JERRAM.

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Mr. R. Richardson, the conductor of the peal, has written withdrawing the footnote, as he finds that a peal of Bob Major was rung there in 1773.

A purely family affair was the 720 Minor rung on handbells on Sunday week at Swanmore, Hants, when Mr. William Linter, senr., with a daughter and four sons brought round the extent of Oxford Bob on six bells. They rang as follows: Miss May Linter 1, Roy Linter 2, Walter Linter 3, Fred Linter 4, William Linter, junr., 5, William Linter, senr. (conductor) 6.

ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

"You owe me five farthings,
Say the bells of St. Martin's."

On Saturday week the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths held their annual meeting at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, permission to ring the fine Rudhall twelve at this tower, and the use of the beautiful vestry hall for business, having been very courteously given by the Very Rev. Preb. L. Shalford (the Rector) and churchwardens. Timed for three o'clock, and the steeplekeeper, Mr. G. Walters, in attendance, the bells were not set going till nearly 4 p.m., one or two groups of old chums having much to discuss before taking a rope together in the belfry. Five o'clock found a crowded vestry hall, the dark historically-pannelled walls throwing out in high relief a number of old and new Cumberland faces. The tables were nicely laid out with the usual commodities of a "high tea," under the kind superintendence of a number of lady churchworkers.—The Master (Mr. James Parker) presided, and looked remarkably well in the chair wearing the regalia of office, the Cumberland's time-honoured pendant, medallion and crimson sash. Supporting him were Mr. H. Dains, Mr. F. Bennett (the up-to-date hon. sec.), Mr. B. Foskett, Mr. J. D. Matthews, Mr. F. F. Cole, Mr. F. Hairs (steward), Mr. H. J. Bradley, Mr. E. Barnett, Mr. W. H. Doran, Mr. W. H. Fussell, Mr. D. Christy, Mr. R. Warner, and Messrs. Burton, Hazell, Brightman, Ruff, Smith, Franks, Miller, and others, totalling up 32, exclusive of a number of ladies, amongst whom were: Miss Parker, Mrs. and Miss Bennett, Mrs. and Miss Matthews, Miss Johnson and Miss Bradley and friend.

SOCIETY ON SOUNDER FOOTING.

Business immediately followed tea, and that was also dispatched in a businesslike way.—The Secretary reported a good balance in hand, or rather in the savings bank, of 14 guineas. Though small for such an important society, it was decidedly gratifying to the present trustees compared with past failings, since all peals rung down to the current year had been booked up, all accounts paid, together with insurance of property and rent of new quarters for the remainder of the year—facts which speak most highly of the secretary's seven years of office. The accounts had been duly audited by Messrs. A. D. Stone and Keith Hart, and the Secretary also reported that the Society had collected and paid over £20 to the Shoreditch Bells Restoration Fund.

The Master reported 27 peals during 1913 and the election and ratification of 21 new members, several of whom belong to prominent ringing centres in and around the Metropolis.—An interesting note from the Rector, regretting inability to meet the Society that evening, was read, also a postcard from Mr. A. Hardy (senior steward), now on his way to Buenos Ayres.—A letter from Mr. E. P. O'Meara was discussed with reference to the renovation of an old and almost indiscernible tablet, recording Grandsire Cinques rung long ago at St. Michael's, Cornhill, and a grant of half-a-guinea was voted towards the cost of its restoration by the local authorities. While heartily endorsing the thoughtful efforts of the new Rector of St. Michael's (the Rev. Canon Ellison, M.A., late of Windsor) to put his belfry in good order, the Society regretted that they were unable to undertake the whole cost, owing to a long period of financial depression from which the Cumberlands were only just emerging.

A letter of thanks to the Rector and churchwardens of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields was agreed upon, to be recorded also in the minute book, in reference to the handsome and costly restoration of a fine old Cumberland record recently re-erected in the church entrance. A similar minute was entered to record the voluntary services of the senior steward for some years past, and in moving the society's goods and helping the steeplekeeper during serious indisposition.

Still another peal tablet question arose, this time prospectively with regard to three performances by the Society of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, scored since the Warner restoration of this famous London ring of twelve.

"When I grow rich,
Say the bells of Shoreditch."

NEW MASTER AND SECRETARY.

The Master fittingly referred to the honour conferred on the Society by the authorities of Shoreditch, in permitting the members to resume their old-time position at this tower, and those at Slough for the first peal in their handsome steeple. He also paid a brief tribute to the recent achievements of the trio of feminine campanologists upon tower and handbells.—The approval of six members was then proposed.

Next followed the election of officers. This produced a touch of "London Surprise," when it became generally known that the two heads were compelled, through unavoidable business circumstances, to tender their resignation of office, although pressed to continue another year. The mastership was filled by the election of the ex-Master, Mr. J. D. Matthews—and the post of secretary, a gap hard to remedy, but willingly accepted, by Mr. H. J. Bradley, with a free promise "to do his best." The hard-working stewards were re-elected unanimously, as, indeed, was the case with each of the other officers.

A quarterly meeting in April was decided on for Southgate, by favour of the Vicar, and failing there, Edmonton. Members and friends will be notified of the date later on. The business concluded

with a vote of thanks to the retiring officers, proposed by Mr. Ben Foskett, seconded by Mr. Bill Russell.

During the packing up and handing over keys of office and effects, some of the younger enthusiastic members had climbed the stairs, and were again rolling off Stedman "Sixes" on St. Martin's "twelve," the night's ringing coming to an end at 8 p.m.—the several touches brought home having been conducted by the two Masters and Miss Masterpiece.

A PLEASANT GATHERING.

Only a few years back, after such a meeting, one would have seen the members dispersing to their respective homes through want of settled quarters and unanimity in themselves. This was not, however, the case in this particular half-day out with the Cumberlands. Instead of one or two old cronies dropping into their favourite bar corner to clink a glass over past deeds, everybody went to pay their respects loyally to "The King of Denmark," wherein this Society now holds forth. For many years a suitable meeting house has been needed, and at this one, besides the advantage of a position mid-way between the Society's two twelve-bell towers, an excellent room has been secured with a private entrance direct, and where handbells and the ringers' chorus may be rehearsed without let or hindrance.

A programme of the social evening that followed (till 11 p.m.) included a course each of Stedman Cinques, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Royal on handbells, the three Cumberland Misses also taking part in a course of Bob Major with the Master. Several excellent songs were given, Miss Johnson distinguishing herself with a one-part "Thora," and Miss Parker with a musical skit with pianoforte accompaniment. Songs were also rendered by Messrs. Brough, Wilby Hazell, Franks, and Barker. In the midst of their enjoyment the company were reinforced by visitors and members from Cornhill: Messrs. Grimes, Nudds, Shinnans, J. Austin, Ruff, J. Hunt, and the bonnie steeplekeeper of St. Sepulchre's close by—Mr. Dan Loveitt.—W.H.F.

A NOVEL COMPETITION.

LLANDEFAELOG RINGERS' CONTEST AND SUPPER.

Through the energy and generosity of Mr. Dickinson, the bells at Llandefaelog were, some time ago, restored and put in ringing order, and to encourage the members in the art of change ringing, the same gentleman has given a silver cup for competition. The first competition took place on Saturday, January 10th, when seven members of the local band competed for the trophy. The conditions were that each competitor should ring a certain number of changes on each of the inside bells, i.e., the 3rd, 4th and 5th, and that only one competitor should compete at one time. It was, therefore, necessary to obtain five members of the Brecon band to ring the remaining five bells. The gentlemen who kindly did this were: Messrs. W. Evans, W. A. Fletcher, G. Giblin, W. Griffiths and C. Powell. The adjudicator was Mr. W. Short (the instructor for the Hereford Diocesan Guild).

The competition over, Mr. Dickinson very kindly invited all the ringers to supper, and about twenty sat down to a magnificent spread.—Mr. Short was afterwards called upon to give his adjudication, and the winner of the "cup" proved to be Mr. J. Williams, who made only two faults, while the runner-up was Mr. D. J. Williams with eight faults. The winner was congratulated upon his achievement, and everyone agreed that Mr. Short's decision (under novel circumstances) was entirely satisfactory.—The rest of the evening was devoted to music, interspersed with one or two short speeches and the usual toasts. Songs were rendered by Messrs. Davies, Jones, W. Griffiths, D. J. Williams and W. A. Fletcher, while Mr. C. Powell gave a recitation. The members from Brecon (including Mr. Short) rang some very pretty selections on the handbells. Cheers were raised for Mr. and Mrs. Dickinson, and the singing of the National Anthem brought a most enjoyable evening to a close.

During the evening Stedman Doubles were rung on the tower bells by: W. A. Fletcher 1, G. Giblin 2, W. Short (conductor) 3, C. Powell 4, W. Evans 5, J. Williams 6—the first touch of Stedman on the bells.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham District of the Kent Association was held at Lewisham on Saturday week. Ringing commenced at 3.30 p.m., and divine service was held at 4.30 p.m., but owing to this being rather early, several were unable to attend, but an admirable address was given by Canon Hough (Vicar). Tea was afterwards served in the Parish Room, to which 43 sat down.

The business meeting followed, Mr. Gerald King presiding, and apologising for the Vicar's absence.—Sixteen new members were elected, including seven from St. Margaret's, Lee, while one election in tower was confirmed.—The District Representative read his report of the Central Committee meeting, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded him.—Hayes, St. Mary Cray, and Erith were proposed as the place for the next meeting, St. Mary Cray being decided upon for Saturday, April 25th.

A hearty vote of thanks was then accorded Canon Hough for the use of the bells and room, and for the service and address, to the organist, and to Mr. Gerald King for presiding.

The tower was again visited, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative were successfully brought round.

Chelmsford Cathedral Tenor Bell.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

MESSRS. JOHN WARNER & SONS, Ltd., of the
Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London, have in hand
the restoration of the following ring of 12 bells:

YORK MINSTER (Tenor 50½ cwt.)

PRINCIPLE OR METHOD?

MR. GEORGE BAKER ENDEAVOURS TO SETTLE A VEXED QUESTION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The following sets of figures should in my opinion go a long way towards settling the vexed question, "What is a Principle?"

No. 1 system, according to an arbitrary definition, is a Legitimate Principle; No. 2 system is the reverse of No. 1. No. 3 system and its reverse, No. 4, according to later dicta, are neither Principles nor Methods, but something more intricate than either.

It will, perhaps, interest your readers and the Legitimate Methods Committee to learn that all four systems are one and the same. This is easily proved by drawing a diagram of a plain course of each and comparing, when it will be found that one diagram fits all four systems.

In August last year in an article on "Leek Major," I demonstrated the fact that "Leek Major" and "Original Major"—the primary Principle—were closely allied. The relationship between "Original Major" and the following systems is also identical, and is definitely proved by the fact that the opposite pairs of bells, i.e., 1-8; 2-7; 3-6; and 4-5 have reciprocal relationships throughout the plain course.

This reciprocal relationship can only be retained when all the bells are working bells. As soon as the treble or another bell is fixed with a path different to the working bells the reciprocal relationship found in "Original Major," "Leek Major," and the systems given below is destroyed.

Here it will be well to mention that these systems are based on four-bell Principles, with superimposed dodging in 1-2 and 7-8. Each division consists of 22 changes, producing a plain course of 176 changes, this being only 16 changes short of the extent on the plan.

There are no adjoining places—reciprocal relationship will not permit of these—and the extent with tenors together is 31,680 changes; with the sixth a fixed bell, 21,120 changes. If bobs only are used there is but one false course-end with tenors together, i.e., 128543. If singles are made use of, there are two extra false course-ends, viz., 124635 and 125354. With the sixth a fixed bell, the systems have clean proof scales, even if Singles are used.

No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4
12345678	12345678	12345678	12345678
21354687	13254768	21354687	21435687
23145867	31245786	12536478	12463578
32418576	32154876	21563487	21645387
23481567	25318467	25136847	12654378
24318657	32581476	52163874	16245738
42381675	35218746	51236784	61254783
43218765	53281764	15263748	62145873
34281756	52318674	51627384	26154837
43827165	25381647	56172834	62518473
34872156	52836174	65127843	65281743
43781265	25863147	61572483	56218734
34718256	52681374	16527438	52681374
43172865	25618347	15672348	25618347
34127856	52163874	51763281	26581437
31472586	25136847	15736248	62854173
13427568	21563487	17563428	26845137
14372658	12536478	71536482	26854317
41327685	15263748	75163842	82645371
14236758	51236784	57136824	86254731
12463578	15327643	75318642	63245713
21436587	15372468	57381624	86427531
24163857	31527486	75836142	68472513

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GEORGE BAKER.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Gainsborough district was held at Gainsborough on Saturday week, and was fairly well attended, ringers being present from Brigg, Haxey, Kirton Lindsey, Misterton, Grimsby and Lea, in addition to the local company. A short service was held in the Parish Church, the form of office in the annual report being used. It was conducted by the Rev. E. S. Letts, who gave a most instructive and useful address to those present. Mr. Alan Stephenson, Mus. Bac. (Oxon) presided at the organ, and the singing was led by junior members of the choir.

Tea was provided at the King's Arms Coffee Tavern, and was followed by the business meeting, at which Mr. J. C. Tinker (ringing master) presided. The whole of the officers were re-elected, and the following places selected for meetings during 1914 and 1915: March 21st, Haxey; May 16th, Lea; July 11th, Brigg; September 19th, Kirton Lindsey; November 21st, Corringham; January (date to be fixed later), Gainsborough.—Votes of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, the Rev. E. S. Letts for conducting the service, Mr. A. Stephenson and the choir boys for their kind assistance, the district master and secretary for their services, and the chairman, were unanimously passed.

The bells of the Parish Church were available during the afternoon and evening, and touches brought round in the methods of Grandsire, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

INTER-AFFILIATION DISCUSSED.

The quarterly meeting of the Warwickshire Guild was held last Saturday at Chilvers Coton, near Nuneaton, and was well attended by ringers from Allesley, Rugby, Stoke-in-Coventry, Nuneaton, Chilvers Coton, Stoke Golding, Stony Stanton, Polesworth, Grendon, Hinchley and Stratford-on-Avon. The bells are a handy ring of eight, and were set going soon after 3.30 p.m.; an adjournment being made for tea at 5.0 p.m. The latter was partaken of in the Schoolroom, the catering being in the capable hands of Mr. and Mrs. Reader, and was followed by the business meeting. At this the Vicar (the Rev. R. Chadwick) occupied the chair, and he was supported by Messrs. Churchwardens Neale and Reader, the Ringing Master (Mr. James George), the hon. secretary (the Rev. C. C. Cox), and about 24 members.

It was decided to visit Boldmere for the quarterly meeting in April, and failing Boldmere, Stoke-in-Coventry was selected.—The election of nine members was ratified, and twenty-five new members were elected. Included in this number being the Chilvers Coton ringers, the ringers at Dunchurch, and also the Rev. R. Chadwick, as an honorary member.—It was mentioned that Mr. E. Tigwell, who was present, had come to reside at Grendon, and had in view the instruction of the ringers at that place.

The question of "Inter-affiliation" was brought up by the hon. secretary, and after some discussion it was agreed to consider the matter further at the April meeting.—The matter of the representation of the Ladies' Guild on the Central Council was also left over until that meeting.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells and for presiding at the tea and meeting, also to Mrs. Chadwick for kind assistance at tea, and Mr. and Mrs. Reader for their satisfactory arrangement. The bells were kept in use until 8.30 p.m., and the methods rung included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich Major, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major.

NEW ZEALAND RINGERS' CONCERT.

The association of ringers attached to St. Matthew's Church, at Auckland, New Zealand, had an extremely successful gathering on the occasion of their annual smoking concert, although it was regretted that through ill-health, the Vicar was unable to be present. In his absence the chair was taken by Mr. W. Tailby, the parishioner's churchwarden. Some 60 guests, including several members of the crew of H.M.S. "Pyramus" accepted the invitation of the association, and thoroughly enjoyed the admirable programme, which included songs and recitations, both humorous and sentimental, the sailors assisting greatly towards the success of the evening. Unfortunately one of the handbell ringers failed to put in an appearance, and the company were very disappointed that they were unable to have any handbell selections. Opportunity was taken by Mr. F. Colegrove, leader of the ringers, to welcome Mr. Hamblin, senr., to Auckland. The thanks of the Association were accorded to Mr. A. White (deputy leader), and Mr. J. Heather (the hon. secretary) for the able and energetic manner in which they carried out the arrangements. Altogether the concert was the most successful which the ringers have held.

DEATH OF A GAINSBOROUGH RINGER.

It is with deep regret that we record the death of Mr. Robert Sizer Lakin, who passed away at Gainsborough on Monday, January 19th, at the age of 49 years. He was a member of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, and the Gainsborough Parish Church Guild, and up to his recent illness, which commenced about eighteen months ago, was a very enthusiastic ringer. He never grasped the art of change ringing, but, as a tenor man for covering, he was well master of his work, and could always be depended upon for good striking. He had rung the Gainsborough tenor to three peals of Grandsire Triples, and only those who had rung with him knew the keen pride and interest which he always took in his duty as a ringer.

Deceased, being a native of Epworth, the funeral took place there on Wednesday week, and in the evening, as a token of respect, the bells of All Saints', Gainsborough, were rung half-muffled by the following: F. S. W. Butler 1, C. H. Baker 2, P. Ballance 3, J. C. Tinker 4, J. T. Ladd 5, W. Dickenson 6, H. Torr 7, W. Ayre 8.

5040 TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS.

Composition of the peal of Oxford Treble Twelve rung at Ashton-Under-Lyne, on January 20th:—

	23456	M	W	H
24536	1 x 2	2	2	
42635	2		2	
46325		1	2	
23645		2	2	
32546	2		2	
54326		1	1	
23456		2	2	

x Bobs at 5th, 8th and 11th leads. Composed and conducted by Samuel Wood.

ROUND THE FESTIVE BOARD.

CROYDON'S ANCIENT SOCIETY.

The Croydon Parish Church Bell Ringers Society has been in existence for 160 years, and their annual dinner the other day added another to the long list of enjoyable functions of which the society's record boasts. The Vicar of Croydon (Canon L. J. White-Thomson) presided, and was supported by Sir Frederick Edridge, J.P., D.L., Mr. C. F. Johnston, the Rev. Norman Lycett, etc. After an excellent repast the loyal toasts were honoured, and Mr. C. F. Johnston proposed "The Vicar, Clergy and Churchwardens," to which the Vicar, Sir Frederick Edridge, and the Rev. Norman Lycett, replied. The last-named spoke of the regret of the company at the absence of Mr. Roper, Mr. Houlder, and others. Mr. Roper had to attend the funeral of his father, and he (the Vicar) was sure they would all sympathise with him in his great loss. Mr. T. Faulkner, the Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, had also written regretting that he was unable to attend. The Vicar added that he did not think there was any place in the kingdom where church matters went with such a swing as at Croydon. With regard to the ringers, he thought Sundays would scarcely seem Sundays without the sound of the bells.

Mr. Drewett proposed the toast of "The Ancient Society of Croydon Parish Church Bell Ringers." In expressing regret at the absence of various gentlemen, he mentioned that of Mr. Yates, who had been a member of the Ringers' Society for 40 years. This, he thought, was a record. He also wanted to make note of the great loss they had sustained in the death of Dr. Carpenter, who had for years been associated with the Parish Church bell ringers, and all knew the fitness of his character. The first annual dinner of the society, the speaker proceeded, had taken place 160 years ago. What delightful visions that fact conjured up of the old ringers ascending the belfry in their quaint costumes and carrying lanterns! The bell ringers of the Parish Church had many privileges. One of the greatest of these was the privilege of having the support of their present Vicar. One of the disadvantages that met the bell ringers, however, was the opposition of neighbours. Those who complained, he had found during his experience, were men who, indeed, had ever known women object to "ringing" (laughter). He himself loved and revered the old church bells. They were God's own music, he thought. Concluding, he said it created very gratifying feelings in the hearts of the bell ringers in knowing they had the co-operation and support of the clergy of the church (applause).

Mr. A. T. Jones, replying, briefly thanked the company for the way in which the toast had been received, and wished them all a "Happy New Year."

Canon White-Thomson submitted the toast of the Visitors, and Mr. F. E. Dawe, who replied, congratulated the ringers upon having such a Vicar at their head, and the Vicar upon having in his service in the belfry such a fine class of men as comprised the Croydon Parish Church Bell Ringers.

A most enjoyable musical programme was carried out, songs being interspersed with touches on handbells. When the Vicar had to leave, Mr. F. E. Dawe was voted to the chair.

FRESSINGFIELD.

The annual meeting of the Fressingfield (Suffolk) Society was held on Monday week, when 33 members and friends were present, visitors putting in an appearance from Halesworth, Eye, Wingfield, Wissett and Laxfield. Touches of Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Grandsire Triples and Doubles, Bob Minor and Stedman Doubles were rung on the bells, including 1008 Bob Major by: F. Lambert, junr., 1, W. Riches 2, R. Raynor 3, W. Gobbett 4, R. Riches 5, A. Etheridge 6, J. O'Neill 7, A. Riches (conductor) 8.

Dinner was served at the Old Guildhall, now the "Fox and Goose" Inn, presided over by the Rev. H. Raven-Hart (Vicar), supported by Messrs. W. Fisher and W. Ingate (churchwardens), Messrs. H. Berry, J. Barber, G. and F. Day (Eye), F. C. Lambert, A. H. Fook (Halesworth), W. Kemp (Wissett), etc. The usual loyal toasts having been honoured, a most pleasant evening was passed with songs, recitations, touches and tunes on the handbells, and selections on the piano and a mouth organ.

At the close of the evening a hearty vote of thanks was passed to all who had helped to make the day so successful. The National Anthem and "Auld Lang Syne" brought to a close another good old-fashioned "annual."

PRESENTATION AT SELLY OAK.

The Selly Oak branch of the Worcestershire and Districts Association held their annual supper on Tuesday week in the Vicarage, at the kind invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. E. A. Haviland). After the good things had been disposed of they adjourned to the drawing-room, where an interesting presentation took place, Mr. E. J. Dowler being the recipient of a handsome barometer.—The Vicar, when presenting it, said that he was pleased to see that the ringers recognised Mr. Dowler's services in such a tangible manner, and he (the Vicar) hoped he would long be spared to act as ringing master.—Mr. E. Smith also added a few well-chosen words, remarking that Mr. Dowler was always ready to teach the willing learner.—Mr. Dowler, in reply, said he was greatly touched to find that he was held in such

great esteem, and thanked the ringers for giving him something that he had longed for all his life.—Musical items were then rendered, and Mr. E. Boylin proved himself a veritable master in the art of reciting. As the clock struck eleven the ringers dispersed, and all agreed that it had been one of the most enjoyable suppers they had ever attended.

ST. MARY'S SOCIETY, WALTHAMSTOW.

On Friday week the members of the St. Mary's Society, Walthamstow, held their 39th annual dinner at the Nag's Head, Orford Road, Walthamstow. The company, numbering 25, were well catered for by the hostess, Mrs. Sheepwash. Mr. J. Wilkins, the genial hon. secretary, occupied the chair, supported by Messrs. Dunn, W. and E. Pledger, R. J. Maynard, and others.

Mr. J. C. Smith, son of one of the members, with some friends, enlivened the proceedings during dinner and afterwards with some instrumental music.

The usual loyal toasts were honoured, and some capital songs were rendered by Messrs. A. Chapman, W. Coakham, A. A. Hughes, F. Rumens, W. D. Smith, and others, while tunes and change ringing on handbells also found a part in the proceedings of a very enjoyable evening.

BROXBOURNE, HERTS.

On Thursday of last week the ringers of Broxbourne were entertained to dinner at the Vicarage by the kind invitation of the Rev. R. H. and Mrs. Walker. Afterwards the annual meeting was held, the Vicar presiding.—The Treasurer read his report, which showed a small balance in hand, and the following officers were elected: President, Rev. R. H. Walker; treasurer, Mr. J. R. Pulham; Master, Mr. G. Radley; Deputy Master and secretary, Mr. W. Saban. Three new members were elected.—The Master thanked the Vicar for taking the chair, and also for providing them with such a splendid repast. He spoke of the way in which the band had improved, and hoped before the next annual meeting they would ring the first local peal on the bells.—The Vicar, replying, said he was always pleased to do everything in his power for the ringers, and hoped that they would all be spared to meet on many similar occasions.—A vote of thanks to the officers for their services during the past year brought a most pleasant evening to a close.

STEYNING, SUSSEX.

The annual dinner of the Steyning Branch of the Sussex Association was held at the White Horse Hotel on Tuesday week. The chair was taken by the Vicar (the Rev. A. Congreve Pridgeon), who was supported by Col. E. A. Young (churchwarden). An excellent repast was served by Host Joyes. After the loyal toasts, the Vicar, on behalf of himself and the churchwardens, thanked the ringers for their services.—Mr. George Gatland having suitably replied, the remainder of the evening was spent in harmony.

ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD, BRISTOL.

It often happens that where a tower is equipped with a peal of handbells, in addition to the tower bells, the former are seldom or never used; at least this is so in several cases personally known to the writer. The St. Stephen's Guild of Bristol, however, are in the unfortunate position of having a handbell change ringing band, but are not equipped with a peal of handbells, so that when their services are needed they have to borrow bells to ring, instead of borrowing men to ring the bells as has been done.

This unfortunate circumstance is bound to occur at least once a year on November 17th, the date on which the Ancient Society of St. Stephen's ringers hold their annual dinner, for then they have to supply part of the musical programme. In passing, it may be mentioned that this society had a charter granted them as long ago as 1620 by "Good Queen Bess," whose praises are sung yearly at this dinner. So it is that every year handbells have to be borrowed, and for many years past Mr. C. E. D. Boutflower has kindly lent his beautiful peal of twelve. Having been borrowed for the last occasion, they had to be returned, and for this purpose Mr. Boutflower invited the handbell ringers to his house in Clifton on Friday week. A well-struck 629 Grandsire Caters was rung by: H. Brownjohn 1—2, J. A. Burford 3—4, R. J. Wilkins 5—6, G. Condict 7—8, W. A. Cave (conductor) 9—10. After a little light refreshment, and a pleasant chat about the Gloucester and Bristol Association (of which Mr. Boutflower is a past master and hon. secretary), and ringing affairs generally, a few tunes were rung by Messrs. J. Burford, E. Guise and H. Brownjohn, and a course each of Stedman Caters and Grandsire Cinques brought a very pleasant evening to a close.

During the time the bells were in the Guild's possession two attempts for peals were made on them, both Grandsire Caters, the first in December last, when nearly three-quarters was rung, and the other on January 7th, when the above band, after breaking down in the peal, rang a touch of 1673 in honour of the conductor's birthday.

REDDISH.—At St. Elizabeth's Church, on Nov. 1st, an attempt for Holt's Ten-part peal of Grandsire Triples failed at the end of the 6th part: A. Barnes 1, Miss Edith R. Barnes 2, J. E. Barnes 3, R. Davies 4, Tom Wilde 5, G. D. Warburton 6, W. W. Wolstencroft (conductor) 7, J. Barnes 8.

NOTICES.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next monthly meeting of this society will be held at Rammoor on Saturday, January 31st, instead of February 7th, as given in the fixture cards. Church of St. John the Evangelist, 8 bells, tenor 15 cwt., available 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.—J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will take place at Reigate on Saturday, January 31st. St. John's, Redhill (8 bells) open for ringing from 3 to 4 p.m.; Reigate Parish Church (10) open from 4.15 to 5.15 p.m. Service at Reigate at 5.15 (taken by the Rector); tea at 6 in the Parish Hall. Business meeting after, to be followed by ringing till 9.30.—Cyril F. Johnston, Honorary Secretary, Bell Foundry, Croydon.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual meeting of the South and West District will be held, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. J. H. Champion McGill) at Isleworth, on Saturday, January 31st. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea, by kind invitation of Mrs. McGill, in the Hartland Road Mission Hall, at 5.30, business meeting following. Richmond tower will be open in the evening from 7 till 8. Members are reminded that subscriptions for 1914 became due on January 1st.—H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Handsworth on Saturday, January 31st. Bells available at 3. Short service with address at 5.30. Tea 9d., at the Coffee Tavern (opposite church) at 6.—H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meetings will be held at Raunds on January 31st, at Kettering on February 7th, at Dallington on February 14th, at Wilby on February 21st. Bells ready about 3 p.m. Teas at 5 p.m.—F. Wilford, General Secretary, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—After the meeting at Kettering on February 7th a social will be held at the Angel Hotel at 7.30. Handbells provided.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Peter's, Tunbridge Wells, on Saturday, January 31st, 1914. Tower open at 2.30. Committee meeting in Parish Room at 4. Service in church at 5, tea in Parish Room at 5.45, followed by general meeting. Sixpence each will be charged for the tea. Members who have a copy of the Association's form of service are requested to bring it.—W. Latter, Hon. District Secretary, 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Castle Carey Deanery Branch.—The meeting which was arranged to take place at Queen Camel on January 24th, 1914, will now take place at Barton St. David on January 31st, 1914, owing to the bells of Queen Camel being unavailable.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Glastonbury Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting of the branch will be held at Glastonbury on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Service at St. John's Church at 4.30, tea and meeting at Taylor's Restaurant to follow. Bells St. John's (8), St. Benedict's (6) available from 2 p.m.—W. Farley, Hon. Secretary.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on February 3rd and 17th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 12th and 26th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 3rd; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 17th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 24th. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Bocking on February 7th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short service, with address, by the Very Rev. Canon Brownrigg, M.A., Dean of Bocking, at the Parish Church at 5 p.m. The Dean has very kindly promised to provide tea free to members at the Deanery at 5.45 p.m. to all giving notice not later than Wednesday, February 4th. Braintree (8 bells), Rayne (6 bells) also open for ringing. Subscriptions for 1914 are now due.—B. Redgwell, Honorary District Secretary, The Street, Rayne.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Leeds on Saturday, February 7th. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m. For full particulars see circular.—Clement Glenn, Honorary Secretary, 11, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—The annual meeting will be held at Southgate, by kind permission of the Rev. C. F. Peploe, on Saturday, February 7th. Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5.30. Tea at the Cherry Tree at 6 o'clock, 6d. each to members who inform me, not later than February 4th, of their intention of being present.—C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division.—A district meeting will be held at Waltham Abbey on Saturday, February 7th, 1914. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea and business meeting at the Green Dragon Hotel at 5.30 at 10d. each, to members notifying me by Wednesday, February 4th.—William Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Wooburn, Bucks, on Saturday, February 7th, 1914. Service in Parish Church at 4.15, preacher Rev. R. Unsworth. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meeting 5.45 p.m. Tea will be provided free to all members who send in their names before February 4th to R. Coles, Honorary Secretary, Snaefell, Priory Road, High Wycombe.

HOLBECK.—St. Francis Church (R.C.), Manor Road, Holbeck, Leeds.—By kind permission of the Rev. Canon McAuliffe the peal of 8 bells (tenor 11½ cwt.) will be open for ringing from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, February 7th, 1914. All members of the Yorkshire Association, or any society of change ringers, will be welcome. The tower is five minutes' walk from all Leeds Railway Stations. Meeting house, the Belmont Inn, handbells provided. Dacres' dining and refreshment rooms close by the church.—R. Binns, Secretary, 2, Chelsea Street, Holbeck, Leeds.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Walkden, on Saturday, February 7th. Bells available at 5 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.—G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION (Burton-on-Trent district).—The annual meeting of the district will be held at Burton-on-Trent on Saturday, February 7th. The bells of St. Paul's Church will be available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting at 5.—H. Wakley, Local Honorary Secretary.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).—The annual general meeting and election of officers will take place on Saturday, February 14th. The tower of St. Andrew's, Holborn, E.C., will be open from 4.30 to 6.30 p.m., also another tower which will be announced next week. Tea at the "King of Denmark," Old Bailey, E.C., at 7 p.m., 7d. per head. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—F. J. Hardy, Hon. General Secretary, 54, Thurlow Park Road, W. Dulwich, S.E.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Heywood, on Saturday, February 14th. Bells ready at 2.30. Meeting at 6 o'clock.—Joseph Ogden, Secretary, 135, Salts Street, Shaw, Oldham.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Alton on Saturday, February 14th. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Tea in Parish Room at 5.15. Members requiring tea will oblige by informing the district secretary before February 12th.—James W. Elkins, District Secretary, 20, Culver Road, Winchester.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Central Division.—A quarterly meeting of the division will be held at Buxted (8 bells) on Saturday, February 14th. Tower open 2.30 till 9. Service 4.30. Tea, 5 p.m., at White Hart Hotel, price 6d. each. Subscriptions for 1914 are now due.—A. D. Stone, Divisional Honorary Secretary, 29, Ashton Street, Brighton.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at 10 o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch the second Wednesday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at 7.30.—H. J. Bradley, Parish Church, Shoreditch.

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