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WHEN EXPERTS DISAGREE.

The Hon. Secretary of the Devon Guild, in writing upon the position taken up by Mr. John Carter in the question of the definition of a Surprise method, touches upon an important aspect which ought not to be overlooked, and that is that after a lapse of years Mr. Carter puts forward views which do not coincide with those to which he had previously subscribed his name as a member of the Central Council's Legitimate Methods Committee. Without entering into the question whether Mr. Carter's contention is right or not, we have in this controversy, as we have had in others, the spectacle of a member of a Committee disagreeing with a report to which he has been a party. Every man, of course, is allowed to change his mind; but when the Council's experts, to whom the Exercise look for a lead, disagree thus strongly upon a matter of principle, the faith of the general body of ringers in the Council's authority, or its ability to legislate, is shaken.

It can hardly be hoped that on any subject relating to method construction and classification we shall get unanimity among the experts, and failing this the Exercise must presumably accept the views of the majority; but the position of the Council is a little difficult when committeemen throw over the findings of their own Committees. In Mr. Carter's case, his views upon Bristol Surprise, if accepted, would rule out of the Surprise class several of the six-bell Surprise methods, for the classification of which he was jointly responsible with others. In change ringing the methods came first and the definitions were made to suit the methods—Bristol included. The whole argument in this particular case, of course, turns upon what is meant by a 'cross-section,' and as the definition was specially drawn by the author to cover Bristol and methods of kindred construction, the Exercise, we think, will be prepared to accept the Rev. E. Bankes James' claim.

But the broader question remains: what is to be the position of the Council in attempting to guide the Exercise if those whom it selects to give that guidance disagree among themselves? We had a striking instance of this disagreement in the controversy on Lead Ends, and now we have another example. As a correspondent remarks, 'Under such conditions, what authority are we to attach to the Central Council publications, which are perhaps the most important and lasting work which the Council has done for the Exercise?' The Council has no way that we can see of guarding against a sudden change of view on the part of a sponsor to a report; but the committeeman who had committed himself to a proposition by adding his name to it might reasonably be asked officially to give the reasons for his change of view.

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TWELVE BELL PEAL.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES;

Tenor 37½ cwt.

JOSEPH E. R. KEEN Treble	WILLIAM STORY 7
WILLIAM H. BARBER 2	BENJAMIN C. DIXON 8
JOSEPH ROWELL 3	ALFRED F. HILLIER 9
THOMAS T. GOFTON 4	HARRY CHAPMAN 10
JOHN MCKEAG 5	RICHARD F. DEAL 11
JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. 6	AMOS TRIPPIER Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

Messrs. Washbrook, Chapman, Deal and Trippier hail from Manchester. This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 6th 17 courses wrong and 20 courses right.

TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Thursday, February 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

JAMES W. DRIVER Treble	ARTHUR DEAN 6
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER 2	*GEORGE C. ISLES 7
ALBERT W. COLES 3	*ARTHUR HARDING 8
ALFRED W. DARLINGTON 4	*WILLIAM H. WOOD 9
*FRANK SKEVINGTON 5	CORNELIUS CHARGE Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. CHARGE.

* First peal of Royal. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. H. Hollier.

WALTHAMSTOW, N.E.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND THE
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... Treble	JAMES C. ADAMS 6
ALBERT W. COLES 2	FREDERICK C. MAYNARD ... 7
ARTHUR MASON 3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS 8
CHARLES T. COLES 4	CORNELIUS CHARGE 9
HENRY RUMENS 5	WILLIAM H. FREEMAN ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5472 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

JOHN PALFRAMAN Treble	ALBERT JAGGER 5
ERNEST H. SIMPSON 2	JOHN W. MOORHOUSE 6
GERALD MOORHOUSE 3	CHARLES A. CRAVEN 7
WILLIAM JOYCE 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHARLES A. CRAVEN.

This was the 3rd ringer's first peal on tower bells, and was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. D. F. E. Sykes, of Marsden, the tenor man's father. This peal contains the extent of the 4th, 5th and 6th in the 6th's place, and the 2nd never there.

HEAVITREE.—Devonshire Guild.—On Sunday, February 8th, in 35 mins., Brook's quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes) was rung at the Parish Church: R. Hamilton 1, W. Lethbridge 2, J. Sandover 3, F. Gardner 4, G. Betts 5, C. G. Glass 6, F. J. Davey (conductor) 7, A. Mitchell 8.

HEENE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

H. MEYEN Treble	H. TULETT 5
J. FARMER 2	W. HILLMAN 6
A. GROVES 3	E. LINDUP 7
G. NORRIS 4	*W. MARTIN Tenor

Conducted by E. LINDUP.

* First peal. The bells were rung fully muffled as a mark of respect for the late Mr. H. Evans, who has been for many years a member of the Heene band.

HORBURY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND LEONARD,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

TOM HENSHAW Treble	CHARLES SENIOR 5
GEORGE HUNT 2	WILLIAM B. FRITH 6
HERBERT ROWLEY 3	HERBERT DRANSFIELD 7
GERALD MOORHOUSE 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

This was Mr. T. Henshaw's first peal on eight bells. This composition contains the extent of the 5th and 6th in 6th's place and the 4th 18 times each way in 5-6, and is now rung for the first time.

WORSLEY.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

E. TAYLOR'S BOB AND SINGLE.

Tenor 21 cwt.

FRED GRUNDY Treble	JOHN POTTER 5
*JOSEPH RIDYARD 2	JOSEPH H. RIDYARD 6
WILLIAM JONES 3	PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE 7
STANLEY HARRISON 4	ARTHUR BURTON Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. RIDYARD.

This peal was rung to celebrate the wedding of Miss Phillis Egerton (the only daughter of the Hon. Francis Egerton) to Mr. Guy Rogers. The ringers of the 5th and tenor hail from Walkden, the rest to the local company. * First peal away from the tenor.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

ROWLAND FENN Treble	ARTHUR H. HARRISON 5
ARTHUR C. CHAPLIN 2	ALBERT C. HARDY 6
ARTHUR J. WORBOYS 3	JOHN DALE 7
GEORGE COTTIS 4	CALEB FENN Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN.

Conducted by CALEB FENN.

This peal was rung as a compliment to John Dale. The Vicar and several ringers congratulated the band at the finish of the peal upon the striking. This composition is now rung for the first time.

LEDBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MICHAEL AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

CHARLES EDWARDS Treble	JAMES DANCE 5
CHARLES LAYTON 2	WILLIAM J. MANSELL 6
ALBERT E. HURCOMBE 3	THOMAS DAVIES 7
WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS 4	HENRY J. TAYLOR Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

HEAVITREE, EXETER.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(EXETER DISTRICT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLLIS' FIVE-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt.

FRANK GARDNER Treble	CHARLES G. GLASS 5
FRANK J. DAVEY 2	WILLIAM R. BOUNDY 6
THOMAS LAVER 3	JOHN SANDOVER 7
GEORGE BETTS 4	ARTHUR MITCHELL Tenor

Conducted by FRANK J. DAVEY.

W. R. Boundy hails from Seaton. Rung as a welcome to those men who had returned from military duties during the war.

RANMORE COMMON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E flat.

ALFRED H. WINCH Treble	GEORGE ELLIS 5
OLIVER SIPPETTS 2	JOHN HOYLE 6
GEORGE MARRINER 3	ALBERT HARMAN 7
JOHN H. WHITE 4	ARTHUR DEAN Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM E. BASON Treble	ALFRED WATSON 5
JOHN WYMER 2	GEORGE MAYERS 6
JOHN A. GODFREY 3	GEORGE H. CROSS 7
*WALTER CHANDLER 4	FRANK R. COPEMAN Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

* First peal of Major in the method.

CLEMENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F.

WILLIAM SHORT Treble	*JOHN SMITH 5
JOHN BASS 2	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY 6
JOHN WITHERS 3	ROBERT MATTHEWS 7
SAMUEL GROVE 4	ALFRED DAVIES Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by ALFRED DAVIES.

* First peal of Cambridge Major.

NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5248 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

ALBERT JAGGER Treble	WILLIAM JOYCE 5
GERALD MOORHOUSE 2	JOHN W. MOORHOUSE 6
ELI FARRAR 3	JOE GREENWOOD 7
JOSEPH BROADLEY 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

This was Mr. Eli Farrar's first peal and it was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. John Joyce.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM, SOUTH HACKNEY.

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ALAN R. MACDONALD... ..Treble	ARTHUR MASON 5
ISAAC G. SHADE 2	ALBERT W. COLES 6
GEORGE R. PYE 3	REUBEN SANDERS 7
CHARLES T. COLES 4	WILLIAM PYETenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

The above is R. Sander's 300th peal.

CHISLEHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, February 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

†THOMAS PHILLIPSTreble	PERCY E. SPICE 5
ISAAC EMERY 2	GEORGE DURLING 6
*FRANK GORRINGE 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 7
JAMES FORD 4	HARRY DURLINGTenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

* First peal. † First peal away from the tenor. It is also the
quickest peal on the bells.

PENTRE, RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S FIVE-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

JAMES CROSSTreble	†FREDERICK LASBURY... .. 5
TOM PAGE 2	WILLIAM PAGE 6
†HERBERT DAVIES 3	HARRY PAGE 7
THOMAS HAMLIN 4	*WILLIAM ROBERTSTenor

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

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

SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN JOYCETreble	JOSEPH BROADLEY 5
JOHN PALFRAMAN 2	FIRTH HOPWOOD 6
HERBERT HAIGH... .. 3	THOMAS B. KENDALL... .. 7
FREDERICK SEAGER 4	ERNEST H. SIMPSONTenor

Conducted by THOMAS B. KENDALL.

Rung on the occasion of the enthronement of the first Bishop of
Bradford, Dr. A. W. T. Perowne, also as a birthday compliment to
the ringers of the treble and 4th.

PRESTWICH, LANCs.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

J. W. WASHBROOK, JUN. ...Treble	J. W. WASHBROOK, SEN. ... 5
R. F. DEAL 2	W. H. SHUKER 6
GEORGE TURNER... .. 3	HARRY CHAPMAN... .. 7
J's, WINTERBOTTOM 4	ROBERT H. BENTTenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN.

First peal in the method on the bells, and first peal since the bells
were recently rehung and back six recast by Messrs. John Taylor & Co.

BRADING, ISLE OF WIGET.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

FREDERICK BURNETTTreble	A. R. WARD 5
Sgt. T. PARROTT, Hants Regt. 2	OLIVER COOMBS 6
WILLIAM TATE 3	*WILLIAM BOLTON 7
HENRY JENNINGS... .. 4	RICHARD J. STONETenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BOLTON.

A. R. Ward, and H. Jennings belong to Ryde, Fred Burnett and
Wm. Tate, of St. Thomas's, Portsmouth, R. J. Stone to St. Mary's,
Kingston, Sergt. Parrott to Gosport, Oliver Coombs to Alverstoke,
the Conductor to St. John's, Cardiff. This was Sergt. Parrott's first
peal and first attempt. * First peal as conductor.

DARTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. Treble	ISAAC EMERY 5
JOHN WHEADON 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 6
RICHARD MORGAN 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 7
WALTER SMITH 4	HARRY SIMMONSTenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

First peal of Stedman on the bells since being recast and rehung by
Messrs. Mears & Stainbank.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 25½ cwt.

WILLIAM C. HARTTreble	JOHN W. GOLDING 5
OLIVER SIPPETTS... .. 2	ALBERT D. STONE 6
ALFRED CRIPPS 3	CAPT. J. R. MACKMAN ... 7
WILLIAM WATTS, SEN. ... 4	KEITH HART... ..Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

SIX BELL PEALS.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent
Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr.

GEORGE HEWITT... ..Treble	*GEORGE LINES 4
LEONARD WYMAN 2	WALTER PERKINS 5
WILLIAM J. GILBERT... .. 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ...Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY,

* Fiftieth peal.

THRANDESTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exer-
cise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford
Treble Bob.

CHARLES NUNNTreble	ALPHAUS BERRY 4
EDWARD YOUNGS... .. 2	GEORGE BAILEY... .. 5
WILLIAM ROSE 3	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ...Tenor

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

First peal on the bells.

OHIDDINGLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-scores.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

W. H. WHITE Treble	*REV. C. H. CLARKE 4
C. H. HUMPHREY 2	A. REED 5
W. JENNER 3	W. ELLIS Tenor

Conducted by A. REED.

* First peal with a bob bell. Rung in honour of the birth of a son and heir to the Vicar, also as a compliment to the ringers of the 4th and 5th, whose birthdays fell upon Feb. 12th and 13th respectively. C. H. Humphrey was elected a member previous to starting.

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(THE LITTLE MUNDEN SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, February 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

SIDNEY CARTER Treble	PTE. A. PHILLIPS, Royal
Ex-Tpr. B. CARTER, 9th Lan-	Fusiliers 4
cers 2	PTE. E. A. OVERALL, East
Ex-Bomber, G. H. CARTER,	Kents 5
R.G.A. 3	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

Rung as a 'welcome home' to all the men of the parish returned from the war, especially to those of the band. The ringers are all residents of the parish.

BENHILTON.—On February 14th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major: Miss V. Shorter 1, J. Beams 2, Mrs. Whittington 3, A. Trappitt 4, R. Lathbury 5, H. Garfath 6, C. Read 7, A. Clark (conductor) 8.

HANDBELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Friday, February 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,
AT 32, EDGELEY ROAD, CLAPHAM, S.W.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5018 CHANGES;

JOHN THOMAS 1-2	HARRY R. PASMORE 5-6
HERBERT LANGDON 3-4	ALFRED B. PECK 7-8
WILLIAM T. COCKERILL 9-10	

Composed by GEORGE R. FARDON. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.
Umpire: EDWIN HORREX.

LADIES' GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the Western District was held at Mid somer Norton on Saturday last. Owing to the stormy weather there was a much smaller attendance than had been hoped for, but the bells were much appreciated and enjoyed by those present.

Three new members were elected, and hearty thanks were expressed to the Vicar for conducting the service, and to Mr. and Mrs. Holmyard for making all arrangements, and for providing the excellent tea.

It is hoped to hold the next meeting at Weston-super-Mare, in June.

AN INTERESTING RECORD.

With a peal at Hackney, on February 14th, Mr. Reuben Sanders reached his third century in peals, and his record is an interesting one, comprising Stedman Triples, 49; Stedman Caters, 45; Stedman Cinques, 27; Superlative Surprise Major, 39; Bristol Surprise Major 33; London Surprise Major, 20; Cambridge Surprise Maximus, 2; Cambridge Surprise Royal, 19; Cambridge Surprise Major 14; Treble Bob Major, 12; Treble Bob Royal, 6; Treble Bob Maximus, 4; Grandsire Triples, 13; Grandsire Caters, 1; Grandsire Doubles, 2; Double Norwich Major 5; Plain Bob Major, 4; Norfolk Surprise Major, 3; Bob Minor, 2; total, 300.

NEWPORT, MON.—Llandaff Association.—At the Church of All Saints, on Monday, February 16th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes): *B. Wilson 1, *F. Greedy 2, T. Ford 3, R. C. Seager 4, F. Atwell 5, O. Greedy 6, J. W. Jones (conductor) 7, *G. H. Day 8
* First quarter-peal.

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THE JOHNSON DINNER.

That popular Birmingham gathering, the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner, is to be held on Saturday, March 27th. An advertisement in our notice columns gives full particulars, but those intending to be present are advised to make early application for tickets to the hon. secretary, Mr. Alf. Paddon Smith.

EPSOM'S NEW BELLS.

The cost of the new peal of eight bells, recast from the existing octave at the Parish Church, Epsom, is to be borne by Mr. A. J. Warren, who was churchwarden from 1905 to 1914, in memory of his wife. The oldest of the present bells was cast 208 years ago. The recasting of the peal has been entrusted to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

SURPRISE METHODS AND THE ETHICS OF AUTHORSHIP

To the Editor.

Sir,—Will Mr. Carter allow me to remind him, with all respect, that a collection of methods was published some years ago, and is still being offered for sale under the authority of a committee of the Central Council, Mr. John Carter himself being one of them? Among these methods are several denominated Surprise which have no internal places either at the Treble's full lead or lie. While everyone has a perfect right to change his mind, those who look to these publications for guidance as the considered opinion of the experts responsible for them have surely the right to know why they are now asked to adopt a different attitude from that previously indicated to them, and, above all, to expect that no doubt be cast on the bona-fide subscription of members of Central Council Committee to the opinions they publish.—Yours, etc.,
E. S. POWELL,
Holbeton Vicarage, Plymouth.

RECRUITING THE RANKS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Your leading article in the current issue, commenting and enlarging upon the appeal of the Vicar of Worktop for more recruits into the ranks of change ringers will be read with very great interest by all who have the science of campanology at heart, for it touches upon a problem which is of vital importance to the future of the Exercise. It is, however, not a problem without a solution, and your valuable suggestions, if carried out, ought to go a long way towards solving the difficulty.

There is, however, another question arising out of it, to which I would like to draw the attention of all bands of ringers, and especially to bring to the notice of branch secs., and that is the question of 'lost recruits,' for it is a fact that large numbers of recruits are lost to the Exercise for the want of a system which I am going to suggest. I think that it will generally be agreed that the largest number of recruits are obtained in country districts, where facilities for practice are greater than in the towns, and where there is not the continual danger of causing annoyance and a nuisance by the discord of badly rung bells, but the day when young men are content to live and die in the village in which they were born is long past, their horizon is extended, and now as the result of higher education we find them launching out in all directions, and the home belfry is continually faced with the necessity of obtaining recruits.

Now what becomes of these former recruits? A large majority of them are undoubtedly lost. Owing to natural shyness and a feeling of inefficiency, the majority do not care to introduce themselves to the local band, or, some being only six bell ringers, do not care to approach an eight bell tower, and so the Exercise loses a great deal of its very promising material. Now, my suggestion is this, every branch secretary ought to be notified when a ringer leaves his district, and an intimation should be sent by him to the secretary of the district into which the ringer has gone to reside, and the captain of the nearest band should be invited to extend to him a welcome. It would be an excellent thing if, for this purpose, the Central Council would compile a complete list of names and addresses of all branch secretaries as a book of reference, for I am convinced that the result obtained would more than justify the effort made.—Yours faithfully,
Newton House, Gloucester.
A. ALLAN BENNETT.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Nottingham District was held at Bottesford on Saturday, February 28th, members being present from Bulwell, Cotgrave, Grantham, Long Bennington, Nottingham, Orston, Radcliffe-on-Trent, as well as the local band. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Court Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Major were successfully brought round.

At the business meeting, which was held in the belfry (Mr. H. R. Cobbin in the chair), it was decided to hold the next meeting of Heanor on March 27th.—A vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells and the local band for the arrangements brought a very successful meeting to a close.

BRISTOL SURPRISE.*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I was the first individual to call attention in the 'Bell News' to the qualities of Bristol Surprise Major, and among other things I pointed out it was the first Surprise Method published, with Bob Major Lead-ends, without adjoining places; also that the method had a clean proof scale, tenors together, that the bells were always in proper coursing order in front and behind. All of these qualities have long been searched for by many of us, but to the Rev. E. B. James belongs the credit of this discovery, and to no other. I have taken the trouble to write out and examine the four methods mentioned by Mr. Carter in your last issue. It is quite true of all of them to say that the bells are in proper coursing order in 7-8, but by no stretch of the imagination can they be said to be in proper coursing order in 1-2. Following is the first lead of my method Brighton Surprise plus 7th's and 2nd's places added when the treble is behind and in front respectively.

It is quite true we get a variation in this way of the original method, but 7th's and 2nd's places next the treble, or any other bell, have been objected to by most of the modern method builders.

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In the foregoing method it can be truly said the bells are always in proper coursing order in 1-2 and 7-8, and the method also has a clean proof scale, tenors together.

In conclusion, I might say that I adopted the Rev. E. Banks James's definition for a Surprise Method as soon as it was sent to me, and I see no reason at present for altering it.—Yours faithfully,

GEORGE BAKER.

2, North Street Quadrant, Brighton.

INTERESTING 'FAMILY' PERFORMANCE.

A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung for evening service on February 22nd at Otlands, Surrey, in 50 mins., by *Mrs. W. Shepherd 1, Ferris Shepherd, senr., 2, *Miss Edna Woodrow 3, Miss Ida Woodrow 4, A. Woodrow 5, W. A. Woodrow 6, F. J. Shepherd 7, W. Shepherd (conductor) 8. The ringers of 3, 4 and 6 are two daughters and son of the 5th ringer, while the ringers of treble, 7th and tenor are daughter and two sons of the 2nd ringers. * First quarter-peal.

BIRTHDAY COMPLIMENT TO VICAR.

At Scarborough, on Sunday, Feb. 22nd, before evensong, as a compliment to the Rev. Canon Cooper, Vicar of Filey, on his attaining his 70th birthday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes) was rung in 48 mins., by: H. Priest 1, J. R. Fryers 2, H. Milner 3, H. Gibson 4, H. Ferguson 5, H. R. Cobbin (St. Peter's, Nottingham) 6, J. R. Barton (conductor) 7, T. Cole 8.

STONEY STANTON.—On Sunday, February 22nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: H. Briggs (conductor) 1, George Wood 2, N. Walker 3, C. Brown 4, C. Briggs 5, H. Webb 6, F. H. Dexter 7, W. Jones 8.

TRIUMPH FOR BRITISH BELL FOUNDING.

FIFTY-SIX BELLS FOR WASHINGTON.

The Loughborough Bell Foundry, it is reported, is to make a carillon of 56 bells—the heaviest and finest of its kind in the world—for the War Memorial at Washington, U.S.A. The bells are to be placed in a tower 500 feet high. This is a great triumph for British bell founding.

The 'Morning Post' says: 'The idea of installing keyboard carillons, on which music suitable for bells can be artistically interpreted, as war memorials is evidently catching on. The sum required for the Loughborough bell tower and carillon is already assured, and other towns, such as Spalding, are likely to follow this excellent example. A true carillon—not the aerial musical box grinding out airs which, much more often than not, are quite unsuited to bells—is manifestly the best means of recalling the service and self-sacrifice of our Glorious Dead since all who hear it must needs remember the warlike past, as Longfellow did when he listened at night to the famous Dumery bells at Bruges.'

America is also adopting this method of commemorating her fallen fighting men. The War Memorial at Washington, U.S.A., is to be a great building, of which the central feature will be a tower, not less than 500ft. in height, in which a carillon of 56 bells is to be installed with the most modern appliances for playing it. Except at Buffalo, where a set of 43 bells (of which only 20 are in use) exists, no keyboard carillon exists in the United States.'

CARDIFF PEAL TABLET UNVEILED.

An interesting little ceremony took place in the Ringing Chamber of St. John's, Cardiff, on Thursday, March 4th, when the Vicar of the Parish, the Rev. M. J. Powell, D.D., with the two churchwardens, Dr. H. E. Skyring and Mr. F. Fordsdike, together with their wives, attended for the purpose of unveiling a peal board recording the fact that a peal of Grandsire Caters was rung on the bells on December 27th last by members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association. Prior to the unveiling, it being practice night, various touches were rung.

The Hon. Secretary said a few words in reference to the peal, mentioning that it was one which really deserved recording for more than one reason, the peal itself being beautifully struck, and, as was mentioned on the board, it was rung for two reasons—one, that it was a birthday peal for the veteran, Mr. John Clutterbuck, one of the originators of the Association; and the other, that it was a peace peal for the city of Cardiff on the termination of the great European War.

After the unveiling, the Vicar made an excellent speech, and said he was most pleased that the peal was rung under such unique circumstances, and that it should be so worthily recorded.

Both the wardens said how pleased they were to be present. They were so impressed with the board that they propose having a duplicate of it, only in more substantial and lasting material, placed in the church so that all could see, and future generations would know what was done in the nature of ringing after the most terrible war in the history of the world.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

SOUTH WESTERN DIVISION.

A very successful meeting of the South Western Division was held at Hornchurch on Saturday week. Ringing took place in the afternoon, and service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Chas. Steer). Tea was partaken of at the King's Head, and was followed by the business meeting, which was presided over by the Vicar, supported by the District Master (Mr. W. Theobald).—The Hon. Secretary explained why the suggested by-meeting fixed for Barking was not held. One new honorary member and twelve ringing members were elected, nine of whom belong to the newly-formed Hornchurch band, who are making splendid progress under the able tuition of Messrs. Chaplin, Dale and Watson.

Chigwell Row was selected for the next meeting due to be held in May.—The meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for granting permission for the meeting, and to Mr. Dale, the steeplekeeper, for having everything in readiness. The majority of those present again returned to the tower.

A feature of one of the touches was that four of the oldest members of the association took part, viz.: Messrs. W. Doran, T. Cranfield, J. Wagborn, senr., and A. J. Perkins, whose combined ages totalled over 280 years. During the afternoon, between 30 and 40 members were present, 36 partaking of tea, and the touches in various methods ranged from Grandsire to London Surprise. In the opinion of some of the oldest of those present, it was voted the best meeting for the S.W. District that has been held for a great number of years.

Amongst the towers represented were: Barking, Dagenham, Romford, Little Bentley, West Ham, Leytonstone and Hornchurch, together with several non-resident life members from various parts.

LONG STANTON.—On Monday, Feb. 9th, at All Saints' Church, a date touch of Bob Minor (1920 changes) on the back six, in 66 mins.: L. Cook 1, E. J. Cook 2, J. B. Woolley 3, Rev. H. B. Woolley 4, Geo. Crisp 5, C. W. Cook (conductor) 6. First date touch in the tower by No. 3; first date touch by the next. Longest length as conductor.

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THE LONG TEN.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have read with interest the letters from your correspondents, Messrs. Jerram and Fuller. Both are right. The Exercise is not confined to one 10, but I would remind Mr. Fuller the go off a Grandsire Doubles 21354 follows his 12534 quite nicely.

I commenced my ringing career at Harby, Leicestershire, in 1887. One member of the band possessed a copy of Troyte's 'Change Ringing,' which among other useful information treats extensively of Grandsire Doubles.

Change ringing proper was quite beyond our ability. At least, so we thought. It meant study and hard work, and grave doubts were entertained as to whether it was practised anywhere, as laid down by Mr. Troyte, on account of its intricacy, so each man stuck to his own bell, and learnt by heart the bells he had to follow in the first ten of Grandsire Doubles, and kept on ringing them over and over again until the captain thought ringers and public had had enough. Then he called them round (after the treble had led) at hand stroke, the tenor having to jump two places, but that was a mere detail. By the way, the captain always rang the treble, then he knew when he had led.

About this time a neighbouring village band paid us a visit and rang a different ten, which ran into rounds every 10th change or so, when the captain—on the treble, of course—called 'Bob.' We were jealous of his 'bob'—we hadn't got one, but we scorned a ten with rounds in it, so stuck to our own.

The next step was to learn the 30 (plain course). This took an awful lot of doing, as it was impossible to put anyone right once they struck after the wrong bell, which caused much heated argument, and sometimes loss of temper, and was the cause of losing more than one promising ringer.

After much practice, we learnt to do it fairly confidently, and used to ring the ten nine times, then the 30 to finish up with—120. We got on so well we could ring the 30 four times over, equalling 120—same thing, but much more difficult.

We were quite cock of the district, and thought we had attained about the last word in change ringing, when, lo! one fine day Mr. W. B. White came along with a party from Cotgrave, Notts, and took the wind out of our sails properly.

They rang real 120's, with real bobs and singles. At least, Mr. White said they did, and we were inclined to believe him, because, although he rang the treble, he didn't call them out so often as the other captain had done, and the bells didn't run into rounds every time. Then, when ringing had finished, and we were talking things over in the village tavern he spoilt it all by saying Grandsire wasn't the only method they had rung—they had rung 120's of Canterbury and Plain Bob as well. Well, that did it! Some believed him, but the majority voted him a bigger fraud than the other chap, and said it was nothing more than a new kind of ten (or 30 at the most), that we didn't know of. It was utterly impossible for mere man to do what they said they had done. How could they remember them all?—and in different order, too! Pshaw, all bosh! But there was no getting away from the fact that White's men knew more about ringing than we did, because some of them stood in with us and rang our 10 and 30 as well as we could do it ourselves, but we couldn't ring theirs, so they took a bit of conceit out of us. In the subsequent controversy as to whether they did, or did not ring real 120's, opinions differed to such an extent that our band was completely smashed up. Some never rang again, and others, including myself, did not touch a bell rope for more than two years.

About that time, the Rev. O. H. Lacon was secretary of the Framland (N. Leicestershire) Ringing Society, and he arranged with Mr. W. Willson, of Leicester, to give a course of lessons throughout the district at churches with not less than five bells. A new band was formed out of the relics of the old, with some new blood added, and under Mr. Willson's tuition rapid progress was made. Within a year he called a peal of Minor in three methods, with five of his Framland pupils completing the band.

The seeds he sowed have borne fruit. Change ringing flourishes in every tower he visited, and has been handed on to many others, both within and over the county border.

My own serviceable band, which, alas! got so sadly knocked about in the war was entirely (if indirectly) due to Mr. Willson's excellent teaching in the early 90's.

In recalling these memories of the past, one incident makes me feel rather uncomfortable. I wonder if any of the Harby ringers have had the politeness to apologise to Mr. White for doubting him about those Bobs and Singles?

P.S.—Although we treated Mr. Fuller's 'Long Ten' with disdain in the past, I always use it now to break youngsters in, but there is no doubt the other (Grandsire) is THE Long Ten—it has no ending.

J. J. JACKSON,

Late Captain, Harby Ringers.

The Old Hall, Balton, Rutland.

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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Estab. 1755).—The 32nd Annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at The Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, March 27th, at 6 o'clock, when the chair will be taken by Canon E. Grose Hodge, M.A., Rector of Birmingham. Tickets free to fully qualified members, to other members and friends, 4s. 6d. each. Only those applications accompanied by remittance will receive attention. It is also necessary for every full member to be clear on the books not later than Saturday, March 20th. The bells of St. Martin's (12) and the Cathedral (10) will be available from 3 to 5.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, Hatfield, Dis. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—The early Spring meeting of the above will be held at Deal on Saturday, March 13th. Bells at Deal and Walmer available for ringing. Service at St. Leonard's, Deal, conducted by the Rector at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting after.—Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Church Kirk on Saturday, March 13th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the Western District will be held at Birstall on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 until 9 p.m. Short service in church 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 in Boys' School. business meeting afterwards.—P. L. Cooper, Hon. District Sec., 12, Willoughby Avenue, Holbeck.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Ranmoor, Sheffield, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5.—Arthur Hague, Dis. Sec., 16, Gods'one Rd., Rotherham.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, March 13th. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown St., Harrow.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Henbury on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea at 5 p.m.—P. C. Williams, Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Crosby on Satur-

day, March 13th. Bells ready at 4; meeting 5.30.—Rev. E. C. Collier and Walter Hughes, Hon. Secs.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—A special meeting on finance will be held at the King of Denmark, after practice at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on Saturday, March 13th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—

Estab. 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on March 18th; and *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 23rd. All at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society). Estab. 1824.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, March 20th, at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury, W.C. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Pickering, North Yorks, on Saturday, March 20th, for the purpose of re-organising the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association, and all towers interested are hereby invited to send delegates to that meeting. Tea will be provided at 5 p.m. for which a small charge will be made. All applications for tea must reach Miss A. L. Henderson, 'Mayfield,' Pickering, not later than first post on Tuesday, March 16th.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. (*pro tem.* Yorkshire Association), 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A monthly meeting will be held at Whitnash on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (6) available from 3.30 p.m.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Kingston-on-Thames on Saturday, the 20th March. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in the church at 4.30. Tea in Parish Room at 5.30. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me?—Chas. Dean, 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at St. Saviour's, Leicester, on Saturday, March 20th. Ringing from 2.30; business meeting 5 p.m.—H. E. Norman, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—A combined practice for Surprise Methods only will be held at Hurst on Saturday, March 20th, from 4.30 until 8.30 p.m. A good attendance is desired.—R. T. Hibbert, General Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Tarleton on March 27th. Bells available from 3; meeting at 5.30. Nearest railway station, Hesketh Bank. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Armley on Saturday, March 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. for the purpose of nomination of officers for the ensuing year. Will all members try and attend?—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The annual general meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 5th, to receive officers' report, treasurer's accounts, and for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Under Rule 7, nominations for the various positions must reach me one month before the meeting. Further particulars of meeting later.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—A general meeting will be held at Stowmarket on Easter Monday, April 5th, 1920. The President, the Very Reverend the Dean of Norwich, in the chair. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church and the ring of six bells at Great Finborough will be available for the use of members. Committee meeting will be held at the King's Head Hotel at 12 o'clock noon, and the general meeting at 2.30 p.m. District Secretaries are kindly requested to bring this notice before their members in view of the important business to be transacted at the general meeting. Dinner will be served at the King's Head Hotel at 1.30 p.m. It is earnestly requested that all members intending to be present at the dinner will notify the same to the Secretary by Wednesday, March 31st, 1920.—Arthur L. Coleman, Secretary, "High Croft," North Walsham.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—A dinner will be held on Saturday, 1st May, 1920, at the Bell, Holborn. Tickets, 8/6 each. Will members intending to be present please notify me at once?—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., School House, Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—

Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. HENRY WHITE.—The Basingstoke Combined Society (St. Michael's and All Saints') respectfully invite contributions towards a fund being raised to erect a suitable memorial in recognition of the sterling work of the late Mr. Henry White, who for upwards of 30 years was Sexton and Captain of ringers at St. Michael's, a leading conductor and Hon. Auditor of the Winchester Diocesan Guild and one of its representatives on the Central Council from its formation. Contributions will be gratefully received and acknowledged by Mr. Councillor Wyeth (Churchwarden), 17, New Street, Basingstoke.

PEAL BOOKS.—Price 3s., post free 3/6. Peals written in at 3d. per page. Prices for entering peals in Association official peal books upon application.—J. Beams, West Ewell, Epsom.

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WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

A very successful and enjoyable monthly meeting of the Warwickshire Guild was held at Allesley. Nineteen members and friends were present from Allesley, Coventry and Knowle. Touches of Doubles and Minor were rung, and at the service the Guild's form was said. Tea was kindly provided by the Rector (the Rev. A. D. Perrott), and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to him for the use of the bells, and for his hospitality. The tower was again visited, and touches of Kent Treble Bob and Bob Minor and Grandsire Doubles were rung.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
NEW SECRETARY OF CHEW DEANERY BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the Chew Deanery Branch of the Bath and Wells Association took place at Long Ashton, over 50 members attending from Barrow Gurney, Chew Magna, Clapton, Easton-in-Gordano, Portishead, Wraxall, Wrington, Tickenham, Yatton, Taunton and Bristol. Service was held in the church, the Association's special form being used, and an excellent address was given by the Vicar (the Rev. J. E. Varley). Tea was provided at the Church House.

The business meeting followed, presided over by the Rev. J. E. Varley. The chairman, Mr. Thomas Wyatt, was re-elected, but the hon. secretary, Mr. George Yeo, had given notice at a previous meeting that he thought that it was time for him to retire in favour of someone else, as he had held the post for 17 years, and during that time had not missed a single meeting.

Although again pressed to remain on another year it was of no avail, and the members then thought that the next best thing was to have Mr. Yeo's son, and Mr. Percy G. Yeo was unanimously elected hon. secretary and treasurer.

The vice-chairman, Mr. W. Gillingham, and Mr. G. G. Court were unanimously re-elected.—Nine new members were elected, and Yatton was chosen for the place of next meeting.

Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar for presiding, and for the use of bells, to the organist, to the ladies for providing the tea, and to the retiring hon. secretary for his past services.—The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening.

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