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To the long series of successful functions which have been associated with the Henry Johnson Commemoration another has to be added. The gathering of last Saturday at Birmingham has never been surpassed, either in numbers or enthusiasm, and each year seems to bring increased interest in the event and extend its popularity among a wider circle of ringers. This commemoration fulfils a double purpose. Its first object is to keep green the memory of that great yet humble man, whose services to ringing are never likely to be fully realised, but who left his mark upon the art as indelibly as did men like Annable and Holt. Henry Johnson was one of a succession of Birmingham men whose researches served to place ringing on the sound foundations upon which later authors have successfully built and which have shaped the development of the science in a manner of which few present-day ringers are cognisant. As a pioneer in composition Henry Johnson achieved a position attained by only masters of the art, and his name will live as long as change-ringing endures. It is well, then, that honour should be done to his memory; but behind the present commemorations there is another feeling. The dwindling band of men who had the personal acquaintance of Johnson carry in mind, above all other recollections, the charm of this departed veteran's personality, his gentility of nature, his humility of heart. These characteristics will ever be retained in memory by those who knew Henry Johnson, and these annual gatherings serve the great purpose of handing on to coming generations of ringers, to whom Johnson would otherwise be only a name, the spirit which animated this grand old man, who placed truth, honour, steadfastness and perseverance before all else.

The second purpose of the convivial proceedings also deserves to be emphasised. The event draws together ringers from the four corners of England, and the renewal of old acquaintances and the making of new friendships between those whose lives otherwise lay widely apart, are a happy feature of these gatherings and make for an extension of that brotherhood among ringers upon which we as a fraternity so much pride ourselves. Henry Johnson is thus, if we may be permitted to say so, continuing to render a valuable service to the Exercise even though he has gone from us. In commemorating his life, those who are following after him are spreading a fellowship which can have only the happiest results. Anything which tends in this direction deserves the most cordial support, and that the opportunity which St. Martin's Guild annually provides is welcomed by the Exercise is proved by the large number of ringers who every year assemble in the Midland metropolis to participate in the commemoration.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

**PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.

On Monday, Feb. 14, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5015 CHANGES;**

Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS WRIGHT... .. 1 reble	WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 7
FRANK COLE... .. 2	HUBERT SCRIVENS ... .. 8
THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 3	ALFRED HANNIS ... .. 9
WILLIAM HALE ... .. 4	FRED MILLARD ... .. 10
CHARLES J. GARDINER ... .. 5	JOHN BALLANGER... .. 11
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6	WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

Rung on the anniversary of the long peal of 13,001 Grandsire Cinques at Painswick on February 14th, 1920.

**NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.**

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 19, 1921, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5016 CHANGES;**

Tenor 37½ cwt.

ROBERT RICHARDS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STORY ... .. 7
*RICHARD THOMPSON ... .. 2	JOHN FOREMAN ... .. 8
CHARLES L. KOUTLEDGE... .. 3	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 9
JOHN McKEAG ... .. 4	BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... .. 10
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 11
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 6	ERNEST E. FERRY ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

\* First peal of Cinques and first peal away from the tenor. This composition (76 courses) contains the 6th its extent home (40 courses) and has 378 bobs and 2 singles. It is the first peal of Stedman Cinques ever rung with short courses only.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

**MANCHESTER.**

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 12, 1921, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE TOWN HALL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;**

Tenor 52 cwt.

JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. Treble	CHARLES H. PAGE ... .. 6
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. 2	HARRY CHAPMAN... .. 7
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 3	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN. 8
SAMUEL WOOD ... .. 4	RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 9
FREDERICK PAGE... .. 5	AMOS TRIPPIER } ... .. Tenor
	JOSEPH WILSON }

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Richard Newton, now of Boston, U.S.A., formerly towerkeeper at the Town Hall. The band are indebted to his successor, Mr. Walter Billinge, for obtaining the consent of the authorities and for having the bells in order.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

**ASHFORD, SURREY.**

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 8, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Treble	JOHN HOYLE ... .. 5
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 2	*GEORGE A. COOK ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
JOHN WHITE... .. 4	WILLIAM COOK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

\* First peal in the method inside.

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SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Jan. 15, 1921, in Three Hours,  
At the Parish Church of St. Paul,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN JOYCE... .. Treble	HARRY STOTT ... .. 5
THOMAS B. KENDALL ... 2	*THOMAS A. KING ... .. 6
HERBERT HAIGH ... .. 3	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 7
*ERNEST H. SIMPSON... .. 4	FREDERICK SEAGER ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by THOMAS B. KENDALL.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. G. A. Nettleton, who, owing to business, could not join in the peal. This is the 50th peal that the ringer of the 7th has rung in this tower.

CHESTER.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Friday, Feb. 4, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-within-the-Walls,

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

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

*JAMES PERCY SWINDLEY ... Treble	JAMES SWINDLEY... .. 5
FRANK FOX ... .. 2	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 6
†HARRY LEWIS ... .. 3	ARTHUR NEWELL... .. 7
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 4	ARTHUR HARRISON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. JONES.

\* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell.

WRINGTON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

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

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 37 cwt.

PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. Treble	EDWIN J. BROWN... .. 5
FREDERICK G. LEAKER ... 2	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... 6
SYDNEY M. ABRAHAM... .. 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 7
WILLIAM G. NIPPER ... .. 4	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

Rung half-muffled on the eve of the Dedication of the War Memorial and especially to the memory of Arthur Nipper, William Perry and P. Wheeldon, local ringers, who lost their lives in the war. Rung after meeting short for Caters.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.  
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Illtyd,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

HARRY PAGE... .. Treble	SIDNEY DAWE ... .. 5
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 2	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 6
CLARENCE O. HOBBS ... .. 3	JAMES CROSS... .. 7
FREDERICK LASBURY ... .. 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. JENKINSON.

Conducted by H. PAGE.

First peal of Kent on the bells.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Parish Church of St. Barnabas,

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

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 15½ cwt.

THOMAS H. REEVES ... .. Treble	JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 5
JONATHAN PRESTON ... .. 2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 6
HERBERT C. SPENCER ... .. 3	HARRY DICKEN ... .. 7
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 4	JOHN E. PYWELL... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

Rung to celebrate the marriage of Mr. William J. Meers, Ringing Master of the Erdington Parish Church Society, to Mrs. A. E. Martin, which took place at the above church on February 5th, 1921.

STOKE-IN-COVENTRY.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.  
On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Michael,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES,**

DEXTER'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

OSWALD J. HUNT... .. Treble	ABRAHAM WILKERSON... .. 5
ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. 2	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... 6
HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 3	FRANK PERVIN ... .. 7
EDWARD H. JOHNSON ... .. 4	WILLIAM CLEMENTS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. PERVIN.

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.  
(EXETER DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Evangelist,

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

HOLTS TEN-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

EDWARD G. STOCKEY ... .. Treble	ROBERT C. MANLEY... .. 5
EDWIN SHEPHERD ... .. 2	JOHN R. HAYMAN ... .. 6
WILLIAM RICHARDSON ... 3	WILLIAM A. HAYMAN ... 7
FRED DIMOND ... .. 4	*GEORGE RENDELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. HAYMAN.

\* First peal.

WOKINGHAM, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(SONNING DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

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

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

EDWARD C. CLARK ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. BROOKS ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. PAICE ... .. 2	FRANK LUSH... .. 6
NORMAN LAWRENCE ... .. 3	HARRY LOVELOCK ... .. 7
*GEORGE COLE ... .. 4	EDWARD BRANT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. PAICE.

First peal. Rung in honour of the Rector's birthday.

MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Matthias,

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

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

JOHN BAYLISS ... .. Treble	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 5
ERNEST GIBBS ... .. 2	JAMES R. NEWMAN ... .. 6
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 7
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4	HENRY CHANCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT G. KNOWLES.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Alkmund,

**A PEAL OF DUFFIELD MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

HENRY LETTS ... .. Treble	JOHN C. DICKEN ... .. 5
CHARLES E. HART ... .. 2	ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 6
CHARLES DRAPER ... .. 3	RICHARD DRAGE ... .. 7
JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

NEW SHOREHAM, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 15 cwt.

BERT CHALLENGE ... .. Treble	RICHARD STREDWICK ... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. CRIPPS ... 6
ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 3	WILLIAM C. HART ... .. 7
ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by KEITH HART.

POOLE, DORSET.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

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

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt.

CHARLES W. GOODENOUGH Treble	CHARLES R. FORFITT ... 5
HERBERT JAMES ... 2	PERCY W. WITHAM ... 6
JAMES G. BENNETT ... 3	FREDERICK W. TOWNSEND ... 7
ELI WATERS ... 4	CHARLES LOVELL ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. GOODENOUGH.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 7th.

WALDRON SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 11 cwt.

ALFRED PIERPOINT ... Treble	ALBERT HOSDEN ... 5
HERBERT RANN ... 2	WILLIAM JENNER ... 6
CHARLES HUMPHREY ... 3	ALBERT REED ... 7
REV. C. H. CLARKE ... 4	JAMES HART ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT REED.

First peal on eight bells by the Rev. C. H. Clarke, vicar of Chiddingfold.

LONDON.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK, S.E.,

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

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSCRIPTION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.

ARTHUR H. HIBBERT ... Treble	ISAAC J. ATTWATER ... 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	HARRY MANCE ... 6
ROBERT G. CHAPPEL ... 3	MORATIO J. GUMMER ... 7
ERNEST J. KING ... 4	*WILSON RUSHTON ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung on the 37th birthday of the ringer of the 7th.

WORSLEY.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Feb. 7, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

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

VICAR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 21½ cwt.

WILFRED GRUNDY ... Treble	FRED GRUNDY ... 5
JOSEPH RIDYARD ... 2	JOSEPH H. RIDYARD ... 6
HERBERT ALDRED ... 3	PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE ... 7
STANLEY HARRISON ... 4	ARTHUR BURTON ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. RIDYARD.

Ringer of the 3rd hails from Tyldesley, of the tenor from Walkden, the rest belong to the local company.

GRIMSBY.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 8, 1921, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

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

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr.

*HAYDEN HARWICK ... Treble	CHARLES W. TAYLOR ... 5
PERCY H. PIGG ... 2	CHARLES KENNINGTON ... 6
JOHN E. KENNINGTON ... 3	WILLIAM BOLTON ... 7
WILLIAM H. HEYHOE ... 4	FRED T. HOWDEN ... Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER. Conducted by WILLIAM BOLTON.

\* First peal. All are members of the local company with the exception of the conductor, who is an hon. member.

POOLE, DORSET.—At the Parish Church, on Monday, Feb. 14th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 49 mins.: \*B. Young 1, \*J. Davis 2, P. James 3, H. Baverstock 4, T. Woolley 5, F. Townsend (conductor) 6, W. Ingham 7, \*P. Davis 8. \* First quarter-peal in the method.

RAWTENSTALL, LANCs.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Feb. 10, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

PARKER'S (No. 9) FIVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEO. E. ROLLERSON ... Treble	GEO. H. HARGREAVES ... 5
THOS. COLLINGE ... 2	†A. RIDEOUGH ... 6
*WILLIAM GRAHAM ... 3	THOS. ROLLERSON ... 7
H. H. SHAW ... 4	A. NEWMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by THOS. ROLLERSON.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method with an inside bell.

CHESTER.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Feb. 10, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

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

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

HARRY LEWIS ... Treble	FRANK FOX ... 5
EDWARD HARRISON ... 2	GEORGE R. JONES ... 6
ROBERT SPERRING ... 3	WALTER THOMAS ... 7
ARTHUR NEWELL ... 4	ARTHUR HARRISON ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in deepest sympathy for James V. Wright of Christleton.

LOWMOOR, BRADFORD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 12, 1921, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

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

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOSEPH BROADLEY ... Treble	SIDNEY BARRON ... 5
ARTHUR AINGE ... 2	JOHN PALFRAMAN ... 6
JAMES H. MOUSON ... 3	*FIRTH HOPWOOD ... 7
ARTHUR GILL ... 4	WILLIAM WALAND ... Tenor

Conducted by FIRTH HOPWOOD.

First peal of Grandsire rung in this tower. First peal on the bells since being re-hung by Messrs. Taylor, engineers of Lowmoor. \* First peal as conductor.

HELMESHORE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 12, 1921, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

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

*JOHN H. HAYDOCK ... Treble	THOMAS ROLLERSON ... 5
GEORGE BROWN ... 2	THOMAS T. BRANDWOOD ... 6
*TOM FOSTER ... 3	ALEX RIDEOUGH ... 7
THOMAS WALLWORK ... 4	JAMES H. BANKS ... Tenor

Composed by WM. HARRISON. Conducted by JAMES H. BANKS.

\* First peal in the method. Messrs. Rollerson and Rideough hail from Rawtenstall, J. H. Haydock from Ramsbottom and G. Brown from Bacup; the rest belong to the local band.

CHRISTLETON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 12, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

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

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM ASTLE ... Treble	*WILLIAM GRIFFITHS ... 5
ROBERT SPERRING ... 2	WILLIAM MAYERS ... 6
AUSTIN GREGORY ... 3	WALTER THOMAS ... 7
JOHN ROBERTS ... 4	*THOMAS GRIFFITHS ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. Rung with the bells half-muffled in deepest sympathy for the tower-keeper and conductor, James V. Wright.

## WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## THE DURHAM &amp; NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 12, 1921, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*GEORGE R. HOLMES... ..Treble	*JOSEPH W. PARKER ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON... .. 2	R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 6
JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD... .. 7
JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... ..Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.

\* First peal of Bristol.

## LONDON.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.)

On Saturday, Feb. 12, 1921, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS, BARKING, TOWER HILL,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

FRANK C. NEWMAN ... ..Treble	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... .. 5
ARTHUR C. CHAPLIN ... .. 2	EDGAR WIGHTMAN ... .. 6
JOHN W. CORNFORD ... .. 3	GEORGE HAYDEN... .. 7
JAMES SCHOLDS ... .. 4	JOHN MOULE... ..Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

J. W. Cornford was elected a life member previous to attempting the peal.

## STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

†ALFRED HISCOCK ... ..Treble	HUBERT J. CHAFFREY ... .. 5
WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 2	JOHN H. PRESTON ... .. 6
*GEORGE CUTTS ... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. PARKER... .. 4	SAMUEL W. GREENWOOD ... ..Tenor

Conducted by W. WELLING.

Rung to celebrate the 80th birthday of the Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Clarke, K.C., donor of the church and bells. \* First peal. † First peal away from tenor.

## FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Feb. 16, 1921, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN Treble	EDWARD JENKINS... .. 5
*HAROLD MAYHEW ... .. 2	HARRY HALL ... .. 6
VICTOR KERRIDGE ... .. 3	ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 7
ERNEST CURTIS ... .. 4	JOHN HALL ... ..Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

This composition, now rung for the first time, is the Author's No. 153. \* First peal on a working bell.

## NORWICH.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Feb. 17, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN DE SEPULCHRE,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE CLAXTON ... ..Treble	ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 5
FREDK. H. KNIGHTS ... .. 2	GEORGE MAYERS... .. 6
MISS HELEN W. BILL ... .. 3	CHARLES E. BORRETT... .. 7
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 4	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... ..Tenor

Composed by FRED ROBINSON. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

This peal was rung with half-muffled clappers as a last token of respect to Mr. Charles Jenkinson, one of the original members of the above-named church. First peal in any method by the ringer of the treble, who is only 15 years of age, also first in the method by Miss H. W. Bill.

## BUSHEY, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,

On Thursday, Feb. 17, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM SEELEY ... ..Treble	HUBERT EDEN ... .. 5
JOSEPH J. ALLEN... .. 2	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW... .. 6
HENRY HODGETTS ... .. 3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. 7
WILLIAM HODGETTS ... .. 4	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... ..Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by W. G. WHITEHEAD.

## PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 19, 1921, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ... ..Treble	JOHN W. DAVIES... .. 5
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 2	HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 6
ARTHUR NEWELL... .. 3	WALTER THOMAS... .. 7
JAMES SWINDLEY... .. 4	ERNEST E. CHANNELL ... ..Tenor

Composed by S. MARSH. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## FOXLEY, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

MATTHEW TIMBERS ... ..Treble	WILLIAM WASEY... .. 4
ALBERT NEALE ... .. 2	WALTER FORD ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. BARLER... .. 3	WALTER C. MEDLER ... ..Tenor

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

## CASTOR, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. KYNE BURGH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

TOM TEBBUTT ... ..Treble	WALTER CROSS ... .. 4
PHYLLIS HARE ... .. 2	GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. 5
ANNIE PARKINS ... .. 3	HUGH BEECHY ... ..Tenor

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

## DENNINGTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Oxford Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 19½ cwt.

WALTER MILLER ... ..Treble	WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 4
*REGGIE ABBOT ... .. 2	JOHN HALL ... .. 5
ERNEST CURTIS... .. 3	HARRY HALL ... ..Tenor

Conducted by HARRY HALL.

\* First peal.

## MOULTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb.

ANNIE M. DALE ... ..Treble	ALBERT DISERENS ... .. 4
ELSIE B. BRANDON ... .. 2	JOHN CURRY... .. 5
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3	JOE E. SYKES ... ..Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

COPT OAK, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB AND GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES**

Being 21 six-scores of each method.

*G. W. H. BAKIN ... .. Treble	CHAS. ALLSOPP ... .. 4
F. KILBURN ... .. 2	*A. CATTELL ... .. 5
*H. O. OVER ... .. 3	*F. J. BOWLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHAS. ALLSOPP.

First peal of Doubles on the bells. \* First peal with Plain Bob in. The ringers of the treble, 3rd and tenor hail from Kirby Muxloe, 2nd from Oadby, 4th from Desford and the 5th from Leicester. Great credit is due to the ringer of the 5th, who, until this peal, had never rung Plain Bob, even at practice.

ALDERTON, GLOUCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

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

Being 720 each of Grandsire, College Single and Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720's each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

*JOSEPH HALL ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... 4
JAMES HEMMING ... .. 2	*GEORGE ASHLEY ... .. 5
†GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... 3	JOHN HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. HEMMING.

\* First peal in five methods. † First peal in five methods away from the treble.

WARBLETON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Feb. 6, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being 42 six-scores, with 10 different callings. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ERNEST W. EDWARDS ... Treble	†LESLIE SINDEN ... .. 4
†LEONARD G. BOOTH ... .. 2	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 5
†ALBERT J. EDWARDS ... .. 3	*GEORGE MILLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

\* First peal. † First peal with an inside bell. Two of the ringers are 15 years of age, two 16 years and one 18 years, and great credit is due to them for the manner in which they handled and struck their bells throughout the peal. All belong to Salehurst.

LLANGARREN, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Feb. 7, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 1040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores, in 10 different callings. Tenor 11 cwt.

ERNEST H. DEW ... .. Treble	ARTHUR BREWER ... .. 4
JOHN BREWER ... .. 2	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. 5
HENRY WEALE ... .. 3	JOHN F. DOLLAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 12, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Thomas,

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

Being 720 each of Grove Delight, Neasden, College Bob IV., Wragby Kingston, London Scholars and Sandal. Tenor 9 cwt.

*EX-GNR. ARTHUR FERNLEY, R.G.A. ... .. Treble	EX-PTE. HAROLD HALLWORTH, 6th Cheshire Regt. ... 4
EX-SGT. JOHN P. FIDLER, 9th R. Scots and 1st Scottish Rifles ... .. 2	M.G.C. ... .. 5
EX-DVR. WILLIAM FERNLEY R.A.S.C. ... .. 3	EX-SPR. JOHN W. HARTLEY, R.E. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EX-SPR. JOHN W. HARTLEY.

\* First peal. The first peal by a band of Ex-Service men for the Guild. The ringer of the 5th hails from Denton, the rest being members of the local band.

CHIDDINGLY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 12, 1921, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

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

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

*WILLIAM D. SMITH ... .. Treble	GEORGE DANN ... .. 4
*REV. CECIL H. CLARKE ... 2	*GEORGE W. STOKES ... .. 5
ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... 3	WILFRED BOOTH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILFRED BOOTH.

\* First peal in the method. First peal of Minor on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Albert Reed, of Waldron, and to the Rev. Cecil H. Clarke, whose birthdays are on Feb. 12th and 13th respectively. The ringers of the treble, 3rd and 5th are from Eastbourne, of 4th and tenor from Heathfield.

BEDFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 12, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

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

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

WALTER MILLER, JUN. ... Treble	GEORGE STANNARD ... .. 4
ERNEST CURTIS ... .. 2	HARRY HALL ... .. 5
WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 3	JOHN HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN HALL.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

*H. G. BENSON (King's) ... 1-2	B. F. SHEPPARD (Trin.) ... 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHNEY (Trin.) 3-4	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 7-8

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

Rung to celebrate the 42nd anniversary of the foundation of the Guild. \* First peal away from the tenors.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
At St. Michael's, Joseph's Road,

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

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Size 15.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 5-6
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. 3-4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 7-8

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Umpire: JOHN T. SCOTT.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Feb. 10, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Royal Grammar School,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER, 5055 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5-6
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. 3-4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 7-8

GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9-10

Composed by C. CHARGE. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. S. Radford.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Feb. 12, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At 81, BAKER STREET, SPARKHILL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 17 in A.

GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 1-2	ALBERT WALKER ... .. 5-6
WILLIAM KENT ... .. 3-4	THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 7-8

MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 9-10

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

Referee: F. W. WALKER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Kent, Mrs. Walker and Mr. Russam. Messrs. Lafin and Smallwood also heard the last portion of the peal.

**A LIGHT PEAL OF SIX.**

The dedication of a new peal of six bells at the Parish Church of the village of Wistaston, Cheshire, by the Bishop of Chester, took place on Saturday, February 19th. The bells replace a peal of four, which were in a very unsafe condition, and were recast with sufficient new metal to make a new tenor and treble. They are the product of the Croydon Foundry, and are quite up to the standard which that firm is famous for. Hung in an iron and steel frame on steel girders they give every satisfaction; the tone is excellent, and would please the most critical ear. With the largest bell only 6 cwt. 2 lbs., they are the lightest peal the firm have ever turned out.

The ringing and opening of the new peal was in the hands of the local ringers and the Crewe Society. Several touches were rung in the four standard methods, and included the first 720 on the bells, Kent Treble Bob Minor being the method chosen. It was rung by the following band: Harry Overton 1, James H. Riding 2, Harry F. Holding 3, George H. Crawley 4, Albert Crawley 5, Richard T. Holding (conductor) 6.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

The annual meeting of the East Elloe Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild was held at Spalding on Feb. 5th. The bells of the Parish Church, St. Paul's, Fulney, and Pinchbeck, were available for the day, and a fair amount of ringing was done. A service was held in the Lady Chapel of the Parish Church, when an address was given by the Vicar (the Rev. Basil Gordon Nicholas), who spoke of the ancient history of bells and of the larger bells in Europe. A party of 48 sat down to tea, provided by Mr. Barker. At the business meeting which followed, all the officers were re-elected, viz., the Rev. F. F. Wayet, president; Mr. G. Ladd, hon. secretary, and Mr. R. Mackman, hon. treasurer. The fund of the Guild is in a satisfactory condition, and it was proposed to give £5 towards providing two chairs-a-hang to attend the annual meeting at Lincoln in April.

Mr. Mackman gave a short address, comparing the condition of bells and bell ringers 43 years ago with the present time. At that time there were only one or two peals ringable within twelve miles of Spalding, and it was very difficult to get a six-bell team in the neighbourhood. But now all the peals except one had been restored, and some augmented to eight, while there was one new peal of 10, one new one of 8 and one of 6, and three peals had been augmented from 5 to 6.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Gosberton, and to have four meetings of the branch in the year instead of three.

**HUDSON'S 'NEW LIGHT.'**

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I was much interested by the communication sent to you by 'A Yorkshire Ringer,' and should be very much obliged if he would send me a copy of Hudson's figures and the way he used the Oxford lead. Did he use it only to shorten the course in one place, and retain the Treble Bob bob, or did he use it in the place of a Bob? I am much obliged to our Yorkshire friend for mentioning it, for, as Jasper Snowden said long since, these old records are apt to get lost sight of, unless they are put in print; and all Hudson's work that is left to us is so valuable that we cannot afford to let any of it be lost.—Yours faithfully,

Seafeld Park, Fareham, Hants.

E. BANKES JAMES.

**LITLINGTON BELLS AUGMENTED.**

On Monday evening, Feb. 21st, a new treble was dedicated at Litlington by the Vicar of Guilden Morden, and after the dedication service the Royston ringers rang a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor, which was well struck: A. Gilbert 1, C. Goldthorpe 2, W. B. Manning 3, W. L. Darlow 4, S. E. Roberts 5, R. G. King (conductor) 6. Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, recently rehung the old peal of five, and has now added a new treble, and the 'go' of the six is excellent, everybody being well pleased with the ring.

The Vicar entertained the ringers to supper after the ringing, and his kindness was very much appreciated. It is gratifying to state that since the five were rehung, a local band has learned call changes, and it will not be very long before they will be able to get on to change ringing, as they are very keen to learn.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

The monthly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at Warminster on February 5th, and was attended by ringers from Trowbridge, Hilpertown, Westbury and Warminster. Ringing commenced at three o'clock, and service was later conducted by the Rev. Canon Jacob. The business meeting was held at the Magnet, after tea, when the secretary received £1 from the Trowbridge ringers, and 10s. from Mr. J. Harding, an unattached ringing member from Urchfont, towards the Westbury Bells Restoration Fund.

The Chairman, in his remarks, urged all ringers in the branch to support 'The Ringing World' in its new venture, pointing out that it was the only means the ringers had of keeping in touch with one and another.—A hearty vote of thanks to Canon Jacob for the use of the bells concluded the business. The ringers then returned to the church for further ringing.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The bells of Penshurst, Kent, were augmented to eight just a quarter of a century ago, but not until last Saturday did a local band ring a peal on them. We hope more will follow from the ringers of this picturesque Kentish village.

The number of 720's rung during 1920 at Little Munden was 69, in fourteen methods.

Mr. Ted Horrox, the 'father' of the College Youths, celebrated his 83rd birthday on Monday. He rang at St. Paul's Cathedral on Sunday, and received the congratulations of the band. He hopes to ring a peal of Stedman Cinques in celebration of the event at St. Saviour's Cathedral, Southwark, to-morrow.

At the opening of Banstead (Surrey) bells, on March 19th, it is intended to introduce the method, which is adopted widely in the North of England upon such occasions, of giving special facilities to those ringers who attend with complete bands, instead of relying entirely upon scratch eights made up in the belfry. All ringers will be welcome at the opening, and all will be given the opportunity of ringing, but it is hoped to secure the best striking by securing the presence of bands who are in the habit of ringing together.

The brothers Bailey, of Leiston, have added to their family campanological laurels, by ringing the first peal of Stedman Caters 'in hand' by five brothers.

The two new trebles at Fulbourn, Cambs, raising the peal to an octave, are to be dedicated on March 12th. The new bells are the gift of Mr. R. Moore, who has been churchwarden since 1887.

Upon Tuesday next falls the anniversary of that wonderful peal of Grandsire Caters rung at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, in the year 1737, which for excellency of its ringing, Harmonious changes and ye number of them, was certainly superior to anything of its kind ever done in the world; and to Remove all doubt of the truth of the performance several ingenious Ringers were abroad the whole time, with proper rules to prove the certainty of ye same.

This peal, 12,603 (the previous best having apparently been 10,080 in 1735 at Painswick) was rung in 8 hrs. 15 mins., and was 'perfectly compleated to the entire satisfaction, surprise and amazement of thousands of hearers.' The tenor was rung by two men, the first 8,000 changes by one of them and the remainder of the peal by the other.

The first peal of Caters was rung about 20 years before at St. Bride's, Fleet Street.

While ringing was in progress at St. Philip's Cathedral, Birmingham, on Saturday, in connection with the Henry Johnson Commemoration, the clapper of the tenor broke. The first recorded peal by St. Martin's Youths was rung at St. Philip's in 1755, but there has been no peal in this tower for 18 years on account of the 'go' of the bells. Perhaps something will now be done.

The latest report that reaches us about Mr. R. J. Wilkins, of Bristol, is that, although still very ill, his condition shows a slight improvement.

The peal of Superlative at Hoghton, Lancs, was rung in 2 hrs. 49 mins., and not 3-49 as published last week.

The 'stars' will sometimes get into the wrong places. We do not mean the celestial orbs, but the marks by which we are able to distinguish first pealers and the like. Last week we made it appear that the Kent Treble Bob Maximus at Shoreditch was Mr. Edgar Wightman's first peal of Treble Twelve when it wasn't. The intimation applied to the ringer of the 9th, Mr. Fred Wilford, of Northampton.

It is interesting to note a peal rung by a local band at Warnham, Sussex. It is some time since a peal by Warnham men has been recorded, but there were days which some will remember when, perhaps, more peals were rung at Warnham than in any other belfry.

It used to be said that one man out of every three in Warnham had learned to ring. Peals before breakfast were not unknown there, and, in more recent years, a band who aspired to fame found no objection raised when they sought permission to attempt four Surprise peals in a day at this church. Long peals up to 13,440 have been rung there, and one attempt at least for a twenty thousand has been made. And the church stands right in the village. They are bell lovers, the good people at Warnham.

## WYCOMBE RINGER'S BEREAVEMENT.

Many ringing friends will regret to hear of the loss sustained by Mr. J. W. Wilkins, of High Wycombe, Bucks, by the death of his wife, who passed peacefully away on Feb. 5th. The deceased lady was known by a number of ringers, not only in the immediate district in which she lived, but amongst those she met when accompanying her husband in his many ringing excursions.

Her remains were laid to rest on Feb. 10th, amidst many tokens of respect, but that which appealed to the sorrowing husband and son was the beautifully struck muffled touch in her memory, performed by the High Wycombe Society on the bells of the parish church she so loved to hear.

## 'HENRY JOHNSON' COMMEMORATION

### GREAT GATHERING AT BIRMINGHAM.

The 33rd annual 'Henry Johnson' Commemoration Dinner, organised by St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham, was held at Birmingham on Saturday last, and was a highly successful function, the attendance being quite equal to last year's record. The event brought together ringers from many parts of the country, and during the afternoon there was ringing both on the twelve bells at St. Martin's Church and the ten at St. Philip's Cathedral. The dinner took place at the Imperial Hotel, and a company, numbering 180, sat down to a splendidly served repast. The chair was taken by Canon E. Grose Hodge, M.A., Rector of Birmingham, who was supported by Alderman J. S. Pritchett, Presiding Ringing Master; Sir Edward Malins, Messrs. J. J. Kendall and F. W. Blake (churchwardens of St. Martin's), Mr. A. Paddon Smith (Hon. Secretary of St. Martin's Guild), and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Goldsmith, Mr. C. F. Johnston (of the Croydon Foundry), Mr. Pryce Taylor (Loughborough Foundry). Among those also present were: Messrs. W. Kent, J. H. Shepherd and J. Carter (vice-presidents of the Guild), Mr. A. Walker (Deputy Ringing Master) and Mrs. Walker, Mr. T. Russam and Mr. C. Dickens (Trustees), Mrs. Russam, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Groves, Miss S. Pigott (President of the Ladies' Guild), Mr. A. E. Parsons (Master of the Worcestershire Association), Mr. C. Dean (Hon. Secretary, Surrey Association), Mr. A. Wilkerson (Hon. Secretary, Warwickshire Guild), Mr. H. Knight (Hon. Secretary, Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford), Messrs. W. R. Small (Tipton), B. Gough (Coseley), W. T. Pates (Cheltenham), J. Paget (Derby), Councillor and Mrs. Trippier (Eccles), Messrs. R. F. Deal (Manchester), H. Broughton (Leicester), H. Argyle and T. Chapman (Nuneaton), A. C. Crawley (Crewe), J. Jutson and Miss Jutson (Peterborough), Mr. R. Richardson (Surfleet), Mr. and Mrs. F. Wilford (Northampton), Mr. T. Salter (Kidderminster), Mr. J. E. Sykes (Huddersfield), W. Wetherby (Shrewsbury), R. Billingshurst (Loughborough), and ringers, including several ladies, from a large number of towers in the Birmingham district.

The dinner arrangements had been made by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. A. Paddon Smith), whose indefatigable efforts resulted in a completely enjoyable evening. As in previous years a feature of the proceedings was the musical programme, for which the St. Martin's Quartette (Messrs. Hale, Chapman, Bayliss and Gorman, members of St. Martin's Choir) kindly gave their services, and their quartettes, duets and songs gave great delight to the company. Their presence was again an indication of the happy relations which exist at St. Martin's between the ringers and the other officials of the church. The quartette sang grace before and after dinner, and in the course of the evening contributed the items, sung unaccompanied, 'On the Banks of Allun Water,' 'Jen's Vegetable Compound,' 'Sleep, Gentle Lady,' 'Ye eyes of Azure,' etc., while Messrs. Chapman and Gorman sang the duet, 'Tenor and Baritone,' and Messrs. Chapman and Hale contributed songs. Mr. A. S. Gorman, A.R.C.O., was at the piano. No such gathering would, of course, be complete without the handbells, and the company were delighted with the tune ringing of Messrs. Walker, Miller and Hunt, and a course of Stedman Cinques rung by Messrs. Russam, Walker, Groves, Swann, Smallwood and Morris.

The printed programme will be cherished by those who were present as a charming souvenir of the evening, for it contained a portrait of Henry Johnson and a wonderful collection of most apt quotations, both in the menu and toast list, which Mr. Secretary Smith must have spent a vast amount of time in getting together.

When the cloth had been cleared, the Chairman gave the toast of 'The King,' which was enthusiastically honoured.

Apologies for absence were announced from the Bishop of Birmingham, the Dean of Norwich, Mr. A. Hughes, Mr. F. E. Dawe and Mr. J. Jagger.

### CHANGING TIMES.

Sir Edward Malins proposed 'Church and State,' and referred to the times of anxiety and perplexity through which the nation and the Church had recently passed, and to the changes which were taking place. They looked forward with hope that as a result of these changes good would prevail, and that all that was low and degrading would become a thing of the past. Not since the time of Henry VIII. had there been such changes in the Church as they were now passing through. The State had set up a National Assembly, with wide discretionary powers, for the control of the Church. Among the chief of these had been the setting up of Parochial Councils, which would have control over the affairs of the churches in a democratic degree undreamt of in the past. To these changes they would have to accommodate themselves, and they must take advantage of them as they were presented to them. Sir Edward spoke of some of the difficulties yet to be solved, and concluded by referring to the alliance between the Church and State, a union which had given the nation strength, and which had brought divine guidance into their national as well as into their personal life.

The Chairman, whose name was coupled with the toast, first touched upon the splendid opportunities which lay before the men and women

of to-day, and went on to express his gratitude to St. Martin's Guild for once again inviting him to preside over that gathering. There was, he added, a sort of propriety about it, because, while they as bell ringers spoke that marvellous language of which he was so woefully ignorant, he was supreme in the belfry. He had absolute control of the belfry and all the people therein. He could if he chose, sit in the belfry, lock the door and stay there all by himself (laughter), and if he liked, shake his fist at any churchwarden who desired to come in (laughter). He had supreme right over the belfry, the bells and the bell ropes, and, if he chose to ring all the bells himself, he could do so (laughter). That was really the legal position, and they might yet see the spectacle of the Rector in St. Martin's belfry threatening the churchwardens (laughter). He was not sure there might not be reprisals, and he expected it would take the form of the churchwardens locking up every pew in the church when the Rector was going to preach. They could not lock the church door, but if he (the Rector) asserted his independence in the belfry, his churchwardens could lock up the pews. This locking of the pews was once carried out at a Cambridge Church, where a famous preacher and his churchwardens were unable to agree, and for eleven years they had the extraordinary spectacle of this truly great man preaching in a church in which there was not a single person in the pews, and not a single inch of the remainder of the church which was not occupied by those who desired to hear him. The Rector went on to say he always felt there was a very real link between the clergy and the bell ringers. While they in Birmingham had one of the best peals of bells in the country, he was sure they had quite the best bell ringers (applause). They had a noble church, a noble peal of bells, and some truly dear friends to ring them (applause).

### THE VIRTUE OF TRUSTWORTHINESS.

Mr. A. E. Parsons submitted the toast of the evening, 'The Memory of the late Henry Johnson. They had met again, he said, to pay a silent tribute to and to honour the memory of Henry Johnson. For more than 30 years honoured members of the Exercise had on similar occasions given personal testimony to the many sterling qualities and virtues which Mr. Henry Johnson possessed, as well as to his wonderful gifts as a composer and a ringer. Very much had been said; in fact, it would almost seem that the mention of his name for 30 years or more would create an atmosphere of monotony in the programme! But was that the case? He thought not. Rather was the mention of his name as a refreshing breeze to them on a hot summer's day. They were always enthusiastic when they heard his name mentioned, and thought of what he had been and what he had done for bell ringing and bell ringers. He (the speaker) could not attempt to add anything to what had already been said on those occasions, but would content himself with recalling one of Henry Johnson's many virtues, and that was his trustworthiness. Birmingham was regarded as the home and nursery of Stedman; certainly that was so from the commencement of the 19th century. In those early days such men as Lates, Cooper, Day and Thurstans, together with Hudson, of Sheffield, and Tobbs, of Leeds, were striving to bring into form and symmetry the method of Stedman Triples, so that some standard form of composition might be set up. From about 1828 to 1846 there was a spirit of rivalry among these men, and it was on the 18th of May in the latter year that Henry Johnson conducted for the first time on St. Martin's bells Thurstans' four-part peal of Stedman Triples as they had it to-day. That composition was in possession of Henry Johnson for months before he called it, and when they remembered the keenness and rivalry that existed, when they recollected that at any time one of these other composers might have produced the very peal which was in Johnson's possession, it showed what implicit confidence and trust Thurstans placed in Henry Johnson. For this one virtue alone he deserved that his memory should be honoured. Let them think of all that he had done for their art, endeavour to emulate his character, and, so far as they were gifted, follow in his footsteps.

The company stood a few moments in silence to honour the toast, and by a show of hands it was ascertained that there were 21 ringers present who had personally known Mr. Johnson.

### ALDERMAN PRITCHETT'S REVIEW.

Alderman Pritchett then submitted 'Continued Prosperity to the St. Martin's Guild,' and gave a review of the year. Since their last meeting, he said, they had lost, by death, their old friend, William Carrod, of Bishop Ryders, an old member and keen supporter of the Guild. He was happy to say a muffled peal was rung to his memory, and no one's memory better deserved a muffled peal. Mr. J. Corrigan, after bravely serving his country throughout the war and losing an eye, came home to meet his death by accident. In him they had lost a very good ringer and excellent striker. Albert Little, of Wolverhampton, was another who had gone from them, and, although he was not a member of the Guild, he felt he must refer to the death of Mr. John Smith, of Netherton, who was for many years hon. secretary of the Worcestershire Association. He was an excellent secretary, and an excellent ringer. He (the speaker) had rung many peals with him, and there was one he would like to mention, a peal of Treble Ten at Dudley 20 or 25 years ago. It so happened that Mr. Smith was conducting and Mr. John Carter was ringing the 2nd,

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and the 2nd had lost its clapper. The bell was voiceless throughout the peal, but the amusing thing was that, while they were ringing, John Smith shouted to John Carter, 'Strike your bell a little closer' (laughter). However, they got through the peal all right, and it was duly recorded in the peal book of the association. Another dear old friend that he, for one, would greatly miss, and at whose expense he had made many feeble jokes, was Mr. Jimmy Jones. They would remember how he used to twit him about his family of 13 children and 47 grandchildren who used to gather round his table at Christmas time in a room 12ft. square and drink his health with musical honours (laughter). But he was a good man, whom they all liked. He was rough and uneducated in a way, but he was one of England's best, a good ringer, an honest and faithful servant of the firm for whom he worked so many years. He was a man always ready and willing to do what he could to help ringers and to promote the art of ringing. They respected his memory.

#### THE ORIGIN OF THE JOHNSON DINNER.

Proceeding, Alderman Pritchett congratulated those 21 ringers present who knew Henry Johnson, and who were privileged to live to that day, and to share in the hope expressed by the Chairman that they might all meet again on another anniversary. Most of their vice-presidents were there, but Mr. Godden was unfortunately absent, for the second time only since those dinners were inaugurated over thirty years ago. He was indisposed, but not seriously, and they wished him a speedy recovery. Of those who were present, he must refer first to John Buffery, the 'father' of the Guild. He had been a member of the Guild longer than anyone else living, and forty years ago took part in the famous peal of 9238 Stedman Cinques, with Henry Johnson. He ran the 8th in that peal, and he did not seem to get much older. They congratulated him upon his long life, his good health, and upon his services to the cause of change ringing. He had also to congratulate that veteran, Mr. William Rock Small, upon his presence. As they knew, he celebrated his 81st birthday the other day, and in a letter which he had received from him he spoke of that as probably the last time he would be amongst them. But Mr. Small was always somewhat of a pessimist, and he (the speaker) hoped that prophecy would be falsified, and that Mr. Small would be with them on similar occasions for many more years yet (applause). Mr. Small mentioned in his letter something in which he was sure that gathering would be interested, namely, that he took part in the peal that was the origin of the Johnson Dinner. On Feb. 28th, 1882, at Birmingham, St. Martin's Guild rang a peal of Stedman Cinques (5014 changes), at St. Martin's Church, composed by Henry Johnson, and conducted by Charles Hattersley. Of the ringers in that peal there were fortunately three survivors, Mr. Rock Small, Mr. Buffery and Mr. Henry Johnson, junr. After the peal there was a supper at the Dog and Partridge. He (Ald. Pritchett) had no doubt it was an enjoyable supper, as enjoyable in its way as that gathering had been. According to Mr. Small, it was the foundation and origin of that annual dinner. Great things grew out of small ones, and that supper of twelve ringers and a few friends had now grown into a banquet of 180 ringers, not only from Birmingham, but from all parts of England (applause).

#### STEADY PROGRESS.

Alderman Pritchett went on to say he was happy to note that St. Martin's Guild was making steady progress. The members were turning up to practice in increasing numbers. There had not been any notable peals rung during the year, except, perhaps, the handbell peal of Stedman Cinques rung by members of the Guild who were also College Youths, and he understood that that was a sort of acknowledgment of the very handsome present of a peal of handbells which was received from Mr. Hughes, of the College Youths. He would also like to mention that the other day a course of Cambridge Surprise Maximus was rung on St. Martin's bells, and he would like to suggest that the third Tuesday in every month should be set apart for ringing in the higher methods such as this. He hoped those who went to ring the ordinary methods would not object, but would be sufficiently self-denying in order that the Guild might sometimes deviate from the ordinary run of Stedman and ring higher methods. He hoped the suggestion would be taken in good part and favourably considered at the next meeting of the society. Alderman Pritchett went on to say that during the year there had been a change in the deputy mastership, Mr. Walker having taken the place of Mr. Groves. They were greatly indebted to Mr. Groves for his services extending over ten years, and so far as he was concerned it was a case of 'how happy could he be with either.' Two more excellent deputies it was impossible to imagine, and they were working together with the same brotherly feeling of concord and harmony as they did when their places were reversed (applause). Alderman Pritchett coupled with the toast the name of the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Paddon Smith, than whom he said, they could not possibly have a better secretary (applause). What a labour it was to organise that gathering. No-one had done it but Mr. Godden and Mr. Smith, and they alone knew what it meant. He did not know how many hundreds of letters Mr. Smith had to write and the troubles and disappointments he had to put up with, but the result was always perfect. Nothing could be more perfect than that menu and toast list with its molasses. How on earth Mr.

Smith found a fresh set every year, and each set more excellent than the previous one, he (the speaker) could not imagine (applause). It always gave them pleasure to drink to that toast, but that pleasure was increased by being able to couple with it the toast of the health of their most excellent secretary (applause).

The other toasts were 'Kindred Ringing Societies,' 'The Ringing World,' and 'The Chairman,' and a report of the speeches will be given in our next issue.

#### A NEW SOCIETY FORMED FOR DONCASTER AND DISTRICT.

A meeting of Doncaster and District ringers took place on Saturday, February 28th, at St. George's, Doncaster, the towers represented being Doncaster, Arksey, Sprothorough, Conisbrough, Adwick-le-Street, Tickhill, Thorne and Haxey.

After a few short touches in various methods had been rung, Mr. Woodhouse, of Arksey, presided over the meeting, the object of which was to form a Doncaster and District Society of Change Ringers. — The Chairman said the object of the society, if formed, would be the federation of isolated bands of ringers, and the encouragement of the art of scientific change ringing by frequent meetings for combined practice. He said there were plenty of nice peals of bells in the district, and it was a pity that more change ringing was not done on them.

Mr. Halksworth (Doncaster) expressed pleasure at seeing such a representative gathering of ringers of the district. There were three of four district societies in South Yorkshire, the nearest, best and oldest being the Sheffield and District, and Doncaster was included in its area. But with railway fares what they were very few members went to their meetings from the Doncaster district, and to overcome this difficulty he thought the best plan would be to form a Doncaster and District Society.

Mr. Holmes (Doncaster) proposed that a society be formed, and said it would supply a long-felt want. — Mr. G. Clark, Arksey, seconded, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

The following officers were then elected: Secretary, Mr. Harold Walker; treasurer, Mr. Woodhouse; Ringing Master, Mr. G. Clark.

It is proposed to ask the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford to be president. The next meeting will be held at Sprothorough on March 19th.

#### CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. STOCKPORT BRANCH ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting, held at St. Mary's, Stockport, on Saturday, Feb. 19th, was very well attended, between sixty and seventy members and friends being present. The bells, a peal of ten, were employed in the afternoon and evening in touches of Caters, Major and Triples.

The Guild form of service was conducted in the church by the Rector (the Rev. C. A. Calthrop), a splendid address being given by the hon. secretary (the Rev. A. T. Beeston). Tea was served in the Schoolroom, followed by the business meeting, with the Rector in the chair. — The Hon. Secretary read his report, which showed a steady progress. Five peals had been rung, viz., three of Major and two of Minor. Reference was made to the good progress made by the Denton and Norbury towers, and it was hoped this would be an incentive to others in the matter of method ringing. Five meetings had been held during the past year, with an average attendance of fifty-five; 197 members were on the roll, and the credit balance of £8 was very encouraging. — The report was unanimously adopted, and thanks accorded to the hon. secretary for his trouble.

The printing and publishing of an annual report and balance sheet had been discontinued since 1915, and the question was raised whether the practice should be recommenced. Though the proposal received favour, yet the probable cost led to the matter being deferred until the next meeting.

All the retiring officers were re-elected, with the exception of the chairman (the Rev. F. C. L. Hamilton), who had expressed his wish to resign on account of increased parochial responsibilities. He had occupied the office since 1904. Mr. J. H. Jackson, of Disley, was unanimously elected in his stead. — The Rector then vacated the chair, and called upon the new chairman to take charge of the proceedings.

Mobberley was fixed as the place for the next meeting, to be held on Saturday, May 7th, 1921.

The Hon. Secretary made a strong appeal for a greater practical interest in 'The Ringing World.' Many others spoke in support of this, and it was hoped ere long the ringers' paper would be one to be proud of.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Rector for permitting the meeting to be held, for the use of the bells, and for his services, and to all those who assisted in making the proceedings run so smoothly.

Ringing was again resumed, but not for long, on account of the close proximity of the market, and Saturday is market day.

SPALDING, Lincs. — At the Parish Church, on Tuesday, January 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1250 changes), in 45 mins., by: \*A. L. Woolton 1, S. Madison 2, \*S. E. Andrew 3, R. Smith 4, J. G. Ames 5, R. Mackman 6, J. T. Brown (conductor) 7, W. Adeock 8. \* First quarter-peal.

# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

It is gratifying to find how this page for Sunday Service Ringers has been welcomed. Letters expressing appreciation of the introduction of this feature have reached us from many parts of the country, and we hope it will prove what we are setting out to make it—interesting and useful. It is the first time in ringing journalism that special provision has been made for Sunday Service ringers, who, after all, form the vast majority of the Exercise, and whose work, as we said last week, is the most important part of ringing.

It was unfortunate that of the touches we gave last week two should be false, but happily, in short lengths, little harm is done even if they have been rung. Shipway's 1064 of Grandsire Triples runs false at the handstroke of the half-way single with the handstroke of part end 34256, as, of course, does the handstroke of the last single with that of the corresponding lead in the second half. The touch runs out true without the extra single at 546. Curious it is that Snowdon should have overlooked this when he reproduced this touch from Shipway. The 976 of Double Norwich is also false. There is a flaw that we ought to have noticed, and we hear that the composer passed a very uncomfortable week-end. But he will be forgiven, as we hope we may be for publishing it. This week's touches should be vouched for by the names beneath them, and should be useful.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**LEISTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, Feb. 27th, for morning service, 1024 Cambridge Surprise Major: \*G. Finch 1, \*F. L. Fisher 2, G. Wilson 3, J. G. Rumsey 4, G. F. Bailey (conductor) 5, G. E. Fisher 6, J. M. Bailey 7, A. F. Bailey 8. \*Longest length in method. Ringers of 1, 2 and 6 belong to Uford.

**OATLANDS PARK, SURREY.**—On Sunday, Feb. 27th, for morning service, 1280 Kent Treble Bob Major, in 46 mins.: Miss N. E. Shorter 1, W. Shepherd 2, W. Woodrow, junr., 3, J. B. Hessey 4, F. Shepherd 5, E. J. Pressing 6, O. Sippets (conductor) 7, A. Ellis 8.

**BAGSHOT, SURREY.**—On Sunday, Feb. 13th, at St. Anne's Church, after the unveiling of the war memorial to the fallen, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 50 mins., with the bells half-muffled: Miss M. Wood 1, J. Corbett 2, T. Gould 3, H. Stapleton 4, F. Nye (conductor) 5, F. Francis 6, H. Gould 7, T. F. Bennett 8.

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.**—On Sunday, Feb. 6th, at Holy Trinity, Guildford, for evening service, in 48 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), taken from Holt's Original: F. Clark (1st quarter) 1, F. Radford 2, C. Burdock 3, A. H. Pulling 4, W. Jelly 5, W. Melville 6, E. W. Steere (first quarter as conductor) 7, H. Harris 8.

**HEMEL HEMPSTEAD.**—On Sunday, Feb. 27th, at St. Mary's Church, 546 of Grandsire Triples, taken from the touch published on this page last week: W. Floyd 1, G. Bayes 2, W. H. Nowell 3, H.

Gates 4, I. Floyd 5, W. Shepherd 6, H. Golding (conductor) 7, I. Floyd, junr., 8.

**LINSLADE, BUCKS.**—On Sunday, Feb. 27th, for evening service, at the request of the Vicar (the Rev. L. Lydekker), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: F. Buttrum 1, F. Dedman 2, F. Vickers 3, J. Sear 4, A. Vickers 5, W. Dedman (conductor) 6, W. J. Jeffs 7, A. E. Seddon 8.

**LONDON.**—At St. Michael's, Cornhill, for evening service, on Feb. 13th, 1260 Stedman Triples on the back eight, in 55 mins.: E. Horrex 1, E. J. Walsom 2, A. R. Macdonald 3, W. Alys 4, C. F. Winney (conductor) 5, A. A. Hughes 6, H. Belcher 7, P. E. Clark 8.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Stephen's, West Ealing, for morning service, on February 27th, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: A. F. Tuke 1, E. J. Walsom 2, R. G. Brown 3, P. E. Clark 4, H. Belcher 5, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 6, A. Harding 7, C. Edwards 8.

**LONDON.**—At All Hallows', Tower Hill, for evening service, on Feb. 27th, 1260 Stedman Triples, in 45 mins.: P. E. Clark 1, E. J. Walsom 2, C. Edwards 3, C. F. Winney 4, C. E. Burdon 5, H. R. Newton 6, A. R. Macdonald (conductor) 7, A. Joyce 8.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Sunday, Feb. 27th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: R. A. Fosdike 1, A. G. Bennington 2, E. J. Parnett 3, J. Law 4, T. A. Easterby 5, J. Crowder 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, C. H. Macklin 8.

**DIDSBURY, LANCOS.**—On Sunday, Feb. 27th, on the occasion of the visit of the new Lord Bishop of Manchester to Christ Church, West Didsbury, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins., for evening service: G. Snowball 1, A. Frost 2, W. Brown 3, F. Stoney (conductor) 4, H. Brickell 5, G. H. Collier (Flixton) 6, R. Davies 7, G. Whiteleggs 8.

**FULBOURN, CAMBS.**—Ely and St. Edmundsbury Diocesan Association.—At the Church of St. Vigor and All Saints, on Sunday, Feb. 27th, for evening service, 1008 Bob Major: E. Webb 1, J. Page 2, C. Hall 3, J. Giddens 4, C. E. Patten 5, A. Page 6, G. Bridgn 7, B. D. Buttress (conductor) 8. Longest length of Major by all except the conductor, and longest length of Major on the bells.

**LONDON.**—The London County Association. — On Sunday, Feb. 20th, for evening service, at St. John the Divine's, Kennington, S.E., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: J. R. Gammon 1, J. Carter (late of Birmingham) 2, A. C. V. Gasson 3, T. H. Taffender 4, E. J. King 5, I. J. Allwater (composer and conductor) 6, W. H. Pickett 7, R. G. Chapple 8.

**On Sunday, Feb. 27th, for evening service, at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: J. R. Gammon 1, H. W. Hibbert (1st quarter-peal as conductor) 2, A. Hibbert 3, T. H. Taffender 4, E. J. King 5, R. G. Chapple 6, W. H. Pickett 7, H. Spinks 8.**

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### 1296 STEDMAN TRIPLES.

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Three times repeated with bobs at 2-3 for 8 at 2 in 2nd and 4th parts. Contains 40 4-6's, 36 7-4's, 32 6-7's.

A. J. Pitman.

### TWO 672's BOB MAJOR.

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Twice repeated.

23456 W R

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Twice repeated.

J. A. Trollope.

### 1097 GRANDSIRE CATERS.

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25346 8 in 3S

62543 9 in 3S

9 in with S and out next lead.

J. George.

### 447 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

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32546 Before and wrong.

24536 Before and wrong.

34526 S. Before.

42536 Before and wrong.

23546 Before and wrong.

23456 In and out at 2

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From Snowdon's 'Grandsire.'

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**LADIES' GUILD.**—The next quarterly meeting of the Ladies' Guild (Western District) will be held at Portishead, on Saturday, March 5th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. All ringers welcome.—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Redland, Bristol.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, March 5th, at the Parish Church, Ashton-under-Lyne. Bells ready at 3.15 p.m. Meeting at 7 o'clock.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—Next meeting at Christ Church, Cubitt Town, on Saturday March 5th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at 5.30, followed by business meeting.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.**—The annual meeting of this guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, March 5th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4 o'clock. Business meeting after tea.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Galleywood on March 5th. Bells available 2.30. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting at the White Bear. Subscriptions to the amount of 1/6 per member are now due.—P. Timson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Paul's Church, Sketty, on Saturday, March 5th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Tea at the Church Hall at 6 p.m. Annual subscriptions now due, 2/-.—Charles Morse, Sec., 2, Dycok Road, Sketty, Swansea.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Chelham (8) on Saturday, March 5th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5.—E. G. Vuesden, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Woodbridge District.—The monthly practice meeting will be held at Wickham Market on Saturday, March 5th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 to 7 p.m. A good attendance is desired.—C. E. Fisher, Dis. Sec., High Street, Ufford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Thomas Church, Helmshore, on Saturday, March 5th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 7. Business very important. A good attendance is requested.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Whiston, near Rotherham, on Saturday, March 5th. Eight bells, from 3 o'clock.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The half-yearly meeting of the above will be held at Silverdale on Saturday, March 5th. Bells available all day. Meeting at 4 o'clock.—W. Robinson, Hon. Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Leighton Buzzard on Saturday, March 5th. Bells (10) available at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. E. Sharman, District Sec., 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Egham on Saturday, March 5th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Owlsmoor, Camberley.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—Meetings will be held at \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on March 8th, St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 17th and 31st, Southwark Cathedral on the 29th, all at 7.30 p.m. \* Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (The Misbourne Valley Towers).—A 'missionary' practice meeting will be held on Saturday, March 12th, at Wendover Parish Church (6 bells), at which the ringers from neighbouring towers will be heartily welcomed. Ringing from 5.30. A competent change-ringing band have promised to attend.—G. H. Gutteridge, Iwer Heath, Uxbridge.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A District meeting will be held at Saltburn on Saturday, March 12th. Further particulars next week.—A. L. Henderson, Hon. Div. Sec.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Sandal on Saturday, March 12th, at 4 p.m. All ringers cordially invited to be present.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting of the Western District will be held at Keighley on Saturday, March 12th. Bells (8) available 2 to 9 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. in West Lane Schools. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. R. W. Jennison, 40, Aireworth Street, Keighley, before March 8th.—P. L. Cooper, Hon. District Sec., 12, Willoughby Avenue, Holbeck.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Liverpool, on Saturday, March 12th. Bells ready at 4. Service 5.30. Meeting 6. A good meeting is requested.—Walter Hughes.

**FULBOURN, CAMBS.**—A service will be held to dedicate two new trebles on Saturday, March 12th. Service will be held at 2.30, conducted by Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, President of the Central Council. A free tea will be provided for ringers in the Assembly Room. All those wishing to be present at tea kindly send in their names on or before March 8th to Charles Patten, Mill Cottages, Fulbourn, Cambs. The two new bells are a gift (an addition to the six) of Mr. Reuben Moore, churchwarden since 1887.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Members and friends of the above branch have received an invitation from the Vicar to take tea at Bray on Saturday, March 12th. Tower bells available from 3. Service at the Parish Church at 5, and social in the Church Room at 6 o'clock. Foremen of towers will please make this meeting known to all members in their district and advise me by March 9th how many are proposing to be present.—W. H. Fussell, Hon. Sec., Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at East Crompton.

ton on Saturday, March 12th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is requested. — T. K. Driver, 99, Hunter Street, Middleton.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division. —The annual district meeting will be held at Saltburn on March 12th. Service in the church at 4.30 p.m. Tea at Darley's Café, Milton Street, at 5 p.m. Business meeting immediately after tea in the same room. Bells available from 2 p.m. Will all requiring tea please notify Mr. G. Peck, Eden Corner, Saltburn, not later than Thursday morning, March 10th?—A. L. Henderson, Hon. Div. Sec., Mayfield, Pickering.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District. —The annual meeting of the above will be held at the Cathedral, Sheffield, on Saturday, March 12th. Bells available from 3. Service at 5. Tea at 1/6 per head in the Wolstenholme Hall at 5.15 to those who notify Mr. C. Harrison, 53, Baltic Road, Darnall, Sheffield by Wednesday, March 9th.—F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 18, Royston Avenue, Bentley Road, Doncaster.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District. —A meeting will be held at Feltham, on Saturday, March 12th. Bells from 3.30. Will arrange tea for those who let me know by the 8th. Subscriptions (1/6) now due. Should be obliged if members would remit same to me.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Luke Road, Chiswick.—N.B.—Combined practices are held at Heston the 1st, Isleworth the 3rd, and St. Stephen's, Ealing, the 4th Saturdays in the month.

**ALL SAINTS, BANSTEAD, SURREY.**—The ring of eight—re-cast, re-tuned and re-hung by Gillett and Johnston—will be dedicated at 3 p.m. on March 19th. Applications from bands of eight wishing to ring should be sent to Mr. Fred Woodiss, Chipstead Road, Banstead, not later than March 12th. Tea provided.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch. —A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Parish Church, Burnley, on Saturday, March 19th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting, Leicester, Easter Monday, March 28th. Towers open for ringing from 10.30 to 7.30: St. Martin's (10), St. John the Divine (8), St. Saviour's (8), St. Mark's (8), St. Peter's, Belgrave (8). Meat tea, 2/6 each, at the Bell Hotel, Humberstone Gate, 4.30 prompt. Meeting to follow. Social and smoking concert same place free to all, 7.45 to 10 p.m. All members for tea must be guaranteed by Tuesday, March 21st (see notices in Association Belfries).—H. E. Norman, Local Hon. Sec., 4, Berners Street, Leicester; A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary Notice.—The annual general meeting will be held at Deptford on Easter Monday, March 28th. Dinner tickets 2/6, non-resident members 4/6. P.O. to be sent with application. Nominations of candidates for election as representatives to the Central Council must be signed by two members and sent to the Hon. Sec. before March 15th.—Fred. J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec., Canterbury.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Scarborough on Easter Monday, March 28th. Further details later.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. General Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual general committee meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, April 2nd, at 3.30 p.m., in the G.W.K. Temperance Institute (adjoining down platform), G.W.R. station. Further particulars later. Notices of motion should reach General Sec. at least ten days before this date.—Richard T. Hibbert, General Sec.

**ROYAL SOCIETY OF CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The Annual Dinner and Concert will be held at The Old Bell Restaurant, Holborn, Saturday, April 2nd, at 6 o'clock. Tickets, 7s. 6d. each, can be obtained from Mr. J. D. Matthews, 130, Clonmore Street, S.W.18; Mr. F. Smith, 48, Mansfield Road, N.W.; Mr. A. Hardy, 37, Hubert Grove, S.W.9; Mr. B. Fiskott, 1, Olive Road, N.W.2; Mr. R. Warner, Spitalfields Bell Foundry, E.1, and the Hon. Sec. The bells of St. Bride's will be available from 4 p.m. to 5.15 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 70, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

**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.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

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### SIX BELL METHODS.

At St. Thomas' Church, Norbury, Cheshire, on January 27th, 1921, a 720 was rung of No. 11 method on page 16 of the Central Council Collection: Jas. Fernley (conductor) 1, J. P. Fidler 2, W. Fernley 3, H. Hallworth 4, J. W. Hartley 5, A. S. Gordon 6. This method is now rung for the first time, and is to be called Marple.—On Feb. 17th, a 720 of No. 15, page 17, Central Council Collection, was rung: H. Hallworth 1, J. P. Fidler 2, W. Fernley 3, Jas. Fernley (conductor) 4, J. W. Hartley 5, A. S. Gordon 6. This method is also now rung for the first time, and is to be called Taxal.

### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**GREAT STAUGHTON, HUNTS.**—Ely and Bury St. Edmund's Association.—On Monday, Feb. 7th, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Doubles (1260 changes), 10 six-scores and an odd 60, each called differently: H. Bosworth 1, F. J. Lack 2, D. Smith 3, T. Townsend 4, T. H. Townsend (conductor) 5, G. Franklin 6. The first quarter-peal on the bells.

**MIDDLETON, LANCs.**—On Monday, Feb. 7th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1280 changes), in 46 mins.: F. Berry 1, W. Berry (conductor and composer) 2, W. Hardman 3, T. K. Driver 4, J. Hall 5, H. Shaker 6, D. Renshaw 7, S. Wellens 8. Longest length in the method by 1, 2 and 3.—On Monday, Feb. 14th, 1280 Treble Bob Major: John Hollows 1, Wm. Berry (composer and conductor) 2, Wm. Hardman 3, T. Driver 4, S. Holt 5, T. A. Ogden 6, H. Shaker (longest length in the method) 7, T. Wellens 8.

**SELBY ABBEY.**—Yorkshire Association.—On Monday, Feb. 7th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 50 mins.: R. Fenton (first quarter-peal) 1, J. W. Hall 2, G. A. Morley 3, G. Fenton 4, F. Cryer 5, H. S. Morley 6, H. Fairlam (conductor) 7, T. Strudwick 8. Rung, after meeting short for Caters, on the occasion of the wedding of Miss A. T. Solloway, daughter of the Rev. Canon Solloway, D.D., Vicar of Selby Abbey, and Mr. S. N. Dean, of Grimsby.

**RETTENDON.**—Essex Association.—On Friday, Feb. 11th, in 24 mins., at the Church of All Saints, 720 changes Cambridge Surprise Minor: F. P. Jay 1, W. Jay 2, W. May 3, F. May (conductor) 4, S. T. Jay 5, C. Jay 6. First in the method by all except the conductor, and believed to be the first on the bells.

**HEREFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

The Northern District held a quarterly meeting at Knebworth on Saturday, 5th February. Ringers assembled from Royston, Barley, Woburn Sands, Hitchin, and the local tower.—The Rector conducted a service, and gave a most interesting address, reminding bell ringers that they as churchworkers called the devout to church, and that it was not their own efforts alone that produced all this, but God working in them, in the same way as Christ worked in the lad when he gave up his only meal containing two barley loaves and two small fishes to feed the multitude.

Tea was provided in the hall by the Rector, followed by the meeting, over which the Rector presided.—Three new life members were elected, and the Rector was elected an honorary member.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Barkway, in May.—Reference was made to the announcement that the National Assembly had decided that the Church Councils were not to have the power granted them to appoint or dismiss bell ringers.—This met with hearty approval, and a vote of thanks was passed to the President of the Central Council and to Canon Baker for the valuable assistance rendered to the Exercise at large.

The Secretary referred those present to 'The Ringing World,' the only newspaper devoted to the Exercise. Through the expense of production it had become impossible for the proprietors to continue the paper at 2d., and they asked 3d. a copy, promising an enlarged paper with much wider scope to enable attention being given to a variety of subjects. The speaker pleaded for those who now take the paper to kindly continue to do so, and those who do not take it, so as, for the sake of a few coppers, not to let the paper die out.—A vote of thanks to the Rector for taking the service, also for the tea, together with Mrs. Rainey and her band of helpers who so admirably catered, terminated the meeting.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**

The monthly meeting was held at Penistone, on Feb. 12th. The visitors included Mr. W. Maigh (Worksop) and Mr. E. Fowler (Anston), while members were present from Barnsley, Crofton, Darfield, Wath, Hoylandswaine, Wortley and Felkirk. After ringing in the afternoon, a short meeting was held in the belfry, at which Mr Charles Fowler, of Anston, and Mr. Rowland Grimes, Felkirk, were elected members of the association.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells. Ringing was then resumed and continued to 9.15 p.m., making a popular meeting, which was highly appreciated by all concerned.

**CAERPHILLY, GLAM.**—Llandaff Association.—On Tuesday, Feb. 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 48 mins.: E. Dare 1, W. Pike 2, D. Stephens 3, F. Boucher 4, A. Addicott 5, G. Cooke 6, H. Broughton (conductor) 7, T. Love 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute to the late Capt. Sawyer, R.N., who was interred at St. Martin's Churchyard on Feb. 21st.

**CHARLES CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.**—Devonshire Guild.—On Monday, Feb. 21st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: C. G. W. A. Cooke, R.N., 1, W. Rundle (conductor) 2, Major C. F. Jerram, D.S.O., R.M.L.I., 3, W. Richards 4, R. A. H. Dobson 5, W. Hornbrook 6, F. Hockaday 7, W. Gomer 8. First quarter on an inside bell by Major Jerram.

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