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MORE COUNCIL TOPICS.

Just before the Central Council met at Lincoln, we took the opportunity of making in this column three suggestions, which we thought the Council might well adopt, and it is gratifying to find that they all commended themselves to the members. The desirability of publishing the collection of Plain Major methods has already been referred to. Another matter upon which the Council, at the recommendation of the Standing Committee took action, was that of placing upon permanent record the names of the ringers who were killed or who died in the war. The exact method by which this shall be done is not definitely settled, but unless the cost should prove to be unduly excessive it is probable that the names will be engrossed upon parchment. The Council having decided that a permanent record shall be placed in the Library, we hope the suggestion of Mr. A. L. Coleman will be acted upon, and a careful revision of the names made before the list comes finally to be written. Sufficient time has now elapsed to enable the record to be made an accurate and complete one, and Association secretaries should take early steps to see that the names they have already sent in are carefully revised. Another point might also be borne in mind by the Council, and that is the desirability of avoiding the duplication of names in the case of ringers who belonged to more than one Association.

The third, and as we think, the most important of the matters in which the Council adopted our suggestions, was the decision to communicate officially to the affiliated Associations the business transacted at the Council meetings. As we have more than once pointed out, there was no definite channel of communication between the central body and the organisations which send representatives. In some cases the representatives were called upon to report upon the Council's doings, in others there was no such proceeding; while, where an Association for some reason was unrepresented, there was no means of obtaining a direct report. There was, certainly, the record of the proceedings published in our columns, but this, of course, was in no sense an official communication. We are glad, therefore, that the Council has decided to take the action we recommended, and for the future it is to be hoped the various Associations will more fully recognise that they have a very direct interest in the Council.

The various decisions taken by the central body will now come before every affiliated body, and if, as one member pointed out, the agenda of the annual general meeting of an Association is too crowded to admit of consideration of the Council's report, it can very well be delegated to the district meetings, where more opportunity

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might be found for discussing the report. At the same time, those who find their annual agenda too much congested to enable the Council's report to be considered as a whole, and who have therefore passed it on to the districts, should take care to see that those subjects with which they ought to concern themselves find a place in the business of the general meeting.

TEN BELL PEALS.

WALTHAMSTOW, E.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5031 CHANGES:

Tenor 19½ cwt.

JOHN H. WILKINS Treble	ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... 6
JAMES C. ADAMS 2	ALFRED PRIOR 7
HENRY ROMENS 3	GEORGE B. LUCAS 8
HAROLD A. EDWARDS 4	HAROLD W. CLARK 9
CHARLES T. COLES 5	WILLIAM H. FREEMAN ... Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by CHAS. T. COLES.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the men of Walthamstow who laid down their lives during the Great War. Rung after the ceremonies of the unveiling and dedication of the town's cenotaph, which were performed by H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, K.G., and the Bishop of Barking.

EWERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE,
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES:

Tenor 15 cwt.

*GEORGE ALMONDS Treble	*CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... 6
RUPERT RICHARDSON 2	*H. LESLIE PASK 7
*LEWIS SNELL 3	JOHN T. HOLMES 8
*HAROLD MARCON 4	WILLIAM DICKINSON 9
FREDERICK W. STOKES 5	JOHN W. WOOD Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

* First peal of Royal. Rung on the 38th anniversary of W. Dickinson's wedding day.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,
At THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES:

Tenor 17½ cwt.

ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... Treble	*GEORGE PIPER 6
A. YORK BRAMBLE 2	*BENJAMIN HOBBS 7
EDWARD BRAY 3	ROBERT J. DAWE 8
FRANK BENNETT 4	ALFRED TURNER 9
JOHN JAY 5	THOMAS DEADMAN ... Tenor

Composed by JAMES GEORGE. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. This peal was arranged as a birthday compliment to Mr. Dawe, sen., and Mr. R. J. Dawe, which took place on July 12th.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

EPSOM, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,
At CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

HOLT'S ORIGINAL ONE-PART.

ALFRED H. WINCH Treble	EDWARD T. GROVE 5
JOHN WYATT 2	CHARLES E. READ 6
JOHN BEAMS 3	GEORGE COOK 7
WILLIAM H. CORBETT 4	DAVID ANSCOMBE Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. CORBETT.

Rung for the wedding of the Vicar (Rev. Neville G. Stiff), which was solemnised at the above church.

PUNGAY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

EDWIN R. GOATE Treble	CHARLES F. SAYER 5
ERNEST LINCOLN 2	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN 6
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON 3	HERBERT PIERCY 7
ALBERT E. AUSTIN 4	NORMAN R. BAILEY Tenor

Composed by A. FLEMING. Conducted by E. R. GOATE.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Thursday, June 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

*WILLIAM A. SALISBURY ... Treble	FRANK FOX 5
HENRY W. WILDE 2	GEORGE R. JONES 6
ROBERT SPERRING 3	†WILLIAM CLARKE 7
JOHN HAYES 4	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

* First peal. † First peal in the method with a bob bell. R. Sperring's 500th peal and 100th peal as conductor.

HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 11 cwt.

GEORGE JENKINS Treble	FRED G. BRETT 5
*W. UNWIN 2	W. E. PITMAN 6
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE ... 3	C. W. BRETT 7
E. G. BUESDEN 4	NORTON W. PIERCE ... Tenor

Conducted by E. G. BUESDEN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled for the late Rector (Rev. P. P. Somerville, Rector of Goodnestone), who was interred at Goodnestone on this date. * First peal in the method.

IDLE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr.

*HORACE BUCKLEY Treble	*RALPH UMPLEBY 5
ERNEST H. SIMPSON 2	*FRED KILSHAW 6
*FRED DAVISON 3	*WILLIAM FEATHER 7
*HARRY DAVISON 4	†HARRY FOSTER Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by H. FOSTER.

First peal of Plain Bob Major on the bells. All ringers are local men except ringer of the 2nd, who hails from Shipley. Horace Buckley was proposed a member of the Association before commencing.

* First peal. † First peal of Plain Bob Major and first as conductor.

CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 27 cwt.

*WILLIAM RICHARD Treble	WILLIAM HEATH 5
FREDERICK SMITH 2	FREDERICK VILES 6
ERNEST HUNT 3	FRED CHAMBERLAIN 7
ERNEST COMBES 4	SEYMOUR BARKER Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by FREDERICK VILES.

* First peal. Rung for evening service, all the above being regular Sunday ringers: rung also in honour of the wedding of Henry West (one of the local ringers), who was married the day previous in London.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

A PEAL OF ERIN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

*FRED HOPPER Treble	JOHN HENSMAN 5
BERTIE O. SODEN 2	THOMAS LAW 6
JOHN METHERELL 3	TOM TEBBUTT 7
WILLIAM J. ALLEN 4	ALFRED MONK Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.
First peal in the method on the bells, by all the band and for the Association. * 100th peal for the Association and has now rung a peal on every bell in the tower.

DORCHESTER, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(OXFORD SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, July 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

MRS. ALBERT LOCK Treble	WILLIAM HARRIS 5
EDGAR HUMFREY 2	*VICTOR BENNETT 6
FRANCIS TAYLOR 3	ALBERT E. LOCK 7
WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS ... 4	GORDON CADEWELL ... Tenor

Composed by J. FLEMING. Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.

* First peal of Major.

WOOLWICH.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS Treble	WILLIAM MILLER 5
GEORGE M. KILBY 2	JAMES E. DAVIS 6
WILLIAM PYE 3	HARRY KILBY 7
FRED WILFORD 4	REUBEN SANDERS Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

SHOREHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 2	GEORGE H. DAYNES 6
EDMUND BATES 3	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 7
ISAAC EMERY 4	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. Tenor

Composed by J. HUNT. Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.
First peal in the method on the bells, and the first peal since re-hanging by Messrs. Groombridge and Palmer.

RUARDEAN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb.

*ALFRED T. POULTON ... Treble	WILLIAM BISHOP 5
JOHN J. BEVAN 2	ERNEST MATTHEWS 6
SIDNEY T. RACKHAM 3	WILLIAM POSTON 7
JAMES BISHOP 4	GEORGE WILKS Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM POSTON.

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

ALFRED BOWELL,
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,
IPSWICH.

WORCESTER.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 18½ cwt.

SIDNEY T. HOLT Treble	JOHN J. JEFFERIES 5
*GEOFFREY LEWIS 2	WILLIAM LEWIS 6
ROBERT G. KNOWLES 3	CHARLES CAMM 7
WILLIAM C. JONES 4	WILLIAM PAGE Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM PAGE.

* First peal in a Surprise method.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

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

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled for the unveiling of the local cenotaph by the Duke of Northumberland.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

*BERTIE S. NEWSON Treble	GEORGE MAYERS 5
BEN S. THOMPSON 2	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN 6
†GEORGE CLAYTON 3	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN 7
†HARRY WRIGHT 4	GEORGE H. CROSS Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

* First peal. † First peal of Treble Bob 'inside.' † First peal of Treble Bob Major.

EYE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM ROSE Treble	ERNEST LINCOLN 5
ALFRED OAKES 2	HARRY MOSS 6
WILLIAM CLOVER 3	FREDERICK BRUNNING 7
ALFRED BERRY 4	ERNEST POPPY Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled after a memorial service as a token of respect to Mr. Fred Day, who was laid to rest the previous Thursday.

SIX BELL PEALS.

GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 2,520 Kent and 2,520 Oxford.

FRED MITCHELL Treble	W. R. MITCHELL 4
CAPT. B. M. TARGETT 2	TOM GREENAM 5
R. E. GREENAM 3	G. HAWES Tenor

Conducted by TOM GREENAM.

A peal of Stedman Triples (5,040 changes), rung at Aunsey, Leicestershire, has been received without the conductor's name.

ELSTREE, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 7 cwt.

WILLIAM SEBLEY Treble	HOBERT EDEN 4
MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT 2	ARTHUR W. DIX 5
HAROLD G. CASHMORE 3	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT.

First peal of Surprise Minor on the bells. First peal in the method by all the band and the Association.

CALVERTON, DUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTH BOCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

*HERBERT E. TOMKINS Treble	†WALTER W. BONHAM 4
EDWIN YATES 2	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS 5
ERNEST C. LAMBERT 3	HERBERT C. EDWARDS Tenor

Conducted by E. C. LAMBERT.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal of Surprise on an 'inside' bell. First peal of Surprise as conductor.

ALLESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
(ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

*FREDERICK C. SANDERS Treble	GEORGE GARDNER 4
HARRY O. WHITE 2	JOHN TAYLOR 5
FRED GARDNER 3	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. W. WHITE.

* First peal. Rung on the occasion of the golden wedding of Mr. A. Harris, who has been sexton of the above parish for 50 years, also for the enthronement of the Lord Bishop of Coventry.

BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

*RICHARD BRADLEY Treble	ROBERT BIRCHALL 4
HERBERT LODKIN 2	JOHN EVANS 5
JOHN COOKE 3	SYDNEY F. BARNES Tenor

SAMUEL MORTON covering.

Conducted by H. LODKIN.

* First peal and first attempt. Rung after meeting short for Triples.

EATON SOCON, BEDS.
THE LINGOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

*WILFRED C. IBBETT Treble	THOMAS TOWNSEND 4
SIDNEY J. PECK 2	SYDNEY J. COLEMAN 5
WALTER SMITH 3	HERBERT FIELDS Tenor

Conducted by S. J. COLEMAN.

* First peal. Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar (the Rev. E. P. Higham), whose institution and induction took place the previous evening.

BWHURST, SURREY.—On Friday evening, June 23rd, for practice, a 720 of Canterbury Pleasure Minor was rung by the following: E. Warner 1, A. J. Bull 2, W. Denyer 3, W. Tidy 4, H. Tidy 5, T. W. Denyer (conductor) 6.—1st 720 of Canterbury by the ringers of 1, 3 and 5.

HANDBELL PEALS.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Sunday, July 9, 1922, in One Hour and Forty-Six Minutes,
IN THE CHURCH ROOMS,***A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently.

*WALTER JARVIS...	...	1	FREDERICK MORTLOCK	...	3
FRANK TURNER	...	2	LAWRENCE POULSON	...	4
STEDMAN H. SYMONDS	...	5-6			

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

* First peal.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

*On Tuesday, July 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. F. J. JOHNSON,***A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 11 in G.

MISS NELLY JOHNSON	...	1-2	JOSEPH D. JOHNSON	...	5-6
*GEOFFERY J. HEMMING	...	3-4	JAMES HEMMING	...	7-8
FREDERICK J. JOHNSON	...	9-10			

Composed and Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

Witness: MISS AMY JOHNSON.

* First peal of Caters 'in hand.' First handbell peal on an 'inside' pair by the ringers of 3-4 and 7-8. Rung as a birthday compliment to G. J. Hemming.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Wednesday, July 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,**ON THE LAWN AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. J. J. JONES,***A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 14 in D.

GEORGE W. STEERE	...	1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN	...	5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING	...	3-4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN	...	7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Witnesses: MR. & MRS. JONES, MRS. MELVILLE and MRS. POLLING.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Jones on the third anniversary of their marriage. The conductor's 100th peal of Grandsire Triples 'in hand.'

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

*On Friday, July 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,**AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,***A PEAL OF PREMIER SURPRISE MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.
Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

First peal in the method to be tapped on handbells. Performed to celebrate the centenary of the Parish Church.

BARNSELY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

A monthly meeting was held on Saturday, 15th, at Wortley, near Sheffield. Many members from various districts attended, in spite of incessant rain. The methods rung numbered 23, probably a record for the association at one meeting. Tea was kindly arranged by Mr. W. Wooller. The usual business followed, with votes of thanks. An invitation to meet at Crofton, on Saturday, August 12th, was accepted.

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ALL SAINTS', FEERING.

On Saturday, July 1st, the ringers of All Saints', Feering, accompanied by the Vicar (Prebendary A. E. Dalton) and Mr. W. Lewis (organist), Mr. W. Elliott (Kelvedon) and Mr. E. W. Beckwith (Coggeshall), held their first annual outing. Leaving Feering, by motor brake, the following places were visited: Rayne (6), Stebbing (6), Felstead (8), Great Bardfield (6) and Finchingfield (8). Short touches were rung at each tower to enable all to have a ring at each place. After dinner Dunmow was visited. Tea was partaken of at Finchingfield, and several touches were brought round. Mr. J. Sheppard, of Swindon, also met the party at Rayne. The party take this opportunity of thanking the various incumbents for the use of the bells, and also Mr. W. Smith, of Dunmow, for the arrangements made.

ST. MARY'S, SOUTHAMPTON.

On Wednesday, July 5th, the ringers of St. Mary's, Southampton, together with their wives and friends, including Mr. and Mrs. George Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Ryves, of Curdridge, had their annual outing to Brighton. On the way stops were made at Chichester and Arundel. At Arundel an attempt for a touch of Stedman was made, but owing to the 3rd rope slipping wheel, it had to be abandoned. The bells were lowered. Brighton was reached by lunch time. After tea, the ringers were met by Mr. K. Hart and friends and proceeded to the belfry of St. Peter's, Brighton, and with their help, touches of Stedman Triples, Bob Major and courses of Grandsire Caters and Cambridge Surprise Major were brought round. The ringers wish to thank those who did so much to make the outing a success, especially Mr. Keith Hart and company, who turned out in the rain to meet them, and helped with the ringing.

GRIMSBY SOCIETIES.

Grimsby St. James' and St. Andrew's ringing societies once more joined forces for the annual outing. It was decided to visit the Dukeries, and on July 6th a party of 33, including wives and friends, journeyed by charabanc to Gainsborough. The ringing arrangements included visits to the towers at Retford, Worksoop and Newark. Upon arrival at Retford, the party were met by Mr. Haigh and Mr. Segar, and soon the bells were going to Grandsire and Stedman Caters. Worksoop was next visited, where dinner was provided followed by ringing at the Priory Church. Stedman Triples were brought round, and Double Norwich got going, when a broken rope closed the proceedings. The next portion of the drive was through the Dukeries. Newark was reached, and, following tea, ringing commenced, Grandsire Caters being brought round. Little time was available for the use of Newark's very fine peal of ten. The party are grateful to Mr. Haigh, Mr. Segar and Mr. Thrale for conducting the ringers to their several towers, to those who had all the arrangements in hand, for the success of the day's outing, and to the clergy for the use of their bells.

ST. MARY ABBOTS, KENSINGTON.

On Saturday, July 1st, the ringers of St. Mary Abbots, and wives and friends, left High Street, Kensington, by charabanc at 7 a.m. for the City of Oxford. A stop was made at Henley, Oxford being reached about 11 a.m. The party made for Christchurch College and Cathedral, being met by Mr. H. Miles. Up into the old belfry they made their way, where the fine peal of twelve were soon swinging to Stedman Cinques and Caters, which was thoroughly enjoyed, and created a keen appetite. After lunch the party went to New College, being welcomed by Mr. Finch, and touches of Treble Ten and Stedman Caters on this lovely peal of ten was topping. Mr. Payne kindly met us at Merton College. The belfry forms a gallery above the chapel, and is quite a unique experience to ring under such extraordinary conditions. Stedman Triples and Double Norwich were successfully brought round on this heavy eight. The library of the college was visited, and to this day some of the old books are still chained to the shelves. Some were brave enough to venture still higher, and climbed to the top of the tower to enjoy a good view of the city; 4.15 had arrived, so a start for Dorchester was made, where Skipper Garrard had tea at the George waiting for them. The party then crossed over to Dorchester Abbey, where they found a magnificent peal of eight bells, which were soon rolling to Stedman Triples, Kent Treble and Superlative, while others were able to admire the very ancient interior. Those who have heard them will, we feel sure, be constrained to murmur with Poe: Barnes (with the alteration of one
How sweet the swells of Dorchester Bells!

The best thanks of the party are tendered to Mr. Miles (Oxford), Mr. Payne (Merton) and Mr. Finch (New College), and to the local friends at Dorchester for their efforts in making the outing so enjoyable, and, lastly, to the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, for obtaining the necessary permission to ring.

WYKE REGIS SOCIETY.

On Saturday, July 8th, the members held their annual outing. A trip was made by charabanc through Wimborne, Lyndhurst, the New Forest, to Bournemouth.

A start was made at 7 o'clock, and Sturminster Marshall, the first stopping-place, was reached just before nine. Touches were rung on the fine peal of six. A brief halt at Wimborne, to look over the Minster, was made. Ringwood was then reached, where, after a touch of Grandsire, the party were kindly entertained to light refreshment by the Vicar (the Rev. Binney). Lyndhurst, in the New Forest, was next visited, and lunch at the Stag Hotel was successfully brought round. At Christ Church the party were met by some of the local ringers, and touches of Grandsire (not Calers) brought round. Tea at Beale's Restaurant, Bournemouth, was very acceptable. The older members of the party proceeded to St. John's, where permission to ring had been obtained. They were met by Mr. Bennett, Mr. Townsend (Poole), and a very pleasant surprise, Mr. W. A. Cave and Mr. P. W. Cave, who were visiting Bournemouth. This peal was much appreciated, and touches of Stedman and Grandsire were rung. A start was then made for home, which was reached after a most enjoyable day, notwithstanding the inclement weather. Regret was expressed that Mrs. Jennings (secretary) was unavoidably absent. The Guild wish to thank the respective incumbents for the use of their bells, and also the local ringers, who had everything in readiness.

RUSHEY AND OXHEY SOCIETIES.

For the third year in succession, the combined outing of the above societies took place on Saturday, July 8th, the place visited being Reading and district. Leaving Bushey at 8 a.m., stops were made at Oxhey and Watford, the party being joined by Mr. O. E. Read (people's warden at Bushey) and Mr. W. H. L. Buckingham, ex-President of the Herts Association, the early pioneer of ringing in this district. Slough was reached, after a pleasant drive, and the Church of St. Mary, with its fine tower and spire, was immediately visited. Mr. Leader had the bells in readiness, a handy ring (tenor 17 cwt.), which were soon going to touches of Grandsire, Stedman Triples, courses of Superlative, and London Surprise Major. An interesting feature of this church is the Futurist windows in the west end, stated to be unique in this country. The party then proceeded to Reading, via Maidenhead and Twyford. Mr. R. V. Rumball here joined the party, as guide, philosopher, and friend. Dinner was served at Burden's Restaurant, the plates being kept 'in-course' throughout, although a large amount of 'shifting' was done. The next move was to St. Mary Butts, with its peal of eight heavy bells (tenor 28 cwt.). A wedding was being solemnised, and the happy couple were rung out with a course of London Surprise, followed by Superlative and Stedman Triples.—The Vicar entered the belfry, and gave the members a cordial welcome, with a happy little speech. St. Giles', with the useful peal from the Whitechapel Foundry, the tenor weighing 15 cwt., was next visited, Stedman Triples and Cambridge Surprise being rung. The well-kept ringing chamber could be greatly improved by more ventilation. The party then visited St. Lawrence, with its fine peal of ten bells (tenor 24 cwt.). Here they found Mr. W. H. Newell, aged 84, awaiting them as keen as ever. Mr. E. P. Duffell then joined us, and further strengthened the party. Touches of Stedman Calers and a course of Bristol Surprise on the back eight concluded the ringing. Tea was very welcome after an arduous afternoon. The Rector of Bushey (the Rev. G. M. Hall, M.A.) joined them. After tea, Mr. H. Simmonds kindly obtained the use of Caversham bells, this tower not having been previously available, where touches of Stedman Triples, Cambridge and London Surprise Major were rung. The return journey was made via Henley and Marlow, a convivial half-hour being spent at Beaconsfield, all agreeing that a most enjoyable day had been spent. The best thanks of the party are due to the various incumbents for the use of the bells, the tower keepers for having everything in readiness, and other friends who kindly assisted.

THORNHAM MAGNA.

On Saturday, July 15th, the band of ringers, connected with Thornham Magna Church, held their annual outing. In spite of bad weather, Worthingworth was reached early in the morning, and a course each of Oxford, Kent and Double Norwich Major were rung. Stradbroke was next visited, and courses of Kent were rung, and a touch of Bob Major. Wingfield was reached, and courses of Kent, Cambridge, London and College Exercise were brought round with the local band. At Fressingfield a touch of Kent and a course of Bob Major, Oxford and Cambridge were rung, while at Weybread the company rang courses of Oxford, York and Durham Surprise. Alburgh was next visited, where Oxford and Double Norwich were rung. At Redenhall the party rang a touch each of Double Norwich and Oxford, and a course of Cambridge. After having tea at Harleston, Starston

was reached, where courses of Hull, Bournemouth, Wells and Oxford were brought round. The last tower to be visited was Pullham Market, and here the party rung a touch of Double Norwich and courses of Kent, Superlative and Cambridge. The company wish to thank the Rectors, and others, of the various churches, who made the outing such a happy and enjoyable one.

BECCELES COMPANY.

On Saturday, July 15th, twelve members of the Beccles company, accompanied by Mr. D. Hayward, of Yarmouth, held their outing. In spite of very wet weather, Beccles was left at 9.15 a.m., and Framlingham was reached at 11 o'clock. After some delay, touches of Oxford, Plain and Stedman, were brought round, and then a start was made for Eye, where, after a hearty luncheon, half-muffled touches were rung as a token of respect to the late Mr. F. Day. After this the band left for Palgrave, and was grateful to Mr. C. More for having everything in readiness for them. The bells were soon going to Plain and Stedman, followed by an unsuccessful attempt for Double Norwich. The company went on to Diss, where, after tea, touches of Kent, Plain and Stedman were brought round. A start was then made for home, after a very successful and enjoyable outing.—The best thanks of the band are due to the officials for permission to ring at the various churches, and the local ringers who assisted them.

ST. JAMES' GUILD, MANGOTSFIELD.

On Saturday, July 15th, the members and friends, accompanied by the Vicar, held their annual outing. A start was made from St. James' Church by charabanc. The party proceeded via Keynsham to Wells, where a halt was made, and a visit was paid to the fine Cathedral, and other places of interest. The company then enjoyed an excellent lunch. They then proceeded to Glastonbury, where they were met by Mr. Trim and Mr. Marsh, of Street, who had the bells of St. John in readiness for them. Touches of Grandsire Triples were brought round, and Street was then visited. Here the company enjoyed an excellent tea, after which they paid a visit to the Parish Church, where some of the local ringers were met. The bells were soon going to a few good touches of Grandsire Triples. The party wishes to thank the Vicars of St. John, Glastonbury, and Street, for the use of the bells; and Messrs. Trim and Marsh for the enjoyable time spent with them. A start was made for home, and the company enjoyed a happy journey and a delightful outing.

ST. JOHN'S, LEYTONSTONE.

The above company resumed their annual two-days' outing for the first time since pre-war days. The train was taken for Colchester, and during the journey touches of Bob Major on the handbell, soon brought us to Colchester, where we were met by that well-known ringer, Mr. W. J. Nevard, of Great Bentley, who, with his son, conducted us round with two motor-cars for the two days' tour.

Great Horkeley was soon reached, and operations commenced. The Church of All Saints contains a peal of six bells, which were soon going to 'Beverley Surprise'—the 720 coming round at 8.15. The 720 of Cambridge was rung; then we went on to Little Horkeley, where hangs a very light ring of five. Several 120's Grandsire were rung. This is a very ancient and interesting old church, in a side chapel, of which was noticed three effigies of Crusaders, carved in wood.

Next on the list was Wormingford, where we had a ring of six (tenor about 12 cwt.). 720 each of Ipswich and York Surprise was rung before proceeding to Bures. The Church of St. Mary contains a sweet-toned ring of six (tenor 21 cwt.), rehung by Bowell, of Ipswich last year, and go well. 720 each of London and Wells Surprise was rung, after which we adjourned to the Swan Hotel for dinner. The repast over, a move was made to the historical church at Neyland, the ring of six there going a bit lumpy (tenor 16 cwt.). 720 Durham Surprise was rung, but Carlisle was lost.

St. Mary's, Stoke, was next visited, and proved to be a tough job, the ring of six (tenor 25 cwt.) going anything but well. However, 720 Lincoln Surprise was rung, time not allowing for more than 240 Cambridge, as our pilot was after keeping us strictly to programme.

After tea, at Stoke, we made our way to Polstead, where 720 London and York Surprise was rung. After this, our next place was headquarters, the Gunn Inn, Dedham, where Mr. W. Sterry (a ringer) had made splendid provision for our stay. Local ringers were there to welcome us, among whom one of our band recognised his father; and a very good time we had with handbells and other amusements before supper and bed.

Sunday morning we were early astir—preparations having been made to ring at St. Mary's, Langham, for 8 o'clock service. Soon the sweet-toned ring of six were going to London Surprise, Mr. E. Smith calling it from the tenor, while his father rang the treble, believed to be the first in the method on the bells. 720 each of York and Cambridge were rung (in which the local men rang the treble) before returning for breakfast.

Stratford St. Mary was on the list for 11 o'clock—a grand ring of six (tenor 18 cwt.) were soon going to York, but Lincoln was lost. Some of the party paid a visit to the quaint old Bell Cage of East Bergholt, and it proved well worth the visit. The great pity of it is that this grand ring of five bells (tenor 28 cwt.) should remain on the ground for so many years, instead of being in a lofty tower.

High St. Mary was visited before dinner, and a very good 720 of Norwich was rung, Durham being lost when 20 changes from home, after two had shared in the conducting.

Dinner and touches on handbells brought round the time for leaving Dedham.

We concluded with St. Peter's, Colchester, and for evening service a good touch of 576 Superculative Surprise and 588 Stedman Triples on the grand ring. This brought our ringing to a close.

Our best thanks are due to Mr. Nevard for his splendid arrangements, and to Mr. Sterry for making us so welcome; to all the local ringers for meeting us and having the bells ready; also to the various clergy and church authorities for so readily granting us permission to ring.

RECORD LENGTHS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In his letter on this subject, Mr. Phillott refers to what I have overlooked. I have overlooked nothing. Mr. Phillott is the person who overlooks; I seldom overlook anything. Any fair-minded man must admit that physical endurance, coupled with mental endurance, must be a greater strain than mental endurance alone. During my long experience I have never seen a ringer collapse under mental strain, but I have seen many do so under physical strain, which is sufficient proof that physical strain is the most trying. With regard to Mr. Phillott's 'dig' about Mr. Morriss' tapped peals of London, if he had any wish to say anything in the matter he had the opportunity when it was being discussed, and should have said it then.

Mr. Williams talks about recent letters containing painful reading. There was nothing to pain him in what I have said, and he is not helping to mend matters. He has been more fortunate than I have, and has not been subjected to so much unfair criticism. You cannot be friendly with folks who won't let you. I take Mr. Williams' opinion on long lengths for what it is worth. He has never rung a long length, and, therefore, is not in a position to express an opinion. Skill will always overcome tricky small bells, but it requires both skill and strength to ring big ones. I would remind Mr. Williams that I am not the person who started quibbling about weight. I merely stated facts, which will stand more battering than forts.—
Yours truly, W. PYE.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Manchester Branch was held at Worsley on Saturday, July 15th, and was well attended by a large company of ringers. The church contains a good peal of bells, in splendid going order, and were kept ringing till the time of the business meeting. Mr. P. Derbyshire, leader of the local ringers, took the chair, and gave a hearty welcome to the visitors, saying how pleased he was to see such a large number present.—The minutes of the last meeting were passed as read, on the proposition of Mr. H. Chapman, seconded by Mr. H. Shuker.—Christ Church, W. Didsbury, was selected for the next meeting-place, on Saturday, August 12th.—Votes of thanks to the Vicar, church officials, local ringers, and the chairman, closed the business.—Further ringing took place, the methods ranging from Plain Bob to Cambridge Surprise.

PRESTON BRANCH.

The annual meeting was held at Leyland St. James, on Saturday last, and was well attended. The bells were soon going to Treble Bob methods. Then followed the business meeting, with Mr. J. T. Miller presiding.—The Branch Secretary stated that he did not wish re-election, but the question of a successor was left over till the next meeting. In regard to the annual social it was decided to hold the same at Chorley, subject to the necessary permission being granted. The proceedings closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and local ringers for the use of the bells. In the meantime a pressing invitation had been received from Leyland Parish Church ringers to ring on their bells recently overhauled by Messrs. Taylor. The bells of St. James' were lowered, and the party proceeded at once to the Parish Church. These bells were raised and set going to Kent Major, followed by several touches of Stedman and Grandsire. The bells are in fine condition, and Messrs. Taylor can be congratulated on their excellent work.

POLITE LETTER WRITERS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I am glad that a ringer of Mr. George Williams' repute has called attention to the tone adopted by some of your correspondents towards each other in what ought to be polite and friendly controversy. He finds it 'painful reading,' and I agree with him. But is it not also a trifle ridiculous? After some of the letters in question, I have felt rather like the gentleman who, after an hour spent in Lord Macaulay's company, said, 'I wish that I could be as cocksure of anything as Macaulay is of everything.'

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CENTURIES.

Mr. F. W. Bailey, of Leiston, recently completed his century, and the following is the list of the one hundred peals, among which will be noted no fewer than eight Surprise methods.

	Tower Bell.	Handbells.
Bob Major	6	1
Bob Royal	—	4
Bob Maximus	—	1
Kent Treble Bob Major	7	2
Kent Treble Bob Royal	1	5
Kent Treble Bob Maximus	—	3
Oxford Treble Bob Major	4	1
Oxford Treble Bob Royal	—	5
Double Norwich Major	9	—
Superlative Surprise Major	8	—
Cambridge Surprise Major	7	—
Yorkshire Surprise Major	1	—
London Surprise Major	3	—
Bristol Surprise Major	10	—
Guildford Surprise Major	2	—
Dublin Surprise Major	1	—
Suffolk Surprise Major	1	—
Stedman Triples	7	—
Stedman Caters	1	10
Stedman Cinques	—	2
	68	32

A. D. BARKER'S 100 PEALS.

	Rung.	Conducted.
Grandsire Triples	4	—
Stedman Triples	32	4
Stedman Caters	10*	1
Stedman Cinques	13	1
P. Bob Major	1	—
Double Norwich Major	3	—
Kent Treble Bob Major	16	6
Kent Treble Bob Royal	4	3
Kent Treble Bob Maximus	3	—
Superlative Surprise Major	2	—
Cambridge Surprise Major	11	2
Cambridge Royal	1	—
	100	17

* Includes 7.777.

MR. ROBERT SPERRING'S 200 PEALS.

The following is the list of Mr. Robert Sperring's 200 peals, which have been rung in 33 towers:—

	Rung.	Conducted.
Doubles in 1 method	1	1
Doubles in 3 methods	1	1
Minor in 1 method	1	—
Minor in 3 methods	5	1
Minor in 4 methods	6	1
Grandsire Triples	62	36
Double Grandsire Triples	1	—
Union Triples	2	—
Oxford Bob Triples	3	1
Stedman Triples	10	5
Double Oxford Bob Triples	3	—
Bob Major	22	8
Kent Treble Bob Major	44	36
Oxford Treble Bob Major	4	3
Kent & Oxford Treble Bob Major (spliced)	2	1
Double Bob Major	1	—
Duffield Major	1	—
Albion Treble Bob Major	2	—
St. Clement's Major	1	—
Double Norwich Major	10	1
Superlative Surprise Major	8	1
Grandsire Caters	1	1
Stedman Caters	1	1
Bob Royal	1	—
Kent Treble Bob Royal	4	2
Double Oxford Major	2	—
Single Oxford Major	1	—
	200	100

WALSOKEN. — At the Church of All Saints, on Thursday, June 15th, a date touch of Bob Minor (1,922 changes); John Shinkins 1, Arthur Wigmore 2, John Foster 3, Fred Wigmore 4, Bert Gogle 5, Ralph Narborough (conductor) 6.

IMPORTANT RESTORATIONS.**BELLS OF ST. MARTIN'S-IN-THE-FIELDS.
SHEFFIELD AND TAUNTON TWELVES.**

The famous old peal at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, is to be thoroughly overhauled and rehung. The work has been entrusted to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and will be one of the biggest and most important restorations carried out in London since the war.

This is the third peal of twelve to pass through the Whitechapel Foundry recently. Sheffield Cathedral bells are approaching completion, and the erection of the peal at Taunton, where two trebles have been added to the old ten, has been commenced. Some serious obstacles have been met in the case of the Somerset tower, and at one time it was feared that, after all, the two extra bells would be hanged. Happily, however, wiser counsels, backed by scientific knowledge and practical common sense, have prevailed.

NEW PEALS OF EIGHT.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Foundry, are making new peals of eight for the Parish Churches of Alkham, Cornwall, and Blackhill, Co. Durham.

They are also completing the work on the new octave at Combe Martin, where the opening is to take place next Wednesday (July 26th).

On Monday, the peal of six at Bradfield, near Sheffield, are to be reopened.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**

Thursday, July 6th, was the day for the reopening of bells at All Saints' Church, an event which had been looked forward to by ringers. For many years the 'go' of the peal of five bells, by Harrison, of Barton-on-Humber, 1825, and which have been hung in the tower of All Saints', had been very bad, owing to the swaying of the old frame and timbers which supported them, and the bell very much out of tune. The whole of the tower has been cleared, except a few oak beams in fairly good condition, a new iron H. frame for eight bells put in, and all the old bells recast and made into a ring of six. The weights and notes of bells, along with inscriptions on same, are as follows:—

- Treble 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt. E. The Faith Bell. G. H. C. Bartley, M.A., Vicar, 1922.
- 2. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. D. All Saints' bell.
- 3. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. C. St. George of England.
- 4. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. B. The ringers' bell. E. A. Midwinter, J. W. Neep, 1922.
- 5. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. A. G. H. C. Bartley, M.A., Vicar. J. E. Gregory, H. Rogersou, Churchwardens, 1922.
- Tenor 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. G. J. Harrison, founder; Samuel Pennington and William Buttery, Churchwardens, 1825.

The work of recasting and rehanging the new peal was entrusted to Messrs. Taylor's, of Loughborough.

The bells are tuned on Taylor's re-enforced harmonic principle and the 'go' of them are perfect, and, combined with their excellent sweetness and purity of tone, leaves nothing to be desired, except the two additional bells, to complete the octave, for which the frames are fitted. The work reflects the highest credit on the well-known firm.

The opening ceremony at 7 p.m. was attended by a large number of people from the parish and surrounding district. The preacher was the Rev. H. Hayward, M.A., Vicar of Brandon, Durham, late chaplain to H.M. forces, supported by the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. C. Bartley), and others. The dedication peal was a short touch of Rob Minor by a band of ringers selected by the hon. secretary of the North Notts Association (Mr. H. Haigh, of Worksope), and hailed from the following places: Worksope, Retford, Ordsall, Doncaster, Treoton and Lougham, and included Miss Ivy Barker. The bells were rung in the following methods until 9.45 p.m. (when they were lowered in peal): Main Bob, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Single Court and Canterbury Pleasure. The ringers were afterwards entertained to supper by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Midwinter, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to them for their generous hospitality.

August Bank Holiday will be an open day for ringers of kindred associations, when the village sports will be held, in which the ringers will take part. The proceeds will be in aid of the Bell Fund.

READING.—On Whit Monday, the London County Association attempted a peal of Stedman Caters at St. Lawrence's Church, but owing to the intense heat, failed after 21 courses, in 1 hr. 27 mins.; C. P. Winney 1, T. H. Taffender 2, I. G. Shade 3, A. J. Neale 4, H. H. Mance, junr., 5, J. R. Gammon 6, E. Brett 7, J. Bullock 8, 11, Mance, senr., 9, F. E. Dawe (conductor) 10. Tenor 24 cwt. in E.

CAMBRIDGE ROYAL COMPOSITION.**To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—I see the Rev. H. Law James tries to claim the 5,040 Cambridge Royal, published by Mr. Page in your issue of 30th June. I have had this peal since 1908. It came about in this way. We were to attempt the first peal of Cambridge Maximus at Ipswich, and the difficulty was to find a composition. My brother and myself, therefore, got out a proof scale, and I produced the following peal. We rang half of it at Ipswich in 1909. Afterwards, Mr. James published it, and I told him I had had it some time. He said I was entitled to claim it. I fear he has a bad memory, as he now claims what is a variation of the same peal, with the calling commencing at the last course. Below are the figures of the original peal:—

M	W	H	23456
—	—	—	52436
—	—	—	64235
—	—	—	26435
—	—	—	42635
—	—	—	56234
—	—	—	23564
—	—	—	52364
—	—	—	35264
—	—	—	42563
—	—	—	64523
—	—	—	35426
—	—	—	42356
—	—	—	34256
—	—	—	23456

I called this composition, and the one published by Mr. Page in 1911, and both appeared in the Middlesex Report for 1911. I fail therefore, to see how Mr. James can claim either of them. They have both been rung a good many times under my name by various bands.—Yours truly,

W. PYE.

WHO IS THE OWNER?**To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—If the Rev. H. Law James claims the composition of Cambridge Surprise Royal, published in the 'Ringing World' on June 30th, 1922, to be No. 907 in the 1913 issue of the Gloucester and Bristol Report, then Nos. 907 and 342 (the latter to be found in the 1900 issue of the Gloucester and Bristol Report, and rung at Gloucester on February 8th, 1899) must be the same, because one is simply a variation of the other. If this is so, then Mr. James becomes the author, but if it be proved otherwise, then Mr. W. Pye can claim the authorship, which includes the peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus rung at St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol, on January 13th, 1918, and which was also No. 907, as stated above.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN A. BURFORD.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The South and West District of the above Association met at Twickenham, on Saturday, July 15th, at the kind invitation of the Rev. Prebendary H. P. Prosser, Vicar. The bells were rung until 5 p.m., after which a short service was held. A most inspiring and welcome address was given by the Vicar, who said how great a pleasure it was to hold a service which displayed the true spirit of associating themselves to the worship and ringing in church work. After service the members and friends adjourned to the Parish Room, where between forty and fifty sat down to tea, kindly provided by the Vicar. After tea the business meeting was held, at which the Vicar presided accompanied by the churchwardens and the vice-president (Mr. T. Beadle).—The Hon. Secretary having read the minutes, moved that the tower should be affiliated to the association. — The Curate proposed that all the local ringers, himself included, should become members. The proposal was unanimously carried.—A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar, churchwardens, choir, organist, and the steeplekeeper, who so kindly put his shoulder to the wheel.—Afterwards, the Vicar responded, on behalf of himself and other co-workers the members again visited the tower, where methods between Grandsire and Superlative were rung. Thus ended a most enjoyable half-day, everyone being well pleased at the kindness shown by all local ringers to the visitors.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The members of the Southern District met at the Parish Church, Beddington, on Saturday last. About 30 were present, and a pleasant afternoon and evening were spent, the favourable weather adding success to the meeting. The bells were soon going in the various methods from Grandsire Caters to Cambridge Surprise Royal.

After tea, the bells were rung again till 8 p.m., when the business meeting was held in the vestry, Mr. H. Mance being voted to the chair.—Four new members were made from the district.—A vote of thanks was accorded the Rector and Mr. A. J. Trappitt for the use of the bells and arrangements.

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CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**WELLINGBOROUGH DISTRICT.**

By kind permission of the Rector (the Rev. W. Frift), the annual meeting of the Wellingborough District was held at Irthlingborough on July 8th. The bells were kept going to various methods, amongst them being Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative Surprise and Stedman Triples.

A short service was held in the fine old church, conducted by the Rector, who heartily welcomed the members, and gave a very interesting address.

About 32 members enjoyed an excellent tea, kindly provided by the local ringers and lady friends. The business meeting then took place, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: The Rev. W. Frift, vice-president; Mr. F. Barber, secretary; Mr. G. Basford and Mr. W. Perkins, central committee; Messrs. F. Jones, C. Farey and H. Tyler.—The Secretary then offered, on behalf of the association, the heartiest congratulations to the four young members of the Irthlingborough band who rang their first peal, a peal of Kent Treble Bob, on June 24th.—The Rector then presented each one of them with the certificate of the association, which is given on the occasion of a member ringing his first peal.

The General Secretary (Mr. D. J. Nichols) gave a report on the work of the Central Council held at Lincoln, at which he was a delegate, and also gave a summary of an official communication issued by the Council.—Wilby was chosen as the next place of meeting.—The Secretary asked the meeting to endorse the proceedings which had taken place in regard to two of the Yardley-Hastings band, who had formally been proposed and seconded since the last meeting. He also said how delighted he was to welcome the Rev. W. Frift as their vice-president.—Votes of thanks were heartily accorded to the Rector for the use of the bells and for his address, to the organist, to the local ringers, and the ladies who helped with the tea.

NORTHAMPTON DISTRICT.

The annual meeting was held at Collingtree on Saturday, June 10th, when over 40 members enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon. Some of them enjoyed ringing on the fine-tuned peal of five. Others, by kind invitation of the Rector, spent a quiet hour in the Rectory garden. Evensong was conducted by the Rev. J. P. Friend, and the Rev. J. White presided at the organ. A collection for the Belfry Repair Fund amounted to 9s. 2d. Tea was served in the Village Institute, and was followed by the meeting. The officers were elected for the following year: Vice-president, the Rev. J. White, Pitsford; committee, Messrs. Law, Soden, Clark, Dean and Faulkner; secretary, Mr. S. J. Lawrence. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Cogenhoe on September 23rd.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the above Association was held at Melbourne on Saturday last. The bells of the Parish Church were (by kind permission of the Vicar) placed at the disposal of the ringers after two o'clock. After tea, a general meeting took place. Ald. R. B. Chambers (President of the Association) was in the chair, and amongst those present were Mrs. and Miss Chambers, the Rev. E. T. Harcombe (Vicar of Melbourne), Messrs. Pryce Taylor and Pervin (Loughborough), H. E. Norman (Leicester), Braines (Derby), and White (Cotgrave). A number of new honorary and ringing members were elected, and a general discussion followed.—Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. W. Willson, of Leicester (indisposed) and A. C. Wright (Darley Dale), who was kept away by a business engagement.—The next quarterly meeting will be held in September, at Wigston Magna, near Leicester. The association will then have the opportunity of ringing on the new recast ring of eight. It may be mentioned that Mr. Pryce Taylor officiated as hon. secretary.

A PUZZLE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Can any of your readers explain the following, which was handed to me by someone outside the ringing circle? I give it exactly as it was given to me:—

720 Bob Minor.

Call bob every time 2 and 4 lead and every time treble leads, and the tenor behind without the 5th. Call single when treble lead and 5 and 6 are behind; call extreme when 1 and 2 are before and tenor not behind.

This 720 was rung for the first time at Sandiacre for evening service, May 7th.

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Yours faithfully,

Staveley.

A. E. PARSONS.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.**

A well-attended quarterly meeting was held on Saturday last at East Meon, where the old Norman Church of All Saints contains a fine peal of eight (tenor 19 cwt.). The bells were fully used, both before and after tea, the following methods being rung: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise Major. Members were present from Gosport, Havant, Portsea, Portsmouth, Petersfield, Wickham, East Meon. Visitors from Southampton, Bishopstoke and North Stoneham, Mr. C. S. V. Wilkins, of Cambridge University, and Mr. F. E. Dawe (London), were also present.

The company was well provided for, and full justice was done to the meal, after which the business meeting was held.—Two full members were elected, and it was also decided that the annual meeting of the district should be held at Alverstoke on November 11th next.

The committee's report was read, and unanimously adopted by the district.—An important resolution was next placed before the members, on which depends the future welfare of the district. This was also adopted, the district secretary having instructions to forward it to the general secretary.

Mr. E. J. Harding, senr. (district secretary) and Mr. F. W. Rogers (representative on the Central Committee) informed those present that owing to recent events they would like to give notice to the district that they would cease to be members of the Central Committee after the annual meeting in November next. The business concluded with a vote of thanks to the Vicar (the Rev. A. S. Crawley) for the use of the bells, and to Mr. H. Blackman for having everything in readiness, after which the members returned to the tower.

SOUTHAMPTON.

A meeting for combined practice was held at St. Mary's Southampton, on Tuesday, 11th July. Ringers from several towers were present, including the Master, Mr. George Williams, Mr. Cave, of Bristol, and his son, Mr. P. W. Cave, now a member of St. Mary's band. Touches of Stedman Triples and Bob Major, a course of Double Norwich, Court Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Superlative, Cambridge, and London Surprise, were brought round. The course of London was the first ever rung on the bells. The ringers were: C. E. Wilkins 1, P. W. Cave 2, G. Pullinger 3, J. W. Faithful 4, W. Cave, senr., 5, D. C. Williams 6, W. Tucker 7, G. Williams 8.

W. BIBBY'S 50 PEALS.

Minor 1 Method	1
.. 1 Method (in hand)	1
.. 3 Methods	1
.. 7 Methods	2
.. 10 Methods	1
Grandsire Triples	7
Stedman Triples	1
Oxford Bob Triples	1
Double Oxford Bob Triples	1
S. Clement's Triples	1
Forward Major	1
Bob Major	8
Kent Treble Bob Major	6
Oxford Treble Bob Major	3
Double Norwich C.B. Major	4
Little Bob Major	3
Little Albion Bob Major	2
Superlative Surprise Major	1
St. Clement's Major	1
Oxford Bob Major	1
Stedman Caters	1
Bob Royal	1
Little Albion Royal	1
Total	50

DOVER.—On Wednesday, June 14th, 504 Grandsire Triples, in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher R. Walker: J. Eagles 1, C. Turner 2, W. Pitman 3, C. Millway 4, F. Elliott 5, R. Stevens 6, C. R. Walker (conductor) 7, Capt. Yorke 8.

ELLESMERE, SALOP.—On Friday, June 16th, at Trimpey Hall, for practice, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): T. Butler, junr. (conductor) 1—2, R. Biggs 3, A. Allen 4, A. Haynes 5, G. Edwards 6, T. Butler, senr., 7—8, on handbells.

ICKLETON, CAMBS.—At the Parish Church, on June 18th, for evening service, 720 Kent: P.C. L. Brooks 1, P. Webb 2, — Barley 3, J. Webb 4, W. Flinton 5, B. D. Buttress (Fulbourn), conductor, 6.

BRISTOL.—On June 23rd, at St. James' Church, for the Prince of Wales' birthday, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: R. Chamming 1, E. Guise (conductor) 2, G. Pearce 3, A. Pearce 4, C. Walton 5, F. Jowell 6, A. Seviour 7, W. Short 8.

A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

ALVASTON, DERBYSHIRE.—On Sunday, July 16th, at St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, 720 Bob Minor, in 27 mins., by the following: *J. Shaw, *A. Mould 2, W. Pearson 3, †C. Haycock 4, *W. Garner 5, A. Overton (conductor) 6. * First 720. † First inside.

BECCLES, SUFFOLK.—On Hospital Sunday, July 16th, for evening service, 1,007 Grandsire Caters: T. Kerridge 1, H. Ling 2, C. Rush 3, C. Bailey 4, E. R. Goate (conductor) 5, G. Baxter 6, R. J. Goate 7, C. Parnell 8, J. Spaulding 9, R. Rush 10.

IDLE, YORKS.—At the Church of Holy Trinity, for evening service, on Sunday, July 16th, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich (1,280 changes), in 45 mins.: E. H. Simpson (conductor) 1, G. Duck 2, F. Davison 3, H. Davison 4, R. Umpleby 5, F. Kilshaw 6, W. Feather 7, H. Foster 8. First quarter-peal on the method for ringers of 2 and 6.

EALING, MIDDLESEX.—At the Parish Church, on July 16th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, A. H. Fulwell 2, J. E. Churchill 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, L. H. Page 6, F. W. Goodfellow 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8. Conducted by F. W. Goodfellow.

ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.—On Sunday evening, July 16th, for evening service, 720 London Surprise Minor: A. J. White 1, W. White 2, F. Trussler 3, A. J. Cherriman 4, F. Bennett (first 720 in the method) 5, R. Stradwick (conductor) 6.

LEICESTER.—On Sunday, July 16th, at St. Margaret's, in honour of the patronal festival, for morning service, 918 Grandsire Caters: F. Bent 1, F. Sharman 2, A. Ballard 3, W. Whitehead 4, A. Cattell 5, E. Whitehead 6, J. Morris 7, H. Lock 8, E. Morris 9, J. Vernon 10.—For evening service, 754 Grandsire Caters, as above, with G. Stedman Morris 1, and Maurice Swinfield (Burton-on-Trent) 4. Conducted by E. Morris.

FULHAM.—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday evening, for service, on July 16th: 1,320 Treble Bob Royal Kent, in 54 mins.: H. Belcher 1, W. H. Wood 2, W. H. Hollier 3, A. Cutmore 4, F. Skervington 5, H. A. Folkard 6, G. C. Iles 7, W. T. Elson 8, A. Harding 9, J. W. Driver (conductor) 10.

MIDDLETON, LANCS.—On Sunday, July 9th, for evening service (Anniversary Sunday), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: J. Hollows, J. Jacques, W. Berry, T. K. Driver, S. Holt, F. Berry, W. Hardman, T. Welleus.

ERDINGTON.—At St. Thomas' and Edmund R.C. Church, on Sunday, July 9th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes), in 41 mins.: E. J. Stringer (first quarter-peal) 1, A. T. Scrivens 2, P. Plumley 3, W. Stringer 4, A. E. Norman 5, B. W. Witchell 6, J. George (composer and conductor) 7, S. Coley 8. Rung on the eve and in honour of Mr. Witchell's 60th birthday.

FLIXTON, LANCASHIRE.—On Sunday, July 9th, at St. Michael's Parish Church, for evening service, on the occasion of the anniversary services, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: A. Johnson 1, S. Collier 2, H. Wilson 3, J. Shaw 4, R. Davies 5, R. F. Deal 6, J. H. Collier (conductor) 7, W. Johnson 8.

STAFFORD.—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday morning, July 9th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 45 mins., by: W. G. Curtis 1, W. H. Jones 2, W. C. Wilson 3, F. Sear 4, G. Booth 5, F. V. Haggis 6, J. J. Taylor (conductor) 7, J. Warrilow 8.

CHICHESTER.—On Sunday, July 9th, for the morning service, at the Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (720 changes) was rung in 49 mins.: H. D. Falconer 1, Miss E. M. Burnett 2, W. H. Falconer 3, F. B. Tompkins 4, G. Marshall (1st quarter) 5, W. Ticehurst (conductor) 6, J. H. Blake 7, M. Heffer 8. Arranged for Miss Burnett, and was the first quarter as conductor.

ABINGDON.—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. Dyke 1, J. Honev 2, A. E. Lock (conductor) 3, G. Candwell 4, Mrs. A. E. Lock 5, E. Humphrey 6.

PAULTON, Near BATH.—On Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, at the Church of Holy Trinity, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, consisting of 1,260 changes: Miss G. Smith 1, Miss E. Eram 2, W. Maggs 3, F. Flower (conductor) 4, W. Rosewell 5, E. Godwin 6.

LYE, STOURBRIDGE.—On Sunday, July 9th, at Christ Church, for the Sunday Schools festival, 720 changes of Bob Minor, with 6-8 covering, was rung by the following: F. Wiley 1, S. Cook 2, A. Chapman 3, Thos. H. Hodgkiss 4, C. W. Cooper 5, Jabez Wiley 6, A. Wooldridge 7, David Fletcher 8. Conducted by Mr. A. Wooldridge. All the above are members of the local band, with the exception of the ringer of the 5th, who is a member of the Stourbridge band.—Also, for evening service, 504 of Bob Triples, assisted by Messrs. J. Bass and William Gibbs, Wollaston, and after evening service, a further 720 of Bob Minor was rung in the following order: F. Wiley 1, S.

Cook 2, C. W. Cooper 3, A. Chapman 4, Thos. H. Hodgkiss 5, Jabez Wiley 6, A. Wooldridge 7, D. Fletcher 8. Conducted by Mr. A. Wooldridge. Great credit is due to the local ringers for the way in which these touches were rung, as they have only recently taken up change ringing again after a lapse of about 12 years and is the longest touch in any method by the ringer of the treble. The bells in this tower are the lightest peal of eight in England, and the 'go' of them being very tricky, it is not, by any means, a bad performance.

LAVERNHAM.—On Sunday, July 10th, for morning service, 840 Stedman Triples: S. H. Symonds (conductor) 1, F. Turner 2, W. R. J. Poulson 3, L. Poulson 4, F. Mortlock 5, W. Payers 6, F. Poulson 7, A. Symonds 8.—For evening service 408 Stedman Triples: F. Leeks 1, M. Symonds 2, F. Mortlock 3, S. Smith 4, F. Turner 5, F. Poulson 6, W. Payers 7, W. R. J. Poulson (conductor) 8.

PICKERING, YORKSHIRE.—At St. Peter and St. Paul's Church, on Sunday, July 9th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob, by the visiting ringers from Birstall, Leeds: G. Britton 1, H. Robinson 2, W. Clark 3, W. Rhodes 4, J. Kellet 5, S. Gibson 6, E. Crowther 7, H. Peel 8.

ST. STEPHEN'S, EALING.—On Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. A. Folkard 1, J. E. Walsen 2, H. Belcher 3, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 4, F. Stevens 5, H. Coulson 6, A. Harding 7, E. Harris 8. Mr. F. Stevens hails from Llanbradach, Glamorgan.

NORBURY, CHESHIRE.—On Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: J. Fernley, junr., 1, J. Fernley, senr., 2, W. Fernley 3, H. Hallworth, junr., 4, J. P. Fidler (conductor) 5, J. W. Hartley 6. The 'hobs' in this extent are made when the treble is in 6th's place, and is the first so rung.

GLASGOW.—On Sunday, July 9th, at St. Mary's Cathedral, for evensong, 960 Stedman Doubles: J. E. Sykes 1, T. O'Hara 2, E. Astley 3, W. N. Ashby 4, A. G. Tucker 5, N. W. S. North 6.

FEERING, ESSEX.—On Sunday, July 2nd, for morning service, 720 Bob Major: G. Mayes 1, J. C. Newman 2, R. Fisher 3, P. Langstone 4, J. Sadler 5, G. Heyward 6, C. Rogers 7, W. Keeble (conductor) 8.

KELVEDON.—On July 2nd, for evening service, 720 Plain: E. Dale 1, F. Dale, junr., 2, W. Keeble (conductor) 3, J. Elliott 4, E. Bone 5, W. Elliott 6.

DARLINGTON, DURHAM.—On Sunday, July 2nd, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Atkinson 1, G. W. Park 2, W. Cooke 3, C. S. Burden (of London) 4, F. Cooke 5, W. N. Park (conductor) 6. First 720 as conductor.—Also for evening service, 360 London Surprise Minor: C. S. Burden 1, F. Atkinson 2, W. Cooke 3, W. N. Park 4, F. Cooke 5, G. W. Park (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, 504 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: G. W. Park 1, F. Cooke 2, W. Cooke 3, W. N. Park 4, F. W. Lupton 5, Chas. Todd (conductor) 6; and for evening service an attempt was made for 456 of London Surprise, which came to grief after ringing 336 changes.

WORKSOP.—On Whit Sunday, June 4th, for evening service, 279 Grandsire Triples: H. Jordan 1, Miss Ethel Winrow 2, G. Gabbittas 3, W. H. Johnson 4, G. Hardwick 5, H. Haigh 6, J. T. Wilson 7, E. Clark 8.—Also on Sunday, July 2nd, 504 Grandsire Triples: H. Jordan 1, H. Haigh 2, Miss Amy Taylor 3, W. H. Johnson 4, W. Roberts 5, A. Johnson 6, E. Clarke 7, G. Hardwick 8.—Also on July 9th, 336 Bob Major: H. Jordan 1, Miss A. Taylor 2, G. Gabbittas 3, A. Johnson 4, H. Haigh (conductor) 5, G. Hardwick 6, J. T. Wilson 7, E. Clarke 8. These are the longest lengths rung by the two ladies, and were rung with less than 20 hours' practice on the bell ropes.

PINCHBECK, Lincs.—On Sunday, June 25th, for the annual memorial service, 720 Double Court Minor: W. H. Sutton 1, A. Ground 2, W. Worthington 3, E. J. Haynes 4, J. Curry 5, G. Ladd (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by 1, 2, 3 and 4.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.—On a recent Sunday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung: V. Corden 1, P. H. Doick 2, R. Wood 3, J. Burdfield 4, P. Charman 5, A. Feist 6, W. Stanford (conductor) 7, F. Brooks 8.

TONBRIDGE, KENT.—For morning service, on the occasion of the visit of the Dean of Durham, 630 Grandsire Triples: F. Ballard 1, C. Cooke 2, A. Denton 3, G. Smithers 4, A. Richardson (conductor) 5, W. Wolfe 6, W. Steed 7, J. Draper 8.

RAWMARSH, Near ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.—For afternoon service, at the Parish Church, on the occasion of the visit of the Bishop of Sheffield, and dedication of a children's window (which was subscribed for by a large number of children in the parish), a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,360 changes), in 47 mins.: A. Mitchell 1, F. C. Wilson 2, A. Firth 3, G. Tuke 4, A. G. Stocks 5, T. Cooper 6, H. Mortimore 7, E. Liversedge 8. First attempt and longest touch by Thomas Cooner as conductor. First quarter-peal by G. Tuke, ringer of the 4th bell.

NOTICES.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The Annual Festival will be held at Oxford, on Saturday, July 22nd (D.V). Service in Cathedral 11.15, preacher, The Right Reverend Bishop Shaw. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church dining hall at 1.30. Tickets 2/6 each to members, 3/- to non-members. Application for tickets to be made, accompanied by remittance to general Secretary, not later than Wednesday, July 19th.—Richard T. Hibbert, Hon. Sec., Warren House Lodge, St. Peter's Avenue, Caversham.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Moorside, July 22nd. Bells not available on the 29th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting at 7.—Sam Booth, Hon. Sec., 134, Union Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Longney on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (8) available from 3.30. Special motor leaves Commercial Road, Gloucester, at 3 o'clock. Service in church 4.30. Tea in Schools 5 o'clock. Visitors welcome.—A. Allan Bennett, Branch Sec., Newton House, London Road, Gloucester.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Dorchester Branch.—The Summer meeting will be held at Hilton on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (also Milton Abbey) from 2 p.m. Guild service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Ashton Court Hospital, Bristol.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Horwich Parish Church on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Cradley, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available at 3 p.m.—A. Davis, Branch Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Nether-ton, Dudley.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Wickwar, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3 p.m.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Henley District.—A Meeting will be held at Holbrook, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells ready at 2 p.m.—Rev. Wm. C. Pearson, District Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—A Meeting will be held at Harpenden, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, District Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL.—The reopening of the Cathedral Bells, will take place on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3 to 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. Lomas, Sec., 4, Montgomery Terrace Road, Sheffield.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—A Special meeting will be held at Preston, on July 22nd. Usual arrangements.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Wisbech branch.—A Meeting will be held on Saturday, July 22nd, at Chatteris, Cambs. Six bells ready from 2 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—H. W. Giddings, Branch Sec., 46, St. Peter's Road, March, Cambs.

LONDON.—ST. CLEMENT'S YOUTHS.—St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.—Practice every Wednesday, 6.30 till 8 o'clock. Ringing Sunday mornings, July 23rd and 30th, 10 till eleven o'clock. Business meeting, Wednesday, July 26th, at 8 p.m.—F. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. St. Clement's, July 24th. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., London County Association, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 25th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 27th, all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

COMBE PARISH CHURCH, North Devon.—The new ring of eight bells will be dedicated on Wednesday, July 26th, at 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. H. Hayward, Gas Office, Combe Martin, North Devon.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—The Annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available—Cathedral (10) 3 to 3.45 and 6 to 7.30; St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3 o'clock. Service in Cathedral at 4. Tea at Lloyd's restaurant at 4.50—to fully paid members 1/-, to others 1/9; general meeting to follow. Please send word not later than Tuesday, 25th inst.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.—An extra Meeting will be held at Ardleigh, on Saturday, the 29th July. Service at Parish Church 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., when all ringers will be entertained by the kind invitation of H. R. Neuth, Esq. All members wishing to be present at tea please notify me by Monday, July 24th.—R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 12, Ireton Road, Colchester. Will all Secretaries of Companies note the change of address?

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The Summer meeting will be held at Hexham and Corbridge, on Saturday, 29th July. Further particulars next week.—E. E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea can be arranged for all those who notify me not later than Monday, July 24th.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

LEEDS & DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next Monthly meeting will be held on July 29th, at Rothwell. Peal attempt 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—C. E. Lawson, Hon. Sec., 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northampton District.—A Special meeting will be held at Old Duston, on Saturday, July 29th. Usual arrangements, those requiring tea notify me not later than July 25th.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A Special meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Liverpool, on Saturday, July 29th, at 5 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—Walter Hughes.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The Annual General meeting of the Guild, will be held at Warwick, on Saturday, July 29th. The bells of St. Mary's (10) and Emscote (8) will be available from 2.45 p.m. Service in St. Mary's Church, at 4 p.m. Address by the Rev. C. A. H. Russell, Vicar of Whitnash. Tea and business meeting (election of officers) to follow. Will those members who intend being present please let me know by Wednesday, 26th, to facilitate arrangements for tea?—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—The next meeting will be held at Royston and Barkway, on Saturday, 29th July. Royston bells will be available all the afternoon. Tea and meeting will be held at the 'Wheatsheaf,' Barkway, at 5 p.m. Buses run from Barkway on Saturdays. All ringers heartily welcome.—F. R. Bacon, District Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at Newark on Saturday, 29th July. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—A District meeting of North-Western Division will be held at St. Mary's, Stansted, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available during afternoon and evening.—F. Dench, District Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Wedmore, on Saturday, 29th July. Service at 5 o'clock, tea and meeting to follow. Eight bells afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—The Wickwar Meeting of the Wootton Branch has been postponed for a week, to July 29th, owing to the Rector's inevitable absence on July 22nd.—W. A. Lewis, Hon. Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Milverton, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., tea and meeting after. Tea will be provided at the 'White Hart' at 1s. per head, for all who let me know by Tuesday, 25th.—P. Merson, Branch Sec., Bishops Hull.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A Meeting will be held at Richmond Parish Church, on Wednesday evening, August 2nd, by the kind permission of the Rev. I. F. Kendall (Vicar). Ringing from 7 to 9.15 p.m.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A General meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the Association will be held at East Dereham, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church will be available. Luncheon will be served at the King's Head Hotel, at 1 o'clock, tickets 3s. per head, followed by the general business meeting. Members intending to be present at the luncheon, please notify the Secretary not later than Thursday, August 3rd.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—There will be a General Meeting of the Branch at Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, on Monday, August 7th (Bank Holiday), when all will be welcomed by the Vicar to celebrate the restoration of the bells. There will be a Service at the Parish Church, All Saints', at 4.30 p.m. Tea will be served on the vicarage lawn at 5.15 (weather permitting). Those intending to be present will please advise the Secretary by 31st inst. A charge of 1s. each will be made to cover part of the cost of same. A business meeting will follow at 6 o'clock. My Committee rely upon foremen of Towers notifying all members and ringing friends in their respective districts of this fixture and placing the notice in the belfry. The following towers have been kindly placed at the disposal of the Guild by the clergy: Burnham, 10 to 11 a.m.; High Wycombe, 10 to 11 a.m.; Old Windsor, 12 to 1 p.m.; Wooburn, 12 to 1 p.m.; Boyne Hill, 3 p.m.—Alfred J. Harman, Hon. Sec., 2, St. Mary's Cottages, Grove Road, Windsor.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The Annual Festival will be held at Lymm, on Monday, August 7th. Service 11 a.m., preacher, the Rev. W. R. Ingham, M.A., Vicar of Middlewich. Other particulars by circular.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills, Stockport.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at Peterborough, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The bells of St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), Woodton (6) available during the day. Service at the Parish Church at 4 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Donnington, Spalding, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea in Church Institute, at 4.15 p.m. Bells available all day.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

NORTHWOLD, NORFOLK.—By kind permission of the Rector, the re-hung eight bells will be open for ringing on August Bank Holiday.—F. R. Borrett.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The reopening of Boyne Hill Bells, Maidenhead, will take place on August Bank Holiday. Evening service and tea, see further notice of details.

BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. — A Meeting will be held at Crofton, near Wakefield, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready early, in splendid order. Tea will be provided strictly for those sending their names before August 5th, to Mr. E. Stead, 4, Park View, Crofton, near Wakefield. A cordial invitation is offered to all ringers.—C. D. Potter, Sec.

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MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

MORRISTON, GLAM.—On Whit Monday, at St. John's Church, 720 Grandsire Doubles: G. Willis 1, J. T. Williams 2, E. Baird 3, Will Dobbin 4, J. Williams 5, Wal Dobbin 6. The band was kindly invited by the Vicar so as to create a better interest in change ringing.

HAWKHURST, KENT.—On Tuesday, June 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (composed by Henry Johnson): T. Ashenden 1, F. J. Lambert, junr. 2, R. E. Lambert 3, J. Blake 4, R. T. Lambert 5, Q. Waghorn 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, H. M. Batehup 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last mark of respect to the late Mr. Alfred Adams, who, although blind, was organist at Hawkhurst for many years. The interment took place at Hawkhurst Churchyard on the above date.

NORTHWOLD, NORFOLK.—On Thursday, June 8th at St. Andrew's Church, 720 Bob Minor, with 6-8 covering: F. A. Salter 1, J. Crisp 2, A. Macro 3, T. Fitzjohn 4, W. Everett 5, C. Pearson 6, T. Stagg 7, T. Dennis 8. Conducted by F. A. Salter. Rung as a farewell to Mr. Fitzjohn, who was returning from Thetford to Grimsby. Ringer of 2nd bells from Northwold, 4th Grimsby, tenor from Methwold, remainder from Thetford.

LOUGHBOROUGH.—On June 10th, after a peal of Superlative, an attempt for Stedman Triples came to grief, after 2½ hours' good ringing: E. Morris 1, R. F. Elkington 2, T. Vallance 3, S. Burton 4, H. S. Morley 5, H. J. Poole (conductor) 6, J. Morris 7, Stedman Morris 8. Rung to oblige Mr. Morley, of Selby Abbey.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—At SS. Peter and Paul, Fressingfield, on Monday evening, July 10th, 1,008 of Bob Major: E. Plummer 1, A. Riches 2, W. J. G. Brown (conductor) 3, G. Filby 4, R. Riches 5, J. Riches 6, W. Riches 7, J. Filby 8. Rung to oblige E. Plummer, who hails from Woodford; W. J. G. Brown hails from Laxfield; G. and J. Filby from Wingfield, and the rest belong to Fressingfield.

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