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### THE DAY OF REMEMBRANCE.

Falling this year upon Saturday, 'Armistice Day' provides a great opportunity for peals in celebration of the anniversary of the cessation of hostilities in 1918, and, doubtless, there will be many bands who will avail themselves of the occasion. The day which saw the end of the great clash of arms in Europe is one which will remain a vivid memory with the present generation, and, as it marked the triumph of our arms, after more than four years of fierce warfare in which our sword was drawn for freedom and right, we may well celebrate the anniversary of such an epoch in the world's history by the joyous pealing of our bells.

But 'Armistice Day' as an occasion for rejoicing occupies on the 11th November only a secondary place in the thoughts of most British people. Primarily do their minds revert to those brave sons who fought and died, and hence it is as 'Remembrance Day' that this anniversary occupies first place in the hearts of the public. Last year ringers in hundreds of towers throughout the country joined in commemorating the day, first by muffled ringing, as a tribute to the fallen, and then, in many cases, an 'open' peal or touch to celebrate the triumph of the nation on the field of honour. The suggestion is made that a similar course shall be followed next week, and we imagine that in a majority of the towers the proposal will be acted upon.

From among the ranks of the ringers who went out in such large numbers to bear their share in the great adventure, approximately one thousand laid down their lives; and 'Remembrance Day' would be a specially appropriate occasion upon which those who now occupy the belfries, and grasp the ropes that once these departed heroes handled, could collectively honour the memory of their old comrades. In some areas the ringing is being properly organised, to ensure that it shall be general, and also, which is important, that where mixed bands are made up for peal attempts, individual companies shall not be so depleted as to deprive them of the opportunity of taking their proper part in the general ringing. This is, of course, a necessary step, for it might easily happen, where towers are not overmanned, that the absence of a couple of ringers might make impossible the effective use of the bells. 'Remembrance Day' is emphatically one of the days in the year when the bells ought to ring in every steeple in the country, and we hope that it will be possible this year. If it be only rounds that are rung it matters not so long as the ringers give of their best. It should be done even at the sacrifice of personal convenience, for what is this

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compared with the sacrifice made by those men who came not back? The memory of the dead should first be honoured, whatever else may be contemplated in the way of celebration, and if this be done the ringers may rest assured that in this they will be giving fitting expression to the feelings of those who will hear the bells.

### TWELVE BELL PEALS.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH

ASSOCIATION

AND ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 32 cwt. in C sharp.

FREDERICK J. TILLET ... Treble	*GEORGE FLEMING ... .. 7
WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... 2	*HARRY R. ROPER ... .. 8
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... 3	*PERCY MAY... .. 9
H. CHARLES GILLINGHAM ... 4	WILLIAM TILLET ... .. 10
*JAMES DORRANT... .. 5	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 11
*ALBERT FLEMING ... .. 6	*GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

\* First attempt for Kent Maximus. Considering there were 6 'firsts,' this was a splendid peal. Rung in honour of the wedding of the Vicar, Canon Hamilton A. Douglas-Hamilton, to the Hon. Rosamund Bateman-Hanbury.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNBILL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 41 cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON ... Treble	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... 7
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... 2	WILSON RUSHTON ... .. 8
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... 3	ERNEST BRETT ... .. 9
THOMAS LANGDON ... 4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 10
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 5	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... 11
CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... 6	RICHARD F. FORWARD... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

CENTENARY PEAL.

WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH & THE ALL SAINTS' YOUTHS.)

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5400 CHANCES;**

Tenor 23 cwt.

*GEOFFREY LEWIS ... Treble	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 6
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... 2	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 7
GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... 3	WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 8
SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 4	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 9
THOMAS WALTERS ... .. 5	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM WOODHEAD Conducted by W. PAGE.

\* First peal on ten bells. Rung in honour of the centenary of the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal ever rung, the same composition being used.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

HIRAM MEAKIN ... Treble	GEORGE WARBURTON ... 6
TOM WILDE ... .. 2	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 7
*JOHN BRIERLEY ... .. 3	ALLAN S. GORDON ... .. 8
WILLIAM BRAMMER ... 4	BENJAMIN THORP ... .. 9
*WILLIAM GORDON ... .. 5	*ALBERT HOOCH ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. B. CARPENTER. Conducted by BENJAMIN THORP.

First peal of Stedman Caters on the bells. \* First peal of Stedman Caters.

STONHAM ASPAL, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lambert,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. in E flat.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Treble	*ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 6
*WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 2	*THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... .. 7
*ALPHEUS J. BERRY ... .. 3	JAMES BETTS ... .. 8
*LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. 9
†ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 5	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Royal and first attempt. † First peal of Treble Ten.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Clement Danes, Strand,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM HARRIS ... .. 6
WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 2	*JOHN MEAD ... .. 7
JOHN SPARROW ... .. 3	WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 8
FRANK SMITH ... .. 4	HARRY SEAR ... .. 9
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 5	REGINALD BROUGH ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal on ten and first attempt. The ringer of the 6th bells from Gloucester, 8th from Sittingbourne, 7th and 9th from Bletchley.

HERTFORD.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

*WALTER J. BOWDEN ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM NASH ... .. 6
MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... .. 2	GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. 7
JOHN T. KENTISH ... .. 3	*H. E. C. GOODENOUGH ... .. 8
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 4	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 9
GEORGE RADLEY ... .. 5	*DANIEL DYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE R. FARDON. Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal in the method.

BLACKBURN.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN, BOLTON AND PRESTON BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES**

Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM E. WILSON ... .. Treble	†PETER CROOK ... .. 6
*E. ROGER MARTIN ... .. 2	JOHN POTTER ... .. 7
THOMAS WILSON ... .. 3	†WILLIAM PENNINGTON ... .. 8
*HARRY ANDERTON ... .. 4	*ALBERT WOODHOUSE ... .. 9
*EMMANUEL DUTESON ... .. 5	JOHN WATSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. HALEY. Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

\* First peal of Caters. † First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal of Caters with a working bell. The ringer of the 7th bells from Walkden, 6th and 8th from Bolton, 2nd from Preston, 9th from Walton-le-Dale, the rest belong to the local band.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

EAST DEREHAM.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

*CHARLES BLOY ... .. Treble	FRED W. ADCOCK ... .. 5
†ARTHUR H. HOLLIDAY ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. PARKER ... .. 6
*HENRY M. E. BROOKS ... .. 3	*HERBERT R. SECKER ... .. 7
BENJAMIN HAMMOND ... .. 4	BERT J. WHITESIDE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by B. WHITESIDE.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major. First peal as conductor. First peal by local band since 1895.

APPLEDORE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

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

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

*MRS. H. BAKER ... .. Treble	GEORGE BILLENNESS ... .. 5
†MISS ROSE THOMAS ... .. 2	†EDWARD R. BURGESS ... .. 6
HARRY BAKER ... .. 3	*BEN BAKER ... .. 7
CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 4	GEORGE JOHNSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

\* First peal. † First peal with an 'inside' bell. † First peal with a changing bell. § First peal of Grandsire.

GODSTONE, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 6 qr. 4 lb.

GEORGE ELLIS ... .. Treble	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 5
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 2	WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN. ... .. 6
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

First peal of Major on the bells.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John,

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

Tenor 21 cwt.

*A. BLOGG ... .. Treble	F. RIGBY ... .. 5
*H. LUCAS ... .. 2	†W. LANCASTER ... .. 6
W. SHARPLES ... .. 3	J. H. GARTSIDE, JUN. ... .. 7
*C. SALISBURY ... .. 4	W. FOWLER ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. THORP.

Conducted by W. SHARPLES.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung on the anniversary of the opening of the bells; also in memory of Lt.-Col. C. K. Crosse, to whose memory the bells were installed.

EYE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

HARRY CATTERMOLE ... .. Treble	GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... .. 5
WILLIAM ROSE ... .. 2	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... .. 6
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 7
ALPHEUS J. BERRY ... .. 4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Arranged to oblige the conductor, who was on a holiday in the district. It was his 200th peal.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

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

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 12 cwt.

*JOHN GARRATT ... .. Treble	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 5
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDON ... .. 2	ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 6
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	*HARRY HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Stedman.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

## WOOLWICH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM J. ALDRIDGE ... ..	HERBERT HOLDEN ... ..	5
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... ..	SPENCER MARSHALL ... ..	6
WILLIAM WATCHORN ... ..	HERBERT ADDSLEY ... ..	7
CLR.-SGT. JAMES BENNETT ...	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ...	Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

## FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb.

HARRY HALL ... ..	WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ...	5
*WALTER SPARROW ... ..	SHELFORD SPARROW ... ..	6
ALFRED H. WATSON ... ..	GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	7
DAVID G. WIGHTMAN ... ..	*JOHN HALL ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal and first attempt in the method.

## LINCOLN.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter at Arches,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... ..	LEWIS SNELL ... ..	5
GEORGE CHESTER ... ..	HAROLD MARCON ... ..	6
JOHN WALDEN ... ..	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... ..	7
H. LESLIE PASK ... ..	CHARLES W. P. CLIFTON ...	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN A. FREEMAN.

Rung in honour of the men of Lincoln who fell in the war and on the day following the dedication of the War Memorial.

## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

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

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

HERBERT SHIMMENS ... ..	GEORGE BENNETT ... ..	5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ...	*HUBERT FIELD ... ..	6
GEORGE PAYKE ... ..	ALBERT A. FLEMING ... ..	7
PERCY MAY ... ..	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. THORP. Conducted by GEORGE A. FLEMING.

For calling, see Snowdon's Treble Bob, part 2, page 27. \* First peal of Major.

## FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Oct. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

HENRY C. COLLYER ... ..	EDWARD JENKINS ... ..	5
*WILLIAM BIBBY ... ..	*FRANCIS BIBBY ... ..	6
*GEORGE H. RANGLES ... ..	HARRY CHAPMAN ... ..	7
*JOHN E. BIBBY ... ..	*CECIL RADDON ... ..	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (99). Conducted by EDWARD JENKINS.

\* First peal in the method.

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## EDINBURGH, MIDLOTHIANSHIRE.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE  
AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Cuthbert,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

*HENRY MANN ... ..	C. CLEVELAND-ELLIS ... ..	5
†MISS ANNIE I. WHITSON ...	ALBERT E. WREAKS ... ..	6
EDWARD ASTLEY ... ..	WILLIAM C. S. HEATHCOTE ...	7
ROBERT J. G. THOM ... ..	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... ..	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 140). Conducted by J. E. SYKES.

This composition is now rung for the first time. \* First peal of Major. † First peal and first attempt.

## LONDON.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary MATFELON, WHITECHAPEL, E.,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... ..	GEORGE A. CARD ... ..	5
EDWARD WALLACE ... ..	JAMES BULLOCK ... ..	6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	JAMES GEORGE ... ..	7
JEFFREY R. GAMMON ... ..	WILLIAM J. HEWSON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

## LONDON.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, E.,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

ARTHUR J. NEALE ... ..	ISAAC J. ATTWATER ... ..	5
JAMES BULLOCK ... ..	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ...	6
ALBERT TURNER ... ..	JAMES GEORGE ... ..	7
JOSEPH S. HAWKINS ... ..	ALBERT RILEY ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JAMES BULLOCK.

First peal as conductor and first attempt. The above two peals were rung in the covering time of 7 hrs. and 6 mins., the towers being three miles apart, and as a birthday compliment to the Gen. Sec. of the Association, Mr. A. D. Barker.

## STONEY STANTON.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

*CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... ..	SHIRLEY BERTON ... ..	5
HAROLD J. POOLE ... ..	*ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... ..	6
JOHN OLDHAM ... ..	HARRY BROUGHTON ... ..	7
THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... ..	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ...	Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

\* First peal in the method. The conductor's 150th peal.

## GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

(St. Andrew's Society, Rugby.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

*GEORGE WATSON ... ..	JOSEPH A. FENTON ... ..	5
†ALFRED G. GRANT ... ..	JOSEPH B. FENTON ... ..	6
CHARLES E. JOYNES ... ..	WALTER MALINS ... ..	7
†WILLIAM TAYLER ... ..	JOHN W. CHANDLER ... ..	Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM WILLSON. Conducted by WALTER MALINS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. The band wish to tender their thanks to Mr. George Watson for his kind hospitality after the peal.



WOBBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb.

ERNEST HERBERT ... .. 1	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... .. 5
CYRIL HERBERT ... .. 2	FRANK WEBB ... .. 6
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 3	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 7
HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. 4	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. BARRETT.

Conducted by E. J. HOBBS.

First peal of Major as conductor. Rung on the 37th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Harlow's wedding day. Peal No. 290, C.C. Collection.

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE LINES ... .. Treble	GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 5
FRANK LEWIN ... .. 2	ANDERSON Y. TYLER ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT ... .. 7
JOHN R. MAIN ... .. 4	WALTER PERKINS ... .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.  
\* First peal in the method.

DERBY.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

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

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE WARD ... .. Treble	W. RICHARD DRAGE ... .. 5
JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 2	WALTER WALLACE ... .. 6
ARTHUR BRAINES ... .. 3	ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 7
GEORGE FREEBRY ... .. 4	CHARLES E. HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, BART. Conducted by A. H. WARD.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Doris M. Ward, eldest daughter of the conductor, also as a birthday peal to W. R. Drage, the ringer of the 5th.

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

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM SABAN ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 3	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 7
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method away from the treble.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

HENRY CHANCE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 5
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 2	SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 6
GEOFFREY LEWIS ... .. 3	JOHN JEFFRIES ... .. 7
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 4	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

\* First Surprise peal. First Surprise peal as conductor. First Surprise peal on the bells.

EWHRST, SURREY.—On Friday, Sept. 15th, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, a 720 of Oxford Single Bob: E. Warner 1, W. Tidy 2, W. Denyer 3, A. J. Bull 4, H. Tidy 5, T. W. Denyer (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by the ringers of 1, 3 and 5.

DARESBUURY, CHESHIRE  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr.

JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. Treble	HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. 5
HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 2	WILLIAM BIBBY ... .. 6
FREDERICK HANCOCK ... .. 3	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 7
ERNEST PALMER ... .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (166).

Conducted by EDWARD JENKINS.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

MARKET DEEPING, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE COURT BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 16 cwt.

ARTHUR RIGGALL ... .. Treble	HERBERT HOLMES ... .. 4
JOSEPH LONDON ... .. 2	HORACE M. DAY ... .. 5
WILLIAM TILLEY ... .. 3	GEORGE H. WELLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. M. DAY.

This is believed to be the first peal of Double Court Minor yet rung.

ST. NICHOLAS, GLAMORGAN.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 2 six-scores of Stedman, 10 of Canterbury, 10 of Plain Bob and 20 of Grandsire. Tenor 10 cwt.

ERNEST H. HUNT ... .. Treble	FRANK J. BAILEY ... .. 3
WILLIAM B. BISS ... .. 2	LEWIS WRIGHT ... .. 4
FREDERICK J. BAILEY ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by WILLIAM B. BISS.

This was the first peal on the bells. The ringers wish to thank the Rector for use of the bells and his kind hospitality after the peal.

MATHON, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Oct. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Bob, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

ANDREW LAYTON ... .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER BOWERS ... .. 4
GEOFFREY LEWIS ... .. 2	DAVID HORNE ... .. 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	G. JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID HORNE.

This peal was specially arranged as a farewell to Mr. B. G. Abel, who has left Cradley for Ross, where he has taken up a post as schoolmaster. He was a ringer at Cradley for several years. The peal could not be rung at Cradley owing to the unsafe condition of the tower.

RATBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Plain Bob and four 720's of Oxford Bob, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHAS. PRIESTNALL ... .. Treble	PERCY INGRAM ... .. 4
JAMES H. SPENCER ... .. 2	TOM CHANTRELL ... .. 5
WILLIAM BALL ... .. 3	CHAS. ALLSOP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES ALLSOP.

First peal by all the band, except the conductor. First peal of Minor as conductor. Rung at the first attempt.

COLLINGTREE, NORTHANTS.—On Thursday, Oct. 5th, at the Church of St. Columbus, for harvest thanksgiving service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 47 mins.: \*G. Hales 1, \*W. Faulkner 2, H. Crow 3, J. Townsend (conductor) 4, F. Newman 5. \* First quarter-peal. All local band except the ringer of the fourth, who belongs to Milton.

HARESFIELD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
On Sunday, Oct. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 13 cwt.

*GRAHAM GAY ... .. Treble	†WILLIAM JONES... .. 4
*ALBERT ARNOLD... .. 2	THOMAS PRICE ... .. 5
EDWARD PREEDY ... .. 3	*WALTER PRICE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS PRICE.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' First peal as conductor.

NORTON ST. PHILIP, SOMERSET.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Oct. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JAMES,

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

Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob,  
each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

JESSE FRANCIS ... .. Treble	T. HERVEY BEAMS ... .. 4
*GERALD F. GRIFFIN ... .. 2	CHARLES F. ANDREWS ... .. 5
SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

\* Elected a life-member of the Guild before starting.

GREEN'S NORTON, NORTHANTS.  
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

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

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

*ALBERT BOOTH ... .. Treble	†GEORGE MANSFIELD... .. 4
*FRED LUCAS ... .. 2	†JOHN M. GRAY ... .. 5
ARTHUR HORNSBY ... .. 3	J. WILFRED SHARP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. W. SHARP.

\* First attempt. † First attempt on an 'inside' bell. † First peal.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. J. W. Sharp & J. M. Gray.

BRIGHTLING, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS A BECKET,

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

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 13 cwt.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT... .. Treble	REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... .. 4
ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 2	*EDWARD MILLS ... .. 5
FREDK. J. LAMBERT, JUN. ... .. 3	ALBERT E. EDWARDS... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

\* First peal of Minor. Rung after meeting one short for Triples.  
It is believed to be the first peal of Minor on the bells.

CHIGWELL ROW, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge, Beverley, York, Durham, London,  
Lincoln and Wells. Tenor 15½ cwt.

GEORGE HAYDEN... .. Treble	EDWARD D. SMITH ... .. 4
GEORGE L. JOYCE ... .. 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
GEORGE A. BLACK ... .. 3	JOHN MOULE... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. MILLER.

COLN ST. ALDWYN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

P.S. GEORGE HASTINGS ... Treble	JOHN HOPE ... .. 4
WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 2	GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. 5
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 3	FRANK COLE... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

Rung after meeting short for Triples.

EASTHAM, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob,  
and one of Oxford Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

WALTER J. BATTLE ... .. Treble	*EDWARD W. ELWELL ... .. 4
THOMAS ROGERS ... .. 2	HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 5
JOHN COOKE ... .. 3	SYDNEY F. BARNES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung for the festival of SS. Simon and Jude. First peal on the bells since they were recast. The band wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells, and Mr. Shone for the necessary arrangements.

ILMINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE FOUKE SHIRES GUILD.

On Sunday, Oct. 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings. Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

*HORACE TERRY ... .. Treble	*ERNEST WITHERS ... .. 4
EDWARD PARDEN ... .. 2	WALTER LARGE... .. 5
FRANK DAVIS ... .. 3	*SAMUEL RUSSELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER LARGE.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

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

On Thursday, Oct. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7-8
ALBERT WALKER... .. 3-4	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 9-10
PERCY O. LAFLIN... .. 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

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

Referee: JAMES GEORGE.

This was the conductor's 200th peal of Stedman.

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

On Thursday, Oct. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
IN THE TOWER OF SS. PETER AND PAUL'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. 1-2	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... .. 5-6
W. R. JOHN POULSON... .. 3-4	FREDERICK A. POULSON ... .. 7-8

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

Umpire: W. JARVIS.

First peal of Major on handbells by F. A. Poulson, and rung as a birthday compliment to him. J. Poulson's 80th peal and A. Symonds' 200th.

**THE PEAL AT EDINBURGH.**

Bards have sung that 'All good gifts around us come from Heaven above,' but the writer never realised until last Saturday the time of the year at which good gifts are sent. On arriving, however, in St. Cuthbert's belfry, 'neath the shadow of Edinburgh's glorious castle, no one could have failed to realise that in and close around the month of October was the appointed time for the arrival of the best of 'good gifts.' In the first place the peal was a beauty from start to finish, the second of Bob Major to be rung in Scotland; 'twas the first peal of Major in Scotland in which a lady has taken part. It was the first peal of Major by the treble ringer. It was Miss Whitson's first peal and first attempt, and great credit is due to her for the masterly style in which she finished her work. It was rung as a birthday compliment to the following five members of the band and two old friends: Miss Whitson (October 18th), Messrs. Astley (Oct. 21st), Cleveland-Ellis (Nov. 6th), Heathcote (Oct. 18th), Sykes (Oct. 24th). And to Joseph Broadley (Oct. 25th), of Bradford, and ex-Sergt. Joseph Williams, of Newent. So who will say that October is not the season for good gifts? CHANTICLEER.

## CERTIFICATES OF MERIT.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Although I have given very little assistance myself I have always considered your correspondence column to be one of the most interesting (occasionally amusing) features of your journal, and as a member of the Sub-Committee of the Midland Counties Association dealing with the above matter, the letters from Mr. Willson and Mr. Vallance are appreciated by at least one of your subscribers.

The suggestions by Mr. Willson will certainly have to be very carefully considered, while the fact of such an experienced ringer having put forward a similar idea previously will give the committee a certain amount of confidence they are not chasing a shadow.

Mr. Vallance goes further, and actually appears to have a concrete plan in his head!

I might repeat here that the committee of the M.C.A. was appointed to consider whether the matter is 'possible' or 'desirable'; therefore I am sure any further suggestions of any nature will be welcomed by those interested.—Yours faithfully,

A. C. WRIGHT.

## 'AN UNFAIR STATEMENT.'

Dear Sir,—In the current issue of 'our paper,' under the heading 'Certificates of Merit,' appears a letter from Mr. Wm. Willson, in which he says: 'A ringer may boast of his 200 or 300 peals, largely of Doubles and Minor—the whole bunch of which would not equal a solitary peal of London'—a most unfair statement, and one which cannot be allowed to pass without comment.

I take it that the writer is one of those who, on coming to the end of 'Eight Bell Peals,' passes on to the reading matter, considering 'Six and Five Bell Peals' as being of no consequence. I will, therefore, refer him to the leader of June 14th, 1912, and to the peal list for December 2nd, 1921, page 734, in which is recorded a peal of Treble Bob Minor in 24 methods, in seven true extents, and would ask him to find out its value in points, as allowed by the Central Council, then compare it with the points allowed for London.

What encouragement is it to Minor ringers who, doing their best with the bells at their disposal, have their efforts belittled, and who again, may I ask, is entitled to a 'Certificate of Merit,' he who is nearly always ringing with a good band or he who goes about the countryside giving a helping hand and willing to stand in with a band of novices, giving encouragement rather than discouragement?

—Yours very truly,

28, Grove Street, Hazel Grove.

JOHN P. FIDLER.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

BISHOP OF COVENTRY AS PATRON.

The quarterly meeting held at Nuneaton on Saturday, October 21st, may be classed as one of the most successful in the history of the Guild. Members were present from Berkswell, Chilvers Coton, Coventry, Croft, Exhall, Grendon, Hinckley, Leicester, Lichfield, Stoke-in-Coventry, Stoke Golding, Stoney Stanton, and the local band. The bells were raised shortly after 3 o'clock, and were soon sending forth their music in Stedman Triples. They were kept going in various methods until 5 o'clock, when the Guild's service was taken in church by the Rev. Stanley Morris, curate of Attleborough, and Vicar-designate of Wolvey, who also gave the address. The Rev. H. B. Dawson, curate of Nuneaton, kindly presided at the organ.

After service a meat tea was provided in the Parish Room by kind permission of the Vicar (Canon Deed), between 20 and 30 sitting down, including the president, Canon H. C. A. Back, M.A. The president being unable to stay for the business meeting the chair was occupied by the Ringing Master (Mr. A. Roberts).—The Hon. Secretary read a letter from the new Bishop of Coventry, in which he said: 'I shall have much happiness in acting as patron of the Guild of Church Bell ringers, and hope that the Guild is very flourishing. Anything I can do to serve it will be a pleasure.'

Leamington was selected for the next quarterly meeting, in January, 1923.—Three new members were duly elected.

The Chairman moved a hearty vote of thanks to Canon Deed for the use of the bells and the Parish Room, to the Rev. Stanley Morris for officiating at the service and for his able address, also to the Rev. H. B. Dawson for presiding at the organ.—Mr. H. Argyie, senr., seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.—The Rev. S. Morris replied.

A vote of thanks was accorded the ladies for their kind assistance at the tea.

The tower was again visited, and the ringing was exceptionally good, every method attempted being successfully brought round. The touches included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Duffield, Double Norwich and Bob Major, London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise.

A convivial hour was spent in the Queen's Head Hotel, during which the handbells were brought into use in various methods, while the tune ringing by Messrs. H. Briggs and C. H. Webb was much enjoyed. Thus concluded a most successful meeting and friendly gathering.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

'Name' peals are not uncommon in these days, but it is interesting to recall the first of these, which was rung by the Royal Cumberland Youths at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Nov. 3rd, 1796. The ringers were all Williams, and it is surprising to find that in those far-off days, when facilities of locomotion were so limited, that eleven ringers boasting all the same Christian name could be got together.

The peal was a 5,129 Grandsire Caters, and it is recorded in the tower as 'the first peal ever rung on any bells by any society, the members being all of one name.' The band was William Whitehead treble, William Richardson 2, William West 3, William Stephens 4, William Gibson 5, William Shipway 6, William Brown 7, William Court 8, William Tyler 9, William Castle and William Rigby tenor. The peal was called by William Shipway.

This number of ringers of one Christian name in a peal has only been once exceeded, and that was when twelve Johns rang a peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Giles', Cripplegate.

On November 5th, 1737, as recorded in the annals of St. Peter's, Sheffield, 'was rung on eight bells at this church a peal of 6,048 changes of that intricate method called Cambridge Surprise in 4 hours and 18 minutes, by the following persons, viz.: R. Owen treble, G. E. O. Wylde 2nd, Samuel Willey 3rd, William Lee 4th, Charles Fletcher 5th, John Hill 6th, Samuel Dutton 7th, Thomas Babb 8th. The weight of tenor 33 cwt. The above is the first peal of this method ever rung in the country.'

This composition has not been handed down to us, but it is beyond question, we believe, that the peal was a false one. In any event, the ringers evidently did not know of a 5,152 Cambridge which had been rung in 1783, at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, London.

The first peal of Superlative was also rung on November 5th. This was at Huddersfield in the year 1821.

We have always looked upon Mrs. George Williams as the first lady peal ringer, for 30 years ago she rang the trebles to a handbell peal of Grandsire Triples. The 'Bury Post' of Nov. 5th, 1788, however, records a handbell peal of Bob Major rung at Nowton, in which the tenor was rung by a girl of 13. We have no further information than this, and wonder whether any of our readers can give us further particulars.

On November 8th, 1888, a peal of 6,720 London Surprise Major, then the longest length in the method, was rung at Bury-on-Trent.

The first eight-bell peal at Coddensham was rung on November 9th, 1742. And on the same date in the year 1800 the first peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major in Liverpool was rung.

The ringer of the 7th, in the peal of Double Norwich at Oswaldtwistle was William Barnes, not William Riling, as printed.

At an informal meeting held recently, the members of the belfry of St. John the Baptist, Hillingdon, presented Miss N. G. Williams (upon her leaving Hillingdon to take up her residence near Bath) with an ivory-fitted dressing case, as a token of appreciation of her work as local secretary.

In connection with the opening of the peal of twelve at Taunton it is interesting to recall that the former ring of ten was dedicated on June 25th, 1885. The ringing for the service was carried out by a specially selected band, and after a luncheon in the City Buildings the first peal of Caters in Somerset was rung on the bells.

The band contained some well-known names, being made up of Joseph Field 1, Thomas Payne 2, A. F. M. Custance 3, William Finch 4, Samuel Hounslow 5, Charles Hounslow 6, Rev. F. E. Robinson 7, Rev. C. D. P. Davies 8, James W. Washbrook 9, William Wakelin 10. The peal was composed by Henry Johnson, and conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson. It was rung under the auspices of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

The inquiry was made in our column a fortnight ago for any instance of a ringer taking part in his own golden wedding peal, as Mr. Jos. Gregory, of Deane, Bolton, had done on Sept. 25th. Mr. R. C. Loveday, of Thrapston, Northants, writes that Mr. W. J. Gilbert rang the 3rd to a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Raunds on February 25th last, in celebration of his golden wedding.

## AN APPRECIATED GIFT.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—On Saturday morning last the postgirl brought to my door a box containing a miniature set of mining tools, each part being stamped with the initials J.F., a letter enclosed and signed 'Ireneus Pistor.' I wish sincerely to thank the donor of the gift, who still wishes to remain in the dark, and shall prize them in remembrance of our happy day in the Midlands. When I arrange another such outing I will give 'Ireneus Pistor' Iko-cum-Sheffield an invitation to join us.

Bolsover.

J. F.



## CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL CENTENARY COMMEMORATION OF AN INTERESTING EVENT.

The centenary of the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal did not pass unmarked on Thursday of last week, and it is pleasing to record that two attempts were made for the same composition as that rung at All Saints', Wakefield, on October 26th, 1822.

At All Saints', Worcester, the peal was successful, but at St. Stephen's, Bristol, the attempt failed through a broken rope. The same composition was being rung, but unfortunately one lead after the first part and the treble rope came down and put an end to the ringing. However, as our correspondent remarks, 'it is better to have tried and lost than never to have tried at all,' especially as the failure was not due to the ringers.

The peal of a century ago is recorded in the belfry records at All Saints', Wakefield, as follows:—

On Saturday, the 26th day of October, 1822, nine of the society of ringers of this church, with Joseph Tebbs, of Leeds, succeeded in accomplishing a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal, comprising 5,400 changes, in three hours and thirty-five minutes, being the first peal ever attempted in the above difficult method by any set of men in the kingdom, which will be a standing laurel for the society for ages to come. The above peal was composed and conducted by William Woodhead. The band as stationed:—

Mark Blackburn	Treble	James Gill	Sixth
Joseph Sugden	Second	Joseph Gill	Seventh
Joseph Tebbs	Third	Thomas Netherwood	Eighth
George Pickering	Fourth	William Woodhead	Ninth
John Hall	Fifth	Robert Collett	Tenor

The peal	54632
	36245
	42563
	65324
	42356 First part end.
	34256 Second part end.
	23456 Third part end.

## THOSE DELUSIONS.—OCTOBER BREWED.

Dear Editor,—First of all let me hasten to assure good Tom O'Kent that I labour under no delusions, though I will admit that often have I tarried at ye hostel known as Ye Tiger hard by ye Common of Chiselhurst to such a late hour and to such goode purpose, that goode Mistress Peppery has in ye past, of ever blessed memory, given me so many pieces of her minde that I marvel at ye bounteous store of this product that goode Dame Nature did bestow upon ye best of spouses, not to mention ye generosity of ye Goode Mistress in such matters on my endeavouring to convince her that I had passed ye evening in ringing with Good Tom O'Kent and his merrie men. Then did ye goode woman also say that I suffered from delusions mixed with a generous proportion of Nut Brown (oh no, not shag). However, to our muttons. Good Tom O'Kiddor did claim that he was the first father to ring a peal of London with his son, Good Tom O'Kent, or his son, did reply that they had done that years ago, and like many more of your correspondents they omitted to mention that they knew it had been done before. So leaving people to infer that they laid a prior claim. I passed the remark on reading this letter that I was very surprised at Tom for omitting to give the honour to the Banister family, as I knew he had rung under the peal board in Woolwich Tower, which records the second peal of London ever rung. He must have seen it scores of times. I rang with him there a quarter of a century ago; and rang my first of Stedman and London under that 'vermillion' board.

I did note with pleasure ye varied suggestions for certificates for various stages of proficiency in ringing, and did discuss ye subject with goode Mistress Peppery, who did, as is her wont, brighten up my bemused ideas and did point out to me that ye goode Editor did provide us, week by week, with ye best of diplomas as to our respective merits, and did sound ye loud trumpet at every step forward which we took in ye art, even unto ye course on handbells over our mortal remains, though ye goode woman does oft affirm that 'ruins' will more fitly describe mine. And when I did suggest that as an added attraction 'wound stripes' should be granted for tough jobs, like Matfelon at Whitechapel, and a torpedo badge to indicate when one had shipwrecked a peal by having to 'give it up,' ye goode woman did remind me that I generally got shipwrecked coming home from a peal, so that I should never be able to wear 'em all at once. However, if ever I arrive home with another certificate, smash it o'er my pate she swears she will.

I did then refer to ye discourse on Q-sets, and did read ye problem of ye cat and its tails at which ye goode woman did say that, even were it true, ye cat was short on change compared with ye ringing fraternity after a peal, and she did affirm that she was in agreement with good Mr. Trollope when he had said, some time gone, that no one had a right to claim anything as his own, and that the house that Jack built theory was very good. But even then the brickmakers would have been hard hit as method builders if someone had not invented some clay.—Yours sincerely,

ONCE A BEGINNER (IN DELUSIONS).

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

### ALLIANCE WITH NEW GUILDFORD DIOCESE DISCUSSED.

A meeting of the Central district was held at Clapham Park on Saturday last, when ringing on the fine peal of eight was much enjoyed by a representative gathering from the towers in the district, including members from Ewell, Leatherhead, Croydon, Streatham, Mitcham, Beddington, and the local band, which includes several ladies, who are making good progress.

At the business meeting after tea, the Master, Mr. J. D. Drewett, presided, and among other business, the matter of an alliance with the new Guildford Diocese was discussed, and a resolution carried approving the same, and inviting the old Winchester members to form a Guildford district of the Surrey Association.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar and the lady members who had arranged the tea, was carried unanimously.

In connection with the question of the amalgamation of the towers in the new diocese of Guildford with the Surrey Association, we understand the proposal originated out of a communication received from the secretary of the Guildford District of the Winchester Guild, in which towers now in the Guildford District but actively affiliated to the Surrey Association, were invited to a meeting to consider—

(1) Whether it is advisable to form a new Guild for the new Diocese of Guildford, or

(2) To try and come to an arrangement with the Surrey Association and combine the two ringing societies in Surrey to form one Guild or Association with an alteration of name, say, the Guildford Diocesan Guild and Surrey Association, or vice versa.

(3) Any question which may arise from the above.

The discussion on the question at the Surrey meeting was taken part in by, among others, members from Leatherhead and Ewell, two of the towers which would be affected, as they are at present in the Winchester Diocese.

The members welcomed the proposed alliance, but could see no reason for an alteration of title. They, however, invited the Guildford members to form a Guildford district of the Surrey Association.

The towers in the Central District of the Surrey Association which are also in the Winchester Diocese are Dorking, Leatherhead, Ashstead, St. Martin's and Christ Church, Epsom, Ewell, Ranmore and Banstead.

There are other towers in West Surrey similarly situated.

Consideration of the subject between the Mid-Surrey towers and the Guildford District of the Winchester Guild is to take place at a meeting at Leatherhead to-morrow.

## ARMISTICE DAY.

To the Editor.

Sir,—May I again appeal to my fellow ringers throughout the country to do their best to carry on and extend the good work begun so well last year on Armistice Day in the ringing of muffled or half-muffled peals and touches?

No doubt there will be many peals rung this year, but I do hope that if peal ringers are drawn from other places it will be so arranged that their own towers are not neglected.

This is an occasion on which we as a body can show our gratitude for all our lads did for us, and in doing so, I feel sure we are expressing the gratitude of the vast majority of our fellow countrymen. It will also show that we still 'remember' those we loved and lost.—Yours faithfully,

Wellingborough.

F. BARBER.

## THE PEAL AT APPLEDORE.

Of the band in the peal at Appledore, Mr. and Mrs. H. Baker and Mr. B. Baker reside at Frittenden in the Tonbridge District of the Kent County Association, and Mrs. Baker is the first resident lady ringer in that district to ring a peal. Miss Thomas comes from Mersham, Messrs. Tribe and Burgess from Tenterden, Johnson from Appledore and Billenness from Hawkhurst. The peal was rung on the 38th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson, Lushington, Appledore. Mr. Alfred Johnson is captain of the Appledore ringers. The peal was also rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. George Johnson, whose birthday was on the previous Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson kindly entertained the company to tea and supper at their residence, Veness House, Appledore.

## BROKEN ROPE SPOILS MEMORIAL PEAL.

On the occasion of the opening of the Lych Gate War Memorial and unveiling of the roll of honour at Crofton Parish Church, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, an attempt was made to ring a muffled peal of Minor, the methods comprising Kent, Killamarsh, City Delight, Arnold's Victory and London Scholars. During the ringing of the last method, the breaking of the fourth rope brought the attempt to a sudden termination, which was the more unfortunate, as the band had got almost to the end of the complete peal. The ringers were: W. Green 1, J. T. Chamberlaine 2, G. Hunt 3, T. Hilton 4, A. Pantlier (conductor) 5, A. Gill 6.

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# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**BOURNEMOUTH.**—For evensong, on Sunday, October 29th, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): Miss Mannings 1, G. Williams (conductor) 2, A. Medd 3, H. Goodenough 4, C. Forfitt 5, E. Waters 6, J. Bennett 7, C. Loveall 8. First quarter-peal by the ringers of treble, 3rd and 4th.

**SALTBURN-BY-THE-SEA.**—On Sunday, October 29th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: G. Kemball 1, J. Appleton 2, G. A. Peck 3, F. Barber 4, G. Duncan 5, J. Wedgewood 6, R. Laughton (conductor) 7, C. Watson 8. First 504 in the method by entirely local band, and by ringers of 1st and 4th.

**OXTON, BIRKENHEAD.**—On Sunday afternoon, Oct. 29th, at St. Saviour's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): R. Barnes (first quarter-peal of Stedman) 1, W. J. Battle 2, S. F. Barnes 3, H. Brocklebank 4, C. Coventry 5, J. Evans 6, H. Ludkin 7, S. Moston 8. Rung for a service held in connection with the Masonic Order.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Oct. 8th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: \*A. H. Harding 1, F. W. Goodfellow 2, \*J. E. Churchill 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, \*J. W. Leonard 6, H. J. Hunnisett 7, L. H. Page (conductor) 8. \* First quarter-peal of Bob Major. † Hails from West Malling, Kent.

**FULHAM.**—At the Church of All Saints, on Sunday, Oct. 8th, for evening service, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: J. W. Driver 1, H. A. Folkard 2, H. Belcher 3, A. Cutnor 4, G. C. Iles 5, F. H. Crook (first quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters) 6, E. F. Cole 7, A. Harding 8, F. Skevington (first of Grandsire Caters as conductor) 9, G. F. Edwards 10.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At Great St. Andrew's Church, for evening service, on Sunday, Oct. 8th, 504 Stedman Triples: W. B. Kempton 1, York Green 2, F. E. Kempton 3, E. G. Hibbins 4, A. T. Chenery 5, W. Welch 6, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 7, T. R. Dennis 8.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, for the harvest thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: Mrs. H. Baker 1, H. Want 2, W. A. Penfold (first quarter inside) 3, J. Blake 4, H. Baker 5, A. H. Weiland 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, F. Chapman 8. Mr. and Mrs. Baker are from Eritenden; H. Want from Tenterden, and the rest local.

**FAIRFORD, GLOS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on October 8th, for morning service, harvest festival, 720 Bob Minor, with tenors covering: G. Law 1, B. Guy 2, H. Acock 3, G. J. Winter 4, G. W. Hastings 5, J. Hope (conductor) 6, J. Smith 7, A. Morse 8. First 720 of Minor for all except the conductor.

**CAERPHILLY, GLAM.**—At St. Martin's Church, for harvest festival, on Sunday, October 8th, for morning service, 1,008 Bob Major, in 45 mins.: W. Pike 1, F. Boucher 2, E. Dare 3, P. Jones 4, A. Addicott 5, F. Stephens 6, W. Dare 7, G. Cooke (composer and conductor) 8.—For evening service, two touches Stedman Triples and one of Grandsire.—For the services on the preceding Wednesday, three 420's Stedman Triples, conducted by A. Addicott.

**GREAT CHART, KENT.**—On Sunday morning, October 8th, for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 45 mins.: A. Mills (Kingsnorth) 1, F. Hodges (Kingsnorth) 2, A. Kay (Ashford) 3, G. J. Youngs (Boughton Aluph) 4, F. Good (conductor), Charing, 5, J. Skinner (Great Chart) 6.

**LEE, KENT.**—At St. Margaret's Church, on Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: C. Pinnigar 1, W. G. Pinnigar (conductor second half) 2, H. James 3, C. Payne 4, J. Lawson 5, A. Hoile 6, H. Brasher (conductor first half) 7, J. Dafters 8. Rung with 4, 6, 8, behind.

**WICKEN, NORTHERANTS.**—On Sunday, October 8th, for harvest festival services, a 720 Double Court, for 11 a.m., and 720 Cambridge Surprise for evensong: H. Birdsey, F. Case, L. Smith, A. J. Green, T. Roberts, T. Read. Both conducted by T. Read.

**SHREWSBURY.**—On Sunday, October 8th, at St. Chad's Church, for harvest festival service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 58 mins.: J. Griffiths 1, J. E. Lilley 2, G. Byolin 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, R. Polo 5, A. Short 6, T. Pritchard 7, W. Fairhead 8, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 9, J. Evans and D. James 10. Composed by J. George. First quarter-peal of Calers for 4 and 6.—For morning service, 350 Grandsire Triples: F. Lycett 1, J. Griffiths 2, G. Byolin 3, J. E. Lilley 4, A. Griffiths 5, T. Butler, senr. (Ellesmere), 6, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 7, D. James 8. Also touches of Stedman Caters, with Messrs. Boucher, Kynaston, Short, Fairhead and Evans for Lycett, A. Griffiths and James.

**DOVER, KENT.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for the evening service, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: J. Lockwood's variation: R. H. Stevens 1, C.

R. Walker 2, O. E. V. Wilkins 3, O. Turner (conductor) 4, E. L. Miles 5, H. Whitehead 6, F. Fairbeard 7, G. Godfrey 8. Mr. F. Fairbeard is from the Canterbury Cathedral band, and the touch was also rung as a welcome to Mr. O. E. V. Wilkins, who has recently been transferred to the Immigration Staff at Dover.

**WEST EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Stephen's Church, on Sunday morning, Oct. 8th, for harvest thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 41 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, E. J. Walsom 2, E. Harris 3, G. E. Harbour 4, F. Skevington 5, C. Edwards 6, H. Folkard 7, H. Belcher (conductor) 8.

**PORTSEA, HANTS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for evensong, at St. Mary's, 504 Stedman Triples: F. W. Rogers 1, T. R. Taylor 2, C. Groves 3, P. W. Cave (conductor) 4, W. Tate 5, R. J. Stone 6, E. J. Harding, junr., 7, E. J. Harding, senr., 8. Also 224 Kent Treble Bob with same band.

**WHITTLE, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, October 8th, for dedication of harvest festival, evening service, 1,280 Double Norwich, by J. George: W. Emery 1, F. W. Edwards 2, T. Lincoln 3, F. G. Radley 4, H. Head 5, H. W. Kirton 6, W. Lincoln (conductor) 7, A. Head 8.

**CAPENHURST, CHESHIRE.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: H. Ludkin 1, J. Cooke 2, R. Maddock 3, E. Elwell 4, J. Maddock 5, S. F. Barnes 6. First 720 in the method by 3, 4 and 5.

**WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: P. W. Norton 1, B. Foskett 2, W. G. Mathews 3, C. Lankester 4, R. Watts 5, H. Kilby (conductor) 6, G. M. Kilby 7, T. Newman 8.

**FLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, at the Parish Church, for harvest festival service, 720 Bob Minor: H. Baker 1, Rev. T. G. Devitt 2, H. Waltham 3, F. Lightning 4, F. Porter 5, J. B. Hallifax (conductor) 6. First 720 by the ringers of 1 and 3.

**GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, October 8th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: G. H. Neville 1, H. B. Gardner 2, J. D. Buckingham 3, C. J. Mann 4, A. C. Langford 5, E. P. Buckingham (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Cambridge Surprise: A. C. Langford 1, H. B. Gardner 2, J. D. Buckingham 3, C. J. Mann 4, G. H. Neville (conductor) 5, E. P. Buckingham 6.

**LIVERPOOL.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,299 changes): W. Davies 1, T. Hammond, junr., 2, W. Fisher 3, E. Jones 4, \*E. Bumpley 5, G. R. Newton 6, J. Martin (conductor) 7, T. W. Gilmour 8, E. Counce 9. \*J. Owen 10. † First quarter-peal in the method.

**HERSHAM, SURREY.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,368 changes), for harvest festival: G. Edser 1, Miss N. Shorter 2, W. A. Woodrow 3, J. Lovetridge 4, A. Woodrow 5, F. J. Shepherd (conductor) 6, M. Smithers 7, W. Shorter 8.

**IWERNE COURTNEY, DORSET.**—Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—At St. Mary's Church, after the harvest festival service, on Sunday evening, October 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins.: A. W. Harvey 1, B. Newman 2, A. Hart 3, H. Martin 4, F. Arnold (conductor) 5, W. Wilkins 6.

**HAYES, KENT.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for harvest festival, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader 2, O. Gilbey (conductor) 3, G. Harwood 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6.—For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: J. Grandfield 1, O. Gilbey 2, J. Hack 3, G. Harwood 4, H. Brown (conductor) 5, F. Keech 6. Also 240 Kent, conducted by H. Reader.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—At Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, 1,302 Grandsire Triples, the first quarter of Holt's Original: H. Lewis 1, W. G. Cook 2, F. J. Lewis 3, W. Hayward 4, J. Butler (conductor) 5, G. Dore 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.—On Sunday, October 29th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): F. W. Bond 1, W. G. Cook 2, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 3, W. C. Cuss 4, J. Butler 5, H. C. Bond 6, V. R. Williams 7, J. Hayward 8.

**STANTON, SHROPSHIRE.**—As a welcome home from India, for Capt. Hayes, 720 Grandsire Doubles (six different callings): H. Edwards 1, E. Turner 2, A. White 3, W. Lycett 4, W. Clay (conductor) 5, A. Turner 6.—On Sept. 28th, 360 Grandsire Minor: \*H. Clay 1, \*H. Turner 2, \*W. Lycett 3, \*S. France 4, \*W. Clay 5, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 6. † First 360 of Minor. ‡ First 360 of Minor on a bob bell.

**PRIESTBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**—On Sunday evening, October 1st, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 42 mins.: J. Major 1, H. Halford 2, H. Newman 3, C. Pockett 4, T. Pendry 5, C. Tovey 6, J. J. Causon (conductor) 7, J. Harrison 8.

**CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, October 1st, for afternoon service, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Bob Minor, and 120 Kent Treble Bob Minor: L. Hammond 1, F. C. Lambert (conductor) 2, F. Peck 3, A. H. Took 4, T. Crane 5, W. Kerrison 6.



**ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER.****ENJOYABLE VISIT TO KETTERING.**

The annual outing of the above society for 1922, on October 7th, will rank as one of the most successful and enjoyable of a long series. The venue selected was Kettering, and shortly after 2 p.m. the party of about twenty ringers and friends reached that town after a commonplace and uneventful journey by train. Met by Mr. D. Nicholls, a stalwart of the Kettering band, a bus was found patiently waiting their convenience, and trucks were made for Rothwell, where the magnificent peal of eight were soon raised and set going to the tune of London, followed by Bristol, Cambridge, Superlative, Double Norwich and Stedman Triples, all of which were successfully brought round. Much interest was also displayed in the fine church, with its famous crypt. The bells are a splendid ring by Taylor, and the tone and go leave nothing to be desired. Reluctantly, Rothwell was left for the return journey to Kettering, where ample justice was done to a fine repast. Afterwards the bells of the Parish Church were taken possession of, and Stedman Caters and Cambridge Royal were negotiated in good style, several of the local ringers taking part. This peal of ten are in fine going order, but the trebles cannot be heard to advantage in the belfry, a point possibly more noticeable to strangers.

The visitors were doubly fortunate in having a private room reserved for their comfort, after ringing had ceased at the church, and a most enjoyable evening was spent, the handbells being requisitioned both for change and tune ringing, in which Mr. S. Cotton and Mr. G. Cleal, of silent handbell peal fame, once again gave of their best. In the vocal part of the entertainment several old artists, after a time, came 'out of their shell' with distinction. The party were very pleased to welcome Mr. R. Richardson after a peal exploit in the neighbourhood.

Mr. Nicholls expressed the great pleasure it had given the ringers of the district to receive the visit of the Leicester ringers, and he paid a high tribute to the quality of the ringing, in which the young mascot of 14 acquitted himself with great credit, accomplishing successfully London, Bristol and Cambridge Royal.

The very best thanks of the visitors are due to Mr. Nicholls for the thorough arrangements he had made for the comfort and entertainment of the visitors, which it is hoped to reciprocate when a fresh peal is obtained at St. Martin's, the present condition of the bells being such that no enjoyment would be derived by any visitors. It was a real pleasure to have the opportunity of ringing on bells in such direct contrast. Thanks are due to the Vicars of Rothwell and Kettering for giving the Leicester ringers this opportunity.

Ten o'clock arrived all too soon, and the party leisurely made their way to the station to catch (according to the secretary) the 10.50 p.m. to Leicester. On reaching the station a few minutes prior to 10.30 it was found that the last train was due out at 10.30, the 10.50 being a train that set forth from Leicester! He had evidently enjoyed himself to the extent of desiring to commence the whole proceedings over again. Anyhow there were no stragglers, and all managed to get safely aboard, unanimous in their expression of having had a good day.

**A PEAL AT ST. BRIAVEL'S, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**

On Saturday, October 14th, members of the Hereford Guild made their second journey to St. Briavel's, Glos., in search of a peal of Grandsire Triples. The Bridstow detachment cycled to Ruardean, where they picked up four of the local band, including two Bishops (without gaiters). The transport had been arranged for by Ex-Sergt. Williams, whose absence, through illness, was keenly regretted. On the party being loaded up in the motor it was observed that none of the company on this occasion had their hair standing up. Being a beautiful autumn day, the journey through the Forest of Dean was much admired. As the roads here have some very sharp right-angled turns they required considerable skill and care on the part of our Jehu. St. Briavel's stands on a hill, and is a notable landmark from the railway between Monmouth and Tintern. The peal of eight are the easiest going bells to be found in a day's journey. After commandeering the services of Mr. Coates, the local foreman, the bells were set going in good style, the half-way single coming up in 1 hr. 23 minutes. All went well until the last part, when some of the band 'got the wind up,' and caused trouble. However, the 'skipper' rose to the occasion, and kept a firm hand—or voice—with the result that disaster was averted, although some had visions of a third journey to St. Briavel's.

One wished that these bells were at Bridstow, but, after all, reflected that perhaps it was best for them to pursue their steady work of call changes, Grandsire Doubles, etc., as at Bridstow they might get twisted about in Treble Bob, and all sorts of Major methods, perhaps even in that abomination—London Surprise. So we said good-bye to them.

The return journey suffered somewhat from the fact that on a previous journey 'Jack' had used up all his store of anecdotes, but in spite of this drawback the Bell Hotel was safely reached, and the 'ecclesiastics' duly deposited.

W. P.

**EALING RINGERS' FIRST OUTING.**

The first outing of the band of St. Mary's Parish Church, Ealing, was a complete success. The ringers and friends left Ealing Broadway at 1.20 p.m. for Reading, which was to be the scene of activities for the day. A course of Grandsire Caters on handbells was brought round en route, but Bob Major could not be managed, owing to frequent interruptions of passengers passing through the corridor, and the boisterous spirits of the party. On reaching Reading the party made their way to St. Giles. Mr. A. W. Osborne, the genial foreman, welcomed the ringers, and the bells were raised in peal, but owing to nervousness or 'the holiday spirit' this could not be called exactly a success. However, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Double Norwich Major were rung. A move was then made to St. Mary's Church, where Mr. J. Swain extended a hearty welcome. The heavy bells were soon set going to the tune of Stedman Triples, Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major following. On vacating the tower, rain was falling, and the restaurant was quickly sought. Here tea was waiting, and the ringers did ample justice to the meal. After tea, further handbell ringing took place, much to the delight of the waitresses. Time flies, and when Caversham was reached, the party were behind scheduled time. However, with Mr. E. J. Menday and other local ringers, the bells of St. Peter's were soon tapping off well-struck changes. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent and Cambridge Surprise Major were the methods. A pleasing alteration in programme became necessary, as an old friend, Mr. J. R. Mackman, had invited the band to supper, and the tower was left at 8.30 p.m. A short but enjoyable time was spent with Mr. and Mrs. Mackman, and some ringing on the host's splendid handbells took place. This occupied more time than was anticipated, and a hasty stampede to the station was the result. The London train was waiting, and everybody boarded it safely. Ealing was reached at 10.15 p.m., where the party dispersed in heavy rain, damp but cheerful. The ringers wish to thank the incumbents of St. Giles' and St. Mary's, Reading, and of St. Peter's, Caversham, for the use of their bells; Messrs. Swain, Menday and Osborne, and other local ringers, for their kind assistance; and Mr. and Mrs. Mackman for giving the party such an enjoyable supper. Special thanks must be accorded to Mr. A. W. Osborne for arranging tea and other items. F.W.G.

**LAVENHAM RINGERS' OUTING.**

On Saturday, September 23rd, through the kindness of the leading church people, an enjoyable day's ringing was spent in Essex by the Lavenham ringers. Starting from Lavenham Church at 8.20, Haldstead was reached by 9.30, the party being received by Mr. A. Wiffen. Touches of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Kent Major were successfully brought round. Bocking was next visited, where touches of Stedman, Oxford and Forward Major were rung. Mr. A. Shuffeleotham, who kindly welcomed the party, took a rope in two touches, and also acted as pilot to Braintree Church, where a hearty welcome was extended by Mr. Charles Howard, Ringing Master of the Essex Association. Here the mascot of the party (Stedman S., junr.) had to be carried on his father's back up the ladder, about 30 feet high and nearly upright. A touch of Double Norwich came to grief. The party then adjourned to a splendid dinner, after which touches of Grandsire Triples and Double Norwich were brought round. Then came a six miles' run to Coggeshall, where, according to programme, Grandsire Triples, Kent and Double Norwich were rung. After bidding farewell and success to some well-known brother ringers, who were waiting to attempt a peal of Double Norwich, the journey was resumed to Earls Colne, which was reached about 4.45. Here Stedman and Forward were brought round, the latter being the first on the bells in the method. After refreshing the innerman, tracks were made for Sudbury St. Gregory, the last tower on the programme. Here at 6.30 the party were met by the local company and Mr. J. Lee, of London, Stedman and Forward, Kent and Double Norwich, in which Mr. J. Lee, Mr. D. Elliott, of Great Henny, and the local company joined, were brought round. Home was reached about 8 p.m., after a splendid outing. The ringers wish, through 'The Ringing World,' to thank the clergy for the use of the bells, the ringers who received them, and the friends who so generously contributed towards the cost of such an enjoyable outing. The handbells were much used whilst travelling.

**THE LATE MR. T. WALLIS.**

In connection with the appeal on behalf of the widow and daughter of the late Mr. T. Wallis, of Edenbridge, Kent, Mr. J. W. Steddy acknowledges with thanks the following: Previous list, £7 5s.; Mr. W. Stead, 7s. 6d.; Mr. W. H. Fussell, 2s. 6d. As the fund will shortly be closed will intending subscribers kindly forward early to J. W. Steddy, High Street, Edenbridge, Kent? This being a very deserving case, it is hoped many will contribute.

**CHRISHALL, ESSEX.**—On Sept. 9th, in an unsuccessful peal attempt, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: L. Brookes 1. E. G. Hibbins (conductor) 2. R. Clemenis 3. A. E. Austin 4. P. Webb 5. F. Griggs 6. Afterwards, 720 Kent Treble Bob and 720 Plain Bob by the same band.

## NOTICES.

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**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—The 285th Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 7/6 each, may be obtained from any of the following committee: Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T. Cockerill, G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. Howell, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney and E. A. Young. Towers open for ringing from 3.30 to 5.30: St. Giles', Cripplegate; St. Magnus', London Bridge; St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate.

**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.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A Quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Hampton Bishop on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m., service 5 p.m. Tea at Parish Room 5.45 p.m.—C. Edwards, Dis. Sec., Great Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, Nov. 4th. *Not* St. Michael's, Blackburn, as was arranged. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, at a small charge, at 5.30, followed by short business meeting. The bells at St. John-at-Hackney (Old Hackney) will be available from 7.30 to 9 o'clock. A good attendance is desired.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southwold District.—A practice meeting will be held at Southwold on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. W. Naunton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Maldon on Saturday, November 4th. Both towers available from 3 p.m. till 8 p.m. Service at All Saints' 4.30. Tea and meeting in Parish Room to follow. Private bus leaves Chelmsford at 2.30, returning from Maldon 8.30, to hold 16. A few seats available, fare 2s. 6d. return.—P. Timson, Dis. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Southport, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Efforts are being made for Emmanuel Church bells to be available the same day.—J. Halsall, Branch Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chipping Norton Branch.—The Annual Autumn meeting will be held at Burford on Saturday, November 4th. Bells (8) available 2.30, Service 4. Tea 4.45 at The Lamb.—J. Keyte, Hon. Sec., Charlbury.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Coaley on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid-Devon Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 4th, at Newton Abbot. Bells available—Highweek (8), St. Leonards (8), from 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., "Tauntonia," Church Street, Paignton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will take place at Middleton Parish Church on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Eccles on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells ready at 3.15, meeting 7 o'clock.—J. Hall, Branch Sec. 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Fleet, Holbeach, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Meat tea in Village Hall at 4.15.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Sudbury.—A meeting will be held at Sudbury on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells available from 12 (noon), S. Gregory (8) and All Saints' (8). Business meeting in the vestry of S. Gregory's at 3.30 p.m.

**BLACKROD, LANCASHIRE.**—The bells will be opened on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will those intending having tea kindly send their names to Peter Crook, 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton?

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on November 7th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 9th and 23rd: \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, 14th (election of officers); St. Andrew's, Holborn, 16th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral, 28th. All at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Next Meeting Nov. 11th, Sheffield Cathedral.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec.

**REOPENING OF NORTH WINGFIELD TOWER** and Dedication of Tenor, 3 p.m., Nov. 11th. Tea 1/- Notice to the Rector, Rev. Canon A. J. B. Ellerton, Chesterfield.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A Monthly meeting of this branch will be held at Earl Shilton, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**NORTH WINGFIELD.**—Dedication of new tenor bell, Saturday, Nov. 11th. Service 3 p.m. Tea 4.30, 1/6 each to all who notify Mr. J. P. Tarlton, 16, Bright Street, N. Wingfield, Chesterfield, not later than Nov. 8th. All ringers and friends invited.—T. Allibone, Local Sec.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at Hoylandswaine. All ringers welcome.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Secretary.

**WEST HALLAM, NEAR DERBY.**—The new peal of six bells will be dedicated on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Service commences 2.30. Dedication 3 p.m. All ringers invited. Six members of the Ilkeston band will ring at the dedication, also at the conclusion of the service. Afterwards the Bells will be open for visitors. Tea will also be provided. Will those that intend being present kindly notify Mr. S. Hunt, West Hallam, near Derby?

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the Hunts Branch will be held at Hemingford Abbots on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells at Hemingford Abbots (6) and Houghton (5) available from 2 p.m. Service and address 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. All requiring tickets for tea (9d.) please send me notice by Nov. 7th.—Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long Stanton, Cambridgeshire.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Woolton, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service 5.30. Tea and Meeting 6. Tea 6d. Members intending to be present please send word to Sec., Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—The Annual district meeting will be held at Alverstoke, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells available 2.30. Tea and business 5.30. Will members requiring tea please acquaint me by Wednesday, 8th?—E. J. Harding, District Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Walton-le-Dale, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Two peal boards will be unveiled. Tea will be provided to all sending in their names to A. E. Woodhouse, 104, Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale, not later than Monday, Nov. 6th.—W. Taylor, Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices; Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Nov. 13th and 27th; Bishopsgate, Nov. 20th. Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—A Monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Old Hill, on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Bells available at 3 o'clock.—A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at St Andrew's, Wells St., W., on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Service at 6.30 p.m. All ringers invited. Business meeting at 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

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