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### RINGERS AND ADVISORY BOARDS.

One of the most important steps which the Central Council have for a long time taken was to pass a resolution at their meeting on Whitsun Tuesday urging that on all diocesan advisory boards, there should be a person who has expert knowledge of bells, bell hanging and change ringing, and in order that it may be brought to the notice of the proper authorities, a copy is to be sent to the secretaries of all Diocesan Conferences and Advisory Boards. In this way the resolution will come under official notice, but it will behove the associations throughout the country to keep an eye upon this matter, and to see that no stone is left unturned to secure the carrying out of the Council's recommendation.

The importance of this matter to ringers is just this. Advisory boards are a comparatively new departure in diocesan organisation. All matters concerning church improvements for which a faculty is required come under their review, and the influence which they exercise in settling such questions as the manner in which a peal of bells should be restored is paramount. These committees set about their work with the very best of intentions, but it is only in rare cases at present that their members include anyone with knowledge of the requirements of ringers. The antiquarian side is well protected, and the imperfect knowledge from the engineering point of view—we use this phrase deliberately—which those who are asked for advice on antiquarian questions usually possess, is often such as to jeopardise the possibility of successfully restoring a peal of bells. Under existing conditions in a majority of the advisory boards, however, the opinions of these persons are accepted without question, because there is no representative who can, with authoritative knowledge, place before the advisory bodies the ringers' view and give advice which might materially affect a decision. Then, too, there is the general necessity of guarding the ringers' interests where alterations, not, perhaps, connected directly with the bells are contemplated, such as the case referred to by Canon Baker, in which the installation of a new organ cut off half the bellfry and made it practically impossible to ring the bells—a matter which never occurred to the advisory board, in question.

Thus it will be seen that it is very necessary that the interests of ringers and ringing should be represented on the advisory boards. In some few cases, notably in the dioceses of Winchester, Manchester and Chelmsford, the ringers are represented, and every association should see that, as soon as possible, the diocesan board in its area, has at least one member who can speak with knowledge

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on matters that closely affect the belfry. The Council's resolution will bring the subject to the notice of the appointing authorities; the associations must see that the appointments are not shelved. The matter is of really vital interest and importance to all ringing organisations, and we trust that, attention having been drawn to it, associations will give it their serious consideration.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

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

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Three Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5147 CHANGES;

JESSE GILLET ... .. Treble	WALTER TRUMAN ... .. 7
THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 2	CHARLES GARDINER ... .. 8
WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. 3	WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 9
JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 4	FRANK COLE ... .. 10
ALFRED HANNIS ... .. 5	JOHN BALLINGER ... .. 11
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6	WILLIAM SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

WREXHAM, DENBIGHSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Thursday, June 19, 1924, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 6003 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ... .. Treble	* EDWARD V. RODENHURST 6
* GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 2	* JAMES SWINDLEY ... .. 7
* SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 3	JAMES MORGAN ... .. 8
ALBERT J. HUGHES ... .. 4	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 9
HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 5	† REGINALD L. INCE ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. T. ELSON.

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal on ten bells. The band wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells, and Mr. Jones for having everything ready. Composition, No. 48, C.C.C.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5002 CHANGES;

Tenor 28½ cwt. in D flat.

JOHN H. SWINFIELD ... .. Treble	WALTER WALLACE ... .. 6
ERNEST H. CLARKE ... .. 2	ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 7
MAURICE SWINFIELD ... .. 3	ARTHUR BRAINES ... .. 8
JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 4	FRANK J. SMALLWOOD ... .. 9
CHARLES DRAPER ... .. 5	RICHARD W. DRAGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by M. SWINFIELD.

This composition is now rung for the first time. First peal of Caters as conductor, and first attempt.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Three Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 33 cwt. in C sharp.

BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. Treble	† JOSEPH W. FEMBERTON ... 6
HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 2	† BERT HORTON ... .. 7
EDGAR MARLOW ... .. 3	† EDWARD V. RODENHURST 8
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 4	WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 9
* JOHN PERRY ... .. 5	THOMAS J. ELTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY J. TUCKER.

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung, after meeting short for Stedman Cinques, to celebrate the completion of 30 years' membership of St. Peter's company by the conductor. \* First peal of Royal. † First peal of Bob Royal. First peal of Royal as conductor. First peal of Royal on the bells.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

EDMONTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 7, 1924, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

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

HEYWOOD'S FIVE-PART.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

MISS PHOEBE UPSHER ... Treble	JOSEPH W. PARKER ... 5
JOHN W. JONES ... 2	WALTER J. BOWDEN ... 6
EDMUND G. TOMLINSON ... 3	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... 7
EDWARD H. KING ... 4	JOHN THOMAS ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

STANSTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 13, 1924, in Three Hours.

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM T. PRIOR ... Treble	THOMAS J. WATTS ... 5
* HERBERT W. WATTS ... 2	THOMAS JORDAN ... 6
GEORGE JORDAN ... 3	WALTER AYRE ... 7
WALTER PRIOR ... 4	JOHN PRIOR ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor, and first attempt. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Ayre and Mr. W. Robinson, which took place at Barton-on-Humber on the 11th; the band meeting short that day; also in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Richardson, Suffolk.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, June 14, 1924, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb. in G.

FREDERICK BORRETT ... Treble	ERNEST WHITING ... 5
WALTER BARRETT ... 2	CHARLES CUTTING ... 6
DAVID COLLINS ... 3	RUSSELL RICHES ... 7
CHARLES BAKER ... 4	CHARLES ROOPE ... Tenor

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL.

Conducted by F. BORRETT.

BUCKINGHAM.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH Bucks BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 14, 1924, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

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

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 27 cwt.

ALBERT J. GREEN ... Treble	* THOMAS E. ROBERTS ... 5
† FREDERICK C. CASE ... 2	† THOMAS C. TOMPKINS ... 6
EDWIN YATES ... 3	ERNEST C. LAMBERT ... 7
† HERBERT C. EDWARDS ... 4	* THOMAS E. READ ... Tenor

Conducted by A. J. GREEN.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal of Triples with a bob bell.  
‡ 50th peal. First peal of Triples as conductor.

LEEK, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 14, 1924, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Edward,

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

Tenor 13½ cwt.

JOHN RIDER ... Treble	EDWARD A. RIDGWAY ... 5
ALFRED E. BACON ... 2	EDGAR SHARRATT ... 6
* ARTHUR PEAKE ... 3	WALTER N. ASHBY ... 7
* EDWIN SHARRATT ... 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 317).

Conducted by J. E. SYKES.

This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 6th its extent in all positions, five times wrong and four times right, with all the 8-6-7's and 8-5's. Rung to commemorate the visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales to the Potteries, and the completion of 31 years' service in this belfry by Mr. Ridgway. \* First peal of Major.

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, June 14, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

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

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

LEONARD NELMES ... Treble	JOHN W. DAVIS ... 5
JOHN J. BEVAN ... 2	ROBERT E. SUMMERS ... 6
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... 7
GEORGE WILKS ... 4	WILLIAM BISHOP ... Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

ERITH, KENT.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, June 14, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

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

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... Treble	ERNEST J. KING ... 5
FREDERICK J. CULLUM, SEN. ... 2	JOHN MORTON ... 6
JEFFERY R. GAMMON ... 3	FRED. WILFORD ... 7
HARRY DYAS ... 4	WILLIAM BERRY ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

(BRISTOL BRANCH.)

On Monday, June 16, 1924, in Three Hours,

At the Church of SS. Philip and Jacob,

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

Tenor 19 cwt.

FREDERICK G. LEAKER ... Treble	GILBERT PEARCE ... 5
EDGAR GUISE ... 2	GEORGE TREW ... 6
* RAYMOND SEAGER ... 3	JOHN G. JEFFRIES ... 7
WILLIAM A. CAVE ... 4	JOSEPH GOULD ... Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN.

Conducted by EDGAR GUISE.

\* First peal of Major. A birthday compliment to George Trew.

WOOLWICH, KENT.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM KEEBLE ... Treble	WALTER ARNOLD ... 5
GEORGE R. PYE ... 2	† WILLIAM ROGERS ... 6
WILLIAM MILLER ... 3	ALBERT W. COLES ... 7
* FRED. HOOPER ... 4	WILLIAM PYE ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

\* First peal in the method. † 100th peal. Messrs. Hooper and Arnold were elected members of the Association previous to starting for the peal. Rung as a compliment to the conductor on the 21st anniversary of his wedding.

CONGLETON, CHESHIRE.

THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5664 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14¾ cwt.

* FRANK TRINER ... Treble	WALTER N. ASHBY ... 5
ARTHUR PEAKE ... 2	SAMUEL CARDELL ... 6
FREDERICK SMITH ... 3	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... 7
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY ... 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 42).

Conducted by J. E. SYKES.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Dorothy Stanhope Lawton to Mr. Frank Procter. Mr. Lawton is a highly respected member of the Borough Council. This composition, now rung for the first time, was composed on June 24th, 1884. It contains the extent of the 5th and 6th in 5-6, with both bells six times home.  
\* First attempt for a peal on eight bells.

SHERE, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

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

Tenor 15 cwt.

† WILLIAM CHIVERS ... .. Treble	* THOMAS STREETER ... .. 5
MRS. HAZELDEN ... .. 2	GEORGE TOMSETT ... .. 6
GEORGE J. NICHOLS ... .. 3	WILLIAM W. THORNE ... .. 7
SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 4	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK HOPGOOD. Conducted by C. HAZELDEN.

\* First peal on eight bells, and first attempt. † First peal of Major. It was rung on Mr. Nichols' birthday.

CHISWICK.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

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

Tenor 14 cwt.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... .. 2	HARRY KILBY ... .. 6
HAROLD G. FRAMPTON ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. GOODFELLOW ... .. 7
JOSEPH HERBERT ... .. 4	ARTHUR HARDING ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

PRIVETT, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

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

Tenor 12 cwt. 15 lb. in F sharp.

JOHN H. B. HESSE ... .. Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 5
* GEORGE POLLINGER ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... .. 6
HENRY HUTTON ... .. 3	* WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN. ... .. 7
EDWARD F. DUFFIELD ... .. 4	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

\* First peal in the method. First peal of London on the bells. First peal of London by the above Guild for 10 years.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

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

Tenor 6½ cwt.

LEONARD H. WHITEHEAD ... Treble	WILLIAM A. JAMES ... .. 5
EDWARD R. WHITEHEAD ... .. 2	EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... .. 6
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... .. 3	PERCY PRICE ... .. 7
ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 4	GEO. STEDMAN MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by B. ANNABLE. Conducted by EDGAR C. SHEPHERD.

Rung to celebrate the coming-of-age of Miss Dorothy Price, daughter of Mr. F. S. Price, of Beeston.

EARL SHILTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of SS. SIMON AND JUDE.

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

† HARRY WRIGHT ... .. Treble	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 5
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 3	* FRANK E. PERVIN ... .. 7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

\* First peal of London. † First peal of Treble Bob Major. First peal in the method on the bells.

**THOS. J. GROOMBRIDGE**

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ESTIMATES SUBMITTED FOR NEW OR REPAIR WORK

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

MINCHINHAMPTON.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Whit Monday, June 9, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

At Holy Trinity Church,

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

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

* WILLIAM KIRBY ... .. Treble	FRANK PONTING ... .. 4
EDWARD JEFFERIES ... .. 2	HARRY BARRATT ... .. 5
VICTOR HATHAWAY ... .. 3	HARRY NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY BARRATT.

First peal of this method on the bells. First peal by all the band.  
\* First peal.

CODDINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 14, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single and Oxford Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

RICHARD THOMAS ... .. Treble	CHRIS BOWERS ... .. 4
E. WILLIAM TURNER ... .. 2	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

WOODHOUSE EAVES, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 14, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Paul,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with 12 different callings.

* HARRY W. MARTIN ... .. Treble	GUYDO DICKINSON ... .. 4
ALBAN DISNEY ... .. 2	ROWLAND BARROW ... .. 5
KENNETH R. ELLIOTT ... .. 3	* S. WILFRED CHAPMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROWLAND BARROW.

\* First peal. The ringer of the tenor was made a member previous to starting the peal.

FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, June 17, 1924, in Two Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 9½ cwt.

* CHARLES T. COLES ... .. Treble	* FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 4
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	* WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... .. 5
* ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. NODDS ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by C. T. COLES.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor by all, who have now rung peals of Minor, Major, Royal and Maximus in the method. \* First peal on six bells.

BURTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

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

Being two 720's each of Cambridge Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Kent Treble Bob, each called differently.

Tenor 10 cwt.

JAMES R. GRIFFIN ... .. Treble	HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 4
* WILLIAM DEAN ... .. 2	THOMAS A. ROGERS ... .. 5
JOHN COOKE ... .. 3	SYDNEY F. BARNES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES R. GRIFFIN.

\* First peal of Minor, and first attempt. Quickest peal on the bells. The band take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells. Also for his kindness in allowing them to ring through a service. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.



### REEPHAM, NORFOLK. THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, June 22, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, HACKFORD,  
**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9½ cwt.

MATT TIMBERS ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM J. WASEY ... ..	4
MISS KITTY WILLERS ... ..	2	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... ..	5
FREDK. J. BARBER ... ..	3	WALTER C. MEDLER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WM. B. DUNCAN.

Arranged for the ringer of the 2nd, who hails from Trumpington, near Cambridge.

### WENHASTON, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, June 22, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

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

Being two 720's each of Woodbine and Kent, and three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN SPENCER ... ..	Treble	JOHN LARTER ... ..	4
CHARLES BAILEY ... ..	2	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... ..	5
EDGAR BAILEY ... ..	3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

This peal was especially arranged and rung to celebrate the first visit of the new Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich to the parish.

### HANDBELL PEAL.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thursday, June 12, 1924, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL TOWER,

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

THOMAS RUSSAM ... ..	1-2	ALBERT WALKER ... ..	7-8
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... ..	3-4	EDGAR C. SHEPPARD ... ..	9-10
GEORGE F. SWANN ... ..	5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... ..	11-12

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT E. NORMAN.

Umpire: HERBERT SPENCER.

### ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the South-Western Division of the Essex Association was held at Loughton on Saturday, May 10th, when 30 members attended. Tea was partaken of in the Church Hall, followed by the meeting, the Rector (the Rev. N. Maitland), who was elected an hon. member, presiding. It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Hornchurch, and three new ringing members were elected.

The Master proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells and the hall for the tea and meeting; to the ladies for providing the tea, and to Mr. J. Rann for making the necessary arrangements, which helped to make the meeting a success.

A meeting of the Northern District of the Essex Association was held at Stisted on Saturday week. At a short service at the Parish Church the Rev. O. E. Lea Winter, Rector of Bradwell-by-Braintree, officiated, and gave a helpful address. Miss Law was at the organ, and the lesson was read by Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the Association. Tea followed at the Institute, 30 members being present from Braintree, Chelmsford, Dunmow, Earls Colne, Greenstead Green, Maldon, Rayne, and Stisted, including Mr. L. Wiffen, District Master, and Mr. W. H. Dyson, district secretary. Mrs. Lee Winter greatly helped in the arrangements. Thanks were accorded the preacher and the church authorities. During the evening there was tune ringing on the handbells by local ringers, and in the tower touches were rung of Bob Minor, Grandsire Doubles, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Cambridge and London Surprise. A young band have recently started here, and with the assistance of the visitors were enabled to ring several 120's of Grandsire Doubles.

LLANDAFF.—At the Cathedral, on Saturday, June 21st, in 45 minutes, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): W. Biss 1, F. J. Bailey 2, J. Davies 3, E. Coombes 4, G. Large 5, C. Greedy (conductor) 6, J. W. Jones 7, W. Bolton 8. First quarter-peal of Stedman for the 3rd, 4th and 5th ringers. Rung after meeting short for a peal of Caters.

### AN EAST ANGLIAN TOUR.

The following ten peals were rung by members of the Norfolk Guild for the Diocese of Norwich during a ringing tour in East Anglia:—

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, June 14, 1924, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

#### **A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 13 cwt.

HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	5
GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	2	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... ..	6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	3	JAMES GEORGE ... ..	7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... ..	4	HARRY PARKES ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

First peal in the method on the bells.

GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, June 14, 1924, in Three Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

#### **A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in C sharp,

HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... ..	Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... ..	8
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... ..	9
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... ..	4	HARRY PARKES ... ..	10
GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	5	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON ... ..	11
*C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. 6		JAMES GEORGE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN COX.

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

\* First peal of Maximus. † First peal on twelve tower bells.  
‡ First peal on twelve bells.

SALLE, NORFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, June 15, 1924, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

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

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 18 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	5
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	2	HARRY PARKES ... ..	6
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... ..	3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	7
*C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. 4		GEORGE H. DAYNES ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

\* 150th peal. First peal of Stedman on the bells.

SAXLINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Monday, June 16, 1924, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### **A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in G.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	Treble	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... ..	5
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... ..	2	C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. 6	
GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	3	HARRY PARKES ... ..	7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	4	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... ..	Tenor

Composed by E. BARNETT, SEN.

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Monday, June 16, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN DE SEPULCHRE,

#### **A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	5
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... ..	2	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... ..	6
C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. 3		GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... ..	4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.

Conducted by G. H. CROSS.

Mr. G. H. Cross is the first person, born in Norwich, to call a peal in the above method in the city of Norwich.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Tuesday, June 17, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

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

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

HARRY PARKES ... .. Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. 6
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 4	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

ELMHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Thursday, June 19, 1924, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

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

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb in E.

C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. Treble	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... .. 6
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 3	HARRY PARKES ... .. 7
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 4	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS.

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Thursday, June 19, 1924, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5038 CHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb in D.

JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... .. 2	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 7
HARRY PARKES ... .. 4	C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. H. CROSS.

LODDON, NORFOLK.  
THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Friday, June 20, 1924, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. 6
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... .. 3	HARRY PARKES ... .. 7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

First peal of Cambridge on the bells.

AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, June 21, 1924, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANCES;

Tenor 20 in E.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 6
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... .. 2	C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 3	HARRY PARKES ... .. 8
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 9
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 5	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

Quickest peal on the bells.

All those who took part in this tour, wish to thank through the 'Ringing World,' the various clergy, churchwardens, steepkeepers, etc., for the use of the bells, and for having everything in readiness, and more especially Mr. G. H. Cross, of Norwich, through whose untiring efforts in arranging towers, etc., the success of the tour is due.

CHISWICK.—On Wednesday evening, June 11th, for Confirmation service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung: C. F. Winney 1, A. Brookland 2, N. A. Stacey 3, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 4, A. H. Fulwell 5, C. Edwards 6, E. Harris 7, W. Dalton 8.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

The first annual meeting of the newly-formed Peterborough Diocesan Guild was held on Whitsun Monday at the Cathedral city. The following belfries were represented: Peterborough, Oundle, Benefield, Northampton, Wellingborough, Kettering, Watford, Husbands Bosworth, Wollaston, Finedon, Irthlingborough, Isham, Geddington, Warkton, Weekley, Broughton, Cranford, Burton Latimer, Pitsford and Thrapston.

The service in the Cathedral was largely attended. The Rev. J. P. Friend, of Collingtree, intoned the service, and the lesson was read by the Dean.

The Bishop, in a brief address, welcomed the members of the Guild, and said it was indeed good to see so many present. He was sure that those who knew the Cathedral well would be impressed with the change that had taken place by the opening up of the whole church. Their noble Cathedral was one of the most glorious in the country, and now that they had an uninterrupted view from East to West, was more wonderful than ever. He was thankful that the association for bell ringers had been formed, and that it had attained such strength within a short time. He believed that the association had a real work to do, and hoped it would be a real help to members by way of inspiration and fellowship. Personally he had cause for gratitude as he saw them that morning, for he thought of the kindly welcomes he had received from the bells of different parishes as he had made his first visits during the past few months. He could assure them that those welcomes had given him real pleasure indeed; as he had drawn near to a village or town, and heard the bells, the sound had meant a great deal indeed to him. Their church bells were one of the great features of their land, what would England be without her church bells? When their fellow-churchmen came home after being abroad for some years, one of the things they looked forward to was hearing the church bells on a Sunday; they did not hear them in so many countries abroad. Their bells called people to worship God, let the ringers think of that invitation when they gave it, and let it be their call in God's name. On occasions their bells told of the joy God would have His children know, even in the passing bell there was besides the note of sadness the note of joy. He was gradually learning his duties as a Bishop—some of them were privileges, and one of the latter was to be allowed in the name of the Diocese and Church to thank people. He thanked them very much for the part they took as bell ringers in the work of the church, their work was important. He appealed to them to have a high sense of their vocation as bell ringers, and to prove themselves worthy of their calling.

The service was followed by luncheon at Neaverson's Cafe. The Bishop presided, and was supported by the Dean (President of the Guild), the Rev. F. E. Channer, Northampton; the Rev. J. P. Friend, Collingtree (President of the Northampton Branch); the Rev. R. C. Thursfield, Cranford (President, Kettering Branch); the Rev. John White, Pitsford; the Rev. E. J. Atkins, Isham; Rev. H. L. Hopper, Weekley (Treasurer, Kettering Branch); Mr. F. Wilford, Northampton (Master of the Guild); Mr. D. J. Nicholls, Kettering (Guild secretary); Mr. Wilson, Isham (Guild treasurer); Miss C. Hepburn, Isham (secretary, Ladies' Guild); and the following branch secretaries: Messrs. T. Tebbutt, Northampton; F. Barber, Wellingborough; R. G. Black, Kettering, and F. Rawlinson, Peterborough.

After lunch, the Master of the Guild proposed thanks to the Bishop for the Cathedral service, and for the excellent address he had given.

The Rev. R. C. Thursfield seconded, and said he was very glad that the first annual meeting of their newly-constituted Guild should have been held at Peterborough. They were pleased to have the Bishop with them, and gave him a hearty welcome. The service had been an inspiration to all of them, and they greatly appreciated the privilege of holding it in the Cathedral (hear, hear). As ringers they had a high ideal, and he could assure the Bishop that of the many church workers in the Diocese, he had none more whole-hearted, loyal and thorough in their work than the members of that Guild. They worked not only for proficiency in bell ringing, but perfection in change ringing, they had already reached a high level of proficiency.

The Bishop briefly returned thanks on behalf of the Dean and himself.

THE BUSINESS MEETING.

In the afternoon the business meeting of the Guild was held in the Knights' Chamber. The Dean presided, and expressed thanks for his election as President at the inaugural meeting. He wished the Cathedral could offer them something more in the way of bells, but, as they knew, they were simply overwhelmed with requisitions from the architect for important structural repairs which must be seen to before they could think of rehanging bells. But he still kept the hope at the back of his mind that some day there might once more be in the Cathedral a peal of bells worthy of the Diocese, the Church, and their Association.

Apologies for absence were read from the Rev. J. S. Clark (Polebrook), and the Rev. F. H. Lacey, Twywell.

The rules drawn up by the committee were adopted.

The following officers elected at the inauguration in January were re-elected: President, the Dean of Peterborough; Master, Mr. F. Wilford, Northampton; treasurer, Mr. W. T. Wilson, Isham; secretary, Mr. D. J. Nicholls, Kettering; auditor, Mr. S. F. Millward, Northampton. Delegates to the Central Council were appointed as follows: The Rev. L. S. Clark, Polebrook; Mr. J. J. Jutson, Peterborough; and the Master and secretary.

It was decided to make a grant of three guineas to Yelvertoft from the Belfry Repair Fund.—The Sec. explained that this fund was started in 1917 by the Central Northants Association, and £57 was collected. Among the grants made was one to Peterborough Cathedral, and the Central Northants Association handed over the balance of £32 to the Guild.

Mr. F. Wilford, the Master of the Guild, moved a vote of thanks to the Dean for his interest in the association, and this was heartily carried.—In response, the Dean said the bell ringers had a definite ministry in the church—to summon fellow Christians to worship and prayer.

Mr. Nicholls expressed thanks to the Rev. J. P. Friend for having drawn up the Guild's form of service, which, as the Bishop had said in the morning, was really beautiful and inspiring.

It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Northampton.

The bells of the Parish Church and St. Mary's, Peterborough, Woodston and Whittlesey, were at the service of the visitors, and touches in various methods were rung during the day.

#### MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the above association was held at Staveley on Saturday week. A service was held, at which an interesting address was given by the Rector (Canon Molineux). This was followed by a tea in the Rectory Barn, a good number of ringers attending.

Ald. R. B. Chambers (President) was in the chair, and he was supported by Mrs. Chambers, Canon Molineux, Dr. J. Court, the Churchwardens, Mosses, Freeby and Wallace (Derby), Blood (Nottingham), Saddington (Loughborough), A. C. Wright (Darley Dale), hon. secretary, and many others. A letter of apology was received from Mr. W. Willson (Leicester), hon. treasurer.

At the meeting which followed, a good number of hon. and ringing members were elected, and a vote of thanks was accorded to Canon Molineux and the local committee.

Ringings took place during the afternoon and evening.

The next meeting will take place at Hinckley, in September.

#### THE FALSE PEALS AT WYE AND ERITH.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. Billenness's letter, my son, F. J. Cullum, junr., is at present in Buenos Ayres. When he called the false peal he was just home from New York. It was my first false peal, also my son, Lionel Cullum's, first peal on the treble. Through sickness I was unable to take part in the next peal of Grandsire Triples, which my son called for his brother. I believe Mr. Barnett has got more young ringers through their first peal than any man in Kent, and if Mr. Billenness wants to see his name in print why does he not ring peals of Grandsire Triples instead of writing letters?—Yours faithfully,

F. J. CULLUM, Senr.

Sir,—Being one of the three 'first peal' men at Wye, I should like to say something in answer to Mr. Billenness's letter of the 16th as to how far Mr. Parkes has subsequently devoted his attention to conducting Grandsire Triples for ringers needing a peal in this method. The peal at Wye was not proved false until nearly two years after it was rung. During that time we had practised and rung peals in somewhat higher methods. Mr. Parkes has since offered to conduct another peal of Grandsire for us, but, wanting something better, we have refused his offer. We have not got many conductors in the Ashford district who have tried lately to arrange a peal, and if it were not for Mr. Parkes our peals would be few and far between. I wish him every success in conducting higher methods. I have rung with Mr. Billenness on several occasions, and hope to have the same pleasure again. I am quite aware of his sympathy with beginners, and I know he does his best to teach them change ringing, but I have known good ringers who (when I have tried to conduct a touch of Stedman and missed a dodge) have set their bell and told me to learn the method before trying to conduct it.—Yours truly,

104, New Street, Ashford.

E. W. POWELL.

Dear Sir,—Surely it is time your correspondent let the subject cease.

As regards Mr. Parkes' peals of Grandsire, I think Mr. Billenness's enquiry is rather pertinent. Mr. Parkes is now doing a lot in the Ashford district in getting ringers out of the Grandsire rut. My advice to Mr. Billenness would be, 'Go thou and do likewise,' and his peal statistics would then compare more favourably with Mr. Parkes' record.—Yours truly,

A MEMBER OF THE ASHFORD DISTRICT.

[These letters have been held over through pressure on our space.—Ed.]

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The peal ringing tour season has arrived, and a party, consisting largely of Kentish men (or is it men of Kent?) has had a very successful trip in East Anglia. They scored ten peals on eight, ten and twelve bells; and five attempts 'went west,' three of them over half-way, and one right on the end.

To-day is the 301st anniversary of Saffron Walden's 'Great Ringing Day,' and there will doubtless be the customary large gathering of ringers to join in the celebration.

Mr. John B. Woolley, Master of the Cambridge University Guild, has gained a first class in the Natural Sciences Tripos, Part 1.

'A Yorkshire party of ten' were more fortunate in securing 'quarters' in London, at Whitsuntide, than Mr. Fairclough, Master of the Chester Diocesan Guild, and would have been pleased to accommodate him had they been aware of his dilemma.

It is not often that a good composition of Treble Bob by a well-known composer has to wait forty years before it is rung, yet one such by Mr. Arthur Knights, composed on June 24th, 1884, was rung for the first time last Saturday, at Congleton.

The first peal of London Surprise rung by the Winchester Guild for ten years was achieved on Saturday at Privett, Hants. The company were much impressed by the really wonderful way in which Mr. George Pullinger, who lost an arm in the war, rang and struck his bell throughout the peal. His striking was just as good in the last half-hour as in the first. Mr. Pullinger is joint hon. secretary of the Winchester Guild.

The first peal of Grandsire Cinques 'in hand' was rung at Birmingham on July 2nd, 1886.

Henry Dains was born on June 28th, 1837.

## THE CONSTRUCTION OF METHODS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—The Rev. E. S. Powell's reply is no answer to my challenge. I challenged the great little WE, which consists of himself and Mr. Trollope, to prove the construction of London Surprise (Minor and Major) by their particular formula.

Are they able to do this? If not, why not?

My theory of method construction has been known to the Exercise for many years, but perhaps you will kindly allow me to repeat it as follows: All methods, principles and systems, are produced by making shunts in the primary principles.

When it is understood, once a method has been produced, that you cannot take away a single place or add a single place without altering the character of the method, then it will be understood that every place counts.

On these lines, the construction of every method, principle and system, can be proved, but before I trouble you with any figures to support my assertions, allow me once more to challenge the great little WE to prove the construction of London Surprise (Minor and Major) and Stedman's Principle by their particular formula.—Yours faithfully,

GEORGE BAKER.

## RINGER IN SERIOUS MOTOR ACCIDENT.

The many friends of Mr. George A. Smith, of Tunstall, Staffs, will be sorry to hear that he met with a serious accident while returning by charabanc from Buxton on Thursday, June 19th. He had rung for a wedding at Congleton Church, and went with the party to Buxton. On the return journey a halt was called (to cool the engines) at the pretty village of Endon. Mr. Smith was passing round the vehicle, when a motor-bicycle, with pillion rider, going at high speed, ran straight over him. The 'pillion' lady was badly hurt, the motorist lies unconscious with a fractured skull, but Mr. Smith escaped with his life, his suit torn to ribbons, and a mass of cuts and bruises, too numerous to count. The writer thought him one huge wound and bruise combined, but found him still smiling.

## SUSSEX ASSOCIATION AND THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—The reference in your leading article last week to the abstention of the Sussex Association from participation in the work of the Central Council, leads me to ask if it is not the practice of the Council to exclude from its peals analysis, except under the designation of 'Independent Societies,' in which the performances of the small fry are lumped together, the performances of those organisations not directly affiliated? I have a recollection of this having been done in the past, and it would be a great pity if the records of the Sussex Association were even temporarily to disappear from a table in which they have often occupied an honoured place.

On the wider aspects of the absence of such an association as the Sussex County from membership of the Council I will not now say anything, though much might be said.—Yours, etc.,

A COUNCIL MEMBER.



## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

(Continued from page 394.)

### RINGERS' REPRESENTATION ON ADVISORY BOARDS.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn reported that the Towers and Belfries Committee had not met during the year, there having been no occasion to call them together, but Mr. Lewis had been doing his best, as a member of the committee, to get a sort of round table conference especially to meet Mr. Eales, who was on the Advisory Committee of many dioceses, and was a person of great influence, to whom Mr. Lewis could teach a great deal (laughter). At present, however, it had not been possible to arrange this meeting, as Mr. Lewis had been dashing about on business, not only all over England, but almost all over the world.

The Rev. H. Drake said in his Archdeaconry, the Archdeacon, who was on one of the committees of the Church Assembly, intended to make a dead set against iron frames in belfries, and was going to require, before any bells were restored or anything done to any bells, that there must be a faculty issued. All schemes would be referred to the Advisory Committee, which in turn would refer the matter to the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, and, he believed, to Mr. Eales. It seemed to him there was to be a dead set against bells being hung as ringers would like to have them hung, but to have them hung more as antiquarian objects. He thought, therefore, the Council ought to ask the Towers and Belfries Committee to consider the question whether it was necessary that a faculty should be obtained before bells were restored.

A member: Yes, it must be.

The Rev. H. Drake said personally he did not think so. He thought it was contrary to canon law, but it was a matter for the committee to consider whether steps could not be taken to have the views of ringers put forward more forcibly than at the present time.

Canon Elsee said from what he knew of the Advisory Committee in Manchester they were only too anxious to have expert opinion. When he mentioned the question of bells at the Diocesan Conference they promptly put him on the committee (hear, hear). He thought the real point was that in each diocese, the diocesan or county association should approach the authorities who had to do with the appointment of the committee, and ask that expert opinion upon bells should be represented on the Advisory Committee of the diocese. He thought in most cases that some provision could be made for it to be represented.

The Rev. C. E. Matthews said a faculty must by law always be obtained for the removal of any bells or restoration work in a belfry. He happened to be a member of the Advisory Council for granting faculties in the Winchester Diocese, and the granting of faculties remained with the Chancellor of the Diocese. They had done him the honour of putting him on in connection with bells and belfries, and he only wished they could have had a greater expert than he was, but they had been very much helped by Major Hesse. He thought there were others all over the country who might, as Canon Elsee had suggested, be co-opted on these committees for that particular work. As to the question between iron frames and wood, his committee were perfectly willing to listen to recommendations put before them.

Mr. C. H. Howard said he was asked to join the Diocesan Board for the diocese of Chelmsford. His board were quite willing to listen to any recommendation to get bells hung according to the wishes of the parishioners and bell ringers. He thought it was the duty of every association to see that it was properly represented on these Advisory Boards.

Canon Baker suggested that a resolution should be passed by the Council that it was necessary, in the interests of bell ringers, that their views should be represented on advisory boards. He thought it would have great weight. He had occasion at his Diocesan Conference to make an onslaught on their Advisory Committee who had approved a scheme at one church for putting in a new organ in such a manner that they had taken away half the belfry, so that it was practically impossible to ring the bells at all. The secretary of the Advisory Committee afterwards came to him and told him that, as a matter of fact, the question of the bells never entered into their minds at all. They never thought about the unfortunate ringers. He (Canon Baker) thought if the secretary of each association would write to the Advisory Committee in his diocese and point out that a resolution had been passed by that Council, it might have much weight (hear, hear).

After further discussion upon the form of the motion, the following resolution was proposed by Canon Baker, seconded by the Rev. H. Drake, and unanimously carried, 'that the Council strongly urge that each Diocesan Advisory Committee should include at least one member having expert knowledge of bells, bell hanging and change ringing, and that this resolution be communicated to the secretary of each Advisory Committee, and to the secretaries of the Diocesan Conferences.'

The Towers and Belfries Committee was re-elected, with the addition of Mr. H. Fairclough, who, the President pointed out, was

Master of the Chester Guild, and a builder and contractor. His knowledge would be useful to the committee, upon which that branch of expert knowledge was not represented.

### LOST IN THE POST.

The Rev. A. T. Beeston said a report for the Records Committee had been drawn up, and circulated to the committee, but he was sorry to say it appeared to have been lost in the post. When it did come to hand it would be published in 'The Ringing World.'

The committee, comprising the Rev. A. T. Beeston, the Rev. H. Law James and Mr. T. Hervey Beams, were re-elected.

### MR. JOHN CARTER'S RINGING MACHINE.

The Hon. Secretary reported, on behalf of the Science Museum Exhibit Committee. He said that since the last report, Mr. Cave had very kindly, as agreed, printed at his own cost the figures of certain methods for the purposes of the exhibit, and he (Mr. Young) had completed the colouring of the diagrams. Mrs. Snowdon had kindly given two copies of the diagrams of 'Standard Methods' for the purpose of further illustration. Since last year, the Museum itself had been radically altered. The gallery in which they were to have exhibited had been taken over by the War Museum, and the new galleries which were to have been completed early in the year were not yet ready. When they were, the Council would be allotted a space in them. As the Council knew, a model of a ring of six bells had been presented, but the central feature would be Mr. Carter's machine, which was to be deposited there as soon as it was ready. Continuing, Mr. Young said the question which had been passing through Mr. Carter's mind was, what should happen to the machine? He wished to deposit it at Kensington, because the late Sir Arthur Heywood expressed a wish that it should be placed there, but Mr. Carter thought that if it was put there it might never be used. Mr. Carter wondered whether he could so leave it that, after he was gone, the Council would become trustees of that machine. He (Mr. Young) thought this would be a good thing if it could be arranged, because the Council would then have an overview of it throughout the years.

Replying to the President, Mr. J. S. Pritchett expressed the opinion that the Council, not being a corporate body, could not act legally as a trustee, but there could be no objection to Mr. Carter appointing as trustees, say, the President of the Council and such two other members as the Council might from time to time select.

In the course of subsequent discussion, several members urged that something should be done by Mr. Carter to ensure that a knowledge of the working of the machine should be secured. There was a grave risk that in course of time the machine would become unintelligible, and would, as the Rev. C. D. P. Davies put it, remain under a glass case, as something very wonderful which no one knew how to work.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies also pointed out that from correspondence he had had with the Museum authorities it appeared that they wanted to have the machine for purposes other than those for which ringers would see it used. The Museum authorities' main object was to have it there because it contained many mechanical dodges which might be found useful if adopted for other machines. He did not say that was not a laudable purpose, but it was not their purpose.

Major Hesse said they ought to make it clear that the machine was not to be taken to pieces for the purpose of parts being copied for other machines. If taken to pieces it might never be properly put together again.

Mr. A. Paddon Smith said if Mr. Carter's machine could be used for advancing mechanical knowledge, he thought it would be an excellent use for it. Mr. Carter had no patents in it, and if it contained clever ideas, let the country have the advantage of them. The machine could be taken to pieces and the parts numbered, and there would then be no difficulty in reassembling them.

Mr. Young said Mr. Carter seemed to have foreseen that at some time it would be necessary to throw light on the machine, and had set out in book form a description of it with photographs and diagrams. If the machine were the property of trustees they might make it a condition that it should not be tampered with, because it was primarily a machine for ringing changes mechanically. He took it that it was the feeling of the meeting that the Council would accept Mr. Carter's offer to act as or to appoint trustees, in which case he thought Mr. Carter would act on those lines.

Mr. P. J. Johnson said no mention had been made of the point as to whether, if they put the machine in the museum, anyone would have a practical opportunity of seeing the machine in operation. He thought the machine should be placed on loan, with the same right to take it out as they proposed in regard to the Memorial Book in St. Paul's Cathedral Library.

Mr. Milne agreed that this should be clearly stated in the conditions.

Mr. Young's report was adopted, and the committee was reappointed as follows: Revs. C. D. P. Davies and E. Rankes James, Messrs. E. H. Lewis, A. A. Hughes, C. F. Johnston, P. Taylor and E. A. Young.

After the lunch adjournment, the Hon. Secretary reported on the progress made in the preparation of a card of instruction as to the care and use of bells which it is proposed to issue to churches where there are bells. He pointed out that there had been some divergence of opinion between himself and the Rev. H. Drake (who had offered to bear part of the cost of printing), and Mr. Drake, having stated his view, the matter was adjourned until later in the afternoon, when it was resolved to leave the matter to the Standing Committee.

#### THE NAMING OF METHODS.

There were three motions on the agenda with regard to method nomenclature, and by agreement the question was discussed upon the following, moved by Mr. G. P. Burton: 'To call attention to the nomenclature of methods and to move the appointment of a Nomenclature Committee: (1) to review existing method nomenclature; (2) to prepare suitable topographical names for the future; and (3) to formulate a plan for the application of such names.'

Mr. Burton said he would take as his text the heading of a leading article which appeared in 'The Ringing World,' 'Names that must be changed,' and he hoped that the Council would accept it as an axiom and would ensure that, in the future, the Exercise would go the right way with names. In regard to unsuitable names, Minor, although the chief offender, was by no means alone in this respect. Botanical names must go. As an illustration of what was unsuitable, Mr. Burton quoted the names of methods rung in a peal by his own association thirty years ago, such as 'Jolly Dick,' 'St. Simon,' 'Antelope,' 'Morning Star,' 'Evening Star,' and 'Little Bob.' To-day they had arrived at the perfection of this absurdity. The Leytonstone Association, who had moved in this matter, wished to see such names as Shamrock, Fuchsia, Geranium, Bluebell, Hyacinth, Daffodil, etc., removed. In selecting titles, first preference, he submitted, should be given to topographical names, but he thought the Council might, with great caution, consider the propriety of giving some latitude in technical and personal names. Proceeding, Mr. Burton urged that the unsuitable names should be changed because they were against good taste, were inartistic, and certainly unscientific. He briefly touched upon the appearance of names in the past, mentioning that Grandsire, one of the oldest and easily the most ridiculous of names, appeared in Stedman's work in 1668, and seemed to have been accepted as inevitable by the authors of 'The Clavis' in 1778. Other names in the same work were irreproachable place names. Shipway and Snowdon left things much as they found them. The Council began to take a hand in naming methods in 1897, when, it would be remembered, they settled the momentous question of 'New' Cambridge Surprise. The chief mistake since then seemed to have been that they had done nothing, for, between the position taken up by the Methods Committee and that of the Analysis Committee they had fallen between two stools. How did this state of affairs arise? It had arisen simply because the Council had been content to let things develop on their own lines, and to do nothing. His proposal now was that an entirely new committee should be formed, and that the duties of that committee should be to review the whole existing method nomenclature, and make recommendations for the revision of unsuitable names to the Council. Secondly, that they should prepare a selection of suitable topographical names to which nomenclature should be limited in the future: that was to say, that when a band rang a new method they would no longer be allowed to pick and choose any name which suited their fancy—that was how they had arrived at the present absurdities. When a new method was rung it would be reported that the band wished to name it, and they would be given names they could choose from. A name would not be thrust down their throats, but they would have a choice, which, when arrived at, would last for all time. The third duty of the committee would be to formulate a plan for the application of such names. He appealed to the Council not to let things stand as they were. They had got to this pass: they were told that they did nothing. People, perhaps, did not study the many things they had done, or value the work that was done by the committees of the Council, but there was an opening for the accusation if they did not move in current things crying out for reform. He did not see how they could go back from that meeting without having taken some step in that reform. He begged the Council to lend a hand; and appoint a committee who could get to work on the right road: get them out of the difficulty in which they found themselves, and save them in the future from the ridicule which they had had in the past.

At this point a suggestion was approved to deal separately with the three points in Mr. Burton's resolution, and the Rev. H. Drake seconded the motion, so far as it related to the appointment of a committee 'to review existing method nomenclature.' He said the resolution which he had promised to second, on behalf of the Leytonstone band, was one proposing that as a temporary measure only the numbers given in the Council's 'Collection of Minor Methods' should be used, and not the names. Proceeding, he said the reason why it seemed to him they should have a special committee for the purpose was that it was something quite different from anything

else that ringers were concerned with. They were not concerned, as a rule, with words, but with things, with science, with mathematics, or with the engineering part of ringing. None of these had anything much to do with the right choice of words. They wanted a committee not necessarily of men who were good ringers or who knew about the management of bells, but who had a good knowledge of words, and were able to understand the different shades of meaning, to understand and appreciate not only whether a word was a good word, appropriate to its purpose, but also whether a word would sound well, and was one which would be used with pleasure by ringers afterwards.

(To be continued.)

#### A WHITSUN RINGING OUTING.

##### M.C.A. MEN'S 'SURPRISE' TOUR.

Whitsun Eve found a band of the Midland Counties Association at Grimsby intent on ringing four Surprise peals during the week-end. At St. James' Church, the first peal of Surprise in Grimsby was rung, whilst the 'Sergeant Major' marched anxiously up and down outside the tower. A convivial evening with the local men was spent, and arrangements made for Sunday service ringing. A good course of London on St. James' bells for morning service augured well for the other peal attempts. Sunday afternoon found the party at Barton-on-Humber, where a good peal of Superlative, the first of Surprise on the bells, was rung without incident. After a satisfying tea, a walk down to the water was taken, where, among derelict barges, the inevitable handbells were produced, and much ringing of sorts done upon them. Further tower bell ringing with the local men brought train time, and more handbell ringing. Was there only a minute or two to spare before the train came in, out came the handbells in an attempt for the elusive course of Duffield Major. Arrived at Grimsby the band was met by the indefatigable Mr. H. Rushby, who acted as escort to billets, for some of the party were still uncertain of the whereabouts of their lodgings.

Monday morning found the aforesaid gentleman walking round to the various houses in which the party were staying, in order to give them their railway tickets, which he had purchased at party rates, before 7 a.m. A train journey to New Holland, a boat trip across the Humber, and a further train ride to Beverley, brought the ringers to the venue for the Cambridge Royal attempt at St. Mary's. A service delayed the start, but the peal came up, the first of Surprise on the bells, and believed to be the first of Cambridge Royal in the county since the one rung at Wakefield many years ago. A belated dinner was then eaten, and tracks made for the station. Owing to the late start, the band was unable to get to Holy Trinity, Hull, where it had been intended to attempt Stedman Caters with some of the Grimsby men. However, Mr. Rushby, guide and counsellor, had gone ahead, without food, to get another peal of bells. He succeeded in obtaining the use of All Saints' bells for Superlative, but a course or so showed the impracticability of scoring here, as the bells went so badly. On this attempt proving abortive, the handbell owner made his way to the boat, and was in bed when the rest of the ringers reached home.

On Tuesday morning, London was the method at St. Andrew's. Here the band met short, the two elusive members of the company having, apparently, failed to find the church. However, Mr. Budd, of Grimsby, kindly left his business to ring the treble, and the Sergeant-Major was pressed into the band. London would not go very well here until the S.-M. had expressed his opinion of the band in no measured terms. Then there was some downright good striking for about an hour, when the bells were stopped owing to a change course, and time did not permit of another attempt. Two of the band then went to Cleethorpes, another went home to dinner, while the remainder went elsewhere.

Such measure of success as attended the efforts of the band was undoubtedly due to Mr. H. Rushby, who made all arrangements for the lodging of the visitors—no small problem—and for the use of the bells at the various churches, and who must have walked dozens of miles in making the visit a success.

**NORTHELEACH, GLOS.**—On Sunday, May 11th, at the Church of St. Peter and Paul, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 minutes: W. Turrey 1, J. Mustoe 2, R. Westmacott 3, W. Clayton 4, D. Hills 5, C. Westmacott 6, J. C. Acok (first as conductor) 7, J. Cook 8. First quarter by all except the conductor and ringer of the 4th. First quarter in the method by the local band.

**STOURBRIDGE.**—On Sunday, May 11th, at St. Thomas' Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 48 mins.: E. Turner 1, G. H. Pagett 2, H. Amphlett 3, W. Smith 4, B. Dunn 5, C. Wm. Cooper 6, A. E. Whatmore (conductor) 7, G. Grazier 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Geo. H. Pagett and B. Dunn, both of whom are choristers and ringers. Mr. Pagett has served 50 years as a chorister and 48 years as a ringer.

## THE PASSING OF AN 'ELDER BROTHER.'

### AN IMPRESSIVE SCENE AT ILKESTON.

It is with unfeigned regret that we record the death of Mr. Joseph Henry Iliffe, of Ilkeston. The deceased ringer had been failing in health for five or six months past, and only those who were closely associated with him realised how ill he was, for practically the whole of the time he was confined to his room. Of late, those of his friends who visited him, could perceive that he was gradually sinking. On Whit Sunday his condition gave his relatives and friends cause for grave anxiety, and on Tuesday, June 10th, he passed peacefully away—a victim to pernicious anæmia—at his residence, 6, Burns Street, Ilkeston.

The flag on the Parish Church floated at half-mast from that time until after the interment on Saturday in the Ilkeston Park Cemetery.

Ringers, military and St. John Ambulance units combined to pay a last tribute to deceased, who had been associated with the Old Volunteers (Derby Regt.), in which he qualified for the long service medal, and retired with the rank of Col.-Sergeant. For over a decade he was a member of St. John Ambulance Corps, and at the time of his death held the rank of sergeant in that corps.

For thirty-five years he did true and faithful service as a ringer at the Parish Church of St. Mary, and for many years past had held the office of foreman.

Deceased was an official at Manners' No. 2 Colliery, and until failing health compelled him to retire he captained the Manners' No. 2 rescue team.

The funeral service, held in the Parish Church, was fully choral, the Vicar (the Rev. A. W. Bell, M.A.) intoned the service, the lesson was read by the Rev. P. A. Sharp, curate. The hymns, 'Rock of Ages' and 'Abide with me,' were sung.

The Vicar, in an address, spoke of the sterling qualities of the deceased, pointing out that the deceased had lived not a long life, but a full life, in the service of his God, his King, and his fellow-men. Mr. Gates (organist) effectively played the Dead March in 'Saul,' the mourners and congregation standing meanwhile.

The route to the cemetery was lined with reverent spectators, and there was a large concourse at the burial ground. The cortege was headed by the Borough, Ambulance and the British Legion Bands, representing the ambulance and military. The coffin, of polished oak, with cast brass appointments—the latter in the shape of a Patée cross—the breastplate raised on a purple mount, bore the following incised inscription: 'Joseph Henry Iliffe, died June 10th, 1924, aged 53 years. At rest.'

The casket was enshrouded in the Union Jack, on the top of which rested deceased's cap and belt of the Ambulance Corps, and a wreath from his sorrowing widow and two sons. The firing party which preceded the coffin with reversed arms, was provided by G Company 5th Bttn. S.F., in charge of Sergt. Davis and Capt. F. G. Robinson.

Immediately in front of the coffin walked his old companions of the battery, the churchwardens, Messrs J. E. Cox and H. Simpson, and the Vicar of Ilkeston.

The family mourners followed, and in the rear came members of the Church Council, sidesmen, ringers from neighbouring towers, British Legion, Old Volunteers, and a very large muster of members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, under the command of Supt. H. H. Tatham, and bringing up the rear representatives of the officials and men of the Manners' No. 2 Colliery. The funeral arrangements were ably carried out by Mr. Harry Beardsley, undertaker, one of the St. Mary's ringers.

The coffin was borne by four of the oldest ringers, namely, Messrs. H. Fletcher, A. T. Baker, H. Harrison and E. C. Gobey. At the graveside the Vicar officiated, and the final rites concluded, four of deceased's colleagues rang a course of Grandsire Triples over the open grave on handbells: J. F. George 1—2, E. C. Gobey 3—4, H. Harrison 5—6 and C. J. Baker 7—8. The firing party discharged three volleys, Drummer J. Stamford supplying the drum effects between each, and Bugler A. Chadwick sounded the 'Last Post.'

The bells of St. Mary's rang out to announce to the township that the last sad rites were over, the 'whole pull and stand' being rung 53 times, with the bells fully muffled, except the tenor, which was open at the back stroke. Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung afterwards, as no attempt could be made for a peal owing to the tower overlooking the market, and it being market day.

The double muffle was retained for Matins on Trinity Sunday, and for evensong the ringing was done with the bells half-muffled.

The floral tributes were numerous, including beautiful wreaths from St. Mary's Church officers, choir and ringers' committees, his brother ringers, officers, N.C.O.s and men of the Ambulance Corps, officers, N.C.O.s and men of G Company Notts and Derbys, British Legion, Old Comrades, colliery officials and workmen, etc.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

### THE INCREASED SUBSCRIPTION.

The quarterly meeting of the Southern Division was held at Ecclesfield on Saturday, June 21st, and a fairly good number of members and friends were present, the towers represented being Wath, Norton, Bolsterstone, Wortley, Headingley, Doncaster, Arksey, Chesterfield, Rawmarsh, Rotherham, All Saints' and St. Maries', and the Cathedral, Sheffield.

A splendid tea was provided by the local company in the Gaiety Memorial Hall, to which upwards of 30 sat down, and which was very much enjoyed.

The business meeting was held immediately after tea, when the secretary of the Yorkshire Association, Mr. P. J. Johnson, 'dropped in on a surprise visit.'

He was voted to the chair, and gave a lucid explanation as to the reasons which lead to the decision to increase the yearly subscription to 2s., this to include a copy of the annual report free of charge.

At the close, the Chairman offered to answer any questions, but none were forthcoming.—One new member, Mr. J. W. Sykes, of Dore, was elected.

The annual dinner of the association having been fixed for Sept. 13th, at York, it was decided to bring the next quarterly meeting forward into August, and an invitation being received from Conisborough, it was decided that this be accepted, the meeting to be held on August 16th.

The meeting heard with great regret of the very serious illness of Mr. G. Bolland and Mr. S. Thomas, both stalwarts of the Yorkshire Association, and hopes were expressed on all sides for their speedy recovery.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to the local company and their ladies for the very kind welcome, were carried, and replied to by Mr. G. Lewis.

Before dispersing, the gathering was entertained to a course of Stedman Cinques and a course of Grandsire Caters on the handbells, a most delightful ending to a very good meeting.

### EASTERN DISTRICT SUMMER MEETING.

The summer meeting was held at Sherburn-in-Elmet on Whit Monday, by kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. P. Bone, M.A.). Fortunately the weather behaved very kindly, thus adding to the enjoyment of those who were present in this ideal country spot, and the bells, a peal of eight (tenor 18½ cwt.), were rung to the various standard methods throughout the day.

A full choral service was held in the afternoon, the preacher being the Rev. J. E. Crabtree, Vicar of Kirkby Wharf, an old ringer. His main theme was the virtue of faithfulness as being a test of character, and the address was listened to with great pleasure.

An excellent tea was afterwards provided gratuitously by the parishioners in the Church Hall, to which some 40 members and friends sat down. At the conclusion, the Vicar announced that he had a very pleasant duty to perform, to make a presentation to Mr. George Thornton, who celebrates his 50th year as a ringer at Sherburn, and who is also verger, parish clerk and sexton. The gifts consisted of a handsome clock, which strikes the quarters and hours, and subscribed for by the parishioners as a mark of esteem and goodwill. Also a ringers' pendant, suitably inscribed, the gift of his grand-daughter, Annie E. Carter, and Treasury notes.

Mr. Thornton, or 'George,' as he is more popularly known, on rising to respond, was greeted with vociferous applause, and in a few well-chosen remarks, expressed thanks for the very beautiful presents, of which he had been the recipient.

At the business meeting, the chair was taken by the Vicar.—On the motion of Mr. F. W. Dale (Hull), and seconded by Mr. F. Cryer (Selby), Eastington was chosen as the place for the autumn meeting.

The usual votes of thanks were passed to the clergy for the use of the bells, service and address, the choir and organist; the ladies, who very kindly provided and served the tea; and the local ringers for their very excellent arrangements.

A pleasing feature of the gathering was the attendance of visitors from the other districts, who rang a well-struck course of Stedman Triples on handbells, in which Miss O. L. Lumley took part. Train time brought another enjoyable meeting to a close.

**FEERING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday afternoon, June 15th, for flower service, 720 Oxford Treble Boh: J. C. Newman 1, R. Fisher 2, J. Elliott 3, G. Hayward 4, C. J. Roger 5, W. Keeble (conductor) 6.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, June 15th, for evening service, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Cutnor 1, F. Norris 2, J. A. Trollope 3, J. Driver 4, H. Rivers 5, F. Skevington (conductor) 6, W. H. Hollier 7, H. Stevens 8.

**LONDON.**—At St. Andrew's, Wells Street, on Sunday, May 4th, before evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 minutes: F. Porter 1, H. Dyas 2, Miss E. C. Chapman 3, G. Shipn 4, Mr. Evans 5, F. Digby 6, W. Bottrill (conductor) 7, T. Walters 8.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**LIVERPOOL.**—On Sunday, June 22nd, at the Church of St. Nicholas, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,294 changes), in 56 mins.: C. Bell 1, W. Fisher 2, T. Hammond 3, J. Wilkinson 4, T. Gilmore 5, G. R. Newton 6, P. W. Cave (conductor) 7, J. Martin (composer) 8, E. Counce 9, W. Betley (longest length on the bells) 10.

**SAFFRON WALDEN.**—On Sunday, June 22nd, for evensong, at the Parish Church, 650 Stedman Cinques: F. Pitstow (conductor) 1, A. E. Pitstow 2, A. F. James 3, L. E. Pitstow 4, C. H. Howard 5, E. A. Pitstow 6, F. Dench 7, H. N. Pitstow 8, R. A. Strong 9, A. E. Evepelt 10, F. J. Pitstow 11, W. Parish 12.

**CLIFFORD.**—Hereford Guild.—On Sunday, June 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, on the back six, in 43 mins.: A. Hughes 1, W. R. Harris 2, W. Beaver, senr., 3, A. E. Jones 4, J. P. Hyett (conductor) 5, J. L. Goode 6. First quarter-peal for 1st, 4th and 6th. First quarter-peal on the bells by an entirely local band.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, June 22nd, for evensong, at St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, 1,263 Stedman Caters: C. F. Winney 1, W. E. Garrard 2, C. W. Robert (conductor) 3, H. Dyas 4, P. L. Miles 5, E. G. Locke 6, P. E. Clark 7, H. G. Miles 8, G. H. Harding 9, G. W. Frayne 10.

**MORETON-IN-MARSH, GLOS.**—On Sunday evening, June 22nd, for service, 630 Grandsire Triples: F. Jones 1, C. Grimes 2, J. Gardner 3, B. Timms 4, N. Bryan 5, A. White 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, H. Hiatt 8.

**LEYTONSTONE.**—On Sunday, June 22nd, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. Pye 1, G. Dawson 2, A. Prior 3, W. Arnold 4, W. Miller 5, W. Keeble (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 London: W. Arnold 1, A. Prior 2, W. Theobald 3, G. Dawson 4, W. Pye 5, W. Keeble (conductor) 6.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—For morning service, on Sunday, June 15th, 720 Bob Minor, by the following: H. Saunders 1, G. Perkins 2, F. Warrington (Long Stanton) 3, J. Smart (Godmanchester) 4, K. Seward (Godmanchester) 5, J. Perkins (conductor) 6.

**BUCKNALL.**—On Sunday, June 15th, at St. Mary's Church, 720 each Cambridge Surprise and Burslem Delight.—Also a special 720 Oxford Treble Bob, after evening service, in celebration of the ordination of Mr. Nigel Birch, at Lichfield Cathedral. Mr. Birch learned the art of change ringing at Bucknall: C. Preston 1, Alice Wheeldon 2, C. Bowen 3, Alice Preston (conductor) 4, W. Fradley 5, W. Wheeldon, senr., 6. Messrs. D. Preston, H. Billings and W. Wheeldon, junr., also took part in the day's ringing.

**DORCHESTER, OXON.**—On Whit Sunday, at the Abbey, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): 1 P. Dyke 1, F. Naish 2, R. Davis 3, F. Woodward 4, E. Naish 5, R. Rice (conductor) 6, W. Hutton 7, C. Spicer 8.

**WALLINGFORD, BERKS.**—On Whit Sunday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins.: P. Dyke 1, E. Naish 2, F. Woodward 3, R. Davis 4, W. Hutton 5, F. Naish (conductor) 6, R. Rice 7, S. Naish 8.

**BARNET, HERTS.**—On June 1st, for Sunday morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: F. Chandler 1, H. E. Eldred 2, R. Roffey 3, J. A. Dart (conductor) 4, W. Secrs 5, S. Child 6, R. Sturgeon 7, G. Herbert 8.

**DEVIZES, WILTS.**—On Sunday, May 18th, for morning service, at the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, 720 of Bob Minor: S. Smith 1, W. A. Swift 2, Geo. Dawson 3, G. W. England 4, S. Hillier 5, F. Green 6. Also for evening service, at the Church of St. John, 720 of Bob Minor: J. L. Hutton 1, W. A. Swift 2, C. D. Heginbotham 3, Geo. Dawson 4, S. Hillier 5, F. Green 6. Both touches (conducted by S. Hillier) were arranged for Mr. Geo. Dawson, of Leytonstone.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, May 18th, for evening service, at St. Andrew's, Holborn, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 48 mins.: G. J. Harman 1, C. Choct 2, W. J. Norton (conductor) 3, J. Lee 4, A. Darnell 5, R. J. Green 6, E. C. Russell 7, J. S. Hawkins 8.

**HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.**—At the Church of St. John the Baptist, on Sunday, May 18th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters, in 50 mins.: E. Hancox (conductor) 1, G. Gutteridge 2, J. J. Pratt 3, Miss P. M. Moss 4, E. Wightman 5, P. Jones 6, J. Bacon 7, W. Henley 8, H. Folkard 9, W. Honor 10.

## NOTICE.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Unitarian Church, Todmorden, on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.—William Horan, Branch Sec., Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

## ST. CLEMENT'S YOUTHS.

On Saturday, May 31st, St. Clement's Youths, the society established at St. Clement Danes-in-the-Strand, held their annual outing, the members and their friends paying a visit to Brighton. The party numbered some thirty persons of all ages, and of course, included the St. Clement's 'Maidens' as well as 'Youths,' and though London was left in cloud and rain, everything was sunshine for several happy hours at Brighton.

On arrival, most of the party proceeded to St. Peter's Church, the bells of which had been kindly placed at their disposal, and with the help of two of the local exponents some good ringing was enjoyed. It was felt that St. Peter's was to be congratulated upon its fine ring of ten, and also its beautiful ringing room, which all admired. A visit was next made to St. Nicholas' an interesting old church, with many links with the past. Its bells, however, are thoroughly modern, with, of course, all the latest improvements. Having been kindly given the use of the bells, the party was welcomed by several local ringers and members of the Sussex Association, who joined them in bringing round a few well-struck 'touches.'

A strictly kept time-table and programme has been prepared by the indefatigable hon. secretary, Mr. Sergisson, and this now prescribed a journey to Portslade, to visit the 'Lonie' Home. The Rector of St. Clement Danes, and his wife, Mrs. Louie Pennington-Bickford, were awaiting the arrival of the party, and extended to all a hearty welcome. Then followed an invitation to be seated at the tables which were well spread with all that could please hungry holidaymakers. Later, some walked through the extensive grounds, others rang handbells on the lawn or inspected the home, and got a first-hand knowledge of the fine work being done there in providing a holiday home for many of the children of London's poor, a work into which Mrs. Pennington-Bickford throws herself wholeheartedly. Some of these children, now on holiday and just returned either from the downs or the seashore, were much interested in the handbell ringers, as was also one of the nightingales in the adjoining copse, and though none of the party knew the words of his song, it was probably a promise to try a repeat of the 'tittums' or to give a snatch of the 'Odd-Boh' on his return to Africa, next Fall.

The 'schedule' time having come, and incidentally the usual downpour, all were soon en route for Brighton, and the evening express to London. On arrival at Victoria Station, all felt that a memorable day had been spent, and though then parting they were yet united in a joint feeling of thanks to their host and hostess and to the officers, for their several parts in making the day so enjoyable.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the North Bucks Branch was held at Newport Pagnell on Saturday, June 7th, when about 60 members attended, representing Bletchley, Beachampton, Chicheley, Emberton, Penny Stratford, Maids Moreton, Milton Keynes, Newton Longville, North Crawley, Olney, Shenley, Stoke Goldington, Stony Stratford, and the local ringers. The bells, a splendid peal of eight, were set going from 2 p.m. At the service the address was given by the Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), in the absence of the Rev. Mildmay, who had been asked to preach. Tea had been arranged in the Parish Room by the local ringers and their wives, etc., which was much enjoyed, especially by those who had cycled a distance through very unsettled weather.

The President of the Branch (the Rev. L. Moxen) presided at the business meeting, when the secretary read the balance sheet, which showed the branch to be in a very healthy condition, with a balance of £20 14s. 9d. in hand.—The Rev. L. Moxen was again re-elected president, and Mr. W. Sear secretary and treasurer.

The Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) and Mr. Wright (treasurer of the Guild) spoke on matters relating to both the general working and the financial position of the Guild. Various discussions took place, that of chief importance being upon the best means of getting more honorary members.

The usual votes of thanks were recorded to all those who had assisted to make the meeting a success, and also to the secretary for his good work in connection with the branch.

The methods rung during the afternoon were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise Major.

## WEDDING BELLS.

At St. Martin's Church, Desford, Leicester, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 50 mins.: L. Jordan 1, F. Mears 2, C. Pettit (conductor) 3, D. Wood 4, J. Taylor 5, W. Sargerson 6. Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. S. Wheat to Miss Esther Mears, sister to the ringer of the second.



**LEYTONSTONE SOCIETY IN HERTS VILLAGES****A TWO DAYS' TOUR.**

On May 24th and 25th, the St. John-the-Baptist's Society, Leytonstone, company, held their annual outing, the excursion this year being to the lovely villages of Hertfordshire, and, with the assistance of Mr. W. H. Lawrence, of Little Munden, a right good time was spent. Fifteen complete 720's were rung in the two days. Breakfast over, Widford was the first place of call, where hangs a handy ring of six, which were soon going to 'Surfleet.' A good 720 of York was rung, and a splendid welcome was received from the Vicar (the Rev. L. S. Milford). The journey was continued by motor charabanc to Much Hadham. Here Cambridge came to grief, but a good 720 of Chester was rung. At Standon, the next place of call, a very musical peal of six was found, 720 each of Ipswich and Beverley being well struck. At Braughing, the inner-man again needed attention, and Mrs. Denton, of the Brown Bear, had an excellent dinner ready.

This over, Mr. Theobald, in a neat little speech, asked the Master (Mr. W. Miller) to present the secretary (Mr. G. Dawson) with a bell ringers' pendant in gold, suitably inscribed, in recognition of his past services. The Master spoke of Mr. Dawson's capabilities as a ringer, but his chief asset, he said, was his skill in arranging the outings. For the past 18 years the splendid arrangements he had made had always ensured them being a great success.—After Mr. Dawson had responded and thanked the members for their present, Mr. T. Faulkner, on behalf of the visitors, thanked the Leytonstone company for their kind invitations to the outings.—This was seconded by Mr. W. J. Nevard.

A move was then made to the Parish Church, where, on the historical peal of eight, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise Major were rung. The journey being resumed, a musical peal of six was found at Ardeley, where 720 each of London and Old Lincoln were rung.

Great Munden was the next stop, and the party were met by the Rev. T. Langdon (himself a ringer). Here 720 Newcastle and 360 Cambridge were rung. The last call for Saturday was Little Munden, where the party were met by Mr. Lawrence, who regretted not being able to spend the whole day with them. Mrs. Lawrence had a splendid tea awaiting the visitors, and this was greatly appreciated by the whole company. This over, 720 Lincoln, No. 16, an' Durham, were rung, with touches of Cambridge and Munden Surprise, with the local men taking part. A pleasant ride then brought the party to the Bull Hotel, where three of the members had to leave and return to London, much to the regret of the rest of the party. Touches of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major on the hand-bells brought supper time and bed.

On Sunday, as usual, the visitors were early astir, and the peal of six at Watton were set going about 7 o'clock, 720 each of Norwich and Wells Surprise being rung before breakfast. Datchworth was visited for 11 o'clock service, but misfortune befel the ringing, Canterbury and Cambridge being lost in the last course.

After dinner, the motor took them to Aston, where Canterbury and Cambridge were successfully rung. A further drive brought them to the old-world village of Bennington (of Squire Proctor fame), and on the melodious little peal of eight, Grandsire Triples, Double Norwich, Stedman and Cambridge Surprise Major were in turn brought round, the Vicar and Mr. Page (the last surviving member of Squire Proctor's band) taking part. Back to Watton to tea, and a 720 of Cambridge for the evening service, brought the very successful ringing tour to an end.

The visitors wish to thank all the clergy for so readily granting permission to ring, and for meeting and giving the visitors a warm welcome; the local ringers (especially Mr. W. H. Lawrence) for meeting them and extending to them that hearty welcome, which it is so great a pleasure to receive, and which will leave a lasting memory of the two days spent in the villages of Herts. Those who took part in the 720's were P. H. Avey 6, G. Dawson 10 (conducted 2), T. Faulkner 6, G. Hayden 5, A. Hardy 3, A. Prior 9 (conducted 2), F. W. Richardson 4, E. D. Smith 10, W. Theobald 11, W. Miller 9 (conductor 7), J. Moule 5 (conducted 2), W. J. Nevard 7 (conducted 2).

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**

A quarterly meeting of the Southern District was held at Worplesdon on Saturday, June 14th. During the afternoon various touches were brought round. The Rector (the Rev. Bruce) conducted the Guild service, and preached an interesting sermon.

The ladies and their friends were then invited to a splendid tea in the Rectory garden.

At the business meeting, Miss Wiseman, of Worplesdon, was elected a member. More ringing was then indulged in till 8 p.m. Ringers were present from Aldershot, Guildford, Shere, Sandhurst, and the local tower. The ladies would like to take this opportunity of again thanking the Rector and Mrs. Bruce for their kind welcome.

**NOTICES.**

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**SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY.**—The 301st anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Friday, June 27th. Ringing commences 9 a.m., and all visitors are heartily welcomed. A luncheon will be held at one o'clock, and those wishing to attend kindly notify the honorary secretary.—R. A. Strong, Saffron Walden.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Ruislip on Saturday, June 28th. Ringing from 3.15. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Hoilier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock, 1s. each. Business meeting and further ringing to follow. The bells at St. John's, Hackney, will be open for ringing from 8 to 9.30 p.m.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Grantham (10 bells) on Saturday, June 28th. Ringing from 3 to 8.30 p.m. Special object, unveiling of peal board at 4.30. Meat tea at Globe Café 2s. each. Train leaves Nottingham at 2.18. All ringers welcome.—F. Blood, Hon. Local Sec., 91, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Ewell on Saturday, June 28th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 5.30, followed by tea and business meeting in Church Room.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 57, Mellows Road, Wallington.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, June 28th, at Great Brington. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—T. Tebbutt, Branch Sec., 53, Louise Road, Northampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Southport, on Saturday, June 28th. Bells only available for ringing from 5 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.—J. W. Grounds, Branch Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, June 28th, at Foxearth, to which all ringers are cordially invited. The bells will be available during the afternoon. Service in the church at 4.15, after which a tea will be provided.—W. H. Dyson, Dis. Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—There will be a General meeting of the branch at Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, on Saturday, June 28th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea and business afterwards.—Alfred J. Harman, Hon. Sec., 2, St. Mary's Cottages, Grove Road, Windsor.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Wisbech Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, June 28th, at Wilburton, Ely (6 bells). Haddenham (6 bells) also available. Service 5 o'clock. Arrangements for tea: please let me know early. All ringers welcome.—H. W. Giddings, 101, Elwyn Road, March.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Knutsford on Saturday, June 28th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5.15 p.m.—J. P. Fidler, Branch Hon. Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on July 1st; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 3rd and 31st; St. Magnus on the 10th and 24th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 15th; Southwark Cathedral on the 22nd, and \*St. Mary le Bow, Cheapside, on the 29th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 'Frod-ingham,' 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Taunton on Saturday, July 5th. Business meeting in St. Mary's Church Room at 3.30 p.m. Tea at 1s. 3d. per head in St. Mary's School at 5 p.m. Service in St. Mary's Church at 6 p.m. St. Mary's bells (12), St. James' (8) and Wilton (6) will be available during the afternoon and evening.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEANCONRY OF STAFFORD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, July 5th. Bells: Cathedral (10) 3 to 3.45 and 6.30 to 7.15; St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3 p.m. Service in Cathedral at 4. Tea at Lloyd's Restaurant at 5, followed by general meeting. Tea, to fully paid up members, 1s.; to others 1s. 6d. Please send word by Tuesday, July 1st. — H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**LADIES GUILD.**—Midland District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, July 5th, at St. Michael's Church, Lichfield. Bells available 3.30. Service in the church at 6 o'clock prompt. Tea 5 o'clock. Business meeting afterwards. Gentlemen invited. Names to be sent in not later than Wednesday, July 2nd, to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Church Hall, Farnham, on Saturday, July 5th. Committee meeting at 11.30 a.m. General meeting at 2 p.m. (at which election of officers and alteration to rules will be decided). Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. for those who notify me before July 1st. Towsers pen for ringing: Farnham (8) and, after 6 p.m., Alton (8), Aldershot (8), Bentley (6) and Frensham (6). All ringers welcome.—George Williams, Hon. Gen. Sec., West End, Southampton.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—On Saturday, July 5th, the annual meeting and 6-bell contest will be held at Crofton (near Wakefield). Draw for order of ringing 2.45 p.m., School. Tea will be provided, 1/6 each, to all who send word not later than June 30th, to 30, Bankfield View, Halifax.—L. Hargreaves, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Loughborough District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Stanford-on-Soar on Saturday, July 5th. Bells

(8) open from 3 o'clock till 5; buses from Loughborough very frequent. The bells of the Parish Church and the Bell Foundry also available after 5 o'clock. General business meeting 5.30. A hearty invitation is given to all ringers and friends.—J. Saddington, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBY-SHIRE SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Norton on Saturday, July 5th. Bells available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea, 1s. each, at 5 p.m. Notification to be made not later than Wednesday, July 2nd, to Mr. W. Biggin, 13, Abbey Lane, Woodseats, Sheffield. This is important. — T. W. Chown, Hon. Sec., 68, Canada Street, Sheffield.

**STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, July 5th. Tower open at 3 p.m., tea at 5.30 p.m., followed by a committee meeting.—A. Vaughan, Hon. Sec., 10, High Street, Knutton, Staffs.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Kettering Branch.—The annual branch meeting will be held at Isham (6) on Saturday, July 5th. Usual arrangements. Those requiring tea please notify me on or before Tuesday, July 1st.—R. G. Black, Branch Sec., Geddington.

**SURPRISE PRACTICE** will be held at Ashted, Surrey, on Saturday, July 5th. Ringing from 3 till 6 p.m.—A. Harman, 27, Poplar Avenue, Leatherhead.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual summer meeting will be held at Barton Le Cley on Saturday, July 5th. Bells (8) will be available during the afternoon and evening. Tea arrangements will be notified during the afternoon. Barton is an ideal spot for an afternoon outing. It is hoped as many members and friends as possible will attend. — Arthur E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Shildon on Saturday, July 5th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m.—A. Hunter, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 5th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to secretary. — Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Brentwood.—Dedication of peal board. Ringers are invited to visit Brentwood on Saturday, July 5th. Tower open for ringing from 3 p.m. Service 6.30 p.m. Tea, 5.30 p.m., 1s. per head, provided for those who acquaint me not later than July 3rd.—Edwin D. Baker, 115, King's Road, Brentwood.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at Wingham on Saturday, July 5th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Will all those intending to be present notify me not later than July 1st?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Meetings for July: St. Clement Danes, Sunday, 6th, 10 a.m.; St. Clement Danes, Monday, 7th, \*6.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Monday, 21st, 7.30 p.m.; Bishopsgate, Monday, 28th, 7.30 p.m. \*Quarterly meeting 8 o'clock. Election of secretary.—J. Bullock, retiring Hon. Sec., 56, Halli-ford Street, N.1.

**THE LADIES GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Bristol on Saturday, July 12th. Ringing at St. Philip's from 2 to 3; St. Mary Redcliffe, from 3 to 4. Service at St. Thomas' Church, 4.30. Tea (by kind invitation of the Bristol United Guilds) at 5 o'clock. Ringing at St. Stephen's after meeting. Will all wishing for tea please send their names to Mrs. Wilkins, 84, Woodland Road, Clifton, Bristol? The Bristol United Guilds are anxious to entertain visiting members, and would like to know the names of any who will be in Bristol before 11 o'clock so that arrangements can be made. Names should be sent to Mrs. Wilkins.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Enfield.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—The next meeting will be held at Birling on Saturday, July 12th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea and business meeting after service. Please notify me before July 8th.—C. H. Sone, Toke Cottage, Linton, Maidstone.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Bury Parish Church on Saturday, July 12th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 7 o'clock. A good attendance requested.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**THE ANNUAL COMMEMORATION DINNER** to Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held at York on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Further details later.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

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