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THE COUNCIL'S RULES.

In this issue appears the concluding portion of the report of the long day's business of the Central Council, and it will be seen that among the variety of subjects which came up at the end of the meeting were one or two which emphasised the point we made some weeks ago, that the Council's Rules, and with them the Definitions which they have from time to time laid down, required overhauling in the light of modern experience and practice. That this view impressed itself upon the Standing Committee was shown by the fact that, towards the close of the proceedings, the President said the Committee recognised that alterations were necessary, and asked the Council to give instructions for this revision to be carried out.

In this connection one of the matters which revealed itself was that, in dealing with the performances for the year, the Peals Analysis Committee had ignored the Council's definitions of a peal and included everything which was claimed under that heading. Not that the Analysis was any more or less valuable for that, and, if they considered the matter very closely, the Committee probably found themselves somewhat in a quandary. Strictly to interpret the definitions of what constitutes a peal would have ruled out all spliced peals of Major, although there is nothing to prevent the inclusion of spliced peals of Minor. Inasmuch as the spliced Major peals are rung without a repetition of changes, it would be ridiculous to exclude the Major and admit the Minor, because the present obsolete definition says that a peal on seven bells and upwards shall consist of five thousand changes 'in any one method.'

On the other hand, the admission to the Analyses of performances made up of fourteen separate 360's of Minor is to countenance as peals, something which the Council, some years ago, set itself out to discourage. We do not suggest that the Committee are exactly blameworthy, but we think where the Council have passed a resolution designed to raise the standard of peal ringing, their Committees should do nothing which is likely to have an opposite effect. Bands who are capable of ringing a multiplicity of Minor methods ought to have no difficulty in mastering the method of ringing 'spliced' extents, and while we admire the ability of men who can put fourteen different methods into one five thousand, yet these performances are not to be compared in value as 'peals' with those in which a similar number of methods are rung in seven true 720's. We hope that the last peals of Minor have been rung in which any row occurs more than seven

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times in the first 5,040, and that, when the Council have brought their definitions into line with modern ideas, no encouragement or latitude will be given to those who practise any kind of performance of a retrogressive nature, which is outside the Council's rules.

TEN BELL PEALS.

STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 7, 1924, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;

TRAVERS PRICHARD Treble	ROBERT HOWARD 6
HUBERT SCRIVENS 2	GEORGE ORCHARD 7
FRANK COLE 3	LESLIE BARRY 8
WILLIAM HASTINGS 4	HARRY BARRETT 9
ALBERT WRIGHT 5	GEORGE HASTINGS Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 12, 1924, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5111 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

GEORGE H. SHUKER Treble	ROBERT GREEN 6
JOHN FEIST 2	JOHN DEARLOVE 7
GEORGE PIPER 3	CHARLES W. PLAYER 8
FRANK BENNETT 4	ROBERT J. DAWE 9
JAMES A. HART 5	WILLIAM STENNING Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Mr. Shuker was elected a member of the association previous to starting. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. R. J. Dawe.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BICESTER, OXON.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 6, 1924, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDBURG,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. 0 qr. 7 lb.

MAURICE SMITH Treble	HARRY BAXTER 5
FRED. HOPPER 2	FRED. WILFORD 6
*HARRY MILES 3	EDWARD HIMS 7
†WALTER F. JUDGE 4	TOM TEBBUTT Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

* First peal in the method on a bob bell. † First Surprise peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, July 8, 1924, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

*J. BENJAMIN BUDD Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE 5
JOHN T. SCOTT 2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE 6
Q.-M.-S. G. GILBERT, R.E. 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKINS 7
WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN. 4	ALFRED H. POLLING Tenor

Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

* First peal of Surprise. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. C. N. Burdock and J. T. Scott. This peal was specially arranged for Mr. J. B. Budd, of Grimsby.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH, SOMERSET.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 8, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

THOMAS F. KING Treble	THEODORE GRANT 5
ARTHUR PRINCE 2	CHARLES W. BELL 6
MISS NORAH G. WILLIAMS ... 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE 7
JESSE HALLET 4	BERTIE J. WRIGHT Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR PRINCE.

ACTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, July 8, 1924, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

WALTER SPARROW Treble	ERNEST W. COULSON 5
MISS PHYLLIS M. MOSS 2	ROBERT E. HOLLOWAY 6
MISS RUBY HAWKSWORTH 3	ROBERT A. FARDON 7
HARRY G. WINCOTE 4	J. WILLIAM FRUIN Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT A. FARDON.

Rung as a farewell to the Rector, the Rev. G. S. De Sausmarez, M.A., who was leaving the parish for Chigwell Row, Essex.

CHURCH LAWTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD AND
THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 9, 1924, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 8½ cwt.

*GEORGE W. BIDDULPH ... Treble	†ARTHUR PEAKE 5
†WALTER LONGMAN 2	†JOSEPH A. COOK 6
WALTER N. ASHBY 3	WILLIAM RIGBY 7
ALFRED E. BACON 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES Tenor

Composed by E. MORRIS.

Conducted by J. E. SYKES.

* First peal. † First peal of Major. ‡ First peal in the method.
Mr. Ashby was elected to the Chester Guild before starting for the peal.

SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Thursday, July 10, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ERNEST BAILEY Treble	JOHN LARTER 5
JOHN SPENCER 2	EDWARD GRINDLE 6
EDGAR BAILEY 3	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON 7
ALBERT E. AUSTIN 4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by F. W. NAUNTON.

Arranged and rung to oblige Mr. A. E. Austin, of Great Shelford, Cambridge. For calling see C.C. Collection, Section 2, No. 115.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thursday, July 10, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

BERT H. POUNTNEY ... Treble	JOHN T. DAVIES 5
HERBERT KNIGHT 2	THOMAS J. ELTON 6
ISAAC EVANS 3	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 7
EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... 4	SAMUEL H. COLEY Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. D. Appleby, who is a member of the local band, to Miss Gladys M. Jackson, of Wednesfield, which took place at the above church on the 5th.

MIDDLESBROUGH.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 11, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

*ARTHUR BOLTON ... Treble	*CECIL ROBINSON 5
†GEORGE WORTHY 2	*THOMAS LANCASTER 6
JOHN APPLETON 3	*WILLIAM AINSWORTH 7
*GEORGE P. KEMBALL ... 4	THOMAS METCALFE Tenor

Composed by J. BARKER.

Conducted by THOMAS METCALFE.

† First peal. * First peal in the method.

IPSWICH.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, July 12, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

H. CHARLES GILLINGHAM ... Treble	WILLIAM P. GARRETT 5
CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 2	HARRY R. ROPER 6
JAMES DURRANT 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS 7
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY 4	ALFRED BOWELL Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

No 10, C.C. Collection. Rung on the 25th anniversary of the first peal on the eight bells. Also as a birthday compliment to Mr. A. Bowell and the conductor.

LODDON, NORFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, July 12, 1924, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

FREDERICK BORRETT ... Treble	CHARLES CLARKE 5
ERNEST LINCOLN 2	FREDERICK FINCH 6
WALTER BARRETT 3	RUSSELL RICHES 7
*HARRY BARRETT 4	GEORGE MAYERS Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by F. BORRETT.

* First peal in the method.

SIX BELL PEALS.

WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Monday, July 7, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST BAILEY Treble	JOHN LARTER 4
ALBERT E. AUSTIN 2	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 5
EDGAR BAILEY 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

Arranged and rung to oblige Mr. A. E. Austin, of Great Shelford, Cambridge.

FOLKINGHAM, Lincs.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 12, 1924, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

Tenor 13 cwt.

*CUTHBERT T. H. BRADLEY Treble	REGINALD SCOTT 4
ARTHUR RIGGALL 2	ARTHUR I. HOLMES 5
JOHN W. LAKE 3	HORACE M. DAY Tenor

Conducted by J. W. LAKE.

First peal on the bells. * First peal.

GORING-ON-THAMES, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(BRADFELD DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 12, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS A BECKET,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

JOHN CARTER Treble	JAMES ABERY 4
BERTHA M. MILLS 2	JOHN BOWER 5
HILDA F. MILLS 3	ERNEST TIGWELL Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST TIGWELL.

Arranged by Q.-M.-S. Gilbert, R.E., for the Misses Mills, who hail from Aldershot, and who were proposed members of the Guild previous to starting for the peal.

HANDBELL PEAL.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 8, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6067 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 in A.

*GEO. STEDMAN MORRIS ... 1—2	HAROLD J. POOLE ... 5—6
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 3—4	ERNEST MORRIS ... 7—8
JOSIAH MORRIS ... 9—10	

Composed by J. E. GROVES. Conducted by H. J. POOLE.

Umpire: E. WHITEHEAD.

* First peal with two working bells.

PEALS IN KENT.

The following peals were rung during a week's holiday in Kent, and through the medium of 'The Ringing World,' Messrs. L. C. Wightman and G. H. Cross desire to thank the various clergy for the use of the bells; also the steeplekeepers, etc., for having everything in readiness. They also thank C.-S.-M. James Bennett, R.M., for making the necessary arrangements, and making the holiday such a success. Their best thanks are also due to the many ringers who took part in the ringing, especially to Messrs. J. H. Cheesman and Herbert Audsley, for their many kindnesses.

DEPTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 5, 1924, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

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

Tenor 21 cwt.

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

Composed and Conducted by G. H. CROSS.

Rung as a compliment to G. H. Daynes, on the eve of his birthday. Messrs. Wightman and Cross were elected members of the association previous to commencing the peal.

NORTHFLEET, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 7, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6058 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. Treble	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... 2	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 6
JOHN BURLS ... 3	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by G. H. CROSS.

First Surprise peal on the bells.

DARTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 8, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

JOHN WHEADON ... Treble	JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 6
EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 3	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 7
C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. ... 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by G. H. CROSS.

SWANSCOMBE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 11, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... Treble	JOHN WHEADON ... 5
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 6
JOHN BURLS ... 3	C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. ... 7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... 4	ALFRED BROOM ... Tenor

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

LEEDS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 12, 1924, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5069 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... Treble	*JOHN WHEADON ... 6
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... 2	†LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 3	†HARRY PARKES ... 8
C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. ... 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 9
EDWIN F. PIKE ... 5	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

* First peal on ten bells away from the tenor. † First peal of Caters. ‡ 50th peal.

MAIDSTONE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 12, 1924, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... Treble	JOHN WHEADON ... 6
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... 2	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 3	HARRY PARKES ... 8
EDWIN F. PIKE ... 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 9
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 5	C.-S.-M. J. BENNETT, R.M. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

SWANSEA & BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**PROPOSED COMPETITION.**

The first annual meeting of the recently formed Guild for the Diocese of Swansea and Brecon was held at Brecon on Saturday, July 5th, the towers of St. Mary's, Brecon (eight bells), Llanfagan (eight bells) and Talgarth (six bells) being open for ringing. The following towers were represented: Brecon, Llanelli, Talgarth, Sketty, Gorseinon, Builth Wells, Llangatlock, Swansea and Glasbury. A short service was held in the Cathedral at 3 p.m., when the Lord Bishop gave an excellent address. The Master of the Guild (the Rev. T. R. J. Jones) intoned the service, and the Sub-Dean (Canon E. A. T. Roberts) read the lesson. The company afterwards adjourned to Ely Tower (the Lord Bishop's residence), where a splendid tea had been prepared.

The business meeting followed, the Lord Bishop presiding.

The rules of the Guild, which were drawn up by the Guild's Committee, were read and adopted. The Bishop was re-elected as president, and the vice-presidents were also re-elected, with the addition of the Rev. R. M. Cole-Hamilton, Llangatlock.

The Master desired to be relieved of his duties owing to pressure of other work, and Mr. S. T. Rackham, Llanelli, was elected in his stead. The hon. secretary (Mr. W. R. Howells) and the hon. treasurer (Mr. Charles Powell) were re-elected, and the committee elected were Messrs. W. T. Hargest (Brecon), W. H. Bicknell (Builth Wells), C. Powell (Llangatlock), W. D. Griffiths (Talgarth), C. Morse (Sketty), D. J. Williams (Gorseinon), J. P. Hyett (Glasbury), E. Stith (Port Talbot), Rev. T. R. J. Jones (Brecon), and J. Hammond (Neath).—The Hon. Treasurer presented the accounts, showing a small balance in hand, and this was considered satisfactory.

It was resolved that the next annual meeting be held at Sketty.

Mr. J. Hammond (Neath) was elected a district instructor for the southern end of the Diocese, he being responsible for arranging quarterly meetings for that district, and the hon. secretary was asked to arrange quarterly meetings for the northern districts.

In future advertisements of all meetings are to be inserted in 'The Ringing World,' the Hon. Secretary remarking that this had not been possible in the past owing to the large amount of money having to be spent in printing and postage to enable the Guild to be placed on a proper footing.

Mr. J. P. Hyett was admitted a life member.

As soon as the committee has procured a shield it was resolved that a competition be established to encourage and improve the standard of ringing in the Guild.

Mr. D. J. Lewis (Cadoxton) proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Lord Bishop for entertaining the company to tea.—This was carried.

The success which attended the meeting speaks well for the future of the Guild. During the day the methods rung were Stedman, Grandsire, Kent, Double Norwich, and Plain Bob.

THE NORFOLK TOUR

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Many of the churches about East Anglia are very much alike—built of flint stone walling, with stone dressings, bands, and reinforcements, and consisting of chancel, nave and lofty battlemented tower, in one straight alignment, two aisles and a south porch. The ringing room is usually on the ground floor (approached through the porch) with a large arch opening to the nave. At Salle, Bungay, Elham, Marsham, Aylsham and Coslany, a ringers' gallery has been added (probably when the bells were increased) without detriment to the architecture of the interior of the church.

Several of the peals we rang upon, possessed one or two 14th and 15th century bells. If the Society of Antiquarians wish to live up to their reputation a good work could be done by preserving these old bells as examples of the English bell founders' art. A few years hence the Canon Simpson fiend will come along, and these fine old instruments of national importance will disappear in the melting-pot. Antiquarians spend days poring over a crumbling stone, yet there are valuable castings in use for centuries (and still intact) frequently broken up through the persuasive musical eloquence of the modern bell founders.

Readers will be telling me to get on with the tour, so I will resume. Thursday was a heavy day, and the heat rather trying, with two good tenors to tackle. However, we completed two good performances. Elham (which has an history older than Norwich) and Wymondham—locally pronounced Windham. The mid-day meal was served at the King's Head, a name bestowed on many of the inns of the county. Brother Shade asked leave to stand out of the latter peal, but he came up the long stairs to the belfry, and wistfully looked round the room like a grand old veteran, only awaiting the signal. Supper was decided upon (after 7 hours' fasting) before leaving the town, and by the aid of local hands procured, and enjoyed so much, that the last train to Norwich almost went without the party.

Seeing a train coming into the station everybody rushed for it, and got in, excepting the Slough coach—it proved to be the 10 o'clock London mail, late. I thought about a bed in the town, when another train, true to scheduled time, came along, and I reached headquarters at Norwich as soon as the others, the Great George having reported himself during the evening, after having been absent since the Yarmouth peal. The campanile of Wymondham may be classed as one of the three most important ones in the county. It is very high and massive, with a large ringing room, well appointed, and a heavy ring of eight that go well—some of Day's best work—and two men of Kent have turned the tenor (25½ cwt.) into Major, viz., Messrs. Daynes and Bennett.

Change of venue led to a change of conveyance, so to Loddon we went by motor-car, a pretty 10-mile round of table-land. The church is a beautiful 14th century building in Perpendicular style of architecture, with several interesting features—an early iron-bound alms box, an ancient font, and the lock on the porch door 1710, and a painting of the founder of the church and his wife (original) mounted on the south aisle wall. As soon as the peal was over the return bus was due for Trowse Station, where we booked by rail for Dereham, a large market town, where the square was filled with stalls and people. The proprietor of Ashwell's Restaurant was instructed to buy up one of the stalls of dried haddock, and he soon had a combined lunch and tea ready by 5 p.m.

Stedman lasted nearly 2½ hours at the parish church, when the men and the bells got out. These bells are a good old heavy octave—many of them striking falsely—and in need of overhauling by a bell hanger, and this attempt proved to be the most strenuous effort—without reward—during the week. There are several old peal boards of large proportions, one recording Major in 1750.

The church is cruciform in plan, the central tower not safe enough to allow peal ringing, so the authorities wisely decided about a century ago to erect a separate tower—and put the heavy bells in it. The pathway to the church separates the new tower from it, and a very massive structure it is, of similar proportions to Beccles. The position of the tower in relation to the church is the same as at Chichester, Ledbury and Beccles, quite a coincidence since no regulation has been laid down in the distant past for determining the site.

At Marsham we were received by the Vicar—formerly of Maidstone—and saw the name of William Eversfield (of Gravesend) on an old peal board in the belfry, so that the Kent men were at once at home, but the Kent Treble Bob Major of 2 hrs. 50 mins. run failed to come 'home,' and the band felt more disappointment at this loss than either of the others. This parish was the birthplace of Thomas Greenwood, who progressed from an old six-bell country team till 1842, when two trebles were added. A huge tablet records several good performances, showing rapid progress in eight-bell work, including 10,080 Oxford Treble Bob Major in 1844, composed by Eversfield, and conducted by Greenwood. A daughter of Greenwood, who was a good handbell ringer, died rather more than a

year ago (over 90 years of age), and she gave the photograph of her father—taken about the time he called the long peal—to Mr. Moy.

Greenwood was a few years older than C. Middleton, who was also a native of Marsham, and the two, in their young days, worked on a farm at 7s. 6d. per week. Tradition says that they frequently figured on the back of a shovel with a piece of chalk, in the dinner-hour, and all their labour was quickly wiped out when the manure carts came to be filled.

Greenwood on one occasion walked to London and back, with only a few shillings in his pocket. Seeing a wedding crowd at one of the big churches in the city he went to look in, and found his way up to the belfry. The local 'serouffe' were short-handed, and he was asked if he could ring, and did so, receiving ten shillings for his share—the easiest money I ever earned—as he often said afterwards. He subscribed 1s. per week out of his scanty wages to help to purchase a set of handbells (12), which was effected in 1833; they had much to do with the progress of the band in the next ten years, the bells being somewhere in the district to-day.

John Warne, Esq., of Bulwick Hall, was churchwarden of Aylsham for some years, and a practical ringer, taking part in several 5,000's with the Marsham and Aylsham ringers, and one with Thurston. He gave employment on his estate for a while to Greenwood and Middleton, and he appears to have been a gentleman of means, who possessed a love for English bell ringing, and endeavoured to uphold it in the same generous manner, as did Squire Proctor, of Bennington, and Squire Powell, of Quex Park.

The ringers of Aylsham have used but one house—the Cross Keys—for the past hundred years, so we accordingly patronised it when we visited the town, and had a cold lunch prepared by the man in advance. At the church we were met by the Vicar, and Mr. Moy and Mr. Coleman, the hon. secretary of the Norfolk Guild, and we found a musical light running peal of bells, with a well-ordered, roomy belfry. Our 15th attempt was rattled off in good peal-tapping style, and we left rather hurriedly to catch the last train home at 3 p.m. Arriving at Norwich safely, we were just in time to again enjoy one of those suppers of fresh Yarmouth fish, cooked to a nicety at a cosy place discovered by our naval 'searchlight.'

Seated in a comfortable room at our hotel, for the last time, we were able to spend a couple of hours in quiet conversation concerning what we had done, and I discovered that most of it related to what had not been done, but many little kindnesses that had helped to make the tour an enjoyable one were recalled, such as the hard work of Mr. Cross, and the kind co-operation of Mr. Coleman and the various clergymen; the good wishes of Mr. Nevard 'to ring the lot,' with a Treasury note to drink his health; the thanks of the company to the conductor for his patience with errors, and on one occasion a real brotherly lecture followed by congratulations to the organiser on his promotion to the rank of Company Sergt.-Major. The peal barometer was still rising (like the thermometer), the latest readings, approximately, in the shade—1,282 by Isaac, of Greenwich, and 792 by Rugby George. What would Samuel Lawrence, of Shifnal, or James Barham, of Leeds, if they were alive to-day, say to men like Pye or Williams with over 1,000 up?

The longest day, like the longest lane, has an ending; the break-up of our touring party began at midnight, and ended at Liverpool Street at noon on Sunday—after a 6 a.m. breakfast and nearly five hours in one of the East Coast Sunday expresses to London, that made one long to get home and tell mother all about it.

W. H. F.

MR. W. ROGERS' CENTURY.

Mr. W. Rogers, of Northampton, recently rang his 100th peal, and the following is the list: Stedman Cinques, 1; Caters, 8 (conducted 6); Triples, 15; Grandsire Caters, 6 (conducted 3); Triples, 6; Kent Treble Bob Royal, 5 (conducted 3); Major, 4 (conducted 2); Bob Maximus, 1; Royal, 1; (conducted 1); Major, 9 (conducted 2); London Surprise Major, 2; Bristol Surprise, 2; Cambridge Surprise Royal, 2; Major, 4 (conducted 1); Superlative Surprise Major, 11; Double Norwich Major, 7; Minor in one method, 1 (conducted 1); three methods, 6 (conducted 2); five methods, 2; seven methods, 4; Doubles, 3; total, 100; conducted, 21.

HINDLEY, LANCASHIRE. — At the Church of St. Peter, for Confirmation service, on Saturday, May 10th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: W. Blackledge (Hindley) 1, H. Smith (Leigh) 2, H. Allred (conductor, Tyldesley) 3, J. T. Allred (Tyldesley) 4, J. Booth (Standish) 5, W. Austin (Standish) 6, J. Grounds (Standish) 7, T. Marsh (Hindley) 8.

GREAT MUNDEN, WARE, HERTS. — On Sunday, May 4th, a quarter-peal of Minor was rung, consisting of 720 of Oxford Delight, 360 Kent Treble Bob and 180 Plain Bob, in 44 mins., by the following: Rev. A. G. Langdon 1, N. Patmore 2, S. Carter (conductor) 3, B. Patmore 4, H. Wallace 5, G. Carter 6.

BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**THE ANNUAL MEETING.**

There was a large gathering of ringers at Taunton on July 5th, when the annual meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association was held. Representatives were present from Taunton St. Mary's, St. James's, Wilton, Bishop's Hull, North Curry, Stogumber, Milverton, Chipstable, Worle, Bridgwater, Burnham, West Pennard, Ilminster, Chew Magna, Midsomer Norton, Yeovil, Street, Minehead, Drayton, St. Saviour's, Bath, Weston (Bath), Bristol, Grenton and Newport (Mon.). Following the meeting, tea was partaken of in the Schoolroom, and the annual service was then held in the Parish Church, at which an earnest address was given by the Rev. S. W. Payne, curate of St. Mary's.

The business meeting was held in the St. Mary's Churchroom, Mr. D. G. Taylor, of Ilminster, being elected to the chair, in the unavoidable absence of the Master, the Rev. C. G. Parker, of Corston Rectory, Bristol.

MEMBERSHIP INCREASED: FINANCES SOUND.

The Chairman read the Master's report for the year ending June 1st, which stated that he (the Master) was glad to be able to say that the condition of the Association was satisfactory. 'The membership has increased, and there are more than an hundred additional performing members, and financially, as the balance sheet shows, we are in a sound position. At the meeting of the committee it was decided by a majority not to alter the present rule as to the amount and disposal of funds for local expenses. While sympathising with those branches who find the amount allowed hardly sufficient, it is, perhaps, a wise decision not to alter a rule of this kind at the present time, when we are just succeeding in putting the finances of the Association on a satisfactory basis. I am sure the other decision of the committee, to provide every member with a copy of the annual report, will be accepted with general approval. I should like here to refer to what I said last year, and to again suggest that the report should also be sent either to the incumbent, or the Church Council, or a churchwarden where the tower is affiliated to the Association. I do this because the affiliation fees are by no means what they ought to be, and there must be many parishes who fail to pay them. I am glad that I was able to attend the meeting of the Central Council in London. You will see that the points which your representatives were asked to support were both carried: (1) A committee was appointed for reviewing the present system of naming methods; (2) Mr. Hunt's resolution for clearer instruction in showing how bobs are made in various Minor methods published in "Legitimate Methods," and which he brought forward very forcibly, was also agreed to. It was further resolved to send a letter to the authorities of every Diocese suggesting that where there is an Advisory Committee for dealing with the granting of faculties, one of its members should be an expert on bells and change ringing, etc. I should hope that such members would be chosen from the association connected with the Diocese. I notice that there are not so many peals this year as last, but there is a slight increase in the number of methods. Special mention must be made of the Cambridge Surprise Minor, rung at Wilton on January 20th, 1923. It was the first peal of Surprise by all except the conductor, Mr. Hunt, and all were local men: they deserve hearty congratulation.'

The number of towers is 139. Members—Hon. members, 100; performing members, 1,196; non-resident members, 11; life members, 161; unattached, 43—total, 1,511. Twenty-six peals were rung, as follows: Stedman Cinques, 1; Stedman Caters, 1; Stedman Triples, 3; Kent Treble Bob Major, 1; Bob Major, 2; Grandsire Triples, 5; Cambridge Surprise Minor, 1; Minor in two methods, 2; Bob Minor, 4; Doubles in three methods, 2; Grandsire Doubles, 4; making a total of 26.

The Master expressed the hope 'that our Association will maintain and strengthen the firm position which it holds at the present time, and continue to be in the future, as in the past, a useful servant of the church in this diocese.'

The Chairman said he considered the report very satisfactory, and the distributing of the annual reports to all the members was a step in the right direction. It would certainly add to the expenditure, but time warranted this being done. They should get back to the old ways.

Mr. Cave, of Bristol, endorsed the Chairman's remarks.

OFFICERS REAPPOINTED.

The treasurer (Mr. E. E. Burgess) then presented his report, which showed a balance in hand of £124 19s. 3d. The receipts, which included hon. members' subscription £2 15s., affiliation fees £8 14s., and local secretaries' balances £45 5s. 9d., amounted to £165 16s. 5d., and expenditure £40 17s. 2d., including printing, stationery, reports, etc., £20 17s. 8d., and costs of meetings £64s. 4d.

The local secretaries' account, also presented by Mr. Burgess, showed a balance in hand of £55 9s. 9d., the receipts totalling £74 4s. 6d., and the expenditure £18 14s. 9d.

The Chairman commented on the increase in the balance on last year, despite the fact that reports were a necessary item, and that they had to be distributed to the whole Association.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Hunt, ten guineas was granted as an honorarium to the secretary.

The vice-presidents—the Ven. the Archdeacon of Wells, the Ven. the Archdeacon of Bath, the Ven. the Archdeacon of Taunton, the Rev. Preb. S. A. Boyd, Bath, and the Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill, Leigh-on-Mendip—were re-elected, and the Rev. Preb. C. E. L. Corfield was added to the list.

The Chairman, in proposing the re-election of the Rev. C. O. Parker as Master, said now that they had a good man at the head of affairs they were loath to let him go.—Mr. Burge seconded, and Mr. J. Maddock said that when the Master retired it would be as well if they appointed a ringing master instead of a clergyman. What they really wanted was a clergyman-ringing master.—The re-appointment of the Master was carried with acclamation.

Mr. Burgess was re-elected secretary and treasurer, and in replying, said he had occupied the position for 19 years, and he thought perhaps it would be advisable to introduce some fresh and younger member. He, however, agreed to accept the position.

Mr. D. G. Taylor was reappointed auditor, and thanked for his valuable services.

It was decided that the quarterly meetings should be held at Chewton Mendip in September, Keynsham in December, and Milborne Port in April.

Mr. J. Hunt, of Taunton, a representative upon the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, commented briefly on the Central Council meeting which was held in London recently, and was thanked for his remarks.

NO PEAL BOARD.

Mr. J. Burge put forward a suggestion by Mr. A. Walker, of St. Martin's, Birmingham, who was unavoidably prevented from being present that afternoon, that a peal board be erected in St. Mary's bell chamber to commemorate the first peal of Stedman Cinques which was rung in the diocese.

Mr. Dyke said he was not in favour of the association spending money for this suggestion; this peal was rung by a band of ringers, not one of whom resided in the diocese. Had it been rung by ringers in the diocese he would have certainly supported the suggestion, but he did not think they were doing the right thing in spending money for people to ring peals from outside the diocese.

Mr. Coles said he considered this was not a matter for the association to spend money on. First peals had been rung on many occasions at various places, but never before had the association been asked to pay for a peal board.

One of the members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association referred to in the discussion, who was present, said they were very pleased to come to Taunton, and they were greatly indebted for the use of the tower.—Mr. J. Maddock said those ringers who generally rang first peals did not want peal boards erected for them; he thought they were very pleased at being able to ring a first peal.—Mr. Burge accordingly withdrew his suggestion, and the matter ended.

The Chairman voiced the thanks of the meeting to the Vicars of St. Mary's, St. James' and St. George's, Wilton, for kindly placing the towers of the respective churches at the disposal of the change ringers that day, and to the Vicar of St. Mary's for the use of the church for the service.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding, on the motion of Mr. Hunt.

EXMINSTER BELLS RESTORED.

The bells of Exminster, Devon, have been retuned and rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and on July 5th were rededicated by the Rural Dean, the Rev. B. C. Bennett. The work has cost about £400, and all but a sum of £40 has been raised. The bells are a peal of six, dating from 1758, and now form a delightful ring. At the dedication service the bells were opened by the local ringers: Messrs. Manley, J. Way, J. Edwards, F. Counter, E. Holman and S. Burridge. Afterwards the bells were rung by hands from neighbouring towers, who were loud in their praise of the work done by the bell hangers. The Devon Guild of Ringers was represented by Messrs. W. J. Southwood (hon. secretary of the Exeter Branch), Glass (Heavitree) and Gardner (St. David's).

W. H. SMITH & SON'S EMPLOYEES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I wonder if there are a sufficient number of change ringers in the employ of Messrs. W. H. Smith and Sons to make up a band for a peal? I will be pleased to hear from any with a view to fixing one up in London on the occasion of a certain event.—Yours truly,

H. FERGUSON.

55, Mayville Avenue, Scarborough.

AN EARLY PEAL COMMEMORATED.**TABLET UNVEILED AT GRANTHAM.**

A tablet has been erected at Grantham Parish Church to commemorate the peal rung there in 1775 by the Sherwood Youths, shortly after the ring had been augmented from eight to ten.

The tablet reads as follows:—

'On Tuesday, September 19th, 1775, was rung in this steeple the first peal on the ten bells, being 5,130 changes of Grandsire Caters. It was accomplished by members of the Society of Sherwood Youths from Nottingham and Newark, viz.: J. Smith, treble; Rd. Norton, second; Rd. Peat, third; Jas. Wilkinson, fourth; Jn. Mason, fifth; Robt. Metheringham, sixth; John Fettiplace, seventh; Francis Draper, eighth; Wm. Doubleday Crofts and Wm. Bradley, ninth; Jas. Coppock, Samuel Stevenson, and Thomas Gray, tenor. Time, 3 hrs. 40 mins. The "bobs" were called by Wm. D. Crofts. "Labor omnia vincit." The Rev. Rd. Easton being Vicar of the parish.'

At a joint meeting of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild and the Midland Counties Association (Nottingham district), the tablet was unveiled on Saturday, June 28th, by Mr. Albert Coppock, the vice-president of the Midland Counties Association, and there were present the Vicar of Grantham (the Rev. Canon B. Hancock), Mr. F. Blood, hon. secretary of the Midland Counties Association; Mr. W. E. White and W. A. James, members of the committee; the Rev. C. J. Sturton, Rector of Orton; Miss Ida Thompson, of St. Mary's, Nottingham; and ringers from Ilkeston, Bulwell, Cotgrave, Bottesford, Worksop, Beeston, Hough-on-the-Hill, St. Peter at Arches, Lincoln: St. Peter at Gout's, Lincoln, and Grantham.

In an address Mr. Coppock referred to the work of Mr. Wm. D. Crofts, a Nottingham solicitor, who conducted that first peal nearly 150 years ago. He said Crofts was a pioneer in bell ringing, and lived in a time when there were no books on the subject to consult. The work he did was mainly constructive, and the manuscripts he had left behind were really wonderful. He rang about 30 peals, 23 or 24 of which he conducted himself, and evidently was the star of the Nottingham team. It was fitting that they should pay tribute to the memory of Crofts, who in bell ringing did wonders. There was one name on the tablet that gave him pleasure to see, and that was that of James Coppock, his great grandfather.

In proposing a vote of thanks to the Grantham bell ringers, Mr. F. Blood said their idea was to keep green the memory of that remarkable man, William D. Crofts.

Prior to the unveiling ceremony, a touch of Grandsire Caters was rung, and after tea touches in various methods were brought round.

PEAL BOARD DEDICATED AT BRENTWOOD.

An enjoyable time was experienced at Brentwood by the ringers who met there on Saturday, July 5th, on the occasion of the dedication of a peal board recording the first peal rung by the Sunday Service ringers attached to that church. Representatives attended from Barking, Bentley, Chelmsford, Harlow Common, Ingatestone, Leyton, Leytonstone, Prittlewell, Romford, Waltham and Writtle, while apologies were received from Messrs. C. H. Howard and A. Prior (Master and District Master of the Essex Association), W. Theobald, G. R. Pye, and others. Touches were rung in Grandsire, Stedman, Bob Major, Kent, Double Norwich and Superlative. After a substantial tea had been enjoyed, with touches on the handbells, the service was held in the church, which was tastefully decorated for its patronal festival. The Vicar (the Rev. E. Lee) officiated, while the Rev. S. E. Collins, F.R.C.O., presided at the organ.

After the office of the association, the Vicar dedicated the peal board at the altar, and afterwards committed it to the custody of the ringers to be placed in the tower as a record of what had been done, and as an incentive to further progress. He gave an impressive address, emphasising that the work of all church officials was equally important, and the necessity of our lives being in accordance, so that while proclaiming the message of the church to the outside world they also recognised the duties and opportunities of being active church workers.

At the conclusion of the service, a move was again made to the tower, where the ringers who took part in the peal, rang a short touch. Ringing continued till about 8.30. The visitors commented on the fine tone of the tenor, which has been greatly enhanced by the adoption of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank's rubber buffers.

A REVIVAL IN CAMBRIDGE.

Twelve bell practice in Cambridge is being revived, and on Monday, June 30th, at Great St. Mary's Church, two plain courses of Grandsire Cinques and a course of Bob Royal were rung by Y. Green, H. Hayzell, E. G. Hibbins, A. Chenery, W. Ibbett, W. Smith, J. Taylor, T. Dennis, J. Newington, G. Rivers, W. Welch and P. Taylor.

This is the first twelve bell practice in Cambridge for a considerable number of years, and these two courses were rung at the first attempt. The ringers, with the exception of G. Rivers, were all residents in Cambridge.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. A. H. Keighley, of 18, Merrick Square, London, S.E.1, was elected hon. general secretary of the London County Association at the meeting held on Monday of last week, Mr. J. Bullock having resigned.

In view of the discussion which has arisen in the Oxford Guild in the past with regard to the venue of the annual meeting, it is interesting to note from the agenda for next week's meeting, that the committee have discussed the meeting-place for 1925, and upon a division Oxford received 13 votes, Reading 11 and Slough 2. Since that meeting, circumstances have caused the transfer of this year's festival from Oxford to Reading.

One of the proposals to be brought before the meeting is that in future the general secretary be a paid officer at a salary of £20 per annum. This is recommended by the general committee.

The opening peal on the twelve bells at St. Chad's Shrewsbury, was rung on July 18th, 1798. This was a peal of Grandsire Cinques by the Ancient Society of College Youths, and was called by Thomas Blakemore. The renowned Samuel Lawrence rang the eleventh.

The first peal rung by a band of ladies was accomplished on July 20th, 1912, at Christ Church, Cubitt Town.

Next Monday is the first anniversary of the 17,280 Kent Treble Bob Major rung in ten hours, at Over, Cheshire.

The peal at Ufford on July 5th, was not the first 'Charles' peal, after all. The first was a peal of Grandsire Triples at St. Stephen's, Bristol, rung on November 13th, 1895, by the following Charles: Horton, Millard, Langdon, Gordon, Goodenough, Bell (conductor), Tomkins and Winstone. The Rector was Charles Joberns, and the wardens, Charles Hill and Charles Cochrane.

In the peal of London Surprise, rung at Woolwich on June 21st, the name of the ringer of the 4th was Fred Hopper.

THE PEAL AT EXETER.

GUILD'S DOUBLE CENTURY.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Please allow me to congratulate the band on the performance at Exeter, and at the same time point out a happy coincidence.

I keep an unofficial record and analysis of the peals rung by St. Martin's Guild, and when booking the two peals published in Friday's 'Ringing World,' I discovered that the Exeter peal was the 200th peal of Stedman Cinques by the Guild since its amalgamation in 1889. The first 100 was completed in 1916, having taken 28 years to ring, as compared with the second, which was accomplished in eight.

I give the list, which may be of interest:—

At St. Martin's, 116; at Wolverhampton, 3; at West Bromwich, 5; at Bristol, 1; at Exeter, 1; at Painswick, 1; at Sheffield, 1; at Shrewsbury, 1; at Southwark, 1; on handbells, 70.—Yours truly,
GEORGE F. SWANN.

AN OWNER WANTED.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—About three or four years ago a certain Mr. Groot (or some other name very similar) visited the belfry of Uxbridge. While he was there he dropped his walking stick down the clock-weight case. He was promised that, if it were recovered he should have it back. The stick has now been regained, but the owner's address has been lost. As, however, he mentioned that he was a member of the London County Association, I have been asked to endeavour to trace him. I shall be glad if you can help me, by inserting this letter.—Yours faithfully,

4, Pene Street, Chelsea, S.W.3.

C. F. MITCHELL.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A very enjoyable and successful meeting of the Isle of Wight district was held at Freshwater on Saturday, July 12th, when, favoured by fine weather, a good attendance was recorded. Ringing was with some difficulty indulged in from 2.30 till 4.30, the bad going of the tenor somewhat disturbing those who tried to turn her in. At the service an interesting address was given by the Rev. H. E. E. Coombes on 'Essentials in bells, ringing and ringers: Time, tune and tone.' Afterwards a bountiful tea was partaken of in the parish hall, kindly provided by the Rector, who had the very kind assistance of his churchwardens and their wives. At the conclusion, the Rev. J. C. Orr (Whitwell) proposed the hearty thanks of those present to the Rector for his address, his hospitality, and to the ladies for their kind attendance to the ringers' wants at table.

The business meeting followed, at which two probationers and one full member were elected.

A meeting at Arreton on Saturday July 26th, was arranged, subject to the consent of the Vicar of that parish, when it is hoped to make a good start off with the proposed fund for restoring the grave of that pioneer of island ringing, William Rayner.

More ringing terminated a very enjoyable meeting indeed.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

(Continued from page 441.)

THE MINOR METHOD COLLECTION.

Mr. J. Hunt moved, 'That the Council consider the advisability of publishing instructions showing how bobs are made in various Minor methods published in "Legitimate Methods."' He pointed out that it was a great handicap to the uninitiated to have the Collection of Minor methods without any indication of how the bobs are made. A man who learned to ring a new method must know how to make the bobs, just as well as how to ring the plain leads, and in omitting the bob work from the book the committee had failed to give the ringers all the help they might have given them.

Mr. Pulling seconded, and remarked that most six bell ringers, taking up the 'Collection' to learn a new method, had no idea how to make the bob, or what to do afterwards. The bobs ought to have been shown in the first instance.

Mr. Trollope pointed out that the book was going to be revised directly. The present stock would be exhausted in about twelve months' time, and all these points would be taken into consideration in preparing a new edition.

The motion was carried, it being understood that it would be given effect to when a fresh edition was published.

CHESTER NEXT YEAR.

The President said the Standing Committee had, as usual, considered the rota of meetings. Of two different places, one was an invitation from the Hereford Diocesan Guild to meet at Hereford. They would esteem it a great honour if the Council decided to visit Hereford. The committee, however, bearing in mind the great pressure that had been exercised year after year on behalf of Chester, thought it advisable to recommend that Chester should be the place to meet next Whitsun. Although they would not fix the following year's meeting until next year, the committee thought, to make things shipshape, Ipswich would be a set-off against the more north-westerly place.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies proposed that Chester be selected for next year. It was, he said, a most interesting place to go to.—Mr. T. H. Beams seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried.

Mr. Elwell (hon. secretary of the Chester Guild) said they were very pleased to know the Council had decided to visit Chester, and they would do the best they could to make them comfortable.

PEALS OF MINOR.

The Rev. H. Law James drew attention to the recent record of a performance of Minor, consisting of fourteen 360's. He believed the definitions of the Council at present in force laid it down that if they wanted to ring fourteen methods, they must ring seven 720's, so he did not think it should appear in the Analysis.

Mr. Trollope said the present definitions were rather obsolete.

The Rev. H. Law James gave notice that he would place a motion on the agenda for next year.

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter said peals such as that referred to were included in the Analysis, but without extra points.

THE LATE MR. J. W. WASHBROOK.

Canon Elsee said members would have seen in 'The Ringing World' a few weeks ago that attention was called to the proposal that some memorial should be put up to that great ringer whom they had lost since the last meeting of the Council—Mr. J. W. Washbrook. All the older members would remember Mr. Washbrook at one of the very earliest, if not the first, meetings of the Council, and it was in the early days of the Council that he was at the height of his fame. Then, his name was a household word among ringers. He died a few months ago in Lancashire, and was buried in one of the Manchester cemeteries. There had been some talk among Lancashire ringers of finding a place for a memorial to him in their own county. On the other hand, in the days of Mr. Washbrook's greater ringing fame, he was an Oxfordshire man, and those who knew him then would always associate him more with Oxfordshire than Lancashire. Between his residence in those two counties he was for a time in Ireland. He would like to suggest that ringers should start a scheme for placing some memorial to Mr. Washbrook in a suitable place, and, in his opinion, that should be, if possible, in Oxford itself. He believed the Oxford Diocesan Guild had approached the Dean of Christ Church, asking whether a tablet might be put in the cloisters of Christ Church Cathedral, near the one which commemorated the Rev. F. E. Robinson. If that were possible, then, speaking for Lancashire ringers, or for some of them at all events, he would like to say they would support the Oxford Guild in that memorial. Many of them would like to see some worthy memorial to one who was, in his way, the greatest ringer of their time (hear, hear), and he for one felt that the most appropriate place where such a memorial could be set, would be in Oxford itself and in the cloisters of Christ Church. He would like to move that, if the Oxford Diocesan Guild was going to issue an appeal for subscriptions to a memorial to Mr. Washbrook, other ringers

throughout the country should be invited to support it as their share in the memorial.

The Rev. F. L. Edwards, as one who had early and great memories of Mr. Washbrook in his greatest days as a ringer at Oxford, supported the proposal.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn said the Oxford Guild were waiting for two things. First of all, the matter was coming before the annual meeting on July 26th, and then, of course, the money would have to come in from the various ringers who would like to contribute. As soon as they had settled the matter at their Guild meeting they would begin on the scheme, and he took it the best way would be to send out an invitation to contribute. If the Council carried this motion the Oxford Guild could then say that the Council commended it to other Guilds.

The following motion was thereupon carried, 'That this Council considers that steps should be taken to place a tablet to the memory of the late Mr. J. W. Washbrook in the city of Oxford, and commends this scheme to the Guilds and associations with which he was specially connected.'

METHOD SPLICING.

The President said that at the last Council meeting at Salisbury they were, owing to lack of time, rather hard on Mr. Cave, who desired to say something about spliced methods. He thought, therefore, they should now give Mr. Cave an opportunity.

Mr. Cave said the question that he had in mind was in relation to the definition of a peal on eight, ten and twelve bells, which provided that a peal on these numbers should be rung in any one method. He thought they should consider whether these four words, 'in any one method' should not be wiped out. They recognised now that splicing had come to stay, and those words ought to be deleted from the rules of the Council. He therefore gave notice that he would move this at the next meeting.

The President said that two or three things which had cropped up had shown that some of the rules required revising. The matter came before the Standing Committee, who recognised that alterations were necessary, and that the rules should be brought into proper shape in accordance with fresh resolutions. It was suggested that the Council might give instructions to the Standing Committee to revise the rules and bring them before the Council at the next meeting.

The Rev. H. Law James said that would cover the two points mentioned by himself and Mr. Cave.

Mr. Carpenter said the Analysis Committee had ignored the words mentioned by Mr. Cave, as they had had peals of mixed Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and of other eight-bell methods while now they had that wonderful production by Mr. J. W. Parker of a peal of Superlative and Cambridge, mixed. The Analysis Committee wanted to know what they were to do.

It was understood that the Standing Committee would bring up revised rules for consideration at the next meeting.

NO CHEAP TICKETS.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett said a member of the Council wrote to him suggesting that an endeavour should be made to get cheap railway tickets for representatives coming to the Council meetings. He knew, however, that railway companies would not consider special facilities for any number less than 200, so he was not able to go any further into the matter, although it would be a grand thing if they could get return tickets at a single fare. Years ago there was a certain committee, of which their friend Mr. Cockey was head, which tried to do everything possible on behalf of ringers to secure for them the same facilities as were given to fishermen and golfers, but it was all unavailing. If that Council grew to such an extent that they could guarantee 200 members attending they might then hope to get cheap tickets.

THANKS.

The President moved a vote of thanks to the Dean for the use of the historic chamber for the meeting, and said the Council were highly honoured in being allowed to meet there.

The motion was unanimously carried, and the meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to those who had made arrangements for the entertainment of visiting members, and to the President for presiding.

Subsequently some stayed to listen to a deeply interesting sketch of the history of the ancient chamber, given by Canon Perkins, while others went up into the lofty old tower of the Abbey and enjoyed touches on the fine peal of eight bells.

Later in the evening a large company met at the Bedford Head, and enjoyed an hour or two of social intercourse, with songs, instrumental music, and handbell ringing, the performances of the members of Mr. J. D. Matthews' family being much appreciated. This part of the proceedings was presided over by Mr. E. Alex. Young, who was supported by the President of the Council and the Masters of the College Youths and Royal Cumberlands (Messrs. R. T. Hibbert and J. D. Matthews). During the evening, the tankard presented to the Rev. C. D. P. Davies was filled and passed round as a 'loving cup.' The evening was a most enjoyable one.

DEDICATION OF NEW TREBLES AT CHULMLEIGH.

BISHOP OF CREDITON AND RINGING.

An octave at last! This phrase epitomised the thoughts of the Chulmleigh Church bell ringers on Wednesday, June 18th, for the hope had long been cherished that it would one day be found possible to add the necessary two bells to the existing peal of six. This happy result has now been achieved through the generosity of leading local residents, who have given the two new bells. One of them is the gift of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Martin, of Colleton House, Chulmleigh, and the other was given by Mr. T. Sanders. The new bells were dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Crediton to the memory of men with local associations who fought or made the supreme sacrifice in the great war. The work of hanging the bells has been efficiently carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, who have produced two splendid trebles that blend remarkably well with the old peal. The public-spirited and thoughtful action of the donors of the bells is highly appreciated in the neighbourhood, and the ready response made to the appeal for subscriptions is also recognised. In this connection the highest possible praise is due to the general committee responsible for the effort, consisting of the Rev. M. W. Murray (Rector), Messrs. W. P. Martin, T. Sanders, J. Mair, J. Tripe, J. Sanders, C. Thorne, W. and T. Pennington, W. Gillis, T. H. Harrison, A. J. Stocker, L. Newton, F. Coates, and Peek, while Messrs. H. G. Jennings, and M. Paddon, in their able discharge of the joint hon. secretarial duties won universal approval. A ladies' committee, which rendered help in a variety of ways (particularly in providing much needed refreshment on the actual day for which all had been preparing), consisted of Mesdames Murray, Pennington, Partridge, Paddon, Newton, Jennings, Coates and Thorne, and the Misses Vickery and Beer.

The two new treble bells, which give the notes E flat and D respectively, and are of the respective weights of 8 cwt. 3 qr. and 7 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb., are inscribed: 'In memory of old comrades, N. D. Hussars, who fought in the war, 1914-1918. Given by Thomas Sanders, Chulmleigh, 1924,' and 'To the Glory of God, in memory of the men of Chulmleigh who fell in the great war, 1914 to 1918. Presented by W. P. Martin and M. C. Martin, Colleton, April, 1924.' The new bells are hung in a new iron frame, with iron headstocks, etc. The original six bells date from 1718, and the weight of the tenor is 28 cwt.

The day was a memorable one in the history of Chulmleigh Church, and the consummation of the object long held in view was a matter of evident pride with the local ringers.

THE DEDICATION.

The celebration of the event began with a choral service in the parish church, attended by, in addition to the donors and other parishioners, about 100 ringers from Exeter and from surrounding parishes. The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. M. W. Murray), the Rev. M. D. Buckingham, R.D. (Vicar of Burrington), reading the lesson (1 Chronicles xvix. 9 to 14), and during the singing of the hymn, 'We love the place, O God,' the Bishop of Crediton, clergy, donors of bells, churchwardens (Messrs. J. Tripe, A. J. Stocker and R. Page), and sidesmen (Messrs. Gillis and Peek), proceeded in procession to the west end of the church below the belfry, where his Lordship pronounced the dedicatory prayer. Other hymns sung were 'When morning gilds the skies,' 'Three in One and One in Three,' and 'Holy Father, in Thy mercy.' Mr. J. Elliott presided at the organ.

In the course of his sermon, the Bishop of Crediton observed that they had met there that morning to dedicate two new treble bells added to their present beautiful peal. For a long time there had been a desire to increase their bells to eight to make the octave, for an octave was the sweeter, the truer music, and those two additional bells would make a wonderful, beautiful peal and ring in their church tower. By assembling there they showed their sympathy with what had been done in their parish church. Everywhere people showed a live interest in the church bells, for bells appealed to many hearts in so many ways. These additional bells also brought their responsibilities, for they meant that there must be more care, more real devotion to the work, and that the practice of ringing must be of a more regular order. For ringers did not ring the bells to please themselves, but in order to enter into the church life of a parish, and to remember that they should take their part equally with all the other workers for God—the choir, the Sunday School teachers, and others. They were all one body, and should unite together with a desire to do their best for the glory of God.

Following the service, touches were rung on the bells by the Chulmleigh ringers and visitors. Bands of ringers were present from Exeter, Thelbridge, West Worlington, Lapford, Chittlehampton, Zeal Monachorum, High Bickington, Chawleigh, Winkleigh and Bondleigh. The Chulmleigh ringers were Messrs. M. Paddon, W. T. and P. Pennington, H. and P. Newton, F. Coates, H. G. Jennings, and C. Thorne.

THE LUNCHEON.

A large number sat down at the luncheon, provided in a marquee in the Davy Park by the members of the Ladies' Committee. The chair was occupied by the Rector, who was accompanied by Mrs. Murray, and supported by Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Martin, Mr. T. Sanders, the Rev. M. D. Buckingham, R.D., and members of the committee, together with Messrs. E. Shepherd and W. J. Southwood (chairman and hon. secretary respectively of the Devon Guild of Ringers), who had given expert advice to the committee throughout.

After the loyal toast, 'The Donors of the New Bells' was given by the Rector.

Mr. W. Pennington, also speaking to the toast, remarked that some years ago the Bishop of Crediton spoke to him in their vestry of the high reputation held by Chulmleigh Church bells and tower, but suggested they should secure two more bells. He (the speaker) had helped to promote two efforts in this direction. To his deep and abiding satisfaction this second effort had succeeded, and they now had a peal of bells which would ever be to them a source of joy and pride (loud applause).

Mr. W. P. Martin, in reply, said it had been a great pleasure to his wife and himself, and to Mr. Sanders, to give the bells (applause). Great credit belonged to the people of Chulmleigh, and in that connection he wished to say that the ladies—as always at Chulmleigh—came to the front nobly and readily (applause). If they wanted anything done at Chulmleigh they must go to the ladies (applause). He was very pleased that they had such an excellent set of bells. He knew very little of bell ringing, but the Bishop of Crediton had been anxious they should add to their number, and he felt they had now a set of bells and of ringers equal to any similar place in the country (applause). Proceeding, he proposed the 'Health of the Bishop of Crediton,' who was much beloved in the county, and especially in North Devon. His Lordship's heart had been in the effort to secure the extra two bells, and he had done much to push it forward. They were very grateful to him for his interest (applause).

Mr. T. Sanders, also replying and associating himself with the toast, said he was a citizen of Chulmleigh, and to be a citizen of that parish in its fullest sense was to belong to no mean 'city' (applause). It gave him very great pleasure to be able to do anything for their beautiful old church, which he had known all his life, and always attended. The tower of that ancient building seemed to him to be symbolical of stability, and in these days of great changes it was nice to feel they had something that was steadfast and true. Concluding, Mr. Sanders highly eulogised the energetic efforts of those who had acted as collectors, and expressed thanks to the Bishop of Crediton for his inspiring interest in the movement (applause).

WHEN THE BISHOP LEARNED TO RING.

The Bishop of Crediton, cordially received, said it was a real joy to him to be present to witness the accomplishment of what they had for some years desired to carry out, and to see how happy and united they all were in the effort, and what good feeling and good spirit prevailed about their bells, which would contribute largely to the beauty of the music that came from their tower. He could recall, 60 years ago, that he used to visit belfries to take a little part in the ringing and learn how to ring a bell, and he remembered, when he was inducted to the living of Chittlehampton, how the ringers were afraid, when the bells were set up, that he was going to have some accident with them. But he had learned previously how to pull a bell safely, and how to ring in connection with a peal. The belfries in those days were not looked after in the same way as at the present time; they were not treated with the same reverence and care. The Bishop mentioned an instance that occurred in Buckinghamshire when the ringers rang the bells to celebrate a certain horse winning a race, and the Vicar of the parish had to speak to the ringers on the point, and went on to say that the bells were not for secular purposes, but to be rung for what was highest and best. There had lately been great improvement in the tone and ring of the bells and in the methods of ringing, which were far more beautiful than they were 60 years ago. He hoped the improvement would continue, and if Chulmleigh ringers would progress along the lines of learning to ring scientifically—that was, using their brains as well as their muscles—they would do much better and take much more interest in ringing than they could by round ringing only. Time was needed to be devoted to the preparation for such high-class ringing, but it could be done, and much improvement could be brought about in North Devon by studying change ringing. He wished the ringers of the Deanery all prosperity, and assured them that the interest he had shown in bell ringing during the past half-century was unabated (applause).

The toasts of 'The Subscribers' and 'The Ladies' having been honoured, Mr. H. G. Jennings, in felicitous terms, gave 'The Visitors,' and Mr. Johnston, of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, in reply, said he could not but wonder whether Mr. Pennington, a keen campanologist, was not descended from a famous bell founder of

that name, examples of whose work were to be seen in neighbouring towers.

Mr. W. P. Martin proposed 'The Health of Messrs. Shepherd and Southwood,' the two Exeter ringers who had given them the benefit of their wide experience and judicious advice.—Mr. Shepherd, in reply, said he was very pleased with that day's match—the 'match' of the bells and their tone. It was a perfect peal. It had often been said that bells could not be matched unless they were taken out of the tower, but the experience of Chulmleigh—acting upon his advice—had, happily, been to the contrary. They had a beautiful tower, and one of the best peals in the county.

Mr. W. J. Southwood, after 50 years of ringing, spoke highly of its value as a healthy exercise. He mentioned, in connection with change ringing, that they could ring 5,040 changes on their bells with the tenor standing behind, so there was plenty of scope for mental as well as physical exercise. He also advocated ringing for ladies.

Tea was partaken of, and various amusements were provided.

HALIFAX ASSOCIATION.

A SIX BELL CONTEST.

On Saturday, July 5th, the Halifax and District Association held their annual meeting, and had a six bell contest at the village church of Crofton. It had previously been arranged that the length of changes should be 720, any method, but owing to the large entry, the length had to be shortened somewhat. A committee meeting was held in one of the rooms attached to the fine mansion of Col. Lyle, who had most generously offered the association every facility possible for their comfort and convenience. In the absence of the president, Mr. W. Idle (Batley) was voted to the chair. It was unanimously agreed that the length of each touch be 600 changes, any method.

Ringing was commenced by three o'clock, with the draw having taken place just previously. The draw was as follows: 1, Holmfirth (Oxford Treble Bob); 2, Sandal (Oxford); 3, Stainland (Kent Treble Bob); 4, Kirkburton (Oxford); 5, Thornhill (Oxford); 6, Batley (Oxford); 7, Birstall (Kent); 8, Liversedge (Oxford); 9, New Mill (Huddersfield) (Oxford).

During the afternoon a large number of the ringers took the opportunity of surveying the pretty surroundings. The church is situated on a hill. On entering, one sees a very fine memorial in the form of a lychgate to the men who passed away during the war. It is a fine piece of work which has been done solely by the men of Crofton. The whole of the woodwork from which it is built was taken out of the belfry prior to having the bells rehung.

Proceeding through the churchyard, there is a very fine monument in memory of some of the Wilson family, who reside at Crofton Hall.

An excellent tea was provided in the room of Col. Lyle, to which 100 ringers and friends sat down. Ringing was brought to a close at nearly nine o'clock.

The annual meeting was then proceeded with, Mr. W. Idle again occupying the chair. The balance sheet was adopted. — Hearly thanks were accorded the Rector of Crofton, the Rev. H. Brownrigg, who informed the meeting in reply to the vote of thanks, that he was ordained at All Souls' Church, Halifax, about 1891. He said that the ringing which had taken place during the afternoon would be an inspiration to the Crofton ringers to make a special effort to reach the high standard that the ringing had reached that day. The Rector informed the meeting that it was through the generosity of the late Lieutenant David Lyle, of the Royal Scots, that they were able to have six bells at Crofton. They had previously had three. The date of one of the bells in the tower could not be traced, but one they traced back to the days of the Stuarts.

The meeting thanked Colonel Lyle for the use of the room and grounds.

The following officers were elected: Mr. J. Hardcastle (Bradford), president; Mr. F. Salmons (Halifax), treasurer; and Mr. L. Hargreaves (Halifax), secretary.

The judges, Mr. J. Bradley (Bradford), Mr. F. Schofield (Huddersfield), with Mr. C. E. Carrington (Halifax), marker, then gave their decision as follows:—

No. 1, rung out; 2, 178 faults, 30 penalties, total 208; 3, 364, 20, 334; 4, 115, 10, 125; 5, 240, 10, 250; 6, 102, 10, 112; 7, 277, 10, 287; 8, 126, 10, 136; 9, 142, 0, 142.

Batley, No. 6, were then declared winners of the cup.

The Rector presented the cup to Mr. S. Gibson, the Batley conductor, and Mr. Gibson returned thanks.

It was the first time Stainland lads had entered the contest, and considering that they do not average more than 18 years of age they gave a very good display.

A vote of thanks to judges and chairman closed one of the best contests, and most pleasant gatherings held by the association.

CENTRAL COUNCIL PEAL COLLECTION.

SECTION 1, GROUP 1. (a) GRANDSIRE, (b) CATERERS.

Addenda.

Page 39, No. 1.—The first paragraph should read: 'Thrice repeated, from the line across, omitting the last bob in the fourth part produces . . .'

Page 39, No. 2.—Insert a line under the first course end 43627589.

Page 41, No. 6.—The reading should be: 'Thrice repeated from the line, calling a bob at 7 in the first course instead of 1-4-5, produces . . .'

Page 41, No. 7.—The seventeenth course should read 54693 27. The twenty-third course should read 46295 37.

Page 42, No. 8.—The reading should be: 'Twice repeated, calling, instead of the first two courses, one course 1 — 78, and omitting the last two courses in the third part produces . . .'

Page 42, No. 10.—The fourth course should read 53246978 1 — 4.

Page 44, No. 14.—FALSE (5,003 by C. H. Hattersley), or incorrectly transcribed.

Page 44, No. 16.—The third course should read 23456 9 in & 2.

Page 45, No. 18.—The tenth course should read 23564 8 in & 2.

Page 47, No. 24.—The first paragraph should read: 'Twice repeated, calling the first course 8 in & 1 — 78.'

Page 48, No. 25.—The twenty-fourth course should read 56293 47.

Page 50, No. 30.—The twenty-fourth course should read 45362 2 — 3 — 4.

Page 51, No. 31.—The twentieth course should read 23465 89. The thirty-seventh course should read 23564 1s — 78.

Page 53, No. 36.—The twenty-sixth course should read 25436 8 in & 1. The twenty-seventh course should read 63524 8 in & 1.

Page 53, No. 37.—For 'calling the first course 8 in & 2' read 'calling the first course 8 in & 1.'

Page 55, No. 42.—For 'Five times repeated calling the first course 8 in & 2' read 'Five times repeated calling the first course 8 in & 1.'

Page 55, No. 43.—FALSE (5,003 by A. Knights).

Page 56, No. 44.—The last course but three should read 65324 8 in & 1.

Page 56, No. 45.—5,094 by J. Carter. The last course should read 52436 8 in & 2s. 5,022 by J. Carter. The last course but one should read 23546 9 in & 2.

Page 59, No. 52.—The last course but four should read 32564 8 in & 2.

Page 62, No. 55.—The thirty-fourth course should read 54263978 — — —

Page 63, No. 56.—The third course in the second column should read 52364 98.

Page 64, No. 57 (5,075).—The last course but six should read 54263879 1 — 3.

Page 65, No. 59.—For 'These twelve courses' read 'These thirteen courses.'

Page 66, No. 60 (5,003).—The last course should read 54265 9 in & 2.

Page 69, No. 65.—For '5,039 (changes)' read '5,057.'

Page, No. 66.—The first paragraph should read: 'Repeated, calling the first course 9 in & 2 produces at the eleventh course end 34256.'

Page 71, No. 67.—For '5,021 (changes)' read '5,003.'

Page 71, No. 68.—The last course but five should read 42537698 1 — 3.

Page 73, No. 72.—The thirteenth course should read 62435 9 in & 1.

Page 74, No. 73.—The last course but seven should read 64235 9 in & 1 — 78.

Page 75, No. 76.—The sixteenth course should read 32564 7 in & 2.

Page 77, No. 80.—The reading should be: 'Thrice repeated, calling the first course in each part, and the fourteenth course,' etc.

Page 77, No. 81.—The reading should be: 'Five times repeated, calling the first course 8 in & 1, and the last course of the second, fourth and sixth parts 8 in & 1 — 78, produces,' etc.

Page 77, No. 82.—FALSE (7,038 by A. Knights). But a correct 7,074 can be obtained as follows: The sixth course should be 43528 8 in & 1. For 'the seventh course of the third and sixth parts 8 in & 2s' read 'the eleventh course of the third and sixth parts 8 in & 2s.'

Page 81, No. 89.—For '5,147 (changes)' read '5,129.' The fortieth course should read 32456 8 in & 2.

Page 87, No. 99.—For 'Four times repeated' read in each case 'Three times repeated.'

(c) CINQUES.

Page 90, No. 4.—The note to the asterisk should be 'Bobs at 2, 4, 11, 13, 16, 21, 22.'

Page 92, No. 8.—The eighth and nine courses should be 63425 11 in & 2.
46325 7 in & 3.

The reading should be: 'Twice repeated, calling the first course 11 in & 3; round with bobs at 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11.'

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

SWINDON, WILTS.—On Sunday, July 13th, for morning service, at the Parish Church, 503 Grandsire Caters: W. A. Bullock 1, A. Lawrence 2, R. W. Hyner (conductor) 3, H. W. Bishop 4, W. G. Lancaster 5, J. H. Shepherd 6, E. Bishop 7, C. J. Gardiner 8, W. Trueman 9, C. Hussey 10.

NORTHAMPTON.—On Sunday, July 13th, at the Church of St. Giles, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,275 changes): W. Rogers (conductor) 1, F. Wilford 2, S. J. Lawrence 3, F. Rawlings 4, H. Baxter 5, W. Sibley 6, H. L. Key 7, F. Hopper 8, T. Tebbutt 9, I. Bennett 10.

FULHAM.—On Sunday, July 13th, for evening service, 1,263 Stedman Caters, in 46 minutes: J. W. Driver 1, W. H. Wood 2, W. H. Hollier 3, H. G. Owen 4, A. Cutmore 5, R. Mackrill 6, F. Skevington 7, A. Harding 8, H. A. Folkard 9, A. W. Coles (conductor) 10.

NEWPORT, I.W.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, July 13th, for Matins, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: W. Scott 1, W. Chambers (conductor) 2, W. Scott, junr., 3, H. Jennings 4, A. Callaway 5, W. Johnson 6, W. Upton 7, S. Moody 8.

LONDON.—At St. John's Church, Wilton Road, for evensong, on Sunday, July 6th, (the jubilee dedication festival), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original, in 43 mins.: G. Harder 1, Miss E. E. Chapman 2, G. R. Channer 3, Miss F. E. Orr 4, C. F. Winney (conductor) 5, E. C. Phillips 6, H. Langdon 7, A. Gamble 8.

ALDERSHOT.—On Sunday, July 6th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss N. Denyer 1, Miss A. Fisher 2, Miss R. M. Mills 3, Miss H. E. Mills 4, Alb. J. Croucher 5, Flight-Sergt. F. A. Holden 6, F. E. Collins 7, H. Chaffey 8. Longest length in the method by ringers of the treble and 7th. The ringer of the 6th hails from Cranwell, Lincs; the 7th from Ringwood, Hants; and the 8th from Chertsey; remainder belong to local band.

BRENTWOOD.—At the Church of St. Thomas-the-Martyr, for evensong, on Sunday, July 6th (Eve of Patronal Festival), a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,344 changes), in 50 mins.: R. Heazel 1, F. R. Ringe 2, E. Furbank 3, A. Rainbird 4, H. Turner 5, E. D. Baker 6, W. Leggett 7, Geo. Miles (conductor) 8. First quarter of Bob Major by ringers of 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th and 6th.

MORETON-IN-MARSH, GLOS.—On Sunday, June 29th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. (1,260 changes): P. Jones 1, C. Grimes 2, J. Gardner 3, B. Timms 4, N. Bryan 5, A. White 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, H. Hyatt 8.

PAIGNTON.—On Sunday, June 29th, for evening, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (by W. H. Wilde), 1,260 changes was rung in 49 mins. at the Parish Church: F. Attwood 1, S. H. Ward 2, J. S. Collings 3, T. S. Collins 4, F. E. Parnell 5, F. T. Gover 6, H. J. Hole (conductor) 7, L. Payne 8. First quarter of Triples for ringers of 2nd and 8th, and 1st quarter of Triples as conductor.

DORCHESTER, OXON.—On Sunday, June 29th, at the Abbey Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): P. Wilson (first quarter) 1, F. Woodward 2, H. Cobb 3, R. Davis 4, E. Naish 5, F. Naish (conductor) 6, W. Hutton 7, C. Spicer 8.

GREASLEY.—As a farewell touch to W. Ratcliffe, who is leaving the district for Howarth, Yorkshire, on Sunday, June 29th, for morning service, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 40 mins.: T. Storer 1, H. Byfield 2, H. Williamson 3, W. Ratcliffe 4, E. C. Williamson (first quarter-peal 'inside') 5, H. Bush 6, J. E. Hobbs (conductor) 7, N. Hemmington (first quarter-peal) 8.

DARLINGTON.—On Sunday, June 29th, at Holy Trinity Church, for morning service, 720 London Surprise Minor: W. Oliver 1, R. Park 2, F. Cooke 3, W. N. Park 4, F. W. Lupson 5, G. W. Park (conductor) 6.—For evensong, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor by the same company.

WALTHAMSTOW.—At St. Saviour's Church, for evening service, on June 15th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins.: H. Wood 1, G. W. Cooper 2, A. Cooper 3, H. A. Edwards 4, E. D. Lillywhite 5, C. A. Hughes 6, W. Steed (conductor) 7, J. Coleman 8.

EXETER.—For evening service, on May 25th, at St. David's Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): J. Lethbridge 1, J. E. Lilley 2, T. Bartlett 3, J. Arberry 4, J. Oke 5, F. J. Davey 6, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 7, F. Gardner 8. First quarter of Stedman for ringer of the 4th.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.—At the Church of St. Nicolas, on May 8th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,275 changes), in 50 mins.: W. Chivers 1, C. Hazelden 2, E. Raddon (composer) 3, Mrs. C. Hazelden 4, W. Londer 5, G. Petter 6, G. J. Nicolls 7, G. Tomsett 8, S. Radford (conductor) 9, W. Enticknap 10. First quarter of Stedman Caters, for the ringers of the treble, 6th, 7th and tenor.

WEDDING OF MR. PERCIVAL W. CAVE.

Radiant July sunshine shed its rich and golden rays upon the wedding at St. Thomas' (City) Church, Bristol, on Saturday last, of Mr. Percival William Cave, B.Sc., of Liverpool (son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cave, of Bristol), and Miss Annie McNeil Docker, of Bristol, and it was the wish of the large congregation (which included many ringers) that the glorious sunshine may be an augury of a life of unclouded happiness.

The bridegroom and his best man, Mr. Arthur Wilkins (well known also in ringing circles) arrived early. The surprised choir awaited the coming of the bridal party at the entrance to the church. The Vicar, the Rev. M. Paterson, B.A. (one of the best of ringers' friends), officiated, and as the bride, leaning on the arm of her father, proceeded up the aisle, the hymn, 'The voice that breathed o'er Eden,' was sung. The bride looked radiantly happy in a simple, pretty bridal gown of maroon silk, and was accompanied by three bridesmaids, Miss Dorothy Cave (sister of the bridegroom), Miss Lizzie Docker (sister of the bride), and little Miss Norah Docker (niece), who wore charming frocks of apricot silk. They carried lovely bouquets, comprising roses, sweet peas and ferns. The hymn, 'Love Divine,' and the 67th Psalm were sung in the course of the service, and during the signing of the registers, the organist (Mr. H. Chambers) played Mendelssohn's Wedding March, and a band of ringers representing the different towers of Bristol rang out a merry peal, and fired the bells.

As the wedding party left the church they were showered with confetti, and, a happy coincidence, members of the Ladies' Guild, who had assembled for their annual meeting, and were setting forth for a tour in a motor coach, also joined in the fray, and gave their best wishes.

The reception was afterwards held at the bride's home, and later in the afternoon the bride and bridegroom left by steamer for Hfrcombe, where the honeymoon is to be spent. They have been the recipients of many handsome and useful presents.

His many ringing friends from far and near, join in wishing Mr. Percy Cave and his bride every happiness and prosperity.

ST. MARY ABBOT'S GUILD.
ENTERTAINED AT WIMBORNE.

An invitation from Sir James and Lady Brooks to spend a day with them at Wimborne was taken advantage of on Saturday, July 5th, when 14 of the Guild met at Waterloo, accompanied by the chaplain (the Rev. S. A. Spackman), and journeyed by the 7.30 a.m. train. At Salisbury they were joined by Mrs. Wilkins, of Bristol, and arrived at Wimborne about 11 a.m., when they were met by Sir James Brooks, who piloted them to his residence, and light refreshments were at once partaken of and much appreciated after the long journey. This over, the visitors were at liberty to roam at will—a stroll round the beautiful grounds and touches on handbells were enjoyed until dinner-time, when the Vicar of Wimborne (the Rev. A. L. Keith) joined the company. The spread was a most generous one, and Sir James and Lady Brooks must have had at least a hazy knowledge of ringers' appetites, for waistcoats needed slightly easing. After the Vicar of Wimborne had given a warm welcome, a move was made to the Minster, where there is a beautiful peal, after a ringer's own heart, and these bells were soon going to Stedman Caters and Treble Ten, in which the party were joined by the Rev. Carew Cox, who slipped over from his vicarage to have a touch with the Guild. Mr. Hart—ringer and guide—showed the visitors the wonderful library (where all the books are chained), and other items of interest. The adornments of the Minster are too numerous to mention, and to be thoroughly enjoyed and understood would require a longer stay. On returning to Sir James' residence tea was waiting, after which the Rev. Spackman thanked Sir James and Lady Brooks for their kind hospitality, and Mr. Garrard spoke in support. — Mr. Bennett also said it was indeed real and generous recognition of ringers as churchworkers in the magnificent way they had been treated that day.—Sir James Brooks, in reply, said how pleased he and Lady Brooks were to have them there as their guests. At 6.45 'time' was called, and the visitors returned to the station, accompanied by Sir James and Lady Brooks, to whom the ringers were greatly indebted for the right good time they had. Their best thanks are also due to the Vicar of Wimborne (the Rev. A. L. Keith) and Mr. Hart for their help in making the outing such a jolly one.

PORTISHEAD.—At St. Peter's, on July 9th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 44 mins.: Miss Broad 1, Miss A. Stokes (conductor) 2, Miss Stokes 3, Mrs. Harvey 4, Mr. Goldstone 5, Mr. Nisbett 6, Mr. Gillingham 7, Mr. Rowbotham 8. Rung in honour of the baptism of the son of the Rev. H. S. and Mrs. Briggs (curate).

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SUFFOLK GUILD.—Saxmundham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Leiston on Saturday, July 19th. The bells of St. Margaret's Church (8) will be open from 2 p.m. The Rector (the Rev. F. W. Morgan Jones) invites all to tea in Junior Council Schools at 5.45 p.m., after which a short business meeting will be held. A good attendance is desired. All ringers are welcome. — Geo. Wilson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Denham on Saturday, July 19th. Train from Ealing Broadway at 2.33 and welcome to all.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4. welcome to all.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Central Division.—A meeting will be held at Seaford on Saturday, July 19th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4. Tea (by kind invitation) 5.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A business meeting will be held on July 19th at the Church of St. Margaret, Lee, Lewisham. Tower open for ringing from 4 till 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. in the small Kingswood Hall. Every ringer invited.—C. F. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 4, Phene Street, Chelsea, S.W.3.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The annual general meeting of the Guild will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, July 19th. The bells of the Parish Church (8) will be open for ringing at 2.30 p.m., those of Chilvers Coton (8) after tea. Committee meeting at 4 p.m. Service in Nuneaton Church at 4.30 p.m., with an address by the retiring president (the Ven. Archdeacon of Warwick). The Vicar of Nuneaton (Rev. J. L. White) cordially invites the members to tea, after which the business meeting will be held, which includes the election of officers for the ensuing year.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. General Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Stone in Oxney (6 bells) on Saturday, July 19th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea will be arranged for at 5 p.m. — C. Tribe, Hon. Ds. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Apsley End on Saturday, July 19th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Short service. Please notify me early for tea arrangements.—W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, July 19th, at Cople at 2.30 p.m., and Willington after tea. Tea at Cople 5 p.m.—L. Turner, Dis. Sec., 7, High Street, Kempston, Beds.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at West Deeping on Saturday, July 19th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Service in the church at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 p.m. — W. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The annual meeting of the branch will be held at Leyland (St. James') on Saturday, July 19th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea, at 1s. 9d. per head. Meeting at 6.—W. Taylor, Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Machen on Saturday, July 19th. Committee meeting at 4 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Bells (8) available. — John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting of the Bristol Branch of the above association will be held at Dyrham on Saturday, July 19th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea to follow. — P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

LADIES' GUILD.—Northamptonshire District.—A meeting will be held at Orlingbury on Saturday, July 19th. Bells ready 2.30. Service 4. Tea 4.30. — Cecil E. Hepburn, Hon. Sec., The Pines, Isham, near Kettering.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bridgnorth Branch.—The second Quarterly meeting will be held at Coalbrookdale, Salop, on Saturday, July 19th. Bells (8) available from 2 o'clock. Short service 4.30. Tea at 5. 6d. each to members, 1/3 others, followed by business meeting. All ringers welcome.—W. Hayward, Hon. Sec., 3, North Gate, Bridgnorth.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at the two 6-bell towers of Flamstead and Redbourn (to-morrow) Saturday, the 19th. Meet at Flamstead 3 p.m., Redbourn 6 p.m.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, Hatfield.

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

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—A mid-week meeting will be held at Christ Church on Wednesday, July 23rd. Ringing 7.30 till 9 p.m.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Roxton and Great Barford on Saturday, July 26th. Bells (5) ready at 2.30. Great Barford 6 o'clock. Tea at 5 at Roxton. All ringers welcome.—C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chew Deanery Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, July 26th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Divine Service at 4. Tea at 5 o'clock, with business meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Prestwich on Saturday, July 26th. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting at 7. A good attendance is requested.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Standish on Saturday, July 26th. Bells available from 3 o'clock.—Jas. Grounds, Branch Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leominster and Presteign District.—A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Eye on Saturday, July 26th. Bells (6) available 3.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea, 5.45 p.m., to those notifying me not later than July 22nd.—A. Talbot, Dist. Sec., Staunton-on-Arrow, Pembridge.

ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Hothfield on Saturday, July 26th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at the Thanet Arms at 5 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—A monthly meeting will be held at Youlgreave (8 bells) on Saturday, July 26th. A charabanc will leave Bakewell at 3 p.m. for Youlgreave, returning to Bakewell at 7 p.m., fare 1/6 return. Tea 1/6 each, at the Bull's Head, Youlgreave. Bakewell bells available from 7.30 p.m. Those requiring to go from Bakewell by charabanc, and also requiring tea, should inform me by July 22nd.—G. Cecil Wallace, Local Hon. Sec., 10, Goodale St., Derby.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Loughborough District.—A monthly meeting will be held at Lockington on Saturday, July 26th (bells 6). Business meeting 4.30 p.m. Diseworth bells will also be available in the evening. All ringers welcome.—J. Saddington, Hon. Dist. Sec., 27, Chapman Street, Loughborough.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Tickhill on Saturday, July 26th. Bells (8, recently rehung in ball bearings) ready early. Tea provided at a charge of 1/- to those who notify me before the 22nd.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Peckleton on Saturday, July 26th.—The bells at Kirkby Mallory will be available from 3 p.m.; those of Peckleton after 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. Colton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Orston (6 bells) on Saturday, July 26th. Tower open 2 o'clock. Tea free to all who advise Rev. C. J. Sturton, Orston Vicarage, not later than Wednesday, July 23rd. Train leaves Nottingham 2.18, return fare 1/7. Will those requiring tickets please let me know by first post Friday, July 25th? Meet at Victoria Station 2 p.m.—F. Blood, Hon. Loc. Sec., 91, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Hendon on Saturday, July 26th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 5.30. Tea and meeting to follow. It is important that all who require tea should advise me by the 23rd inst. at latest. A charge of 1s. will be made. Members and friends welcome. Bells recently rehung.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chislehurst on Saturday, July 26th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea, kindly provided by the Rector and churchwardens, to follow in the Village Hall. Will all who intend being present notify me by Wednesday, July 23rd, the latest? Half fares up to 2s. paid at this meeting.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dis. Sec., 35, Albany Street, Chislehurst.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Swanscombe on Saturday, July 26th. Bells available 3. Service at 5. Tea will be provided on the Rectory lawn by the Rector (the Rev. Campbell Ward) and Mrs. Ward. All ringers who intend being present must notify me by Wednesday morning, July 23rd.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ross Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Foy on Saturday, July 26th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea provided free only to those who notify me not later than Wednesday, 23rd inst.—John Clark, Chase Road, Ross.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will be held at Reading on Saturday, July 26th (D.V.). Service at St. Lawrence's Church at 11.30. Preacher: Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, Hon. Sec. of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild. Dinner at Central Cafe, Friar Street, at 12.30. Business meeting immediately after. Dinner tickets: members, 2/6; non-members, 3/- each. Applications for dinner tickets, accompanied by remittance, should be made to General Secretary by Wednesday, July 23rd. The tower of St. Lawrence will be open half an hour before Service and one hour after meeting; St. Mary's until 6 p.m., St. John's, Caversham, Tilehurst, Shiplake, Sonning, All Saints and St. Paul's, Wokingham, and Mapledurham in afternoon and evening.—R. T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec., 69, York Road, Reading.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Birstall on Saturday, July 26th. Usual arrangements.—H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 6, Laurel Grove, Armley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Huddlesden on Saturday, August 2nd. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 48, Shear Bank Terrace, Palmer Street.

ASHTON - UNDER - LYNE SOCIETY.—The quarterly meeting will be held at St. George's Church, Hyde, August 2nd. Meeting at 7 o'clock.—Fred Althorp, Hon. Sec., Hulme Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—(Late St. James' Society.)—Meetings for August: St. Clement Danes, Sunday (3rd) at 10 a.m., and Monday (18th) at 7.30 p.m.; St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, Monday (25th) at 7.30 p.m.—A. H. Keighley, Hon. Gen. Sec., 18, Merrick Square, S.E.1.

TACKLEY, OXON.—Oxford Diocesan Guild.—The bells of this Church having been rehung, and a new Treble added, will be dedicated by the Right Rev. Bishop Shaw, D.D., Archdeacon of the Diocese on Sunday, Aug. 3rd, at 3 p.m. All interested local ringers are invited to hear the best ring of six in the county.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual meeting will be held on Monday, August 4th, at Macclesfield. Service 10.50. Meeting afterwards.—Edward W. Elwell, Hon. Sec., Capenhurst, Chester.

NORFOLK GUILD.—A general meeting of the Guild will be held at North Elmham on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 4th. The ring of 8 bells of the Parish Church will be available. Luncheon at the George and Dragon Hotel at 1 o'clock, followed by the general business meeting. Tickets 2/6 per head. Luncheon will be provided for those members who notify the Secretary on or before Monday, July 28th.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. C. Wallater has removed to 1, Marston Street, Willenhall.

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