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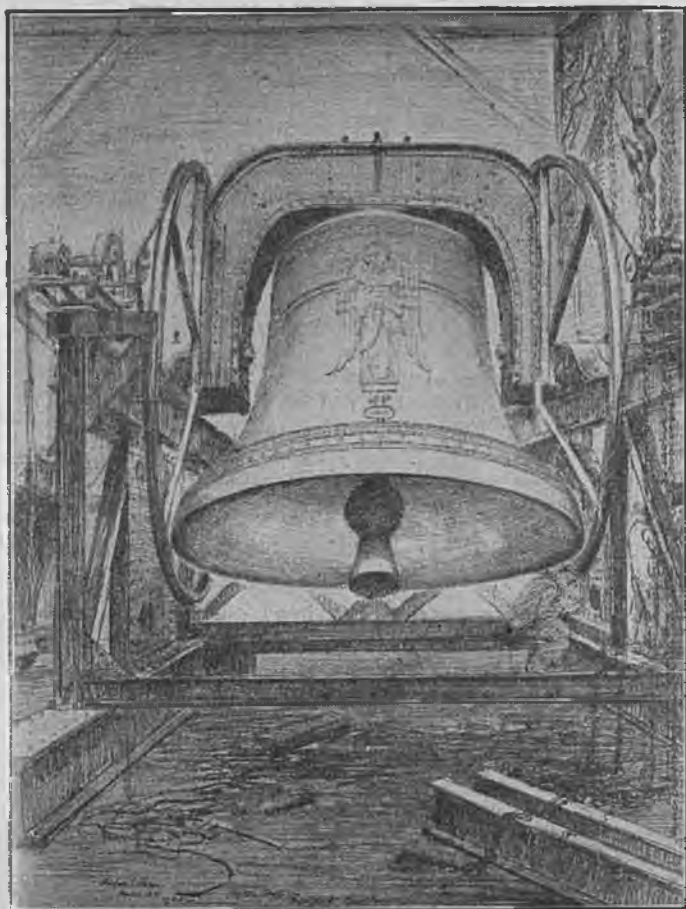
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When the Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild gets into the pulpit to address a gathering of ringers he can be counted upon to preach a sermon which will really appeal to the intelligence of the congregation and give them food for thought. As a ringer he, of course, approaches his subject from a different angle to those clergy who have no practical acquaintance with the art and little actual knowledge of what it involves in time, and patience, and study. Those who attend ringers' services frequently have to suffer an address consisting of a hashed-up retrospect—more or less inaccurate—of the uses of bells, coupled with an admonition that the ringer's place, after ringing, is in the church. It may perhaps, be well, that ringers should sometimes be reminded of the history of the instruments they use, and of the duties associated with their office, but there is so little variation of the theme that those who make a practice of being present at these meetings sometimes—we feel compelled to say so—get just a little tired of it. It is refreshing, therefore, to have the opportunity of listening to an address such as that delivered to the Ancient Society of College Youths—full of interest, of new inspiration, and of good advice.

One of the points which will appeal most strongly to all good ringers was the emphasis which the speaker laid on the importance of good striking in ringing. It is not a new subject, but it carries added weight when it comes from one who is himself among the best of ringers. It is unfortunately too true that there are those who have rung many peals, but who have not yet learned to ring—to ring well, that is to say. There are many in the Exercise who, though their names may have appeared in the records of peals, are still inefficient in the management of a bell—who merely 'slop' through their ringing, and, what is sadder still, are content with that. One poor striker can and does spoil the efforts of the rest, however good they may be, and no man ought to be satisfied until he is competent to 'place' his bell in its exact position every time. That is not to say that the best of ringers do not sometimes make a bad blow. It was, we believe, the Master of the Oxford Guild who on some former occasion said that if he were asked to define a good striker he would say he was one who, when he made a bad blow, knew he had done it and could kick himself for it. That is a delightful definition and it would be difficult to find a better. The trouble about bad strikers—and no man has really learnt to ring a bell until he can strike well—is that they do not know it. They do not take the pains to learn to listen for their own bell, and they seem to have no sense of time or rhythm. Bad strikers we shall probably always have

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with us, but there is a great deal in the point which was made by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn when he said we should set our faces against those who ring many peals before they have learnt to ring a bell. Young ringers need encouragement, but the encouragement which is provided by peal ringing should only be offered when they have really learnt to ring a bell.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 12, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER MANCROFT,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 37 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb.

WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. Treble	*NOLAN GOLDEN ... .. 6
*MISS HELEN W. BILL ... .. 2	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... .. 7
EDWIN R. GOATE ... .. 3	*CHARLES E. LOVETT ... .. 8
GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 4	GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 9
WILLIAM C. DUFFIELD ... .. 5	JAMES F. DUFFIELD ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS.

Conducted by E. R. GOATE.

\* First peal of Treble Ten. Rung as a peal of welcome to the Rev. Hugh McMullan, who was instituted as Vicar at this church on Friday, November 8th.

LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt.

WILLIAM WILLSON ... .. Treble	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 6
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 2	PERCY HARRISON ... .. 7
ALFRED BALLARD ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 8
REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... .. 4	COLIN HARRISON ... .. 9
JOHN HOLMAN ... .. 5	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by WM. PYE.

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HEDON, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 7, 1929, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb.

LEONARD RODMELL ... .. Treble	JOHN W. HOBSON ... .. 5
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... .. 2	GEORGE MILLER ... .. 6
GEORGE DOWLING ... .. 3	JOHN H. HOWELL ... .. 7
JOHN CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 4	EDWIN WOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER.

Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS

First peal on the bells.

SOUTHWELL, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1929, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

\* DEXTER'S VARIATION.

Tenor 29 cwt.

DR. E. L. TAYLOR ... .. Treble	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 5
ALBERT COPPOCK ... .. 2	J. FREDERICK MILNER ... .. 6
GEORGE E. FOSTER ... .. 3	ARTHUR J. CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 7
WALTER WHITE ... .. 4	EDWARD FOSTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. F. MILNER.

First peal on the bells since 1911. First on the bells since they were rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co., Loughborough, the 'go' being excellent. A birthday compliment to the conductor. The treble ringer is from Sevenoaks, Kent, and was elected a life member of the M.C.A., 2nd from St. Mary's, Nottingham, 4th from Cotgrave, 5th from Bell Foundry, Loughborough, the rest are regular service ringers at the Cathedral.

## SALEHURST, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

FREDERICK MORGAN ... .. Treble	GEORGE KING ... .. 5
RICHARD D. DIVALL ... .. 2	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 6
GEORGE LAMBERT ... .. 3	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, JUN. 7
ERNEST J. LADD ... .. 4	JOSEPH WREN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. J. LAMBERT, JUN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. F. J. Lambert, jun., and Mr. A. E. Edwards.

LUGWARDINE, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 9, 1929, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

WILLIAM H. SYMONDS... .. Treble	THOMAS H. TAYSON ... .. 5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 2	GEOFFREY TAYSON ... .. 6
ALLEN E. GWYNNE ... .. 3	ARTHUR W. DAVIES ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... .. 4	WALTER TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. FRITCHARD. Conducted by WALTER TAYLOR.

## HANDSWORTH, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 11, 1929, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

ARTHUR PASBLEY ... .. Treble	MISS NOEL CAWTHORNE ... .. 5
*MISS DORIS TURNER... .. 2	FREDERICK CARDWELL ... .. 6
ALFRED BASSFORD ... .. 3	HAROLD TAYLOR ... .. 7
MISS EVA HOPKINS ... .. 4	FRED WATKINSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON. Conducted by F. WATKINSON.

\* First peal. Rung with clappers half-muffled in commemoration of the fallen in the Great War, 1914-1918.

## BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 11, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

FRANK G. RINGE ... .. Treble	ERNEST FURBANK ... .. 5
*ROBERT HEAZEL ... .. 2	JAMES BENNETT ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE... .. 3	WILLIAM H. THORBALD ... .. 7
ERNEST J. BUTLER ... .. 4	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by G. R. PYE.

\* First peal in the method.

## LONDON.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, November 11, 1929, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, WELLS STREET,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. Treble	GEORGE B. COLE... .. 5
LOUIS A. WILSON ... .. 2	ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. 6
GEORGE N. PRICE ... .. 3	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 7
HENRY DYAS ... .. 4	ALAN R. MACDONALD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

Rung half-muffled to the memory of all those who lost their lives in the Great War.

## LISCARD, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

On Monday, November 11, 1929, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 1½ cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in F.

*J. NORMAN BENSON ... .. Treble	†HARRY ROGERS... .. 5
JOHN BAGLEY ... .. 2	THOMAS ROGERS ... .. 6
JOHN BREESE ... .. 3	†JOHN HUGHES ... .. 7
LESTER L. GRAY ... .. 4	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by J. C. E. SIMPSON.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal of Major away from the treble. ‡ First peal of Oxford. Rung with half-muffled clappers on this, the 11th anniversary of Armistice Day, as a tribute to those who fell during the Great War.

## BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFS.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, November 13, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF SPLICED BOB MAJOR AND GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

8096 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE DAVIES ... .. Treble	JOHN KENDALL ... .. 5
HARRY HOLDEN ... .. 2	WALTER MASTERS ... .. 6
WILLIAM POTTER ... .. 3	CLIFFORD SKIDMORE ... .. 7
THOMAS HEMMING ... .. 4	JOHN LLOYD ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PIZMAN.

Conducted by C. SKIDMORE.

This is the first peal of Spliced Major and Triples on the bells, by all the band and by the association. It was rung by an entirely local band. The composition contains 2,572 changes of Bob Major and 2,524 changes of Grandsire Triples, and was published in 'The Ringing World' of September 17th, 1926.

## AMBROSDEN, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(OXFORD SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in E flat.

FREDERICK SHARPE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SIMMONDS ... .. 5
MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 2	WILLIAM STONE ... .. 6
WILLIAM G. COLLETT ... .. 3	WALTER F. JUDGE ... .. 7
ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 4	GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE.

This is the first peal on these bells, which were recently augmented from six to eight by Messrs. Taylor and Co., the 'go' being excellent.

## MYTHOLMROYD, YORKSHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

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

Tenor 14½ cwt.

HERBERT DAVENPORT... .. Treble	JAMES INGHAM ... .. 5
MISS ROSE A. BELL ... .. 2	FRANK FIELDEN... .. 6
FRANK GREENWOOD ... .. 3	*ROBERT BARKER ... .. 7
MISS HESTER BELL ... .. 4	WILLIAM HORAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM HORAN.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Mr. F. Nuttall, of the Todmorden Unitarians' company. The band wish to thank Miss H. Bell for kindly taking a rope at a moment's notice.

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### HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE. THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb.

Lewis Chapman ... .. Treble	William J. Stock ... .. 5
Amos Smart ... .. 2	James T. Ward ... .. 6
John J. Mawby ... .. 3	Thomas R. Hensher ... .. 7
John R. Main ... .. 4	Anderson Y. Tyler ... .. Tenor

Composed by York Green. Conducted by Anderson Y. Tyler.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Alfred J. Martin, who has completed his 50th year as a ringer at the above church. It was also a birthday compliment to Mr. Harry Chapman (late of Manchester), brother of the ringer of the treble.

### HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Mary,

#### A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

Fred Watkinson ... .. Treble	Herbert Haigh ... .. 5
*Miss Noel Cawthorne ... .. 2	Arthur Knights ... .. 6
Miss Grace Burchall ... .. 3	*Arthur Pashley ... .. 7
Miss K. Burchall ... .. 4	A. Percival Knights ... .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Knights. Conducted by A. Percival Knights

\* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob.

### BURNHAM-ON-SEA, SOMERSET.

#### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Three Hours and One Minute,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

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

Tenor 23 cwt.

Alexander Evans ... .. Treble	William J. Prescott ... .. 5
Albert Stowell ... .. 2	William H. Lloyd ... .. 6
Alfred E. Reeves ... .. 3	Ronald G. Beck ... .. 7
James Hunt ... .. 4	Joseph T. Dyke ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Alfred E. Reeves.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise on the bells.

### DEVIZES, WILTSHIRE.

#### THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

At the Church of St. John,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5136 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

*Jesse Francis ... .. Treble	Sidney Wiltshire ... .. 5
Ernest Truman ... .. 2	Samuel J. Hector ... .. 6
Louis A. Wilson ... .. 3	Sidney Hillier ... .. 7
*William C. West ... .. 4	Fred Lambeth ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. Tucker.

Conducted by Fred Lambeth.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in this method on the bells. Rung as a compliment to Mr. W. Bolwell. The band take this opportunity of wishing him every success in his new sphere of activity in London.

### BEWDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

#### THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Anne,

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt. (approx.).

James Broad ... .. Treble	John Smith ... .. 5
William Short ... .. 2	John Woodberry ... .. 6
Hector Bird ... .. 3	Clifford Skidmore ... .. 7
Robert Matthews ... .. 4	Thomas Hemming ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. Skidmore.

Rung as a welcome to Alderman H. N. Frost, on his return from a nursing home following an operation, also in honour of his re-election as Mayor of Bewdley for the third successive year. It is about 18 years since Mr. J. Broad last rang in a peal, and about forty years since a peal was rung on these bells, which have recently been rehung on ball bearings. The quarterly peal for the Northern Branch.

### LEYTON, ESSEX.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 8½ cwt.

Charles A. Hughes ... Treble	George R. Pye ... .. 5
Ernest J. Butler ... .. 2	James Bennett ... .. 6
Albert W. Coles ... .. 3	James E. Davis ... .. 7
*Mrs. Richard F. Deal ... 4	William Pye ... .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by William Pye.

\* First peal in the method.

### WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

#### THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

#### A PEAL OF COLLEGE SINGLE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

Walter Charman ... Treble	Peter Charman ... .. 5
*George Wilson ... .. 2	Alfred H. Pulling ... .. 6
*C. Ernest Smith ... .. 3	†John Cook ... .. 7
*Kenneth Snelling ... .. 4	Oliver Sippetts ... .. Tenor

Composed by Walter Charman. Conducted by Alfred H. Pulling

\* First peal in the method. † 100th peal. First peal in the method for the Guild.

### TOTTENHAM.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of All Hallows,

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

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

H. W. H. Strickland ... Treble	H. Ellis ... .. 5
H. A. Barnett ... .. 2	N. Tomlinson ... .. 6
*Miss P. Upsher ... .. 3	J. G. Nash ... .. 7
*W. J. Ellis ... .. 4	A. G. Crane ... .. Tenor

Conducted by N. Tomlinson.

\* First peal in method. Peals are very rarely rung on these bells, and this (delayed for rehanging of the tenor) was to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. H. A. Barnett and incidentally the birthday of Miss P. Upsher.

### BANSTEAD, SURREY.

#### THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

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

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat.

Albert H. Harman ... Treble	Harold N. Pitstow ... .. 5
*Arthur J. Smith ... .. 2	*Albert E. Chersman ... .. 6
Frederick W. Housden ... 3	*Alan R. Pink ... .. 7
Frederick G. Woodiss ... 4	Herbert Langdon ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. N. Pitstow.

\* First peal in the method. Quickest peal on the bells. Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. Canon F. N. Skene, M.A.

### LLANGIBBY, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

#### THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

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

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 15 cwt.

Donald G. Clift ... Treble	Edward W. Luff ... .. 5
*George Went ... .. 2	Frank Rowse ... .. 6
Samuel Jones ... .. 3	Charles Greedy ... .. 7
Arthur Hawkins ... .. 4	George Hawkins ... .. Tenor

Conducted by D. G. Clift.

\* First peal 'inside.' The band are greatly indebted to Mr. Went, who filled a gap at a moment's notice.

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FOXEARH, ESSEX.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in 1 two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At the PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5055 CHANGES**

SIDNEY GRIDLEY ... .. 1 Treble	PENNY GRIDLEY ... .. 5
GRANVILLE C. BIXBY ... .. 2	ARTHUR TAYLOR ... .. 6
THEODORE E. SLATER ... .. 3	ARTHUR MAXIM ... .. 7
THOMAS CHINERY ... .. 4	SAMUEL EVANS ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by SAMUEL EVANS.  
This peal was arranged for Mr. S. Gridley, of Sudbury, a native and formerly a ringer of Foxearth. This was his first peal since 1913, as he was severely crippled in the war.

CURDRIDGE, HAMPSHIRE.

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in 1 three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

At the CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

JOHNSON'S VARIATION OF MIDDLETON'S. Tenor 26 cwt.	
EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... Treble	JOSEPH D. HARRIS ... .. 5
FREDERICK A. BURNETT ... .. 2	ALFRED T. GREENWOOD ... .. 6
TOWER R. TAYLOR ... .. 3	FREDERICK S. BAYLEY ... .. 7
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 4	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. ROGERS.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. G. Williams. The first peal of Cambridge on the bells.

STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in 2 two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At the CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

J. J. PARKER'S ONE-PART. Tenor 15½ cwt.	
JOHN PHILIPS ... .. Treble	EDWARD A. MORRIS ... .. 5
WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 2	ARTHUR HARDING ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... .. 3	FRANK CORKE ... .. 7
ERNEST J. GOATER ... .. 4	WILLIAM BRANTS ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

CLAINES, WORCESTERSHIRE.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in 2 two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

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

Tenor 14 cwt.	
FRANK LAWRENCE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 5
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 2	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 6
WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 3	CYRIL TANSELL ... .. 7
SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 4	CHARLES CAMM ... Tenor

Composed by GEORGE LEWIS. Conducted by SIDNEY T. HOLT.  
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the association. Rung at the first attempt.

CROWLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, November 17, 1929, in 2 two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,

At the CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

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

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.	
CHARLES CAMM ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 5
DENNIS R. MORRIS ... .. 2	CYRIL TANSELL ... .. 6
FREDERICK HAWKES ... .. 3	SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 7
THOMAS W. LEWIS ... .. 4	ARTHUR H. FOSTER ... Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL TANSELL.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Master John Bamber, son of the Vicar, on the first anniversary of his birth. The ringers were kindly entertained to supper by the Vicar and Mrs. Bamber after the peal. Quickest peal on the bells.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Sunday, November 17, 1929, in 3 three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CANTERBURY PLEASURE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in F.	
WALTER CHARMAN ... .. Treble	PETER CHARMAN ... .. 5
ALBERT FRIST ... .. 2	JACK COOK ... .. 6
JAMES BURDFIELD ... .. 3	JACK BRANCH ... .. 7
TOM ADAMS ... .. 4	ALAN R. PINK ... Tenor

Composed by WALTER CHARMAN. Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.  
\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal of Canterbury on the bells.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

LAMBERHURST, KENT.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Wednesday, November 6, 1929, in 2 two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

At the CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Seven 720's.

ALBERT RELFE ... .. Treble	JAMES WAGHORN ... .. 4
WILLIAM E. PITMAN ... .. 2	THOMAS E. SONE ... .. 5
JAMES BASSETT ... .. 3	BERTRAM LUCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. H. Burrows on completing 50 years as organist at the above church, also in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. W. Padgham (who was a member of the choir for many years) and Mrs. Padgham. 50th peal as conductor.

NAVENBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 9, 1929, in 3 three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Double Court, Single Court, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

FREDERICK W. STOKES ... Treble	MOSES BILLINGS ... .. 4
JOHN WALDEN ... .. 2	CHARLES CLAYDON ... .. 5
HARRY CARTER ... .. 3	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. STOKES.

First peal on the bells.

GREAT BARTON.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

On Saturday, November 9, 1929, in 2 two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

At the CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS,

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

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 lb.

J. CHINERY ... .. Treble	F. J. LIFF ... .. 4
S. STURGEON ... .. 2	W. DURRANT ... .. 5
E. STURGEON ... .. 3	H. W. FOULGER ... Tenor

Conducted by H. W. FOULGER.

GRAVELEY, HERTS.

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, November 9, 1929, in 2 two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

At the CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Being three 720's of Oxford Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob Minor, with different callings.

GEORGE P. JOHNSON ... Treble	W. H. STANLEY ... .. 4
H. W. WITTERING ... .. 2	JACK WELCH ... .. 5
FRANK TURNER ... .. 3	WILLIAM LAWRENCE ... Tenor

Conducted by W. LAWRENCE.

The first peal on the bells since they have been rehung.

SIMPSON, BUCKS.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Sunday, November 10, 1929, in 2 two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the PARISH CHURCH,

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

Being 720 each of Double Court, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob.

SIDNEY FOSKETT ... .. Treble	A. EDWARD HANKS ... .. 4
ALBERT FLEET ... .. 2	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 5
WILLIAM PEACOCK ... .. 3	CHARLES W. SMITH ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. SMITH.

\* First peal. E. J. Hobbs' 100th peal. First peal on the bells in four methods. Rung with the bells half-muffled for the memorial service.

The final performance of the North Wales tour was rung at Wrexham on Saturday, September 28th, 1929, and not on the Friday, 27th, as stated in No. 968 of 'The Ringing World.'

'W. H. F.' writes to say that good old George McLaughlin was elected Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths in November, 1886, and the writer would like to hear more about the ringing career—for the past twenty years—of such a sound Londoner.

MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, November 10, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 14 cwt.

*DENNIS R. MORRIS ... .. Treble	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 4
FRANK LAWRENCE ... .. 2	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 5
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES CAMM.

\* First peal on six bells. Rung on the 62nd anniversary of this church.

TRUMPINGTON, CAMBRIDGE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 11, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Mary and Michael,

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

Being seven 720's. Tenor 10 cwt.

*ERIC CHAPMAN ... .. Treble	*EDWARD HAYNES ... .. 4
†REV. A. C. MOULE ... .. 2	†JACK HARPER ... .. 5
MISS KITTY WILLERS ... .. 3	†ARTHUR WILSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD HAYNES.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells since they were rebung by Messrs. White, of Appleton, in 1928. All the band are Sunday service ringers at the above church. Rung with fully muffled clappers in memory of the men who gave their lives in the Great War.

NEWHALL, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 11, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. John,

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

Seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

*THOMAS N. BAILEY ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM H. REDFERN ... .. 4
HERBERT HORDMAN ... .. 2	ARTHUR SHARP ... .. 5
HORACE L. DAWSON ... .. 3	JOHN HOUGH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. HOUGH.

\* First peal.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 11, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

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

Being seven different 720's, called differently.

EDWIN BROMLEY ... .. Treble	REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... .. 4
*THOMAS W. CARD ... .. 2	GEORGE BURT ... .. 5
ALAN BROMLEY ... .. 3	ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT T. LAMBERT.

\* First peal away from the treble. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of those who gave their lives in the Great War. The ringers of the treble and 3rd are brothers and cousins of the ringers of the 4th and tenor.

COOKHAM, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Monday, November 11, 1929, in Three Hours and One-Half Minute,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

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

Being 720 of Oxford Treble Bob and three 720's of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob, rung alternately. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

THOMAS J. FOWLER ... .. Treble	LEONARD S. STILLWELL ... .. 4
*WILLIAM E. TAYLOR ... .. 2	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 5
*MISS STELLA DAVIS ... .. 3	GEORGE GILBERT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEO. GILBERT.

\* First peal in three methods. Rung half-muffled for Armistice Day.

NOTTINGHAM.—At St. Mary's Church, on November 14th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,277 changes) in 54 mins.: F. Collings 1, Miss I. B. Thompson 2, P. Price 3, A. Coppock (conductor) 4, A. Goodwin 5, A. Lambert 6, L. Clay 7, F. Turner 8, R. Narborough 9, B. Marshall 10. Longest length of Caters by all except Nos. 3 and 4.

. BEDFORD.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 11, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter-de-Merton,

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

Being 720 changes of Woodbine, 1,440 of Oxford Treble Bob, 1,440 of Oxford Bob, and 1,440 of Plain Bob.

KENNETH BOWYER ... .. Treble	MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 4
MISS EDITH K. KNIGHT ... .. 2	WILLIAM STAPLETON ... .. 5
HARRY TYSOR ... .. 3	THOMAS HARPIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM STAPLETON.

Rung to celebrate the anniversary of the Armistice.

KIMPTON, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, November 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

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

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

THOMAS J. HULL ... .. Treble	BEN JARMAN ... .. 4
*ALFRED J. GILLINGS ... .. 2	WALTER AYRE ... .. 5
JOHN MALYAN ... .. 3	FRANCIS KIRK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS KIRK.

\* First peal of Minor. It is thirty years since Mr. Gillings rang a peal. First peal as conductor in more than one method.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

IPSWICH.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

(St. Mary-le-Tower Society.)

On Wednesday, November 13, 1929, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

In the Belfry of the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower,

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

Tenor size 14 in C.

HOBART E. SMITH ... .. 1-2	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. 5-6
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 3-4	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... .. 7-8

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD. Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS

Umpires: WILLIAM P. GARRETT and WILLIAM J. G. BROWN.  
First peal of Kent Treble Bob Major on handbells by all the band. The conductor has now called peals on 8, 10 and 12 handbells, of Grandsire, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and is the first to perform this feat.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 17, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Residence of H. J. POOLE, 326, NARBOROUGH ROAD,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;**

ROBERT RICHARDSON ... .. 1-2	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 5-6
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 3-4	WILLIAM WILLSON ... .. 7-8

\*PERCY HARRISON ... .. 9-10

Composed by JAMES GEORGE. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First handbell peal.

**BELL RESTORATION IN THE OLDEN DAYS.**

**HOW MONEY WAS GOT IN THE MIDDLE AGES.**

An interesting record comes down to us in the archives of the diocese of Winchester, throwing light on the manner in which money was raised for church purposes in the Middle Ages. Referring to the fact that the parish and town of Farnham, Surrey, have just raised £300 to rehang and retune the bells of the Parish Church and to put the chimes in working order, the 'Guildford Diocesan Gazette' says: 'Note the continuity both of parish life and of the English Church. We ask our readers to think of the 14th century and the particular year 1388. Forty years earlier the Black Death had ravaged the country and halved the population, with momentous results to the religious, social and economic life of the country. Richard II. was (1388) on the throne. Wycliffe had been dead but four years; Chaucer had just completed his Canterbury Tales; monasticism and the Medieval Church were entering upon a period of decay. But parish life went on; people had the same needs: money was just as much wanted then as now for Church purposes. We dip into the episcopal register of the great William of Wykeham (1367-1405), and we read that in the year 1388 the people of Farnham were raising money for the purchase of church bells; the parishioners were duly and properly assessed (the "Quota," instead of being a new idea, is an ancient medieval practice). But it was easier then to raise money than it is to-day. It appears that a few of the parishioners would not pay up. What happened? The Bishop heard of it and issues a mandate to the Rector of Farnham to "admonish certain parishioners under pain of ecclesiastical censure (i.e., excommunication) to pay up." They stood no nonsense in the Middle Ages.'

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****STARTING THE REORGANISED BRANCHES.**

A general meeting of the newly-constituted East Norfolk Branch of the association, the first of a series under the reorganisation scheme, was, by kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. Canon R. Aubrey Aitken), held in the Priory Hall, Great Yarmouth, on Saturday, November 9th, for the election of officers and committees.

The general secretary (Mr. Arthur L. Coleman) read a letter of apology from Canon R. Aubrey Aitken, expressing his regret in not being able to preside at the meeting.

Mr. Denison Hayward was voted to the chair, and was supported by Mr. Arthur L. Coleman, Mr. William J. Lee (district secretary), and representatives from Acle, Beccles, Great Yarmouth, Reedham, etc.

The General Secretary gave a brief outline of the purpose of the meeting, after which the members proceeded to elect officers and committee as follows: Mr. Denison Hayward, chairman; Mr. William J. Lee, hon secretary; Messrs. Robert W. Barber, jun., William E. Bason, John C. Dicken, Edwin R. Goate and James Taylor, members of the committee.

The General Secretary moved the ratification of the belfry elections (prior to peals) of Messrs. Bertie J. Howchin (re-election), John W. Ward and Colin Harrison, life members (non-resident), and also moved the election of Messrs. James Bunn, Robert William Barber, and Francis Herbert Glossop Hind as members of the association. The motions, on being put to the meeting, were carried.

A vote of thanks was passed to Canon R. Aubrey Aitken for the use of the Priory Hall, and the meeting then closed, and the members adjourned to the belfry for ringing.

**BOW BELLS.****CITY CORPORATION AND THE RESTORATION.**

The famous bells of St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, which have all too long been silent for need of restoration, were mentioned at a meeting of the City Corporation recently, when the Lord Mayor presented a letter from Alderman Sir Louis Newton, on behalf of the Rector and churchwardens of the church, asking for the assistance of the Corporation in raising the funds necessary to carry out urgent repairs to the fabric, organ and bells.

Mr. Deputy Ellis said 'Bow bells' were not only known to every citizen of London, but they were known all over the world. Their historic association with Dick Whittington endeared them to every British man and woman, and the Court should do all in its power to see that they were repaired.

The letter was referred to the Coal, Corn and Finance Committee.

**LIGHT BELLS IN 'D.'**

Writing in answer to the inquiry as to whether Rickmansworth has the lightest D bell in the country as a tenor (its weight being 20 cwt. 20 lb.), Mr. C. H. Jennings says that Bere Regis (Dorset) tenor is 18½ cwt. in D.

The tenor bell at St. John's, Devizes, Wilts, was cast by R. Purdue at Salisbury, in 1677, and its weight is 19½ cwt. in D flat, and measures 50in. across. A perfect peal of Grandsire Triples was rung there, writes Mr. Sidney Hillier, on September 14th, 1912, in 2 hrs. 54 mins., and it is worthy of note, as the tenor ringer was blind. He gained the deserved congratulation by the band for the perfect way he rang it.

As to fast peals, the writer was one of a band who rang a perfect peal at Trowbridge, Wilts, on April 19th, 1913, in 2 hrs. 47 mins., the tenor being 24 cwt.

Mr. W. E. Pitman writes: 'A correspondent asks whether a peal rung at Rickmansworth with a tenor 20 cwt. 20 lb. in 2.55 can be beaten. Yes. The writer participated in a peal at Margate on October 19th, with a tenor 22½ cwt., in 2.53, and that without a trip. Mr. Buesden, the conductor, will bear me out.'

**BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.****MEETING AT SANDAL.**

A meeting was held at Sandal, near Wakefield, on Saturday, November 9th. The attendance of ringers and friends was only about half the number that attended at the near-by tower of Crofton in October, which represents the difference between the attraction of a shield contest and an ordinary monthly meeting. However, Sandal bells still hold a charm of tone for ringers, after a century's wear, that seems to say, 'Ringers may come and ringers may go, but we go on for ever.' There is a surrounding home for these sounds that never wearies. The houses, placed mostly in gardens, are fit to offer a happy welcome.

The proceedings were of the usual character. The worthy Vicar, the Rev. Parry, was at the tea table as of yore, offering a welcome to young and old. Unfortunately, duty called him away, but not until blessings and good wishes were given to the association.

One local veteran (Mr. G. Robinson) was there to receive all-round congratulations after recovering from eight months' very serious illness. Mr. Noah Wath, president, occupied the chair, and hearty votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar, the local ringers, and some ladies who always display a breezy activity towards the association.

The next meeting is most likely to be a joint one with the Yorkshire Southern Division at Rawmarsh in December.

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## PHOTOGRAPHS WANTED.

PICTURES OF CHURCH TOWERS FOR  
PUBLICATION IN 'THE RINGING WORLD.'

The Editor of 'The Ringing World' will be glad to receive photographs of churches, with a view to their future publication when suitable occasion arises.

The photographs should be accompanied by brief particulars of the bells, with their inscriptions and dates if possible, and any other interesting information about them.

Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The ringer of the tenor in the peal of Grandsire Triples on November 9th was Arthur C. Nason, not Nash, as published.

When the Mortlake Society rang 'a true and compleat peal of 5,040 Bob Major Tribbles' on November 22nd, 1731, they recorded that 'this is the third time this peal was ever rung and the first by the method designed and called by W. Walker.'

A William Walker was ringing at Richmond and Mortlake for many years, although it is rather likely that the later William Walker was a son of the ringer who 'designed and called' this early peal at Mortlake. If not, then William Walker must have been of the same virile stock that, long after, produced the gentleman who is 'still going strong.' William Walker rang in a peal of 10,640 Bob Major at Mortlake in 1776.

One of London's earliest ringing societies, the City Scholars, rang a peal of 6,012 Grandsire Caters at Cripplegate on November 23rd, 1732. Another of these long defunct London organisations, the Eastern Scholars, put up a record at West Ham, when on November 25th, 1737, they rang a peal of 15,120 of Bob Major.

Sunday next is the anniversary of the first peal of Maximus rung on handbells, a peal of Oxford Treble Twelve at Sheffield on November 24th, 1816.

Exactly two hundred years ago next Wednesday, the London Scholars rang a peal of 6,204 Grandsire Cinques at St. Michael's, Cornhill, the College Youths twelve days before, viz., on November 15th, having rung the first peal on the bells, a 5,126 Grandsire Cinques. The bi-centenary of these two performances ought not to go unmarked, despite the fact that little peal ringing is now permitted at this tower.

The first peal at St. James', Bermondsey, was rung one hundred years ago next Thursday. It was 5,120 Oxford Treble Bob Royal by the Cumberlands.

It was at the Shakespeare's Head, Wych Street, Strand, in 1886, that W. H. F. reported to the members there assembled that the College Youths' certificate was the work of Bartolozzi, and produced several engravings, purchased off a street trader's barrow in Rochester Row, to support his claim.

Amongst those present at that meeting were Messrs. Routh, Hayes, Allbone, Haworth, Barry, McLaughlin and Winney, besides others, but the last-named, with W. H. F., is the sole survivor to-day. Exactly forty years later Captain Yorke confirmed the fact of the certificate being Bartolozzi's work by his discovery at the British Museum in 1926.

The first peal of Cambridge Surprise on the bells at Curdridge, Hants, rung last Saturday, recalls the fact that the first and only other Surprise peal rung on the bells was Superlative over 31 years ago. Messrs. G. Williams and F. S. Bayley took part in both peals, the latter on the same bell, the seventh, but the former, who rang the tenor in 1898, and called the peal, took on a lighter task this time. When the first peal was rung, Curdridge was one of the noisiest towers in the country.



## ANCIENT BELLS AT KIMPTON, HERTS.

ONE 500 YEARS OLD AND STILL IN USE.

A ring of six bells, the most modern of which is over two hundred years old, hangs in the tower of Kimpton, Herts, and a peal was rung on them on Saturday last. These six bells are of various dates, the age of the fifth probably exceeding 500 years. This bell is 36 inches in diameter, and in addition to a device, bears the Latin words, 'Sit nomen Domini benedictum' ('May the name of the Lord be blessed'). It was probably cast by one William Burford, whose last will dates from the year 1390, and on this evidence the bell certainly appears to be more than 500 years old. At one time it may have been the only bell, and it is possible that it may be slightly older than the tower, which was built about that period.



KIMPTON CHURCH.

The fourth is the next oldest bell, and bears a device of the arms of the Bishops of Winchester and the words 'Sancte Dunstano' (St. Dunstan). It was cast by John Saunders, of Reading, Berks, about the year 1540, and bears the founder's initials, 'J.S.' It is 33 inches in diameter.

A third bell existed at this time, which has now disappeared, for at the Inventory taken in the year 1552 there were three bells in the belfry. The missing one may, however, have been recast later.

The treble bell bears the name of Thomas Hoo, the owner of the Hoo Estates at the time. It is 28in. in diameter, and has a cross stamped upon it and the date 1636, also the maker's shield, 'R.O.', that is, Robert Oldfield, who cast bells in Hertford at this time.

The 3rd bell is of the same date as the treble, and by the same maker. It bears the same marks, but has, in addition, the initials 'W.M.—C.W.', probably meaning William Mitchell, churchwarden.

Two years later the tenor bell was hung, cast also by Robert Oldfield. This is 40 inches in diameter, and bears the inscription 'William Mitchell, 1638.'

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## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

### THE NEW OFFICERS.

At the annual election of officers of the Ancient Society of College Youths, Mr. E. J. Choost, who last year filled the office of Senior Steward, was elected Master; Mr. C. W. Pipe was elected Senior Steward; and Mr. C. W. Roberts Junior Steward. Mr. A. A. Hughes was elected hon. treasurer, Mr. W. T. Cockerill hon. secretary, and Messrs. C. F. Winney and W. Prime trustees.

### AN APPEAL.

#### DISTRESSFUL CASE OF LANCASHIRE RINGER.

The Blackburn Branch of the Lancashire Association has made an appeal to all its members on behalf of Mr. Harry Tomlinson, of Burnley, one of its old members, to help him in his time of need.

Mr. Tomlinson, who is a widower, with a daughter entirely dependent upon him, was taken to the Infirmary some two months ago to have a leg amputated, but collapsed whilst under chloroform, and had to be revived with oxygen before the operation had taken place.

His circumstances are such that an appeal has been made to help to alleviate his suffering and distress, and, should any member of the Exercise outside the branch feel disposed to help a brother ringer, subscriptions, however small, would be gratefully received and duly acknowledged by the secretary of the branch, Mr. F. Hindle, 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

## BALL BEARINGS v. GUN METAL BEARINGS.

### To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have been asked by the authorities of one of the churches in the association of which I am president to advise them whether it is preferable to have their bells (which require rehanging) put into ball bearings or gun metal bearings.

I have my own ideas on the matter, but before passing them on would be glad to have a consensus of opinion of members of the ringing fraternity, more experienced in this matter than I am.

May I ask for expressions of opinion through your paper whether ball bearings or gun metal bearings are preferable from the points of view of durability, ease in ringing, and consistency. The bells in question are a quick-running peal of eight with a 12 cwt. tenor.

For obvious reasons I am writing under a nom-de-plume, but my name can be furnished if desired.—Yours sincerely,

'NORTHERN PRESIDENT.'

## LINCOLN'S ANCIENT RINGING SOCIETY.

### FOUNDED BEFORE THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.

In a letter to 'The Times,' with reference to a claim that the Ancient Society of College Youths, founded in 1637 to foster the art of campanology, is the oldest of its kind in the world, Chancellor Srawley of Lincoln, says:—

'May I venture to point out that the "Company of Ringers of our blessed Virgin Mary of Lincoln" is of still earlier date? It was in origin a voluntary association, and in the muniments of the Dean and Chapter there is a parchment document bearing the date, October 18th, 1612, which contains the Ordinances drawn up by the members. Another document, dated September 23rd, 1614, contains the Patent of the Dean and Chapter. On the walls of the Ringers' Chapel at the base of the south-west tower of the cathedral are inscribed the names of the Masters of the Ringers, beginning in 1614. In the Ordinances the purpose of the association is stated to be "for the ringing of Sainete Hughe bells and our Ladye Bells... on solempne feastes and dayes and otherwise upon good occasions."'

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

A very successful monthly meeting was held at Arley, near Nuneaton on Saturday, November 16th. Members attended from Allesley, Bulkington, Chilvers Coton, Croft, Fillongley, Leamington, Nuneaton, Shilton and Stoke, together with the local band. The Rector (Rev. M. J. G. King) welcomed the ringers at the Institute, where tea was arranged. A bazaar was being held in the building to help defray the cost of the bells.

The methods rung during the meeting were Plain Bob Doubles and Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge, York, Beverley and London Surprise. This was the first visit of the Guild to Arley, where the bells have recently been recast and augmented by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

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The 2nd bell was the last to be installed in the tower. It is 29 inches in diameter, and bears the inscription, 'John Carpenter, churchwarden, 1728. John Waylett, London, made me, H.S.' It is not improbable that this bell is the recast old bell, existing in 1552. Waylett is known to have gone through the country casting bells at this time.

There is a tradition that one or more of the bells was stolen from the neighbouring church of Ayot St. Lawrence, at some time, but no confirmation of that is now forthcoming.

## CHESHIRE PEAL OF SIX RESTORED.

## RE-DEDICATION OF BELLS AT ST. MARY'S, BIRKENHEAD.

After a silence, seldom broken, extending over about ten years, the bells of the Parish Church of Birkenhead (St. Mary's) were heard again on Saturday evening, November 9th, after they had been rededicated by the Lord Bishop of Chester (Dr. H. L. Paget). The old frame of wood having become very dilapidated and unsafe for ringing, these bells, of which there are six, have hung idly in the tower for years. In March of this year a subscription list was opened for the purpose of having the bells put into ringing condition, to which the townspeople, including the Corporation of the borough, most generously contributed, and the work of having a new iron frame constructed and the bells quarter-turned and tuned was entrusted to the well-known firm of Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, who were represented at the opening by Mr. J. P. Fidler. The rededication service, which was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. A. G. Williamson, M.A.), was attended by the Mayor and Mayoress of Birkenhead, the ex-Mayor and Mayoress, and other prominent citizens, the ex-Mayor reading the first lesson.

In his address after the rededication, the Bishop spoke of the readiness with which not only the members of the congregation but also the townspeople generally had contributed to the funds for re-hanging the bells. Without the bells they had been neglecting, to their peril, the beauty of public worship. Devout and regular attendance at divine service was one of God's own ways of helping them to hold together. The voice of the bells might be just the very voice calling them together in the performance of a common duty and a common privilege.

After the actual ceremony of rededication, and whilst the Bishop and clergy were returning from the belfry to the chancel, a well-struck course of Plain Bob Minor was rung, and, following the service, touches of Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Minor were rung, the ringers afterwards expressing satisfaction with the 'go' and tone of the bells, which will make a welcome addition to the 'rings' of bells in the town.

The inscriptions on the bells are:—

Treble.—William Dobson, Downham, Norfolk, Feoit 1821.

2nd.—God save the King. 1821.

3rd.—The first stone of this Church laid by Lloyd Lord Kenyon, July 26th, 1819, in the 59th of George III.

The Church was finished the second year of the reign of His Majesty King George III., 1821.

4th.—These six bells were cast by W. Dobson on the 26th of July, 1821.

5th.—Glory be to God on high. Peace on earth, goodwill towards men. Alleluia. John Taylor Oxford, Campanarius. George Gillibrand, Liverpool Church Bellhanger, 1837.

The Right Rev. John Sumner, D.D., Lord Bishop of Chester; Francis Richard Price, Esq., Lord of the Manor and Patron. The Rev. Andrew Knox, Minister.

Tenor.—Laudo Deum Verum, plebem voco, Congrego Clerum, defunctos plero, Festa decoro.

(Translation, I praise the true God, I call the people, I gather the clergy. I mourn the dead, I honour festivals.) (Weight, 11 cwt. 9 lb.)

Total weight of whole peal, just over 40½ cwt.

## MAYORAL SUNDAY, ARMISTICE AND TOC H RINGING.

On Sunday, November 10th, the ringers of St. Mary's, Birkenhead, and St. Peter's, Rock Ferry, joined forces so that, as the former church have not yet a competent band, the newly-restored bells should not be silent for 'Mayor's Sunday.' At St. Mary's Church, following the civic service, a 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor was rung by: F. Banton 1, W. J. Battle 2, G. E. Edwards 3, J. Cooke 4, T. A. Rogers 5, H. Ludkin (conductor) 6. For evening service at the same church, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung by: W. Battle (first 720 in a Treble Bob method) 1, G. Battle 2, G. E. Edwards 3, F. Banton 4, W. J. Battle (conductor) 5, J. Cooke 6.

The services at St. Peter's Church were of a special nature having regard to the commemoration of the Armistice, and the bells were half-muffled for both morning and evening services. A 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung in the morning by: Miss D. I. Leatham 1, Miss M. Cooke 2, J. Gorst 3, J. Leslie 4, J. Hughes 5, W. Dean (conductor) 6, whilst the same band rang 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor prior to the evening service.

Following evensong, a special service for Toc H members and others was conducted by the Rev. A. Ball, M.A., prior to which 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor, with the bells still half-muffled, was rung by: F. Banton 1, J. Gorst 2, J. Leslie 3, W. J. Battle 4, G. E. Edwards 5, J. Cooke (conductor) 6. After the service, which was most impressive and included the 'Ceremony of Light,' the bells were rung 'open' for a few minutes whilst the congregation dispersed.

Thus, between the two churches, five 720's were rung in one day, a 720 at St. Mary's in the morning being lost through the conductor missing a call.

A special word of thanks is here extended to all those who so kindly assisted the St. Mary's ringers, both for the Sunday service ringing and also at the rededication service the previous day.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## NEGLECT OF 30 YEARS REMEDIED.

Shalford Church is so close to Guildford that ringers have not thought it necessary to hold a meeting there for the last 30 years. This was remedied on Saturday, when the last district meeting of the Guildford District for the current year was held there. In spite of the wretched weather—rain, a heavy snowstorm and then more rain—over twenty ringers attended from Old Woking, Aldershot, Rudgwick, the Cathedral Church, Cranleigh, Worplesdon, West Clandon, S. Nicolas' and the local company. What the weather was really like may be gauged from the fact that no ladies were present. The bells were kept going in rounds and various methods from Doubles to London Surprise Minor throughout the afternoon and evening.

The Guild's form of service was conducted, and an interesting address given by the Vicar (the Rev. Hamilton Jackson). The organist had kindly arranged a choir. Afterwards the ringers did full justice to an ample tea, which was served in the Church Hut.

The Vicar was in the chair at the business meeting, when nominations for district officers for 1930 were received. No election will be necessary in the case of the Ringing Master, secretary and auditor. Although three names were proposed for the office of Ringing Master, namely, Mr. C. Hazelden, Mr. F. Bennett and Mr. A. H. Pulling, the two first-named gentlemen declined to accept the office, and Mr. Pulling will therefore be elected at the annual meeting. Mr. Hazelden withdraws from office after serving the district for many years as Ringing Master, first with the Winchester Diocesan Guild, and, since its formation, with the Guildford Diocesan Guild.

There are three candidates for the two places of ringing members on the Executive Committee, namely, Messrs. C. Hazelden, S. Radford and C. N. Burdock.

Mr. E. G. Martin, organist at Shalford, was elected an honorary member, and he drew the attention of the meeting to the fact that choir boys very often dropped out of Church life on leaving the choir, and pointed out that the ringers had an opportunity of keeping them interested in Church work by teaching them to ring.

In the discussion which followed, some members seemed of opinion that choir boys are the most difficult and hopeless of people to turn into ringers. Others thought that they are no worse than any other class of recruits, but the general opinion seemed to be that Mr. Martin's suggestion is excellent in theory, but difficulties, which only ringers can appreciate, arise in practice.

Admiral Walker was entrusted with the task of putting into words the thanks of the members to the Vicar, the organist, and to the ladies who helped with the tea.

One enthusiastic young ringer then started a lively discussion by seeking enlightenment as to the exact meaning of the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn's reference, in his address to the College Youths, to back strokes being considered by some ringers to be only an awkward method of getting the bell back into the handstroke position. After several members had expressed their views on the subject, the Vicar remarked that as neither he nor his churchwarden (Mr. Hayes) could understand what it was all about, the meeting had better end.

## DEATH OF TWO NORTH NORFOLK RINGERS.

The already thin ranks in North Norfolk ringers have been recently depleted by the death of Messrs. Meager and Tennant, of West Runton and Cromer respectively.

Mr. Meager, who came to Norfolk from Northants, was a man of sterling character, genial and good-natured. Although not far advanced in change ringing, what he rang was rung well. He was a real help to ringing at Cromer, and was always punctual.

Mr. Tennant passed away at the age of 47 in the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital on the 8th inst. The funeral, which took place on Tuesday, November 12th, was followed early in the evening by the ringers' tribute, the bells being rung half-muffled by the following: S. Love, L. Risebrow, E. Wilson, C. Pooley, F. Pearce and T. James. W. Burgess and C. Silver also took part.

Mr. Tennant learnt to ring with his father at Shipdham, in the county, and, after serving an apprenticeship there, came to Cromer two years before the war. Here he found a company freshly started to learn ringing at the instigation of Mr. John A. Godfrey, and this company he joined. In 1919, Mr. Tennant undertook to train a band of ringers, and before long the bells were being rung regularly to Minor. He had rung six peals only for the Norwich Association, not being able to throw off business ties, but he was a devoted servant of the Church, and assisted not only as a ringer but as a member of the choir and the Church Council. Requiescat in pace. N. G.

## THREE GENERATIONS.

Young 'Teddy' Barnett scored his first quarter-peal, and at the first attempt, on Sunday, when he rang the treble to 1,260 Grand-sire Triples for morning service at Crayford. It was called by his father, and 'grand-dad' rang the 2nd. Edwin iii. is only 11 years of age, but he is showing a keen aptitude for ringing. The touch was rung by: Edwin A. Barnett 1, Edwin Barnett, sen., 2, H. E. Audsley 3, J. Wheadon 4, E. Loy 5, W. Bond 6, Edwin Barnett, jun., 7, Albert Fleet (first quarter-peal and first attempt) 8.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

## PRESENTATION TO FORMER SECRETARY.

Mr. Herbert Haigh, of Workop, recently retired from the office of hon. secretary of the North Notts Association, of which he was one of the founders in the year 1836. On Saturday week the members, in recognition of his long and loyal service, presented him with a wallet of Treasury notes. The presentation took place at a meeting held at Gamston, and members were present from Anston, Creswell, Collingham, East Markham, Edwinstowe, East Retford, West Retford, Gainsborough, Ordsall, Lincoln, Misterton, Sutton-on-Trent, Workop, and the local company. Several methods were rung on the bells of St. Peter's Church during the afternoon, and at 5.30 the members adjourned for tea, which was served in the schoolroom.

The Rector of Gamston (the Rev. E. A. Paxton) presided over the business meeting, and was supported by the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, Rector of Ordsall; Mr. Herbert Smith, Gamston House; Mrs. Crawford and her daughter, Mrs. Rowsell, Laneham; with Mr. H. Haigh, Workop, treasurer; Mr. R. W. Stockdale, hon. secretary; and Mr. H. Revill, assistant hon. secretary.

Letters of apology for absence were received from the Rev. H. R. Peel, Cuckney, and the Rev. R. E. Rogerson, East Markham.

The Rector extended a hearty welcome to the association, and remarked that it was through the efforts of Mr. Haigh and the generosity of Mr. Smith that the bells of Gamston Church had been put into such good order. He spoke encouraging words to the members on their excellent work.

Mr. T. Hercy Denman, J.P., Netley, Southampton, a former ringer at East Retford Church, and the Rev. E. A. Paxton, Gamston, were elected vice-presidents; and Mrs. Rowson, Laneham, daughter of the late Mr. C. Crawford, East Markham, was elected an honorary life member. Her brother, Mr. A. Crawford, Ramp-ton, is an honorary life member.

Masters R. Smith and W. Brett, both of Ordsall, were elected members of the association.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the association at Shireoaks on Saturday, January 18th, 1930.

## A FOUNDER OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The presentation to Mr. Haigh then took place, and was the occasion of well deserved eulogiums of the work done in the cause of the association and of bellringing in general by the recipient, and was also a tribute to the respect and esteem in which he is held. The wallet was inscribed, 'H. Haigh, 1929, North Notts.'

Mr. Haigh was among the little band of enthusiasts in 1836 who met at the Priory Schools, Workop, with the late Vicar of Workop (the Rev. H. T. Slodden) and formed the association, with the first Bishop of Southwell as president and Mr. Slodden as secretary. Mr. Haigh, who succeeded the late Rev. B. Darley, Harthill, as secretary, was born at Ordsall, Retford, on September 22nd, 1866, and learnt to ring at the early age of ten years.

In 1890 Mr. Haigh played an important part in helping to get the East Retford bells rehung and augmented to a ring of ten, and the ringing chamber put in good order. He taught a new band of ringers soon after the Rev. G. J. A. d'Arcy settled at Workop, and was successful in having the bells rehung at the Priory Church, being responsible in collecting £66 towards the restoration of the peal. His motto is to practise on practice nights, and on Sunday to give the very best services in ringing for the honour and glory of God.

In addition to his love for the bells, he has many hobbies. In his younger days he was a keen cricketer, and played some good innings for local clubs. From 1890 to 1905 he collected almost £100 for St. Swithin's Cricket Club, for which the Rev. W. C. Ridding, then curate at East Retford, presented him with a beautiful smoking cabinet.

A letter was read from Mr. T. Hercy Denman enclosing a cheque for the presentation fund and expressing his appreciation of the valuable services rendered by Mr. Haigh for many years in the art of change ringing.

Mr. F. Hargreaves, Shireoaks, who was also unable to be present, referred to the ungrudging services rendered by Mr. Haigh to the Association, which was reflected in its financial position and the membership. Mr. Stockdale was a good successor to Mr. Haigh in the secretaryship.

## MANY BELL RESTORATIONS.

The Rev. R. F. Wilkinson spoke of Mr. Haigh's long and energetic work for the association and of his keen interest in the art of bellringing. Mr. Haigh had travelled hundreds of miles to attend meetings of the association in town and country, and they highly appreciated his services. He (Mr. Wilkinson) became acquainted with Mr. Haigh when he was a curate at Mansfield, and he had read of Mr. Haigh's activities with great interest. Mr. Wilkinson referred to Mr. Smith's recent visit to Germany, and remarked that the 25-ton bell in Cologne Cathedral was made out of cannons which the Germans took from the French in the war of 1870, but, becoming short of

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## A PEAL AT SOUTHWELL CATHEDRAL.

## AN UNUSUAL BELFRY.

It is interesting to note, as reported elsewhere, that after a lapse of 18 years the bells in the quaint and difficult belfry of Southwell Cathedral have had another peal recorded on them, this bringing the total to five in 208 years. The bells were cast and hung in the tower by Abram Rudhall in 1721, and it was not until 1894 that Mr. Francis E. Dawe conducted the first peal on them to the tune of Grandsire Triples in 3 hrs. 27 mins. In 1905 the Rev. F. E. Robinson conducted a peal of Stedman Triples in 3 hrs. 27 mins. Four years later, the first and only Surprise peal, 5,056 Superlative, was credited to that able conductor, Mr. William Keeble, in 3 hrs. 38 mins., and in 1911 the Rev. H. Law James conducted 5,024 Double Norwich in 3 hrs. 39 mins.

The ringing chamber consists only of a balcony projecting 4ft. from all sides of the tower, and forming an open space 16ft. square in the centre, with a 60ft. drop to the bottom of the church. As a means of safety a wooden barrier about 4ft. high is fixed in front of the ropes, and on top of this is fastened another 4ft. of strong mesh wire netting, through which the ringer is obliged to look to find his colleagues' ropes. This, together with the bells being hung the 'opposite way round,' makes it extremely difficult for visiting ringers, and often the tenor has been mistaken for the treble.

The present peal of Stedman Triples is the quickest yet rung in the tower, this, without doubt, being due to the excellent work of Messrs. Taylor and Co., who were entrusted with rehanging the bells recently. The band are indebted to Dr. Taylor, cousin to the Lord Bishop of Southwell, for his kind hospitality at the Bishop's Palace after the peal. Handbells later brought a pleasant evening to a close.

J. F. M.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

The attendance at the quarterly meeting of the I.O.W. District, held at Newchurch on Saturday last, was very small indeed, only eight ringing members (representatives from Brading, Godshill (2), Newport (3), Ryde and Whitwell) putting in an appearance. Nevertheless, good use was made of the six bells, and methods ranging from Grandsire Doubles to Double Court were rung. Tea was kindly provided and served to the ringers by the Vicar and Mrs. Bamford in the Parish Hall. The Rural Dean also presided at the business meeting, at which Mr. A. Jackson, of Ryde, was elected a ringing member.

It was resolved to hold a by-practice meeting at Carisbrooke on Saturday, January 4th, the annual meeting having already been fixed for Saturday, February 1st, at Newport.

The meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Rural Dean and Mrs. Bamford for providing tea, also to the former for presiding. A course of Grandsire Caters was then rung on handbells by B. J. Snow, W. Upton, H. Barton, Dr. J. B. Williamson and H. Phillips, and further ringing was afterwards indulged in on the church bells.

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ammunition in the Great War, the bell was taken down, broken up, and melted down. Since the war another bell, weighing 25 tons, had been made, and was now tolled every day. They all appreciated Mr. Smith's presence to make the presentation to Mr. Haigh. Mr. Smith took a great interest in church bells, and members were always glad to come to Gamston and ring the splendid peal in the church tower.

Mr. Smith, in making the presentation, said he had a sentimental regard for bells, and when he was abroad he missed the sound of the bells which was so familiar in England on Sunday mornings. It was an old custom in Belgium on the occasion of a public holiday for everybody to visit one of the cemeteries and churches to honour the dead, and he would like to see it practised in England. Mr. Smith observed that Mr. Haigh was primarily responsible for the renovation of the bells at Gamston, and he had much pleasure in handing him the wallet of Treasury notes as a token of appreciation and esteem for his services.

Mr. Haigh suitably replied, and gave a short history of the association. He observed that he had been associated with no fewer than sixteen restorations of bells in church towers in North Notts, including East Retford, Ordsall, East Markham, Misson, North Wheatley, Tuxford, Cuckney, Sutton-on-Trent and Gamston. He had often walked to Gainsborough and Lincoln to ring the bells.

Mr. Stenton proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Smith and to Mrs. Ashforth and her helpers for the excellent way in which they had catered for the tea. Mr. Stenton said he had been associated with Mr. Haigh in ringing for 40 years.

Mr. C. McGuinness, Lincoln, seconded.

The Rev. R. F. Wilkinson proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. E. A. Paxton for presiding, and for the use of the bells, and the proceedings terminated.



## A THOUSAND PEALS ON TOWER BELLS.

## MR. JAMES GEORGE'S ACHIEVEMENT.

As recorded in our last issue, Mr. James George, who next Wednesday will celebrate his 76th birthday, has now rung 1,000 peals on tower bells, and carried his aggregate to 1,045. The following is the list of his peals, which have been rung in 45 counties and 352 towers in the British Isles:—

	Tower Bells.		Hand-
	Rung.	Conducted.	bell.
DOUBLES:			
Grandsire	2	—	—
MINOR:			
In one method (including two of Cambridge)	7	—	—
In three methods	2	—	—
TRIPLES:			
Grandsire	70	14	7
Stedman	241	4	4
Union	—	—	1
Plain Bob	1	—	—
Darlaston Bob	2	—	—
MAJOR:			
Grandsire	2	—	—
Plain Bob	35 (a)	1	—
Oxford Treble Bob	3	—	—
Kent Treble Bob	55 (b)	—	—
Double Norwich Court Bob	55 (c)	—	—
Canterbury Pleasure	1	—	—
Superlative Surprise	80	—	—
Cambridge Surprise	31	—	—
London Surprise	11	—	—
Bristol Surprise (with treble)	6	—	—
CATERS:			
Grandsire	33 (d)	—	1
Stedman	143	—	14
ROYAL:			
Grandsire	1	—	—
Aston	1	—	—
Oxford Treble Bob	1	—	—
Kent Treble Bob	43 (e)	—	—
Plain Bob	10	—	—
Little Bob	1	—	—
Forward	1	—	—
Cambridge Surprise	4	—	—
CINQUES:			
Grandsire	5	—	—
Stedman	133	—	18
MAXIMUS:			
Grandsire	1	—	—
Plain Bob	1	—	—
Kent Treble Bob	16 (f)	—	—
Forward	1	—	—
Cambridge Surprise	1	—	—
	1,000	19	45

(a) Including 6,000, (b) including 6,336 (both rung in one day), (c) including 6,720, (d) including 6,011 and 8,009, (e) including 6,080 and 7,280, (f) including 6,000 and 12,240 (record in the method).

Mr. George has received so many letters of congratulation upon his first peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus, which was his one thousandth peal on tower bells, that he finds it impossible to reply to them individually. He, however, desires to thank sincerely all those who have sent him such kindly messages.

## 'SILCHESTER.'

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—A peal of the method Mr. Bankes James calls Silchester was rung at St. John's, Waterloo Road, Lambeth, on October 23rd, 1912, under the name of Waterloo Reverse Bob. It was rung as a Major method with a bell in the hunt, but, of course, that does not alter the method. You will find it as No. 70 in the Collection of Major Methods. I should not call it an extension (or, at any rate, not the extension) of New Bob Doubles. New Bob Triples is given by Hubbard and as a Major method in the C.C. Collection.—Yours faithfully, J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

Mr. George Baker writes that 'Silchester' was published by him in 'Bell News' as long ago as June, 1900. It was published without a name.

Mr. Arthur Craven points out that if 'Silchester' had been a 'legitimate' method he could have published it as long ago as 1902.

## DEATH OF CANON NOLLOTH.

The Rev. Canon Henry Edward Nolloth, for 41 years Vicar of Beverley Minster, has died at Oxford, where he had lived in retirement since 1921. He was 84 years of age. To Canon Nolloth, Beverley Minster owes its fine peal of bells, and he was largely responsible for the recasting of the bells at York Minster.

## ARMISTICE COMMEMORATION.

WALTHAMSTOW.—On Monday, November 11th, in 48 mins., at St. Mary's, 1,263 Stedman Caters: F. Corney 1, J. H. Wilkins 2, H. Rumens 3, C. T. Coles (conductor) 4, E. E. Holman 5, R. Maynard, sen., 6, J. H. Crampion 7, C. T. W. Coles 8, F. C. Maynard 9, L. Welch, sen., 10. First quarter-peal of Caters by ringers of treble, 7th and tenor.

BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.—For Armistice Day, November 11th, at the Church of St. Mary, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Treble Bob Minor, 720 Woodbine, 360 Oxford, 240 Kent: R. L. Denny (first quarter-peal) 1, H. E. Bowers 2, L. Ainger 3, E. Clark 4, H. Devenish 5, H. Bradley (conductor) 6.

KETTERING.—On Monday, November 11th, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Stedman Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the fallen: H. Warren 1, G. Warren 2, E. J. Chapman 3, H. Baxter 4, C. W. Bird 5, A. Henman 6, R. F. Turner (conductor) 7, F. Tite 8. First quarter-peal in the method by 1st and 2nd ringers.

NORTHAMPTON.—At St. Peter's Church, on Monday, November 11th, with the bells half-muffled, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. J. Dove 1, J. C. Dean 2, E. Taylor 3, H. Hoare 4, W. R. Parker 5, W. Sturgess 6, W. H. Austin (conductor) 7, J. Wilkins 8.

UXBRIDGE.—At the Church of St. Margaret, on Monday evening, November 11th, for united service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 42 mins.: G. H. Gutteridge 1, A. G. Twinn 2, R. Warnett 3, J. H. Lucas 4, J. J. Pratt 5, E. Hancox 6, F. Corke (conductor) 7, C. Nicholls 8.

EALING, MIDDLESEX.—On Monday, November 11th, at Christ Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 61 mins.: E. A. J. Coombs 1, E. C. S. Turner 2, W. G. Wilson 3, W. H. Hollier 4, H. Folkard 5, A. Harding 6, J. A. Trollope (conductor) 7, J. H. Burton 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of those who fell in the war.

SEALE, SURREY.—On Sunday, November 10th, for Armistice Sunday, with the bells half-muffled, before morning service, a quarter-peal (consisting of 720 Kent Treble Bob, 360 and 180 of Plain Bob Minor): R. J. Whitford 1, C. W. Denyer 2, H. Gardner 3, W. Denyer 4, C. Newman 5, H. Tinsey (conductor) 6. After morning service, with the bells open, 240 Plain Bob.

SMARDEN, KENT.—On Sunday, November 10th, for memorial service, with bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Plain Bob Minor in 46 mins.: E. King 1, F. Pearson 2, A. B. Alcorn 3, R. T. Cornes 4, C. Brown 5, F. S. Macey (conductor) 6.

HOOLE, CHESTER.—On Sunday, November 10th, for Armistice service, with bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor (1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: J. Benyon 1, W. Wheatman 2, G. R. Jones 3, H. Cousins 4, A. Newell (conductor) 5, J. Benyon, jun., 6.

PYTCHELEY, NORTHANTS.—On Sunday, November 10th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes) in 43 mins., for morning service. Also a quarter-peal consisting of Canterbury, Old Doubles, Plain Bob and Grandsire (1,260 changes) in 43 mins., for evening service, on the occasion of Remembrance Day: H. E. Munton 1, R. Williamson (conductor) 2, G. S. F. Brown 3, R. C. Coleman 4, G. Middleton 6. The above are all Sunday service ringers.

NOTTINGHAM.—On Sunday, November 10th, at St. Mary's Church, 503 Grandsire Caters and 400 Stedman Triples: F. Collings 1, Miss I. B. Thompson 2, A. Goodwin 3, L. Clay 4, A. Gamble 5, A. Coppock (conductor) 6, F. Blood 7, F. Turner 8, R. Narborough 9, H. Parfrement 10.

ALDERSHOT.—At the Parish Church of St. Michael, on Sunday, November 10th, for evening Armistice service, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 50 mins.: Miss Margaret Scott 1, C. W. Denyer (conductor) 2, Miss Nancie Denyer 3, Miss A. Fisher 4, A. Cox 5, Will H. Viggers 6, P. L. Eldridge 7, R. J. Whitford 8. First quarter-peal in the method by ringers of 1, 5, 6 and 7. All are members of the Aldershot tower. After the service, with the bells open, 1,152 Kent Treble Bob Major in 45 mins.: A. Court 1, Miss Nancie Denyer 2, Will H. Viggers 3, W. Denyer 4, R. J. Whitford 5, P. L. Eldridge 6, Lance-Sergt. E. J. Bragg (Grenadier Guards) 7, C. W. Denyer (conductor) 8. Longest length in the method by ringers of treble and 5th. All are members of Aldershot tower, with the exception of ringer of treble, who belongs to Seale.

UCKFIELD, SUSSEX.—At the Church of the Holy Cross, for Armistice service, on Sunday, November 10th, with bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): F. S. Hart 1, A. Richardson 2, P. Marchant 3, B. Saunders 4, A. J. Pierpoint 5, F. Weller 6, J. A. Hart (conductor) 7, J. Baldock 8.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT.—At All Saints' Church, for evensong, on the eve of Armistice Day, 720 Plain Bob Minor in 25 mins.: J. Shipley 1, Miss K. Burchall (conductor) 2, N. Moxon 3, H. Edwards 4, Miss J. Burchall 5, E. A. Midwinter 6.

WOODCHURCH, CHESHIRE.—At the Parish Church of the Holy Cross, 720 of Plain Bob Minor: E. Lee 1, J. Johnson 2, G. Phillips 3, R. Bennett 4, H. Martin 5, W. Bennett (conductor) 6. Rung with the bells half-muffled on the anniversary of the Armistice.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meeting for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 26th, Southwark Cathedral on the 28th at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.—The district annual meeting will be held at Leytonstone on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow.—E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—The next meeting will be held at King's Langley on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Splendid bus service from Watford.—W. Ayre, Sec.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A general meeting of the South Norfolk Branch will be held in the Vestry of the Parish Church, Diss, on Saturday, Nov. 23rd, at 3.30 p.m., for the election of officers and committee. The ring of bells (8) of St. Mary, Diss, and St. Peter, Pelgrave, will be available. A good attendance of members is kindly requested at this first meeting of the branch.—Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer.

LADIES' GUILD.—Northamptonshire District.—A meeting will be held at Orlingbury (5) on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15, followed by tea.—S. Thursfield, Hon. Sec., Cranford Rectory, Kettering.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. The bells (8) will be available at 3 p.m. Short service (County Service Paper) at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome, and a good attendance requested.—Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., Offley, Hitchin.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—The next meeting will be held at Croft on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea provided in the Schools at 5 o'clock. A good attendance is requested at this meeting, all ringers being cordially welcome.—W. A. Cope, Smockington.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Trumpington on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m.—F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.—A meeting will be held at Turner's Hill on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Tower opened 3 p.m.—G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. The bells will be available at 3 p.m. Everybody welcome.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Alton District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Selborne on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (5) available from 2.30; also at Newton Valence (5). Service at St. Mary's, Selborne, 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting.—B. C. Taylor, Binsted Vicarage, Alton.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks & South Bucks Branch.—The next ringing practice has been arranged at Clewer (6 bells) on Saturday, November 23rd, at 6 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Branch Sec. and Treas., Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Grappenhall Branch.—The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Grappenhall on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (8) ready from 3 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.30, followed by meeting.—G. A. Taylor, Branch Sec., The Village, Grappenhall.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Estb. 1672).—A meeting of the above will be held at Lenton, on Saturday, November 30th. Tower open 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Preliminary Notice:—The eighth W.D. Crofts Memorial Dinner will be held at the Welbeck Hotel, Nottingham, on Saturday, February 15th, at 6 p.m.—F. Blood, Hon. Sec., 91, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Headingley (St. Chad's bells not available) on Saturday, November 30th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Tea can be obtained near the church. Business meeting in the tower at 6.30.—H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The next meeting will be held at SS. Philip and Jacob's on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Will those intending to be present for tea please let me know by 27th? A cordial welcome extended to all ringers.—Harry Bennett, Hon. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—The next meeting will be held at Esher on Saturday, November 30th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 5. Followed by tea. Numbers for tea to be sent to A. V. Bristow, High Street, Esher, by 28th.—H. Hancock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Chobham Road, Ottershaw.

LADIES' GUILD.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Dore, near Sheffield, on Saturday, Nov. 30th (eight bells). Gentlemen cordially invited.—N. Cawthorne, Hon. Sec., 394, Handsworth Road, Sheffield.

COMBINED MEETING of members of the Hereford Guild, the Shropshire and Worcestershire Associations, and the Stafford Archdeaconry will be held at Claverley (between Wolverhampton and Bridgnorth) on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Bells (8) available from 3. Tea (1s. 6d.) at the Crown Hotel at 5 for those who send word by Wednesday, 27th inst. Bus leaves Queen Square, Wolverhampton at 3; return 9.45. All ringers welcome.—H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—North-Western District.—The next meeting will be held at All Saints', Banstead, on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., tea and meeting following at the View Tea Rooms. Those requiring tea please let me know by Tuesday, Nov. 26th.—D. Cooper, Hon. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The annual meeting of the branch will be held at Great Hampton on Sat., Nov. 30th. Service with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. D. Fitzmaurice, at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Parish Room for those who send me their names not later than the Tuesday previous.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bowden and Stockport Branch.—The last meeting of the year will be held at Hyde on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Will all who require tea please notify me before the 27th?—T. Wilde, 36, Dowson Road, Hyde.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northern District.—Next meeting November 30th. St. Saviour's, Walthamstow: ringing from 3 p.m. Tea and meeting in Parish Hall at 5 p.m. Levton bells probably available in the evening. Everyone welcome.—J. A. Waugh, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—A meeting will be held at Ecton on Saturday, November 30th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Will all who require tea please notify me by Tuesday, November 26th?—T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guilborough Branch.—A special meeting of the above branch will be held at Yelvertoft on Saturday, November 30th. Usual arrangements.—R. Adams, East Haddon.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The next bye-meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, Dec. 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service. Arrangements for tea can be made for those who notify me on or before Wednesday, Dec. 4th.—Percy W. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting of the Cheltenham Branch will be held at Charlton Kings on Saturday, Dec. 7th. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. Edgar Neale), 5.30. Business meeting after tea. Will all those intending to be present please notify me by Dec. 3rd?—Walter Yeend, Branch Sec., Millfield, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham.

**RICKMANSWORTH.**—Saturday, December 7th. Bells open from 1.30. Tea 5.45. Cheap tickets from all stations.—C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey (Tel : City 4270).

**SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—A meeting will be held at Gorseinon on Saturday, December 7th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. Bassetts or S.W. Transport Bus, return fare 1/- from Swansea or Llanelly.—E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 21, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, Dec. 7th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Cheap tickets issued on District Railway to Central Hounslow, then bus to church.—Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting of the North Norfolk Branch will be held in the belfry of St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, on Saturday, Dec. 7th, at 4 p.m., for the election of officers and committee. The ring of bells (12) of St. Peter Mancroft will, by kind permission of the Reverend H. McMullen (Vicar), be available after the meeting. A good attendance of members is kindly requested at this first meeting of the branch.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Secretary and Treasurer.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Church Kirk on Sat., December 7th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30. Business: Questions on Central Council. A good attendance requested.—F. Hindle, Hon. Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—Next meeting at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, December 7th. Bells from 3 to 7.30. Service at 5. Tea at usual terms 5.30. Meeting to follow. All members and friends cordially invited. Please advise me for tea.—C. T. Coles, 21, Vincent Road, E.4.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Rotherfield on Saturday, December 7th. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Business meeting to follow.—G. W. Stokes, 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at St. John's, Redhill, on Saturday, December 7th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at 5.30, at the Parish Hall, to those who inform me not later than Wednesday, December 4th. All ringers welcome.—A. J. Bull, Hon. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Netherton, on Saturday, December 7th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 4.30. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Tuesday, December 3rd. A good muster is required. Business meeting afterwards.—Herbert Sheppard, 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Garston, on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30. Tea 6. Those intending being present please inform Mr. W. Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston, not later than Wednesday, December 11th. A good muster is especially requested. Canon Elsee will be present.—Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec.

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KIDDERMINSTER.—On Sunday, November 10th, on the occasion of the Mayor attending morning service at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): G. Bennett 1, G. Davies 2, J. Lawrence 3, T. J. Salter 4, J. Woodberry 5, C. H. Woodberry (conductor) 6, A. Wright 7, J. Bennett 8.

BROUGHTON, KETTERING.—On Sunday, November 3rd, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Doubles (1,260 changes) in 50 mins.: S. F. Rowney 1, C. Sergeant 2, F. W. Randall 3, H. D. Baxter 4, P. C. A. Stapleton (conductor) 5. Rung as a farewell to P. C. A. Stapleton, who is leaving the village.

BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH.—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday evening, rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th, 720 Bob Minor (42 Singles): A. H. Stebbings 1, T. Ringrose 2, S. Bigmore 3, W. G. Gridley 4, H. S. Barker (conductor) 5, H. Stebbings 6.

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