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**NATIONAL FIGURES.**

From time to time there are men in the Exercise who, by the mental gifts which they bring to bear on the art of ringing and the service they render to it, stand out as national figures. Such a one was the late Rev. C. D. P. Davies, and since his death the art has lost another in the person of the Rev. Henry Law James. Each of these masters not only served the Exercise well by their almost life long efforts to extend change ringing in the districts wherever they were called upon to live, but rendered even greater service by their work in the study, which resulted in the art being enriched by much valuable knowledge as the result of their labours.

The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association have in hand a scheme for a national memorial to the Rev. C. D. P. Davies; the Lincoln Diocesan Guild have now decided to provide a memorial to the Rev. H. Law James. In the first of these, the Exercise has already shown its readiness to participate, but further funds are necessary before the plans can be carried out which are to give Tewkesbury Abbey a ringers' chapel and a ring of twelve bells. The raising of money in times like these is no easy task, but the goal of the Gloucester and Bristol Association will eventually be reached, and future generations of ringers provided with a fitting and permanent reminder of what they owe to the talents, industry and application of one of the most able men of a past generation.

Like his great contemporary, the Rev. H. Law James worked for the advance of the art of ringing on its mathematical side, but he went further than Mr. Davies as a pioneer along the path of practical ringing, as witness his early peals of spliced Minor and his excursion into Superlative Royal. But it is for his labours in helping to extend the scope offered to change ringers that Mr. James principally merited the thanks of the Exercise. He devoted his leisure, through years of his life, to extending our knowledge of methods, for the benefit of the present and future generations. Without his work—and that of others associated with him through the Central Council—ringers would be infinitely poorer to-day in the material at their disposal. Mr. James' memorial is to take the form of two treble bells added to the light ring of ten at Surfleet Church, where he ministered for so many years. It is to be a ringers' and not a parochial memorial, and it will give all those who value his work, and those who had the privilege of his friendship, an opportunity of joining with the members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, of which he was founder and Master, in a recognition of his great services to the Exercise. As it is hoped

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to dedicate the memorial on the anniversary of Mr. James' death next February, those who desire to give should give quickly.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5018 CHANGES;

Tenor 62 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 2	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... .. 7
ERNEST G. FENN ... .. 2	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 8
CHARLES H. HORTON ... .. 3	CHARLES S. BURDEN ... .. 9
HENRY G. MILES ... .. 4	RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 10
CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... .. 5	ALFRED H. PECK ... .. 11
PERCY E. CLARK ... .. 6	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. } Tenor
	JOSEPH S. HAWKINS ... .. }

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by H. LANGDON.

Rung in honour of the tercentenary of the birth of Sir Christopher Wren.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

LEOMINSTER, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 15, 1932, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE PRIORY CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 22 cwt.

*CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 1	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. 6
REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON ... 2	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 7
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 3	*ARTHUR W. DAVIS ... .. 8
JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 4	CHARLES L. SADLER ... .. 9
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 5	CHARLES CAMM ... .. } Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

\* First peal of Bob Royal. † First peal of Royal. First in the method on the bells. First peal of Bob Royal for the Guild.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, October 15, 1932, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*C. SHEMMING ... .. 1	H. G. WELHAM ... .. 5
J. ROSE ... .. 2	W. KINSEY ... .. 6
*C. WOODWARD ... .. 3	G. MORE ... .. 7
E. BLOMFIELD ... .. 4	J. GILLINGHAM ... .. } Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by H. G. WELHAM.

\* First peal of Grandsire.

HERTFORD.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 15, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

ALBERT LAWRENCE ... .. 1	SIDNEY CARTER ... .. 5
BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 2	JOHN WELCH ... .. 6
GEORGE GRAY ... .. 3	JOSEPH LADLEY ... .. 7
STANLEY CARTER ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... } Tenor

Composed by J. LOCKWOOD. Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE

SHAROW, YORKSHIRE.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 15, 1932, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

JOHN HARRISON ... .. 1	ALLAN DENNISON ... .. 5
FRED. E. ADDISON ... .. 2	ERNEST LINDLEY ... .. 6
HENRY CLAYTON ... .. 3	ROBERT LANCASTER ... .. 7
*NORMAN BARTON ... .. 4	ALFRED BARKER ... .. } Tenor

Composed by Rev. C. D. P. DAVIES. Conducted by F. E. ADDISON

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Warrior (nee Miss Laura Lancaster), who were married on Saturday, September 17th.

## WALDRON, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, October 15, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

*FREDERICK H. DALLAWAY ... Treble	ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... 5
*HAROLD S. HOSDEN ... 2	ARTHUR R. MILES ... 6
ALEC RICHARDSON ... 3	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, SEN. 7
HERBERT MARKWELL ... 4	STAFFORD H. GREEN ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by STAFFORD H. GREEN

\* First 'touch' in the method. † First peal of Superlative on an inside bell.

## GREASLEY, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 15, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM DICKINSON ... Treble	LESLIE W. BACON ... 5
THOMAS BETTISON ... 2	GEORGE L. CHAMBERS ... 6
FRANK BRADLEY ... 3	J. ALFRED BARRATT ... 7
JOHN W. ENGLAND ... 4	SAMUEL PINDER ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by J. ALFRED BARRATT

The band wish to thank the Vicar for his kind hospitality after the peal.

## BOVEY TRACEY, DEVONSHIRE.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, October 15, 1932, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-A-BECKET,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS' FIVE-PART.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

JOHN HOSGOOD ... Treble	FREDERICK WREFOORD ... 5
EDWARD W. BIFFIN ... 2	WILLIAM A. WILLS ... 6
ERNEST HILL ... 3	WILLIAM H. HOWE ... 7
AUBREY L. BENNETT ... 4	ARTHUR H. GOAD ... Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD W. BIFFIN.

Ringer of 4th hails from Buckfastleigh, the remainder from Exeter.

## WOORBURN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 15, 1932, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

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

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

THOMAS J. FOWLER ... Treble	ARTHUR MARTIN ... 5
THOMAS S. GOODCHILD ... 2	*REV. C. ELLIOT WIGG ... 6
GEORGE MARTIN ... 3	WILLIAM HENLEY ... 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 4	HARRY WINGROVE ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

\* First peal of Major. A branch welcome to Mr. Wigg from the city of Oxford and now of High Wycombe.

## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 16, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

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

Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE OLIVER ... Treble	*C. ERNEST SMITH ... 5
*WILLIAM T. BEESON ... 2	ROBERT SMITH ... 6
NELSON ELLIOTT ... 3	ALFRED J. BOLL ... 7
KENNETH SNELLING ... 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... Tenor

Composed by GEO. H. CROSS. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

\* First peal in the method.

## LONDON.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, October 17, 1932, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE,

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

Tenor 20 cwt.

MISS E. DORICE TURNER ... Treble	JOSEPH MARNS ... 5
EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... 2	WILLIAM R. MADGWICK ... 6
EDWIN F. PIKE ... 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... 7
REGINALD T. NEWMAN ... 4	CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... Tenor

Composed by S. H. WOOD. Conducted by C. W. ROBERTS.

## SHEPshed, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 19, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. CARTER'S FIVE-PART, No. 24.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

JOHN H. SWINFIELD ... Treble	CHARLES DRAPER ... 5
MAURICE SWINFIELD ... 2	NORMAN S. BAGWORTH ... 6
JOSEPH BAILEY ... 3	FREDERICK A. SALTER ... 7
J. CHARLES DICKEN ... 4	JOHN CURTIS ... Tenor

Conducted by M. SWINFIELD.

## HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 19, 1932, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

CHARLES H. MOORE ... Treble	GEORGE HOWCHIN ... 5
GEORGE MAYERS ... 2	*HAROLD QUANTRILL ... 6
WILLIAM E. BASON ... 3	WILLIAM J. CLOVER ... 7
NOLAN GOLDEN ... 4	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

\* First peal of Treble Bob 'inside.'

## ICKLETON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

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

Tenor 18½ cwt.

HAROLD SKETCHLEY ... Treble	ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... 5
JOHN W. WARD ... 2	ALFRED L. SIMMONDS ... 6
CHARLES W. COOK ... 3	EDWIN H. FINCH ... 7
T. REGINALD DENNIS ... 4	FREDERICK DENCH ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by F. DENCH.

First peal of Superlative in Cambridgeshire.

## STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

F. H. DEXTER'S VARIATION.

HARRY L. SMITH ... Treble	EDWARD FOSTER ... 5
JOHN C. DICKEN ... 2	J. FREDERICK MILNER ... 6
GEORGE E. FOSTER ... 3	PERCIVAL PRICE ... 7
ARTHUR J. CHAMBERLAIN ... 4	LEONARD H. WHITEHEAD ... Tenor

Conducted by J. F. MILNER.

Rung to celebrate the anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Milner.

## BATLEY, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Tenor 10½ cwt.

*GEORGE WILLIAM STEEL ... Treble	WILLIAM BARTON ... 5
SAMUEL WARD ... 2	GEORGE AMBLER ... 6
*WILLIAM H. SENIOR ... 3	*HARRY MARSDEN ... 7
THOMAS W. STRANGWAY ... 4	JOHN AMBLER ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by WILLIAM BARTON.

\* First peal in the method.

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BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Parish Church of St. Barnabas.

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 15½ cwt.

*JONATHAN PRESTON ... Treble	SIDNEY T. HOLT ... 5
†MISS O. MURIEL SANDERS ... 2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... 6
FRANK W. PERRENS ... 3	HECTOR G. BIRD ... 7
FRANK E. PERVIN ... 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by FRANK W. PERRENS  
\* First peal in the method. † First Surprise peal and first attempt  
for London. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss O. M. Sanders.

GRAVESEND, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. George.

**A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 18½ cwt.

HERBERT E. AODSLEY ... Treble	GEORGE J. BUTCHER ... 5
EDWIN A. BARNETT ... 2	JOHN WHEADON ... 6
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... 3	EDWARD J. BEER ... 7
RICHARD SMITH ... 4	HARRY HOVERD ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN  
First peal of New Cambridge on the bells and by the ringers of  
2, 4, 5 and 6. Also a birthday peal for E. A. Barnett, who was 14 on  
October 15th.

BOLLINGTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John.

**A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 18 cwt.

ALAN D. STEEL ... Treble	GEORGE W. BIDDULPH ... 5
WILFRED STEVENSON ... 2	CHARLES H. PAGE ... 6
JAMES FERNLEY, JUN. ... 3	ERNEST BENNETT ... 7
JAMES A. MILNER ... 4	JOHN WORTH ... Tenor

Composed by G. R. NEWTON. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.  
First peal in the method by all the band and rung at the first  
attempt. Also believed to be first in the county and by the Guild.

NORWICH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael-at-Coslany.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

JAMES RAMPLEY ... Treble	GEORGE MAYERS ... 5
GEORGE HOWCHIN ... 2	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 6
WILLIAM E. BASON ... 3	GEORGE BAILEY ... 7
NOLAN GOLDEN ... 4	BERTIE J. HOWCHIN ... Tenor

Composed by WM. E. BASON. Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.  
Rung with half-muffled clappers as a tribute to the memory of the  
late Rev. D. A. Callum, Rector of St. Michael-at-Coslany and Vicar  
of St. Martin-al-Oak. This two-part composition of 44 courses contains  
the second alternately wrong and home, and is now rung for the first  
time. The average age of four of the band is over 68 years.

MIDDLETON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Leonard.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN HALLOWS ... Treble	THOMAS K. DRIVER ... 5
WILLIAM BERRY ... 2	FRED DUNKERLEY ... 6
JAMES JACQUES ... 3	JAMES H. BASTOW ... 7
ALWYN TAYLOR ... 4	J. H. C. MASSEY ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM BERRY.

Rung as a compliment to J. H. Bastow on his 60th birthday, also  
in honour of the Very Rev. C. W. Wilson, Archdeacon of Bradford,  
who was consecrated Bishop Suffragan of Middleton on October 18th  
at York Minster.

COLSTON BASSETT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John-the-Divine.

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

BROOK'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

ROGER W. DANIELS ... Treble	*JOHN ROYCE ... 5
HARRY THORPE ... 2	SIDNEY PROCTOR ... 6
WILLIAM G. THORPE ... 3	R. HENRY BARTRAM ... 7
ARTHUR W. WARD ... 4	THOMAS H. HALL ... Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY PROCTOR.

\* First peal.

TETTENHALL, STAFFS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,

At the Collegiate Church of St. Michael.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

G. ARTHUR BAKER ... Treble	JOHN C. ADAMS ... 5
HERBERT KNIGHT ... 2	ROBERT PICKERING ... 6
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 3	THOMAS J. ELTON ... 7
JACK W. TAYLOR ... 4	WILLIAM A. COOPER ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by H. KNIGHT.

Arranged and rung to celebrate the 70th birthday of Mr. E. F.  
Mitchell, who, through illness, was unable to take part.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 10 cwt.

*JOHN BOTHAM ... Treble	CHARLES T. COLES ... 5
JAMES BENNETT ... 2	GEORGE R. PYE ... 6
THOMAS J. LOCK ... 3	HARRY KILBY ... 7
GEORGE M. KILBY ... 4	WILLIAM PYE ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

TONBRIDGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL.

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt.

HARRY HARRINGTON ... Treble	DONALD FINDLAY ... 5
BERNARD COLLISON ... 2	HERBERT MARKWELL ... 6
*WILLIAM G. TURLEY ... 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... 7
*A. WINGFIELD DURHAM ... 4	ALEC RICHARDSON ... Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.

\* First peal of Stedman.

BOCKING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary.

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

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E.

WALTER ARNOLD ... Treble	*REGINALD MARTIN ... 5
*BERNARD W. PETTITT ... 2	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... 6
LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... 3	ALBERT WIFFEN ... 7
FRANK CLAYDON ... 4	ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

\* First peal in the method.

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS & SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

At the Parish Church.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 21½ cwt.

FRANK BUCKLAND ... Treble	*JESSE HARRISON ... 5
EDGAR G. SWIFT ... 2	JAMES BLACKMORE ... 6
KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER ... 3	HARRY WINGROVE ... 7
WILLIAM H. FOSSELL ... 4	WILLIAM HENLEY ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by H. WINGROVE.

\* First peal in the method.



## ALDENHAM, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

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

Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM SEBLEY ... ..	Treble	HAROLD G. CASHMORE ... 5
HENRY HODGETTS ... ..	2	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW... 6
PHYLLIS M. MAYNE ... ..	3	Cecil C. MAYNE... .. 7
STEPHEN H. HOARE ... ..	4	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ...Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by H. G. CASHMORE.

First peal of Yorkshire Major by all the band and on the bells, and rung at the first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANCs.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. John,

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

Tenor 21½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHARPLES ... ..	Treble	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... 5
JOHN CHARNOCK... ..	2	FRED. HARWOOD ... .. 6
*HERMON NELSON ... ..	3	E. ROGER MARTIN ... .. 7
JOHN T. BIMSON... ..	4	†SYDNEY BLEASDALE ... ..Tenor

Composed by EDWIN TIMBRELL. Conducted by E. R. MARTIN.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal on eight bells. The treble man has now rung each bell to a peal.

EXETER, DEVONSHIRE.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(St. Thomas' Society.)

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

FRANK WILLS ... ..	Treble	ERNEST HILL ... .. 5
JOHN HOSGOOD ... ..	2	WILLIAM A. WILLS ... .. 6
FREDERICK WRETFORD ... 3		EDWARD W. BIFFIN ... .. 7
*REGINALD E. TROMAN ... 4		ARTHUR H. GOAD ... ..Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD W. BIFFIN.

\* First peal of Triples and first attempt.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

HOYLANDSWAINE, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, October 15, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. John,

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

Being 720 each of Kingstone, Sandal, London Scholars', Duke of York, Violet, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 10 cwt.

*JAMES HILTON SYKES ...Treble	ERNEST BROOKES... .. 4
HAROLD CHANT... .. 2	ERNEST COIT ... .. 5
*RAYMOND CROSSLAND ... 3	DANIEL SMITH ... ..Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD CHANT.

\* First peal in seven methods. Rung for harvest thanksgiving.

BARTON SEAGRAVE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 15, 1932, in Three Hours,

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 21 six-scores of Plain Bob and 21 of Grandsire.

ARTHUR WARREN ... ..	Treble	FREDERICK RANDALL ... .. 3
SIDNEY ROWNEY ... ..	2	CECIL SERGANT ... .. 4
P.C. ALBERT STAPLETON ...		Tenor

Conducted by P.C. ALBERT STAPLETON.

Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Rev. Thomas Lane Coulson Bridges, who was Rector of Barton Seagrave for many years and was interred at Warkton on this date.

## WICKHAM ST. PAUL'S, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 16, 1932, in Three Hours,

At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, four callings.

Tenor 9½ cwt. in B.

*HERBERT WARREN ... ..	Treble	GEORGE PANNELL ... .. 3
ARTHUR RIPPINGALE... .. 2		*ALFRED BIRD ... .. 4

THOMAS BIRD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR RIPPINGALE.

\* First peal. First peal by the local band and first on the bells since the rehanging by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich. First peal as conductor and first attempt. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Rev. H. M. Shuttleworth, Rector of the parish for over 30 years.

## LYTCHETT MATRAVERS, DORSET.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, October 16, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 7½ cwt.

*LESLIE F. COX ... ..	Treble	†J. IVON DAVIS ... .. 4
†MISS NORAH M. HODGE ... 2		WILLIAM C. SHUTE ... .. 5
HUBERT SMITH ... .. 3		ARTHUR G. ROSE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by W. C. SHUTE.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. Jubilee celebration peal of the Salisbury Guild, also first peal on the bells since rehanging by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank in November, 1931. The peal was also a birthday compliment to Mr. J. I. Davis.

## GRIMLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, October 16, 1932, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

WILFRED A. SHARPE ... ..	Treble	CYRIL TANSSELL ... .. 4
WALTER H. RAXTER ... .. 2		ALLEN MORGAN... .. 5
THOMAS W. LEWIS ... .. 3		*THOMAS G. GREEN ... ..Tenor

Conducted by ALLEN MORGAN.

\* First peal of Doubles. First as conductor. First peal on the bells.

## STAUNTON-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, October 16, 1932, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, ten callings.

Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE H. GRIFFITHS ...Treble	JAMES T. RANDLE ... .. 4
DENNIS J. SHARPLES ... .. 2	G. JAMES R. PRICE ... .. 5
REGINALD MORRIS ... .. 3	JAMES P. HYETT ... ..Tenor

Conducted by G. J. R. PRICE.

A compliment to the conductor on his birthday.

## KELLY, DEVON.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Sunday, October 16, 1932, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten callings.

Tenor 8 cwt.

GEORGE PINCOMBE ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM J. SHEARS ... .. 4
CHARLES SANGWIN ... .. 2		FREDERICK SANGWIN ... .. 5
JOHN W. SANGWIN ... .. 3		FREDERICK PROUSE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by F. SANGWIN.

At the conclusion of the peal the band were kindly entertained to tea by Miss Kelly.

## SHARNBROOK, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 20, 1932, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Surfleet, Beverley, London, Wells, York, Durham and Cambridge. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*HERBERT J. MORTIMER ...Treble	FRANCIS BALL ... .. 4
AMOS SMART ... .. 2	CHARLES W. CLARKE... .. 5
MISS EVELYN STEEL... .. 3	WALTER PERKINS... ..Tenor

Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

\* First peal in seven Surprise methods.

## STAPLEFORD, NOTTS.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Helen,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of Plain Bob and three 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob (three callings). Tenor 7½ cwt.

*GEORGE C. WILSON ... .. 1 Treble	EDWARD F. GOBEY ... .. 4
†GEORGE H. CLIFT ... .. 2	HERBERT TURNER ... .. 5
FREDERICK SALTER ... .. 3	WILLIAM THORNLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM THORNLEY.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal. First peal on the bells, which were dedicated the previous evening by the Bishop of Southwell.

## SIMPSON, BUCKS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

CHARLES W. SMITH ... .. 1 Treble	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 4
EDMUND J. KOBBS ... .. 2	WILLIAM STAPLETON ... .. 5
ALBERT FLEET ... .. 3	SYDNEY FOSKETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. SMITH.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.

## HILLFARANCE, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours,

At the Church of the Holy Cross,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, 15 callings. Tenor 10 cwt. (approx.).

ALFRED J. WYATT ... .. 1 Treble	S. GEORGE COLES ... .. 4
ARTHUR H. REED ... .. 2	PERCY MERSON ... .. 5
WILLIAM G. GIGG ... .. 3	*WILLIAM A. SIEVIER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by P. MERSON.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells.

## BUCKLAND, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

In seven methods, viz.: Double Court, London and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Single Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 5½ cwt. in B.

JOSEPH WALLIS, SEN. ... .. 1 Treble	*ROYDON DAVIES ... .. 4
EDWARD G. TALBOT ... .. 2	DANIEL COOPER ... .. 5
HUGH R. THORPE ... .. 3	CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHAS. H. KIPPIN.

\* First peal in seven methods.

## BREASTON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

*HERBERT FAWCETT ... .. 1 Treble	†FRANCIS C. MORTON ... .. 4
*JOHN HY. BROWN ... .. 2	FRANCIS COX ... .. 5
CHARLES DAVIES ... .. 3	†ACK BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. BAILEY.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor.

## GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. George,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four 720's of Plain Bob and three of Oxford Treble Bob, differently called. Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE A. ANDREWS ... .. 1 Treble	CLAUDE SNOWDON ... .. 4
MISS HILDA SNOWDON ... .. 2	ERNEST DURRANT ... .. 5
ALAN R. ANDREWS ... .. 3	EDWARD E. DAVEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. E. DAVEY.

Miss Hilda Snowdon is believed to be the first lady to ring a peal on tower bells in the N.E. District.

## HITCHAM, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 22, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob, rung alternately.

Tenor 6 cwt. 11 lb. in G.

WILLIAM E. TAYLOR ... .. 1 Treble	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 4
MISS MARIE R. CROSS ... .. 2	WILLIAM T. BEESON ... .. 5
GEORGE MARTIN ... .. 3	GEORGE GILBERT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEO. GILBERT.

Rung half-muffled after the funeral of the wife of Mr. George J. Berry (captain of the Hitcham band). Miss Cross' first peal in more than one method away from the treble.

## FINBOROUGH, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, October 23, 1932, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

HERBERT C. FORBHAM ... .. 1 Treble	ARTHUR GRIMWOOD ... .. 4
WILLIAM J. GROOM ... .. 2	P.C. HENRY J. VINCE ... .. 5
HARRY D. LISTER ... .. 3	GARNHAM A. BLAXCELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GARNHAM A. BLAXCELL.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to P.C. H. J. Vince, now of Little Glemham, Suffolk.

## KINGSLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 23, 1932, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Werburgh,

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

Being 720 each of College Exercise, Killamarsh, Woodbine and two each of Duke of York and Oxford. Tenor 12 cwt.

*ERNEST TWIGG ... .. 1 Treble	FRANK EDWARDS ... .. 4
GEORGE HULME ... .. 2	EDWIN WOOD ... .. 5
HENRY CORNWALL ... .. 3	WILLIAM CORNWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY CORNWELL.

\* First peal.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## PUDSEY, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 18, 1932, in Two Hours,

At the Residence of Mr. W. BARTON, 9 PEMBROKE ROAD,

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

FRED HODGSON ... .. 1-2	WILLIAM BARTON ... .. 5-6
PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. 3-4	JOHN AMBLER ... .. 7-8

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Attested by GEORGE AMBLER.

This peal was rung strictly silent and non-conducted, and is believed to be the first handbell peal in the method rung under those conditions. It was P. J. Johnson's 200th peal for the Yorkshire Association.

## STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, October 20, 1932, in Two Hours and Six Minutes,

At 23, GREEN STREET,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor size 17 in A.

FREDERICK PAGE ... .. 1-2	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
HAROLD JACKSON ... .. 3-4	ALFRED BARNES ... .. 7-8

Conducted by A. F. BAILEY.

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### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

The annual meeting of the Canterbury District of the Kent County Association was held at St. Stephen's, Canterbury, on Saturday. In spite of the inclement weather, 50 members attended from various parts of the district, including Deal, Dover (St. Lawrence), Lyminge, Ashford, Littlebourne, Wickhambreau, Willesborough, Walmer, Herne (St. Nicholas'), Sturry (St. Peter's) and Canterbury.

The bells of St. Stephen's Church were raised in the early afternoon, and ringing continued in various methods until 4.15 p.m., when the Rector (the Rev. W. E. Watkins) conducted the association's form of service and gave a very appropriate address. Miss H. Austin very kindly presided at the organ.

Tea, served in the Church Room, was presided over by the Rector, who was subsequently voted to the chair at the business meeting which followed.

The secretary's report and balance sheet for the year were presented. Although the figures show a decrease in balance from the previous year owing to a slight falling off in subscriptions, the report shows that the same measure of support is being enjoyed by the district from the various incumbents of parishes where meetings are held. Five meetings have been held in the district since last October, all of which have been well attended and have shown a good representation of the district. The report mentions the district's indebtedness to the Right Rev. Bishop W. B. Knight, of Lyminge, and Mr. A. Dawes, who kindly defrayed the cost of the teas on the occasion of a bye-meeting held at Lyminge, and also to the Rev. G. Daubeney, who entertained the ringers to tea at Herne. The report concluded with a summary of the district's membership, showing 22 towers in union with the association with a practising membership of 183.

The report was duly adopted.—Mr. Percy W. Smith was unanimously re-elected district secretary, and was warmly thanked for his services. Mr. Fred Brett and Mr. Harrison Smith were again elected district representatives, and Mr. Fred Brett Ringing Master.

Meetings for 1933 were then arranged as follows, after some close voting: Spring meeting at Chilham, summer meeting at St. Lawrence and the next bye-meeting at St. Nicholas-at-Wade.

Before the meeting closed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and the organist was proposed by Mr. E. Spice and carried by acclamation. The Rector suitably replied and signified his intention of becoming an honorary member of the association.

Canterbury Cathedral and St. Alphege bells were also available during the afternoon and evening.

### LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION PRACTICE ON STEEL BELLS.

A quarterly meeting was held at Bassaleg on Saturday, October 22nd. The bells, a ring of six (fortunately, the only ring of its kind in this part of the country), of cast steel by Vickers, were raised about 3 o'clock and rung in different methods until 4.30, when the Vicar (the Rev. G. Jenkins) conducted service, assisted by the Rev. Ivor Richards, curate of St. Mark's, Newport, who is a very keen and enthusiastic change ringer. The Vicar gave an address which dwelt chiefly on the history of bells all through the ages.

Following the service, tea was served in the Church Room and had been generously provided.

At the business meeting the Vicar occupied the chair. Various items were dealt with, including restorations, instructors' reports, the election of new members, etc. The place to hold the next Monmouthshire meeting was left over until the annual meeting, which is to be held at Cardiff on December 26th.

The heartiest welcome had been accorded the visitors, not only by the Vicar, but by the local band, who are now a good change ringing band, and to whom a hearty vote of thanks was accorded. To this the Vicar suitably replied.

The number attending was not so large as usual; nevertheless, it was a very pleasant and enjoyable meeting. There were a few who had never heard or rung on steel bells before, and, from the remarks passed, will probably not recommend those contemplating new bells to have steel ones. Anyhow, good use was made of the bells during the evening.

Prior to the commencement of the business meeting, a vote of condolence was passed with Mr. T. Popnell and family on the death of Mrs. Popnell, who passed away and was buried earlier in the week. She was the mother of Mr. George Popnell, so well known throughout the country.

### MUFFLED TRIBUTE TO A GREAT HEADMASTER.

On Saturday, October 15th, at the close of a special service held in Bath Abbey for the dedication of a memorial to the late T. W. Dunn, founder and first headmaster of Bath College, a touch of 504 Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled: C. Bell 1, G. Kemble 2, W. Prescott 3, E. J. Taylor 4, Rev. F. L. Edwards 5, H. Brown 6, W. Crocker 7, T. F. King (conductor) 8, J. Hallett 9, F. C. Mudford and L. Smith 10.

The ringing was very kindly arranged by the steeplekeeper, Mr. Theo. Grant, at the request of the Rev. F. L. Edwards, who was head of Bath College, 1891-2, and read the lesson at the dedication.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

During the ringing of the peal at St. Paul's Cathedral last Saturday, the strap rope of the tenor became detached, and for nearly the last hour the man on the box could be given help only at hand-stroke.

Ringers' thirsts have long been the subject of jokes, but what about this: During an argument as to where a certain meeting was held, the following was heard, 'Don't you remember that was where you ate that enormous tea.' He did.

We understand that a fund has been started to rehang the fine old bells of Plympton St. Mary, Devon.

Increased from three to six and hung in a new iron frame for eight by Messrs. Taylor and Co., the bells at Stapleford, Notts, were dedicated by the Bishop of Southwell on Friday, and on Saturday the first peal (in three Minor methods) was rung on them.

The peal of Stedman Cinques at Southwark Cathedral on October 15th contained 5,007 changes, not 5,024 as published.

Mr. James George reminds us that Mr. William Pye was the first to ring a peal on every one of the 366 dates that go to make a year, but he (Mr. George) was the first and is still the only ringer to complete the record on eight, ten or twelve tower bells.

The 'silent' peal of Double Norwich 'in hand' at Pudsey last week is no mean performance. Heartly congratulations to the Yorkshire company!

The ringer of the 5th in a peal of Grandsire Triples at Hughenden, Bucks, on October 15th, was Arthur G. James, not James as stated.

## DEATH OF MR. HENRY W. WILDE.

### A LOSS TO THE EXERCISE.

We deeply regret to record the death of Mr. Henry W. Wilde, of Belgrave, Pulford, Cheshire, who passed away on Tuesday at Chester Royal Infirmary following an operation which was performed on Friday. The operation appeared to have been successful and Mr. Wilde was reported to be making satisfactory progress even up to Monday evening, but he afterwards collapsed and died during the morning.

It had been hoped that the operation would cure an indisposition which had troubled him off and on for a considerable time.

By Mr. Wilde's death the Exercise loses one of its most talented members. In addition to his ability as a ringer and conductor, especially on six and eight bells, he was a well-known composer, having produced peals of outstanding merit in a number of methods.

He was an honorary member of the Central Council, of which he served for a number of years, and rendered valuable service, particularly on the Peal Collection Committee. We hope to give something further of Mr. Wilde's ringing career in our next issue.

## TWO TREBLES FOR NEWBURY.

### AN APPEAL FOR FUNDS.

The present eight bells at Newbury, Berks, are to be augmented to ten. The ringers have undertaken the raising of the funds, and a sum of £190 is required. Of this amount the Newbury men are giving £102, and they appeal to ringers and friends outside the town to contribute the remaining £88. Help from the parishioners is not to be expected, as they are already engaged in raising £4,000 to put a new roof on the church.

When the augmentation is completed, Newbury will have a fine peal of ten, with tenor 21½ cwt. in D. The work is to be done by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

Donations should be sent to Mr. H. W. Curtis (captain and secretary), Church Road, Shaw, Newbury.

## CHURCH'S 400th ANNIVERSARY

For evensong at St. Nicholas' Church, Newbury, Berks, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. W. Palmer (first quarter-peal) 1. A. J. Whittle 2. W. H. Adkins, sen., 3. C. Poole 4. H. T. E. Curtis 5. R. W. Rex 6. H. W. Curtis (conductor) 7. E. Crocker 8. Rung for the 400th anniversary of the church and for the visit of the Bishop of Oxford and the Bishop of Buckingham.

## ESSEX SURPRISE.

### To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I am glad to be able to furnish the information for which Mr. Tipler asks. In 'The Ringing World' of December 28th, 1923 (before, not after, the appearance of 'Norton,' 'Ripon,' etc.), were given, as No. 1 and No. 2, two unnamed Surprise Major methods by Mr. A. Craven. The first has since been named 'Chesterfield,' while the second is the same method as that recently published as the production of Mr. G. Lindoff and named 'Essex.'

The following should also interest your correspondent. In 'The Ringing World' of December 26th, 1919, appeared a condensed tabular presentation of 25 Surprise Major methods, expressed by formula, by Mr. John Carter. Method No. 17 in that table has recently been named 'Warwickshire,' and published as the production of Mr. TIPLER.

Similar information with regard to Essex Surprise has been received from Mr. G. Marriner, of Leatherhead.



## A RINGERS' PILGRIMAGE.

### SUCCESSFUL INNOVATION AT LIVERPOOL.

'A red-letter day!' How often one sees this phrase used to describe functions, some well worthy of the term, and others—! The first annual hotpot supper of the Lancashire Association in Liverpool on Saturday, October 22nd, was a real red-letter day in its history from every point of view—the ringing at St. Nicholas', the organ recital, the tour of the Cathedral and evensong there, the hotpot supper and the social which followed, one and all were thoroughly enjoyed by all privileged to take part therein. Such a full afternoon and evening were provided that it is difficult to know where to start to give a fair idea of what took place. Perhaps it will be best to follow events as they occurred. To start with, the peal of twelve at St. Nicholas' Church were at the disposal of the visitors, and, as may be imagined, good use was made of this opportunity, all tastes being catered for—even including Kent Treble Bob Minor on the middle six. Stedman Caters, Grandsire Cinques and other methods were also brought round, and the success of this part of the programme proved a good augury for the rest of the day. Then followed a recital on the great organ of the Cathedral, which a large congregation thoroughly appreciated. Immediately after this the party were taken by guides in parties over the wonderful Cathedral, its points of interest being lucidly explained and its architectural beauties pointed out. At present only about one-third of the building is finished, but this is sufficient to give one an idea of the massive grandeur which the completed whole will attain. The congregation then assembled for evensong, in the course of which Canon Twitchett, on behalf of the Dean and Chapter, welcomed the Lancashire Association to the Cathedral, and spoke of the messages of joy, remembrance and sorrow which the bells rang out.

An adjournment was then made by the company to the Bear's Paw Restaurant, where a supper and social evening were held. Here close on three hundred ringers and friends assembled, under the presidency of the Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee, M.A., president of the association. Among those present were the Very Rev. the Dean of Liverpool, the Ven. Archdeacon Howson, M.A., Mr. Rupert Richardson (Master of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild), Mrs. Richardson (Ladies' Guild), Mr. H. Chapman (Keysham, formerly of Manchester), Mr. Peter Crook (secretary of the Bolton District), Mr. J. P. Fidler (Loughborough), Mr. W. Bibby (Frodsham), Mr. G. Robinson (Leeds), Mr. H. Brocklebank (Birkenhead) and Mr. Hawkins (Slough).

Apologies for absence were received from the Bishops of Liverpool, Blackburn and Carlisle, owing to diocesan engagements, Canon W. O. Hunter-Rodwell (Rector of Walton), Mr. J. S. Goldsmith (Editor of 'The Ringing World'), Mr. H. W. Wilde (who was in hospital) and Mr. W. G. Mann, one of the original members of the association.

An excellent 'hot-pot' supper was served and thoroughly enjoyed.

### THE PROSPERITY OF THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

In the absence, owing to a chill, of the Bishop of Manchester, who was to have proposed the toast of 'Prosperity to the Lancashire Association', the Chairman called on Mr. Rupert Richardson, Master of the Lincoln Guild, to perform that duty. This he did in a few well-chosen words, saying that if the attendance at that gathering was any criterion of the attendance in the belfries, the prosperity of the association was certainly assured.

The toast was responded to by Mr. George R. Newton, a past vice-president, who said he was proud to be one of four representatives of the association on the Central Council. The association had a membership of about 1,600, 1,200 of whom were ringing members. There had been considerable discussion as to the advisability of forming Diocesan Guilds in preference to county associations. He did not quite see how a Diocesan Guild would work in Lancashire, seeing that their area covered four dioceses. The Liverpool Diocesan Guild had been merged into the association. Bellringers were part and parcel of church work, and, although not seen, they did their best to uphold the best traditions of church workers.

'Our Guests' was proposed by Mr. Claude I. Davies, secretary of the Liverpool branch, who said it was very encouraging to them as an association to have such distinguished guests as were with them that night, and it gave them every encouragement to carry out the aims of the association. This happy state of affairs had not always existed, as there was at one time the proverbial great gulf fixed between the clergy and ringers, a position that was, unfortunately, often meted. However, during the last half-century, by the work of the various associations throughout the country, and also by the skill and research of bellfounders, a great improvement in the state of affairs had been brought about, and it was up to the bellringers to strengthen the friendship between the two parties. With all due deference, he would suggest that some of the onus rested on the clergy in building up a united body of church workers. He would like to thank the Dean of Liverpool for the arrangements in connection with the visit to the Cathedral. Canon Rodwell at one of their meetings had suggested this pilgrimage to the Cathedral, and he was pleased it had been so heartily taken up. They all regretted the absence of the Bishop of Manchester, and thanked him for the interest he had shown.

### CANON ELSEE'S INFLUENCE.

The Very Rev. the Dean of Liverpool (Canon Dwelly), in responding, said he thought it was more important that people should eat

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## THE LATE REV. H. LAW JAMES.

### PROPOSED MEMORIAL BELLS AT SURFLEET.

A scheme for providing a fitting memorial to the late Rev. Henry Law James has been adopted by the committee of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, of which he was for so many years Master. It is proposed to add two more bells to the ring at Surfleet Church, where Mr. James was Vicar for 34 years, and where, during that time, he not only transformed the building from a state of dilapidation to a beautiful country church, but increased the number of bells from five to ten, one being added to commemorate the Coronation of King Edward VII., and four trebles, as Mr. James' own gift, in 1913. At the same time he had the sixth and tenor recast and the whole peal rehung in a new iron frame. He was intensely proud of this ring of bells, which were at the time of their completion the lightest peal of ten in the country and one of the sweetest.



The Late Rev. H. Law James.

The addition of two more bells will give them the distinction of being the lightest twelve in the world, hung for ringing, the tenor being 12 cwt. 9 lb. The work is to be carried out by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and so confident are the committee that ringers will welcome the opportunity of contributing to this memorial, that they have already placed the order. The anticipated cost is about £160.

All the towers in the Lincoln Diocesan Guild are being invited to subscribe, but the Rev. H. Law James was such a national figure in the Exercise, his great talents were used for the benefit of the art of ringing in so many directions, and he had such a large number of friends among ringers beyond his own Guild that there will be many who will desire to be associated with the memorial.

Contributions are therefore invited, and should be forwarded to the National Provincial Bank, Spalding, payable to the 'Bellringers' Memorial Fund to the Rev. H. Law James' or sent to Mr. Rupert Richardson, Glyn Garth, Surfleet, Spalding, Master of the Guild.

## A RINGERS' PILGRIMAGE.

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together than that they should be lectured. Nothing could be a success without spirit. When he looked round and saw the faces round him he knew there was a good spirit behind it all, and he felt that it was a 'real good "do"!'. He could never get accustomed to calling the church at Manchester a Cathedral—to him it was 'T' Owd Church' (laughter). And if they looked at it like that—well, there was only one Cathedral in Lancashire! (laughter). He hoped he would live to see the day when he could welcome the association to try their skill on the Cathedral bells.

Archdeacon Howson, in proposing the toast of 'The Chairman,' said Canon Elsee had been president of the Lancashire Association for the long period of 42 years. They were grateful to Canon Elsee and regarded him with affection. 'There is a curious body of people,' he said, 'who do not understand the joy and extraordinary impulse and inspiration which come to ringers. Canon Elsee has made it possible for people to take a wider view.'

Canon Elsee said that other guilds and associations had their annual dinners, and they felt they in Lancashire should not lag behind, and so they decided on a 'real Lancashire "hot-pot" supper.' This was the biggest gathering of Lancashire ringers he had ever seen. When he first joined the association there was only one branch and 227 members. Now they had eleven branches. Then there were only 39 peals rung during the year—mostly Grandsire. Last year the total was 122, and the methods included practically all the Surprise methods. The credit for this was due to the work put in by the chief secretaries and the branch secretaries, and to the keenness of the ringers themselves.

The musical programme which followed included selections on handbells by ringers from Halewood and Woolton, and a touch of Plain Bob Major by Mrs. R. Richardson 1-2. Mr. R. Richardson 3-4. Mr. R. O. Street 5-6. Mr. W. Bibby 7-8.

The success of the whole arrangements was due in no small measure to the indefatigable work put in by Mr. Claude I. Davies, who spared no pains to make everyone feel at home.

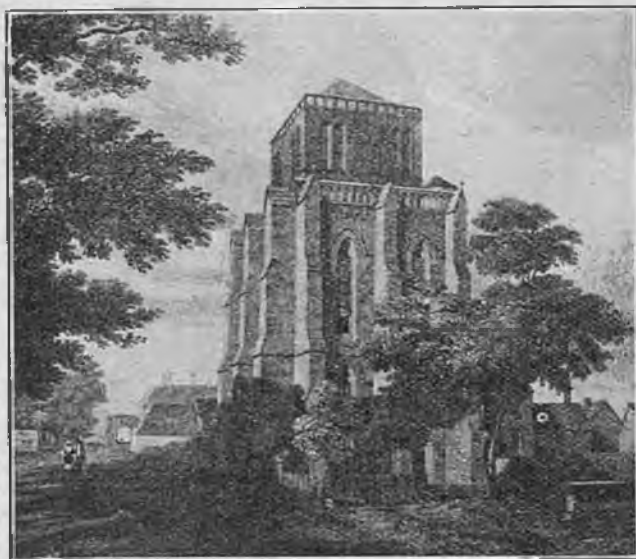
And now we can do no more than repeat what we said at the beginning, it was a real red-letter day! and one that will live long in the memory of those present.

## SALISBURY CATHEDRAL. ITS DEMOLISHED CAMPANILE.

Salisbury Cathedral, whose graceful architecture and glorious spire is familiar to many ringers, but which, to their regret, lacks a ring of bells, was not always without a peal. There was once a separate campanile, which contained a heavy ring of eight.

Mr. Challis Winney has sent us the following extracts from the late Mr. J. R. Jerram's MSS. on the bells of our cathedrals. James Richard Jerram, whose death we recently recorded, was the son of a Doctor of Divinity, and, adds Mr. Winney, like his father, was a scholar in Greek and Latin and a pious lover of the Church and of her bells, as witnessed by his bell rubbings, which were very considerable. His MS., like his translations, were very correct and thoroughly done.

The old campanile was a building of great strength and solidity. It was 33ft. square inside the walls, which were nearly 8ft. thick. It was flanked by three buttresses on each side, and was nearly 80ft.



THE CAMPANILE AT SALISBURY CATHEDRAL,  
in which the bells formerly hung. It was demolished in 1793.  
The picture is from an old print.

high to the top of the parapet. On each side were four lancet windows and in the centre an octagonal stone shaft, from which projected corbels supporting the timbers of the floors. Above all this was a superstructure of oak, consisting first of a square tower, each external face being divided into eight arched compartments with tracery heads and spandrels. Four of these divisions were pierced as windows and filled with louvres. Above this rose an octagonal turret, divided into stages by horizontal strings and covered with lead work in herring-bone fashion, finished with an embattled parapet. From this sprang a spire of timber, also covered with lead, and surmounted by a cross and weathercock. The total height was 200ft. The door was in the south wall between the middle and eastern buttresses and there was a circular stone staircase reached by a short passage from a doorway on the inside of the east wall. The ringing floor was 37ft. from the ground and the bell chamber 32ft. higher. The whole building was doubtless coeval with the Cathedral itself. The original bells were probably brought from Old Sarum. The ring of eight had a tenor of approximately 38 cwt., as proved by the old 6th, which at present serves as a service bell for the Cathedral.

The destruction of the tower and disposal of the bells came about in this way. On October 10th, 1746, several of the bells being cracked and the fittings out of order, it was ordered that they be no more rung after November 5th (till the cracked ones be recast. This, however, was never done; but in 1762 a faculty was applied for to Bishop Thomas to sell the second, third, fifth, seventh and tenor bells, all of which were cracked. This was refused, but in 1777 Bishop Hume granted a faculty for their sale, and in the records of the Dean and Chapter is this entry: 'March 14th, 1777. Ordered that Mr. Lush (then clerk of the works) do sell the five bells that are down in the belfry, the Lord Bishop of Sarum having consented to their sale for the benefit of the fabric.'

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## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. A DIFFICULT DISTRICT.

The Chertsey District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild held a district meeting at East Molesey on Saturday, October 15th. This district is the most difficult of the four into which the Guild is divided, and is the despair of the officers. Eight out of the dozen towers which comprise the district do not contribute one penny by way of members' subscriptions to the funds of the Guild, and it is not surprising, therefore, that only six members from the district were present at the meeting. However, with the help of visitors, the number of ringers attending was raised to seventeen. Walton, Harlow, Weybridge, Chertsey, Worplesdon, Aldershot, Farnborough, Esber, Deal, Clandon, Ottershaw, Holy Trinity and St. Nicolas', Guildford, were represented, but, with the exception of Mr. E. Brown, the local band were, as usual, conspicuous by their absence.

The Vicar (the Rev. A. le Masurier) conducted the Guild's form of service, and also presided at the business meeting which followed tea in the Bell Inn.

In the absence of the district secretary, Mr. G. L. Grover (Guildford district secretary) deputised. He mentioned the great loss the Guild had sustained by the death of the treasurer (Admiral T. P. Walker, D.S.O.). The members present stood in silence for a few moments, and it was resolved to record in the minutes their sincere regrets and their sympathy with his relatives.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar and to the local foreman, Mr. Brown, were carried with applause.

The bells, a light peal of eight, which are beginning to show signs of requiring a little skilled attention, were kept going in various methods until late in the evening.

## LEATHERHEAD DISTRICT.

The meeting at Ashted on October 8th gave visitors an opportunity to try these bells after their recent overhaul. They have been fitted with ball bearings. This has improved their 'go,' which is not to be wondered at when one looks at the number of peals that have been rung on them since they were put in. They easily head the list for the Surrey Association.

A start was made with a touch of Kent 'Treble Bob Minor for the earliest arrivals, after which it was Surprise Major until service time at 4.30. In the absence of the Rector through other engagements, the service was conducted by his curate (the Rev. C. T. Spurling).

Then followed tea at the Rosery Tea Rooms, 15 sitting down. The Rev. Spurling presided over the short business meeting which followed. Mention was made of the loss the Guild had sustained in the death of its hon. treasurer, Admiral T. P. Walker, and the members stood in silence as a token of respect and of sympathy for Mrs. Walker and other members of the family.

The meeting closed with the usual votes of thanks, and a move was made back to the tower and the bells kept going until nearly 9 o'clock in a variety of methods, 12 in all, and only one would not go. They were Kent Treble Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Tripples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Cambridge (old and new), Superlative, London, Bristol and Ashlead and Peterborough, which failed.

That list would suggest a very successful meeting, but the officers were not satisfied with the support from the district. Ashted, Bantstead, Ewell and Leatherhead were represented, while visitors attended from Buckland, Clandon, Guildford, Reigate and an unattached member from Sutton.

## SALISBURY CATHEDRAL

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The bells were bought by Robert Wells, the Aldbourne founder, who gave £4 4s. per cwt. for them, the total weight being computed at 7 tons 14 cwt. 1 qr. In 1790 the old clock (since replaced by one given in 1883 by the Wiltshire Regt.) was removed to the central steeple of the Cathedral, where the bell still does duty for service. In January, 1793, the two remaining bells were sold to Robert Wells for £105. The bell tower was then pulled down, the upper portion above the bells, which was of timber covered with lead, having been demolished in 1769 in account of its dangerous condition. At that date the bell chamber was covered by a slated roof.

St. Osmund gave most minute directions for the ringing and keeping of the bells in repair. Notwithstanding this, in 1331, a letter of remonstrance was addressed to the treasurer by the Chapter saying that the bells in the belfry, 'with much art suspended, of great weight and price and sweet sounding to the ears, by the fault of your officers are suffered to decay and rendered useless for ringing.'

In 1655, King Charles desiring to hear the bells, 10s. 6d. was paid. In May, 1634, 13s. 4d. was paid for Archbishop Laud's visitation, and on July 24th, 1686, ringing for another visitation cost 56s.

Wyatt had a free hand in the so-called restoration of the Cathedral. He thought the campanile spoilt the view of the spire. He pulled out the medieval glass (which toned the light) to make it lighter; likewise demolished the campanile.

**A SURREY REHANGING.****GUILDFORD GUILD 'TRY OUT' AT OTTERSHAW.**

The bells of Christ Church, Ottershaw, Surrey, after having been in use since 1885, have now been rehanging on ball bearings by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, who have also made some adjustments to the clock mechanism. Ottershaw Church crowns the summit of a hill which overlooks the country for miles around and is in an ideal situation. The tower is built of red brick and rocks considerably when the bells are rung, but Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have greatly increased their smooth going.

There was a 'ringers' opening' on Saturday, when one of the most representative gatherings of ringers that have assembled in the Chertsey District of the Guildford Guild met to 'try out' the restored bells. Representatives were present from Chertsey, Egham, Hersham, Esher, Weybridge, Guildford, Leatherhead, Aldershot, Ash, Bagshot, Woking, Worplesdon, West Clandon and Staines, with a full muster of the local band, and Mr. R. Dove, representing Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.

The Ottershaw ringers opened the proceedings, and thereafter touches in a variety of methods, from Grandsire Doubles and Cambridge Surprise Minor, were rung.

A party, numbering about 40, sat down to tea in the Brook Memorial Hall, the churchwardens (Messrs. R. T. D. Sayle and W. J. Brooker) being present, while the Vicar (the Rev. L. J. Lightbody) also looked in for a short time. Mr. Sayle gave a cordial welcome to the visitors and spoke of the good work done by ringers, often unseen and generally forgotten. As long as the bells were rung, he said, few people care 'two hoots' who rang them, and yet the ringers were rendering valuable service to the Church.

The welcome was acknowledged by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, general hon. secretary of the Guild, who congratulated the Ottershaw Church authorities upon having the work carried out effectively and upon having it done when it was required, in spite of other demands upon the parish. Bell repairs were so often the last consideration in a parish that it was refreshing to find a village where they had been put first. Mr. Goldsmith also mentioned that steps were being taken in Woking to provide a public memorial to the late Admiral T. P. Walker, who was hon. treasurer of the Guild. In view of Admiral Walker's interest in bells, he hoped part of the memorial might include improvements to the bells at Woking Parish Church, where the Admiral was churchwarden for 25 years and one of the ringers. If this was the case, he felt sure the Guild members would subscribe liberally to the memorial.

A collection taken at the tea for the Ottershaw Bell Repairs Fund amounted to nearly 30s. Mr. H. Hancock, the ringers' local secretary, has collected a considerable amount towards the cost of the work, but there is still a further sum to be raised.

On Sunday the Bishop of Guildford, who was visiting Ottershaw Church, referred in the course of his sermon to the restoration, and special prayers were offered on the completion of the work.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.****MEMORIAL TO MR. F. T. GOVER DEDICATED AT PAIGNTON.**

A quarterly meeting of the Mid-Devon Branch of the Devon Guild was held at Paignton on Saturday, ringers being present from Exeter, Sidmouth, Clyst St. George, Kenn, Buckfastleigh, Plymouth, Torquay, Brixham, as well as Mr. C. Allsop, of Loughborough, and the local ringers. The bells were kept going to Grandsire Triples and Doubles during the afternoon, and later a service was held, which was conducted by the Rev. Preb. H. Mackworth Drake (Vicar), assisted by the Rev. E. S. Powell, Rector of Clyst St. George and president of the Devon Guild.

After the psalm, a tablet, which has been erected in Paignton tower by the branch in memory of the late Mr. Frederick T. Gover, who did so much spade work in the district, was dedicated. The tablet is of mounted brass, and bears the following inscription: 'In memory of Frederick T. Gover, and in recognition of the great services he rendered to the Mid-Devon Branch of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers. Died 24th February, 1932.'

The address was given by the Rev. E. S. Powell, who based his remarks on the text, 'Bear ye one another's burdens,' and he gave an appropriate description of the ringing career of the late Mr. Gover.

After the service, tea was served in the Schoolroom, and this was followed by the business meeting, presided over by Mr. F. J. Laxton, of Torquay (chairman). For the next meeting, to take place on Saturday, January 21st, 1933, Ashburton and Brixham were proposed. On a vote being taken, Brixham was chosen, and it was decided to include Churston Ferrers.

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Paignton for the use of the bells and for conducting the service, and to the organist for his attendance. Thanks were also expressed to the members by Mrs. Gover for erecting the tablet in memory of her husband.

The Chairman extended a hearty welcome to the visitors from other branches, and Messrs. E. W. Marsh, E. Shepherd, G. C. Woodley and A. T. Truman suitably replied. A vote of thanks was accorded the chairman for all the work he carried out in connection with the late Mr. Gover's tablet, and this concluded the business. The visitors afterwards returned to the tower, where touches of Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung.

**FORWARD—OR BACKWARD?**

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Of all the blattering that I have read (and occasionally, let it be admitted, written), I commend parts of the letter in your issue of October 21st, signed by 'William Willson.' To ignore those which are personally directed, I specify:—

'... Let us marshal facts, so that your readers can cut out this par. ...'

Facts! FACTS!! Look closely at these 'facts.'

'... There is no such thing as "A Peal" of 5,040 Doubles. ...'

'(1) It takes ... seven peals of Minor to make a 5,040. ...'

Seven 'peals,' mind! A 'peal,' then, is an extent. This 'grandfer' can well be proud, I believe, of a certain 18,000 Stedman Caters down Loughborough way—but, a 'peal'? Oh, no; merely a few courses!

'(3) ... The Bankes James ... Minor ... has six false peals' (because)

'(4) The last lead in every case is a bob lead ... the bob is made at the backstroke change. ...'

What, in the name of Leicester, has the BOB got to do with it? And made at BACKSTROKE? Ye Gods! Backstroke!!

Some years ago, on May 17th, 1929, to be precise, and in connection with this old, old subject with its same old, old arguments and side issues, I asked (in 'The Ringing World') if Mr. Willson would dub as an 'abortion' a 720 of London, comprising fourth's-place (or 'bob') courses, JOINED IN ONE WHOLE by second's-place 'bobs.' This question remained, and remains, unanswered.

'Bobs made at backstroke!' Blatter; sheer, unadulterated blatter! Lower down in this issue comes Mr. Severn's question as to 'how many leads are rung the reverse way.' (Shades of Law James!) Mr. Severn may not agree, but there is no such thing! Oh, yes; I know all about those 'reversed leads.' I spent many months, in company with a master of Minor matters, trying to decide what is the difference between a lead 'head' and a lead 'end' (theoretically); i.e., whether certain isolated leads from a 'course' are upside-down or downside-up, and WHICH OF THEM are the one way or the other; needless to say, I should still be searching! In any case, what matters? They are RUNG the same way, and the question is absolutely irrelevant.

GEORGE L. JOYCE.

Leytonstone.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

The monthly practice of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Guild, held at Wraybury (Wyrardisbury), had several surprises. On our arrival, writes our correspondent, we were met by the new Vicar (it was his sixth day in residence) about to take evening-song. Of course, we all went (ringers always go to service on a Saturday), making quite a large congregation.

Then to the belfry, and, on looking round to see what we could muster, discovered the Master, 'Pop' and Miss Robinson, so 'Go Cambridge' was called, a good course being rung. Touches and courses of other methods were also brought round, including London. Rounds were sandwiched between the highbrow stuff for real raw recruits. One of them had not seen eight bells rung before, but was heard to say on Sunday morning, 'You ought to have been at Wraybury last night!'

The whole company stood for a few moments as a mark of respect to the late Mrs. G. J. Berry, wife of the belfry foreman at Hitcham, who was laid to rest that day after a long and painful illness.

It was decided to visit Chalfont St. Peter in November, if convenient. Now, you Minor experts, look up the following methods before you come: London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston, Sandal and Overton (or Capel).

The east wind has apparently got into Henry VIII's bones (not while he was ringing), which accounts for his absence, although there were plenty of 'gallants' to look after the ladies' hikes, etc.

As to whether these monthly practices serve any real purpose, perhaps the following local expression will be a guide: 'Wish you'd come every week.'

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.****DORCHESTER BRANCH.**

A bye meeting of the Dorchester Branch was held at Buckland Newton on October 15th, when ringers from the following towers attended: St. Peter's, Dorchester, Wyke Regis, Upwey, Sydling, Bere Regis and Buckland Newton, as well as visitors from Evershot, Hazlebury Bryan, Kingston Magna and Sherborne. In all there were 27 present.

The bells were in use from about 3 p.m. until service time at 4.30. The Vicar (the Rev. E. S. Field) officiated, and the Rev. E. V. Roe (Rector of Bishop's Caudle and secretary of the North Dorset Branch) preached a helpful sermon. Tea was partaken of afterwards at the Vicarage.

It being a bye meeting, there was no business to be transacted, but one new ringing member was elected, and the usual votes of thanks given and responded to.

Under the guidance of the energetic Mr. W. Shute, excellent practice was put in from about 6 to 9.15. The methods rung were Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob Doubles, Kent, Plain Bob and Little Bob Minor, besides rounds and call changes for the beginners.



**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****WESTERN DISTRICT APPEAL.**

Although the attendance was small, much good work was done by those who attended the Western District meeting at Apsley End, from Baldock, St. Albans, Hemel Hempstead, Berkhamsted, Kenton, Tring, Kings Langley, Little Gaddesden and the local company. Owing to a careless mishap in the morning, the reinstated secretary joined the 'one-armed' association, but failed to hang anyone. Practice was obtained in Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford, Hereward, Double Oxford, Double Court, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge—plain courses and short touches being the order—as several were making their first acquaintance with most of these methods.

The Vicar (the Rev. C. B. Goodwin), recovering from a serious illness, took the service and gave a very apt address on 'Brotherhood and Service,' also stressing his appreciation of the services of the local ringers. Tea followed in the Church Room, this being kindly provided by the Vicar.

At the business meeting the Vicar took the chair. Kings Langley was selected for the next meeting, probably on December 10th.

Conversations then took place to try and solve any difficulties of the district and to improve this area. An 'omnibus' vote was then accorded to the Vicar for all he had done.

Further practice was obtained in the methods mentioned until 8 p.m., when the bells were lowered in peal.

The secretary appeals to the district to help to increase the membership, to raise the standard of ringing and to obtain more support from their parishioners, also to the adjoining districts to assist by attendance at meetings, etc.

W. A.

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

A quarterly meeting of the Portsmouth District was held at Wickham on Saturday, when members attended from Bishop's Waltham, Curridge, Fareham, Gosport, Overton, Portsmouth (Cathedral and St. Mary's), Petersfield, Swanmore, Titchfield and Wickham. The Guild's service was held in the Parish Church, at which the Rector (the Rev. E. H. Duke) officiated, followed by tea and the business meeting, at which the Rector was voted to the chair.—The members stood in silence as a mark of respect to the late Mrs. F. A. Burnett, Mr. E. Woods and Mr. G. H. Child, J.P.

The Vicar of Shedfield (the Rev. F. W. Martin) was elected an honorary member subject to his consent, and five new members were elected from Holy Trinity, Gosport.

It was decided to hold the annual district meeting at St. Mary's, Portsea, subject to the bells being ready for ringing after restoration, the date not to be later than the first Saturday in February.

The general secretary (Mr. F. W. Rogers) brought to the notice of the members the new Ringers' Handbook (by E. S. and M. Powell), a specimen of which was handed round.

Votes of thanks were accorded the Rector for the use of the bells and officiating at service and meeting, also to the organist and choir boys.

The ringing during the day consisted of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Grandsire, Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minor and Cambridge Surprise Minor.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the Western Division of the Sussex Association was held at West Grinstead on Saturday. It is ten years since a meeting was last held here, and one of the old and well-known members of the tower is sadly missed, viz., Mr. Harry Turrell, who passed away two years ago. The band now find it difficult to get enough ringers to carry on. The church is a bit off the main road, but about 20 braved the rough weather and attended the meeting from Billingshurst, Hene, Itchingfield, Lindfield, Slinfold, Rudgwick, Washington and West Grinstead.

Tea was partaken of at the Burrell Arms. At the business meeting which followed, with Mr. Smaile presiding, the members were advised that the next meeting will be held at Shoreham-by-Sea.

Votes of thanks were accorded the Rector for granting the use of the bells, also to Mr. Smaile. Most of the members afterwards paid another visit to the belfry.

**AN OXFORDSHIRE PEAL REHUNG.**

The bells of Standlake, Oxon, have recently been rehung by Mr. R. White, of Appleton, and the first 720 on them since the work was completed was rung on October 1st after the meeting of the Witney and Woodstock Branch, held at Stanton Harcourt. This was a 720 of Grandsire Minor: V. Webb 1, R. Coombes 2, J. Franklin 3, W. E. Bennett 4, G. Bennett 5, N. Spindlow (conductor) 6.

**CAMBRIDGE MAXIMUS AT EXETER.**

To the Editor.

Sir,—We desire, through your columns, heartily to congratulate the band who rang the magnificent peal at Exeter.—Yours truly,

W. SHARPLES, J. CHARNOCK,  
H. NELSON, J. T. BIMSON,  
B. A. KNIGHTS, F. HARWOOD,  
E. R. MARTIN, S. BLEASDALE.

Lancashire.

**AND HE IS ONLY 14!****MASTER E. A. BARNETT'S RECORD.**

Edwin A. Barnett, son of Mr. E. Barnett, of Crayford, and grandson of the late Mr. E. Barnett, sen., celebrated his 14th birthday on October 15th, and on Saturday rang a 'birthday' peal, which was his first of New Cambridge Surprise and his 31st altogether.

The number of methods which he has rung must be a record for his age, and whoever excels it will have to begin early. Among the peals which he has lost have been London Surprise, which he was calling from the 3rd (he had never called a bob in London until then), and which was lost four courses from home; and Camdon Surprise, for which he was called upon at the last minute, and had to learn the method after coming home from school in the afternoon before a 6.30 p.m. start at Erit! Such ability must have a great future and will doubtless develop, for Teddy III. has all his grandfather's enthusiasm. His peals are as follow: Grandsire Triples 4, Stedman Triples 4, Bob Major 3, Treble Bob Major (conducted 1) 2, Double Oxford Major 1, Double Oxford, Double Norwich and Bob Major Spliced 1, Double Norwich Major 5, Superlative Surprise 2, Cambridge Surprise (conducted 1) 5, New Cambridge Surprise 1, London Surprise 2, Bristol Surprise I, total 31.

**SANCTUARY SERVERS' FESTIVAL.**

At St. Giles' Church, Reading, Berks, on October 19th, for the annual festival of the Guild of Servers of the Sanctuary, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. Essex 1, W. Osborne 2, A. W. Osborne 3, H. A. Osborne 4, A. E. Bailey 5, E. Jeffrey 6, L. T. Osborne (first quarter-peal in the method as conductor) 7, W. Evans 8. First quarter-peal by ringers of treble and tenor.

**BISHOP'S ENTHRONEMENT.**

At Barthomley, Cheshire, on Thursday, September 29th, in honour of the enthronement of the Right Rev. G. F. Fisher as Lord Bishop of Chester in Chester Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Astbury 1, J. Brassington 2, E. Allman 3, J. Matthews 4, J. Timmis 5, J. Parker 6, A. Allman (conductor) 7, A. Astbury 8. Also 308 in the same method with R. Sherratt and G. Astbury standing in. All are local ringers.

**A HALF-PEAL.**

At the Parish Church, Llantrisant, South Wales, on October 18th, a half-peal of Bob Triples was rung in one hour and 28 minutes: R. Collins 1, W. Huish 2, J. Westcott 3, R. John 4, R. Westcott 5, J. Evans 6, F. Rowsell (conductor) 7, W. Westcott 8.

**SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCH.**

WEST EALING, MIDDLESEX.—On Sunday, October 9th, for evening service (harvest thanksgiving), a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 42 mins. from Thurstan's Four-Part: F. S. Palmer 1, E. J. Walsom 2, H. Langdon (conductor) 3, J. A. D. Webb 4, P. E. Clark 5, W. Rushton 6, A. R. Macdonald 7, E. L. Palmer 8. First quarter in the method for ringers of the 4th and tenor.

**NOTICES.**

FREISTON, near BOSTON, Lincs.—The dedication of the new bell-frame, recently installed by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, will take place at Evensong on Sunday next, Oct. 30th. Ringing both before and after Evensong. All ringers welcome.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Huntingdon.—A meeting will be held at Kimbolton on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Will those requiring tea please advise me by Wednesday, Nov. 2nd?—D. Clarke, 36, Cromwell Gardens, St. Neots.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Freiston, on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells (6), recently rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co., Loughborough, available from 2 p.m. Divine service 4 p.m. Tea (2s. per head) 4.45, followed immediately by usual business meeting. Buses leave Boston Post Office for Freiston at 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6.30 p.m. and leave Freiston at 6.11 p.m., 6.56 p.m., 8.56 p.m., 10.26 p.m. Will those requiring tea kindly advise me by Wednesday, Nov. 2nd? All outstanding subscriptions should be paid at this meeting. All ringers welcome.—John Phillips, Hon. Sec., Butterwick, Boston, Lincs.



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The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association invite subscriptions to enable them to place in Tewkesbury Abbey a memorial of the great services rendered to the Exercise by the late Rev. Charles D. P. Davies. It is proposed to add two bells to the present peal of ten and to furnish one of the side chapels as a 'Ringers' Chapel.' A sum of £250 is required.

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**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The 295th anniversary dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 5th, at 6.30 p.m. Service at St. Michael's, College Hill, at 5 p.m. Tickets, 7s. each, may be obtained up to Nov. 2nd from Messrs. C. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J. S. Hawkins, R. T. Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, F. M. Mitchell, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, W. Prime, W. Roughton, Alb. Walker, C. F. Winney, E. A. Young or W. T. Cockerill, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4. Towers open for ringing 2.30 to 4.30: St. Andrew's, Holborn; St. Lawrence Jewry, Gresham Street; St. Magnus', Lower Thames Street; St. Michael's, Cornhill.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Branchley on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea (1s. 3d. per head) at the Bull Hotel after service, followed by business meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Banbury and District Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Deddington on Saturday, October 29th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 o'clock. Tea 4.30, followed by short business meeting.—E. Pearson, Deddington, Oxon.

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Carisbrooke on Saturday, October 29th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5, at the Waverley Hotel, followed by business meeting. All ringers welcomed.—B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., Collingwood, 23, Daniel Street, Ryde, I.O.W.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-West Division.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 29th, at Wendon. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.—H. A. Wacey, 44, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.

**SATURDAY, OCT. 29th.**—A joint meeting of the Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire and Ely Diocesan Associations will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, Oct. 29th. The fine peal of 8 bells available at 3 p.m. L.N.E.R. main line service, and buses every 20 minutes from all parts. The usual tea arrangements at the Grange are being made, and a post-card if you require tea will be much appreciated. Don't miss this meeting!—Miss K. Willers, A. E. Sharman, Don. Mears, Dis. Secs.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Oxford and District Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Oxford, on Saturday, October 29th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Guild service at 5. Tea and meeting to follow. St. Ebbe's (8, tenor 4½ cwt.) available in the evening. Visiting ringers are cordially welcomed.—W. Simmonds, Hon. Sec., 7, Fairacres Road, Oxford.

**ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, DODDERHILL, DROITWICH.**—Ringers' Festival.—The recently re-cast and augmented peal of eight bells by J. Taylor & Co., Loughborough, will be open to ringers on Saturday, October 29th, and will be available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—S. T. Holt, Crowle, near Worcester.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A bye-meeting will be held at Folkestone on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Tower open at 2.30. All ringers welcome.—A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Thorne on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells (8) ready at 5.30 p.m. Method for special practice Double Norwich. Everybody welcome.—E. Cooper, 33, Church Street, Bentley, near Doncaster.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Merstham on Saturday, October 29th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at 5, followed by tea and meeting. All ringers welcome.—A. J. Bull, Hon. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley, Surrey.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The annual district meeting will be held at St. Paulinus', Crayford, on Saturday, October 29th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea and business meeting to follow.—A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere, Kent.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Shireoaks on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells (6) will be ready at 2 p.m. Tea will be reserved for those who notify Mr. F. Hargreaves, 4, Shireoaks, Worksop. The Haigh Memorial, it is hoped, will be on view. Good attendance requested.—H. Revill and R. W. Stockdale, Hon. Secs.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 29th, at St. Thomas', Leesfield, Oldham. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7.30 p.m.—S. Thompson, Hon. Sec.

**EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Mansfield Woodhouse on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided at 5 o'clock, price 1s. each.—J. W. England, The Common, South Normanton.

**HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—A meeting will be held at Battle on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Tower open 3 o'clock. All ringers very welcome.—C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Leigh on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells available 3 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bath Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Keynsham on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30, tea to follow.—Theo Grant, Branch Sec., Swainswick, Bath, Somerset.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Bradford Cathedral on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting 7.30 p.m.—H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—A meeting will be held at Whitworth on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells will be available from 3 p.m. Meeting will be held at 6.30 p.m.—H. Hamer, Hon. Branch Sec., 4, Nall Street, Milnrow.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Eaton Socon on Saturday, October 29th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. Please come and make the meeting a good one.—C. J. Ball, Hon. Dis. Sec., 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', Haslingden, on Sat., October 29th. Bells open 3.30 p.m. Meeting in the tower 6.30.—J. Bracewell, Hon. Sec., 8, Regent St., Bacup.

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—A combined practice will be held at Crawley and Sparsholt on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells available at 3 p.m.—George Noice, Hon. Dis. Sec., 6, Cathedral View, Highcliffe, Winchester.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cary Deanery.—The postponed meeting will be held at Horsington (6 bells) on Saturday, Oct. 29th. Arrangements as usual.—E. F. Creed, Dimmer Farm, Castle Cary.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Nov. 1st. (nominations), St. Magnus' on the 3rd and 17th; St. Andrew's, Hol-

born, on the 10th (8 p.m.), \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 15th (elections), Southwark Cathedral on the 24th, \*The Coffee Pot on the 29th (8 p.m.); the others 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**WOOLWICH, LONDON.**—The peal of 8, restored and rehung by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, will be dedicated on Tuesday, Nov. 1st, at 8 p.m., by Bishop Hough (former Bishop of Woolwich). Ringers' festival, Saturday, Nov. 12th. Details next week. All ringers welcome.—Cyril E. Palmer, Hon. Tower Sec.

**ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, STAGSDEN, BEDS.**—The Lord Bishop of St. Albans will dedicate the ring of six bells, augmented and rehung by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, on Friday evening, Nov. 4th, at 7.30 p.m., on the occasion of the Induction of the Rev. W. A. Limbrick, F.R.Hist.S., to the benefice of Stagsden. Bells available after the service. All will be welcome.—Percy C. Bonnett, Stagsden, Beds.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The annual meeting will be held at Rochester Cathedral, by kind permission of the Dean, on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Evensong at 4 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting, at which officers for ensuing year are elected. Please notify me not later than Tuesday, Nov. 1st.—Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham, Kent.

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Next meeting will be held at Killamarsh on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells (6). Tea will be free. Those requiring tea please send postcard to Mr. C. Severn, 34, Bridge Street, Killamarsh, not later than Nov. 3rd. All welcome.—M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 221, Hanover Street, Sheffield (3).

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wirral Branch.—A meeting of the Wirral branch will be held at St. Hilary's, Wallasey, on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5.30. Tea and meeting in Parish Hall.—Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 3, Ridley Street, Birkenhead.

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—A general meeting will be held at Walsham-le-Willows on Nov. 5th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Tea 4.30, at the Blue Boar (1s. each). Meeting follows.—H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Bodenham on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells (6) available 3.30 to 8.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.45 p.m. (free). Please notify me not later than Nov. 1st.—A. Gwynne, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Bretforton on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Service, with an address, at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided. Will those intending to be present please oblige by letting me know by the Tuesday previous?—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, near Evesham.

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**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Lincoln District. — Next meeting at Bardney (6), Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells available from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tea guaranteed only for only who send names by Oct. 31st to Harold Marcon, 269, Wragby Road, St. Giles, Lincoln.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch. —The next branch meeting will be held at Whalley on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome. — F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Lancaster Branch. —A meeting will be held at Kendal Parish Church on Nov. 5th. Bells (10) available from 2 p.m. Tea, 1s. 3d., to all who notify Mr. E. Jennings, 15, Castle Oval, Kendal, not later than Nov. 4th. — E. Swain, Branch Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch. —The monthly meeting will be held at Market Lavington on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. All ringing friends welcome. — W. C. West, Hon. Sec., Semington Road, Melksham.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Wisbech. — The next meeting will be held at March, Cambs., on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, followed by tea. — E. Barker, Dis. Sec., Shouldham, King's Lynn, Norfolk.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Ely. —A meeting at Stapleford on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells available 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. — K. Willers, Dis. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambs.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Guildsborough Branch. —The last quarterly meeting of the year will be held at Clipston on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Usual arrangements. Tea, by kind invitation of the Rector, for those who notify me by Tuesday, Nov. 1st. — G. A. Hollick, Branch Sec., West Street, Welford, Rugby.

**NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.** —A meeting will be held at Burslem on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Will all who intend to be present please notify Mr. T. Hurd, Bethal School House, Burslem, not later than Nov. 2nd? — C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch. — A meeting will be held at Wigan Parish Church on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service in church 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., to be followed by special meeting in All Saints' Schools at 6 p.m. The Rector of Wigan (Canon C. C. Thicknesse) will preside. I appeal to all ringers of the branch to attend this meeting, especially the service. — Norman Brown, Branch Sec.

**EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.**—A ringing meeting of the Guild will be held at Lower Beeding on Saturday, Nov. 12th. Tower opened 3 p.m. Will all requiring tea kindly notify me not later than Wednesday previous to meeting? All ringers welcome. — G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch. —The next meeting will be held at Hoghton on Saturday, Nov. 12th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea, at 1s. 3d. each, to all who notify Mr. Jas. Harrison, Park Gate, Hoghton, by Nov. 7th. — Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division. — The annual district meeting will be held at Braintree on Saturday, Nov. 12th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. Will all those intending to be present please notify me not later than Wednesday, the 9th, to enable me to make the necessary arrangements? — F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—The address of Mr. C. J. Puplett, who recently removed from Hertfordshire, is now South Devon Nurseries, Plympton, Devon.

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