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PUTTING SOMETHING IN.

We would like to underline a question put generally to ringers by the Hon. Secretary of the Middlesex Association at a joint meeting of his own and the Hertford County Associations on Saturday: 'What do we put into ringing?' It is not a new question, but it needs repeating and emphasising. There are plenty of ringers who ask themselves, 'What do I get out of it?' without realising that they will get nothing out of it for long unless in their turn they put something into it. It is usually the men who complain most of getting so little out of membership of their ringing association who put least into it; and who become disgruntled because things are not always done for their special benefit. We commend Mr. Coles' remarks to all ringers of this type — there are numerous ways in which the humblest of us can help others. The man who reaps the richest reward and achieves the greatest satisfaction is he who seeks to benefit others without thought of his own gain. There are many such doing work in the Exercise; there is room for many more.

And as if to emphasise the point, the Oxford Diocesan Guild on Saturday was provided with an outstanding example of this sinking of personal inclinations in order to advance the common purpose. Faced by the sudden and irreplaceable loss of its revered master, the Guild was without a successor of influence and experience, until Canon Coleridge, 'nearer 80 years of age than 70,' as he put it, and already almost overburdened with the work of a large parish, stepped into the breach and shouldered the duties of the important office which had for well over twenty years been so faithfully and adequately discharged by the late Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn. Canon Coleridge told the members that it was only the emergency which induced him to accept election; but few men of his years would have accepted it under any circumstances, and the Oxford Guild has thus been furnished with one more instance of that loyalty and devotion to them and to the cause of church bell ringing which have been shown in numberless ways during more than half a century by their new Master.

Let it be remembered that the mastership of the Oxford Guild is no sinecure. The Guild covers three counties, and numbers something like 2,400 members spread over its fifteen branches. To accept the burden of office at his time of life is therefore no mean undertaking for the Canon, but years and labour seem to sit lightly upon him. Would that the spirit which burns within him could be kindled in others, who lack interest and enthusiasm. It is the men like Canon Coleridge, and his predecessor, who, through long years, put their utmost into ringing

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who have made it what it is to-day, and we venture to say that no one has got more real joy out of it than they have. If something of their zeal could be more widely imparted, belfries would be more fully manned, ringing would be better, associations would be more efficient, and the art raised to a still higher level.

TWELVE BELL PEAL.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Three Hours and Forty-Six Minutes;

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt. in D flat.

ALFRED BARNES Treble	EDWARD JENKINS 7
JACK TIPPER 2	ALBERT J. HUGHES 8
WILFRED STEVENSON 3	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT 9
JOHN HOLMAN 4	CHARLES H. PAGE 10
CHARLES H. LAWSON 5	JOHN WORTH 11
JAMES H. RIDING 6	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ... Tenor

Composed by W. H. INGLESANT.

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

First peal of Oxford Maximus in the county, by the Guild and by all the band except the ringers of 4th, 6th and 7th.

TEN BELL PEALS.

KINGSTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt. in C sharp.

DANIEL COOPER Treble	*FRANK E. HAWTHORNE ... 6
RONALD H. DOVE 2	ALFRED J. CLAYTON 7
EDWARD G. TALBOT 3	ROYDON DAVIES 8
H. BERNARD WELLS 4	FRANK E. DARBY 9
FRANK JENNINGS 5	CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... Tenor

Composed by FRANK E. DARBY.

Conducted by CHAS. H. KIPPIN.

* First peal of Treble Ten. Rung after meeting short for London Royal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5031 CHANGES;

Tenor 22½ cwt.

CHARLES HAZELDEN Treble	GEORGE TOMSETT 6
RICHARD HAYES 2	FRANK BENNETT 7
CHARLES W. DENYER 3	JOHN H. B. HESSE 8
EDWARD ETHERIDGE 4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD 9
FREDERICK G. WOODISS ... 5	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Rung to commemorate the centenary of the Oxford Movement.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SAXLINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 8, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

*THOMAS SIMMONS Treble	RUSSELL RICHES 5
ERNEST WHITING 2	GEORGE POYNITZ 6
WILLIAM FLATT 3	*JOHN ALDIS, JUN. 7
STANLEY COPLING 4	CHARLES LOOME Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

* First peal.

WILLESDEN.—On Wednesday, June 21st, at St. Mary's Church, for the Confirmation service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. F. Holloway 1, W. J. French 2, G. M. Kilby 3, J. H. Botham 4, E. H. Kilby 5, T. J. Lock (first quarter-peal as conductor) 6, H. Kilby 7, E. B. Hartley 8. First quarter-peal in the method by ringers of 1 and 2.

FRAMS DEN, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, July 9, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES
Tenor 16 cwt.

LESLIE G. BRETT Treble	ALBERT E. WHITING 5
JAMES BENNETT, JUN. 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN 6
WILLIAM J. GROOM 3	T. WILLIAM LAST 7
GEORGE BENNETT 4	JAMES BENNETT Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by L. C. WIGHTMAN.

DISS, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 10, 1933, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

GEORGE HOWLETT Treble	WILLIAM STEGGALLS 5
GEORGE ARCHER 2	CHARLES LOOMR 6
ERIC G. BENNETT 3	RUSSELL RICHES 7
CLEMENT J. MORE 4	ERNEST WHITING Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, July 10, 1933, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt.

ALBERT LAWRENCE Treble	JAMES E. DAVIS 5
JACK M. CRIPPS 2	JOHN T. KENTISH 6
JOSEPH MARKS 3	CHARLES W. ROBERTS 7
JOSEPH WAGHORN, JUN. 4	RICHARD F. DEAL Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. W. ROBERTS.

HEANOR, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 12, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
J. CARTER'S ODD BOB AND SINGLE TEN-PART, No. 60.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

MAURICE SWINFIELD Treble	J. CHARLES DICKEN 5
JOHN H. SWINFIELD 2	W. RICHARDSON DRAGE 6
CHARLES DRAPER 3	JAMES GEORGE 7
JOSEPH BAILEY 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY Tenor

Conducted by M. SWINFIELD.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 12, 1933, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S TRANSPOSITION.	
JOHN H. B. HESSE Treble	JOHN P. PELLOE 5
FRED BOWDEN 2	RAYMOND PHILPOTT 6
HENRY HUTTON 3	WILLIAM T. BEESON 7
ALFRED H. POLLING 4	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE Tenor

Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to G. W. Steere, H. Hutton and C. N. Burdook, past and present members of the Cathedral Society, also in honour of the centenary of the Oxford Movement.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 14, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT FULCHER Treble	GEORGE GOWER 5
FREDERICK ROOPE 2	WILLIAM STEGGALL 6
CHARLES LOOME 3	RUSSELL RICHES 7
CHARLES BAKER 4	ERNEST WHITING Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

Rung after meeting short for Superlative, also as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

KINGSWINFORD, STAFFS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wednesday, July 12, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 11½ cwt.	
*DOUGLAS W. TURNER Treble	FRANCIS BROTHERTON 5
†LOUIS W. TURNER 2	NORMAN H. WILLIAMS 6
NORMAN G. LEECH 3	HARRY BOSWELL 7
†ERIC E. SPEAKE 4	*ERNEST A. TURNER Tenor

Conducted by HARRY BOSWELL.

* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' † First peal on eight. 125th peal for Harry Boswell. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. William H. Lawley, who for the past 25 years has been a Sunday service ringer at St. Peter's, Wolverhampton.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF HINTON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN C. PERKINS Treble	RALPH HARRIS 5
J. WILLIAM HEATH 2	FREDERICK G. NURDEN 6
MISS AMY R. JOHNSON 3	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON 7
JOSEPH D. JOHNSON 4	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING Tenor

Composed by GEO. LEWIS. Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

The first peal ever rung in the method.

ROWLEY REGIS, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

HARRY LIMBERT Treble	GEO. H. DETHERIDGE, SEN. 5
ABRAHAM GREENFIELD 2	ALBERT TAYLOR 6
WILLIAM H. DETHERIDGE 3	*GEO. H. DETHERIDGE, JUN. 7
HORACE DOWELL 4	SAMUEL DETHERIDGE Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. DETHERIDGE, JUN.

* First peal and first attempt as conductor. All the above are Sunday service ringers at the above church.

OVER, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE F. SPERRING Treble	ARTHUR NEWELL 5
ROBERT SPERRING 2	JAMES SWINDLEY 6
HARRY LEWIS 3	HARRY PARKER 7
PERCY SWINDLEY 4	EDWARD V. RODENHURST Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by R. SPERRING.

Rung for the tenth anniversary of the record peal of Kent Treble Bob (17,280), which was rung at this church on July 21st, 1923, three of the above band taking part.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

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

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

ARTHUR J. E. SMALL Treble	NOLAN GOLDEN 5
WILLIAM G. MAYERS 2	*RUSSELL W. CORSON 6
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN 3	GEORGE MAYERS 7
WILLIAM J. CLOVER 4	WALTER R. FARROW Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

* First peal in the method. This peal was specially composed and arranged as a birthday compliment to Miss I. Daly, of Checkendon, Oxon, but the bells not being available on the day previous the peal of Minor at Horsham St. Faith's, was substituted as a birthday peal.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS Treble	FREDERICK W. BURNETT ... 5
D. CECIL WILLIAMS 2	ERNEST BRETT 6
FREDERICK A. BURNETT ... 3	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 7
FREDERICK S. BAYLEY ... 4	ALFRED T. GREENWOOD ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS
Rung to celebrate the 'Kemble Centenary.' The band were pleased to welcome back to ringing the ringer of the 2nd after over a year's enforced absence through ill-health.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

*GORDON W. LIMMER Treble	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 5
WILLIAM WELLING 2	*EDWARD L. A. HUDSON ... 6
MISS HILDA F. MILLS ... 3	WILLIAM HENLEY 7
WALTER JOLLEY 4	GEORGE GILBERT Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by GEO. GILBERT.
* First peal of Major.

HELMESHORE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 10 cwt.

THOMAS WALLWORK Treble	THOMAS ISHERWOOD ... 5
*JAMES JACKSON 2	JOHN WISE 6
JOSEPH WOODS 3	THOMAS P. BRANDWOOD ... 7
JAMES CORBRIDGE 4	JAMES H. BANKS Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. BANKS.

* First peal in a Surprise method. All the above are regular service ringers at this church.

FEERING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Tenor 18 cwt. in F.

JOHN C. NEWMAN Treble	*JOSEPH ELLIOTT 5
WILLIAM J. NEVARD 2	WILLIAM ELLIOTT 6
CHARLES W. BURTON 3	*GEORGE HAYWARD 7
WILLIAM KEEBLE 4	GEORGE GREEN Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

* First peal in the method. The monthly peal for the division. Rung to celebrate the 81st birthday of Prebendary A. E. Dalton, formerly Vicar of Feering.

TRING, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 24 cwt.

HENRY HODGETTS Treble	*JOHN MALAYAN 5
STEPHEN H. HOARE 2	*CHARLES JEFFES 6
HAROLD G. CASEMORE ... 3	WALTER AYRE 7
FRANCIS KIRK 4	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

* First peal of Cambridge. J. Malyan's 100th peal for the association. First peal in the method on the bells.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

TRUMPINGTON, CAMBRIDGE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 4, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double and Single Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.
Tenor 10 cwt.

ARTHUR WILSON Treble	WILLIAM A. TACK 4
MISS KITTY WILLERS 2	*MANSFIELD GINN 5
WALTER MANSFIELD 3	FRANK WARRINGTON Tenor

Conducted by FRANK WARRINGTON.

* First peal in seven methods.

SWAVESEY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 5, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Tenor 16 cwt. (approx.).

*STANLEY MURPHY Treble	*FRANK W. LACK 4
*WILLIAM SEEKINGS 2	MANSFIELD GINN 5
ARTHUR J. ABRAMS 3	FRANK WARRINGTON Tenor

Conducted by FRANK WARRINGTON.

* First peal in seven methods. Also first in seven methods on the bells. A birthday compliment to M. Ginn.

HONINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 9, 1933, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Comprising one extent of St. Clement's and two each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in A.

ARTHUR E. SMALLS Treble	GEORGE T. BUNNING 4
JOHN BARTRAM 2	JOHN A. GODFREY 5
ERNEST NAYLOR 3	NOLAN GOLDEN Tenor

Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

First peal on the bells in more than one method, and first peal in four methods by all except ringers of 5th and tenor.

BIDDENHAM, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 13, 1933, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Beverley, Surfleet, London, Wells, Durham, York and Cambridge,
Tenor 14 cwt.

ALFRED H. MARTIN Treble	AMOS SMART 4
WALTER PERKINS 2	FRANCIS BALL 5
MISS EVELYN STEEL 3	CHARLES W. CLARKE Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

Rung as a birthday peal to ringer of 2nd, who was 65 on July 6th.

HORSHAM ST. FAITH'S, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 14, 1933, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Comprising seven different extents.
Tenor 8 cwt. in A.

ARTHUR J. E. SMALLS Treble	*CHARLES HIGH 4
*LLOYD CHAPMAN 2	NOLAN GOLDEN 5
*WILLIAM BURROWS 3	GEORGE MAYERS Tenor

Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

* First peal at first attempt, and members of the local band. They are to be congratulated on a creditable performance. Rung on the 18th birthday of Miss I. Daly, of Checkendon, Oxon.

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THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Cambridge Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 4 lb.

ARTHUR J. ABRAMS Treble	*HENRY J. PARKER 4
ERNEST WAKELING 2	WILLIAM SEEKINGS 5
FRED C. GINN 3	FRANK WARRINGTON Tenor

Conducted by FRANK WARRINGTON.

* First peal in three methods.

CHESHAM, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS & SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 Spliced Kent and Oxford and two each of Oxford, Cambridge and Kent, each called differently. Tenor 17 cwt.

HARRY WINGROVE Treble	*JESSE HARRISON 4
KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER 2	WILFRED EDWARDS 5
EDGAR G. SWIFT 3	FRANK CORKE Tenor

Conducted by H. WINGROVE.

* First peal 'inside' in more than one method. First peal on the bells. First peal as conductor in more than one method.

WHITNEY-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 16, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 21 240's of Pitman's, Morris' and Lindoff's, each called differently.

*G. JAMES R. PRICE Treble	REGINALD MORRIS 3
EDMUND MORRIS 2	†ALBERT E. JONES 4

JAMES P. HYETT Tenor

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

* Has now rung each bell to a peal. † First peal for eight years.

COLNE ENGAIN, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(St. Andrew's Guild, Earls Colne.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Kent and four of Oxford. Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

HARRY CARTER Treble	ALBERT L. DIXEY 4
CLAUDE SNOWDEN 2	FRANK CLAYDON 5
MISS HILDA G. SNOWDEN 3	ALBC M. GENEVY Tenor

Conducted by MISS HILDA G. SNOWDEN.

Great credit is due to this young lady for the very able way she called the peal. She is believed to be the first lady ringer to call a peal in this association. F. Claydon has rung each bell in this tower to a peal.

QUALIFIED ADVISERS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—The remarks of Canon Elsee at the Council meeting during the debate on Mr. Dawe's motion prompt me to ask a question or two.

Generally the person who represents ringers as a body is the Guild officer. He may be an accomplished ringer and efficient in his duties as a society official. But does it follow that he always has sufficient knowledge of bell matters to carry any weight if elected to an Advisory Board?

How and when does a man become properly qualified to advise on bell restorations?

I maintain that to-day, with very few exceptions, the only person competent to give sound advice is the bell founder.

Birmingham.

W. C. RHODES.

MR. JAMES GEORGE'S CHALLENGE.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I cannot accept Mr. Coles' letter in 'The Ringing World' of July 7th, as any answer to mine. The point at issue is the truth of his statement that I was a party to a tablet recording a false peal. This I again challenge him to prove.

I have nothing to add or delete from my letter except that it is to be hoped that Mr. Coles' memory may be as good as mine when he reaches my age.

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THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

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PEALS OF MINOR.

The Council next came to the consideration of two motions by which it was sought to lay down a definition for peals of Minor and Doubles. The first, proposed by Mr. S. H. Wood, was as follows:—

That peals of Minor shall in general consist of seven or more separate extents rung consecutively and without interval. That compositions arranged on what is known as the 'Bankes James principle,' notwithstanding that they do not conform to the above definition, shall be recognised as peals.

The second, in the name of Mr. C. T. Coles, was in these terms:—

That a peal of Minor should consist of seven true and complete round blocks of 720 changes each, in a recognised method or methods, rung consecutively and without interval, rounds thus occurring at the beginning and end of and at regular intervals throughout the peal.

That a peal of Doubles should consist of 42 true and complete round blocks of 120 changes each, in a recognised method or methods, rung consecutively and without interval, rounds thus occurring at the beginning and end of and at regular intervals throughout the peal.

That peals as above may be lengthened by the addition of one or more true and complete round blocks of 720 (or of 120) changes, each fulfilling the same conditions, with or without one true round block having less changes.

That any departure from the above standards is not encouraged; notwithstanding this, however, a peal of Minor or of Doubles may consist of any arrangement of 5,040 changes in a recognised method or methods, provided that no change is rung more (or less) than seven times in a peal of Minor, or 42 times in a peal of Doubles, and that the whole starts from and ends with rounds. Such a peal may be lengthened, provided that no change is rung more than once for each additional 720 (or 120) changes, and that the whole ends with rounds.

These resolutions, said the President, were not prejudiced by the resolution which the Council had just passed. They were sent in independently, and they were very much on the same subject. He was therefore going to suggest that they took them together in debate.

This course having been agreed to, the President said he had to make an apology to Mr. Stephen Wood, who sent his resolution through him to the secretary, and in putting it on the agenda a parenthetical note was left out. This note was intended to define what was meant by the Bankes James arrangement, and was as follows:—

This arrangement consists of a number of successive blocks of 720 true rows, not necessarily round blocks themselves, but which, when joined together consecutively, form a round block, starting from and ending with rounds. It is recommended that such compositions should only be used when there is considered to be some definite gain from the point of view of variety or music.

COUNCIL NOT LEGISLATING FOR THE PAST.

The President, continuing, said there had been a great deal of confusion as to what was meant by the Council recognising peals or otherwise, and the question had been raised—he had heard it in private discussion—as to what, if the resolution of the Midland Counties Association was passed, was going to happen with regard to the various peals that had been rung containing these special compositions which were not true round blocks of 720. It did not seem to him that anything happened at all. Many of the peals which had been rung did not conform to the Council's existing rule, or so he was told. Whether they did or not, the Council were not legislating for the past; they were legislating for the future as to what should be the standard at which five and six-bell ringers should aim. In his view the Council had taken no steps either to recognise or not recognise the various peals that had been rung. The only way the Council came in touch with the peals was through the Peals Analysis Committee, and that committee did not attempt in any way to discriminate between legitimate or regular peals or otherwise. That committee's function, when it was appointed, was to carry on the work formerly done by Mr. Attree, and that work was to make an analysis of the peals published. The Council had no control over the publication of the ringing papers, and the Analysis Committee did not control the figures they took out; they merely took out the figures that were published, unless a peal was definitely withdrawn by subsequent publication. There was no question of the Council recognising these peals or not. Many peals were rung which were not regular, and all those peals went in the analysis. He wanted the Council to be clear on that point. Now that they had adopted the new rules there was the possibility of the Council recognising a peal in future, for this reason: Societies, associations and guilds would in future be definitely affiliated to the Central Council and agree to abide by its decisions. If, therefore, the Council decided that such and such peals should not be rung, the local associations, being loyal, would see that such peals were not recorded in their own books, and should such peals be published under the name of any society the society would be expected to see it was withdrawn from

under its name. In the past the Council had not been able to do that. It would be a physical impossibility for the Analysis Committee to inquire into the composition of every peal that was rung. Local associations could do it because they had the local knowledge and knew who the conductors were and the conductor's reputation, and they would know pretty well what he was likely to have called. There was one other difficulty. A number of Minor peals had been published without stating what was rung. Whatever they did, he thought the Council should be sure that nothing happened which would drive the figures underground. What was most important was that what was rung should be recorded somewhere so that future generations could decide on the merits of it, whether it should be rung or not. They did not want to do anything to hide the figures of peals. It did not matter, to his mind, whether people rang these things or not, but they could not expect the Central Council to go outside its rules if, in the future, it could maintain some sort of control on publication. If a thing was rung, as long as they knew what was rung, the general public could judge it on its merits.

THE COUNCIL'S DUTY.

Mr. Wood then moved the first of the resolutions. Quite frankly, he said, many people were heartily 'fed up' with the question, and wanted to see the end of it, and the reason he put the motion before the Council that day was because he felt they had a definite duty to perform. The majority of the Exercise did look to them for a lead, and he did not think they had done their duty until they had given a definite pronouncement on the subject, and they had not done that yet. Until they did it, either unanimously or by an overwhelming majority, they certainly had not done much to clear up the muddle which existed. He did not see that they could lay down definite laws as to what should be rung or not, but what the Council said to-day was going to have a definite influence on Minor ringers and on what they were going to ring and on the direction in which Minor ringing was going to develop in future. What he was asking the Council to say was this: 'We will agree to accept separate extents as a general principle of a peal of Minor and Doubles.' Then he was going to ask them to agree that, having accepted that general principle, any other compositions which deviated from it must be considered as exceptions, and if they agreed to do that they could deal with each exception on its individual merits. What he did not see the point of was, if they were going to have the Bankes James principle, they must have everything else. He did not think that was necessary at all. If they wanted the Bankes James or any other particular composition, let them have it; they could only say what they would recognise and what they would not. He asked the Council to consider very carefully whether it was wise to throw over at one fell swoop all the old conventions, because that was what Mr. Coles' motion asked them to do. He asked them to let in everything. Surely the wiser course to pursue was to stick to the general principle and consider other things as exceptions, consider each one individually, and see whether or not it was worth retaining. As regards the Bankes James principle it was for him to put forward the case for accepting that composition in future. He promised not to talk about 'tampering with truth,' 'Did rounds come at the beginning or the end?' or 'Did they ring rows or changes?' To his mind none of these things had a direct bearing on the subject. All the Council had to decide was, was it their opinion that it was in the interests of ringing that the Bankes James arrangement should continue to be rung; if it was, let them have it, but let them have it honestly and straightforwardly. It did not conform to the general rule; let them, therefore, have it as an exception, and not by twisting the old rules to mean something they were never intended to mean. There were those who asked the Council to allow no exceptions at all. With that view he had a good deal of sympathy. His only reason for asking them to pass his motion instead of the amendment was that the latter had been tried already and found wanting. Under that system there was an awful muddle going on, and if they passed a rule saying they would allow no deviations from the principle of separate extents, they would do nothing to clear up this muddle, and there was grave danger of the figures being driven underground. If the amendment were passed that the Bankes James arrangement would not be accepted as a peal in future, and he saw the record of a peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor without further description, he would not feel very happy in his own mind as to what was rung. He thought a most important point was: How and why did these compositions first come to be composed? He could answer that question, because his friend, Mr. Hooton, who was the first to call it, was in the room when Mr. James composed it. It arose like this. They had been ringing peals of Cambridge Minor and found themselves up against two alternatives, either they had to ring the same or similar 720's over again, or, to get a greater variation of composition, they had to include 720's with the 6.5's at back stroke, and so Mr. James composed his peal. It did not conform to the general idea, but he (Mr. Wood) was not concerned with that. If they liked it and it was useful, let them ring it; if it was not, let them say so. Had it been proved useful or not? They must answer that by the number of times it had been rung and the number of times it continued to be rung. It was proved that there was a definite need for it; if the need still existed he asked the Council to vote in favour of the resolution, and

he asked them to accept the Bankes James arrangement definitely as an exception to the general principle.

Mr. J. S. Goldsmith formally seconded the motion.

HISTORY OF THE CONTROVERSY.

Mr. C. T. Coles, in moving his resolution, said the president's speech had cut some of the ground from under his feet. Mr. Wood had said all there was to be said about the Bankes James arrangement of Minor, and all there was to be said about the Morris and Pitman's arrangements of Doubles, because they were in the same category, and they could not admit the one without the other. The Council would remember the old definition of a peal of Minor, which laid down that there should be seven true and complete 720's each ending with rounds and with only one row of rounds intervening. Up to 1928 there was no definition for a peal of Doubles. They should remember also that when the Minor ringers began to agitate for their performances to be classed as peals the only thing for them to ring was seven 720's or one 720 seven times, or 42 six-scores of Doubles, and on that the Council laid down its first definition of a peal of Minor. The trouble began in 1923 when the Bankes James peal of Cambridge Minor was rung. This peal departed from the orthodox. It consisted of 720 rows, but to get 720 true rows they had to count the first row of rounds. The 720's were not in round blocks; the 720's were in two round blocks of 2,160 each. That was a departure from the standard. Then they got Mr. Law James' London, which departed further from the principle, and the Pitman and Morris Doubles. They were rung considerably throughout the country, and as regards the Cambridge Minor 'The Ringing World' published a paragraph calling it a wonderful contribution to composition, and they did not then find any criticism of the peal. At the Hereford meeting an attempt was made to alter the rule for peals of Minor to bring in the Bankes James arrangement, and for the first time to put in a ruling for peals on five bells on a similar plan. That definition was framed for the purpose of bringing in the Bankes James arrangement, but no 720 could be complete unless it came back to where it started from. When they came to the Chelmsford meeting the Methods Committee brought up a report, and wished to print these compositions in the 'Collection of Minor Methods.' They had then one of the most terrible decisions perpetrated by that Council; they had a motion to refer the report back, so far as the Pitman and Morris Doubles and the Bankes James Cambridge and Law James London were concerned, on the ground that these compositions were 'hopelessly false.' That began a tremendous controversy. They had the words 'hopelessly false' bandied about for months. That motion was carried by 30 votes to 29, but subsequently on the same day the Council decided to publish the whole lot of the compositions in the Methods Committee's book, simply with the proviso that it did not commit anybody to the opinion that they were suitable for peal ringing. That was carried by 44 votes to three. First of all the Council expressed the opinion that the compositions were hopelessly false, and then they agreed to print them in their book. They had had a recurrence of the controversy several times since. Mr. Powell, Mr. Trollope, Mr. Law James, himself and others had tried to voice the ideas of the Exercise and to state the logical sequence of events in the Council. The only ground on which they could turn down a composition was that it was false. If in a peal of Major or Triples there was a repetition it was false, and no resolution of the Council would ever make it true. One 720 of Minor or 120 of Doubles was in exactly the same position; if they had a repetition of one row it was false. But in a peal of Minor they had to have each row seven times, and if they only had each row seven times they could not say it was false—it was a misuse of language to say that it was. Were they now going to turn down the compositions that had been rung so much? The Bankes James Minor had been rung 72 times by 22 associations; the Pitman and Morris Doubles had been rung 125 times by 18 associations; and, incidentally, there had been 37 peals of Cambridge Surprise Minor rung without description, whereas, before the controversy they used to be described, showing that the fear which had been expressed, of driving figures underground, had actually occurred in the past. Two well-known conductors had candidly admitted to him that although they rang the Bankes James composition they did not publish the fact for the very reason that doubt had been cast on the composition. He asked the Council to clear their minds of any idea that people were trying to thrust something on the Exercise. He was sorry he could not subscribe to the president's idea that what had gone could be left. He believed the logical result of turning down his motion would be a motion brought to ask the Council to give instructions to associations to expunge the peals from their records. If these peals were not fit to ring in the future they were not fit to be rung in the past. To show how difficult it was to get agreement, Mr. Coles mentioned that the gentleman in the Midlands, who called these peals 'hopelessly false,' wrote in 'The Ringing World' that if there was one peal above all that he would accept it was Mr. Atkins' peal of Minor, with only two singles, rung at Isham, while another well-known member of the Council, present that day, wrote to him that he subscribed generally to ringing these compositions, but the thing he could not get on with was the Isham peal. There was another peal which had been published, but never rung, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Minor by Mr. Turner, which consisted of seven true and complete 720's, but be-

cause it started in the middle of a 720 it had been described as hopelessly false. Although it consisted of seven true and complete 720's, because it started in the middle of the first 720, some people wanted to rule it out as hopelessly false. They could not find a way out of this impasse, and the only logical thing to do was to accept it. If the Council were prepared to accept the principle of his motion, he was prepared to accept any amendment which would give them a safeguard against those things which had been described as 'abominations.' There was, however, no need to fear; the first two paragraphs laid down what a peal should consist of, and the last paragraph said that any departure from this should not be encouraged. If there was any amendment which would strengthen the position he was prepared to accept it. He asked the members not to be carried away with the idea that these peals were false; they could not possibly be. After the Chelmsford meeting he was talking to a gentleman in that room who, he noticed, had voted for the 'hopelessly false' amendment, and he discovered that he had an objection to peals on six and five bells of every description, because there was repetition in them all. Those who held that view, Mr. Coles contended, ought not to put their spoke in this controversy.

MONOTONY FOR DOUBLES RINGERS.

Mr. E. M. Atkins, who seconded, asked the members to think of the monotony to the five-bell ringers who had to ring peals of Doubles with the limited calling that was now at their disposal. Did they realise that in a peal of Doubles every four minutes rounds came up with absolute and unerring regularity, and not only that, every 40 seconds either the third or the fifth would be double dodging in 4-5. Mr. Lindoff's scheme of splicing together the 120's of Grand sire eliminated that, and was a thing which ought to be encouraged, but they would be debarred unless Mr. Coles' resolution was carried. His only doubt was whether the resolution went far enough. They ought to admit anything that was useful and which the Exercise as a whole took up. The proof of the pudding was in the eating, and anything which would enlarge the scope of the six and five-bell ringers ought to be welcomed. If, on the other hand, they were to defeat this motion and go back to the principle which was in vogue ten years ago, they would be putting a limitation on the five-bell ringers which would restrict them to the monotony of the old 120's. The motion was simply to bring the Council's definitions up to date and put into words the recommendation which was implied in the Minor and Doubles book with regard to compositions of the five and six-bell peals.

The Rev. H. Drake said he agreed with what Mr. Coles had said, except with regard to extents being true and complete. They could not talk about an 'extent' being either true or false. An extent was true, and there was no meaning in the words 'true' or 'false' in relation to an extent. What he took it the motion asked them to do was to allow the use of extents which were not complete. If they had a Morris or a Bankes James arrangement they at once ceased to have an extent which was complete, but it did not follow that it was wrong. They ought to have it clearly in their mind that when they talked of 'true and complete' in relation to Minor and Doubles it only related to extents and not to five thousands.

THE AMENDMENT.

Mr. W. E. White proposed the amendment to the two resolutions in the following terms:—

That a peal of 'Doubles' must consist of not less than forty-two true and complete round blocks of 120 changes each, rung consecutively and without interval, each 120 commencing from and finishing with rounds. It may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 120's and/or by the addition of one shorter touch fulfilling the above conditions. It may be rung with or without a cover bell.

That a peal of 'Minor' must consist of not less than seven true and complete round blocks of 720 changes each, rung consecutively and without interval, each 720 commencing from and finishing with rounds. It may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 720's and/or one shorter touch fulfilling the above conditions. It may not be rung with a cover bell.

He said that under the motion proposed by Mr. Coles they would be able to ring a 5,040 of Bob Doubles with only three bobs in it. With regard to the Bankes James composition, as he understood it, they did not complete the first 720, and looking at it from that standpoint it was not what most of them had been brought up to consider right and proper. It might be of interest to the conductor and a clever performance on the part of the composer, but he did not think it was of very much interest to the other ringers. (A Voice: Isn't it!) It was no more credit to the rest of the band to ring the Bankes James arrangement than it was to ring seven other 720's, and if the band was so far advanced that they could ring a peal of Cambridge Minor, for goodness' sake let them do as recommended in the resolution the Council had just passed, ring seven Surprise methods in their peal! The Cambridge composition might be a very wonderful production, but there was no special merit in ringing it. He was bringing forward the amendment at the definite request of his association (the Midland Counties Association), because they considered it would be in the interests of the majority of the six-bell ringers.

Mr. E. Denison Taylor seconded and said he heartily endorsed what Mr. White had said. He might be old fashioned, but Mr. White had voiced his views.

(To be continued.)

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. Edward Jenkins, of Bradford, informs us that Wigston Surprise Major was discovered many years ago by Mr. Gabriel Lindoff, and is in his series F., No. A2, but unnamed.

The many friends of Mr. W. E. Redrup, of Amersham, will be pleased to know that he is home again, but, although there are no bones broken, it will be some weeks before he can walk again.

The peal of Stedman Caters at Loughborough Parish Church, on July 8th, was rung in 3 hours 30 mins., not 2 hours 30 mins. as published.

The party at Oxford had lunch under the watchful eye of King Henry the Eighth (painting). Where was the other merry monarch, and why didn't the Bright Young People entertain the party instead of performing to a select half-dozen late in the evening?

Ten ladies rang a 'bob' course of Grandsire Caters at Magdalen College, although most of them were 'singles.'

MITCHAM BELLS TO BE REHUNG.

The bells of the Parish Church, Mitcham, are to be rehung with new fittings. The work will be carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. This church was at one time a centre of much activity in the Surrey Association.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

COMMENTS ON THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

The quarterly meeting of the Midland Counties Association was held on Saturday, July 1st, at Creswell, Derbyshire. Although somewhat off the beaten track, about 40 members and friends assembled to have a ring on the very fine eight bells in this new tower. Each of the eight districts of the society was represented, viz.: Burton, Chesterfield, Derby, Loughborough, Leicester, Hinckley, Nottingham and the Peak. The committee met in the church vestry, and got through a very long routine agenda.

Arising out of this the Hon. Treasurer reported on the amount collected towards the memorial bell at Duffield, recast by the members and friends of the association in memory of the former president, Sir A. P. Heywood. As only a few collecting sheets had been returned, he appealed to all secretaries and towers to send in these and any subscriptions with all speed, so that the accounts may be closed.

The sub-committee appointed to revise the rules had met, and shortly a copy of rules suggested will be sent out to each district secretary for discussion, and the matter brought forward at the next general meeting.

Tea was served in the Parish Hall, and the general meeting followed, the president, Mr. E. Denison Taylor, being in the chair, supported by the Rev. Waugh (Rector of Clowne), the hon. treasurer (Mr. W. E. White), and the hon. secretary (Mr. Ernest Morris).

The President gave a very interesting review of the past quarter's peals, remarking that, although not up to the average, yet they varied from Doubles to Surprise Royal, and numbered 26. He also voiced the regret of all on the loss by death of a valued hon. member, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, and an old life member, Mr. Mark Bend, of Bottesford. During the past quarter an extraordinary meeting of the Hinckley District had been held to meet the Bishop of Leicester in starting a 'mission of personal witness.' This was well attended and appreciated. Mr. Taylor briefly remarked on his visit to the Central Council meeting, and his observations on the ringing at St. Benet's Church, Cambridge, which had already been reported in 'The Ringing World.' He was sorry the Vicar of Creswell could not be present that day, but welcomed the Rector of Clowne, whose bells would be available to the members after tea.

The Rev. Waugh, in reply, said the Vicar of Creswell sent his apologies for unavoidable absence, and asked him to come in his stead. He was delighted to thus come and meet the ringers, and trusted each and all would enjoy the social intercourse of the meeting and the ringing at both Creswell and Clowne. At his church they had a young band who were getting on well, and he took the opportunity of thanking publicly Mr. John Flint, of Bolsover, who had—and was still—helping them so much.

The hon. secretary read the list of members proposed since that meeting, viz., nine ringing, one rejoined, and three life, whose election was confirmed.

Each of the three other representatives to the Central Council (the president making the fourth), Messrs. J. H. Swinfield, W. E. White, and E. C. Gohey, gave impressions of the Council meeting, and each stressed the point that much time was wasted in receiving committee reports, appointing members of committees, and various discussions arising from these committees, that items of real importance were left until too late for many members to stay and take part. As an instance the Minor question, which had aroused such a commotion, was again shelved, whereas, had this been brought on while all members were present and properly discussed the matter would undoubtedly have been settled.

It was pointed out that the next quarterly meeting fixed for Quorn, near Loughborough, would be unsuitable, the bells being in a bad condition. It was therefore agreed this be transferred to Ripley.

After the meeting a number of ringers went to Clowne (six bells), where various standard and Surprise methods were rung.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD FESTIVAL

CANON COLERIDGE ELECTED MASTER.

SUGGESTED MEMORIAL TO THE LATE REV. C. W. O. JENKYN.

Nearly 200 members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild were present at the annual festival held at Oxford on Saturday, when Canon Coleridge was elected Master in the place of the late Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, to whom it was decided to erect a memorial.

The day's proceedings began with service in the Cathedral, the customary form of the Guild being used. Canon Coleridge officiated, and the lesson was read by Canon E. J. Norris. The singing was of a most impressive and stirring kind.

Canon Coleridge preached from the words, 'As every man hath received the gift even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God' (1 Peter iv. 10). Many years had passed, he said, since, on a memorable occasion, they dedicated a memorial in the cloisters of that Cathedral to the men of the Oxford Diocesan Guild who gave their lives for their country in the war. Who, then, had any idea that their beloved Master, after many years, would be numbered among them? Gassed in Flanders, never wholly free from the effects of the poison, yet carrying on more and more manfully as the years rolled by, never complaining, never even letting intimate friends know of his distress with the painful shortness of breath and all its attendant ills. All knew the story of his death. Trumpets sounded for him on the other side, but they were left, like children, without a friend to guide them. For twenty-three years Mr. Jenkyn was their guide and friend—a friend well beloved not only by ringers in the diocese but throughout the country; well known to great numbers. The more men got to know him the closer they were attracted by his genial presence. In their own Guild especially their Master was well known throughout three counties. His regular, periodical visits to the branches were eagerly looked forward to, his counsel and advice equally welcomed. Few, if any, Masters could devote their Saturdays as he did to promote ringing throughout the diocese, and the whole secret of his work was to be found in their text, 'As every man hath received the gift even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards to the manifold grace of God.' He realised, as each one of them should realise, that no man's gift was given to him so that he should keep it to himself. He had it in trust for the benefit of others. He had a gift and must needs use it in the best way for the benefit of others. All his knowledge of bell hanging (and his knowledge in that direction was fuller than that of most men), all his meticulous care in striking, whether in rounds or changes, all his geniality among ringers—all were looked upon as gifts of God; the brain, the hand, the eye, the ear, all to be trained in the service of God, all to be used for His honour and glory, all to be devoted to the service of men. Truly a great example had been left behind him. They would be considering later on the question of some permanent memorial by the Guild to him. That was not the place or time for him to go into the matter in any detail. He only knew what he would like—possibly some of them might think differently. But seeing that hard by in the cloisters there was, in addition to the memorial to the men who fell in the war, and in which Mr. Jenkyn was so deeply interested, a tablet in memory of their first Master, the Rev. Francis E. Robinson, he (the preacher) thought it would be wholly fitting, subject, of course, to the approval of the authorities of Christ Church, that a somewhat similar memorial should be placed alongside the memorials that were already there. Times, he knew, were bad with many people, and perhaps they could not expect to raise huge sums, but it was just possible there might be some other form of memorial besides this. He (Canon Coleridge) would only make the suggestion, because he knew it would be after Mr. Jenkyn's own heart. It might be that a fund would be started towards enlarging the Chapel of Queen Anne's School, Caversham, where he faithfully ministered for so many years. That chapel was too small to accommodate the children. Mr. Jenkyn knew it only too well and, at the time of his death, was interesting himself greatly in enlarging it. Whether the Guild could help in that scheme, if it materialised, or give some special piece of furniture for equipping the enlarged chapel, it would be for the members to decide. That chapel had been the centre of Mr. Jenkyn's clerical life and ministrations, and with this he never allowed anything to interfere, but the moment he was free from his duties at the school his next thought was for the ringers all over the diocese. The example of his life was a great one; the memorial they would wish to erect should be a worthy one. The best memorial they could erect was in their own hearts, a memorial which might be found in the words of the text. That was the best way in which every one of them could perpetuate his memory, and in doing so they would be carrying out a most important precept of Holy Scripture, words inspired by the Holy Spirit of God for all men to lay hold on and see that they were the dominating factor in their lives.

The service terminated with a hymn (during which a collection for the Guild restoration fund amounting to £3 5s. 8d. was taken), the Te Deum, and the Benediction, pronounced by Bishop Shaw.

The business meeting was held in the Chapter House, Canon Coleridge presiding, supported by the hon. treasurer (Mr. A. J. Wright) and the secretary (Mr. R. T. Hibbert). All the fifteen branches were well represented.

The Secretary, after having announced the letters of apology, mentioned that he received over forty letters from associations and guilds sympathising with them in the death of their Master. He thought the members would appreciate the feeling in which the late Master was held from the fact that they had letters from so many representative bodies.

The Chairman said he also received numberless letters from various individuals expressing regret at their loss.

At the suggestion of Mr. A. D. Cullum, the reports of the Master—the last written by Mr. Jenkyn—the hon. treasurer and hon. secretary were taken as read, they having been circulated in the report.

A NEW MASTER.

The Chairman said the committee had asked him to carry on as Acting Master until that meeting. It was for the Guild now to elect a new Master.

The Hon. Treasurer said every member of the Guild would be thankful to know that Canon Coleridge, despite the little time he had to spare, had undertaken to carry on the Mastership for the ensuing year (applause). It would take them some time to recover from the great blow they had sustained by the death of Mr. Jenkyn, but they would have perfect confidence in Canon Coleridge's direction of the Guild.—This motion was seconded by Mr. W. Evetts, supported by Mr. T. Trollope and Mr. A. D. Cullum, and carried unanimously.

Canon Coleridge said nothing would have induced him to take the office except the emergency caused by the death of Mr. Jenkyn, on account of his age, which was now nearer 80 than 70, and also the knowledge that he would be utterly unworthy to follow the footsteps of their great friend, the late Master. To carry on that Guild as it ought to be carried on required a youngish man, a man with money, a man with a motor-car, and a man with plenty of leisure on Saturdays. They would not get this combination in everybody, and he was afraid they did not exist in him, but it was put to him so forcibly that he ought to undertake the office that he said he would do so and would do his best (applause). He joined the Guild in its first year, and had thus been a member for 52 years. At one time he did a fair amount of peal ringing, he had attended the annual meetings regularly, as most of them knew, and he had the deepest possible interest in the work of the Guild. It would, therefore, be his endeavour to do his utmost for the Guild, but he must tell them plainly that for the most part it was impossible for him to get away from his parochial duties on Saturdays. He thought it was doubtful if they would find a Guild in England with a Master who would do as Mr. Jenkyn had done for the Oxford Guild. He was able to give up his Saturdays to go to the meetings. He knew he (the chairman) would be welcome at any meetings he could attend, but he could not promise to go to the meetings regularly or to preach as Mr. Jenkyn did, for he already had almost more on his hands than he could carry out, but should they be in any difficulties he would be glad to assist them to the best of his ability in all directions, with limitations of age and means of getting about. He thanked them most warmly for electing him.

A DEPUTY MASTER APPOINTED.

Proceeding, Canon Coleridge said it was the recommendation of the committee that the Rev. T. Elliott Wigg, who was assistant curate at High Wycombe, should be elected Master, and he magnanimously said he would be willing to undertake it, but would do so with fear and trepidation. He therefore wrote to Mr. Wigg, and was overjoyed when he got Mr. Wigg's reply. Mr. Wigg wrote that he was a young man and was willing to do everything he could for the Guild, but he honestly felt relieved because one in his position as an assistant curate was not his own master, and he was working in a large parish which was suffering from depletion of staff. His parish work must of necessity come first. There was, however, continued Canon Coleridge, the question of a Deputy Master. Mr. Jenkyn, knowing that he was in failing health and could not continue to do as much as he had been doing, felt the need of asking the Guild at that meeting to appoint a Deputy Master, who might in a few years' time, if he should still be amongst them in the diocese, be able to take up the work that Mr. Jenkyn laid down. Mr. Jenkyn had it in mind to propose Mr. Wigg for this office. It was, of course, open to the members not to have a Deputy Master, or to propose someone else, but it was Mr. Jenkyn's wish, and he pitched on Mr. Wigg as the outstanding man in the diocese for the office. He (Canon Coleridge) felt they could not make a better choice, and he asked them to agree to Mr. Wigg being appointed Deputy Master.

Mr. Wilkins proposed Mr. Wigg's election, remarking upon his enthusiasm and ability as a ringer.—The motion was seconded in several places, and Mr. T. Fowler said he was sure they would all give Mr. Wigg every possible support, and he hoped that when the time came he would accept the office of Master, although he trusted that the necessity would not arise for many years, as they hoped to see Canon Coleridge in the chair for a considerable time yet (applause).

Mr. T. Trollope, in supporting, said he had known Mr. Wigg nearly all his life, and he was quite sure that, apart from his ringing, which was a great point, Mr. Wigg would serve them well.

Mr. H. Miles, while supporting the proposal, asked whether the appointment did not necessitate altering their rules.

The Chairman said Mr. Jenkyn was elected Deputy Master when the Rev. F. E. Robinson was Master, so that they had a precedent for it.

The proposal was carried unanimously, and Mr. Wigg expressed his thanks for the honour the Guild had done him and the trust and confidence they had placed in him, especially as he had only had a knowledge of the Guild for the last five years, and before that time did not know one end of a bell rope from the other. He would be only too pleased to do all he could for the Guild.

TREASURER AND SECRETARY RE-ELECTED.

Mr. A. J. Wright was re-elected hon. treasurer, with the best thanks of the Guild, and took the opportunity of pointing out the altered conditions of certain matters through Mr. Jenkyn's death. Mr. Jenkyn was in the habit of taking the secretary and treasurer with him in his car when he went to visit the branches as often as they could go. A resolution had now been passed by the committee that the secretary's train fares should be paid when he attended a branch annual meeting, but it was hoped the branches would bear the expense of conveying him from the nearest railway station to the meeting. The branch secretaries had agreed to this, and he thought the funds could well bear it, as he found that the balances held by the districts were over £300. Every branch had a good balance in hand. Then with regard to the restoration fund, the rule had been that he (the treasurer) should not pay out any grants until he had received a certificate from the Master that the work had been properly and efficiently carried out. They must continue to have that safeguard in some form or other, and he suggested that the Guild should authorise him to accept the certificate of their secretary, who was thoroughly competent to know whether the work had been done well or not (hear, hear).

Mr. Cullum moved that the branches be asked to defray the expenses of the conveyance from the station to the annual branch meetings of the secretary and hon. treasurer.—Mr. Pearson seconded.

The Secretary said he did not know whether the meeting understood exactly what was intended. It was not a question of getting to places like Banbury, but to those out-of-the-way places where the late Master used to run them in his car and put them down at the nearest public-house door (laughter). There were places like Appleton, about six miles from a station, and he was not going to walk six miles there and six miles back. He would rather have a letter from the branch secretary to say they could do a lot better without him (laughter).—The motion was carried.

It was also resolved that the secretary's certificate of the satisfactory completion of restoration work should be accepted by the hon. treasurer for the purpose of paying the Guild's grants.

The secretary was re-elected with applause, and, in replying, said he would do his best for the Guild. He had his shortcomings, like everybody else, but he would keep their big Master up to scratch when he was in good health, and he would keep the Deputy Master on the move (laughter). He could not promise to do much himself; the branch secretaries did that (laughter).

The Master referred to the loss which the Guild had sustained by the death of Mr. J. F. Barlow, of Chipping Norton, a member of the committee. They would miss him very much, he said, and he would be missed particularly in his own district. His death left a vacancy on the committee.

The following eleven members of the committee were re-elected: Messrs. J. Evans, G. Cauldwell, G. Holifield, W. Hibbert, sen., G. Martin, Miss V. Robinson, Messrs. R. White, A. D. Cullum, H. Sear, J. W. Wilkins and Miss S. Davis. The vacancy was filled by the election of Mr. Walter F. Judge, of the Oxford City Branch.

The Rev. R. W. H. Acworth, having removed from the diocese, Dr. L. Joyce, of Reading, was elected a trustee in his place, the other trustees being Canon Coleridge and Sir George Dashwood.

The vacancy caused by the death of the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn in the Guild's representation on the Central Council was filled by the election of Mr. W. Evetts (hon. secretary of the Witney and Woodstock Branch).

Mr. Cullum asked if it was necessary to have four representatives. The Master: You will have to pay for four, whether you have them or not.

Mr. Cullum: The affiliation fees, but not the expenses.

The Master: You don't pay their expenses.

Mr. Cullum: We may have to.

The Master: I don't think it is likely at present.

'LITTLE FISH' WHO SLIP OUT OF THE NET.

The Secretary proposed the confirmation of the election of 184 new members. He said they made about this number every year, but their net membership increased only by about 35 to 50 year after year. 'Some of you,' added Mr. Hibbert, amid laughter, 'may be very good fishers of men and land these little fish, but you let them slip.'

The Master said he hoped they would do what their secretary suggested, and hold on to the little fish until they became big fish, and,

in fact, regular whales in regard to bellringing (laughter).—The elections were confirmed.

The Master said it was the wish of the committee that they should do honour to certain of their members who had served long and faithfully in the Guild. One was a parson and the other a layman. They were going to ask Canon Norris and Mr. John Evans whether the Guild might have the privilege of electing them as vice-presidents (applause). Both had served the Guild loyally and well, and Canon Norris' interest in it was shared by his daughter. What Mr. Evans had done they all knew.

On the motion of Mr. Cullum, seconded by the secretary, the election was agreed to by acclamation.

Canon Norris thanked the Guild for the honour conferred on him, although, he said, he felt he had done very little to recommend himself to them. He joined the Guild 49 years ago, but owing to circumstances he was unable to continue his bellringing. Now, however, in his later years, he was attempting in a feeble kind of way to take it up again (applause). He had certainly never lost his interest in it.

Continuing, Canon Norris said he had been thrown into work connected with the towers in the diocese for the last seventeen years. He happened to be one of the committee appointed by the Bishop to advise the Chancellor on all questions concerning churches, and the result of that sometimes meant a great deal of anxious thought and work with regard to the restoration of towers and the very vexed question of frames. Many years ago he advised the committee to submit every question that came before them in the Oxford Diocese to their late Master, and for about fifteen years every question connected with faculties for the restoration of towers and bells was submitted to him. Throughout that time Mr. Jenkyn's advice was of inestimable value to the committee, and only twice, as far as he could remember, had the committee differed from his judgment, and the second time was only a few months ago, and then the committee changed their mind, after hearing further evidence, and approved of Mr. Jenkyn's recommendation. He had been wondering what they would do in these matters in the future, and he was particularly interested that morning to hear that Mr. Hibbert was ready to put his unrivalled knowledge at the disposal of the Guild, which meant indirectly that the committee would be able to go to him if they were in difficulty. He knew also, when he heard that Canon Coleridge was likely to be appointed Master, that they would have a tower of strength behind the committee. They could understand that this was a very important thing for the Advisory Committee, because there were sometimes differences of opinion, which were very often local, and the committee had to take the responsibility of deciding which was the better of two plans. It was, therefore, with the greatest possible pleasure he had heard what had been said that morning, and he would carry the information to the Advisory Committee.

Mr. Evans also thanked the members for the honour the Guild had conferred on him.

A MEMORIAL PROPOSED.

The following grants were made from the restoration fund: Swalcliffe and Newbury £5 5s. each; Abingdon (St. Nicholas'), Drayton, Shrivensham and Sunningwell, £2 2s. each.

Canon Coleridge has been in the habit at the annual meeting of giving a report of the proceedings of the Central Council, but as it was getting late and the company were due at luncheon, he suggested that the members should read the report appearing in 'The Ringing World.' The only thing he would like to emphasise, he said, was that in the place of the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn the Council had elected the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt Drake as hon. librarian.

Mr. T. Fowler moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Dean and Chapter of Christ Church for the facilities that had been given to the Guild, to Canon Coleridge for his address, which they had all much appreciated, and to the organist for his services.—This having been carried, the Master expressed thanks to the steward of Christ Church for his assistance in connection with the luncheon.

The Master said there was one other matter of importance, to which he had made reference in the Cathedral. He felt sure the Guild would like to erect a memorial to their late Master, and he would like to take a vote on it. He proposed that a fund be started for the purpose of providing a suitable memorial to Mr. Jenkyn.

This having been at once agreed to, Canon Coleridge suggested that the carrying out of that proposal be left to a committee of the principal officials of the Guild, with power to co-opt. He said they would be glad to receive and give careful consideration to any suggestions which any member of the Guild might like to make. They ought to have something worthy to show the debt of gratitude they owed to Mr. Jenkyn for all he did for them (applause).

This proposal was unanimously agreed to.

By the courtesy of the authorities of Christ Church the members again had the privilege of lunching in the spacious and beautiful hall, hung with scores of oil colour portraits of famous men who have passed through the House. A company numbering 185 sat down under the chairmanship of Canon Coleridge, who was supported by Canon Norris, the Rev. T. Elliott Wigg, the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, hon. secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, Mr. A. J. Wright, etc.

At the conclusion of the meal the Chairman proposed the toast of 'Church and King,' and afterwards the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards sub-

mitted 'Prosperity to the Oxford Diocesan Guild,' which, he said, he joined about the year 1894. Although he had not lived in the diocese since his undergraduate days, he had always regarded it as a privilege to belong to the Guild, which was one of the leading Guilds in the country. There might be other Guilds with a larger membership, and others who had put up greater performances in the way of change ringing in its modern developments, but there was none other that had the privilege of meeting for its luncheon in a college hall (applause). Mr. Edwards went on to refer to the great loss the Guild had sustained since the last annual meeting, but said he was sure that, with Canon Coleridge as Master and such an able Deputy Master to assist him, and with the full energy of all the officers and branch officers behind him, the Guild would not fail to maintain its very high standard and go on from success to success. That this might be the experience of all those connected with the Guild was his fervent wish (applause).

WELL UP AS A GUILD.

Canon Coleridge, who replied to the toast, said he had only been Master for about two hours, therefore they could not expect him to say much about the Guild as Master, but he could say a great deal from his knowledge outside that office. He could not say exactly how many members they had in the Guild, but he believed it was about 2,400. That put them pretty well up as a Guild. He was very pleased to see the other day in the report of the Central Council's Analysis Committee that they had rung 146 peals last year; in the report their own secretary made it 147. That was very satisfactory, for they were thus first among all the societies for the number of peals rung. He did not say that in any spirit of competition, but because he hoped it indicated that the younger members who were coming on were anxious to ring peals, and a peal of Grandsire Triples by a young band was worth half a dozen peals of London or Cambridge Surprise rung by people who could ring it with their eyes shut (applause). Each one of them who was able to ring a little must do his or her utmost to inspire others by their example and help in every way. They had promised to help him in the position to which they had elected him. He had not sought the position, but it was put to him that they ought to have someone of experience. Mr. Wigg, who was nominated by the committee, also felt this, and he also felt that his position as an assistant curate might possibly prevent him, very unwillingly, from carrying out the necessary duties. They hoped, however, in a very few years' time Mr. Wigg might be presented with a living in the diocese which might enable him to give a large portion of his time to the Guild (applause)—unless he was called upon, distinguished man that he was, to be a Bishop overseas. If they sent him to Central Africa he would not get much chance of ringing there (laughter). They hoped, however, that he would remain for some years in the diocese, and when the vacancy occurred they might be able to elect Mr. Wigg to carry on the traditions of their Guild, traditions by which everyone endeavoured to carry out the objects of the Guild to the greater glory of God and the furtherance of the great art of change ringing. The Master went on to thank the members for having unanimously elected him to the post. He was a very busy man, especially on Saturdays, but with the help of the secretary, the treasurer and Mr. Wigg he would do his utmost to carry on and to help the branches in any difficulties that might arise. Their officials had been tried and proved and never found wanting. When they held their committee meeting in March 61 members were present. That showed the life in the Guild. It was true it was the day after the burial of the friend and Master's burial, and they were in a sad state of mind, but the committee came there not merely to testify their feelings, but to see what they could do to further the interests of the Guild. Every member of that committee left the room determined to do his best to carry on the high traditions of the Guild, and he believed everyone present that day would leave that beautiful hall more than ever determined to carry out the great principles which they ought to have at heart (applause).

Canon Coleridge then called on Alderman Charles Brown, of the Oxford City Council, who was Mayor of Oxford and a member of the Oxford City ringers.

Alderman Brown in an amusing speech expressed his pleasure at being present at such a wonderful gathering and meeting such a wonderful variety of men and women all interested in such an extraordinary cause as that of bellringing. He had got no further in ringing than to take a rope for service ringing in a 120 with the tenor behind, but he knew the pleasure which ringers derived from their art.

Canon Coleridge apologised for the absence of Bishop Shaw, who was compelled to attend another luncheon—to members of the Economic Conference. He went on to propose a vote of thanks to the authorities of Christ Church for their kindness in allowing the Guild the use of the Cathedral, the Chapter House and that hall.

This terminated the proceedings, and the company broke up to participate in ringing in the many churches in Oxford, the 12 bells at the Cathedral, the tens at Magdalen and New College, the eights at Merton College, St. Giles', St. Ebbe's and All Saints' Churches, together with several of the rings of six being available, and throughout the rest of the afternoon Oxford was a veritable city of bells, which could be heard ringing in all directions.

POINTED QUESTIONS.

MIDDLESEX SECRETARY SHOWS HOW ALL CAN HELP.

A fraternal gathering of the Middlesex and Hertfordshire Associations was held at Monken Hadley, one of the prettiest spots near London, on Saturday, July 15th, and might have been attended by quite a large crowd had the weather been more settled, and had there not been other attractions. As it was, some 40 or so members of one or both the associations had quite a pleasant afternoon's outing, and some good practice in almost any method they fancied. The fine peal of eight at St. John's, Barnet, was the attraction in the early afternoon, and these bells could be heard by the few ringers who were watching cricket on Hadley Common, waiting for others to make up a band.

At 5 p.m. a bright service was held in the ancient church at Hadley. The Rector (Rev. G. Richardson), after welcoming the two associations, said that he had heard a comparison made between the peals at Barnet and Hadley which had set him thinking. 'We may not,' he said, 'have such fine bells as some of you have in your own belfries, but we have as fine a setting in this pretty village as one could wish for. There is not a prettier spot round London, and when, as we soon hope to do, we have sent the bells to Loughborough or Croydon to be retuned, we shall then have as nice a peal as any of you would wish to have.'

After a good tea had been enjoyed, an informal meeting took place. The Rector took the chair, being supported by Mr. E. C. Shepherd (Herts president), Mr. W. Nash (Herts District secretary), Mr. W. Pickworth (Middlesex vice-president), Mr. W. Pye (Middlesex Master), Mr. A. W. Coles (Middlesex District Master) and Mr. C. T. Coles (Middlesex District secretary). The latter gave a hearty welcome to Hertfordshire ringers, and touches on two topics of which much had been heard lately. First, the social side of ringing, which was much advanced by these joint meetings. It was a change to see new faces, different people, and get a different atmosphere. He said he could quite understand ringers staying away from a Middlesex meeting, because they saw the same old faces, the same old secretary, time after time. It was good to see others, and he was quite sure that Mr. Nash was a good antidote to himself. So they welcomed Hertfordshire ringers to this meeting. Secondly, 'What do we do for ringing?' 'It is easy,' said Mr. Coles, 'to assess what we get out of ringing—an occasional peal, perhaps plenty of peals. But what do we put in? We cannot all be conductors of peals, secretaries or Masters of associations, but we can find plenty of scope in helping at practices, assisting with young ringers, or regularly attending meetings. We might all asked ourselves two questions, "What do I put into ringing?" "Can I do anything more?"'

Mr. E. C. Shepherd thanked the Middlesex ringers for the welcome given to himself and other visitors from Hertfordshire, and said it would be well if they all thought over what Mr. Coles had said, which he heartily endorsed. He deplored the lack of support that association officials sometimes had from members. He added that he had much enjoyed this very pleasant meeting.

Mr. W. Nash proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector of Monken Hadley for his very interesting address and for the use of the bells; to the Rev. P. C. Deane for the use of the bells at Barnet; to Mr. Arbin and Mr. Sumpter, the towerkeepers; and to the organist and vergers. This was seconded by Mr. W. Pickworth and carried unanimously.

The Rev. G. Richardson replied. He again expressed his pleasure at meeting the ringers, and endorsed all that had been said by a previous speaker about putting something into ringing instead of only taking out. It was the same in everything in life. He added that he hoped soon to stir people up about their bells, and have them tuned, when they would have a peal to be proud of. He paid a tribute to the local captain, Mr. H. S. Arbin, who in spite of many difficulties kept his band together.

The meeting closed with a well-struck touch of 168 Stedman Triples on handbells by Messrs. J. Thomas, G. R. Pye, W. Pye and G. Collins.

Subsequently a large number of touches were rung in the tower for the benefit of all present, even Grandsire Triples was not despised by the Surprise ringer if it was to help a beginner. And the beginner was equally interested in the London and Bristol Surprise, in which we hope he will some day take part.

MUFFLED BELLS.

On Monday, July 10th, as an expression of sympathy with the relatives of Miss Hester Mary James, who passed away on the 7th inst., daughter of Mr. John James, J.P., churchwarden of Cotgrave, 720 of Bob Minor was rung at Cotgrave with the bells half-muffled, by: L. Henson 1, W. E. White 2, W. Hickling 3, W. White (conductor) 4, J. H. Burton 5, J. P. Hayes 6.

EXETER'S FESTIVITIES.

At St. Thomas' Church, Exeter, on June 27th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by members of St. Thomas': C. Hosgood 7th quarter-peal 1, E. Hill 2, J. Hosgood 3, F. Wills 4, W. A. Wills 5, P. Wreford (conductor) 6, E. W. Biffin 7, A. H. Goad 8. Rung in connection with festivities for the 800th anniversary of the foundation of the Cathedral.

LADIES' GUILD TITLE.

ANNUAL MEETING DECIDES AGAINST CHANGE.

A most enjoyable and successful gathering was held at Christchurch on July 8th, when members of the Ladies' Guild attended from a wide area for the annual meeting. Ringing commenced at 2.30, and some members had their first experience of twelve bells. Rounds were rung by twelve members of the Guild, but the weight of the bells prevented an attempt at changes by a ladies' band.

Members and friends to the number of 53 sat down to a most enjoyable tea, after which a short service was held.

The business meeting followed, at which the chair was taken by Mrs. R. E. Deal, the vice-president of the Central District, in the unavoidable absence of Miss Evelyn Steel, the president. Two ringing members and one hon. member were elected, viz., Miss M. Hodge, Miss M. Rous, of Christchurch, and Mrs. F. E. Bayley, of Titchfield.

The hon. treasurer presented the accounts, which showed a loss on the year's working, but it was pointed out that two donations amounting to £3 5s. were included in the expenses, which more than accounted for the deficit. The balance in hand at June 30th was £25 2s. 0½d.

The president, Miss Evelyn Steel, was re-elected, as was also the hon. secretary and treasurer, Mrs. E. K. Fletcher.

The Secretary reported that in all districts meetings had been held regularly, and were in most cases well attended. She mentioned that the district secretaries have a good deal of trouble in collecting subscriptions, and urged members to pay at the commencement of each financial year. In one district with 59 members, only 26 had paid for the year ending June, 1933.

The form of the new service papers were discussed, and several alterations and additions were made.

RESOLUTIONS FROM THE NORTH.

At the request of the Northern District the secretary brought forward four resolutions which had been passed by that district. The first was: 'That the title of the Guild be changed from "The Ladies' Guild of Change Ringers" to "The Women's Guild of Change Ringers," because the members felt that the original title was out of date, and they considered the word "Woman" to be a much nobler title and in every way more comprehensive.'

Miss N. G. Williams, Western District secretary, was of the opinion that if a new Guild were being formed it might be desirable to consider the adoption of the proposed new title, but as the Guild had been in existence for so many years it would be inadvisable to change the present title.

Miss H. F. Mills, Southern District secretary, stated that the matter had been carefully considered at the annual district meeting, and there was no desire to alter the existing title.

Mrs. P. Humphrey pointed out that if the title was adopted, girls would not be eligible for membership. Mrs. Fletcher suggested that a juvenile section might be formed.

Mrs. Fletcher, general secretary, stated that the 'Ladies' Guild' had been in existence 21 years, and even if the name was changed the original title would still be used by the majority of ringers. It would be a pity after so long to change the name. In the years to come, say, 10 or 20 years hence, it would appear as if the Ladies' Guild had lapsed and another Guild had been formed. About 200 badges had been sold with the present title, and they would be useless to the members who had purchased them. Also a peal book had been presented to the 'Ladies' Guild of Change Ringers,' and this would have to be altered. She further stated that she had discussed the matter with ringing friends, and the general opinion was that it would be a great pity to change the name.

Mrs. Richardson, Lincoln district secretary, also spoke against the alteration, which she thought was quite unnecessary.

Mrs. Deal, vice-president of the Central District, stated that the Central District were unanimously in favour of retaining the present title.

There were no speakers for the resolution, the meeting being thus unanimously in favour of 'no change.'

The second resolution had reference to the service papers, and the suggestions were adopted.

THE ROTA OF ANNUAL MEETINGS.

The third resolution, that the annual general meeting be held in each district in turn and not in London every third year, was not agreed to, it being pointed out that by having the meeting every third year in London it was possible for all districts to attend at least every third year, there being excursions to London from all parts, whereas by being held in each district in succession some members would be prevented from attending for much longer periods, as cheap travel across country was not possible.

The fourth resolution, that 'if a representative be sent to the annual general meeting all expenses be paid by her own district,' was not discussed at length, as the income of the Guild would not allow of this expenditure. The Chairman reminded the members that the general secretary, by a resolution passed many years ago, was entitled to 25 per cent. of the annual income of the Guild for travelling expenses, but that she had not drawn a penny. This had enabled the Guild to keep a fairly substantial balance, and she did not think the Northern District fully realised the state of the Guild's finances.

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YORKSHIRE CHANGE RINGING CONTEST.

EIGHT COMPANIES COMPETE FOR HALIFAX ASSOCIATION'S CUP.

Halifax and District Association held their annual meeting and a six-bell contest at Meltham on Saturday, July 15th. The competition consisted of a touch of 600 changes, with three leads practice.

Eight sets had entered for the contest, and two sets of prizes were given, the cup and six clocks going to the winners, while biscuit barrels were given as second prizes.

The draw was made thus: 1 Sandal (Oxford Treble Boh), 2 Liversedge (Oxford), 3 Kirkburton (Oxford), 4 Almondbury (Kent), 5 New Mill (Oxford), 6 Holmfirth (Oxford), 7 Stainland (Oxford), 8 Shelley (Oxford).

Unfortunately, Sandal were not able to take their place as drawn, so were sent last, and had a penalty imposed of ten faults.

An excellent tea was provided, to which over one hundred sat down.

Mr. E. Earnshaw (president) was chairman at the meeting, when the balance sheet was presented and adopted on the motion of Mr. J. Tinker (New Mill), seconded by Mr. W. Dransfield (Almondbury).

Mr. E. Earnshaw (president), Mr. F. Salmons (treasurer) and Mr. L. Hargreaves (secretary) were re-elected.

Mr. W. Idle (Batley) and Mr. E. Whiteley (Meltham) acted as judges for the competition, with Mr. Webster (Meltham) as marker.

The result was as follows: Liversedge, 132 faults; Kirkburton 350 faults; Almondbury, 327 faults; New Mill, 120 faults; Holmfirth, 110 faults; Stainland, 292 faults; Shelley, 171 faults; Sandal, 167 faults and 10 penalty, total 177. Holmfirth were thus winners, with New Mill second.

Mr. Hollingworth presented the cup and prizes, in the absence of the Vicar. Mr. H. Booth (Holmfirth) and Mr. J. Tinker (New Mill) replied on behalf of their ringers.

A vote of thanks was given to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, also to the ladies for providing such an excellent tea.

Mr. H. Booth (Holmfirth) and Mr. J. Fisher (Stainland), the auditors, were duly thanked, as were also the judges and chairman.

STEDMAN TRIPLES AT KNARESBOROUGH.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—While congratulating the members of the Lancashire Association who recently rang a peal of Stedman Triples at Knaresborough, they were evidently misinformed as to it being the first peal of Stedman on the bells. The first peal in that method rung at Knaresborough was rung on Saturday, October 17th, 1925, at the rededication of the bells, and two of the then local band rang in it—Mr. A. M. C. Field and the late Mr. Fred Smith. The composition was Heywood's No. 1, and the conductor was yours faithfully,

PERCY J. JOHNSON.

ELY ASSOCIATION'S FIRST PEAL OF LONDON.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In your issue of July 7th a peal of London Surprise was published for the Ely Diocesan Association claiming to be the first in the method by the association. This is incorrect, the first peal of London having been rung for that association at Coggeshall on February 14th, 1914, conducted by D. Elliott.

W. KEEBLE.

OXFORD MOVEMENT CENTENARY.

On Friday evening, July 14th, to celebrate the 'Kemble centenary service,' held at St. Michael's Church, Southampton, the following members of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, at the request of the Vicar (the Rev. R. A. R. Spread), rang a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: G. Williams (conductor) 1, C. J. Fray 2, G. Pullinger 3, J. W. Faithfull 4, J. Hill 5, W. Troke (first quarter in method) 6, W. T. Tucker 7, R. Brown 8.

(Continued from previous column.)

It was decided to hold the next annual general meeting at Surfleet, Lincolnshire, the Lincoln District not having had a general meeting in that area.

Mrs. Fletcher proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Miss C. Sparshott, of Christchurch, who had arranged the meeting, and mentioned that Miss Sparshott had been a member of the Guild since its formation, and it was the first opportunity she had had of attending a meeting. In spite of this, Miss Sparshott had always sent her annual subscription within a month or six weeks after it became due, without any reminder from the secretary, and if all members would follow her good example the task of the district secretaries would be much easier.

Miss Sparshott, in replying, said how delighted she was to welcome the Guild to Christchurch, and she hoped they would come again. A vote of thanks was also passed to Mr. G. Preston, to the priest who conducted the service, and to the organist.

Among the visitors was the 'movie' operator of the Surfleet Picture Corporation, with his 'infernal machine,' and a further 90ft. of film recording the doings of the Guild outside the belfry will be added to the collection. If this sort of thing continues, a film censor to the Exercise will have to be appointed in the near future.

NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 27th, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 25th; both at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. — William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Isle of Wight District. — A quarterly meeting will be held at Freshwater on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea, 5, at Gillings' Tea Rooms, Station Road, by kind invitation of the Rector, followed by business meeting. All ringers welcome.—B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., Collingwood, 23, Daniel Street, Ryde, I.O.W.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Summer Festival at Leatherhead and Ashted, Saturday, July 22nd. Ringing at both towers from 2.30 p.m. and after tea. Service at Leatherhead at 4.30 p.m. Meat tea (1s. 6d. per head) at the Institute, Leatherhead, at 5.15 p.m.—J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover, Hockerling Gardens, Woking.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Kirdford on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (6) available from 2 o'clock till 9. Short service 4.30. Tea, 5.15, at the Half Moon, 1s. each.—A. W. Groves, Amherst, Dominion Road, Worthing.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch. — A meeting will be held at St. Cuthbert's Church, Lytham (8 bells) on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 35, Berwick Road, Blackpool, S.S.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District. — A quarterly meeting will be held at Yateley on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available 2.30. Service 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — Burton-on-Trent District.—The next district meeting will be held at Netherseal on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. A good meeting is requested. — A. Sharp, 194, Uxbridge Street, Burton-on-Trent.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Banbury and District Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Adderbury, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Service 4 o'clock, followed by tea and business meeting. Banbury (10) and Deddington (6) will be available in the evening. Good bus services. For tea, kindly notify.—E. Pearson, Hon. Dis. Sec., Deddington, Oxford.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—The next meeting will be held at Burbage on Saturday, July 22nd (not Stoney Stanton as arranged). Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea (1s.) and meeting at 5 p.m. All members and friends cordially invited. Any collections for Sir A. P. Heywood's Memorial Fund may be handed in at this meeting. — A. E. Rowley, Local Hon. Sec., Station Road, Higham-on-the-Hill, Nuneaton.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Moreton Corbet, Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (6) available 3 p.m.—R. R. Pole, Assistant Hon. Sec., 88, North Street, Shrewsbury.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. —Ilchester Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Somerton on Saturday, July 22nd. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Meeting to follow. — F. Farrant, Hon. Local Sec., North Street, Martock.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at North Mimms on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at the Churchyard Cottage at 1s. per head. A fete is also being held in the park adjoining the church. All welcome.—W. Nash, Dis. Sec., North Mimms, Hatfield.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—The next practice has been arranged at Penn (6 bells) on Saturday, July 22nd, at 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided at 1s. per head.—A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. — Portsmouth District. — A quarterly district meeting will be held at East Meon on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Service in Parish Church at 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. West Meon bells (8) available from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome. — A. T. Greenwood, 14, Cobourg Street, Portsmouth.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at Limpsfield Chart on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells at 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m.—G. F. Hoad, Dis. Sec., 20, Warren Road, Reigate.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Surfleet on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.15 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. — George Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—The next meeting will be held at Great Glen on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Come and make a real good meeting. — Ernest H. Bagworth, Dis. Sec., 36, Turner Road, Leicester.

DAGENHAM, ESSEX.—Ring of six, tenor 14 cwt. Frame and fittings restored and bells recast by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon. Dedication, Thursday, July 27th, at 8 p.m. by the Lord Bishop of Barking. All ringers welcome.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District. —The next meeting will be held at Appledore on Saturday, July 29th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.45, followed by tea. Travelling allowances at this meeting. All ringers welcome, and a good attendance is looked for. A card would be appreciated.—A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The annual branch meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Whittle-le-Woods, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells ready from 2.30 p.m. Tea, 1s. 6d. a head, to all who notify Mr. Adam Blogg, Waterhouse Green, Whittle-le-Woods, not later than Wednesday, July 26th. Business: Election of branch secretary and committee men, also nominations for association vice-president, ringing secretary, treasurer and two auditors. A good attendance is requested.—Fred Rigby, Hon. Branch Sec.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.—The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July 29th, at St. Michael's, Mottram-in-Longdendale. Bells ready 3 p.m. A good attendance, please.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—The next meeting will be held at Dore on Saturday, July 29th. Tea, 6d. each, to those who notify W. Bingham, Causeway Head, Dore, by July 26th.—A. G. Wallace, Hon. Sec., Monyash Road, Bakewell.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—By the invitation of the President (Canon C. C. Marshall) and the ringers of St. Chad's, Far Headingley, Leeds, a summer meeting will be held at the above tower on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tea (1s. each) in the Schools at 5 p.m. No committee meeting or business meeting. The Vicarage gardens will be open to all ringers and friends. Please send in names for tea to Canon C. C. Marshall, St. Chad's Vicarage. — J. E. Cawser, Hon. Gen. Sec., Grange Villas, Ravenfield Common, near Rotherham.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will be held at Chester on Saturday, July 29th. Service in Cathedral 3.15. Preacher: The Lord Bishop. Annual meeting in the Cathedral Parlour 4. Tea in Refectory 5. Tickets 2s. (members 1s. 6d.) from General Secretary, the Vicar of Middlewich, or from branch secretaries before July 22nd.

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual Festival, Saturday, July 29th, 2 to 9 p.m., at Callington. Bells: Callington (6), Linkinborne (6), St. Mellion (6), Pillaton (6), South Hill (5). Service in Callington Church 4 p.m. Tea 4.45. — Rev. H. Trehwella, St. Paul's Vicarage, Truro.

SURREY ASSOCIATION (North - Western District), **GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (Leatherhead District).—A joint meeting will be held at St. Martin's, Epsom, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea at Wright's Restaurant 5.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. D. Cooper, 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon, not later than Wednesday, July 26th. All ringers heartily welcome.—D. Cooper and A. H. Smith, Hon. Dis. Secs.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division. — A meeting will be held at Belchamp St. Paul's on Saturday, July 29th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting. Will those intending to be present please notify me by Tuesday, 25th inst, to enable me to make tea arrangements. — F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Caldicot on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (8) available. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting follows.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Altery View, Newport, Mon.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Central Branch. —A ringing meeting will be held at Soham on Saturday, July 29th. Bell (10) 3.15 p.m. No service. Tea 5 p.m. Soham, being rather off the map, please notify the numbers for tea by July 27th latest. All ringers welcome.—F. Warrington, Ashcroft, Mill Road, Over, Cambs.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Mildenhall Branch.—A meeting will be held at Elveden, near Thetford, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers are cordially invited to attend.—R. C. Sharpe, Dis. Sec., Suffolk Guild.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch. —The next quarterly meeting will be held at West Deeping on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (6) available during afternoon and evening. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting in school. Those intending to be present for tea please notify Mr. W. Neal, West Deeping, Peterborough, by Wednesday, July 26th. — C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham, Lincs.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—A meeting will be held at Crondall on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please come and help towards the success of this meeting!—C. W. Denyer, Dis. Sec., 120, Ash Road, Aldershot.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch. —The next monthly meeting will be held at Westerleigh on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow: Kindly let me know for tea by 26th inst. — Frank Skidmore, Hon. Sec., 80, Carlyle Road, Greenbank, Bristol, 5.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Eastwood, Rotherham, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Tea, at 9d. per head, supplied to those who notify Mr. H. Chaddock, 59, Lord Street, Rotherham, by Wednesday, July 26th. Please do try to make this a bumper meeting.—E. Cooper, Hon. Sec., 33, Church Street, Bentley, Doncaster.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The summer meeting will be held at North Shields on Saturday, July 29th. The bells of Christ Church (10, tenor 19 cwt.) will be available from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea in the Parish Hall at 5 o'clock, 1s. 6d. each. Members intending to be present please let me know as soon as possible—not later than the 24th.—George S. Taylor, Sec., 149, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch. —The next meeting will be held at Blackrod Parish Church on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD.—A meeting will be held at Brightling on Saturday, July 29th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. All ringers are very welcome.—C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch. —The monthly meeting of the Gloucester Branch will be held at Newent on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (6) open from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, 5.15 p.m., free. Will those requiring tea kindly let me know by the 25th? All ringers welcome.—W. H. Harris, Branch Sec., 4, Railway Terrace, Lydney, Glos.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Wilden on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (5) available from 3 p.m. Tea, kindly provided by Rector, 5 p.m. Please make an effort to attend. — Percy C. Bonnett, Rose Cottage, Stagsden, Beds.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at St. Chad's, Headingley, on Saturday, July 29th, in conjunction with the Yorkshire Association. Business meeting immediately after tea. — H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds, 12.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Friskney on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by usual business meeting. All who intend being present are kindly asked to notify me by first post on Tuesday, July 25th. All ringers will be welcome.—John Phillips, Hon. Sec., School House, Butterwick, near Boston, Lincs.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ross District. — The next meeting of the above district will be held at Llangarron on Saturday, July 29th, at 2.30. It being the bi-centenary of the bells (6), a good meeting is hoped for. Tea, in Parish Hall, at 5 o'clock. Don't forget fishing tackle and please let me know before the 27th inst.—J. Clark, Chase Road, Ross, Hereford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch. — The annual branch meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Burnley, on Saturday, Aug. 5th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Business: Election of officers and fixing date for annual social.—F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District. — A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Marden on Saturday, Aug. 5th. Bells (6) available 4 to 8.30 p.m. Tea, at the Volunteer Inn, 5.30 p.m. Please notify me not later than Aug. 2nd.—A. Gwynne, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—A general meeting will be held at Stradbroke on Monday, Aug. 7th. Bells (8) available all day. Tea, 1s. each, at the Queen's Head, at 4.30 p.m. Meeting follows.—Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

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SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

SOUTHGATE.—On Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. R. Glasscock 1, J. Armstrong (conductor) 2, N. A. Tomlinson 3, D. Ovington 4, G. Plater 5, H. Miller 6, J. E. Miller 7, W. Pickworth 8. Rung on the occasion of the visit of the Bishop of Willesden, also as a birthday compliment to D. Pink, one of the local ringers.

OXFORD.—At St. Ebbe's Church, for morning service, on July 9th, 1,344 Oxford Bob Major: R. Cattle (first quarter-peal) 1, J. Harris 2, W. H. B. Wilkins 3, W. Collett 4, F. E. Taylor (conductor) 5, F. E. B. Wilkins 6, F. May (first quarter-peal in method) 7, G. Horwood 8.—For evening, 720 Cambridge Minor: G. Horwood 1, W. H. B. Wilkins 2, W. Collett 3, F. E. Taylor (conductor) 4, F. May 5, F. E. B. Wilkins 6. All the above are regular Sunday service ringers at St. Ebbe's.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.—At the Parish Church of St. Michael, for morning service, on Sunday, July 9th, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: E. Ansell 1, H. M. White 2, F. Springham 3, F. Bird (conductor) 4, S. Carter (first quarter-peal in the method) 5, W. W. Tucker 6, W. T. Prior 7, H. A. Wacey 8.—On Whit Sunday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,277 changes): E. Ansell 1, R. Hayden 2, H. W. White 3, F. Springham 4, S. Carter 5, F. Bird 6, H. Bull 7, W. W. Tucker 8, H. J. Tucker (conductor) 9, W. Wilkins 10.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes): R. Hayden 1, Walter Prior 2, F. Springham 3, H. M. White 4, H. Bird 5, H. J. Tucker (conductor) 6, W. T. Prior 7, F. Dench 8. Also rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. M. White, secretary of the local band.

EAST ILSLEY, BERKS.—At St. Mary's Church on Sunday, July 9th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Field 1, E. Warwick 2, R. Warwick 3, W. Hibbert 4, M. Rosier 5, T. Curtis 6, C. Hibbert (conductor) 7, C. Parfitt 8. First quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by ringers of 5th and 6th, who hail from Pease-moore and Beeton respectively.

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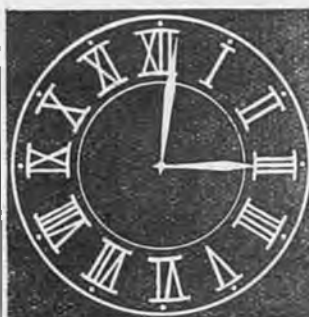
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