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Much more important, however, is it that ringing done in the hearing of the far greater audience of wireless listeners should be as near perfection as possible. complaint of a correspondent in our last issue of indifferent striking heard on the ether on Sunday evening's is fully justified. We want to educate the public to a greater liking of church bells, but this purpose will not be served by bad ringing or even by bells which 'come over' in such a way that, to the uninitiated listener, they appear a complete jumble of sound. We can quite understand that when a broadcast service is arranged from some church, the local ringers feel they are entitled to what honour there may be attaching to the broadcasting of the bells, and desire to keep this part of the proceedings in their own hands. But in so doing they are not always serving the best interests of the art. One or two indifferent strikers, who have no 'ears,' or, having 'ears,' are incapable of consistently correcting the inaccuracy of a 'false-struck' bell, can mar the whole effect of a broadcast, by robbing it of the rhythm which is the foundation of good ringing, and thus creating in those who hear it a sense of irritation instead of pleasure.

We are afraid the importance of this is not fully appreciated by all ringers. Everyone responsible for a bell broadcast should see that the bells are manned by ringers who can be depended upon to put up a performance that can be counted as near perfection as possible. The man

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who is known to be a defective striker should be ruthlessly ruled out of any broadcast performance, and, if necessary, outside assistance should be invited to ensure a good result. The effect of ringing on the local public is important; the effect on the broadcast audience is of infinitely greater importance and we believe that any ringer, except the most utterly selfish, would be prepared to let a better man ring in his place if the matter were properly put to him. We cannot too strongly urge that nothing but the absolute best is good enough for a broadcast programme and no personal consideration ought to be allowed to stand in the way of producing it. If this advice were always acted upon many bell broadcasts would be a good deal better than they are, and the public would have a better appreciation of the ringers' art.

#### TWELVE BELL PEALS.

CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS. THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wednesday, November 22, 1933, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes, AT THE PRIORY CHURCH.

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5038 CHANGES: Tenor 28 cwt.

STANLEY WHITE Troble	Kenneth Derham 7
MISS CARRIE SPARSHOTT 2	GERALD SCRAGG 8
EDWIN V. HINTON 3	FRANK SPARSHOTT 9
MISS MARY ROUSE 4	WILLIAM FOWLER 10
MRS. ELSIE M. WILLIAMS 5	GEORGE PRESTON 11
FREDERICK PITTMAN 6	HARRY GILLARD Teno
Composed by G. R. NEWTON.	Conducted by George Preston.

First peal on twelve bells by all the band, and first peal by Miss Rouse, K. Derham and H. Gillard. The band are all regular Sunday service ringers at The Priory. First peal on the twelve bells.

CHELMSFORD. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Four Hours and Seven Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANCES; Tonor a.3 amt

	TCHOL	147 - W4.			
CHARLES T. COLES	Treble	*ALFRED PYR			7
GEORGE R. Pye	2	JAMES E. DAVIS	***		8
EDWARD P. DUFFIELD	3	IJOSEPH MARKS		***	g
SYDNEY TAYLOR	4	AMES BENNETT			
CHARLES W. ROBERTS		REDBEN SANDERS			II
LESLIE J. CLARE		WILLIAM PYR			Tenoi
Compared by Capping	Launann	Conducted by Sites		Th.	

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by William Pye.

\* First peal of Maximus. † First peal of Cambridge Maximus
away from the treble. † First twelve-bell peal.

#### TEN BELL PEALS.

ABINGDON, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES:

Tenor 2	eo} cwt.
*Miss E. Doris Blencowe Treble	JOHN P. PELLOR 6
ALBERT E. LOCK 2	RICHARD A. POST 7
HUGH J. BALCOMBE 3	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, IUN 8
MRS. A. E. LOCK 4	JAMES S. NAPPER 9
FRANCIS E. MAY 5	WALTER F. JUDGE Tenor
Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.  * First peal on ten bells.	Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE

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THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.	THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,	On Sunday, November 19, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, 8081 CHANGES;	A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5068 CHANGES
Tenor 17 cwt. 1 gr. 20 lb.  ROBERT J. DAWE 1reble   HENRY J. TUCKER 6	Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. OLIVER SIPPETTS Treble Nelson Elliott 5
BERNARD SAUNDERS 2 FRANK BENNETT 7	MISS MARGARET PACK 2 ALFRED J. BULL 6
FREDERICK N. SMEATON 3 HERBERT MAREWELL 8	REGINALD V. JOHNSON 3 WALTER CLAYTON 7
*ERNEST J. LADD 4 FREDERICK WHITE 9	KENNETH SNELLING 4 CECIL NICE Teno
*A. WINGFIELD DURHAM 5 ERNEST J. OLIVER Tenov	Composed by C. Middleton, Conducted by O. Sipperts,
* First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment	BRISTOL.
to Mr. James George.	THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
DERBY.	On Manday, November 20, 1933, in Three Hours,
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW, KINGSDOWN, A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,	Tenor 22 cwt.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, LITCHURCH,	*William Durbin Trible   *George Radnedge 5
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;	EDGAR GUISE 2 WILLIAM PARKER 6
HAROLD INCKLE Treble ALBERT H. WARD 6	HENRY BURT 3 FRANK SKIDMORE 7
*George Ward 2 JOHN THORPE 7 CHARLES E. HART 3 SIDNEY F. PALMER 8	GILBERT PEARCE 4 JOHN JEFFRIES Teno
JOHN H. SWINFIELD 4 J. FREDERICK MILNER 9	Composed by Horace Howlett. Conducted by Edgar Guise.
ARTHUR BRAINES 5 JAMES GEORGE Tenor	* First peal of Major Rung for the centenary of St. Matthew's Church.
Composed by John Reeves. Conducted by Albert H. WARD.	CRAYFORD, KENT.
* First touch of Kent Treble Bob Royal. Mr. James George's	
1,200th peal, and was rung in connection with the celebrations for his 80th birthday.	On Tuesday, November 21, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
All both bliving.	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,
EIGHT BELL PEALS.	A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Washbrook's Variation of Thurstans' Four-part.
WOMBOURNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.	Tenor 124 cwt.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.	HARRY HOVERD Treble   EDWIN A. BARNETT 5
On Saturday, November 18, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,	JOHN H. CHERSMAN 2 GRORGE J. BOTCHER 6
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BENECICT,	JAMES BENNETT 3 EDWIN BARNETT 7
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY 4 FREDERICK J. CULLUM Tono. Conducted by F. J. Cullum.
PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th observation). Tenor 10 Cwt.	Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of Mr. J. D
*JOHN T. GRIFFIN Treble   ERNEST G. LEWIS 5 LEONARD HOLDEN 2   SIDNEY O'C HOLLOWAY 6	Matthews, Master of the above society.
Dennis Holden 3 Sidney O'C Holloway 6  Norman G. Leech 7	BRADFORD-ON-AVON, WILTS.
ERNEST A. TURNER 4 DOOGLAS W. TURNER Tenor	THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
Conducted by N. G. LEECH.	On Wednesday, November 22, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,
* First peal a conductor. Arranged and rung as a 21st birthday peal	AT CHRIST CHURCH,
for E. G. Lewis, and believed to be the quickest peal on the bells.	A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.	CHARLES RAISON Freble   NORMAN V. ANDREWS 5
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.	WILLIAM LOUD 2 WILLIAM R. BAXTER 6
On Saturday, November 18, 1933, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,	JESSE FRANCIS 3 SAMUEL J. HECTOR 7
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,	WILLIAM C. WEST 4 CHARLES F. ANDREWS Tenos Composed by G. WILLIAMS. Conducted by SAMUEL J. HECTOR.
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES	Mr. S. J. Hector's 200th peal and first peal of Major as conductor.
Tenor 16 cwt.	BENENDEN, KENT.
ALPRED S. WIGHTMAN Treble   WILLIAM J. GROOM 5	THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
FRANK RUFFLES 2 JOHN J. CREASEY 6 WILLIAM WIGHTMAN 3 WALTER RUFFLES 7	AND ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.
George Wightman 4 Garnham A. Blaxcell Tenor	On Thursday, November 23, 1933, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
Composed by Chas, J. Sengley. Conducted by Wm, J. Groom.	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,
The conductor's 200th peal.	A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
TUNSTALL, KENT.	Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation). Tenor 20 cwt. William H. Lambert Treble   Archibald Stevenson 5
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION	CHARLES TRIBE 2 WILLIAM GORRINGE 6
On Monday, November 20, 1933, in Three Hours,	Mrs. H. Baker 3 WILLIAM WENBAN 7
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,	HARRY BAKER 4 HERBERT POPE Tenor
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;	Conducted by W. Wensan,
Tenor 9½ cwt.  Mrs. Edward H. Spice Treble   William J. Wood 5	* First peal. This was Mr. Lambert's 150th peal and he is 78 years of age. The conductor takes this opportunity of congratulating both
WILLIAM SPICE 2 STANLEY B. DOBBIE 6	Mr. Lambert and Mr. Tribe upon their excellent performance.
ERNEST J. DOBBIE 3 WILLIAM J. WALKER 7	
GEORGE KENWARD 4 EDWARD H. SPICE Tenos	BELL ROPES   FLAGS AND
Composed by J. Reeves. Conducted by EDWARD H. SPICE.	BEST QUALITY LOWEST PRICES BUNTING
This peal was specially arranged in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. William Spice.	THE PERT I OBAIL IT

GREAT BARDFIELD, ESSEX.—On Wednesday, September 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Harold Townsend (first quarter-peal in the method) 1, J. Jennings 2, G. Piper (conductor) 3, F. Suckling 4, W. Piper 5, E. Townsend 6, A. Piper 7, H. Taylor 8.

This peal was specially arranged in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. William Spice.

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#### 756 BUSHEY, HERTS. THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (In I hursday, November 23, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes, AT THE CEURCH OF ST. JAMES, A PEAL OF BUSHEY SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 13 cwt. WILLIAM SEELEY ... ... Treble | FRANCIS KIRK FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... 6 HENRY HODGETTS ... ... 2 HAROLD G. CASHMORE STEPHEN H. HOARE ... ... 3 HAROLD G. CASHMORE ... 7 WALTER AYRE ... ... 4 MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... Tenor Composed and Conducted by H. G. CASHMORE. This is the first peal rung in the method. W. Ayre's 50th Surprise penl. NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. On Thursday, November 23, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes. AT THE PARISH CRURCE OF ST. NICHOLAS, A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 144 cwt. ... ... Treble | HARRY STONELBY ALFRED KING \*\*\* \*\*\* THOMAS W. CHAPMAN PERCY ALDHAM ... 2 WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... JAMES GEORGE ... ... T D. HAROLD ARGYLE ... ... 3 ... Tenor ERNEST STONE ... ... 4 | JAMES GEORGE ... ... ... Tenor Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by WILFRID H. J. HOOTON Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. James George. BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (EASTERN BRANCH.) On Thursday, November 23, 1933, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, AT THE CEURCH OF ST. BOTOLPE. A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Tenor 21 cwt 1 ar. to ih.

ALBERT APPLEBY		7	reble	FREDERICK LEGGOTT	***	***	5
				HAROLD BARSLEY			
				CYRIL R. BURRELL			
				WILLIAM E. CLARKE			
Composed by J. R.	, Pr	ITCH.	ARD,	Conducted by W. F	î. Ci	LARK	B.
* First peal and fi	irst	atter	mpt.	† First peal of Major	. F	irst	peal
. C. Maine an naudwate	-	Disch	manl	of Majon on the helle			

of Major as conductor. First peal of Major on the bells.

#### LONDON.

THE NATIONAL GUILD OF POLICE RINGERS. On Friday, November 24, 1933, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

#### AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, SOUTHWARK, A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5048 CHANGES;

	THORPE, 'J' Division			***	***	T	reble
S.D. I	nspr. W. Bottrill, 'T'	Division	***	***	***	***	2
	LELLIOTT, 'R' Division		***	\$ 6 of			3
*P.C. C	. WILMINGTON, 'K' Divi	sion	***	***	***	***	4
P.S. G	. SCHLUTER, 'G' Divisio:	n	***	***	***	***	5
P.C. E	GWILLAM, 'H' Division		***	***	***	***	6
P.S. G	. SHIP, 'F' Division		***			***	7
P.C. T	HOS. G. BANNISTER, 'S' 1	Division		***		T	enor
	Composed by ExP	.C. CORN	BLIDS	CHARG	B.		

Conducted by Sub.-Div. Inspr. W. BOTTRILL.

\* First peal of Bob Major. All the above are members of the Metropolitan Police Guild of Ringers.

#### OLD WINDSOR, BERKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes, AT THE CEURCH OF ST. PETER.

#### A PEAL OF RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES:

Tenor II cwt	. 2 qr. 21 lb.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL Treble	WILLIAM WELLING 5
GEORGE MARTIN 2	LEONARD STILWELL 6
DOROTHY R. FLETCHER 3	WILLIAM HENLEY 7
KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER 4	HARRY WINGROVE Tenor
Composed by C. W. ROBERTS,	Conducted by H. WINGROVE.
First peal in the method by all	the band, on the bells and by the

NEWMARKET.—At All Saints' Church on Thursday, September 21st, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor (1,280 changes): A Bealo 1, O. Moody 2, S. Ward 3, S. Howlett 4, F. C. Turner 5, R. C. Sharpe (conductor) 6.

#### PETERSFIELD, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

#### Tenor 16 cwt.

JOSIAH D. HARRIS		7	reble	FREDERICK S. BAYLEY	5
CHARLES E. BASSETT					6
GEORGE WILLIAMS		*11		C. ERNEST SMITH	
JAMES TOPP		4+1	4	ALFRED T. GREENWOOD	Tenor
Compared by N I	DIT	CTAI	11	Conducted by A. T. Gopps	SWOOD

Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by A. T. First peal in the method on the bells. This peal replaces the falso peal at St. Mary's, Portsea, on November 4th.

#### SUDBURY, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

#### AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GREGORY, A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

		-	CHOL	IO CITI,	-
THOMAS CHINERY	***	T	reble	*HAROLD G. HERBERT	5
SIDNEY GRIDLEY		***		*HARRY G. FELTON	
*CLAUDE SNOWDEN				*CHARLES W. S. CLARKE	
*LEONARD JOHNSON	***	***	4	DAVID H. ELLIOTT	Tenor
Composed by W.	Sorr.	ANST	ALL.	Conducted by D. H. EL	LIOTT.

\* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob.

TETTENHALL, WOLVERHAMPTON.

#### THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. OFFICERS' PEAL.

On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCE OF ST. MICHAEL,

#### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES

		enor .	15 cwt,	
	JOHN C. ADAMS	Treble	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER	5
	JOHN PERRY	. 2	WILLIAM FISHER	b
ı	THOMAS J. ELTON	3	HERBERT KNIGHT	7
ı			BERT HORTON 7	enor
ı	Composed by C. MIDDLEY	ON.	Conducted by H. KNIGH	IT.

Arranged and rung to mark the jubilee of the society. All are past and present Ringing Masters except the ringer of the 7th (hon. secretary), and this was his first peal of Surprise as conductor.

#### THATCHAM, BERKSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

#### AT THE CHURCE OF ST. MARY.

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

HRYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

#### Tenor 13 cwt, 23 lb. in F.

EDGAR HUMFREY	7	reble	SAMUEL QUINTIN	***	5
THOMAS S. GOODCHILD					
MISS PAT HOLLOWAY	***	3	DANIEL D. COOPER	***	7
HARRY W. SMITH	***	4	ALBERT SMITH	***	Tenor

Conducted by DANIEL D. COOPER.

Rung as a 71st birthday compliment to Samuel Quintin, also to celebrate his jubilee as a change ringer.

#### LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE, WOOLWICH,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt.

EDWIN A. BARNETT Treble	JOHN S. MORTON	5
ALFRED G. HILL 2	BERTIE W. ALDRIDGE	ŏ
HARRY HOVERD 3	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY	7
*Rev. W F. LEADBITTER, B.A. 4	FREDERICK J. CULLUM	Tenor
Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD,	Conducted by FREDK. I	CRLLUM

\* Elected a member of the association previous to starting for peal, and the 77th Rector of Woolwich. The first Rector to ring a peal on these bells.

STALYBRIDGE, CHESHIRE.—At Holy Trinity Church on Sunday, October 15th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. Crawshaw 1, W. Schofield 2, A. Jackson 3, J. Jackson 4, A. Lee (first quarter) 5, G. Crowdy 6, F. Hodge (conductor) 7, T. Broadbent 8.

#### FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 162 cwt. in F.

HARRY HALL	*** ***	7	reble	CHARLES	w.	BURTON		• • •	5
AMBROSE MASON			2	WILLIAM	ELI	TIOI.	***	***	6
WILLIAM KEEBLE ERNEST W. BRIG			3	JOHN HA	LL .		***		7
ERNEST W. BRIG	HT		4	CHARLES	Bu	ROT		7	enor
Composed by Re	v. H. E.	Ви	LWER.	Conduct	ted 1	by Will	JAM	Kre	BLE

#### STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 15% cwt.

WITTIAM	C. PARVER		7	reble	THOMAS J. LOCK		5
					ERNEST C. S. TORNER		
					FRANK CORKE		
WALKER !	D Joseph		***	3	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE	7	2000
	-				_		
Compose	d by Sir A.	Ρ,	HEYV	VOOD.	Conducted by E. C. S.	TOR	NER

#### BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

#### AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

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

THURSTANS FOUR-	PAR:	T.	Te	nor	9 CW	/T.
W. GLYN B. SHAW		Treble	EDWIN H. FOSTER			5
H, ERNEST COX			ARTHUR ALFORD			
WILLIAM T. POSTON	***		WILLIAM POSTON			
ROBERT E. SUMMERS	***	4	HARVEY H. WINNEY	***	7	enoi
	Co	advected by	W POSTON			

#### Conducted by W. Poston.

#### SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, November 11, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

#### AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being three 720's of Bob Minor and four of Oxford Bob. Tenor 114 owt.

*H, Note				7	reble	T. M. GPIFFIN			4
A. MUNDY	DRN	···	•••	•••	2	†F. CARTER G. F. GRIFFIN	***	***	5
,						G. F. GRIPPIN.	4.5		

\* First peal. † First peal on an 'inside' bell. Rung half-muffled on the anniversary of Armistice Day; also in memory of Countess Waldegrave, who was interred at Chewton Mendip the same day.

#### COLLINGTREE, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHAMPTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 11, 1933, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. COLUMBIA.

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

Being 42 six-sco	ores.							T	enor	125	cwt.	
W. FAULKNER												
G. ATKINS									***	***	4	
	F.	Α.	CROW	***	 	$T_i$	ROSS					

Conducted by F. A. Crow. First peal and first attempt by all. First peal on the bells by a local band. Rung half-muffled for Armistice Day.

#### BLAYDON-ON-TYNE.

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, November 15, 1933, in I'wo Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT, STELLA,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being a 720 each of Double Court, St. Clement's Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 64 cwt. in B.

THOMAS DODDS ... ... treble | KENNETH W. CHEESEMAN ... 4 ROBERT W. LEIGHTON ... 5
HERBERT P. CLIFF ... ... Tenor WILLIAM J. DAVIDSON ... 2
STEPHEN THOMPSON ... 3 Conducted by HERBERT P. CLIFF.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor.

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THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Friday, November 17, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

AT THE CHORGE OF ST. MANGES;

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being a 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, St. Clement's
Bob and Double Oxford Spliced, Oxford Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Keut
Tenor 8 cwt.

JOHN THOMPSON ... ... Treble | WILLIAM J. DAVIDSON HERBERT P. CLIFF ... ... 2 | ROBERT W LEIGHTON HERBERT P. CLIFF ... 2 KENNETH W. CHRESEMAN Tenos STEPHEN THOMPSON ... ... 3 | KENNETH W. CHE Conducted by William J. Davidson.

First peal in eight methods by all.

#### OLDBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, November 18, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Forty-two six-scores in ten callings. Tenor 104 cwt. †Frank Hadley ... ... 3 | \*Alfred Wilk: Conducted by F. G. Handley. \* First peal. † First peal 'inside.'

STOKE POGES, BUCKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 22, 1933, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

#### AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Norwich Surprise, Double and Single Oxford Bob.
Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's Bob, Spliced Oxford and Kent
Treble Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb. in F sharp.

WILLIAM E. TAYLOR ... ... Treble | EDWARD S. T. FARR ... .. 4 WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 5
GEORGE GILBERT ... ... Tenor Leonard Stilwell ... 2 George H. Gutteridge ... 3

Conducted by GEO. GILBERT... ... Tenor
First peal in nine methods by all, on the bells and by the Guild in seven 720's.

APSLEY END, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 22, 1933, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Being one extent each of: (1) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (2) Plain and Double Bob, (3) Single and Double Oxford, (4) Hereward, (5) Double Court, (6) St. Clement's, (7) Cambridge. Tenor 143 cwt. Herbert Gates ... ... Treble | Stephen H. Hoare ... ... 4
Francis Tomprins ... ... 2 | Harold G. Casemore ... 5
Augustin V. Good ... ... 3 | Walter Ayre ... ... Tenor

First peal in ten methods by all the band, on the bells and in the county, as a 5,000 with spliced 720's. Rung half-muffled in memory of Alderman W. Runham, some time Mayor of Hemel Hempstead, and churchwarden at the above church for 25 years; also in memory of John D. Matthews, Master of the Royal Cumberland Youths, a very faithful servant of the society. Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

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#### HANDBELL PEALS.

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On Tuesday, November 14, 1933, in One Hour and Fifty-Six Minutes, AT 9, PEMBROKE ROAD,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;

JOHN AMBLER ... ... I-2 | WILLIAM BARTON... ... 5-6
PERCY J. JOHNSON ... 3-4 | GBORGE AMBLER ... ... 7-8
Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Percy J. Johnson.

This composition is No. 202 in the Central Collection.

CHILCOMPTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 20, 1933, in One Hour and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being eight six-scores of St. Simon's, eight of Old, eight of Plain Bob and 18 of Grandsire, with 22 different callings.

FREDERICK A. TARGETT ... 1-2 | RONALD G. BECK ... ... 3-4 E. JOHN TARGETT ... 5-5

Conducted by RONALD G. BECK.

Umpire-Leonard Dunford. Witness-Edward J. Chivers. First peal on handbells by all.

> PARTON-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 25, 1933, in I wo Hours and Twenty Minutes, AT 42, WESTFIELD ROAD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, four callings. Tenor size 171 in G. \* AMES W. GODDARD ... ... 1-2 | WALTER M. GODDARD ... 3-4

\*Ioseph Atkinson ... ... 5-6 Conducted by W. M. GODDARD.

Witness-Mrs. W. M. Goddard.

\* First peal 'in hand.' First peal as conductor.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. GOOD PROGRESS IN NEWBURY BRANCH.

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The annual meeting of the Newbury Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Newbury on Saturday, November 18th, when the following towers were represented: Bucklebury, Beedon, Brightwalton, Compton, East Garston, East Ilsley, Hungerford, Peasemore, Shaw, Thatcham and Newbury ringers. Visitors were present from Abingdon, Basingstoke, Reading, Mortimer, Englefield, Streatley, Aldermaston and Overton. Service was conducted by the Rector (Canon W. L. Cooper), assisted by the Rev. W. Kingsley Kefford, who read the lessons. The address was given by Canon G. F. Coleridge (Master of the Guild). An excellent tea was served in the Parish Room by Mrs. H. W. Curtis, assisted by other ringers' wives, and upwards of 50 sat down.

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Mr. H. W. Curtis, branch hon, secretary and treasurer, reported good progress during the year. Five peals had been rung and meetings had been well attended. Mr. Curtis spoke of the sad loss they had sustained in the death of their Master and friend, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, and all stood for a few moments as a token of respect. Mr. Curtis then welcomed Canon G. F. Coleridge, Mr. Jenkyn's successor.

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Good reports were received from nearly every tower in the branch. Canon Coleridge thanked the members for their warm welcome, and said he hoped to be with them whenever he could.—Mr. R. T. Hibbert and Mr. A. J. Wright congratulated the branch on its success. The next neeting was fixed for Chieveley in February, and the spring meeting for Midgham in April, the dates to be arranged by the

secretary.

Eight new members were elected. Votes of thanks were accorded to the Rector, Canon Cooper, Canon Coloridge, the Rev. W. Kingsley Kefford, the organist and Mrs. Curtis

and her helpers for the tea.

After the meeting Canon W. L. Cooper dedicated an oak peal board in commemoration of the peal of Grandsire Caters rung on Newbury ten on November 4th. Some good touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Bob Royal was rung during the afternoon and

#### DEATH OF MR. URIAH BRAVEN. 120 PEALS AS TENORMAN.

Bristol has lost one of its best known figures in ringing circles by the death on November 22nd of Mr. Uriah Woodland Braven. Early this year Mr. Braven underwent a serious operation, and while he seemed at first to make a good recovery, he gradually became worse and passed peacefully away, at the age of 59 years, after being confined to bed for about three weeks.

Although Mr. Braven's capabilities as a ringer were limited to the tenor, he was a most enthusiastic member of the Exercise, and had done his share in teaching young ringers to handle a bell. He had rung about 120 peals, all of them on the tenor. He took part in one



THE LATE MR. U. W. BRAVEN.

of the attempts for the Grandsire Cinques record at Painswick, being on the tenor when the bells had to be brought round at 9,000 odd,

on the tenor when the bells had to be brought round at 9,000 odd, owing to the fatigue of one of the band. He rang his first peal on October 16th, 1903, and for 30 years had been a member of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.

Last year he was chairman of Bristol United Guilds, and it was one of the proudest events of his life when he took the chair at the annual dinner last January.

The funeral service took place on Monday at St. Mary Redeliffe Church, to which Mr. Braven was devotedly attached. He was on the staff of the church and greatly respected by the clergy and his colleagues, and his great regret was that he was mable to take part colleagues, and his great regret was that he was unable to take part

colleagues, and his great regret was that he was unable to take part in the recent restoration celebrations, having been ordered to bed by his doctor on the day of the great festival.

The officiating clergy at the funeral service were the Vicar. Canon E. L. Hertslett, M.A., and assistant staff, also the Rev. H. L. Colin Walker, M.A. (Vicar of St. Luke's, Bedminster).

The service was choral, Mr. R. T. Morgan presiding at the organ. There were present at the church quite a number of fellow-ringers to pay their last tribute of respect, and as the cortege left the church the bells were rung half-muffled to 240 Stedman Triples by F. G. Leaker 1, E. Abraham 2, G. Pearce 3, W. Abraham 4, J. G. Jefferies 5, F. Skidmore 5, W. A. Cave 7, H. Pring 8.

The floral tributes included a wreath from the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association (Bristol Branch), and Bristol United Ringing Guilds.

Ringing Guilds.

#### WEDDING BELLS

On Thursday, November 16th, the Helmingham company attempted a peal as a wedding compliment to Mr. Cecil W. Pipe, of Staines, and a native of Grundisburgh, Suffolk, who was married on that date to Miss Dorothy Mitchell, of Virginia Water, Surrey. Unfortunately, the peal came to grief after an hour and a half's ringing, but the band extended their good wishes to the happy pair for their health and happiness. and happiness.

The method attempted was Waveney Surprise, in which the Leiston band have just scored the first peal. By a coincidence and unknown band have just scored the first peal. By a coincidence and unknown to each other, the two bands were practising this method at the same time. A peal of it was lost at Helmingham after two hours and forty minutes on October 30th, and thereby gave the Leiston band a chance to get a peal of it first. However, the Helmingham men congratulate the Leiston company and wish them all success in carrying on their good work in the future.

#### WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION

A SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENT

The dinner held on the occasion of the jubilee of the Worcestershire Association last year was so successful and enjoyable that it was Association last year was so successful and enjoyable that it was decided to arrange one each year, and on Saturday, November 25th, the first of these took place at Worcester, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. The Master (Mr. William Short) presided, and was supported by the Rev. T. C. de la Hey (Rector of Bromsgrove), Mr. Harry Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Walker (Birmingham), Messrs. F. W. Perrens and F. Pervin (Coventry) and nearly all the officers, the company numbering about 75 in all. Messrs. W. B. Cartwright and J. D. Johnson acted as M.C.s, and had arranged an excellent musical programme by Messrs. W. C. Dowding, G. J. Hemming, G. C. King, E. C. Barber and Miss Johnson.

The toast of 'The Association' was proposed by Mr. Albert Walker, who congratulated the officers on their work and referred to the loss sustained by the death of two so much respected members as Messrs. T. J. Salter and A. E. Parsons.

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Mr. James Hemming, who is to be congratulated on being made an alderman of Evesham, proposed the toast of 'Kindred Associations,' coupling with it a welcome to the visitors who were present.—Mr. F. W. Perrens, in his reply, referred to the undue importance given by some to small misunderstandings, and illustrated it by anecdotes which were much enjoyed.

When proposing the health of 'The Chairman,' which was drunk with musical honours, the secretary (Mr. J. R. Newman) called attention to this dinner being an experiment, but from the way in which everyone seemed to enjoy it there appeared no reason why it should not be repeated and prove more successful each year. That, however,

not be repeated and prove more successful each year, would be for the next annual meeting to decide,

#### GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

A well-attended meeting of the Guildford District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was held at Oid Woking on Saturday week, when, at the business meeting, presided over by Mr. J. Corbett (hon. treasurer of the Guild), the retiring district officers were renominated, viz.: Master, Mr. W. R. Melville; hon. secretary, Mr. G. L. Grover; and auditor, Mr. C. Hazelden. Mr. S. Marshall (Puttenham) was again nominated as hon. members' representative on the Executive Committee, and four names were submitted for the two places as representatives of the ringing members.

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The members present passed a vote of condolence with the widow of Mr. C. N. Burdock, the Guild's auditor (who had been buried that day), and stood in silence for a few moments as a mark of respect.

#### WOLVEY WANTS MORE BELLS.

VICAR AND A 'PRESSING NEED.'

The inclement weather on Saturday, November 18th, did not prevent good number from turning up at Wolvey for the joint meeting of the Warwickshire Guild and the Hinckley District of the Midland Counties Association. The six bells were kept going during the afternoon to various methods, and tea was served in the school by Mrs. J. H. Beale and helpers.

The Vicar (the Rev. S. Morris) welcomed the visitors, and sat down to tea with them, accompanied by Mr. P. Toone, one of the church-

wardens

After the tea, the expenses of which were kindly defrayed by one who remained anonymous, Mr. J. H. W. White (Master of the Warwickshire Guild) proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, to the kindly donor of the tea and to the helpers.—This was seconded by Mr. C. H. Webb, of the M.C.A.

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The Vicar responded by saying how pleased he was to welcome the members of the two neighbouring ringing associations, and expressed the hope that shortly the six bells would be augmented to form an octave. The reason he had invited the churchwarden to the tea was that he might see the keenness amongst visiting ringers. When he that he might see the keemness amongst visiting ringers. When he had added to that the keenness amongst the local ringers, he would understand the pressing need for two more bells (applause).—Mr. J. H. Beale (the local captain) supported the Vicar in his remarks. A touch of Stedman Triples was then rung on handbells by Messrs, F. W. Perrens, F. E. Pervin, J. H. W. White, C. H. Webb. Mrs. D. E. Beamish and Mr. C. H. Webb also rang a few tunes on the handbell

handbells.

A return was made to the tower, where ringing was resumed and continued until about 8 o'clock, the methods being Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Bob Minor, Double Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge, Beverley and London Surprise, with rounds and call changes for the beginners.

The towers represented at the meeting were as follows: Allesley, Arley, Broughton-Astley, Bulkington, Burbage, Chilvers Coton, Croft, Earl Shilton, Exhall, Higham, Nuneaton, Peckleton, Sapcote, Stoke, Stoney Stanton.

#### MUFFLED BELLS.

At Southgate, Middlesex, on November 23rd, 1,263 Stedman Caters: John Armstrong (conductor) 1, J. Nash 2, W. Bowden 3, S. Wade 4, G. Plater 5, W. Pickworth 6, N. A. Tomlinson 7, H. Miller 8, J. E. Miller 9, A. G. Crane 10. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of Mr. Thomas Tinner, a churchwarden of Christ Church, who was buried earlier in the day.



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#### BELFRY GOSSIP.

Tewkesbury hells are now at Loughborough Foundry to be timed. The two trebles are being recast and two additional bells added as the national memorial to the late Rev. C. D. P. Davies.

On Saturday last, the new Rector of Woolwich, the Rev. W. F. Leadbitter, B.A., scored a peal of Beb Major at his own church. It is over 20 years since he rang his last peal.

Mr. Wm. H. Lambert, of Benenden, Kent, who is 78 years of age, rang his 150th peal last week at his Parish Church. Another veterns who took part was Mr. Charles Tribe, of Tenterden, and they are both to be congratulated upon an excellent performance.

Congratulations, also, to the band at Christchurch, Hauts, upon scoring the first peal on the twelve bells at the Priory Church. Mr. George Preston has for many years laboured arduously to maintain

George Preston has for many years laboured arduously to maintain a company at Christchurch, and it is no mean performance to have raised them to twelve-bell peal standard in so comparatively short a

It is noteworthy, too, that this peal was the first by three of the band. It is seldom that a twelve-bell peal is the first that a ringer scores; to have three 'firsts' in one peal is all the more praiseworthy. In a peal of Grandsire Doubles at Oldbury, Worcestershire, three ringers rang their first peal and two their first 'inside.' We always look upon a performance of this kind as a peal of merit, and hope it is a first step to higher things.

The bells at Prescot Church, Lanes, are to be restored. The frame, which had got into an unsafe condition, is to be strengthened. The work will cost between £200 and £250, and it is proposed to raise the

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#### PRESENTATION TO REV. F. LI. EDWARDS.

To mark the completion of 25 years' ministry as Rector of Kington Magna, the Rev. F. Llewellyn Edwards entertained the ringers, choir and other churchworkers, numbering 40 in all, to supper on Tuesday, November 21st. During the course of the evening he was presented with a handsome silver inkstand as a gift from his guests. On the following Saturday a peal in seven methods was rung by members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild on the bells of Kington Magna Church in honour of the event. To complete the festivities the lymns at evensong on Sanday were sung to the accompaniment of Gillingham Silver Band. Silver Band.

#### STAGSDEN'S BELL FUND COMPLETED.

A THANKSGIVING PEAL.

Although Stagsden, a Bedfordshire village, has had a ring of five bells since the year 1769—some of the bells are dated 1652—no peul

bells since the year 1769—some of the bells are dated 1652—no peal had been rung on them until Saturday week, when, as recorded in our last issue, 5,040 of Miner in two methods was rung, and four of the local band took part—three ringing their first peal.

It was on January 9th, 1930, that an appeal was launched for funds to restore the bells. Since that time about £495 has been raised to carry out the scheme, the fund being completed on November 10th, 1933. The peal was arranged and rung as an act of thanksgiving for the successful conclusion of the scheme. The striking throughout the peal was good, and parislioners have expressed their appreciation of

the successful conclusion of the scheme. The striking throughout the peal was good, and parishioners have expressed their appreciation of the performance.

Stagsden now has a band of ten ringers, all, with the exception of two, under 30 years of age, and all six belts have been rung for morning and evening service on each Sunday since they were dedicated on November 4th, 1932. The restoration work was carried out by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., and the belts are a delightfully musical ring and a pleasure to handle.

#### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SUGGESTED RING OF EIGHT AT ALDRINGTON.
A very pleasant meeting of the Southern District was held at Aldrington on Saturday, November 25th, and attended by 25 members, who showed their interest in six-bell methods by ringing five different Surprise methods, two Treble Bob, two Flain, two Doubles and that 'nobody's child '—Woodbine. The Rector (the Rev. H. T. Mogridge), who is himself a ringer, and took part in the ringing during the afternoon, gave a very interesting address and presided at the short business meeting.

business meeting.

Mr. J. Thornton Rickman, Master of the association, was present and proposed the hearty vote of thanks which was accorded the Rector for presiding, granting the use of the bells and his address; also to the organist and to the local ringers for having everything in readiness. The following towers were represented: St. Nicholas', St. Peter and the Good Shepherd, Brighton, Chichester, Crawley, Heene, Lewes. Lindfield, Ringmer, Shoreham and Steyning, together with several members of the local band.

After tea several touches were rung on the handbells, and incidentally, during that usual period of informal talk, the 'odd-struck' six at the church came in for some comment. Aldrington having the only peal of bells in Hove, it is to be hoped that a fund for replacing them by a good eight will be started before long. It is also worthy of note in these times that the church has recently had an addition made to accommodate the larger congregations in this ever-growing residential area. ever-growing residential area.

#### A VILLAGE BELL OPENING.

#### THE SPIRIT OF THANKSCIVING.

To appreciate to the full the place which church bells occupy in the hearts of the English people one has to go to a village bell opening. In a little country parish there are few things which arouse a keener interest than the restoration of the bells, which, perhaps, for centuries have been one of the chief means of expressing the public joys and sorrows, and have summoned generation after generation of villagers to join in the Sunday services, or, at least, have served as a reminder

of the Day of Rest and its privileges.

Last Saturday, in the bleakness of a November afternoon, and through the first snowstorm of the winter, we made our way to through the first snowstorm of the winter, we made our way to Upton Grey, a tiny Hampshire village of Saxon origin, almost unknown and untouched by the busy world beyond. It is reached only by by-roads, so narrow in places that there is hardly room for two vehicles to pass, and one comes upon it suddenly, nestling round the village poud, and trailing away up the hillside to the ancient church. Upton Grey had for the day, at all events, assumed a new importance. Its bells had been restored and augmented, and the Lord Bishop of the Diocese was coming in person to dedicate them. Every man, woman and child from the village who could leave home or the fields or farmyards attended the service and when we arrived after

man, woman and child from the village who could leave home or the fields or farmyards attended the service, and when we arrived, after being delayed by the storm, the church was full, and the choir, composed of men and boys in clean white surplices and girls in their Sunday best, were assembled at the lych gate for the coming of the procession of clergy from the Vicarage, lower down the hill.

And while we wait we take in the main features of this somewhat remarkable building. There are traces, surely, of Saxon work, portions of the fabric are certainly early Norman. That arch of the tower which divides the nave from the chancel is undoubtedly part

foreigns of the father are certainly early Norman. That aren of the tower which divides the nave from the chancel is undoubtedly part of the original building; the chancel itself is nearly as old. There is a north aisle, which, built on the hillside, rises in tiers of pews, and at the west end there is an open gallery perched on pillars. Once upon a time there was (as we learned afterwards) a south aisle, but that had to be pulled down because it threatened to collapse. Some day, perhaps, the church may be lighted by electricity, for we had seen the now ubiquitous pylons of the national grid system rearing their heads among the trees near the village, but at present oil lamps and candles have to suffice.

#### THE SERVICE

But now the procession is approaching the south door, headed by the crossbearer. As it reaches the porch the choir begin the hynn, 'We love the place, O God,' in which the congregation wholeheartedly join. The procession passes under the tower to the chancel, where, the choir having taken their places, the clergy advance beyond the eastern arch and open out to make way for the Bishop, who carries his pastoral staff himself, to enter the sacrarium.

pastoral staff himself, to enter the sacrarium.

The preliminaries to the dedication ceremony are short: The Lord's Prayer and versicles, the 150th Psalm, the lesson from Numbers x., 1-10, and the Magnificat. Then the Bishop proceeds to the tower, where, standing beneath the western arch, he receives one of the bell-ropes, and Lord Basing, one of the churchwardens, requests him to dedicate the bells, the new hell frame and the chiming apparatus' to the glory and praise of God.' Then the Bishop speaks. He recites versicles, while the congregation reverently respond and afterwards join in the Lord's Prayer. And, having asked God's blessing on the work, his Lordship solemnly dedicates the bells 'in the faith of Jesus Christ, to the glory of God, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.'

A few blows, struck on one of the bells, signified to all within hearing that the central act of the service had been completed. Prayers fellowed and afterwards the Bishop addressed the congregation in homely but eloquent phrases, telling them of the original purpose of church towers and bells, of their influence on history, architecture and poctry, and of their lessons and their call. Quickly then the service ends with the hynn, 'Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven,' a prayer for blessing upon those whose work and gifts had made possible the setting up of the bells, and the Benediction.

The service was over; it was simple; it was impressive; its keynote was one of thanksgiving. As the procession of choir and elegy leave the church the merry little peal strike out overhead, manned by a team of ringers from Basingstoke, who, after some well-struck rounds, ring with equal precision a couple of six-scores of Grandsire Doubles. Slowly the congregation disperses, but many remain in the church-yout to listen for the first time to the sound of their village hells. The preliminaries to the dedication ceremony are short: The Lord's

Slowly the congregation disperses, but many remain in the church-yard to listen for the first time to the sound of their village bells as a ring of six, and while they listen the setting sun goes down in a blaze of glory, hathing the old church in its golden light, and seeming to shed its benison upon the crowning act of the villagers' devotion and generosity.

#### HOW RESTORATION WAS DELAYED.

It is something like five years since the restoration of the bells at Upton Grey was contemplated. Some of them were aucient, and the tener had come down from the pre-Reformation period. It was east about 1540, and inscribed, 'O Sancte Blasi Ora Pro Nobis.' It is badly cracked in the crown, but on account of its antiquity the Diocesan Advisory Committee would not allow it to be recast. A generous donor was, however, found willing to replace the old with a new bell, but another obstacle to the restoration was raised. An

'authority' advised the Diocesan Committee that the decrepit bell rame was also pre-Reformation, and, despite its derelict condition, they refused to allow it to be replaced. Quite rightly the Church authorities declined to spend money on it, and so a deadlock ensued—until it was discovered that the 'authority' was wrong and the frame not so old by 200 years as it had been represented to be. Thus were the antiquarians confounded!

the antiquarians confounded!

The whole peal now hang in a new frame of English oak. Two old bells, the present 4th, also cast about the year 1540, and the 5th, east in 1631, have been retuned and retained, the third recast, and treble and second added, which, together with the new tener, make up a well-balanced and merry peal, with a tener of 9 cwt. 4 lb. in A. The celebrations did not end with the service in church. A large number of parishioners, visiting clergy and ringers gathered in the Parish Hall and had tea together, and the Bishop came among the parts and charted to meet of them in turn. After tea the Yateley

party and chatted to most of them in turn. After tea the Yateley ringers, with Mr. S. J. Riddell as leader, rang a course of Grandstre Triples on handbells and a selection of tunes, which were much appreciated. A party of village boys led the 'whoopee,' and filled the hall with long and shrill cheers.

The Vicar (the Rev. Henry Sewell) and parishioners were thanked for their hospitality to the ringers by Major Stilwell (hon, secretary of the Basingstoke District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild),

of the Basingstoke District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild), who congratulated them on the consummation of the scheme which had given them such a delightful peal of bells.

The Vicar, in reply, welcomed the ringers and thanked them for coming to ring the bells on that occasion. He hoped they would come often and that soon they would have their own team of ringers in Upton Grey. Until then they would have to use the Ellacombe apparatus that had been installed. The Vicar also thanked all who had helped in the restoration scheme and the many clergy who had come to join in the service that day. come to join in the service that day.

#### THE BELLS AND TOWER.

Throughout the evening touches in various methods were rung on the bells, which delighted all who heard them. Messrs. J. Taylor and the bells, which delighted all who heard them. Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, who were represented at the service by Mr. R. H. Dove, have carried out the work in a most admirable manner. The following are the particulars of the bells:—

Treble.—Note F sharp. Weight: 3 cwt. 0 qr. 27 lb. 'Gloria in Excelsis Deo.' G. W. H. 1933

No. 2.—E. 3 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. 'In Terra Pax Hominibys.' G. W. H. 1933

No. 3.—D. 4 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. Cast 1832—Recast 1933. Basing—'so named in recognition of the work of John Limbrey Robert 3rd Lord Basing and his wife Mary Alice Erle for the restoration of the bells.'
No. 4.—Csharp. 5 cwt. 0 qr. 4 lb. 'O Saucta Anna Ora Pro Nobis.' (Date c. 1540.)

No. 5.—B. 6 cwt. 1 cr. 20 lb. 'Prayes the Lord, 1631.'
Tenor.—A. 9 cwt. 0 cr. 4 lb. 'Venite Exvitences Domino.' The gift of Harrictte Fanshawe Martin, last surviving member of the family of Admiral Sir W. F. Martin, Bart., G.C.B., Upton Grey House, 1870-1897.

The central tower of Upton Grey Church was built in two periods. The bottom portion is obviously part of the original building, the upper part, built in brick, was added in the 17th century. The walls are immensely thick and the accommodation in the ringing room-approached by steep external wooden steps—is helied by the outward dimensions of the tower. The ancient tener, now in honourable retiredimensions of the tower. The ancient tener, now in linear and retained ment, has found a resting place in the ringing chamber, where for many years twelve leather fire buckets lay neglected. They here the inscription, 'Upton Grey. J.1762K.' Two of these have been repaired and cleaned, and will be preserved as interesting relies. The mittals 'J. K.' are presumed to be those of James King, to whose memory there is a marble slab laid in the aisle of the church. G.

#### LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

#### HAVE AN UNWELCOME VISITOR. The November meeting was held at St. Michael's, Headingley, on

The November meeting was held at St. Michael's, Headingley, on Saturday. The bells were rung up shortly after 3 p.m., and (except for breaks for tea and the business meeting) ringing continued until 9 p.m. Members and friends were present from Armley, Batley, Burley, Calverley, Drighlington, Felkirk, Headingley (St. Chad's), Holbeck, Idle, Pudsey, Rothwell, Tadeaster and the local company. The business meeting was held in the tower, and the president exercised the sheir

occupied the chair.

After the minutes had been read and signed, the door of the ringing room was thrown open and a very trate man demanded that ringing should cease or his wife would leave home. When he stopped talking he was asked to leave the belry and make any complaint he had with regard to the ringing meeting to the Vicar, who had given his permission for the meeting to be held.

The business meeting was then continued and brought to a successful conclusion by the usual vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens and the local company.—Mr. R. Thomas replied (through the secretary) for the local company.

The next meeting will be held at Pudsey in January.

Methods rung were Cambridge Minor, Stedman Triples, Bob Major,
Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich Court Bob Major, Superlative and London.

#### EIGHTY—AND STILL GOING STRONG

MR. JAMES GEORGE'S DOUBLE EVENT,

Men may come and men may go, but James George goes on for ever, if some poet, whose name we can't be bothered to remember, will permit us to adapt one of his most impressive lines to meet the needs of the moment. For James George came long before most of us can remember and will go on—if actions and appearances can be relied upon plays often west of us have taken and appearances.

relied upon—long after most of us have taken our departure.

On Monday, as all our readers are aware, he celebrated his 80th birthday; on Saturday, as most readers will learn for the first time, he rang his 1,200th peal! What a double event! In this respect he has all previous record holders beaten to a frazzle. At a time of life when most people—if they are not already dead—sit with their feet in the fender and dream, or in their waking moments deplore the misdeeds of their past, Mr. George is dashing about the country,



MR. JAMES GEORGE AT 80. Photograph taken specially for 'The Ringing World.'

taking all bells as they come and ringing them to peals till the very gudgeons cry out for rest. What with cooking his own breakfast, tidying up the drawing room of 44, Cuckoo Road, and making his own bed, then travelling all day and half the night with just sufficient interval to put another peal in his bag, Mr. George has no time for runninating on the past, unless it is to pour into an interested ear some story of a new world conquered, and he has no misdeeds—to greatly of the deplace. speak of-to deplore.

This young man of eighty leads a hectic life and cannot understand why those many years his junior cannot keep up the pace with him. He started his peal ringing in 1889, when he was 35 years of age, and since that time has averaged more than one peal a fortnight! Fancy that, over a period of 45 years! This is how his peal ringing has advanced:—

lst peal, February 16th, 1889
100th peal, November 20th, 1884
200th peal, December 31st, 1899
300th peal, December 31st, 1899
300th peal, September 22nd, 1908
500th peal, October 19th, 1912
600th peal, October 8th, 1921
800th peal, August 18th, 1921
800th peal, August 9th, 1924
900th peal, July 3rd, 1926
1,000th peal, October 6th, 1928
1,100th peal, October 6th, 1928
1,100th peal, October 6th, 1930
1,200th peal, November 25th, 1933 1st peal, February 16th, 1889

It is impossible to recount here all the many great performances which Mr. George has put up. It will be remembered that not long ago—when much nearer 80 than 70—Mr. George rang Painswick tenor for 11½ hours in that lamentable effort, which was to have been a record, but proved to be false. All the heavy bells that have been open to him he has rung to peals, among them Bow tenor (53 cwt.), Southwark (50 cwt.), Norwich (43 cwt.), Cornbill (41 cwt.), Sheffield (40 cwt.), Shrewsbury (40 cwt.) and others little less in weight he has turned to peals, some in Maximus and some in Cinques, and those that are heavier he is still prepared to take on if opportunity offers. On the eve of completing four score years he rang the tenor at Nuneaton to Cambridge Major and the tenor at All Saints', Derby, to Treble Ten. Even on Tuesday 'he was on the box 'at St. Martin's, Birningham, and, at the age of 80 years 1 day, rang the 37 cwt. tenor to his birthday peal—at least, we shall be surprised if he didn't, although we had not heard the result of the attempt at the moment of going to press.

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Amid all the many performances of which Mr. George may be proud, there is this to be said without any possibility of equivocation, no man at his age has done the prodigious jobs at the rope end that Mr. George has accomplished, and no man of his years is so active in peal ringing. His total in 1933 is already 50. He began ringing in 'old men's' peals when he was sixty—he is the only survivor of that band—and was one of the veterans' company at Hart Street a few weeks ago. That he will long live to enjoy good health, his youthful outlook on life and to ring many more peals will be the wish of Mr. George's hosts of friends in every corner of the British Isles. British Isles.

Gentlemen, the toast is: 'Mr. James George, of England!'

MR. JAMES GEORGE'S PEAL LIST.

The following is the detailed list of Mr. James George's 1,200 peals, which have been rung in 46 counties and 388 towers in the British Isles:

Tower bells Handbells

Doubles:-	Rung Conduct	ed Rung
Grandsire	2 —	_
Minor:-		
In 1 method (including 2 of Cambri	dge) 7 —	_
In three methods		_
Triples :-		
Grandsire	75 14	7
Stedman	777	4
Union		1
T1 2 T2 1	-	-
Major:—	2 -	-
Grandsire	2 —	
	36(a) 1	_
Oxford Treble Bob	6 —	
Kent Treble Bob	58(b) —	-
Spliced Treble Bob (likeston Variation		-
Duffield		-
Forward		-
Little Bob	1	-
Double Norwich Court Bob	62(c) —	-
Cambridge Pleasure	1 —	-
Superlative Surprise	86 —	Service .
Cambridge Surprise	37 —	
London Surprise	11 —	
London Surprise  Bristol Surprise (with Treble)	6 —	(H-8)
Caters:—		
Grandsire	34(d) —	1
Stedman		14
Royal:-		
Grandsire	1 =	-
Aston		_
Oxford Treble Bob		-
Kent Treble Bob	Int I	-
Plain Boh		1
Little Bob		
T3		
G 3 73 6		
Cinques:—	4 —	
Cinadain.	9(f) —	
64 - 3		19
Maximus:—	145 —	19
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Kent Treble Bob		-
Granta Treble Bob		-
Forward		-
Cambridge Surprise	I —	-
	1.154 19	46

(a) Including 6,000. (b) Including 6,336 (both rung in one day). (c) Including 6,720. (d) Including 6,011 and 8,009. (e) Including 6,080 and 7,280. (f) Including 9,261 and 12,231. (g) Including 6,000 and 12,240 (record in the method), to which Mr. George rang the tenor. During the last year Mr. George has rung 50 peals, including 7,840 and 6,016 Oxford Treble Bob Major, and 6,400 Kent Treble Bob Major. Also two tenors to two peals of Major in one day.

#### ANOTHER LEICESTERSHIRE PEAL RESTORED.

A GIFT BY THE BARRON TRUST.

Saturday, November 18th, was a 'red-letter' day for Hathern, near Loughborough, for it saw the completion of the restoration of the Parish Church bells, which for many years had not been rung. When the scheme was recently contemplated, the Bishop's Advisory Committee sent their hon. consultant (Mr. Ernest Morris, F.R.Hist.S.) to report on the condition of the existing five bells. His account as to the shocking conditions in the bell chamber had such an effect on the substitution that the Chamber had such an effect on the that the Chancellor of the Diocese gave permit to take the

thells down before the faculty was completed.

The oldest bell in the tower is bell No. 4, dated 1618, and the next oldest, bell No. 5, dated 1620, both of these bells having been cast by Henry Oldfield, whose bellfoundry was at Nottingham. The tenor was east by Edward Arnold in 1792 when the foundry was in Hang-man's Lane, Leicester. It is interesting to note that the first Taylor, hellfounder, viz., Robert Taylor, was apprenticed to this Edward Arnold, and undoubtedly must have had a hand in the moulding and easting of this hell. These three old bells bear the following inscrip-

casting of this hell. These three old bells bear the following inscriptions, viz.—
No. 4.—Thomas Throne and Thomas Berrington, 1618.
No. 5.—Thomas Berrington and J. O. Throne, 1620.
Tenor.—Edward Deane and Thomas Harriman, Churchwardens.
Edward Arnold Fecit 1792.
Bells Nos. 2 and 3 were cast by G. Hedderley, of the Nottingham Foundry, in 1791, but these were so badly out of tune and of such poor tone that it was necessary to recast them under the present scheme of restoration. The weight of the tenor bell is 9 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. and the peal is in the key of G sharp.
The peal now consists of six bells, having been augmented to this number by the addition of a new treble bell generously given by the Rarron Bell Trust, who have also defrayed the cost of restoring the five bells.

The bells are now hung with the most up-to-date fittings, including ball bearings, and the decrepit old framework has been replaced by an enermously strong and massive structure built up of cast-iron sections upon a foundation of heavy rolled steel girders, the whole structure being thoroughly braced and tied together.

The new bell and the two recast bells are perfectly tuned on the 'Taylor True-harmonic' system of tuning, and the three largest bells, which have been retained in the peal, without recasting, have been tuned so that the whole real is now in perfect according.

tuned so that the whole peal is now in perfect accord.

In addition to the actual work to the bells themselves, other costly

improvements have been carried out in the helfry, including the fitting of copper wire guards to exclude the birds, a new belfry door has been constructed, the tower clock has been overhauled and the roof of the tower has been stripped, relaid and made stronger. All this work, tegether with the necessary stonemason's work, will cost approximately £120, and this has to be found by the parish.

The whole of the hell work has been carried out by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

The procession assembled at the Village Cross and marched to the church headed by the church banner. It consisted of the choir and clergy, the Bishep of Leicester, the Deputy Mayor of Loughborough, the Parochial Church Council, representatives of the Baptist and Methodist Churches and the chairman and clerk of the Parish Council, Mr. E. Denison Taylor (representatives) representatives. Mekhodist Churches and the charman and clerk of the Parish Council, Mr. E. Denison Taylor (representing the bellfounders), representatives of the Midland Counties Association and the ringers of Hathern Parish Church. When the head of the procession reached the church, the hymn, 'We love the piace, O God,' was sung. The Rector (the Rev. Douglas Hoole) conducted the service, and the lesson was read by the Rural Dean. During the hymn, 'Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven,' the Bishop and clergy proceeded to the tower, where the formal dedication took place.

Immediately after the dedicatory prayers the following raised the

Immediately after the dedicatory prayers, the following raised the bells in peal and rang a few rounds as the procession returned to the east end of the church: Ernest Morris treble, Colin Harrison 2, David Collins 3, John Saddington 4, John W. Booth 5, Felix Sutton tenor. The Bishop gave an inspiring address, and the service, which included the hymns, 'Lifted safe within the steeple' and 'When morning gilds the skies,' concluded with the Te Deum and the Blessing, Immediately after the service the ringers above mentioned rang the first 720

Bob Minor on the bells.

Tea was served to a large congregation in the schools, after which the bells were kept going to various methods by ringers from Nottingham, Cotgrave, Ilkeston, Loughborough, Shepshed, Sutton Bonnington and other places. Everyone was delighted with the 'go' of the hells, and the addition of the new treble now makes a very fine ring

BELLRINGING LECTURE.

At the request of the local branches of Toe H, a lecture on 'Bells and Bellringing' was given at Wimborne on Wednesday, November 22nd, by the Rev. F. Llewellyn Edwards, secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild. The chair was taken by Sir James Brooke, K.C.B., and there was a large and deeply interested audience. The lecturer's explanations of method ringing were illustrated by the Poole change ringers under the direction of Mr. F. W. Townsend, and a number of tunes were played by the Rev. C. A. Phillips' party of handbell ringers.

#### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

PRESENTATION TO FORMER BRANCH SECRETARY.

Mr. F. Rigby, the late hon, secretary of the Preston Branch of the Lancashire Association, was the recipient on Saturday week of a ringer's gold-pendant in recognition of the services he had rendered to the branch for a number of years.

The presentation took place at a meeting of the branch held at Higher Walton, where there is a very fine octave of hells by Taylor and Co., with tenor of 16½ cwt. Among those who attended the meeting were Mr. T. Duxbury, of Padiham, whose membership of the association dates from 1880, while the Goosenargh veterau, Mr. Wm. Clarkson, a mere youth of 31, also took part in touches of Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Other methods up to London Surprise were also rung, the bells being in full demand all the afternoon.

After tea the president (Canon H. J. Elsce) read a letter of apology from the Vicar of Higher Walton (the Rev. W. H. Cooper) and proceeded to make the presentation to Mr. Rigby, referring to the good work he had done during his nine years' service. The President voiced the sentiments felt by all the members towards him, as his unassuming modesty and diligent labours were always apparent.

Mr. Rigby, who was taken entirely by surprise, briefly acknowledged the gift. He said that, although he had never sought reward, the pendant was just such a present as he would have desired.

The next meeting was fixed for December 16th at St. Mark's, Presion, at the request of the authorities of that church, as they desire the advice of Canon Elsee regarding their bells, which are hung at the top of a rather slender tower and go none too well owing to the movement of the structure.

Adjourning to the belfry, the president joined in well-struck touches of Stedman and Double Norwich, and the bells were kept busy till 8.30, when a good fall in peal terminated one of the best meetings

held in the district for some time.

MANCHESTER BRANCH AT PENDLETON.

A very pleasant meeting of the Manchester Branch was held at St. Thomas', Pendleton, on Saturday, November 18th. Though not overwhelming in numbers, the gathering was, nevertheless, representative of quite a few towers and several districts.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. Fletcher), who, in his address, which would, perhaps, be better described as a 'talk,' made his congregation feel that they were as much a part of the Church as were the organist and choir. That 'feeling' lasted, not just to the end of the service, but throughout the day.

After the service a very enjoyable tea was served in the Schoolroom, where the service it very employable cea was served in the School cool, where later the business meeting was held. The Vicar took the chair, supported by the branch president (Mr. C. Ollier). The Chairman heartily welcomed the branch to Pendlton. It was the first visit during his incumbency.

Five new members were elected, which number included the chair-

out later, were celebrating their respective birthdays.

The places chosen for the forthcoming quarter's meetings were as follows: December, Manchester Town Hall; January, Manchester

follows: December, Manchester Town Hall; January, Manchester Cathedral; and February, Eccles.

It was asked that the good wishes of the meeting be sent to Mr. Sam Greenhalgh, a member of the local company and one of the well-known Pendleton band of earlier days, who has been confined to bed in Nell Lane Hospital, Withington, for several weeks.

At the close of the meeting a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the chairman for conducting the service, his encouraging address and for the use of the bells and rooms, and also for his services in the chair; also to the ladies and local ringers for providing such an excellent the and raching all the other necessary areas are recovery. such an excellent tea and making all the other necessary arrangements.

The day was brought to a close in the usual way, among the bells, the standard methods, Double Norwich and Cambridge being rung.

#### TUNSTALL RINGER'S GOLDEN WEDDING.

CELEBRATED BY A FAMILY QUARTER-PEAL.

To celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. Spice, of Tunstall. Kent, on November 19th, a family quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung by Mrs. E. H. Spice 1, P. J. Spice 2, Mrs. G. H. Spice 3, G. H. Spice 4, J. W. Unwin (son-in-law) 5, E. H. Spice 6, W. Spice, sen., 7, W. H. Spice 8. It was conducted by father In addition, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung, with W. Gorman and G. Kenward taking the places of W. H. Spice and Mrs. E. H. Spice; and 224 of Cambridge Surprise Major and 252 Stedman Triples.

On Monday, November 20th, a peal was rung in honour of the event.

At St. John's Church, Hillingdon, on Sunday, November 26th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. W. E. Davey 1, F. W. Goodfellow 2, J. J. Pratt 3, R. Warnett 4, R. J. Darvill 5, W. Honor 6, W. H. Coles (conductor) 7, C. Over 8. Rung for evening service and thanksgiving to commemorate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. Coles, Staplegrove, Somerset, the conductor's parents.

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ACTON BELLS RUNG AFTER TWO YEARS' SILENCE.
On Saturday, November 18th, the South and West District of the
Middlesox County Association paid a visit to St. Mary's, Acton. Only
a few years ago one of the strongest bands in the district was attached to this tower under the leadership of Mr. Robert Holloway. Owing to his decease and other circumstances, the band dispersed, and during the last four or five years the visits of the association have provided the only occasions on which the bells have been rung. As a result of this last visit, an effort is to be made to recommence at least occa-

sional Sunday ringing.

To ensure that the bells were in good order for the meeting, Messrs.

J. Hunnisett and J. A. Trollope visited the tower beforehaud, and their labours in this connection were much appreciated. It was a

their labours in this connection were much appreciated. It was a pity they forgot to take along a vacuum cleaner in their equipment! The bells were rung from half-past three until a quarter to five, when shortened evensong was held, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. P. Gough). Tea followed in the Parish Hall, where the Rector was host. Before leaving, he said how pleased he was to have the association visit Acton, and trusted he would see them there again in the future.—The feelings of the meeting were voiced by the vice-president (Mr. J. A. Trollope), who referred to old time associations with the tower, and expressed the hope that the bells would be rung more often in the future.

At the subsequent business meeting, the hon, secretary (Mr. F. W. Goodfellow) and Mr. Hollier both referred to the passing of Mr. F. W. Etherington, of Twickenham, in September. The deceased

F. W. Etherington, of Twickenham, in September. The deceased gentleman had been a very keen supporter and an honorary member of the association for some years. He had been churchwarden of Twickenham Parish Church for a quarter of a century and was much respected in the town,-The company stood in silence as a tribute to his memory, and endorsed the hon, secretary's action in writing to the widow.

Miss E. Bedford and Miss G. Craven, of Uxbridge, and Messrs. Barlow and Hamer, of Harlington, were elected ringing members of the association. The belfry elections of Messrs. T. Price and R. Davis before ringing a peal were ratified.

It was decided to pay a visit to Twickenham in December, probably

on the 16th.

The hon, secretary reminded members of the second annual support which was to take place at Hounslow on January 13th, 1934. Tickets at 3s. each were now available from tower secretaries and members of the committee.

When the business was concluded the tower was again visited and further ringing took place until 8.30. Various methods were rung, including some Spliced Surprise that would not, unfortunately, splice! The attendance during the meeting exceeded forty.

#### SPLICED TREBLE BOB.

To the Editor,

Dear Sir,-In reference to the peal on page 699 of Spliced Treble Bob, the foctnote is rather misleading. It would be more correct to say that Oxford is rung when the tenor is coursing the treble down to lead, thus preventing the tenors going in slow. I am sending a 5.184 in the same method by my friend, Mr. Timbrell, and not yet

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53462 63425 25346		1	2	
43526 24365 64352	2	1	2	
52436 34256	2			

Twice repeated. Centains the 5th and 6th their extents in 5.6.

If Mr. Gobey cares to correspond with me, I have in my possession a number of these peals, several with only 4, 5 and 6 in 6ths and most of them not rung.

E. R. MARTIN. most of them not rung. 86, Hartington Road, Preston.

#### NOTICES.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS .- The address of the Rev. F. S. H. Marle, Hon. Sec. of the Andover District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, is now Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Andover District.—Quarterly meeting at Burghclere, Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Business meeting to follow. Please notify me for tea, Rev. F. S. H. Marle, Hon. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

#### ARMISTICE-TIDE.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS .- On Saturday, November 11th, for Wicken, Northands.—On Saturday, November 11th, for Armistice Day, with half-muffled clappers, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major (1,230 changes): H. Ridgway 1, J. A. Green 2, T. Roberts 3, E. C. Lambert 4, F. Case 5, H. C. Edwards (first in the method) 6, R. Foddy 7, A. J. Green (conductor) 8.

SOUTHAMPTON, HANTS.—At St. Mary's Church, for special Armistice service, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. W. Faithfull (conductor) 1, H. Payne 2, A. Butler 3, T. Thirkell 4, H. Smith 5, A. E. Newman 6, R. Brown 7,

N. Curtis 8.

HEADCORN, KENT.—On Sunday, November 12th, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by the local band: B. Martin 1, P. Hodgkin 2, C. Bridger 3, G. Foord 4, G. Taylor 5, J. Head (conductor) 6, G. Grant 7, F. Goodearl 8. First quarter-peal by a local band in this church, and the first for the ringers of 1, 3, 5 and 8.

EAST ILSLEY, BERKS.—At St. Mary's Church on Sunday, Nov. 12th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. W. Warwick 1, E. Warwick 2, M. Rosier 3, C. J. Hibbert (conductor) 4, T. Curtis 5, W. Hibbert, sen., 6, R. W. Rex 7, W. W. Warwick 8. Rung with clappers half-muffled for the Armistice. Ringurs of 3rd, 5th and 7th half from Passemore, Readon and Newbury respectively. 5th and 7th bail from Peasemore, Beedon and Newbury respectively.

#### THE LATE MR. J. D. MATTHEWS.

A memorial touch to the late Master of the Royal Cumberland A memorial touch to the late Master of the Royal Comberland Youths (Mr. J. D. Matthews) was rung at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, London, on Saturday, by members of the society, with the bells half-muffled. It consisted of 1,321 Stedman Caters from a peal composed by Mr. Matthews: Arthur N. Hardy 1, Arthur J. Neale 2, Frederick H. Symons 3, George H. Cross 4, Leonard H. Baybutt 5, Thomas Newman (conductor) 6, George A. Card 7, George W. Steere 8, John W. Cornford 9, William Bottrill 10, Cecil J. Matthews 11, Thomas Reven 12

Revan 12.

At Crayford, Kent, on Tuesday of last week, a half-muffled peal of Stedman Triples was rong to Mr. Matthews' memory.

At Edmonton en Sunday, November 27th, prior to evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Mrs. E. K. Fletcher (conductor) 1, Miss L. Wheeler 2, Miss E. Greenall 3, Miss G. Church 4, W. Barlow (first quarter-peal) 5, G. B. Collins 6, J. Parker 7, P. Pearce 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of the late Mr. H. Watson, esteemed verger of the church for 16 years, and the late Mr. J. D. Matthews, Master of the Royal Cumberland Youths.

#### DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Eastern Division was held at Jarrow on Saturday, November 4th, and, despite the inclement weather, there was a fair attendance of ringers from Braydon, Whickham, Chester-le-Street, Newcastle, Sunderland and West Hartlepool to support the local ringers.

The peal of eight are not at present everything that could be desired, but they were kept going merrily throughout the afternoon and evening. A good hour was spent over the tea, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all, and the happy talks and reminiscences about bells made the meal a jolly event.

Before returning to the beliry, Mr. J. W. Parker proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and this was carried with realsonable.

enjoyed the meeting.

with acclamation.
It was proposed that West Hartlepool be the next place of meeting on December 16th.

Ringing continued until 8 p.m., the methods being Double Norwich, Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob, Grandsire and Stedman Triples.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). - The subscription of 1s. 8d. which enables members who have not made 20 attendances to vote on matters of finance is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Andrew's, Holborn, on Dec. 7th (8 p.m.), \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 12th, St. Magnus' on the 14th and 28th, Southwark Cathedral on the 21st, at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bradfield Deanery Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Beenham on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Guild members 9d. —T. W. Paimer, Hon. Sec. Non-members 1s.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION .- Canterbury District.—The next by-meeting will be held at Faversham on Saturday, Dec. 2nd.—Percy W. Smith, Fair View, Little-

bourne, Canterbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch. -Our annual social will be held at Holy Trinity, Burnley, on Dec. 2nd. Tower open for ringing from 2.30 p.m. Tea, 1s. 6d. each, at 5 p.m. Social at 6 p.m. —F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Guilsborough Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Welford on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (just augmented to 8 by Taylor and Co.) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.

—Geo. A. Hollick, Branch Sec., West Street, Welford,

ESSEX ASSOCIATION .- South-Eastern Division .-The annual meeting will be held at Writtle on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15. Good attendance requested.—A. E. Coombes,

8, Council Houses, Galleywood, Chelmsford.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD .- Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Swansea on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Business meeting after. All ringers welcome.—E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 21, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

GUILD. - Aylesbeare Deanery DEVONSHIRE Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Margaret's, Topsham, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4. Address by the Vicar (Rev. Guy Halliday). Tea 4.45 (free).—R. Brook, Hon. Sec.,

3, Greatwood Terrace, Topsham.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — West Dorset Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Bridport on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at the Greyhound Hotel at 5.30 (1s. per head). Other towers open: Bradpole (8), Symondsbury and Burton (6). - C. H. Lathey, Hon. Sec., Adber, Middle Street, Bradpole, Bridport.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Chew Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, Dec. and. Bells available 3 o'clock. Divine service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 o'clock at the Battle Axes Hotel.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Marlborough Branch.—A meeting of the branch will be held at Chisledon on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30.—A. W. Deane, 9, Blowhorn Street, Marlborough.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District.-A meeting will be held at Stagsden on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (6) available at 2.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Buses leave Bedford St. Peter's 2, 3.30 and 5.30. Everyone heartily welcome. Please pay up your subscription, if not yet paid.—P. C. Bonnett, Rose Cottage, Stagsden, Beds.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch. —Quarterly meeting will be held at Low Bentham on Dec. 2nd. Bells at 2 p.m. Tea 18. Meeting at 5.30 p.m.-E. Swain, 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting of above branch will be held at Bletchley on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. A good attendance desired. All ringers welcome.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A meeting at Bourn on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (8) available 3-4.30, also 6-7 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar, the Rev. J. F. Duffil.— K. Willers, Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Eastwood, Rotherham, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (8). Tea 1s. each. All welcome.—M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 221, Hanover Street, Sheffield 3.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION .- Rochdale Branch. The next meeting of the above branch will be held at All Saints', Hamer (bells 6) on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Meeting in the tower 6.30 p.m. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.-H. Hamer, Hon. Sec., 4, Nall Street, Miln-

PLYMPTON ST. MARY, DEVON. - The ring of 8 (tenor 251 cwt.), restored by Gillett and Johnston, will be re-dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Exeter on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, at 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. Bells available after the service and tea provided (admission

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Wimborne Branch.—The annual meeting is to be held at St. James', Poole, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Ringing from 2.45. Service at 4.30. Tea in Church House 5.15. — A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION .- Cheltenham Branch .- The annual meeting of the Cheltenham Branch will be held at Prestbury on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. Baghet de la Bere), at 5.30. This fine peal of eight has been overhauled by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.—Walter Yeend, Millfield, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch. — WANTED for Saturday, Dec. 2nd, 30 KEEN ringers to attend at St. James's Church, Poolstock. Bells, reputed by experts to be the finest octave in ENGLAND, ready at 3 p.m. Tea, by invitation. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Owing to the bad state of the Wigan Parish Church bells the meeting is transferred to Poolstock. — William O. Farrimond, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. James's Church, Barrow-in-Furness, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (8) will be available at 2 p.m. All ringers are invited. — W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Wisbech Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Watlington on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea in Church Room at 5. All ringers welcome.—E. Barker, Shouldham, King's Lynn.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — Loughborough District. — The next meeting will be held at Kingston-on-Soar on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (5) available 3.30 p.m.—D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LLANDINGAT CHURCH, LLANDOVERY.—On Friday, Dec. 8th, at 3 p.m., the Lord Bishop of St. David's will delicate the ring of 6 bells restored and rehung in a new framework by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.

—A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, Dec.
oth. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Tea
(by kind invitation of the Vicar) and meeting to follow.
For tea please notify Mr. W. Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury
Place, Garston. The usual Garston welcome is assured.

—Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec.

DEVON GUILD.—Exeter Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Sidwell's, Exeter, on Dec. 9th. Service 4.15. Tea 4.45, free to members, bands and visitors attending. — W. H. Howe, Hon. Sec., 8, Courtenay Road, Exeter.

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

—A meeting will be held at Stoke-on-Trent on Saturday,
Dec. 9th. Tea will be provided for all who notify Mr.

S. Churton, 11, Lonsdale Street, Stoke-on-Trent, not
later than Dec. 6th.—C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Western District.—The next meeting will be held at Apsley End on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Numbers for tea by previous Wednesday. All sorts and sizes of ringers are welcome, but come prepared to wander off the beaten track.—W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—A meeting will be held at Thurlaston on Saturday, December 9th. Tea provided for those who inform me of their intention to be there not later than Wednesday, December 6th. Hoping to end the year with a bumper meeting.—A. E. Rowley, Local Hon. Sec., Station Road, Higham-on-the-Hill, Nuneaton.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—
The next quarterly meeting will be held at Beverley on Saturday, Dec. oth. Bells (10) at the Minster available from 2.30 to 4.30 and from 6 p.m. onwards. Service in Minster 4.30 p.m. Tea, 1s. 6d. per head. Please notify Mr. R. Owen, 8, Long Lane, Beverley, by Dec. 7th.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Ebor Street, Selby.

LADIES GUILD. — Western District. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Philip's, Bristol, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.45. Tea and meeting to follow. Will those desiring tea kindly let me know by Dec. 6th? — N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Claines on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells open 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., with tea and business meeting to follow. Those intending to be present please notify me by Wednesday, Dec. 6th. — F. S. Hawkes, Duddage, Twyning, near Tewkesbury.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—A meeting will be held at Dorking on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Usual arrangements. Tea in the Church Room after service. Officers for 1934 to be nominated at this meeting. It is therefore hoped as many as can do so will attend. Please let me have numbers for tea.—A. H. Smith, 37, Church Walk, Leatherhead.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division. — The annual meeting will be held at Colchester on Saturday, Dec. 9th. St. Peter's bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. and St. Leonard's (6) from 3 till 4 p.m. Divine service at St. Peter's, 4.30 p.m., will be conducted by the Rev. B. R. Bertin, and in place of an address a talk will be given by the Divisional Master (Mr. Edward P. Duffield). Tea at St. Peter's Church Hall at 5.30 p.m. Please notify the undersigned not later than Thursday, Dec. 7th.—James R. Sparling, Station Road, Wivenhoe.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. — A meeting will be held at Hoylandswaine on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells ready at 2 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Please notify Mr. E. Brooker, Hall Lane, by Wednesday. A good meeting desired. — A. Panther, Hon. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Christchurch District.—The annual meeting of this district will take place at Christchurch on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells (12) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at the King's Arms, P.R.H.A., at 5 p.m., to be followed by a business meeting. Will those intending to be present kindly inform me by Thursday, Dec. 7th.—G. Preston, Dis. Sec., 3, Waterloo Place, Christchurch.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Central Branch.
—A meeting will be held at Cottenham on Saturday,
Dec. 9th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30.
Tea 5 p.m. All 1933 subscriptions due. Please come
and help a band urgently requiring instruction. By
helping others we help ourselves.—F. Warrington, Over,
Cambs.

SALISBURY GUILD.—N. Dorset Branch. — The annual meeting will be held at Gillingham on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. All ringers cordially invited. Please notify Rev. E. V. Roe, Caundle Marsh Rectory, Sherborne, Dorset.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN GUILD.—Taunton Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at St. James', Taunton, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and business in the Schools at 5 p.m. Visitors welcome. Those requiring tea please notify by previous Tuesday. — P. Merson, Bishops Hull.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Western Division. —The quarterly meeting will be held at the Cathedral, Bradford, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells (10) available from 2.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Further particulars on circulars.—Wm. Amber, Hon. Dis. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Baldock, Dec. 9th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea, Allnut's Café, 5.30. All ringers welcome, and a helping hand given to any learner. Book the date—and come.—Don Mears, Hon. Sec., Fritton, Moormead Close, Hitchin.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Shirland on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Please notify me how many will require tea by Wednesday, Dec. 6th.—J. W. England, The Common, South Normanton.

ELY ASSOCIATION. — Huntingdon Branch. — A meeting will be held at Great Staughton on Dec. 9th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. Short evensong 6.30 p.m.—H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton, St. Neots.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. — Southern District.—A meeting of the above will be held at St. Mary's, Lambeth, on Saturday, Dec. 9th; commencing at 3 o'clock. As it is expected that there will be a large attendance, please send word so that adequate arrangements may be made for tea.—J. Herbert, Hon. Dis. Sec., 17, Grimston Road, S.W.6.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.—Wednesday Guild.—A meeting will be held on December 13th at Chester-le-Street commencing at 3 p.m. Tea at Church Institute, 5 p.m.—W. Sheraton, Hon. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.—The annual meeting of the Gloucester Branch will be held at Barnwood on Saturday, December 16th, by kind permission of the Rector, the Rev. Canon Bryce. Bells (8) open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea (free) at 5.15 p.m. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me not later than December 14th (all ringers and friends welcome)? —W. H. Harris, Branch Hon. Sec., 4, Railway Terrace, Lydney, Glos.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. — North-Western District.—The next meeting will be held at All Saints', Benhilton, Sutton, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea and meeting following. All ringers heartily welcome. Those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Dec. 13th.—D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Southern Division.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Southern Division. — The quarterly meeting will be held at Rotherham Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells (10) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea in the Church Hall, Moorgate (200 yards from church) at 5 p.m., at a nominal charge. Please notify Mr. T. C. Ryder, 19, Middle Lane South, Rotherham, by Dec. 14th for same. — F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Street, Bentley, Doncaster.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.

—The district annual meeting will be held at Leyton on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly advise me as soon as possible and oblige? — E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Mawneys Road, Romford, Essex.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division.— The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 16th, at Bishop's Stortford. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.—H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 73, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — The annual dinner will be held at the Lion Hotel, Guildford, on Saturday, Jan. 13th, 1934. Tickets 5s. 6d. Further details later.—J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover Cottage, Pyrford, Woking.

IRISH ASSOCIATION Stop Watch Competition.—

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