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COUNCIL PUBLICATIONS.

Central Council affairs will soon begin to occupy attention, and those members who have matters which they wish discussed must send in their notices forthwith, if these are to be included in the printed agenda. At the moment there seems to be no question of outstanding interest or division among ringers, as there have been in some recent years, but there is still opportunity for someone to start a 'heresy hunt' or find a committee to 'bait.' On more than one occasion in the past the 'ragging' of the Methods Committee has added spice to the proceedings of the Council, for their reports have usually been the only ones to challenge disagreement. Whether that committee will produce contentious matter this year remains to be seen, but this can be said of them, that through the years their work has been heavy and continuous as well as helpful and valuable to the Exercise. Their labours have made possible many of the advances in the art, and their efforts have resulted, directly or indirectly, in raising the level of method ringing, particularly among those who devote their attention to Minor methods.

On the other hand, there is much useful material, which they and the Council have been at great pains to provide, which has not produced the results hoped for. Their book of Plain Major Methods, which met with a fair sale, has not led to any noticeable extension of the methods rung, and to this extent the outcome must be considered disappointing. There ought to be a more practical use made of this book than leaving it unopened on the ringers' bookshelves. Not even the Council can be satisfied with merely selling a book. These volumes are produced to expand the art of change ringing, and it is a great pity that some of the fine methods which this volume contains are not in much more general use. We are beginning to wonder whether the explanation is not partly to be found in the fact that ringers will not take the trouble to see what kind of things these methods are. We believe that if someone would undertake to provide diagrams instead of just blocks of figures, from which the ringer has to work out his own clue to ringing methods, they would be rapidly taken up. Snowden popularised the 'Standard' methods because he printed the figures with a blue line superimposed. It is an expensive process, but the majority of progressive ringers in these days ring by diagram, and it needs some such aid to induce them to take up new methods.

Half a dozen bands are showing their enterprise by ringing new Surprise methods, and these might be glad to see the appearance of the book which the committee

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has prepared on this section of the art. But when it does make its appearance we doubt if it will do very much to extend Surprise ringing in new quarters. As a treatise on Surprise methods the book surpasses anything that has ever been produced, but we are more and more coming to the conclusion that this is not the form in which ringers want their methods presented to them, although, of course, we fully recognise that where hundreds of methods are to be published in one volume, considerations of space and cost, to say nothing of the mathematical side of the question, demand that the methods be represented by figures.

TWELVE BELL PEAL.

KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF ERIN CINQUES, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor 24½ cwt.

*THOMAS W. LEWIS Treble	*CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... 7
*GEORGE E. LARGE 2	*REGINALD WOODYATT ... 8
*WILLIAM SHORT 3	*ROBERT MATTHEWS 9
*GEOFFREY J. LEWIS 4	*HECTOR G. BIRD 10
*GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... 5	*CHARLES CAMM 11
*SIDNEY T. HOLT 6	*JOHN ADDLETON Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER (No. 12). Conducted by SIDNEY T. HOLT

* First peal of Erin. † First peal of Erin Cinques and 100th peal.
First peal of Erin on the bells and of Erin Cinques for the association.
Rung as the annual peal for the association, and as a 70th birthday
compliment to James Bennett, 43 years towerkeeper at this church.

TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE ST. MARY ABBOT'S GUILD, KENSINGTON.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY ABBOT, KENSINGTON,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5002 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

RALPH E. MACKRILL Treble	ARTHUR B. WIFFEN 6
MRS. PHYLLIS HUMPHREY ... 2	WILLIAM R. MADGWICK ... 7
WILLIAM E. JUDD 3	HENRY G. MILES 8
ERNEST C. S. TURNER 4	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE 9
MISS FRANCES HUMPHREY ... 5	WILLIAM W. BAILEY Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by W. E. JUDD.
Rung to commemorate the induction of the Rev. Prebendary Arthur
Edward Smith to the Vicarage of St. Mary Abbot's.

HERTFORD, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt. 23 lb. in D.

GILBERT E. DEBENHAM Treble	*JOSEPH F. CHATLEY 6
THOMAS J. HULL 2	*JOSEPH LADLEY 7
STANLEY A. CARTER 3	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM ... 8
*ARTHUR DAY 4	*JOHN H. BOTHAM 9
*ROLAND NEWSON 5	ALBERT LAWRENCE Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 136). Conducted by G. W. DEBENHAM
* First peal of Treble Bob Royal. † First peal on ten bells. Rung
as a birthday compliment to J. H. Botham. This composition is
now rung for the first time.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, February 27, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

JAMES ROSE Treble	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 5
MISS PHYLLIS TILLET ... 2	GARNHAM A. BLAXCELL ... 6
WILLIAM KINSEY 3	GEORGE MORE 7
CHARLES SHEMMING 4	FREDERICK J. SMITH Tenor

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL.

Conducted by J. ROSE.

TADCASTER, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 27, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Parish Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt.

*WALTER HICK Treble	*ERNEST LINDLEY 5
*HENRY CLAYTON 2	*ROBERT LANCASTER 6
*FRED E. ADDISON 3	NORMAN BARTON 7
*JOHN HARRISON 4	THOMAS LANCASTER Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by FRED E. ADDISON.

* First peal in the method. The ringer of the tenor, residing at Middlesbrough, is a native of Tadcaster and was proposed a member prior to starting. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. Clayton.

MARSHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, February 28, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 7½ cwt.

JACK R. HINDRY Treble	WILLIAM R. WEST 5
HANBURY F. CARTER 2	WALTER H. MILLER 6
BERTIE W. MARCH 3	ERNEST V. BLAKE 7
FREDERICK R. WILBY 4	JOHN A. GODFREY Tenor

Composed by W. DAY.

Conducted by E. V. BLAKE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to George S. Soames, who died suddenly on February 21st.

CHELTEMPHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 1, 1937, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Peter, Leckhampton,

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

Tenor 9 cwt.

*WILLIAM H. HUNT Treble	ROGER W. DANIELS 5
JOHN THOMAS 2	GEORGE H. WALTERS 6
ARTHUR CAUDLE 3	*THOMAS BOREHAM 7
CHARLES W. MARTIN 4	JOHN F. BALLENGER Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

* First peal of Double Norwich.

NEWTON ABBOT, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Wednesday, March 3, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints, Highweek,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11¼ cwt.

*ERNEST J. TAYLOR Treble	*CHRISTOPHER R. WALKER 5
*AUBREY L. BENNETT 2	*G. HARRY MYERS 6
*JAMES E. LILLEY 3	CHARLES R. LILLEY 7
HENRY C. COLLYER 4	*THOMAS G. MYERS Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method for the Guild by a band resident in the County of Devon. First peal of Major on the bells.

HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, March 4, 1937, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6058 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN J. L. GILBERT Treble	JAMES H. HAYWARD 5
MISS NOEL L. CAWTHORNE 2	FREDERICK CARDWELL 6
*RONALD BIRCH 3	LESLIE HAYWOOD 7
JOHN E. TORLEY 4	FRED WATKINSON Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by F. WATKINSON.

* First peal.

GRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Paulinus,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ALAN J. HOPPER Treble	DEREK M. SHARP 5
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 2	*COLIN A. HOPPER 6
*MISS M. REDPATH 3	EDWIN A. BARNETT 7
GEOFFREY V. MURPHY 4	EDWIN BARNETT Tenor

Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

* First attempt for a peal of Cambridge 'inside.' First peal of Surprise by the local band.

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-within-the-Walls,

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

*GEORGE SPERRING Treble	RICHARD D. LANGFORD 5
ROBERT SPERRING 2	JAMES SWINDLEY 6
RICHARD T. HOLDING 3	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. 7
*GEORGE PACKER 4	PERCY SWINDLEY Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by S. JONES, JUN.

* First peal in the method.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

At the Norman Tower of the Cathedral Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt. in C sharp.

SHELFORD SPARROW Treble	HORACE W. FOULGAR 5
JAMES CHINERY 2	ARTHUR E. BALLAM 6
GEORGE W. ABLITT 3	HARRY D. LISTER 7
*WILLIAM GOODSHIP 4	ARTHUR GRIMWOOD Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by HARRY D. LISTER.

* First peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. † First peal on eight bells.

SOUTH ANSTON, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13¼ cwt.

A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS Treble	PERCY J. JERVIS 5
ARTHUR KNIGHTS 2	JOHN W. SYKES 6
MISS GRACE BURCHNALL 3	WILLIAM H. TURTON 7
MISS KATHARINE BURCHNALL 4	WILLIAM BIGGIN Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 313) Conducted by A. P. KNIGHTS

The composition was now rung for the first time. A birthday peal for J. W. Sykes, and the 50th anniversary of W. Biggin's first peal.

GODALMING, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt. in E.

ALFRED H. POLLING Treble	ERNEST J. AYLIFFE 5
JOHN H. B. HESSE 2	RAYMOND OVERY 6
THOMAS E. DENYER 3	C. ERNEST SMITH 7
JOHN O. WELLER 4	ARTHUR J. BARTLETT Tenor

Conducted by C. ERNEST SMITH.

Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar of Godalming, Canon H. E. Hone, who was inducted to the living on March 4th.

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NORWICH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael Coslany,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

CLIFFORD BIRD Treble	FREDERICK HOWCHIN ... 5
GEORGE HOWCHIN 2	GEORGE SAYER 6
*MISS GWEN TONNADINE ... 3	ALBERT WARNES 7
BERTIE HOWCHIN 4	GEORGE BAILEY Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by GEORGE BAILEY.

* First peal of Treble Bob.

HILGAY, NORFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

ILKESTON ARRANGEMENT.

Tenor 17 cwt.

JOHN BUCKENHAM Treble	CLAUDE COUSINS 5
ALFRED BACON 2	WILLIAM BUCKENHAM ... 6
WALLACE COUSINS 3	FRED WIGMORE 7
LEWIS BUSH 4	ARTHUR G. BASON Tenor

Composed by E. C. GOBEY.

Conducted by F. WIGMORE.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 7, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF SPLICED LONDON, BRISTOL, CAMBRIDGE, AND SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

WALTER CHARMAN Treble	JACK M. CRIPPS 5
REGINALD V. JOHNSON ... 2	KENNETH SNELLING 6
WILLIAM T. BRESON 3	ALFRED J. BULL 7
Cecil NICE 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS Tenor

Composed by E. C. S. TURNER.

Conducted by O. SIPPETTS.

This peal consists of 2,944 London, 640 Bristol and 736 each of Cambridge and Superlative.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

ELLAND, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, February 12, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's.

FRANK POPPLEWELL Treble	ARTHUR HEALD 4
*BERNARD ROBINSON 2	FRANK LINFOOT 5
†ALBERT SLATER 3	FRANK RHODES Tenor

Conducted by F. RHODES.

* First peal at first attempt. † First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor. Rung as a compliment to Thomas Robinson, a highly esteemed teacher at St. Mary's, who is shortly retiring after over 30 years' service.

PYTCHLEY, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Kettering Branch.)

On Saturday, February 27, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being nine six-scores each of Chase and Grandsire, and eight each of Plain Bob, Canterbury and St. Simons'. Tenor 8 cwt.

*CECIL BROWN Treble	SIDNEY ROWNEY 3
GEORGE BROWN 2	LEONARD TOSLAND 4
SIDNEY MUNTON Tenor	

Conducted by S. MUNTON.

* First peal and first attempt, aged 13 years 5 months. Ringers of second and treble are father and son respectively.

PINNER, MIDDLESEX.—On February 28th, at the Parish Church for evensong, 1,260 Stedman Triples: H. Hodgetts 1, G. Price 2, J. E. Rootes 3, W. Wroughton 4, J. V. Porter 5, A. J. Harding 6, E. E. C. Russell (conductor) 7, H. Langdon 8.

TEMPLECOMBE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 27, 1937, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's.

*ALBERT H. CHANT Treble	E. T. PAUL FIELD 4
JAMES F. HATCHLEY 2	WILLIAM C. SHUTE 5
PERCY N. G. RAINEY 3	RICHARD STODKEY Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM C. SHUTE.

* First peal of Minor.

MADELEY, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, February 28, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings. Tenor 14 cwt. (approx.).

THOMAS S. WILKES Treble	JOHN W. TRANTER 4
HARRY HARRISON 2	JOSEPH L. STANIER 5
*S. HAROLD TRANTER 3	RICHARD INSTONE Tenor

Conducted by J. L. STANIER.

* First peal. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Henry Newbrook (one of the local ringers) and Miss Catherine Richards, of Kidderminster, who were married at the above church the same afternoon.

HALEWOOD, LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 1, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

*JAMES ROBINSON Treble	JOHN W. GARDNER 4
JOHN ROBINSON 2	HERBERT LUDKIN 5
THOMAS ROBINSON 3	WILLIAM ROBINSON 6
JAMES BARKER Tenor (covering)	

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

* First peal. Rung after meeting short for Stedman Triples. First peal of Minor in three methods by all except the conductor, and first on the bells in three methods by a local band. Rung to commemorate the weddings of George Young and Margaret Stirrup, John Robinson and Evelyn Grace, Manchester, Thomas Robinson and Jean Mary Bates.

DALLINGTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Giles,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.

ALBERT RELFE Treble	FRANK H. HICKS 4
LESLIE W. JARVIS 2	WILLIAM A. KITCHENSIDE ... 5
ARTHUR F. LEWRY 3	ARTHUR J. HART Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

First peal in three methods by all except the conductor.

CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

GEORGE A. CHARLTON Treble	ALFRED BALLARD 4
JOHN H. BAILESS 2	FRANK R. MEASURES 5
WILLIAM A. WOOD 3	FRANK BAILESS Tenor

Conducted by F. BAILESS.

First peal of Kent Treble Bob Minor for all except ringer of fourth.

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(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of Single Court, St. Clement's, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Bob, and two extents of Plain Bob.
Tenor 13 cwt.

JACK VESSEY	Treble	LESLIE LUNN	4
THOMAS VESSEY	2	JACK L. MILLHOUSE	5
MISS DOROTHY VESSEY	3	CLIFFORD A. VESSEY	Tenor

Conducted by CLIFFORD A. VESSEY.

GUISEBOROUGH, YORKS.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

One extent of Plain Bob, three of Kent Treble Bob and three of Oxford Treble Bob.
Tenor 9 cwt.

*RALPH JACKSON	Treble	GEORGE KEMBALL	4
JACK REED	2	CRCIL ROBINSON	5
GEORGE HUSBAND	3	CYRIL POLLARD	Tenor

Conducted by C. POLLARD.

* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor.

LODDON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's with four different callings.
Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN A. GODFREY	Treble	† HERBERT C. BOGGIS	4
*JACK R. HINDRY	2	WILLIAM R. WEST	5
ALBERT E. BRACEY	3	ERNEST V. BLAKE	Tenor

Conducted by E. V. BLAKE.

* First peal 'inside.' † First peal.

HANDBELL PEALS.

TERRINGTON ST. JOHN, NORFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, March 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Six Minutes.

AT THE RESIDENCE OF W. COUSINS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven 720's.
Tenor size 17 in A.

*WALLACE COUSINS	1-2	FRED WIGMORE	3-4
*CLAUDE COUSINS	5-6		

Conducted by FRED WIGMORE.

* First peal on handbells.

CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 7, 1937, in Three Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes.

IN ST. PAULINE'S PARISH ROOM

A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 5016 CHANGES;

*COLIN A. HOPPER	1-2	*DEREK M. SHAFF	7-8
EDWIN A. BARNETT	3-4	GEOFFREY V. MURPHY	9-10
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.	5-6	*ALAN J. HOPPER	11-12

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

* First peal on twelve bells.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, March 3, 1937, in Two Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes.

AT 20, ABERDEEN CRESCENT,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor size 17 in B flat.

ALFRED BARNES	1-2	ALLEN F. BAILEY	5-6
JAMES W. WASHBROOK	3-4	PETER LAFLIN	7-8
HAROLD JACKSON	9-10		

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by A. F. BAILEY.

Witnesses—Harry Ashton and Mrs. A. F. Bailey.

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CALLING GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

A beginner has asked us for a little help in calling Grandsire Triples. Like many others, he can ring the method fairly well, but he cannot make much headway in calling touches.

The first thing to know is, when to call the bobs; by which we mean the place in the lead where the actual word of command has to be given. If you examine the figures of Grandsire Triples you will see that the effect of the bob takes place before the treble completes its whole pull at lead. If no bob is called, nothing interferes with the plain hunting of the bells until the treble has finished leading. In practically all even-bell methods, such as Bob Minor and Major, the bob is effected by varying the position of three (or more) of the bells at the backstroke lead of the treble. In Grandsire the effective movement has taken place before that.

Plain Lead	Bob Lead
7561423	7561423
5716243	Call Bob 5716243
5172634	5172634
1527364	1576243
1253746	1752634
2157364	7156243
2513746	7512634

The bob, therefore, must be 'called' in good time, and the correct moment is at the beginning of the change in which the treble strikes in 3rd's place on the way down. Now, while it may not be easy to see, while ringing another bell, exactly when the treble is in 3rd's place, there happens to be a particularly good guide to the place where the bob should be called. It is at the moment that the bell, which is going to make the ordinary 3rd's place, pulls off at lead. The bell to go into the hunt gets sufficient notice, and the dodging bells are in their dodging places. The bell that is coming to lead when the bob has to be called is the one hunting down immediately in front of the treble, so you ought not to mistake it.

Every place into which a bell can fall at a bob has a distinctive name:—

Middle, or M.,	4-5 (up).
Before, or B.,	3rd's place.
In, or I.,	Into the hunt.
Out, or O.,	Out of the hunt.
Wrong, or W.,	7-6 (down).
Home, or H.,	6-7 (up).

One of the important things to remember in calling Grandsire is that, compared with a plain lead, a bob cuts out one dodging position, that is to say while the dodge in 6-7 (up) follows that in 7-6 (down) at a plain lead, a bob would cause the bell to double dodge in 4-5 up (or Middle). If you want to call a bell into the Home position, you must do it the lead after it has dodged in 5-4 (down). If you want to call it into the hunt, you do it the lead after it has dodged in 6-7 up. The only position that is not disturbed by a bob is the Before, which follows the dodge in 4-5 up. It is the cutting out of a dodging place that sometimes fogs those who are beginning to call touches. Here is a little table that shows the differences made between Plain and Bob leads:—

After	Plain Lead	Bob
3rd's	dodge 5-4 down	dodge 7-6 down
5-4 down	dodge 7-6 down	dodge 6-7 up
7-6 down	dodge 6-7 up	dodge 4-5 up
6-7 up	dodge 4-5 up	Into Hunt
4-5 up	make 3rd's	make 3rd's

Just master this first, before you begin to call. It is also a great help to know you should call the bob when striking your first blow in your dodging place (whether 4-5 or 6-7, up or down). When going into the hunt call the bob when you are in 2nd's, going up, and the treble is striking over you. A bob when you are yourself coming Before is called when you begin to lead.

When you first begin calling, it may be just as well to ring the observation bell and learn your touch by the places into which it will be actually called, thus a 336 called from the 7th: Before, Wrong, In, Out at 1 (it is necessary to know how many leads the observation bell is to remain in the hunt). This calling twice repeated brings the bells back into the plain course.

If you get a touch which is all in one part, don't forget that you can treat any bell as the observation bell. For instance, this little touch of 266 has no special bell for observation. It is as easy to learn it from one bell as from another. Bobs are called at the following intervals, 1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 2, 1, 3, 1, these figures representing the number of leads between the calls.

The conductor should know how to write out his own touches, and readers should figure out this one, as an example. The transpositions, if you do not happen to know, are 253746 for a plain lead and 752634 for a bob lead.

Thus a bob at I from rounds produces 752634, and a bob at the following lead (752634 transposed by 752634) 467352. Follow this with a plain lead, 467352 transposed by 253746, which gives 456275, and so on; the treble, being recurrent in front of the whole of the rows of figures, is omitted.

We will return to the subject of calling Grandsire Triples next week.

FAMOUS BIRMINGHAM RINGERS OF THE PAST.

AN INTERESTING GROUP.

This picture, taken seventy years ago, forms an extremely interesting link with a past generation of Birmingham ringers, whose memory is recalled by the recent commemoration dinner.

The group is from a photograph of members of St. Martin's Guild taken when Henry Johnson was secretary.

In the back row are: John Day (president), John James, Thomas Edgshill, George Baldwin and S. Power.

In front are: Thomas Day, Henry Johnson, William Haywood, John Perks and Job Joynes.

Some of these men helped to make history. Johnson's services to the art are well known. Thomas Day was a composer of repute and was the author of the famous record lengths of 15,840 and 16,608 Treble Bob. With Johnson, William Haywood and John James took part in the record length of Stedman Cinques (7,392) rung at Birmingham in 1868.



SURPRISE METHODS THAT EXTEND TO 10 AND 12 BELLS.

A NEW SERIES FOR ADVANCED RINGERS.

Very few Surprise Major methods make perfect extensions both to ten and twelve bells. There are some, like Cambridge and Yorkshire, and we hope to bring others to the notice of the Exercise.

There is really very little variety practised in the methods rung on the higher numbers, and we think ringers will welcome the opportunity of trying something different, which gives the same scope as the two mentioned. There is something more attractive in ringing a method on eight bells which, it is known, can be rung, if desired, on ten and twelve by retaining the same 'work.'

With a view to stimulating interest in this matter, Mr. Gabriel Lindoff has furnished us with a short series of methods which deserve attention and which those who have the opportunity may care to practice.

In placing these methods before the Exercise Mr. Lindoff has selected only those that conform to the commonsense rule, that 'Places make the method.' In these methods, therefore, it must be the places that are extended; the other work takes care of itself.

Two methods that have been accepted by the Exercise as correct extensions are Treble Bob and Cambridge.

In Treble Bob the places (2nd's) are extended downwards. In Cambridge the places are extended across. No fixed rule can be observed, therefore. They may be downwards, across, or both, whichever the method demands.

York Surprise, here given as the first of the series, is a method that extends from six. Though simple, its music will, when practised, be highly appreciated.

YORK SURPRISE.

123456	12345678	1234567890	123456789012
214365	21436587	2143658709	214365870912
124635	12463857	1246385079	124638507912
216453	21648375	2164830597	216483059712
261435	26143857	2614385079	261438507912
624153	62418375	6241830597	624183059712
621435	62143857	6214385079	621438507912
264153	26418375	2641830597	264183059712
624513	62481735	6248103957	624810395712
642531	64287153	6428019375	642801937512
465213	46821735	4682103957	468210395712
456231	48627153	4862019375	486201937512
	84672513	8460291735	846029173512
546321	86475231	8640927153	864092715312
	68742513	6874291735	687429173512
	67845231	6084927153	608492715312
		0689472513	068947251312
		0869745231	086974523112
		8096472513	809647251312
		8906745231	890674523112
		9807654321	980765432112

2nd's place is made at the treble's lead.

Major has five false course-ends (32546, 24365, 46253, 65432 and 53624), and, therefore, thirty courses for composition.

Royal and Maximus have a clean proof scale.

A DEVON BAND'S SUCCESS.

DOUBLE NORWICH AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB BY RESIDENTS.

On Wednesday evening, March 3rd, eight members of the Devon Guild rang a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major at Highweek Parish Church, Newton Abbot. The peal was the first in the method for six

of the band, and it was also the first peal in the method for the Guild by a band resident in the county of Devon. It was the first peal of Major on the bells, and the striking was excellent throughout.

Incidentally the same band met at Buckfastleigh about six weeks ago and rang a peal of Double Norwich, this also being the first peal in the method for the Guild by a band resident in the county. The peal of Oxford is recorded in the appropriate columns.

BROADCASTING.**ST. MARTIN'S-IN-THE-FIELDS BELLS.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Cannot something be done to end the broadcasts of wretched 'still' bells from St. Martin's-in-the-Fields? If I remember right, an effort was made a few years ago to get the bells of this church rung, but this does not seem to have been successful.

I am convinced that the present method of chiming them must be regretted by all ringers, and not least by the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, whose chief tower I believe St. Martin's to be. Would it not be possible for this society, and perhaps also the Central Council, to approach the powers that be with a request that the bells be rung on the occasion of a broadcast? As the bells are radiated through the principal British stations, it seems such a pity that so vast a listening audience should get a false impression of the traditional British style of church bellringing, possibly confusing this chiming with the true change ringing.

Certainly the noise produced by the present method is deplorable. An organ voluntary is much to be preferred every time.

Hawford, Worcester.

GEORGE E. LARGE.

SUFFOLK GUILD.**UNFREQUENTED TOWERS FOR SUMMER MEETINGS.**

On Saturday a district meeting of the Suffolk Guild was held at Stowmarket, Suffolk, when a fair number attended, about 30 being present at tea or later in the evening. At the meeting the chair was taken by the new Vicar of Great Finborough, who had kindly lent his bells for the evening.

The secretary (the Rev. H. Drake) reported that he had again tried to get Bury St. Edmunds for the annual meeting, but the authorities would not agree, so it has been decided to hold the annual meeting on April 3rd at Sudbury, where two rings of eight will be available; All Saints' are under repair and may not be ready by that date.

It was suggested that some of the more unfrequented towers be visited for meetings during the summer months and so revive some interest.

New members were elected from Rushmere St. Andrew, Sproughton, and St. Margaret's, Ipswich. It was very pleasing to note so many young ringers present, including two ladies, one only 12 years old. Ringing ranged from rounds to Superlative Surprise Major, several having their first 'run' on eight bells.

After tea some went by car to Great Finborough (6), while others went to Barking (6) and back to Finborough.

HELP NEEDED.**SMALL WORCESTERSHIRE PARISH'S GREAT EFFORT.**

An appeal has been issued for funds for the restoration of the tower and bells of Bishampton Church, Worcestershire.

The tower was built about the year 1400. The original six bells were cast in 1696 by William Bagley, of Ecton, Northants, but the fifth was recast in 1705 by Sanders, of Bromsgrove.

At present the bells are silent. The tower had been neglected and cracks appeared. The fabric has now been repaired at a cost of over £500. The bell frame is decayed and the bells have never been turned since they were put in. It is proposed to rehang the bells in a new frame and new fittings and put in a new floor for the ringers. The cost of this work is estimated at about £300, towards which just over £170 has been raised.

Here is a case where ringers should be glad to help. Their donations will be welcomed and acknowledged by the Vicar, the Rev. T. Wilkinson, Bishampton Vicarage, Pershore, near Worcester.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**EAST NORFOLK BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the East Norfolk Branch of the Norwich Diocesan Association was held at St. Margaret's, Lowestoft, on Saturday, February 27th. Ringing took place during the afternoon, and after service, conducted by the Rev. H. C. Neusome, tea was served at St. Nicholas' House.

The Rev. H. C. Neusome presided over the business meeting, supported by Mr. W. J. Lee (chairman), Mr. A. L. Coleman (general secretary), Mr. J. G. Harwood (secretary) and Mr. Nolan Golden (secretary of North and South Norfolk Branches).

Mr. W. J. Lee was re-elected chairman of the district and Mr. J. G. W. Harwood hon. secretary. The following were elected on the Branch Committee: Messrs. A. Moy, W. R. Barber, C. Parnell, J. Taylor and R. T. Woodley, and Messrs. A. King and R. Davey were re-elected on the General Committee.

Six new members were elected and a vote of thanks was passed to the Rector for the use of the bells, to the Rev. Neusome for presiding at the meeting and taking the service, also to the matron and staff at St. Nicholas' House for catering for tea.

Thirty-one members attended from Norwich, Great Yarmouth and Gorleston, Wymondham, Beccles, Lowestoft, Kessingland, Baugham, Reedham, Norton, Halvigate, Acle and Southwold. The methods rung during the day were Cambridge, Superlative, Double Norwich, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

The band at Crayford, Kent, has accomplished two highly creditable performances within the past week—on Saturday, the first Surprise peal by a local company at this tower, and a peal of Bob Maximus on handbells on Sunday, with three of the band ringing their first peal on twelve bells.

It is many years, apparently, since a local band in Kent rang a Surprise peal—which is strange in view of the talent which has always existed in the county, and that at one time one tower possessed a local band that could ring London. There seems to be no trace of any local Surprise peal since Gabriel Lindoff called the first peals of Cambridge and Superlative in the county in 1893.

Yesterday was the fiftieth anniversary of a performance which still ranks among the most noteworthy peals in history. On March 11th, 1887, at the Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard, four members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Holt's Original on handbells, non-conducted. 'The striking was faultless,' and the peal was pronounced by the competent witnesses present, representing both the College Youths and Cumberlands, to be 'a masterpiece of intellectual ringing.'

Three of the band are happily still alive. They are Messrs. J. C. Mitchell, W. H. L. Buckingham and C. F. Winney. The fourth ringer was Mr. G. T. McLaughlin. Last night Mr. Mitchell entertained a small private party to celebrate the jubilee, and thus fulfilled a hope that was expressed at a similar gathering exactly ten years ago.

The peal of Grandsire was the second ever rung 'silent' on handbells, and, strangely enough, it was rung on the anniversary of the first non-conducted peal, which John Cox, William Cooter, Henry Haley and Matt. Wood rang for the St. James' Society on March 11th, 1854. That was Stedman Triples.

One hundred years ago next Monday a peal of 10,133 Grandsire Caters was rung in Bristol in 5 hours 54 minutes.

The ringer of the 7th in the peal at Southwark Cathedral on February 20th was Henry G. Miles. In the peal of Spiced Surprise at Acton on February 27th the ringer of the 5th was Ernest C. S. Turner.

The peal at Cheltenham on February 27th was the first of Stedman Cinques by R. Woodyatt.

Among those who hope to attend the dinner of the Royal Cumberland Youths in London to-morrow are at least two with over 50 years of membership—Mr. George Williams and Mr. W. H. Fussell.

LONDON TOWERS.

A HINT TO SECRETARIES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Appreciation would, I think, be felt on the part of many ringers, particularly those resident in and near London, if the secretaries of the various ringing associations would endeavour, when they are able, to give some indication in their notices in 'The Ringing World' of the whereabouts of towers where ringing meetings are to be held.

When there are several churches in one district or neighbourhood it is often difficult to get directed to the right one. The police are usually at a loss when one asks the way to a church, whereas they are able to direct one to any particular street without hesitation.

I would suggest, therefore, that when there is any likelihood of difficulty in finding a church, secretaries should give the name of the street in which it is situated.

My reason for writing this is that I recently had the bitter experience of not finding a certain church at all, in spite of inquiring of every other passer-by and walking some three or four miles.

Sydenham.

P. A. CORBY.

WING BELLS.

'A BOLD STATEMENT.'

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In my opinion it is rather a bold statement to make to say the bells of Wing are not pealable. Did the band that tried them consist of the 'champion heavy bell ringers' of England? On February 15th, 1913, I took a band to St. Dunstan's-in-the-East, London, for a peal of Triples. The tenor was not going any too well, so a man who claimed to be a great heavy bell ringer tackled her. After about 50 minutes he gave up and said no one could ring it to a peal. The following Saturday the Middlesex Association rang a peal of Bristol Surprise Major on them. The late Mr. W. Pye rang the tenor and conducted the peal. I heard a good deal of it and it was well rung.

I venture to suggest that had the Rev. C. E. Wigg and friends rung a peal on Queen Camel bells before Messrs. Taylor rehung them, they would have had something to write home about. As it was, the tenorman had enough in the fourth 720. I know the bells very well and had a touch or two on the tenor before they were rehung. I am of the belief that very few ringers in England would have rung her to a peal. The glory, and any gold medals, due for a heavy job on six and eight bells belong to Mr. J. T. Dyke. He it was who rang this tenor to a peal when they wanted a good deal of skill and pulling to get a peal out of them.

J. HUNT.

Taunton.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.

SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT EXCHANGE OFFICES.

Question of Introducing New Blood.

A very satisfactory state was revealed in the affairs of the Surrey Association at the annual meeting, held at Leatherhead on Saturday, and members showed their interest by attending to the number of nearly eighty, representing 13 out of the 18 towers in the North-Western Division and four out of the nine towers in the Southern Division. The towers represented were Ashted, Banstead, Beddington, Benhilton, Carshalton, Croydon (St. John's and St. Peter's), Epsom (Christ Church), Ewell, Kingston, Leatherhead, Lingfield, Merstham, Mitcham (Christ Church), Redhill, Reigate and Wimbledon. In addition visitors were present from Beckenham, Brockley, Chertsey, London, Shoreham, Tunbridge Wells, Windsor and Uckfield.

The spacious belfry was well filled during the afternoon and again in the evening, when the ten bells were kept fully utilised under the competent direction of Mr. Dan Cooper, Ringing Master of the North-West Division, in which Leatherhead is situated.

In the absence of the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. B. Coleridge), the curate (the Rev. P. W. H. Isdell-Carpenter) officiated at the service, and in a brief address welcomed the association to Leatherhead on behalf of the Vicar, and spoke of the fellowship and service of ringers.

Tea at the Institute was followed by the business meeting. In the regretted absence of the Master (Mr. D. K. C. Birt) through illness, Mr. J. S. Goldsmith was made chairman, and was supported by the Rev. P. W. H. Isdell-Carpenter, the hon. secretary (Mr. C. H. Kippin), the assistant hon. secretary (Mr. E. G. Talbot) and other officers of the association.

The hon. treasurer's statement of accounts showed receipts amounting to £36 18s. 3d. from members' subscriptions and an increased balance in the general account of £15 0s. 9d., due in some measure to the increase from 50 per cent. to 75 per cent. in the allocation from the districts.

A member expressed dislike to the charge of a guinea for the bells at Southwark Cathedral on the occasion of the last annual meeting.

The hon. secretary explained that this charge had been made by the authorities since 1921, when the bells were put in order, and was paid for the use of the bells for peals and meetings. Since the charge was instituted the bells had been well looked after.—The balance sheet was adopted.

THE YEAR'S RECORD.

The committee in their annual report said one of the outstanding events of the year was the recasting of the eight bells of Croydon Parish Church and their augmentation to twelve. The association is fortunate, said the report, in having for the first time in an affiliated tower a twelve-bell peal, and it is hoped that members will take the opportunity of increasing their knowledge on the higher numbers on this ideal ring.

Another event was the scoring of the first peal of Spliced Surprise Royal in four methods in the country, rung by members of the North-Western District at Beddington, conducted by Mr. C. H. Kippin.

An unfortunate incident was the discovery that a composition of Treble Bob Major (an abridged version of P. Robinson's 5.184) was false. This composition has been rung on 12 occasions by the association, including a peal on the back eight at the Church of St. Mary-le-Bow, Chesham. The peal records have been amended accordingly.

Twenty-six peals were rung during the year, an increase of five over 1935. Methods: Spliced London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Royal 2; London—Royal 1, Major 2, Minor 1; Cambridge—Royal 3, Major 5; Kent Treble Bob—Royal 1, Major 1, Minor 1; Oxford Treble Bob Major 1; Plain Bob—Royal 1, Major 1; Double Norwich Major 1; Stedman—Caters 1, Triples 2; Grandshire Triples 2; Minor (3 methods) 1. Eighty-four members took part, six ringing their first peal and 55 their first peal in the method.

District meetings had been well attended. In the North-Western District the average attendance was 38, and the Southern District 27. An interesting feature was the number of joint meetings. Six were held, one jointly with the Guildford Guild and Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, three mid-week meetings with the Ladies' Guild, one each with the Sussex Association and East Grinstead Guild, all of which were well attended. The committee were of opinion that these joint meetings were excellent for promoting good feeling between neighbouring associations, which had always been the aim of the society, and should be encouraged as much as possible.

Ringing had still been carried on monthly by the association at Southwark Cathedral, but during recent months the attendance had not been up to the usual standard. Further volunteers were necessary if this ringing was to be carried on successfully.

The committee regretted to report the death of Mr. John Lee, of Streatham, an old and respected member of this association, and the Rev. H. T. Lewis, late Vicar of Horley, who was an honorary member for several years.

The membership of the association had slightly decreased during the year, the total of annual subscribing members being 287, as against 297 at the end of 1935. In the North-Western District there is a reduction of 14, but the Southern District had an increase of four members.

Finance was still satisfactory, the balance in hand in the Central Fund and the districts having increased by £6 10s. 10d. during 1936 from £39 8s. 1d. to £45 18s. 11d.

In concluding their report, the committee congratulated the Master, Mr. Birt, upon the great improvement in his health after such a long illness, and expressed the hope that he would have a speedy and complete recovery.

Mr. H. V. Young called attention to the falling off in the attendance for ringing once a month at Southwark Cathedral, and appealed for more ringers who would be prepared to attend there once every three months.

The report was adopted.

Mr. J. Corbett (hon. treasurer of the Guildford Diocesan Guild) and Mr. A. Watson (Benhilton) were elected members of the association.

Three places, Reigate, Kingston and Croydon, were proposed for the next annual meeting, Reigate being selected by a large majority.

REASON FOR CHANGE.

The election of officers provided some changes, but these were all of a voluntary nature. The Bishop of Croydon remains president and Mr. D. K. C. Birt, Master. Mr. D. Cooper had also been nominated for the latter office, but withdrew, saying that he allowed his nomination to go forward under a misapprehension. At the time it was thought Mr. Birt intended to retire on account of the condition of his health, but now that he was recovering and was willing to continue he (Mr. Cooper) would not think of contesting the office (applause).

In declaring the election of Mr. E. G. Talbot as hon. secretary and Mr. C. H. Kippin as assistant hon. secretary, the Chairman said he could not let it pass without a reference to the change that was taking place and to Mr. Kippin's services. Mr. Kippin and Mr. Talbot had changed offices, because the former was of opinion that a change would be beneficial. Mr. Kippin had served as hon. secretary for ten years with great ability and efficiency, and the association owed him a great debt of gratitude (applause).

Mr. C. H. Reading endorsed the chairman's remarks, and said the members were very conscious of and appreciated the work which Mr. Kippin had done.

Mr. Kippin said he had resigned the secretaryship not through any lack of interest or differences with the committee. The reason was that he believed new blood should be introduced. He had been secretary for ten years, and if a man went on too long it made him appear indispensable. He would continue to have just as much interest in the association, and he wished his successor every success in the office. He hoped the members would give him every support.

The new hon. secretary acknowledged his election. He said he felt very diffident in taking on the work after Mr. Kippin, but he would do his best, with the help of the members, to carry on efficiently.

The remaining office, that of auditor, was filled by the re-election of Mr. G. W. Store.

It was announced that the committee had considered the question of holding the annual dinner this year, and, in view of the close proximity of the College Youths' Tercentenary dinner, recommended that the dinner be not held. Mr. Kippin explained that the feeling of the committee was that a good many ringers would want to attend the College Youths' commemoration, and as they could not all afford to go to both, the attendance at a Surrey dinner was bound to be affected, and they did not want to risk a loss.

CORONATION RINGING.

The committee's suggestion was confirmed—as was also the following recommendation of the committee: 'That ringing takes place as far as possible at every affiliated tower on the day of the Coronation, May 12th next; record of performances to be ascertained by the secretary.'

Mr. Talbot explained that on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee only one peal was rung by the association, and, on the face of it, it seemed a very poor recognition of the event. Actually there were several attempts and many touches were rung. The object on this occasion was to obtain a record of what was done.

Later Mr. Willett said he had read in 'The Ringing World' of the suggestion by one association that any peals rung by its members in the month of May should be recognised as Coronation peals. He asked whether that should be done in the Surrey Association, and if it was to be generally adopted.

The Chairman, asked to give his view on the matter, said he considered that any peal definitely arranged as a Coronation celebration, if rung within a reasonable time of the event, should be recognised as a Coronation peal. Peals casually arranged which happened to be rung soon after the Coronation ought not to be treated as Coronation peals, but those specially arranged for the purpose should be recognised, even if they were not rung in Coronation week.

A suggestion by Mr. W. H. Hewitt that a joint meeting with the Guildford Guild and Middlesex Association should be held at a tower near the Thames in the autumn was referred to the North-Western District Committee, it being pointed out that a joint meeting was to be held at Staines for the Middlesex, Guildford and Oxford Guilds.—The Chairman said he had no doubt the other societies would welcome the Surrey Association on that occasion.

Mr. Randall (Benhilton) suggested that in future no officer should hold his position for more than three years in succession.

Considerable discussion followed upon this, when the advantages and disadvantages were pointed out by various speakers.

Mr. Randall and others argued that it would give the opportunity of introducing new blood. At present if a man was willing to con-

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Should Officers be changed every 3 years?

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time in office he could not be very well turned out without feeling a sense of slight.

On the other hand, it was pointed out that an opportunity occurred annually to change officers if it was thought desirable, and there was also the difficulty which frequently occurred of finding suitable men for office.

Mr. Claydon (a district secretary) said it took a secretary three years to get into the job properly; were they, he asked, going to turn him out as soon as he knew his job?

Mr. C. H. Reading said if they had a good man they should stick to him.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE.

In the end, it being understood that the meeting was not committed to any definite views, the matter was referred to the committee for consideration on condition that if they had any recommendation to make, the secretary and assistant secretary were not to be retired in the same year. The reference to the committee included both the general and district officers.

On the motion of the chairman, it was decided to ask the committee to consider the omission from the annual printed report of the tables giving statistics of the performances of those members who had rung peals in the preceding years. The Chairman, speaking from the sympathetic standpoint of a guild secretary, pointed out that it was a record of only limited scope, it put an immense amount of work on the secretary and added to the cost of the report. All the information was in the records of the peals, which members could extract for themselves, if they were interested.

Mr. Kippin said he had continued to prepare the tables every year because they had been compiled before he took office, but he endorsed what the chairman said about the labour involved. The preparation of these tables took as much time as all the rest of the report.

Mr. W. Hewitt said he should be sorry to see these statistics omitted from the report, but the meeting referred the matter to the committee.

On the motion of Mr. Hewitt, it was decided to leave the peal books in the custody of Reigate tower, and Mr. J. Beams was thanked for his services in writing up the records. At present they had only been brought up to 1926, as the association was for many years without books in which the entries could be made.

It was decided to record on the minutes a hearty vote of thanks to the retiring hon. treasurer (Mr. C. Dean) for his services to the association. It was pointed out that Mr. Dean had been a member of the association for 47 years, and had been in office since 1895, for two periods as hon. secretary, for many years as a representative of the association on the Central Council, and latterly as hon. treasurer. He was retiring now on account of the claims of business on his time.

A similar vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Kippin for his services for ten years as hon. secretary, and ordered to be recorded on the minutes.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar of Leatherhead for the use of the bells and to the curate for conducting the service, also to Messrs. G. Marriner and H. V. Young for the local arrangements made.

It was also resolved to send a letter of condolence to Mr. Arthur Dean, an old Leatherhead member of the association, in his continued illness and good wishes for his speedy recovery.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. SUCCESSFUL MEETING IN NORTH LONDON.

A quarterly meeting of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths was held at Hampstead on Saturday, and, despite Arctic weather, about 40 ringers attended, representing the following towers: Ealing, Northfleet, Bishopsgate, Ruislip, Bromley Common, Watford, Kingsbury, St. John's Hillingdon, Sunbury, Gravesend, North Stoneham, Hamstead, Burnham, Finchley, Beckenham, St. Lawrence Jewry and St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Visitors also came from Coventry.

Ringing took place during the afternoon at St. Ann's, Highgate (Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob Major, Cambridge and Bristol Surprise), and at St. Stephen's, Hampstead (Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Cambridge Royal, together with rounds for the beginners).

The service was held in St. Stephen's at 6 p.m. and was conducted by the Vicar of Hampstead, the Rev. A. F. Sharp.

Tea was served in the Church Hall of St. Stephen's. The Rev. A. F. Sharp having to leave before the business meeting, the Master (Mr. G. H. Cross), on behalf of those present, thanked him for his address and welcome and also for granting permission to ring.

After the inevitable touch on the handbells, the business meeting took place, the Master taking the chair. It was announced that the next quarterly meeting would be held at Pinner in July.

Mr. J. E. Bailey, secretary of the Dinner Committee, appealed for support for the dinner to be held on the following Saturday, and the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Mr. T. Bevan for making such satisfactory arrangements.

Further ringing took place in the evening at Gospel Oak, where the methods rung included Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Cambridge and London Minor.

LEICESTER RINGERS' ANNUAL DINNER.

THE FUN WAS 'FAST AND FURIOUS.'

Each year we have been able to report the result of the Leicester and District's annual dinner as 'the best yet.' This year's gathering was every bit as successful, and from a social point of view could not be surpassed. As a preliminary the bells of St. Margaret's (12) and St. John the Divine (10) were available for an hour to give visitors a chance of a pull, but evidently this was considered a secondary consideration with the majority, as the bells were not so keenly patronised as one might have expected. It was said most of the visitors were concentrating on the dinner! They were not disappointed. At 6.30 p.m. a 'gathering of the clans,' numbering over 100, met at the George Hotel, and among the towers represented were Anstey, Belgrave, Billesdon, Burbage, Croft, Glen Magna, Kirkby Mallory, Loughborough, Nottingham, Oakham, Wigstons Magna and South, as well as the local companies. Grace was said by the Leicester ringers' chaplain, the Rev. W. Groome-Merrilees, now of Ellistown, and the company enjoyed a good repast. The proceedings following dinner were free from any formality, set speeches and such like, and in the social that followed the fun was fast and furious. For several years past Leicester has struck a modern idea of what a dinner and social evening should be, and this was 'it.'

The genial chairman (Mr. Jim Harris) was in good form and carried through the programme in his usual breezy style. It was deeply regretted that the newly-appointed local secretary, P.C. J. W. Perkins, was absent owing to an unfortunate accident during the week. The chairman expressed the sympathy of all the company, and promised to convey to him their good wishes for his speedy recovery.

A course of Stedman Caters 'in hand' was rung by A. Ballard, H. J. Poole, E. Morris, F. E. Wilson, J. Morris. Then followed violin solos by P.C. Vines, and songs by Mr. A. Chiswell. A special feature was the entertainment by Mr. C. Grimes, who got 'sweet music' out of many and curious instruments, which was greatly appreciated.

Novelty competitions interspersed the proceedings, and the balloon blowing for ladies resulted in an appropriate prize of a specially constructed bottle with a rubber end. It was noticed that the winner quickly returned to the 'nursery' stage again, although what she extracted was not 'grade A.' It was also observed that 'our Albert and Freddie' insisted on having a suck! The 'Ananias Club' winner proved to be F. Mason, of St. Margaret's, who said he had a grandfather clock so old that the shadow of the pendulum swinging had worn a hole in the case at the back!

The especial feature of the evening was the chairman's 'surprise packet' for one who had been at the recent police gathering at Liverpool, and who had been dismayed at his inability to get liquid nourishment—see 'Ringing World,' February 26th, page 128, column 2. This surprise packet caused endless hilarity in that the Sergeant-Major was made to 'open up,' and the revelation was a stunner! However, being a good sportsman, he promised to have the receptacle filled with 'the best,' providing the chairman had the first drink from it. Needless to say, the offer was accepted. This caused further amusement, but it was the last 'straw' when George carried the utensil around, offering 'good health' to all and sundry.

A competition, in which practically everyone in the room had a prize of either one of Jim's famous pipe-lighters or a coathanger, was won by one who made a Balla(r)d out of the photo of a certain lady's pet love. Handbell selections were delightfully rendered by the 'youngsters,' viz., S. Harrison, H. Hammersley and John Hill.

And so the fun went on until all too soon the landlord called 'Time, please,' thus terminating one of the best social gatherings ever held in Leicester.

E. M.

BLIND RINGERS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—We have read with great pleasure the article in 'The Ringing World' of March 5th with regard to the blind ringers of Oxford.

Mr. G. Bromley, who is also blind, belongs to Llandudno and we are very proud to have him ring with us at Holy Trinity Church tower during vacations.

Mr. Bromley has on two occasions taken the treble through 120 Grandsire Doubles, and also an 'inside' bell through a course of Triples on handbells. He is a great help for Sunday service ringing when he is with us.

(Mrs.) M. OWEN.

Holy Trinity Guild, Llandudno.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Ashford District of the Kent County Association, held jointly with the Romney Marsh Guild at Biddenden on Saturday, March 6th, was very successful. Thirty members attended representing twelve towers. The bells were raised at three o'clock and were kept busy during the afternoon and evening, all the visiting ringers obtaining good practice from rounds up to Cambridge Surprise Major.

The usual service was cancelled owing to the Rector's ill-health. Tea was served at The Chequers, and was followed by the business meeting, at which six new members were elected. A vote of thanks was passed for the use of the bells, and the members returned to the tower, ringing continuing until 8.30 p.m.

RINGS OF EIGHT IN CORNWALL.

HOW THEY HAVE INCREASED.

The first church in Cornwall to possess a ring of eight bells seems to have been Bodmin, a complete octave for this tower having been cast in 1767 by Thomas Rudhall. The tenor weighed 16 cwt. 2 qr. In 1808 the sixth was recast by John Rudhall. By 1877, a period of 110 years, the number of octaves had increased to seven. Of these



Penzance Church, where is one of the finest rings in the county.

seven octaves three have been completely recast and are among the finest rings in the county, namely, St. Austell (1902), Kenwyn (1905) and Penzance (1928). All are from the Loughborough Foundry. The remaining four rings have been partially recast and all have been rehung.

From 1877 to 1900, a period of twenty-three years, six more octaves appeared. All the bells of this period remain intact except those of Stratton, which were made eight in 1878 by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank with a 20 cwt. tenor, but in 1911 were rehung by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., and the weight of the tenor increased to approximately 22 cwt.

This shows how slow the process was of hanging rings of eight in Cornwall. It took one hundred and thirty-three years for the first thirteen rings to appear.

This century, however, has seen an increase of twenty, bringing the number up to thirty-three complete octaves. The period can be divided into two, for there were no augmentations from 1914 to 1919 inclusive.

In the period 1901 to 1913, augmentations started in the eastern end of the county when, in 1901, trebles were

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NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

THE VACANT RINGING MASTERSHIP.

A meeting of the North Staffordshire Association was held at Newcastle on Saturday. Thirty-six members were present from Brown Edge, Burslem, Cheadle, Crewe, Kettering, Kingsley, Longton, Norton, Newcastle, Stoke and Uttoxeter.

A short service, lasting only twenty minutes, was conducted by the Rector of Newcastle (the Rev. C. J. Watkins). The choir were also in attendance, and were entertained to tea by the ringers. The order of service was written by Mr. Kenneth Thacker, assistant hon. secretary. After an exhortation, the following special prayer was offered: 'Grant, O Lord, that Thy blessings may be with us Thy servants who are gathered here now. May we in our appointed ministry and in our daily lives serve Thee faithfully. May our service in the belfry ever be a means of drawing us nearer to one another and to Thee. May our membership in this society tend in some measure to build up Thy Kingdom, and may we, who by the bells send forth Thy loving invitation to a sinful world, ourselves hear Thy voice of love; may we obey Thy voice and do Thy bidding by keeping ourselves pure in will and deed. For these and all our other needs we pray to Thee for the help of Thy Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our only Lord and Saviour.'

Then followed the Lord's Prayer, the Collect for the Day and a short lesson. After a hymn came the address, and the service concluded with another hymn and the Blessing.

Tea was held in the Parish Hall, and the Rector extended a very hearty welcome to all present. A vote of thanks was proposed to the Rector for his very interesting address, and to the ringers for having everything ready for the use of the visitors, by Mr. A. D. Steel (Stoke), seconded by Mr. T. Hurd (Burslem). Mr. J. E. Wheeldon also thanked the ladies for serving the tea so well and the choirboys for coming along to make the service so much brighter.

The company then stood in silence for a minute as a last mark of respect to Mr. R. G. Lewis, of Uttoxeter, late Ringing Master for eight-bell towers of the association.

A letter was read by the secretary from Mrs. Lewis thanking the ringers of Cheshire and of the North Staffordshire Association for their sympathy and also for the beautiful flowers sent.

All eight and ten-bell towers were asked to send in nominations for the election of a new Ringing Master.

Three new members were elected, viz., Mr. H. Thelwell, of Wistaston (life member), the Rev. C. J. Watkins (Rector of Newcastle) and Mr. L. A. Madew (Rector's warden) as honorary members.

Members are reminded that Minor, Major, Doubles and Triples can be rung at the ten-bell towers besides Caters and Royal, and the officials would like to see more members present at ten-bell meetings.

FIRST QUARTER PEAL

HILLINGDON.—At St. John the Baptist for evensong on Sunday, March 7th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F. W. Goodfellow 1, A. R. G. Twinn 2, J. J. Pratt 3, G. P. Mitchell 4, T. Cullingworth (Ashford) 5, W. H. Coles 6, R. W. Darvill (first quarter-peal in the method as conductor) 7, C. A. Over 8.

CORNISH RINGS OF EIGHT.

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added to the sixes at St. Mary, Launceston and Liskeard; in both cases by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The work went on steadily with an octave being installed in the new tower at Kea in 1904, the church having been shifted to a more central part of the parish. Two old bells from the old square tower which still stands on the banks of the river Fal were included in this ring.

In 1907 a beautiful ring with an 18 cwt. tenor was installed at St. Keverne, there being only three bells previously. Both rings are from Loughborough. This pre-war period ended in 1913, when Messrs. Warner added two trebles at Gulval in the extreme west, making ten additional octaves.

Since 1920 there have been a further ten additions. At Tuckingmill the bells have been increased from one to eight, and in three cases from three to eight. In the remaining six cases trebles have been added either in additional framework or at complete restorations.

There are now only four octaves on which peals have not been rung. These are Tuckingmill, St. Mawgan-in-Pyder, Altarnan and St. Mabyn. The encouraging feature of a general interest in the bells of Cornwall is that all the thirty-three octaves are in ringing order.

A. S. R.

RECORD PEAL ATTEMPT.

19,040 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I wish to give notice through the medium of 'The Ringing World' that, D.V., a band of the Oxford Diocesan Guild hope to make an attempt on the Major record at Kingham Parish Church, near Chipping Norton, Oxon, on Easter Monday, when an attempt will be made to ring 19,040 Double Norwich Court Bob Major.

The figures by F. E. Taylor are given below; these have been checked by Mr. J. W. Parker, of Sunderland, and Mr. W. Willson, of Leicester, to whom the company offer sincere thanks.

Headington, Oxford.

RICHARD A. POST.

19,040 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR, BY FRANCIS E. TAYLOR.

	234567	1	3	6
	324765	—	—	3
	7423	—	—	—
A	732564	—	—	3
	3527	—	—	3
	2573	—	—	2
	5372	—	—	3
	3725	S	—	—
	7523	—	—	3
	5527	—	—	3
	2375	—	—	2
	3572	—	—	3
	5723	S	—	—
	752463	—	—	—
B	274365	—	—	2
	And last 18 courses of Block A produces			
	734265	1	3	4 6
	374562	—	—	—
	653247	—	—	3
	23564	—	—	—

- A 64235 Commencing with bob at 4 instead of 3
 A 65432 Commencing bobs at 1.4 instead of 3
 B 26354 Commencing bobs at 1.4 instead of 3
 A 24653 Commencing bobs at 1.4 instead of 3
 A 23456 Commencing bobs at 1.4 instead of 3

PREVIOUS RECORDS.

The present Major record was made at Bennington, Herts, on June 5th, 1933, when 18,144 Bob Major was rung in 10 hours 52 minutes.

Other peals of Major of a progressive length have been:—

- 15,120 Bob Major at West Ham, 1737.
 15,840 Kent Treble Bob at Bethnal Green, 1868.
 16,608 Kent Treble Bob at Mottram, 1883.
 17,024 Double Norwich at Kidlington, 1899.
 17,104 Double Norwich at South Wigston, 1904.
 17,230 Kent Treble Bob at Over, Cheshire, 1923.
 17,824 Oxford Treble Bob at Heptonstall, 1927.

There are records of two peals of Bob Major of longer length than any of these, rung by James Barham and his band, but in those peals more than eight men took part. In 1753 they rang 20,160 Bob Major at Lenham, and in 1761, 40,320 at Leeds, Kent.

LADIES' GUILD.

NORTHERN DISTRICT'S VILLAGE MEETING.

The fourth quarterly meeting of the Northern District of the Ladies' Guild was held at Gamston, near Retford, on February 27th. Members gathered early in the afternoon and were joined by the local band and members of the Notts Association, including their secretary and the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, Rector of Ordsall.

Owing to the long distances having to be travelled by the ladies, a service was not arranged, as time was too limited.

An excellent tea was provided for the ringers at the only shop in the village. One new member from St. Mary's, Handsworth, Sheffield, was elected to the Guild. This makes a total of five ringing and two hon. members from this tower, with 33 years of active ringing between four of them.

It was arranged to hold the September meeting in Manchester.

The secretary personally thanked those who had helped to make the meeting a success.

After the meeting more ringers joined the company and a good variety of methods was rung, with two courses each of Bob Minor for the four learners.

CHISLEHURST.—On Wednesday, March 3rd, at the Church of the Annunciation, 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor on the back six: T. Groombridge, sen. (conductor) 1, G. W. Fogden 2, P. A. Corby 3, E. G. Groombridge 4, J. Batters 5, W. Smith 6. This is the first 720 on the bells.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Chiswick, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells from 3.30. Service at 5; tea at 5.30 in Parish Hall, or Schoolroom, with quarterly business to follow. Ringing later.—F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec., Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Longwood, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available from 2 o'clock. Service in the church at 4.15 p.m. Tea in the Schools at 5 o'clock. Business meeting for election of officers at 6 o'clock. The recast bells of Lindley Parish Church will also be available throughout the day. All welcome.—Frank Rayment, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bramley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome.—F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual general committee meeting will be held at Reading in St. Lawrence's Hall, Abbey Street, at 3.15 p.m., on Saturday, March 13th.—Richard T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec., 69, York Road, Reading.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The next meeting will be held at Withyham (8) on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome.—B. Saunders, Sec., 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Annual dinner will be held at the Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden Lane, W.C.1, on Saturday, March 13th, at 6.30 p.m., when the chair will be taken by the Master, supported by the Rev. Pat McCormick, Vicar of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields. The bells of St. Olave's, Hart Street, will be available from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., St. Bride's, Fleet Street, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., and St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, 5 p.m. to 5.55 p.m.—J. E. Bailey, Hon. Dinner Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford, Kent.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Mursley, bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, March 13th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please send along in good time. All ringers welcome.—Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

YETMINSTER, Dorset.—The treble bell to complete the ring of six (tenor 19 cwt.), supplied by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Salisbury on March 13th at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—The usual monthly meeting will be held at St. Helens Parish Church on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.45 p.m., price 9d. Meeting to follow. Subscriptions due. Visitors welcome.—H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.—A meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Blackpool, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30. Members and non-members welcomed.—C. Sharples, Branch Secretary, 35, Berwick Road, Squires Gate, Blackpool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, on Saturday, March 13th. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.—Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Thurleigh on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (6) ready from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged. You will be very welcome. Remember a card helps no end.—Frank C Tysoe, Dis. Sec., 10, Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Barnby-in-the-Willows (6) on Saturday, March 13th. A bus leaves Newark Bus Station at 2.5 p.m. Any who use it will be brought back to Newark after the meeting. Methods: Double Oxford, Sandal T.B., Wells S. Please turn up and make this the best meeting in the association's history (and don't forget the card for tea).—R. Towler, Ollerton Road, Retford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Silverdale on Saturday, March 13th. Bells ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.—E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Marie's Church, Sheffield (8 bells) on Saturday, March 13th. For tea, cafés close by. Committee meeting 4 p.m. General meeting 6 p.m. Bristol for practice. All welcome.—M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronans Road, Sheffield 7.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Barwell on Saturday, March 13th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea, at a small charge, at 5, if you send a card to Mr. C. R. Belton, Westgate, Hinckley Road, Barwell, not later than March 12th. Business meeting follows. Subscriptions for 1937 now due.—Wm. A. Wood, Hon. Sec., Fosseyway, Croft, near Leicester.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crewe Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Church Lawton (8 bells) on Saturday, March 13th. Ringing from 3 o'clock.—Rich. D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec., 118, Ruskin Road, Crewe.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—There will be ringing for Sunday service at Shoreditch on March 14th, at 5.30 p.m., and on the 28th at 10 a.m. The usual practice on the last Thursday in March has been cancelled as it falls in Holy Week.—N. Summerhayes, Assist. Hon. Sec., 26, Wilmot Road, Dartford.

ECKINGTON, Nr. Sheffield.—Ring of eight (tenor 17 cwt.), restored by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. A ringers' gathering will be held on Saturday, March 20th. Tower open from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tea in the Parish Room at 5 p.m. Ringers requiring tea to notify Mr. T. Howes-Smith, The Yews, Eckington, before March 17th.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on March 30th; St. Magnus' on the 18th; and *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 16th at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—Next meeting at Edmonton on Saturday, March 20th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea, 1s. each, at 5.30. Special methods, Cambridge Court Bob Major and St. Clement's Bob Triples. All requiring tea should advise Mrs. G. W. Fletcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield, by March 17th. This meeting is held jointly with a meeting of the Ladies' Guild.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—The annual meeting will be held at Wath-on-Deane on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at 1s. 3d. per head. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. A. Panther, 29, Avenue Road, Wath-on-Deane, by Thursday, the 18th? Meeting after tea for election of officers, etc.—F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 35, Finkle Street, Bentley, Doncaster.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Lambeth, on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea in the Parish Hall at 5 p.m., and meeting to follow. Further ringing until 7.30 p.m., when there will be a short service. Please send me your names for tea by the 17th.—A. P. Cannon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 118, Sarsfield Road, Balham, S.W.12.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL.—The new ring of 12 bells (by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough) will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Winchester on Saturday, March 20th, at 3.30 p.m. The Dean and Chapter, together with the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers, invite visiting ringers to tea in the Guildhall after the service. Admission will be by ticket only, and application for tickets must be made before Monday, March 15th, to Mr. J. W. Elkins, The Cathedral, Winchester, and a stamped addressed envelope enclosed. The Cathedral bells will be available for ringing from 6 to 8.30 p.m., by kind permission of the Very Rev. the Dean of Winchester.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—The eighth annual dinner of the Gloucester Branch will be held on Saturday, March 20th, at the Spread Eagle Hotel, Market Parade, Gloucester, at 6 p.m. prompt. Tickets, 3s. The following towers open for ringing: Barnwood (8) at 1 p.m. if required; St. Mary de Lode (6) 2.30 to 3.30; St. Mary de Crypt (8) 3.45 to 4.45; St. Michael's (10) 4.45 to 5.45 p.m. Will those friends requiring tickets kindly notify me not later than the 16th inst.—W. H. Harris, Hon. Branch Sec., G.W.R. Terrace, Lydney Dock, Lydney, Glos.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—The next meeting is to be held at Redbourn on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Short service, tea and meeting. Those requiring tea must notify me by the Thursday previous. Come along and extend your knowledge of Minor methods. — W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Nomination meeting will be held at Armley on Saturday, March 20th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Ringers' Communion Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. (1s. per head) for all who send in their names to me by March 18th.—H. Loft-house, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds 12.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Meltham, Saturday, March 20th. Bells available 6 p.m. Come and sample a Meltham welcome and their bells. — Fred Hodgson, 566, Halifax Road, Hightown, Liversedge.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Houghton-le-Spring on Saturday, March 20th. Bells available 2.30. Tea at 5, in Macgee's Café. Please advise Mr. J. H. Masters, 25, Boulby Street, Houghton-le-Spring. Please do your best to be present. All ringers and friends welcome.—F. Robson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 13, Grainger Street, West Hartlepool.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Next meeting at Markham on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome.—W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—A meeting of the Wirral branch will be held at St. Mary's, Birkenhead, on Saturday, March 20th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards. A good attendance is requested. Subscriptions are now due and will be much appreciated.—Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 30, South Hill Road, Birkenhead.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at St. John's, Darlington, on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Ringers requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, March 17th. — R. Jeff, 29, Reid Street, Darlington.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A monthly meeting will be held at Shilton, near Coventry (not Exhall as previously arranged) on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (6) available afternoon and evening. Tea at 4.45 p.m. in the schools.—Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., Highfield House, Royal Oak Lane, Exhall, near Coventry.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch. — Half-yearly meeting to be held at Broughton-in-Furness on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30. Meeting to follow. Names for tea to Mr. W. T. Clark, Gable Mount, Broughton-in-Furness. — N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.

JOINT MEETING OF THE LADIES' GUILD (Southern District) **AND GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (Guildford District) at Chiddingfold, Saturday, March 20th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea at Swan Hotel 5.30 p.m. Please send numbers for tea to Mr. R. Carpenter, Pitt Lodge, Chiddingfold, by March 16th.—Miss H. F. Mills, Maidencombe, Northbrook Road, Aldershot; G. L. Grover, East Clandon, Hon. Secs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District. — Quarterly meeting at Anstey on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Those requiring tea (9d.) please notify Mr. R. F. Elkington not later than March 18th. All welcome.—H. W. Perkins, Hon. Sec., 53, Landseer Road, Leicester.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—The next meeting has been arranged at Penn (6 bells) on Saturday, March 20th, at 3.30 p.m. Tea at 1s. per head for those who notify me not later than March 15th.—A. D. Baker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

LADIES' GUILD.—Central District.—A joint meeting will be held with the Middlesex County Association on Saturday, March 20th, at All Saints', Edmonton. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea (1s.) at 5.30 p.m. All those requiring tea please notify Mrs. G. W. Fletcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield, Middlesex. —M. L. Cross, Hon. Dis. Sec.

POYNTON, NEAR STOCKPORT.—Special services for the reopening of the bells on March 21st, at 10.45 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Ring of 6 rehung by John Taylor and Co.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The 57th annual general meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday. The association service will be in St. Mary's Church at noon, followed by lunch in the Parish Hall. Business meeting afterwards to elect officers, and consider the adoption of the revised rules, etc. The following towers will be open for ringing during the day: Wye (8), Mersham (8) if possible, Willesborough (6), Eastwell (6), Great and Little Chart (6), Hothfield (6). Ashford bells will be available at 10 o'clock till noon and after the meeting. Luncheon, free to practising members, 2s. 6d. to others. Application for tickets must be made on or before first post Wednesday, March 24th, accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope and a list of names attending. After this date no application can be entertained.—Fred M. Mitchell, General Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—North-Western District. — The next meeting will be held at Croydon Parish Church on Easter Monday, March 29th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Parish Hall, Sylverdale Road. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. D. Cooper, 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon, by first post Wednesday, March 24th. — F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting at St. Neots on Easter Monday, March 29th. Bells available from 12 noon. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea, 4 p.m., followed by business meeting. Other towers: Eaton Socon, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m.; Eynesbury, 2 to 3 p.m., 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.; Huntingdon, All Saints', 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.—Kitty Willers, Gen. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Service in Cathedral 4.30 p.m., with address by the Dean. Further particulars as to times for ringing next week.—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting, Easter Monday, Nottingham. Bells of St. Mary's (10) and St. Peter's (10) will be available. Full details later. — Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at All Souls', Bolton, on Saturday, March 20th. Bells available 3 p.m. No business meeting.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Braughing on Saturday, March 20th. The bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. Service at 5 p.m. Address by the Vicar. Tea and business meeting after. I hope for a good attendance of old friends and new.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—East Devon Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Honiton on Easter Monday, March 29th. Service, 4.30, St. Michael's Church. Tea and meeting, 5.15, Gill's Café. Bells (6) available 2 p.m., also Ottery St. Mary (8). All are welcome.—J. H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Silver Street, Ottery St. Mary, Devon.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, March 29th. Business meeting in the College Hall at 2.45 p.m. prompt. Chairman: The Very Rev. Arthur Davies, D.Litt., Dean of Worcester. Service in the Cathedral at 4.15 p.m., with address by the Rev. J. F. Hastings, M.A., clerical secretary. Tea (non-members 1s. each) provided at 5.30 p.m. for all those who notify me before Wednesday, March 24th. Bells available: Cathedral (12) 1 to 2 p.m.; All Saints' (10), St. John-in-Bedwardine (8), St. Nicholas (6) and St. Swithun (6, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. only). Central Committee meeting in St. Helen's Church House at 11.30 a.m. Subscriptions should be paid and reports obtained in St. Helen's Church House between 12 noon and 1 p.m.—J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Cheltenham Road, Sedgborough, Evesham.

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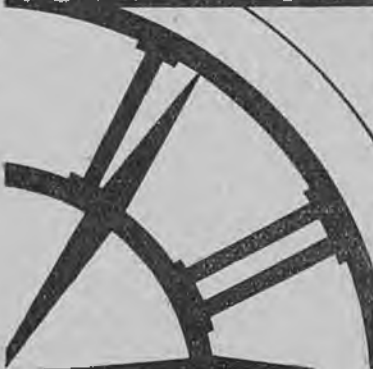
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