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REBELLION

NCE or twice recently correspondents have urged the readers of this journal to ignore the rulings of the Central Council on technical matters. Such advice emanates no doubt from an understandable and entirely British desire not to submit to dictation from any quarter. The fact that 'The Ringing World,' itself the official journal of the Council, is able, and indeed anxious, to publish such opinions illustrates in a small way the characteristically British attitude to criticism so baffling to foreigners but so vital to our conception of a free way of life. 'Sir, I disagree heartily with what you say, but I shall defend to the death your right to say it.'

However, it is not wise to dismiss too lightly the technical decisions of the Council. A little thought on the matter will probably convince all but the more intransigent critics that an infinitely preferable line of action is available. In short, if you do not like the Council's decisions, have them altered. Such a statement is bound to evoke the retort, 'How can this be done?'

First let us consider the relationship between the Council and the ordinary ringer—the man in the belfry. Somewhat stuffily we could say that the Council is the man in the belfry. The Council meets year by year at different centres throughout the country and is a body of men and women the majority of whom are the elected representatives of the various ringing associations. Those not directly elected by the associations are honorary members elected constitutionally by the remainder of the Council much as in local government aldermen are elected by councillors. The resulting body is a fair cross-section of the ringing Exercise.

For various reasons these people offer their services to the Exercise. Some regard it as a duty to tear themselves from their families for the whole of the Whitsun week-end, others dash to the appointed centre for the day of the meeting only, but each and every one has his part to play in making the Central Council meeting a success or even a possibility. Many, indeed most, of the members go to the meeting knowing that it is most unlikely that they will have an opportunity to speak: one might long with a deep longing to add to the debate just that cryptic phrase or put in that telling sentence and another tremble at the awful possibility that some word may be called for that he, and he alone, could contribute. But the primary function of every member is not to speak, not to vote, not to serve on a committee, not to submit a report, but, directly or in-

directly, to represent that larger company of ringers who, Sunday by Sunday, in crowded city or remote hamlet, climb the belfry stairs to sound forth to the world at large the message of the bells.

Central Council membership is not a freehold and every third year each association has the opportunity to change its representatives. The members are unpaid servants who can be given the sack and there is an opportunity for every ringer who so desires to present himself for election to the Council, provided he has the time and the means to attend the meeting. Once on the Council the man with a grievance can frame a resolution and, provided he can secure a like-minded seconder, the matter will come up for discussion.

However, although by economic or other circumstances some ringers are denied the opportunity of a personal expression of their opinions before the assembled Council, all ringers, however humble, who claim membership of an association are able to make felt their desire to change an existing Council decision or to initiate a new one. can be done by a two-fold action. Firstly, by writing a letter in reasonable terms for publication in 'The Ringing World,' remembering always that it is useless to criticise a thing unless you have something better to put in its place. Secondly, by placing before one's own association the resolution that one hopes will ultimately be adopted by the Central Council. Once the association has accepted the resolution its Central Council members can, by giving the proper notice, bring forward a motion for the agenda of the next Council meeting. Alternatively there is always the possibility of interesting two honorary members of the Council in one's pet theory so that they will bring forward the necessary motion for the Council agenda. course is distinctly better than just grumbling.

Whatever happens, the Ringing Exercise is, and must remain, democratic. The essence of true democracy is that the minority should voluntarily and with good grace accept the decision of the majority. It is useless to go to the expense and trouble of having a Central Council and for associations to have a rule that they will abide by its decisions if every aggrieved party is to ignore them. There is no dictatorship about this—just commonsense.

Obviously some of the Council decisions are silly. No one who has had experience of a Council meeting will wonder why. It is difficult to hear a proposed decision read or even to see it in print and then to hear first one proposed amendment and then another, some silly and

some sensible, and afterwards to be certain just what has been agreed. Much of this sort of thing could be avoided if greater use were made of the columns of 'The Ringing World' beforehand. The technical committees of the Council appeal from time to time for opinions and guidance from ordinary ringers. The response is usually, to say the least, lukewarm.

Therefore, armchair critics, you get the Council and the decisions you deserve!

TWELVE BELL PEAL

BIRMINGHAM. BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., Nov. 15, 1951, in 3 Hours and 48 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,

A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

*J. Martin Thorley ...Treble | Terry R. Hampton ... 7

Martin Thorley ... 2 + tour R. Martin P. M

* First peal on twelve bells. † First peal of Surprise Maximus. ‡ First peal of Yorkshire Maximus.

TEN BELL PEALS

KINGSTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY, THE SURREY ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Nov. 3, 1951, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 27 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in D.

*ALISON A. CLARKE ...Treble GEORGE C. GOODMAN ...
*BARBARA M. HARRIS 2 FRANK E. HAWTHORNE ...

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 18½ cwt.

THOMAS G. FOXTreble | RALPH BIRD

WILLIAM A. THEOBALD . 2
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS . 3
WILFRED WILLIAMS . 4
PERCIVAL W. CAVE . 5
Composed by FREDK, DENCH.

NATH DIRECTION S. 7
DAVID E. PARSONS . 7
HOMAS G. MYERS . 9
GEORGE E. FEARN . . . Tenor
Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

HARRY WOODING . . . Treble
*BRYAN S. COPE . 2 GEOFFREY E. WATSON . 7
†JOHN KING 3
ERNEST E. WHITMORE . 4

JJOHN E. SKERRITT . 5
Composed by W. Pye.
*25th peal together . † 75th peal.
*25th peal together . † 75th peal.
*25th peal together . † 75th peal.
*25th peal and the first for the Guild by an all-resident band.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

CONGLETON, CHESHIRE THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 13, 1951, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF 5056 PAINSWICK SURPRISE MAJOR Composed by C. H. MARTIN. Conducted by FREDK. WILLIAM GROCOTT. First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells and for the Association.

> FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
>
> On Fri., Oct. 26, 1951, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
>
> At the Church of St. Lawrence,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

	12½ cwt.
O. CLAYBROOK Treble	WILLIAM ALLMAN 5
ELIZABETH M. BIBBY 2	DINNIS MADDOCK 6
HENRY O. BAKER 3	WALTER ALLMAN 7
JOHN E. BIBBY 4	FRANCIS BIBBY Tenor
Composed by C. H. MIDDLETON.	Conducted by JOHN E. BIBBY.
* First neal of Surprise	

STOKE-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 27, 1951, in 3 Hours and 2½ Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AD VINCULA,

A PEAL OF 5056 PAINSWICK SURPRISE MAJOR C.C.C. No. 1. Tenor 20 cwt. 8 lb. in E flat. FREDK. WM. GROCOTT .. Treble | *ARTHUR PEAKE Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by FREDK. WILLIAM GROCOTI.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. G. W Henshaw and also in honour of his wedding. F. W. Grocott has now rung a peal in a different method on each bell in the tower.

ALLENDALE, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 3, 1951, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

	Tenor	10 cwt.		
THOMAS W. CROWE	Treble	*ERIC N. HARRISON		5
CHARLES MCGUINESS	2	MICHAEL P. MORETON		6
JOHN ANDERSON	3	*Kenneth Arthur		7
J. ALAN AINSWORTH	4	DENIS A. BAYLES		Tenci
Composed by T. B. Wo	RSLEY.	Conducted by DENIS A	. В	AYLES

* First peal of Cambridge Major. An 80th birthday compliment to Canon H. S. Stephenson, M.A., Rector of Allendale when the original six bells were installed.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 3, 1951, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF 5104 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.



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GLOUCESTER.	MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE,
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF CRYPT YOUTHS AND	THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.	On Mon., Nov. 5, 1951, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
On Sat., Nov. 3, 1951, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,	AT CHRIST CHURCH,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-DE-CRYPT,	A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES	Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.
Tenor 14 cwt.	WILFRED STEVENSON Treble JOHN WORTH 5
THOMAS HASTINGS	GERALD FARRER 6
THOMAS NEWMAN 2 WILLIAM T. COX 6	ANNE WORTH
ERNEST PALMER 3 TREVOR PRITCHARD 7	NEIL D. LOMAS 4 JOSEPH W. WHITTAKER Tenor
ADOLPHUS ROBERTS 4 CHARLES LARNER Tenor	Conducted by JOHN WORTH.
Composed by Bruerton. Conducted by Leslie Barry.	Rung for the marriage of Miss June Price Weeks, of Macclesfield,
	to Mr. David Victor Hill, of Galway, Ireland, which took place at
HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.	Manchester Cathedral on November 1st.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.	
On Sat., Nov. 3, 1951, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,	ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,	THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR	On Tues., Nov. 6, 1951, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
Tenor 17½ cwt.	AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF SS. THOMAS AND EDMUND (R.C.),
FRANK E. HAYNES Treble ARTHUR V. PEARSON 5	A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
*CLAUDIA HARDING 2 JOHN PINFOLD 6	Tenor 15½ cwt.
	*CLIVE M. SMITH Treble †STANLEY PRESTIDGE 5
	RICHARD C. INGRAM 2 †WILLIAM DAVIES 6
RODNEY B. MEADOWS 4 GEORGE E. FEARN Tenor	J. NORMAN HADLEY 3 MAURICE G. TURNER 7
Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK Conducted by Frank E. HAYNES.	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER. 4 HOWARD HOWELL Tenor
* First peal in the method.	Composed by John Reeves Conducted by Howard Howell.
The second secon	* First peal on eight bells and first in the method. † 25th peal to-
PRESTEIGNE, RADNORSHIRE.	gether.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.	The state of the s
On Sat., Nov. 3, 1951, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,	HALEWOOD, NEAR LIVERPOOL.
At the Church of St. Andrew,	THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR	On Tues., Nov. 6, 1951, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
Tenor 14 cwt.	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.
REGINALD T. JONES Treble AUSTIN T. WINGATE 5	A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
George Davis 2 *Rev. E. Geoffrey Benson 6	Dexter's Variation, No. 3. Tenor 11½ cwt.
	THOMAS LEE Treble WILLIAM ROBINSON 5
	GEORGE H. HESKETH 2 JOHN ROBINSON 6
LESLIE EVANS 4 WILFRID F. MORETON Tenor	JOHN ROBERTS 3 THOMAS W. HESKETH 7
Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.	FREDERICK S. ALMOND 4 JOHN STEVENSON Tenor
* First peal in the method.	Conducted by Thomas W. Hesketh.
	Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of Mr. Maddock, father
SYSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.	of one of the local ringers, who died the previous day.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.	
On Sat., Nov. 3, 1951, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.	LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,	THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR	On Thurs., Nov. 8, 1951, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
Tenor 15 cwt. 26 lb. in F.	AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,
*B. STEDMAN PAYNE Treble SHIRLEY BURTON 5	A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Brian G. Warwick . 2 Ernest Morris 6	Tenor 61 cwt.
WINIFRED M. BURTON 3 JOHN BRAMLEY 7	Mrs. H. J. Poole Treble Harold J. Poole 5
	JOHN HILL 2 *MICHAEL E. Brown 6
S. Anthony Jesson 4 John Hill Tenor	E. Alan Jacques 3 John J. Morris 7
Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.	J. FREDK. MILNER 4 ALFRED BALLARD Tenor
* First peal of Major. The first peal in the method. Rung as a	Composed by FREDK. DENCH. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.
compliment to the ringers of 2nd and 3rd upon their engagement.	*First peal of London Surprise. A 21st birthday compliment to
	Michael E. Brown.
WESTBOURNE, SUSSEX.	The state of the s
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.	WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE,
On Sun., Nov. 4, 1951, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,	THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,	On Thurs., Nov. 8, 1951, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
Tenor 10½ cwt,	A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
*E. WINIFRED KEYS Treble PATRICK PAGE 5	Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in D.
BLANCHE M. BALL 2 JOHN W. MEADE 6	C. Edward Jefferies Treble Ronald J. Sharp 5
ERNEST TREAGUS 3 JOHN H. HUNT 7	BRYAN S. COPE 2 C. HENRY HARDING 6
NORMAN J. SMITH 4 FREDERICK W. BURNETT . Tenor	Andrew C. Sinfield 3 *Fredk. J. Plummer 7
Composed by John Jaggar. Conducted by John H. Hunt.	DONALD G. CLIFT 4 PATRICK I. CHAPMAN Tenor
	Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by C. Edward Jefferies.
* First peal of Double Norwich.	* First peal of Surprise. First peal in the method on the bells.
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THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.	THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Nov. 5, 1951, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,	On Fri., Nov. 9, 1951, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR	A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt.	Tenor 16 cwt.
*JOHN ANDERSON Treble *THOMAS W. CROWE 5	NORMA BICKERDIKE Treble Geoffrey Crossley 5
CHARLES McGuiness 2 EDMUND P. CROWDY 6	SIDNEY BARRON 2 LEONARD SCHOFIELD 6
J. ALAN AINSWORTH 3 THAROLD WALKER 7	*HAROLD SCHOFIELD 3 JOHN AMBLER 7
ERIC N. HARRISON 4 DENIS A. BAYLES Tenor	ERIC BALDWIN 4 GORDON BENFIELD Tenor
Composed by A. CRAVEN. Conducted by DENIS A. BAYLES.	Composed by George Lewis. Conducted by Gordon Benfield.
* 50th peal together. † 150th peal. Rung as an 80th birthday com-	* First peal. Rung as an 80th birthday compliment to William
pliment to Canon H. S. Stephenson. M.A., Rector of Gateshead and	Clark, of St. Peter's, Birstall, and as a birthday compliment to Sid-
president of this Association.	ney Barron, of the local company.

Conducted by HOWARD HOWELL.

OXFORD.	EXMINSTER, DEVON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.	THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
On Fri., Nov. 9, 1951, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, At the Church of St. Ebbe,	At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR	A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. CHARLES COLESTreble †DAVID HILL 5	Tenor 18 cwt. STAFFORD H. GREEN Treble *ARTHUR J. SCOTT 5
WM. H. B. WILKINS (81) 2 TO. MICHAEL SLANEY 6	E. Maurice Atkins 2 Norman Mallett 6
FRANK P WRIGHT 3 PETER BORDER 7	FREDERICK WREFORD 3 HENRY G. KEELEY 7
*M. ELIZABETH ROE . 4 EDNA SILLS	ROGER KEELEY 4 G. STEDMAN MORRIS Tenor Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by G. STEDMAN MORRIS.
* First peal in the method. † First peal of Major. ‡ First peal on	* First peal in the method 'inside.' First peal of Major on the bells
tower bells.	and rung for the patronal festival of this church. Also a birthday compliment to Mrs. Wreford.
BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME, LANCASHIRE.	
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,	LODDON, NORFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
At the Church of St. James,	On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR	AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. *Alan WardTreble Alfred Wilkinson 5	A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt, in G.
JAMES CARTER 2 HENRY PARKER 6	*H. WILLIAM BARRETT Treble STANLEY W. COPLING
HAROLD WORRALL 3 CECIL RADDON 7	†James W. Forder
ALEC CAIRNS 4 HARRY W. HOWARD	CHARLES BAILEY 4 NOLAN GOLDEN Tenor
* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.	Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.
Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Day.	* Has now circled the tower. † First peal of Major 'inside.' Rung half-muffled immediately following the interment of the Rev. George
CAMPSALL, YORKSHIRE.	Nevill Stevens, Vicar.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 3 Hours,	OVERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,	THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR	On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Matthew,
Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in A flat. *Doreen SmytheTreble F. Bernard Ditcher 5	A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
+DAVID G. JACKSON 6	Tenor 10 cwt.
MILTON C. FOWLER . 3 J. FREDERICK MILNER 7 WILLIAM H. JACKSON . 4 J. EDWARD CAWSER Tenor	WILLIAM F. WOODWARD Treble ALBERT E. THOMPSON 5 WALTER P. WHITEHEAD 2 *FRANCIS R. LOWE 6
Composed by W. BARTON. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSER.	ERNEST W. BEADSMOORE 3 JOSEPH WM. COTTON 7
* First peal on eight bells and of Treble Bob. † First peal in the method. In memoriam Robin, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Critchley,	WALTER G. SOAR 4 *HAROLD TAYLOR Tenor Composed by C. H. MIDDLETON. Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD.
interred this day.	* 50th peal together. Rung as an 11th birthday compliment to Nor-
	man Wm. Cotton, youngest member of the local band.
CLAYBROOKE, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.	RINGWOOD, HANTS.
On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,	THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
At the Church of St. Peter, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES	On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 14 cwt.	A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
*DOROTHY M. SMITHTreble CECIL E. CARR 5 ALFRED BALLARD 2 WILLIAM A. WOOD 6	Parker's Twelve-part, Tenor 18½ cwt. Ronald N. Marlow . Treble William C. Shute 5
*DAVID A PRICE 3 T. KELHAM DEACON 7	*JOAN M. GRAY 2 JOHN HARTLESS 6
FRANK K. MEASURES 4 *WILLIAM R. PROUDMAN Tenor	HERBERT H. ABRAHAMS . 3 DAVID R. REED 7 LESLIE PAGE 4 JOHN H. GILBERT Tenor
Conducted by Frank K. Measures. * First peal. The conductor has now 'circled the tower.'	Leslie Page 4 John H. Gilbert Tenor Conducted by David R. Reed.
That pear. The configuration has now only and the tower	* First peal on eight. First peal on eight as conductor.
DITCHEAT, SOMERSET. THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.	RUTHIN, DENBIGHSHIRE.
On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.	THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE, A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES	On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
Heywood's Transposition. Tenor 24 cwt. in D.	A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
*George W. Massey Treble Edward J. Chivers 5	Tenor 17 cwt.
JOHN E. METCALFE	*John W. Griffiths
FRANCIS C. MOGFORD . 4 ALBERT J. LINTERN . Tenor	NORAH M. BIBBY 3 R. GORDON CORBY 7
Conducted by RONALD G. BECK.	GEORGE F. SPERRING . 4 PERCY SWINDLEY Tenor Composed by J. Carter. Conducted by John W. Griffiths.
* First peal of Stedman Triples.	*50th peal together. First peal on the bells.
EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.	West curonaling
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 3 Hours.	WEM, SHROPSHIRE. THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,	On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Johnson's Variation. Tenor 15 cwt. 3 gr. 25 lb. in F.	AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL, A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
JACK L. MILLHOUSE . Treble *AUBREY D. MILLS 5	Tenor 13 cwt.
MARGARET A. SWANN 2 GEOFFREY R. PARKER 6	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER Treble GEORGE A. PACKER 5 WILLIAM DAVIES 2 ERNEST STITCH 6
*Frank Taylor	J. NORMAN HADLEY 3 MAURICE G. TURNER 7
Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.	EDWARD V. RODENHURST 4 HOWARD HOWELL Tenor
* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.	Composed by J. Thorp. Conducted by Howard Howell.

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.

Composed by J. THORP.

PIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

WILLEY, SHROPSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Oct. 20, 1951, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Divine, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 2,880 Plain Bob (four callings), 720 Grandsire (six callings), 1,440 Grandsire (six Morris's 240).

BETTY GRIFFITHSTreble **HAROLD WORRALL 3 BETTY GRIPPITHS Treble *HAROLD WORRAL HENRY O. BAKER 2 *CECIL RADDON SHIRLEY GOLDING Tenor

Conducted by HENRY O. BAKER.

* First peal of Doubles in two methods.

CLEWER, BERKSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Oct. 27, 1951, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb. in F. Ten callings. FREDERICK SCOTT ... Treble WILLIAM BUTLER JAMES BROOKS 2 DAVID H. PEARCE BRIAN TAYLOR .. AUDREY EWINS .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BUTLER.

* First peal of Doubles. Conductor's 50th peal and 25th as conductor. The ringer of the 2nd has now 'circled the tower.'

HORNSEY, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 27, 1951, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 720 each of London, York and Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt. in F. JOHN E. CRUMP .. 2 RICHARD E. PRICE .. REGINALD P. CRUMP TONY PRICE †DAVID H. KINGSTON Tenor

* First peal in seven methods. † First peal of Minor. Rung in honour of the appointment of the Rev. E. S. Duyal, Rector of Hornsey and Rural Dean to the Prebendary stall of Islington. First peal

on the bells since 1914.

KEELE, STAFFORDSHIRE. THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 27, 1951, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, each called differently.

GRAYHAM MARSH Treble

JUNE MARIE HENSHAW . 2

CHARLES H. PAGE . . 5

FREDK. WM. GROCOTT . 3

FREDK. E. WILSHAW . . Tend Tenor 6 cwt. in B. .. Tenor Conducted by Frederick WILLIAM GROCOTT. * First peal of Plain Bob Minor on tower bells and 40th peal in 1951.

> ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
>
> On Thurs., Nov. 1, 1951, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
> AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,
> A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 91 cwt. GORDON R. WHEWELL . Treble CHARLES W. BLAKEY 4 Kenneth Hartley 2 A. Victor Williams .. 3 BRIAN H. WOOD ... ROGER LEIGH Tenor Conducted by Roger Leigh.

* First peal.

*First peal of all Kent Minor. Rung for the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Barton, of Borden. Mrs. Barton is sister to the 2nd and tenor ringers. Also a birthday compliment to Francis J. Cheal.



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On Sat., Nov. 3, 1951, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of an extent each of Oxford Single Bob, St. Clement's, Double Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent *A. Doreen Edwards ... Treble | *Harold Worrall 4

Harry W. Howard ... 2 | Henry Parker 5

Eric Hornby 3 | Cecil Raddon Tenor

Conducted by Henry Parker.

* First peal in seven methods. 100th peal as conductor. Birthday

compliment to conductor, William Allman (Runcorn) and Edward V. Rodenhurst (Hodnet),

> BROMFIELD, SHROPSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sun., Nov. 4, 1951, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES Being 42 six-scores, ten callings.

*Albert E. Jones . . . Treble | William Mapp 4

Leo Evans 2 | Charles E. Edwards . . 5

RICHARD F. DAVIES . . 3 | ERNEST F. WILLCOX . . Tenor Being 42 six-scores, ten callings. Conducted by Charles E Edwards.

* First peal on the treble.

PIDDLEHINTON, DORSET. THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Nov. 7, 1951, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

augmented as the gift of his widow.

GREAT DALBY, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Nov. 8, 1951, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 480 each of St. Bartholomew, St. Simon, Northrepps, South-repps, Place Bob, April Day, Canterbury, Plain Bob, and 1,200 of Grandsire. Tenor 11 cwt.

* First peal.

HITCHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Nov. 9, 1951. in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

UPCHURCH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Nov. 9, 1951, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At. the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR Conducted by George A. Naylor.

* First peal of all Oxford Treble Bob Minor.

BRIGG, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GOILD.

On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Single Oxford and St. Clement's and three of
Plain Rob.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

BURTON-IN-KENDAL, WESTMORLAND.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Lancaster Branch.)
On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,

COMPTON BISHOP, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES

Being 42 six-scores, ten extents.
LEONARD DERRICK . . . Treble

*MISS M. LEGG . 2 GEORGE PRESCOTT . . . 5

ERNEST F. SHEARN 3 THERBERT HARDIDGE . . Tenor

* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method on an 'in-

side 'bell. ‡ First peal.

DOWNHAM, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR

Being seven extents in fourteen methods: (1) Wells and London, (2) York and Durham, (3) Chester and Munden, (4) Beverley and Surfleet, (5) Ipswich and Cambridge, (6) Kent and Oxford, (7) Double Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt.

HERMON J. OLIVER . . . Treble
LAURENCE H. TURNER . 2 RICHARD VALENTINE . . . 5

HENRY T. WILSON . 3 HARRY TURNER . . . Tenor

Conducted by HARRY TURNER . . . Tenor

Conducted by HARRY TURNER.

First peal in 14 methods by all. Rung half-muffled to the memory of the fallen in the two world wars, and to the memory of Frederick Newberry, a generous benefactor to this church.

Conducted by WILLIAM BUTLER.

* First peal in three Minor methods. A wedding compliment to Miss J. Butler and Mr. G. Kent, married the same afternoon.

NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 3 Hours,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being eight extense each of St. Simon and April Day, ten of Plain Bob and sixteen of Grandsire.

TIMBERLAND, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 10, 1951, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Bourne Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford

Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Single Court, Single Oxford and Plain Tenor 13 cwt. AMOS INGALL ..

Conducted by Louis Willders. First peal as conductor. Rung on the eve of Remembrance Day.

First peal as conductor. Rung on the eve of Remembrance Day.

BLADON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Nov. 11, 1951, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being two extents each of St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Eynsham, St. Leonard's, Cassington, St. Peter's, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, Norfolk. April Day, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Columb's, Clifford Pleasure. Southrepps Pleasure, Grandsire, St. Blaise, Fortune, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps Pleasure and Antelope.

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in B.

LOTTIE R. PIMMTreble **NoVID WOODLEY 4

ALAN R. PINK 2 HARRY P. FLOYD 5

EDMUND E. PEARSON 3 † ANNE M. HOLLINGDALE. Tenor Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

* First peal in 21 methods. † First peal. Rung on the feast of St. Martin and for Remembrance Day.

Martin and for Remembrance Day.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Teven 720's.

NORTH CREAKE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Nov. 11, 1951, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

Being seven 720's.

*George Thompson ...Treble | †Peter Beals 4

ROBERT ALCOCK JOHN COUZENS ... 5

ROY OWEN Tenor Being seven 720's.

in two world wars.

HANDBELL PEALS

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY. On Sun., Oct. 28, 1951, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes, IN THE BELL TOWER OF NEW COLLEGE,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

No bobs called. Tenor size 15 in C MICHAEL SLANEY . . . 1-2 M. ELIZABETH ROE . . . 5-6
ROBIN G. TURNER . . . 3-4 KATHLEEN HIGGINS 7-8 Composed by E. M. ATKINS.

The first uncalled peal for all the band. A birthday compliment to Miss Kathleen Higgins.

SAPCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Nov. 6, 1951, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes, AT 57, STONEY STANTON ROAD,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor size 16 in B. Parker's. FRANK K. MEASURES . . . 1-2 | W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON . . 5-6
ALFRED BALLARD 3-4 | MICHAEL E. BROWN . . . 7-8
Conducted by FRANK K. MEASURES.

Specially arranged as a 21st birthday compliment to Michael E. Brown, this being his first 'in hand' of Triples and first peal of Grand-

sire Triples.

BOURNEMOUTH.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wed., Nov. 7, 1951, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes,

AT 26. WELLINGTON ROAD,

A PEAL OF 5148 SPLICED MAJOR

Being seven methods, comprising 1,520 Plain, 1,140 Gainsborough Little Bob, 784 Reverse, 576 Little Bob, 368 each of Double and St. Clement's, and 392 Crayford Little Bob, with 405 changes of method.

Tenor size 17 in A.

REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE. 1-2 | DANIEL T. MATKIN 5-6

MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY . . 3-4 | KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER . . . 7-8

Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by Daniel T. Matkin.

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PROGRESS REPORT

The first 100 of the 1,000 new postal subscribers have been enrolled.

A small donation when forwarding a peal or quarter peal is most helpful towards maintaining 'The Ringing World' at 4d.

One probationer member of Guildford Cathedral band left Guildford by motor-cycle at 4 a.m. on Saturday with another motor-cycle at 4 a.m. on Saturday with another Guildford ringer riding pillion, to be present at the historic ceremony at Liverpool. They reached home at 2 a.m. on Sunday after a journey of 452 miles over slippery roads and having, like others, been refused admission to the tower. The probationer was in the belfry at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday to take his part in the service ringing at Guildford Cathedral, Knowing what the weather was like on Saturday this was a commendable example of unswerving loyalty to his own tower. loyalty to his own tower.

The peal of Braunstone Surprise Major at Syston, Leicestershire, was the first peal of Major on the bells since 1933. The title of the peal was taken from a district of Leicester in which four of the band reside.

'There has been a ring of six at Bures, Suffolk for 125 years. We are very proud to forward our first local quarter peal,' writes Leslie D. Mills. We are equally proud to re-

Manchester University Guild is progressing in its handbell ringing. The Guild scored its first quarter of Minor 'in hand.' 1.264 Plain Bob. on October 22nd. The band was Derek Ogden 1-2, W. L. Robinson (conductor) 3-4. E. Nixon 5-6, B. Harris 7-8.

Eight members of the Middlesex County Association had an autumnal half-day outing in Bucks and Beds on November 3rd. Two quarter peals were rung, viz., Double Norwich at New-port Pagnall and Plain Bob at Woburn (con-ducted by Mr. D. Harris). At Bletchley a quar-ter of Cambridge Surprise Major was lost. The meeting of old friends—Mr. D. Harris, Mr. H. Sear. Mr. Cademy and Mr. J. Mark. gave great pleasure to the party.

GOSSIP

The peal at Woburn on November 8th was rung by the light of the altar candles and a hurricane lamp, the reason being **BELFRY GOSSIP** off the supply of gas In a dull, flickering light, with the ropes casting eerie shadows on the walls, a good peal was rung. The popular general secretary of the Bedfordshire Association, Mr. F. J. Plummer, will certainly remember his first real of Susprise ber his first peal of Surprise.

> The ringer of 1-2 in the handbell peal at Redfield, Bristol, on October 21st, was Eric Sutton, and not as printed.

> Prestbury (Glos) band gave its practical support to the local mission by ringing on nine evenings. A fine example of church service.

> An interesting point about the peal of Minor in seven methods at Hornsey is that it was the first peal on the bells since 1914. In 1927 the nave was taken down; in consequence the movement of the tower was much increased.

The peal at Keele, Staffs, was arranged as welcome to Miss June Henshaw to Keele Hall, the University College of North Staffordshire. Miss Henshaw is the first student from Keele to ring in a peal.

The Durham and Newcastle Association rang two peals as an 80th birthday compliment to their president, Canon H. S. Stephenson, At the ringing meeting at Gateshead to-morrow, it is hoped to have a little birthday party for the

Mr. Adolphus Roberts ('Old Bob') returned to his native home on November 3rd to ring a peal; his last peal in Gloucester being in 1896. On the following Sunday morning he was at the Cathedral at 9 a.m. to meet his old friend Sidney Romans, these two being the only original members of the St. Michael's Juniors.

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LIVERPOOL'S GREAT WELCOME TO THE PRINCESS

LEARNER BAND BROADCASTS OPENING OF BELLS — THE DEDICATION CEREMONY — LEADING CINQUES COMPANIES TEST NEW BELLS

PRINCESS ELIZABETH and the Duke of Edinburgh arrived home on Saturday after one of the happiest of royal visits to Canada and the United States.

It had originally been intended that the bells of Liverpool Cathedral should have been heard of Liverpool Cathedral should have been heard for the first time when their Royal Highnesses sailed for Canada, but the deeply-regretted illness of H.M. The King necessitated a postponement of their departure and a journey by air.

To Liverpool people the news that Princess Elizabeth had graciously consented to receive a civic welcome from the city and to visit the Cathedral and hear the bells ring out for the

Cathedral and hear the bells ring out for the first time on her return journey was deeply ap-preciated. No ring of bells since the war has created a wider sense of anticipation throughout the Ringing Exercise than these great bells of Liverpool, which embody many

of the latest ideas in the art of bellfounding.

'May I express the hope that "The Ringing World" will do its utmost to persuade the B.B.C. to give a broadcast of the opening of the Liverpool Cathedral bells on November 17th and to make it long enough to be really worth while?' This was the message we received while?' This was the message we received from a well-known church bell-ringer in Devonshire and there were other letters in a similar strain. The B.B.C. had previously made arrangements and the country listened in and

The day before, 'The Ringing World' was informed for the first time what the welcome home arrangements were, with the following

message:—
 'Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh will be joyfully welcomed home by the Liverpool Cathedral bells rung by the boys of the Cathedral Cross Guild.

We in Liverpool earnestly hope that this welcome will represent the bell-ringing boys

welcome will represent the bell-ringing boys throughout the land and be an encouragement to them.—E. L. H.?

The Cathedral Cross Guild is composed of ex-Cathedral choristers and some 15 of them are being trained to ring at Woolton under the direction of Mr. Ernest L. Humphriss. The progress they had made in the short time at their disposal led Mr. Humphriss to write: 'If the Cathedral bells are as free from guile and tricks as are our bells at Woolton, the boys will give a lead on Saturday to satisfy the most

destructive ever of the critics.'

Upo1 receipt of this letter, the Editor send a message of good wishes to Mr. Humphriss and

The members of the Cathedral Cross Guild fired the light eight bells upon receiving a signal sent by 'walkie-talkie' radio. This continued for a minute or two. The boys then stepped aside and their places were taken by stepped aside and their places were taken by Liverpool ringers who rang the twelve bells in rounds. The ringing was under the superintendence of Mr. G. R. Newton (Ringing Master) and Mr. Ernest L. Humphriss (Assistant Ringing Master and instructor) The Liverpool ringers were: F S. Almond, E. F. Bennett, E. C. Birkett, T. R. Butler, P. W. Cave, J. Cooke, L. L. Gray, T. W. Hammond, G. H. Hesketh, T. W. Hesketh, T. S. Horridge, J. Ridyard, J. E. Spice and F. Varty.

A GREAT WELCOME

No greater welcome has ever greeted anyone who stepped ashore than that accorded Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh and they must have been deeply touched by its sincerity and warmth. Many civic dignitaries were pre-sented to the royal couple, and of particular interest to ringers was the presentation of the Cathedral clergy, the chairman of the Building Committee, the architect (Sir Giles Scott), Mr.

and Mrs. Bartlett (Mr. Bartlett is the grandsca of the donor of the bells) and Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hughes, the bellfounders.

Princess Elizabeth graciously gave the signal for the Cathedral bells to be rung and the light eight were fired by the Cathedral Cross Guild This welcome to the royal couple was the first time the bells had been heard.

Then, at the Cathedral, the service of the Hallowing of the Bells commenced with the

ancient carol:--

'Ding dong! merrily on high
In Heaven the bells are ringing;
Ding dong! verily the sky
Is riv'n with angels singing.
Even so, here below,
Lat steeple hells by swungen' Let steeple bells by swungen.'

The Scripture was read by Col. A. C. Tod (chairman of the Building Executive), which was followed by the Te Deum. Then the Dean, addressing the Bishop, said: 'Right reverend Sir, we pray you seek a Blessing on the music of these bells, which we have heard for the first time, to the glory and praise of God.'

The Bishop then hallowed the bells with these The Bishop then hallowed the bells with these words: 'In the name of God, whose glorious sound is in all the world, Hallowed be His name in the making of music with these bells. May they be hallowed in the soundings of His promise. "Because I live, ye shall live also, that my joy might remain in you and that your joy might be full." And may this Cathedral Church, hallowed by His glory in the power of His resurrection sound forth the comfort of His praise and the gladsome sound of the bells praise Him with their ringing.'

The bells were then blessed by the Bishop and at the conclusion of Beethoven's lovely 'Hallelujah Anthem,' the full ring of twelve was rung in rounds by the Liverpool ringers.

VISITING BANDS

For the ringing after the service of dedication, and in the afternoon, the Dean and Chapter had invited bands from the St. Martin's Birmingham, Leicester Cathedral, Sheffield District and the Ancient Society of College Youths containing a number with long service in the scroof of St. Paul's. Noted Birmingham personalities, including Mr. Albert Walker, rang first. They took a little time to settle down. It must be remembered that at present there are no louvres in the tower and the cold driving wind at the top of the tower might have added to the difficulties of bell control and also the new ropes.

Mr. Harold Poole led the Leicester Cathedral band. Unfortunately, at the Dean's orders. band. Unfortunately, at the Dean's orders, the Leicester 12 were deprived of two of their experienced members-Mrs. H. Poole and Mrs. Jill Staniforth. The Dean had ordered that no woman should be allowed in the tower because of its unfinished state, the tower being still in the hands of the builders.

However, Mrs. Poole and Jill were among the many ringers listening. The Leicester men are accustomed to lighter bells, nevertheless they acquitted themselves well. Liverpool Cathedral bells, to get the best out of them and to hear their full glory, need to be rung slowly.

When it came to the College Youths' turn the when it came to the College Youths furn the lift was not working and they had the long climb to the tower. The St. Paul's men. under Mr. Herbert Langdon and Mr. J. P. Smallwood, were more at home on these bells than the other bands and their Stedman Cinques were well rung. Nevertheless they were cautious: the conductor called a Bob course and then went to a longer one thus occupying the allotted. on to a longer one, thus occupying the allotted 20 minutes.

THE LUNCHEON

A company of about 100 representative ringers were the guests of the Dean at lunch served at the Adelphi Hotel. The Dean welcomed his guests and paid a high tribute to Mr. G. R. Newton, that grand pioneer of ringing. Mr. Newton, who received a great ovation on rising expressed his thanks to the companies who had come that day to ring for the inauguration of those great bells, and referred in a very kindly manner to the members of the Cathedral Cross Guild for whom he had obviously a very warm regard.

regard.

Handsomely-bound copies of the Service Paper were then presented to Mr. G. R. Newton and Mr. A. A. Hughes by Kevin Lavelle (who recently won a £25 prize in a public speaking contest), and both copies were autographed by everyone present.

The Meeter of the College Youths, in these

The Master of the College Youths, in thanking the Dean for his hospitality, said how proud his Society was to be invited to take part in the inauguration of this, the heaviest ring of twelve in the world. The experience of ringing on them had been a great joy and they were most grateful to be able to share in the joy that must be in the hearts of all those associated with this great church. great church.

Mr. Albert Walker also acknowledged the Dean's kindness and hospitality and recalled that in 1814 at the inauguration of the ring of twelve at St. Nicholas', Liverpool, the Birmingham men were invited to open them and were presented with a silver cup (since disappeared). He congratulated the Dean and Mr. Newton on the completion of the installation of this great ring and wished them every

Mr. H. J. Poole, of Leicester, and Mr. S. Palmer, of Sheffield, also gave thanks and then

Palmer, of Sheffield, also gave thanks and then followed a course of Stedman Cinques on handbells rung by F. E. Haynes 1-2. J. E. Spice 3-4. H. J. Poole 5-6, J. F. Smallwood 7-8, E. C. Shepherd 9-10, A. Walker 11-12. Mr. A. A. Hughes, of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, who was warmly received, thanked those present for their congratulations and said that it was only on that day that they had been able to hear the bells rung openly. Certain modifications to the strength of the clappering of the back bells would be made in due course. Ringing took place in the afternoon, the programme concluding with a Liverpool band ring-

gramme concluding with a Liverpool band ring-ing Grandsire Cinques and a perfect falling of the front eight.

THE BELLS A full description of the bells, frame, weights and inscriptions was given in this paper re-cently. All that now remains is to try to describe the impressions left on the mind by this mighty ring—the heaviest in the world. Never before have we been able to hear bells so deep-toned or so beautifully mellow. They give a feeling of subdued power and there is no blatancy or harshness in their dignified tones. They should bring joy and comfort to all who hear and all who ring them.

Certainly Liverpool does things in a big way

Certainly Liverpool does things in a big way. Their Cathedral (not yet completed) will be the largest and most beautiful in the country and they now have the heaviest ring of balls in the world. Let us hope that the inauguration of this great ring will lead to the foundation of as great a future for Lancashire ringing.

Among the many to whom a special vote of thanks is due is Mr. P. W. Cave, who arranged the transport to and from the station of the College Youths band from London. This kindness enabled the band to ring twice. The exchoristers' Guild of the Cathedral also did a great work in acting as guides to the parties ascending the tower. ascending the tower.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

. . . . THE WHOLE TRUTH Dear Sir,-There must be two classes of your readers who are heartsick of this continued futility of talk about Method Extension: (a)

Those who know nothing of it and care less: (b) Those who think they 'have it all taped.

But there's at least one other class—the few who do know something about it and who must continue to exercise almost unlimited patience, until there occurs official consideration. adoption and publication of the discovered principles, that, like a jig-saw puzzle, have been painstakingly extracted over the years and put together into what is at last beginning to make

This statement is made with great respect to the report on Method Extension recently submitted to the Central Council; but this report may be considerately viewed as scarcely to have touched the fringe of the subject; and this claim may be substantiated with the results of much and protracted investigation; which results have always been, are, and will be at the disposal of any genuinely interested party.

An example of (b) above may be found in

the letter on Method Extension signed 'B. the recent issue of our journal. That writer suggests' that 'C. H. K. and others' should 'reflect' on the absurdity of the position in order to 'realise' the unsatisfactory situation. How ridiculous is this particular suggestion may be seen in relation to the facts.

Of the leading conductors of the day C. H.

Of the leading conductors of the day C. H. K, is one who has for some years, indeed, 'reflected,' and has more than 'realised' the absurdities 'B' rightly indicts. He is, therefore, entitled to comment as he did in his leading article of the previous week's issue; and particularly by reason of his (C. K. K.'s) having made some study of, and employed, what is apparently still the only technology yet evolved for a penetrating investigation of the science of method structure. He is one of the very few of us who, by means of Grid Analysis, have been (and still are) working through published forms of extension, and categorising lished forms of extension, and categorising them. This implies, of course, our use for some sort of 'yard-stick,' based on a technical definition of what constitutes the process of extension.' Has official dictum given us either of these yet? Yet proposals of a mathematic nature are extant, and thoroughly workable.

as we have found.

Let us take 'B's 'example as illustrating the inadequacy of the report. He says the recommendations of the report on the subject of conmendations of the report on the subject of conmendations. tiguous places are clear enough. Indeed they are! Only too clear in indicating, once again, that a little knowledge is a dangerous thing. Only a tiny fraction of what may be known about 'places side-by-side' seems to have been appreciated and the secondary of the secondary in t about 'places side-by-side' seems to have been apprehended, and the recommendation in such general terms is impracticable. This is largely due to the 'shear effect' of rows cut by the hunt-bell's path in expanding grids. But this is an involved technical aspect that cannot be dismissed in a couple of lines. Let it suffice to show that there are no less than four distinct types of contiguous places, having various effects on the ensuing grid-pattern, and particularly as it expands under the process of extension. Thus:—

The four types of contiguous places.

	(Note '2'	and '5')	
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351624	315264	315264	132546
315264	132546	135246	312564
135246	312564	312564	135246
153246	321654	321654	153246
	'Over-	'Under-	'Double-
Incressed ?	cenceed 1	crossed '	crossed '

Only in one type of contiguous places could the recommendation apply unqualified, in two types with qualification and in one type not at all, necessarily. Here, then, is a clear example of decision reached without full investigation.

A few weeks ago, in response to the invita-tion to submit comment to the Methods Committee, one said that these columns could hardly accommodate the technical discussion necessarily arising from the points at issue, and that some of these with queries and suggestions were being offered to the committee direct. A memorandum summarising the chief results in the many years' work in this all-important technical branch of ringing has, in fact, been pre-pared for offer to the Central Council Library, and a copy has been sent to the committee together with a number of constructive suggestions and recommendations.

And lest 'B' or anyone else who has not devoted some considerable attention to the science of these things should think that contiguous places are a criterion, let it be said that if they be, then there are other and more important criteria (already investigated and duly resolved),

> Constant and Variable Sectors of Grid-Pattern.

> Demarkation of the incremental areas of

extended God-patterns.
Employment of supplementary Stats.
(Note — Stat' means all this:—Placemakings and their consequential 'farside 'dodgings in incremental areas.)
The Three Classes of Extension.

Development Groups of Methods. (XVIII

General Definition of, and particular Specification for, extension of a method.

Not one of these factors has found mention in official publication hitherto. Yet without their due consideration and application, no matter what 'jargon' be used to describe their concepts, all talk of extension is rather meaning-

But while we may not yet have discovered the 'whole truth,' yet sufficient data are to-day available for the Central Council's consideration, to enable a positive settlement of all the more important of the outstanding questions in Method Structure and Extension.—Yours very sincerely,

A. YORK-BRAMBLE.

SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL

Dear Sir.-While peals of Spliced Surprise Major have, in many cases, reached a high standard of performance, almost all those of Royal so far rung have consisted of Yorkshire and Cambridge spliced in half-courses.

It may be of interest, therefore, to point out that, providing a Cambridge Royal composithat, providing a Cambridge Royal composi-tion is used, the two methods are freely inter-changeable at all except the second and eighth leads of a course. The two leads are indepen-dent of one another, i.e., in the version of Mid-dleton's peal given below, the sets of five 'com-pulsory' leads may each be in either method. I hope this will encourage someone with the necessary time to spare to pursue the matter further.—Yours faithfully,

E. A. BARNETT. 5040 23456 M W H

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Four times repeated, adding 3H at * in the third and fifth parts.

The second leads of the second course of each part must all be in the same method.

The eighth leads of the first course of each

part must all be in the same method.

All the remaining leads of the peal may be either Yorkshire or Cambridge.

FORTY YEARS AGO

From 'The Ringing World,' November 24th, 1911

SURFLEET THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD On Saturday, November 18th, 1911, in 2 hours and 52 minutes.

At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF MINOR. 5.040 CHANGES
Being seven 720's:—(i) Sandal, Oxford, London
Scholars Pleasure and Kingston Treble Bob:
(ii) Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise; (iii) Reverse Hereward, Double and Single Court; (iv)
Plain Bob, and Double Bob; (iv) Haraverd

verse Hereward, Double and Single Court; (iv) Plain Bob and Double Bob: (v) Hereward, Double and Single Oxford; (vi) College Single; (vii) Kent Treble Bob.

R. Hugh Richardson . Treble Rev. H. Law James . 2
Rev. C. J. Sturton . 3
C. William Smith . . . 4
William Richardson . 5
Rupert Richardson . Tenor
Conducted by the Rev. H. Law James
This is the first time that seven true and complete 720's have been rung in sixteen methods.

methods

The Editor noted the peal of being 'of more than passing interest,' and added 'what is more remarkable is that one of the 720's was actually rung in four methods.'1

Masons' Tribute To New Grand Master

On Tucsday evening. November 6th, ten members of the Craft, being church bell-ringers, met at the Parish Church of St. Luke, Chelsea, to celebrate the installation of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, by ringing the bells, loyal and fraternal greetings having been previously sent

During the short time available some 576 changes were rung, being 168 Stedman Triples and 408 Stedman Caters, by the following mem-

and 408 Stedman Caters, by the following members of the Craft:—

W.Bro. Edwin J. Barnett, P.M., Gavelkind Lodge No. 4266: Bro. James Bennett, Per Mare Per Terram Lodge No. 3609; Bro. Arthur G. Mason. Rectitude Lodge No. 4727; W.Bro. Arthur D. Barker, P.M. (conductor). St. Clement Danes Lodge No. 1351; W.Bro. Frank Hansford, W.M., Lodge of Brotherly Love No. 329; W.Bro. Alfred B. Peck. Warrant Officers' Lodge No. 2346; W.Bro. J. Howard R. Freeborn, P.M., Chorley Wood Lodge No. 3247; Bro. William H. Coles, Hillingdon Lodge No. 3174; W.Bro. George W. Debenham, P.M., Old Albanian Lodge No. 4999; Bro. Philip A. Carter, St. Clement Danes Lodge No. 1351.

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2s. 6d. G. Grillo 2s. 3d.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.—On Nov. 11th, 1.259 Grandsire Caters: Audray Ewins (first on 10) 1, W. Birmingham 2 J. M. Ellwood 3, B. Taylor (first on 10) 4, F. Scott (first 'niside' on 10) 5, Ruth Tabraham 6, A. J. Glass 7, E. L. A. Hudson 8, W. Butler (first as condon 10) 9, A. D. Hudson 10, Rung for Remembrance Sunday and in memory of Major G. N. Horlick and Lieut. G. P. Horlick, 10 whose memory the trebles

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD FESTIVAL DINNER

A Great Time At Market Harborough

L AST year the Leicester Diocesan Guild held a quarterly meeting at Market Harborough. During the meeting a suggestion was made that the town and the facilities available would make an ideal place in which to hold the Guild's annual Festival dinner and social. The suggestion was acted upon and on October 27th a large gathering enjoyed what was described as the most successful Festival dinner and social yet held.

Early in the afternoon members, friends and visitors began to assemble. Some rang on the eight bells at St. Dionysius', a noble church in the Decorated and Perpendicular style dating

the Decorated and Perpendicular style dating from 1340. Others inspected the town, a small industrial and fox-hunting centre. The town was the headquarters of Charles I. on the eve of the battle of Naseby (1645). Many were interested in the quaint 17th century old Grammar School standing upon its pillars in the

mar School standing upon its pillars in the square near the church.

Just over 130 sat down to a splendid dinner arranged by Mr. J. Rawson and other local ringers. After justice had been done to this most enjoyable meal the president, Mr. H. J. Poole, supported by Guild officials, called on the gathering to honour the loyal toast. He then called on Mr. E. C. Turner, vice-president, to give the toast of 'The Leicester Diocesan Guild.'

Mr. Turner said although the Guild was young it contained many experienced ringers and, since its formation, many young and able

and, since its formation, many young and able ringers had been attracted to it. It was very good to see such a considerable number of young ringers present and he was very glad to young ringers present and he was very glad to welcome them. This was the fourth annual occasion on which they had gathered together and each occasion was better than the previous one. He thought the Guild had a better time socially than other Guilds. The Leicester district was, as it should be, the kingpin of the Guild: Loughborough District had shown what could be done in Minor method ringing, while the other Districts had, in their own way, done their share in the work and progress of the Guild.

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The Guild was in the happy position of having nearly 800 ringing members, and non-ringing members brought the total to 1.350. Mr. Turner, speaking of the oresident as being a friend of many years' standing, said that in Mr. Poole the Guild had a president equalled by none in the country and the high standard attained by the Guild was due to his personality and to his skill in directing its affairs. 'We, and others respect and look up to the Guild; it is part of our lives. Our lives should, and can be, lived without strife. At our meetings the outside world and its troubles can be forgotten.' concluded Mr. Turner

GUESTS FROM WIDE AREA

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Mr. P. L. Taylor, vice-president, gave the toast of 'The Visitors and Guests.' He mentioned Mr. George Morris, an old friend of his, without whom no occasion like that would tioned Mr. George Morris, an old friend of his, without whom no occasion like that would be complete. He was pleased to see and welcome Mr. R. J. Sharpe and friends from the Bedford District and from the Peterborough country were Mr. R. Noon, Mr. G. Care. Mr. E. G. Orland and ther friends, Mr. Taylor also welcomed Mr and Mrs. Sone, from Kent County, Mr. N. Chaddock, from Rotherham, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Milner, from Southwell. Mr. S. G. Waters and Mrs. K. R. Holtom, all very good friends, He coupled with the toast the name of Mr. A. P. Cannon.

Mr. Cannon. replying, said this was his first visit to the Leicester Festival and he found it a very happy gathering. It was a good thing to hold these functions. He was impressed by the amount of hard work put in by local men in building up the ringing Guilds.

Laymen, Mr. Cannon continued, often wondered what went on in their belfries and meet-

ings. He described his experiences when on ringing tours. The Leicester Diocesan Guild was, despite its youth, one of the leading Guilds in the country and the Guild was to be congratulated on its great good fortune in having Mr. H. J. Poole as president,

'RINGING WORLD' APPEAL

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Mr. A. E. Rowley, hon. treasurer, gave the
toast of 'The Ringing World.' They, as ringers,
had in 'The Ringing World' as great an asset
as ringers could have. it was indispensable; nothing could take its place. It was founded, as
all knew, by Mr J. S. Goldsmith, and on his
death, in 1942, the paper was taken over by
the Central Council. It was now in the hands
of a new Editorial Committee, one member of
which was their president. Mr. Rowley drew
attention to the appeal now being made for
1,000 extra readers and asked all ringers to do
everything in their power to support the call
for more readers.

Mr. Poole, replying to the toast, said that the best way to increase the income of 'The Ringing World' was to increase the number of postal subscribers. He suggested, as a New Year resolution, they take the paper, by post, for a quarter, or better still. for a year. Also to send a copy to their local clergy, who would thus get to know more of ringers and their work

their work
Mr. Poole spoke of the vast task undertaken by the new committee who were making every by the new continuitee who were making every effort to avoid having to increase the price. If, by lack of support, the price had to be increased, ringers would find themselves to blame. He asked his listeners to think what ringing would be like without 'The Ringing World.' There would be no means of collecting and passing on information of what other ringers or Guilds were doing or what meetings were be-Guilds were doing or what meetings were being held, there would be no knowledge of the progress being made month by month and there could be no competitive spirit between individual bands or districts. In short, if 'The Ringing World' failed, it would mean the end of organised ringing as they knew it to-day.

GUILD REPORT UNIQUE The president then expressed thanks to Mr. J. Rawson and other Market Harborough ringers for the work they had done in preparation for this occasion. Mr. Rawson, in particular, had spent several days of his leave to complete the arrangements and a great debt was owed to him and his helpers for the smooth way in which eveything had gone. It was grand to see on this, the first Festival to be held at Market Harborough, so many local ringers and their friends and it was gratifying to have had so much support for this dinner that it had been necessary to advertise in 'The that it had been necessary to advertise in 'The Ringing World' that all tickets had been sold well before the closing date.

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Regarding the Guild report just issued, Mr. Poole said a great deal of work had been involved. The composition figures published in the report should be a very great help to conductors and other interested ringers. The report was unique in so far that no other Guild report contained so many compositions.

The remainder of the evening, until a late hour, was spent in games and dancing. A well-stocked bar, specially installed for the occasion, added to the amenities and, of course, the 'Rise and Fall' together with some change ringing—all done Leicester style— must not be forgotten.

and fall together with some change thising all done Leicester style— must not be forgotten. Nor must the Bowley Triples, the plain course of which will not be found in the Standard Methods. The singing of 'Auld Lang Syne' ended what was generally felt to be definitely the best ever.

1,000 More Readers Wanted!

The Editorial Committee invite the help of all who have the welfare of 'The Ringing World' at heart to obtain at least another thousand Postal subscribers.

If the costs of the production of the paper could be spread over this increased number of readers it might be possible to avoid an increase in the price of the paper.

Every possible economy is being made, and advertisers are paying more for their space, but the recent increase in the cost of paper (£27/10/0 per ton) puts an additional strain on our resources.

Here is a chance for every ringer who wishes to help to do something practical. Talk about the paper at your meetings, and help us to rope in at least another 1,000 Postal subscribers. It can be done with your help. What about making a present of a quarterly, half-yearly or yearly subscription to someone whom you know does not take 'The Ringing World? Fill in the form below and send to J. E. Jeater, 11, Frankswood Avenue, Petts Wood, Kent.

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

Dorchester Branch at Cattistock

Ringers from various parts of Dorset and Somerset, numbering about 60 made their way on November 10th to Cattistock, when the Dorchester Branch held a meeting at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul

As is well known, this fine tower, with its ring of eight and carillon of 35 bells, was destroyed by fire during the late war and, incidentally, the cause of the fire has never been

established

At last, however, through the untiring efforts of the Rector, the Rev. A. V. Deane, his church officers and parishioners, the tower has been rebuilt—from the original plans of Sir Giles Gilbert Scott—and a fine ring of eight has been installed by Messrs. Mears and Stain-

These bells were available for ringing at 2.30 These bells were available for ringing at 2.30 p.m. and were kept going until 4 o'clock, when the Rector conducted the Guild service. The lesson was read by Canon A. Wilkinson Markby, chairman of the branch.

In his address the Vicar told the story of that fateful day when the tower was destroyed and

the bells reduced to scrap metal, of their efforts to procure the necessary licences to rebuild and finally of their joy and satisfaction on the completion of the work.

His story was interspersed with anecdotes which caused many a smile, but the climax of the address left no doubt as to his meaningthat although we may ring to show our skill, to meet our friends, or just because we like ringing, we are all giving of our best to God, as be comes all Christians.

Following the service the company was entertained to what was described by one very youthful visitor as a 'smashing tea' in the

Saville Hall.

The business meeting was conducted by the

The business meeting was conducted by the chairman who called attention to a proposed memorial to the late Rev. C. A. Phillips, former hon. secretary of the Wimborne Branch.

The Rev. A. S. Godley suggested that individual ringers might prefer to make small donations personally, rather than to pool their subscriptions in the names of their towers, and Mr. Precey proposed, seconded by Mr. Field, that members should send their subscriptions to the hon. secretary, Mr. J. H. Hayne, to be forwarded in due course. This was carried unanimously. Apologies for non-attendance were received from the Ven. J. C. Chute, the Rev. C. C. Cox, Mr. W. C. West and Mr. and Mrs. Salter.

On the proposition of Mr. L. Williams, seconded by Mr. Precey, it was decided to hold the annual meeting at St. Peter's, Dorchester,

on January 19th.

The hon, secretary proposed that the Cattis-The hon, secretary proposed that the Cattistock tower be re-affiliated to the Guild, and the captain of the tower, Mr. T. Lippit, and four other members, Messrs. B. Toms, C. Croft, E. Leluan and G. Goringe, together with Mr. H. Warmez, of Abbotsbury, being seconded by Mr. Field, were unanimously elected. Mr. R. H. Duke, hon, assistant secretary, and Mr. H. Gaylard, of Yeovil, offered to help the Cattistock ringers in the matter of change ringing. tock ringers in the matter of change ringing.

A vote of thanks to all concerned with the

organisation of the meeting was proposed by the chairman, and Mr. Deane suitably replied. Ringing continued until nearly 9 n.m. under the direction of the Ringing Master, Mr. F. Precey, assisted by his two deputies, Messrs. E. T. P. Field and F. Stedman.

Salisbury Branch at Downton

A quarterly meeting of the Salishury Branch was held at St. Lawrence's. Downton. on October 20th, some 30 ringers being present from the Salisbury. Wimborne and North Dorset Branches. with visitors from Fordingbridge. Ringwood. Winchester. London, Cobham and Lichfield. The Guild service was conducted

by the Vicar, the Rev. A. H. Purcell Fox, who gave an address. Mrs. Churchill, the wife of a local ringer, with her helpers, prepared a bountiful tea in the schoolroom.

Mr. H. A Roles, the Branch chairman, presided at the meeting which followed, and welcomed the visitors, in particular the vice-chairman and secretary of the Wimborne Branch. The chairman then mentioned the beautifully-tapped touch of Stedman which preceded the tapped touch of Stedman which preceded the service and stressed the importance of aiming first at good striking in the Sunday ringing, however simple the method, or if call changes or even only rounds were rung. He was very anxious that it should be stated, as from the Guild, that their first endeavour for the furtherance of ringing should be good striking. His remarks were endorsed by Mr. G. K. Norton and others.

Mr. Ernest J. Rowe, of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, was elected a life member.

Mention was made of a peal rung at Damer-

Mention was made of a peal rung at Damerham for the Branch last August, which included a first peal and a first of Doubles. This mention of learning news of fellow-ringers led the secretary to speak of the drive for 1,000 new postal subscribers to 'The Ringing World,' and order forms were passed round.

Mr. A. R. Macdonald, of the Wimborne Branch. spoke of the memorial to the Rev. C. A. Phillips, for 48 years hon. secretary of that Branch. and invited subscriptions from those who knew and appreciated his work. A collection was taken at the meeting and £1 17s. 6d. handed to him as a donation from the Branch. The bells of St. Lawrence's, Downton, are a musical ring increased to eight since the war. They were kept going from 2.30 till service time and again through the eyening in rounds and call changes, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Major, so that everyone was able to enjoy ringing and good fellowship. good fellowship.

DEDICATION

BARKBY, LEICESTERSHIRE

A considerable amount of interest was evinced in and around the charmingly old-world village of Barkby, Leicestershire, when it became known that the ring of five bells in St. Mary's Church tower was to be augmented to six through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Shorthose Smith, of Roundhill Lodge, particularly amongst the ringers of the neighbourhood.

The new bell was dedicated at evensong on Sunday, November 4th, by the Archbishop of Leicester at a special service most impressively conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. Herbert Ash.

The Archdeacon, who was at one time Vicar of the neighbouring parish of Hungarton, con-fessed at the outset of his address that he knew nothing about the history of bells but nevertheless proceeded to give a most delightful and in-spiring discourse which held the closest attention of all who were privileged to be present.

Most unhappily Mrs. Shorthose Smith was unable to join her husband in the congregation owing to serious illness.

The shocking weather, which had been de-plorable all day, undoubtedly kept many away who would otherwise have attended from surrounding districts. In spite of this several ringers from Leicester and Syston attended and joined with the local band, and some excellent touches were given on the bells which now form a most handy ring of six with tenor of 13 cwt.

The new treble, weighing 6 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb., was installed by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and the ringers and parishioners alike were most enthusiastic in their praise of the firm's work. On all sides it was agreed that the augmentation had achieved a perfectly balanced 'splice' which both acoustically and mechanically could not be improved. Mr. Fred W. Stevenson attended on behalf of the

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Life Membership Conferred on Lady Member

The annual committee and ringing meeting of the North Staffordshire Association was held at Bucknall on November 3rd, representatives attending from Audley, Brown Edge, Bucknall, Biddulph, Cheadle R.C., Draycott, Hanley, Kingsley, Longton, Leek, Norton, Newcastle and Stoke.

The secretary (Mr. W. Carnwell) reported that 12 meetings had been held during the year with an average attendance of 34, the lowest average during his term of office. Twelve resident and three non-resident life members

had been elected.

With regret he reported the death of Mr. E. Steele, of Longton, who, during his 40 years' membership, held the office of secretary and assistant scretary and was appointed treasurer in 1943, a position he held at the time of his

Forty-five peals had been rung during the year and the conductors were Mr. F. W. Grocott 29, A. Peake 3, C. H. Page and F. E. Wilshaw 2 each. R. S. Anderson, R. Barlowe, W. P. Deane, W. Hazeldene, N. R. Holland, G. A. Moore, A. Pritchard, J. Stanway and J. Worth one seeh Worth one each.

The statement of accounts showed a balance of £71 11s. 111d. The report and accounts

approved.

were approved.

Officers elected were:—Chairman, Mr. R.
S. Anderson; vice-chairman, Mr. A. W. Hull;
hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. Carnwell;
assistant hon. secretary, Mr. W. Edwards;
auditor, Mr. A. W. Hall; Ringing Masters,
Messrs, G. A. Moore and W. Hazeldene.

Meetings approved for 1952 were:—January. Longton; February, Audley; March, Brown Edge; April, Kingsley; May, Kidgrove; June. Leek: July, Biddulph: August, Dilhorne; September, Uttoxeter: October, Newcastle; November, Bucknall: December, Stoke.

Under the beading of any other business, the committee criticised members who devoted meeting days to peal ringing instead of support-

ing their own meetings.

After the committee meeting a short service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. K. V. Pearce). Mr. R. S. Anderson read the lesson, and a pleasing feature at the service was the presence of the choir boys. Tea was provided in the usual Bucknall manner and the Vicar extended a hearty welcome to all members present

A vote of thanks to the Vicar and ringers of Bucknall was proposed by Mr. R. S. Anderson. seconded by Mr. A. W. Hall. Mr. G. Jones tendered thanks to the ladies who had kindly prepared such a beautiful tea.

The chairman then paid a tribute to Mrs. A. Bowen, a Bucknall ringer, who has had to resign as a regular Sunday service ringer for health reasons. Mrs. Bowen was one of the first lady ringers to take part in a peal for the North Staffordshire Association and the first lady to conduct one

In appreciation of her services to Bucknall tower and the Association, she was elected an honorary life member of the North Stafford-shire Association. Mrs. Bowen thanked the members for their kindness and said she should still attend the meetings for a ring whenever possible. Eight new resident ringing members and one non-resident life member were elected.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Lewisham District

The annual meeting of the Lewisham District, held at Holy Trinity, Dartford, attracted an attendance of 55 members and friends hailing from 14 home towers, with welcome visitors from Croydon. Watford, Bushey, Horsham. Chatham and Hull.

Ringing during the afternoon preceded a short, pleasant service conducted by the Vicar, Canon Elliott Mitchell, whose very succinct address embodied a cordial welcome to Dartford. The services of Mr. Stedman at the organ were much appreciated. much appreciated.

After the service the company were entertained at tea at Sutton's Hall by Mr. R. A. Jenkins, the popular secretary of the Dartford Ringers, who proved an excellent and munifi-

The business meeting followed under the genial chairmanship of the Vicar. Ten ringers were elected practising members of the Association and the election of five other members was ratified.

The District secretary's report and review of the pear's work was adopted and was accorded a kind reception. Mr. A. G. Hill (Erith) was elected to another year's service as District secretary Mr. A. S. Richards (West Wickham) was reappointed District representative with Mr. J. Dafters (Lewisham) as his colleague. Mr. H. Hoverd (Dartford) was elected Ringing Master in succession to Mr. P. J. Spice (Bromlev).

An invitation to visit SS. Peter and Paul's, Bromley, for the January meeting, was gratefully accepted; the date chosen was the 26th.

Cordial votes of thanks to the Vicar and curate of Holy Trinity, to Mr. R. A. Jenkins, to the organist and to the officers for their re-

spective services, followed by responses from Mr. P. J. Spice, the curate and the Vicar, con-

cluded a very successful and happy meeting.

The roomy ringing chamber was then revisited for further ringing. All present could find something to their liking, from plainly wholesome rounds to the exotic piquancy of Spliced Surprise.

MR. GEO. GILBERT'S 500 PEALS

Of Mr. George Gilbert's 500 peals he has conducted 296. These have been rung in 136 towers. Peals in which he takes a special pleasure are 11,008 Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 9,060 Double Dublin, George peals of London and Bristol and one of Kent Treble Bob Major with seven ladies.

Doubles.—1 to 4 methods 6 (cond. 5).

Minor.—1 to 14 methods 154 (136).

Triples.—Plain Bob 6 (6), Oxford Bob 4 (1),

Stedman 37 (2), St. Clement's 1 (1), Grandsire

61 (49) (g). Major.—Pleasure 1 (1), Double Norwich Court Bob Major 25 (2) (a), Little Bob 2 (1), Plain Bob 57 (41) (f), St. Clement's College 2 (1), Single Oxford 2 (2); Treble Bob—Kent 36 (24), Oxford 23 (21), Worcester Variations

1 (1).
Surprisc.—Ashtead 1, Belgrave 1, Belvedere 1, Berkshire 1. Boveney 1, Bristol 8 (d). Cambridge 8. Cassiobury 1, Chiltern 1, Double Dublin 1 (h), Guildford 1, Ipswich 1, London 16 (c), New Cambridge 2, Painswick 2, Pudsey 1, Runnymede 1. Superlative 15 (2), Surrey 1, Windsor 1, Yorkshire 1.
Caters.—Stedman 9.
Royal.—Plain Bob 1, Kent Treble Bob 4 (1). Cambridge 1.

Cambridge 1

Cinques.—Stedman 1 Total rung 500; total conducted 296; towers

136; counties 10.

(a) includes 11.008; (b) includes 9.600; (c) and (d) include George peals; (e) seven ladies; (f) Army and Navy peal; (g) seven ladies. The preponderance of G.T. and B.M. is due in a big measure to first-pealers, of which Mr. Gilbert is proud, also Doubles and Minor.

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD Southern District

Upwards of 30 members attended the Southern District meeting at Hatton, near War-wick, on November 3rd, Ringing took place on the six bells from 3 until 4.30 when the service was conducted by the Rev. A. S. Dodds (Vicar). Tea was served in the Village Hall, and a short business meeting followed. It was decided that the January meeting should be held at Spitter. the January meeting should be held at Snitterfield. Two new members were proposed, viz., Mr. A. C. Morris, of Wroxall, and Mr. D. Harrison, of Hatton.

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The following towers were represented—
Ladbroke, Harbury, Southam, Warwick,
Bishops Itchington, Long Itchington, Stratfordon-Avon, Allesley (Coventry), and Hatton. The
next meeting will be held at Lillington on
December 1st.

H. C. P.

SAPCOTE RINGER'S COMING-OF-AGE

To celebrate the 21st birthday of Michael E. Brown, a handbell peal was arranged and rung at his home at Sapcote on November 6th. This at his home at Sapcote on November 6th. This proved to be a really good peal, Michael bringing the tenors in extremely well, considering it was his first 'in hand' of Triples.

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During the peal Mrs. Brown and her daughter (not forgetting father) were very silent in the adjoining room and it was indeed a very pleasant surprise for the three visiting ringers, after two and a half hours' ringing, to be invited to partake of the splendid meal that had been prepared. The topic of conversation was easily arrived at during the party as both Mr. Brown and his daughter are also ringers at Sapcote. It is chiefly due to Michael's enthusiasm for ringing that Messrs. Taylor have been entrusted with the work of putting Sapcote bells on ball bearings

A further birthday compliment was a peal of London Surprise at the Loughborough Foundry, when Michael rang his first peal in the method.

W. A. R.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN **ASSOCIATION**

Axbridge Deanery Meeting

Great interest was created at the meeting of the Axbridge Deanery Branch at Congresbury on October 27th by one ringer arriving in a 1912 Rolls Royce. Ringers attended from the following towers:—Shipham, Wembdon, Cheddar, Weston-super-Mare, Badgworth, East Brent, Publow, Worle, Weston, Bath, Marksbury, Keysham, Churchill, Banwell, Locking, Kingston Seymour, Yatton, Wrington, Yate (Glos), Kewstoke, Nailsea, Piddlehinton (Dorset), and were welcomed by Mr. F. Gosling, captain, and Mr. A. E. Standen, hon. secretary. Ringing commenced at 2.45 p.m. under the Ringing Master, Mr. G. Prescott, and continued until 4.30 p.m., when the Vicar, the Rev. A. S. Cran. welcomed those present to Congresbury and conducted the service from the Association Service Forms and gave a very in-

Association Service Forms and gave a very interesting address, Mr. F. Tibbitt playing the organ. The party were entertained to tea by

As the president, Preb. Leslie Alford, was de-layed, the Vicar presided at the meeting. The Rev. A. D. Allan was proposed as a performing member.

Preb. Leslie Alford proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and conducting the service, to the organist, also to the local ringers for their hospitality. The Vicar local ringers for their hospitality. and Mr. Standen replied, the latter saying how pleased he was to see Mr. E. Fisher, of Cheddar, an old Congresbury ringer, who was there over 40 years ago when Mr. Standen started

The tower was again visited and ringing continued until 8 p.m.

VICTORIA'S FINE WELCOME To Princess Elizabeth

The bells of Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, B.C., played a noble part in the welcome that was accorded their Royal Highnesses Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh upon their arrival at Victoria.

As the destroyer H.M.C.S. Crusader entered the harbour on October 21 the harbour on October 21st the bells were fired and ringing continued from 4.45 to 7.30 pm. during which a quarter peal of Grandsire was rung.

On October 22nd, at 10 a.m., when the Royal party left Government House on their tour of Victoria, the bells were again rung and continued ringing until 11.30 a.m. A special ring for one hour took place in the evening. The striking was excellent throughout and the firing in conjunction with Queens very well carried out and appreciated.

Mr. E. W. Izard, the conductor, has received the following letter of appreciation from the Bishop of British Columbia:—

My dear Mr. Izard,—A great number of the citizens, as well as myself, have been much impressed by the joycus and continuous well-come to the Princess and Prince Philip from the Cathedral belfry, and I write to express my grateful appreciation of the fine loyal service dear by transfer and your associates. It vice done by yourself and your associates. It made the welcome unique, for no Canadian city could have done it this way, and it must have been a familiar and welcome sound to our royal visitors. I have had little opportunity so far of hearing direct from them in the matter, but a large number of residents feel they are under a debt to you for your splendid job.

[Note.-Details of the quarter peal are published in our quarter peal columns.—ED.

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ABBOTSBURY, DORSET .-**OUARTER PEALS**

ABBOTSBL RY, DORSET.—
On Nov. 1tth. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. C. Ford 1,
J. H. Hayne 2, W. G. Trevett 3, H. J. Ford 4,
C. G. Ford (first as cond.) 5, J. Dorey (first quarter) 6.
Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Day.
ALFORD, LINCS.—At St Wilfrid's Church on
Nov. 13th, 480 Plain Bob and 780 Grandsire Doubles:
H. Scoffin 1, J. R. Ketteringham 2, J. 1. Smith 3.
S. H. Sutton 4, K. Ketteringham (cond.) 5, H. Pike
6, Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Mr.
W. H. Humphreys, churchwarden, vice-president of the
St. Wilfrid's Guild of Bellringers and a former ringer
at this church.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.—On Nov. 11th, 260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Chambers I, K. F. vett (cond.) 2, H. Bailey 3, R. G. W. Soars 4, J. Lowe 5, F. K. Thompson 6. Rung half-muffled

G. J. Lowe S. F. K. Thompson 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

BENTLEY, ESSEX.—On Nov. 11th, 1,260 Grandsite Doubles. H. G. Goddard 1, F. R. Goddard 2, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 3, A. Hilliar 4, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 5. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

BRIDLINGTON. YORKS.—At the Priory Church, on November 11th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Ibbotson (first quarter) 1, J. Foot (first 'inside') 2. H. Parker (cond.) 3, J. Porter 4, J. A. Parker 5, J. Bower 6, A 15th birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble.

Bower 6. A 15th birthday compliment to the ringer of the treele.

IIURFORD, OXON.—On Nov. 10th. 1,260 St. Clement's Bob Triples: D. W. Woodley (first in method) 1, J. Keyte 2, F. W. Soden 3, B. S. Nichols (cond.) 4, M. C. F. Collett 5, W. J. Dixon 6, T. W. Timms 7, J. J. Westmacott 8.

BURES, SUFFOLK.—On Nov. 12th. 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: S. T. Humo (14, first quarter) 1, D. L. Mills (12, first 'inside') 2, Mrs. L. Mills 3, F. C. Hynard 4, C. Bower (first 'inside' on 8 bells) 6, D. Mills (cond.) 7, R. Downing (first on 8 bells) 8. In memoriam John Garrad (1949) and Thomas Wood (1950). First quarter by all Bures company, six of whom learned on the bells. First quarter of Plain Bob Triples by all.

CARBIS BAY, CORNWALL.—On Nov. 9th. 1,260 Grandsite Triples: H. Taysom (first on eight) 1. Mrs A. S. Roberts 2, Miss M. L. Lidgey 3, Miss E. Symons 4, G. Werrell 5, Rev. A. S. Roberts (cond.) 6. G. W. Taysom 7, W. Wood 8.

CHECKENDON, OXON.—On Nov. 11th. 1,260 Grandsite Doubles: H. Winfield 1, Miss L. Slade 2, G. Hearns 3, E. L. Baughan 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Day.

C. M. Baughan 6. Rung half-muffled for Remem-

brance Day.

FASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.—At St. Mary's, on Nov. 11th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. H. Rollison 1, J. W. Rollison 2, E. Gower 3, L. I. Baldock 4, R. W. Pankhurst 5, R. W. Percy 6, H. G. F. Reynolds (cond.) 7, R. Cowling 8, Rung for tenth wedding anniversary of the captain and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Pankhurst.

HEENE, SUSSEX.—On Nov. 11th. 1,264 Plain Bob Major: S. A. Ansell 1, B. Luff (first quarter) 2, R. Wilson 3, E. Treagus 4, H. Weaver 5, F. Page 6, E. Charman 7, R. P. Wood (cond.) 8. For Remembrance Sunday.

branc Sunday.

HENFIELD, SUSSEX.—On Nov. 11th. 1.260 Stedman Triples (half-muffled): B. W. White (cond.) 1.

E. W. Morey 2. E. Lish 3, F. W. Parsons 4, C. R. Longhurst 5, R. Langridge 6, E. F. Packham 7, F. E. Cruttenden 8.

HEYTESBURY, WILTS.—On Nov. 10, 1,260 Doubles (360 Stedman, 360 Plain Bob, 540 Grandsire): W. L. Ludlow (first quarter) 1, Miss E. Bennett 2, R. G. Pearce 3, T. B. Holloway (cond.) 4, A. G. Moore 5, W. Waite (first quarter) 6.

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LLANGOLLEN, DENBIGHS.-On Nov. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Jones 1, F. Jones 2, A. Bailey (cond.) 3, F. Chinnock 4, J. Jones 5, with F. Hughes 7, W. Edwards 6, W. Young 8 covering. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

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LONDON.—At St. Giles' in the Fields, on Nov. 11th. 1.264 Plain Bob Major G. Parsons I, Miss M. Prockson 2. Miss J. Freer 3. Mrs. H. Bird 4, F. J. Sampson 5. W. Prockson 6, R. Bird 7, J. Euston 8. KEMPSTON. BEDS.—On Nov. 7th, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob R. Freeman I, G. Hutchings 2, W. Izzard 3, P. Inskip 4, L. Turner 5, M. Stephens (cond.) 6. LYME REGIS, DORSET.—On Nov. 11th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Daphne Keeley 1, Dr. E. L. Taylor (first in method) 2, G. S. Morris (cond.) 3, Mrs. C. W. Powell 4, G. H. Whitemore 5, N. Mallett 6, R. Keeley 7, H. G. Keeley 8. Rung for Remembrance Day.

MARLOW, BUCKS.—On Nov. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire

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Triples: Miss P. M. Dean (first quarter) 1, Mrs. E. D.
Poole 2, M. Spracklen (first quarter) 3, R. E. Dean
4, Miss E. Gibson 5, E. D. Poole (cond.) 6, L. J.
Young 7, J. T. Clay 8. Rung for Evensong and the
visit of the Bishop of Buckingham for the patronal

visit of he Bishop of Buckingham for the patronal festival.

NEWPORT PAGNALL, BUCKS.—On Nov. 7th, 1.260 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss V. Willard 1. Miss E. Fulton 2. G. M. Kilby 3. E. Thurlow 4. H. G. Hart 5. F. W. Goodfellow 6. A. W. Coles 7, N. Genna (cond.) 8.

NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS, LANCS.—On Nov. 11th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Mawdesley, jun.. 1, P. Millward 2. G. Halls 3, K. Edwards 4, J. Ash-croft (cond.) 5, A. V. Lucksmith 6.

PADBURY, BUCKS.—On Nov. 9th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss D. Spocks (first quarter) 1. H. Jones 2. G. W. Holland 3, C. Gough 4, W. Yates (cond.) 5, Miss M. Coleman (first quarter) 6.

PRESTBURY, GLOS.—On Nov. 13th, 1.260 Stedman Doubles: R. Taylor 1, H. Webb 2, C. Rouse 3. D. Surman 4, R. Dowdeswell (cond.) 5, F. Pendry 6. First quarter in method by all except 3 and 6. Rung as a farewell to D. Surman, who is going to Sheffield.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.—On Oct. 14th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Sandwell (first quarter) 1. B. J. Howard 2. W. S. May 3, G. Blower (first quarter of Minor) 4. V. W. Grimwade (cond.) 5, G. Frost 6.

ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.—On Nov. 11th, 1.280 Plain Bob Major: Anthony Scott (first quarter of Minor) Plain Bob Major: Anthony Scott (first quarter of Minor) 1, F. Hammond 2, E. Bishop, jun., 3, A. F. Lewry 4, C. Brasier 5, W. Rogers (cond.) 6, S. T. A. Russell 7, W. A. Kitchenside 8. For Remembrance Day.

ST. IVES, HUNTS.—On Nov. 4th, at All Saints',

Day.

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1.272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: H. W. Pratt 1, G.
Nicholls 2, F. Warrington (cond.) 3, L. W. Fisher 4,
G. L. Perkins 5, G. H. Dunnington 6. For the patronal

SELLY OAK, WORCS .- On Nov. 11th 1,260 Stedman

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STROUD, GLOS.—At the Parish Church on Oct. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. Sheppard 1, B. Latham 2, G. Latham 3, T. Price 4, T. Pritchard 5, T. Witts (cond.) 6, W. Dean 7, M. Simpson 8. STANWELL. MIDDLX.—On Oct. 21st, 1,260 Doubles in eight methods (Grandsire, Antelope, Kenninston, April Day, Old. Norfolk, Reverse Canterbury, Plain): Rev. Lloyd 1, Doris Thompson 2, F. Blagrove (cond.) 3-4 R. A. Smith 5, Rita Thompson 6. First in eight methods for all and on the bells.

UPPER CLAPTON, LONDON.—On Nov. 4th, at St. Matthew's, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. F. Neal 1, Miss G. L. Friswell 2, Miss J. H. Friswell 3, R. K. C. Wilkings 4, D. Neal (cond.) 5, D. A. Sydenham 6. Rung for the festival of All Saints, and as a welcome home to Donald Sydenham.

WALMER, KENT.—On Nov. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Vine 1, Miss J. Wells (first as cond.) 2, A. C. Rye 3, G. Ruck 4, P. J. Rye 5, T. Wickens 6, H. Furminger 7, D. Ladd 8, First lady to conduct a quarter peal in the tower.

WESTON ZOYLAND. SOMERSET.—On Nov. 13th, 160.

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1.260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Chappel 1. S. Baker 2,
B. Jeanes 3, P. Tucker 4. T. Chappel (cond.) 5, G.
Burge 6. Rung as a farewell to the ringer of 1.
YATE, GLOS.—On Nov. 11th. 1.260 Grandsire
Doubles: J. Cox 1. Miss J. Shellard 2, M. Wiltshire
3, J. Hammond 4. W. F. Scudamore (cond.) 5.
H. Shellard 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance
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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD—Stockport Branch—Meeting at Hyde, November 24th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. All welcome. —C. K. Lewis, Hon. Sec. 9796

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Derby Dis-Alkmund's. trict.—Monthly meeting at St. Alkmund's, Derby, Saturday, November 24th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements; good cafes nearby.—Maurice Bailey, Dis. Sec.

HERTS ASSOCIATION—St. Albans District.—Meeting at Harpenden, Saturday, Nowember 24th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—W. J. Southam, 14, Walton Street, St. 9780

LADIES' GUILD. — Southern District. — Mecting, Saturday, November 24th, St. Mary's, Guildford. Ringing 3. Service 4.15. Tea 5, at Y.M.C.A. Club, 119. High Street, Nomes to Miss W. A. Oliver, 36, North Place, Guildford. Gentlemen cordially invited. 9789

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. Paceding at Ossett on Saturday, November 24th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Teas can be obtained near the church. Business meeting in the tower 7 p.m.—H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, 9795 LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY -- Mect-Wortley Road, Leeds 12.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Donington, Saturday, November 24th. 9768
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—

South and West District.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, November 24th. Ringing, Harlington (8) 3—5. Buses 90a, 98. Tea 5 p.m. and business meeting. Harmondsworth (6) in the evening Bus 224.-G. Dodds, Dis. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—Saturday, November 24th, Great Missenden, 2.30 p.m.; Little Missenden 3.30 p.m. Tea 2s. Amersham, 6 to 7.30.—Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough, 9783
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon

Branch.—A combined practice at Thame on Saturday, November 24th, at 2.30 p.m.—H. Badger. Branch Sec. 9772

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Ipswich District.—Joint meeting at Bramford and Sproughton, Saturday, November 24th, Meet at Bramford 2.45. No tea arrangements. Hall available for meeting, etc., at 5 o'clock. Rules for ringing contest. to be discussed.

PORTSMOUTH WINCHESTER AND MINCHESTER AND PORTISMOUTH
GUILD. — Basingstoke District. — Quarterly
meeting. Strathfieldsaye, Saturday, November
24th, 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names to
F. Best, The Stores, Strathfieldsaye. — J.
Chesterman, Hon. Sec.
9794

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION Western Branch.—Meeting at All Saints', Worcester, Saturday, Nov. 24th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Wor-Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting. Names, by Tuesday, November 20th, to E. F. Cubberley, Park Cottages, Kempsey, near Worcester. 9790

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Chew Deanery.—Annual meeting, Wraxall, December 1st. Bells 3 o'clock. Service 4 o'clock. Tea at Jubilee Inn, Flax Bourton 4.30. Meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo. 9809

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIA-TION.—Bridgwater Branch.—Ringers' service,
Holford, December 1st Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5.
Notify to R. Short, Chilton Trinity. 9829
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bed-

ford District.—Meeting on December 1st at Cranfield (first for 13 years). Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names to Michael Stephens.
Durler Avenue, Kempston. Also please book
January 5th for A.G.M., Bedford. 9784

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. Southern District.—Meeting, Lillington (8), Saturday, December 1st. Please notify for tea. -Edden, 25, Deppers Bridge, Southam, Rugby

DEVON GUILD—S.W. Branch.—Annual meeting, Plymouth Emmanuel, December 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea by November 26th.—T. G. Myers, 79, Regent Street, Plymouth

mouth. 9760
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Holy Trinity, Sunderland, December
1st, 3 p.m. Names for tea (2s. 6d.), by November 29th, to Mr. F. Ainsley, 30, Aysgarth
Avenue, Sunderland.—D. A. Bayles. 9812
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts
District.—Meeting at St. Ives, Saturday, December 1st. Bells (8) 2,30 p.m. Tea 5,30 p.m.
Also please note A.G.M., January 26th, Huntingdon.—H. S. Peacock, Dis. Sec. 9823
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TION.—Bristol City Branch.—Annual meeting, December 1st, St. Mary Redeliffe (12), 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. in Community Centre, Guinea Street, Business 6 p.m. Names, by November 27th, to E. F. Hancock, 124, Coronation Road, Bristol 3.—A Renett

A. Bennett.
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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Tewkesbury Branch.—Annual meeting, Kemmerton, December 1st. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Names for tea to J. Beech, Hon. Sec., 6, Abbey Terrace, Tewkesbury. 9810 GUILDFORD GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Meeting, Dorking, December 1st. Bells from 3. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. Nomination of District officers for 1952 made at this meeting. Numbers for tea, by November 28th, to G. Coldman, 60, Nower Road, Dorking. 9822
HERTS and ESSEX ASSOCIATIONS.—Joint meeting will be held at Sawbridgworth (8) on Saturday, December 1st. Bells 3 p.m.

(8) on Saturday, December 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service 6 p.m. All welcome.—J. Kemp, Sec., 16, North Road Avenue, Hertford; G. Blake, Sec., 96, Burford Street Hoddesdon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone District.—Meeting, Barming, Saturday, December 1st. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea, by kind invitation, in Church Hall, 5.—Names to Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Kimmeridge, Ditten, 2775

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—Social meeting at Christ Church,

ham District.—Social meeting at Christ Church, Erith, on Saturday, December 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m Names for tea not later than Monday, November 26th.—A. G. Hill, 24, Stanmore Road. Belvedere. 9767

LADIES' GUILD.—West Midlands District.—Meeting, December 1st. Stoke, Coventry, bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Tea at Allesley (5.30 p.m.) only for those notifying, by Nowember 26th, Miss A. Timms, 32, Redesdale Avenue, Coundon, Coventry. Social evening (7 p.m.—11 p.m.) in Parish Rooms, Allesley, Admission 2s.—M. Beamish, Hon. Sec. 9821

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at Clitheroe on Saturday, December 1st. Ringing at 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided. Meeting to follow tea.—Charles W. Blakey, Branch Sec. 9825

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION—Lancaster Branch and Furness Branch.—Joint meeting on Saturday, December 1st. St. Peter's R.C. Cathedral, Lancaster, bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Lancaster Priory bells (8) 6.30—9 p.m. All welcome. Tea provided. Names to R. Rainford. 23, Golgotha Road, Lancaster.—R. F. Eccles. Branch Sec. 9817
NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting. Stoke, Saturday, December 1st. Names for tea to Mr. C. H. Page, 57, Oxford Street, Penkhull, Stoke-on-Trent.—W. Carnwell, Hon. Sec. 9797
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—Meeting at Buckland, Saturday, December 1st. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea, by November, 28th, to M. J. Pryor, 9, Marlborough Gardens, Faringdon. 9766

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.— North Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting at Bletch-ley, Saturday, December 1st. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 3.30. Names for tea by November 24th.—R. H Howson, 19, Greenfield Road, Newport Pagnell, Bucks.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD -Sonning Deanery Branch.—Combined practice at All Saints', Wokingham, on Saturday, December 1st, 6 p.m.—B. C. Castle. 9803

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guilsborough Branch.—Meeting at West Haddon, Saturday, December 1st. Names for teabefore November 28th, please, to E. Orland.

11. High Street, Long Buckby, Rugby. 9807

SALISBURY GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.

—The annual meeting will be held at Bridport,
Saturday, December 1st. Bells 2.30. Service
3.45. Tea and meeting follow. Names for tea,
by November 26th, to C. H. Lathey, Malmaison, Bradpole, Bridport.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD—Winborne Branch.—Practice meeting, Poole, December 1st. Ringing 2.30. Tea 5.15 for those who notify. by November 28th, I. Davis. 109, Wimborne Road, Poole. Preliminary notice.—Dedication of memorial plaque to the late Rev. C. A. Phillips, at Wimborne, January 19th.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY The next meeting is at Thrybergh on Saturday. December 1st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Names for tea by November 28th, to J. E. Turley, 356, Main Road, Sheffield 9.

SOUTHWELL GUILD—Nottingham District.—Meeting at Lenton, Saturday, December 1st. Bells available 4 p.m. Names for tea, by Saturday, November 24th, to Mr. K. Lee, 25, Cloister Street, Lenton, Nottingham. 9792

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—North Western District.—Meeting at Wimbledon on Saturday, December 1st. St. Mary's bells 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Ten and meeting 5.45: St. Mary's, Putney, 7.30 to 8.30 p.m. Nomina tions for District officers. 1952. Names for tea to Mr. Wicks, The Lodge, 10, Arthur Street. S.W.19.—R. Lathbury, Hon, Dis. Sec. 9779

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Divi-Solution Association,—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting, Turners Hill (8). Saturday, December 1st, 3.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify, by Wednesday, November 28th, G. T. Jennings, 5, Malthouse Road, Crawley, Sussex.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD. Swansea and Brecon Goles.

Southern District.—Annual meeting, Aberavon (8 bells)), Saturday, December 1st. 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea, please.—J. A. Hoare, 6, Gendros Crescent, Swansea. 9758

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH
GUILD.—Andover District.—Longparish (6).
December 1st. Bells 2.30—4.15. 6—9 p.m.
Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by November 29th.—J. A. Hill, Maesteg, Anna Valley. Andover

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH
GUILD—Alton and Petersfield District.—
Meeting at Selborne, December 1st. Bells (5)
2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5.—C. E. Bassett Warsash.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Consett, Saturday. December 8th. Tea arranged, No names required.—C. T. Lamb, Hon. Dis. Sec. 9831

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.—Cheltenham Branch.—Annual meeting. St. Mary's, Cheltenham, December 8th. Bells (12) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—P. Baker, 31, Tobysfield Road, Bishops Cleeve.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Ashford District.—Quarterly meeting at Tenterden, December 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. T. Cullingworth, 95a, High Street, Ashford, Kent. 9818

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION -Canter-KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Canterbury District.—A social meeting will be held in Canterbury on Saturday December 8th. Ringing during afternoon, from 2.30 p.m., at St. Dunstan's and St. Stephen's. Tea, St. Dunstan's Parish Hall, 4.45 p.m., to be followed by social evening. Tickets, including tea and refreshments, price 2s. 6d., may be obtained from the undersigned, not later than Wednesday, December 5th. Cash with order, please.—B. J. Luck, 20, Bacconsfield Road, Canterbury, 9819

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD-Daventry Branch.—Meeting, Flore, Saturday, December 8th. Names for tea, to me. by December 1st.—F. W. Hancock, Willoughby, near 9814 Rugby.

ROTHWELL, YORKS—Rededication of the bells, recast by Taylors, by the Ven. C. O. Ellison, Archdeacon of Leeds, on Saturday, December 8th. at 3 p.m. Bells available after service, with break for tea at 5 p.m. Tea tickets, 2s. 6d. each, reserved only for those who notify me by Tuesday, December 4th.—F. W. Strangeway, 21, Haigh Avenue, Rothwell, Leeds.

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